

Hodogaya Multicultural Community Plan (Summary)

What is the Hodogaya Multicultural Community Plan?

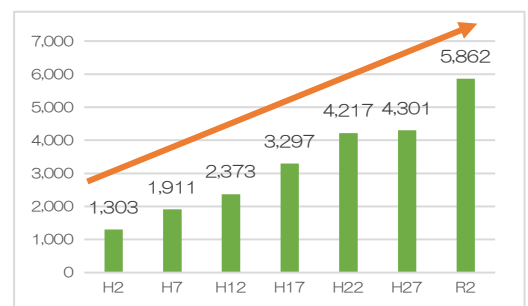
- **Aim** : Hodogaya Ward has over 5,500 foreign residents from over 80 countries and regions. As an extension of Hodogaya Ward's main goal to create a community that people want to call home, this plan aims to create a community where this is true for all residents, regardless of their nationality.
- **Plan Period** Four year period between April 2022 and March 2026.

Hodogaya's Foreign Population by the Numbers

★ Increasing foreign population

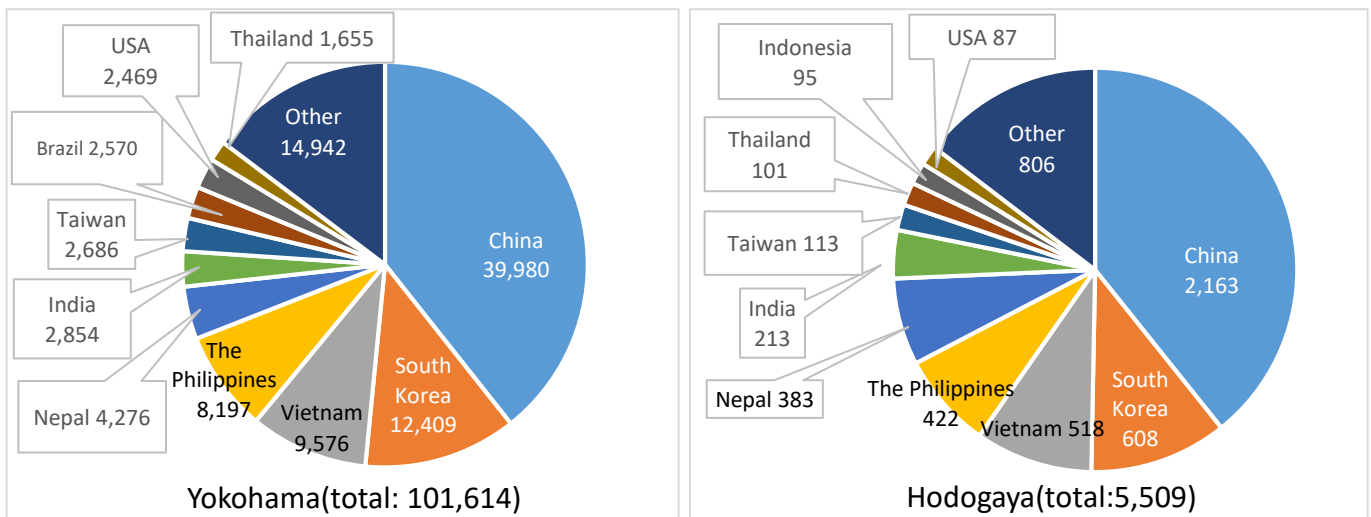
- Of Yokohama's 18 wards, Hodogaya has the 6th largest foreign population.
- Hodogaya's foreign population has increased four-fold in the past 30 years.
- As of March 2020, Hodogaya's foreign population was 5,862 (5,509 as of March 2021, due to the influence of COVID-19)

■ Trends in Hodogaya's foreign population (People)



★ Nationality Breakdown

■ Foreign population breakdown by nationality (Yokohama and Hodogaya)



Source: basic resident register (as of March 31st, 2021)

Community Issues

Hodogaya ward residents shared the following concerns with us during interviews:

- 1 The language barrier is the biggest hurdle in everyday life.
- 2 There is a demand for fostering a multicultural mindset and engaging in intercultural exchange.
- 3 There is a demand for opportunities for foreign residents to be active in the community.
- 4 There is a demand for Hodogaya International Lounge to become more functional.

● Our goals for a multicultural community

-Core philosophy-

Hodogaya: Building a future where diverse people and cultures connect and support each other

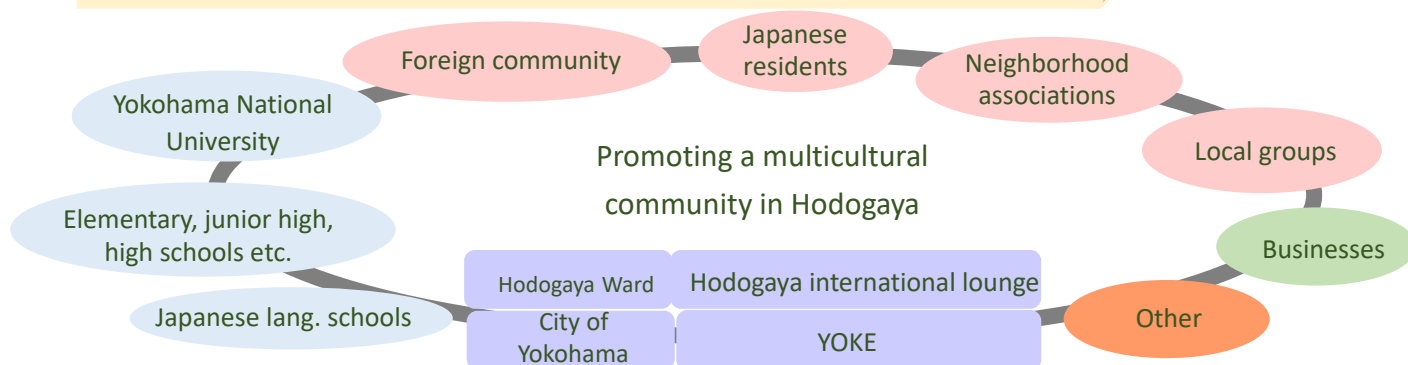
● Hodogaya Multicultural Community-Building Framework

★ Stance and policies

In order to embody our core philosophy, we are conducting initiatives under the framework of three main stances and six policies.

Philosophy	Stance	Policies	Main Initiatives
Hodogaya: Building a future where diverse people and cultures connect and support each other	1 Providing information and strengthening consultation systems	Provide information in multiple languages	① Improve multilingual support at the ward office
		Strengthen consultation systems	② Promote the use of やさしい日本語
		Improve support for learning Japanese	③ Improve the consultation network
	2 Promoting intercultural exchange	Foster a multicultural mindset	④ Improve support for learning Japanese
		Strengthen the system for intercultural exchange	⑤ Raising awareness for children and parents
			⑥ Awareness in the community and workplaces
	3 Promoting involvement and participation of foreign residents	Promote involvement and participation as a local resident	⑦ Planning exchange projects unique to Hodogaya
			⑧ Cultivate partners
			⑨ Strengthening coordination functions
		⑩ Promote involvement and participation as a local resident	

★ Hodogaya Ward Community Building Promotion Framework



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