

Revisions of "Principal Figures of Financial Institutions" and Related Time-Series Data

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The Bank of Japan has decided to revise the current statistics as follows. The revisions will become effective from the figures for April 2013, to be released in May 2013.

1. Revisions of "Principal Figures of Financial Institutions"

(a) Abolition of the category "Issuance of CP"

Japan Securities Depository Center, Inc. (JASDEC) started to release "Outstanding Amounts of CP by Issuer's Category" in April 2007 on a weekly and monthly basis. Reflecting this, the Bank has decided to abolish the category "Issuance of CP," since the JASDEC's statistics cover a wider range of developments in the issuance of CP than the Bank's statistics.

(b) Discontinuation of the release of preliminary figures of "Loans and Discounts Adjusted for Special Items"

Since October 1998, the Bank has released as a reference for users the figures of "Loans and Discounts Adjusted for Special Items," in which it adjusted securitization of loans, exchange rate changes, loan write-offs, and related items. In recent years, however, the contribution of these special items to the amounts of loans and discounts has become marginal.

Therefore, the Bank has decided to discontinue the release of the preliminary figures of "Loans and Discounts Adjusted for Special Items." Final figures can be obtained from "BOJ Time-Series Data Search."

The Japanese Bankers Association (JBA) releases the monthly figures of loans and discounts adjusted for securitization of loans, loan write-offs, and related items (available only in Japanese).

(c) Abolition of the category "Bank Debentures and Loan Trusts"

The Bank has decided to abolish the category "Bank Debentures and Loan Trusts," since these items are no longer major funding tools for banks.

The Japan Securities Dealers Association (JSDA) releases the figures of bank debentures in "Issuing, Redemption and Outstanding Amounts of Bonds" on a monthly basis. The Trust Companies Association of Japan releases the monthly figures of loan trusts (available only in Japanese).

2. Discontinuation of the release of the time-series data "Amount Outstanding of Loans and Discounts"

The Bank has decided to discontinue the release of the time-series data "Amount Outstanding of Loans and Discounts" available from "BOJ Time-Series Data Search." The alternative data of the related items can be obtained as shown below.

Items of "Amount Outstanding of Loans and Discounts"	Alternative sources
Individual loans	"Deposits, Vault Cash, and Loans and Bills Discounted" (monthly)
Housing loans	"Deposits, Vault Cash, and Loans and Bills Discounted" (monthly) and "Loans to Households" (quarterly)
Loans to local governments, etc.	"Deposits, Vault Cash, and Loans and Bills Discounted" (monthly)

The past data of figures that will be abolished can still be obtained from "BOJ Time-Series Data Search" after the revisions.