

Report on Public Health Administration and Services

(Practicing health professionals) 2012

【Digest of Summary Report】

○Number of practicing health professionals

- Public health nurses : 47,279 (2,251 5.0% increase from the previous survey)
- Midwives : 31,835 (2,163 7.3% increase from the previous survey)
- Nurses : 1,015,744(63,021 6.6% increase from the previous survey)
- Assistant nurses : 357,777(10,371 2.8% decrease from the previous survey)
- Dental hygienists : 108,123 (4,943 4.8% increase from the previous survey)
- Dental technicians : 34,613 (800 2.3% decrease from the previous survey)

○Percentage distribution of practicing health professionals by groups of age

- Public health nurses : The most age groups was “35-39” (15.6%)
- Midwives : The most age groups was “25-29” (16.3%)
- Nurses : The most age groups was “35-39” (16.0%)
- Assistant nurses : The most age groups was “50-54” (16.2%)
- Dental hygienists : The most age groups was “25-29” (19.1%)
- Dental technicians : The most age groups was “50-54” (15.9%)

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Outline of Report on Public Health Administration and Services

1 Objective

Reports on Public Health Administration and Services is to perceive the actual situation of administration of sanitation in each prefecture, designated city, and core city under laws and orders related to sanitation, in order to gain basic data for administrative management of sanitation.

2 Subjects

Prefectures, designated cities, and core cities

3 Types of Report

Yearly Report (47 tables) and Biennial Report (11 tables)

4 Report Items

Items related to mental health and welfare, nutrition, sanitary inspection, environmental health, food sanitation, veterinary sanitation, medical monitoring, pharmaceutical affairs, maternal protection, specified diseases (intractable diseases), and rabies control

5 Route of Report

MHLW — Prefectures, designated cities, and core cities

6 Notes

- (1) The outline includes number of practicing health professionals (those who have qualifications and are working) notified to the governor of prefectures they are working, etc. based on the data collected by the biennial report among the yearly and biennial reports/

Massage and shiatsu practitioners, Acupuncturists and Moxibustion practitioners are limited to those working at the massage office, those working mainly by visiting patients, or those whose workplace is outside of the registered area. Judo therapists are working only at the massage office.

Public health nurses, Midwives, Nurses, Assistant nurses, Dental hygienists, Dental technicians, Massage and shiatsu practitioners, Acupuncturists, Moxibustion practitioners, Judo therapists, etc.

- (2) Symbols used in the tables

Data not available or applicable	...
Decreased number or percentage	△
Percentage less than 0.05	0.0

- (3) Values presented are rounded and the sums of the items do not always make up the totals.

- (4) The working hours are converted into full-time by the following formula.

When the working hours as full-time workers set by a facility is less than 32 hours, 32 hours is used as the denominator for conversion.

$$\text{Full-time equivalent} = \frac{\text{Weekly working hours of a health professional in the contract}}{\text{Weekly working hours as full-time set by the facility}}$$

- (5) The population used to calculate the rates in this outline is the “Population estimates as of Oct 1, 2012” by the Statistics Bureau, Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications.

- (6) The data for 2010 of this outline was not conducted in part of the Miyagi Prefecture due to the Great East Japan Earthquake.