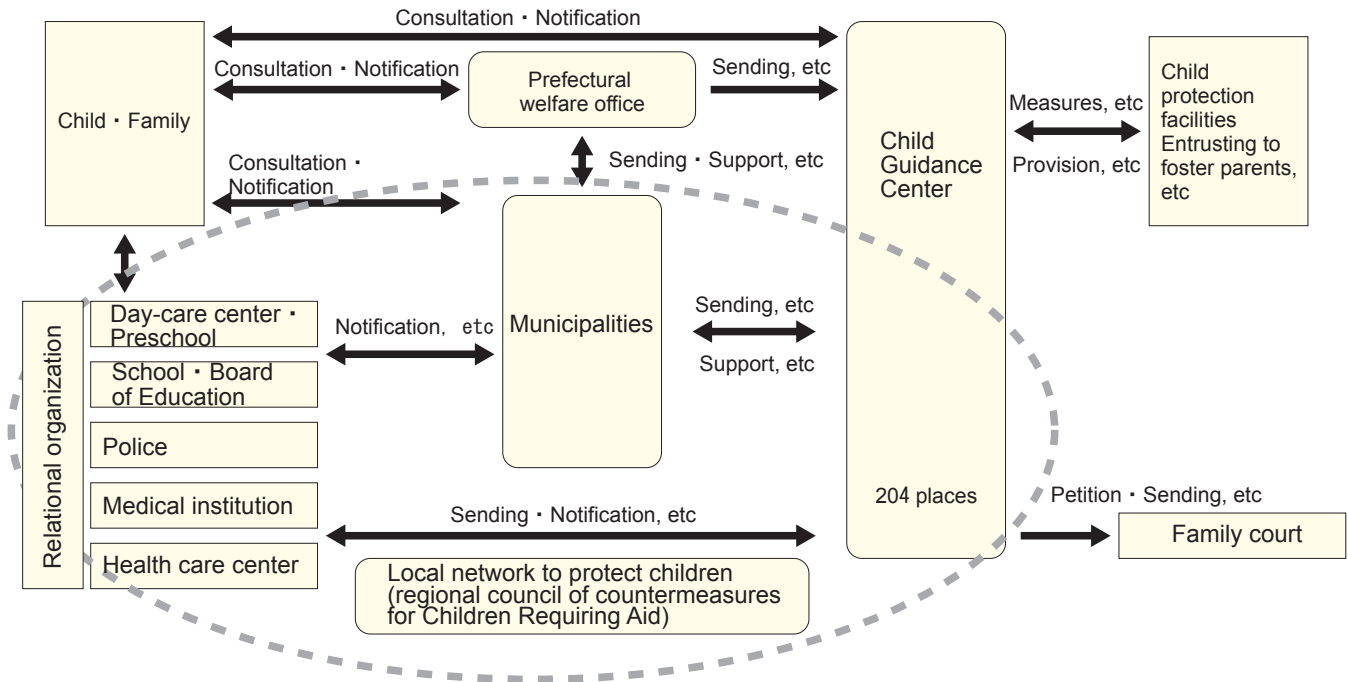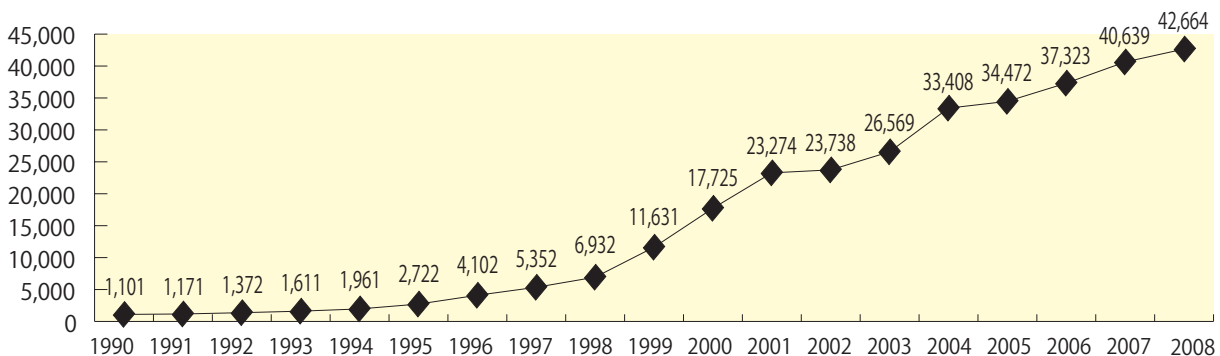# Protection System Against Child Abuse in Regions

○Although old protection measures against child abuse was the system to cope with child abuse in only Child Guidance Center, "municipalities" has been added to it so that they can receive notice. Therefore, it has become the system to cope with child abuse with dual structure of "municipalities" and "Child Guidance Center."
○The number of consultations about child abuse in cities, towns and villages
  FY 2005　40,222 cases　→　　FY 2008　53,020 cases
○Establishment of local network to protect children (regional council of countermeasures for Children Requiring Aid) has been ongoing at each municipality (as of April 1, 2009, established in 97.6% municipalities (including the child abuse prevention network of voluntary establishment)).
○According to the Revised Child Welfare Act of 2008, children, who need child-raising support grasped by home visiting business for all families with infants , and pregnant women, who especially need to take supports even before birth, have been added to support objects of the council since April, 2009.

Detailed Date 1　Change in the Number of Child Abuse Consultations and Cases of Deaths from Child Abuse

○The number of consultation on child abuse in Child Guidance Center in the nationwide increased by 3.7 times in 2008 compared to the date of 1999 compiled before enforcement of Child Abuse Prevention Act.

○　Annual number of deaths from child abuse (excluding double suicide) has stayed about 50 cases.

	The first Report (2003.7.1～2003.12.31)			The second Report (2004.1.1～2004.12.31)			The third Report (2005.1.1～2005.12.31)			The fourth Report (2006.1.1～2006.12.31)			The fifth Report (2007.1.1～2007.3.31)		
	Except suicide	Suicide	Total	Except suicide	Suicide	Total	Except suicide	Suicide	Total	Except suicide	Suicide	Total	Except suicide	Suicide	Total
THe number of case	24	—	24	48	5	53	51	19	70	52	48	100	73	42	115
The number of peoples	25	—	25	50	8	58	56	30	86	61	65	126	78	64	142

※　From the results of verification on cases of deaths from the 1st report to the 5th report