

PREFACE

This book is the 55th edition of “STATISTICAL NOTES OF JAPAN”. It is published to introduce Japan’s recent statistical works (activities) to statisticians all over the world.

The grand theme of the book is “Development of the Framework for the Statistics Act of Japan”. It introduces some guidelines and topics related to Japanese statistical systems that were developed based on the Statistics Act, which was revised in May 2007 for the first time in the last 60 years.

We sincerely hope that this book will be helpful for a better understanding of statistical systems such as guidelines in Japan, and cooperation in international statistical communities.

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