ABSTRACT

An inventory control system (1) is equipped with a control center apparatus (2) (inventory control server 6, main system 7) connected by communication lines (8) to user terminal apparatuses (3) located in each of numerous warehouses (5), and a distribution center terminal apparatus (4). Based on actual data relating to inventory merchandise retrievals, merchandise returns in each of the warehouses (5) of the users 3, inventory data (681) in the inventory control server (6) is updated. Also, based on the merchandise inventory quantity (restock item data) of merchandise set in the user master (67) that it is considered necessary to restock, it is determined whether or not merchandise restocking is required. Based on the result of this determination, in cases where restocking is required, restocking instruction data (683) is supplied to the main system (7), based on which a distribution center (4A) is instructed by the main system (7) to restock merchandise, and restocking merchandise is delivered from the distribution center (4A) to the warehouse (5) of the user (3). An inventory control system can be realized in which inventory control of numerous users can be collectively controlled, in the desired format of each user.