

XIII Marketing of Agricultural, Forestry and Fishery Products

Explanation

Statistics on quantity of inspected domestic rice, wheat and barley, and over the counter price of rice, marketing quantity and price of agricultural, forestry and fishery products, and facilities related to marketing of fishery products are recorded in this part.

Brief explanations for respective statistics are as follows:

1 Quantity of Inspected Domestic Rice, Wheat and Barley, and Over the Counter Price of Rice

The data from the Crop Production Bureau of MAFF is recorded.

2 Marketing Quantity and Price of Vegetables, Fruits and Flowers

(1) Shipment Quantity by Major Kinds of Commodities

"Statistics on Production and Shipment of Vegetables," "Statistics on Production and Shipment of Fruits and Nuts," "Statistics on Production and Shipment of Flowers" and "Survey on Production of Ornamental Trees and Shrubs, etc." by the Statistics Department of MAFF are recorded.

a. Shipment Quantity

The value of the production is calculated by deducting from the home-consumption weight, the donation weight, the weight of decreased production after harvesting, and the sold weight as seed and feed from the production weight.

Further, concerning the shipment quality of flower and ornamental plant, it means the shipment for sale as decoration plant (not included the plant for feed).

b. The Time Reference of Annual Production

As for the time reference of annual production of vegetables, see the explanation on page 351.

As for fruits and Nuts, the time reference of annual production is in principle the calendar year (from January to December), but when a shipment term lasts over the year end, the quantity is divided by according to the commodities' main harvest season.

(2) Wholesale Quantity, Value and Prices of Vegetables and Fruits by Major Kinds of Commodities, Transmitted Quantity of Vegetables and Fruits, and Wholesale Quantity, Value and Price by Domestic and Imported Vegetables

"Survey on Vegetables and Fruits wholesale Markets" by the Statistics Department of MAFF is recorded.

The purpose of this survey is to investigate the wholesale quantity and wholesale prices of vegetables and fruits at the major wholesale markets in Japan, to make clear the actual situation how the prices are shaped.

a. Wholesale Quantity

It means that the quantity (including transmitted quantity) sold in "Auction," "Tender," and "Negotiated Transaction" at the wholesale markets for vegetables and fruits.

b. Transmitted Quantity

It means that quantity which once arrived and was sold in a certain vegetable and fruit wholesale

market and then transferred to the other wholesale market by brokers.

3 Marketing Quantity and Prices of Meat

"Statistics on Livestock Products Marketing" by the Statistics Department of MAFF is recorded.

(1) Number of Slaughtered Animals and Weight of Dressed Carcass by Prefecture

a. Slaughterhouse

It means the facilities that are established for the purpose of slaughter and being dressed animals (cattle, horses, pigs, and so on) based on the "Slaughter Act."

b. Number of Slaughtered Animals

It means that the number of slaughtered animals that stunned for the purpose of creating. And the numbers are counted by the unit of each prefecture which the slaughterhouse is located in.

c. Dressed Carcasses

It is a meat with bone after slaughtered processes (such as butchery, exsanguination, removing pelts or hides and internal organs) of the meat animals marketed for meat at slaughterhouse are done.

(2) Number of Animals, Dressed Carcasses and Prices Transacted by Meat Wholesale Market

a. Central Meat Wholesale Markets

It means 10 markets (as of Jan. 2021) specified in item 1, paragraph 2, article 11 of "Business Methodology of the Agriculture & Livestock Industries Corporation" as using total transaction value and transaction amount of graded carcass of beef cattle or pigs in the relevant market for the calculation of the standard sales price of beef cattle or pigs in the paragraph 4, article 3 of the law on stability of livestock management (Law No. 183 of 1961).

b. Local Meat Wholesale Markets

It means 15 markets (as of Jan. 2021) specified in item 2, paragraph 2, article 11 of "Business Methodology of the Agriculture & Livestock Industries Corporation" as using total transaction value and transaction amount of graded carcass of beef cattle or pigs in the relevant market for the calculation of the standard sales price of beef cattle or pigs in the paragraph 4, article 3 of the law on stability of livestock management (Law No. 183 of 1961).

4 Number and Weight of the Dressed Poultry

(1) Poultry

It means poultry (chicken, ducks, turkeys, and so on) regulated by the law concerning the inspection of poultry.

(2) Broilers

It means the younger chicken (within three months after hatching, among chicken) regulated by the Trading Standards of poultry.

5 Marketing Quantity and Prices of Lumber and Sawlogs

"Statistical Survey on Lumber" and "Survey on Distribution Structure of Lumber" by the Statistics Department of MAFF are recorded.

"Survey on Distribution Structure of Lumber" is conducted every five years.

(1) Logs

It means logs and hewn lumber among providing as lumber (excludes fuelwood and logs bedding for

shiitake mushroom). In particular, in the imported lumber (including half-finished products) sawn squarewood and of other half-finished plants.

(2) Sawlogs

It means producing sawn products from logs

(3) Plywood

It means the wooden products glued more than three veneers together with the direction of the fibers intersecting at approximately the right angle.

(4) Wood Chip

It means small pieces of wood that are used to make pulp, paper, fiberboard, and scrapboard from logs, mill residues, forest residues, and dismantled wood, as well as scrap wood that is produced using a chipper.

6 Facilities Related to Marketing of Fishery Products

"Census of Fisheries" by the Statistics Department of MAFF is recorded.

(1) Fish Market

It means a market where fishery products are directly landed by a fishing vessel in the past year, or, even if it did not directly land fishery products, a market that engaged in initial-stage trade after receiving fishery products from their production areas via ground transportation.

(2) Cold Storage and Refrigerating Plants

This refers to entities that have refrigeration/freezing facilities with a main equipment of 10 horsepower (7.5 kW) or more and have frozen or stored fishery products at low temperatures during the past year on land. It does not include entities that do not handle fishery products, or refrigerators at fish retailers that only store frozen nets for laver seaweed.

(3) Fishery Processing Plant

In the past year for the purpose of sales, entities that have purchased aquatic animals and plants from other sources then processed or manufactured them, and entities that have workspaces or factories for processing and manufacturing even if the raw materials are self-products then processed or manufactured them using full-time workers for manufacturing.