## **Changes in the Number of Public Health Nurses**

(Unit: person)

	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Municipalities	12, 502	13, 545	14, 306	14, 974	15, 355	15, 366	15, 643	15, 856	16, 004	15, 908	15, 629	15, 315	14, 519	14, 483
Designated cities • special wards	3, 311	2, 560	3, 136	3, 820	4, 167	4, 450	4, 584	4, 696	4, 907	5, 047	5, 281	5, 524	5, 563	5, 604
Subtotal	15, 813	16, 105	17, 442	18, 794	19, 522	19, 816	20, 227	20, 552	20, 911	20, 955	20, 910	20, 839	20, 082	20, 087
Prefectures	5, 215	6, 083	5, 496	4, 836	4, 620	4, 535	4, 481	4, 439	4, 311	4, 242	4, 178	4, 014	3, 935	3, 889
Total	21, 028	22, 188	22, 938	23, 630	24, 142	24, 351	24, 708	24, 991	25, 222	25, 197	25, 088	24, 853	24, 017	23, 976

Source: Data until FY 1994 by Health Service Bureau "Report on Statistics of Activities of Health Centers", Statistics and Information Department, Minister's Secretariat, MHLW for FY 1995 and FY 1996

<sup>&</sup>quot;Report on Regional Health Services", Statistics and Information Department, Minister's Secretariat, MHLW for FY 1997 and FY 1998

<sup>&</sup>quot;Report on Regional Public Health Services and Health Services for the Aged", Statistics and Information Department, Minister's Secretariat, MHLW from FY 1999 onward