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Preliminary Sample Tabulation of the 2010 Population Census of Japan released

The Preliminary Sample Tabulation of the 2010 Population Census was released on June 29, 2011. The tabulation using sample households was carried out to offer preliminary results on the basic characteristics of the population and households including sex, age, labour force status, industrial and occupational structure, place of work or schooling. The sampling ratio for this tabulation was about one percent.

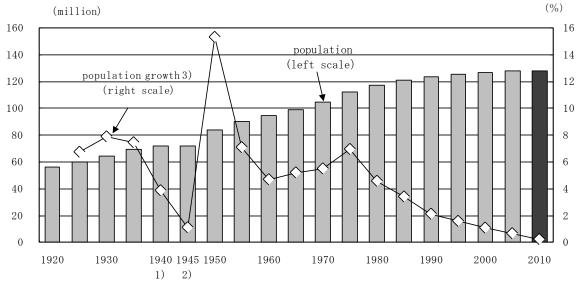
[Population]

The population of Japan is 128,056 thousand as of October 1, 2010, remaining at virtually the same level as 2005.

The population of Japan remained at virtually the same level—increasing only 0.2% from 2005, or 0.05% on an annual basis. This is the lowest increase rate since the Population Census started in 1920.

Broken down by sex, the male population numbered 62,501 thousand (48.8% of the total population) and the females numbered 65,555 thousand (51.2%).

The Japanese population stood at 125,692 thousand, remaining almost at the same level as 2005.



Population and population growth rate -Japan: 1920 to 2010

1) Population adjusted by deducting the military and civilian personnel stationed outside Japan from the census population.

2) Based on the result of "Population Survey" in 1945. Adjusted population obtained by adding the estimated 149,000 of military and civilian personnel and foreigners to the population by the Population Survey of 71,998,104 as of November 1 which excludes Okinawa ken.

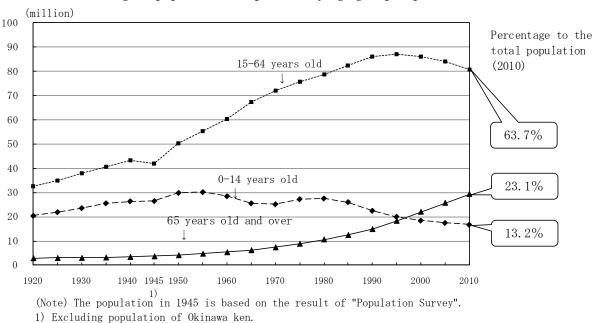
3) Population growth rates for 1945 and 1950 exclude the population of Okinawa ken.

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The population under 15 years old was 16,798 thousand (13.2% of the total population), those aged 15 to 64 totaled 80,730 thousand (63.7%) and those aged 65 years old and over numbered 29,293 thousand (23.1%).

The population aged under 15 years old decreased by 724 thousand (4.1%) from 2005, and those aged 15 to 64 years old decreased by 3,362 thousand (4.0%).

The population aged 65 years old and over increased by 3,621 thousand (14.1%).

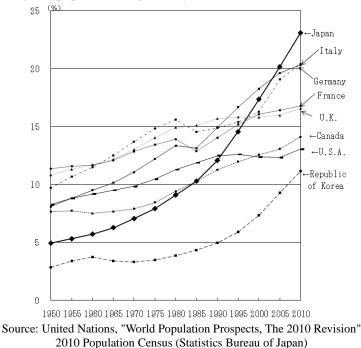


Change of population composition by age group-Japan: 1920 to 2010

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Percentage of population aged 65 years old and over: 1950 to 2010



[Employed persons]

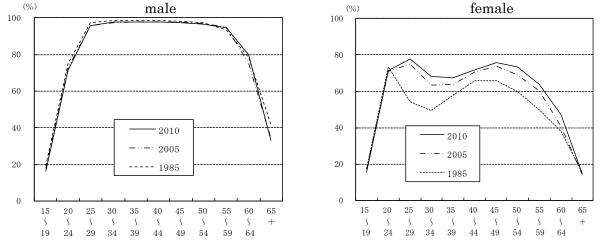
The labour force participation rate among males decreased consecutively, while the rate among females increased.

The labour force participation rate among 15 year-old and over (110,024 thousand) was 60.7%, down by 0.8 points from 2005.

The rate for males was 73.4%, down by 1.9 points from 2005 while the rate among females was 49.1%, up by 0.3 points.

The rate for females aged 30 to 34 was 68.2%, and the bottom of the M-shaped curve shifted from the 30 to 34 years old age group to the 35 to 39 years old one (67.3%).

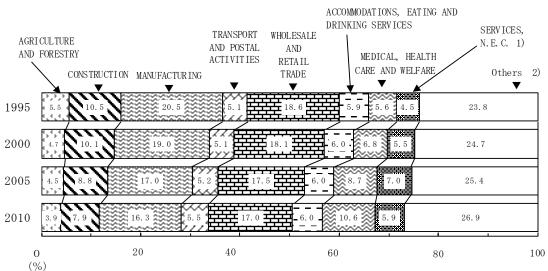
Labour force participation rate by age (five-year groups) and sex -Japan: 1985, 2005 and 2010



The percentage of "Medical, health care and welfare" exceeded 10%, a 1.9 points increase.

Regarding the percentage of employed persons aged 15 and over by industry (major groups), "Wholesale and retail trade" was the biggest at 17.0%, followed by "Manufacturing" at 16.3% and "Medical, health care and welfare" at 10.6%.

In particular, "Medical, health care and welfare" went up by 1.9 points from 2005.



The composition ratios of the employed persons aged 15 and over by industry (major groups) -Japan: 1995 to 2010

1) In 2010 "Temporary employees" were included in respective industries to which they are dispatched, but during 1995 to 2005, included in the industrial classification of "Worker dispatching services".

2) Including "Fisheries", "Mining and quarrying of stone and gravel", "Electricity, gas, heat supply and water", "Information and communications", "Finance and insurance", "Real estate and goods rental and leasing", "Scientific research, professional and technical services", "Living-related and personal services and amusement services", "Education, learning support", "Compound services", "Government, except elsewhere classified" and "Industries unable to classify".

[Households]

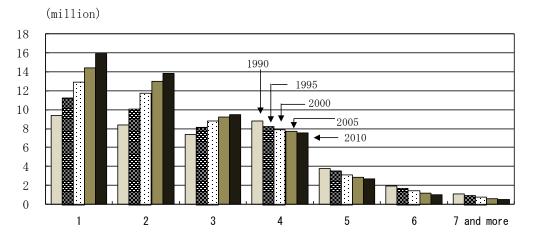
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Larger households are much less numerous than smaller ones.

The number of three-person or fewer households increased, but the number of four-person and over households decreased.



Private households by size of households-Japan: 1990 to 2010

In the population aged 65 and over, one in 10 males and one in 5 females were living alone.

The percentage of "aged-single-person" to the population aged 65 years old and over had risen—those aged 65 years old and over were 10.4% for males and 19.5% for females, indicating the fact that one out of 10 males and one out of 5 females were living alone.

The number of people who live as "Inmates of social institutions" was 1,215 thousand. This is approximately 1.5 times the number of 2005.

The <u>number</u>	of the population	aged 65 and	over by type	of households and se	<u>ex -Japan: 1995 to 2</u> 010

Sex and Year	Number (thousands)				Rate(%)			
		One person households	Inmates of social institutions	Inpatients of hospitals	population aged 65 and over	One person households	Inmates of social institutions	Inpatients of hospitals
Both sexes								
1995	18,261	2,202	326	429	100.0	12.1	1.8	2.3
2000	22,005	3,032	485	528	100.0	13.8	2.2	2.4
2005	25,672	3,865		539	100.0	15.1	3.2	2.1
2010	29,293	4,577	1,215	479	100.0	15.6	4.1	1.6
Male								
1995	7,504	460		134	100.0	6.1	1.1	1.8
2000	9,222	742		164	100.0	8.0	1.2	1.8
2005	10,875	1,051	192	177	100.0	9.7	1.8	1.6
2010	12,523	1,306	287	171	100.0	10.4	2.3	1.4
Female								
1995	10,757	1,742		295	100.0	16.2	2.3	2.7
2000	12,783	2,290		364	100.0	17.9	2.9	2.8
2005	14,797	2,814		362	100.0	19.0	4.3	2.4
2010	16,771	3,271	928	308	100.0	19.5	5.5	1.8

Ratios are calculated without "unknown".