

Chapter 7 Police Activity Support

Section 1 Foundation of Police Activities

1 Structure

The total number of police personnel in FY2014 was 293,696, of which 7,728 were NPA personnel, and 285,968 were prefectural police personnel (as of April 1, 2014).

2 Budget

The police budget consists of NPA budget and Prefectural Police budgets. The national government covers expenses to operate the NPA, directly appropriated expenses for PPH activities of national significance, and subsidies to supplement PPH budgets.

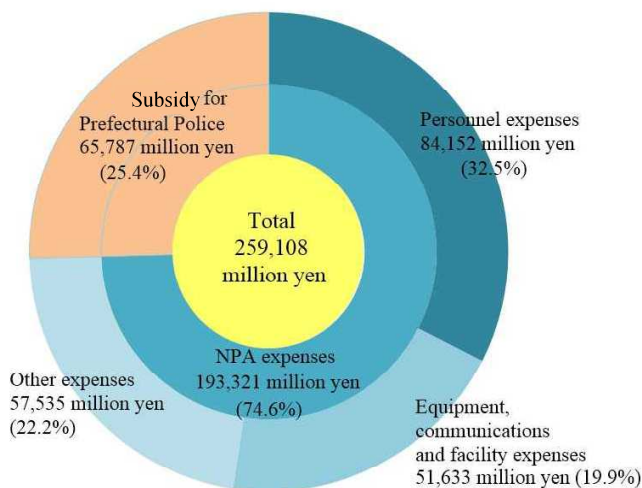
3 Police Info-Communications

The police are developing various info-communication systems that enable them to immediately respond to incidents, accidents, and disasters. They are working to provide these nationwide and increase the sophistication of systems.

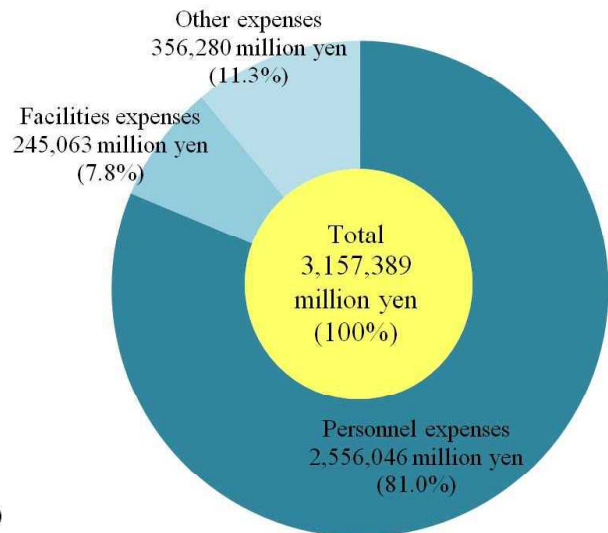
4 Management and Operation of Detention Facilities

As of April 1, 2014, there were 1,176 detention facilities nationwide. In accordance with the Act on Penal Detention Facilities and Treatment of Inmates and Detainees, police have

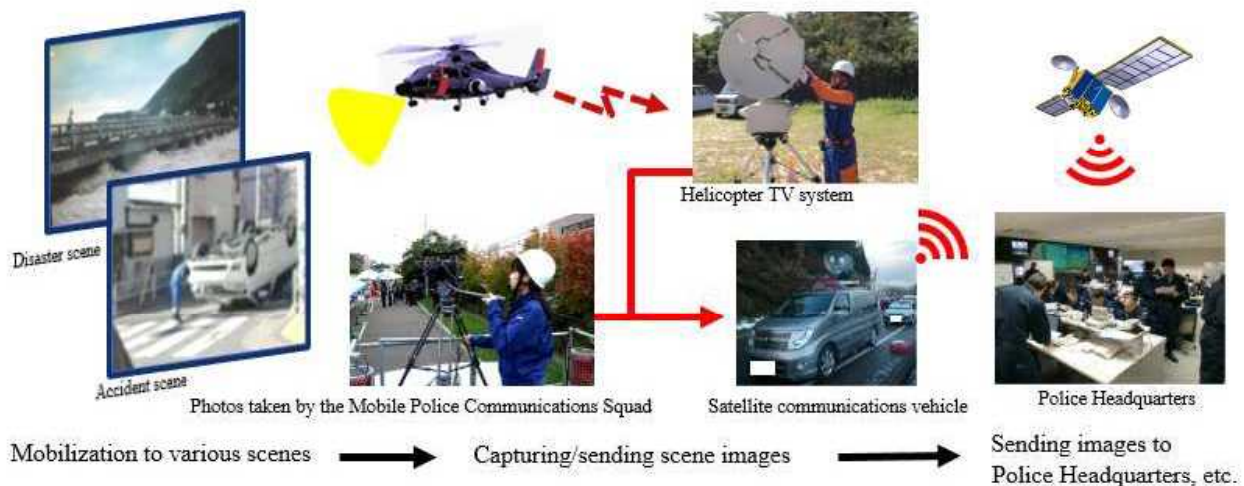
**National Police Agency budget
(after final FY 2013 revisions)**



**Prefectural Police budget
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fully separated investigations and detention while promoting treatment that pays due regard to the human rights of detainees and pressing ahead with facility improvements, to ensure appropriate operations in detention management. In addition, in order to ensure the uniform treatment of detainees nationwide, the NPA implements planned patrols of all prefectural detention facilities every year.

Section 2 A Strong Police Force Able to Prove Worthy of Citizens' Expectations and Trust

1 Initiatives for Establishing a Strong Police Force Able to Prove Worthy of Citizens' Expectations and Trust

(1) Active and Rational Organizational Management

In September 2013, the police set forth policies to strengthen efforts for the establishment of a strong police force that can prove worthy of citizens' expectations and trust. They are advancing active and rational organizational management.



Training young police on utilization of enhanced capabilities at an early stage

Specifically, while police duties are becoming diverse and wide-ranging, in order to fulfill the responsibilities the citizens charge them with, the police are moving ahead with bold streamlining/optimization centering on police station duties, and tackling the utilization of enhanced capabilities by young police officers at an early stage, given the advent of a period of mass hiring and retirement. Also, together with rigorously handling cases of illegality, the police are working on increasing the sophistication of measures against cases of illegality based on analytic results of causes and context, including building frameworks for duties that would make illegalities more difficult.

(2) Carrying out Inspections

In FY2013, the National Police Agency and regional police bureaus implemented 2,235 inspections at sites that include prefectural police with the aim of improving tasks in which there are inadequacies, such as insufficient written records for the management of investigations.

2 Police Activity Transparency

When undertaking activities to prevent local crimes and traffic accidents, it is necessary to understand the views of the residents and their demands, and to obtain the understanding and cooperation of local residents. Consequently, all police stations nationwide have, in principle, set up Police Station Councils. These councils allow the chiefs of police stations to hear the views of local residents regarding police station affairs, and also provide an opportunity to seek their understanding and cooperation..

Section 3 Support for Crime Victims

The victims of crime and their bereaved families or families not only suffer direct, physical, emotional or financial harm as a result of the crime, but also incur a varying range of secondary victimization. Consequently, police are working to enhance a variety of aspects of their support for victims of crime and their families.

Section 4 Efforts of the Ministerial Meeting Concerning Measures Against Crime and Cooperation with Foreign Public Security Organizations

1 Efforts of the Ministerial Meeting Concerning Measures Against Crime

Presently, while indicators of public security in Japan are improving, such as the number of confirmed criminal offenses, the nation is facing serious threats that include cyber crimes, cyber attacks, international terrorism, and organized crime. In addition, good public security ensures the safety of citizens' lives while also contributing to social and economic development. Given that, in December 2013, The Strategy to Make "Japan the Safest Country in the World" was drawn up at the 21st Ministerial Meeting Concerning Measures Against Crime, and approved by the Cabinet.

2 Japanese Police Activities in International Society

The relationship between Japan and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) is growing closer in a wide array of fields, including political, economic, and cultural fields. Amid this, the National Police Agency is working on strengthening cooperative relations with the public security organizations of ASEAN member nations.



**1st ASEAN Plus Japan Ministerial Meeting
on Transnational Crime
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