

State of Medical Institutions

Overview

Changes in the Number of Medical Institutions (hospitals and clinics)

Year	Hospitals	(Included in the left column) National	(Included in the left column) Public	(Included in the left column) Others	General clinics	Dental clinics
1877	159	12	112	35		
1882	626	(330)		296		
1892	576	(198)		378		
1897	624	3	156	465		
1902	746	4	151	591		
1907	807	5	101	691		
1926	3,429	(1,680)		1,749		
1930	3,716	(1,683)		2,033		
1935	4,625	(1,814)		2,811	35,772	18,066
1940	4,732	(1,647)		3,085	36,416	20,290
1945	645	(297)		348	6,607	3,660
1950	3,408	383	572	2,453	43,827	21,380
1955	5,119	425	1,337	3,357	51,349	24,773
1960	6,094	452	1,442	4,200	59,008	27,020
1965	7,047	448	1,466	5,133	64,524	28,602
1970	7,974	444	1,388	6,142	68,997	29,911
1975	8,294	439	1,366	6,489	73,114	32,565
1980	9,055	453	1,369	7,233	77,611	38,834
1985	9,608	411	1,369	7,828	78,927	45,540
1990	10,096	399	1,371	8,326	80,852	52,216
1995	9,606	388	1,372	7,846	87,069	58,407
1996	9,490	387	1,368	7,735	87,909	59,357
1997	9,413	380	1,369	7,664	89,292	60,579
1998	9,333	375	1,369	7,589	90,556	61,651
1999	9,286	370	1,368	7,548	91,500	62,484
2000	9,266	359	1,373	7,534	92,824	63,361
2001	9,239	349	1,375	7,515	94,019	64,297
2002	9,187	336	1,377	7,474	94,819	65,073
2003	9,122	323	1,382	7,417	96,050	65,828
2004	9,077	304	1,377	7,396	97,051	66,557
2005	9,026	294	1,362	7,370	97,442	66,732
2006	8,943	292	1,351	7,300	98,609	67,392

Source: "Annual Report of Public Health Bureau" by the Ministry of Internal Affairs (1875 -1937),

"Annual Report of Public Health" by the Ministry of Health and Welfare (1938-1952),

"Survey of Medical Institutions" by Statistics and Information Department, Minister's Secretariat, MHLW (from 1953)

(Note) The figures in parentheses indicate the total number of public medical institutions.

Detailed Data 1

Changes in the Number of Hospitals by the Establisher and by the Number of Beds

	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Total	9,286	9,266	9,239	9,187	9,122	9,077	9,026	8,943
National	370	359	349	336	323	304	294	292
Public medical institutions	1,368	1,373	1,375	1,377	1,382	1,377	1,362	1,351
Social insurance group	131	131	130	130	129	129	129	125
Non-profit medical corporations	5,299	5,387	5,445	5,533	5,588	5,644	5,695	5,694
Private	1,281	1,173	1,085	954	838	760	677	604
Others	837	843	855	857	862	863	869	877
20-99 beds	3,838	3,811	3,781	3,726	3,667	3,616	3,558	3,482
100-299 beds	3,848	3,848	3,851	3,862	3,860	3,855	3,865	3,862
300-499 beds	1,103	1,111	1,111	1,110	1,110	1,125	1,118	1,120
500+ beds	497	496	496	489	485	481	485	479

Source: "Survey of Medical Institutions", Statistics and Information Department, Minister's Secretariat, MHLW

Detailed Data 2 Changes in the Number of Hospitals by Hospital Type

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Total	9,266	9,239	9,187	9,122	9,077	9,026	8,943
Psychiatric hospitals	1,058	1,065	1,069	1,073	1,076	1,073	1,072
Tuberculosis hospitals	3	3	2	2	2	1	1
General hospitals	8,205	8,171	8,116	8,047	7,999	7,952	7,870

Source: "Survey of Medical Institutions", Statistics and Information Department, Minister's Secretariat, MHLW

Detailed Data 3 Changes in the Number of Beds by Bed Type and Number of Beds per Hospital

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Total	1,647,253	1,646,797	1,642,593	1,632,141	1,631,553	1,631,473	1,626,589
Psychiatric hospital beds	358,153	357,385	355,966	354,448	354,927	354,296	352,437
Infectious disease hospital beds	2,396	2,033	1,854	1,773	1,690	1,799	1,779
Tuberculosis hospital beds	22,631	20,847	17,558	14,507	13,293	11,949	11,129
Other beds, etc. (including) Beds for the elderly	1,264,073	...	...	...	...	...	...
Long-term care beds	...	272,217	300,851	342,343	349,450	359,230	350,230
General beds	...	994,315	966,364	919,070	912,193	904,199	911,014
Number of beds per hospital	177.8	178.2	178.8	178.9	179.7	180.8	181.9

Source: "Survey of Medical Institutions", Statistics and Information Department, Minister's Secretariat, MHLW

(Notes)

1. "Other beds, etc." represent those other than psychiatric, infectious disease, and tuberculosis hospital beds.
2. For 2001-2002, long-term care beds represent long-term care beds and transitional former sanatorium type wards.
3. For 2001-2002, general beds represent general beds and transitional former other beds (excluding transitional former sanatorium type wards).

Detailed Data 4 Changes in Bed Utilization Rate and Average Length of Stay by Bed Type

	Bed utilization rate						
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Total	85.2	85.3	85.0	84.9	84.9	84.8	83.5
Psychiatric hospital beds	93.1	93.2	93.1	92.9	92.3	91.7	91.1
Infectious disease hospital beds	1.8	2.0	2.5	2.4	2.6	2.7	2.2
Tuberculosis hospital beds	43.8	43.7	45.3	46.3	48.6	45.3	39.8
Other beds, etc.	83.8	...	...	...	...	...	...
Long-term care beds	...	94.1	94.1	93.4	93.5	93.4	91.9
General beds	...	81.1	80.1	79.7	79.4	79.4	79.0
Long-term care beds for the elderly	...	...	...	...	...	...	94.1

	Average length of stay						
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Total	39.1	38.7	37.5	36.4	36.3	35.7	34.7
Psychiatric hospital beds	376.5	373.9	363.7	348.7	338.0	327.2	320.3
Infectious disease hospital beds	9.3	8.7	8.7	8.7	10.5	9.8	9.2
Tuberculosis hospital beds	96.2	94.0	88.0	82.2	78.1	71.9	70.5
Other beds, etc.	30.4	...	...	...	...	...	...
Long-term care beds	...	183.7	179.1	172.3	172.6	172.8	171.4
General beds	...	23.5	22.2	20.7	20.2	19.8	19.2
Long-term care beds for the elderly	...	...	...	...	...	...	268.6

Source: "Hospital Report", Statistics and Information Department, Minister's Secretariat, MHLW

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