

- g. Situation of facilities

7. Method of the Survey

(1) Administrative organization

The Survey was planned and administered by the Statistics Bureau, Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications (MIC), through the following sequence: Minister for Internal Affairs and Communications → Governor of each prefecture → Mayor of each municipality (city, town or village) → Supervisors → Enumerators → Households surveyed.

(2) Method of Survey

a. The enumerators checked all the dwellings and other occupied buildings within their assigned enumeration unit districts for the 2018 Housing and Land Survey by September 11. They drafted lists of households in the survey and maps of their enumeration unit districts, and delivered a questionnaire to be responded to on the internet to each selected household during the period from September 15 to 23, 2018.

Then, they visited households that did not respond to the questionnaire on the internet to deliver questionnaires from September 25 to 30. At the beginning of October, the enumerators revisited all selected households in their districts to collect the completed questionnaires and check the entries.

Adopted survey means were submission of the questionnaire to the enumerators or by post and provision of responses on the internet (online survey).

b. One questionnaire (A or B) was distributed in each enumeration unit district. Questionnaires A and B were allocated at random to individual enumeration unit districts at the ratio of 6 to 1 on average.

c. Questionnaires A and B were completed by the head (or representative) of the household, while some parts were filled out by the enumerator during an interview. Building Survey sheets were completed by the enumerators, with regard to the details, building types, construction materials, etc. of unoccupied dwellings, by way of investigating the exteriors of the buildings and confirming with relevant households or building administrators.

8. Tabulation and Publication

The completed questionnaires of the 2018 Housing and Land Survey were sent to the Statistics Bureau of MIC through municipalities and prefectures, and processed by the Incorporated Administrative Agency National Statistics Center.

Tabulation results consist of the Approximate Tabulation of Dwellings, Basic Tabulation on Dwellings and Households, Tabulation on Construction Material of Dwellings, etc., and Land Tabulation, and are released on the internet.

Based on the results of the Basic Tabulation on Dwellings and Households and Tabulation on Construction Material of Dwellings, etc., "RESULTS FOR JAPAN" and "RESULTS FOR PREFECTURES" will be published.

The results of the Approximate Tabulation of Dwellings are tentative ones for an Interim report, and it should be noted that the figures in this Interim report might differ from the final results of the Basic Tabulation on Dwellings and Households, etc.

There are two types of tabulation: the results using all responses entered in Questionnaires A and B and Building Survey sheets; and the results only based on the responses entered in Questionnaire B and Building Survey sheets. For the latter results, that fact is indicated in statistical tables.