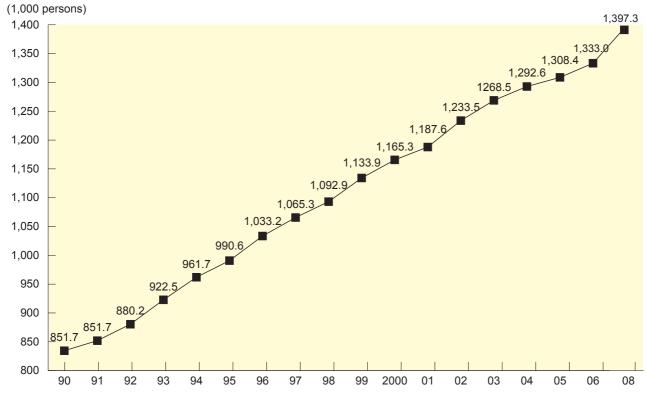
Detailed Data 4 Changes in the Number of Nursing personnel



Source: Health Policy Bureau, MHLW

Detailed Data 5 The 6th Projection of Estimated Supply and Demand for Nursing Personnel

The "6th Projection of Estimated Supply and Demand for Nursing Personnel" prepared in December 2005 estimated that demand for nursing personnel will reach 1.406 million while supply will be 1.391 million.

Based on the "Law to Promote Securing of Nursing Personnel" enacted in 1992 and subsequent basic guidelines based on that law, comprehensive efforts have been made to improve quality, secure training capacity, promote reemployment, and prevent unemployment.

(Unit: person)

| Classification | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Estimated demand | 1,314,100 | 1,338,800 | 1,362,200 | 1,383,800 | 1,406,400 |
| ①Hospitals | 813,900 | 830,400 | 846,100 | 860,100 | 874,800 |
| ②Clinics | 246,200 | 247,900 | 249,600 | 251,300 | 253,100 |
| 3 Maternity clinics | 1,800 | 1,800 | 1,800 | 1,800 | 1,800 |
| Long-term care facilities | 172,600 | 178,500 | 183,800 | 188,800 | 194,200 |
| ⑤ Social welfare facilities (excluding √) | 15,600 | 16,100 | 16,600 | 17,100 | 17,600 |
| Health centers and municipal facilities | 36,300 | 36,400 | 36,600 | 36,700 | 36,800 |
| ⑦Educational institutions | 15,900 | 15,900 | 15,800 | 15,900 | 15,900 |
| ®Workplaces, schools, and others | 11,700 | 11,800 | 12,000 | 12,100 | 12,200 |
| Estimated supply | 1,272,400 | 1,297,100 | 1,325,100 | 1,355,900 | 1,390,500 |
| ①Nurses employed at the beginning of the year | 1,251,100 | 1,272,400 | 1,297,100 | 1,325,100 | 1,355,900 |
| ②Nurses employed who have just graduated from school | 51,400 | 51,100 | 51,500 | 51,600 | 52,500 |
| ③ Nurses reemployed | 85,000 | 88,200 | 91,200 | 94,600 | 98,400 |
| Nurses retired | 115,000 | 114,600 | 114,800 | 115,400 | 116,300 |
| Difference between estimated demand and supply | 41,600 | 41,700 | 37,100 | 27,900 | 15,900 |
| (Estimated demand / estimated supply) | 96.8% | 96.9% | 97.3% | 98.0% | 98.9% |

(Note) Numbers are rounded off so that they may not add up to the total value.