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**Summary:** Japan's fertility rate dropped to a record low of 1.2 last year, in an eighth consecutive decline that underscores the challenges faced by the world's most elderly country. The figure, an indication of the average number of children a woman is likely to produce over her lifetime, dropped below 1 in Tokyo, according to data published by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare on Wednesday. The total number of births in Japan last year was 727,277, 5.6% less than the previous year, while the total number of deaths rose to almost 1.58 million, meaning the population shrank by 848,659, the 17th straight fall. The data exclude migration.

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