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## Origin of universities in Japan      About 1,400 years ago

A university dormitory established following the Tang dynasty of Emperor Tenji

## Dawn of private universities      About 160 years ago (Edo Period ~ Meiji Period)

### Clan school and Shoheizaka

Only those who have over samurai status were admitted the schools aiming to develop human resources for clans and Tokugawa shogunate.



### Private School

Responding to citizens' desire for education of special skills, knowledge and manners in daily life.

## Foundation of private universities      About 140 years ago (Meiji Period)

Special schools based on a private school were successively founded. Volunteers taught languages, common studies and specialized studies to those who have learning mind. These study fields were not efficient in governmental studies.

→ Building a foundation for a modern nation-state by raising the intellectual level of a wide range of citizens, rather than government

## Rise of private universities      About 60 years ago (Showa Period)

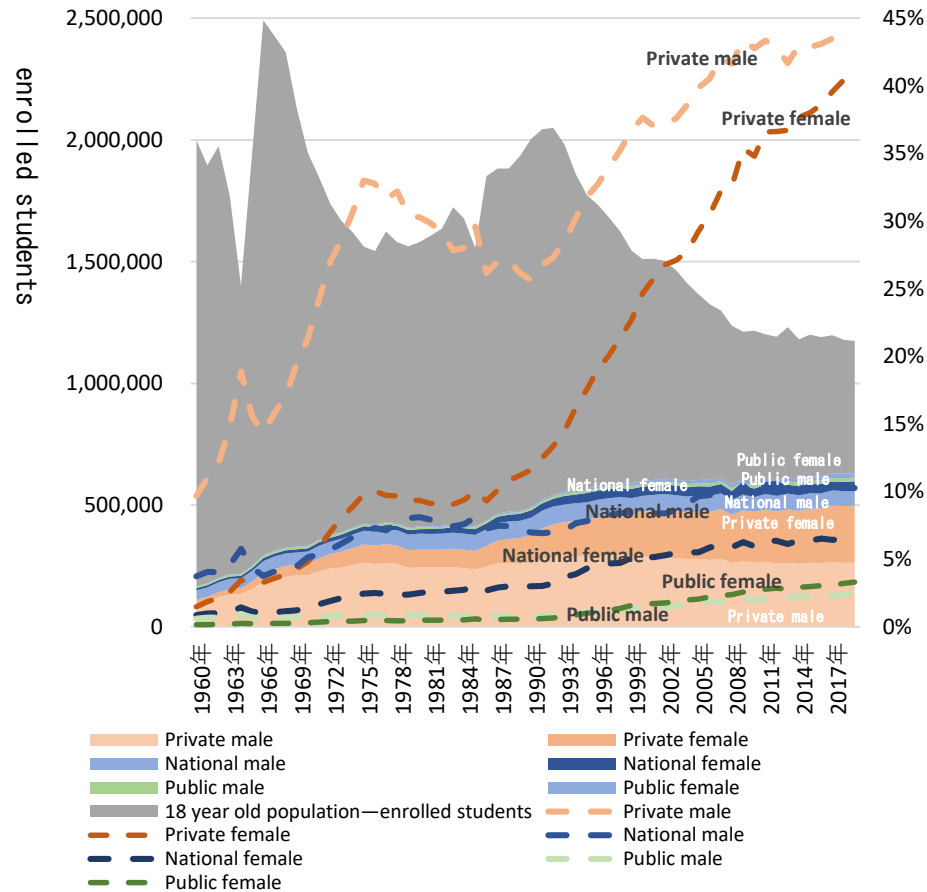
Responding to needs for academic studies, educational opportunities were provided in the period of population explosion.

→ Providing higher education to more students

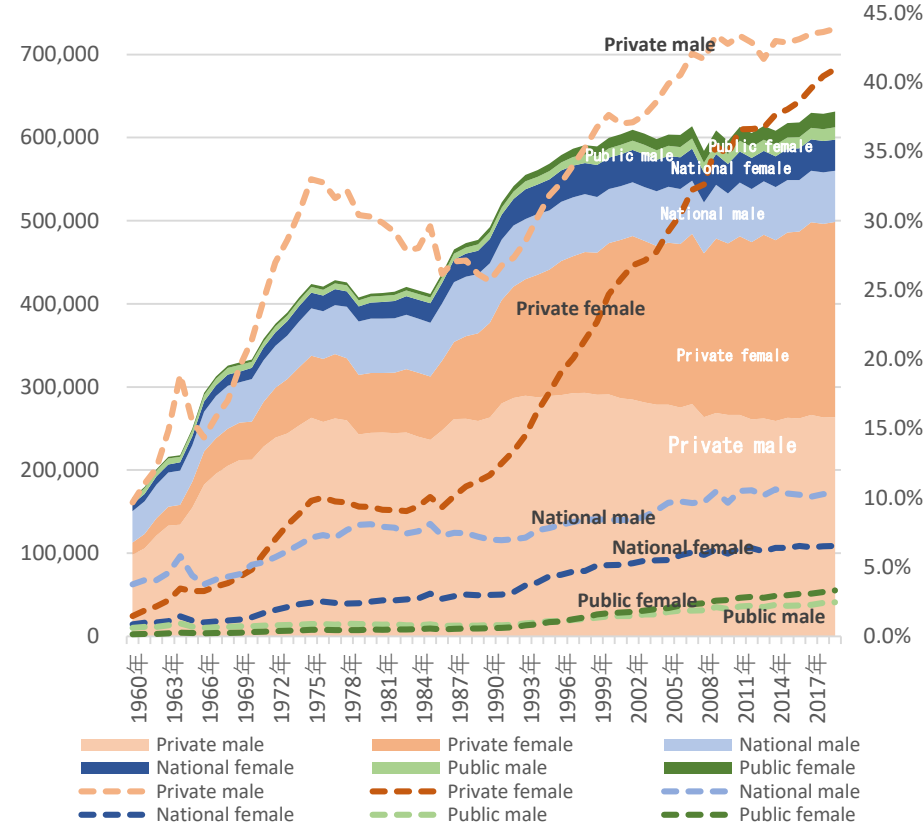
→ Building a foundation for achieving high economic growth

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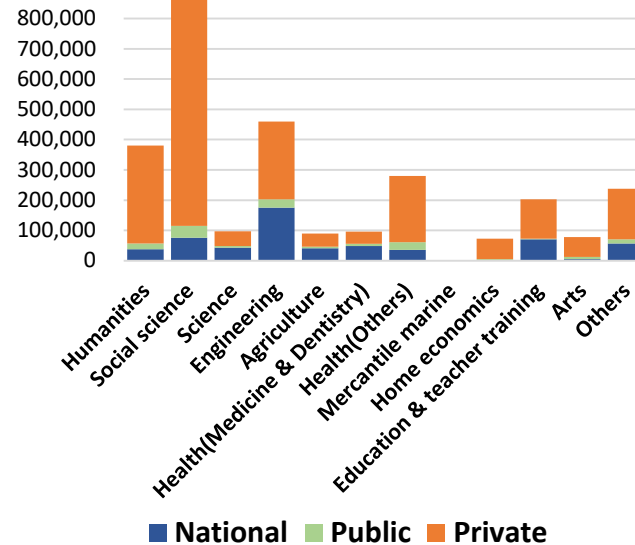


- Private universities have supported provision of opportunity for higher education commensurate with the growing 18-year-old population
- In particular, they have played an extremely important role in providing opportunities for female

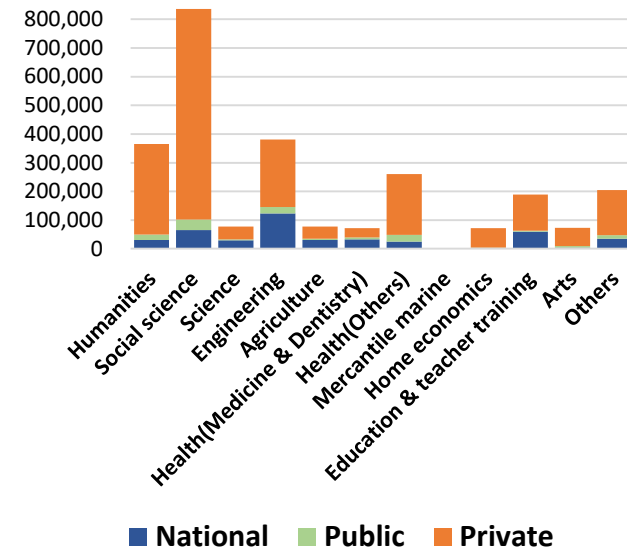
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	Number of schools	Number of students
University		
National	86	606,449
Public(Local)	93	158,176
<b>Private</b>	<b>607</b>	<b>2,154,043</b>
Junior College		
National	0	0
Public(Local)	17	5,741
Private	309	107,272
College of technology		
National	51	51,298
Public(Local)	3	3,781
Private	3	2,045

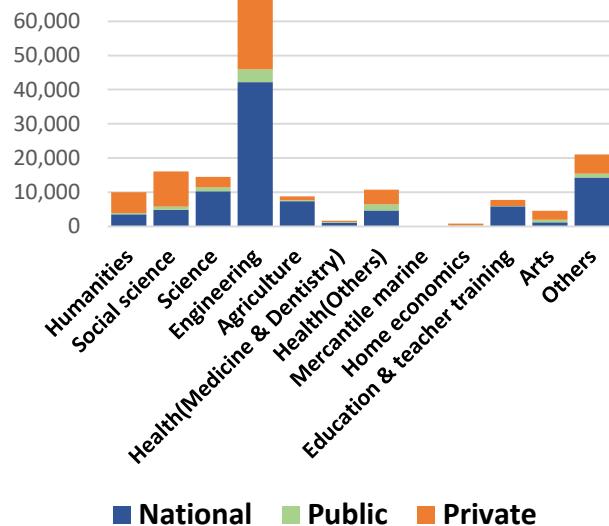
Undergraduate + Master's course + Doctoral course + Professional Degree (Number of students)



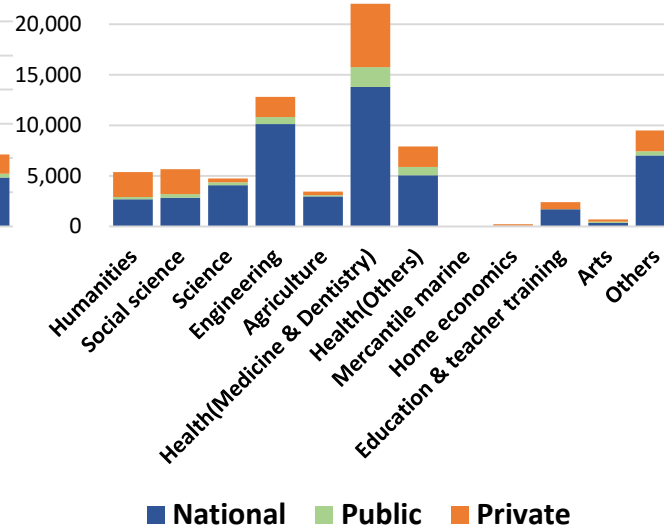
Undergraduate (Number of students)



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