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Headline: Japan's Native Population Declines At Record Rate As Births Plunge

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**Summary:** The number of Japanese nationals dropped by the biggest amount in a year since comparable records began in 1950 — a fall of 837,000 in the 12 months to October 1, 2023. That decline represents a daily drop of 2,293 people or just under 96 per hour. Japan's overall population was 124.3mn in October — down 595,000 from the previous year when adjusted for steadily rising levels of migrant workers, overseas students, and foreign permanent residents. In a report released last year, the country's Immigration Services Agency said the number of foreign nationals living in Japan had reached a record high of 3.2mn at the end of June 2023. The increase was driven by expansion in a visa programme for skilled workers in specified sectors and in technical internships.

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