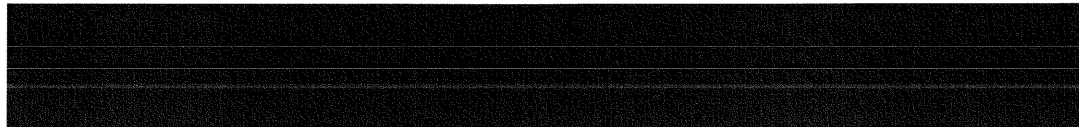


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[Answer from consultant of Japanese experts]

1) Information of the mortality registry in Japan is described in detail in the website of the VITAL STATISTICS in Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare.

URL: <http://www.mhlw.go.jp/english/database/db-hw/index.html>

2) List of the variables

Form of the death registry is shown in the attached pdf.

3) The coverage of the registry.

**History**

Vital Statistics Survey is based on Family Registry. The history of vital statistics was begun in 646 AD when live births and deaths are registered and summed up. After modern family registration system was instituted in 1872, taking the opportunity of enactment of Family Registration Law in 1898, modern vital statistics survey was established in 1899. Since then a sheet of individual form for each event has been used for one case and the data of each case has been summed up at the central government.

**Subjects and Objects**

Subjects of the survey are the total events of live births, deaths, marriages, divorces, and foetal deaths notified in accordance with "Family Registration Law" and "Provisions Regarding Notification of Stillbirths", but objects of this survey are events occurred in Japanese living in Japan within the survey year.

**Survey Period**

From 1st January to 31st December of the survey year

**Survey Items**

Vital Statistics Survey Form consists of 5 types of forms, Live Birth Form, Death Form, Foetal Death Form, Marriage Form, and Divorce Form. Summary of each form is as follows.

Items based on Notification of Death, for instance Date of birth of the deceased, Residence, Date of death, etc.

**[Comment from adviser]**

There is detail information on the above website and most of table data is able to down load by excel formate.