



# Insight of Chinese Migrants living in Japan

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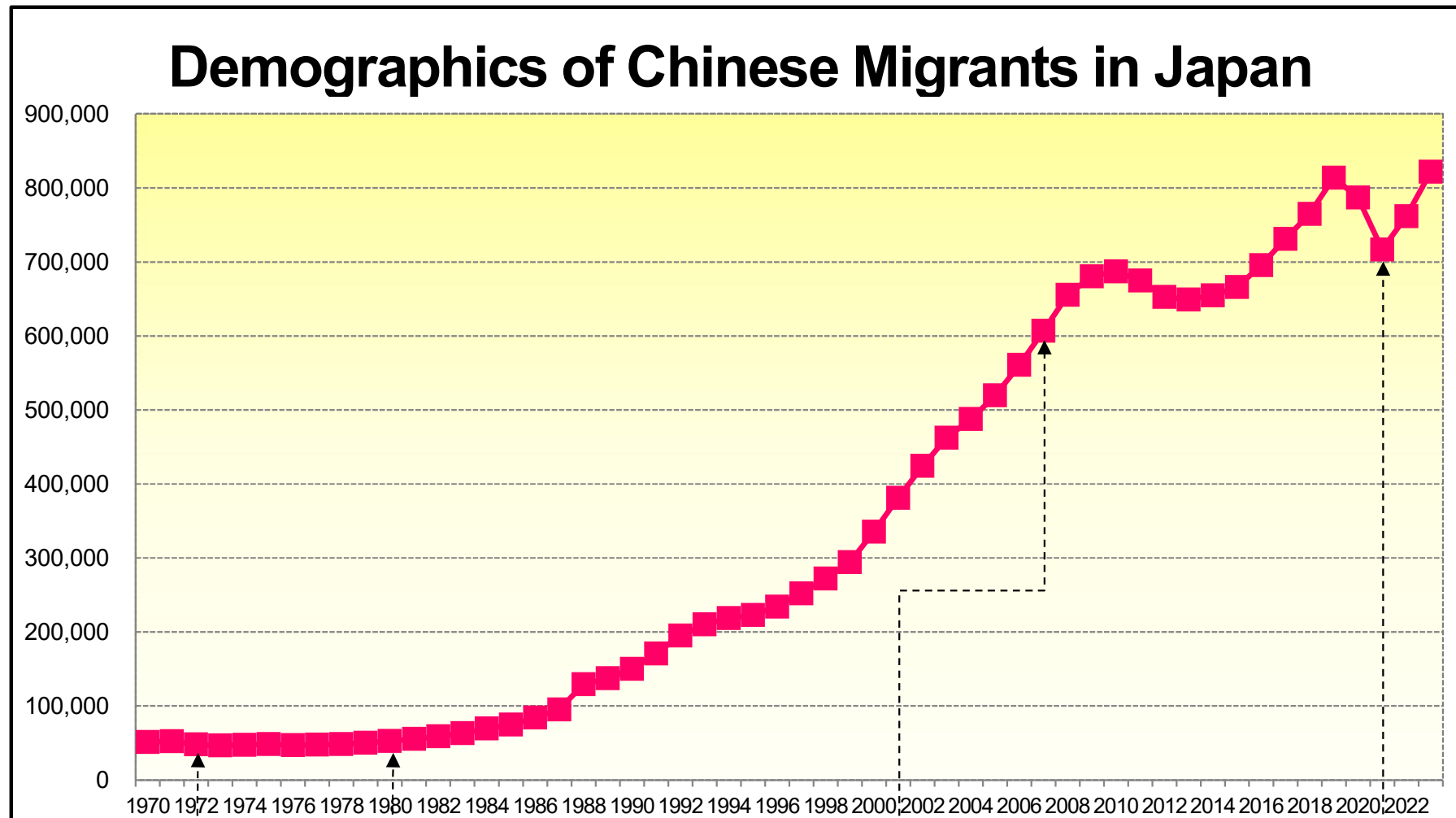
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# Chinese Migrants in Japan Insight



After the inflow of Chinese migrants to Japan was halted for more than 30 years, the Japanese government opened its door to Chinese workers.

China has headed towards a pragmatic relationship with Japan on September 27, 1972, under Chairman Mao Zedong, when the two countries restored diplomatic relations.

Chinese migrants began arriving in Japan in the late 1980s to work due to better employment opportunities and higher wage rates.

The renewal of Chinese migration to Japan started like in many western countries in the 1980s when China started to liberalize the mobility of its population.

In 2007, the Chinese residents in Japan became the largest group of foreign residents in the country, replacing the Koreans.

Chinese residents in Japan can be divided into 4 main groups according to the way in which they came to Japan: students, skilled workers, technical interns, or spouses of Japanese.

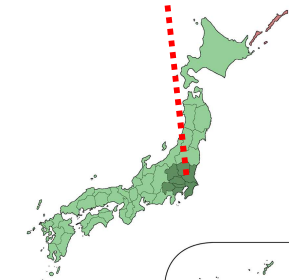
The total number of Chinese students has decreased from 144,264 in December 2019 to 96,594 in December 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

There were 96,594 Chinese students enrolled at universities, specialized training college and language schools, accounting for 13.5% of the total number of international students in Japan.

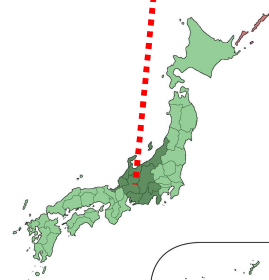
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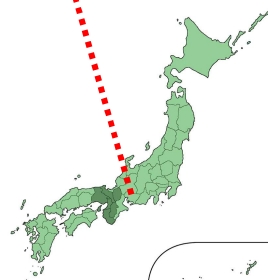
Prefecture	Chinese	All Foreigners	% of Chinese	Prefecture	Chinese	All Foreigners	% of Chinese	Prefecture	Chinese	All Foreigners	% of Chinese
Hokkaido	9,755	56,485	17.27%	Ishikawa	3,885	19,407	20.02%	Okayama	7,018	35,928	19.53%
Aomori	1,042	7,797	13.36%	Fukui	2,055	17,595	11.68%	Hiroshima	12,129	62,363	19.45%
Iwate	1,546	10,173	15.20%	Yamanashi	4,320	21,502	20.09%	Yamaguchi	2,390	19,622	12.18%
Miyagi	5,557	27,009	20.57%	Nagano	8,422	43,075	19.55%	Tokushima	1,592	7,949	20.03%
Akita	977	5,280	18.50%	Gifu	9,343	69,477	13.45%	Kagawa	3,096	17,312	17.88%
Yamagata	1,881	9,326	20.17%	Shizuoka	10,199	115,642	8.82%	Ehime	2,637	16,384	16.09%
Fukushima	3,099	18,070	17.15%	Aichi	45,582	310,845	14.66%	Kochi	988	6,129	16.12%
Ibaraki	12,346	91,694	13.46%	Mie	6,406	64,420	9.94%	Fukuoka	20,702	99,695	20.77%
Tochigi	6,278	51,073	12.29%	Shiga	4,896	40,743	12.02%	Saga	991	9,764	10.15%
Gunma	6,601	74,154	8.90%	Kyoto	18,355	75,818	24.21%	Nagasaki	2,132	13,590	15.69%
Saitama	80,083	234,698	34.12%	Osaka	77,628	301,490	25.75%	Kumamoto	3,363	25,589	13.14%
Chiba	57,904	204,091	28.37%	Hyogo	23,396	131,756	17.76%	Oita	2,344	18,108	12.94%
Tokyo	262,340	663,362	39.55%	Nara	3,106	17,614	17.63%	Miyazaki	889	9,752	9.12%
Kanagawa	76,431	267,523	28.57%	Wakayama	1,342	9,090	14.76%	Kagoshima	1,717	16,417	10.46%
Niigata	4,513	21,558	20.93%	Tottori	731	5,604	13.04%	Okinawa	2,837	25,447	11.15%
Toyama	4,336	22,460	19.31%	Shimane	1,093	10,350	10.56%	Unidentified	1,565	7,762	20.16%
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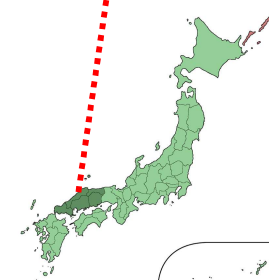
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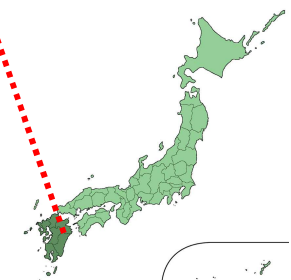
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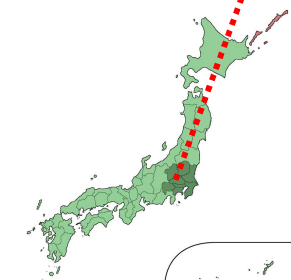


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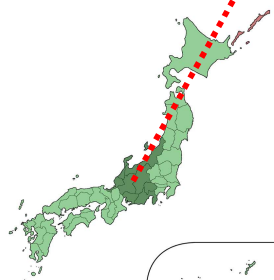
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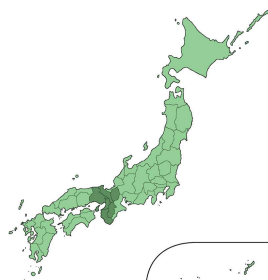
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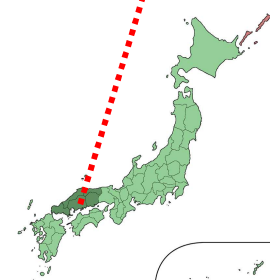
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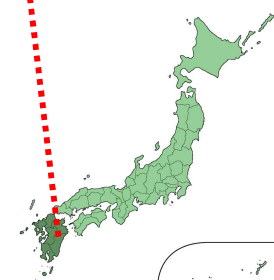
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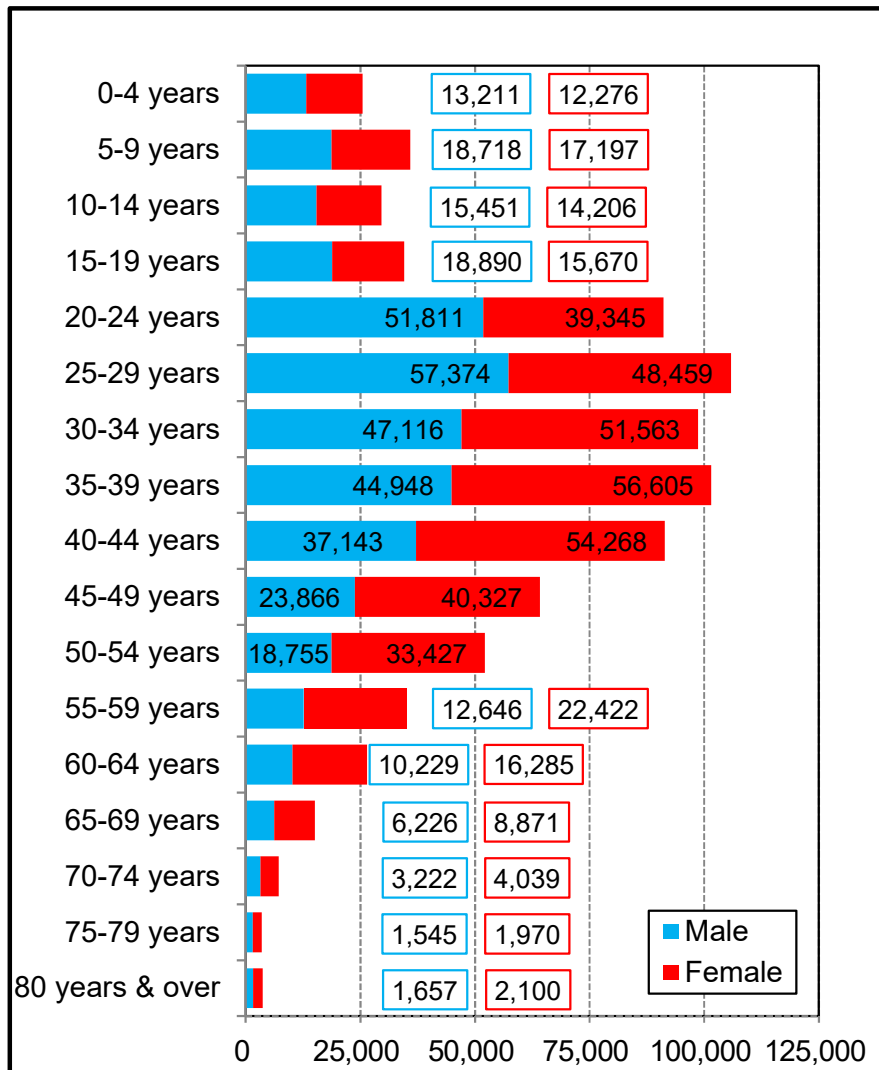


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## Age and Gender Distribution of Chinese in Japan as of December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023

Gender Composition: Male 46.6%, Female 53.4%

Median Age: Male 32.5 years old, Female 36.2 years old



## Visa Status of Chinese in Japan as of December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023

① Permanent Resident: 331,482

② Student: 134,651

③ Engineer / Humanities / International Services: 92,141

④ Dependent: 76,131

