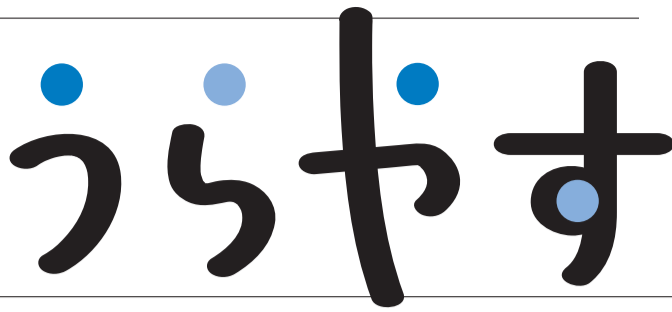




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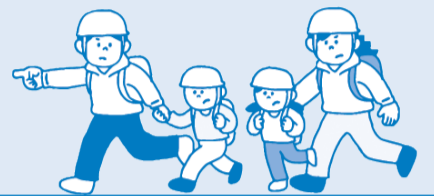
Population and No. of Households in Urayasu

Population: 169,417
Male: 82,376
Female: 87,041
Households: 83,028
Foreign Residents: 3,947
(As of June 30, 2022)



Let's Be Well Prepared for Floods

Between now and autumn, flood damages caused by typhoons are likely to occur. Urayasu City has been preparing for flood damages, but all of us can also prepare as individuals in order to minimize the damage.



Daily Preparation

- Stockpile water and food at home or at the workplace.
- Clear out clogged drains.
When obstacles block drain openings, it can cause the roads to flood.
- Consider evacuation measures suitable for your family members and the area in which you live.
 - Evacuate at home
 - Evacuate to a safe relative or acquaintance's home
 - Evacuate to a safe accommodation
 - Evacuate to a temporary retreat center



Clogged drain

Evacuation Information

Check the alert level and take appropriate action.

Alert Level 5 Emergency Safety Measures

Lives are in danger. Please ensure your safety immediately.

Alert Level 4 Evacuation Order

Everyone must evacuate from hazardous areas.

Alert Level 3 Evacuation for the Elderly, etc.

Senior citizens, the disabled, infants and their caregivers who require more time should evacuate from hazardous areas. Others should also voluntarily evacuate if they feel that they are in danger.

Alert Level 2 Heavy Rain, Flood, and High Tide Advisory

Change into clothes suitable for evacuation, prepare emergency supplies, and double check your evacuation plan.

Alert Level 1 Early Warning Information

Pay attention to the latest Disaster Prevention Weather Information updates, and be prepared for natural disasters.

Inquiries: Disaster Prevention Section **Tel:** 712-6897

What is a Temporary Retreat Center?

It is a temporary location for those who wish to evacuate on a voluntary basis. This is different from designated evacuation sites for people to live in after a disaster occurs. Urayasu City is taking the lead in the operation, and will determine which facility to open depending on the scale and circumstances of the disaster.

○ 1st Priority Facilities to Open

- ▶ Todajima Public Hall ▶ Chuo Public Hall ▶ Horie Public Hall ▶ Mihama Public Hall
- ▶ Tomioka Public Hall ▶ Hinode Public Hall ▶ Takasu Public Hall ▶ Minami Elementary School ▶ Higashi Elementary School ▶ Maihama Primary School ▶ Hokubu Primary School

Pet-Friendly Centers: ▶ Traffic Park ▶ Todajima Public Hall Car Park

○ 2nd Priority Facilities to Open

These will be selected out of public facilities, according to the situation.

Reduction/Exemption of Various Insurance Fees Due to Effects of the Novel Coronavirus Infection

National Health Insurance Tax

Eligibility:
Exemption

Households in which the primary income provider has either deceased or fallen seriously ill, due to the effects of the novel coronavirus infection.

Reduction

Households in which the primary income provider's business income, real estate income, forestry income, or salary income (hereinafter "business income") is expected to decrease due to the effects of the novel coronavirus infection. Such households must meet all of the criteria below.

- ▶ The amount of decrease in business income (after deducting compensation costs such as insurance and indemnity claims) is expected to be three tenths or more than the business income of FY2021.
- ▶ The total income of FY2021 is 10 million yen or less.
- ▶ The total income of the previous year, excluding the business income amount which is expected to decrease, is 4 million yen or less.

Note: For more information on how to apply, please visit the Urayasu City website.

Inquiries: National Health Insurance & Pension Section **Tel:** 712-6280

Medical Insurance Fees for the Latter-Stage Elderly

Eligibility:
Exemption

Households in which the primary income provider has either deceased or fallen seriously ill, due to the effects of the novel coronavirus infection.

Reduction

Households in which the primary income provider's business income, real estate income, forestry income, or salary income is expected to decrease due to the effects of the novel coronavirus infection. Such households must meet all of the criteria below.

- ▶ The amount of decrease in the primary income provider's business income, real estate income, forestry income, or salary income (after deducting compensation costs such as insurance and indemnity claims) is expected to be three tenths or more than the business income of FY2021.
- ▶ The primary income provider's total income of FY2021 is 10 million yen or less.
- ▶ The primary income provider's total income amount of FY2021, excluding the income amount which is expected to decrease, is 4 million yen or less.

Note: For more information on how to apply, please visit the Urayasu City website.

Inquiries: National Health Insurance & Pension Section **Tel:** 712-6274

Nursing Care Insurance Fee (65 years of age and older [Primary Insured Person])

Eligibility:
Exemption

Households in which the primary income provider has either deceased or fallen seriously ill, due to the effects of the novel coronavirus infection.

Reduction

Households in which the primary income provider's business income, real estate income, forestry income, or salary income (hereinafter "business income") is expected to decrease due to the effects of the novel coronavirus infection. Such households must meet all of the criteria below.

- ▶ The amount of decrease in business income (after deducting compensation costs such as insurance and indemnity claims) is three tenths or more than the business income of the previous year.
- ▶ The total income of the previous year, excluding the amount related to the business income which is expected to decrease, is 4 million yen or less.

Note: For more information on how to apply, please visit the Urayasu City website.

Inquiries: Nursing Insurance Section **Tel:** 712-6403

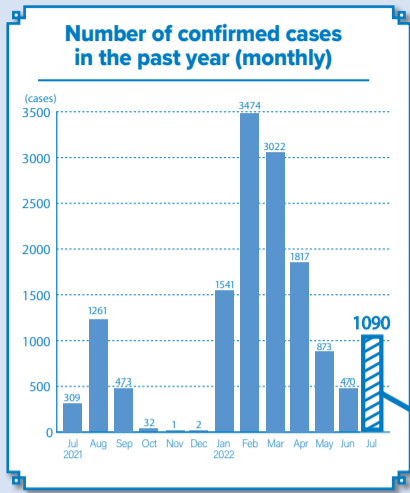
National Pension Insurance Fees

If your income has decreased considerably due to the effects of the novel coronavirus infection, you may apply for an exemption as a temporary special benefit.

For more information, please visit the Japan Pension Service website:
<https://www.nenkin.go.jp>

Inquiries: Ichikawa Pension Office **Tel:** 047-704-1177
National Health Insurance & Pension Section **Tel:** 712-6282

Novel Coronavirus Infection is Spreading



Inquiries: Health Promotion Section
Tel: 381-9053

The number of infected cases are rising in Urayasu City, which means the infection is spreading again.

As summer vacation begins, it's likely that you will be visiting places with large crowds of people. We ask for your continued cooperation in taking basic preventative measures to avoid infection, such as sanitizing your hands.

Currently as of July 14

- Home Help Service for Single-Parent Households
- Employment Support for Independence of Single-Parent Families
- Single-Parent and Child Welfare Fund/Widow's Welfare Fund
- Support from the Single-Parent Family Welfare Association (Himawari-kai)
- Newsletters for Single-Parent Households

FY2022 Temporary Special Cash Benefits for Tax-exempt Households

In order to mitigate the effects of the novel coronavirus infections, cash benefits of 100,000 yen per household will be provided to households that are exempt from residential tax and are facing sudden financial changes. Please inquire for details on eligibility and application procedures.

Note: Not applicable to households that have already received the 2021 Temporary Special Benefits (tax-exempt households or households facing sudden financial changes). A confirmation notice will be sent to tax-exempt households who are eligible to receive benefits this year.

Inquiries: Persons in charge of Temporary Special Cash Benefits for Tax-exempt Households (Social Welfare Section) **Tel:** 323-6201

English Picture Book Reading

Date and time: August 15 (Mon.), 10 a.m. to 12 noon (about 10 minutes per session)

Location: Ura La Mer

Eligibility: Children aged 3-10 years old and their guardians, 6 in each group on a first-come, first-served basis

Details: English picture book reading by volunteer high school students

Inquiries: Ura La Mer **Tel:** 316-5777 (Youth Services Section)



A-Bomb Exhibition

This exhibition includes photo panels depicting the devastation caused by the atomic bombing, as well as "Atomic Bomb Pictures" collaboratively created by the atomic bomb survivors and high school students from Hiroshima.

Date and time: Until August 31 (Wed.), 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. **Note:** Closed on Saturdays and national holidays.

Location: Citizens' Hall (Urayasu City Hall 1F)

Inquiries: Local Activities Promotion Section **Tel:** 712-6247

Sports Park Athletic Projects – Course on Walking

Date and time: August 24 (Wed.) and 31 (Wed.) 9:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. (event will be cancelled in case of rain)

Location: Briobecca Urayasu Stadium

Note: No application required, please come directly to the venue.

Inquiries: Sports Park **Tel:** 350-9829 (Sports Section)

Safety Concert ~Challenges for the Future~

Date and time: September 17 (Sat.) 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. (doors open at 12:45 p.m.)

Location: Culture Hall

Capacity: 1,100 people on a first-come, first-served basis

What to bring: Filled-out form with your full name, address, contact information, and body temperature on the day of the concert (any format)

Performance: The Japan Ground Self-Defense Force 1st Band, the Chiba Prefecture Police Band, and Tokai University Urayasu High School & Junior High School Brass Band Club

Inquiries: NPO Urayasu Crime Prevention Network **Tel:** 090-8508-1740 (Citizens Safety Measures Section)

Receive Medical Checkups to Prevent Lifestyle Diseases

Even if you think you are healthy, some diseases develop unknowingly. Please make sure to receive medical checkups on an annual basis to monitor your physical condition and maintain a healthy lifestyle.

Specified Medical Checkups

Checkup period: Until January 31, 2023

Eligibility: Those between the ages of 40 and 74, who are enrolled in Urayasu City National Health Insurance

Inquiries: National Health Insurance & Pension Section **Tel:** 712-6829

Specified Health Guidance

Based on their specified medical check-up results, those who are eligible will be sent a voucher to receive free specified health guidance. Please take advantage of the continuous support offered from our registered dietitians and public health nurses to reduce the risk of lifestyle diseases and metabolic syndrome.

Medical Checkups for the Latter-Stage Elderly

Checkup period: Until January 31, 2023

Eligibility: Those who are enrolled in the Chiba Prefecture Latter-Stage Elderly Healthcare System

Inquiries: Health Promotion Section **Tel:** 381-9059

Welfare Services for Single-Parent Households

Financial support

Inquiries: Child Services Section **Tel:** 712-6424

- Child-Rearing Allowance
- Temporary Special Benefits to Support Households Raising Children (for single-parent households)
- Housing Allowance for Single-Parent Households
- Medical Expenses Subsidy for Single-Parent Households

For everyday life...

Inquiries: Children & Family Support Center **Tel:** 351-7698

A Stroll with the Mayor

Etsushi Uchida, Mayor of Urayasu City

Community Comprehensive Support Center Satellite

Urayasu City was once known as the youngest city in Japan. Yet, behind the scenes of its development, due to an imbalance in age structure, its aging population has been rapidly growing.

Looking at each district, the percentage of residents over the age of 65 in some areas exceeds 40%, and the number of districts with such an aging population is expected to continue increasing in the future.

Along with the rapidly growing aging population, the number of elderly people with dementia is also increasing. According to an estimate by an emeritus professor, Takashi Asada of the University of Tsukuba, it is believed that one out of every 10 residents of Urayasu City, or one in three elderly people in the city, is at risk of developing dementia by 2041.

At the regular city council meeting in March 2022, the "Urayasu City Basic Ordinance on Dementia

Coexistence" was enacted and went into effect on July 1.

This ordinance was enacted with the goal to allow everyone, including those with dementia and their families, to live the life everyone desires. This ordinance will serve as a model for comprehensively promoting dementia-related policies throughout the community.

As the population continues to age, many people are concerned such as about the systems that the city provides, whether they can receive support from the government, and where to look for advice.

So at a time like this, the "Tomozuna" Community Comprehensive Support Center serves as a general consultation window for nursing care, medical care, health and welfare services.

Currently, there is a total of six locations – five cen-

ters and one branch office within the city. However, in order to establish a system where people can have consultations at more familiar locations, satellite services began last year on a trial basis at community association meeting places and senior citizen club halls.

At this satellite, consultations with Tomozuna staff members are provided, and efforts are also underway to connect the consultations which the local residents received such as from community social workers, to the centers.

Although this is still a trial initiative, we will verify the satellite project results and expand to more familiar locations in the future, so please feel free to consult us without any hesitations.

We will continue our efforts in making Urayasu City a comfortable place where everyone can live in a way they desire.

Recyclable Waste Disposal Schedule

Collection Area	Bottles/Cans/ PET plastic bottles	Newspapers/ Magazines
Nekozane, Kitazakae, Todaijima	Every Tue.	Every Mon.
Horie, Higashino, Fujimi, Maihama, Tekkadori 3-chome	Every Wed.	Every Sat.
Kairaku, Mihama, Irifune, Hinode, Akemi	Every Thu.	Every Mon.
Tomioka, Imagawa, Benten, Takasu, Minato, Tekkadori 1- and 2-chome, Chidori	Every Fri.	Every Sat.

* 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, French, Chinese, Polish, Russian 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
Phone Number & Location: 306-5181, International Center