II Agriculture and Forestry Management Entities

Explanation

Statistics on agriculture and forestry management entities, etc., community-based farm cooperatives and fatal accidents in agricultural work are recorded in this part.

Brief explanations for respective statistics are as follows:

1 Agriculture and Forestry Management Entities, etc.

"Census of Agriculture and Forestry" and "Survey on Movement of Agricultural Structure" by the Statistics Department of MAFF are recorded.

"Census of Agriculture and Forestry" covering all agricultural holdings, had been conducted every five years since 1950 in order to depict the Japanese agricultural structure. Since 2005, it has been conducted as the "Survey on Management Entities of Agriculture and Forestry," which focuses on individual agricultural and forestry production activities (agriculture and forestry management).

"Survey on Movement of Agricultural Structure" is conducted to clarify the actual and the transitional situation in agricultural structure during the years when "Census of Agriculture and Forestry" is not conducted.

Please note that the data of "Census of Agriculture and Forestry," which is a complete survey, and those of "Survey on Movement of Agricultural Structure," which is a sampling survey. Therefore, they are not necessarily linked to each other.

(1) Agriculture and Forestry Management Entity

It means a kind of management entities, which produces agriculture or forestry products, or which is engaged in agriculture or forestry operations under consignment agreements, with the land area or number of livestock for its production or operations specified one of the following regulations.

- a. Agriculture with the size of 30 ares and over of cultivated land under management
- b. Agriculture with the size over the standards defined as the attached list with regard to planted areas or growing areas of agricultural products, feeding numbers or shipping numbers of livestock, or other businesses
- c. Forestry with the size of 3 hectares and over of forest area where the owner can grow or cut trees (excluding acquisition for the sole purpose of deforesting standing trees and bamboos). Hereafter those forestry would be called as "owned forest land."
- d. Agricultural operating under a consignment agreement
- e. Business for commissioned silviculture or logs production, or business for logs production by purchasing standing trees.

(Attached list)

Planted area for fruits trees
Planted area for outdoor grown flowers
Planted area for greenhouse grown flowers
Number of milking cows
Number of fattening cattle
Number of pigs
Number of layers
Number of broiler chickens shipped in one year
Others

10 ares
10 ares
250 square meters
1 head
1 head
15 heads
150 heads

1,000 heads

Business size with total sales amounting to 500,000 yen of agricultural products in the year prior to the survey date.

(2) Agriculture Management Entity

It means a kind of agriculture and forestry management entities engaged in any of (1)-a, (1)-b, or (1)-d.

(3) Forestry Management Entity

It means a kind of agriculture and forestry management entities engaged in either (1)-c or (1)-e.

(4) Individual Management Entity

It means a management entity, which is operated by an individual or a household. It does not include entities that are incorporated and operate their own businesses.

(5) Group Management Entity

It means a kind of agriculture and forestry management entities other than individual management entities.

(6) Corporate Management Entity

It means a kind of agriculture and forestry management entities, which is incorporated to operate its own businesses.

(7) Area of Cultivated Land under Management

It means cultivated land (paddy field inclusive of dike, land under permanent crops and upland field) managed by agriculture and forestry management entities, and is the sum of self-cultivated land with an ownership (owned land) and the land rented from others (rented cultivated land).

(8) Management entity by Status of Farm business

a. Business Management Entity

It means an individual management entity whose income is mainly from agriculture (more than 50% of household income is agriculture income), and which has household members under 65 years old who have been engaged in own farming for 60 days and longer in the year prior to the survey date.

b. Semi-Business Management Entity

It means an individual management entity whose income is mainly from non-agriculture (under 50% of household income is agriculture income), and which has household members under 65 years old who have been engaged in own farming for 60 days and longer in the year prior to the survey date.

c. Side-Business Management Entity

It means an individual management entity with no household members under 65 years old who have been engaged in own farming for 60 days and longer in the year prior to the survey date.

(9) Household Member, etc.

a. Household Member

In principle, it means those who share the same residence and livelihood. This includes those who are not living at home as of the date of the survey because of their migrant job etc., but who share the same livelihood. It excludes children who live away from home to go to school or to work. Live-in employees are also excluded.

b. Household Members Engaged in Own Farming

It means household members aged 15 years or older who were engaged in own farming in the year prior to the survey date.

c. Core Persons Mainly Engaged in Farming

It means household members aged 15 years or older who were engaged in own farming as usual work in the year prior to the survey date.

2 Community-Based Farm Cooperatives

"Survey on Community-Based Farm Cooperatives" by the Statistics Department of MAFF is recorded.

Community-based Farm Cooperatives mean farm cooperatives consist of farming households in certain regions that have developed a relationship through the local community or other geographical bases. In these cooperatives, farming households conduct agricultural production as a collaborative enterprise.

3 Fatal Accidents in Agricultural Work

"Fatal Accidents in Agricultural Work" by the Agricultural Production Bureau of MAFF is recorded.

This is calculated by the data from the prescribed questionnaire information by a Statistics Law Article 33 of "Vital Statistics" by the MHLW.