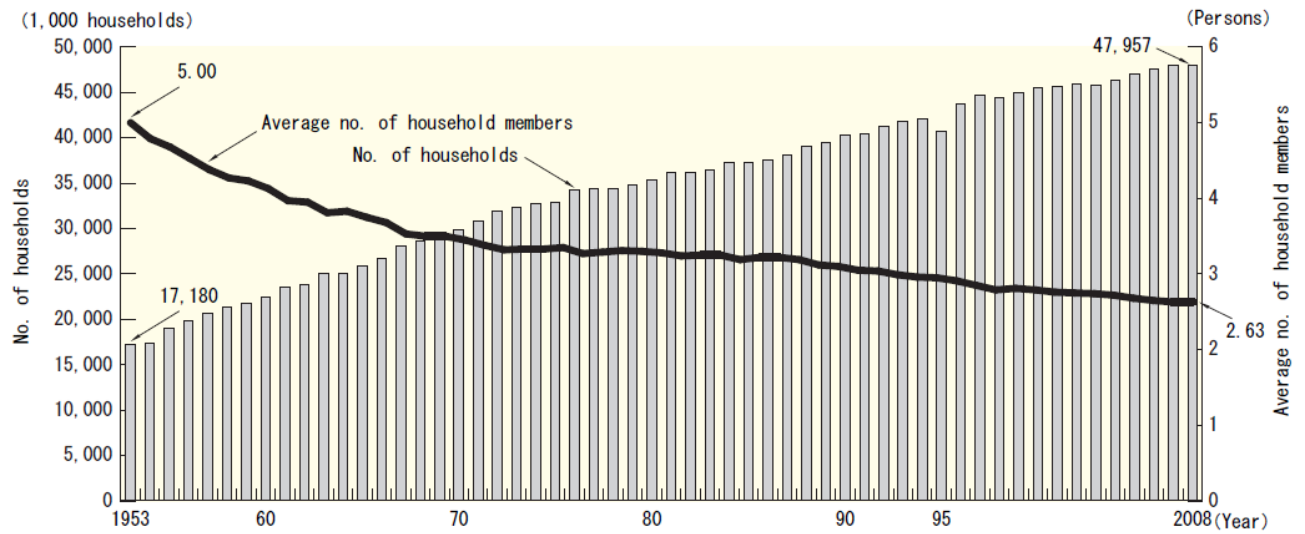


Annual Changes in the Number of Households and Average Number of Household Members



Source: "Basic Survey on Health and Welfare Administration", Statistics and Information Department, Minister's Secretariat, MHW, for the numbers up to 1985, and "Comprehensive Survey of Living Conditions", Statistics and Information Department, Minister's Secretariat, MHLW, for the numbers after 1986

Note: The numbers of 1995 exclude those of Hyogo Prefecture.