

9. Number of fatalities of criminal offenses, of reported homicides, and of arrests for homicide (Since 1945)

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Year		Number of fatalities of criminal offences		Homicide		Sources: Crime Statistics Book		
				number of reported homicides	number of arrests for homicide	Number of fatalities of criminal offences		Number of reported homicides/arrests for homicide
Showa 20	1945	1,926	total	919	836	Crime in 1964: Crime Statistics Table 49 p.302		Crime Statistics, 1957, Table 1, p. 21
Showa 21	1946	3,347		1,791	1,648			
Showa 22	1947	3,192		1,938	1,744			
Showa 23	1948	7,857		2,495	2,290			
Showa 24	1949	7,923		2,716	2,544			
Showa 25	1950	8,471		2,892	2,781			
Showa 26	1951	8,657		2,865	2,758			
Showa 27	1952	8,810		2,871	2,788			
Showa 28	1953	9,279		2,944	2,839			
Showa 29	1954	9,837		3,081	3,017			
Showa 30	1955	10,219		3,066	3,008			
Showa 31	1956	9,865		2,617	2,550			
Showa 32	1957	10,747		2,524	2,448			
Showa 33	1958	11,493		2,683	2,628			
Showa 34	1959	12,216		2,683	2,563			Crime in 1964: Crime Statistics Table 1 p.126
Showa 35	1960	13,780		2,648	2,562			
Showa 36	1961	15,367		2,719	2,565			
Showa 37	1962	14,065		2,348	2,283			
Showa 38	1963	14,850		2,283	2,222			
Showa 39	1964	15,082		2,366	2,299			
Showa 40	1965	3,982	Excluding Negligence in the Pursuit of Social Activities (traffic-related)	2,288	2,228	Crime in 1965	Table 54 p.500	Table 1 p.318-24
Showa 41	1966	3,661	Excluding "Negligence in the Pursuit of Social Activities caused by road traffic accident"	2,198	2,123	Crime in 1966	Table 94 p.352	Table 1 p.118
Showa 42	1967	3,273		2,111	2,014	Crime in 1967	Table 109 p.381	Table 1 p.1
Showa 43	1968	3,611		2,195	2,117	Crime in 1968	Table 21 p.81	Table 1 p.1
Showa 44	1969	3,576		2,098	2,032	Crime in 1969	Table 22 p.81	Table 1 p.1
Showa 45	1970	3,378		1,986	1,927	Crime in 1971	Table 18 p.66	Table 1 p.1
Showa 46	1971	3,235		1,941	1,852	Crime in 1971	Table 16 p.66	Table 1 p.1
Showa 47	1972	3,200		2,060	2,009	Crime in 1972	Table 26 p.97	Table 1 p.1
Showa 48	1973	3,459		2,048	1,967	Crime in 1973	Table 26 p.97	Table 1 p.1
Showa 49	1974	3,217		1,912	1,837	Crime in 1974	Table 26 p.97	Table 1 p.1
Showa 50	1975	3,056		2,098	2,024	Crime in 1975	Table 26 p.101	Table 1 p.1
Showa 51	1976	3,031		2,111	2,036	Crime in 1976	Table 26 p.101	Table 1 p.1
Showa 52	1977	2,878		2,031	1,968	Crime in 1977	Table 26 p.101	Table 1 p.1
Showa 53	1978	2,669	Excluding Negligence in the Pursuit of Social Activities (traffic-related)	1,862	1,805	Crime in 1978	Table 26 p.101	Table 1 p.1
Showa 54	1979	2,411		1,853	1,807	Crime in 1979	Table 58 p.221	Table 1 p.1
Showa 55	1980	2,257		1,684	1,637	Crime in 1980	Table 59 p.225	Table 1 p.1
Showa 56	1981	2,176		1,754	1,709	Crime in 1981	Table 59 p.225	Table 1 p.1
Showa 57	1982	2,121		1,764	1,713	Crime in 1982	Table 59 p.225	Table 1 p.1
Showa 58	1983	1,921		1,745	1,698	Crime in 1983	Table 59 p.225	Table 1 p.1
Showa 59	1984	2,080		1,762	1,712	Crime in 1984	Table 59 p.225	Table 1 p.1
Showa 60	1985	2,342		1,780	1,717	Crime in 1985	Table 59 p.225	Table 1 p.1
Showa 61	1986	1,769		1,676	1,620	Crime in 1986	Table 59 p.225	Table 1 p.1
Showa 62	1987	1,605		1,584	1,552	Crime in 1987	Table 59 p.225	Table 1 p.1
Showa 63	1988	1,631		1,441	1,399	Crime in 1988	Table 59 p.225	Table 1 p.1
Showa 64 / Heisei 1	1989	1,446		1,308	1,255	Crime in 1989	Table 50 p.233	Table 1 p.1
Heisei 2	1990	1,453		1,238	1,197	Crime in 1990	Table 50 p.233	Table 1 p.1
Heisei 3	1991	1,386		1,215	1,166	Crime in 1991	Table 50 p.233	Table 1 p.1
Heisei 4	1992	1,324		1,227	1,185	Crime in 1992	Table 50 p.233	Table 1 p.1
Heisei 5	1993	1,322		1,233	1,190	Crime in 1993	Table 50 p.233	Table 1 p.1
Heisei 6	1994	1,359		1,279	1,225	Crime in 1994	Table 46 p.225	Table 1 p.1
Heisei 7	1995	1,292		1,281	1,236	Crime in 1995	Table 46 p.225	Table 1 p.1
Heisei 8	1996	1,249		1,218	1,197	Crime in 1996	Table 41 p.213	Table 1 p.1
Heisei 9	1997	1,280 (1,296)		1,282	1,225	Crime in 1997	Table 41 p.213	Table 1 p.1

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Heisei 10	1998	1,350	Excluding Negligence in the Pursuit of Social Activities (traffic-related)	1,388	1,356	Crime in 1998	Table 50 p.231	Table 1 p.1
Heisei 11	1999	1,334		1,265	1,219	Crime in 1999	Table 50 p.239	Table 1 p.1
Heisei 12	2000	1,345		1,391	1,322	Crime in 2000	Table 50 p.238	Table 1 p.1
Heisei 13	2001	1,441		1,340	1,261	Crime in 2001	Table 50	Table 1
Heisei 14	2002	1,368		1,396	1,336	Crime in 2002	Table 50	Table 1
Heisei 15	2003	1,432		1,452	1,366	Crime in 2003	Table 50	Table 1
Heisei 16	2004	1,397		1,419	1,342	Crime in 2004	Table 53	Table 1
Heisei 17	2005	1,354		1,392	1,345	Crime in 2005	Table 53	Table 1
Heisei 18	2006	1,284		1,309	1,267	Crime in 2006	Table 53	Table 1
Heisei 19	2007	1,134		1,199	1,157	Crime in 2007	Table 53	Table 1
Heisei 20	2008	1,230 (1,211)		1,301	1,237	Crime in 2008	Table 53	Table 1
Heisei 21	2009	1,059 (1,054)		1,095	1,074	Crime in 2009	Table 53	Table 1
Heisei 22	2010	1,001 (996)		1,068	1,029	Crime in 2010	Table 53	Table 1
Heisei 23	2011	969		1,052	1,029	Crime in 2011	Table 53	Table 1
Heisei 24	2012	908		1,032	963	Crime in 2012	Table 53	Table 1
Heisei 25	2013	819		938	950	Crime in 2013	Table 53	Table 1
Heisei 26	2014	841		1,054	1,010	Crime in 2014	Table 53	Table 1
Heisei 27	2015	802		933	938	Crime in 2015	Table 53	Table 1
Heisei 28	2016	752		895	901	Crime in 2016	Table 53	Table 1
Heisei 29	2017	710		920	930	Crime in 2017	Table 53	Table 1
Heisei 30	2018	690		915	886	Crime in 2018	Table 53	Table 1
Heisei 31/ Reiwa 1	2019	700		950	945	Crime in 2019	Table 53	Table 1
Reiwa 2	2020	687		929	913	Crime in 2020	Table 53	Table 1
Reiwa 3	2021	642		874	883	Crime in 2021	Table 53	Table 1
Reiwa 4	2022	598		853	817	Crime in 2022	Table 53	Table 1
Reiwa 5	2023	608		912	872	Crime in 2023	Table 53	Table 1
Reiwa 6	2024	681		970	937	Crime in 2024	Table 53	Table 1

Figures with parentheses () are from the White Paper on Crime("犯罪白書").

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Classification in Crime Statistics

type of offence	Brakedown
Homicide	Homicide, Preparation of Homicide, Participation in Assisted Suicide and Consensual Homicide
	Parricide, Preparation of Parricide (abolished by amendment of the Penal Code in 1995)