

SAPPORO 2020 Facts and Figures

1. Land & Climate (2019)

Latitude & Longitude	
North	43° 11' 22" N.lat.
South	42° 46' 51" N.lat.
East	141° 30' 20" E.long.
West	140° 59' 26" E.long.
Total area (as of Oct. 1, 2019)	1,121.26 km ²
City planning areas (as of Mar. 31, 2020)	567.95 km ²
Urbanization promotion areas	250.17 km ²
Urbanization control areas	317.78 km ²
Densely inhabited districts (as of 2015)	235.50 km ²
Average temperature	9.8°C
Highest temperature	34.2°C
Lowest temperature	-13.1°C
Precipitation	814.0 mm
Snowfall (Oct. 2019 – May 2020)	427 cm

2. Population Trends (as of Oct. 1 of every year)

1985	1,542,979	2005	1,880,863
1990	1,671,742	2010	1,913,545
1995	1,757,025	2015	1,952,356
2000	1,822,368	2020 (June)	1,973,412

*Sapporo ranks 5th after Tokyo, Yokohama, Osaka and Nagoya. (2019)

Sapporo's total population represents:

1.6% of Japan's population (126,170,000)

37.5% of Hokkaido's population (5,250,000)

3. Demographic Trend (2019)

Population increase	3,856
Natural increase	-6,901
(Births: 12,810 Deaths: 19,711)	
Net-migration	10,757
(Immigrants: 69,235 Emigrants: 58,119)	
Married	11,064
Divorced	3,936

4. Population by Ward (as of Jun. 1, 2020)

Total	1,973,412 (972,399 households)
Chuo Ward	246,950
Kita Ward	288,203
Higashi Ward	264,598
Shiroishi Ward	212,960
Atsubetsu Ward	125,478
Toyohira Ward	224,307
Kiyota Ward	113,666
Minami Ward	136,928
Nishi Ward	218,559
Teine Ward	141,763

5. Employed Persons by Industry (as of Oct. 1, 2015)

Total	844,313	(100%)
Primary Industries	3,790	(0.4%)
Secondary Industries	118,503	(14.0%)
Construction	65,418	
Manufacturing	52,933	
Tertiary Industries	645,868	(76.5%)
Transportation, postal service	45,251	
Wholesale and retail trade	144,795	
Lodging facilities, eating and drinking establishments	51,046	
Academic research, special/technical services	31,907	
Education, learning services	39,075	
Health care and welfare	113,400	
Other services	69,851	
Industries not adequately classified	76,152	(9.0%)

6. Population by Age (as of Apr. 1, 2020)

Children (0 – 14 years old)	219,064	(11.2%)
Working-age (15 – 64 years old)	1,203,683	(61.5%)
Elderly (65 years old and over)	535,661	(27.4%)
Average life expectancy (as of 2018)		
Male: 80.91	Female: 87.10	

7. Economy

Companies & Organizations (2016)	
(private sector, preliminary estimate)	72,451
Persons employed	838,911
Farming households (2015)	
Area of cultivated land	1,550 ha
Factories (2018)	
(with four or more employees)	883
Persons employed	27,116
Value of shipped manufactured goods, etc. (2017)	¥560.4 billion
Wholesalers (2016)	
Persons employed	5,283
Value of annual sales (2015)	¥7,666.2 billion
Retailers (2016)	
Persons employed	8,884
Value of annual sales (2015)	¥2,289.9 billion
Large-scale retail stores (2019)	
(Department stores: 4 Supermarkets: 120)	124
Value of annual sales	¥518.0 billion
(Department stores: ¥167.0 billion Supermarkets: ¥351.0 billion)	
Banks (2019)	
Deposits in all banks	¥10,938.0 billion
Consumer price index (2019)	
(2015=100)	102.7
	(up 0.6 pts from the previous year)

8. Citizens' Accounts (FY 2017)

Rate of economic growth	
at nominal rate: 2.6%	at real rate: 2.2%
Citywide gross domestic product	¥6,915.7 billion (+2.6%)
Citizen gross income	¥5,394.5 billion (+3.4%)
Citizen income, per capita	¥2.748 million (+3.1%)

9. Transportation (FY 2019)

Streetcars	36
Average daily passengers	23,000
Municipal Rapid Transit Service (Subway)	
Subway cars	368
Average daily passenger	620,000

Privately-operated fixed-route buses	
Average daily passengers	279,000
JR (Japan Railways) Hokkaido	
Average daily passengers	223,000
Okadama Airport	
Passengers/year	
Departing passengers	134,396
Arriving passengers	133,066
Motor vehicles owned (at the end of 2018)	1,041,053

10. Roads and Snow Clearance (FY 2019)

Total length	5,715.5 km
National roads	190.2 km
Prefectural roads	239.8 km
City roads	5,285.4 km
Total length of roads plowed of snow	5,444 km
Total length of sidewalks cleared of snow	3,041 km
Total length of snow hauling	1,378 km
Road heating	547 sites
Snow-flowing gutters	8 sites
Snow-melting tank	11 sites

11. Parks and Roadside Trees (FY 2019)

Parks	2,860 (total area: 5,701.0 ha)
City parks	2,741 (total area: 2,494.0 ha)
Major parks: Odori Park, Nakajima Park, Yurigahara Park, Moerenuma Park, Asahiyama Memorial Park, etc.	
Roadside trees	227,087

12. Housing (2018)

Total residential houses	1,051,400
Dwellings by type	
Personally owned houses & apartments	447,900
Rented houses owned by local government or public corporations	32,300
Rented houses owned privately	399,200
Employee subsidized housing	14,000
Municipal public housing units (2019)	27,013
New residential houses (2019)	15,999

13. Waterworks, Sewerage and City Gas (FY 2019)

Waterworks	
Total supply capacity	191,110,000 m ³
Average daily water supply per person	266 ℓ
Diffusion rate	99.9%
Sewerage	
Diffusion rate	99.8%
Rate of flush toilets installed	99.9%
City gas	
Number of houses	442,620
Consumption	415,000,000 m ³

14. Health Service (2019)

Hospitals	203	(36,581 beds)
General clinics	1,415	(2,155 beds)
Dental clinics	1,233	(14 beds)
Public Health Office	1	
Health Centers	10	
Physicians (as of 2018)		7,475
Dentists (as of 2018)		2,406
Pharmacists (as of 2018)		5,912
Sapporo City General Hospital (daily average)		
Inpatient care		553 patients
Outpatient care		1,371 patients

15. Environment (FY 2019)

Quantity of refuse	602,220 t
Incineration disposal	447,483 t
Landfill disposal	39,285 t
Recycling	115,452 t
Quantity of collected human waste	14,134 kℓ
Incineration plants (Hassamu, Shiroishi, Komaoka)	3 sites
Capacity	2,100 t per day
City's CO ₂ emission (2018 preliminary estimate) (increased 23.7% from 1990 levels)	11,550,000 t

16. Social Welfare

Welfare services for the elderly (as of Apr. 1, 2020)	
Nursing homes	118
Long-term care facilities	129
National health insurance (at the end of FY 2019)	
Insured persons	363,360
Medical care system for people aged 75 and over (at the end of FY 2019)	
Insured persons	253,033
Long-term care insurance (at the end of FY 2019)	
Category 1 insured persons (aged 65 and over)	533,069
Long-term care certified persons	112,458
In-home service recipients (2019, monthly average)	71,296
National pension (at the end of FY 2019)	
Insured persons	376,819
Pension recipients (at the end of FY2018)	508,357
Social aid (2019, monthly average) (36.5 per 1,000 persons)	71,819
Day nurseries (2020)	
277 (city-owned: 21) with a capacity of 24,378	

17. Public Finance (FY 2020) (Billion yen)

Total Budget	1,670.9
up 1.2% from the previous fiscal year	
Revenue in General Accounts	1029.5 (100%)
up 0.7% from the previous fiscal year	
City tax	336.6 (32.7%)
Local allocation tax	106.0 (10.3%)
Treasury disbursements	241.9 (23.5%)
Miscellaneous income	83.3 (8.1%)
City debt	98.6 (9.6%)
Others	163.2 (15.8%)
Expenditure in General Accounts	1029.5 (100%)
up 0.7% from the previous fiscal year	
General service administration	39.1 (3.8%)
Public health & welfare	413.9 (40.2%)
Economy and industry	69.5 (6.7%)
Public works	107.7 (10.5%)

Fire defense	5.0	(0.5%)
Education	41.0	(4.0%)
Public debt	90.3	(8.8%)
Personnel expenses	158.0	(15.3%)
Miscellaneous expenses	84.3	(8.2%)
Others	20.7	(2.0%)
Special Accounts	371.3	
up 2.1% from the previous fiscal year		
Land readjustment	0.4	
National health insurance	183.8	
Medical care for the elderly (aged 75 and over)	27.7	
Long-term care insurance	156.8	
Others	2.5	
Public Utility Accounts	270.1	
up 1.7% from the previous fiscal year		
Hospital service	29.1	
Central wholesale market	4.1	
Light rail system	2.7	
Rapid transit system	81.1	
Waterworks	63.1	
Sewerage	89.9	

18. Education (as of May 1, 2019)

Kindergartens	110	(9)	18,529 children
Certified Children's Centers	60	(1)	10,962 children
Elementary Schools	203	(201)	90,307 students
Junior High Schools	107	(99)	44,540 students
High Schools	52	(7)	44,270 students
Middle Schools	1	(1)	943 students
Junior Colleges	7	(-)	2,436 students
Universities	17	(1)	49,665 students
Special Needs School	18	(5)	2,065 students
()-municipal schools			

19. Community Facilities (FY 2020)

Liaison centers	87
Ward community centers	10
Community centers	2
Local centers	24

20. Youth & Women's Activities (FY 2020)

	(Number of yearly users in 2019)
Kids' Halls	200 (3,842,000)
General Support Center for Youth	(70,000)
Youth Activity Centers	4 (195,000)
Sapporo Workers Welfare & Wellness Center	(392,000)
Sapporo Center for Gender Equality	(327,000)

21. Culture & Sports (FY 2019)

	(Number of yearly users)
Sapporo Education and Culture Hall	(539,000)
Sapporo Art Park	(607,000)
Sapporo Clock Tower	(244,000)
Sapporo Concert Hall "Kitara"	(301,000)
Sapporo Science Center	(294,000)
Sapporo Comprehensive Lifelong Learning Center "Chieria"	(498,000)
Shiryokan (Former Sapporo Court of Appeals)	(129,000)
Sapporo Community Plaza	(738,000)
Kanamoto Hall (Sapporo Citizens Hall)	(427,000)
Sapporo Dome	(2,818,000)
Community Dome "Tsudome"	(864,000)
Maruyama Zoo (160 species, 1000 animals)	(1,022,000)
Municipal libraries	47
Stock of books	2,710,000
Books lent out per year	5,340,000
Designated cultural properties (national: 16; prefectural: 4; municipal: 12)	32
Registered cultural properties	25
Municipal gyms	12
Municipal swimming pools	10
Municipal ice skating rinks	4
Municipal curling stadium	1
Ski slopes	6
Ski jump hills	4
"Open schools" (282 gyms, 34 playgrounds, 188 swimming pools, 16 combative sports rooms)	(1,229,000)

22. Tourism & Events

Sapporo Autumn Fest (2020)	Sep. 11 – Oct. 3
Sapporo City Jazz (2020)	Oct. 2 – Oct. 7
NoMaps2020	Oct. 14 – Oct. 18
Sapporo Chrysanthemum Festival (2020)	Nov. 3 – Nov. 5
Sapporo Art Stage (2020)	Nov. 1 – Dec. 6
19 th German Christmas Market in Sapporo (2020)	Nov. 20 – Dec. 25
40 th Sapporo White Illumination (2020)	Nov. 20 – Mar. 14
72 nd Sapporo Snow Festival (2021) (Odori/ Susukino)	Feb. 4 – Feb. 11
	(Tsudome) Jan. 31 – Feb. 11
63 rd Sapporo Lilac Festival (2021)	mid May
30 th YOSAKOI Soran Festival (2021)	early Jun.
<u>Note: Due to the COVID-19 situation, Pacific Music Festival 2020 and 67th Sapporo Summer Festival, which were scheduled to be held between July and August 2020, have been canceled. The dates of events listed above are current as of the end of June and are subject to change or cancelation depending on future conditions.</u>	
Total number of visitors (FY 2019)	15,264,000
Yearly visitors to major tourist facilities (FY 2019)	
Mt. Moiwa	810,000
Moerenuma Park	880,000
Sapporo Sato-Land Farm Park	590,000

23. International Relations

Sister cities (Relationship established)	
Portland (U.S.A.)	(November 1959)
Munich (Germany)	(August 1972)
Shenyang (China)	(November 1980)
Novosibirsk (Russia)	(June 1990)
Daejeon (Korea)	(October 2010)

24. Firefighting & Police (2019)

Fire stations	10
Fire station branches	41
Fire engines	218
Fire-fighting helicopter	1
Fires	407
(Deaths: 11 Injured: 63)	

Road traffic accidents	4,721	(Deaths: 28 Injured: 5,282)
Recognized crimes	11,047	(heinous crimes: 45)
Arrested crimes	4,691	(heinous crimes: 44)

25. City Assembly & Municipal Employees (2020)

City assembly members, fixed number	68
(LDP/Citizens Council: 27; DP/Citizens Coalition: 20; Komei: 10; JCP: 10; Shimin Network Hokkaido: 1)	
The number of municipal employees	22,107

26. Chronological Table

1869	Kaitakushi (Development Commission) established Commissioner Shima laid out the City of Sapporo
1876	Sapporo Agricultural College (present Hokkaido University) inaugurated
1878	Drill house for Sapporo Agricultural College (currently Clock Tower) completed
1880	Hoheikan (guest house) opened Train service begins between Sapporo and Otaru
1922	Municipal administration adopted for Sapporo
1927	Municipal streetcar service begins
1930	Municipal bus service begins
1937	Waterworks begins
1950	1 st Sapporo Snow Festival held
1968	Centennial of the City of Sapporo
1970	City's population reaches one million
1971	Underground Shopping Mall opened Namboku subway line begins operation City Hall rebuilt
1972	11 th Winter Olympic Games held Sapporo designated as an "autonomous city"
1976	Tozai subway line begins operation
1982	1 st Northern Intercity Conference held
1984	Sapporo Int'l Trade Fair held
1986	1 st Winter Asian Games held Sapporo's Scheme for the 21 st Century set up
1987	Anti-studded tire regulation enacted
1988	Toho subway line begins operation

1989	44 th National Athletic Meet held Shiroishi Ward split into two wards: Shiroishi and Atsubetsu
	Nishi Ward split into two wards: Nishi and Teine (9 wards in total)
1990	2 nd Winter Asian Games held
1991	1 st Pacific Music Festival (PMF) held
1995	Winter Universiade '91 Sapporo held
1997	APEC Senior Official Meeting held UN Conference on Disarmament Issues held Toyohira Ward split into two wards: Toyohira and Kiyota (10 wards in total)
1998	Moerenuma Park (planned by Isamu Noguchi) opened
1999	50 th Sapporo Snow Festival held
2000	4 th Sapporo Long-Term Comprehensive Plan (2000 – 2020) and 1 st Five-Year Plan (2000 – 2004) started
2001	Sapporo Dome opened
2002	PIARC 11th International Winter Road Congress held FIFA World Cup™ held DPI (Disabled People's International) 6 th World Assembly held
2003	IUGG (Int'l Union of Geodesy and Geophysics) General Assembly held Sapporo Convention Center opened
2004	2 nd United Nations Conference on Disarmament Issues in Sapporo held
2005	IX International Mammalogical Congress (IMC9) held
2006	The 17 th World Children's Baseball Fair 2006 in Hokkaido, Japan held 1 st Sapporo International Short Film Festival and Market held The 16 th International Microscopy Congress held Digestive Disease Week-Japan 2006 held Sapporo City University opened
2007	FIS Nordic World Ski Championships Sapporo 2007 held

2008	The 19 th United Nations Conference on Disarmament Issues in Sapporo held Sapporo Odori High School opened G8 Hokkaido Toyako Summit held
2009	Enforcement of the Sapporo City Ordinance on Rights for the Best Interests of the Child New garbage –fee system enacted
2010	Sister City relationships with Daejeon, Korea established
2011	Sapporo Ekimae-dori Underground Walkway opened Odori Park 100 th Anniversary
2012	Sapporo Curling Stadium (commonly Dohgin Curling Stadium) opened
2013	Sapporo City Development Vision (Planning period: 2013-2022)
2014	Sapporo International Art Festival 2014 held
2015	Streetcar remodeled to run in a loop
2016	Shiroishi Ward Office Complex completed
2017	8 th Asian Winter Games held
2018	Sapporo Community Plaza opened
2019	Rugby World Cup 2019 in Japan held

Natural symbols of Sapporo City

Tree:	Lilac
Flower:	Lily of the valley
Bird:	Cuckoo



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27. Chronological Table

City	Area (Oct. 1, 2019)		Population (Oct. 1, 2019)		Population by Age (Oct. 1, 2015)						City	Increase in population (2019)		Total fertility rate (2018)		Companies & Organizations (Jun. 1, 2016)			
	km ²	People	Children	Working-age	Elderly	Children	Working-age	Elderly	Private Sectors	Persons employed									
Sapporo	3	1,121.3	5	1,970,052	18	11.4	7	63.7	9	24.9	Sapporo	8	3,856	21	1.14	5	72,451	6	838,911
Sendai	7	786.4	12	1,090,263	12	12.5	4	65.0	18	22.6	Sendai	10	1,475	16	1.25	10	48,419	10	554,801
Saitama	19	217.4	10	1,312,265	7	13.2	5	64.0	17	22.8	Saitama	5	11,890	10	1.34	12	41,330	12	509,450
Chiba	17	271.8	13	980,203	9	12.7	11	62.4	9	24.9	Chiba	9	2,467	15	1.28	18	29,326	14	406,378
Tokyo's 23 wards	9	627.6	1	9,644,079	21	11.0	2	67.0	19	22.0	Tokyo's 23 wards	1	83,991	19	1.19	1	494,337	1	7,550,364
Yokohama	12	437.7	2	3,748,781	9	12.7	5	64.0	16	23.4	Yokohama	6	8,985	14	1.32	4	114,930	3	1,475,974
Kawasaki	21	143.0	7	1,530,457	8	12.8	1	67.7	21	19.5	Kawasaki	3	13,890	8	1.39	13	40,934	11	543,812
Sagamihara	15	328.9	19	722,828	14	12.4	8	63.6	14	23.9	Sagamihara	11	-67	18	1.24	21	22,480	21	248,832
Niigata	8	726.5	17	789,368	15	12.2	16	60.8	4	27.0	Niigata	20	-4,403	11	1.33	15	35,510	16	364,667
Shizuoka	2	1,411.8	21	691,185	15	12.2	20	59.3	2	28.6	Shizuoka	18	-4,120	11	1.33	16	35,194	18	340,623
Hamamatsu	1	1,558.1	16	791,770	4	13.6	18	60.0	7	26.4	Hamamatsu	15	-2,253	3	1.51	14	35,552	15	367,526
Nagoya	16	326.5	4	2,327,557	12	12.5	10	63.3	12	24.2	Nagoya	7	6,926	7	1.42	3	119,510	4	1,417,153
Kyoto	5	827.8	9	1,466,264	19	11.3	13	62.0	6	26.7	Kyoto	16	-2,824	16	1.25	7	70,637	7	739,542
Osaka	18	225.3	3	2,740,202	20	11.2	8	63.6	8	25.3	Osaka	2	16,480	20	1.16	2	179,252	2	2,209,412
Sakai	20	149.8	15	827,971	4	13.6	19	59.5	5	26.9	Sakai	17	-2,986	6	1.43	19	28,733	19	314,806
Kobe	10	557.0	8	1,522,944	15	12.2	17	60.7	3	27.1	Kobe	19	-4,366	9	1.37	8	66,882	8	727,130
Okayama	6	790.0	20	708,481	3	13.7	15	61.5	11	24.7	Okayama	12	-268	5	1.46	17	31,798	17	341,398
Hiroshima	4	906.7	11	1,199,365	1	14.2	12	62.1	15	23.7	Hiroshima	13	-363	4	1.49	9	53,327	9	581,331
Kitakyushu	11	491.7	14	940,141	11	12.6	21	58.1	1	29.3	Kitakyushu	21	-5,322	1	1.61	11	41,772	13	434,714
Fukuoka	14	343.5	6	1,592,657	6	13.3	3	66.0	20	20.7	Fukuoka	4	13,306	11	1.33	6	72,284	5	866,930
Kumamoto	13	390.3	18	739,393	2	14.1	14	61.7	12	24.2	Kumamoto	14	-405	2	1.56	20	28,310	20	305,105

City	Factories (4 or more employees)		Wholesale (Jun. 1, 2016)			Retail (Jun. 1, 2016)			Citizens' Accounts (FY 2017)				Jobs-to-applicants ratio (FY 2018)					
	Value of shipped goods, etc. (2017)		Private Sectors	Value of annual sales (2015)		Private Sectors	Value of annual sales (2015)		Citywide gross domestic product (nominal)		Real rate of economic growth			Citizen income, per capita				
	100 million yen			100 million yen			100 million yen		100 million yen		%		1,000 yen		Active opening ratio			
Sapporo	20	5,604	5	5,283	5	76,662	8	8,884	5	22,899	4	69,157	4	2.2	13	2,748	19	1.25
Sendai	17	9,224	7	4,833	6	76,327	11	6,360	9	14,914	9	53,880	12	0.6	5	3,461	8	1.91
Saitama	18	8,594	12	2,465	9	38,397	12	5,660	11	13,785		-		-		-	17	1.41
Chiba	14	12,229	18	1,654	12	25,704	19	4,207	13	11,119	10	38,320	9	1.4	10	3,122	10	1.77
Tokyo's 23 wards	8	29,130	1	32,903	1	1,631,396	1	53,679	1	150,767	1	1,062,382	10	0.8	1	5,421	1	2.55
Yokohama	2	39,975	6	5,032	7	66,877	3	15,193	3	40,119	2	136,999	3	2.4	6	3,373	16	1.47
Kawasaki	1	40,929	19	1,362	17	17,945	16	5,332	12	12,287	7	63,651	7	1.7	3	3,744	21	1.01
Sagamihara	13	13,773	21	841	21	5,311	21	2,910	21	6,637		-		-		-	20	1.11
Niigata	15	11,451	13	2,335	14	22,708	13	5,650	15	9,611	12	31,457	7	1.7	11	2,979	9	1.87
Shizuoka	11	19,791	11	2,518	15	21,723	14	5,507	18	7,968		-		-		-	6	2.12
Hamamatsu	12	19,501	16	2,168	16	19,234	15	5,447	16	9,334	11	31,766	1	4.8	7	3,233	12	1.68
Nagoya	5	34,904	3	10,289	3	238,838	4	13,855	4	34,756	3	135,860	4	2.2	2	3,787	3	2.46
Kyoto	9	26,138	9	3,798	11	35,337	5	10,630	8	18,296	5	66,008	12	0.6	9	3,206	13	1.62
Osaka	3	36,816	2	16,524	2	369,855	2	19,811	2	45,782		-		-		-	1	2.55
Sakai	4	35,187	20	1,246	20	9,914	20	3,858	20	7,632		-		-		-	18	1.27
Kobe	6	32,556	10	3,419	10	37,796	6	9,389	7	18,687	6	65,470	6	2.1	8	3,216	14	1.56
Okayama	16	10,182	15	2,196	13	23,099	17	4,599	17	8,842	13	28,578	11	0.7	11	2,979	5	2.16
Hiroshima	7	32,076	8	4,290	8	63,808	9	7,341	10	14,633	8	56,731	2	2.9	4	3,528	4	2.27
Kitakyushu	10	21,309	14	2,200	18	16,472	10	6,793	14	10,495		-		-		-	15	1.51
Fukuoka	19	5,720	4	6,557	4	116,033	7	9,330	6	21,399		-		-		-	11	1.75
Kumamoto	21	4,674	17	1,822	19	15,120	18	4,292	19	7,800		-		-		-	7	1.97