X  Forestry

Explanation

The statistics compiled in this part are mostly made by the Statistics Department of the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (hereafter MAFF). Statistics on area of artificial afforestation, protection forest, forest resources, production of special forestry products and forest roads are those from the results of the surveys by the Forestry Agency of MAFF.

The "Census of forestry" had been conducted every 10 years until the "2000 World Census of Agriculture and Forestry". Since 2005, it was conducted not only as a survey on agriculture but also as the "Survey on Agricultural and Forestal Management Entities" and the "Survey on Rural Areas".

Brief explanations for respective statistics are as follows:

1  Forestry household
The statistics are prepared from the result of the "The Census of Agriculture and Forestry" conducted by the Statistics Department of MAFF.

Forestry households refer to households which own and operate forests of 1ha or larger.

2  Forestal management entities
The statistics have been prepared based on findings from the "The Census of Agriculture and Forestry" conducted by the Statistics Department of MAFF.

Forestal management entities refer to groups engaged in activities covered by either definitions of agricultural and forestry management entities (See page 1 "Ⅰ Agricultural and Forestal Management Entities".),
(1) Forested land of three hectares or larger in size whereon the owner can grow or cut trees (excluding land whereon cutting is restricted to procured standing trees and bamboo), on which silviculture or clear-cutting has been conducted for five consecutive years (from February 1, 2005 to January 31, 2010) or plans are underway for implementation of forestry management in which the year of the survey is stipulated as the planning year.
(2) This refers to management entities who are engaged in commissioned silviculture or who are engaged in commissioned log production activity, or involved in log production via the purchase of standing timber, that achieve a yearly log output of 200 $m^3$ or more.

3  Forest land area and resources
Statistics on forest land area are based on the results of the "World Census of Agriculture and Forestry" as regularly conducted by the Statistics Department of MAFF. Statistics on area of protection forest and forest resources are based on the results of the surveys made by the Forestry Agency of MAFF.

4  Area of artificial afforestation
Statistics on area of artificial afforestation are based on the results of the Surveys made by the Forestry Agency of MAFF.

5  Forest products
The statistics on production and demand of logs have been prepared based on findings from the "Statistics on Lumber" conducted by the Statistics Department of MAFF.

Data on the production of special forest products had been prepared based on findings from the "Special Forest Products Basic Data" conducted by the Forestry Agency of MAFF,
Such data has not been prepared since 2010, due to the removal of walnuts from the survey items. Therefore, refer to "IV Crops" for data on walnuts, in which that data is prepared based on findings from the "Specialty Fruit Tree Production Trend Survey", conducted by the Agricultural Production Bureau of MAFF.

6 Management and economy of forestry

These statistics are prepared from the results of the "Survey on Forestry Households Economy, Forestry Households Economic Statistics" conducted by the Statistics Department of MAFF.

7 Forest roads

Data is prepared from the results compiled by the Forestry Agency of MAFF on forest roads projects.