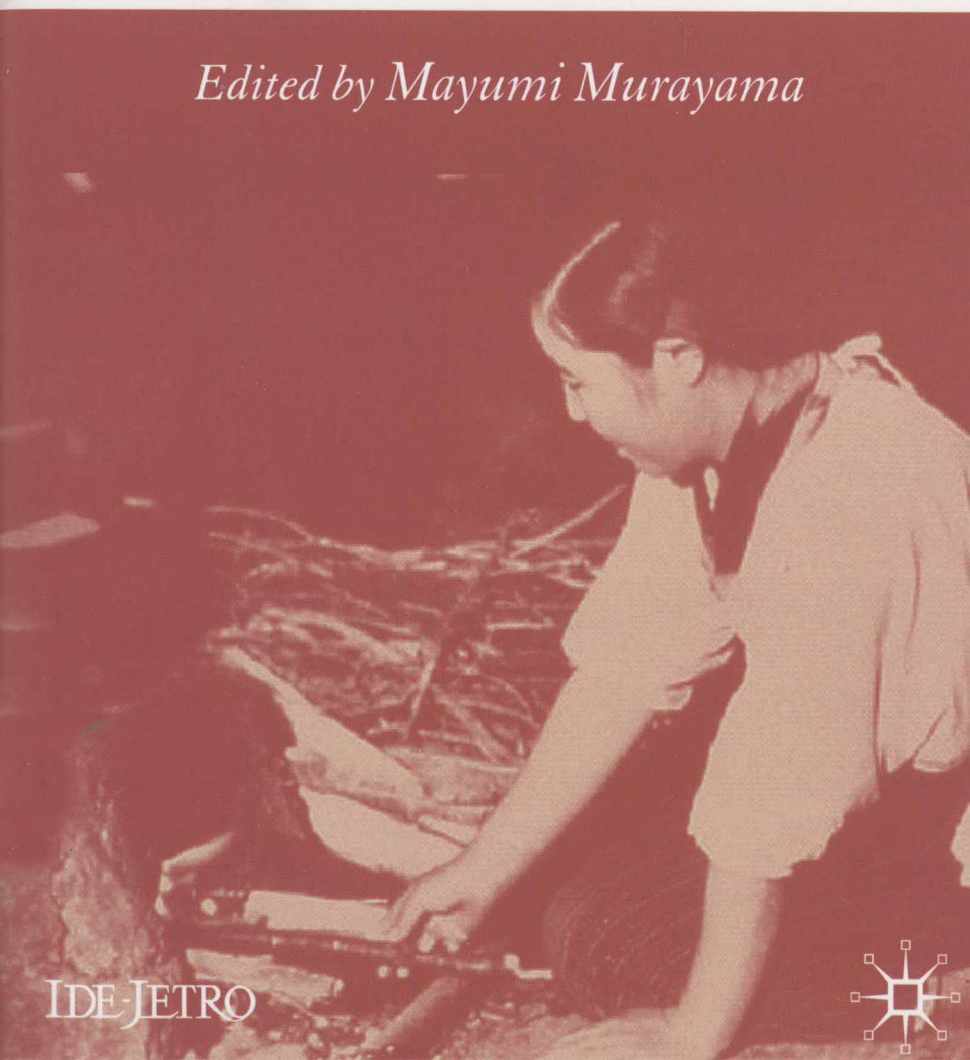


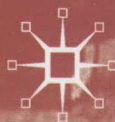
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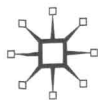
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Glossary of Japanese Terms

<i>chu-senkyoku-sei</i>	multiple-seat constituency electoral system
<i>daimyo</i>	feudal lord
<i>danson-johi</i>	male chauvinism
<i>dai-senkyoku-sei</i>	limited plural ballot under large constituency system
<i>seigen-renki</i>	
<i>Edo period</i>	period between 1603 and 1867
<i>fujin mondai</i>	women question
<i>hinoeuma</i>	the year of the Fire Horse under the Chinese lunar calendar, during which it is believed to be inauspicious to bear a daughter
<i>ie</i>	literally 'dwelling house', a derivation used to signify the members of a patrilineal family, sometimes including non-kin members
<i>joko</i>	female factory worker
<i>kaizen</i>	improvement through innovative thinking
<i>kazoku</i>	family
<i>katei</i>	hearth/home
<i>kokka</i>	states, country, nation
<i>kou</i>	a traditional rotating credit system
<i>Meiji period</i>	period between 1868 and 1912
<i>michi-no-eki</i>	roadside station
<i>ryosai kenbo</i>	'good wife, wise mother'
<i>seikatsu</i>	livelihood
<i>sensei</i>	teacher
<i>shufu</i>	housewife
<i>shujin</i>	master
<i>Taisho period</i>	period between 1912 and 1926
<i>Tokugawa period</i>	same as Edo period
<i>tsubo</i>	unit of area, approximately 3.3 square metres

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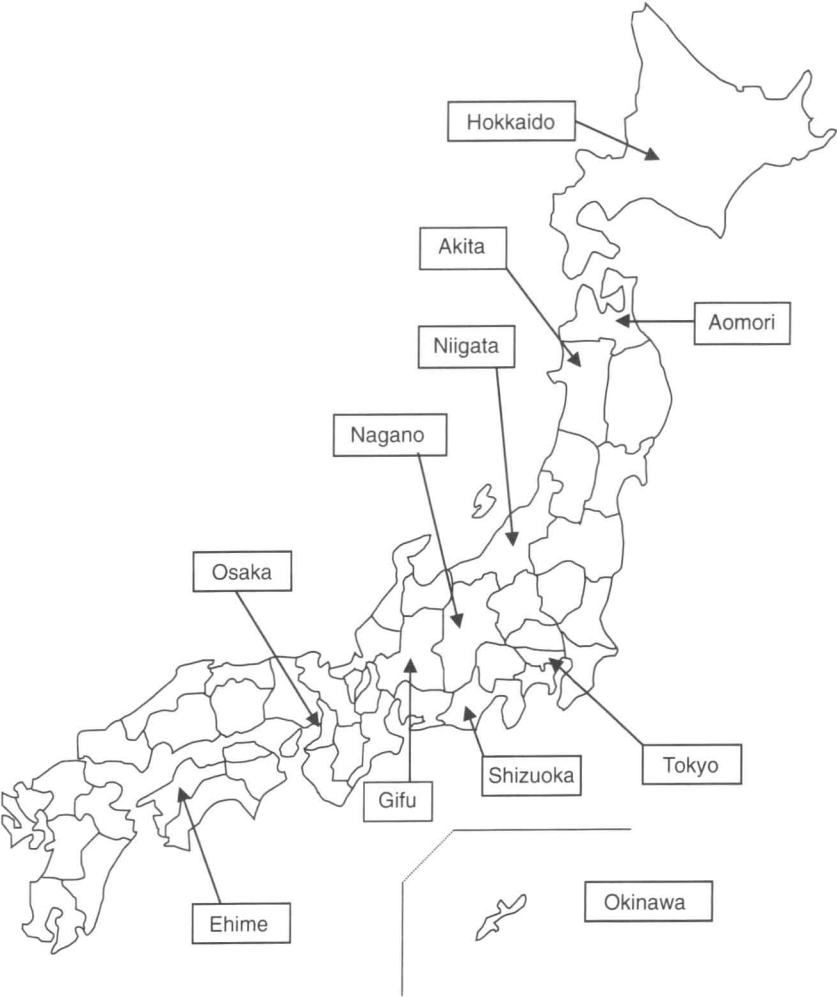
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Map of Japan



Map of Japan

Chronology of Related Events

Japanese period	Year	Events
Edo (Tokugawa) 1603–1867		
Meiji 1868–1912	1872	The first modern silk-reeling mill (<i>Tomiooka seishi</i>) is established.
	1898	The Meiji Civil Code is enforced.
	1894–95	Sino-Japanese War
	1904–05	Russo-Japanese War
Taisho 1912–1926	1914–18	Japan joins allied forces in the First World War.
	1916	The Factory Act is enforced.
Showa 1926–1989	1937	Second Sino-Japanese War starts.
	1939	The Second World War starts.
	1941	Pacific War starts.
	1945	Japan surrenders to the Allied Forces.
	1945	The franchise is extended to women for the first time in Japan.
	1948	The Agricultural Improvement Promotion Law is enacted.
	1948	The Eugenic Protection Law is enacted.
	1952	The allied occupation of Japan ends.
	1952	The national family planning programme is formulated.
	1955	The New Life Movement starts.
	1961	The Agricultural Basic Law is enacted
	1965	The Maternal and Child Health Law is enacted.
	1975	The international year of women.
	1979	Ochanomizu University opens the first women's study course.
	1985	Japan ratifies the Convention for the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women.
	1985	The Equal Employment Opportunity Law is enacted.

Heisei 1989

- 1990 The research group on Women and Development is constituted at JICA.
- 1995 The fourth world conference on women is held in Beijing
- 1997 The Equal Employment Opportunity Law is amended.
- 1999 The Basic Law for a Gender-equal Society is enacted.
- 1999 The Basic Law on Food, Agriculture and Rural Areas is enacted.

List of Abbreviations

ASEAN	Association of South East Asian Nations
BAAC	Bank for Agriculture and Agricultural Cooperatives
CEM	Centro de Estudios de la Mujer (Center of Woman Studies)
CIEM	Centro de Investigaciones de la Economía Mundial (Center for World Economy Studies)
CMEA/ COMECON	Council for Mutual Economic Assistance
DHS	Demographic and Health Surveys
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization
FDI	foreign direct investment
FEEM	Federación de Estudiantes de la Enseñanza Media (Federation of Secondary-School Students)
FMC	Federación de Mujeres Cubanas (Federation of Cuban Women)
GAD	Gender and Development
GDI	Gender Development Index
GEM	Gender Empowerment Measure
GHQ	General Headquarters of the Allied Forces
GSP	Generalized System of Preference
HDI	Human Development Index
HLIESP	Home Living Improvement Extension Service Programme
ICPD	International Conference on Population and Development
IPP	Institute of Population Problems
IPU	Inter-Parliamentary Union
JA	Japan Agricultural Cooperatives
JBIC	Japan Bank for International Cooperation
JICA	Japan International Cooperation Agency
LIM	Livelihood Improvement Movement
LIP	Livelihood Improvement Programme
MAFEZ	Masan Free Export Zone
METI	Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry
MFA	Multi-Fibre Agreement
NGO	non-governmental organization
NHK	Nippon Hoso Kyokai (Japan Broadcasting Corporation)
NIDL	New International Division of Labour
NIEs	Newly industrializing economies
NPO	non-profit organization
NWEC	National Women's Education Center

ODA	Official Development Assistance
ONE	Oficina Nacional de Estadísticas (National Office of Statistics)
OTOP	One Tambon (village) One Product
SLA	Sustainable Livelihood Approach
TFR	total fertility rate
TQC	Total Quality Control
UJC	Unión de Jóvenes Comunistas (The Communist Youth Union)
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UNFPA	United Nations Population Fund
USAID	US Agency for International Development
WID	Women in Development
WINWIN	Women in New World International Network

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