

○ **Average life expectancy for men is 83.67 years, for women, 90.34 years**

- The average life expectancy for men as of 2008 is 79.29 years, while for women it is 86.05 years.
- By 2055 it will be 83.67 years for men and 90.34 years for women, therefore exceeding 90 years.

Chart 1-1-7 Trends and Future Projection of Average Life Expectancy

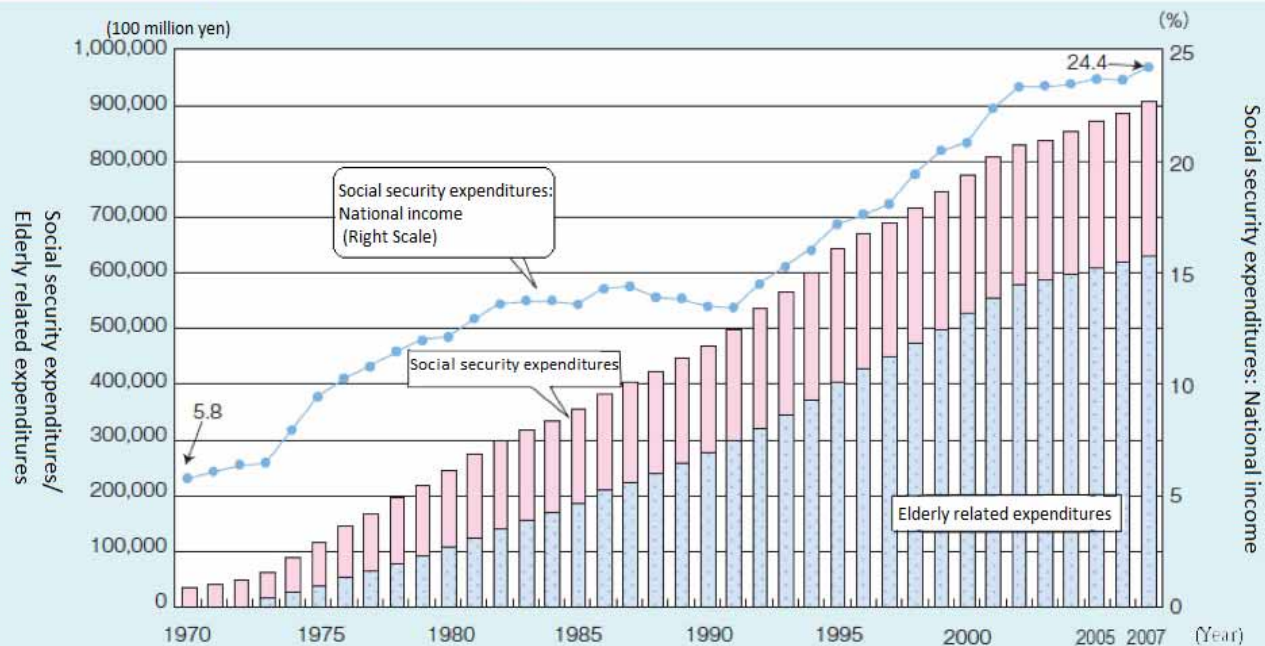


Source: Up to 2005, Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare "Complete Life Table"; after 2008, Up to 2005, Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare "Simple Life Table"
 After 2015, National Institute of Population and Social Security Research "Future Projected Population of Japan" in December 2006 is based on the estimated figure on the assumption that death rate is ranked medium

○ **The most expensive social security expenditure in history**

- The social security expenditure in Japan in fiscal year 2007 amounted to about 91.4305 trillion yen, the highest level ever.
- The percentage of the national income rose from 5.8% in 1970 to 24.4%.
- In 2007, about 63.5654 trillion yen, or about 69.5%, of the social security were spent on benefits for the elderly.

Chart 1-1-11 Trends in the Social Security Expenditure in Japan



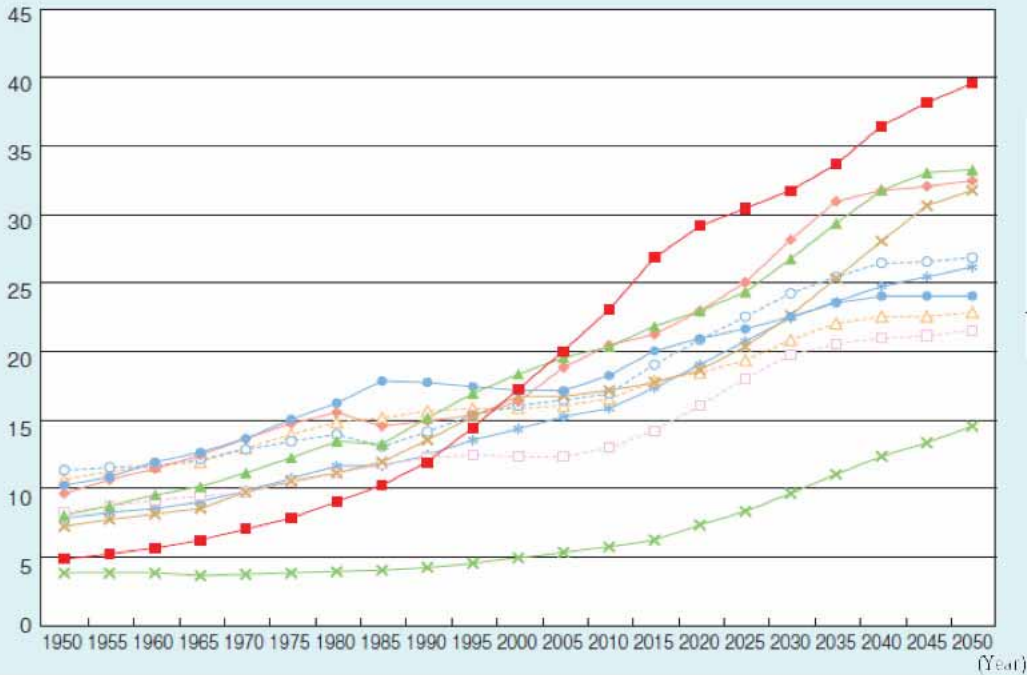
Source: National Institute of Population and Social Security Research's "Social Security expenditure in fiscal year 2007"
 (Note: "Elderly related expenditures" are the sum of pension insurance expenditures, healthcare (medical) expenditures for the elderly welfare service for the aged expenditures, and old workers' salary expenditures., which have been aggregated since 1973.

○ **Japan will become an aged society on a scale unlike any other in the world**

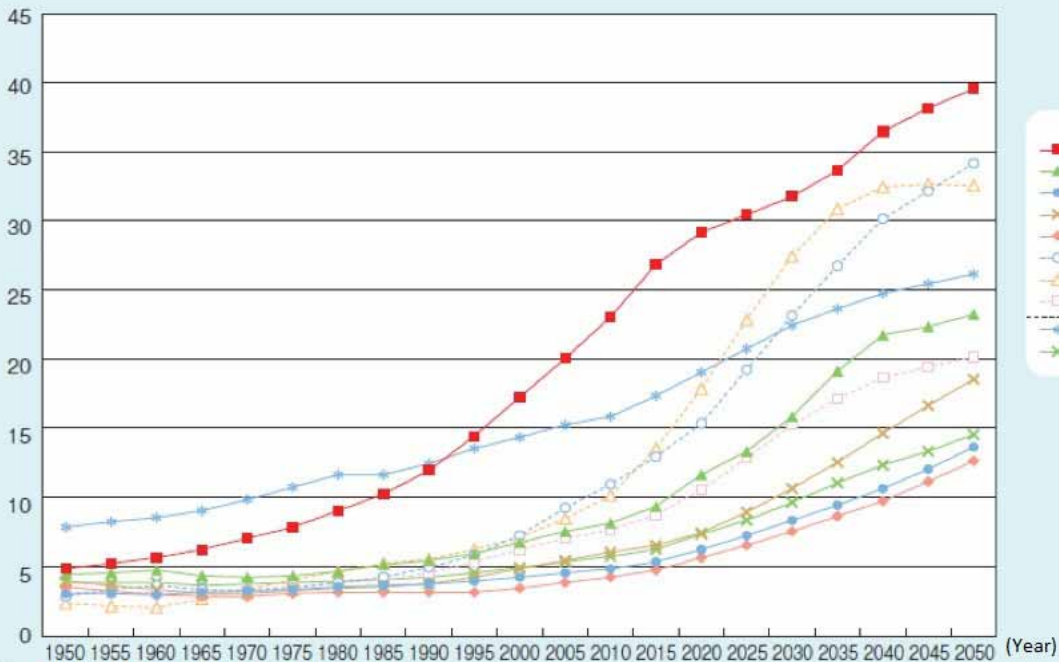
- After rising to the highest level ever in the early 21st century, Japan is expected to become an aged society the likes of which no other country in the world has experienced.

Chart 1-1-13 Trends with Ratio of Aging in the World

1. Europe & North America (%)



2. Asia (%)



Source: U.N., World Population Projects: The 2008 Revision

However, data for Japan is based on "Population Census" (Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communication) and on "Projected Population of Japan" (National Institute of Population and Social Security Research) on the assumption that birth and death rates are ranked medium. (estimated in December 2006).