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Data Section 1

Major Developments since April 1, 2009

(Since FY 2009)

Date	Developments	Contents
Apr. 1, 2009	Establishment of the Planning -Management and Investigation Department, and Detention and Deportation Department, in the Yokohama District Immigration Office of the Tokyo Regional Immigration Bureau	The Security Department was abolished. The Planning-Management and Investigation Department, and Detention and Deportation Department, were established in the Yokohama District Immigration Office of the Tokyo Regional Immigration Bureau.
	Establishment of the Accounting Division in the Nagoya Regional Immigration Bureau	The Accounting Division was established in the Nagoya Regional Immigration Bureau.
Jun. 1	Implementation of the working holiday program for Taiwan residents	Issue of working holiday visas that allow Taiwan residents aged 18 to 30 who meet certain requirements to stay for one year, was started.
	Implementation of the "Illegal Work Prevention Campaign"	Appealing to foreign nationals, employers, local authorities, foreign embassies in Japan, etc. for understanding and cooperating of prevention of illegal employment.
	Establishment of a period for stepped-up landing examination	Strict landing examination was promoted by establishing a period for stepped-up landing examination at airports and seaports nationwide.
Jul. 1	Enforcement of the Ministerial Ordinance to Provide for Criteria Pursuant to Article 7, Paragraph (1), Item (ii) of the Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act	The landing permission criteria for foreign nationals, and those who intend to engage in activities permitted under the status of residence of "Researcher" in a company located in Japan in the form of intra-company transfer, was reviewed. (Those who continue to engage in an activity, which fall under any of the activities listed in the right-hand column of the category "Researcher" in Annex Table I (2) of the Immigration Control Act and in which they have continuously engaged at an overseas office for over a year immediately before the intracompany transfer subject to the application, shall be exempt from the following requirements: (i) the applicant must have a master's degree or at least three years' experience in an area of related research after graduation from a college or equivalent institution; or (ii) the applicant must have at least ten years' experience in an area of related research).
	of the Ordinance for Enforcement of	With the aim of ensuring proper examination of residence-related applications and improving the convenience of foreign nationals, required provisions (provisions regarding documents to be submitted in the application for certificate of resident eligibility, permission to engage in activities other than those permitted, formats of a work qualification certificate and an application form for issue of a work qualification certificate, and formats of application forms for permission for extension of period of stay, etc.) were revised.
Jul. 10	Revision of the Guidelines for Special Permission to Stay	The Guidelines for Special Permission to stay, which were formulated in October 2006, were reviewed to ensure more transparency of judgment on whether or not to grant special permission to stay, and create an environment that will encourage illegal residents to appear at an immigration office voluntarily.

Date	Developments	Contents
Jul. 15	Promulgation of the Law for Partial Amendment to the Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act and the Special Act on the Immigration Control of, Inter Alia, those who have Lost Japanese Nationality Pursuant to the Treaty of Peace with Japan (Law No.79 of 2009) (hereinafter referred to as the "revised Immigration Control Act")	The revised Immigration Control Act was promulgated in 2009. It contained provisions to establish a new system of residence management that enables the Minister of Justice to continuously obtain information necessary for residence management, and improves convenience, including extension of the maximum period of stay and alleviation of the re-entry permit system, with regard to foreign nationals residing in Japan for a medium and long- term period with legal residence status.
	Establishment of a period for stepped-up landing examination	Strict landing examination was promoted by establishing a period for stepped-up landing examination at airports and seaports nationwide.
	Holding of the 23rd "Immigration Control Seminar"	The Ministry of Justice held the "Immigration Control Seminar", inviting officials from 16 countries and 2 regions in the Pacific Rim area and 3 international organizations to exchange information and views on immigration control administration.
Dec.25	Promulgation of the "Ministerial Ordinance to Provide for Criteria Pursuant to Article 7, paragraph (1), item (ii) of the Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act" and other ordinances regarding new training and technical internship programs	With regard to training and technical internship programs reviewed in accordance with the partial enforcement of the revised Immigration Control Act of 2009, the related ordinances of the Ministry of Justice were revised and enacted, and other required revisions were made.
Jan. 1, 2010	Implementation of the working holiday program in accordance with exchanged note verbal with the government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region	In accordance with exchanged verbal notes with the government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, working holiday visas that allow Hong Kong residents to stay in Japan for one year started to be issued to those aged 18 to 30 who meet certain requirements.
	Partial enforcement of the revised Immigration Control Act of 2009	The following provisions of the revised Immigration Control Act of 2009 were put into effect: (i) those who have obtained landing permission for crew members were required to carry and present their passports or crew member's pocket-ledgers; (ii) the certificate for resident eligibility with the residence status of "Technical Intern Training (i)" was allowed to be issued.
Jan.19	Report entitled the "Ideal Future for Immigration Control Administration" was submitted to the Minister of Justice	The report entitled the "Ideal Future for Immigration Control Administration", which was compiled in a discussion meeting on Immigration Control Policy, a private consultative group for the Minister of Justice, was submitted to the Minister of Justice.
Jan. 25	Partial enforcement of amendments to visa statuses listed in the right-hand column of "Long-term Residents" in Annex Table II in accordance with Article 7, Paragraph (1), Item (ii) of the Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act	As a pilot case for acceptance of refugees through the third country resettlement, it became possible to accept Myanmar refugees who have been granted temporary asylum in Thailand and have satisfied certain requirements as "long-term residents".
	Establishment of a period for stepped-up landing examination	Strict landing examination was promoted by establishing a period for stepped-up landing examination at airports and seaports nationwide.

Date	Developments	Contents
Feb.21	Start of operation of the next version of the Advance Passenger Information System (APIS)	The next version of the APIS, which was the APIS for airports and was given further functions of application procedures for landing permission of crew members, started operation.
Mar. 3	Revision of the "Guidelines for Change of Status of Residence and Permission for Extension of the Period of Stay"	The requirement that applicants shall be covered by social insurance was eliminated.
Mar. 30	Formulation of the "Basic Plan for Immigration Control (4th edition)"	The Minister of Justice formulated the "Basic Plan for Immigration Control (4th edition)" in accordance with Article 61-10 of the Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act.
Mar. 31	Promulgation of the Ministerial Ordinance Partially Amending the Ordinance for Enforcement of the Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act and other ordinances	In preparation for the integration of two categories of status of residence, "College Student" and "Pre-college Student", establishment of Immigration Detention Facilities Visiting Committees, and establishment of special exceptions for denial of landing, to be enforced on July 1, 2010, in accordance with the revised Immigration Control Act of 2009, relevant provisions were defined. In addition, criteria for the residence status of "Intra-company Transferee" were reviewed, and the provisions for permission to engage in activities outside the scope permitted were revised.
Apr. 1	Partial enforcement of the Ministerial Ordinance Partially Amending the Ordinance for Enforcement of the Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act	The maximum period for which applicants for refugee status were granted permission for provisional stay was extended from three months to six months.
	Establishment of the Haneda Airport District Immigration Office of the Tokyo Regional Immigration Bureau	The Haneda Airport Branch Office was abolished and the Haneda Airport District Immigration Office was establised.

Data Section 2 Statistics

(1) Changes in the Number of New Arrivals and Alien Registration of Main Status of Residence by Nationality (Place of Origin)

1-1 Changes in the Number of New Arrivals of "Investor/Business Manager" by Nationality (Place of Origin)

(People)

Year Nationality(Place of Origin)	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	604	777	918	919	857
R.O. Korea	84	170	248	216	228
China	45	61	65	98	114
United States of America	181	134	139	121	110
China (Taiwan)	12	44	69	65	48
Pakistan	34	31	36	49	48
Sri Lanka	7	14	20	14	35
United Kingdom	42	57	39	42	34
Australia	20	40	27	22	30
Germany	10	26	26	28	24
France	41	47	63	42	19
Others	128	153	186	222	167

1-2 Changes in the Number of Alien Registrations of "Investor/Business Manager" by Nationality (Place of Origin)

(People)

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Year Nationality(Place of Origin)	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	6,743	7,342	7,916	8,895	9,840
China	1,381	1,553	1,729	2,096	2,555
Korea	1,373	1,609	1,900	2,249	2,492
United States of America	1,187	1,160	1,108	1,044	990
Pakistan	290	334	383	456	526
United Kingdom	437	443	401	384	374
India	260	271	282	307	319
France	299	321	343	334	297
Nepal	37	46	72	151	271
Australia	182	205	204	196	216
Sri Lanka	75	94	119	147	199
Others	1,222	1,306	1,375	1,531	1,601

2-1 Changes in the Number of New Arrivals of "Engineer" by Nationality (Place of Origin)

(People)

Year Nationality(Place of Origin)	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	4,718	7,715	10,959	9,212	3,363
China	1,936	3,546	5,403	4,571	1,404
R.O. Korea	1,018	1,474	1,999	1,292	439
India	474	519	960	714	296
Viet Nam	150	396	799	837	273
Philippines	335	558	598	576	252
United States of America	135	152	169	168	101
France	92	155	146	140	62
United Kingdom	45	93	54	70	55
Thailand	51	80	57	55	51
China (Taiwan)	40	67	56	86	46
Others	442	675	718	703	384

2-2 Changes in the Number of Alien Registrations of "Engineer" by Nationality (Place of Origin)

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Year Nationality(Place of Origin)	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	29,044	35,135	44,684	52,273	50,493
China	14,786	17,634	23,247	27,665	27,166
Korea	4,901	6,176	7,733	8,647	8,015
India	2,820	3,279	3,893	4,268	3,925
Viet Nam	386	790	1,536	2,229	2,188
Philippines	1,179	1,579	2,004	2,276	2,118
United States of America	640	705	760	923	833
France	430	542	631	706	621
Malaysia	366	425	489	570	610
Bangladesh	224	299	393	470	472
Indonesia	260	311	371	436	455
Others	3,052	3,395	3,627	4,083	4,090

3-1 Changes in the Number of New Arrivals of "Specialist in Humanities/International Services" by Nationality (Place of Origin) (People)

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Year Nationality(Place of Origin)	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	6,366	7,614	7,426	5,690	4,167
United States of America	1,753	2,131	2,044	1,274	945
R.O. Korea	434	547	700	771	570
China	460	602	768	778	553
United Kingdom	916	1,138	846	463	347
Australia	642	733	555	263	210
Canada	838	796	607	317	203
China (Taiwan)	110	133	199	272	166
Sri Lanka	37	67	66	107	129
France	125	200	233	158	118
Pakistan	79	76	84	121	106
Others	972	1,191	1,324	1,166	820

3-2 Changes in the Number of Alien Registrations of "Specialist in Humanities/International Services" by Nationality (Place of Origin) (People)

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Year Nationality(Place of Origin)	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	55,276	57,323	61,763	67,291	69,395
China	20,995	21,883	26,692	31,824	34,210
Korea	5,386	5,919	6,926	8,118	8,962
United States of America	7,858	8,165	7,706	7,241	6,710
United Kingdom	4,572	4,582	4,040	3,532	3,176
Canada	3,962	3,731	3,128	2,690	2,329
Australia	3,756	3,586	2,935	2,420	2,079
France	837	912	1,024	1,079	1,026
Philippines	666	757	825	895	951
Sri Lanka	357	424	530	705	873
India	647	738	829	883	829
Others	6,240	6,626	7,128	7,904	8,250

4-1 Changes in the Number of New Arrivals of "Intra-company Transferee" by Nationality (Place of Origin)

(People)

Year Nationality(Place of Origin)	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	4,184	5,564	7,170	7,307	5,245
China	1,058	1,535	2,639	2,570	1,858
R.O. Korea	544	675	745	649	592
India	282	380	608	626	433
Philippines	290	375	417	495	397
United States of America	542	610	583	673	371
Thailand	102	141	238	260	235
China (Taiwan)	175	214	233	243	218
Germany	169	225	207	199	137
United Kingdom	193	288	204	187	107
France	133	191	153	175	105
Others	696	930	1,143	1,230	792

4-2 Changes in the Number of Alien Registrations of "Intra-company Transferee" by Nationality (Place of Origin)

Year Nationality(Place of Origin)	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	11,977	14,014	16,111	17,798	16,786
China	3,159	4,147	5,712	6,557	6,307
Korea	1,987	2,092	2,181	2,265	2,242
India	1,144	1,357	1,411	1,709	1,731
United States of America	1,383	1,469	1,468	1,583	1,364
Philippines	574	702	709	826	782
Germany	522	566	589	615	538
United Kingdom	699	712	651	615	511
France	466	538	529	553	467
Thailand	175	223	325	388	430
Australia	205	235	260	270	248
Others	1,663	1,973	2,276	2,417	2,166

5-1 Changes in the Number of New Arrivals of "Entertainer" by Nationality (Place of Origin)

(People)

Year Nationality(Place of Origin)	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	99,342	48,249	38,855	34,994	31,170
United States of America	6,852	6,772	6,075	6,653	7,288
United Kingdom	2,763	2,712	2,500	2,908	2,575
Russia	4,325	3,454	2,562	2,249	2,467
Philippines	47,765	8,608	5,533	3,185	1,873
China	8,263	4,978	3,156	1,820	1,694
Germany	2,435	1,868	2,052	1,682	1,601
Italy	1,690	1,867	1,575	1,130	1,325
France	1,307	1,150	1,417	1,605	1,246
R.O. Korea	1,954	1,674	1,553	1,329	1,173
Thailand	955	988	757	802	813
Others	21,033	14,178	11,675	11,631	9,115

5-2 Changes in the Number of Alien Registrations of "Entertainer" by Nationality (Place of Origin)

(People)

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Year Nationality(Place of Origin)	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	36,376	21,062	15,728	13,031	10,966
Philippines	23,643	14,149	11,065	9,199	7,465
China	4,225	2,153	1,193	907	778
Korea	575	450	441	398	363
Russia	1,203	767	504	393	333
United States of America	326	284	305	326	310
Indonesia	2,369	787	430	264	218
Brazil	220	230	228	211	197
Romania	1,505	580	312	238	181
Thailand	273	215	176	145	174
Ukraine	735	387	241	200	167
Others	1,302	1,060	833	750	780

6-1 Changes in the Number of New Arrivals of "Skilled Labor" by Nationality (Place of Origin)

(People)

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Year Nationality(Place of Origin)	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	
Total	3,059	4,239	5,315	6,799	5,384	
China	1,582	2,325	2,903	3,270	2,495	
Nepal	318	452	919	1,749	1,356	
India	286	348	509	620	666	
Thailand	127	191	156	179	192	
R.O. Korea	179	269	158	132	157	
United States of America	17	25	8	156	52	
Philippines	60	62	68	59	52	
Indonesia	40	59	67	64	47	
Australia	16	30	25	32	30	
Viet Nam	46	61	58	60	30	
Others	388	417	444	478	307	

$\underline{\text{6-2 Changes in the Number of Alien Registrations of "Skilled Labor" by Nationality (Place of Origin)}\\$

Year Nationality(Place of Origin)	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	15,112	17,869	21,261	25,863	29,030
China	8,214	9,807	11,766	14,142	15,595
Nepal	1,000	1,388	2,213	3,791	4,970
India	1,680	1,938	2,302	2,756	3,224
Korea	1,429	1,617	1,620	1,587	1,592
Thailand	640	749	830	900	994
Bangladesh	206	274	375	433	418
Philippines	214	236	268	268	278
Indonesia	138	167	200	229	203
Sri Lanka	127	133	162	188	195
Viet Nam	135	168	194	192	175
Others	1,329	1,392	1,331	1,377	1,386

7-1 Changes in the Number of New Arrivals of "College Student" by Nationality (Place of Origin)

(People)

Year Nationality(Place of Origin)	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	23,384	26,637	28,779	34,005	37,871
China	8,024	9,154	10,272	14,342	16,839
R.O. Korea	4,078	4,849	5,301	5,516	5,487
United States of America	2,153	2,553	2,686	2,853	2,988
China (Taiwan)	1,508	1,682	1,842	1,944	2,030
Thailand	545	766	690	747	859
Viet Nam	509	532	636	643	821
Indonesia	412	430	529	685	772
France	351	449	484	545	652
Malaysia	505	489	511	648	639
Germany	411	527	539	513	618
Others	4,888	5,206	5,289	5,569	6,166

7-2 Changes in the Number of Alien Registrations of "College Student" by Nationality (Place of Origin)

(People)

Year Nationality(Place of Origin)	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	129,568	131,789	132,460	138,514	145,909
China	89,374	88,074	85,905	88,812	94,355
Korea	16,309	17,097	17,902	19,441	19,807
Viet Nam	2,165	2,472	2,930	3,202	3,552
Thailand	1,902	2,203	2,361	2,502	2,656
Malaysia	2,031	2,211	2,234	2,377	2,492
Indonesia	1,609	1,710	1,869	2,112	2,349
United States of America	1,781	2,020	2,144	2,276	2,312
Bangladesh	1,528	1,665	1,684	1,873	1,797
Nepal	869	1,138	1,398	1,554	1,681
Mongolia	1,001	1,160	1,193	1,262	1,295
Others	10,999	12,039	12,840	13,103	13,613

8-1 Changes in the Number of New Arrivals of "Pre-college Student" by Nationality (Place of Origin)

(People)

Year Nationality(Place of Origin)	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	18,090	19,135	19,160	24,111	28,278
China	8,938	9,543	8,987	12,566	18,053
R.O. Korea	4,293	4,673	5,586	6,171	4,516
China (Taiwan)	762	956	1,206	1,434	1,311
Nepal	378	288	260	384	546
Thailand	321	406	409	489	522
Viet Nam	659	346	252	313	479
United States of America	353	322	310	297	264
Myanmar	149	123	154	163	233
Sweden	58	109	136	156	197
China (Hong Kong)	67	72	116	240	188
Others	2,112	2,297	1,744	1,898	1,969

8-2 Changes in the Number of Alien Registrations of "Pre-college Student" by Nationality (Place of Origin)

Year Nationality(Place of Origin)	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	28,147	36,721	38,130	41,313	46,759
China	15,915	21,681	22,094	25,043	32,408
Korea	6,397	8,254	9,742	10,286	7,804
Nepal	580	642	575	643	906
Thailand	451	612	687	769	854
Viet Nam	924	1,005	803	701	832
Myanmar	322	339	355	374	449
Mongolia	195	237	227	324	356
United States of America	357	355	345	345	319
Sri Lanka	774	729	452	252	269
Indonesia	239	300	338	338	259
Others	1,993	2,567	2,512	2,238	2,303

9-1 Changes in the Number of New Arrivals of "Trainee" by Nationality (Place of Origin)

(People)

Year Nationality(Place of Origin)	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	83,319	92,846	102,018	101,879	80,480
China	55,156	61,963	68,188	68,860	53,876
Viet Nam	4,371	5,744	6,605	7,124	4,890
Philippines	4,311	4,941	5,843	5,678	4,726
Indonesia	4,788	5,695	5,924	6,213	3,980
Thailand	3,645	3,776	4,022	3,704	2,698
Malaysia	786	808	900	881	776
India	709	687	635	774	760
Cambodia	385	343	468	355	436
Sri Lanka	374	495	343	351	381
Myanmar	314	395	475	381	378
Others	8,480	7,999	8,615	7,558	7,579

9-2 Changes in the Number of Alien Registrations of "Trainee" by Nationality (Place of Origin)

(People)

Year Nationality(Place of Origin)	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	54,107	70,519	88,086	86,826	65,209
China	40,539	52,901	66,576	65,716	50,487
Viet Nam	3,380	5,148	6,704	6,763	4,355
Philippines	2,906	3,738	4,919	4,938	3,970
Indonesia	3,440	4,407	5,069	5,085	3,053
Thailand	1,692	2,121	2,583	2,324	1,725
Mongolia	175	261	251	265	160
India	185	142	143	150	159
Myanmar	122	191	264	201	139
Malaysia	218	230	254	257	132
Cambodia	58	90	116	108	131
Others	1,392	1,290	1,207	1,019	898

10 Changes in the Number of Alien Registrations of "Designated activities (technical intern training)" by Nationality (Place of Origin) (People)

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Year Nationality(Place of Origin)	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	59,755	73,580	89,033	104,990	109,793
China	45,829	58,690	69,894	80,838	84,813
Viet Nam	5,018	5,220	6,900	8,860	9,197
Indonesia	5,945	5,537	6,160	7,074	6,725
Philippines	2,170	2,894	3,956	5,297	5,964
Thailand	459	746	1,318	1,956	2,057
Others	334	493	805	965	1,037

11 Changes in the Number of Alien Registrations of "Permanent Resident" by Nationality (Place of Origin)

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Year Nationality(Place of Origin)	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	349,804	394,477	439,757	492,056	533,472
China	106,269	117,329	128,501	142,469	156,295
Brazil	63,643	78,523	94,358	110,267	116,228
Philippines	53,430	60,225	67,131	75,806	84,407
Korea	45,184	47,679	49,914	53,106	56,171
Peru	22,625	25,132	27,570	29,976	31,711
Thailand	8,358	9,815	11,107	12,519	13,883
United States of America	9,691	10,512	11,125	11,814	12,708
Viet Nam	7,065	7,462	7,930	8,494	9,187
United Kingdom	2,813	3,081	3,301	3,563	3,899
Indonesia	1,676	2,034	2,436	2,967	3,462
Others	29,050	32,685	36,384	41,075	45,521

12-1 Changes in the Number of New Arrivals of "Spouse or Child of Japanese National" by Nationality (Place of Origin)

(People)

Year Nationality(Place of Origin)	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	24,026	26,087	24,421	19,975	14,951
China	5,445	5,399	6,602	6,552	6,251
Philippines	5,530	8,257	6,687	5,133	3,308
R.O. Korea	633	891	904	873	852
Thailand	663	695	807	743	706
United States of America	510	730	716	730	701
Brazil	8,299	6,745	5,146	2,895	483
Indonesia	221	288	344	253	267
China (Taiwan)	174	257	293	293	257
Viet Nam	140	177	167	194	210
Australia	129	143	178	184	174
Others	2,282	2,505	2,577	2,125	1,742

12-2 Changes in the Number of Alien Registrations of "Spouse or Child of Japanese National" by Nationality (Place of Origin) (People)

Year Nationality(Place of Origin)	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	259,656	260,955	256,980	245,497	221,923
China	54,569	55,860	56,990	57,336	56,510
Philippines	45,148	49,195	51,076	49,980	46,027
Brazil	78,851	74,001	67,472	58,445	43,443
Korea	21,837	22,429	22,340	21,990	21,052
United States of America	8,865	9,076	9,131	9,285	9,140
Thailand	11,097	10,405	9,997	9,588	9,113
Peru	6,900	6,430	5,928	5,278	4,418
Indonesia	2,785	3,009	3,129	3,028	2,854
United Kingdom	2,478	2,533	2,624	2,748	2,740
Canada	1,843	1,839	1,875	1,855	1,845
Others	25,283	26,178	26,418	25,964	24,781

13-1 Changes in the Number of New Arrivals of "Long-Term Resident" by Nationality (Place of Origin)

(People)

Year Nationality(Place of Origin)	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	33,756	28,001	27,326	20,123	9,946
China	3,207	3,437	3,853	3,646	3,520
Philippines	3,109	3,410	4,068	3,811	2,854
Brazil	23,522	18,342	15,976	9,635	1,037
Viet Nam	252	239	205	438	672
Peru	2,402	1,346	1,700	1,119	655
R.O. Korea	96	151	160	151	160
Thailand	132	140	190	168	144
Indonesia	139	133	161	132	134
Pakistan	29	42	48	97	88
United States of America	27	60	69	65	81
Others	841	701	896	861	601

13-2 Changes in the Number of Alien Registrations of "Long-Term Resident" by Nationality (Place of Origin)

Year Nationality(Place of Origin)	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	265,639	268,836	268,604	258,498	221,771
Brazil	153,185	153,141	148,528	137,005	101,250
Philippines	26,811	29,907	33,332	35,717	37,131
China	33,086	33,305	33,816	33,600	33,651
Peru	21,428	20,612	20,255	18,969	16,695
Korea	8,908	8,891	8,803	8,722	8,622
Viet Nam	5,103	5,236	5,342	5,526	5,847
Thailand	2,799	3,015	3,265	3,388	3,532
Bolivia	3,142	3,092	3,087	2,938	2,539
Indonesia	1,459	1,588	1,691	1,755	1,774
United States of America	1,609	1,587	1,605	1,570	1,518
Others	8,109	8,462	8,880	9,308	9,212

(2) Changes in the Number of New Arrivals and Alien Registration of Main Nationalities Place of Origin by Status of Residence

1-1 Changes in the Number of New Arrivals of R.O. Korean Nationals by Status of Residence

(People)

Year	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Status of Residence Total	1,607,457	1,997,459	2,472,620	2,248,645	1,451,174
Diplomat	1.037	1.013	976	1.388	1,191
Official	2,815	2,127	2,439	4,499	3,578
Professor	204	190	170	172	219
Artist	4	8	170	8	219
Religious Activities	114	151	163	126	133
Journalist	18	11	22	17	10
Investor/Business Manager	84	170	248	216	228
Legal/Accounting Services	-	- 170	-	- 10	1
Medical Services	1	_	_	-	-
Researcher	89	49	46	46	37
Instructor	13	15	16	15	15
Engineer	1,018	1,474	1,999	1,292	439
Specialist in Humanities/International Services	434	547	700	771	570
Intra-company Transferee	544	675	745	649	592
Entertainer	1,954	1,674	1,553	1,329	1,173
Skilled Labor	179	269	158	132	157
Cultural Activities	357	356	466	388	466
Temporary Visitor	1,584,715	1,972,745	2,444,529	2,218,602	1,424,195
College Student	4,078	4,849	5,301	5,516	5,487
Pre-college Student	4,293	4,673	5,586	6,171	4,516
Trainee	288	257	237	219	89
Dependent	2,296	2,579	2,766	2,618	2,376
Designated Activities	2,152	2,506	3,337	3,366	4,592
Spouse or Child of Japanese National	633	891	904	873	852
Spouse or Child of Permanent Resident	41	79	84	81	96
Long-Term Resident	96	151	160	151	160

1-2 Changes in the Number of Alien Registrations of Korean Nationals by Status of Residence

-2 Changes in the Number of Alien Registrations of Korean Nationals by Status of Residence (Peop					(People)
Year Status of Residence	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	598,687	598,219	593,489	589,239	578,495
Professor	1,020	996	965	1,006	1,025
Artist	34	43	37	36	43
Religious Activities	968	1,032	1,047	1,049	1,049
Journalist	55	59	66	68	64
Investor/Business Manager	1,373	1,609	1,900	2,249	2,492
Legal/Accounting Services	3	3	4	4	6
Medical Services	13	15	17	18	21
Researcher	325	261	269	258	258
Instructor	85	85	85	86	94
Engineer	4,901	6,176	7,733	8,647	8,015
Specialist in Humanities/International Services	5,386	5,919	6,926	8,118	8,962
Intra-company/Transferee	1,987	2,092	2,181	2,265	2,242
Entertainer	575	450	441	398	363
Skilled Labor	1,429	1,617	1,620	1,587	1,592
Cultural Activities	379	404	458	398	364
Temporary Visitor	8,275	7,250	6,824	5,007	4,184
College Student	16,309	17,097	17,902	19,441	19,807
Pre-college Student	6,397	8,254	9,742	10,286	7,804
Trainee	195	139	133	147	94
Dependent	16,492	17,070	17,859	18,484	18,533
Designated Activities	2,084	2,836	3,444	3,389	4,711
Permanent Resident	45,184	47,679	49,914	53,106	56,171
Spouse or Child of Japanese National	21,837	22,429	22,340	21,990	21,052
Spouse or Child of Permanent Resident	2,656	2,652	2,661	2,699	2,643
Long-Term Resident	8,908	8,891	8,803	8,722	8,622
Special Permanent Resident	447,805	438,974	426,207	416,309	405,571
Without Acquiring Status of Residence	1,859	1,993	1,802	1,597	1,425
Temporary Refuge	-	-	-	-	-
Others	2,153	2,194	2,109	1,875	1,288

2-1 Changes in the Number of New Arrivals of Chinese National by Status of Residence

(People)

Year Status of Residence	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	463,273	589,066	714,791	769,691	753,606
Diplomat	398	324	462	594	517
Official	1,162	738	1,160	2,135	2,337
Professor	460	494	492	539	496
Artist	17	9	12	4	7
Religious Activities	2	8	7	5	4
Journalist	1	-	-	-	-
Investor/Business Manager	45	61	65	98	114
Legal/Accounting Services	1	-	2	-	-
Medical Services	-	-	-	-	3
Researcher	110	139	132	130	150
Instructor	23	22	21	20	21
Engineer	1,936	3,546	5,403	4,571	1,404
Specialist in Humanities/International Services	460	602	768	778	553
Intra-company Transferee	1,058	1,535	2,639	2,570	1,858
Entertainer	8,263	4,978	3,156	1,820	1,694
Skilled Labor	1,582	2,325	2,903	3,270	2,495
Cultural Activities	1,165	1,077	913	788	792
Temporary Visitor	357,449	476,534	589,453	635,513	632,379
College Student	8,024	9,154	10,272	14,342	16,839
Pre-college Student	8,938	9,543	8,987	12,566	18,053
Trainee	55,156	61,963	68,188	68,860	53,876
Dependent	5,170	6,280	8,277	9,685	9,174
Designated Activities	2,766	283	215	194	124
Spouse or Child of Japanese National	5,445	5,399	6,602	6,552	6,251
Spouse or Child of Permanent Resident	435	615	809	1,011	945
Long-Term Resident	3,207	3,437	3,853	3,646	3,520

2-2 Changes in the Number of Alien Registrations of Chinese Nationals by Status of Residence

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Year Status of Residence	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	519,561	560,741	606,889	655,377	680,518
Professor	2,519	2,507	2,453	2,476	2,440
Artist	132	128	129	119	117
Religious Activities	98	103	114	113	120
Journalist	14	12	10	12	10
Investor/Business Manager	1,381	1,553	1,729	2,096	2,555
Legal/Accounting Services	9	7	9	6	7
Medical Services	69	64	91	114	134
Researcher	997	951	901	904	936
Instructor	105	109	101	99	104
Engineer	14,786	17,634	23,247	27,665	27,166
Specialist in Humanities/International Services	20,995	21,883	26,692	31,824	34,210
Intra-company Transferee	3,159	4,147	5,712	6,557	6,307
Entertainer	4,225	2,153	1,193	907	778
Skilled Labor	8,214	9,807	11,766	14,142	15,595
Cultural Activities	1,222	1,148	1,122	939	923
Temporary Visitor	13,079	9,026	8,467	7,235	6,332
College Student	89,374	88,074	85,905	88,812	94,355
Pre-college Student	15,915	21,681	22,094	25,043	32,408
Trainee	40,539	52,901	66,576	65,716	50,487
Dependent	37,154	39,478	43,592	49,776	55,640
Designated Activities	60,361	68,531	73,049	84,478	90,030
Permanent Resident	106,269	117,329	128,501	142,469	156,295
Spouse or Child of Japanese National	54,569	55,860	56,990	57,336	56,510
Spouse or Child of Permanent Resident	3,598	4,301	5,215	6,170	7,087
Long-Term Resident	33,086	33,305	33,816	33,600	33,651
Special Permanent Resident	3,170	3,086	2,986	2,892	2,818
Without Acquiring Status of Residence	2,818	3,219	2,593	2,171	2,101
Temporary Refuge	-	-	-	-	-
Others	1,704	1,744	1,836	1,706	1,402

3-1 Changes in the Number of New Arrivals of Philippine Nationals by Status of Residence

(People)

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Year Status of Residence	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	132,745	91,474	84,198	75,651	61,100
Diplomat	123	149	147	119	216
Official	419	342	412	476	541
Professor	20	21	15	20	25
Artist	-	1	-	-	-
Religious Activities	37	57	29	27	15
Journalist	-	-	1	1	-
Investor/Business Manager	1	5	3	7	4
Legal/Accounting Services	-	-	-	-	-
Medical Services	-	-	-	-	-
Researcher	9	7	10	6	16
Instructor	7	8	10	9	5
Engineer	335	558	598	576	252
Specialist in Humanities/International Services	88	138	127	98	105
Intra-company Transferee	290	375	417	495	397
Entertainer	47,765	8,608	5,533	3,185	1,873
Skilled Labor	60	62	68	59	52
Cultural Activities	65	42	23	35	66
Temporary Visitor	69,285	63,171	58,931	54,678	45,320
College Student	227	226	242	254	245
Pre-college Student	81	101	45	60	59
Trainee	4,311	4,941	5,843	5,678	4,726
Dependent	312	377	487	462	379
Designated Activities	532	426	266	242	486
Spouse or Child of Japanese National	5,530	8,257	6,687	5,133	3,308
Spouse or Child of Permanent Resident	139	192	236	220	156
Long-Term Resident	3,109	3,410	4,068	3,811	2,854

3-2 Changes in the Number of Alien Registrations of Philippine Nationals by Status of Residence

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Year Status of Residence	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	187,261	193,488	202,592	210,617	211,716
Professor	60	69	73	77	81
Artist	4	5	3	3	3
Religious Activities	247	270	266	253	236
Journalist	-	-	1	1	1
Investor/Business Manager	38	38	38	40	38
Legal/Accounting Services	-	-	-	-	-
Medical Services	-	-	-	-	-
Researcher	40	33	38	35	47
Instructor	57	67	88	117	117
Engineer	1,179	1,579	2,004	2,276	2,118
Specialist in Humanities/International Services	666	757	825	895	951
Intra-company Transferee	574	702	709	826	782
Entertainer	23,643	14,149	11,065	9,199	7,465
Skilled Labor	214	236	268	268	278
Cultural Activities	31	31	22	16	19
Temporary Visitor	14,527	12,732	10,856	8,698	6,705
College Student	617	640	643	614	615
Pre-college Student	167	199	171	144	133
Trainee	2,906	3,738	4,919	4,938	3,970
Dependent	1,426	1,590	1,801	2,047	2,134
Designated Activities	5,361	6,052	6,363	7,660	8,608
Permanent Resident	53,430	60,225	67,131	75,806	84,407
Spouse or Child of Japanese National	45,148	49,195	51,076	49,980	46,027
Spouse or Child of Permanent Resident	1,238	1,570	2,032	2,472	2,765
Long-Term Resident	26,811	29,907	33,332	35,717	37,131
Special Permanent Resident	33	39	42	42	45
Without Acquiring Status of Residence	3,170	3,484	3,025	3,050	2,782
Temporary Refuge	-	-	-	-	-
Others	5,674	6,181	5,801	5,443	4,258

4-1 Changes in the Number of New Arrivals of Brazilian Nationals by Status of Residence

(People)

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Year Status of Residence	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	46,680	40,897	37,527	31,002	15,874
Diplomat	152	70	63	136	84
Official	234	94	83	261	154
Professor	4	5	9	6	11
Artist	9	5	6	3	2
Religious Activities	29	33	35	35	17
Journalist	2	2	1	3	2
Investor/Business Manager	-	4	-	3	2
Legal/Accounting Services	-	-	-	-	-
Medical Services	-	-	-	-	-
Researcher	4	2	4	2	2
Instructor	1	2	4	6	2
Engineer	5	8	5	7	3
Specialist in Humanities/International Services	28	28	22	16	5
Intra-company Transferee	27	51	50	52	44
Entertainer	802	760	658	656	515
Skilled Labor	29	33	27	10	10
Cultural Activities	16	15	13	8	11
Temporary Visitor	12,737	13,944	14,624	16,600	12,920
College Student	128	131	114	111	122
Pre-college Student	46	29	28	34	28
Trainee	369	280	311	229	250
Dependent	112	179	159	108	109
Designated Activities	20	12	20	12	17
Spouse or Child of Japanese National	8,299	6,745	5,146	2,895	483
Spouse or Child of Permanent Resident	105	123	169	174	44
Long-Term Resident	23,522	18,342	15,976	9,635	1,037

4-2 Changes in the Number of Alien Registrations of Brazilian Nationals by Status of Residence

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Year Status of Residence	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total	302,080	312,979	316,967	312,582	267,456
Professor	31	30	36	38	37
Artist	16	15	12	13	12
Religious Activities	100	108	121	123	110
Journalist	3	3	4	3	4
Investor/Business Manager	22	29	27	29	28
Legal/Accounting Services	-	-	-	-	-
Medical Services	-	-	-	-	-
Researcher	13	10	11	11	13
Instructor	9	10	14	17	9
Engineer	54	54	53	57	54
Specialist in Humanities/International Services	97	105	108	112	103
Intra-company Transferee	48	80	93	108	94
Entertainer	220	230	228	211	197
Skilled Labor	82	92	93	85	72
Cultural Activities	10	12	9	7	9
Temporary Visitor	872	836	809	681	588
College Student	336	361	357	355	365
Pre-college Student	58	61	53	53	51
Trainee	185	99	94	82	70
Dependent	432	492	497	480	451
Designated Activities	171	203	179	148	122
Permanent Resident	63,643	78,523	94,358	110,267	116,228
Spouse or Child of Japanese National	78,851	74,001	67,472	58,445	43,443
Spouse or Child of Permanent Resident	796	1,021	1,400	1,773	1,905
Long-Term Resident	153,185	153,141	148,528	137,005	101,250
Special Permanent Resident	20	23	24	26	22
Without Acquiring Status of Residence	2,491	3,264	2,254	2,327	2,129
Temporary Refuge	-	-	-	-	-
Others	335	176	133	126	90

(3) The Status of Implementation of Immigration Examination Using Personal Identification Information

Number of the implementation of expulsion order

 Nationality

 R.O.Korea
 330

 China
 42

 Philippines
 30

 Others
 176

 Total
 578

Airport Port	
Narita Airport	316
Kansai Airport	127
Chubu Airport	53
Others	82
Total	578

Number of the implementation of deportation procedures

Nationality						
China	9					
Sri Lanka	6					
Philippines	4					
Others	20					
Total	39					

Airport Port					
Narita Airport	25				
Chubu Airport	7				
Fukuoka Airport	3				
Others	4				
Total	39				

(4) Changes in the Number of Cases of Detection of Forged or Altered Documents

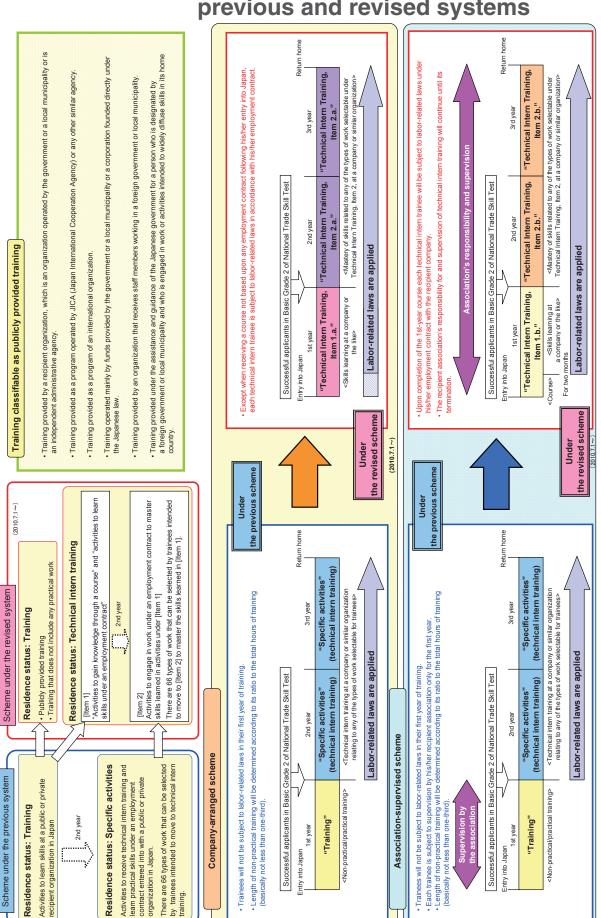
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Division	Year	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
	Passport	834	647	539	275	131
Landing	Others	1,622	1,369	824	321	103
	Total	2,456	2,016	1,363	596	234
	Passport	92	70	71	26	28
Departure	Others	74	43	25	7	10
	Total	166	113	96	33	38
	Passport	926	717	610	301	159
Total	Others	1,696	1,412	849	328	113
	Total	2,622	2,129	1,459	629	272

Comparison of the outline of the trainee-receiving scheme under the previous and revised systems

Data Section 3

Comparison of the outline of the trainee-receiving scheme under the previous and revised systems



Data Section 4

Outline of the "Ideal Future for Immigration Control Administration" (Report of the Fifth Discussion Meeting on Immigration Control Policy)

O Promotion of strict measures at the border through the use of various information, including biometric information of preserves against illegal and false residents, including expeditious detection and reinforced collection.

O Further promotion of measures to deal with violatine house

Further promotion of measures to deal with violators, however giving due consideration to their circumstances including the protection of human trafficking victims

Promotion of acceptance and settlement of foreign college students, etc.

Report of the Fifth Discussion Meeting on Immigration Control Policy) Outline of the "Ideal Future for Immigration Control Administration"

O Proper and smooth implementation of immigration and resider Foreign College Students Plan*

O Promotion of settlement of foreign students, including employment by a Japanese company as human resources who will take an active role in economic activities in Japan.

6. Facilitation of international exchange

Promotion of acceptance of foreign workers in professional or technical fields, including changes in economic and social circumstances

Smooth and proper acceptance of foreign nationals in response to

O in comparison with other countries, the number of foreign workers in specialized fields who are accepted in Japan, including highly-qualified human resources, remains at a low level, and it is necessary to make efforts to establish a system that enables the government and other relevant parties to work together to prombe acceptance of foreign workers and improve the environment. O With regard to highly-qualified human resources who are sepacially expected to significantly contribute to revitalization of our country's economy, it is necessary to take measures to relificore incentives for entering the country.

O Review of status of residence granted to human resources who work for a company

O Promotion of prosplance of the property and property and property of the purpose of supporting the contract of procurems to be submitted, and expeditious examination for the purpose of supporting

O Introduction of a preferential system utilizing point-based system for active acceptance of highly-qualified human

by reinforcing the operation system of local almosts
by reinforcing the preparation system of local almosts
- Enhancement of boarding examination forduler enter ships and expansion of the use of automatic gates
O consideration of simplified immigration procedures through pre-registration for further facilitation of exchanges with O Promotion of efforts to achieve a tourism-oriented country
Further efforts to shorten the waiting time for examination procedures at the airport
Reinforcement of the immigration control structure in response to an increase of foreign tourists coming to Japan

Acceptance of foreign workers in medical and nursing care field

O There are some restrictions on employment of foreign nationals who have obtained professional qualifications authorized by the Japanese government, such as dentists and nurses, based on the length of their service. (Restrictions on employment of doctors were

With regard to acceptance of foreign nurses and certified careworkers under the Economic Partnership Agreement (EPA), qualifications infortized by the Japanese government are required for permission to continue staying in Japan, but it was pointed out that it is too difficult meet the requirements for acquisition of such qualifications.

O With the acceleration of a declining birthrate and an aging society, it is necessary to consider, from diverse perspectives, how to accept foreign workers in nursing care field who have obtained professional qualifications authorized by the Japanese government.

O Review of restrictions on employment of those qualified as dentists, nurses, etc., based on the length of their service. O consideration of efforts to ensure smooth and continuous stay of certified careworkers, etc., who are accepted under the EPA. O consideration of acceptance of those who graduated from a Japanese university and have obtained professional qualifications authorized by the Japanese government, such as certified careworkers, in the light of the employment

Efforts to create a society that generates no illegal residents, etc.

O Japan, which is facing a faling birthrate and an aging population, needs to actively accept foreign workers in specialized the area; indufing highly-qualified human resources.

O Positive consideration of provision of opportunities to gather the opinions of people at all levels with regard to acceptance of foreign nationals who may have an impact on the nation's future and the form of our society.

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7. Issues on acceptance of foreign nationals in the age of declining

Actual situation, etc.>
List is necessary to beker measures to further decrease the number of illegal residents, estimated to be about 130,000 even after the Five-Year Plan for Halving illegal Residents was achieved, and to address the problem of those who disguise themselves as legal

3. Acceptance of foreign nationals of Japanese Descent

quantification of care workers accepted under the EPA.

O Foreign nationals, including those of Japanese descent, have contributed to development of regional economy and revitalization of multicultural local communities, while they cause much friction and conflicts with local communities, while they cause much friction and conflicts with local communities, while they cause much friction and conflicts with local communities. In the economic recession, various problems have become obvious, for example, the working environment including employment conditions, and education, including school-age children who do not go to school. O Review of acceptance requirements so that foreign nationals of Japanese descent can live an independent and stable life in local communities.

O Confirmation of the situation of school-age children of foreign nationals of Japanese ancestry to ensure their

implementation of training and technical internship programs Proper

On the other hand, misconduct by accepting organizations has become obvious, e.g., the treatment of trainees, etc., as low-wage egistered foreign trainees and interns reached about 200,000 (as of end of 2008), which means those programs

O Appropriate measures to ensure proper implementation of training and internship programs in accordance with the

 Application of labor-related laws and regulations to technical interns, and their protection through further reinforced
cooperation with the Labor Standards Supervision Office, etc.
cooperation with the Labor Standards Supervision Office, etc.
 Strict response to organizations regarding in misconduct based on surveys of the actual conditions
 Oconsideration of the direction for drastic review of programs aimed at measures to address the issue of acceptance of foreign nationals who are workers in fields that are not valued as professional or technical

Development of immigration control administration under the new system of residence management O Realization of proper residence management through prompt and precise analysis of the residence situation O Promotion of the foundation for a society in which Japanese and foreign nationals can live together in harmony . Stead y implementation of measures to improve conventience of foreign nationals . Support for improvement in administrative services in cooperation with municipalities, etc. . Establishment of an institutional framework for realization of a harmonious society.

Outline of the Basic Plan for Data Section 5 **Immigration Control(4th edition)** Ensuring transparency and appropriateness of treatment through the activities of the Immigration Detention Facilities Promotion of Measures against Illegal Foreign Residents Aiming for the Realization of a Safe and Secure Society O Actualization of appropriate residence management through prompt and accurate analysis of the state of residence Implementation of aggressive detection to deal with the spreading out of the workplaces of illegal foreign residents. Revocation of the statuses of residence of false residents and enhanced coordination with the police and other law Promotion of simplification of the application procedures for residence from the perspective of reducing the burden

Outline of the Basic Plan for Immigration Control(4th edition)

- rporating the vitality of the Asian nable development and inco In the midst of an era of a serious population decline, from the 0
 - adition to strong promotion of measures against the illegal foreign residents already making up large numbers in the country and the false residents whom it is feared will increase in number in the f of terrorists and criminals In order to maintain social order in Japan and to protect public security and the safety of the people, assured prevention at the border 0
- Appropriate operation of the new system of residence management which is to be introduced for the purpose of accurately monitoring the residence and stay of foreign nationals and, in addition to inanced convenience for foreign nationals in order to respond to the increase in the number of foreign residents and the diversification of their activities 0

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Concrete Strategies

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Smooth Acceptance of Foreign Nationals Vitalizing Japanese Society

- 1 Acceptance of Human Resources Who Meet the Needs of Society Such as through Contributing to **Economic Growth**
- Introduction of a preferential system utilizing points-based system for the active acceptance of highly-qualified
 - Review of the status of residence of foreign nationals employed by corporations in order to respond to the diverse utilization of human resources in the corporations

agencies O Strengthening of measures against foreign nationals illegally entering using vessels through patrols of ports and

harbors

O Promotion of landing examinations utilizing personal identification information O Reinforcement of border measures utilizing information in coordination with domestic and international relevant

Implementation of Border Measures for Strict Immigration Inspections

- 2 Promotion of Measures against Persons Staying Illegally in Japan or under the Guise of Legitimate Residency O Improvement of the system for the collection and analysis of information pertaining to illegal foreign residents and Promotion of the acceptance of foreign nationals whose expertise and technical skills are assured through their
 - Further improvement to simplify the documents to be submitted in the application for issuance of a certificate of Review of the restrictions on years of work for foreign nationals qualified as dentists, nurses and other medical eligibility of foreign nationals employed by corporations and acceleration of the examination process professionals
 - Consideration of the acceptance of foreign nationals who have graduated from a Japanese colleges and have acquired national qualifications in light of the status of employment of careworkers accepted through EPAs

2 Acceptance of Foreign Nationals of Japanese Descent

- Consideration for review of the requirements for entry of foreign nationals of Japanese descent from the
- perspective of leading an independent and stable social life in the local community Confirmation of school attendance in the examination for renewal of the period of stay to ensure the healthy development of the children of foreign nationals of Japanese descent

Further Promotion of International Exchange

- Promotion of efforts aiming for a tourism-oriented country
 Expansion of youth exchange through the working holiday program
 Consideration of smooth immigration procedures aiming for further activation of exchanges between business

4 Promotion of the Appropriate Acceptance of Foreign Students

- Implementation of appropriate and smooth immigration and residence examinations aiming to reach the target of the Plan for 300,000 Foreign Students
 - Promotion to facilitate the procedures for changes to the status of residence of those foreign nationals wishing to work for Japanese corporations

5 Efforts to Ensure Appropriate Training and Technical Internship Programs

O Early stabilization of the legal status of refugees and ensuring the fairness and neutrality of the refugee recognition

Promotion of Appropriate and Prompt Refugee Protection

1 Efforts for Appropriate and Prompt Refugee Recognition

2 Acceptance of Refugees through Resettlement to a Third Country
O Smooth implementation of a pilot case and consideration for future acceptance

Other Items

O Further promotion of international cooperation

O Improvement of the various administrative services provided by the municipality for foreign residents through the

provision of appropriate information to the prefecture

on foreign residents

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2 Efforts for the Realization of a Harmonious Society Coexisting with Foreign Nationals

1 Actualization of Appropriate Residence Management Utilizing Information

Expansion of Immigration Control Administration Based on the System Smooth introduction of a New System of Residence Management and

Promotion of measure to improve the transparency of the special permission to stay Stabilizing legal status of persons who are eligible for permission quickly through proper in

4 Proper Operation of Special Permission to Stay

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Visiting Committee

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3 Efforts to Further Improve the Treatment of Detainees

Implementation of efforts aimed at prompt deportation

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- O Ensuring protection of technical interns in close cooperation with the Labor Standards Office
 O Ensuring appropriate operation by the supervising associations and organizations implementing training based
- on thorough investigations into the actual state of affairs
 Reinforcement of examinations aimed at ensuring the propriety of the sending organizations and reinforcement to work on the sending countries

6 Activation of a National Debate on the Acceptance of Foreign Nationals

Active participation in consideration of policies in the midst of national debates and consideration by the government as a whole of strategies with regard to the acceptance of foreign nationals in an era of a

and a "harmonious society "a sate and secure society" coexisting with foreign nationals" Realization of "a vibrant, prosperous society,

O Development of the immigration control system O Further promotion of international coo O Consideration for the victims of trafficking in persons
O Proper operation of the alien registration system and a smooth transition to the new system

Data Section 6

Litigation Relating to Immigration Control

Section 1 ◆ Summary

Most administrative litigation, etc. relating to the Immigration Bureau (hereinafter referred to as "Immigration Control Relative Litigation") are litigations demanding nullification of a deportation order issued to foreigners illegally residing in Japan, or those demanding reversal of non-recognition as a refugee. The number of cases of litigation brought and newly accepted has been increasing rapidly in recent years, however, the number of accepted cases in 2009 decreased to 240 from 2008 when it reached record high. (Table 52) Also, the number of completed litigations by year was, in cases of merit, 190 cases in 2006, 257 cases in 2007, 355 cases in 2008, and 310 cases in 2009, thus it remains at high levels.

As a background to recent increases, the reform of the judicial system can be cited, which aims to ensure prompt proceedings by proper and sufficient procedures. In particular, the "Act for Partial Amendment of the Administrative Litigation Act" was put into force on April 1, 2005. This aimed to define a more effective remedial procedure for the rights and interests of people in connection with administrative litigations, the amendment of which involved the establishment of a system of provision (suggestion) of information on the statute of limitations, etc., extension of the statute of limitations, simplified and easy-to-understand eligibility for defendants in nullification litigation, etc. and so on. Such amendments can be regarded as the background to the increase in the number of newly accepted cases. Also, efforts are being made to further accelerate court proceedings as a whole due to the "Act for Prompt Proceedings" which was promulgated and came into force in July 2003, and which can be regarded as the background to the increase in the number of completed cases.

Further, the Immigration Control Relative Litigation of recent years observes new types of filing for litigation, such as obligating special permission for residence, obligating provisional permission for residence, issuance of detention orders, and their injunction and provisional injunction. The circumstances in which obligating litigation and injunction litigation were made statutory and a provisional remedy system prior to judgment on merit was defined by the "Act for Partial Amendment of the Administrative Litigation Act", where litigation systems of these types were actively utilized, can be regarded as the background.

Table 52: Trend in number of filed cases of Immigration Control relative litigation (cases of merit) (as of the end of 2009)

(Cases)

						(Cases)
	Object of claim	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
	Procedures for deportation concerned (Demand for canceling;confirmation of invalidity,etc.)		164	158	234	162
case	Status of residence examinations concerned(Demand for canceling disposition of disapproval; confirmation of invalidity, etc.)	8	21	17	17	16
rative	Certificate of eligibility(Demand for canceling disposition of non-issuance;confirmation of invalidity,etc.)		6	18	8	10
Administrative	Procedures for refugee status concerned (Demand for canceling; confirmation of invalidity, etc.)	52	59	82	72	50
	Others	28	2	3	4	1
	Sub-Total	248	252	278	335	239
	Civil case	25	11	2	1	1
	Claim of the protection of personal liberty	2				
	Total	275	263	280	336	240

Section 2 ◆ Major Court Cases

Court case 1 [Addition of the requirement "good behavior and conduct" to the revised notification to long-term residents]

The plaintiff argues that the revised notification to long-term residents (revised in accordance with the Notification from the Ministry of Justice No. 172 of 2006) is against the law, because it excessively limits the right of the plaintiff and causes injustice between those residing in Japan with the status of residence "Long-term Resident" and those with other status of residence, which cannot be overlooked, and that the refusal of permission in this case is also against the law because it is decided in accordance with the said notification. However, in view of the nature of the discretionary powers given to the Minister of Justice, etc. in making a decision on whether to grant permission for extension of period of stay, there is no basis for believing that long-term residents and other residents must be treated uniformly. Even if it is put aside for now, it cannot necessarily be said that the above notification excessively limits the right of the plaintiff, or foreign nationals of Japanese ancestry, and treats them unfairly, in comparison with other foreign nationals. It is because foreign nationals of Japanese ancestry had received preferential treatment in immigration and residence examination in accordance with the notification before the revision and the requirement "good behavior and conduct" are just added to the notification. Therefore, the plaintiff's claim cannot be accepted.

[Osaka District Court Judgment on June 25, 2009]

Court case 2 [Marriage with a foreign national who has obtained permission to reside in Japan for a limited period]

The plaintiff argues that the Supreme Court decision in 2002 concerning the case in which the appropriateness of the status of residence for spouses of a Japanese national was disputed should be applied to this case. That is, if either or both spouses have determinably lost the will to live together and made their communal life insubstantial, and there is no chance of mending relations, it cannot be interpreted that the breakup of their marriage means the loss of the substantial base in the social life, and therefore, the plaintiff

should be allowed to continue residing in Japan as a spouse of a "long-term resident". However, the law intends to give special consideration to marriages of foreign nationals with Japanese nationals by establishing an independent status of residence "Spouse or child of Japanese National", while there is no status of residence "Spouse or child of Long-term Residents" So, the above Supreme Court decision is different from this case in purpose, and it is undeniable that the above decision should not be applied to this case. Practically, if a foreign national marries a long-term resident, the long-term resident is also a foreign national, not Japanese, who must return to his/her home country after the period of stay from a legal standpoint. Consequently, it should be decided based on the relevant period of stay whether the foreign national has lost the substantial base in a social life due to the broken marriage. In other words, it should not be decided based on matters concerning the long-term future, in particular, the credibility of the statement that there is no chance of mending the marital relationship.

[Tokyo District Court Judgment on October 2, 2009]

Court case 3 [Activities outside scope permitted, which are beyond the acceptable level as required by law]

The appellee has resided in Japan with the status of residence of "College Student" since April 2002, and has been engaged in activities outside scope permitted. The appellee had worked at a Chinese restaurant with permission for the first two years, but after that, had worked as a nightclub hostess without permission and had earned 5 to 6 million yen in total. She also gained 4.3 to 5.3 million yen as commissions for job placement of foreign entertainers. Moreover, she took more than 10 million yen withdrawn from her bank account and 3.9 million yen withdrawn from her husband's bank account back to her home country without following the required procedure, and saved a considerable portion of the remaining income of her husband, Judging from the fact that the appellee took all money earned from illegal work identified by the investigation to her home country and her husband also took his earnings out of Japan or saved them, a major part of the appellee's income earned from illegal work was not needed in order to ensure that the appellee could continue to study. It is hard to say that most of the appellee's work was essential to continuing activities permitted under the status of residence, and the status of residence is undoubtedly considered to be used as an excuse or means to engage in activities outside scope permitted. In other words, the activities outside scope permitted in which the appellee have been engaged are not a simple matter of unpermitted activities, but are problematic in terms of a deviation from the acceptable level as required by law and misuse of the status of residence for the purpose of continuing and facilitating activities outside scope permitted. Illegality of such activities shall not be determined depending on whether the appellee has engaged in activities to receive education to the extent required by the law.

[Hiroshima High Court Judgment on February 5, 2009]

Court case 4 [Discretionary powers of principal inspectors under the preparatory detention policy and the provisional release system]

With regard to foreign nationals' entry to Japan, there are no provisions in the Constitution, and the international customary law does not oblige nations to accept foreign nationals. Each country is supposed

to be free to decide whether it accepts foreign nationals and what conditions it imposes on foreign nationals to be accepted unless it concludes any special treaty. In the light of this situation, it is understood that the Constitution guarantees to foreign nationals neither the freedom to enter the country nor the right to reside in the country. Under the Constitution interpreted as the above, the Immigration Control Act adopts the residence status system as a system that forms the basis for immigration and residence management of foreign nationals and that stipulates that they are not allowed to enter and reside in Japan unless the activities that they intend to engage in Japan fall under the activities permitted under the status of residence that they are granted. The detention system under the Immigration Control Act is established based on such background. Under the said system, foreign nationals who have engaged in activities other than those permitted under the status of residence and are deemed to be disadvantageous to the country should be detained before the procedure for deportation to forcibly remove them outside the country, in principle. For this reason, the plaintiff's claim that detention should be restricted to cases in which there is a substantial need for detention cannot be accepted. The provisional release system is an exceptional system to provisionally give permission for release under certain conditions only in special circumstances, and there are no specific provisions for criteria of judgment in the Immigration Control Act. When this is taken into account, it is clear that the decision on whether to approve the application for provisional release is left to the broad discretion of principal inspectors etc. Therefore, there are no reasonable grounds to believe that principal inspectors etc. are required to grant permission for provisional release if there is no substantial need for detention.

[Tokyo High Court Judgment on October 29, 2009]

Court case 5 [Hearing of opinions by refugee examination counselors]

The appellant argues that (i) the refugee examination counselor involved in this petition for objection conducted examinations based on prejudgments and prejudices and the requirements specified in Paragraph 2, Article 61-2-10 of the Immigration Control Act were not satisfied, and it is not acceptable that the refugee examination counselor conducted proper hearing of opinions which satisfied the requirements stipulated in the law with regard to this petition for objection; (ii) the statement of the appellant in this criminal case serves as the basis for assessment of the credibility in the statement regarding the eligibility as a refugee, and it is illegal to take procures using the evidence quite irrelevant to this application for refugee recognition without disclosing it to the appellant, in order to assess the eligibility as refugee, because it is a surprise attack against the appellant, and the appellant is given no chance to explain about it. However, on the assumption that the appellant's claims are deemed reasonable, it is hard to recognize that the refugee examination counselor involved in this petition for objection conducted examinations based on prejudgments and prejudices. Because there is no reason to believe so, the factor shown as (i) cannot be accepted. With regard to the factor shown as (ii), even after considering the fact that the evidence used without being disclosed to the appellant is the statement made by the appellant and that it is assumed the appellant's claims in this legal case are deemed reasonable, as shown the above, it is hard to recognize the appellant as a refugee after all. Therefore, it is hard to recognize that the above factors have an impact on the validity of decision concerning dismissal of the appeal.

[Tokyo High Court Judgment on April 23, 2009]

Data Section 7

Organizational Expansion and Staff Enhancement

Owing to significant changes in the circumstances affecting immigration control in recent years, in response to an increase in the quantity and in the complexity of immigration duties, measures have been taken to improve and expand the organization and staff for immigration control.

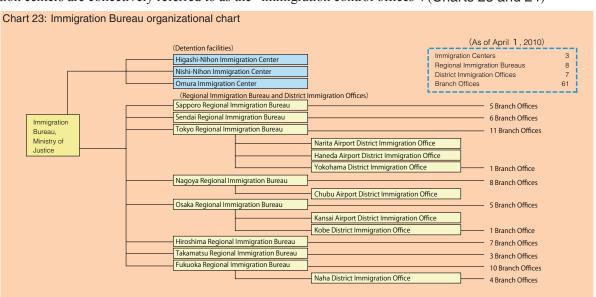
At the end of FY 2009, immigration control administration work was carried out by about 3,500 officials at the Immigration Bureau of the Ministry of Justice and other immigration control offices. Due to a wide range of problems in immigration control, further improvement and expansion of the organization and staff are still necessary.

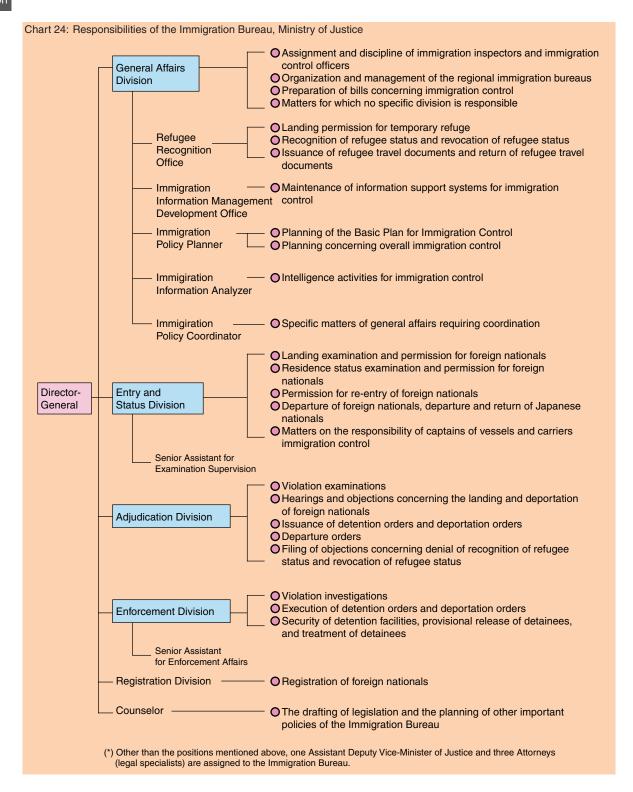
Section 1 ◆ Organizations

1 Outline of the Immigration Control Organization

The organization that is responsible for immigration control duties is the Immigration Bureau, which is designated as an internal bureau of the Ministry of Justice. There are eight regional blocks, each of which has a regional immigration bureau as a local branch office of the Ministry of Justice. Each regional immigration bureau manages the district immigration offices and branch offices (including branch offices within the district immigration offices) under its jurisdiction. The Ministry of Justice also maintains three immigration centers as detention facilities. The organization as a whole performs various duties associated with immigration control such as immigration examinations, residence examinations, deportation procedures, and refugee recognition procedures in accordance with relevant laws and ordinances.

The Immigration Bureau, regional immigration bureaus, district immigration offices, branch offices, and immigration centers are collectively referred to as the "immigration control offices". (Charts 23 and 24)





2 Review on the organizational structure of the Immigration Control Offices

With respect to the expansion and enhancement of organization in FY 2010, in order to respond to people entering and departing the country who are expected to increase significantly due to further expansion of facilities at Haneda Airport (Tokyo International Airport), such as addition of runways and an international terminal building, as well as start of 24-hour operation, the Haneda Airport Branch Office of the Tokyo Regional

Immigration Bureau was abolished, and the Haneda Airport District Immigration Office of the Tokyo Regional Immigration Bureau was established. This will contribute to building up a system to balance smooth and prompt procedures for immigration control examination with strict preventive countermeasures at the border.

Further, most branch offices (including branch offices of district immigration offices) of regional immigration bureaus were located within the area of seaports, based on the historical background that they were originally established for immigration examination of crew members and passengers on ocean-going vessels. Now, as the primary means of international transportation shifted from vessels to aircraft, immigration examination at airports became the main service, and as foreigners residing in Japan for a long time increased, the Ministry has proceeded to reorganize, integrate or scrap branch offices at seaports to respond to the foregoing change in administrative needs, and made efforts to re-allocate branch offices by establishing them at local airports where many international flights arrive, places where prefectural offices are located, and other major cities. (Table 53)

As a result, the number of branch offices established in the country through reorganization of regional immigration offices into regional immigration bureaus, which was 103 as of April 1, 1981, is 61 as of April 1, 2010. The establishment of at least one regional immigration bureau or office in each prefecture has achieved, while branch offices have decreased by about 40% from 1981.

Those branch offices should not only improve convenience of foreign nationals who come for submission of various applications or reports but also enhance close cooperation with related local organizations, such as police, in collecting information on illegal and disguised residents. With a view to enhancing cooperation with local authorities and related organization which accept foreign nationals who intend to reside in Japan for a medium and long term, it is necessary to continue rationalizing and streamlining the organizational structure, with the aim of ensuring smooth and proper processing, including immigration examination, residence examination, and collection of information on offenders against the Immigration Control Act, and establishing a more comprehensive framework for branch offices

Table 53: Reorganization, abolition or establishment of branch offices of regional immigration bureaus

(As of April 1,2010)

Division	Ab	(As of April 1,2010) Establishment		
Fiscal Year	Name	Location	Name	Location
2000	Amagasaki Port Branch Office	Amagasaki City	Saga Branch Office	Saga City
	Kure Port Branch Office	Kure City		
	Karatsu Port Branch Office	Karatsu City		
	Imari Port Branch Office	Imari City		
2001	Yokosuka Port Branch Office	Yokosuka City	Shizuoka Branch Office	Shizuoka City
	Kagoshima Airport Branch Office	Mizobe-cho Aira-gun		
	Shimizu Port Branch Office	Shimizu City		
	Tagonoura Port Branch Office	Fuji City		
2002	Iwakuni Port Branch Office	Iwakuni City	Kofu Branch Office	Kofu City
	Yatsushiro Port Branch Office	Yatsushiro City	Gifu Branch Office	Gifu City
	Hitachi Port Branch Office	Hitachi City	Otsu Branch Office	Otsu City
	Kashima Port Branch Office	Kamisu-cho Kashima-gun	Mito Branch Office	Mito City
2003	Tokyo Port Branch Office	Koto-ku Tokyo	Shinjyuku Branch Office	Shinjyuku-ku Tokyo
	Shibuya Branch Office	Shibuya-ku Tokyo	Morioka Branch Office	Morioka City
	Muroran Port Branch Office	Muroran City		
	Miyako Port Branch Office	Miyako City		
	Ofunato Port Branch Office	Ofunato City		
	Ishinomaki Port Branch Office	Ishinomaki City		
	Sasebo Port Branch Office	Sasebo City		
	Naha Port Branch Office	Naha City		
2004	Aomori Port Branch Office	Aomori City	Aomori Branch Office	Aomori City
	Hachinohe Port Branch Office	Hachinohe City		
	Yokohama Port Branch Office	Yokohama City		
	Nagoya Port Branch Office	Nagoya City		
	Nagoya Airport Branch Office	Toyoyama-cho Nishikasugai-gun Aichi		
	Sakai Port Branch Office	Sakai City		
	Kobe Port Branch Office	Kobe City		
	Mizushima Port Branch Office	Kurashiki City		
	Shibushi Branch Office	Shibushi-cho Soo-gun Kagoshima		
2005	Naoetsu Port Branch Office	Joetsu City		
2007	Osaka Port Branch Office	Osaka City	Tobu Branch Office	Edogawa-ku Tokyo
	Tennoji Branch Office	Osaka City		
2010	Haneda Airport Branch Office	Ota–ku Tokyo		

^(*) The abolition of Haneda Airport Branch Office in FY2010 is due to tha establishment of Haneda Airport District Immigration Office

Section 2 ◆ Staff

1 Immigration Control Staff

In immigration centers and regional immigration bureaus, immigration inspectors and immigration control officers

are assigned as staff who are engaged in immigration control duties. In addition, officers of legal affairs engage in general administrative duties and specialists of legal affairs, including doctors, are also assigned.

Immigration inspectors are responsible for (i) examinations and hearings on landing and deportation, (ii) issuance of written detention orders and written deportation orders, (iii) provisional release, and (iv) investigation of recognition of refugees and statuses of residence. They are also engaged in examining statuses of residence as assistants for the Minister of Justice.



Immigration control staff

Immigration control officers are responsible for (i) investigation of violations concerning entry, landing or residence in Japan, (ii) detention, transportation and deportation of foreign nationals in order to execute written detention orders or written deportation orders, and (iii) treatment of inmates in immigration centers and detention facilities and guards of these detention facilities. They fall under police personnel in relation to the National Civil Service Law and the Law Concerning Salaries for General Service Personnel. As they are often involved in dangerous tasks, they are regarded as public security service staff.

Immigration control officers are divided into seven ranks (keibikan, keibicho, keibishicho, keibishi, keibishiho, keishucho, and keishu, in order of descending superiority) in order to clarify the chain of command for group operations for detection.

Individual immigration inspectors and immigration control officers perform their duties independently as specialists in immigration control and therefore, the specialist system was introduced. These officials are required to have legal knowledge necessary for their duties as well as a balanced point of view from an international perspective and the ability to interact with foreign nationals flexibly while giving consideration to their diverse cultures, customs and religions and their human rights.

2 Staff Increase

The number of immigration control staff was 3,714 in FY 2010, up about 25% (742) from FY 2005 (2,972), five years ago. During this period, the number of cases handled by immigration control offices remained at a high level, and the immigration control duties have been getting more complicated and difficult due to the necessity of implementing stricter immigration examinations to prevent terrorism and illegal entry, coping with forged or altered documents that have become increasingly more sophisticated, strengthening residence management related to foreign residents after entry, enforcing strengthened detection of illegal foreign residents, some of whom are potential criminals, and implementing measures against foreign residents disguised as legal residents. (Chart 25, Table 54)

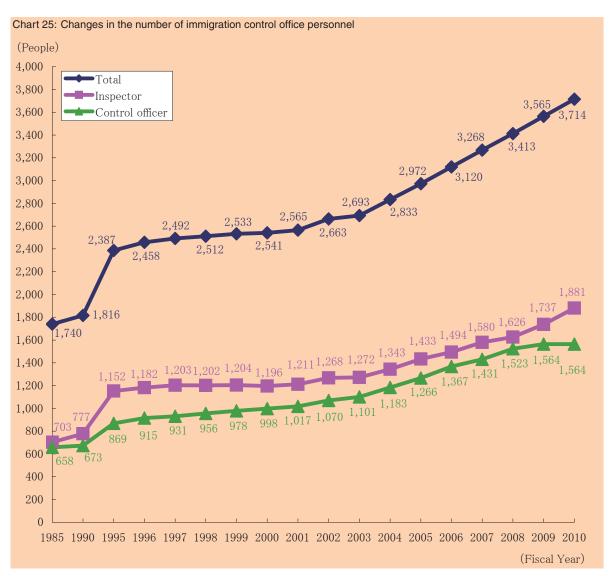


Table 54: Changes in the number of immigration control office personnel

(People) Secretaries in Regional Immigration Bureaus Division the Ministry of Total Sub-Total Secretaries Control officer Others Justice Inspector Fiscal Year 1985 169 1,740 155 703 1,571 1990 166 154 777 673 1,816 1,650 1995 163 165 1,152 869 38 2,224 2,387 915 1996 161 166 1,182 34 2,297 2,458 1,203 1997 166 931 2,331 2,492 161 31 1,202 2,353 1998 159 166 956 2,512 1,204 1999 165 978 159 2,374 2,533 2000 164 1,196 2,384 2,541 2001 155 1,211 1,017 26 2,409 2,565 2002 154 146 1,070 2,509 2,663 2,541 2003 1,272 24 2,693 144 1,101 142 142 1,343 1,183 2,691 2,833 2004 122 20 2,841 2,972 2005 131 1,433 1,266 122 1,494 1,367 2,991 2006 2007 128 121 1,580 1,431 3,140 3,268 2008 127 129 1,626 1,523 3,286 3,413 2009 126 130 1,737 1,564 3,439 3,565 2010 126 135 1,881 1,564 3,588

In FY 2010, 207 persons were additionally assigned as immigration inspectors and immigration control officers. An outline of the staff increase is as follows

(1) Strengthened Immigration Control of the Regional Immigration Bureau such as the Haneda Airport District Immigration Office

The "Basic Act for Promoting a Tourism-Oriented Country" was put into force in January 2007, and the "Basic Plan for Promoting a Tourism-Oriented Country" was decided in June of said year by the Cabinet aiming to "increase the number of foreign tourists visiting Japan to 10 million by 2010". Under such circumstances, the number of foreign nationals entering Japan in 2007 reached about 9.15 million, which was the highest ever, and remained almost at the same level. Although such foreign nationals provisionally reduced due to global economic recession etc., their number is expected to increase along with economic recovery, because facilities, such as runways and an international terminal building, will be expanded at some airports, including Haneda Airport, and a new airport will be opened in 2010. As it is expected that further active campaigns to invite foreign tourists will be developed in the future, it is necessary to make efforts to shorten the waiting time for examination by flexible allocation of staff or other measures and, at the same time, to implement strict immigration examination as countermeasures against terrorism and illegal residents, as a step toward the realization of a tourism-oriented country.

For this purpose, in FY 2010, 137 additional immigration inspectors were allocated to the Haneda Airport District Immigration Office, and the total 10 additional immigration inspectors were allocated to two branch offices governing New Chitose Airport and Ibaraki Airport.

(2) Strengthened Residence Management System of the Regional Immigration Bureau such as the Nagoya Regional Immigration Bureau

In the light of circumstances under which the number of foreigners residing in Japan increases year by year, the "Three-year Program for Promoting Deregulation (revised)" decided by the Cabinet in March 2008 mentioned the need for an overall review of the alien registration system and the residence management system to reinforce the checking system for foreign nationals after entering Japan. The revised Immigration Control Act was enacted and promulgated in July 2009, as stated above. (See Chapter 2 of Part II.)

Because the problems on the "training and technical internship programs" are pointed out, including unjust treatment of foreign nationals as low-wage labor straying from their original goal of achieving international technical transfer, the necessary improvements to address those problems are included in this revision as one of pillars. In addition, the need for measures to ensure the effectiveness of those programs has been stressed in Diet deliberations regarding legal reforms. Therefore, it is necessary to conducting thorough surveys on the actual condition in order to ensure the proper operation of the system in which organizations accepting foreign trainees etc. supervise their umbrella organizations.

As the staff to cope with this, 23 additional immigration inspectors were allocated to the Nagoya Regional Immigration Bureau and other offices.

(3) Reinforcement etc. of the detection system in the Haneda Airport District Immigration Office

Due to the start of 24-hour operation associated with the re-expansion of facilities, a significant increase in the number of those who enter or depart the country is expected in the Haneda Airport. With the increase of airport users, the number of those who intend to use the airport for evil purposes is also expected to increase. In addition, there is concern over trade in fake or forged passports by abusing transit areas as a pathway of illegal entry into a third country. Therefore, it is necessary to develop a system to detain illegal entrants etc. promptly and unfailingly at any time and take



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deportation procedures, as well as to establish detention facilities in the new international terminal building. As the staff to engage in investigation on illegal entrants etc. found in the Haneda Airport, detection and patrol in transit areas to promote strict countermeasures at the border, as well as proper treatment, monitoring and efficient execution of deportation with regard to detainees in the newly-established detention facilities, 20 additional immigration control officers were allocated.

Although the District Immigration Office could not necessarily implement deportation procedures sufficiently, the relocation to the new office will release the District Immigration Office from physical restrictions, and make it possible to implement wider detection activities, etc.

(4) Strengthened Refugee Adjudication System of the Regional Immigration Bureau such as the Tokyo Regional Immigration Bureau

The introduction of the refugee examination counselors system in 2005 enhanced the equity and neutrality of the refugee recognition procedures, but the number of applications for refugee status (primary examination) increased to 1,599 in 2008, almost quadrupled from 384 in 2005. To cope with this, 10 additional refugee examiners were assigned in 2009.

Likewise, the number of petitions for objection (examination of objection) filed by those who were not recognized as refugees in the primary examination rapidly increased to 429 in 2008 from 183 in 2005. As the staff to respond to the primary examination for which the personnel was increased by assignment of additional staff in 2009, 15 additional refugee examiners were assigned to the Tokyo Regional Immigration Bureau and 2 additional refugee examiners were assigned to the Osaka Regional Immigration Bureau.

3 Training

As the number of foreign nationals entering and departing from Japan has been increasing year by year and the types of residence have diversified, the volume of services has increased and the contents of routine duties to be performed by immigration inspectors and immigration control officers have become more complicated and difficult. It is therefore indispensable to enhance the skills and abilities of the officers of the Immigration Bureau,

and so we are in the process of enriching and reinforcing our training program targeted for those officers.

In addition to systematic training for newly employed persons, middle-level persons and managers implemented by the Research and Training Institute of the Ministry of Justice, which is a training organization of the Ministry of Justice, the Immigration Bureau implements various kinds of training programs by not only the staff with specialized knowledge but also outside experts invited to give a lecture for the purpose of enhancing the professional knowledge of staff, e.g. training for persons engaged in the detection of document forgery, training for persons engaged in entry and residence examination work, training for persons engaged in refugee recognition work, training for persons engaged in information system operation, and training for human rights and mental health.

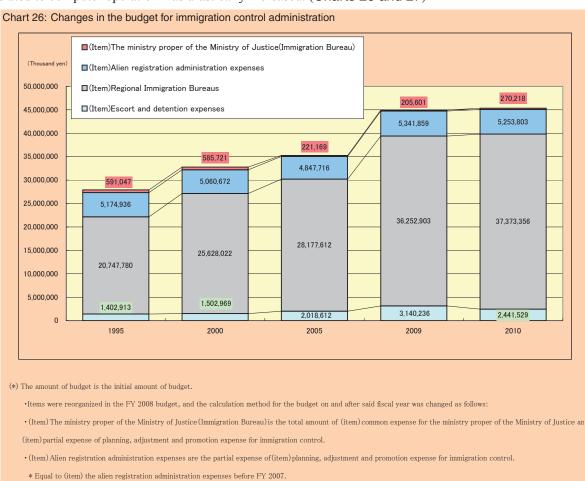
Also, as the work of the Immigration Bureau is mainly concerned with foreigners, it makes efforts to improve language skills necessary for the work by organizing language seminars in English and other languages for staff at professional language schools, etc.

Data Section 8 Budget

Section 1 ◆ Budgets

Chart 26 shows the trends in budgets for immigration control administration. Despite severe fiscal and administrative limitations in recent years, the fiscal authorities approved the Immigration Bureau's expenses to implement necessary immigration control duties and related projects leading to improvement and enhancement of immigration control administrative capabilities.

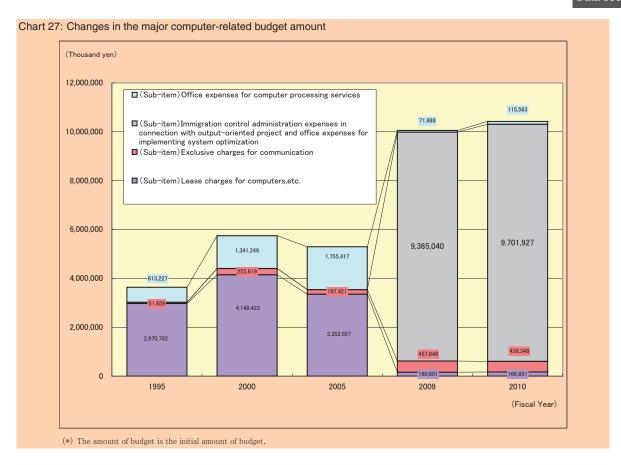
As the cost of adapting to the new system of residence management was approved in the budget of FY 2010, the budget related to computer operation was drastically increased. (Charts 26 and 27)



• (Item) Regional Immigration Bureaus are the total amount of (item) common expense for Regional Immigration Bureaus, and the partial expense of (item) administration expe

• (Item) Escort and detention expenses are the partial expense of (item) administration expenses for immigration control.

for immigration control.



Section 2 ◆ Facilities

As of March 31, 2010, 8 regional immigration bureaus in the nation are housed in an independent office of the Ministry of Justice (Tokyo, Nagoya, Osaka), a joint office of the Ministry of Justice (Sendai, Takamatsu), an administrative joint office (Sapporo, Hiroshima), and a private facility (Fukuoka) respectively. District immigration offices and branch offices of regional immigration bureaus are housed in an independent office of a regional legal affairs bureau (Yokohama), a joint port office, an administrative joint office, an airport terminal building, and private or public facilities.

All 3 detention centers for immigrants in the nation were completed after the year 1993, which are maintained as independent offices of the Ministry of Justice (Omura) and the general office of the Ministry of Justice (East Japan, West Japan).

Due to globalization, more and more foreign nationals are entering and staying in Japan of late. In line with the internationalization and re-expansion of the Haneda Airport, the Haneda Airport District Immigration Office of the Tokyo Regional Immigration Bureau was established in 2010.

The Immigration Bureau will continue to upgrade its immigration control facilities as needed for the purpose of ensuring proper operation of immigration control administration. (Table 55)

Table 55: Changes in the capacity for detention

(People)

Divis	Fiscal Year sion	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
	Total	3,410	3,848	3,848	3,998	3,998
	Immigration Centers	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,800
	Regional Immigration Bureaus	1,610	2,048	2,048	2,198	2,198

As of every March 31 (the number for 2010 is an estimate.)

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