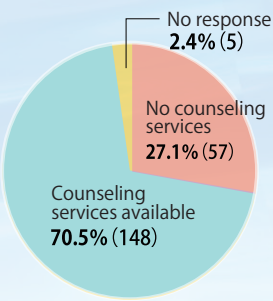


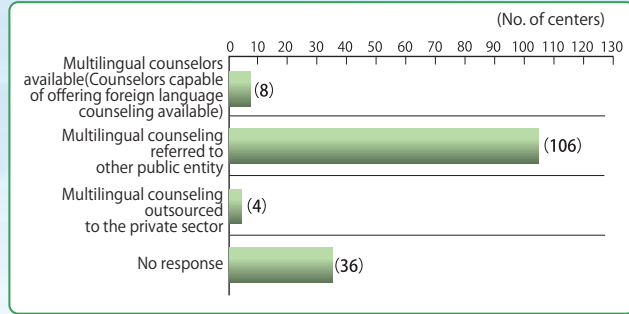
## Availability of counseling services for foreign nationals

Eight of the centers that offer counseling services have multilingual counselors, and 106 have ties with other public entities

### Availability of counseling services at centers



### Handling of multilingual counseling at centers offering counseling services



### Local governments' handling of multilingual counseling

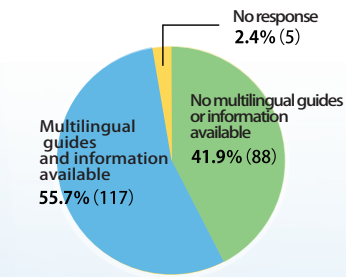
	Total	Available (%)	Unavailable (%)	N.A. (%)
Total	473	31.7	67.2	1.1
Prefectures	18	38.9	55.6	5.6
Cities	381	36.5	63.0	0.5
of which				
Metropolitan areas	28	57.1	39.3	3.6
Core cities	23	39.1	60.9	-
Towns and villages	72	5.6	91.7	2.8

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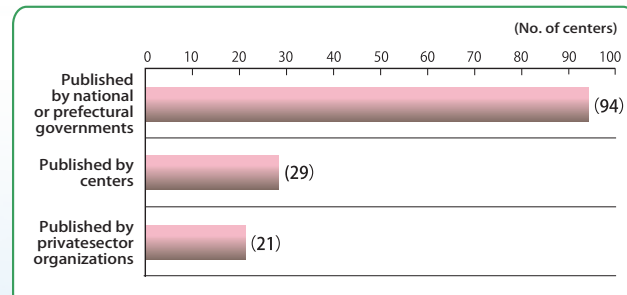
## Availability of multilingual information

117 centers (55.7%) provide multilingual information, 29 of which prepare it themselves

### Availability of multilingual information at centers

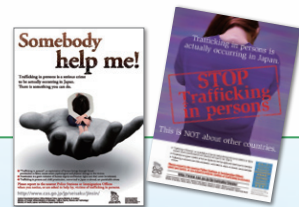


### Multilingual information available at centers



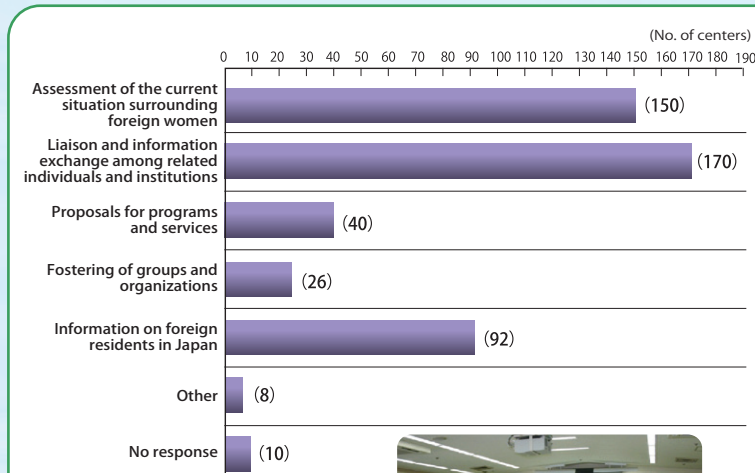
### Examples of information available

Purple Dial; Guide to Counseling Services for Spousal Violence (9 languages) (Cabinet Office); Counseling Services for Trafficking in Persons (National Police Agency); Guide to the Japan Legal Support Service; guides to counseling services for foreign nationals; bulletins issued by multicultural affairs divisions; lists of medical institutions; guides to emergency evacuation procedures



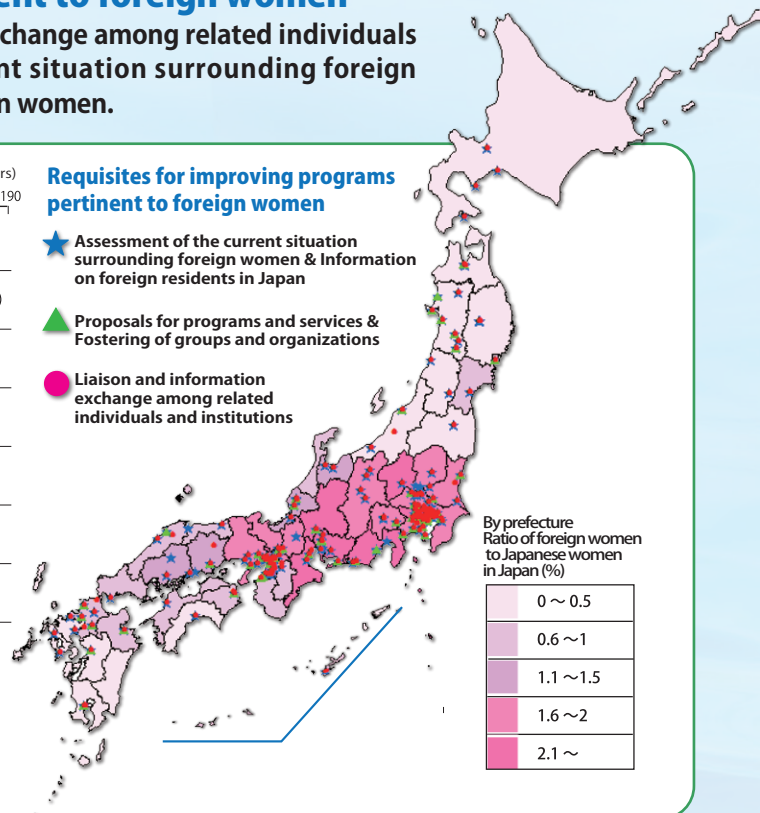
## Requisites for promoting programs pertinent to foreign women

Many centers cited the need for "Liaison and information exchange among related individuals and institutions" (81.9%) and "Assessment of the current situation surrounding foreign women" (71.4%) to facilitate taking measures to assist foreign women.



### Requisites for improving programs pertinent to foreign women

- ★ Assessment of the current situation surrounding foreign women & Information on foreign residents in Japan
- ▲ Proposals for programs and services & Fostering of groups and organizations
- Liaison and information exchange among related individuals and institutions



NWECC (National Woman's Education Center of Japan)

# Gender Equality and Globalization: Foreign women living in Japan

## The Fourth Basic Plan for Gender Equality and initiatives targeting foreign women and international cooperation

The Fourth Basic Plan for Gender Equality was approved by the Cabinet in December 2015. As with previous plans, it addresses the need to demonstrate appropriate consideration and establish a favorable environment for foreign women, as well as international cooperation and contributions.

### Priority Field 7

#### Elimination of all forms of violence against women

- Creation of a foundation for eliminating and preventing violence against women
- Furtherance of the prevention of spousal violence and the protection and support of victims
- Commitment to ensuring everyone dealing with victims in the line of duty demonstrates appropriate consideration
- Promotion of effective measures to address trafficking in persons

### Priority Field 8

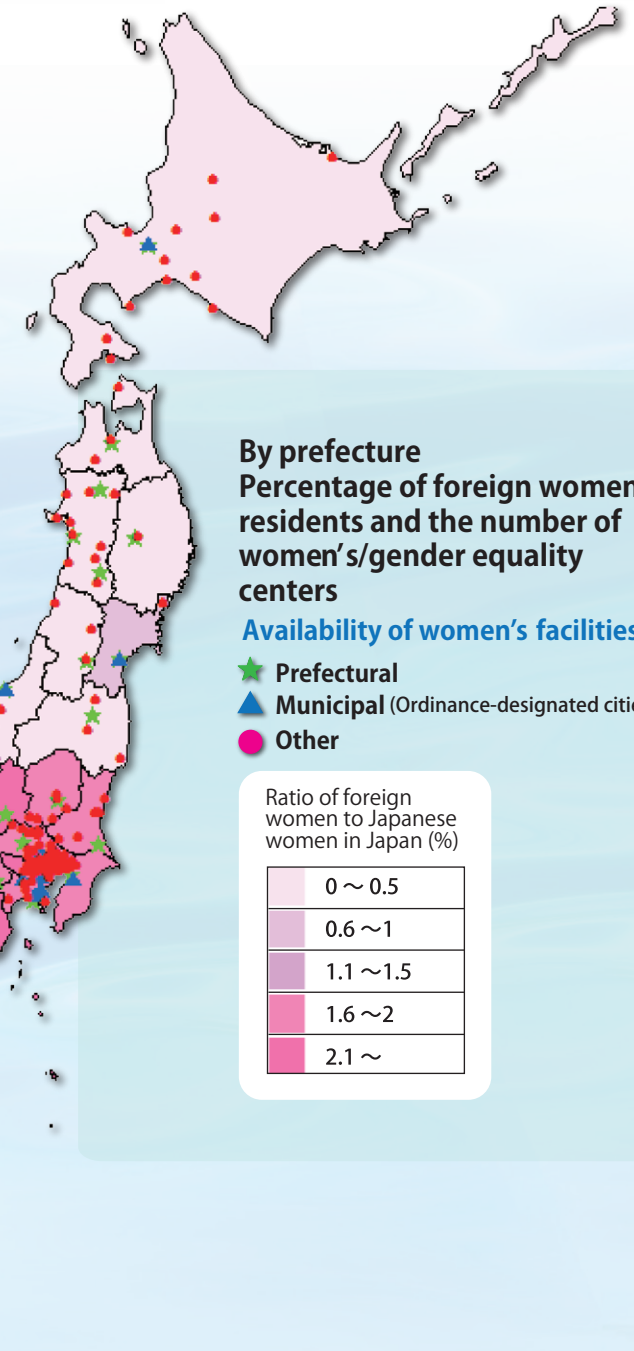
#### Creation of an environment in which women and others facing hardship as a result of poverty, old age, disabilities or other similar challenges can live comfortably

It is important to consider circumstances in which foreign nationals living in Japan experience additional hardship because they are women from the standpoint of respect for human rights. Accordingly, gender-equal perspectives must be integrated when nurturing an environment in which people facing a variety of hardships can live with peace of mind.

### Priority Field 12

#### International cooperation and contributions with respect to gender equality

- Response to issues deliberated for the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women and other international standards and at conferences
- Demonstration of international leadership in the field of gender equality



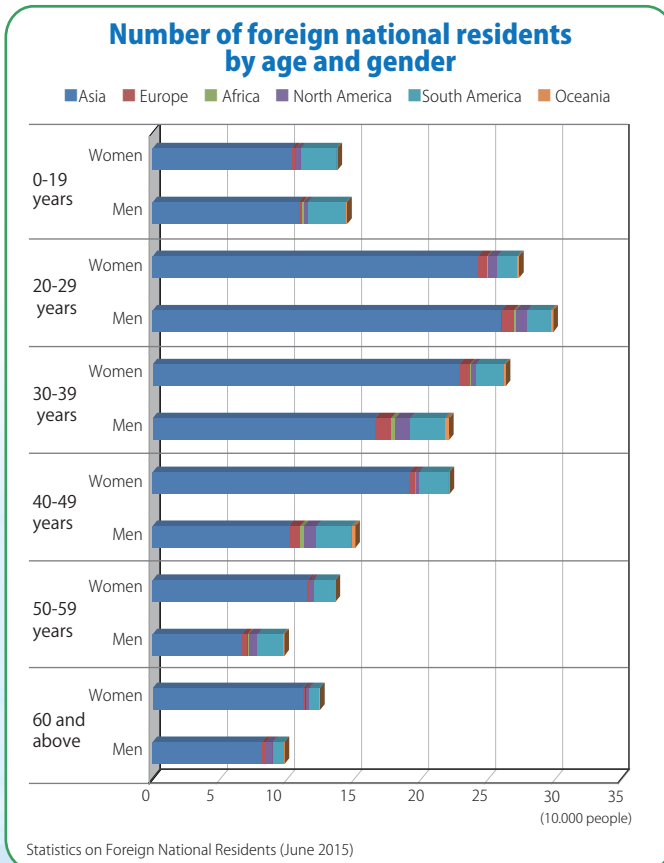


# Increases in the number of women immigrating

Women account for a high proportion of both Japanese nationals living overseas and foreign nationals living in Japan

## Number of foreign national residents by age and gender

Women outnumber men in all adult age groups (above 30) of foreign residents in Japan

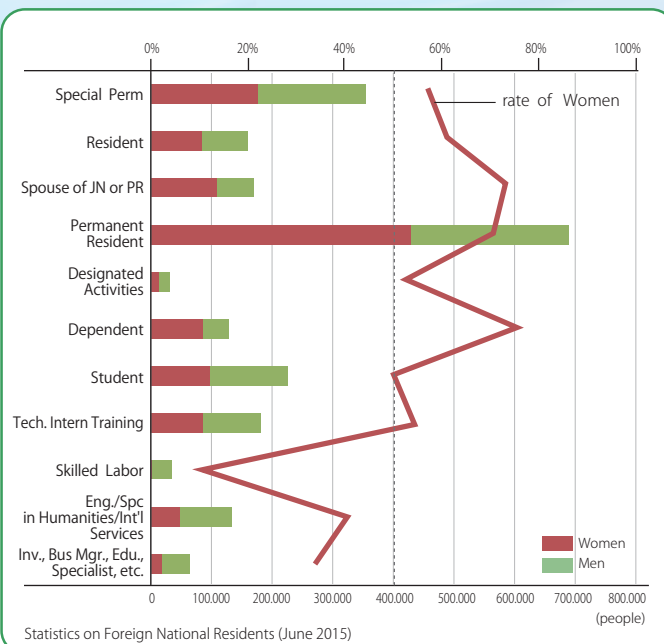


## Percentage of foreign women in Japan by region and by country

Country / Region	Total	Women	Men	Women Ratio
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,172,892</b>	<b>1,158,601</b>	<b>1,014,291</b>	<b>53.3</b>
<b>Asia</b>	<b>1,782,866</b>	<b>996,168</b>	<b>786,698</b>	<b>55.9</b>
China	656,403	375,840	280,563	57.3
Korea	497,707	269,017	228,690	54.1
Philippines	224,048	167,798	56,250	74.9
Vietnam	124,820	51,690	73,130	41.4
Nepal	48,403	16,312	32,091	33.7
Taiwan	45,209	31,660	13,549	70.0
Thailand	44,175	32,681	11,494	74.0
Indonesia	32,524	10,919	21,605	33.6
India	25,309	7,703	17,606	30.4
Pakistan	12,235	3,073	9,162	25.1
Myanmar	12,132	6,387	5,745	52.6
Sri Lanka	11,933	3,522	8,411	29.5
Bangladesh	10,205	3,397	6,808	33.3
Malaysia	8,585	4,228	4,357	49.2
Mongolia	6,214	3,540	2,674	57.0
Cambodia	4,916	2,684	2,232	54.6
Iran	3,992	695	3,297	17.4
Turkey	3,906	865	3,041	22.1
Laos	2,564	1,220	1,344	47.6
Singapore	2,449	1,536	913	62.7
Afghanistan	2,323	605	1,718	26.0
<b>Europe</b>	<b>64,661</b>	<b>25,214</b>	<b>39,447</b>	<b>39.0</b>
United Kingdom	15,197	3,792	11,405	25.0
France	10,219	2,926	7,293	28.6
Russia	7,973	5,460	2,513	68.5
Germany	6,019	2,208	3,811	36.7
Italy	3,399	1,036	2,363	30.5
Spain	2,448	839	1,609	34.3
Romania	2,330	1,840	490	79.0
Sweden	1,800	552	1,248	30.7
Ukraine	1,636	1,266	370	77.4
<b>Africa</b>	<b>12,721</b>	<b>3,095</b>	<b>9,626</b>	<b>24.3</b>
Nigeria	2,569	264	2,305	10.3
Ghana	1,959	339	1,620	17.3
Egypt	1,676	646	1,030	38.5
Kenya	644	239	405	37.1
South Africa	623	269	354	43.2
<b>North America</b>	<b>64,968</b>	<b>21,607</b>	<b>43,361</b>	<b>33.3</b>
United States	51,523	17,102	34,421	33.2
Canada	9,304	2,672	6,632	28.7
Mexico	2,135	903	1,232	42.3
<b>South America</b>	<b>234,266</b>	<b>108,341</b>	<b>125,925</b>	<b>46.2</b>
Brazil	173,038	78,823	94,215	45.6
Peru	47,800	22,880	24,920	47.9
Bolivia	5,394	2,514	2,880	46.6
Argentina	2,631	1,199	1,432	45.6
Colombia	2,240	1,433	807	64.0
<b>Oceania</b>	<b>12,823</b>	<b>3,890</b>	<b>8,933</b>	<b>30.3</b>
Australia	9,167	2,813	6,354	30.7
New Zealand	3,081	871	2,210	28.3
<b>Stateless</b>	<b>587</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>301</b>	<b>48.7</b>

\* Mainly lists countries with high number of total country population by region. Statistics on Foreign National Residents (June 2015)

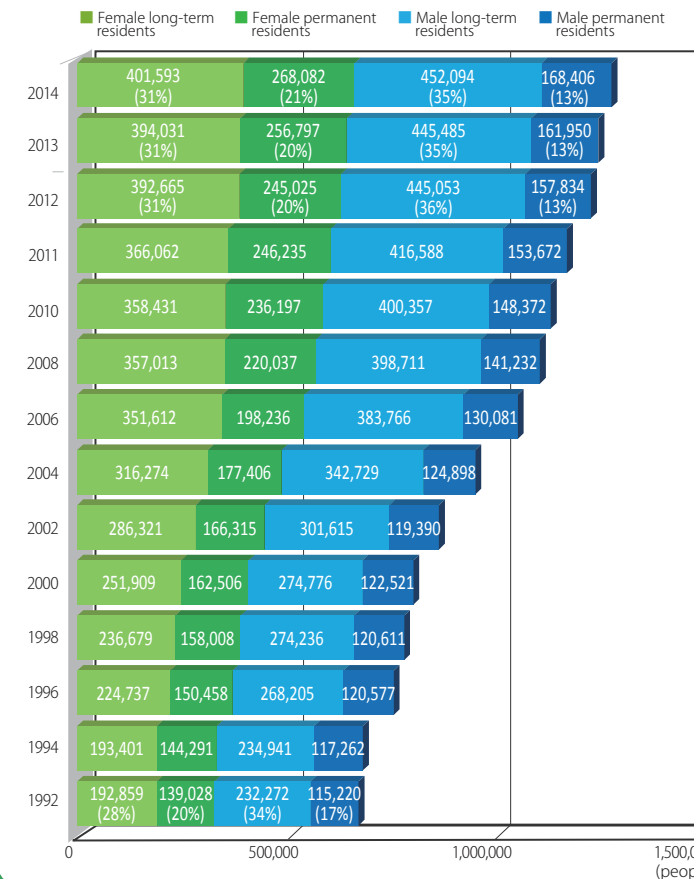
## Number of foreign national residents by visa type



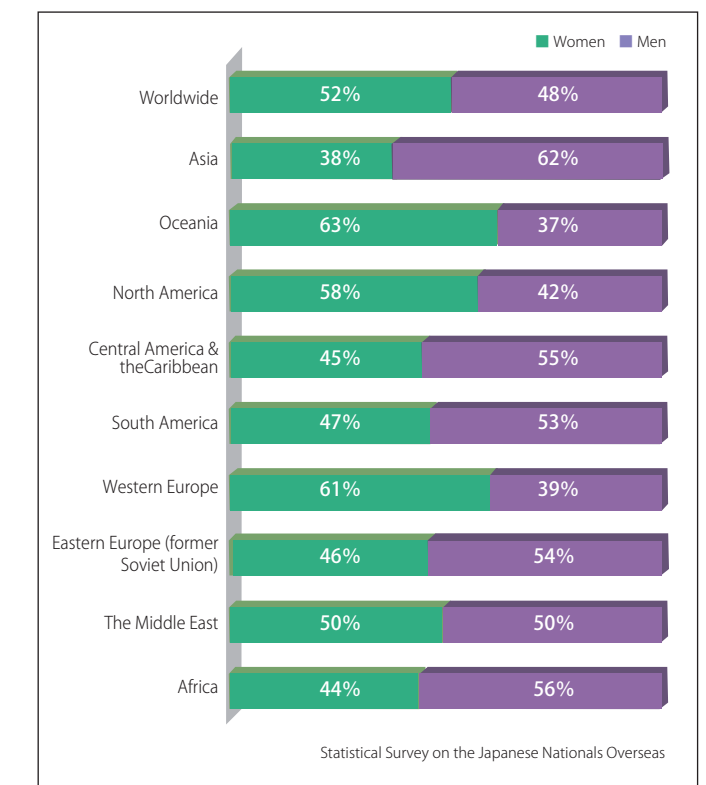
## Trends in the number of Japanese nationals living overseas and countries of abode

The number of Japanese nationals living overseas accounted for by women has exceeded that of men since 1999. Of them, women account for more permanent residents, but men account for more long-term residents.

### Trends in the number of Japanese nationals living overseas



### Percentage of Japanese nationals living overseas by region and by gender



## Measures pertinent to foreign women at women's/gender equality centers

A questionnaire on the following categories of programs offered by centers as measures pertinent to foreign women was conducted.

- Programs for citizens to facilitate international understanding/exchange
- Programs for citizens to raise awareness/promote understanding of foreign nationals' (women) human rights and support needs
- Programs for citizens and members of organizations to train support providers
- Learning support programs for foreign women

## Availability of programs pertinent to foreign women

146 centers responded "No programs pertinent to foreign women." The most frequently adopted measure was "Programs for regular citizens to facilitate international understanding/exchange" (30 centers), followed by "Counseling and other direct support for foreign women" (17 centers).



### Programs pertinent to foreign women

