Number of People Having Industrial Diseases by Year

（people）

Although more than 20,000 people had
Industrial diseases in 1979, this number
has been decreasing steadily to 8,874
in 2008 (2.2% increase from the previous year).
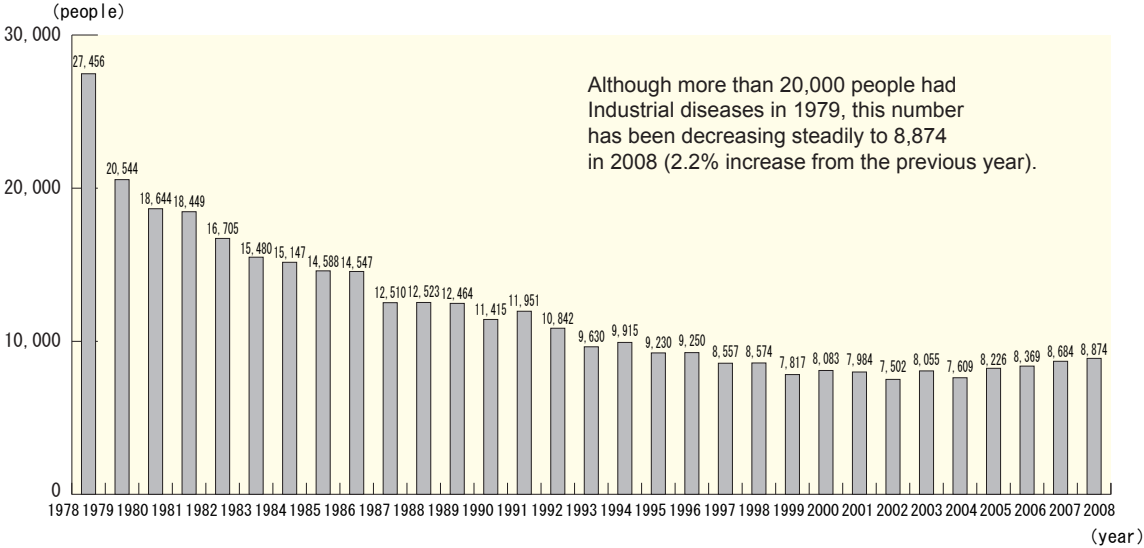
Source: Labour Standards Bureau,　MHLW