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City
News



Population and No. of
Households in Urayasu

Population: 172,316
Male: 83,252
Female: 89,064
Households: 87,977
Foreign Residents: 5,453
(As of July 31, 2025)

Crime
looms
closer than
you
think!

Watch out for bicycle theft and special scams!

Bicycle Theft



In 2024, there were 1,129 reported criminal offenses in the city. Of these, bicycle theft, a type of larceny, accounted for 436 cases, nearly half of the total. Over 60% of stolen bicycles were left unlocked. Don't assume, "It's just for a moment," or "It's in a public place, so it's safe." Make it a habit to always lock your bicycle whenever you leave it, even for a short time.

High-security locks



Cylinder Horseshoe Lock
The keyhole is cylindrical, making it more resistant to tampering.



U-Lock
Compared to wire locks, U-locks require more time to unlock, making them more effective in preventing theft.



Joint Wire Lock
Usually made with a triple-layer structure of wire, steel joints, and cover. This structure makes the lock thicker and harder to break.

Special Scams



"Special scams" is a general term for crimes in which criminals pretend to be relatives or public officials over the phone or by postcard to gain the victim's trust, then trick them into handing over cash or bank cards. They may also claim that the victim is eligible for a medical expense refund and instruct them to operate an ATM, transferring money to the criminal's account.

Victims are reported daily across Japan, and the number of cases remains high. In our city, there were 23 cases of such scams in 2024, resulting in damages of approximately 34.16 million yen. These scamming methods are becoming increasingly sophisticated, and most of these incidents begin with a single phone call. Special scams are not "someone else's problem". Be cautious, and remember, "It could happen to me too."

Note: The Chiba Prefectural Police use the term "Denwa de Sagi" (Phone Fraud) to raise awareness of the reality of special scams.

Measures to avoid becoming a victim

- Always set your phone to voicemail. Use a telephone with an unwanted call prevention feature.
- Ignore requests for money that you don't recognize.
- Don't make decisions alone. Consult with your family or the police before transferring or withdrawing money.

Contact: Citizens Safety Measures Section Tel: 712-6590



We will conduct a National Census.

The National Census is the most important statistical survey conducted by the government to get an accurate picture of Japan’s population and households. As of October 1st, everyone who usually lives in Japan, including foreigners, will be surveyed per household at their usual place of residence. The results of the survey will be used for various administrative measures essential to daily life, such as improving living environments and formulating disaster prevention plans.

Survey content

17 questions, including type of residence, number of household members, date of birth, and occupation.

Survey method

In late September, surveyors will distribute survey documents to each household. Please respond online or by paper questionnaire by Wednesday, October 8th.

*Responses by mail can be submitted starting Wednesday, October 1st.

We recommend responding online, which is available anytime, anywhere.

Once you receive the survey documents, you can respond from your smartphone, tablet, or

computer.

If you respond online, you do not need to submit a paper form. Responses are encrypted and transmitted to reduce the risk of information leaks, prevent entry errors, and limit the need for surveyors to make follow-up visits.

Be aware of National Census-related "Impersonation Surveys"

"Impersonation surveys" are fraudulent acts disguised as government statistical surveys, such as the National Census. These involve fraudsters visiting households to trick people into handing over completed questionnaires or obtaining

household information over the phone.

In actual surveys, all surveyors always carry identification. Government statistical surveys, including the National Census, never ask for money, My Number (Individual Number), bank account PINs, or credit card numbers.

Be wary of suspicious visitors or suspicious phone calls, emails, or websites pretending to be the National Census. If you have any suspicions, please notify the city immediately.

Contact: National Census Implementation Project
Tel: 314-5329



Beware of fires from lithium-ion batteries

There has been an increase in fires caused by products using lithium-ion batteries. These batteries are used in many familiar products, and because they have high capacity and powerful output, they can be very dangerous if they catch fire. Please handle them with care.

Common products using lithium-ion batteries

- Smartphones/Tablets
- Laptop computers
- Mobile batteries
- Portable fans, etc.

Examples of safe rechargeable batteries

- Those included with the device
- Those specified by the manufacturer
- Products with the "PSE mark" that meet safety standards

Usage Precautions

- Do not leave in places where the temperature rises, such as inside a hot car in summer.
- Do not forcibly remove rechargeable batteries that are built in and not meant to be taken out

Stop use if there is an abnormality

- Cannot fully charge
- Battery runs out more quickly
- Gets hot while charging
- Battery is swollen
- Unusual sounds or smells

How to dispose of rechargeable batteries

Small rechargeable batteries and small appliances with non-removable lithium-ion batteries are collected as hazardous waste. Please put them in a transparent plastic bag and take them to the collection point.

Contact: Fire Department Prevention Section
Tel: 304-0143



Urayasu Art Project - "Everyone's Ocean"

Exhibition and Production Workshop

Time: Saturday, September 6th, 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM **Location:** Urayasu Park

Details: Exhibition of the mural "Everyone's Ocean," inspired by the future ocean of Urayasu, and a production workshop.

*No registration required, just come to the venue.

VR Experience

Time: Saturday, September 6th, 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM (12 sessions, 20 minutes per session)

Location: Folk Museum

Eligible participants: Junior high school students and older who live, work, or attend school in Urayasu City. 3 people per session (2 pre-registration, 1 same-day registration), first-come, first-served.

Details: Walk through a virtual space that

composes the landscape of the reclaimed seawall along three time axes.

Registration: Register through the Urayasu Geidai official website : <https://urayasu.geidai.ac.jp> *Same-day registration starts at 9:00 AM.

Contact: Urayasu Geidai Office

Tel: 080-7356-1906 *10:00 AM - 5:00 PM (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays)

Emergency Fair

Time: Sunday, September 7th, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM *Music band performance: 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM

Location: MONA Shin-Urayasu, Shin-Urayasu Station Square

Details: Cardiopulmonary resuscitation experience, emergency equipment exhibition, fire department music band performance, ambulance and fire truck exhibition, etc.

*No registration required, just come to the venue. **Contact:** Fire Department Fire

Prevention Section **Tel:** 304-0145

Urayasu City Photo Exhibition

Time: Sunday, September 14th - Sunday, September 21st, 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM (excluding Wednesday the 17th; Until 11:00 AM on Sunday the 21st) **Location:** Citizens Plaza

Details: Exhibition of photographs taken by citizens. *No application required, just come to the venue.

Contact: Citizens Plaza **Tel:** 350-3101

Animal Welfare Week Panel Exhibition "Disaster Prevention Techniques to Protect Both People and Animals"

Time: Friday, September 19th - Friday, September 26th, 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM (Excluding Saturdays, and public holidays)

Location: City Hall (1st floor Lounge)

*No registration required, just come to the venue.

Contact: Environmental Health Section
Tel: 712-6495

Chat with Urayasu's International Students in English & Chinese! International Student Café

Time: Sunday, September 28th, 1:00 PM - 3:30 PM

Location: International Center (Inside ILMARE)

Details: Converse in small groups with international students who can speak English and Chinese.

*No registration required, just come to the venue. If you have a preferred time slot, please apply through the Urayasu International Friendship Association (UIFA) website by Thursday, September 18. :

<http://www.uifa-urayasu.jp>

Contact: International Center
Tel: 306-5181 (Local Activities Promotion Section)

A Stroll with the Mayor

The Police Station: A Cornerstone of Protecting Our Lives

The typhoon season is approaching. Please make preparations for emergencies.

While the lives of our citizens change over time, the police station has always worked to protect our lives in every era.

However, Urayasu did not have its own police station for a long time and was under the jurisdiction of the Ichikawa Police Station. Even in 1978, when urbanization progressed, there were only two police substations under the Katsunan Executive Substation in Katori, Ichikawa City. Later, with the increase in population, the Katsunan Police Station, which had jurisdiction over Urayasu City and the Gytoku area of Ichikawa City, was established at the current location of the Urayasu Police Station in March 1983. With the establishment of the Gytoku Police Station in 1995, it was renamed the Urayasu Police Station.

Currently, the police system in Urayasu City consists of the Urayasu Police Station and six Koban (police boxes). Approximately 180 police officers and staff, including the chief, are assigned to their respective duties.

The role of the police is not limited to criminal investigations and crime prevention, but also extends to traffic-related matters, disaster response, and other diverse areas in close coordination with the city hall.

The city is promoting the installation of security cameras to deter and investigate crime, with locations decided in consultation with the police station. We also work with the police on crime prevention initiatives, including preventing "Denwa de Sagi" (phone fraud).

Furthermore, activities related to traffic safety, such as watching over school routes, instructing on bicycle traffic rules, and traffic safety campaigns, are carried

Etsushi Uchida, Mayor of Urayasu City



out in cooperation with the city with the cooperation of our citizens.

In addition, the police conduct regional patrol activities and consultations using mobile police boxes, serving as a cornerstone of protecting the lives of our citizens.

The safety and security of the community depends not only on the city and the police, but also on the cooperation of all citizens. We appreciate your continued understanding and cooperation.

Recyclable Waste Disposal Schedule

Collection Area	Combustible garbage	Glass bottles, cans, PET bottles
Nekozane, Kitazakae, Todaijima	Every Mon., Wed. and Fri.	Every Tue.
Kairaku, Mihama, Irifune, Hinode, Akemi		Every Thu.
Horie, Higashino, Fujimi, Maihama, Tekkadori 3-chome	Every Tue., Thu. and Sat.	Every Wed.
Tomioka, Imagawa, Benten, Takasu, Minato, Tekkadori 1- and 2-chome, Chidori		Every Fri.

* Please put out your garbage between 7 a.m. and 8 a.m. It is against the rules to put it out earlier or later than this designated time as it could become a nuisance in your neighborhood.

* Bulky items will be collected separately on request by phone. Call the Bulky Items Reception Center ☎ 305-4000. For inquiries, contact the Garbage-Free Section ☎ 712-6467.

FOREIGN RESIDENTS' ASSISTANCE DESK

Urayasu City provides consultation services concerning daily life such as medical, educational or job-related matters.

HOURS: 10 a.m. - 12 noon, 1 - 4 p.m. weekdays

LANGUAGES: English, Chinese, and Japanese

PHONE NUMBER & LOCATION: 712-6910

Urayasu City Hall Local Activities Promotion Section

Foreign Residents Advisory Corner

Hours: Every Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., every Saturday and Sunday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Languages: English and Japanese

Phone Number & Location: 306-5181, International Center