

Changes in building stone industry after the second world war in Japan

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Building stone industry in Japan first occurred following the introduction of western style buildings and houses to Japan. This study explored into the official statistical data to find evidence about the change in the structure of the building stone industry in Japan. The used data are mainly the import and export of stones and stone products, and the data concerning the numbers of quarries or relevant factories in Japan. It was clear that the Japan's official data are not enough to display the long-term industrial changes, so some books and articles concerning several building stone firms were also explored to reconstruct the full image of the Japanese stone industry in the old days.

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