

RESEARCH ON THE CONDITION OF THE CAMPGROUNDS AND SITES
IN JAPAN

(Summary)

This research is based on the answers obtained to the questionnaires given to 2,000 campgrounds and sites all over Japan from August until the end of October in 1978. 817 valid answers were received. The number of the questions in the questionnaire was over 80; on location, environment, facility, management, problems and countermeasures, etc.

Japanese campgrounds and sites are roughly classified into three — Climbing and other Sports Camp (10%), Organized Educational Camp (30%), and Recreation Camp (60%). Of the whole grounds, 69.2% is public; and so is 68.2% of the whole facility.

The functional nature of the recreation camps is still ambiguous and not clearly defined yet. Therefore, in the future, they should be divided into two types, one for the young people, and the other for the families. It should be encouraged for each to have its own characteristics.

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