

User's Guide

1. Symbols used in charts

- "..." Figure not applicable or unavailable
- "—" Figure is 0
- "0"/"0.0" Figure not 0, but too small to meet publication standard

Symbols used in data tables corresponding to international comparison graphs with  mark

- "a" Data not applicable because the category does not apply
- "m" Data not available
- "x" Data included in another category or column of the table (e.g. "x(2)" means that data is included in column 2 of the same line).

2. Rounding may be present where total and details do not add up.
3. In the case of some international comparisons, it is not easy to make simple quantitative comparisons as the historic, social and cultural background of the education system is different.
4. The Japanese figures used in the international comparisons are universalized to other countries' data for year and definition, therefore they may not equate to the values found in the equivalent multi-year domestic trend graphs.