

Damage Cost on Heat-stroke, Beech-forest and Tidal-flat by Global Warming

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Background of Heat-stroke

- Mortality rate of heat-stroke in Japan:
0.3 per 100,000 population annually

>>> **The mortality rate will increase**
by global warming.

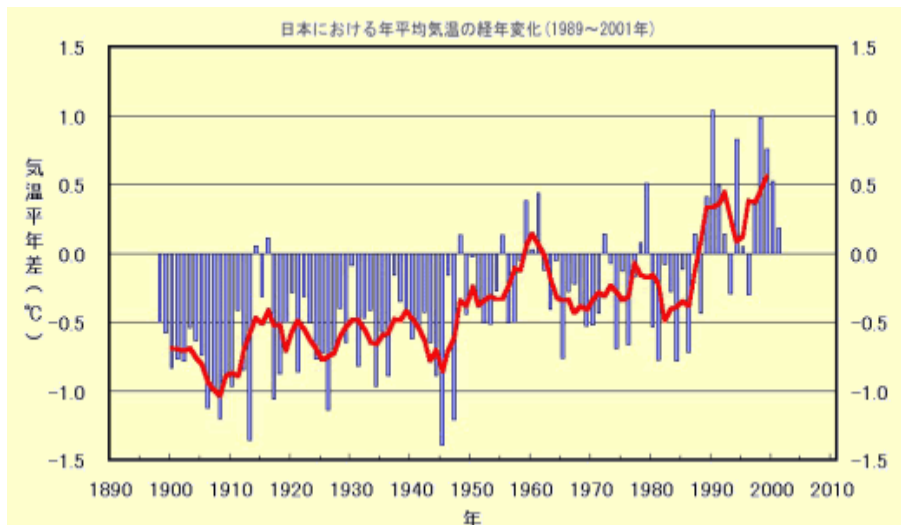
Mortality Rate

Death	Mortality rate
Cancer	250
Overweight	140
Heart disease	127
Suicide	24
Traffic accident	9
Fire	1.7
Murder	0.52
Heat-stroke	0.3
Hazardous chemical substance	0.3
Natural disaster	0.1
HIV / AIDS	0.04
Plane crash	0.013

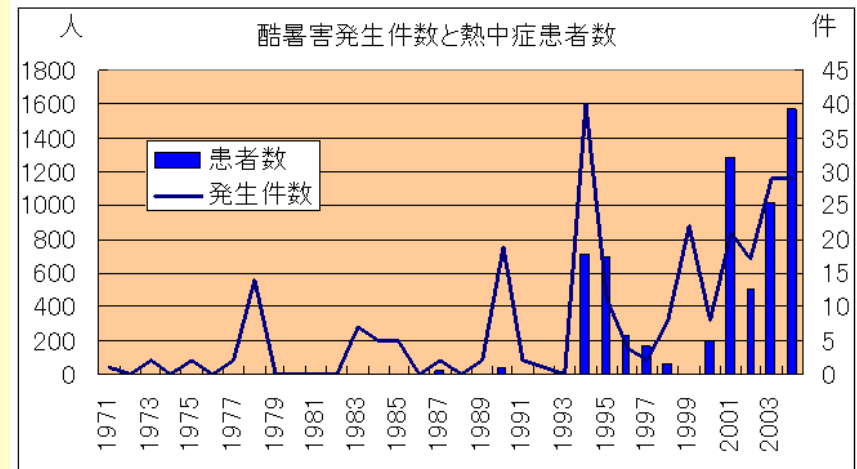
Mortality rate
= number of mortality
per 100,000 population
annually

People with Heat-stroke in Japan

- If temperature will continue to remain high by global warming, it is predicted that **the number of people with heat-stroke** and **the death rate of aged people with heat-stroke** will increase.



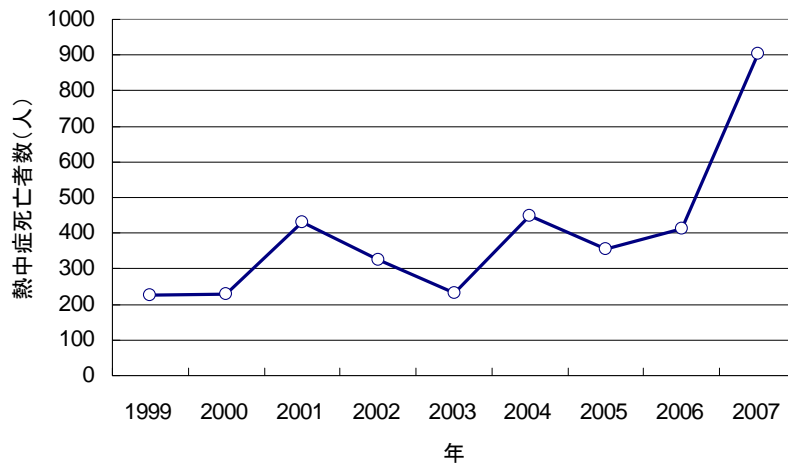
Annual average temperature



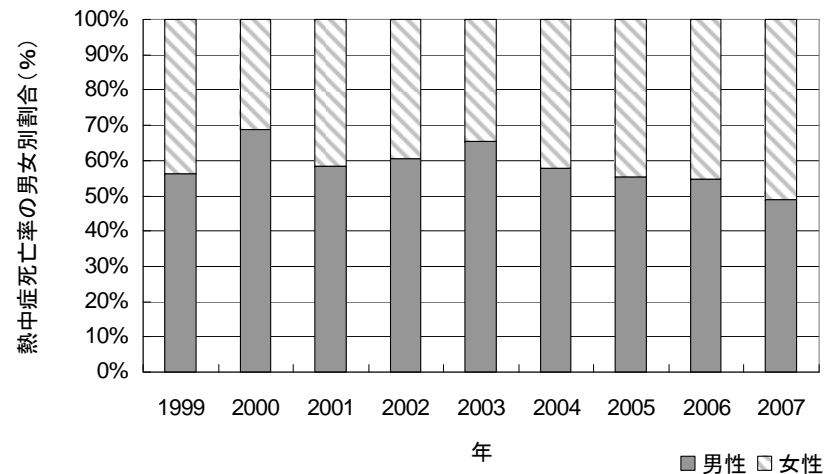
Number of people with heat-stroke

Mortality of Heat-stroke in Japan

- The number of mortality of heat-stroke increased year after year, and it has reached **904 people** in 2007.
- **Man is weaker** against heat-stroke than woman.



Number of mortality of heat-stroke



Ratio of male mortality to female mortality

Background of Beech-forest

- Total area of beech-forest in Japan:
23,000km²

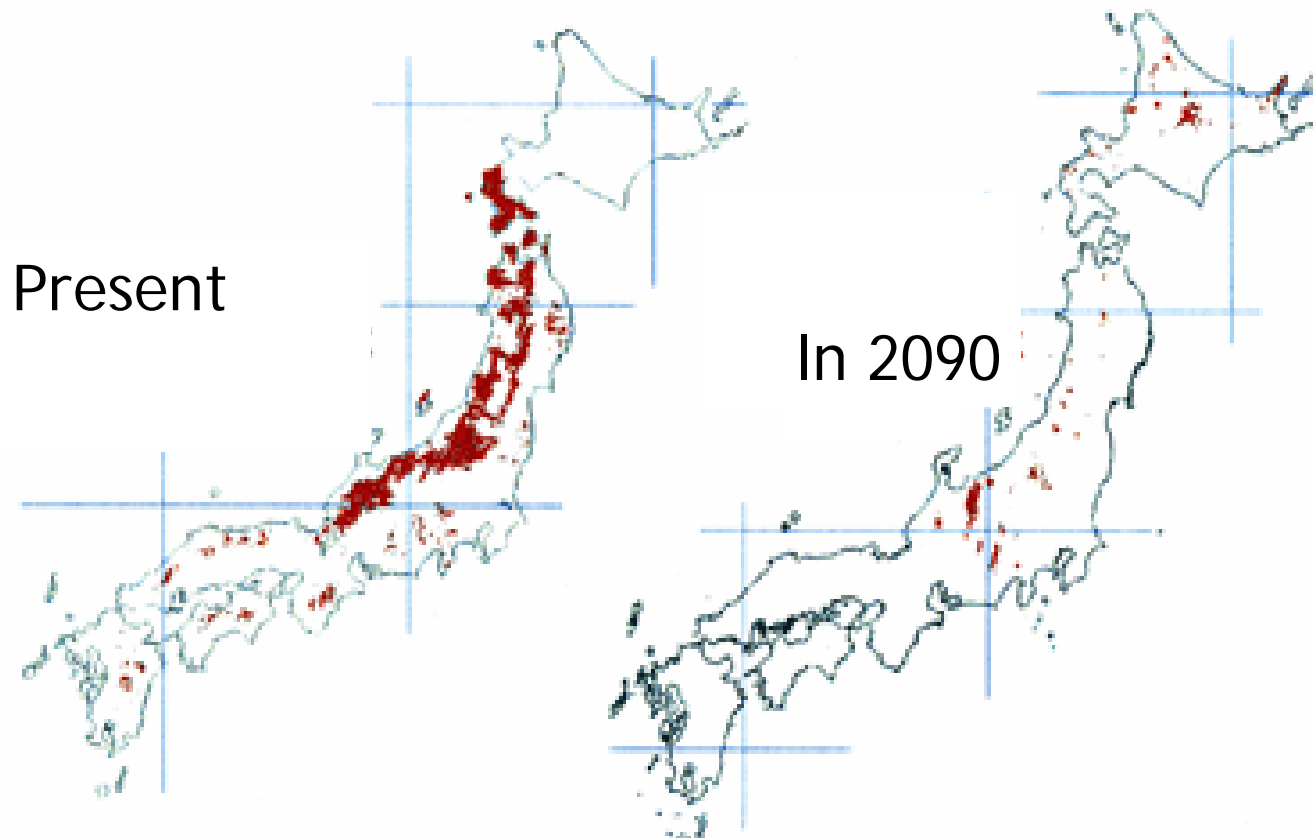
>>> **The beech-forest will disappear**
by global warming.

Fine Beech-forest



<http://www.flickr.com/photos/jetalone/1512741981/in/photostream/>

Distribution map of Predicted Beech-forest Belt in Japan



Background of Tidal-flat

- Total area of tidal-flat in Japan:
514km²

>>> **The tidal-flat will disappear**
by global warming.

Fine Tidal-flat




<http://www.fujimae.org/modules/tinyd0/index.php?id=22>

Tidal-flat exposed to crises in Japan



Value of Statistical Life

- Economic Evaluation of Heat-stroke Mortality Risk -

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Methodology

- Evaluating WTP (willingness to pay) in order to avoid death due to heat-stroke by using **CVM** (contingent valuation method)
- Measuring **VSL** (value of statistical life) concerning mortality risk of heat-stroke

Definition of VSL

- VSL is WTP in order to avoid one death from some phenomenon (e.g. heat-stroke) statistically.

$$VSL = \frac{WTP(\Delta Risk)}{\Delta Risk}$$

$\Delta Risk$: change of mortality risk

Contingent Valuation Survey

- Date: May, 2008
- Object: Adult men and women in Japan
- Means: **Internet**
- Collections: **1,193**
- Contents:
 - 1) Interests in problems concerning global warming
 - 2) Interests in increase of people with heat-stroke
 - 3) WTP in order to avoid increase of people with heat-stroke
 - 4) **WTP in order to avoid increase of death from heat-stroke**

Main Question

(WTP in order to avoid increase of death from heat-stroke)

- **If you have the policy**, the mortality rate of heat-stroke becomes **0.3**, maintaining present condition.
- **If you do not have the policy**, the mortality rate of heat-stroke becomes **Y**.

(1) If the policy cost is **100 yen per year**, do you accept the policy?

1. Yes 2. No

(2) If the policy cost is **300 yen per year**, do you accept the policy?

1. Yes 2. No

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Mortality rate
= number of mortality
per 100,000 population
annually

- with policy:
Mortality rate = 0.3
(present condition)

- without policy:
Mortality rate = Y
Case-1) Y = 0.6
Case-2) Y = 0.9
Case-3) Y = 1.5
Case-4) Y = 3.0

Utility Function

- Model - 1: $\Delta V = a \cdot x + \sum_{k=2}^4 b_k d_k + c \cdot \ln(p)$
- Model - 2: $\Delta V = a \cdot x + b \cdot \ln(\Delta r) + c \cdot \ln(p)$

ΔV : difference between utilities in Yes and No for policy

x : degree of interest in increase of people with heat-stroke

d_k : dummy variables of case k

Δr : change of mortality risk

p : policy cost

a, b, c : unknown parameters

Choice Probability

- Probability of Yes: $P_{yes} = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-w \cdot \Delta V)}$
- Probability of No: $P_{no} = 1 - P_{yes}$

WTP (willingness to pay)

- WTP of specific people:

- Model-1:
$$WTP = \exp\left(-\frac{a \cdot x + \sum_{k=2}^4 b_k d_k}{c}\right)$$

- Model-2:
$$WTP = \exp\left(-\frac{a \cdot x + b \cdot \ln(\Delta r)}{c}\right)$$

WTP (willingness to pay)

- Mean value of WTP:

$$WTP_{mean} = \sum_{i=1}^5 f(x_i) \cdot WTP(x_i)$$

$f(x_i)$: ratio of people who has degree x_i
of interest in increase of people with heat-stroke

$WTP(x_i)$: WTP of people who has degree x_i
of interest in increase of people with heat-stroke

Results of WTP

Case	WTP of people who has degree 1.00 (13.8%)	WTP of people who has degree 0.75 (34.7%)	WTP of people who has degree 0.50 (35.8%)	WTP of people who has degree 0.25 (12.3%)	WTP of people who has degree 0.00 (3.4%)	Mean value of WTP
1	658	323	159	78	38	271
2	1,382	679	333	164	80	569
3	2,904	1,426	700	344	169	1,195
4	6,923	3,399	1,668	819	402	2,849

Results of VSL

Case	Change of mortality risk	WTP [yen/year]	95% confidence interval of WTP [yen/year]	VSL [mil. yen]
1	0.6 → 0.3	271	260 - 281	90.23
2	0.9 → 0.3	569	547 - 590	94.80
3	1.5 → 0.3	1,195	1,150 - 1,240	99.59
4	3.0 → 0.3	2,849	2,741 - 2,956	105.50

Comparison to Previous Studies

Researchers (Year)	Evaluation Object	Estimated VSL
Yamamoto et al.(1994)	Mortality Risk of Water Quality	¥ 2,240~3,550mil.
Imanaga(2001)	Mortality Risk of Traffic Accident	¥460mil
Takeuchi et al.(2001)	same as above	¥ 20~240mil
Matsuoka et al.(2002)	Mortality Risk of Air Pollutions	\$3.14~4.32 mil.
Koyama et al.(2003)	Mortality Risk of Traffic Accident	¥ 150mil
Furukawa et al.(2004)	same as above	¥ 790~990mil
Kei et al.(2004)	same as above	¥ 266mil
Koshi(2004)	same as above	¥ 1400mil
Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism(2005)	same as above	¥ 160mil
Tsuge et al.(2005)	same as above	¥ 350mil
Itaoka et al.(2005)	same as above	¥ 103~344mil
Kashima(2006)	same as above	¥ 960mil
Cabinet Office(2007)	same as above	¥ 226mil
This study(2009)	Mortality Risk of Heat-Stroke	¥ 90.2~105.5mil.

Economic Value of Beech-forest



Methodology

- Measuring value of natural environment preservation function of beech-forest by CVM (contingent valuation method)

Contingent Valuation Survey

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- Contents:
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 - 2) Interest in decrease of areas of beech-forest
 - 3) **WTP in order to avoid decrease of beech-forest**

Main Question

(WTP in order to avoid increase of death from heat-stroke)

- **If you have the policy**, total area of beech-forest in Japan ($23,000\text{km}^2$) is **preserved**.
- **If you do not have the policy**, **X%** of total area of beech-forest in Japan ($23,000\text{km}^2$) is **decreased**.

(1) If the policy cost is **100 yen per year**, do you accept the policy?

1. Yes 2. No

(2) If the policy cost is **300 yen per year**, do you accept the policy?

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Total area of beech-forest

- with policy:
 $23,000\text{km}^2$
(present condition)

- without policy:
 $X\%$ of $23,000\text{km}^2$
is decreased.

Case-1) $X = 20$

Case-2) $X = 40$

Case-3) $X = 60$

Case-4) $X = 100$

Results

Case	Rate of area preserved [%]	WTP [yen/year]	Unit value [yen/m ²]
1	20	307	213.0
2	40	750	260.4
3	60	1,266	292.9
4	100	2,446	339.6

Total area of beech-forest in Japan: 23,000km²

Comparison to Pine-forest

Case	Rate of area preserved [%]	WTP [yen/year]	Unit value [yen/m ²]
1	20	269	171.0
2	40	699	222.4
3	60	1,223	259.4
4	100	2,475	314.9

Total area of pine-forest in Japan: 25,100km²

Economic Value of Tidal-flat



Methodology

- Measuring **value of biodiversity preservation function of tidal-flat** by **CVM** (contingent valuation method)
- Measuring **value of recreation function of tidal-flat** by **TCM** (travel cost method)

Contingent Valuation Survey

- Date: March, 2007
- Object: Adult men and women in Japan
- Means: **Internet**
- Collections: **1,196**
- Contents:
 - 1) Interest in problems concerning global warming
 - 2) Interest in decrease of biodiversity
 - 3) **WTP in order to avoid decrease of biodiversity**

Travel Demand Function for TCM

- Demand Function:

$$\ln(x_{ij}) = \alpha + \beta \cdot p_{ij}$$

x_{ij} : travels to go shellfish gathering between zones $i - j$

p_{ij} : generalized travel cost between zones $i - j$

$i - j$: origin and destination (prefectures)

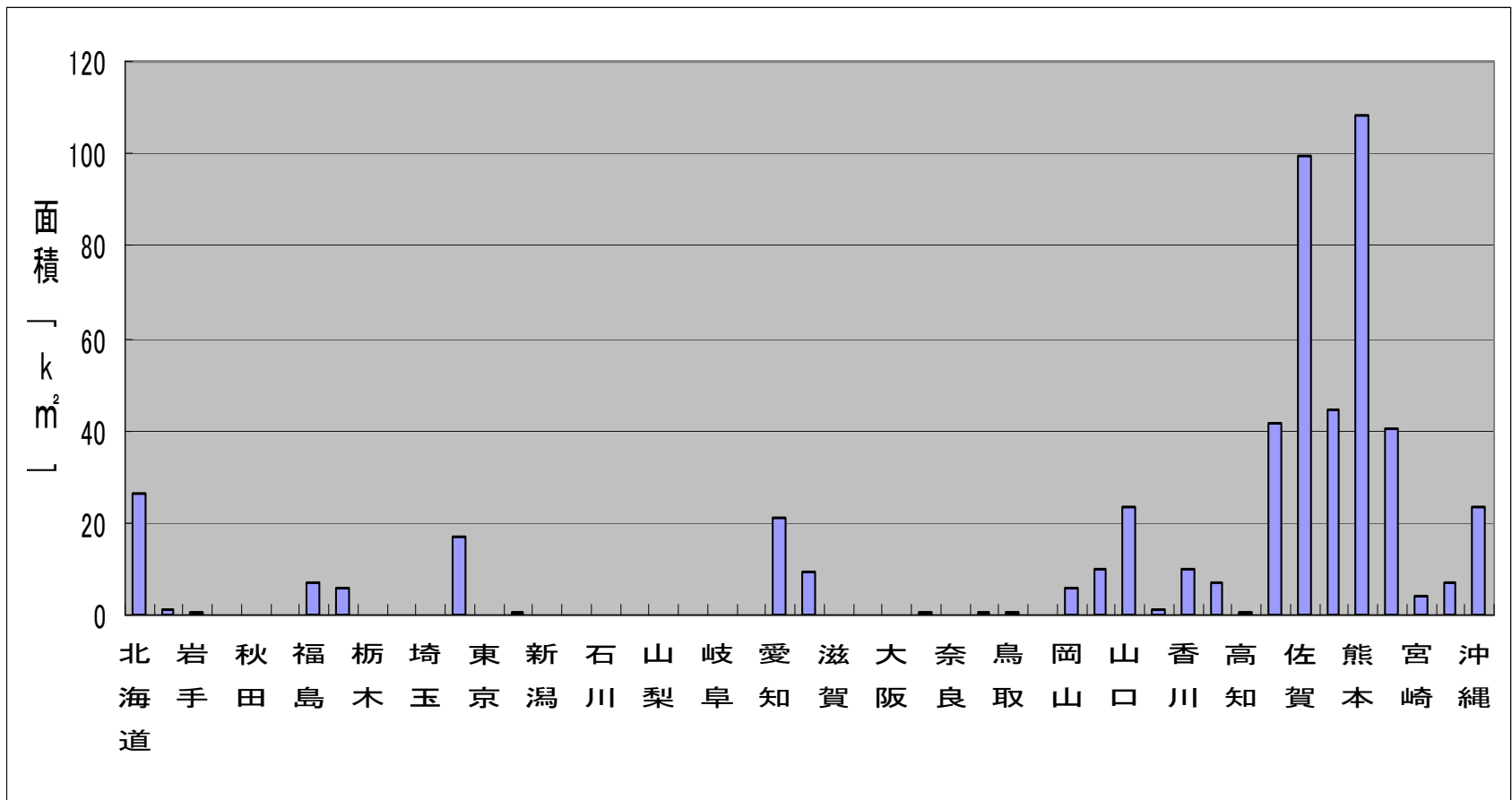
α, β : unknown parameters

Results

- Value of biodiversity preservation function (by CVM)
Value per year per people: 1,599[yen/year/people]
Total value in Japan: **5,106.6[billion yen]**
Average value in Japan: 9,935[yen/m²]
- Value of recreation function (by TCM)
Value per trip: 2,099[yen/trip]
Total value in Japan: **117.5[billion yen]**
Average value in Japan: 228[yen/m²]
- Unit value of tidal-flat
Average value in Japan: **10,163[yen/m²]**

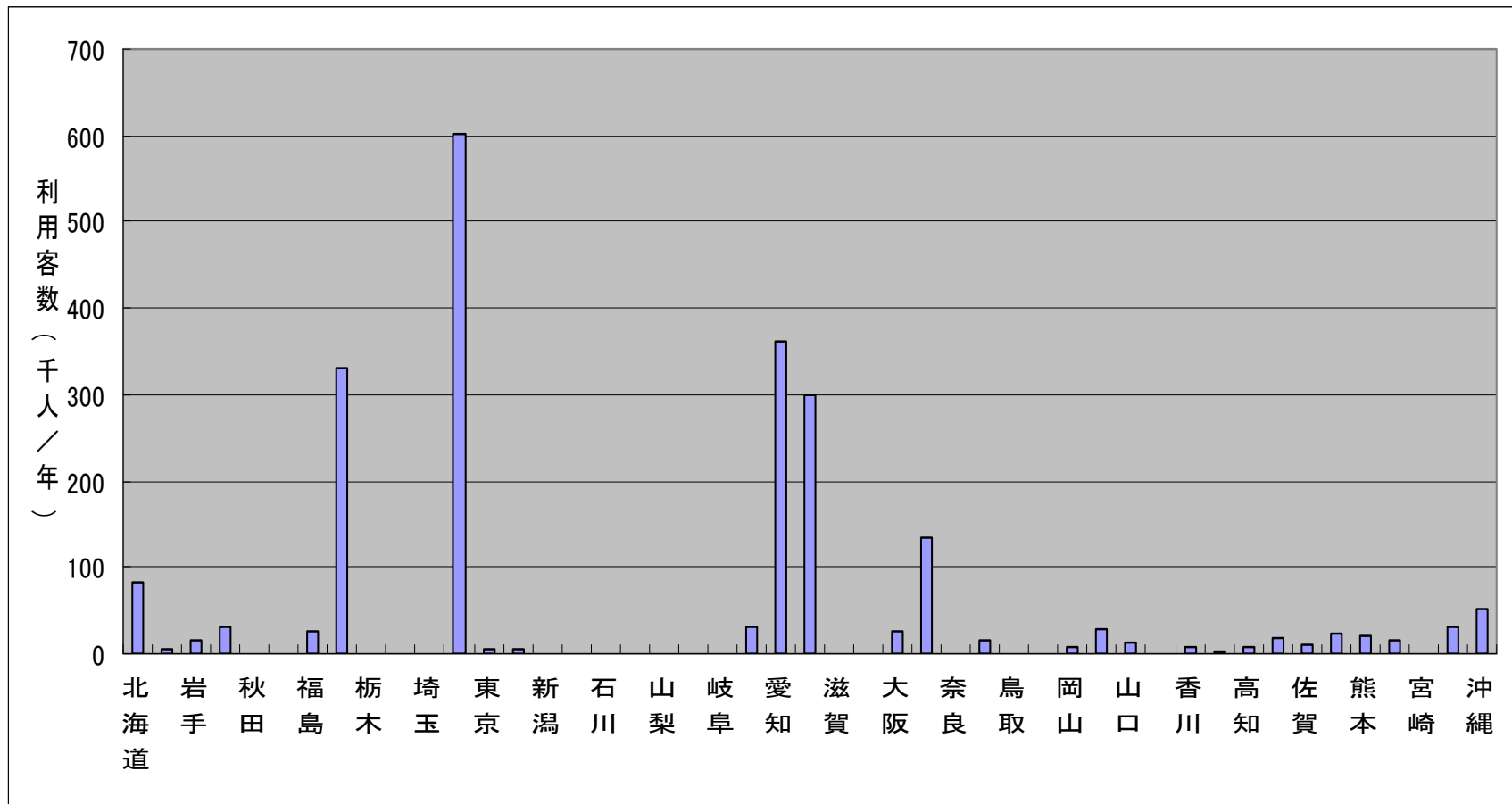
Areas of Tidal-flat

($\times 9,935[\text{yen}/\text{m}^2]$ =Value of Biodiversity Preservation Function)

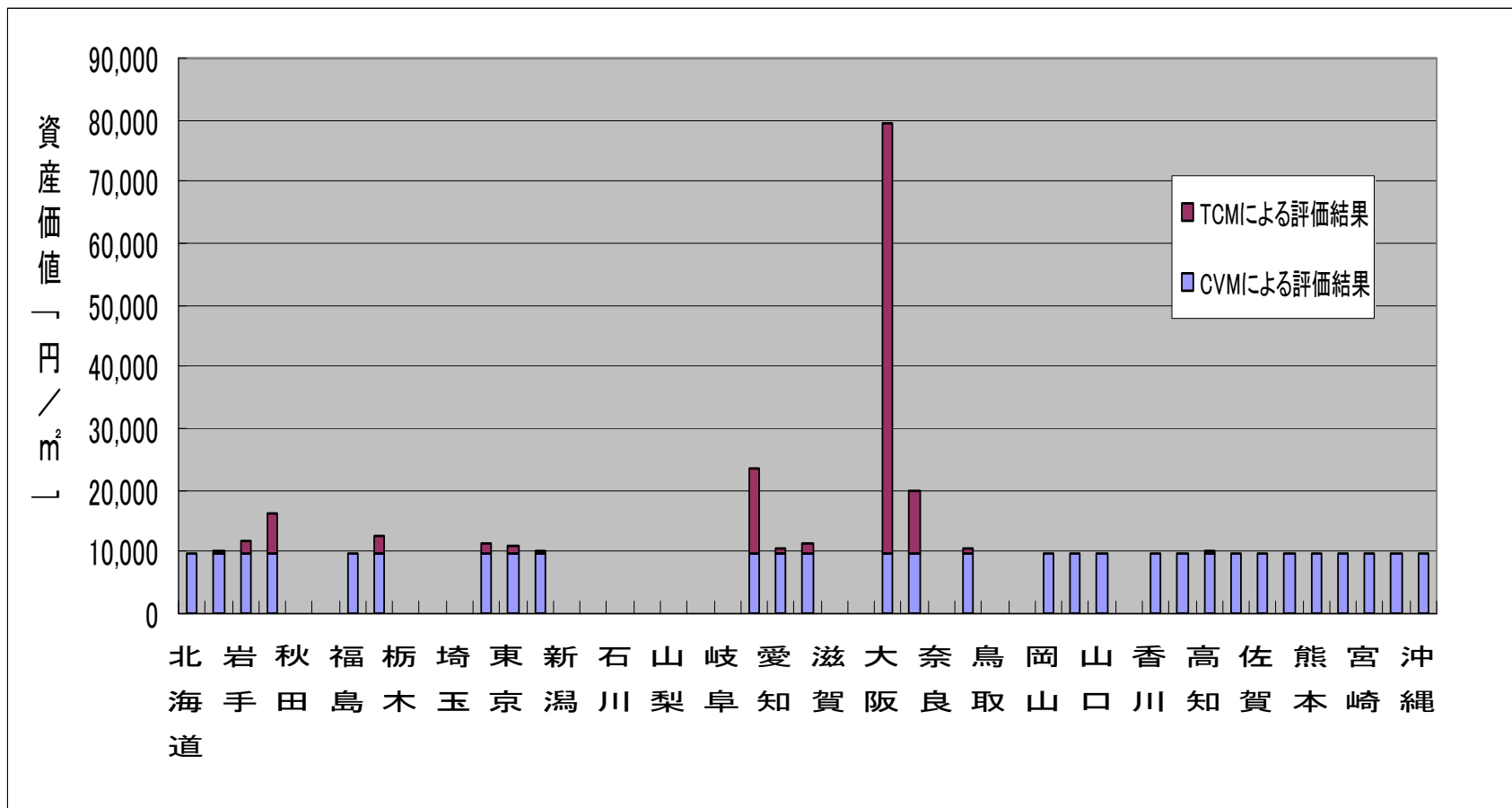


Users of Tidal-flat

($\times 2,099$ [yen/people]=Value of Recreation Function)



Unit Value of Tidal-flat



Damage Cost by Global Warming



Damage Cost on Heat-stroke

■ Outline of impact assessment index

- In the present study, focusing on the mortality risk due to heatstroke, which is the main factor in heat stress, the cost of damage is measured by the contingent valuation method (CVM).
- Changes in heatstroke mortality are estimated by multiplying the current average mortality due to heatstroke by the future changes in risk estimated using a model for estimating excess mortality due to heat stress, and the results are multiplied by the value of a statistical life (VSL) to estimate the cost of damage from mortality due to future heat stress (heatstroke).

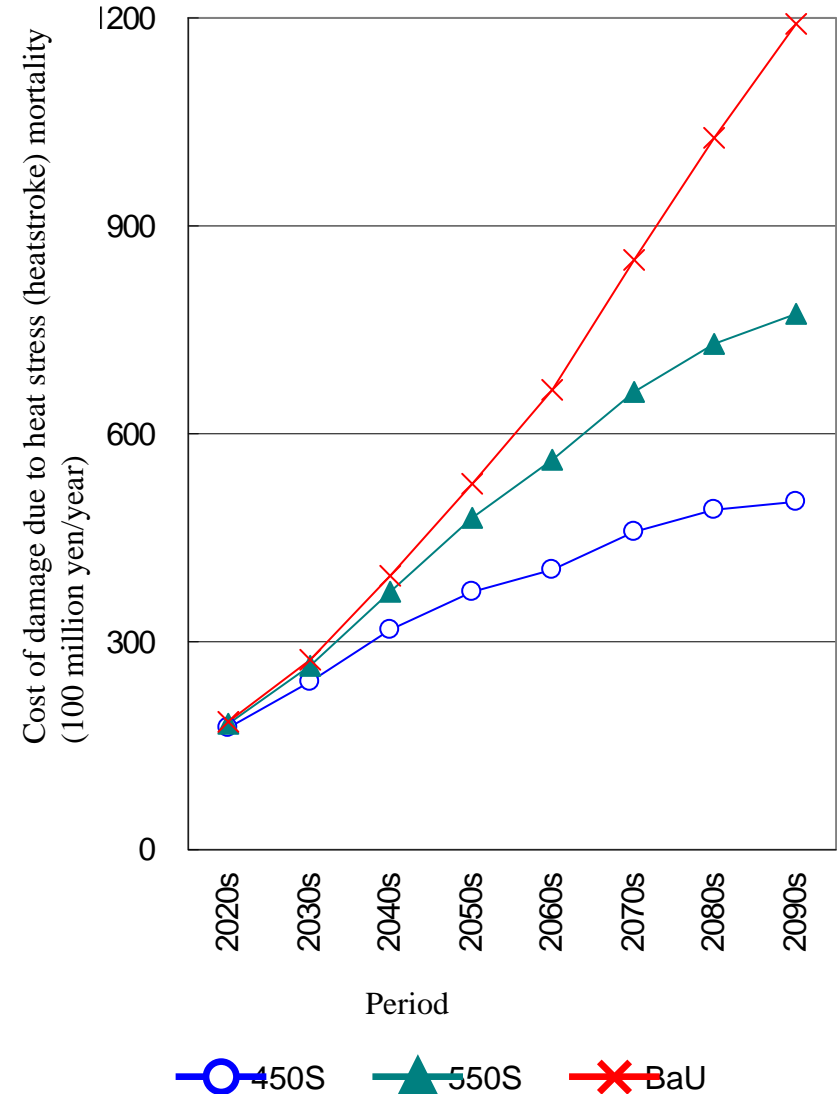
□ Future impacts

● Nationwide trends

- The lower the level at which GHG concentration is stabilized, the lower the cost of damage due to heat stress (heatstroke) mortality becomes. Particularly in the case of the strictest stabilization level (450s), the cost of such damage is expected to roughly reach a ceiling at approx. 50 billion yen/year.
- Differences in the cost of such damage remain comparatively small around mid-century (2050s), at approx. 37.3 billion yen/year (450s), 48.0 billion yen/year (550s), and 52.9 billion yen/year (BaU). However, at the end of the century (2090s), large differences are expected according to the stabilization level, reaching approx. 50.1 billion yen/year (450s), 77.5 billion yen/year (550s), and 119.2 billion yen/year (BaU), respectively.

● Regional trends

- The costs of damage are large in the Kanto/Koshinetsu/Hokuriku and Tokai/Chubu/Kinki regions, which have high estimated values of heat stress mortality risk during the base and future periods as well as large populations. The rate of increase in the cost of damage is expected to become larger in the Chugoku/Shikoku/Kyushu region, where a high increase in risk is expected.



Damage Cost on Beech-forest

Outline of impact assessment index

- Focusing on the biodiversity maintenance function of *F. crenata* forests, their environmental economic value is estimated by the contingent valuation method (CVM).
- The environmental economic value estimated in the present research is the nonmarket value (the value of items not traded on the market). For accurate cost-benefit analysis, it is necessary to also estimate the market value.

Future impacts

Nationwide trends

- Under the 450s and 550s GHG concentration stabilization scenarios, the rate of increase in the cost of damage is expected to be reduced.
- Slight differences are seen in the cost of damage under the 450s, 550s, and BaU scenarios by around mid-century (up to the 2050s), at approx. 103.4 billion, 127.3 billion, and 138.1 billion yen/year, respectively. However, significant differences appear among the scenarios by around the end of the century (up to the 2090s), with the cost of damage expected to reach approx. 132.5 billion, 181.1 billion, and 232.4 billion yen/year, respectively (present value: approx. 7.8 trillion yen).

Regional trends

- In the Hokkaido/Tohoku region where the present area of suitable habitats for *F. crenata* forests is large, the cost of damage by around the end of the century (up to the 2090s) is expected to reach approx. 83.2 billion yen/year (450s), 114.6 billion yen/year (550s), and 147.9 billion yen/year (BaU).

