

Outline of the Grid Square Statistics, Compiled from the 2021 Economic Census for Business Activity Results

1. Overview

The grid square statistics of the 2021 Economic Census for Business Activity were compiled from the results of the 2021 Economic Census for Business Activity (conducted as of 1 June, 2021), by allocating the tabulation data to grid squares.

The grid square statistics mentioned above have been compiled since the 2009 Economic Census.

The grid square statistics are utilized as basic data in many fields, such as city planning, regional development, disaster prevention planning, market analysis, etc.

2. Grid Squares

The grid squares used in the results are based on the “Standard Grid Square System” which was determined by the Minister’s Order of Administrative Management Agency in 1973.

The shapes of grid squares are rectangular of approximately 1 square kilometer or sides of 500 meters in the whole territory of Japan.

These grid squares used in the results are based on JGD 2000.

3. Method of Compilation

The method to compile the grid square statistics from the results of the 2021 Economic Census for Business Activity was to produce a link between each establishment and the grid squares.

Each establishment was corresponded to a grid square by using latitude and longitude information which was obtained by looking at the address of the establishment.