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Toponymic data files and gazetteers: data services, applications and products (for example, gazetteers and web services)

Automated data-processing systems for geographical names in Japan

Summary**

In Japan, there are various geographical names databases that are provided either free of charge or for a fee. These databases include not only a list of geographical names, but also such information as pronunciation, code numbers and locations that can easily be accessed. Examples include:

- (a) Geographical names database for administrative units and residential districts containing:
 - (i) Administrative code numbers that correspond to each municipality in Japan;
 - (ii) Files on “town divisions” (*cho*) and “village blocks” (*aza*);
- (b) Geographical names database with geographical coordinates containing:
 - (i) Residential block, level, location reference information;
 - (ii) Digital basic map of Japan (geographical name information);
 - (iii) Residential addresses designated by the Act on the indication of residential addresses.

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