

Statistical Information

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I . Convention on the Rights of the Child

1. Overview of key juvenile counseling institutions

Name of institution (governing ministry/agency)	Establishing entity	Description of counseling services (persons providing counseling)	No. of locations	No. of consultations received
Legal Affairs Bureaus	National government	Human Rights Volunteers and Legal Affairs Bureau personnel provide counseling on abuses by e-mail/telephone or in face-to-face meetings	311 locations	236,403 consultations (2015)
Child counseling centers	Prefectural governments, designated cities, cities with child counseling centers	Consultations regarding children (consultations on custodial care, health, disabilities, delinquency, child-rearing, etc.) (child welfare officers, child psychologists, etc.)	207 locations	88,931 consultations (2014)
Education centers	Prefectures, designated cities	Consultations on bullying, truancy, etc. (education advisors)	59 locations	102,221 consultations (2014)
Youth centers	Prefectures, cities/towns/villages, city/town/village workers' unions, councils of relevant institutions/groups, private-sector organizations	Consultations on juvenile issues (counselors)	707 locations (as of January 2015)	181,923 direct consultations 105,413 telephone consultations 5,725 e-mail consultations (FY 2013)
Juvenile classification homes	National government	Advice, etc., provided on a full range of issues pertaining to delinquency and crime (juvenile classification home personnel)	52 locations	4,189 consultations (Jun-Dec 2015)
Prefectural police headquarters, police stations (National Police Agency)	Prefectural police	Consultations on juvenile delinquency prevention and protection (officers specializing in youth protection and guidance, juvenile officers)	1,364 locations	64,781 consultations (2015)

2. Data on child abuse (Collected by NPA)

The number of consultations about child abuse brought to police juvenile consultation sites totaled 4,839 in 2015 and has been rising each year. The police had 785 cases involving child abuse that resulted in arrests during 2015 with arrests of 811 people. These are the highest levels since beginning the statistics in 1999.

Trends for the number of consultations about child abuse brought to police juvenile consultation sites:

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
The number of consultations	2,949	3,542	3,675	4,632	4,839

Trends for persons arrested by crimes in child abuse cases:

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Arrest cases	384	472	467	698	785
Physical abuse	270	344	334	526	643
Sexual abuse	96	112	103	150	117
Neglect·Reject	17	10	14	11	7
psychological abuse	1	6	16	11	18
Persons arrested	409	486	482	719	811
Child victims	398	476	475	708	807
Child deaths	39	32	25	20	26
Percentage of child deaths in child victims	9.8%	6.7%	5.3%	2.8%	3.2%

※ Exclusive of Murder-suicide and homicide or desertion shortly after delivery.

3. Data on child abuse (Collected by MHLW)

MHLW has been compiling data on child abuse consultations at national child guidance centers since fiscal year 1990 as a statistic related to child abuse. The number of consultations on child abuse has been rising annually according to this statistic and climbed from 1,101 cases in fiscal year 1990 to 33,408 cases in fiscal year 2004 and 103,286 cases in fiscal year 2015.

Fiscal Year	The number of child abuse consultations at child guidance centers
2006	37,323
2007	40,639
2008	42,664
2009	44,211
2010	56,384
2011	59,919
2012	66,701
2013	73,802
2014	88,931
2015	103,286

4. Special-needs education as of May 1, 2016

○ Special-needs schools

	Visual disability	Hearing disability	Intellectual disability	Orthopedic impairment	Invalidity, physical weakness	Total
No. of schools	84	120	761	349	149	1,125
No. of students enrolled	5,587	8,425	126,541	31,889	19,559	139,821

* In 2007 a switchover was made to a special-needs school system capable of dealing with multiple types of disabilities, and schools that deal with multiple disabilities are included in the figures for all applicable disabilities. Accordingly, the sum of the numbers of schools for each disability and the total number of schools do not match.

○ Special-needs classes (elementary and junior high schools)

	Intellectual disability	Orthopedic impairment	Invalidity, physical weakness	Reduced vision	Impaired hearing	Language disability	Autism, emotional disorders
No. of classes	26,136	2,918	1,917	470	1,057	621	24,109
No. of students enrolled	106,365	4,418	3,208	552	1,617	1,708	99,971
							Total
							52,052 classes
							187,100 students

○ Special instruction in resource rooms (elementary and junior high schools)

	Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD)	Learning disabilities	Autism	Emotional disorders	Impaired hearing, etc.	Language disabilities	Total
No. of students enrolled	16,886	14,543	15,876	11,824	2,389	36,793	98,311

5. Number of students with disabilities

In Japan, the number of children with physical disabilities receiving care at home went from 93,100 in 2006 to 72,700 in 2011, the number of children with intellectual disabilities went from 117,300 in 2005 to 151,900 in 2011, and the number of children with psychiatric disabilities went from 176,000 in 2011 to 266,000 in 2014. Children with physical, intellectual or psychiatric disabilities will hereinafter be collectively termed “children with disabilities.”

(Unit: persons)

	Total	Age 0 to 9	Age 10 to 17
Children with physical disabilities (2011)	72,700	39,800	32,900
Children with intellectual disabilities (2011)	151,900	59,000	92,900
Children with psychiatric disabilities (2014)	265,900	102,400	163,500 (*)

(*) Children with psychiatric disabilities: age 10 to 19 (study by Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare)

6. Percentage of newborns by body weight

Year	1975	1985	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Less than 2,500g	5.1	5.5	6.3	7.5	8.6	9.5	9.6	9.5
Less than 1,500g	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.7
Less than 1,000g	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3

7. Businesses providing at-home nursing care (for remuneration)

(Unit: businesses)

Apr 2011	Apr 2012	Apr 2013	Apr 2014	Apr 2015
15,149	16,135	17,086	17,981	18,586

8. Businesses providing child development support services (for remuneration)

(Unit: businesses)

Apr 2012	Apr 2013	Apr 2014	Apr 2015
1,737	2,221	2,608	3,100

9. Living support facilities for children with disabilities (as of December 1, 2013)

	Number of facilities (locations)	Maximum capacity (persons)	Current occupancy (persons)
Welfare-oriented living support facilities for children with disabilities	262	10,492	6,697
Medical-oriented living support facilities for children with disabilities	177	16,049	2,931
Designated development support medical institutions	76	7,368	1,224

(Study by Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare)

10. Trend in AIDS incidence

The AIDS Surveillance Committee had been evaluating and reviewing the trend in AIDS incidence in Japan since 1984. The Committee's work shows that a cumulative total of 17,909 new HIV infections and 8,086 new AIDS patients for a total of 25,995 cases have been reported as of December 31, 2015, with the annual number of new HIV infections and new AIDS patients rising through 2008, since which it has leveled off at about 1,500 cases reported annually. Two characteristics of the recent trend in new cases are that (a) the primary route of infection is sexual contact between homosexual men, and (b) cases have been reported across a broad age range, but the new HIV infections are mostly among people in their 20s and 30s, while the new AIDS patients are mostly in their 30s and 40s.

11. Number of juveniles referred to prosecutors for drug abuse

Calendar year	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Juveniles referred to prosecutors on stimulant-related charges	183	148	124	92	119
Juveniles referred to prosecutors on marijuana-related charges	81	66	59	80	144
Juveniles referred to prosecutors on MDMA or other synthetic drug-related charges	8	1	2	1	0
Juveniles referred to prosecutors on thinner or other organic solvent-related charges	100	74	32	14	7

12. Number of persons bound over for violations of the Act for Prohibiting Minors from Drinking or the Act for Prohibiting Minors from Smoking

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Act for Prohibiting Minors from Drinking	232	156	172	150	162
Persons with parental authority failing to enforce prohibition	44	31	38	26	54
Business operators knowingly selling to minors	188	125	134	124	108
Act for Prohibiting Minors from Smoking	1,387	1,480	1,259	1,168	1,119
Persons with parental authority failing to enforce prohibition	654	794	728	708	778
Business operators knowingly selling to minors	733	686	531	460	341

13. Child-rearing allowance

Allowance amount (monthly):

- For one child:
 - (Full allowance) 42,330 JPY
 - (Partial allowance) 9,990 - 42,320 JPY
- For second child:
 - (Full allowance) Additional payment of 10,000 JPY
 - (Partial allowance) Additional payment of 5,000 - 9,990 JPY
- For third child:
 - (Full allowance) Additional payment of 6,000 JPY
 - (Partial allowance) Additional payment of 3,000 - 5,990 JPY

Total number of recipients: 1,058,231 (as of March 31, 2015)

14. Child-support allowance system

Children eligible for child-support allowance: first child onward

Payment period: from birth until completion of junior high school (until the first March 31 after reaching the age of 15)

Allowance amount (monthly):

- Less than 3 years old: 15,000 JPY
- Age 3 until completion of elementary school (1st child, 2nd child): 10,000 JPY
- Age 3 until completion of elementary school (3rd child onward): 15,000 JPY
- Junior high school students: 10,000 JPY
- Families above income ceiling (exceptional payment until otherwise determined): 5,000 JPY

Income ceiling: 9.6 million JPY (annual household income of married couple with two children)

Number of children receiving child-support allowance: 17,386,114 (as of February 28, 2015)

15. The key social education facilities are as follows:

(1) National Institution for Youth Education (NIYE)

NIYE is the national center for youth education in Japan, with 28 national youth education facilities across the country. Its goal is to provide youth with opportunities and venues for experiential activities to promote youth education and ensure the sound development of Japan's youth.

(2) Community centers

As of October 2011, there were 14,674 community centers nationwide.

(3) Museums

As of October 2011, there were 1,262 museums nationwide.

(4) Libraries

As of October 2011, there were 3,274 libraries nationwide.

(5) Sports facilities

There are about 222,000 sports facilities nationwide, more than 60% of which are school physical education facilities, about 24% of which are public sports facilities, and about 11% of which are private-sector sports facilities, including workplace sports facilities.

16. Child welfare facilities

(1) Children's halls, children's centers

In March 2011, "Children's Hall Guidelines" aimed at instituting desirable changes were established to lay down basic principles that would ensure that the administration and activities of children's halls meet the expectations of communities, and efforts have since been undertaken to improve the administration and activities of children's halls. As of October 2015, there were 4,613 children's halls nationwide.

(2) Children's parks

As of October 2015, there were 2,781 children's parks nationwide.

17. Number of orders issued in accordance with Law Concerning Prevention of Unjust Acts by *Boryokudan* Members

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Coerced juvenile to join, or prevented juvenile from withdrawing from, <i>Boryokudan</i>	21 (1)	24 (3)	30	18 (1)	14
Coerced juvenile to get a tattoo, etc.	1	4	1	7	3

*Figures show the number of restraining orders; numbers in parentheses represent the additional number of recurrence prevention orders.

18. Average incarceration period of juveniles released on parole from juvenile training schools

The average incarceration period of juveniles who were released on parole from juvenile training schools in 2014 was 151 days in the case of those who received general short-term treatment intended for juveniles whose underlying problems were relatively simple or less serious, 97 days in the case of those who received special short-term treatment intended for juveniles whose underlying problems were simpler than the aforementioned ones and who were suitable for treatment in an open environment, and 397 days in the case of those who received long-term treatment intended for juveniles who could not be sufficiently rehabilitated in a short-term treatment program.

19. The number of children legally deprived of liberty

The numbers of children legally deprived of their liberty are as follows:

(Data) Daily average of inmates at
juvenile classification homes

Year	Male	Female	Total
2010	800	95	895
2011	775	86	861
2012	750	80	830
2013	689	73	762
2014	621	62	683
2015	565	48	613

(Data) Daily average of inmates at
juvenile training schools

Year	Male	Female	Total
2010	3,056	354	3,410
2011	2,866	326	3,191
2012	2,906	305	3,211
2013	2,769	286	3,054
2014	2,543	260	2,803
2015	2,411	221	2,633

(Data) Daily average of juvenile prison inmates

Year	Male	Female	Total
2010	25	0	25
2011	21	1	22
2012	20	1	21
2013	17	2	19
2014	19	2	21
2015	29	2	31

*Juvenile prison inmates are persons subject to the provisions of the Juvenile Act who have been committed to a penal institution under the provisions of Article 56 of that Act.

**20. Calendar-year comparison of the use of interpreters/translators for foreign nationals
among the total defendants finally disposed in general cases**

		Total	US	Vietnam	North & South Korea	Colombia	Thailand	China	Philippines	Brazil	Peru	Other
2011	Total	920	14	38	202	6	34	150	165	174	59	78
	Not used	690	10	20	193	5	26	110	133	106	34	53
	Used	230	4	18	9	1	8	40	32	68	25	25
2012	Total	817	12	29	157	6	29	148	147	147	67	75
	Not used	610	6	21	154	5	25	101	113	88	42	55
	Used	207	6	8	3	1	4	47	34	59	25	20
2013	Total	919	13	80	131	12	28	132	159	198	60	106
	Not used	693	6	53	129	9	22	98	140	129	36	71
	Used	226	7	27	2	3	6	34	19	69	24	35
2014	Total	837	9	94	108	3	30	128	146	160	40	119
	Not used	575	4	44	104	1	26	95	117	86	22	76
	Used	262	5	50	4	2	4	33	29	74	18	43
2015	Total	769	2	81	119	5	13	103	150	163	48	85
	Not used	483	1	28	111	2	10	58	120	87	20	46
	Used	286	1	53	8	3	3	45	30	76	28	39

Note 1: The following types of cases are not included

- (1) Cases referred via summary referral
- (2) (Unlicensed) negligent driving resulting in death or injury, avoiding detection of the influence of alcohol or other intoxicants in (unlicensed) negligent driving resulting in death or injury, professional (gross) negligence in vehicular operation resulting in death or injury, vehicular manslaughter, and (unlicensed) dangerous driving resulting in death or injury (however, the figures for 2015 include cases of vehicular manslaughter)
- (3) Cases terminated by evocation or referral
- (4) Cases with joint conduct of proceedings or cases already concluded (secondary cases)

Note 2: Foreign nationals who were born in Japan and/or who have lived for an extended period in Japan are included in these statistics even if they have an adequate understanding of Japanese.

Note 3: The use of interpreters/translators include instances in which interpreters/translators accompany guardians, witnesses, etc.

II. OPSC

21. Trends for major welfare crime arrests (people) on sexual exploitation

Category	Year				
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Child Welfare Act (sexual misconduct)	332	313	332	319	309
Anti-Prostitution Act	35	36	22	34	36
Juvenile Protection and Development Ordinance (sexual misconduct and others)	1,077	965	1,067	1,045	979
Act on Regulation and Punishment of Acts Relating to Child Prostitution and Child Pornography, and the Protection of Children	1,678	1,847	1,893	1,967	2,113
Child prostitution	662	579	641	587	630
Related to opposite sex introducing service	207	195	112	122	74
Related to telephone club businesses	54	27	32	1	-
Child pornography	1,016	1,268	1,252	1,380	1,483
Related to Internet use	725	954	978	1,097	1,104

Arrests for violations of the Act on Regulation and Punishment of Acts Relating to Child Prostitution and Child Pornography, and the Protection of Children in 2015 totaled 2,666 cases and 2,113 people comprising 728 cases and 630 people for child prostitution incidents and 1,938 cases and 1,483 people for child pornography incidents. Internet-related crimes accounted for 81.5% of child pornography incidents at 1,580 cases.

22. Trend for the number of juvenile runaways found and protected by police. (people)

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
juvenile runaways found and protected	15,917	16,708	18,832	16,766	16,035

23. Main welfare crime arrests on protection from harmful work (people)

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Labor Standards Act	55	105	101	104	91
Use of workers below the minimum age	9	15	7	13	20
Provisions on young people	44	90	94	91	71
Others	2	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Act on Control and Improvement of Amusement Business, etc.	419	321	323	281	236

※ Provisions on young people in the Labor Standards Act cover violations of late-night work, dangerous work, and harmful works for young people. Arrests related to the Act on Control and Improvement of Amusement Business, etc. involve violations of the rule against customer interaction work at amusement businesses.

24. Arrests for indecency crimes using computer networks

NPA promotes crackdown efforts against indecency crimes using computer networks and criminal sales of indecent DVDs and other materials. It also conducts press release at a suitable timing after arrests.

Arrests for indecency crimes using computer networks (cases)

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
cases	699	933	781	850	840

Arrests for criminal sales of indecent DVDs and other materials (cases)

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
cases	385	251	177	185	85

25. Consultations handled by child consultation centers in FY2015

Nature of consultation	Number of consultations handled
Consultations on child abuse	103,286
Consultations on sexual abuse	1,521
Consultations on child prostitution or other harm	45

26. Act for Punishing Acts Related to Child Prostitution and Child Pornography
(convictions)

The number of persons convicted of violations of Articles 4 to 8 of the Act on Regulation and Punishment of Acts Relating to Child Prostitution and Child Pornography, and the Protection of Children in district courts and summary courts throughout the country during the period April 1, 2006 to December 31, 2015 was 2,556; a breakdown of these persons by year is shown below.

Persons convicted					
Penal statute	Article 4	Article 5	Article 6	Article 7	Article 8
Year					
2006 (From April)	148	9	-	121	-
2007	163	4	-	202	-
2008	131	6	-	202	-
2009	123	2	-	204	-
2010	120	2	-	202	-
2011	90	2	-	119	-
2012	70	2	-	125	-
2013	68	-	-	120	-
2014	48	4	-	89	-
2015	49	2	1	128	-

(Note) Numbers of persons convicted according to reports on ordinary criminal cases in the first instance

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