

II Explanation of Terms

Total households

The sum of two-or-more-person households plus one-person households.

Districts

Hokkaido

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Tohoku

Aomori-ken, Iwate-ken, Miyagi-ken, Akita-ken, Yamagata-ken, Fukushima-ken

Kanto

Ibaraki-ken, Tochigi-ken, Gumma-ken, Saitama-ken, Chiba-ken, Tokyo-to, Kanagawa-ken, Yamanashi-ken, Nagano-ken

Hokuriku

Niigata-ken, Toyama-ken, Ishikawa-ken, Fukui-ken

Tokai

Gifu-ken, Shizuoka-ken, Aichi-ken, Mie-ken

Kinki

Shiga-ken, Kyoto-fu, Osaka-fu, Hyogo-ken, Nara-ken, Wakayama-ken

Chugoku

Tottori-ken, Shimane-ken, Okayama-ken, Hiroshima-ken, Yamaguchi-ken

Shikoku

Tokushima-ken, Kagawa-ken, Ehime-ken, Kochi-ken

Kyushu & Okinawa

Fukuoka-ken, Saga-ken, Nagasaki-ken, Kumamoto-ken, Oita-ken, Miyazaki-ken, Kagoshima-ken, Okinawa-ken

City Groups

Cities and Ku-area of Tokyo are classified into the following four groups by the size of population based on the result of 2015 Population Census

Major cities

Designated cities under article 252-19 of the Local Autonomy Law and Ku-areas (ward) of Tokyo

Middle cities

Cities with population of 150,000 or more (excluding Major cities)

Small cities A

Cities with population of 50,000 or more, but less than 150,000

Small cities B・Towns and villages

Cities with population of less than 50,000, towns and villages

(Items Related to Expenditure 1)

Goods and services ordered over the internet

Total expenditure for goods and services ordered or reserved through the internet. Goods and services ordered or reserved at a store counter are excluded.

For gift

[Gift items]

Gifts for other households which do not share housing or living with gift givers.

For home

[Food]

Foods

“Beverages”, “Deliveries” and health food are excluded.

Beverages

Drinks of all forms including powder, other than medicinal beverages. Alcoholic beverages are included.

Canned, bottled, packed, and plastic-bottled

beverages are included as well.

Deliveries

What eating and drinking places provide, including cases of eating out reserved via the internet. Packed lunch, home-delivered pizzas, etc.

[Home electronics]

Home electronics

Durable goods assisting housework including Vacuum cleaners, heating and cooling appliances, recreational durable goods including personal computers, recreational goods including game consoles, and communication equipment including mobile telephones. Gas cooking appliances, electronic musical instruments, peripheral equipment and parts, expendables are included.

[Furniture]

Furniture

General furniture (dining tables etc.), interior furnishings and decorations (lighting appliances, curtains etc.), bedding (beds, futon etc.) etc.

[Clothing, footwear]

Men's clothing

Men's clothes for seventh graders and upward, including Japanese clothing.

Women's clothing

Women's clothes for seventh graders and upward, including Japanese clothing but excluding accessories.

Footwear and other clothing

Footwear such as shoes, and clothing other than men's or women's clothing (hats, neckties, socks, etc.). Children's dresses refers to clothing for babies to elementary school students (including Japanese clothing).

[Medical care]

Medicines

Medicines and quasi-drugs of all forms, including pills and health drinks.

Health foods

Food for maintenance and promotion of health by replenishing nutrition in forms similar to those of medicines, including pills, capsules, granules, powder, grains, liquid (extract), etc.

[Cosmetics]

Cosmetics

Skin cream, skin lotion, makeup foundation, lipsticks, perfume, hair color, etc. (excluding facial soap, shampoo, etc.)

[Private transportation]

Private transportation

Vehicles such as automobiles, motorbikes, bicycles, etc. (including their parts, second hand goods). Expenditure related to goods and services necessary for maintenance and use of such vehicles is also included.

[Books and the other reading materials]

Books and the other reading materials

Reading materials and books, such as newspapers, magazines, calendars, including used books. Digital books are excluded.

[Software (music, video, personal computer, TV game)]

Software

(music, video, personal computer, TV game)

Various forms of storage media with sound and/or images, including rented goods.

[Digital contents]

Digital books

Types of books read on personal computers, mobile telephones, tablet computers, etc. (including newspapers, magazines etc.)

Download music, video, applications

Downloaded music/ video, and software/ applications, including rented contents.

[Insurance]

Insurance

Life insurance, medical insurance, automotive insurance, fire insurance, etc. (only non-saving type insurance). Various types of insurance purchased or applied for through the internet (including types for which payment is made at a convenience store).

[Accommodation services (hotels, inns, etc.), fares (railways, airplanes, etc.), package tours]

Payment on the Internet

Charges for accommodation services, fares, and package tour costs (in case of payment on the internet).

Payment on-site

(the internet used for reservation only)

Charges for accommodation services, fares, and package tour costs (in cases where payment is not made through the internet).

[Tickets]

Tickets

Fees for entrance and viewing (including those for movies, plays, concerts, sports, etc., excluding shopping vouchers, etc.).

[Others]

Other goods and services

Everything that does not fall under any category of the above from "Gift items" to "Tickets." Purchase, move, investment, and donation of assets are excluded.

(Items Related to Information and Communication Technology)

Electronic money

In this survey, the definition of electronic money is currency value stored in media, like the such as IC cards and pre-paid card, etc. Post pay IC cards are excluded. Recharging only and using electronic money only as a season ticket for railways and bus are excluded.

e.g.) Suica, ICOCA, PASMO, nanaco, WAON,

Rakuten Edy, WebMoney, BitCash, QuoCard, etc.

[Average amount of money per household using electronic money by railways and bus]

Amount used to purchase a season ticket is excluded.

(Items Related to Expenditure 2)

[Communication]

Mobile telephones charges

Basic fees, call charges, and optional service fees for smartphones, cell phones, etc. Data communication charges are included.

Internet connection charges

Internet connection charges (ADSL, ISDN, optical fiber, etc.), provider fees (including entry fees, and line usage charge if provider contracts include it), mobile Wi-Fi charges, and combined contracts with cable TV services, etc.

Mobile telephones unit prices

Prepaid cell phones, and charges related to switching phones are included as well. Rental or leased phones are excluded.

[Travel-related costs]

Airplane fares

Various fares for use of aircrafts, including fuel surcharge. Charges paid for business trips are excluded.

Accommodation services

Various charges for overnight accommodation. Charges paid for business trips are excluded.

Package tour costs (domestic/ overseas)

Package fees covering transportation and hotel charges. Charges paid for business trips are excluded.

[Education, Culture and recreation]

Tuition (kindergarten-university) (public)

Tuition (kindergarten-university) (private)

Tuition and other fees payable for education at school. Such schools as kindergartens, nursery schools and centers for early childhood

education (age 3 or over), elementary schools, junior high schools, high schools and universities (including junior colleges, technical colleges and graduate schools) and special schools (including vocational schools and technical schools).

Tutorial fees

Fees for cram school, correspondence study, home tutor to supplemental study of main scholastic curricula and mock examinations, etc.

Lesson fees, driving school

Fees for entrance and training camp at driving school.

Rental fees for sports facilities

Entry fees, membership fees, and dues for gyms, as well as charges for fitness centers.

[Clothing]

Men's suits

Suits and formal wear for men from seventh grade of school and upward. Uniforms and single items (jacket only or trousers only) are excluded.

Women's one-piece dresses and suits

Suits and one-piece dresses and formal dresses for women from seventh grade of school and upward. Uniforms and single items (jacket only, skirt only, or slacks only) are excluded.

Japanese clothing

Japanese clothes for men, women and children including festival wear, underwear for Japanese clothes, and obis.

Wrist watches

Including pocket watches, pendant watches, ring watches.

Accessories

Rings, necklaces, earrings, brooches, jewels, precious metals, necktie-pins, corsages, etc.

[Medical care]**Delivery fees**

All costs of hospitalization in connection with child delivery.

Hospital charges (excluding delivery)

All costs of hospitalization not connected to child delivery. Direct payment of hospital charges for family members those who are non-members of the household hospitalized for a long period (3 months or longer) are included as well. Hospitalization for a routine health checkup, such as a scheduled thorough physical checkup is excluded.

[Furniture, etc.]**Chests of drawers**

Japanese- and Western-style chest, chest of drawers, chest of drawers for baby clothes, wardrobes, etc.

Beds

Including water beds, pipe beds, beds for kids.

Quilts

Set of comforters, sleeved quilts, thinner comforters, etc.

Bedding for babies is excluded.

Desks and chairs (for work or study)

Desks and chairs for office or study use, etc.

Exclude tables for dining or use on *tatami* mats.

Sideboards

Sideboard, etc. (including those in dining room, living room, etc.)

Dining tables and chairs

Items mainly used for meal, including single items (such as dining tables only or dining chairs only).

Drawing room suites

Items mainly used for receiving guests, including single items (such as sofa only or table only).

Musical instruments**(including parts of instruments)**

Upright pianos, organs, electronic instruments, violins, trumpets, harmonicas,

drums, koto, shamisen, etc.

[Home electric appliances, etc.]**Refrigerators**

Refrigerator/freezers, low-temperature storage containers (rice granaries and wine cellars), etc.

Vacuum cleaners

Robot vacuum cleaners, stick vacuum cleaners, handheld vacuum cleaners, etc., including rechargeable type.

Washing machines

Including washing machines with a dryer, gas dryers and dehydrators.

Air conditioners

Those with both cooling and heating functions as well as those only with a cooling function, excluding installation fees.

Personal computers (including tablet devices, excluding peripherals and software)

Displays, keyboards, and batteries are included as well if they are purchased together with computers as part of a package. Other peripherals, computer software, and non-durable goods purchased separately from computers are excluded.

TV

Portable types are excluded.

Video recorders

Devices hooked up with a TV set for recording and playing back (DVD or Blu-ray recorders / player, etc.), excluding portable types. Types which make up part of an audio device or come with speakers are excluded.

Video games hardwares (excluding softwares)

Video game consoles, including portable types. In addition, those which are sold together with software and accessories (such as controllers) are included. Video game software is excluded.

Cameras (including lenses only, excluding disposable cameras)

Purchase of interchangeable lenses only is included as well. Peripheral items and repair cost are excluded.

Video cameras

Peripheral items and repair cost are excluded.

[Housing]

House-related equipping/ construction/ repair costs

Costs of equipment and appliances for house interiors/exterior (including gates/ external walls/ fences), and for their installation and repair of same, excluding cost of materials for repair.

Water supply and drainage construction costs

Costs of construction, repair, maintenance and inspection of water supply and drainage facilities for kitchen, bathroom and toilet.

Gardens, trees and plants tending costs

Costs of services necessary for maintenance and management of plants and garden.

[Motor cars - related costs]

Automobiles (new, second-hand)

Base price covering standard equipment at the time of purchase plus automobile acquisition tax (less trade-in price if any).

Automobile (second-hand) include deregistered new cars (shinkosya).

Automotive insurance premium (compulsion)

Premium for compulsory automobile liability insurance charged at the time of purchase or periodic official car inspection.

Automotive insurance premium (option)

Premiums for voluntary insurance, not compulsory automobile insurance.

Motorized vehicles other than automobiles

Base price for motorized vehicles other than automobiles (motorbikes, etc.), covering standard equipment at the time of purchase plus automobile acquisition tax. Secondhand purchase is included.

Automotive maintenance and repairs

Cost of services necessary for maintenance and repair of automobiles, excluding fitting or repair fees for automobile-related articles and cost of automobile parts.

[Others]

Wedding ceremony and reception costs

Wedding costs, including those for ceremony, reception, etc., payable by the bridegroom or bride, including direct payment to party organizers on behalf of the bridegroom or bride who is not a member of the household. Costs of lodging, transportation, and congratulatory monetary gifts are excluded.

Funeral service costs

Cost borne by the host of a funeral service. Costs of lodging, transportation, and monetary gifts of condolence are excluded.

Religion-related costs

All costs pertaining to religious services, including ritual implements, gravestones, etc.

Remittance

Money remitted to non-members of the household to pay for livelihood, house rent, tuition fee, etc. excluding cases where house rent or school fees are paid directly.