

Japan Outbound Travel 2007

Increasing Outbound to 20 million by 2010

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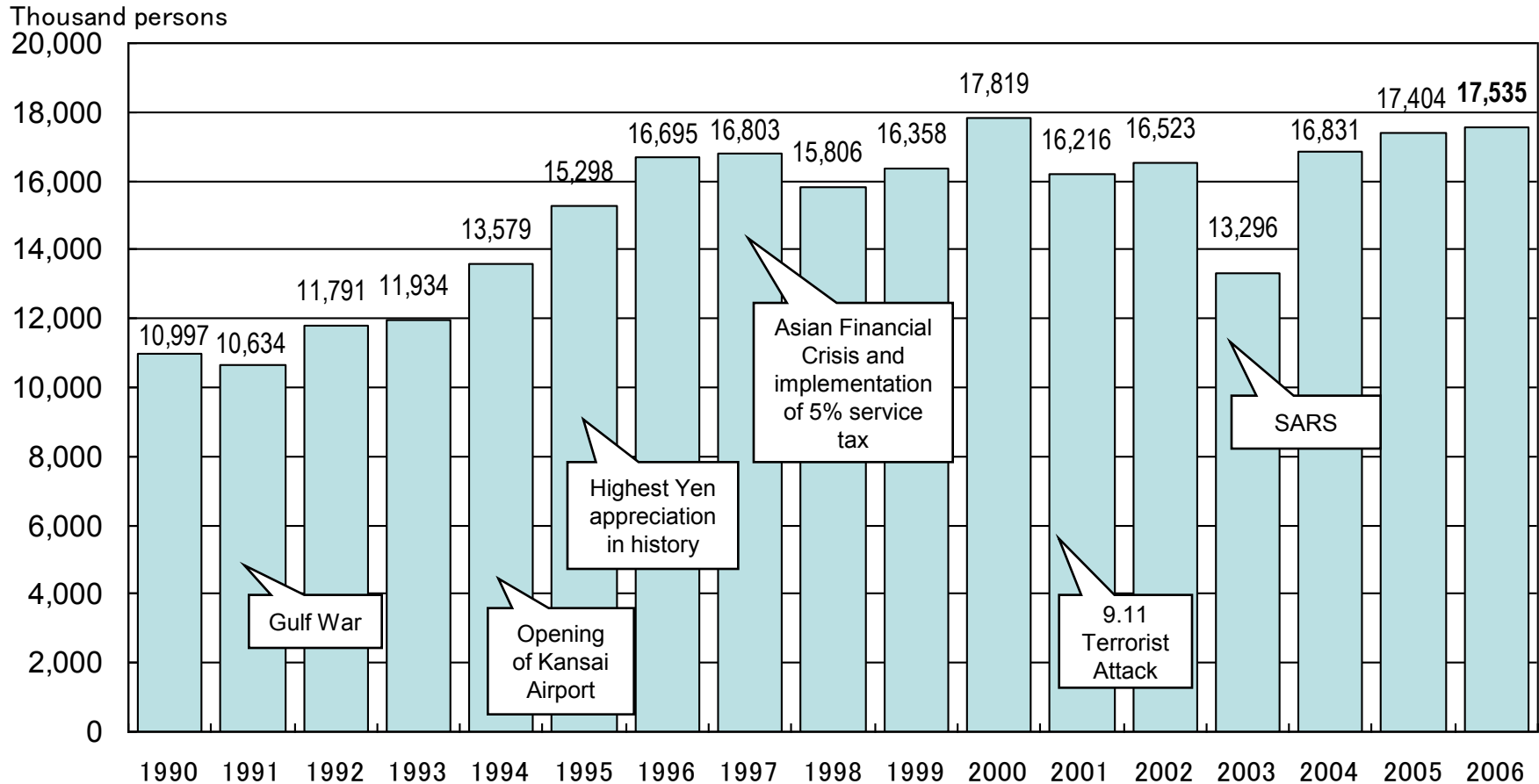
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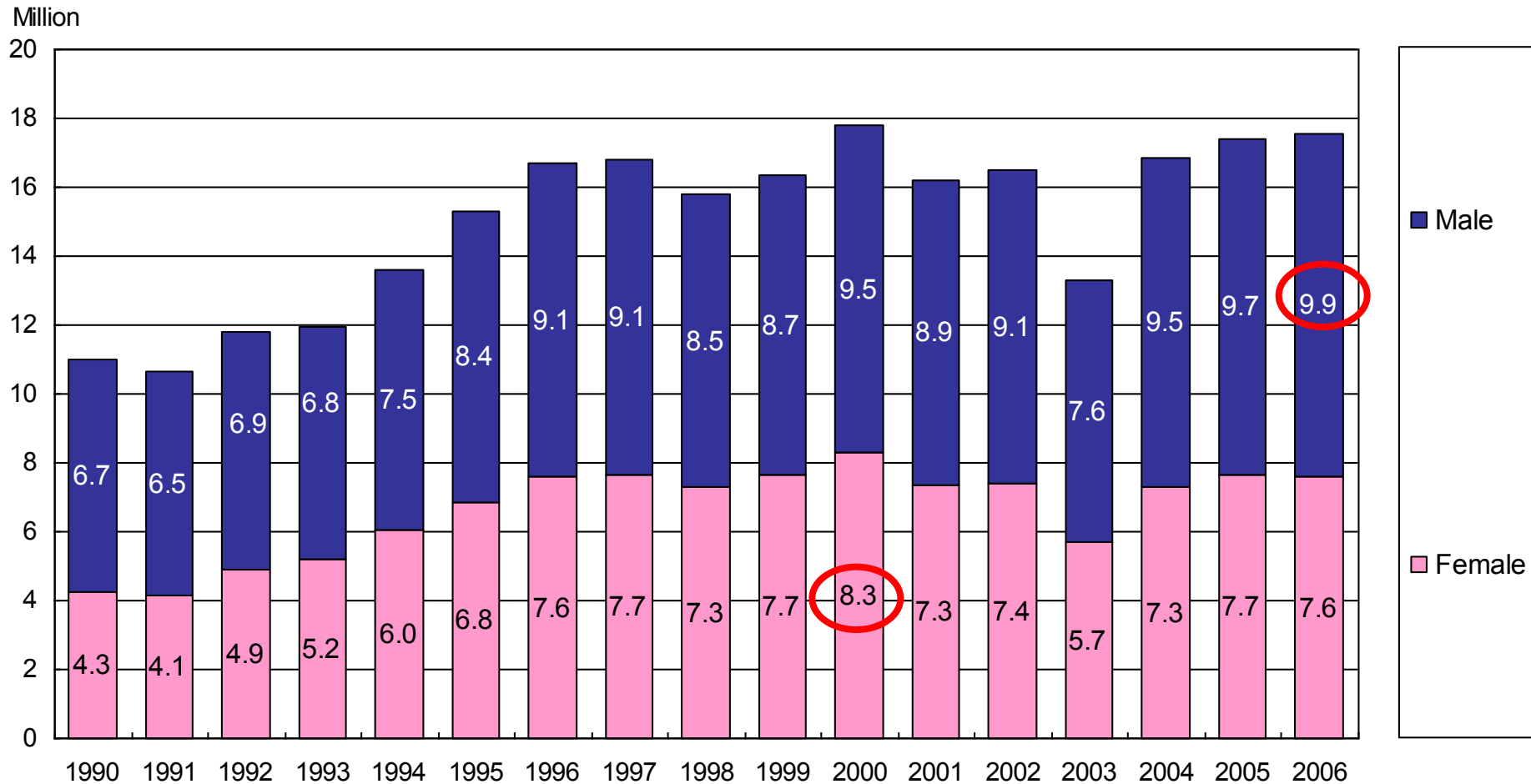
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Japanese International Departure

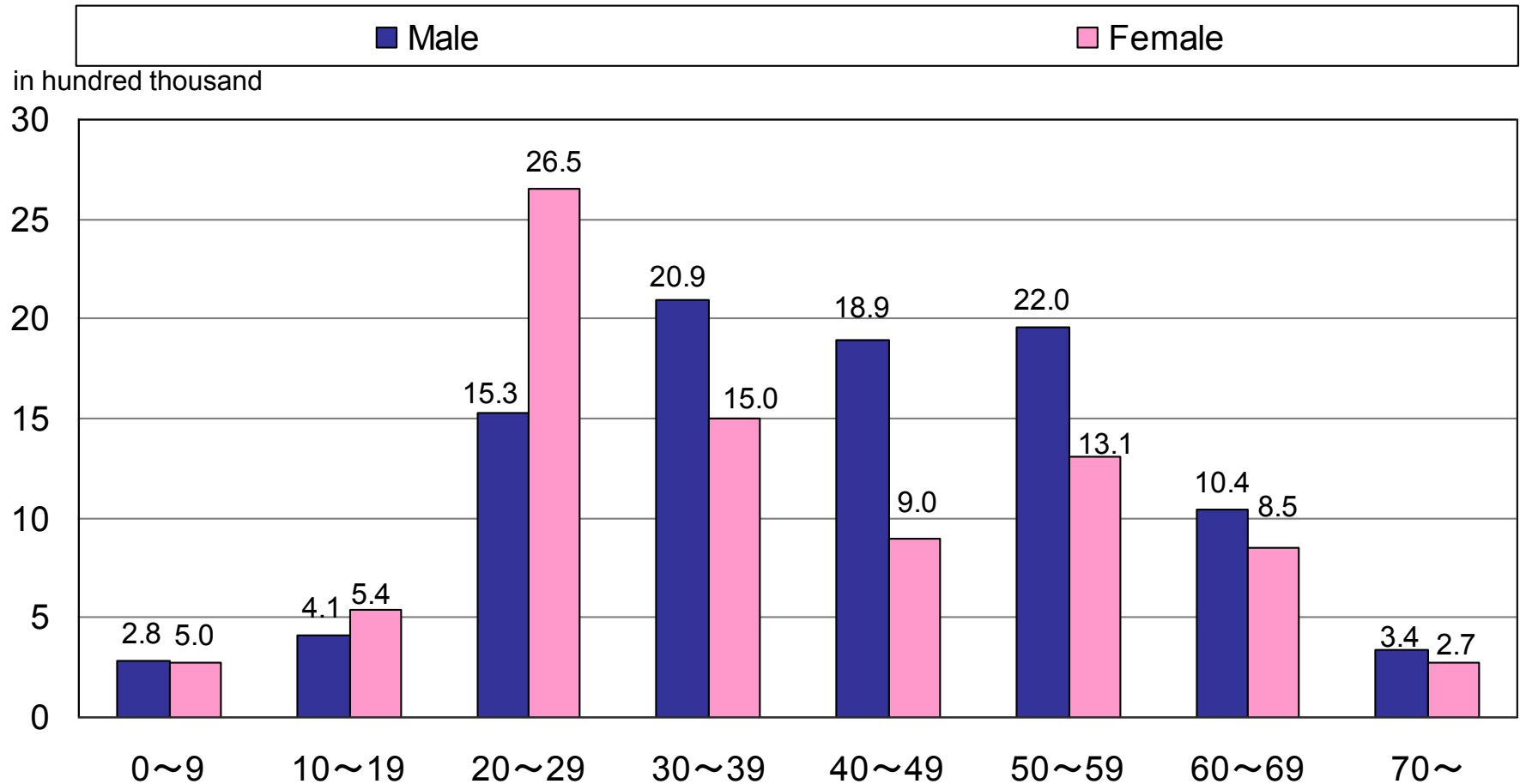


Slow Recovery of Women vs. Growth of Male Market

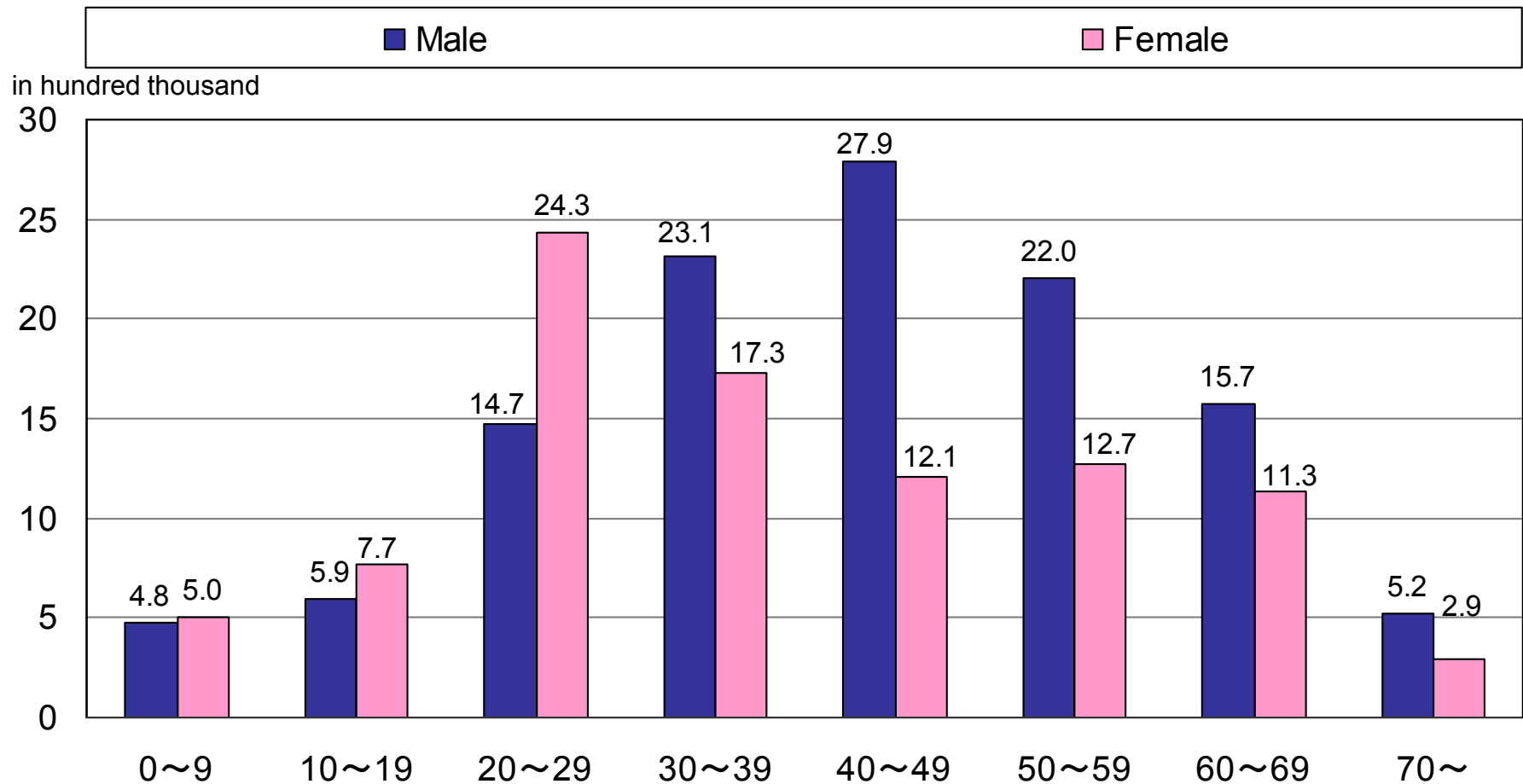
Overseas Departures by Gender (1990-2006)



Departures by Gender and Age-Group (2000)



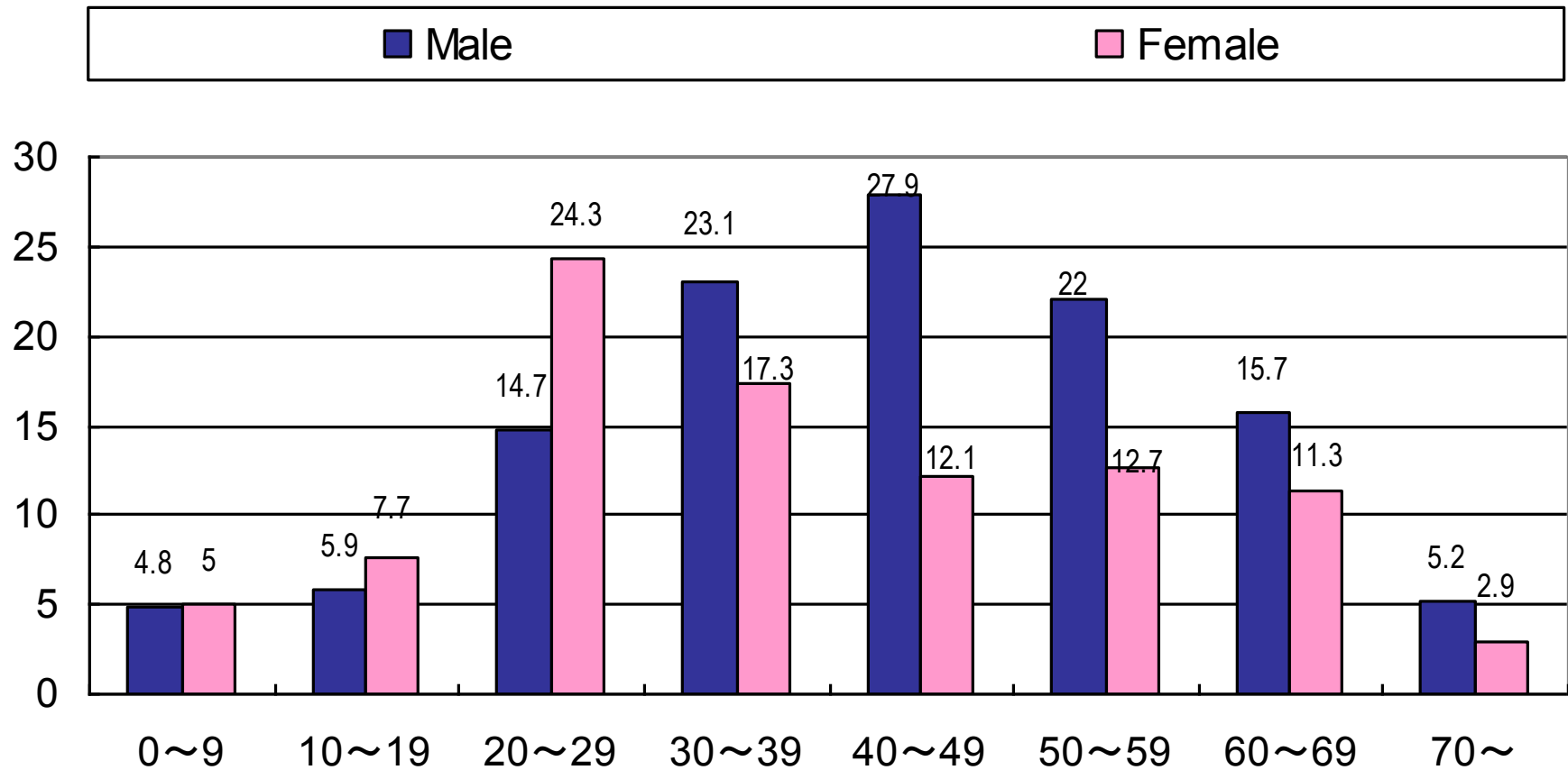
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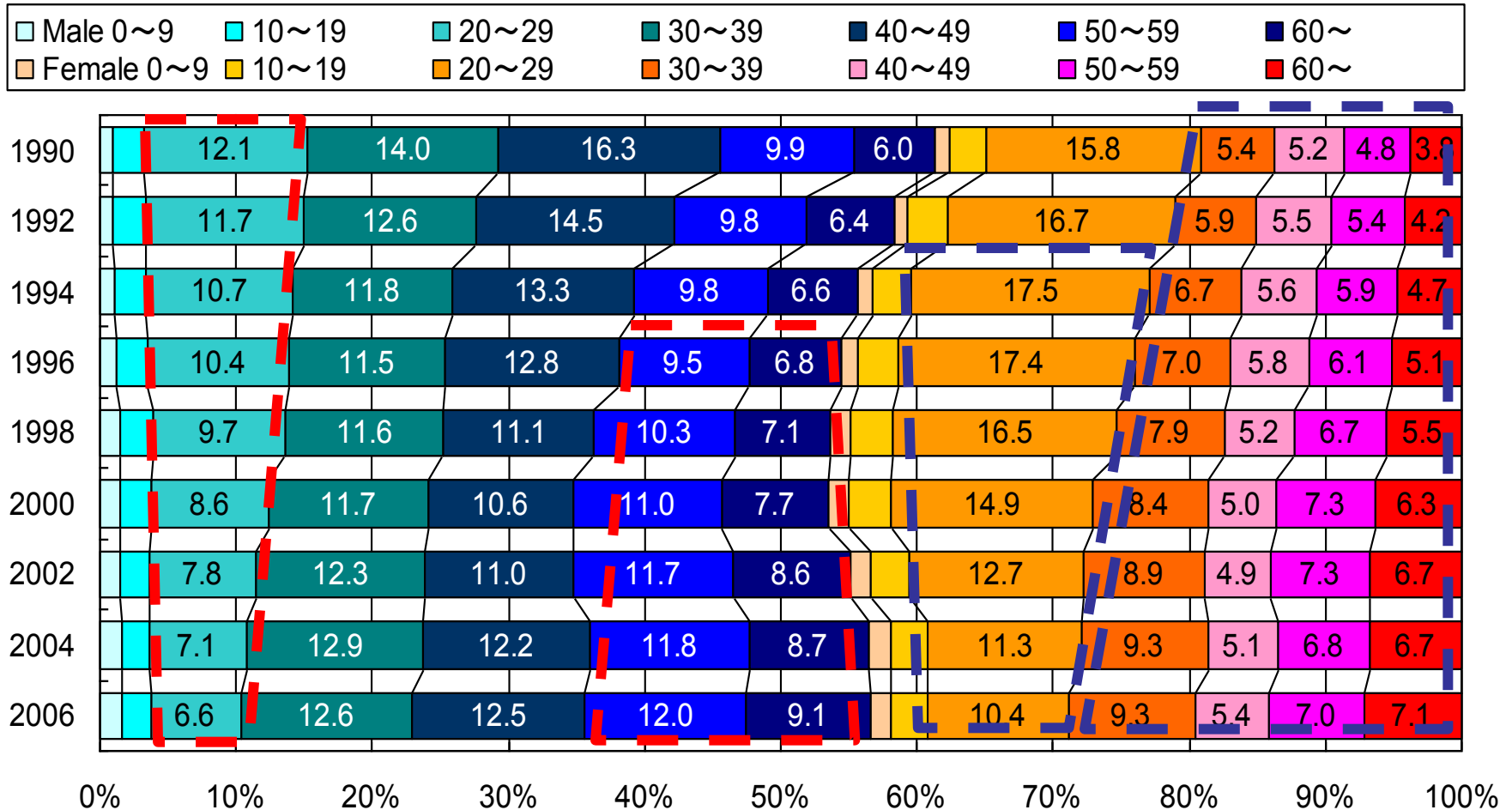
Percentage Change from 2000 to 2006

Age groups	Male	Female
0~9	2.9%	2.6%
10~19	-8.7%	-13.8%
20~29	-24.8%	-31.0%
30~39	5.8%	8.3%
40~49	16.7%	4.9%
50~59	7.2%	-5.8%
60~69	14.2%	8.2%
70+	17.5%	23.3%

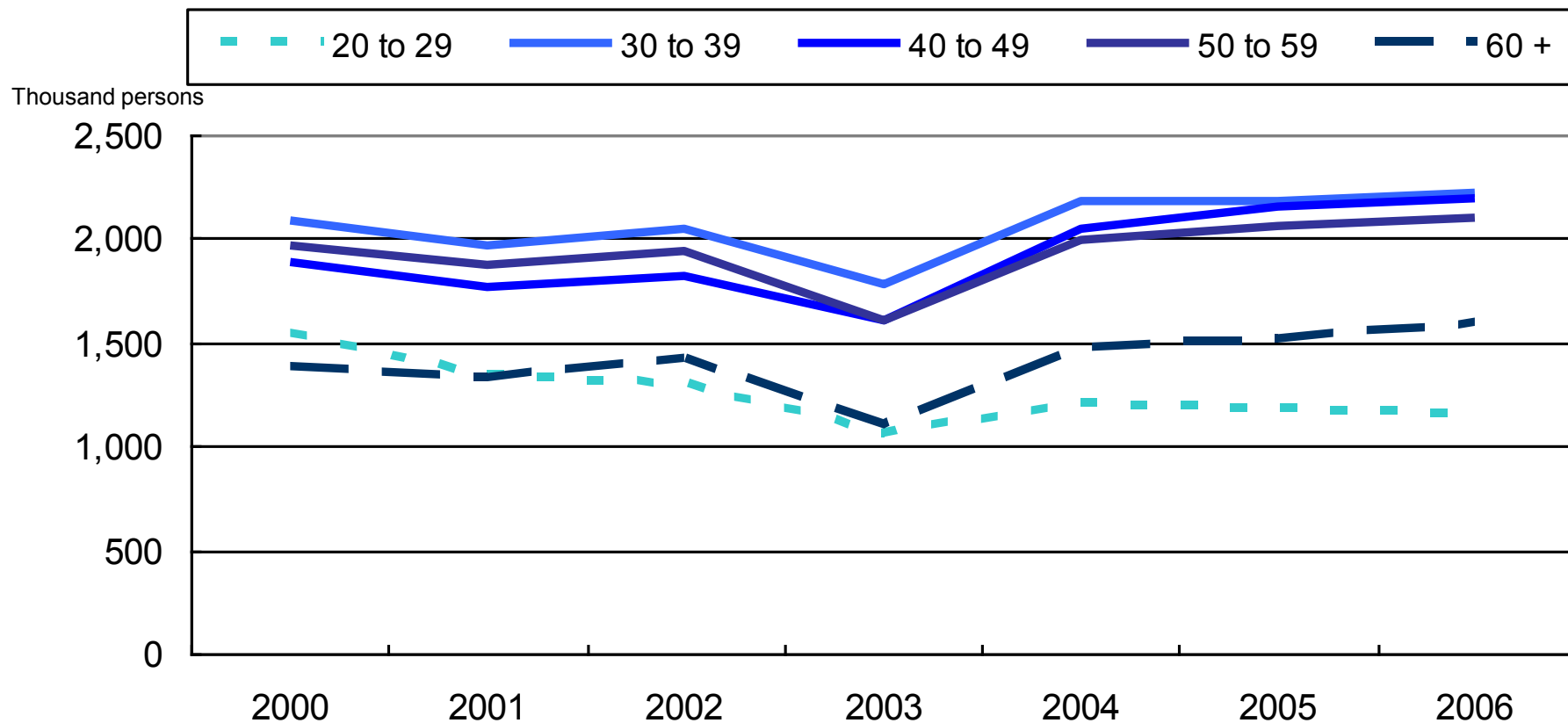
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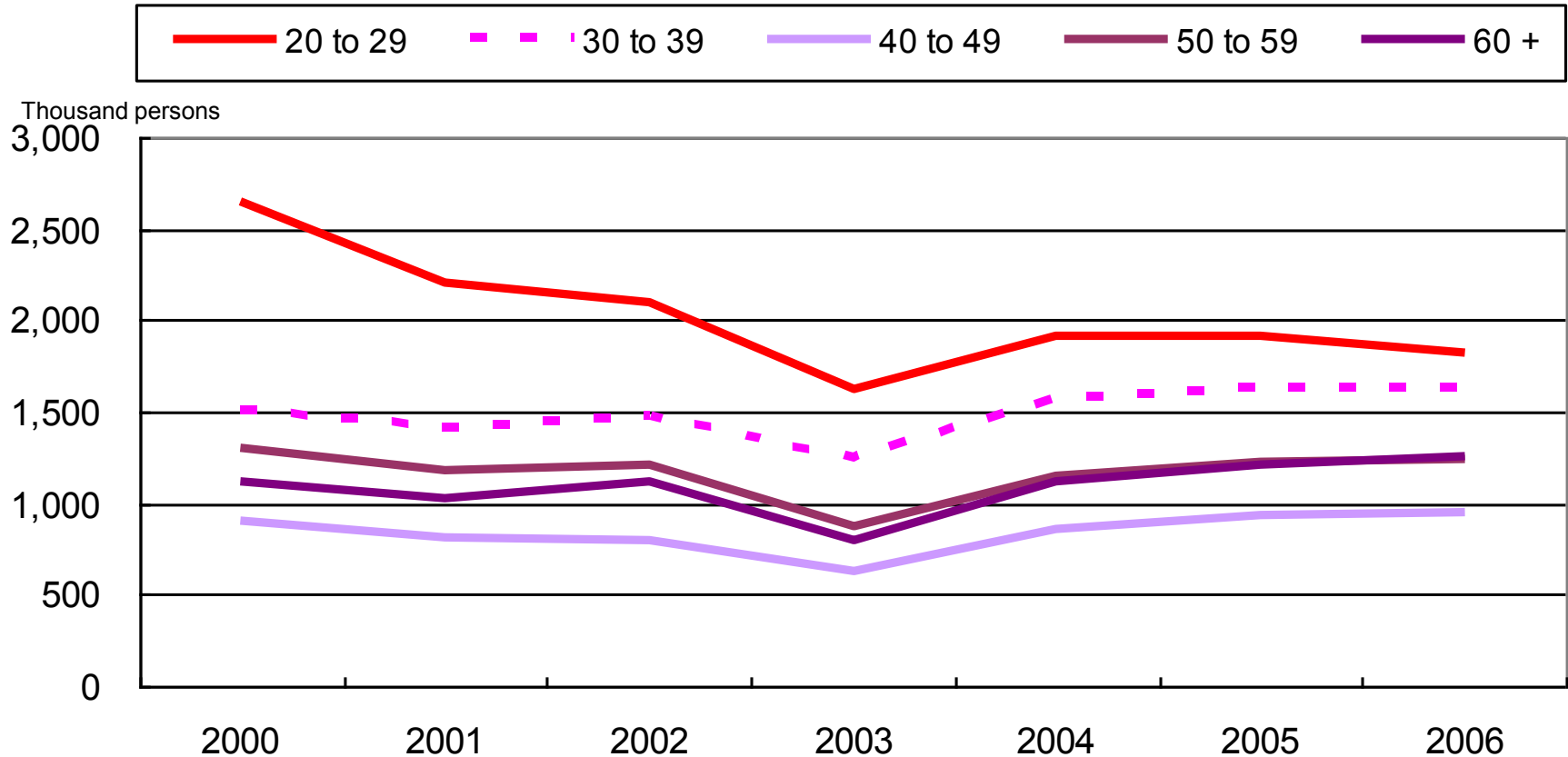
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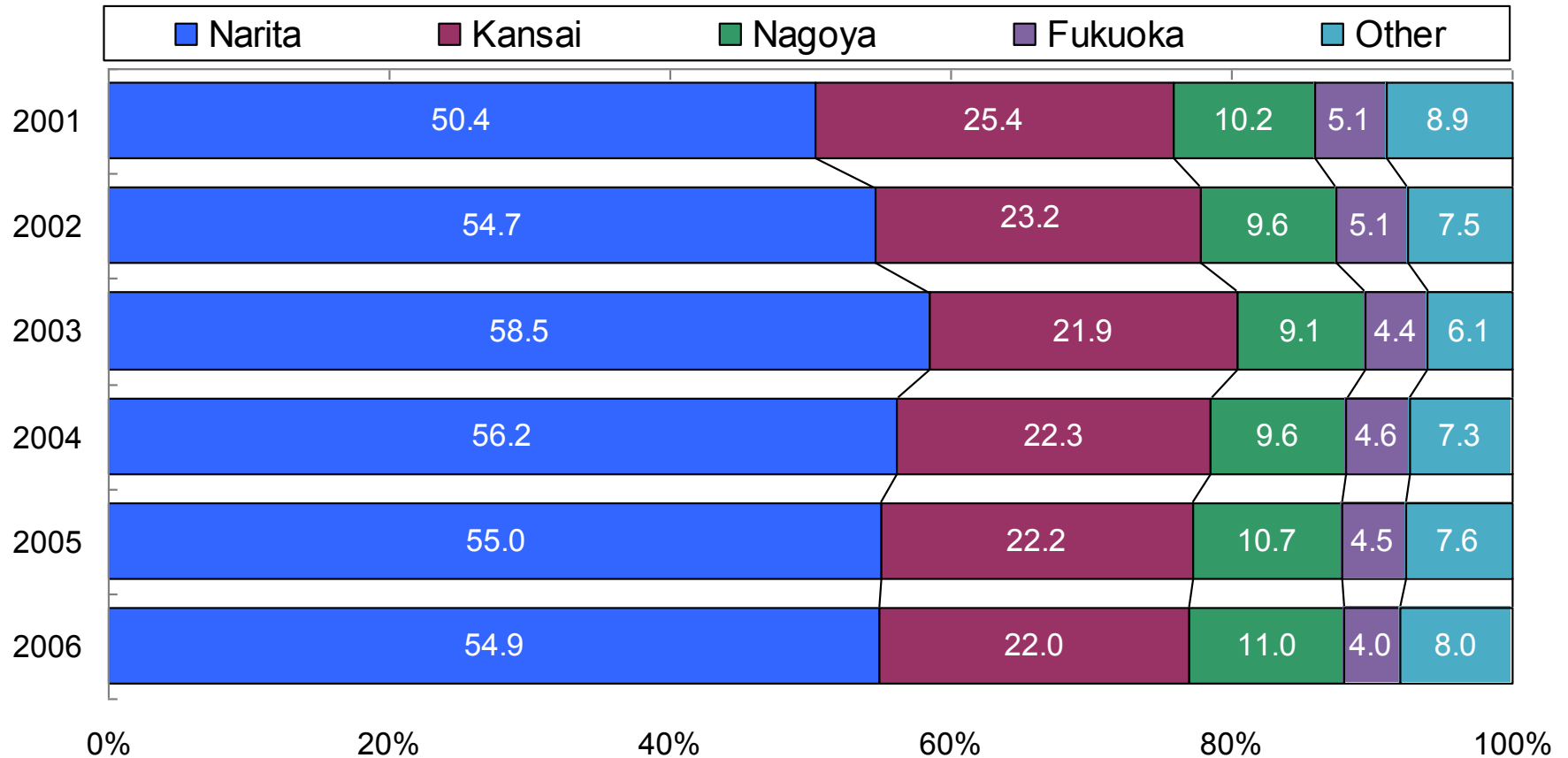
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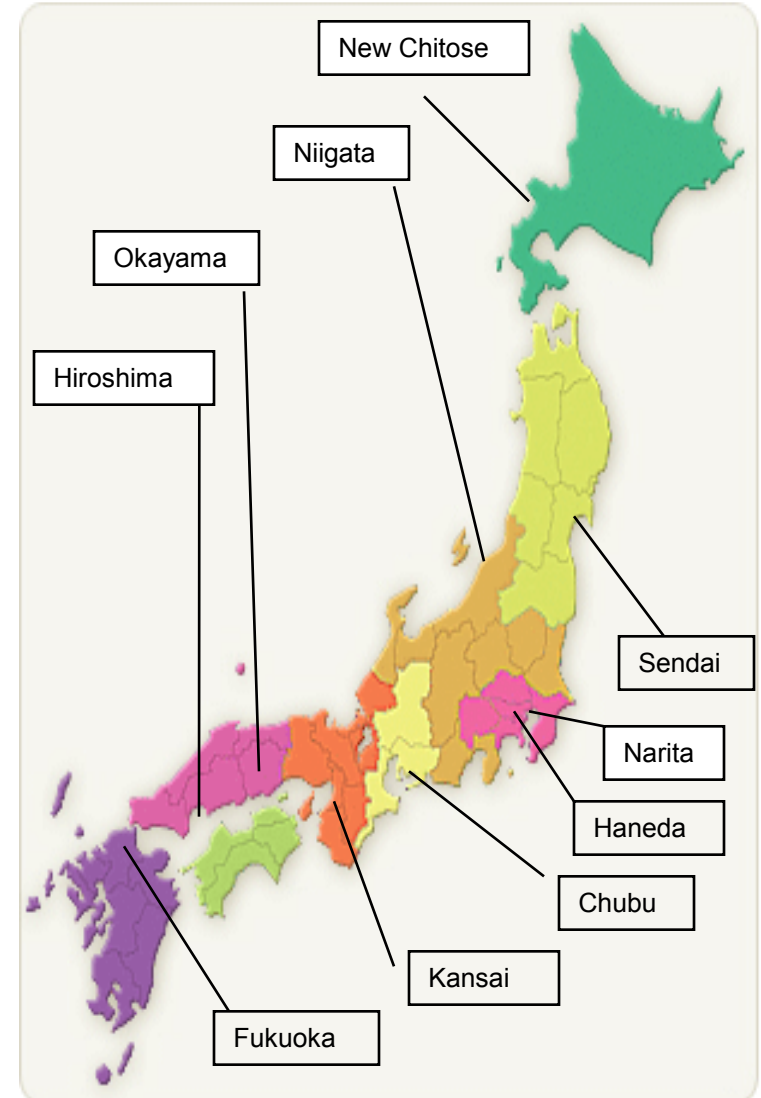


Share of Airline Seat Supply by Airports (2006)

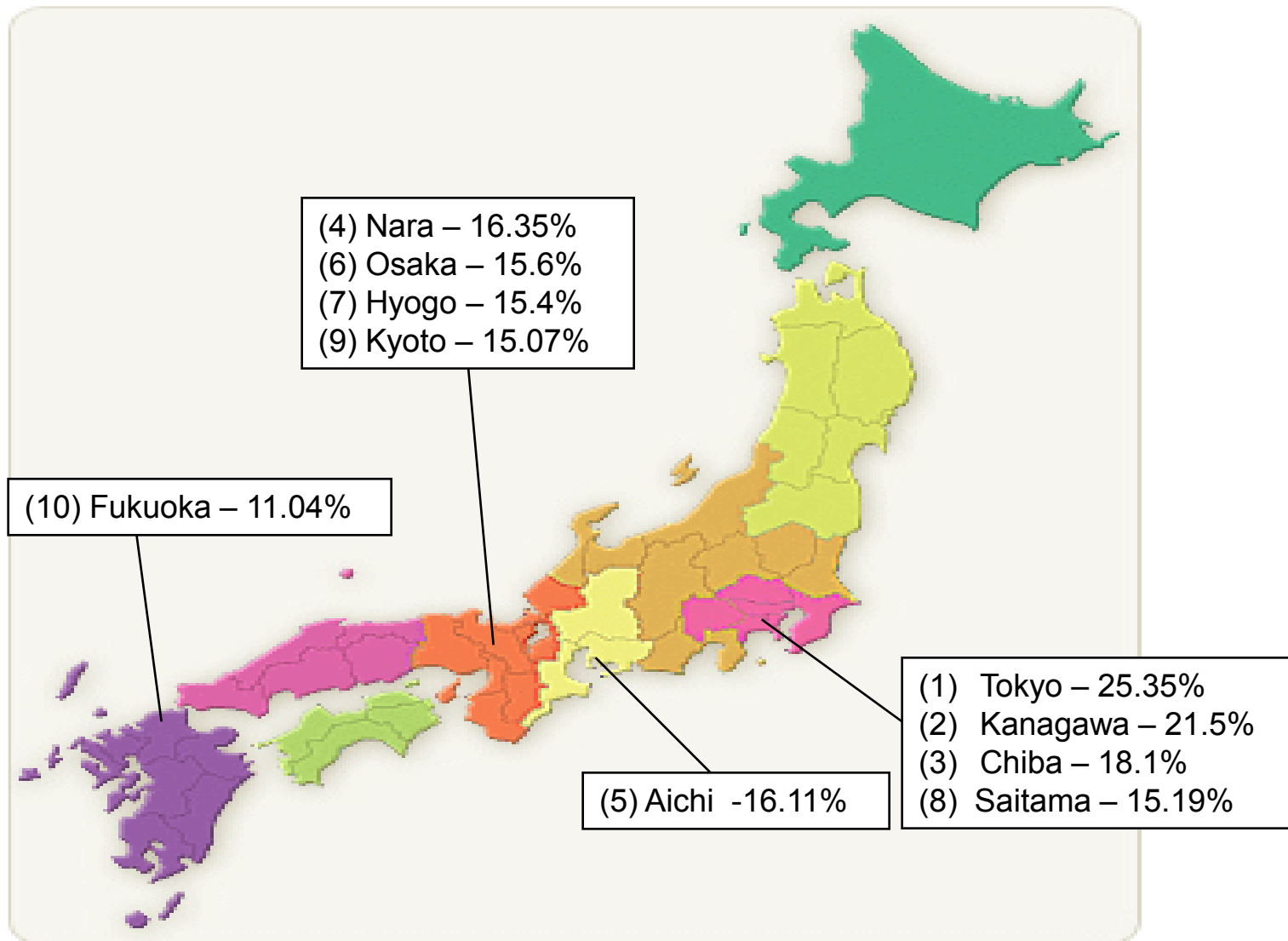


Share for Airports / Port (2006)

Airport / Port	No. of Persons	Growth
Narita	9,636,548	0.6%
Kansai	3,861,045	0%
Nagoya	↑ 1,925,881	3.6%
Fukuoka	↓ 702,339	-9.6%
Haneda	↑ 422,829	17.6%
Hakata Port	↓ 136,833	-15.4%
Hiroshima	↑ 135,551	15.3%
New Chitose	110,389	-2.9%
Sendai	102,270	3.0%
Niigata	72,366	3.0%
Okayama	86,662	8.0%



Top 10 Departure Ratio by Prefecture



Top 20 Destinations (1)

Ranking (2006)	Country	Arrivals (Thousand)
1	China	3,746
2	Korea	2,339
3	Hawaii	1,374
4	U.S Mainland	1,345
5	Hong Kong	1,311
6	Thailand	1,294
7	Taiwan	1,164
8	Guam	953
9	Australia	653
10	France	647

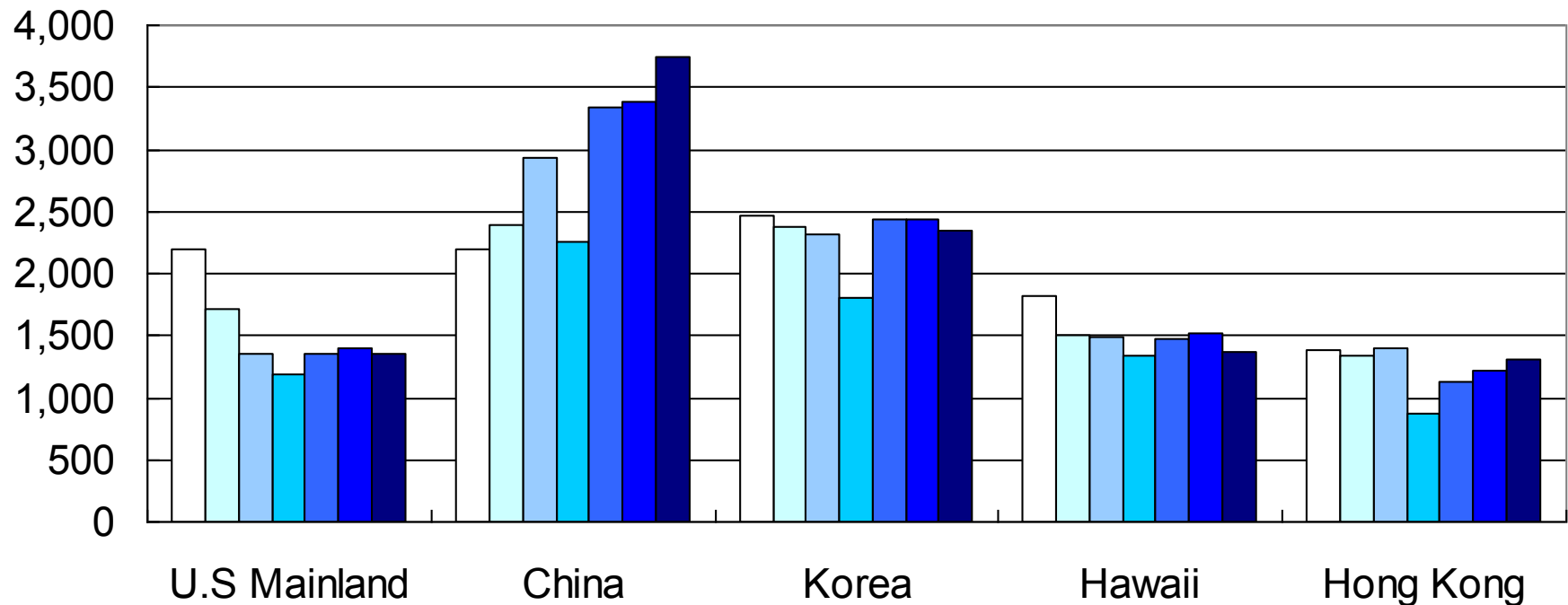
Top 20 Destinations (2)

Ranking (2006)	Country	Arrival (Thousand)
11	Switzerland	596
12	Singapore	594
13	The Philippines	422
14	Canada	386
15	Vietnam	384
16	Malaysia	354
17	U.K	323
18	Saipan	270
19	Austria	268
20	Spain	261

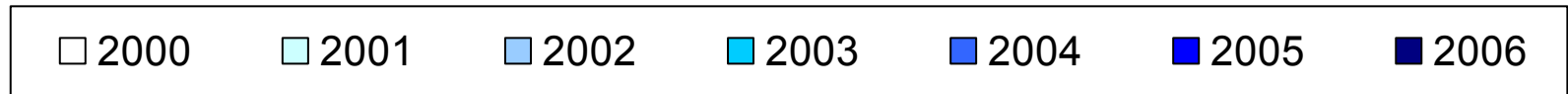
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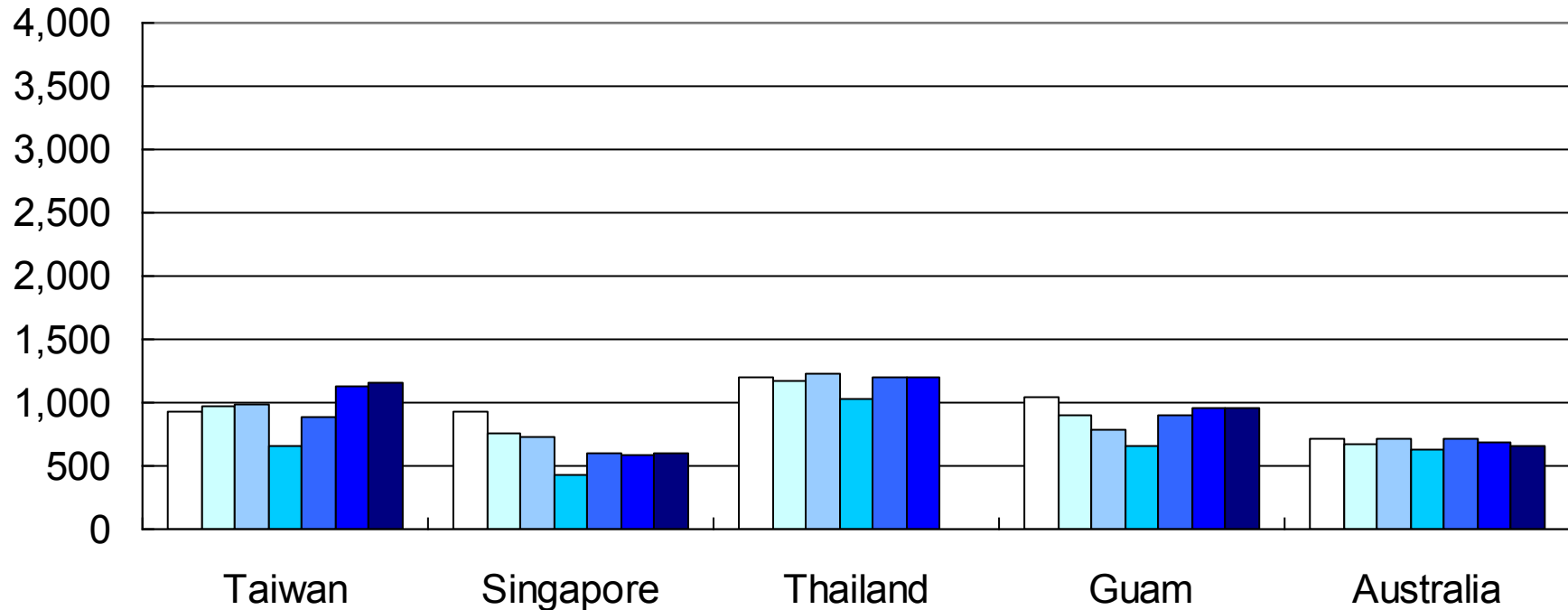
Thousand persons



Japanese Arrival by Destination (2)



Thousand persons



Growth Rates of Japanese Visitor Arrival (1)

Asia	2005/2004	2006/2005
Korea	-0.1	-4.1
China	1.7	10.5
Hong Kong	7.5	8.3
Macau	38.4	30.2
Taiwan	26.6	3.3
Singapore	-1.7	1.0
Malaysia	12.8	4.2
Thailand	-0.5	8.9
Vietnam	20.0	19.7
The Philippines	8.7	1.5

Americas	2005/2004	2006/2005
Canada	2.2	-8.7
U.S.A	3.6	-5.4
Hawaii	2.4	-9.4
Guam	5.4	-0.3

Growth Rates of Japanese Visitor Arrival (2)

Europe	2005/2004	2006/2005
Austria	8.6	-3.9
France	3.9	-3.0
Germany	2.1	5.3
Italy	-3.4	-
Spain	15.1	44.2
Switzerland	-	1.8
U.K	-4.4	-2.7

Pacific	2005/2004	2006/2005
Saipan	-7.8	-23.3
Australia	-3.5	-5.0
New Zealand	-6.1	-12.0

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Holidays & Seasonality for Outbound Travel

End of year
New Year
Dec29 -
Jan 3

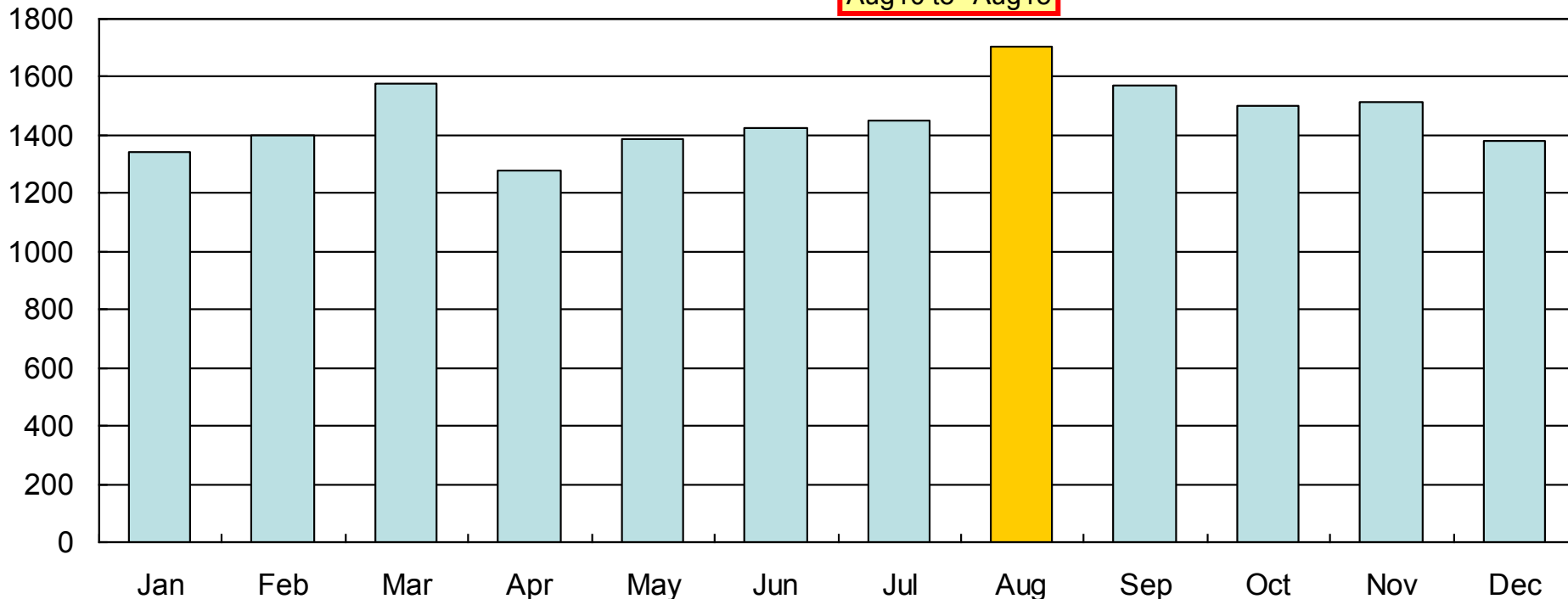
Spring
Break
Mar20 -
Apr5

Golden
Week
Apr29 -
May 5

**Summer
Vacation**
Jul20 - Aug31
O-Bon
Aug10 to Aug15

End of year
New Year
Dec29 -
Jan 3

in thousands



Survey Outline

1. Factual Survey of the Overseas Travel Situation

1.1 Respondents

Individual men and women who traveled overseas in 2006, live in Tokyo, Osaka, Aichi and are of at least 15 years old.

1.2 Methodology

Respondents with experienced overseas travel in 2006 selected by Internet survey. (Telephone survey until 2005) Questionnaires were mailed by post to the respondents and returned upon completion.

1.3 Period

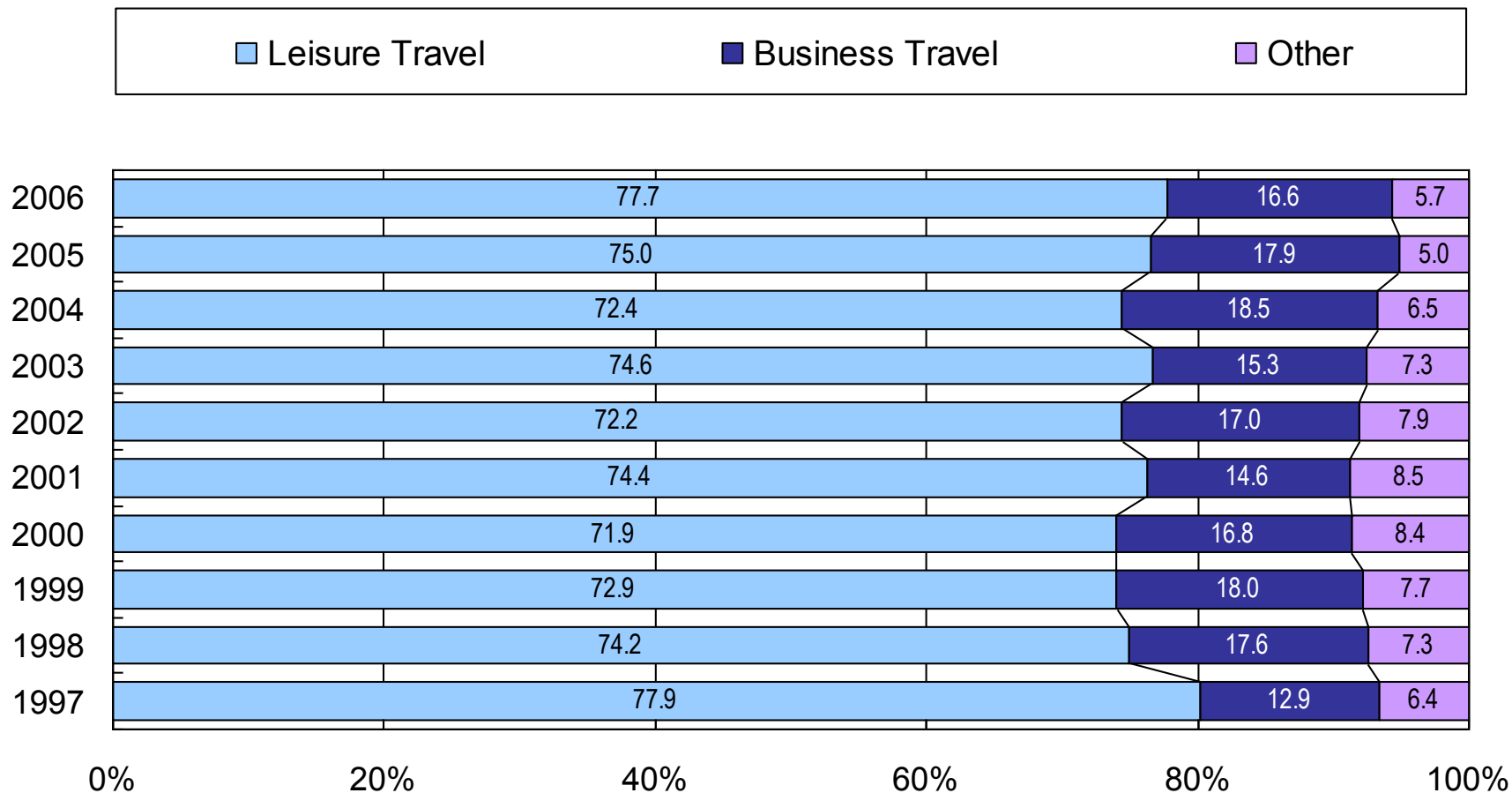
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1.4 Valid Sample Size

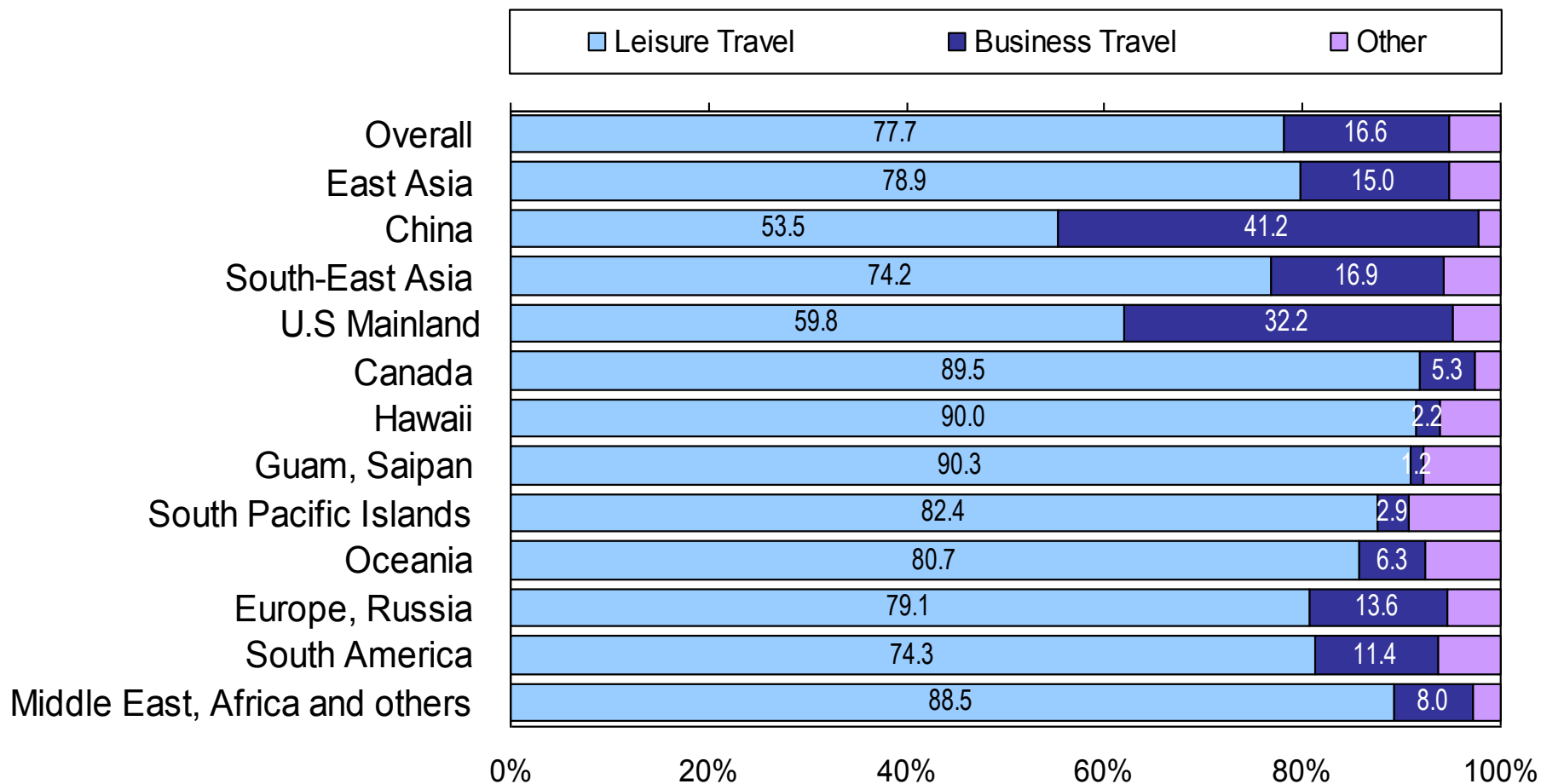
2,719 respondents (person)

4,179 respondents (trip)

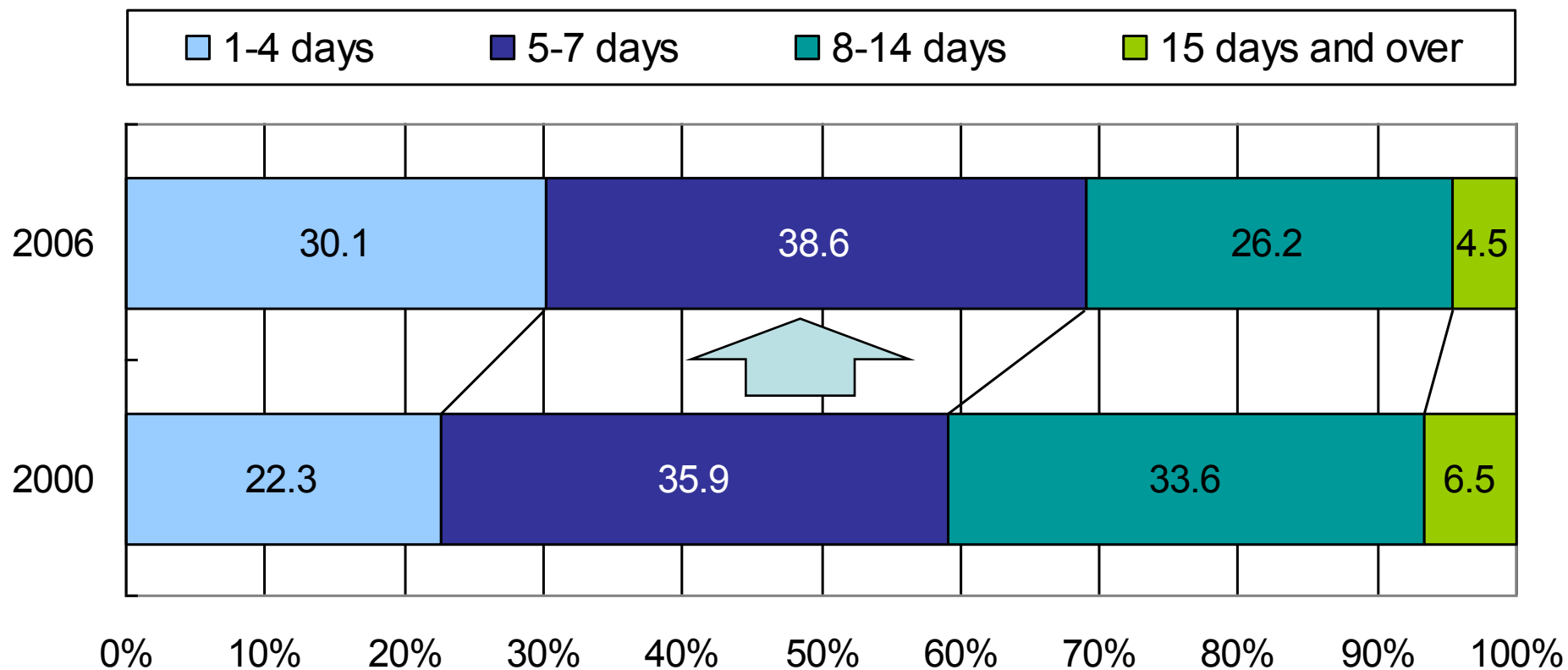
Purpose of Travel Overseas (1997-2006)



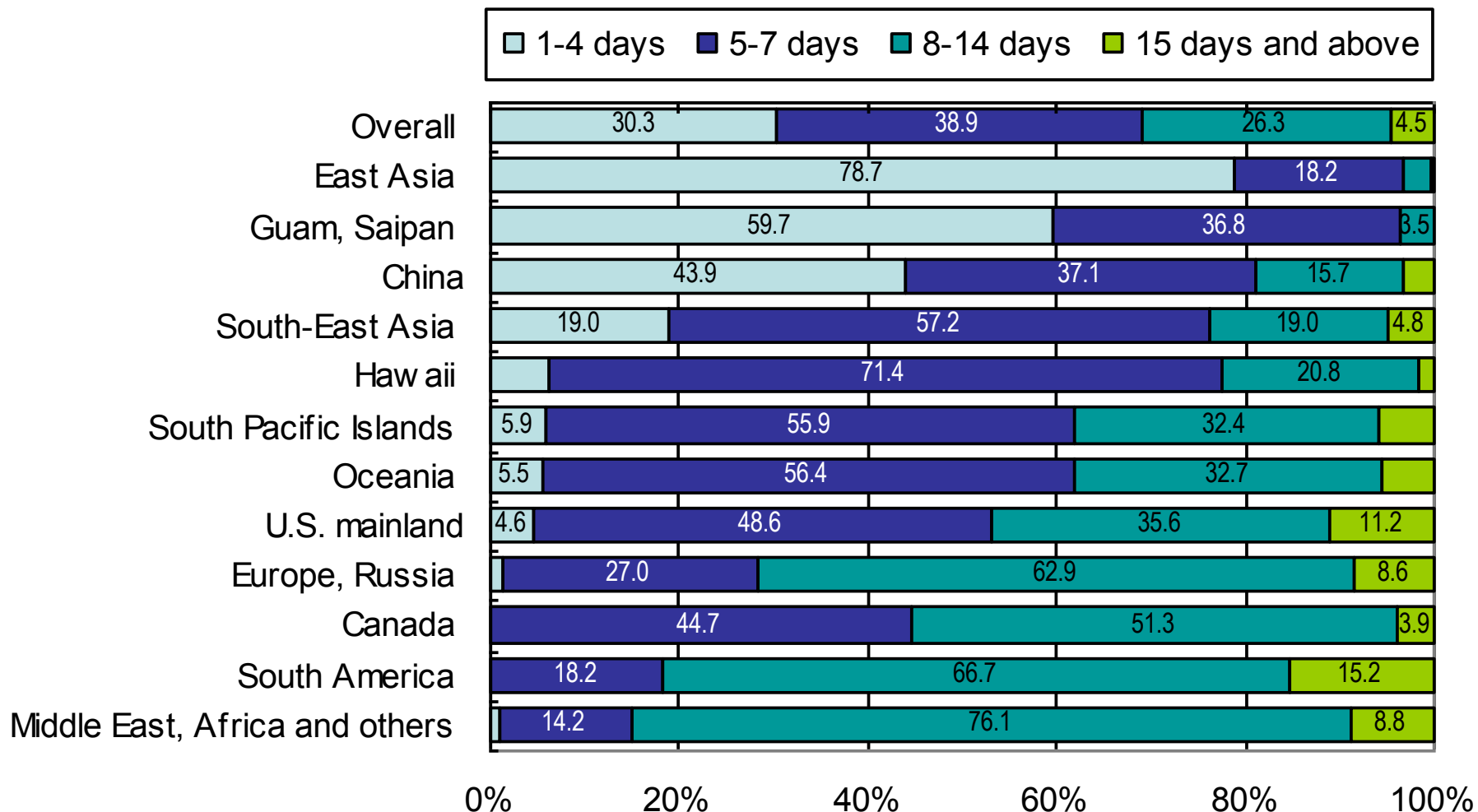
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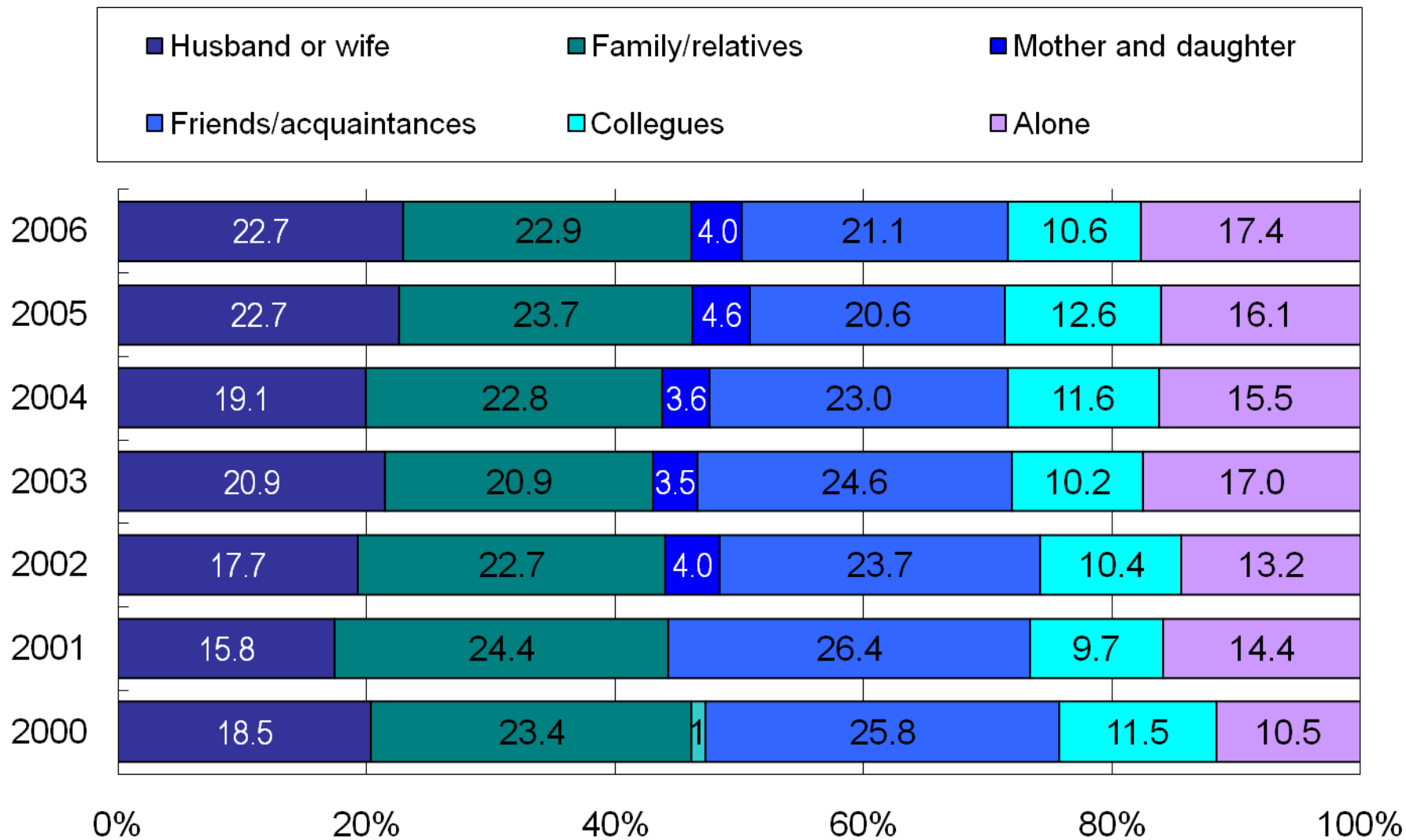
Travel Duration (2000-2006)



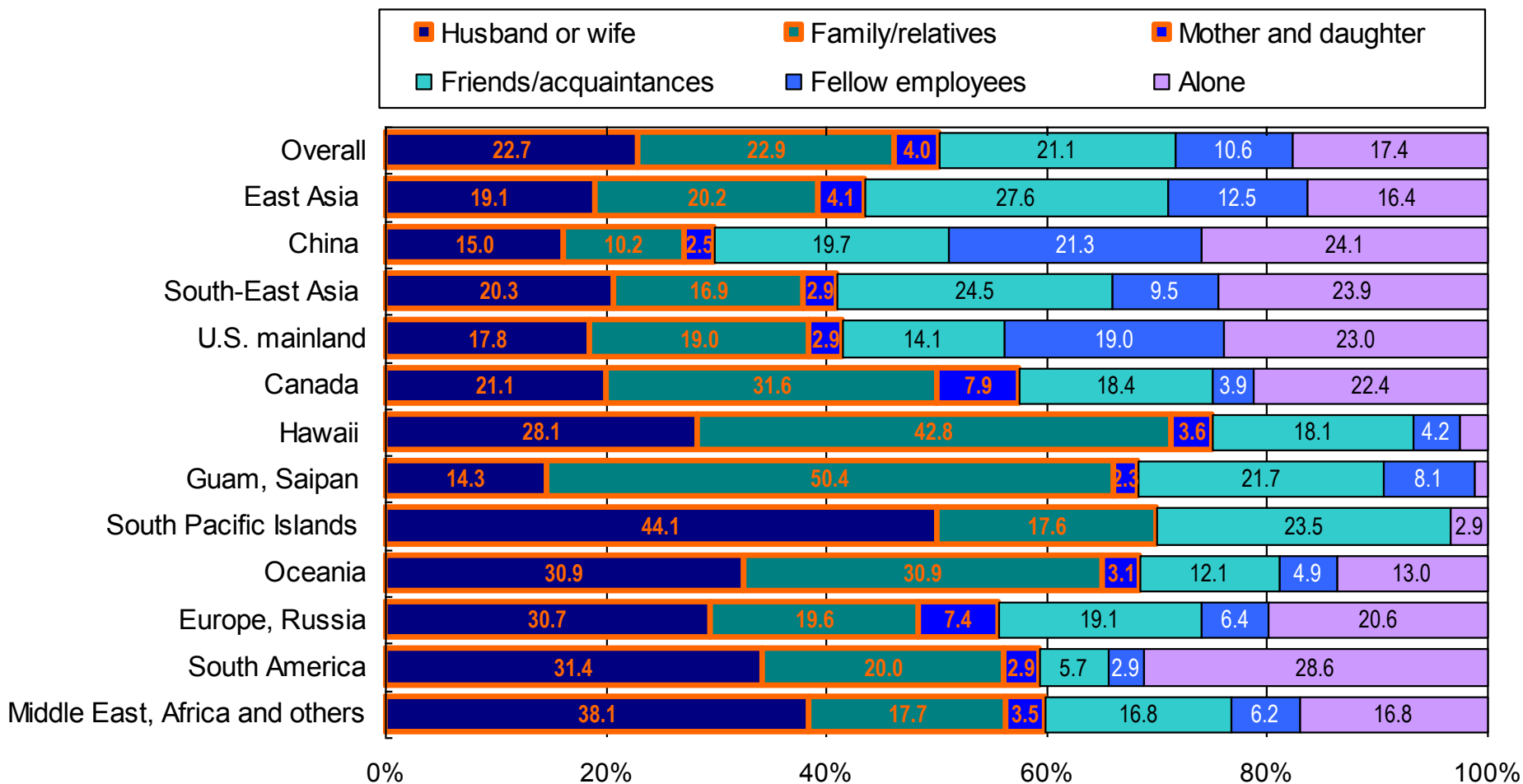
Travel Duration by Destination (2006)



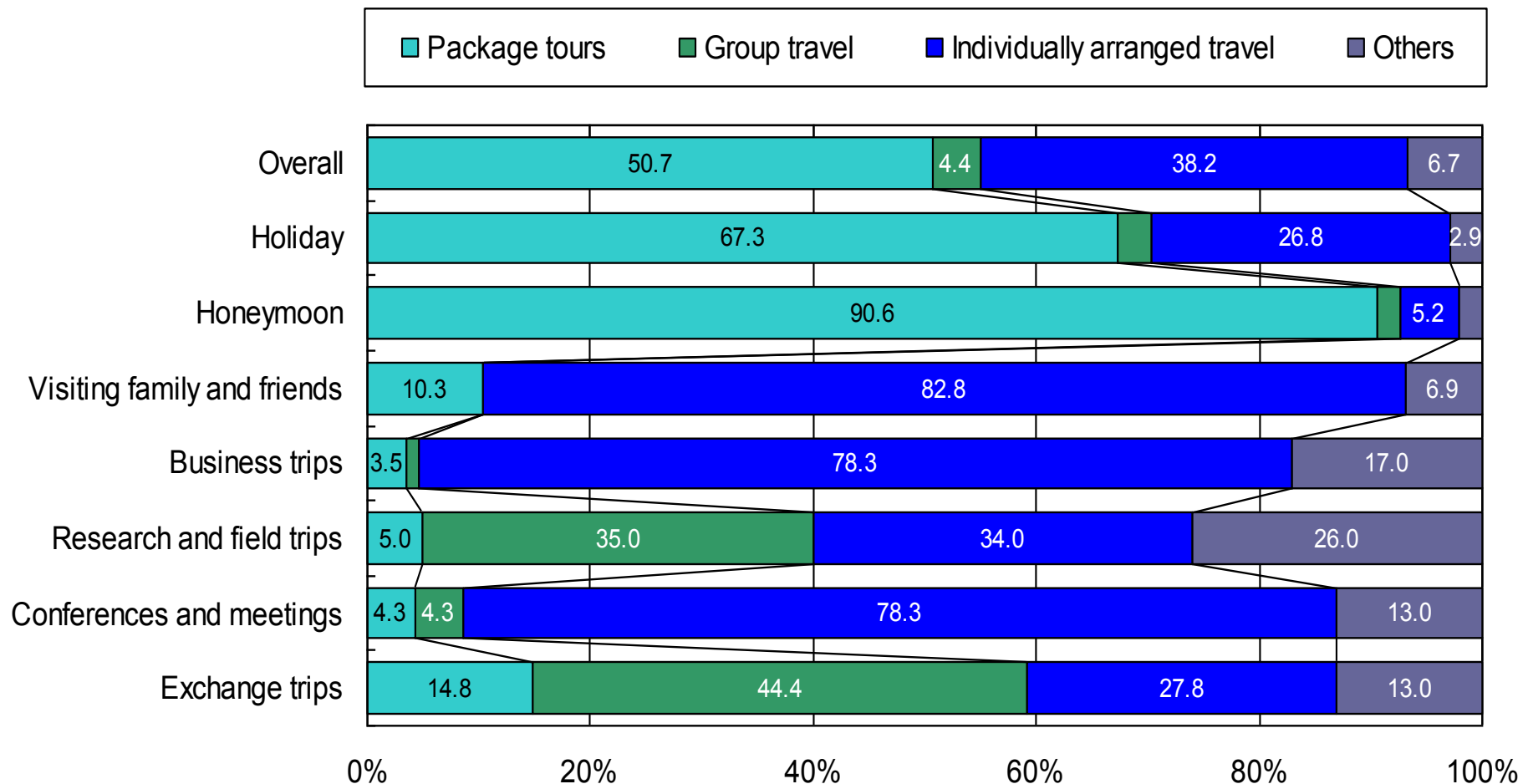
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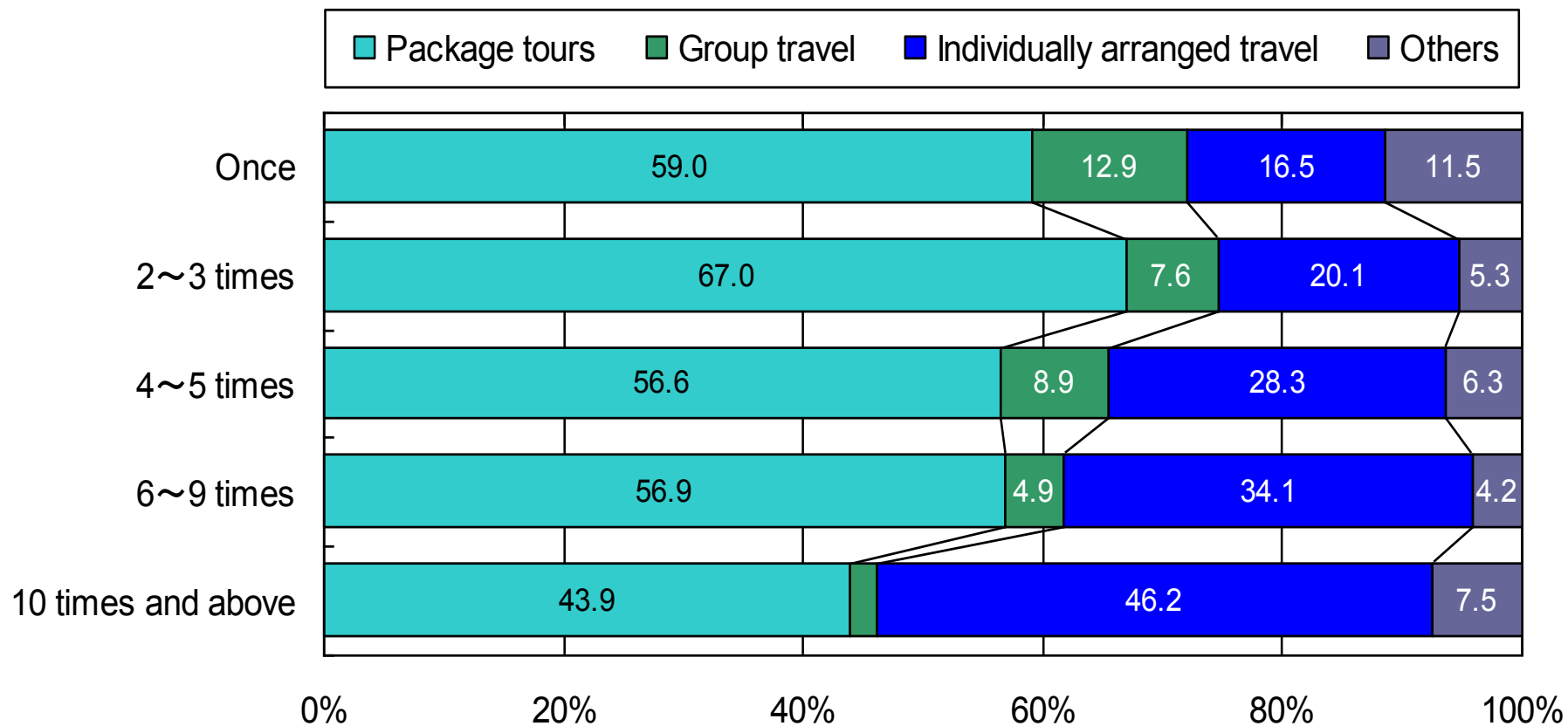
Travel Companions by Destination



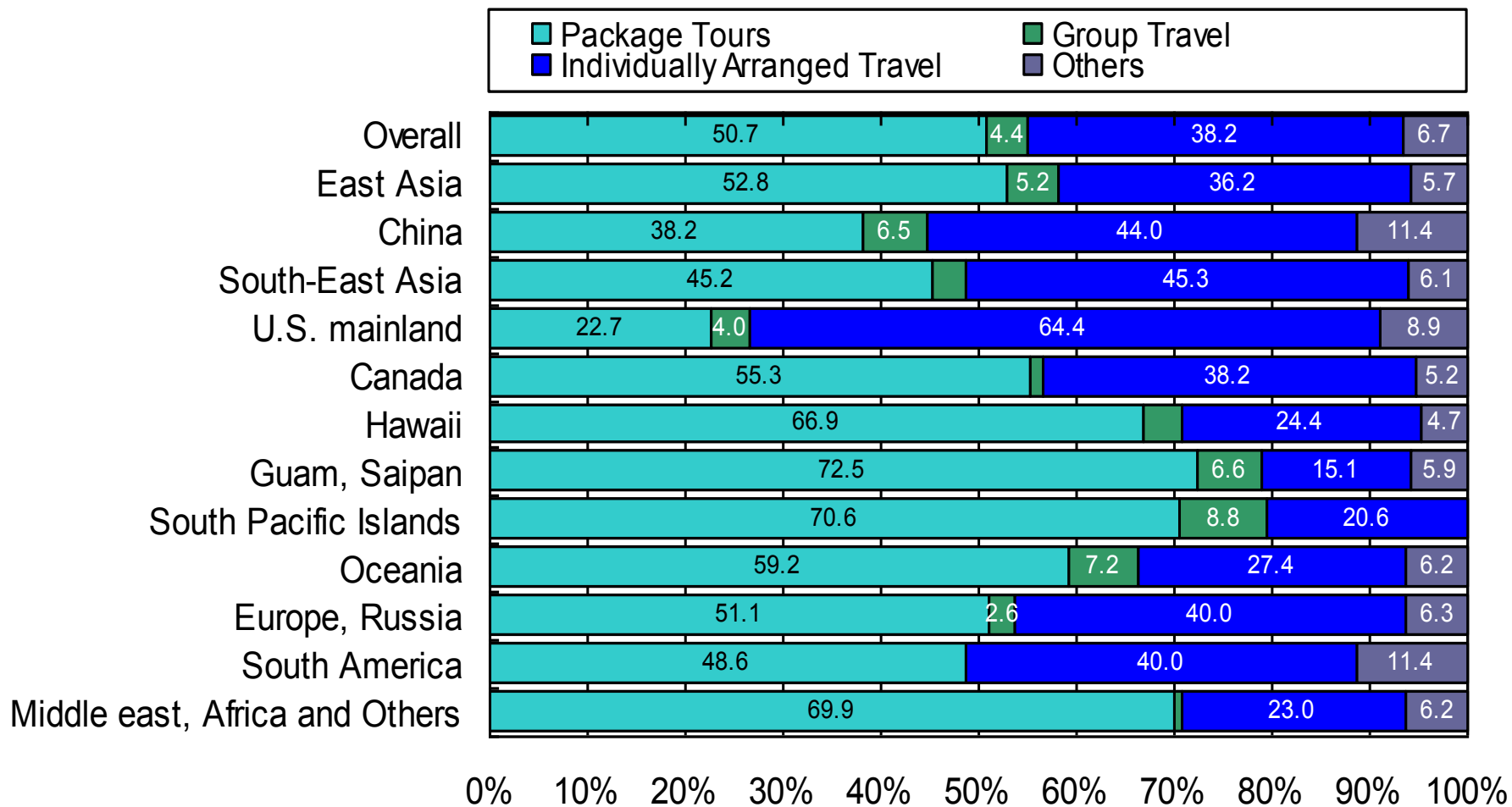
Travel Arrangement by Purpose (2006)



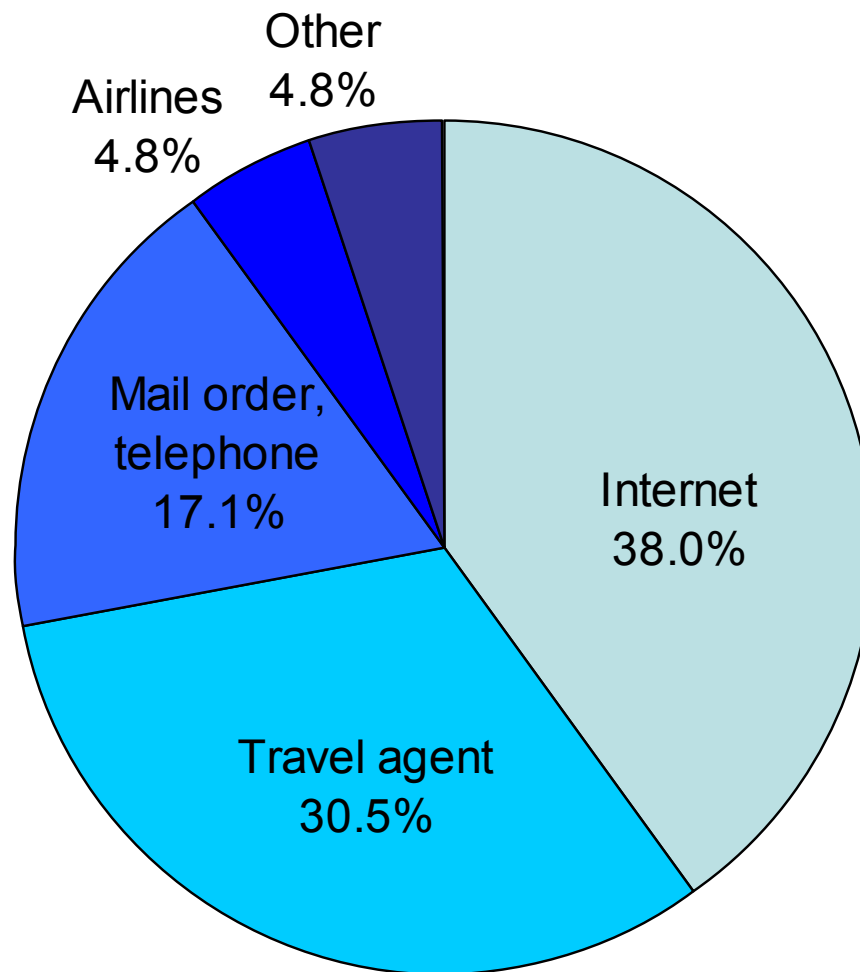
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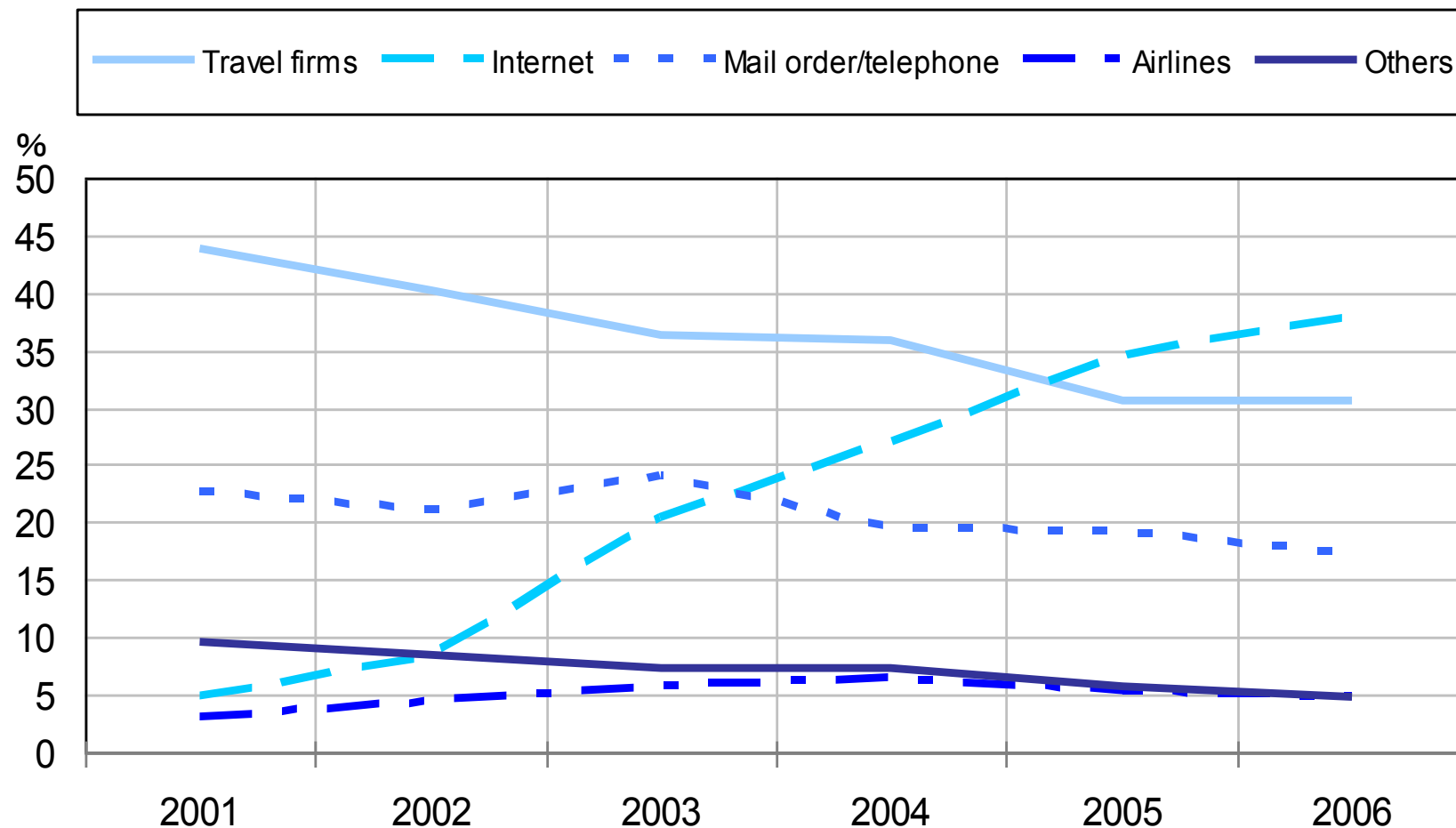
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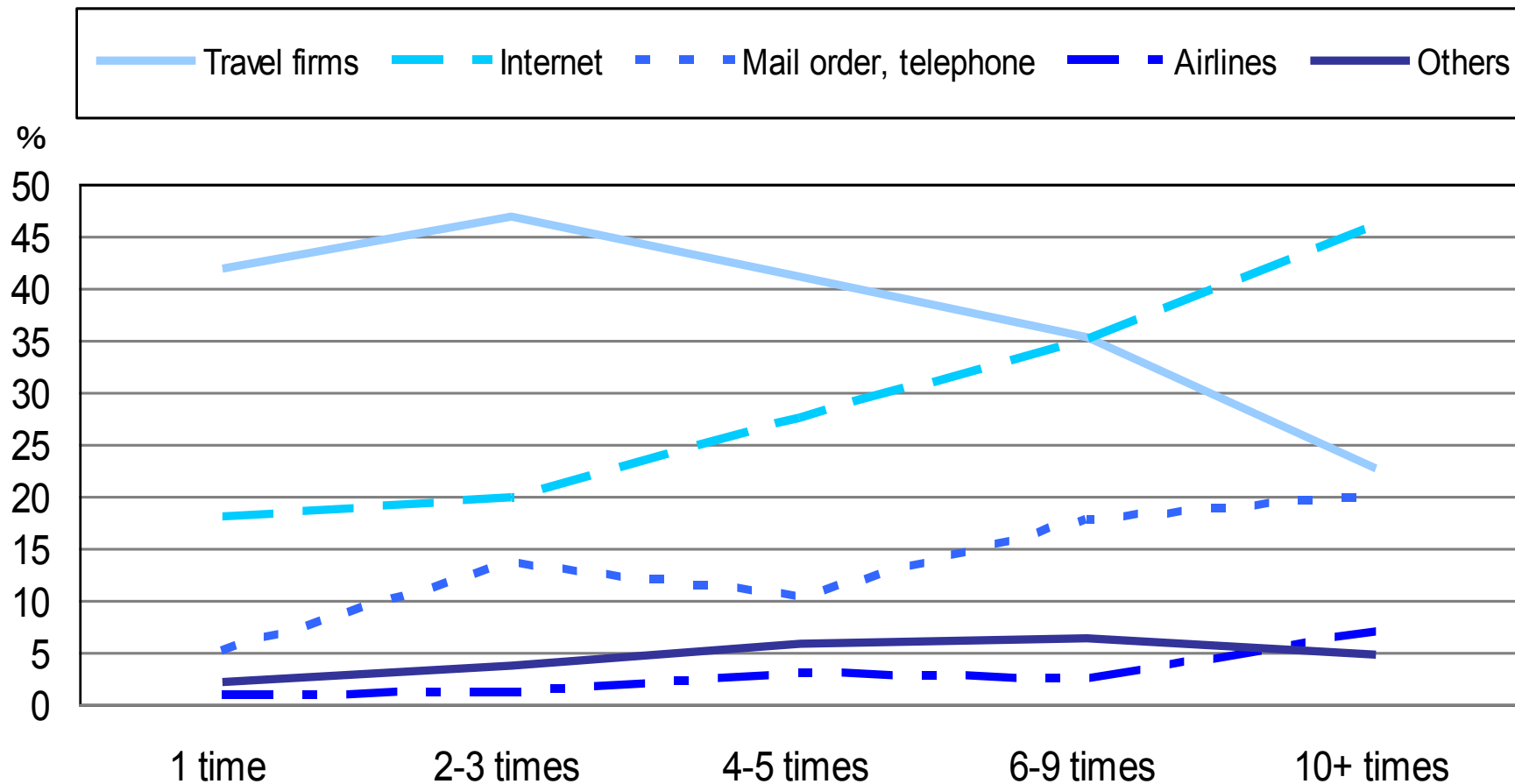
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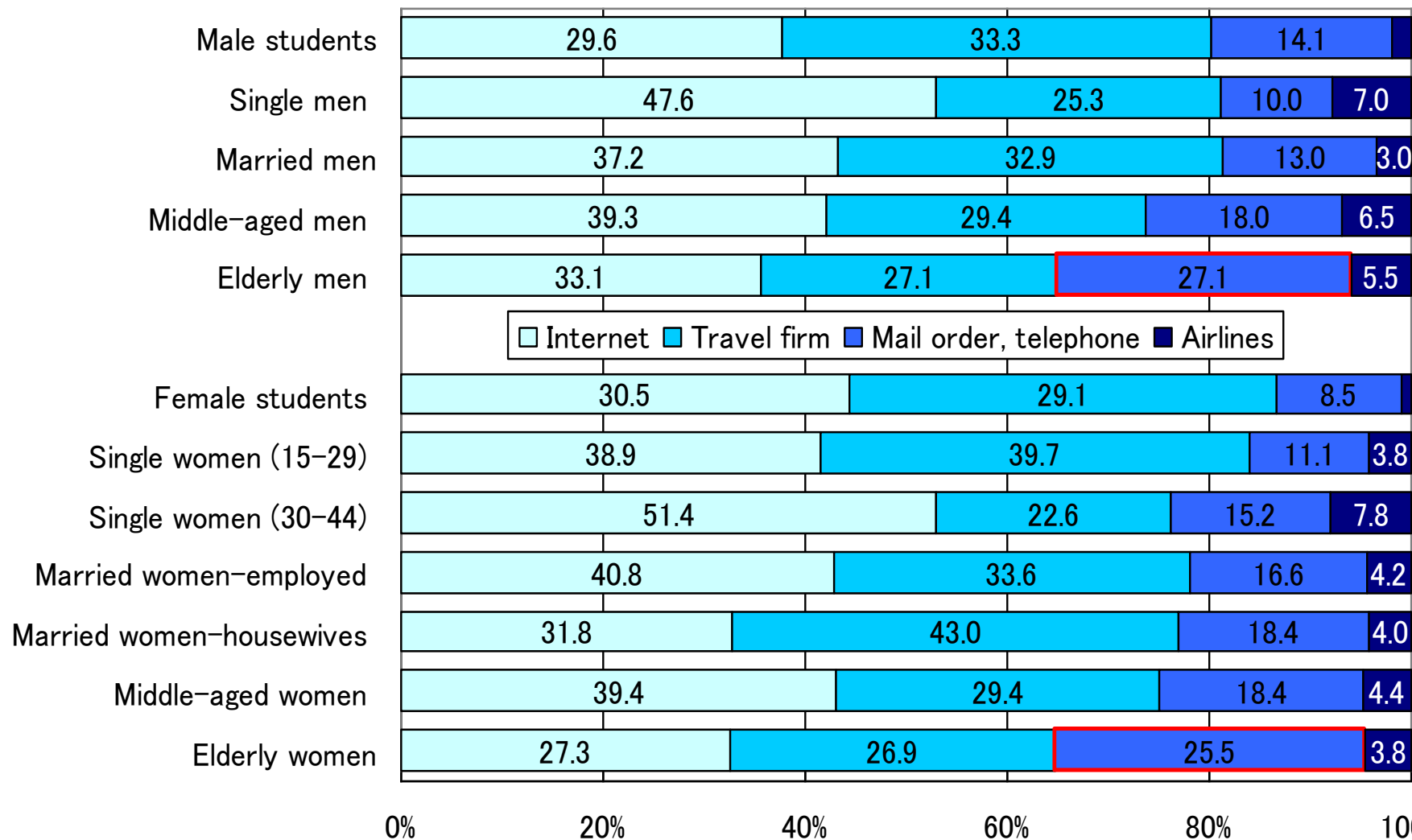
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Travel Reservation Method by Overseas Travel Experience (2006)



Travel Reservation Method by Market Segment (2006)

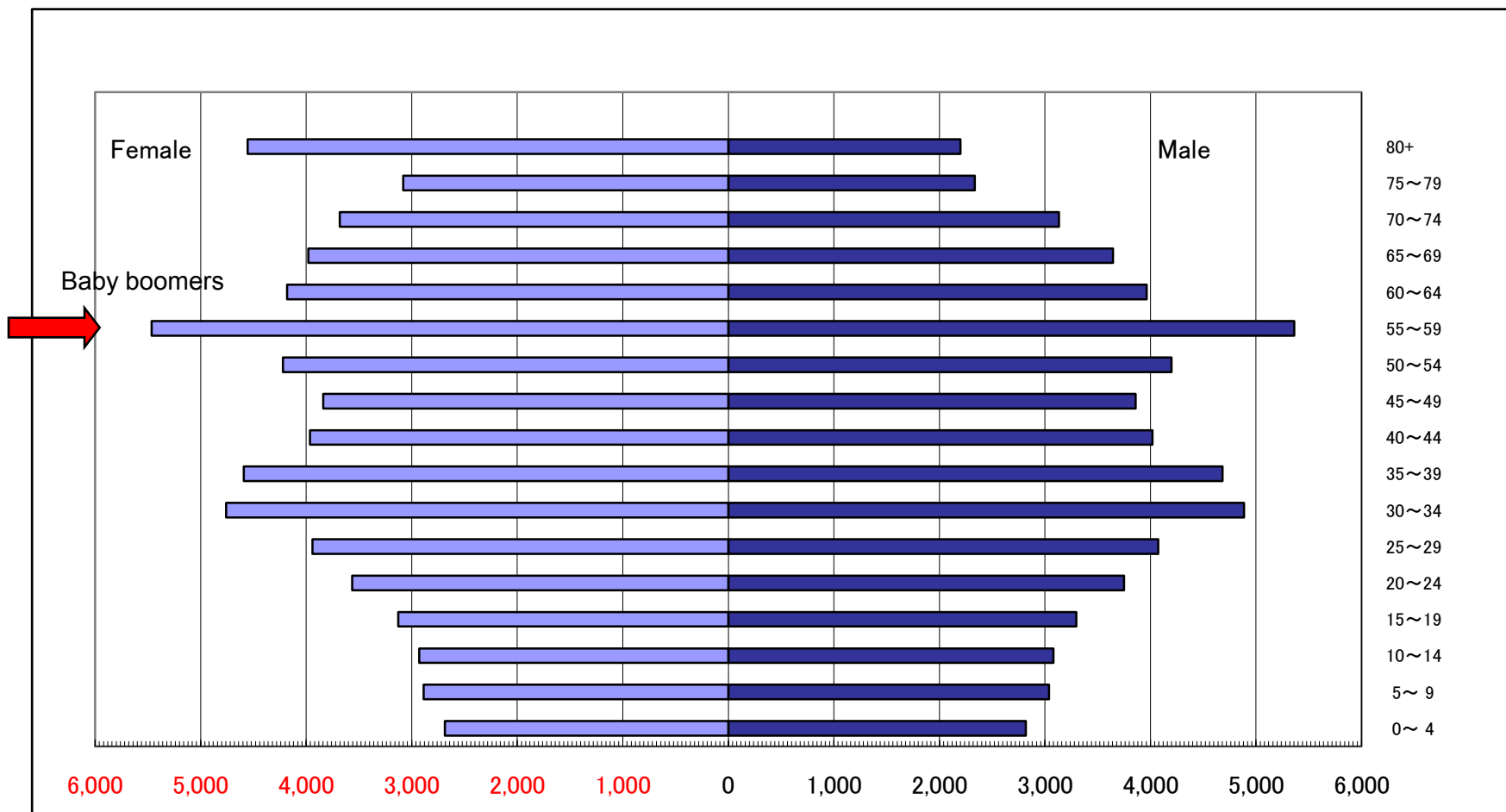


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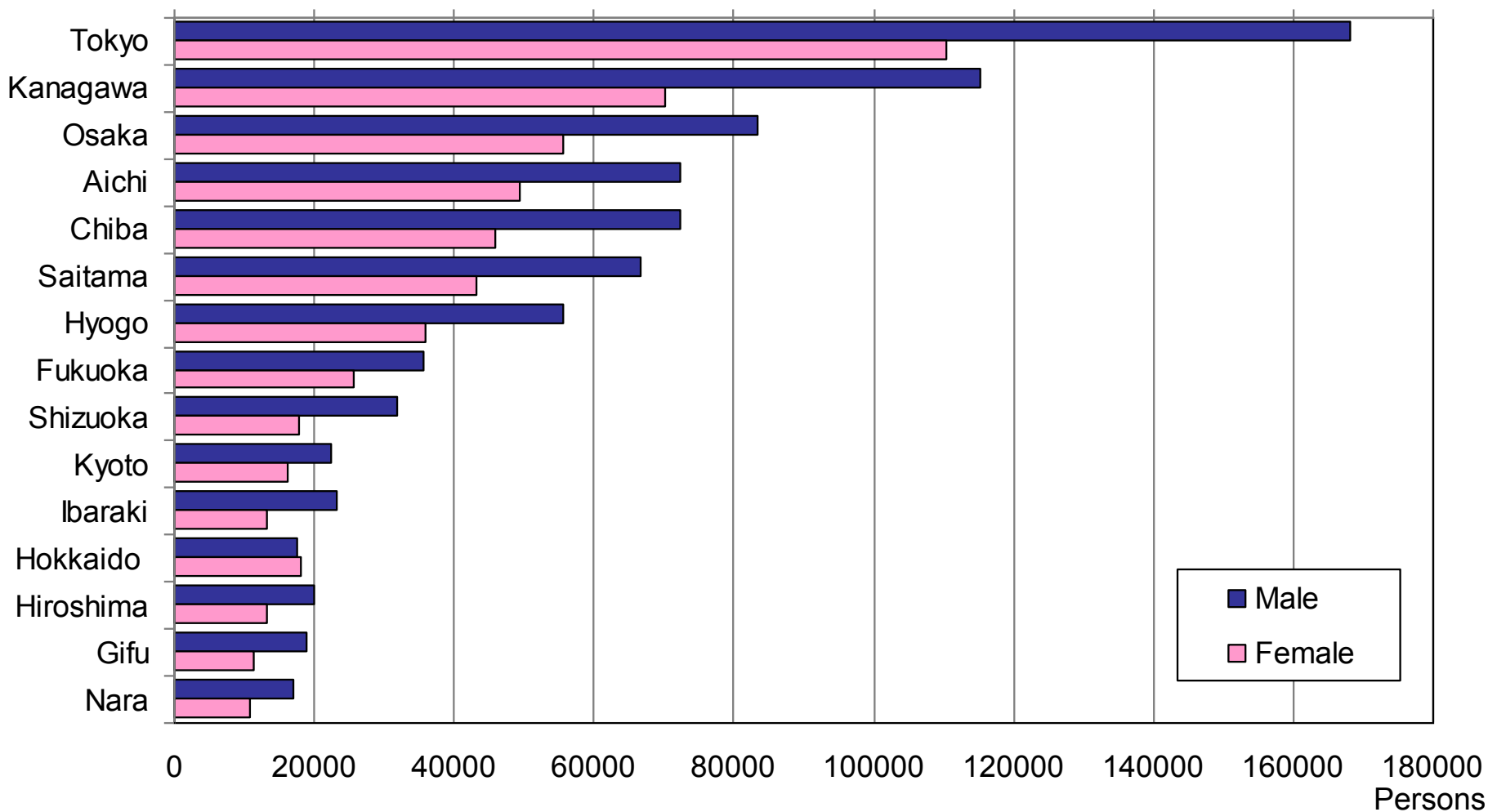
3.1 Baby Boomers

Japanese Population 2006

Baby Boomers
Born between (1946-1951) / Current market share of 8.5%

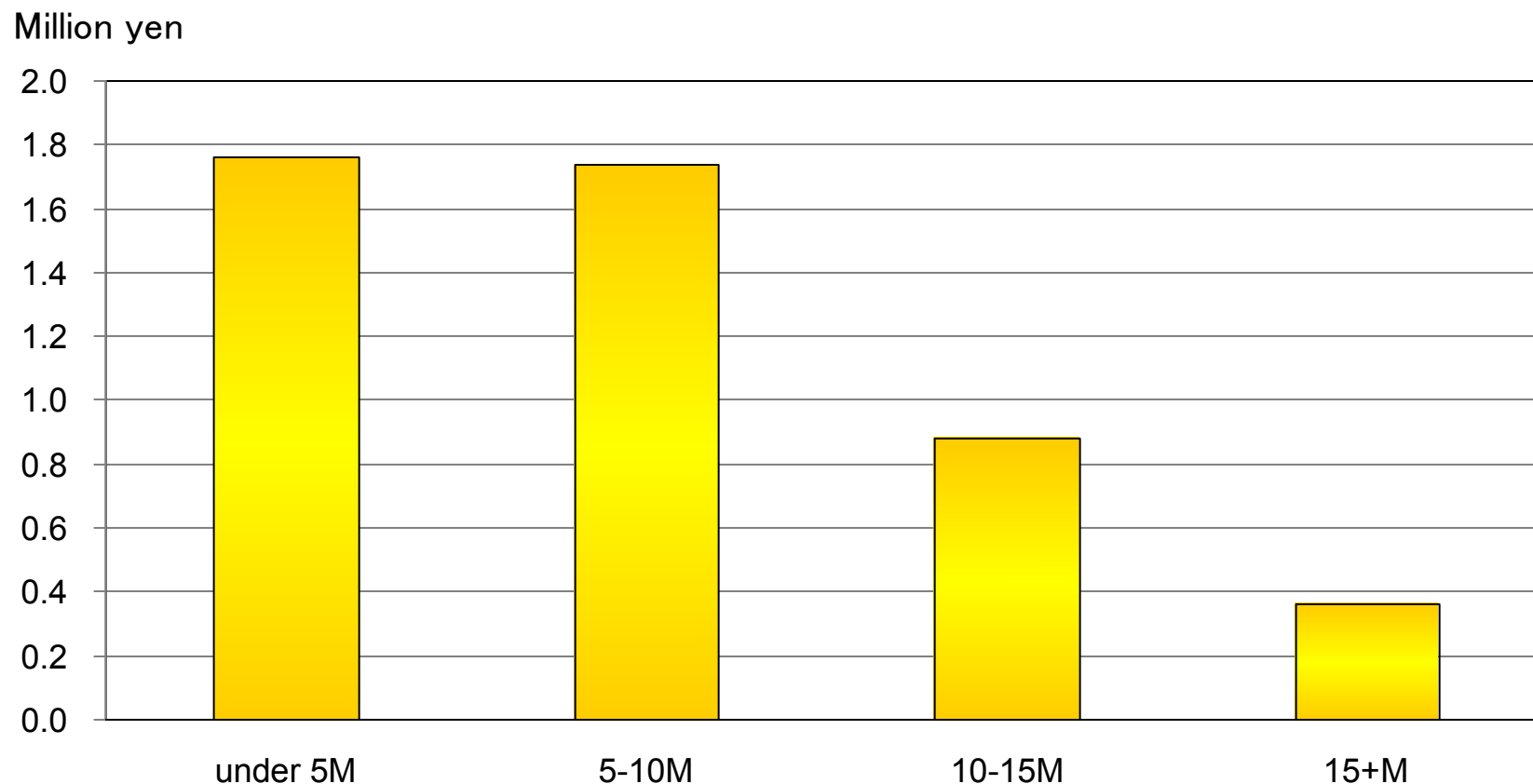


Top 15 Prefectures of Departure for Baby Boomers

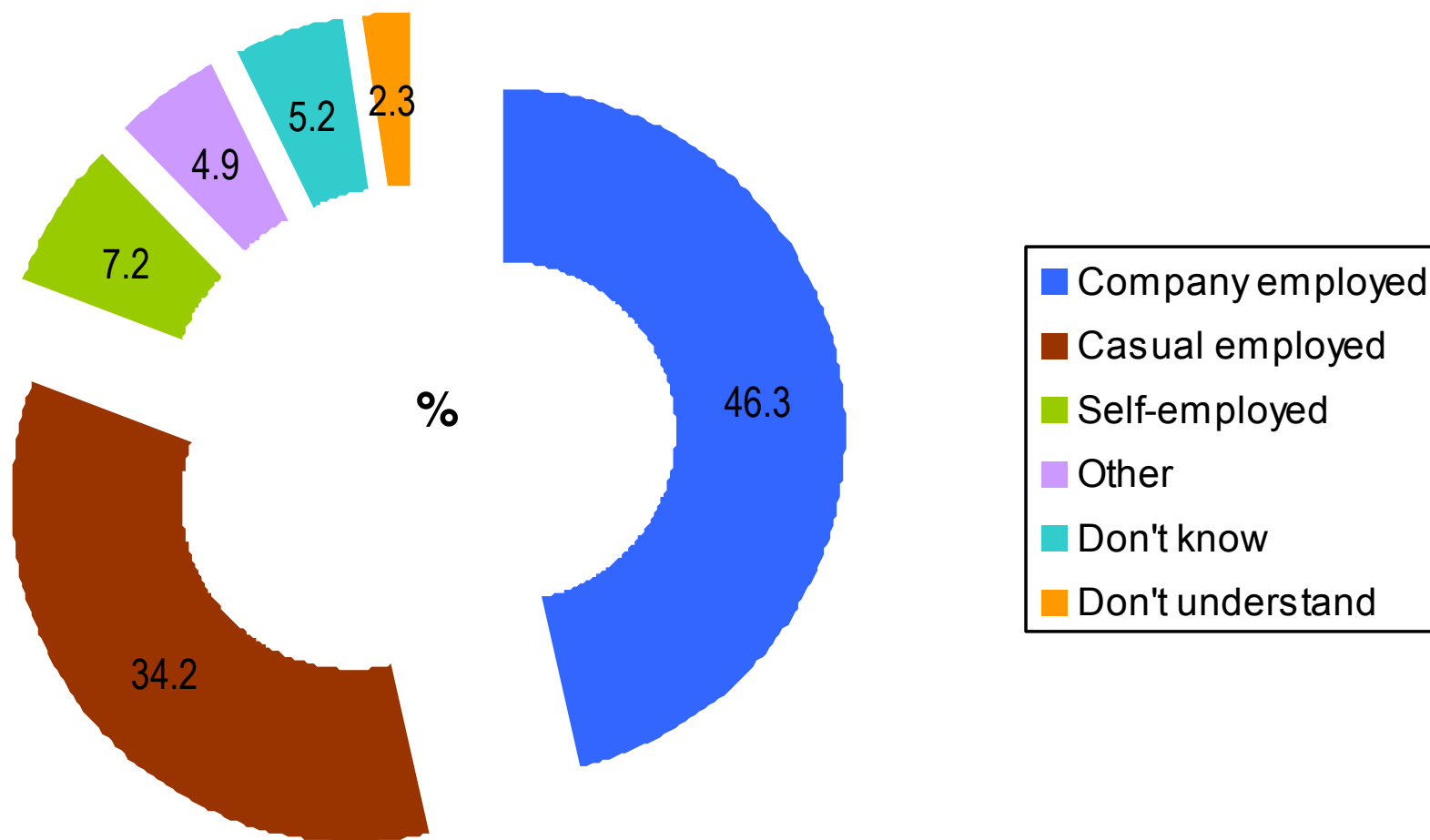


Financial Background of Baby Boomer

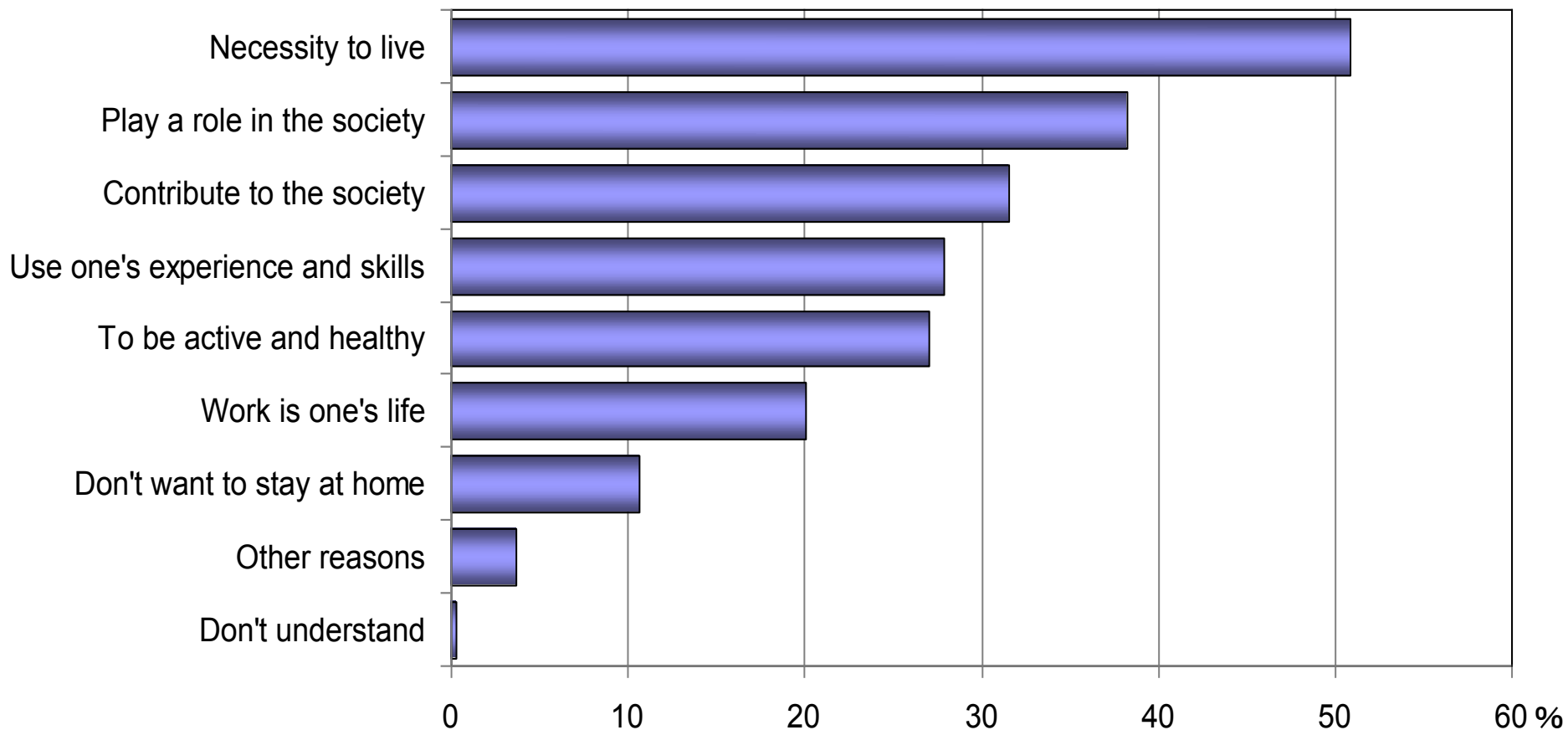
Yearly Disposable Income



Current employment situation 55-59 age group



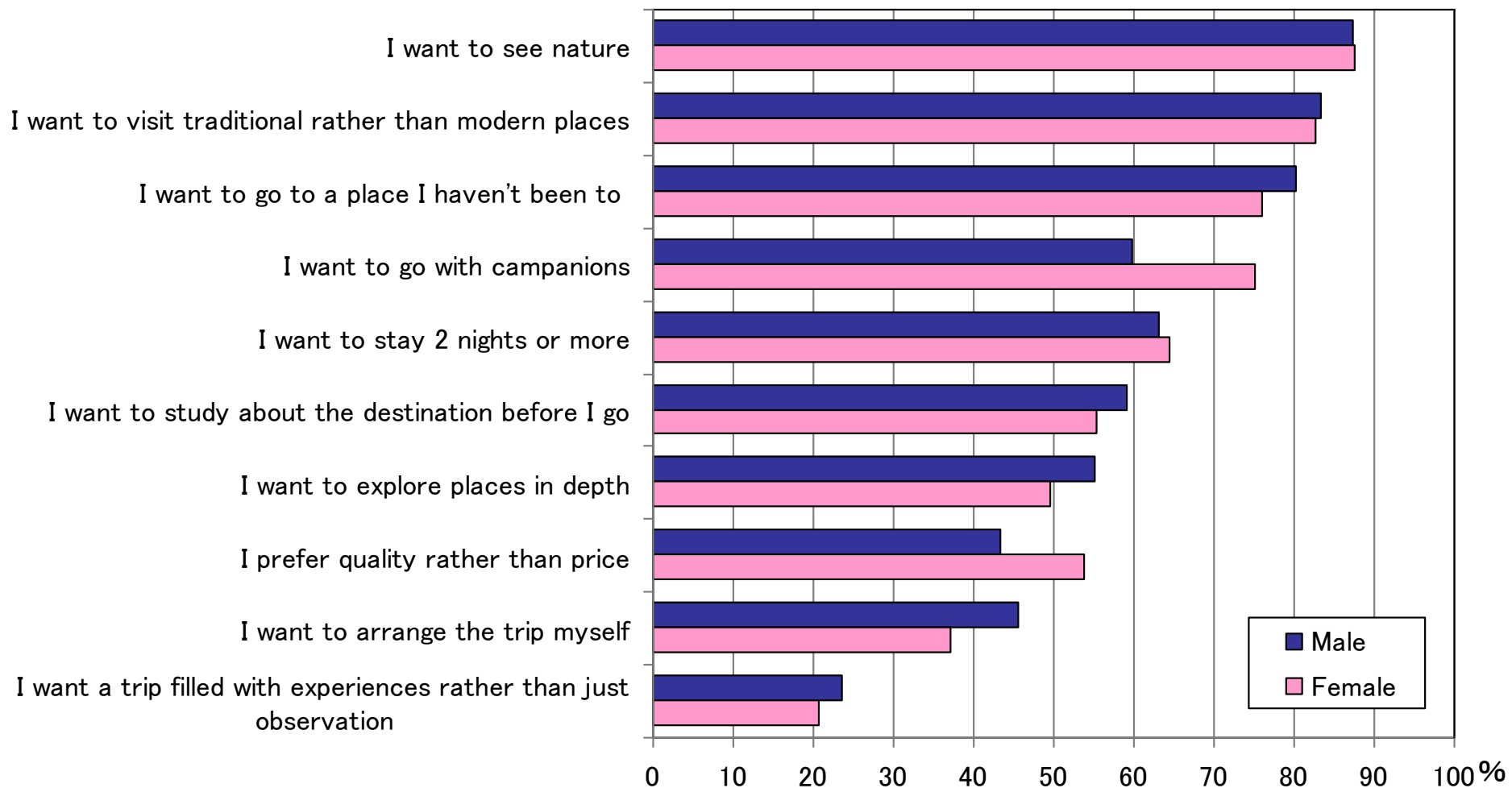
Reasons for Desires to Continue Employment



Characteristics of Baby Boomer

1. Concerns for the health and the environment
 - Purchasing organic foods, vitamins and supplements. Volunteering in NPO environmental activities.
2. Desire to feel young
 - Their heart is still young and they want to look young.
3. Importance of safety and independence
 - High concerns in regards to security and do not want to become a burden on their children.
4. Enjoy living
 - Strong feelings of doing what they like.
5. Intellectual curiosity
 - Desire to study intellectual materials i.e. arts, classical concerts.
6. Contributing to the society
 - Even after retiring they still desire to contribute to the society i.e. through NPO activities.
7. Distinct preferences
 - Desire to have their own individual preferences met.

Preferences when Traveling

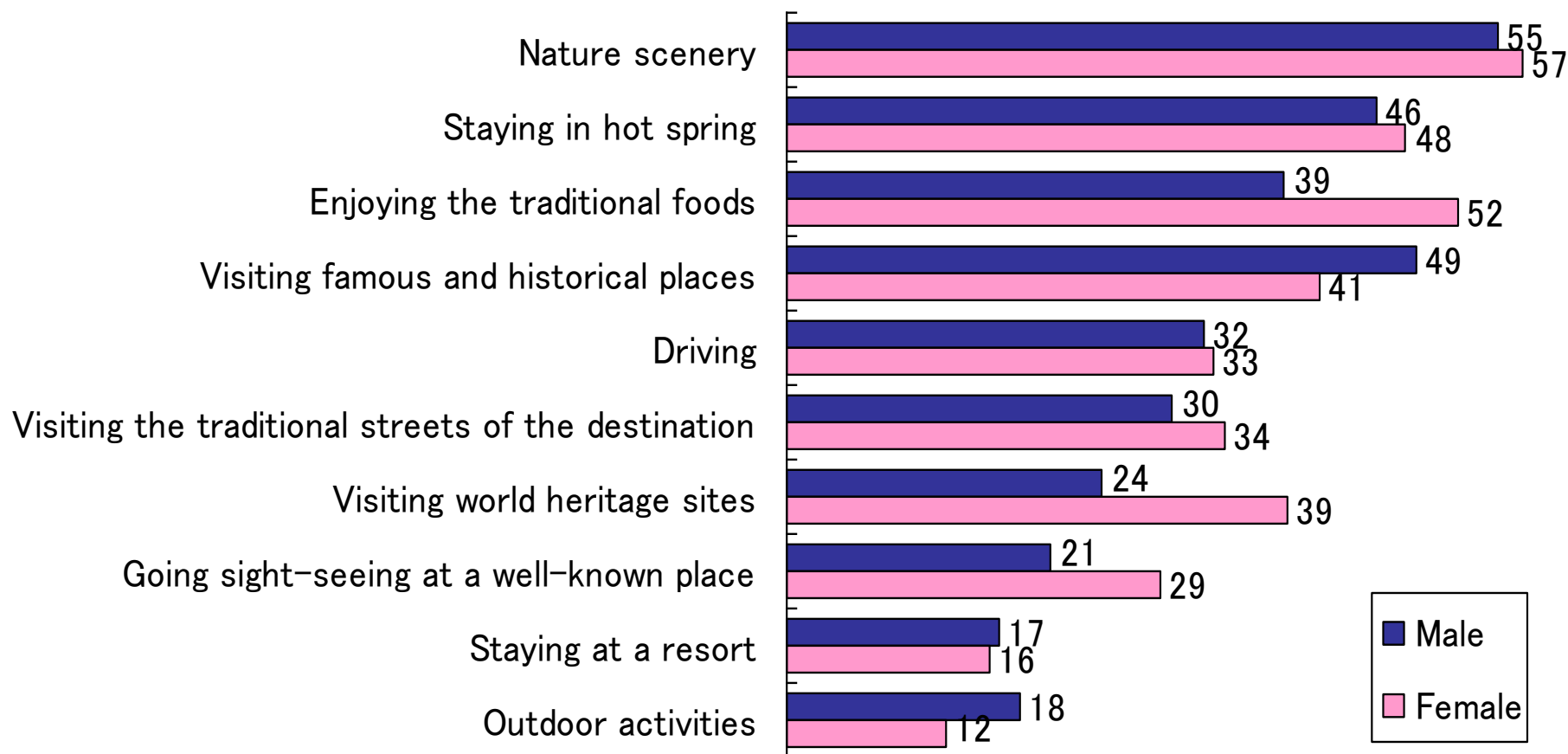


Baby Boomer Style of Travel

In all surveys conducted in the past, results reveal that to 'travel' is the most preferred activity after retirement.

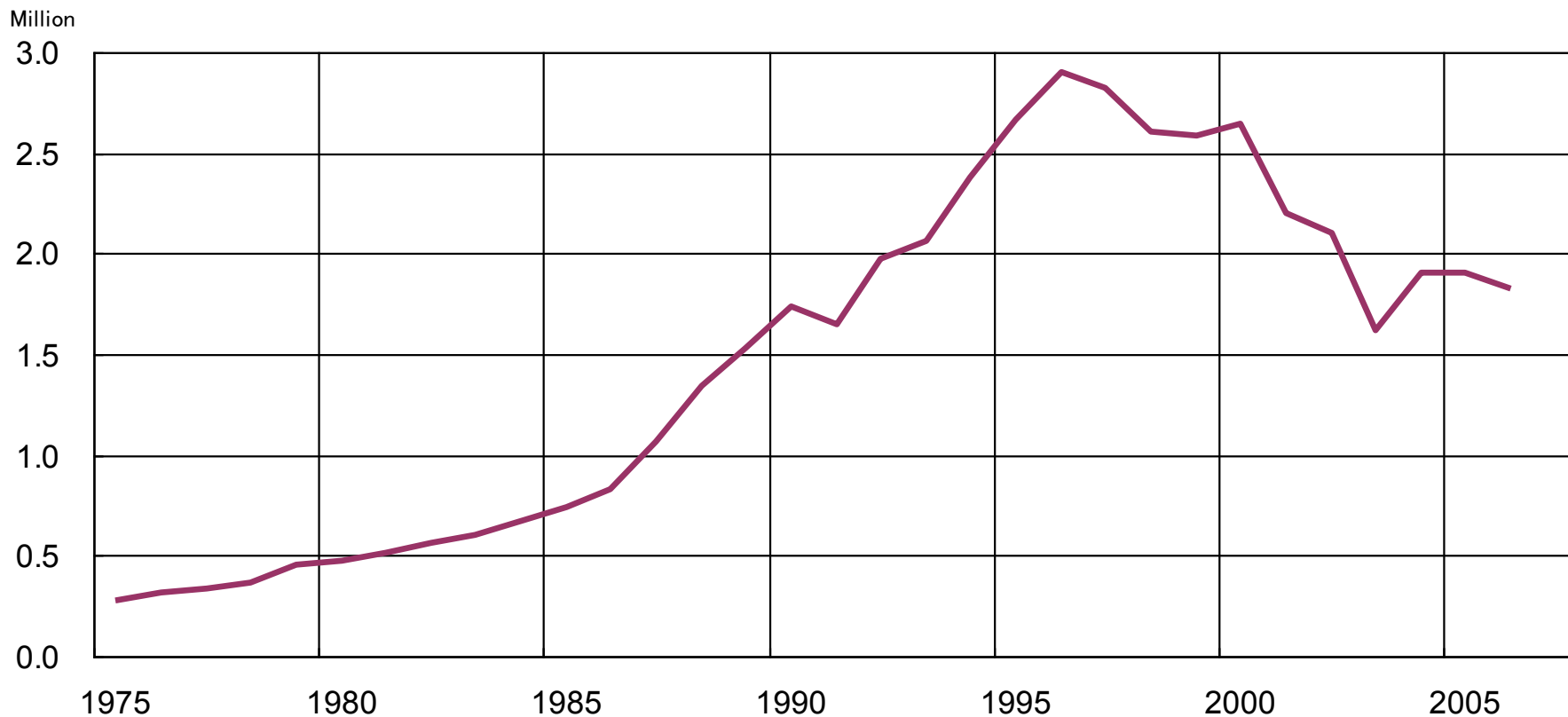
- Travel companions will depend on the activities at the destination.
 - Famous and historical places for sightseeing, resorts and spas
 - ⇒ couples
 - Climbing mountains, golf, diving, sports and hobby related travels
 - ⇒ individual or with friends
- Spring and Autumn are the popular seasons after the busy seasons.
- For 60+ years over 50% stay over 7 days in their trips, 50+ years 5-7 days is most popular with around 30% preferring over 7 days.
- Prefer a trip that can provide relaxation, i.e. hot springs, natural scenery, famous and historical places.
- Motivation for trips: making past dreams become reality, continuing dreams and taking trips that reminds the 'Good Old Days'
- Traveling with the family

Baby Boomer - Activities Desired on Trips in the Next 10 Years

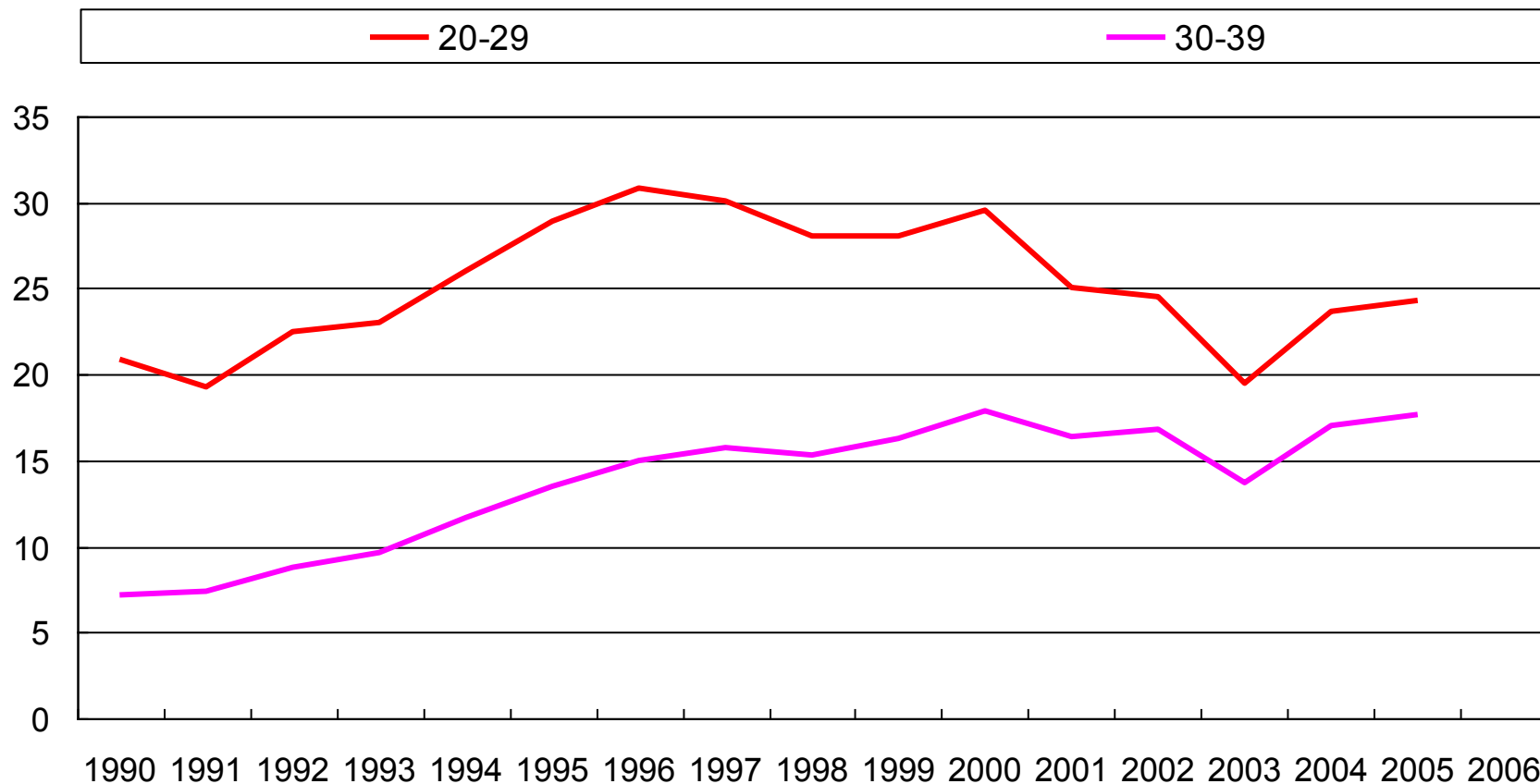


3.2 Female Travelers

Fall in Female Travelers 20s Age Group



The Departure Ratio of Women in their 20s and 30s



Reasons for Changes

- ① Continuous decline in this population
- ② Unstable employment and lower income
- ③ The extra costs of living compared with previous generations, i.e. mobile phone

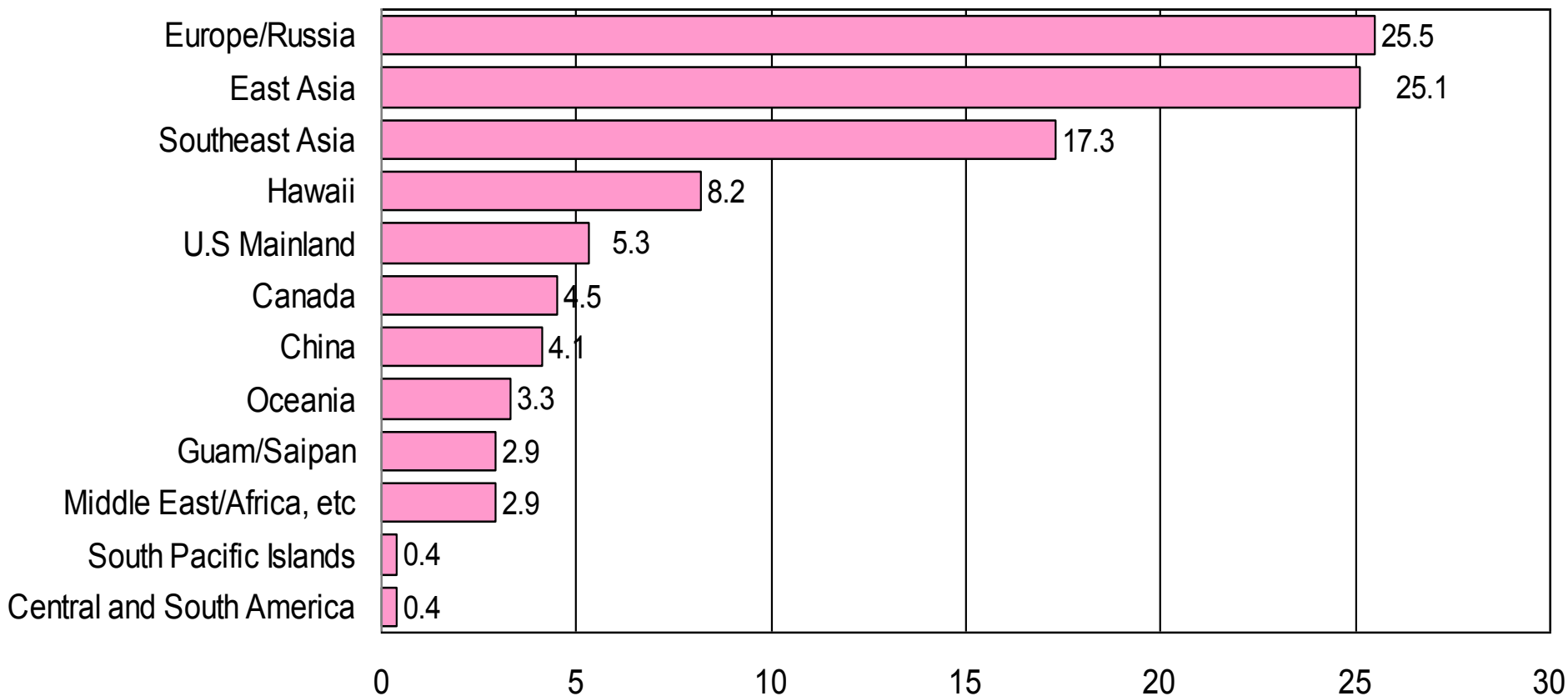
30s Female Today

Background for their frequent overseas travel.

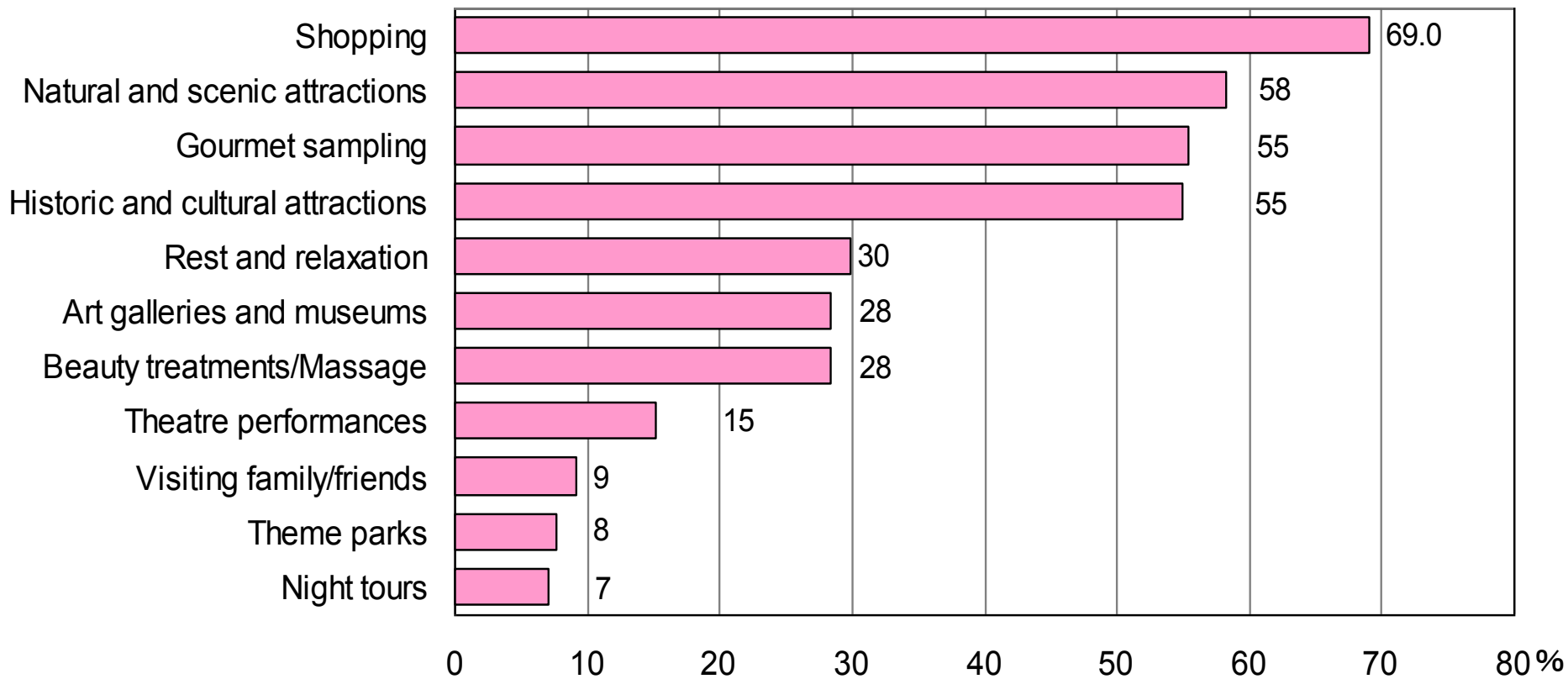
- Increased share of singles.
Presently 30+% of women between ages 30-34 and 20%+ of women between 35-39 are not married.
- Fewer children to look after.
Less than 30% of women aged 30-34 have children, and 50% of married women between 35-39 have children.
- **Rich travel experience** during 1990s when they were in their 20s

	Previous travel experience (Avg. No.)	No. of overseas trips in the previous year (Avg. No.)
Single women (30-44)	13.0	1.6
Married women (employed)	11.9	1.4
Married women (housewives)	11.3	1.2

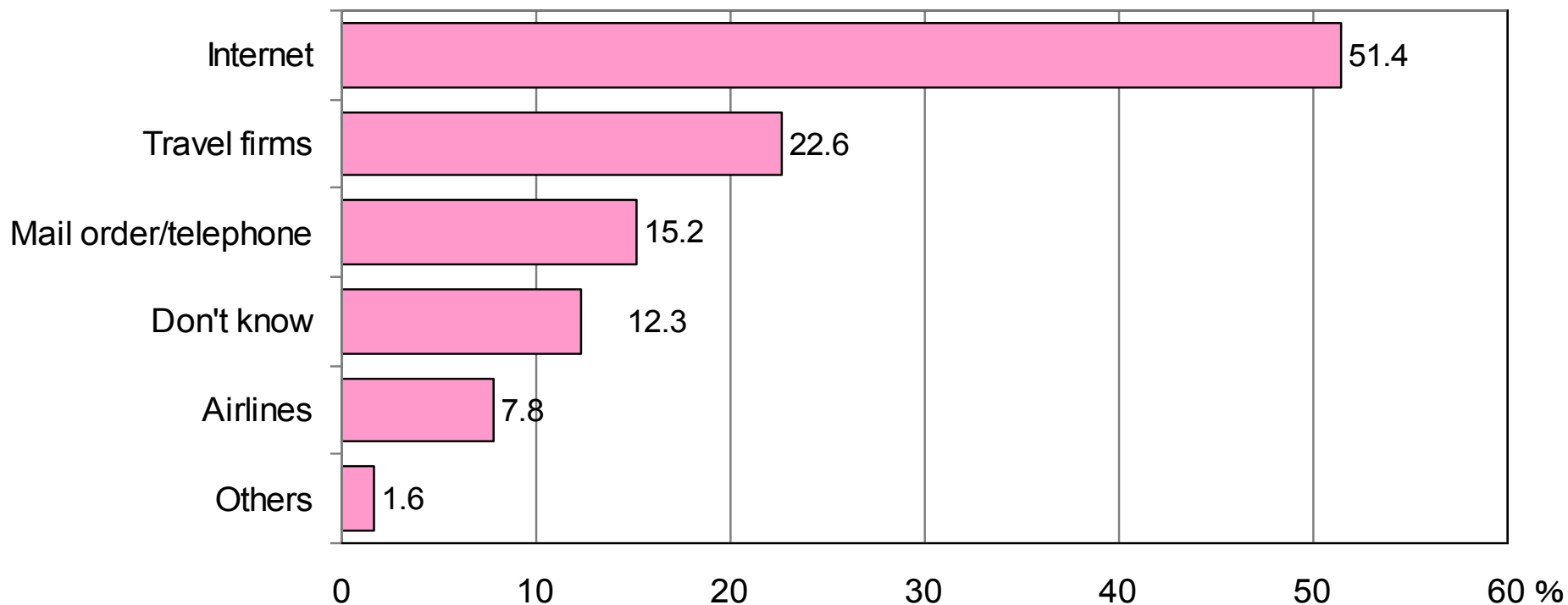
Destinations for the Single Females



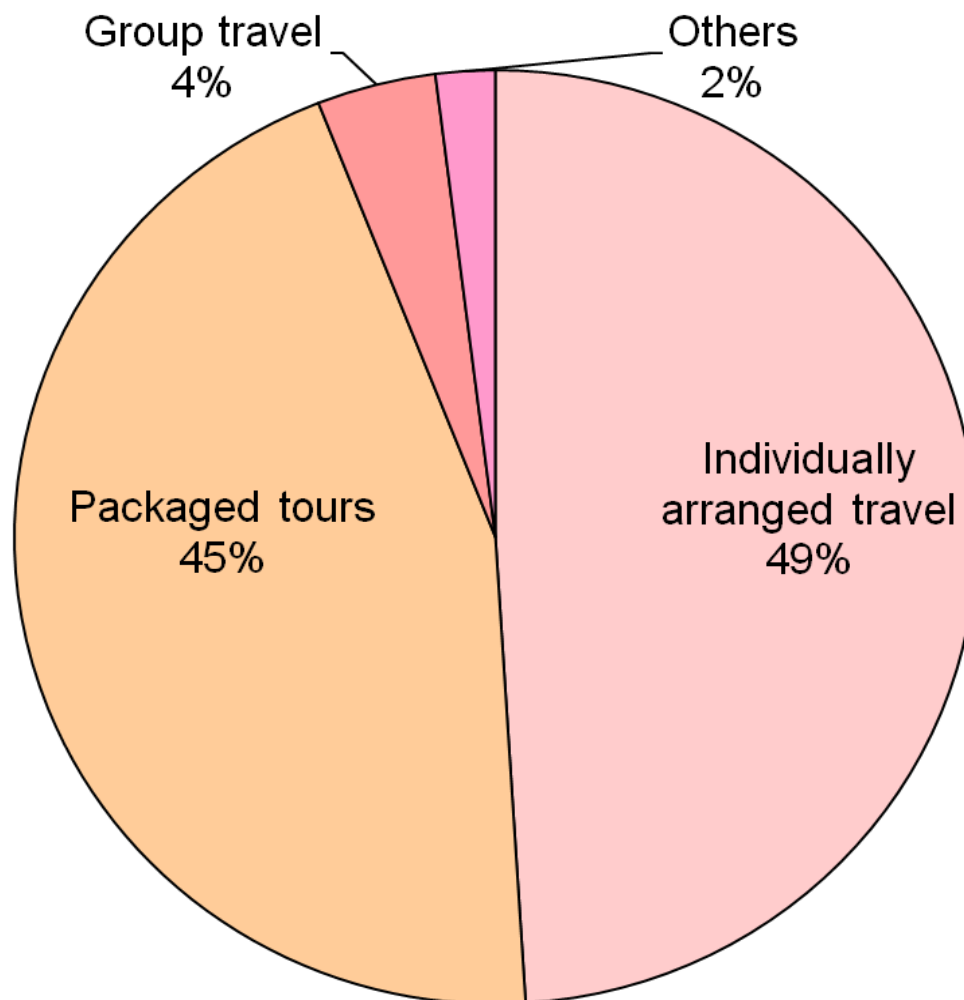
Activities Undertaken at Destination



Travel Reservation Method

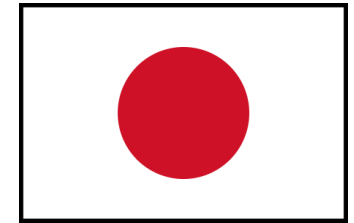


Travel Arrangements



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Asia Gateway



International Airfare Deregulation in Japan

- 22nd June 2007: Japanese Government announced its consideration of international airfare deregulation

Purposes

1. Strengthening Asia as a whole, deregulating, increasing trade knowledge and networking
2. Further communication Japan to Asia-products, people and places.
3. Increasing Japan's cooperation with major researches and projects to do with international issues.

Current Actions

- Revision of existing price restriction and approval of airfare pricing
- Foreign LCCs may enter the market
 - spur competition
 - increasing consumer convenience

Deregulation in IT Charter Flight System

Deregulation of ITC (Inclusive Tour Charter)

⇒ Announced 2007 May 31st, by the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport.

Old Regulation	New Regulation	Opportunities
One is required to stay at the carrier's country of location	No stay requirement	The use of foreign carriers in tour packages
All accommodation is required to be pre-arranged	Only 50% of accommodation needs to be pre-arranged	Some free nights can be included into tour packages
Carriers are only permitted from country of departure or arrival	Third country airline is permitted	Wider selection of choice and supply
Operation frequency is restricted	Where there is no schedule on the route, no restrictions for same day operations	Pave the way for future scheduled services

Northern lights, Swiss hiking, the red maple leaves in Canada and China are current destinations tour operators are focusing on.

Low Cost Carriers

All Nippon Airlines



Announced to launch up a LCC, targeting the Japanese-Asian market

Korean Airlines



Plans to launch LCC within the next 3 years

Jetstar (Australia)



Already operating:

Brisbane ↔ Osaka

Sydney ↔ Osaka

Economy airfares:

USD\$240 – USD\$300 (excluding tax)

Cairns ↔ Nagoya

Economy fares:

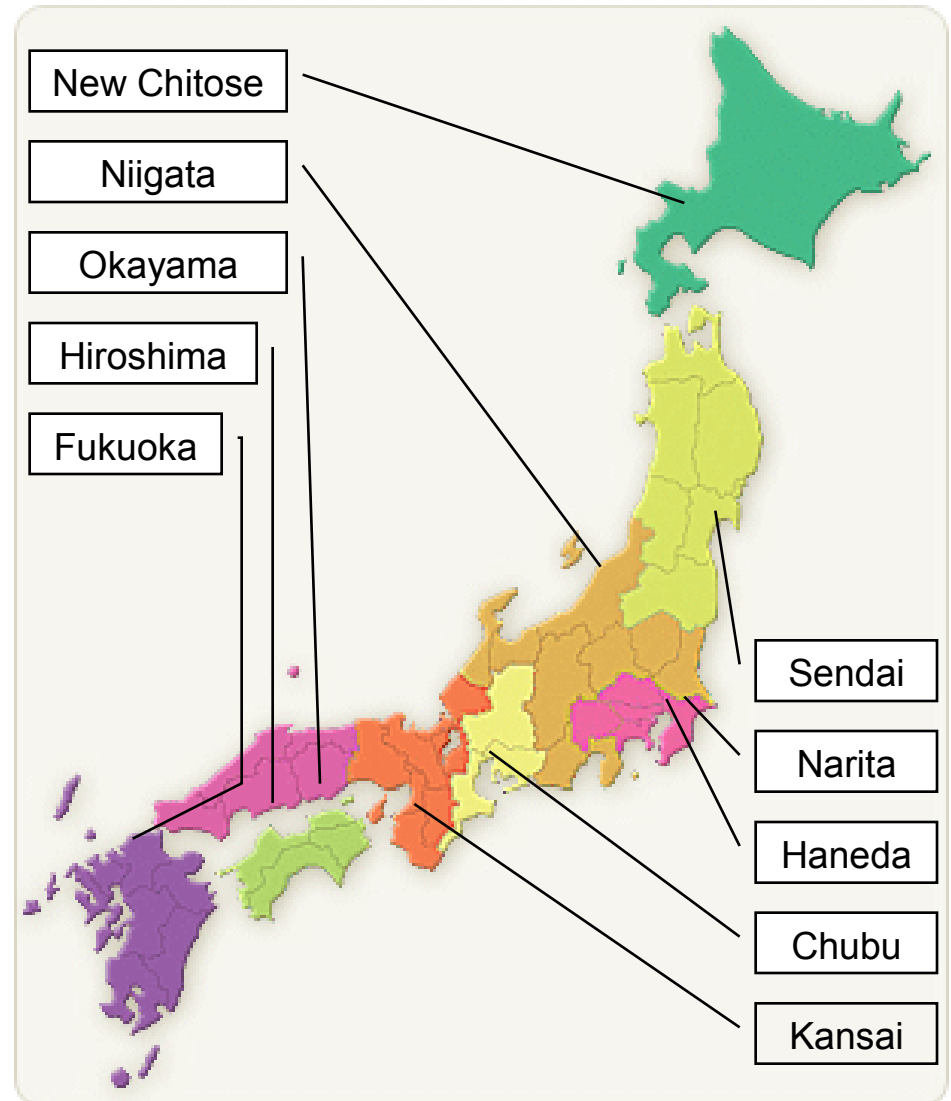
USD\$240 (excluding tax)

Starting from Oct, 8th 2007:

Cairns ↔ Osaka

Obstacles and the Usage of Regional Airports

- Lack of slots at main airports
→ usage of regional airports
- Restriction of slots
(mainly Narita and Haneda)
- High cost of main airport use
(landing / hard standing fees)





Questionnaire for JATA World Tourism Congress 2007

Purpose of survey:

- consider the viewpoints of senders and receivers and seek the issues that are Japan is facing in the overseas travel market

Japan's business standards compared with global standards

- ⇒ Japanese business practices are considered to be different
 - Overall → 90%
 - Suppliers → 50%
 - Travel Agencies → 30%
- ⇒ Deposits and bloc allotments to most differ, at 60% and 46% respectively
- ⇒ However, Japanese business practices will not be an obstacle to expand its outbound market
 - Suppliers → 50%
 - Travel Agencies → 70%

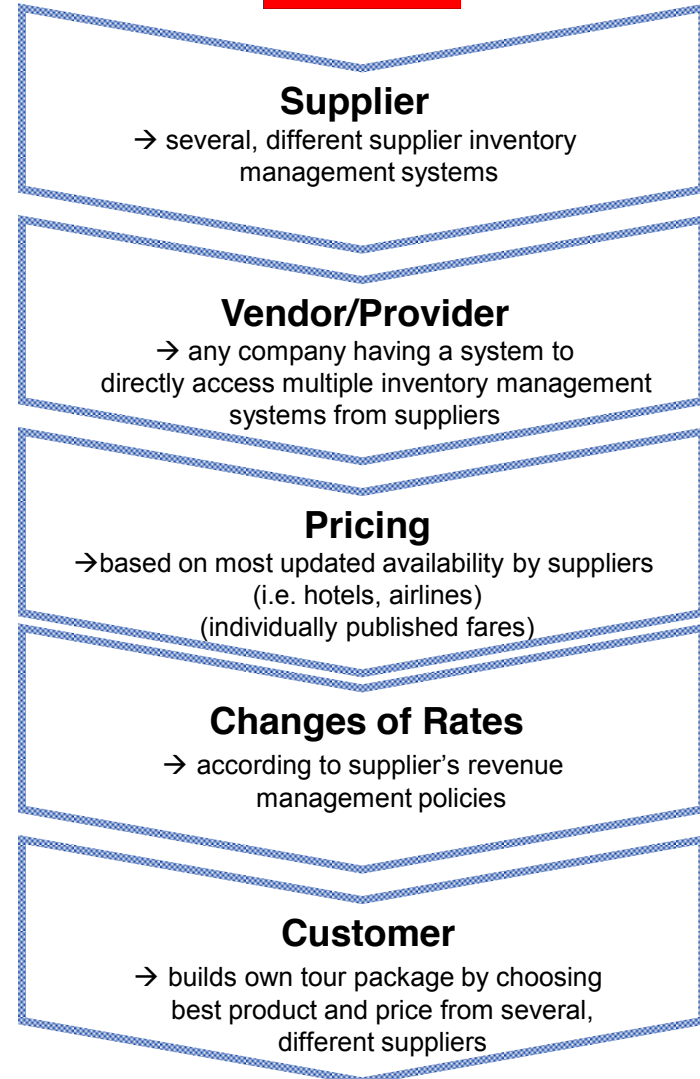
Revitalizing Japan's outbound market

Strengths	Weaknesses
Japanese good manners	Depreciation of the Yen
High credibility in payment	Low profitability
High contribution to the visitor arrival	Decrease in personal income
	Stagnant economic growth



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Supplier

→ travel agencies or tour wholesalers that loaded the inventory it has contracted into own database

Differences:

Vendor/Provider

→ only travel agents and wholesalers

→ distribution systems

→ international airfare

→ Depends on travel agent's or wholesaler's sales volume (inclusive tour fares)

→ range of products offered to customer

Customer

→ combines travel available components from preferred travel agency or wholesaler



Supplier

→ several, different supplier inventory management systems

Vendor/Provider

→ Any company having a system to directly access multiple inventory management systems from suppliers

Pricing

→ based on most updated availability by suppliers (i.e. hotels, airlines) (individually published fares)

Changes of Rates

→ according to revenue management policies

Customer

→ Builds own tour package by choosing best product and price from several, different suppliers

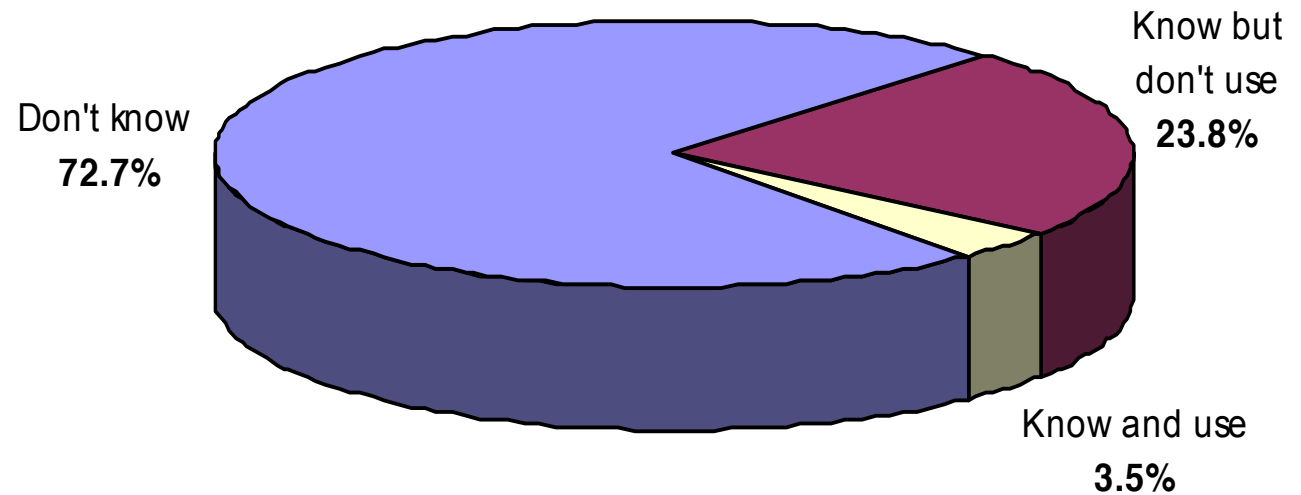
Dynamic Packaging in Japan

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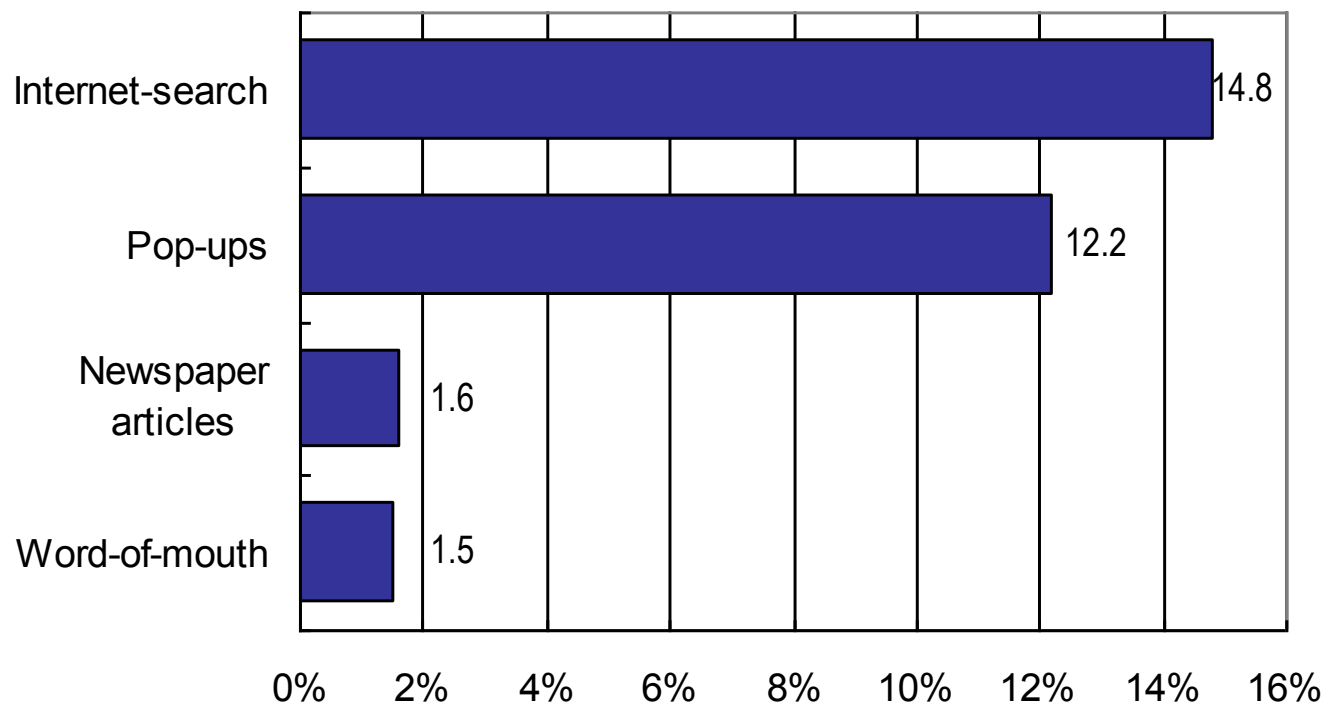
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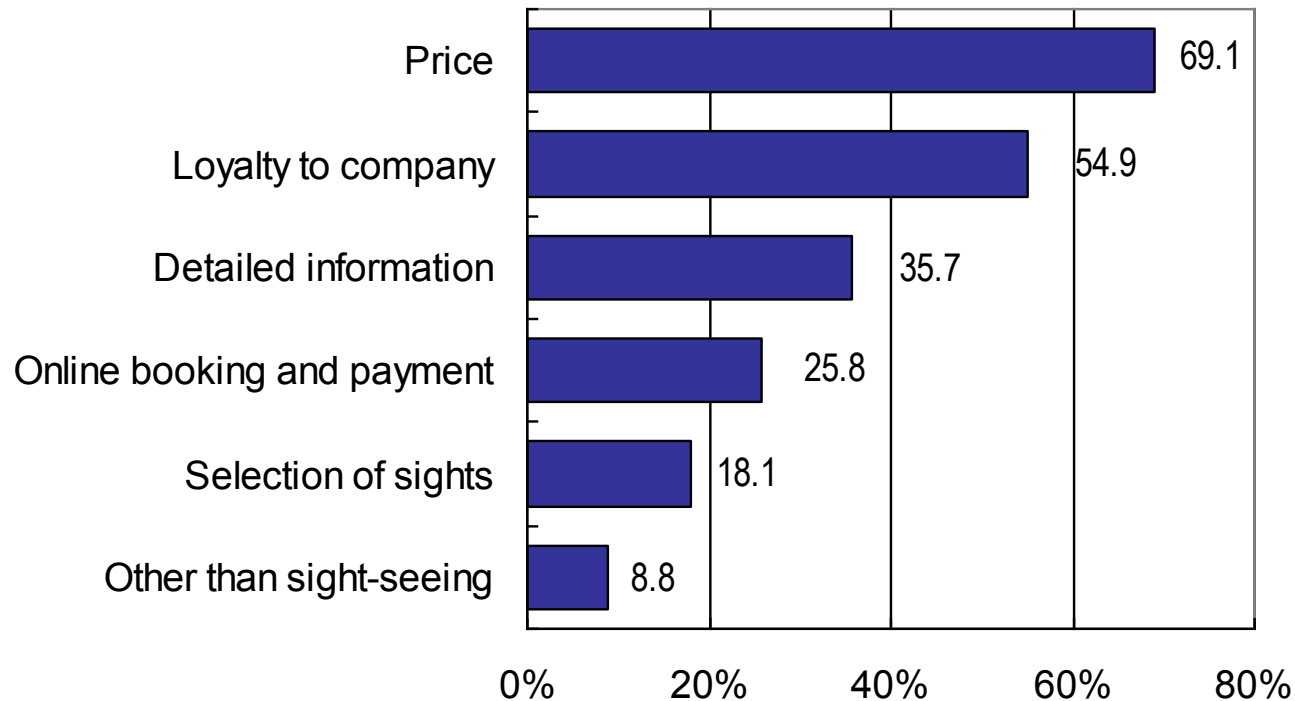
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Travel Companies in Japan

Type	Leisure FIT (Air / Hotel)	Package Wholesale	Package Retail	Direct PKG Sales	Business Travel	Group/ Incentive
General Travel Company	○	○	○	△	△	○
Retail Company	○		○			
In-house Agency	○		○		○	○
Wholesaler		○				
Direct Marketing Company (Media Sales)				○		
Online Travel Agent	○		○			
Business Travel Management Company	△		△		○	○

○ Business Domain

△ Business fields handled by some companies of the type

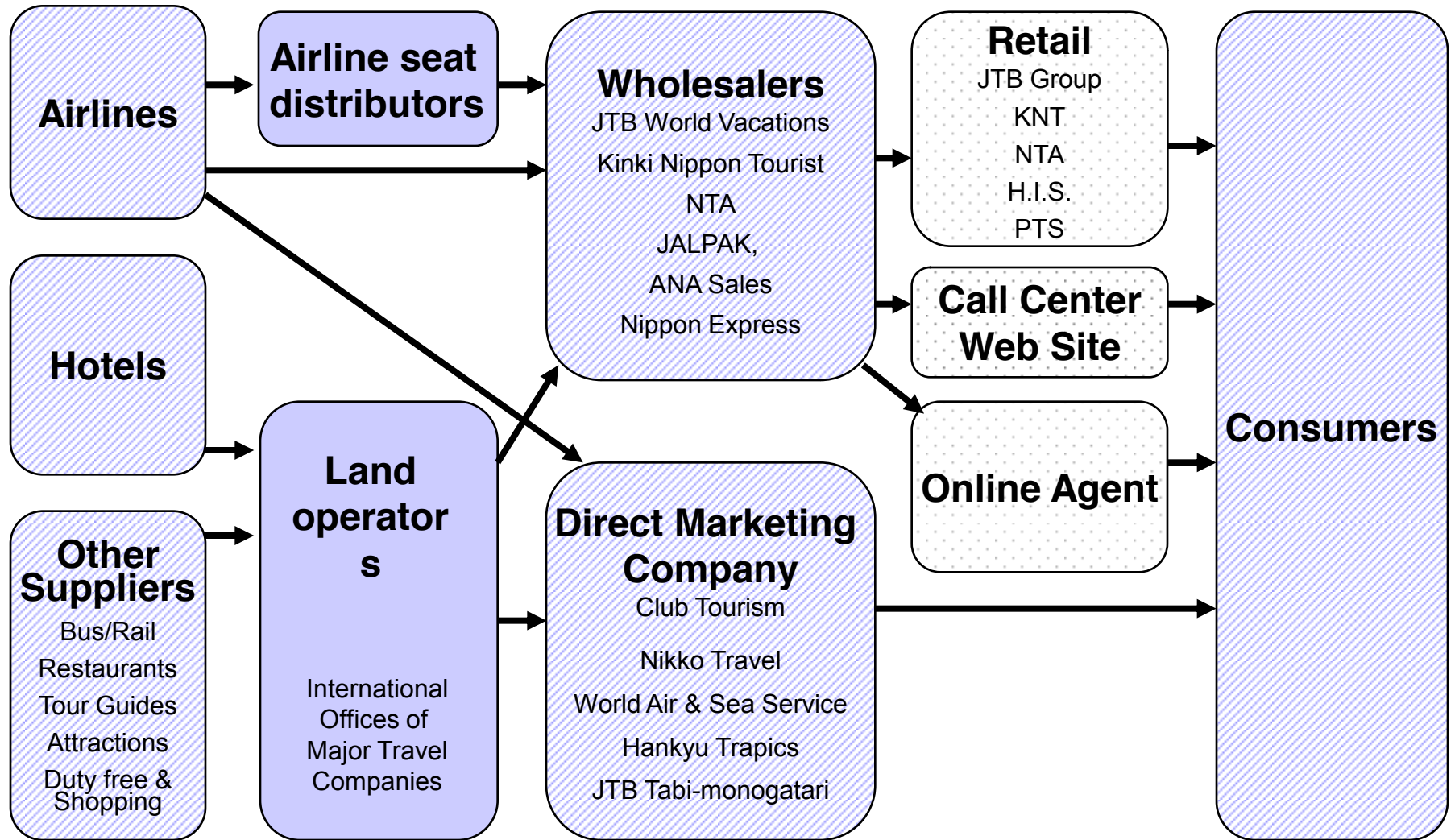
Types of Travel Agencies by Registration and Designated Services

Classifications of Reservation	To organize (produce) Wholesale Package Tour		To retail Package Tour		To make Travel Arrangements for the client as an agent		To handle Overseas Visitors
	Inter-national	Domestic	Inter-national	Domestic	Inter-national	Domestic	
1 st category	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
2 nd category	×	○	○	○	○	○	○
3 rd category	×	○	○	○	○	○	○
Sub-Agents for Travel Agencies	×	×	○	○	○	○	×

Number of Registered Japanese Travel Agencies

Year	Travel Agencies Category			Travel-Sub agencies	Total
	1st	2nd	3rd		
2000	874	2,747	6,090	1,358	11,069
2001	868	2,762	6,188	1,308	11,126
2002	855	2,780	6,312	1,201	11,148
2003	841	2,782	6,314	1,129	11,066
2004	784	2,765	6,259	1,061	10,869
2005	781	2,727	6,179	1,015	10,702
2006	817	2,757	6,088	959	10,621

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Thank you for your kind
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