XII Fishery

Explanation

Statistics on structure of fishery productions, fishery resource management, multiple functions of fishery, means and facilities for fishery production, fishery and aquaculture production and fishery management are recorded in this part.

As for division of sea regions applied in this part, refer to "the 11 Sea Region" at "Explanatory Notes" on the beginning page of this volume.

Brief explanations for respective statistics are as follows:

1 Structure of Fishery Production

"Census of Fisheries", "Survey of Persons Engaged in Fishery" and "Survey on Movement of Fishery Structure" by the Statistics Department of MAFF are recorded.

"Census of Fisheries" is conducted to clarify the structure of fishery production and conditions surrounding fisheries including fishing villages, distribution and processing of fishery products.

"Survey of Persons Engaged in Fishery" is conducted, based on the Basic Laws of Fishery, to clarify the real trends of the working structure of marine fishery for the purpose of rearing and securing able persons who would become leaders of effective and stable fishery management.

"Survey on Movement of Fishery Structure" is conducted out for the purpose of grasping the basic matters related to the production structure, employment structure, etc. of the fishery, and preparing the basic materials necessary for planning, drafting, promotion, etc. of fisheries administrative measures based on the Fisheries Basic Act.

(1) Marine Fishery

It means the business of acquiring fish and aquatic plants from the sea and conducting marine aquaculture in marine area (including Lake Saroma, Lake Notoro, Lake Furen, Lake Onneto, Lake Akkeshi, Lake Kamo. Lake Hamana and Lake Nakaumi).

(2) Fishery Management Entities

It means fishery management entities refer to households or establishments that caught or cultivated fishes and aquatic plants at sea in order to gain profits or income by selling them during the one year prior to the date of the survey. However, individual enterprises that managed marine work for less than 30 days a year prior to the date of the survey are not included.

(3) Fishery Workers

It means a person aged 15 years or older and engaged in fishery work at sea for at least 30 days a past one year.

(4) Inland Water Fishery

It means capturing or collecting of aquatic animals and plants in natural lakes or other lakes with cooperative fishing rights registered by the Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, or aquaculture conducted in inland water (excluding Lake Saroma, Lake Notoro, Lake Furen, Lake Onneto, Lake Akkeshi, Lake Kamo. Lake Hamana and Lake Nakaumi).

(5) Inland Water Fishery Management Entities

It means lake fishery management entities and inland water aquaculture management entities.

a. Lake Fishery Management Entities

It means a households or establishments that engaged in capturing or collecting of aquatic animals and plants in surveyed lakes in order to sell products to gain profit or income in the past one year.

b. Inland Water Aquaculture Management Entities

It means a households or establishments that systematically and continually feeds, or applies fertilizer for culturing and release of seeds, or conducts aquaculture or cultivating adult fish for sale in inland water to gain profit or income in the past one year.

2 Fishery Resource Management, and Multiple Functions of Fishery

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

3 Means for Fishery Production and Facilities

(1) Number of Registered Fishing Vessels

"Statistical Tables of Fishing Vessels" by the Fisheries Agency of MAFF is recorded.

This is compiled the information reported by prefectures into statistics of Fishing Vessels registered under the Fishing Boat Act and non-powered fishing vessels which are less than one gross ton (not under an obligation to register).

(2) Number of Owned Fishing Vessels for Marine Fishery

The statistics contains the results of "Census of Fisheries" by the Statistics Department of MAFF.

Owned fishing vessels mean vessels that fishery management entities used for fishery production in the year prior to the survey date. They are not only main ships but support ships (i.e. light ship for a round net fishing, searching ships, net ships, etc.). However, the vessels which are not directly involved in fishing activities i.e. vessels used solely for leisure fishing and for transporting fish to markets, etc. are excluded in spite of being registered as fishing vessels. Furthermore, for the counting of fishing vessels, it is limited to vessels owned as of the survey date (to avoid duplicate counting).

(3) Designated Fishing Ports

The data from the Fisheries Agency of MAFF is recorded.

4 Fishery and Aquaculture Production

(1) Quantity Production

"Statistical Survey on Marine Fishery Production" and "Statistical Survey on Inland Water Fishery Production" by the Statistics Department of MAFF are recorded.

"Statistical Survey on Marine Fishery Production" and "Statistical Survey on Inland Water Fishery Production" are conducted to clarify the actual situation of fishery products in Japan.

(2) Quantity and Price in Wholesale, Quantity of Shipment, and Quantity of Stock

"Statistical Survey on Marketing of Fisheries Products" by the Fisheries Agency of MAFF.

This survey is conducted to clarify the price levels, and the supply and demand for fishery products.

5 Fishery Management

"Statistical Survey on Fishery Management" by the Statistics Department of MAFF is recorded.

This is conducted to clarify the actual situation of property, income and expenditure, and operation by Fishery Management Entities.