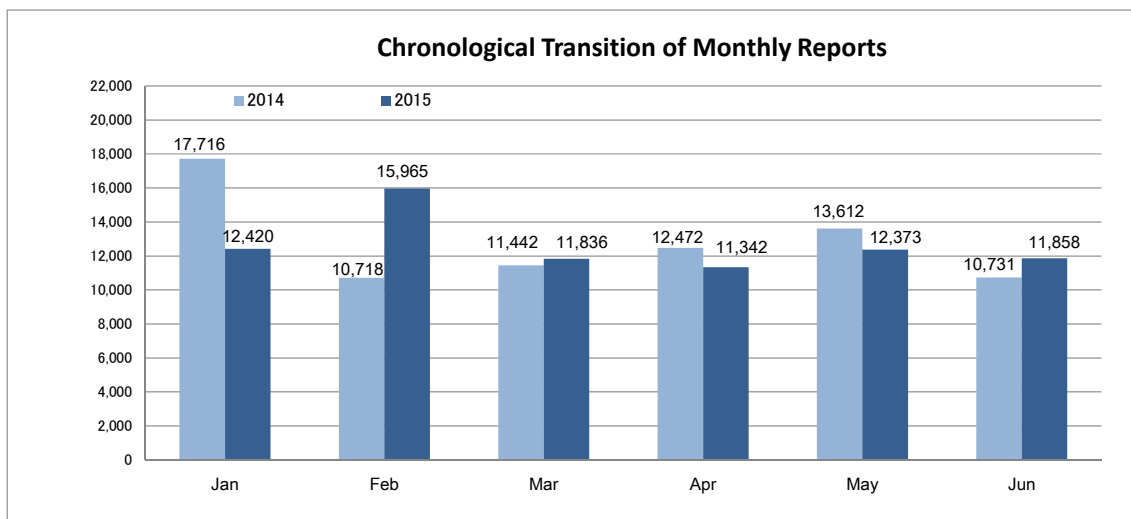
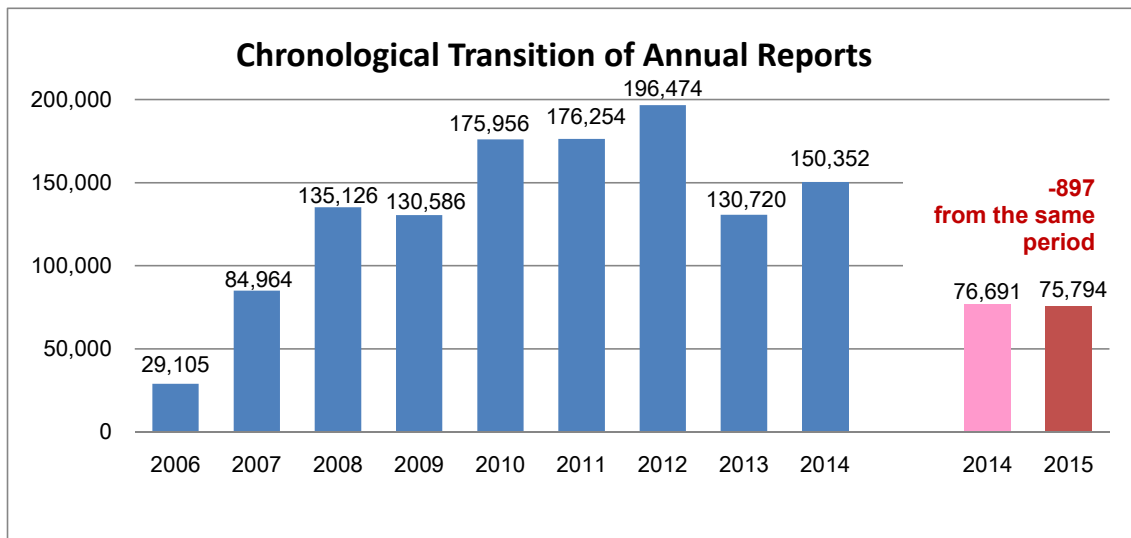


2015 first-half year statistics

Internet Hotline Center (IHC) Japan which is run by the Internet Association Japan has been in operation since June 2006 as part of a project under contract from the National Police Agency. Since then, we have been receiving reports from Internet users regarding illegal and/or harmful content which may be considered as offensive to the general public. When the information is found to be illegal, we would notify the National Police Agency and then would request the content owner and/or service provider to remove the illegal and/or harmful information. Following are the statistics for the first half of the year 2015.

1 Total Number of Reports Received・・・75,794

We have received 75,794 reports from January to June in 2015.



2 Analysis of Reports

All reports submitted to us are analyzed and categorized based on the [operational guideline](#).

Following is the outcome of the analysis.

2-1 Illegal Information··· Total of 16,337 cases

Analysis of the 75,794 reports received resulted in 78,189 cases recognized. Of those, 16,337 cases comprising 20.9%(-1,655 compared to the same period of the previous year) were judged as illegal information. Of those in turn, 59.7% were overseas cases*.

Illegal Information	Total Number of Reports		
	Domestic	Overseas	Total
Publicly displaying of obscene images	4,257	6,733	10,990
Publicly displaying of child sexual abuse images	475	476	951
Induce someone for the purpose of prostitution	52	38	90
Inducement in violation of online dating sites regulation law	481	2	483
Publicly inciting or soliciting others to abuse controlled substances	144	78	222
Advertisements on controlled substances	805	1,916	2,721
Advertisements of designated substances	39	61	100
Advertisements of products suspected to be designated substances	2	0	2
Advertisements of drugs before approval, regarding New Psychoactive Substances (NPS)	6	2	8
Inducement to buying and selling of bank passbooks	289	298	587
Inducement of anonymous rental or transfer of mobile phone without notice	20	96	116
Act of illegally requesting input of identification codes, namely phishing fraud	11	56	67
Act of promoting illegal access	0	0	0
Total	6,581	9,756	16,337

* "Overseas cases" refers to cases where the site-administrator of the reported information is unknown or resides in a foreign country, and the information is stored on an overseas server.

* The total number of received reports and the analysis result total number of cases are not in agreement since two or more illegal information and/or harmful materials may be contained in the report.

2-2 Harmful Information... Total of 3,048 reports

3,048 cases (equal to 3.9% of total analysis result, 868 from the same period last year) were judged as harmful information, of which 62.0% were overseas cases.

Harmful information	Total Number of Reports		
	Domestic	Overseas	Total
Information which directly and explicitly contracts, mediates or invites for illegal conducts	563	807	1,370
Information which is difficult to judge illegal but seems to be illegal	366	1,064	1,430
Information related to suicide invitation to others (Invitation to group suicide)	228	20	248
Total	1,157	1,891	3,048

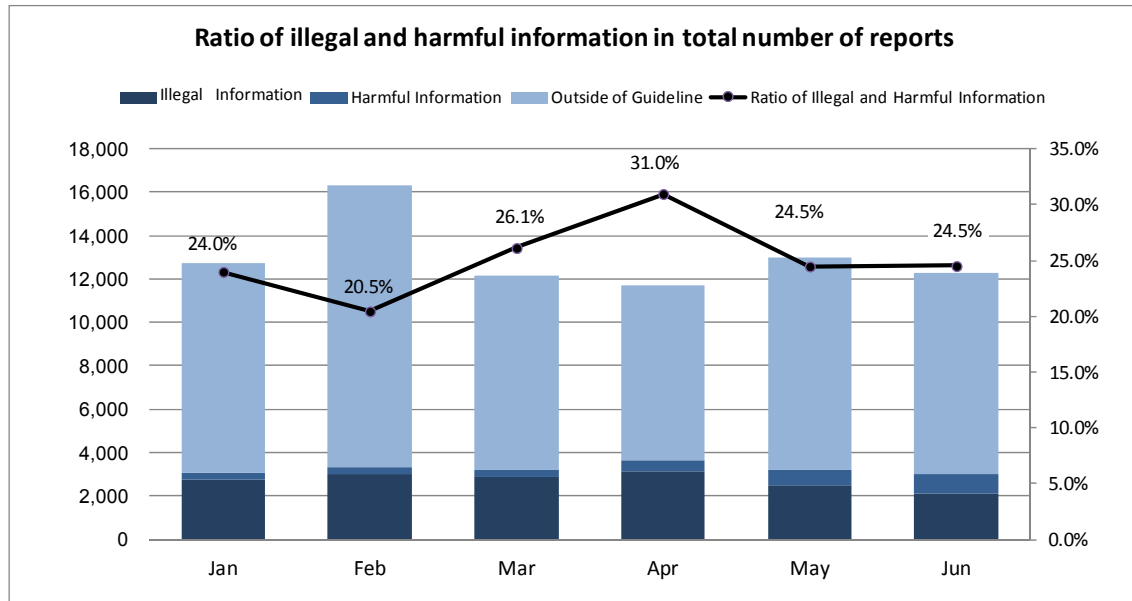
2-3 Beyond scope of the guideline... Total of 58,804 cases

58,804 cases (equal to 75.2% of total analysis result, -128 from the same period last year) were beyond scope based on the operational guideline. 2,084 cases out of the 58,804 beyond scope were forwarded to organizations relevant to the protection of human life and/or prevention of crime.

Beyond scope of the guideline	Total Number of Reports
Defamation, Slander	1,241
Notice of murder, notice of explosion	1,800
Infringement of intellectual properties	1,971
Information inappropriate for children	18,031
Other	35,761
Total	58,804

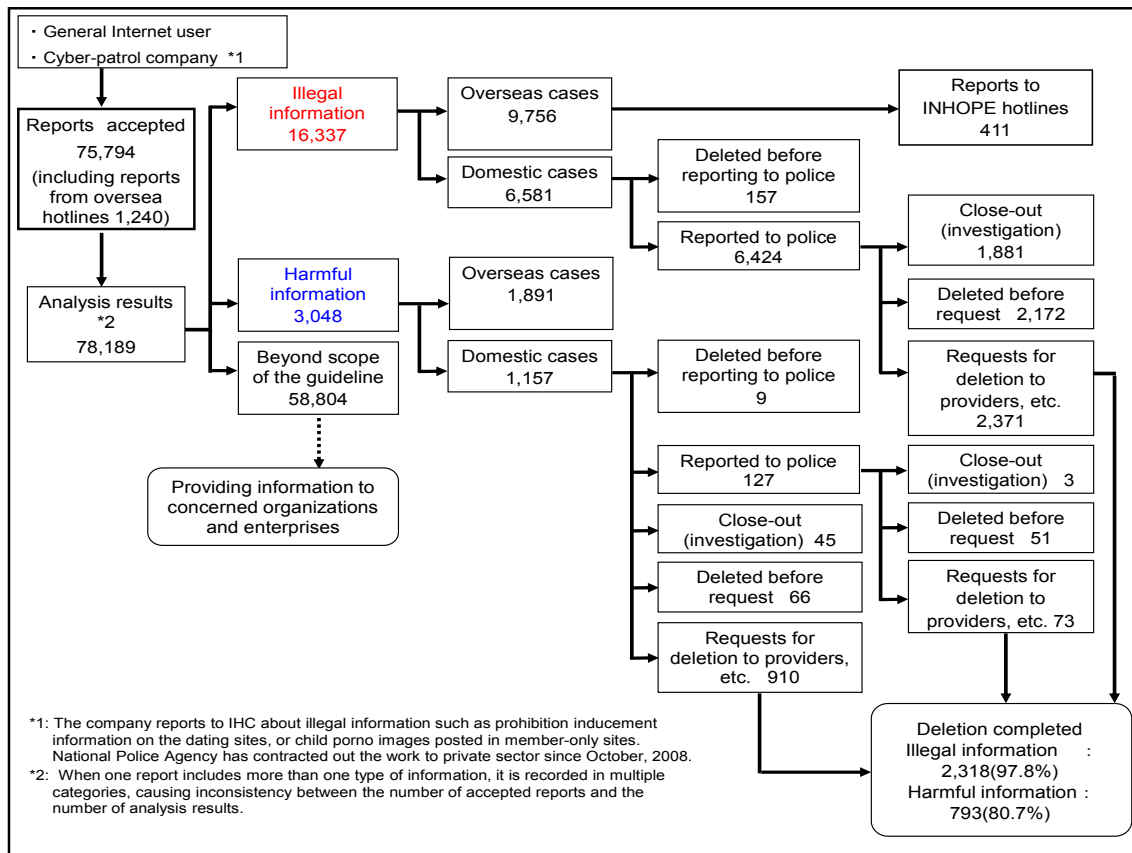
2-4 Total Number of Illegal and Harmful Information

The graph below shows the trend over time of information considered as illegal and harmful as a result of analysis based on our guideline.



3 Procedure Status

Procedure status of the first half of the year 2015 is as shown below.



* IHC is limited to send notice on illegal and/or harmful information only on “domestic cases (the site-administrator of the reported information resides in Japan or the information is stored on a domestic server).”

3-1 Illegal Information

6,581 cases out of the 16,337 judged as illegal information were hosted in Japan. Of those, 6,424 cases were reported to the National Police Agency (this excludes those that were deleted before the reporting). For 2,371 cases, requests for removal were sent to the relevant ISPs and as a result, 2,318 cases (97.8%) were removed.

Illegal Information	Result of procedure		
	Police	ISP	Removal completed
Publicly displaying of obscene images	4159	828	794
Publicly displaying of child sexual abuse images	449	186	185
Induce someone for the purpose of prostitution	49	35	35
Inducement in violation of online dating sites regulation law	480	227	227
Publicly inciting or soliciting others to abuse controlled substances	144	127	123
Advertisements on controlled substances	780	659	656
Advertisements of designated substances	39	28	20
Advertisements of products suspected to be designated substances	2	2	2
Advertisements of drugs before approval, regarding New Psychoactive Substances (NPS)	6	0	0
Inducement to buying and selling of bank passbooks	288	259	256
Inducement of anonymous rental or transfer of mobile phone without notice	20	20	20
Act of illegally requesting input of identification codes, namely phishing fraud	8	0	0
Act of promoting illegal access	0	0	0
Total	6,424	2,371	2,318

3-2 Harmful Information

1,157 cases out of the 3,048 judged as harmful information were hosted in Japan. Of those, 9 cases were reported to the National Police Agency. For 117 cases (excluding those removed before the requesting), requests for removal were sent to the relevant ISPs, and as a result, 983 cases (19,000.0%) were removed.

Harmful information	Result of procedure		
	Police	ISP	Removal completed
Information which directly and explicitly contracts, mediates or invites for illegal conducts	102	453	404
Information which is difficult to judge illegal but seems to be illegal	25	306	304
Information related to suicide invitation to others (Invitation to group suicide)	0	224	85
Total	127	983	793

4 International Partnership with the INHOPE Network

Since March 2007, the IHC has been a full member of INHOPE which is an international network of the Internet Hotlines. We have been tackling illegal information in cooperation with hotlines of other countries that have joined INHOPE. In the first half of the year 2015, we reported 411 cases to overseas hotlines and received 1,240 cases from hotlines and acted upon them promptly.

4-1 Total number of reports sent to Overseas Hotlines

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
Publicly displaying child sexual abuse image	65	63	47	41	60	135	411

4-1-1 Number of reports sent to Overseas Hotlines (by country)

Country Name	Total
United States of America	333
Netherlands	34
Russia	14
France	11
Canada	8
Luxembourg	3
Germany	3
Sweden	1
Romania	1
Czech Republic	1
Spain	1
United Kingdom	1
Total	411

4-2 Total number of reports received from Overseas Hotlines

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
Received Reports	176	123	440	358	80	63	1240

4-2-1 Analysis of Reports

Illegal Information	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
Display of obscenity electro-magnetic record recording medium	36	23	30	20	18	19	146
Publicly displaying child sexual abuse image	110	70	43	36	21	11	291
Total	146	93	73	56	39	30	437

4-2-2 Number of reports received from Overseas Hotlines (by country)

Country Name	Total
Austria	635
United Kingdom	275
Australia	88
United States of America	86
Netherlands	54
Germany	27
Canada	26
Luxembourg	9
Russia	8
Sweden	6
France	5
Denmark	5
Turkey	4
Italy	3
Finland	2
Thailand	1
Taiwan	1
Lithuania	1
Latvia	1
Poland	1
Hungary	1
Ireland	1
Total	1240