



2021 Statistics on Returned Farmers & Fishermen, and Migrators to Rural Regions

1. Returned Farmers

□ (Returned farmer households)

The number of returned farmer households was 14,347 households in 2021, which grew by 1,858 households (14.9%) from 12,489 households in 2020.

- The average returned farmer household size stood at 1.38 persons in 2021, dropping 0.02 person from 1.40 persons in 2020.

* Year-on-year percent change in returned farmer households (%): (2018) \triangle 5.3 \rightarrow (2019) \triangle 4.5 \rightarrow (2020) 9.3 \rightarrow (2021) 14.9

<Returned farmer households and average household size>

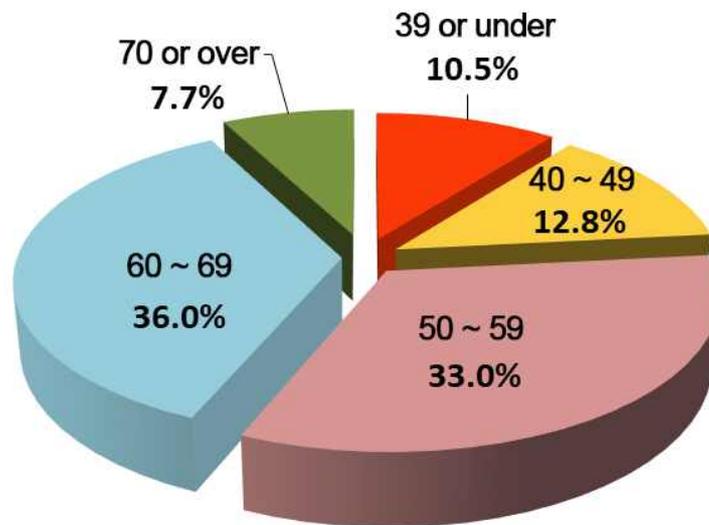


□ (Characteristics of returned farmer household heads)

The average age of returned farmer household heads stood at 55.8 years in 2021. Males accounted for 67.5% of the total returned farmer household heads.

- As for returned farmer household heads by age group, heads aged '50~59' and '60~69' occupied 33.0% and 36.0%, respectively. These two age groups took up 69.0% of the total returned farmer household heads.

<Composition of returned farmer household heads by age group>

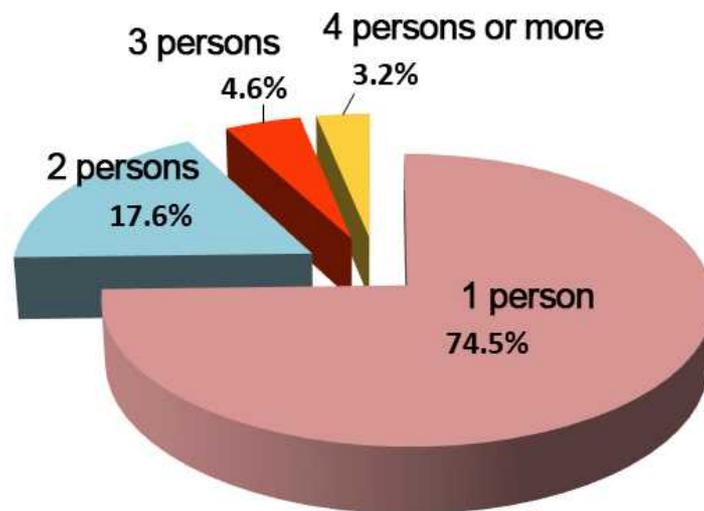


□ **(Characteristics of returned farmer households)**

1-person households took up 74.5% of the total returned farmer households.

- Unmixed returned farmer households, in other words, households consisting of only returned farmer household members, occupied 86.8%. Whereas, mixed returned farmer households, in other words, households consisting of returned farmer household members as well as residents in rural areas, occupied 13.2%.

<Composition of returned farmer households by household size>

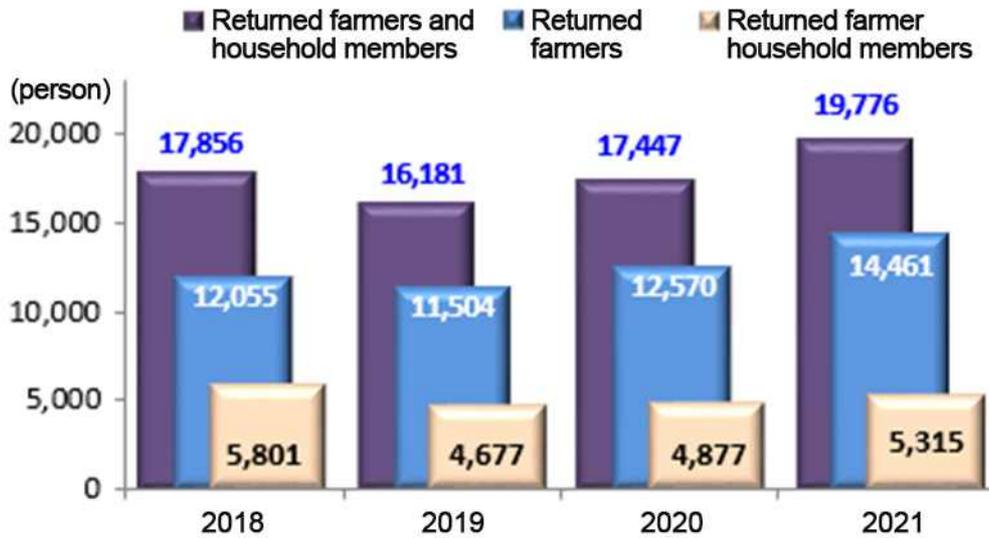


□ **(Size of returned farmer household members)**

Returned farmers and their household members recorded 19,776 persons in 2021, increasing by 2,329 persons (13.3%) from 17,447 persons in 2020.

- Returned farmers totaled 14,461 persons in 2021, rising by 1,891 persons (15.0%) from 12,570 persons in 2020. Their household members totaled 5,315 persons in 2021, rising by 438 persons (9.0%) from 2020.

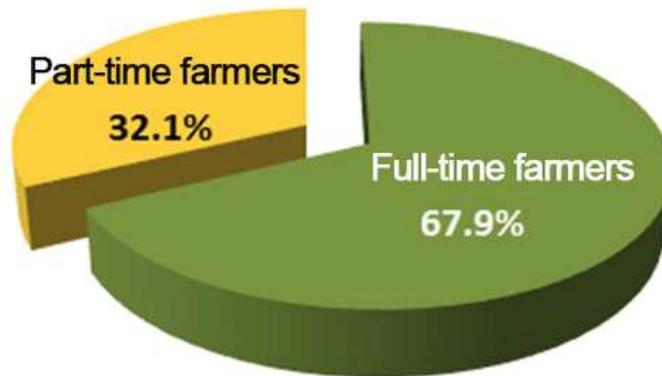
<Size of returned farmers and returned farmer household members>



□ **(Returned farmers by type)**

Full-time returned farmers amounted to 9,814 persons, which occupied 67.9% of the total returned farmers. In the meantime, part-time returned farmers amounted to 4,647 persons, which occupied 32.1% of the total returned farmers.

<Composition of returned farmers by type>



2. Returned Fishermen

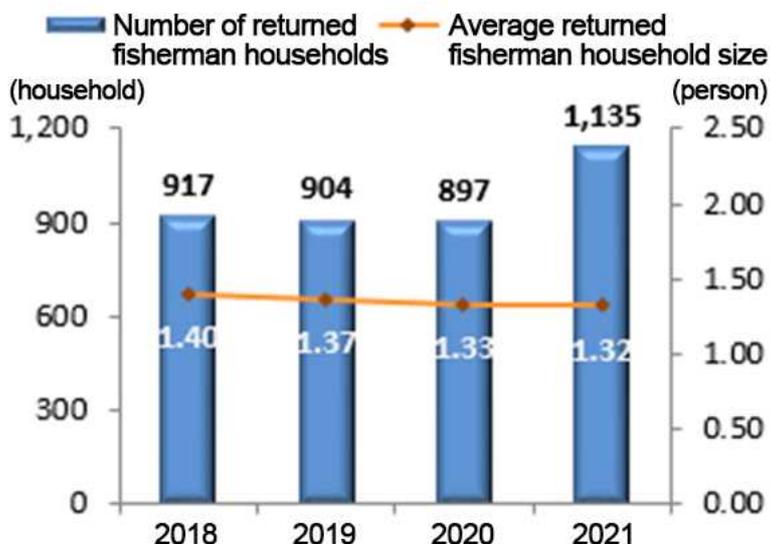
□ **(Returned fisherman households)**

The number of returned fisherman households was 1,135 households in 2021, which grew by 238 households (26.5%) from 897 households in 2020.

- The average returned fisherman household size was 1.32 persons in 2021, down 0.01 person compared to 1.33 persons in 2020.

* Year-on-year percent change in returned fisherman households (%): (2018) 1.2 → (2019) △1.4 → (2020) △0.8 → (2021) 26.5

<Returned fisherman households and average returned fisherman household size>

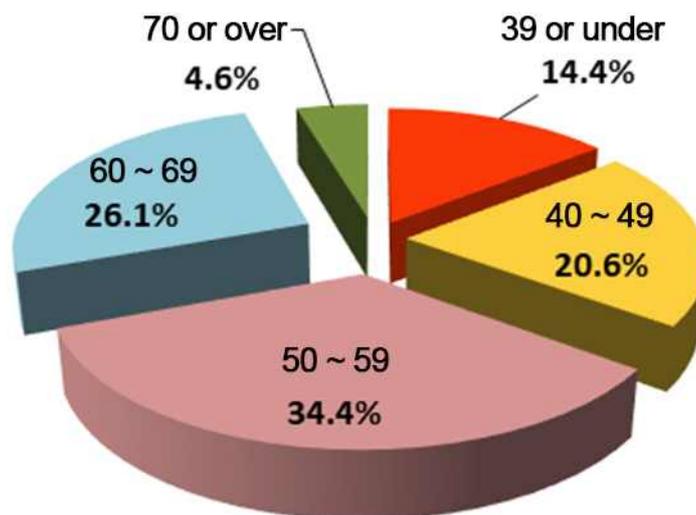


□ **(Characteristics of returned fisherman household heads)**

The average age of returned fisherman household heads stood at 52.6 years in 2021. Males accounted for 66.3% of the total returned fisherman household heads.

- As for returned fisherman household heads by age group, heads aged '50~59' and '60~69' occupied 34.4% and 26.1%, respectively. These two age groups took up 60.5% of the total returned fisherman household heads.

<Composition of returned fisherman household heads by age group>

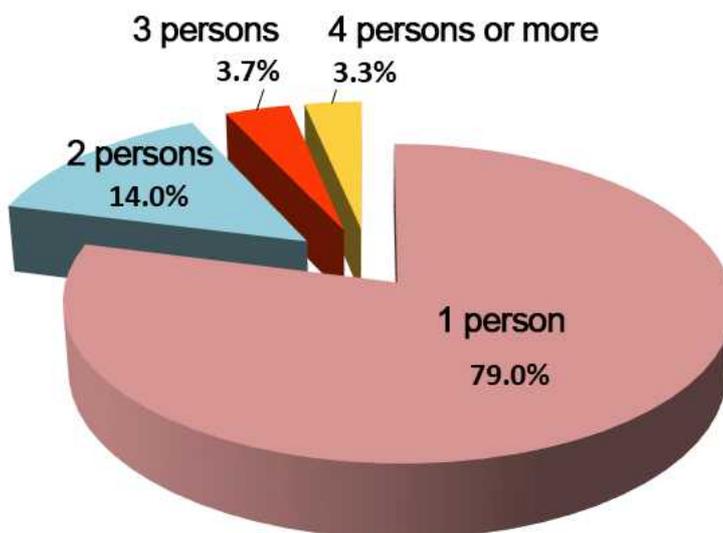


□ **(Characteristics of returned fisherman households)**

1-person households took up 79.0% of the total returned fisherman households.

- Unmixed returned fisherman households, in other words, households consisting of only returned fisherman household members, occupied 71.9%. Whereas, mixed returned fisherman households, in other words, households consisting of returned fisherman household members as well as residents in fishing villages, occupied 28.1%.

<Composition of returned fisherman households by household size>

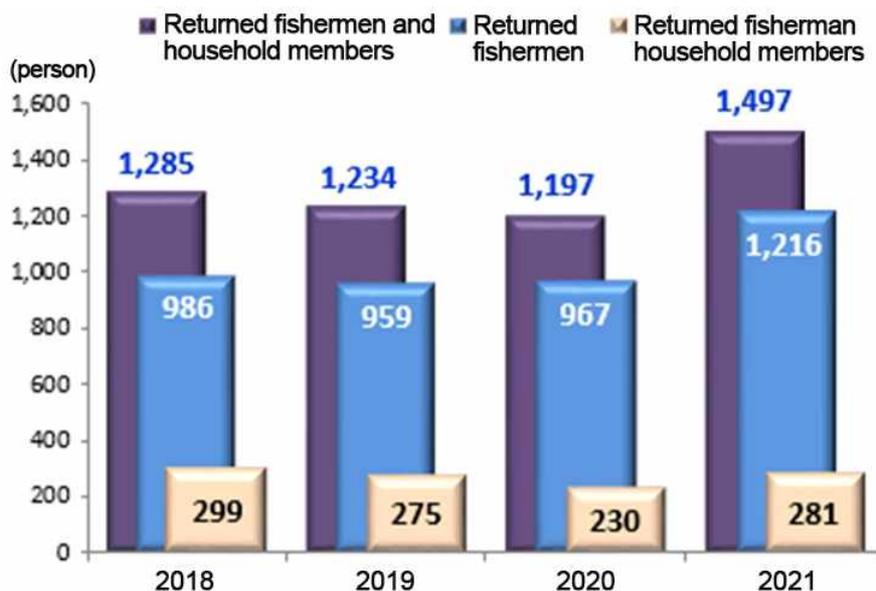


□ **(Size of returned fisherman household members)**

Returned fishermen and their household members totaled 1,497 persons in 2021, rising by 300 persons (25.1%) compared to 1,197 persons in 2020.

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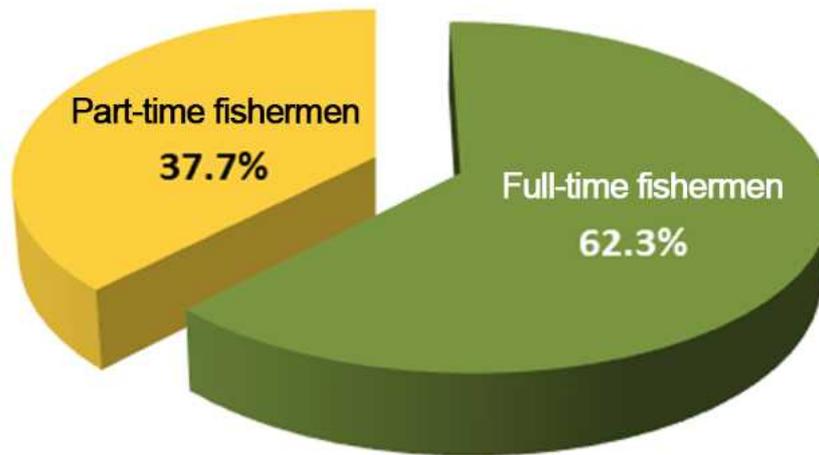
<Size of returned fishermen and household members>



□ **(Returned fishermen by type)**

Full-time returned fishermen amounted to 758 persons, which occupied 62.3% of the total returned fishermen. In the meantime, part-time returned fishermen amounted to 458 persons, which occupied 37.7% of the total returned fishermen.

<Composition of returned fishermen by type>



3. Migrants to Rural Regions

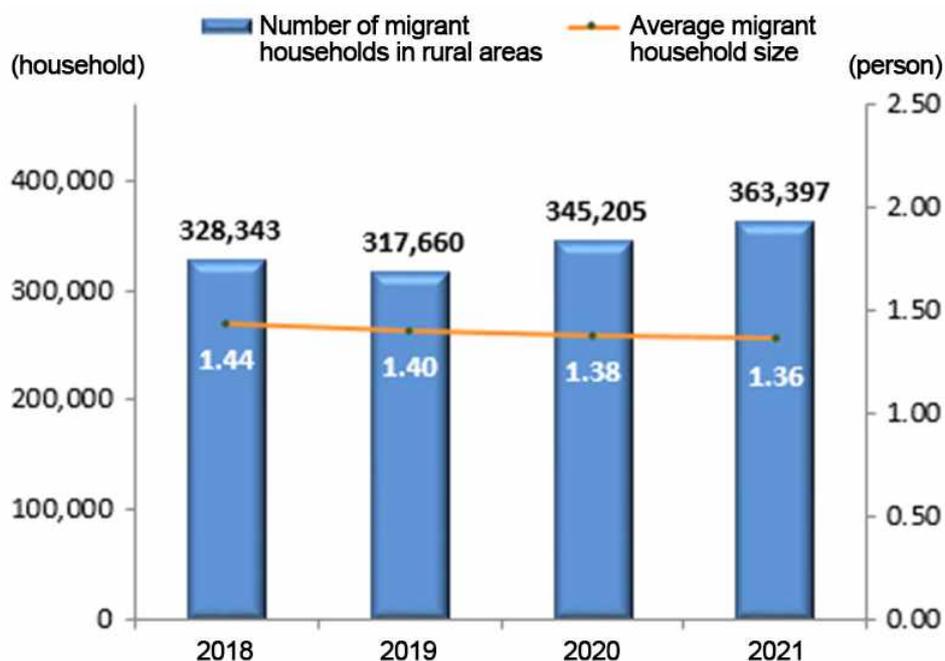
□ **(Migrant households in rural areas)**

The number of migrant households in rural areas was 363,397 households in 2021, which rose by 18,192 households (5.3%) from 345,205 households in 2020.

- The average migrant household size was 1.36 persons in 2021, falling by 0.02 person from 1.38 persons in 2020.

* Year-on-year percent change in migrant households in rural areas (%): (2018) $\triangle 1.7$ \rightarrow (2019) $\triangle 3.3$ \rightarrow (2020) 8.7 \rightarrow (2021) 5.3

<Migrant households in rural areas and average migrant household size>

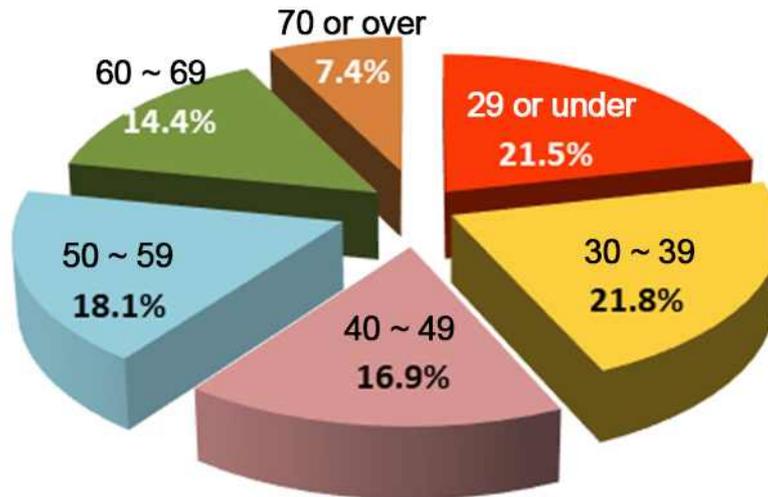


□ **(Characteristics of migrant household heads)**

The average age of migrant household heads stood at 45.2 years in 2021. Males accounted for 60.8% of the total migrant household heads.

- As for migrant household heads by age group, heads aged '30~39', '29 or under' and '50~59' occupied 21.8%, 21.5% and 18.1%, respectively.

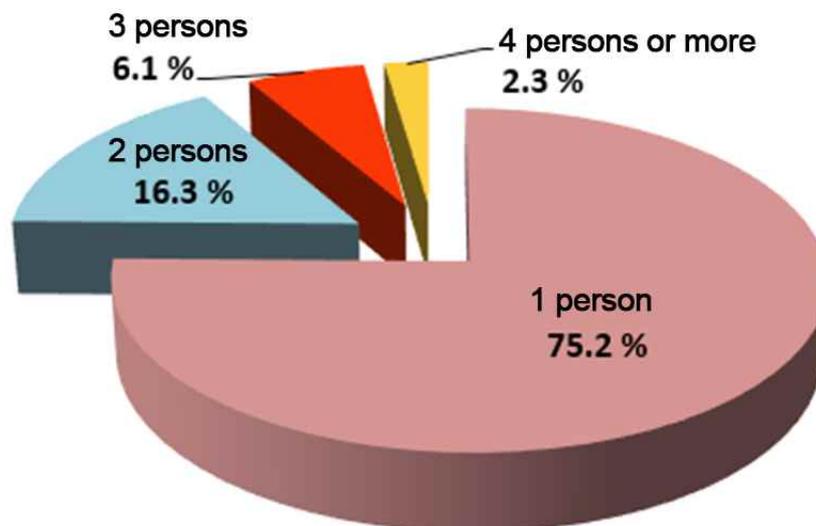
<Composition of migrant household heads by age group>



□ **(Characteristics of migrant households)**

1-person households occupied 75.2% of the total migrant households in rural areas.

- Unmixed migrant households in rural areas, in other words, households consisting of only migrant household members, occupied 72.6%. Whereas, mixed migrant households, in other words, households consisting of migrant household members as well as residents in rural areas and fishing villages, occupied 27.4%.

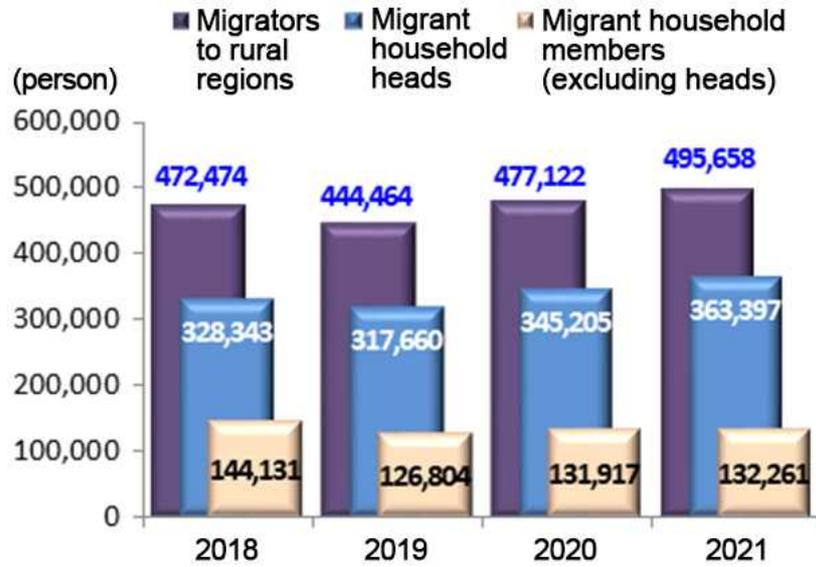


□ **(Size of migrant household members)**

The number of migrators to rural regions recorded 495,658 persons in 2021, increasing by 18,536 persons (3.9%) from 477,122 persons in 2020.

- The average age of migrators to rural regions stood at 42.8 years in 2021. Migrators to rural regions aged 29 or less occupied the largest share at 26.0%, which was followed by those aged 30~39 (20.8%) and those aged 50~59 (16.9%).

<Migrators to rural regions and migrant household members>



□ **(Residence region before migration)**

As for residence region before migration, Gyeonggi recorded the highest figure of 131,805 persons (26.6%), which was followed by Seoul (72,658 persons, 14.7%) and Gyeongnam (33,032 persons, 6.7%). Migrants from Seoul Capital Area (Seoul, Incheon and Gyeonggi) accounted for 45.5%.