# Marriage and Divorce Statistics in 2014

## I. Marriage

The number of marriages fell by 5.4 percent from the previous year. The mean age at first marriage was 32.4 years for males and 29.8 years for females.

- The number of marriages went down by 17.3 thousand cases (5.4 percent) to 305.5 thousand cases in 2014.
  - The crude marriage rate (the number of marriages per 1,000 people) stood at 6.0 cases in 2014, down 0.4 from 2013.

[ Table ] Number of marriages and crude marriage rate

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Number of marriages (thousand cases)	308.6	314.3	330.6	343.6	327.7	309.8	326.1	329.1	327.1	322.8	305.5
Change (thousand cases)	6.1	5.7	16.3	12.9	-15.8	-18.0	16.3	3.0	-2.0	-4.3	-17.3
Percent (%)	2.0	1.8	5.2	3.9	-4.6	-5.5	5.3	0.9	-0.6	-1.3	-5.4
Crude marriage rate*	6.4	6.5	6.8	7.0	6.6	6.2	6.5	6.6	6.5	6.4	6.0

<sup>\*</sup> The number of marriages per 1,000 population

The mean age at first marriage for males was 32.4 years in 2014, up 0.2 from 2013. The mean age at first marriage for females was 29.8 years in 2014, up 0.2 from 2013.

[ Table ] Mean age at first marriage and remarriage

(Unit: year)

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		2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	From	From
													2013	2004
First	Males	30.5	30.9	31.0	31.1	31.4	31.6	31.8	31.9	32.1	32.2	32.4	0.2	1.9
marriage	Females	27.5	27.7	27.8	28.1	28.3	28.7	28.9	29.1	29.4	29.6	29.8	0.2	2.3
Damarriana	Males	43.8	44.1	44.4	44.8	45.0	45.7	46.1	46.3	46.6	46.8	47.1	0.4	3.4
Remarriage	Females	39.2	39.6	39.7	40.1	40.3	41.1	41.6	41.9	42.3	42.5	43.0	0.5	3.8

- The number of marriages with foreign spouses declined by 2.6 thousand cases (10.2 percent) to 23.3 thousand cases in 2014.
  - The marriage between Korean males and foreign females fell by 11.8 percent from the previous year.
  - The marriage between Korean females and foreign males dropped by 6.4 percent from the previous year.

#### [ Table ] Marriage with a foreign spouse

(Unit: thousand cases, %)

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	2004	2005	5	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Number of marriages	308.6	314	1.3	330.6	343.6	327.7	309.8	326.1	329.1
Marriage with a foreign spouse	34.6	42	2.4	38.8	37.6	36.2	33.3	34.2	29.8
Korean males and foreign females	25.1	30	).7	29.7	28.6	28.2	25.1	26.3	22.3
Korean females and foreign males	9.5	11	1.6	9.1	9.0	8.0	8.2	8.0	7.5
	2012		2013		2014			Year-on-year	
	2012		4	2013	2014		ercent	percent	change
Number of marriages	3:	27.1		322.8	3	05.5	100.0		-5.4
Marriage with a foreign spouse		28.3		26.0		23.3	7.6		-10.2
Korean males and foreign females		20.6		18.3		16.2	5.3		-11.8
Korean females and foreign males		7.7		7.7		7.2	2.3		-6.4

### Ⅱ. Divorce

The number of divorces rose by 0.2 percent from 2013. The mean duration of marriage for divorces was 14.3 years in 2014.

- The number of divorces was 115.5 thousand cases in 2014, which rose by 0.2 thousand cased (or 0.2 percent) from 2013.
  - The crude divorce rate (the number of divorces per 1,000 people) stood at 2.3 cases in 2014, which remained the same as the previous year.

[ Table ] Number of divorces, crude divorce rate and divorce rate of married people

		2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
	mber of divorces ousand cases)	138.9	128.0	124.5	124.1	116.5	124.0	116.9	114.3	114.3	115.3	115.5
	Change (thousand cases)	-27.7	-10.9	-3.5	-0.5	-7.5	7.5	-7.1	-2.6	0.0	1.0	0.2
	Percent change (%)	-16.6	-7.8	-2.7	-0.4	-6.1	6.4	-5.8	-2.2	0.0	0.9	0.2
Cru	ide divorce rate*	2.9	2.6	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.5	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3
	orce rate of married ople**	6.0	5.5	5.3	5.2	4.9	5.2	4.8	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7

<sup>\*</sup> The number of divorces per 1,000 population

The mean duration of marriage for divorces was 14.3 years in 2014, up 0.2 year from the previous year.

<sup>\*\*</sup> The number of divorces per 1,000 married population aged 15 and over

[ Table ] Number of divorces by mean duration of marriage at divorce

(Unit: thousand cases, % year)

				(Unit.	เทอนรส	nu cases	5, % year)
2004	Percent	2005	2000	6 20	07	2008	2009
138.9	(100.0	) 128.	0 12	24.5	124.1	116.5	124.0
35.0	(25.2)	) 33.	1 3	33.0	33.7	33.1	33.7
31.8	(22.9)	28.	5 2	27.3	25.5	21.7	23.6
26.3	(18.9)	23.	6 2	22.4	21.7	18.3	20.0
20.5	(14.7)	) 18.	9 1	8.0	18.3	16.5	18.4
25.4	(18.3)	) 23.	9 2	23.8	25.0	26.9	28.3
14.2	(10.2)	) 12.	6 1	2.0	11.7	11.9	12.8
6.6	(4.7)	) 6.	5	6.7	7.2	7.9	8.3
4.6	(3.3)	) 4.	8	5.2	6.1	7.1	7.2
12.0		- 12.	0 1	2.1	12.3	12.8	12.9
2010	2011	2012	2013	2014		Yeaı	-on-year
2010	2011	2012	2013	2017	Perce	nt perce	nt change
116.9	114.3	114.3	115.3	115.5	100	).0	0.2
31.5	30.7	28.2	27.3	27.2	23	3.5	-0.5
22.0	21.7	21.5	21.5	22.0	19	0.0	2.0
18.6	17.4	17.7	16.9	16.3	14	l.1	-3.4
16.9	16.2	16.6	17.2	17.0	14	l.7	-1.2
27.8	28.3	30.2	32.4	33.1	28	3.7	2.2
12.6	12.6	13.6	14.4	14.2	12	2.3	-1.1
7.7	7.7	8.0	8.7	8.6	1	1	-0.9
7.5	7.9	8.6	9.4	10.3	8	3.9	10.1
40.0	400	40.7	444	440			1.5
	138.9 35.0 31.8 26.3 20.5 25.4 14.2 6.6 4.6 12.0 2010 116.9 31.5 22.0 18.6 16.9 27.8 12.6 7.7 7.5	138.9 (100.0 35.0 (25.2 31.8 (22.9 26.3 (18.9 20.5 (14.7 25.4 (18.3 14.2 (10.2 6.6 (4.7 4.6 (3.3 12.0  2010 2011  116.9 114.3 31.5 30.7 22.0 21.7 18.6 17.4 16.9 16.2 27.8 28.3 12.6 12.6 7.7 7.7 7.5 7.9	Percent         138.9       (100.0)       128.         35.0       (25.2)       33.         31.8       (22.9)       28.         26.3       (18.9)       23.         20.5       (14.7)       18.         25.4       (18.3)       23.         14.2       (10.2)       12.         6.6       (4.7)       6.         4.6       (3.3)       4.         12.0       -       12.         2010       2011       2012         116.9       114.3       114.3         31.5       30.7       28.2         22.0       21.7       21.5         18.6       17.4       17.7         16.9       16.2       16.6         27.8       28.3       30.2         12.6       13.6       7.7         7.7       7.7       8.0         7.5       7.9       8.6	Percent           138.9         (100.0)         128.0         12           35.0         (25.2)         33.1         3           31.8         (22.9)         28.5         2           26.3         (18.9)         23.6         2           20.5         (14.7)         18.9         1           25.4         (18.3)         23.9         2           14.2         (10.2)         12.6         1           6.6         (4.7)         6.5         6.5           4.6         (3.3)         4.8           12.0         -         12.0         1           2010         2011         2012         2013           16.9         114.3         114.3         115.3           31.5         30.7         28.2         27.3           22.0         21.7         21.5         21.5           18.6         17.4         17.7         16.9           16.9         16.2         16.6         17.2           27.8         28.3         30.2         32.4           12.6         12.6         13.6         14.4           7.7         7.7         8.0         8.7	2004         Percent         2005         2006         20           138.9         (100.0)         128.0         124.5           35.0         (25.2)         33.1         33.0           31.8         (22.9)         28.5         27.3           26.3         (18.9)         23.6         22.4           20.5         (14.7)         18.9         18.0           25.4         (18.3)         23.9         23.8           14.2         (10.2)         12.6         12.0           6.6         (4.7)         6.5         6.7           4.6         (3.3)         4.8         5.2           12.0         -         12.0         12.1           2010         2011         2012         2013         2014           116.9         114.3         114.3         115.3         115.5           31.5         30.7         28.2         27.3         27.2           22.0         21.7         21.5         21.5         22.0           18.6         17.4         17.7         16.9         16.3           16.9         16.2         16.6         17.2         17.0           27.8         28.3	2004         Percent         2005         2006         2007           138.9         (100.0)         128.0         124.5         124.1           35.0         (25.2)         33.1         33.0         33.7           31.8         (22.9)         28.5         27.3         25.5           26.3         (18.9)         23.6         22.4         21.7           20.5         (14.7)         18.9         18.0         18.3           25.4         (18.3)         23.9         23.8         25.0           14.2         (10.2)         12.6         12.0         11.7           6.6         (4.7)         6.5         6.7         7.2           4.6         (3.3)         4.8         5.2         6.1           12.0         -         12.0         12.1         12.3           2010         2011         2012         2013         2014         Perce           116.9         114.3         114.3         115.3         115.5         100           31.5         30.7         28.2         27.3         27.2         23           22.0         21.7         21.5         21.5         22.0         19 <tr< td=""><td>Tercent           138.9         (100.0)         128.0         124.5         124.1         116.5           35.0         (25.2)         33.1         33.0         33.7         33.1           31.8         (22.9)         28.5         27.3         25.5         21.7           26.3         (18.9)         23.6         22.4         21.7         18.3           20.5         (14.7)         18.9         18.0         18.3         16.5           25.4         (18.3)         23.9         23.8         25.0         26.9           14.2         (10.2)         12.6         12.0         11.7         11.9           6.6         (4.7)         6.5         6.7         7.2         7.9           4.6         (3.3)         4.8         5.2         6.1         7.1           12.0         -         12.0         12.1         12.3         12.8           2010         2011         2012         2013         2014         Percent         Percent           116.9         114.3         114.3         115.3         115.5         100.0           31.5         30.7         28.2         27.3         27.2         23</td></tr<>	Tercent           138.9         (100.0)         128.0         124.5         124.1         116.5           35.0         (25.2)         33.1         33.0         33.7         33.1           31.8         (22.9)         28.5         27.3         25.5         21.7           26.3         (18.9)         23.6         22.4         21.7         18.3           20.5         (14.7)         18.9         18.0         18.3         16.5           25.4         (18.3)         23.9         23.8         25.0         26.9           14.2         (10.2)         12.6         12.0         11.7         11.9           6.6         (4.7)         6.5         6.7         7.2         7.9           4.6         (3.3)         4.8         5.2         6.1         7.1           12.0         -         12.0         12.1         12.3         12.8           2010         2011         2012         2013         2014         Percent         Percent           116.9         114.3         114.3         115.3         115.5         100.0           31.5         30.7         28.2         27.3         27.2         23

<sup>\*</sup> Including 'Unidentified'

[ Table ] Number of divorces by minor child

(Unit: thousand cases, %)

2004	Percent	2005	200	6 20	007	200	8	2009
138.9	(100.0	)) 128	3.0 1	24.5	124.1	1	16.5	124.0
91.1	(65.6	S) 8 <sup>-</sup>	1.2	75.7	72.8		63.0	68.5
39.1	(28.1	) 35	5.0	33.4	32.2		28.5	31.5
45.5	(32.8	3) 40	).2	36.9	35.2		29.8	31.9
6.5	(4.7	7) (	6.0	5.5	5.4		4.7	5.1
46.4	(33.4	l) 45	5.4	48.2	50.9	;	52.9	55.1
2010	2011	2012	2013	2014			Year	-on-year
2010	2011	2012	2013	2017	Perce	ent p	ercer	nt change
116.9	114.3	114.3	115.3	115.5	5 10	0.00		0.2
62.9	60.1	60.3	59.0	57.2	2 4	19.5		-3.1
30.0	29.0	29.9	30.1	30.0	) 2	25.9		-0.5
28.3	26.7	26.2	24.7	23.3	3 2	20.2		-5.4
4.6	4.4	4.1	4.2	3.9	)	3.3		-8.4
53.7	53.9	53.7	56.1	58.1		50.3		3.5
	138.9 91.1 39.1 45.5 6.5 46.4 2010 116.9 62.9 30.0 28.3 4.6	138.9 (100.0 91.1 (65.6 39.1 (28.1 45.5 (32.8 6.5 (4.7 46.4 (33.4 2010 2011 116.9 114.3 62.9 60.1 30.0 29.0 28.3 26.7 4.6 4.4	138.9 (100.0) 128 91.1 (65.6) 87 39.1 (28.1) 38 45.5 (32.8) 40 6.5 (4.7) 6 46.4 (33.4) 48  2010 2011 2012  116.9 114.3 114.3 62.9 60.1 60.3 30.0 29.0 29.9 28.3 26.7 26.2 4.6 4.4 4.1	Percent           138.9         (100.0)         128.0         1           91.1         (65.6)         81.2           39.1         (28.1)         35.0           45.5         (32.8)         40.2           6.5         (4.7)         6.0           46.4         (33.4)         45.4           2010         2011         2012         2013           116.9         114.3         114.3         115.3           62.9         60.1         60.3         59.0           30.0         29.0         29.9         30.1           28.3         26.7         26.2         24.7           4.6         4.4         4.1         4.2	Percent           138.9         (100.0)         128.0         124.5           91.1         (65.6)         81.2         75.7           39.1         (28.1)         35.0         33.4           45.5         (32.8)         40.2         36.9           6.5         (4.7)         6.0         5.5           46.4         (33.4)         45.4         48.2           2010         2011         2012         2013         2014           116.9         114.3         114.3         115.3         115.5           62.9         60.1         60.3         59.0         57.2           30.0         29.0         29.9         30.1         30.0           28.3         26.7         26.2         24.7         23.3           4.6         4.4         4.1         4.2         3.9	Percent           138.9         (100.0)         128.0         124.5         124.1           91.1         (65.6)         81.2         75.7         72.8           39.1         (28.1)         35.0         33.4         32.2           45.5         (32.8)         40.2         36.9         35.2           6.5         (4.7)         6.0         5.5         5.4           46.4         (33.4)         45.4         48.2         50.9           2010         2011         2012         2013         2014         Perc           116.9         114.3         114.3         115.3         115.5         10           62.9         60.1         60.3         59.0         57.2         4           30.0         29.0         29.9         30.1         30.0         2           28.3         26.7         26.2         24.7         23.3         2           4.6         4.4         4.1         4.2         3.9	Percent           138.9         (100.0)         128.0         124.5         124.1         1           91.1         (65.6)         81.2         75.7         72.8         6           39.1         (28.1)         35.0         33.4         32.2         3           45.5         (32.8)         40.2         36.9         35.2         3           6.5         (4.7)         6.0         5.5         5.4           46.4         (33.4)         45.4         48.2         50.9           2010         2011         2012         2013         2014         Percent         p           116.9         114.3         114.3         115.3         115.5         100.0           62.9         60.1         60.3         59.0         57.2         49.5           30.0         29.0         29.9         30.1         30.0         25.9           28.3         26.7         26.2         24.7         23.3         20.2           4.6         4.4         4.1         4.2         3.9         3.3	Percent           138.9         (100.0)         128.0         124.5         124.1         116.5           91.1         (65.6)         81.2         75.7         72.8         63.0           39.1         (28.1)         35.0         33.4         32.2         28.5           45.5         (32.8)         40.2         36.9         35.2         29.8           6.5         (4.7)         6.0         5.5         5.4         4.7           46.4         (33.4)         45.4         48.2         50.9         52.9           2010         2011         2012         2013         2014         Percent         Percent         Percent           116.9         114.3         114.3         115.3         115.5         100.0

<sup>\*</sup> Including 'Unidentified'

The divorced couples who didn't have a minor child occupied 50.3 percent of the total divorced couples.

- O The number of divorces from foreign spouses declined by 0.7 thousand cases (6.9 percent) to 9.8 thousand cases in 2014.
  - In 2014, divorces from foreign spouses occupied 8.4 percent of the total divorces, down 0.6%p from 2013.

## [ Table ] Divorce from a foreign spouse

					(	Unit: tho	usand ca	ases, %)
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Number of divorces	138.9	128.0	124.5	124.1	116.5	124.0	116.9	114.3
Divorce from a foreign spouse	3.3	4.2	6.1	8.3	11.0	11.5	11.1	11.5
Korean males and foreign females	1.6	2.4	3.9	5.6	7.9	8.2	7.9	8.3
Korean females and foreign males	1.7	1.8	2.2	2.7	3.1	3.2	3.2	3.1
	0040		2010	2011			Year-on-year	
	2012	4	2013	2014		ercent	percent chang	
Number of divorces	1′	14.3	115.3	11	15.5	100.0		0.2
Divorce from a foreign spouse		10.9	10.5		9.8	8.4		-6.9
Korean males and foreign females		7.9	7.6		7.0	6.1		-7.8
Korean females and foreign		3.0	2.0		28	2.4		-47

2.9

2.8

2.4

-4.7

3.0

males