



Insight of Thai Migrants in Japan

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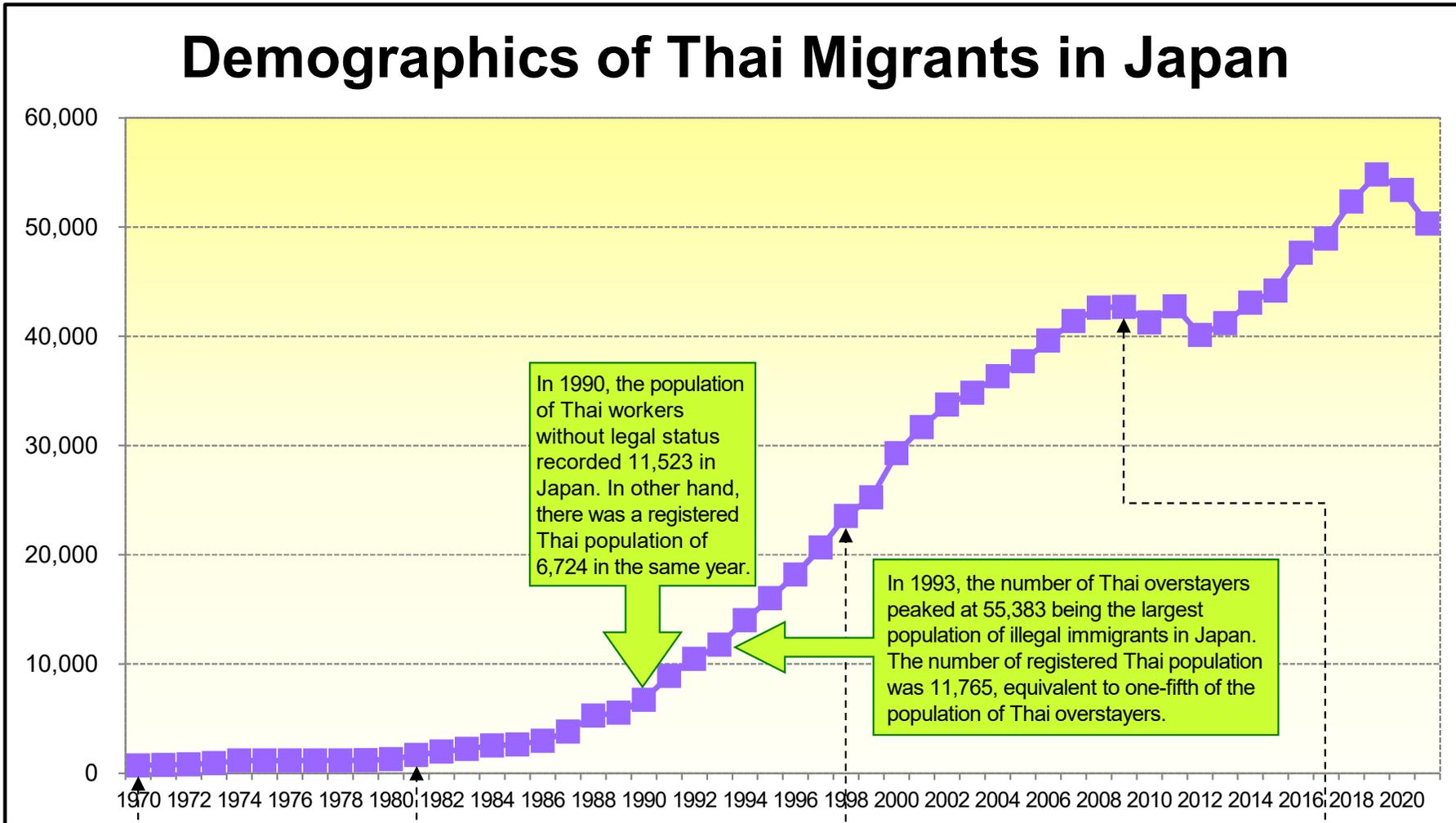
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Thai Migrants in Japan Insight



In 1970, there was a registered Thai population of 721 in Japan. The population increased slightly to 1,195 in 1979.

The Initial Thai Migrants in Japan.

In 1981, Thai woman began to come to Japan to work at the nightclubs and the bars as hostesses to earn money and support their families.

Female workers mainly from Southeast Asia who worked in the entertainment industry have been called Japayuki San (Miss Japan-going).

The Asian Financial Crisis devastated the Thai economy. Many Thai have moved abroad to seek employment in Japan

More than one million Thai workers have gone to work abroad after the outbreak of the Asian financial crisis in 1997-1998.

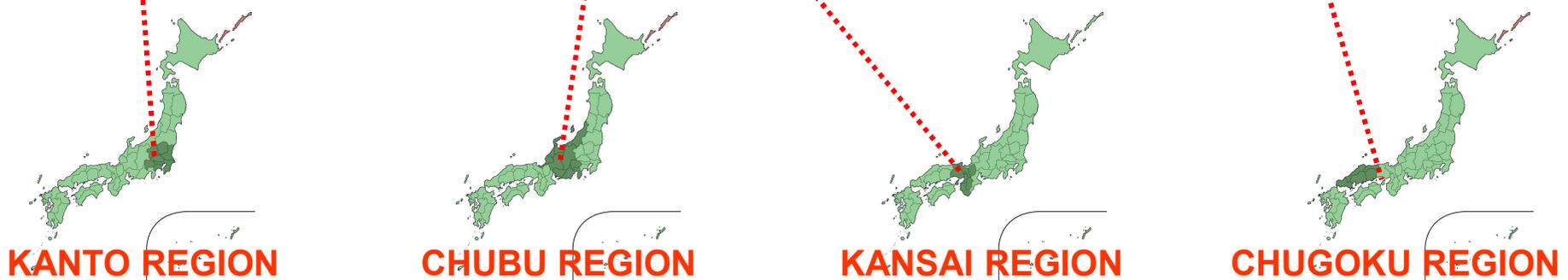
The global economic crisis affected the foreign migrants. Millions of foreign workers had lost their jobs and went to back to their homeland.

The number of unemployed workers in Japan rapidly increased after the Lehman Brothers collapse led to the financial crisis and the Great Recession in September 2008.

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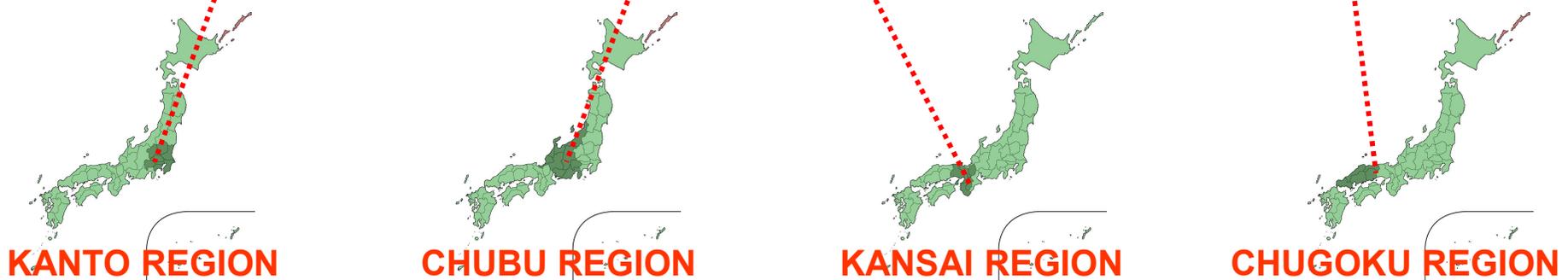
The largest concentration of Thai Nationals is in Kanto Region (Tokyo, Chiba, Ibaraki, Kanagawa, Saitama)

Prefecture	Thais	All Foreigners	% of Thais	Prefecture	Thais	All Foreigners	% of Thais	Prefecture	Thais	All Foreigners	% of Thais	
Hokkaido	710	36,316	1.96%	Ishikawa	249	14,766	1.69%	Okayama	330	29,435	1.12%	
Aomori	104	5,693	1.83%	Fukui	226	16,014	1.41%	Hiroshima	1,073	50,605	2.12%	
Iwate	101	7,203	1.40%	Yamanashi	595	17,163	3.47%	Yamaguchi	153	15,873	0.96%	
Miyagi	371	21,089	1.76%	Nagano	2,283	35,673	6.40%	Tokushima	62	6,094	1.02%	
Akita	78	4,045	1.93%	Gifu	801	56,697	1.41%	Kagawa	117	13,043	0.90%	
Yamagata	131	7,472	1.75%	Shizuoka	1,437	97,338	1.48%	Ehime	130	11,900	1.09%	
Fukushima	309	14,120	2.19%	Aichi	3,093	265,199	1.17%	Kochi	39	4,500	0.87%	
Ibaraki	4,893	71,121	6.88%	Mie	1,565	54,295	2.88%	Fukuoka	601	76,234	0.79%	
Tochigi	1,763	42,430	4.16%	Shiga	274	33,458	0.82%	Saga	75	6,507	1.15%	
Gunma	1,164	61,945	1.88%	Kyoto	640	58,370	1.10%	Nagasaki	70	8,982	0.78%	
Saitama	3,439	197,110	1.74%	Osaka	2,395	246,157	0.97%	Kumamoto	304	16,686	1.82%	
Chiba	5,811	165,356	3.51%	Hyogo	981	111,940	0.88%	Oita	200	11,879	1.68%	
Tokyo	7,569	531,131	1.43%	Nara	341	13,873	2.46%	Miyazaki	61	7,011	0.87%	
Kanagawa	4,158	227,511	1.83%	Wakayama	490	7,132	6.87%	Kagoshima	83	11,833	0.70%	
Niigata	434	16,936	2.56%	Tottori	90	4,529	1.99%	Okinawa	216	18,535	1.17%	
Toyama	176	18,237	0.97%	Shimane	98	9,405	1.04%	Unidentified	41	1,794	2.29%	
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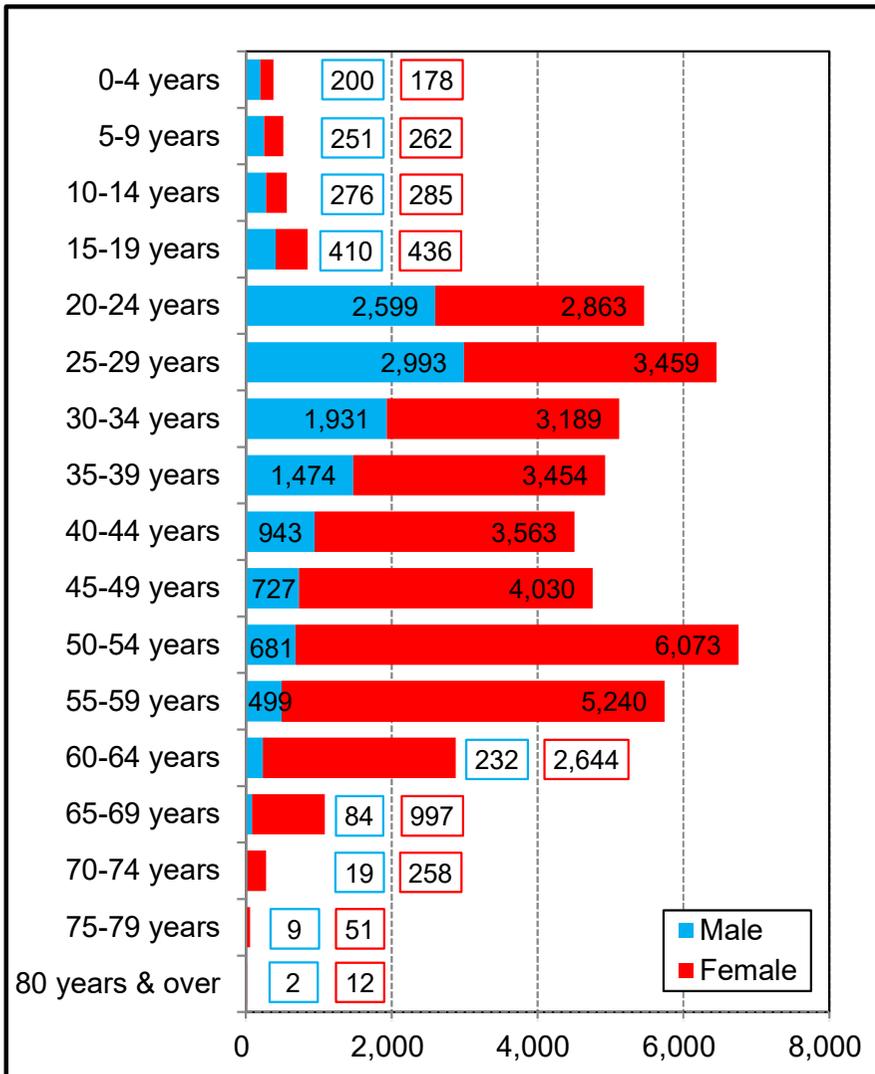
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Age and Gender Distribution of Thais in Japan as of December 31st, 2021

Gender Composition: Male 26.5%, Female 73.5%
 Median Age: Male 32.0 years old, Female 43.4 years old



Visa Status of Thais in Japan as of December 31st, 2021

- ① Permanent Resident: 20,996
- ② Technical Intern Training: 7,478
- ③ Spouse or Child of Japanese National: 7,192
- ④ Long-Term Resident: 4,024

