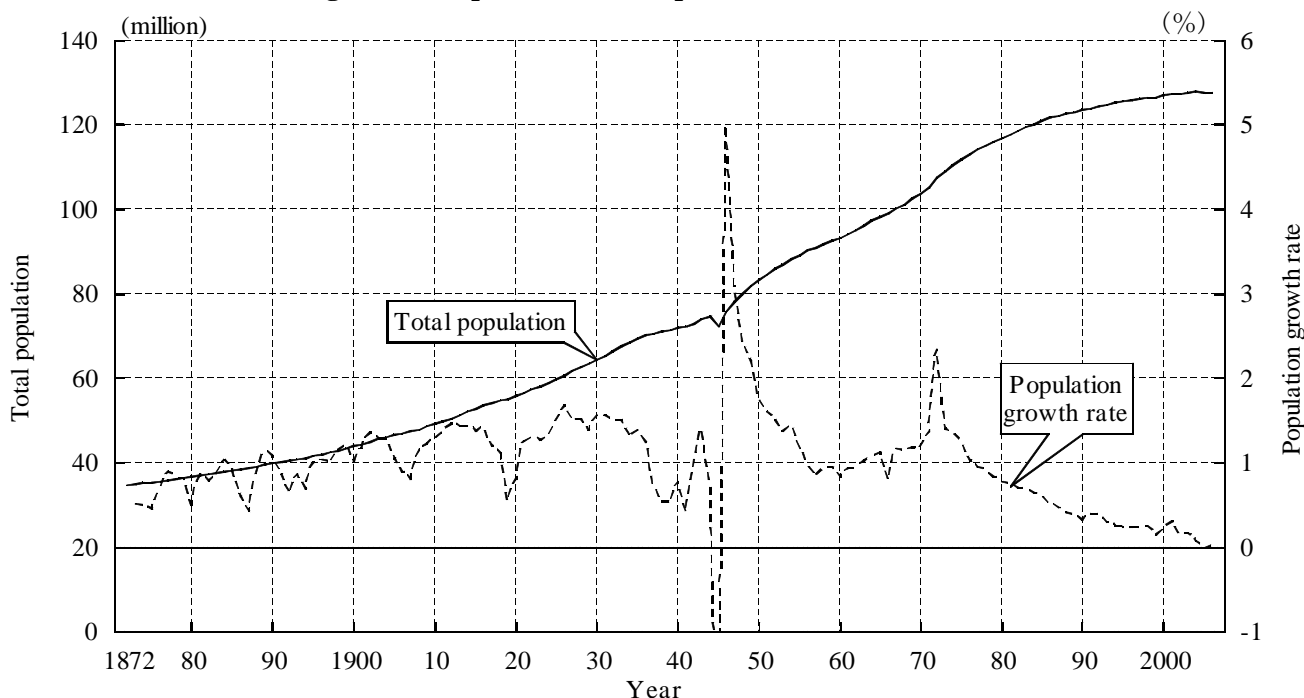**Table 1.1 Population and Population Growth: 1872-2006**

Year	Population (thousands)	Number of population growth (thousands)						Annual rate of growth (%)
		Total	Natural increase			Other		
			Total	Birth	Death	Total	Net migration	
1872	34,806	9,041	...	...	...	...	...	0.83
1900	43,847	12,116	...	...	...	...	...	1.23
1920	55,963	3,774	3,935	10,375	6,440	−161	50	1.31
1925	59,737	4,713	4,726	10,796	6,070	−13	49	1.53
1930	64,450	4,804	4,913	10,938	6,025	−109	−237	1.45
1935	69,254	2,679	4,316	10,513	6,197	−1,637	−1,384	0.76
1940	71,933	214	4,038	10,964	6,926	−3,824	−3,233	0.06
1945	72,147	5,954	1,666	4,199	2,533	4,288	4,472	4.04
1947	78,101	5,098	4,986	7,813	2,827	112	501	2.13
1950	83,200	6,076	5,936	9,806	3,870	140	44	1.42
1955	89,276	4,143	4,676	8,256	3,580	−533	−86	0.91
1960	93,419	4,856	4,943	8,420	3,477	−87	−41	1.02
1965	98,275	5,445	5,601	9,051	3,451	−156	12	1.08
1970	103,720	8,220	6,655	10,190	3,535	1,565	−42	1.54
1975	111,940	5,121	5,491	8,989	3,498	−370	−54	0.90
1980	117,060	3,989	4,072	7,723	3,652	−83	7	0.67
1985	121,049	2,562	2,976	6,814	3,837	−414	−43	0.42
1990	123,611	1,959	1,858	6,126	4,268	101	−17	0.31
1995	125,570	1,356	1,386	6,045	4,660	−30	−22	0.21
2000	126,926	842	641	5,712	5,071	201	75	0.13
2005	127,768	2	0	1,090	1,090	1	1	0.00
2006	127,770							

Source: Statistics Bureau, Ministry of Public Management, Home Affairs, Posts and Telecommunications, *Population Census of Japan* and *Annual Report on Current Population Estimates*. Unless otherwise stated in the notes, the table is concerned with the population of the whole national area (homeland) that the administrative authority has covered as of October 1 of each year. Therefore, the data for 1945-1970 do not include Okinawa Prefecture. Population growth is the difference between the populations of two years. Natural increase is the difference between births and deaths. Other increase is the difference between the total increase and the natural increase, which includes the expansion of the research area and the increase-decrease for other reasons other than the excess of entries over exits. The excess of entries over exits from October 1950 onwards is the difference between legal entries and legal exits based on the statistics of immigration control. Annual rate of growth (%) was computed by the formula $\left({}^{n}\sqrt{P_1/P_0}-1\right)\times 100$. P_0 and P_1 represent the population at the beginning of the period and the population at the end of the period, respectively. n represents the period.

Figure 1.1 Population and Population Growth: 1872-2006

See the notes for Table 1.1 and Table 1.3.

Table 1.2 Japanese Population, Population Growth, Sex Ratio, and Population Density: 1872−1920

Year	Population (thousands)			Annual increase (thousands)		Growth rate (%)	Sex ratio (males per 100 females)	Population density per 1 km²
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Natural increase			
1872	34,806	17,666	17,140	179	174	0.51	103.1	91.2
1873	34,985	17,755	17,230	169	167	0.48	103.0	91.6
1874	35,154	17,835	17,319	162	245	0.46	103.0	92.1
1875	35,316	17,913	17,403	239	323	0.68	102.9	92.5
1876	35,555	18,030	17,525	315	304	0.89	102.9	93.1
1877	35,870	18,187	17,683	296	307	0.83	102.9	93.9
1878	36,166	18,327	17,839	298	196	0.82	102.7	94.7
1879	36,464	18,472	17,992	185	326	0.51	102.7	95.5
1880	36,649	18,559	18,090	316	304	0.86	102.6	96.0
1881	36,965	18,712	18,253	294	320	0.80	102.5	96.8
1882	37,259	18,854	18,405	310	409	0.83	102.4	97.6
1883	37,569	19,006	18,563	393	360	1.05	102.4	98.4
1884	37,962	19,199	18,763	351	241	0.92	102.3	99.4
1885	38,313	19,368	18,945	228	174	0.60	102.2	100.3
1886	38,541	19,480	19,061	162	340	0.42	102.2	100.9
1887	38,703	19,554	19,149	326	457	0.84	102.1	101.4
1888	39,029	19,716	19,313	444	440	1.14	102.1	102.2
1889	39,473	19,940	19,533	429	361	1.09	102.1	103.4
1890	39,902	20,153	19,749	349	273	0.87	102.0	104.5
1891	40,251	20,322	19,929	257	368	0.64	102.0	105.4
1892	40,508	20,443	20,065	352	292	0.87	101.9	106.1
1893	40,860	20,616	20,244	282	424	0.69	101.8	107.0
1894	41,142	20,755	20,387	415	448	1.01	101.8	107.8
1895	41,557	20,960	20,597	435	427	1.05	101.8	108.8
1896	41,992	21,164	20,828	408	515	0.97	101.6	110.0
1897	42,400	21,356	21,044	486	550	1.15	101.5	111.1
1898	42,886	21,590	21,296	518	487	1.21	101.4	112.3
1899	43,404	21,836	21,568	443	554	1.02	101.2	113.7
1900	43,847	22,051	21,796	512	626	1.17	101.2	114.8
1901	44,359	22,298	22,061	605	604	1.36	101.1	116.2
1902	44,964	22,606	22,358	582	615	1.29	101.1	117.8
1903	45,546	22,901	22,645	589	495	1.29	101.1	119.3
1904	46,135	23,195	22,940	485	469	1.05	101.1	120.8
1905	46,620	23,421	23,199	418	499	0.90	101.0	122.1
1906	47,038	23,599	23,439	378	660	0.80	100.7	123.2
1907	47,416	23,786	23,630	549	697	1.16	100.7	124.2
1908	47,965	24,041	23,924	589	668	1.23	100.5	125.6
1909	48,554	24,326	24,228	630	711	1.30	100.4	127.2
1910	49,184	24,650	24,534	668	771	1.36	100.5	128.8
1911	49,852	24,993	24,859	725	773	1.45	100.5	130.6
1912	50,577	25,365	25,212	728	800	1.44	100.6	132.5
1913	51,305	25,737	25,568	734	773	1.43	100.7	134.4
1914	52,039	26,105	25,934	713	771	1.37	100.7	136.3
1915	52,752	26,465	26,287	744	678	1.41	100.7	138.2
1916	53,496	26,841	26,655	638	675	1.19	100.7	140.1
1917	54,134	27,158	26,976	605	354	1.12	100.7	141.8
1918	54,739	27,453	27,286	294	559	0.54	100.6	143.4
1919	55,033	27,602	27,431	440	673	0.80	100.6	144.1
1920	55,473	27,812	27,661				100.5	145.3

The estimated population as of January 1 of each year based on Cabinet Statistics Bureau, *Meiji 5 Nen Ikou Wagakuni No Jinkou* (1930).

Table 1.3 Population, Population Growth, Sex Ratio, and Population Density: 1920−2006

Year	Population (thousands)			Annual increase (thousands)		Growth rate (%)	Sex ratio (males per 100 females)	Population density per 1 km²
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Natural increase			
1920	55,963	28,044	27,919	703	755	1.26	100.4	146.6
1921	56,666	28,412	28,254	724	740	1.28	100.6	148.4
1922	57,390	28,800	28,590	729	751	1.27	100.7	150.3
1923	58,119	29,177	28,942	756	776	1.30	100.8	152.2
1924	58,876	29,569	29,307	861	913	1.46	100.9	154.2
1925	59,737	30,013	29,724	1,004	1,011	1.68	101.0	156.5
1926	60,741	30,521	30,220	918	934	1.51	101.0	159.1
1927	61,659	30,982	30,678	936	950	1.52	101.0	161.5
1928	62,595	31,449	31,146	865	881	1.38	101.0	163.9
1929	63,461	31,891	31,570	989	950	1.56	101.0	166.2
1930	64,450	32,390	32,060	1,007	967	1.56	101.0	168.6
1931	65,457	32,899	32,559	976	1,006	1.49	101.0	171.2
1932	66,434	33,355	33,079	998	1,019	1.50	100.8	173.8
1933	67,432	33,845	33,587	877	910	1.30	100.8	176.4
1934	68,309	34,294	34,015	945	1,012	1.38	100.8	178.7
1935	69,254	34,734	34,520	859	1,008	1.24	100.6	181.0
1936	70,114	35,103	35,011	517	980	0.74	100.3	183.3
1937	70,630	35,128	35,503	382	817	0.54	98.9	184.6
1938	71,013	35,125	35,888	367	628	0.52	97.9	185.6
1939	71,380	35,226	36,154	553	886	0.78	97.4	186.6
1940	71,933	35,387	36,546	285	1,108	0.40	96.8	188.0
1941	72,218	...	...	662	1,147	0.92	...	188.8
1942	72,880	...	...	1,023	1,012	1.40	...	190.5
1943	73,903	...	...	530	1,016	0.72	...	193.2
1944	74,433	...	...	−1,691	−245	−2.29	...	194.6
1945	72,147	...	...	3,603	207	4.99	...	195.0
1946	75,750	...	...	2,352	1,460	3.10	...	205.6
1947	78,101	38,129	39,972	1,901	1,720	2.43	95.4	212.0
1948	80,002	39,130	40,873	1,770	1,756	2.21	95.7	217.1
1949	81,773	40,063	41,710	1,427	1,510	1.75	96.1	221.9
1950	83,200	40,812	42,388	1,342	1,366	1.61	96.3	225.9
1951	84,541	41,489	43,052	1,267	1,284	1.50	96.4	229.6
1952	85,808	42,128	43,680	1,173	1,159	1.37	96.4	232.9
1953	86,981	42,721	44,260	1,258	1,067	1.45	96.5	236.1
1954	88,239	43,344	44,895	1,036	1,061	1.17	96.5	238.8
1955	89,276	43,861	45,415	896	1,001	1.00	96.6	241.5
1956	90,172	44,301	45,871	757	849	0.84	96.6	243.9
1957	90,928	44,671	46,258	839	936	0.92	96.6	246.0
1958	91,767	45,078	46,689	874	979	0.95	96.6	248.2
1959	92,641	45,504	47,137	777	911	0.84	96.5	250.6
1960	93,419	45,878	47,541	868	909	0.93	96.5	252.7
1961	94,287	46,300	47,987	894	910	0.95	96.5	255.1
1962	95,181	46,733	48,447	975	991	1.02	96.5	257.5
1963	96,156	47,208	48,947	1,026	1,034	1.07	96.4	260.1
1964	97,182	47,710	49,471	1,093	1,099	1.13	96.4	262.9
1965	98,275	48,244	50,031	761	791	0.77	96.4	265.8
1966	99,036	48,611	50,425	1,160	1,199	1.17	96.4	267.8
1967	100,196	49,180	51,016	1,135	1,171	1.13	96.4	270.9
1968	101,331	49,739	51,592	1,205	1,230	1.19	96.4	273.9
1969	102,536	50,334	52,202	1,184	1,211	1.15	96.4	277.1
1970	103,720	50,918	52,802	1,425	1,308	1.37	96.4	280.3
1971	105,145	51,607	53,538				96.4	284.1

Source: Statistics Bureau, Ministry of Public Management, Home Affairs, Posts and Telecommunications, *Population Census of Japan*, *Annual Report on Current Population Estimates*, etc. (as of October 1 of each year). The data for 1945−1971 do not include Okinawa Prefecture. Growth rate (%) was computed by the formula $(P_1 / P_0 - 1) \times 100$. P_0 and P_1 represent the population at the beginning of the period and the population at the end of the period, respectively.

Table 1.3 Population, Population Growth, Sex Ratio, and Population Density: 1920−2006 (continued)
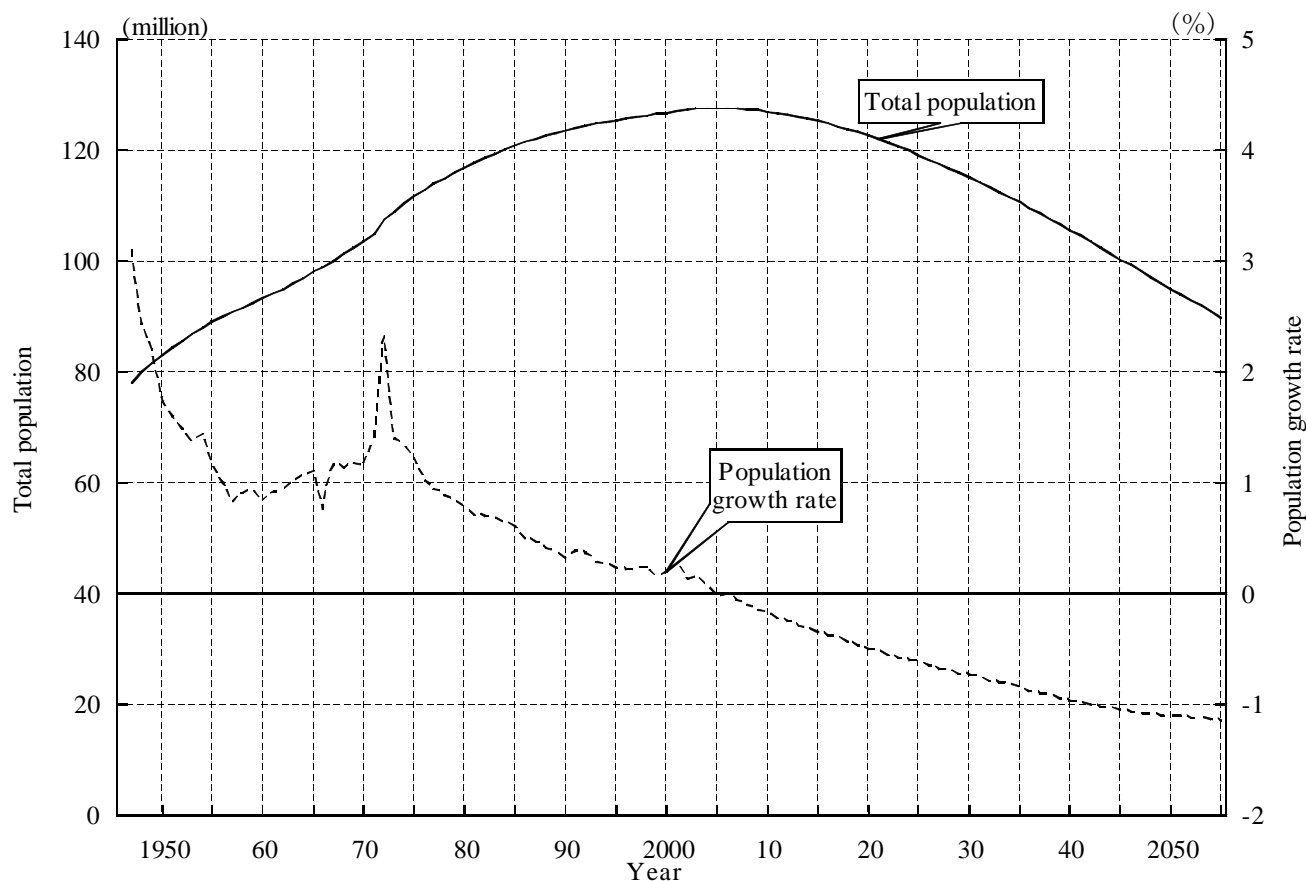
Year	Population (thousands)			Annual increase (thousands)		Growth rate (%)	Sex ratio (males per 100 females)	Population density per 1 km²
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Natural increase			
1972	107,595	52,822	54,773	2,450	…	2.33	96.4	288.9
1973	109,104	53,606	55,498	1,508	1,402	1.40	96.6	292.9
1974	110,573	54,376	56,197	1,469	1,345	1.35	96.8	296.8
1975	111,940	55,091	56,849	1,367	1,242	1.24	96.9	300.5
1976	113,094	55,658	57,436	1,155	1,160	1.03	96.9	303.5
1977	114,165	56,184	57,981	1,071	1,081	0.95	96.9	306.4
1978	115,190	56,682	58,508	1,025	1,034	0.90	96.9	309.1
1979	116,155	57,151	59,004	965	974	0.84	96.9	311.7
1980	117,060	57,594	59,467	906	894	0.78	96.9	314.1
1981	117,902	58,001	59,901	842	823	0.72	96.8	316.3
1982	118,728	58,400	60,329	826	808	0.70	96.8	318.5
1983	119,536	58,786	60,750	808	789	0.68	96.8	320.7
1984	120,305	59,150	61,155	769	758	0.64	96.7	322.7
1985	121,049	59,497	61,552	744	714	0.62	96.7	324.7
1986	121,660	59,788	61,871	611	630	0.50	96.6	326.3
1987	122,239	60,058	62,181	579	620	0.48	96.6	327.9
1988	122,745	60,302	62,443	507	537	0.41	96.6	329.3
1989	123,205	60,515	62,690	459	476	0.37	96.5	330.5
1990	123,611	60,697	62,914	406	417	0.33	96.5	331.6
1991	124,101	60,934	63,167	490	394	0.40	96.5	332.9
1992	124,567	61,155	63,413	466	374	0.38	96.4	334.2
1993	124,938	61,317	63,621	370	322	0.30	96.4	335.2
1994	125,265	61,446	63,819	327	351	0.26	96.3	336.0
1995	125,570	61,574	63,996	305	297	0.24	96.2	336.8
1996	125,859	61,698	64,161	289	307	0.23	96.2	337.6
1997	126,157	61,827	64,329	297	288	0.24	96.1	338.4
1998	126,472	61,952	64,520	315	282	0.25	96.0	339.2
1999	126,667	62,017	64,650	195	212	0.15	95.9	339.7
2000	126,926	62,111	64,815	259	226	0.20	95.8	340.4
2001	127,316	62,265	65,051	390	219	0.31	95.7	341.5
2002	127,486	62,295	65,190	170	195	0.13	95.6	341.9
2003	127,694	62,368	65,326	208	115	0.16	95.5	342.5
2004	127,787	62,380	65,407	93	103	0.07	95.4	342.7
2005	127,768	62,349	65,419	−19	9	−0.01	95.3	342.7
2006	127,770	62,330	65,440	2	0	0.00	95.2	342.6

Table 1.4 Projected Population, Population Growth, Sex Ratio, and Population Density: 2005−55

Year	Population (thousands)			Population growth		Sex ratio (males per 100 females)	Population density (per 1 km²)
	Total	Male	Female	Number (thousands)	Rate (%)		
2005	127,768	62,349	65,419			95.3	338
2006	127,762	62,310	65,453	−6	−0.00	95.2	338
2007	127,694	62,239	65,455	−69	−0.05	95.1	338
2008	127,568	62,138	65,429	−126	−0.10	95.0	338
2009	127,395	62,015	65,381	−173	−0.14	94.9	337
2010	127,176	61,868	65,309	−219	−0.17	94.7	337
2011	126,913	61,698	65,215	−264	−0.21	94.6	336
2012	126,605	61,506	65,099	−308	−0.24	94.5	335
2013	126,254	61,292	64,962	−351	−0.28	94.4	334
2014	125,862	61,059	64,803	−392	−0.31	94.2	333
2015	125,430	60,806	64,624	−431	−0.34	94.1	332
2016	124,961	60,535	64,426	−469	−0.37	94.0	331
2017	124,456	60,246	64,209	−505	−0.40	93.8	329
2018	123,915	59,942	63,974	−540	−0.43	93.7	328
2019	123,341	59,620	63,721	−574	−0.46	93.6	326
2020	122,735	59,284	63,451	−606	−0.49	93.4	325
2021	122,097	58,933	63,164	−638	−0.52	93.3	323
2022	121,430	58,569	62,861	−667	−0.55	93.2	321
2023	120,735	58,192	62,543	−695	−0.57	93.0	319
2024	120,015	57,804	62,210	−721	−0.60	92.9	318
2025	119,270	57,406	61,864	−745	−0.62	92.8	316
2026	118,502	56,998	61,504	−767	−0.64	92.7	314
2027	117,713	56,581	61,132	−789	−0.67	92.6	311
2028	116,904	56,156	60,748	−810	−0.69	92.4	309
2029	116,074	55,722	60,352	−830	−0.71	92.3	307
2030	115,224	55,279	59,944	−850	−0.73	92.2	305
2031	114,354	54,829	59,525	−870	−0.75	92.1	303
2032	113,464	54,371	59,093	−890	−0.78	92.0	300
2033	112,555	53,905	58,650	−909	−0.80	91.9	298
2034	111,627	53,433	58,194	−928	−0.82	91.8	295
2035	110,679	52,953	57,726	−947	−0.85	91.7	293
2036	109,714	52,467	57,247	−965	−0.87	91.6	290
2037	108,732	51,974	56,757	−983	−0.90	91.6	288
2038	107,733	51,477	56,257	−998	−0.92	91.5	285
2039	106,720	50,974	55,746	−1,013	−0.94	91.4	282
2040	105,695	50,467	55,227	−1,026	−0.96	91.4	280
2041	104,658	49,957	54,701	−1,037	−0.98	91.3	277
2042	103,613	49,444	54,168	−1,046	−1.00	91.3	274
2043	102,560	48,930	53,630	−1,052	−1.02	91.2	271
2044	101,503	48,414	53,089	−1,057	−1.03	91.2	269
2045	100,443	47,898	52,545	−1,060	−1.04	91.2	266
2050	95,152	45,320	49,832	−5,291	−1.08	90.9	252
2055	89,930	42,748	47,182	−5,221	−1.12	90.6	238

Source: National Institute of Population and Social Security Research, *Population Projections for Japan: 2006−2055* (January 2006). The projected population as of October 1 of each year (medium variant). Annual rate of growth (%) was computed by the formula $\left(\sqrt[n]{P_1 / P_0} - 1 \right) \times 100$. P_0 and P_1 represent the population at the beginning of the period and the population at the end of the period. respectively. n represents the period.

Figure 1.2 Estimated and Projected Population and Population Growth: 1947−2055

The data for after 2006 are based on projection. See the notes for Tables 1.3 and 1.4.

Table 1.5 Estimated Population prior to 1846 (thousands)

Year	Population	Year	Population	Year	Population
Jomon Era (8100 B.P.)	20.1	725	4,512.2	1721	31,278.5
Jomon Era (5200 B.P.)	105.5	800	5,506.2	1786	30,103.8
Jomon Era (4300 B.P.)	261.3	1150	6,836.9	1792	29,869.7
Jomon Era (3300 B.P.)	160.3	1600	12,273.0	1846	32,297.2
Yayoi Era (1800 B.P.)	594.9				

Source: Hiroshi Kito, *Jinkou Kara Yomu Nihon No Rekishi* (Kodan−sha, 2000).

Table 1.6 Estimated Population of Japan in the Edo Era: 1847−70 (thousands)

Year	Population	Year	Population	Year	Population
1847	30,195	1855	31,599	1863	33,070
1848	30,367	1856	31,780	1864	33,259
1849	30,540	1857	31,961	1865	33,448
1850	30,714	1858	32,143	1866	33,639
1851	30,890	1859	32,327	1867	33,831
1852	31,066	1860	32,511	1868	34,024
1853	31,243	1861	32,696	1869	34,218
1854	31,421	1862	32,883	1870	34,413

Source: Yuzo Morita, *Jinko Zouka No Bunseki* (Nippon−hyoron−sha, 1944).