



Vital Statistics of Immigrants in 2018

In 2018, the marriages of immigrants totaled 23,773 cases, which increased by 8.5% (1,856 cases) from 2017.

○ **(Share of marriages of immigrants)**

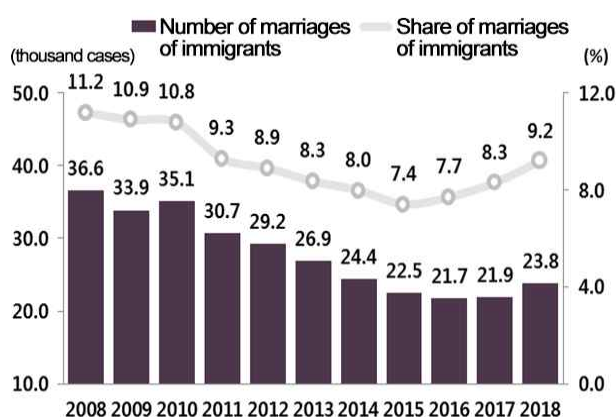
The marriages of immigrants occupied 9.2% of the total marriages in 2018, rising by 0.9%p from 2017.

○ **(By marriage type)**

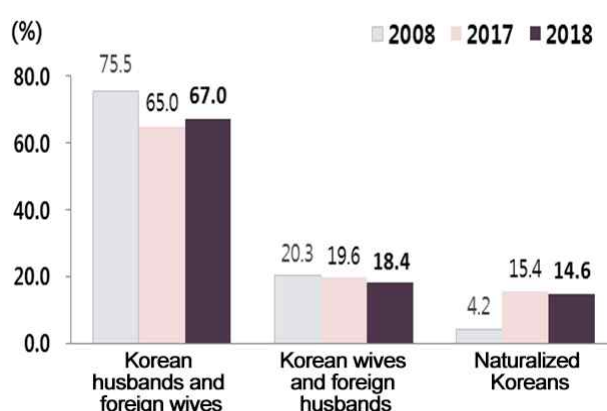
The marriages of 'Korean husbands and foreign wives' occupied the largest share (67.0%) of the total marriages of immigrants. This figure was followed by 'Korean wives and foreign husbands' (18.4%) and 'naturalized Koreans' (14.6%).

- Compared to 2017, the share of marriages of 'Korean husbands and foreign wives' went up by 2.0%p. In the meantime, the share of marriages of 'naturalized Koreans' went down by 0.8%p.

< Trends in marriages of immigrants >



< Share of marriages of immigrants by type >



○ **(Mean age at first marriage)**

The mean age at first marriage for males was 36.4 years in 2018, up 0.3 year from 2017. The mean age at first marriage for females was 28.3 years in 2018, up 0.2 year from 2017.

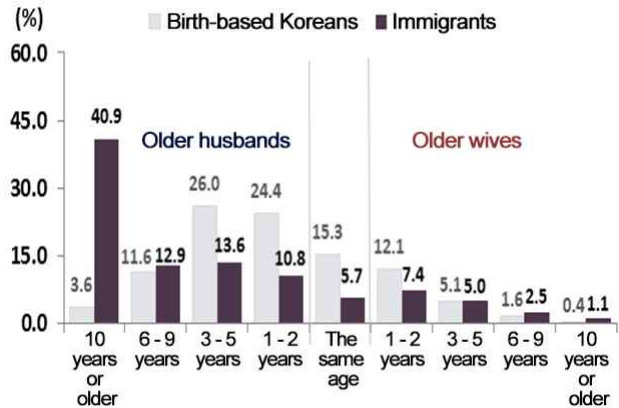
○ **(Age gap between husband and wife)**

As for marriages of immigrants by age gap, marriages with husbands older than wives occupied the largest share at 78.2%. Marriages with husbands 10 years or more older than wives stood at 40.9%, up 1.4%p from 2017.

< Mean age at first marriage (2018) >



< Share of marriages by age gap between husbands and wives (2018) >

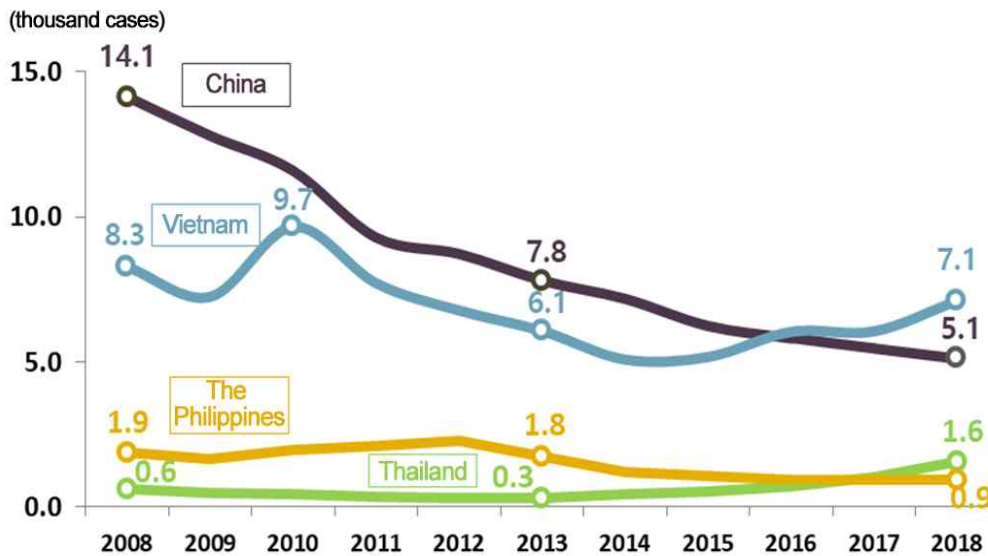


○ (Marriages of immigrants by nationality)

As for marriages of foreign or naturalized wives by nationality, Vietnam occupied the largest share at 30.0%, which was followed by China (21.6%) and Thailand (6.6%).

- Compared to 2017, the share of marriages of Vietnamese wives and Thai wives rose by 2.3%p and 1.9%p, respectively. Whereas, the share of marriages of Chinese wives fell by 3.4%p.

< Trends in marriages by major nationality of wives >



In 2018, the divorces of immigrants totaled 10,254 cases, down 0.5% (53 cases) from 2017.

○ (Share of divorces of immigrants)

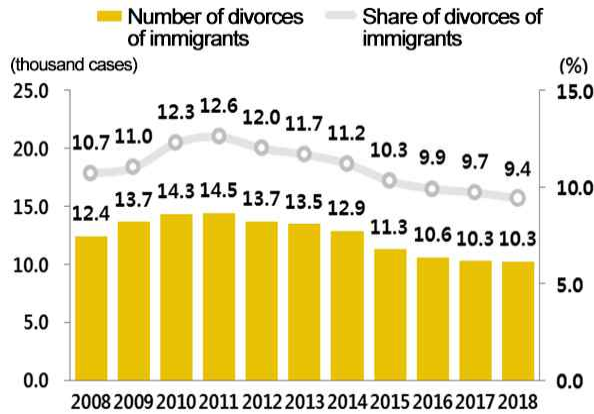
The divorces of immigrants occupied 9.4% of the total divorces in 2018, dropping by 0.3%p from 2017.

○ (By divorce type)

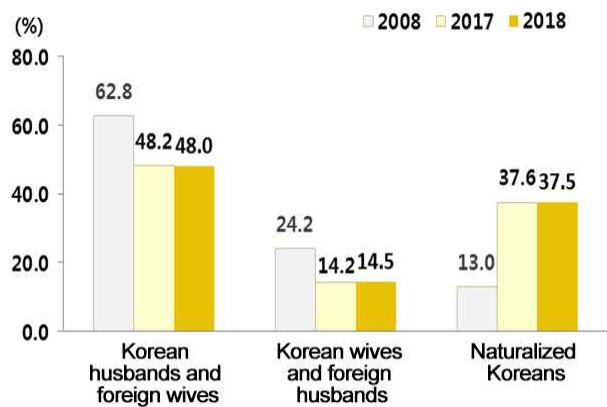
The divorces of 'Korean husbands and foreign wives' occupied the largest share (48.0%) of the total divorces of immigrants. This figure was followed by 'naturalized Koreans' (37.5%) and 'Korean wives and foreign husbands' (14.5%).

- Compared to 2017, the share of divorces of 'Korean wives and foreign husbands' rose by 0.3%p. Compared to 2017, the share of divorces of 'Korean husbands and foreign wives' and 'naturalized Koreans' fell by 0.2%p and 0.1%p, respectively.

< Trends in divorces of immigrants >



< Share of divorces of immigrants by type >



○ (Mean age at divorce)

The mean age at divorce for males was 49.4 years in 2018, up 0.7 year from 2017. The mean age at divorce for females was 39.3 years in 2018, up 0.4 year from 2017.

○ (Average duration of marriage)

As for divorces of immigrants, the average duration of marriage recorded 8.3 years in 2018, increasing by 4.6 years compared to 2008 (3.7 years).

< Mean age at divorce (2018) >



< Average duration of marriage until divorce (2008, 2018) >

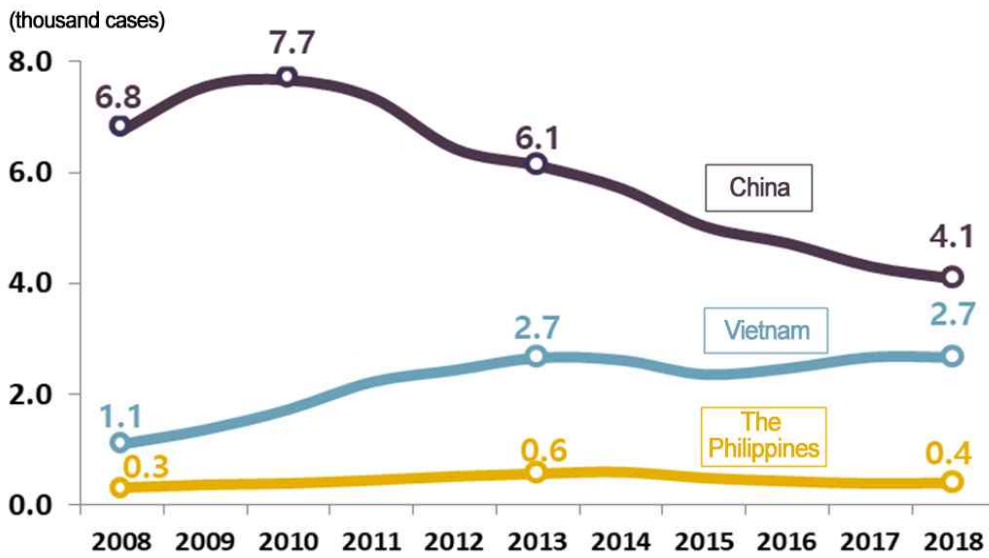


○ (Divorces by nationality)

As for divorces of foreign or naturalized wives by nationality, China occupied the largest share at 39.9%, which was followed by Vietnam (26.1%) and the Philippines (3.9%).

- Compared to 2017, the share of divorces of Chinese wives fell by 1.9%p. Whereas, the share of divorces of Vietnamese and Filipino wives grew by 0.1%p and 0.1%p, respectively.

< Trends in divorces by major nationality of wives >



In 2018, the live births of immigrants totaled 18,079 persons, down 2.0% (361 persons) from 2017.

○ (Share of live births of immigrants)

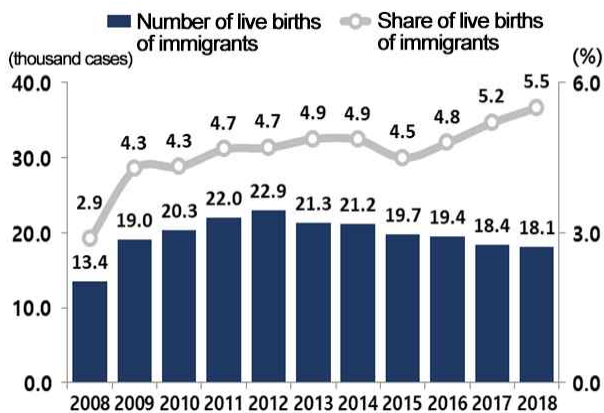
The live births of immigrants occupied 5.5% of the total live births in 2018, up 0.3%p from 2017.

○ (Live births by type)

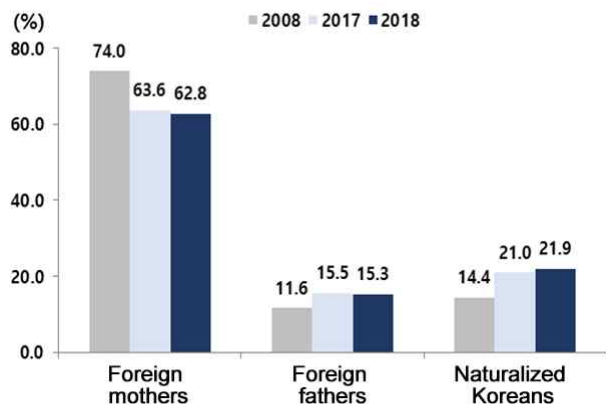
The live births of 'Korean fathers and foreign mothers' occupied the largest share at 62.8% of the total live births of immigrants. This figure was followed by 'naturalized Koreans' (21.9%) and 'Korean mothers and foreign fathers' (15.3%).

- Compared to 2017, the share of live births of 'Korean fathers and foreign mothers' and 'Korean mothers and foreign fathers' declined by 0.8%p and 0.2%p, respectively. Whereas, the share of live births of 'naturalized Koreans' grew by 0.9%p.

< Trends in live births of immigrants >



< Share of live births of immigrants by type >



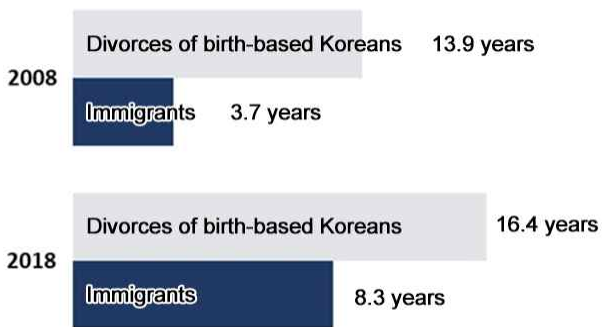
○ **(Mean age of immigrant mothers at birth)**

The mean age of immigrant mothers at birth marked 30.4 years in 2018, rising by 2.7 years from 2008.

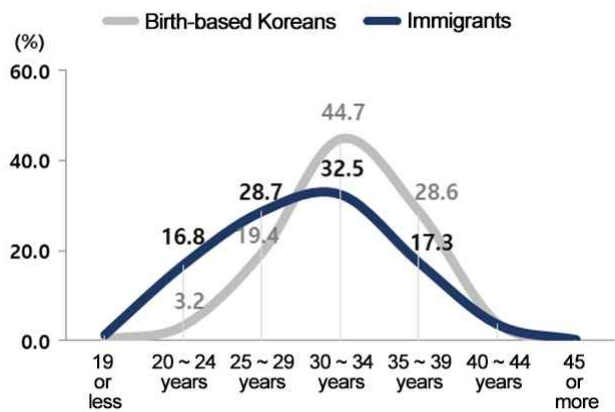
○ **(Live births by age)**

The live births of immigrant mothers aged 30 ~ 34 marked the largest share at 32.5%. This figure was followed by immigrants mothers aged 25 ~ 29 (28.7%) and immigrant mothers aged 35 ~ 39 (17.3%).

< Mean age of immigrant mothers at birth (2008, 2018) >



< Share of live births by age of immigrant mothers (2018) >



○ **(Live births of foreign mothers by nationality)**

As for live births of foreign mothers by nationality, Vietnam occupied the highest share at 35.6%, which was followed by China (20.8%) and the Philippines (6.9%).

- Compared to 2017, the share of live births of Vietnamese mothers grew by 0.9%p. Whereas, the share of live births of Chinese and Filipino wives declined by 1.2%p and 0.4%p, respectively.

< Trends in live births by nationality of mothers >

