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Purpose of the survey

- To investigate and clarify continually people's evaluation of quality of life and emotions, as well as factors that cause them.
- The survey covers 38 indicators among 132 indicators in the proposed well-being indicators.

Survey items

- sense of happiness
- interdependent happiness,
- life satisfaction
- affect balance
- satisfaction in life's various phases
- subjective evaluation of life circumstances
- living environment
- anxieties
- securities
- social supports
- self-reported health
- frequencies of social contacts, and etc.

Coverage and Sampling

- Coverage: Japanese nationals over the age of 15 in the household and the household living in facilities
- Area coverage: 337 municipalities (522 survey units)
- Sampling roster : Basic resident register
- The disaster area is defined here as those that are applied disaster relief act based on the Great East-Japan Earthquake except Tokyo Metropolitan area.

Coverage and Sampling contd.

- Sampling: The samples are selected based on the three-stage stratified sampling method. The sampling units at three stages are, primarily the municipality, secondly the survey units, and thirdly the individuals.
- Number of samples: Total number of samples:
 10,440 (1,000 (disaster area) + 9,440 (non-disaster area))

Survey periods and methods

Survey period

March 1st -March 16th, 2012

Survey method

The survey uses direct-visit and self-completion questionnaires

Survey agency: Shin-Joho Center (private survey company)

Response Rates

Over all response rate: 61.8% (=6451/10440) Response rates by disaster area and others

	No. of respondents	No. of samples	Response rates
Disaster Area	5,824	9,440	61.7%
Non-Disaster Area	627	1,000	62.7%

response by age and sex

ber of response		Number of ideal response derived from population ratio in Census*		
	Women	Men	Women	
143	173	182	173	
272	304	407	396	
435	409	536	524	
483	551	493	488	
502	515	474	480	
643	673	517	550	
556	792	500	730	
3034	3417	3109	3342	