## What is Live Births Statistics?

Live Births Statistics 2021 refers to a specified report of vital statistics, compiling the results of multilateral analyses on trends in live births, including time-series and cohort analyses. These analyses use the data of annually published vital statistics up to 2019.

The Live Births Statistics 2021 is the seventh statistics of this kind, after the "Statistics on Birth Weights" in 1962, "Trends in Live Births by Region" in 1984, and "Live Births Statistics" in 1991, 2001, 2005 and 2010.

## What is a specified report of vital statistics?

It is processed statistics based on multilateral analysis from diverse aspects, for which time-series analysis and other types of analysis are carried out on the basis of the data of annually published vital statistics. This statistics not only recompiles the statistics tables of conventional vital statistics but also takes account of those statistics tables which are not covered in regular reports on vital statistics.

A specified report of vital statistics features a specific theme selected from among various topics such as deaths, fetal deaths, live births, marriages and divorces, and has been published nearly each year since 1984.

Specified reports of vital statistics can be broadly classified into the following (1) and (2).

- (1) Those reports that recompile already published results according to specific themes
  - E.g.: "Live Births Statistics," "Marriage Statistics" and "Mortality Statistics From Malignant Neoplasms"
- (2) Those reports that present new indicators of vital statistics
  - E.g.: "Age-Adjusted Death Rates By Prefecture" and "Vital Statistics by Public Health Center and Municipality"

Recent specified reports are as follows.

Year of Publication	Report Title
2020	Vital Statistics by Public Health Center and Municipality in 2013 to 2017
2017	Age-Adjusted Death Rates By Prefecture in 2015
2016	Marriage Statistics published in 2016
2014	Vital Statistics Occurring in Japan - Vital Statistics including Foreigners -
	published in 2014

## Notes

(1) Symbols used in tables

	Data not available or indication of data inappropriate
0.0, 0.00	Figure less than 0.05 or 0.005, respectively

- (2) The figures indicated in this report are rounded, and therefore the sum of sub totals may not agree with the overall total.
- (3) The figures for 1947 to 1972 do not include those for Okinawa.