

2025 Shizuoka Intercultural Month
Shizuoka Intercultural Symposium

Shizuoka Prefecture's Initiatives for Intercultural Cohesion

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静岡県多文化共生シンボルマーク

Overview and administrative system of Shizuoka Prefecture



Mt. Fuji World Cultural Heritage Site



Lake Hamana



Southern Alps

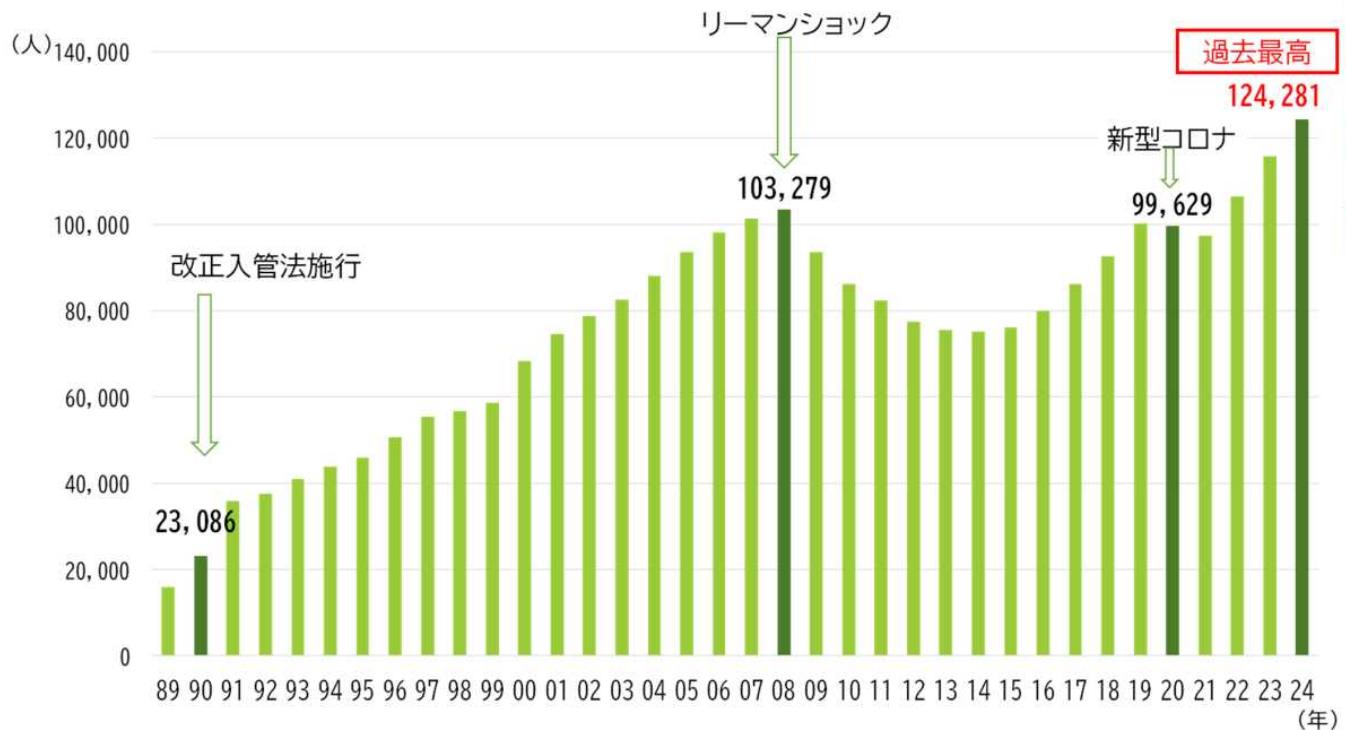


Izu Peninsula

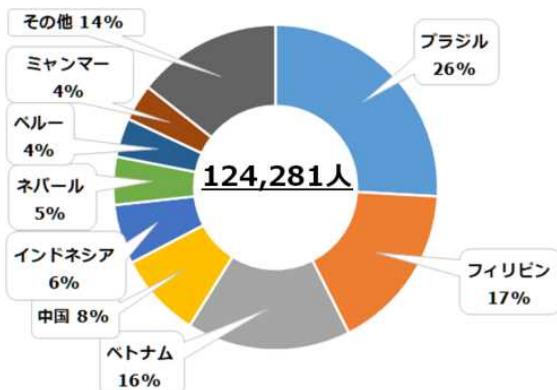
municipal governments (cities)	Regional governments (prefecture)
<p>Essential Public Services</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Resident registration• Waste management• Childcare and welfare• Firefighting• Operation of elementary and junior high schools• <u>Direct support for foreign residents</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wide-ranging coordination and planning• Liaison and coordination between the prefecture and local municipalities• <u>Prefecture-wide planning and promotion related to Intercultural cohesion</u>

Foreigners residing in Shizuoka pref. Record high 124, 281人

- 3.53% of Population
- Since 1990, the number has increased mainly in Brazil
- In recent years, the number of countries such as Vietnam, Indonesia, and Nepal has also increased.
- 127 countries and regions and multinationalization



	nationality	Number
1	Brazil	32, 151
2	Philippines	20, 737
3	Vietnam	20, 277
4	China	10, 555
5	Indonesia	7, 356
6	Nepal	5, 944
7	Peru	4, 805
8	Myanmar	4, 546
9	Korea	4, 179
	other	13, 731
	sum	124, 281



Relationship with the ICC

Hamamatsu mayor era (2007-2023)

- International Symposium on Intercultural Cities Tokyo (2012)
- Japan-Korea-Europe Intercultural City Summit 2012 Hamamatsu
- Japan-Korea-Europe Intercultural City Symposium 2013 Ansan Summit
- World Democracy Forum 2016
- Joined the ICC and held international symposiums (2017)
- International Summit for Intercity Cooperation 2019 Hamamatsu
- Online participation in the "25th Anniversary of Japan's Accession to the Council of Europe Observer" (2021)

Governor of Shizuoka Prefecture (2024-)

- The first prefecture in Japan to join the ICC(2025. August)
- Shizuoka Intercultural Symposium(2025. December)



Past Efforts

Hamamatsu mayor era (2007-2023)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Hamamatsu Intercultural City Vision(Phase 1 2013-17, Issue 2 2018-22, Issue 3 2023-28)➤ Hamamatsu City's "Zero School Refusal Campaign" → Achieved Zero School Refusal in 2013➤ Multilingual information provision (foreign language version of public relations messages, welcome packs, etc.)➤ Opening of the Hamamatsu City Intercultural Center (2008)➤ Establishment of the Hamamatsu City Foreign Study Support Center (2010)➤ Hamamatsu City Intercultural Activity Commendation System (2018)➤ Certification System for Declaring Active Participation of Foreign Human Resources (2021)
Governor of Shizuoka Prefecture (2024-)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Establishment of a project team for "Accepting Foreigners and Realizing a Intercultural Society" at the National Governors' Association (2024)➤ Formulation of the Shizuoka Prefecture Comprehensive Plan (2025) → Incorporating Intercultural Perspectives➤ Formulation of the 4th Shizuoka Prefecture Intercultural Cohesion Promotion Basic Plan (2026-2028)➤ Establishment of Shizuoka Prefecture Intercultural Month (2025)

Shizuoka Prefecture's Intercultural Cohesion measures

Building momentum

Building momentum for intercultural

- Intercultural Month (December)
- Membership in the ICC

Establishment of a sense of Intercultural Cohesion

- Promoting exchanges between foreigners and Japan
- Dissemination activities in collaboration with university students

Communication support



地域日本語教室での交流促進 多文化共生わがものフォーラム

Improvement of the environment that supports daily life

Enhancement of consultation desks for foreign nationals

- Shizuoka Assistance Center for Foreign Residents "Kameria"
- Municipalities through sharing consultation information, etc.
- Strengthening the consultation desk

Strengthening the provision of information to foreigners

- Strengthening the dissemination of disaster prevention and daily life information
- In the event of a disaster, the "Multilingual Support Center in the event of a disaster"

Supporting the active participation of foreigners

Improvement of the educational environment for children with foreign roots

- Zero school absenteeism operation
- Support for career choice and career development
- Special curriculum and Japanese instruction
- Placement of coordinators, etc.

Creating a comfortable working environment

- Dissemination of the Charter for Foreign Workers
- Nursing facilities that jointly provide Japanese language education aid