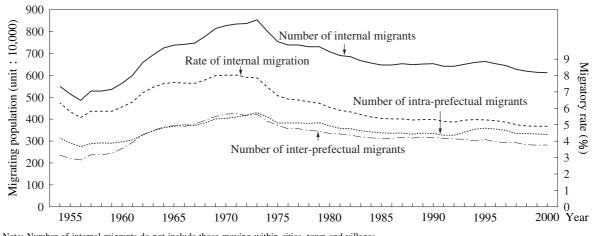
Chapter 2. Socio-economic effects of demographic changes

Section 1. Effects on Districts and Cities

[Trend to lower internal migration]

The internal migration is decreasing, not only between prefectures but within prefectures as well, reaching its lowest ever recorded level.

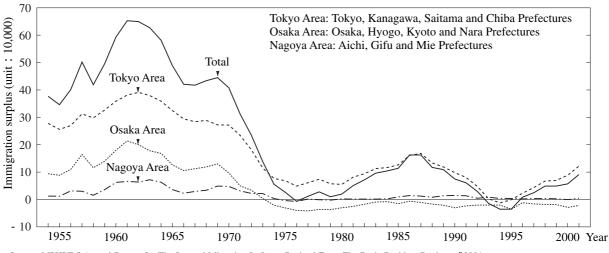
6. Changes of number of internal migrants



Note: Number of internal migrants do not include those moving within cities, town and villages. Source: MPHPT, " Annual Report On The Internal Migration In Japan Derived From The Basic Resident Registers "2001

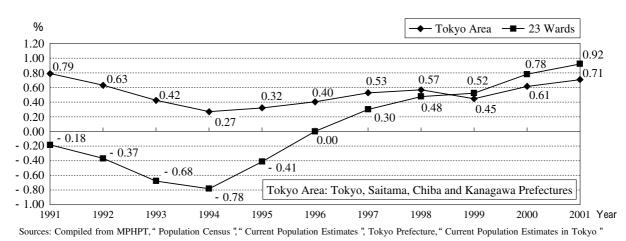
Regarding situation of in-migrant and out-migrant for 3 major areas, the chart indicates that the great surplus of netmigration into 3 major areas regularly seen beginning with the period of high economic growth has settled, but the netmigration into Tokyo area had been plus since the commencement of this survey.

7. Changes of net-migration for 3 major areas



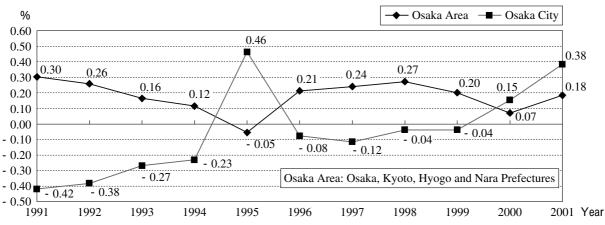
Source: MPHPT, " Annual Report On The Internal Migration In Japan Derived From The Basic Resident Registers "2001

A trend toward return to the central city can be seen in Tokyo and Osaka as a result of increased condominium development in the central cities.



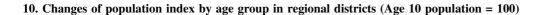
8. Comparison of rate of population increase and decrease in the 23 wards of Tokyo and Tokyo Area

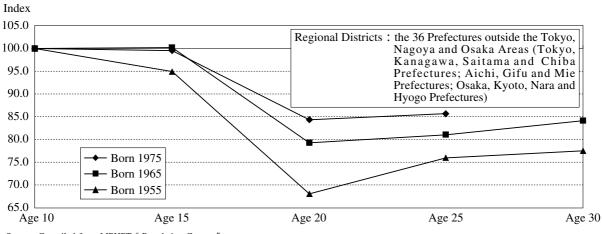
9. Comparison of rate of population increase and decrease in Osaka City and Osaka Area



Sources: Compiled from MPHPT, " Population Census ", " Current Population Estimates ", Osaka Prefecture Population Estimate Materials

In regional districts outside the 3 major areas, population movements towards the large cities for higher education and employment have slowed and, the younger generation tends to settle in regional districts.



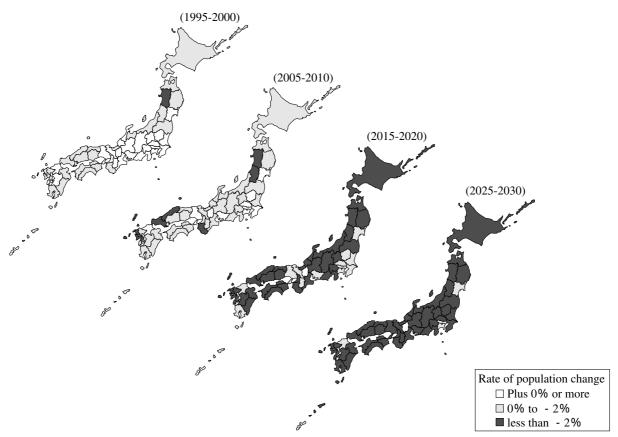


Source: Compiled from MPHPT, " Population Census "

[Increase in districts experiencing population declines]

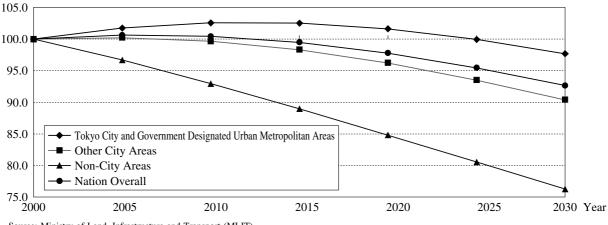
Districts experiencing population declines are expected to increase in future, with nearly all Prefectures showing declines by the year 2020.

11. (Increase in prefectures experiencing population declines)



Source: Compiled from MPHPT, " Population Census ", IPSS, " Population Projection for prefectures in Japan "

Looking at future population trends in metropolitan areas reveals a continuing greater trend towards mild concentration of population in the large metropolitan areas than in the core cities of regional blocs, but in nearly all other urban areas the process of decline will soon begin.



12. Changes of population index by city areas category

Source: Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport (MLIT)