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Result of an annual survey of international students in Japan 2018

Japan Student Services Organization(JASSO) has conducted an annual survey of international students in Japan (As of May 1, 2018) at the graduate school, university, junior college, college of technology, professional training college, Japanese language institutes and university preparatory course, with the aim of understanding the student's enrollment and gathering basic information for international student exchange policies.

Note1. Ministry of education, culture, sports, science and technology (MEXT) has conducted this survey until 2003. JASSO was established in April 2004 and succeeded conducting this survey.

Note2. "International student" on this survey, is defined pursuant to provisions of Appended Table 1 of the "Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Law", as a student from a foreign country who is granted the status of residence as "College Student" (Student Visa), who is receiving education at Japanese university, graduate school, junior college, college of technology, professional training college, educational institution provides university preparatory course and Japanese language institutes in Japan.

Note3. *Since the status of residence of "College student" and "Pre-college student" are unified by the "Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act" (promulgated on July 15, 2009), international students belonging to Japanese language institutes have been also surveyed since 2011.

Still, before 2013, base number of international students was the number of students other than Japanese Language institutes and the number of Japanese language institutes as well as their sum were released as reference data.

However, as we confirmed by the last 4 surveys that the number of students belonging to Japanese language institutes can smoothly tracked, we start to add them to announce the base number of international students since 2014 survey.

Note4. "Japanese government scholarship student" on this survey is defined as a student who studies in Japan under the Japanese government (MEXT) scholarship program established in 1954 and another Japanese government scholarship program.

Note5. "Foreign government sponsored student" on this survey is defined as a student getting scholarship sponsored by his/her own country/region, Japanese Grant Aid for Human Resource Development Scholarship (JDS) and joint scholarship sponsored by Korean government.

Note6. "Short-term international student" on this survey is defined as a student from a foreign country who is receiving education in Japan for a period of one year or less. The purpose of a student is not necessarily to obtain a degree but rather to study at Japanese university, to experience a Japanese culture, or to master Japanese language.

Note7. "University preparatory course" is a course that has been designated by MEXT for students from countries where the number of years required for the completion of secondary education is less than 12 years. Upon completion of this course, students are permitted to enter a Japanese university.

Note8. The sum total of the number of each items may not match with the number of the total column in the table because of using the rounded-off number.

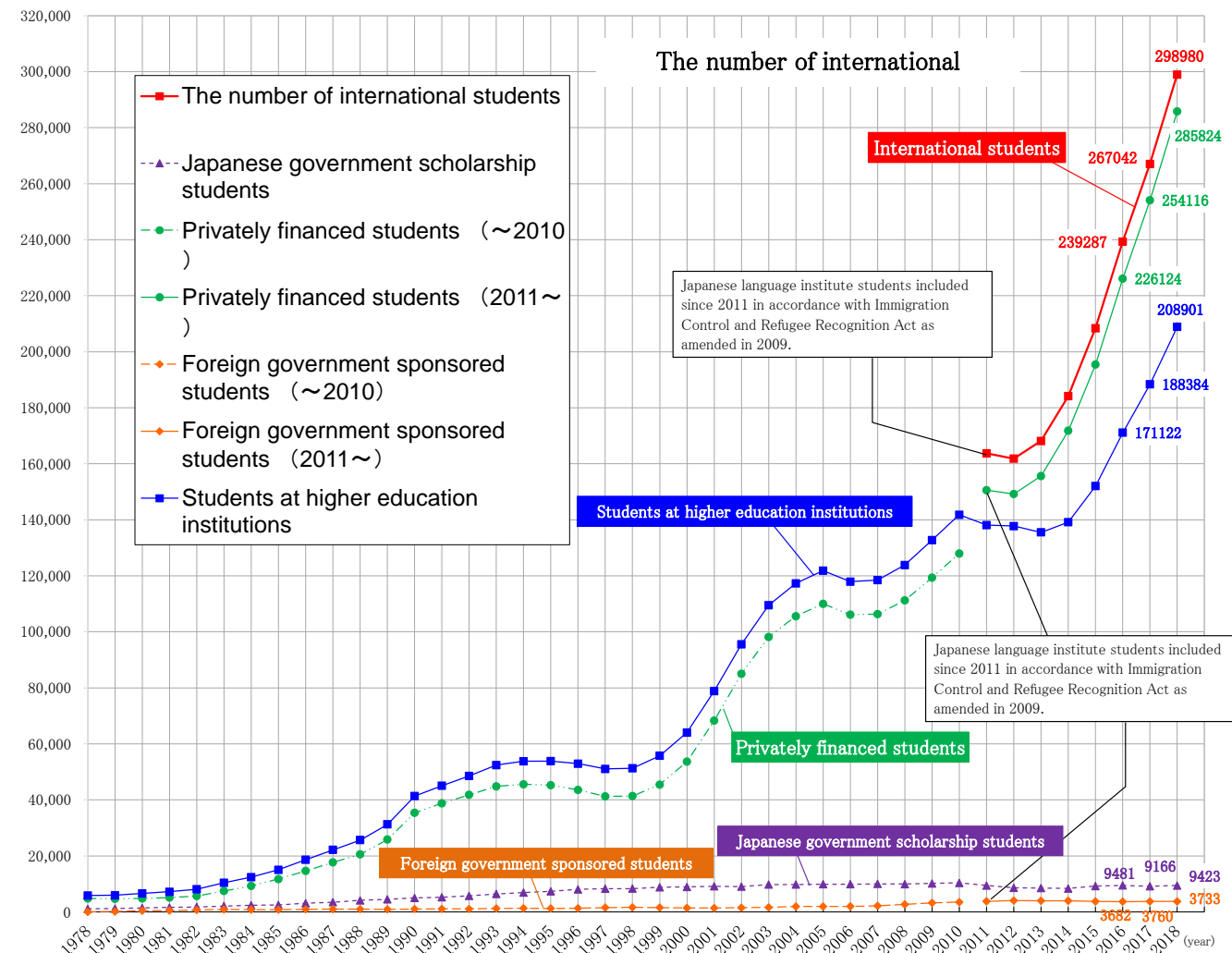
1. Trends in number of international students by source of funds (As of each May 1)

Year	The number of international students	Institutional type			Educational institution type	
		National	Local public	Private	Higher Education Institutions	Japanese language institutes
1978	5,849	1,075	0	4,774	5,849	
1979	5,933	1,183	105	4,645	5,933	
1980	6,572	1,369	419	4,784	6,572	
1981	7,179	1,578	475	5,126	7,179	
1982	8,116	1,777	662	5,677	8,116	
1983	10,428	2,082	863	7,483	10,428	
1984	12,410	2,345	798	9,267	12,410	
1985	15,009	2,502	774	11,733	15,009	
1986	18,631	3,077	895	14,659	18,631	
1987	22,154	3,458	995	17,701	22,154	
1988	25,643	4,118	976	20,549	25,643	
1989	31,251	4,465	934	25,852	31,251	
1990	41,347	4,961	1,026	35,360	41,347	
1991	45,066	5,219	1,072	38,775	45,066	
1992	48,561	5,699	1,058	41,804	48,561	
1993	52,405	6,408	1,214	44,783	52,405	
1994	53,787	6,880	1,330	45,577	53,787	
1995	53,847	7,371	1,231	45,245	53,847	
1996	52,921	8,051	1,297	43,573	52,921	
1997	51,047	8,250	1,524	41,273	51,047	
1998	51,298	8,323	1,585	41,390	51,298	

Year	The number of international students	Institutional type			Educational institution type	
		National	Local public	Private	Higher Education Institutions	Japanese language institutes
1999	55,755	8,774	1,542	45,439	55,755	
2000	64,011	8,930	1,441	53,640	64,011	
2001	78,812	9,173	1,369	68,270	78,812	
2002	95,550	9,009	1,517	85,024	95,550	
2003	109,508	9,746	1,627	98,135	109,508	
2004	117,302	9,804	1,906	105,592	117,302	
2005	121,812	9,891	1,903	110,018	121,812	
2006	117,927	9,869	1,956	106,102	117,927	
2007	118,498	10,020	2,181	106,297	118,498	
2008	123,829	9,923	2,681	111,225	123,829	
2009	132,720	10,168	3,235	119,317	132,720	
2010	141,774	10,349	3,505	127,920	141,774	
2011	163,697	9,396	3,763	150,538	138,075	25,622
2012	161,848	8,588	4,068	149,192	137,756	24,092
2013	168,145	8,529	3,999	155,617	135,519	32,626
2014	184,155	8,351	3,996	171,808	139,185	44,970
2015	208,379	9,223	3,737	195,419	152,062	56,317
2016	239,287	9,481	3,682	226,124	171,122	68,165
2017	267,042	9,166	3,760	254,116	188,384	78,658
2018	298,980	9,423	3,733	285,824	208,901	90,079

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(Unit:person)



2. Trends in number of international students by institutional type

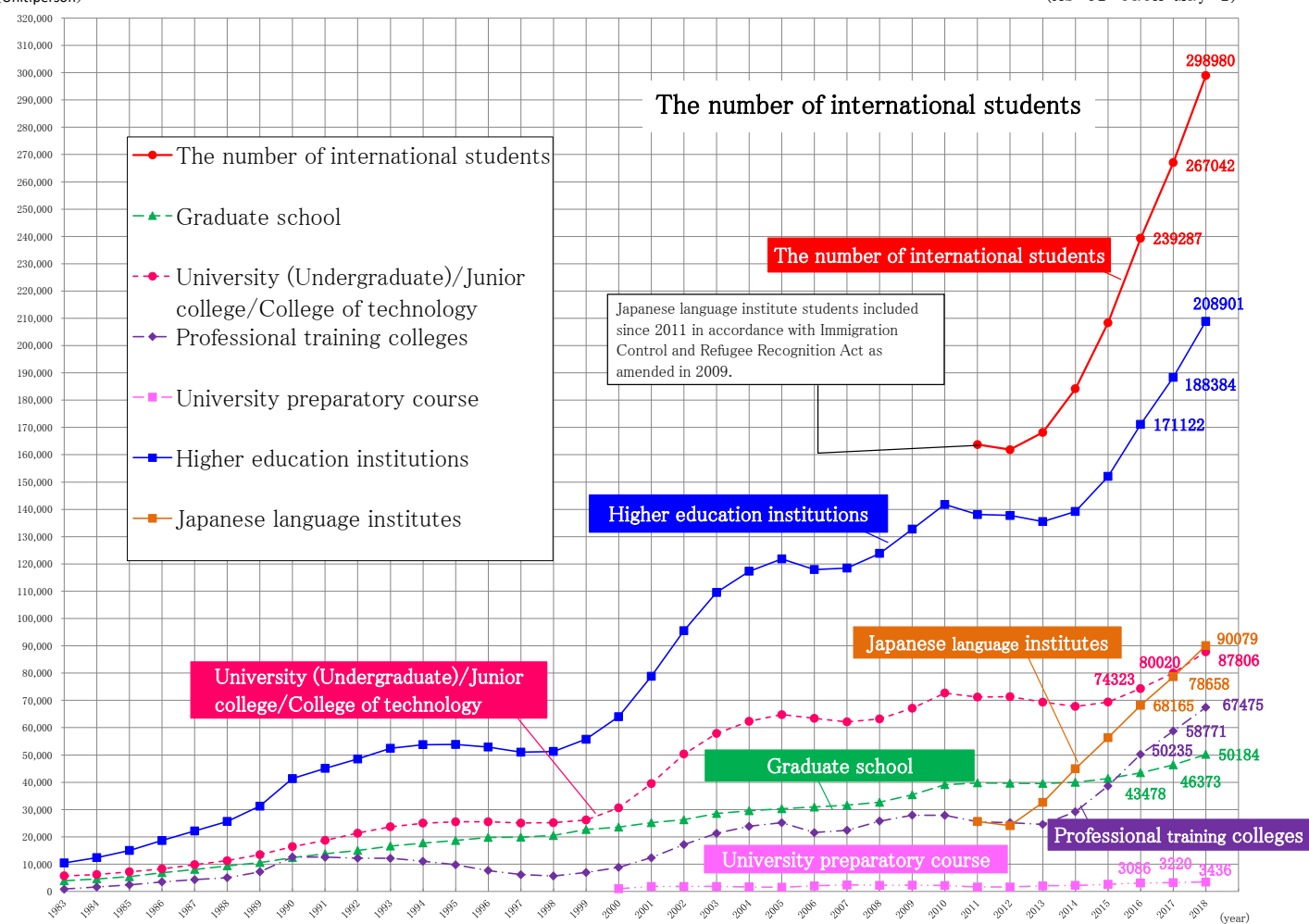
Year	The number of international students	Higher Education Institutions				Japanese language institutes
		Graduate school	University (undergraduate)-junior college-Professional training college	Professional training colleges	University preparatory course	
1983	10,428人	3,905	5,693	830		
1984	12,410人	4,590	6,216	1,604		
1985	15,009人	5,384	7,201	2,424		
1986	18,631人	6,838	8,291	3,502		
1987	22,154人	8,035	9,803	4,316		
1988	25,643人	9,354	11,246	5,043		
1989	31,251人	10,568	13,486	7,197		
1990	41,347人	12,383	16,390	12,574		
1991	45,066人	13,816	18,710	12,540		
1992	48,561人	15,004	21,364	12,193		
1993	52,405人	16,592	23,677	12,136		
1994	53,787人	17,740	25,009	11,038		
1995	53,847人	18,645	25,477	9,725		
1996	52,921人	19,779	25,504	7,638		
1997	51,047人	19,856	25,052	6,139		
1998	51,298人	20,483	25,159	5,656		
1999	55,755人	22,679	26,160	6,916		
2000	64,011人	23,585	30,612	8,815	999	

Year	The number of international students	Higher Education Institutions				Japanese language institutes
		Graduate school	University (undergraduate)* Junior college* Professional training colleges	Professional training colleges	University preparatory course	
2001	78,812	25,146	39,502	12,324	1,840	
2002	95,550	26,229	50,321	17,173	1,827	
2003	109,508	28,542	57,911	21,233	1,822	
2004	117,302	29,514	62,311	23,833	1,644	
2005	121,812	30,278	64,774	25,197	1,563	
2006	117,927	30,910	63,437	21,562	2,018	
2007	118,498	31,592	62,159	22,399	2,348	
2008	123,829	32,666	63,175	25,753	2,235	
2009	132,720	35,405	67,108	27,914	2,293	
2010	141,774	39,097	72,665	27,872	2,140	
2011	163,697	39,749	71,244	25,463	1,619	25,622
2012	161,848	39,641	71,361	25,167	1,587	24,092
2013	168,145	39,567	69,339	24,586	2,027	32,626
2014	184,155	39,979	67,782	29,227	2,197	44,970
2015	208,379	41,396	69,405	38,654	2,607	56,317
2016	239,287	43,478	74,323	50,235	3,086	68,165
2017	267,042	46,373	80,020	58,771	3,220	78,658
2018	298,980	50,184	87,806	67,475	3,436	90,079

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(Unit:person)

(As of each May 1)



3. Number of international students by region of origin

In the number of international students according to home region, 93.4% (previous year: 93.3%) of the students came from Asia, and 4.5% (previous year: 4.4%) from Europe and North America.

Region	Number of students	% of total
Asia	279,250 (249,242)	93.4% (93.3)
Europe	10,115 (8,669)	3.4% (3.2)
North America	3,415 (3,182)	1.1% (1.2)
Africa	2,380 (2,230)	0.8% (0.8)
Latin America	1,546 (1,426)	0.5% (0.5)
Middle East	1,457 (1,533)	0.5% (0.6)
Oceania	809 (756)	0.3% (0.3)
Others	8 (4)	0.0% (0.0)
Total	298,980 (267,042)	100.0% (100.0)

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4. Number of international students by nationality

Students from China and Vietnam account for over 62.6% (previous year: 63.3%) of the total number of international students.

Country/region	Number of students	% of total	Country/region	Number of students	% of total
China	114,950 (107,260)	38.4% (40.2)	France	1,493 (1,346)	0.5% (0.5)
VietNam	72,354 (61,671)	24.2% (23.1)	Germany	924 (888)	0.3% (0.3)
Nepal	24,331 (21,500)	8.1% (8.1)	Cambodia	913 (846)	0.3% (0.3)
Republic Of Korea	17,012 (15,740)	5.7% (5.9)	Russian Federation	771 (701)	0.3% (0.3)
Taiwan	9,524 (8,947)	3.2% (3.4)	Italy	715 (654)	0.2% (0.2)
Sri Lanka	8,329 (6,607)	2.8% (2.5)	Bhutan	714 (97)	0.2% (0.0)
Indonesia	6,277 (5,495)	2.1% (2.1)	United Kingdom	703 (640)	0.2% (0.2)
Myanmar	5,928 (4,816)	2.0% (1.8)	Canada	483 (396)	0.2% (0.1)
Thailand	3,962 (3,985)	1.3% (1.5)	Brazil	466 (425)	0.2% (0.2)
Bangladesh	3,640 (2,748)	1.2% (1.0)	Australia	460 (470)	0.2% (0.2)
Mongolia	3,124 (2,517)	1.0% (0.9)	Sweden	425 (525)	0.1% (0.2)
Malaysia	3,094 (2,945)	1.0% (1.1)	Singapore	408 (397)	0.1% (0.1)
United States	2,932 (2,786)	1.0% (1.0)	Pakistan	397 (339)	0.1% (0.1)
Philippines	2,389 (1,806)	0.8% (0.7)	Spain	386 (400)	0.1% (0.1)
Uzbekistan	2,132 (1,047)	0.7% (0.4)	Other countries	8,137 (7,812)	2.7% (2.9)
India	1,607 (1,236)	0.5% (0.5)	Total	298,980 (267,042)	100.0% (100.0)

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5. Number of international students by gender

Gender	Number of students		% of total	
Male	167,269	(149,920)	55.9%	(56.1)
Female	131,711	(117,122)	44.1%	(43.9)
Total	298,980	(267,042)	100.0%	(100.0)

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6. Number of international students by institutional type

	National		Local public		Private		Total	
	Number of students	% of total	Number of students	% of total	Number of students	% of total	Number of students	% of total
Graduate school	31,715 (29,174)	63.2% (62.9)	2,043 (1,909)	4.1% (4.1)	16,426 (15,290)	32.7% (33.0)	50,184 (46,373)	100.0% (100.0)
University (undergraduate)	12,554 (11,770)	14.8% (15.2)	1,855 (1,836)	2.2% (2.4)	70,448 (63,940)	83.0% (82.5)	84,857 (77,546)	100.0% (100.0)
Junior college	0 (0)	0.0% (0.0)	19 (16)	0.8% (0.8)	2,420 (1,899)	99.2% (99.2)	2,439 (1,915)	100.0% (100.0)
College of technology	467 (510)	91.6% (91.2)	0 (0)	0.0% (0.0)	43 (49)	8.4% (8.8)	510 (559)	100.0% (100.0)
Professional training college	0 (0)	0.0% (0.0)	19 (18)	0.03% (0.03)	67,456 (58,753)	99.97% (99.97)	67,475 (58,771)	100.0% (100.0)
University preparatory course	0 (0)	0.0% (0.0)	0 (0)	0.0% (0.0)	3,436 (3,220)	100.0% (100.0)	3,436 (3,220)	100.0% (100.0)
Japanese language institutes	0 (0)	0.0% (0.0)	58 (54)	0.06% 0.07	90,021 78,604	99.94% (99.93)	90,079 (78,658)	100.0% (100.0)
Total	44,736 (41,454)	15.0% (15.5)	3,994 (3,833)	1.3% (1.4)	250,250 (221,755)	83.7% (83.0)	298,980 (267,042)	100.0% (100.0)

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7. Number of international students by major field

Major field	Number of students		% of total	
Humanities	140,200	(124,305)	46.9%	(46.5)
Social science	74,037	(67,664)	24.8%	(25.3)
Science	3,981	(3,452)	1.3%	(1.3)
Engineering	35,463	(30,804)	11.9%	(11.5)
Agriculture	3,984	(3,739)	1.3%	(1.4)
Health care	5,027	(4,356)	1.7%	(1.6)
Home economics	5,083	(4,787)	1.7%	(1.8)
Education	3,541	(3,221)	1.2%	(1.2)
Arts	10,219	(8,432)	3.4%	(3.2)
Others	17,445	(16,282)	5.8%	(6.1)
Total	298,980	(267,042)	100.0%	(100.0)

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8. Number of international students by region and prefecture of Japan

Region	Number of students	% of total	Prefecture	Number of students		Region	Number of students	% of total	Prefecture	Number of students	
Hokkaido	3,923 (3,454)	1.3% (1.3%)	Hokkaido	3,923	(3,454)	Kinki	52,926 (45,526)	17.7% (17.0%)	Mie	1,458	(1,208)
									Shiga	489	(433)
									Kyoto	13,230	(11,219)
									Osaka	24,751	(21,683)
									Hyogo	11,146	(9,398)
Tohoku	6,375 (6,041)	2.1% (2.3%)	Aomori	382	(330)	Chugoku	11,326 (10,108)	3.8% (3.8%)	Nara	1,413	(1,216)
			Iwate	360	(315)				Wakayama	439	(369)
			Miyagi	4,137	(3,975)				Tottori	287	(207)
			Akita	427	(431)				Shimane	308	(269)
			Yamagata	293	(265)				Okayama	3,331	(3,070)
			Fukushima	776	(725)				Hiroshima	4,656	(4,089)
Kanto	167,688 (149,815)	56.1% (56.1%)	Ibaraki	6,097	(5,547)	Shikoku	1,826 (1,601)	0.6% (0.6%)	Yamaguchi	2,744	(2,473)
			Tochigi	3,236	(3,019)				Tokushima	441	(375)
			Gunma	7,882	(6,087)				Kagawa	547	(476)
			Saitama	12,097	(10,340)				Ehime	631	(538)
			Chiba	13,084	(11,550)	Kochi	207	(212)			
			Tokyo	114,833	(103,456)	Kyushu	31,025 (28,613)	10.4% (10.7%)	Fukuoka	19,296	(17,519)
			Kanagawa	10,459	(9,816)				Saga	778	(646)
Chubu	23,891 (21,884)	8.0% (8.2%)	Niigata	2,296	(2,266)				Nagasaki	2,062	(1,914)
			Toyama	697	(658)	Kumamoto	1,159	(1,114)			
			Ishikawa	1,942	(1,919)	Oita	3,831	(3,630)			
			Fukui	478	(412)	Miyazaki	552	(500)			
			Yamanashi	1,039	(1,042)	Kagoshima	1,180	(1,075)			
			Nagano	1,652	(1,518)	Okinawa	2,167	(2,215)			
			Gifu	1,937	(1,952)						
			Shizuoka	3,230	(2,780)						
Aichi	10,620	(9,337)									
						Total		298,980 (267,042)		100.0% (100.0%)	

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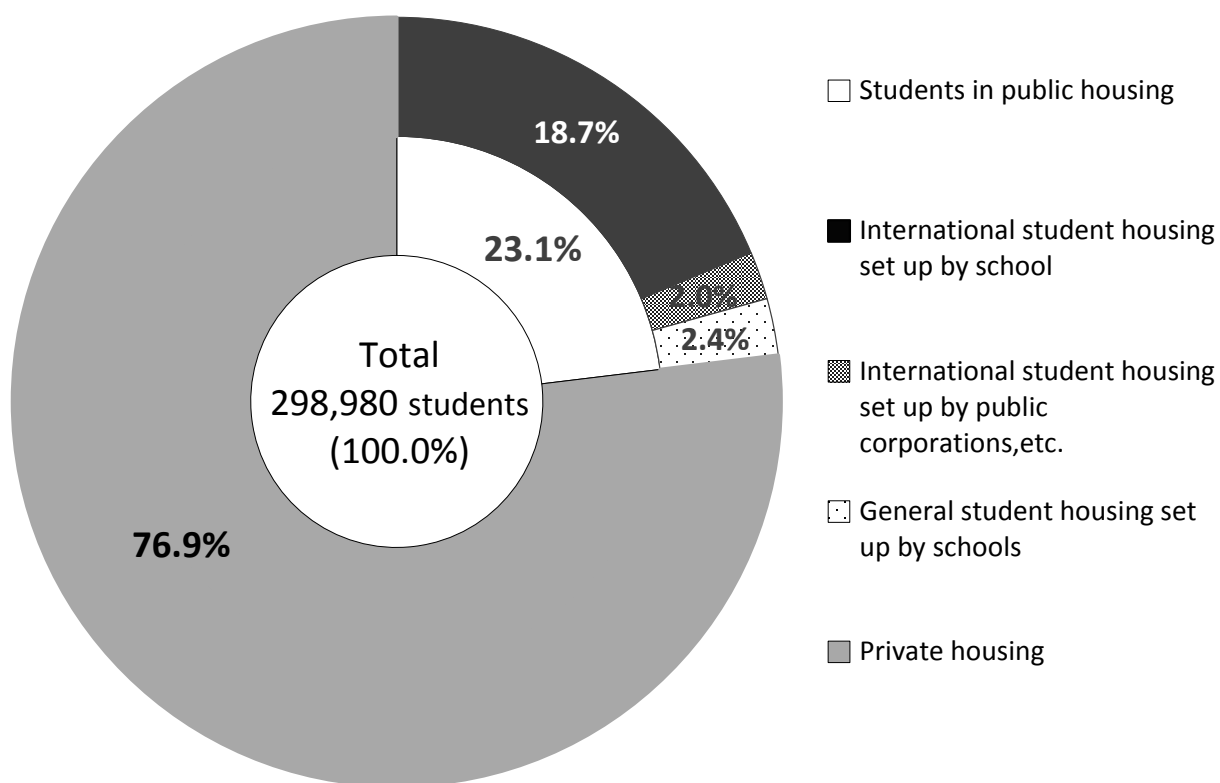
Note: International students attending universities whose campuses lie in two or more prefectures are included in the figure for the prefecture where the main office of the university is located.

9. Number of International Students by Housing (As of May 1, 2018)

○Total number of international students 298,980 students (Increase of 31,938 students)

○Students in public housing 68,990 students (Increase of 7,107 students)

Type	Number of students
Public housing	68,990
International student housing set up by schools	55,832
National : 89 schools	13,787
Local public : 36 schools	899
Private : 768 schools	41,146
International student housing set up by public corporations, etc.	6,016
Student housing set up by JASSO	747
Student housing set up by local government	1,064
Student housing set up by public corporations	1,552
Public housing	1,488
Private company housing	1,165
General student housing set up by schools	7,142
National : 92 schools	2,490
Local public : 11 schools	231
Private : 262 schools	4,421
Private housing	229,990
Total	298,980



【Reference 1】

Shift in number and percentage of international students

Year	Number of students	Annual increase	Annual % change
1983	10,428	2,312	28.5%
1984	12,410	1,982	19.0%
1985	15,009	2,599	20.9%
1986	18,631	3,622	24.1%
1987	22,154	3,523	18.9%
1988	25,643	3,489	15.7%
1989	31,251	5,608	21.9%
1990	41,347	10,096	32.3%
1991	45,066	3,719	9.0%
1992	48,561	3,495	7.8%
1993	52,405	3,844	7.9%
1994	53,787	1,382	2.6%
1995	53,847	60	0.1%
1996	52,921	-926	-1.7%
1997	51,047	-1,874	-3.5%
1998	51,298	251	0.5%
1999	55,755	4,457	8.7%
2000	64,011	8,256	14.8%
2001	78,812	14,801	23.1%
2002	95,550	16,738	21.2%
2003	109,508	13,958	14.6%
2004	117,302	7,794	7.1%
2005	121,812	4,510	3.8%
2006	117,927	-3,885	-3.2%
2007	118,498	571	0.5%
2008	123,829	5,331	4.5%
2009	132,720	8,891	7.2%
2010	141,774	9,054	6.8%

(As of each May 1)

Year	Number of students (Higher Education Institutions and Japanese language Institutes)	Annual increase	Annual % change	Number of students in Higher Education Institutions	Annual increase	Annual % change	Number of students in Japanese language Institutes	Annual increase	Annual % change
2011	163,697	—	—	138,075	-3,699	-2.6%	25,622	—	—
2012	161,848	-1,849	-1.1%	137,756	-319	-0.2%	24,092	-1,530	-6.0%
2013	168,145	6,297	3.9%	135,519	-2,237	-1.6%	32,626	8,534	35.4%
2014	184,155	16,010	9.5%	139,185	3,666	2.7%	44,970	12,344	37.8%
2015	208,379	24,224	13.2%	152,062	12,877	9.3%	56,317	11,347	25.2%
2016	239,287	30,908	14.8%	171,122	19,060	12.5%	68,165	11,848	21.0%
2017	267,042	27,755	11.6%	188,384	17,262	10.1%	78,658	10,493	15.4%
2018	298,980	31,938	12.0%	208,901	20,517	10.9%	90,079	11,421	14.5%

※ In accordance with the unification of student visas, the total number of international students including Japanese language institutes is also drawn since 2011.

【Reference 2】

The Major Universities in terms of Accepting Highest Number of International Student (As of May 1, 2018)

University name		Number of students	
Waseda University	Private	5,412	(5,072)
Tokyo University of Social Welfare	Private	5,133	(3,733)
The University of Tokyo	National	3,853	(3,618)
Japan University of Economics	Private	3,348	(2,983)
Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University	Private	2,867	(2,804)
Osaka University	National	2,480	(2,273)
University of Tsukuba	National	2,457	(2,426)
Ritsumeikan University	Private	2,446	(2,141)
Kyoto University	National	2,387	(2,134)
Kyushu University	National	2,313	(2,201)
Hokkaido University	National	2,101	(1,851)
Tohoku University	National	2,087	(2,025)
Nagoya University	National	1,981	(1,805)
Keio University	Private	1,908	(1,677)
Tokyo Institute of Technology	National	1,689	(1,432)
Hiroshima University	National	1,659	(1,442)
Meiji University	Private	1,506	(1,456)
Doshisha University	Private	1,397	(1,358)
Sophia University	Private	1,395	(1,307)
Toyo University	Private	1,375	(984)
Kobe University	National	1,304	(1,201)
Nihon University	Private	1,277	(1,220)
Nihon Wellness Sports University	Private	1,275	(1,275)
Josai International University	Private	1,210	(1,438)
Takushoku University	Private	1,067	(1,055)
Kansai University	Private	1,060	(940)
Hosei University	Private	1,029	(931)
Tokyo International University	Private	991	(852)
Yokohama National University	National	973	(927)
Chiba University	National	964	(830)

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【Reference 3】

International students in Higher education institutions

1. Number of international students by region of origin

In the number of international students according to home region, 92.4% (previous year: 92.0%) of the students came from Asia, and 4.9% (previous year: 5.1%) from Europe and North America.

Regarding the short-term international students, 64.6% (previous year: 64.8%) of the students came from Asia, and 30.8% (previous year: 30.8%) from Europe and North America.

Region	Number of students	% of total	Short-term students	
			Number of students	% of total
Asia	192,935	92.4%	12,058	64.6%
	(173,303)	(92.0)	(11,387)	(64.8)
Europe	7,250	3.5%	3,751	20.1%
	(6,685)	(3.5)	(3,553)	(20.2)
North America	3,016	1.4%	2,001	10.7%
	(2,860)	(1.5)	(1,870)	(10.6)
Africa	2,223	1.1%	110	0.6%
	(2,108)	(1.1)	(90)	(0.5)
Latin America	1,364	0.7%	326	1.7%
	(1,287)	(0.7)	(262)	(1.5)
Middle East	1,363	0.7%	101	0.5%
	(1,453)	(0.8)	(98)	(0.6)
Oceania	742	0.4%	326	1.7%
	(685)	(0.4)	(326)	(1.9)
Others	8	0.0%	0	0.0%
	(3)	(0.0)	(0)	(0.0)
Total	208,901	100.0%	18,673	100.0%
	(188,384)	(100.0)	(17,586)	(100.0)

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2. Number of international students by nationality

(1) Number of international students by nationality

Students from China and Vietnam account for over 61.5% (previous year: 61.0%) of the total number of international students.

Country/region	Number of students	% of total	Country/region	Number of students	% of total
China	86,439 (79,502)	41.4% (42.2)	Germany	877 (831)	0.4% (0.4)
Viet Nam	42,083 (35,489)	20.1% (18.8)	Uzbekistan	705 (441)	0.3% (0.2)
Nepal	15,329 (14,850)	7.3% (7.9)	Cambodia	663 (560)	0.3% (0.3)
Republic Of Korea	14,557 (13,538)	7.0% (7.2)	United Kingdom	629 (563)	0.3% (0.3)
Taiwan	7,423 (6,994)	3.6% (3.7)	Russian Federation	548 (512)	0.3% (0.3)
Indonesia	4,719 (4,235)	2.3% (2.2)	Italy	474 (436)	0.2% (0.2)
Sri Lanka	4,429 (3,020)	2.1% (1.6)	Canada	420 (344)	0.2% (0.2)
Myanmar	3,385 (2,686)	1.6% (1.4)	Brazil	416 (385)	0.2% (0.2)
Thailand	3,241 (3,266)	1.6% (1.7)	Australia	403 (411)	0.2% (0.2)
Malaysia	2,897 (2,750)	1.4% (1.5)	Singapore	366 (357)	0.2% (0.2)
United States	2,596 (2,516)	1.2% (1.3)	Egypt	339 (342)	0.2% (0.2)
Bangladesh	2,444 (1,919)	1.2% (1.0)	Saudi Arabia	332 (399)	0.2% (0.2)
Mongolia	1,965 (1,711)	0.9% (0.9)	Mexico	315 (274)	0.2% (0.1)
France	1,221 (1,116)	0.6% (0.6)	Spain	272 (270)	0.1% (0.1)
Philippines	1,184 (914)	0.6% (0.5)	Other countries	7,067 (6,789)	3.4% (3.6)
India	1,163 (964)	0.6% (0.5)	Total	208,901 (188,384)	100.0% (100.0)

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(2) Number of short-term international students by nationality

52.8% (previous year: 51.5%) from China, Republic of Korea and Taiwan, and 17.5% (previous year: 17.4%) from U.S.A, France and Germany.

Country/region	Number of students	% of total	Country/region	Number of students	% of total
China	6,361 (5,901)	34.1% (33.6)	Sweden	138 (154)	0.7% (0.9)
Republic Of Korea	1,934 (1,752)	10.4% (10.0)	Mexico	130 (95)	0.7% (0.5)
United States	1,780 (1,698)	9.5% (9.7)	Finland	130 (143)	0.7% (0.8)
Taiwan	1,562 (1,400)	8.4% (8.0)	Singapore	118 (118)	0.6% (0.7)
France	837 (750)	4.5% (4.3)	Malaysia	115 (116)	0.6% (0.7)
Germany	653 (619)	3.5% (3.5)	Brazil	109 (86)	0.6% (0.5)
Viet Nam	529 (518)	2.8% (2.9)	Mongolia	106 (164)	0.6% (0.9)
Thailand	467 (477)	2.5% (2.7)	Nepal	101 (136)	0.5% (0.8)
United Kingdom	438 (393)	2.3% (2.2)	India	92 (73)	0.5% (0.4)
Indonesia	364 (388)	1.9% (2.2)	Philippines	90 (101)	0.5% (0.6)
Australia	285 (285)	1.5% (1.6)	Poland	90 (99)	0.5% (0.6)
Italy	251 (249)	1.3% (1.4)	Switzerland	76 (55)	0.4% (0.3)
Canada	221 (172)	1.2% (1.0)	Norway	69 (77)	0.4% (0.4)
Russian Federation	176 (155)	0.9% (0.9)	Turkey	67 (63)	0.4% (0.4)
Netherlands	157 (155)	0.8% (0.9)	Other countries	1,084 (1,043)	5.8% (5.9)
Spain	143 (151)	0.8% (0.9)	Total	18,673 (17,586)	100.0% (100.0)

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3. Number of international students by gender

Gender	Number of students		% of total	
Male	115,301	(103,992)	55.2%	(55.2)
Female	93,600	(84,392)	44.8%	(44.8)
Total	208,901	(188,384)	100.0%	(100.0)

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4. Number of international students by institutional type

	National		Local public		Private		Total	
	Number of students	% of total	Number of students	% of total	Number of students	% of total	Number of students	% of total
Graduate school	31,715 (29,174)	63.2% (62.9)	2,043 (1,909)	4.1% (4.1)	16,426 (15,290)	32.7% (33.0)	50,184 (46,373)	100.0% (100.0)
University (undergraduate)	12,554 (11,770)	14.8% (15.2)	1,855 (1,836)	2.2% (2.4)	70,448 (63,940)	83.0% (82.5)	84,857 (77,546)	100.0% (100.0)
included intensive courses	6 (0)	0.1% (0.00)	0 (0)	0.0% (0.0)	5,584 (5,108)	99.9% (100.00)	5,590 (5,108)	100.0% (100.0)
included advanced courses	0 (0)	0.0% (0.0)	0 (0)	0.0% (0.0)	7 (10)	100.0% (100.0)	7 (10)	100.0% (100.0)
Junior college	0 (0)	0.0% (0.0)	19 (16)	0.8% (0.8)	2,420 (1,899)	99.2% (99.2)	2,439 (1,915)	100.0% (100.0)
included intensive courses	0 (0)	0.0% (0.0)	0 (0)	0.0% (0.0)	479 (302)	100.0% (100.0)	479 (302)	100.0% (100.0)
included advanced courses	0 (0)	0.0% (0.0)	0 (0)	0.0% (0.0)	10 (9)	100.0% (100.0)	10 (9)	100.0% (100.0)
College of technology	467 (510)	91.6% (91.2)	0 (0)	0.0% (0.0)	43 (49)	8.4% (8.8)	510 (559)	100.0% (100.0)
included advanced courses	9 (13)	100.0% (100.0)	0 (0)	0.0% (0.0)	0 (0)	0.0% (0.0)	9 (13)	100.0% (100.0)
Professional training college	0 (0)	0.0% (0.0)	19 (18)	0.03% (0.03)	67,456 (58,753)	99.97% (99.97)	67,475 (58,771)	100.0% (100.0)
University preparatory course	0 (0)	0.0% (0.0)	0 (0)	0.0% (0.0)	3,436 (3,220)	100.0% (100.0)	3,436 (3,220)	100.0% (100.0)
Total	44,736 (41,454)	21.4% (22.0)	3,936 (3,779)	1.9% (2.0)	160,229 (143,151)	76.7% (76.0)	208,901 (188,384)	100.0% (100.0)

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5. Number of international students by major field

Major field	Number of students		% of total	
Humanities	50,121	(45,647)	24.0%	(24.2)
Social science	74,037	(67,664)	35.4%	(35.9)
Science	3,981	(3,452)	1.9%	(1.8)
Engineering	35,463	(30,804)	17.0%	(16.4)
Agriculture	3,984	(3,739)	1.9%	(2.0)
Health care	5,027	(4,356)	2.4%	(2.3)
Home economics	5,083	(4,787)	2.4%	(2.5)
Education	3,541	(3,221)	1.7%	(1.7)
Arts	10,219	(8,432)	4.9%	(4.5)
Others	17,445	(16,282)	8.4%	(8.6)
Total	208,901	(188,384)	100.0%	(100.0)

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6. Number of international students by region and prefecture of Japan

Region	Number of students	% of total	Prefecture	Number of students		Region	Number of students	% of total	Prefecture	Number of students	
Hokkaido	3,614 (3,155)	1.7% (1.7)	Hokkaido	3,614	(3,155)	Kinki	38,687 (34,374)	18.5% (18.2)	Mie	1,072	(967)
									Shiga	489	(433)
Tohoku	5,268 (4,983)	2.5% (2.6)	Aomori	382	(330)	Chugoku	10,437 (9,130)	5.0% (4.8)	Kyoto	10,299	(9,031)
			Iwate	360	(315)				Osaka	17,376	(15,600)
			Miyagi	3,136	(3,021)				Hyogo	7,791	(6,876)
			Akita	427	(431)				Nara	1,221	(1,098)
			Yamagata	293	(265)				Wakayama	439	(369)
			Fukushima	670	(621)				Tottori	211	(196)
Kanto	107,085 (96,024)	51.3% (51.0)	Ibaraki	5,299	(4,981)	Shikoku	1,780 (1,562)	0.9% (0.8)	Shimane	308	(269)
			Tochigi	2,377	(2,267)				Okayama	2,838	(2,598)
			Gunma	6,962	(5,330)				Hiroshima	4,365	(3,594)
			Saitama	8,643	(7,490)				Yamaguchi	2,715	(2,473)
			Chiba	8,526	(7,789)				Tokushima	441	(375)
			Tokyo	67,297	(60,768)				Kagawa	547	(476)
Chubu	18,271 (16,947)	8.7% (9.0)	Kanagawa	7,981	(7,399)	Kyushu	23,759 (22,209)	11.4% (11.8)	Ehime	585	(499)
			Niigata	2,296	(2,266)				Kochi	207	(212)
			Toyama	605	(591)				Fukuoka	13,669	(12,813)
			Ishikawa	1,942	(1,919)				Saga	399	(305)
			Fukui	420	(391)				Nagasaki	1,954	(1,828)
			Yamanashi	707	(721)				Kumamoto	1,159	(1,114)
			Nagano	1,291	(1,136)				Oita	3,733	(3,552)
			Gifu	1,463	(1,410)				Miyazaki	552	(487)
			Shizuoka	1,879	(1,604)				Kagoshima	1,055	(939)
			Aichi	7,668	(6,909)				Okinawa	1,238	(1,171)
Total							208,901 (188,384)	100.0% (100.0)			

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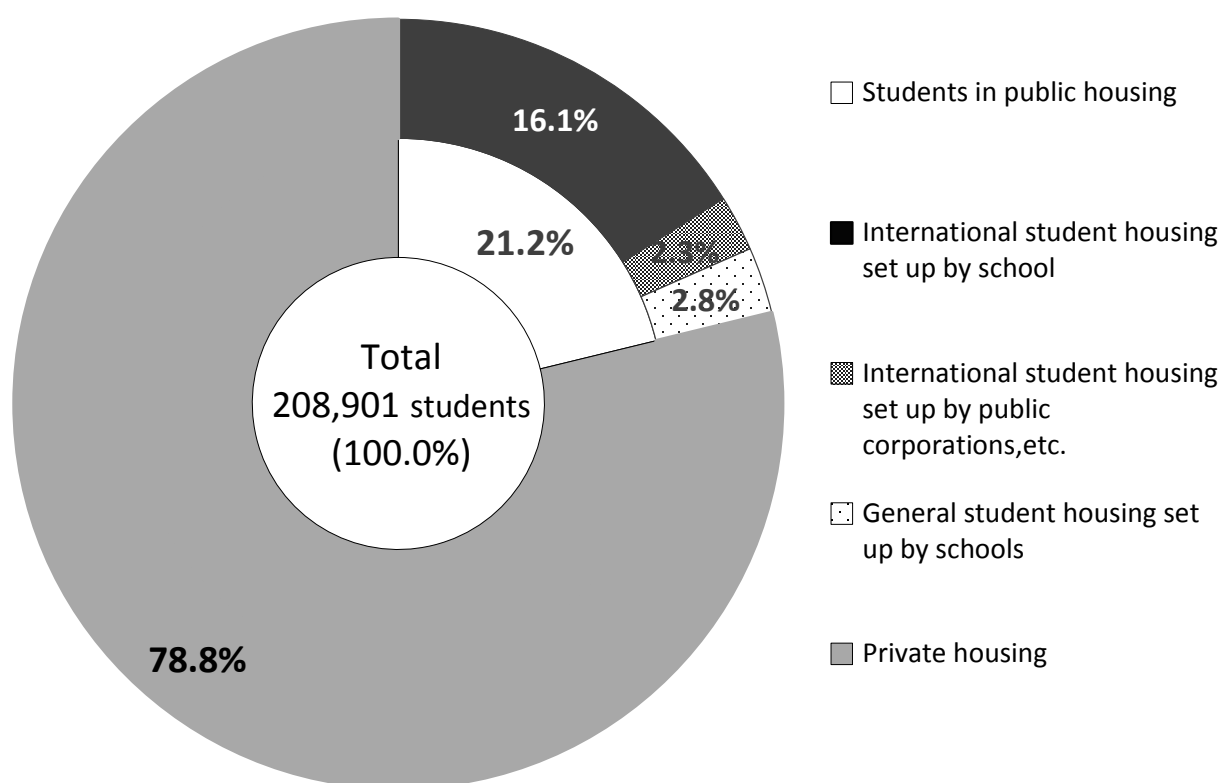
Note: International students attending universities whose campuses lie in two or more prefectures are included in the figure for the prefecture where the main office of the university is located.

7. Number of International Students by Housing (As of May 1, 2018)

○Total number of international students 208,901 students (Increase of 20,517 students)

○Students in public housing 44,283 students (Increase of 3,004 students)

Type	Number of students
Public housing	44,283
International student housing set up by schools	33,534
National : 89 schools	13,787
Local public : 35 schools	882
Private : 391 schools	18,865
International student housing set up by public corporations, etc.	4,908
Student housing set up by JASSO	747
Student housing set up by local government	1,022
Student housing set up by public corporations	1,234
Public housing	1,344
Private company housing	561
General student housing set up by schools	5,841
National : 92 schools	2,490
Local public : 11 schools	231
Private : 227 schools	3,120
Private housing	164,618
Total	208,901



【Reference 4】

International students in Japanese language institutes

1. Number of international students by region of origin

Region	Number of students	% of total	Change
Asia	86,315	95.8%	10,376
Europe	2,865	3.2%	881
North America	399	0.4%	77
Latin America	182	0.2%	43
Africa	157	0.2%	35
Middle East	94	0.1%	14
Oceania	67	0.1%	▲ 4
Others	0	0.0%	▲ 1
Total	90,079	100.0%	11,421

2. Nationality

Country/region	Number of students	% of total	Change
Viet Nam	30,271	33.6%	4,089
China	28,511	31.7%	753
Nepal	9,002	10.0%	2,352
Sri Lanka	3,900	4.3%	313
Myanmar	2,543	2.8%	413
Republic Of Korea	2,455	2.7%	253
Taiwan	2,101	2.3%	148
Indonesia	1,558	1.7%	298
Uzbekistan	1,427	1.6%	821
Philippines	1,205	1.3%	313
Other countries	7,106	7.9%	1,668
Total	90,079	100.0%	11,421

3. Number of international students by region and prefecture of Japan

Region	Number of students	% of total	Prefecture	Number of students		Region	Number of students	% of total	Prefecture	Number of students			
Hokkaido	309 (299)	0.3% (0.4%)	Hokkaido	309	(299)	Kinki	14,239 (11,152)	15.8% (14.2%)	Mie	386	(241)		
									Shiga	0	(0)		
									Kyoto	2,931	(2,188)		
Tohoku	1,107 (1,058)	1.2% (1.3%)	Aomori	0	(0)	Chugoku	889 (978)	1.0% (1.2%)	Osaka	7,375	(6,083)		
			Iwate	0	(0)				Hyogo	3,355	(2,522)		
			Miyagi	1,001	(954)				Nara	192	(118)		
			Akita	0	(0)				Wakayama	0	(0)		
			Yamagata	0	(0)				Tottori	76	(11)		
			Fukushima	106	(104)				Shimane	0	(0)		
			Okayama	493	(472)								
Kanto	60,603 (53,791)	67.3% (68.4%)	Ibaraki	798	(566)	Shikoku	46 (39)	0.05% (0.05%)	Hiroshima	291	(495)		
			Tochigi	859	(752)				Yamaguchi	29	(0)		
			Gunma	920	(757)				Tokushima	0	(0)		
			Saitama	3,454	(2,850)				Kagawa	0	(0)		
			Chiba	4,558	(3,761)				Ehime	46	(39)		
			Tokyo	47,536	#####				Kochi	0	(0)		
			Kanagawa	2,478	(2,417)				Fukuoka	5,627	(4,706)		
Chubu	5,620 (4,937)	6.2% (6.3%)	Niigata	0	(0)	Kyushu	7,266 (6,404)	8.1% (8.1%)	Saga	379	(341)		
			Toyama	92	(67)				Nagasaki	108	(86)		
			Ishikawa	0	(0)				Kumamoto	0	(0)		
			Fukui	58	(21)				Oita	98	(78)		
			Yamanashi	332	(321)				Miyazaki	0	(13)		
			Nagano	361	(382)				Kagoshima	125	(136)		
			Gifu	474	(542)				Okinawa	929	(1,044)		
			Shizuoka	1,351	(1,176)				Total	90,079 (78,658)	100.0% (100.0)		
			Aichi	2,952	(2,428)								

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4. Number of international students by housing(As of May 1, 2018)

○Number of international students 90,079 students (Increase of 11,421 students)

○Students in public housing 24,707 students (Increase of 4,103 students)

Type	Number of students	Change
Public housing	24,707	4,103
International student housing set up by schools	22,298	4,331
International student housing set up by public corporations, etc.	1,108	133
Student housing set up by JASSO	0	0
Student housing set up by local government	42	5
Student housing set up by public corporations	318	29
Public housing	144	▲ 117
Private company housing	604	216
General student housing set up by schools	1,301	▲ 361
Private housing	65,372	7,318
Total	90,079	11,421

