



Symposium on Movement of Natural Persons

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The type of the movement of natural persons

- **Humanitarian.....refugees, asylum seekers, family and descendants of nationals**
- **Migration (permanent)**
- **Business visitors and temporary workers**
 - supplying services.....WTO GATS
 - accessing to the employment / labour market

The influence of movement of natural persons

- **Vitalization and more globalization the economy and society**
- **Influence on labour market in host country**
- **Cost of social integration.....e.g. education, public service, health, social welfare, public peace, etc.**
- **Influence on workers themselves and their countries**



Supplying services

- **Temporary and short term stay**
- **Supply technology and knowledge at advanced-level**

There is a little negative influence.



Accessing to the labour market

- **Temporary (not permanent), but long stay (in Japan, there is no limitation of total stay)**
- **Family reunification**

The influence is big.



The ninth employment measures basic plan

- Japanese government will more actively promote the acceptance of foreign workers in professional or technical fields.
- Government must cope with unskilled workers with thorough deliberation based on a consensus among the Japanese people.

Trends in Number of Foreign Workers, etc. in Japan

(estimates; unit 10,000 persons)

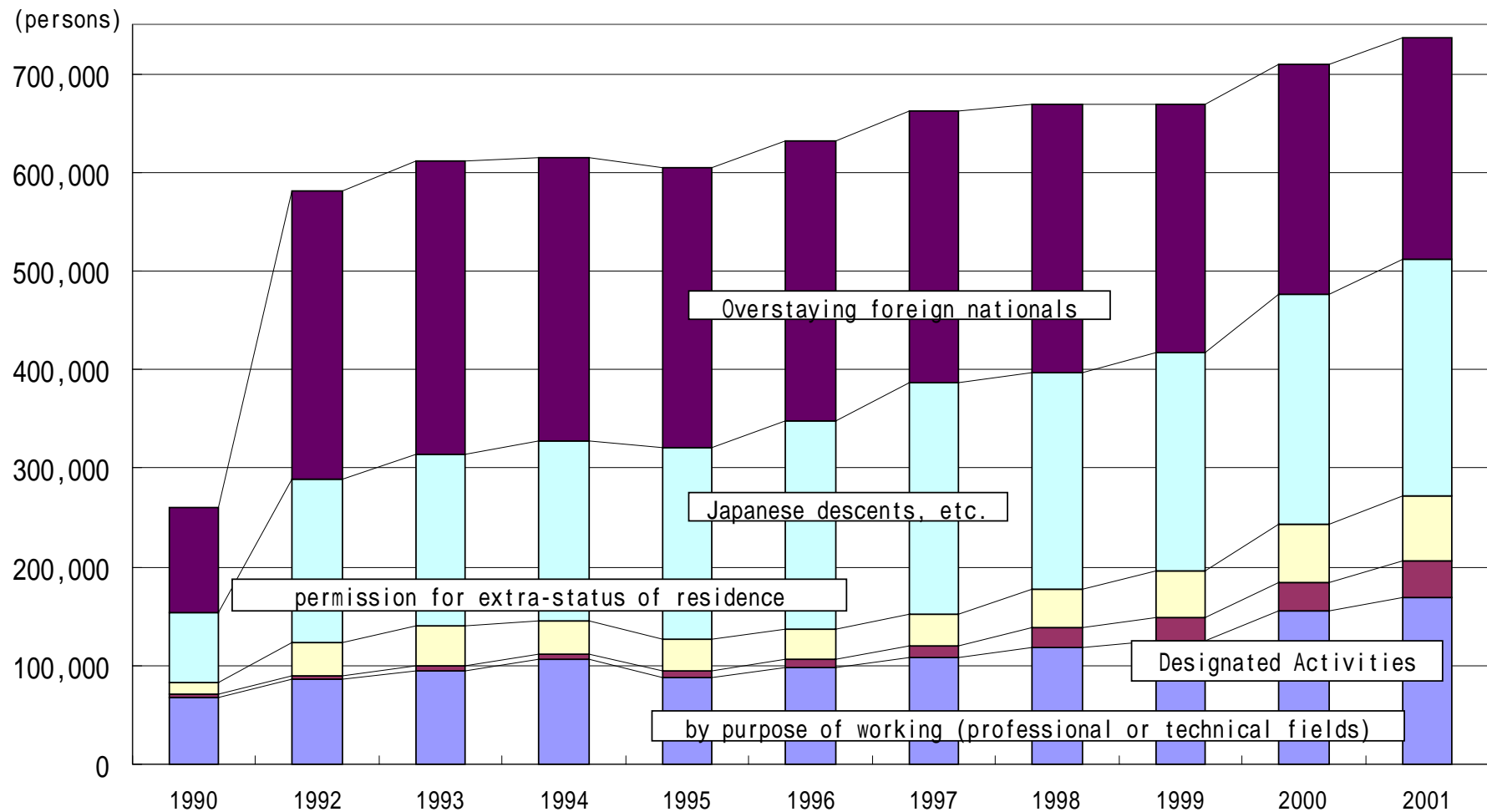
	1990	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Foreign workers (A)	26	58	61	62	61	63	66	67	67	71	74
Unlawful residents	10.6	29.2	29.7	28.8	28.5	28.3	27.7	27.1	25.2	23.2	22.4
Working population in Japan (B)	6,384	6,578	6,615	6,645	6,666	6,711	6,787	6,793	6,779	6,766	6,752
Number in employment (C)	4,835	5,119	5,202	5,236	5,263	5,322	5,391	5,368	5,331	5,356	5,369
Ratio of foreign workers (A)/(B)	0.4%	0.9%	0.9%	0.9%	0.9%	0.9%	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	1.1%	1.1%
(A)/(C)	0.5%	1.1%	1.2%	1.2%	1.2%	1.2%	1.2%	1.2%	1.3%	1.3%	1.4%

(Source:Immigration Bureau, Ministry of Justice)

(Note) Numbers of foreign workers estimated by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare on the basis of date from the Immigration Bureau of the Ministry of Justice.

The Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare did not start carrying out such estimates until 1990. Moreover, no statistics were published by the Immigration Bureau of the Ministry of Justice in 1991.

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System of other countries

When entering as labourers,

- Classify with a skill level
- Implement an economic needs test (labour market test)
- Limit the number
- Levy or deposit

Japan only classifies with a skill level.

A stylized map of Japan is shown in the upper left portion of the slide. The map is rendered in a solid teal color against a light blue background. It includes the four main islands: Hokkaido, Honshu, Shikoku, and Kyushu, along with several smaller islands and archipelagos to the south and east.

Thank you