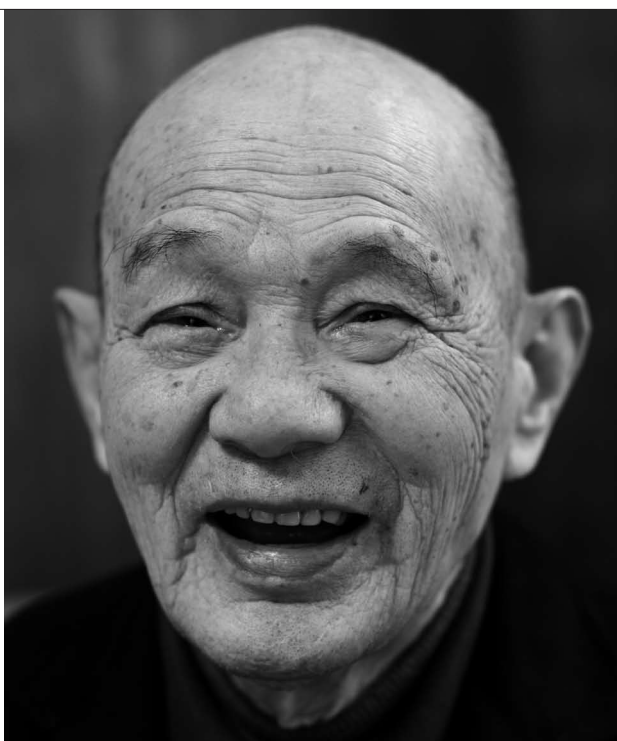


## Great Centenarians

〈Survival Rate of People until Reaching to 100 Years Old〉

| Years old | Men (%) | Women (%) |
|-----------|---------|-----------|
| 0         | 1.6     | 7.0       |
| 65        | 1.8     | 7.5       |
| 75        | 2.2     | 8.2       |
| 99        | 69.8    | 75.8      |

Source: Ministry of Health, *Labour and Welfare*, 2009



**Senkichi Hasegawa**  
(Born in 1908)

Starting his career as a lathe worker in the shipbuilding industry at a mere 14 years of age, Mr. Senkichi Hasegawa consistently manufactured submarine cranks or engine parts of passenger ships by operating a huge lathe as large as 150 cm. As a “Dock Family” his father and son were also involved in shipping industry.

Senkichi, a skilled worker with the spirit of a craftsman, was not so sociable. He used to be sour-faced all the time; these several years, however, he has been always smiling and chatting merrily, after he began to attend a day-care center. His family is full of wonder at such a change.

From a series of “HYAKU-SAI-OH (Great Centenarians) ”  
photographed by Shoichi Ono

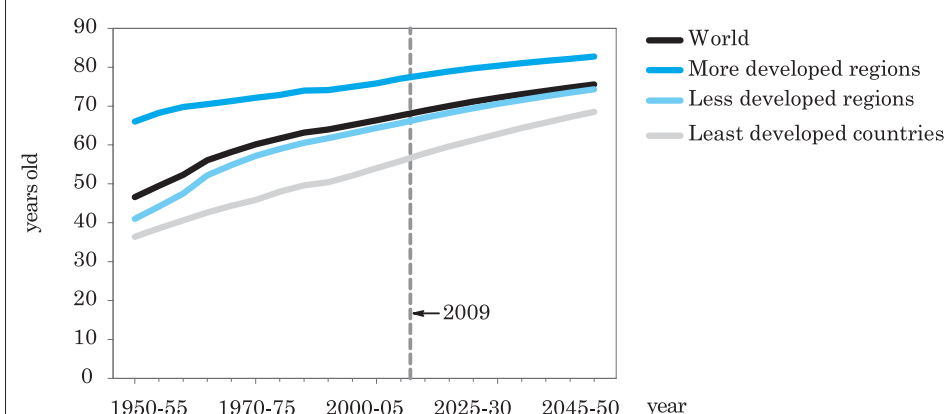
These are photos of older people aged 100 and over who live in an exotic port city Yokohama.  
956 centenarians live in Yokohama as of January 1, 2009.

# Aging in the World

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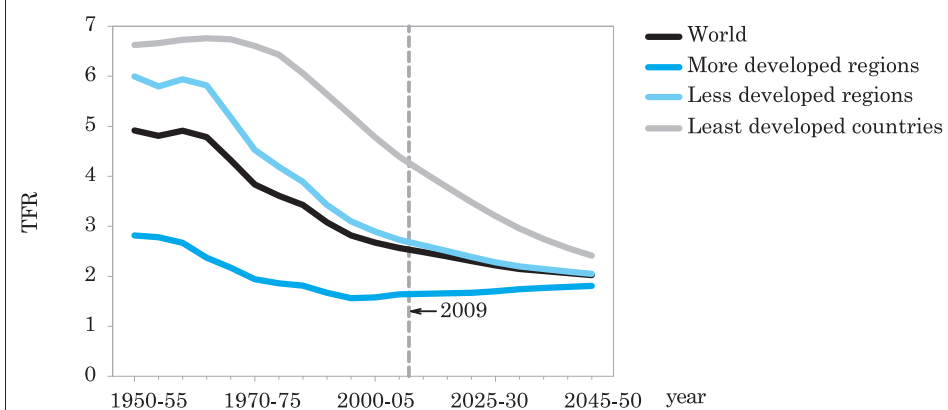
### Life expectancy at birth : world and development regions, 1950-2050

People are living longer, but large variations remain



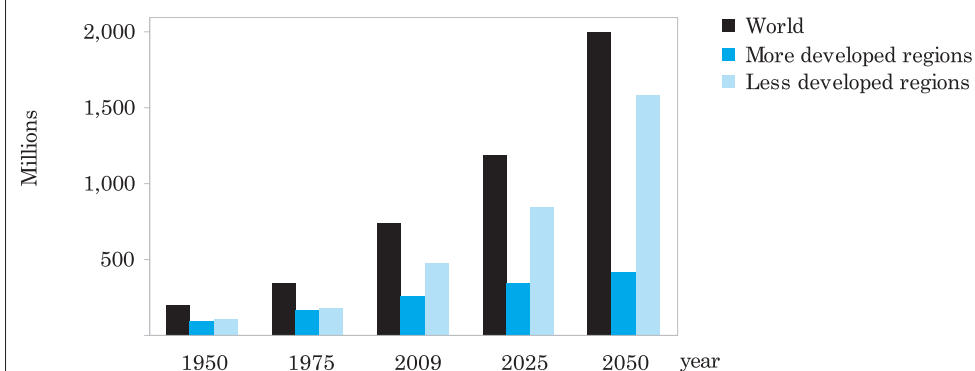
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Fertility decline in the less developed regions started later and has proceeded faster



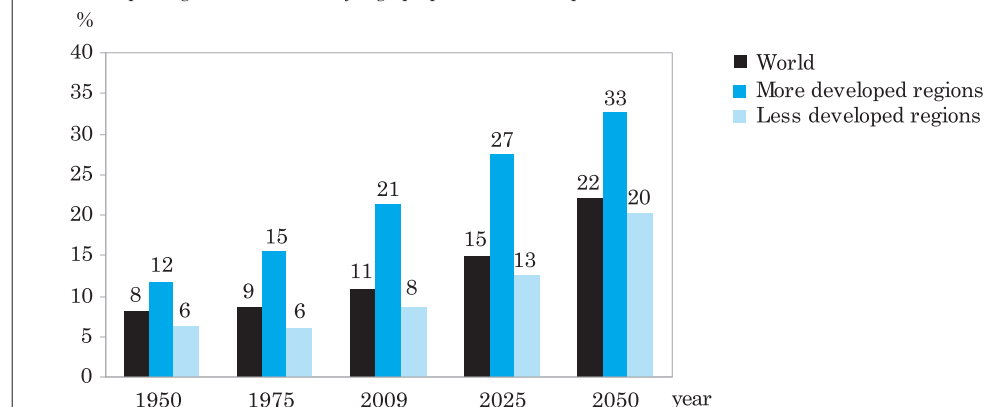
### Population aged 60 or over : world and development regions, 1950-2050

The number of older persons has more than tripled since 1950; it will almost triple again by 2050



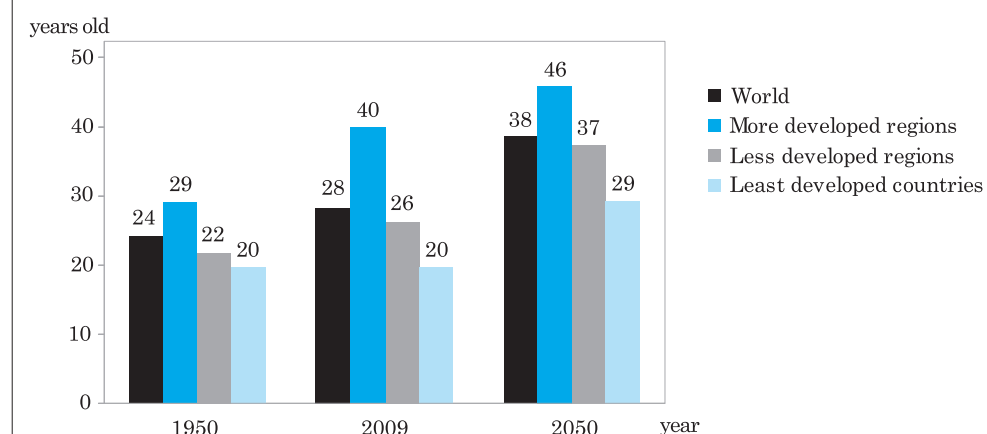
### Proportion of population aged 60 or over : world and development regions, 1950-2050

More developed regions have relatively high proportions of older persons



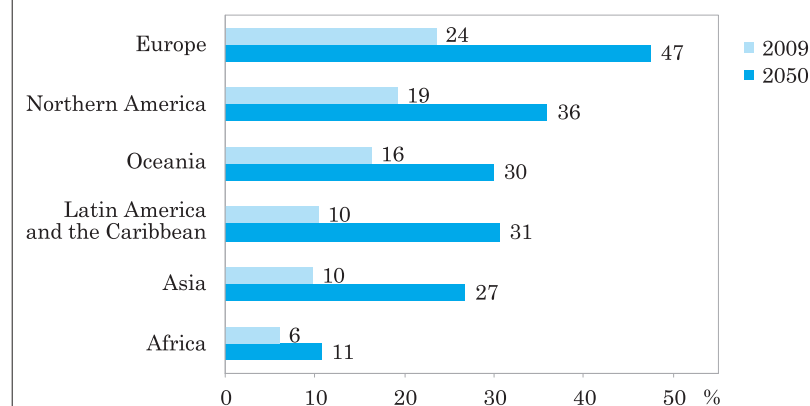
### Median age of the population : world and development regions, 1950-2050

During 2009-2050, the median age of the world population is projected to increase by about 10 year



### Old-age dependency ratio: major areas, 2009 and 2050

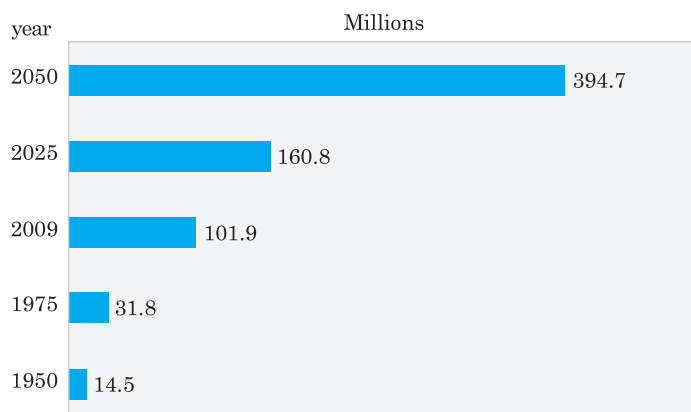
The old-age dependency ratio will almost double in Africa, Europe, Northern America and Oceania; it will almost triple in Asia and will more than triple in Latin America and the Caribbean



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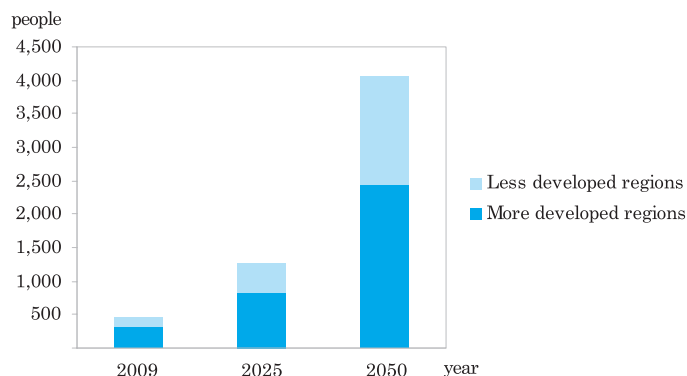
### Population aged 80 or over: world, 1950-2050

The number of persons aged 80 and over is increasing substantially



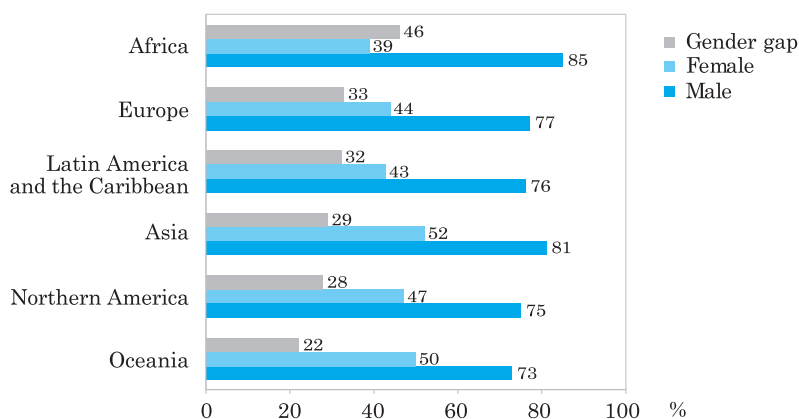
### Distribution of world centenarians by development regions, 2009-2050

By 2050, the number of centenarians is expected to increase nine times



### Percentage currently married among men and women aged 60 or over and gender gap : major areas, around 2005

The proportions of older men with spouses are considerably higher than those of older women with spouses in all major areas



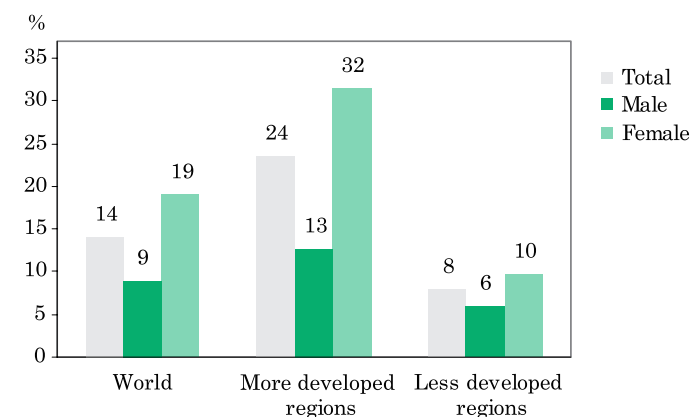


Hands of Ms. Tame Moriya (Born in 1904, the same person as P48) working on her hobby of handicraft joyfully.  
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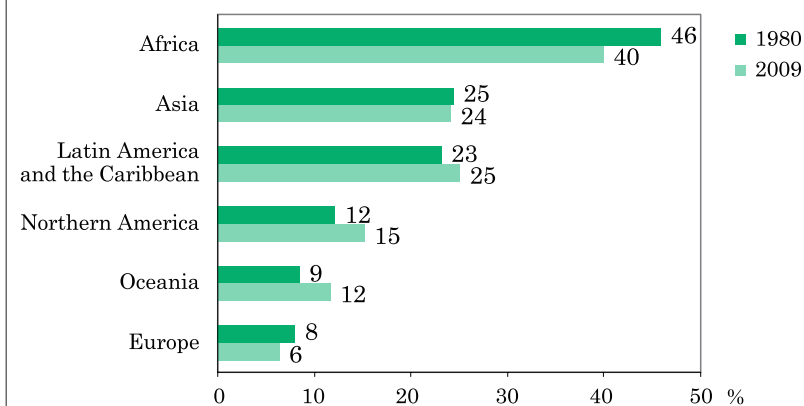
## Percentage of population aged 60 or over living alone, by sex: world and development regions, around 2005

About one out of every seven older persons, over 100 million people, live alone

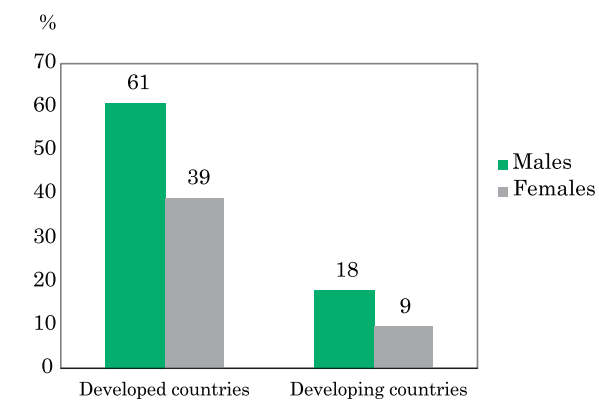


## Labor force participation at ages 65 or over: major areas, 1980 and 2009

The labor force participation rates of older persons are higher in the less developed regions



## Percentage of Countries for Which the Statutory Pensionable Age is 65 Years or Higher by Sex, 2009



United Nations, *World Population Aging*, 2009