Incheon Birth Policy: Republic of Korea's Leading Population Initiative!

i+ Dream Policy

인천광역시
Incheon Metropolitan City

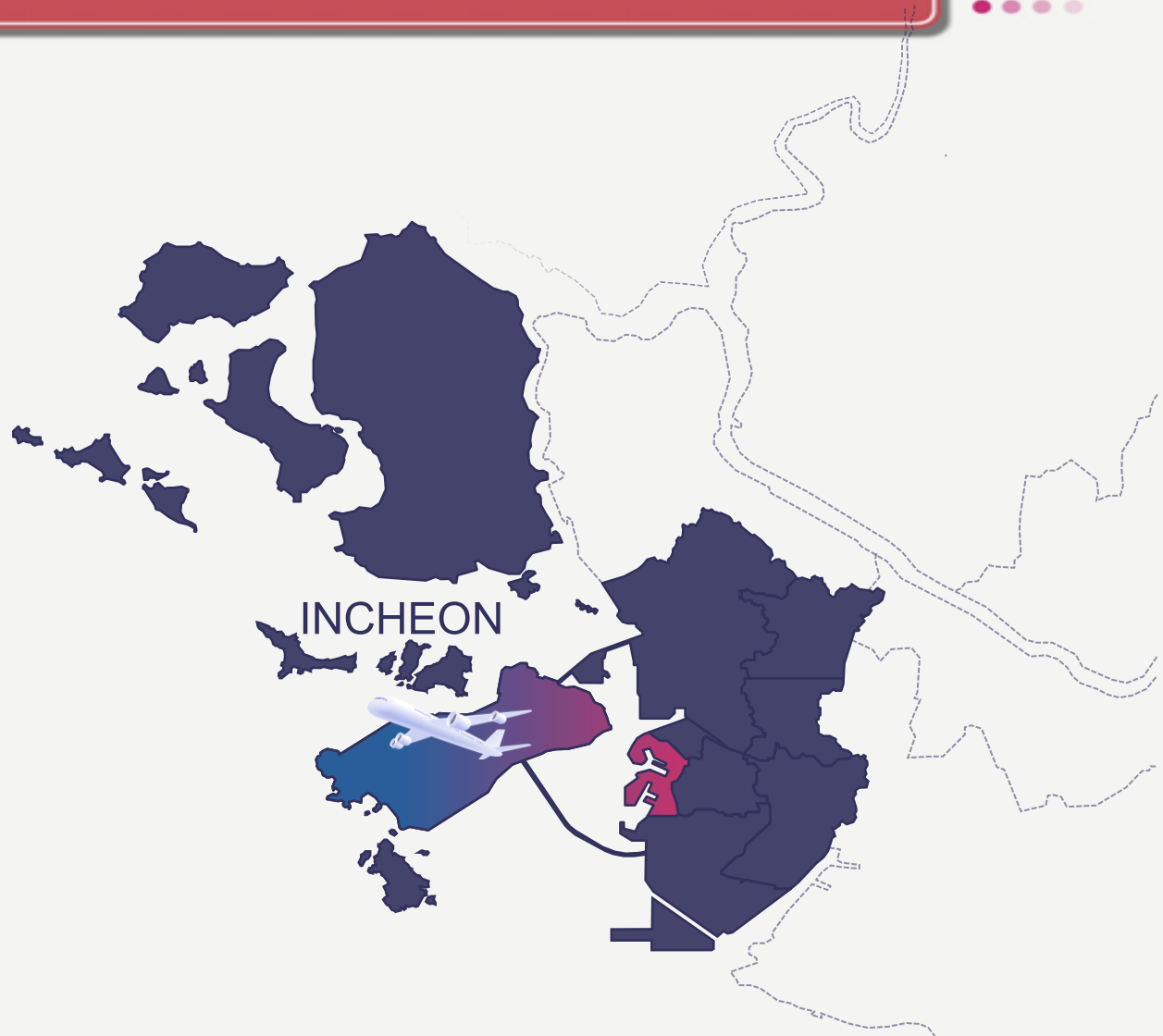
Introduction to Incheon Metropolitan City

Geographical Location

- Strategically located in the heart of the Korean Peninsula and along the lower Hangang River
- Located 28 km from Seoul, the capital of the Republic of Korea

Demographics

Population	3,031,361 (6% of the total population of the Republic of Korea)
Birth Growth Rate	11.6% (Ranked 1st in the Republic of Korea) *National average: 3.6%



Incheon Birth Policy: i+ Dream

Meeting and Marriage

Marriage Promotion Program

i+ 이어드림 *Match Dream*	Dating Program
i+ 맺어드림 *Wedding Dream*	Wedding Ceremony Support Program

Housing and Childbirth

Housing/Financial Support

i+ 집 드림 *Home Dream*	KRW 1,000 Housing 1.0% Loan Interest
i+ 1억 드림 *100M i Dream*	Transportation Support for Pregnant Women, Angel 1040 Subsidy, (KRW 10.4 M Support Fund) Child i-Dream Allowance(ages 8~18) ➡ National Policy Success! (Expanded to ages 8→13) Postnatal Care Expense Support
i+ 차비 드림 *Transportation Expenses Dream*	Public Transportation, Support for Parents of Newborns

Childcare

Parenting Support

i+ 길러드림 *Care Dream*

1040 Angel Childcare Support

Gap Care (Supplementary Childcare Support)

Warm Meal Care(Meal Provision)

Match Dream Promoting Positive Perceptions of Marriage

Providing opportunities for organic interactions among young people who face difficulty meeting potential partners due to their

(Eligibility) Unmarried men and women who are either registered residents of Incheon Metropolitan City or employed at a local company
※ Ages 24–39 (born between 1986 and 2001)

(Program Scale) 5 sessions a year / Approximately 460 participants

(Results) Held a total of 4 sessions

※ 360 openings received 3,857 applications (competition ratio 10.7:1), 101 matches made (56%)

(Venues) Local hotels, public facilities, outdoor event venues, etc.

(Program Details) Includes professional matchmaking services, one-on-one conversations, couple games, etc.

Wedding Dream Establishing a Reasonable Marriage Culture

Support for Wedding Venues and Expenses
(Public facilities provided free of charge as wedding venues)

* 13 public venues, including the Incheon Citizens' Love House, are provided free of charge
* Up to KRW 1 million in support per couple

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Affordable Wedding Service Packages
(Standardized Pricing for Incheon Marriage Services)

Meals, floral decorations, planning and coordination fees
(Studio wedding, photography, dress, and makeup)

① **Basic Package: Approximately KRW 7 million**
② **Standard Package: Approximately KRW 7.5 million**
③ **Premium Package: Approximately KRW 11 million**

[Total Wedding Expenses]

2025 Duo Report Average Price
KRW 18,000,000

Incheon Standard Price
KRW 10,000,000

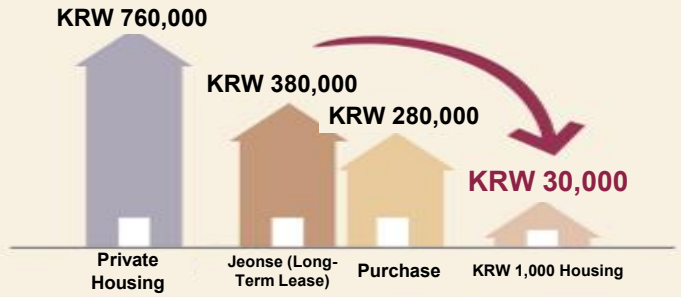
44%
Cost Savings

Home Dream Providing a Housing Environment That Enables Child-Rearing Without Housing Concerns

KRW 1,000 Housing
(Housing rent support for newlyweds)

KRW 30,000 per month

Approximately 4% of the average monthly rent of private housing (KRW 760,000)



(Eligibility) Newlyweds, households with newborns

(Scale) 1,000 units (500 units for purchase, 500 units for Jeonse)

(Duration) Up to 6 years (minimum 2 years, renewable twice)

(Budget Required) KRW 3,600 million

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1.0% Loan Interest
(Loan interest support for households that purchased a home after childbirth)

Households with Home Purchase Loans

Additional Support for Loan Interest Rates

(Eligibility) Households with newborns that have a Mortgage Loan

(Scale) 3,000 households

(Duration) Up to 5 years

(Budget Required) KRW 64,500 million

Fare Dream Fostering a Childbirth-Friendly Social Environment Through Support for Families with Newborns

Expanding the Incheon i-Pass reimbursement rate for households with parents of newborns

(Support Details) 50%–70% reimbursement of public transportation expenses for parents raising newborns

(Support Period) From the application date until the year before the child enters elementary school

(Reimbursement Rate) 50% for the first child, 70% for the second child or more

(Eligibility) Households of parents with newborns whose resident registration address is in Incheon Metropolitan City and who have a child born on or after January 1, 2025

(Project Launch) From the second half of 2025

100 Million Dream — Developing Seamless and Comprehensive Support from Pregnancy Through 18 Years of Age

Current

KRW 72 million

Medical Expense Support for Pregnancy and Childbirth	KRW 1 million
First Encounter Voucher	KRW 2 million
Parental Allowance	KRW 18 million
Ages 2–5 (Childcare and Meals Support)	KRW 25.3 million
Child Allowance (up to 96 months)	KRW 9.6 million
Elementary, Middle, and High School Education Expenses	KRW 16.5 million

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Expansion

KRW 28 million

Transportation Support for Pregnant Women	KRW 0.5 million
Angel 1040 Subsidy	KRW 8.4 million
Child i-Dream Allowance	KRW 19.8 million

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Total

KRW 100 million

Starting 2025

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Comfortable Postnatal Care Support

KRW 1.5 million

※ **Facilitated private sector participation**

- Booyoung Group (KRW 100 million per child)
- Ssangbangwool (KRW 30–40 million)

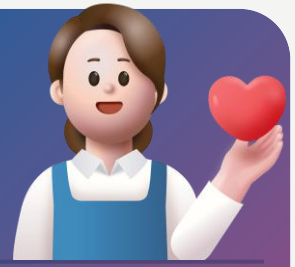
Care Dream Delivering a Seamless Care Environment Through Experiential Service Delivery

Angel 1040 Childcare Support (Daily Care)

Expanded support for families requiring care beyond the government's care limit of 960 hours

- Up to 1,040 hours of care support
- Expansion of care institutions in developing areas
- Promoting mutually beneficial workplace childcare centers
- Expansion of elementary care facilities
- Public-private cooperation for care spaces

Gap Care (Safe Care)



Whole-day gap care from morning to evening

- Expansion of hourly childcare
- Childcare during early/late hours and weekends
- Support for caring for children with sickness
- Safe transportation for children in care

Warm Meal Care (Healthy Care)

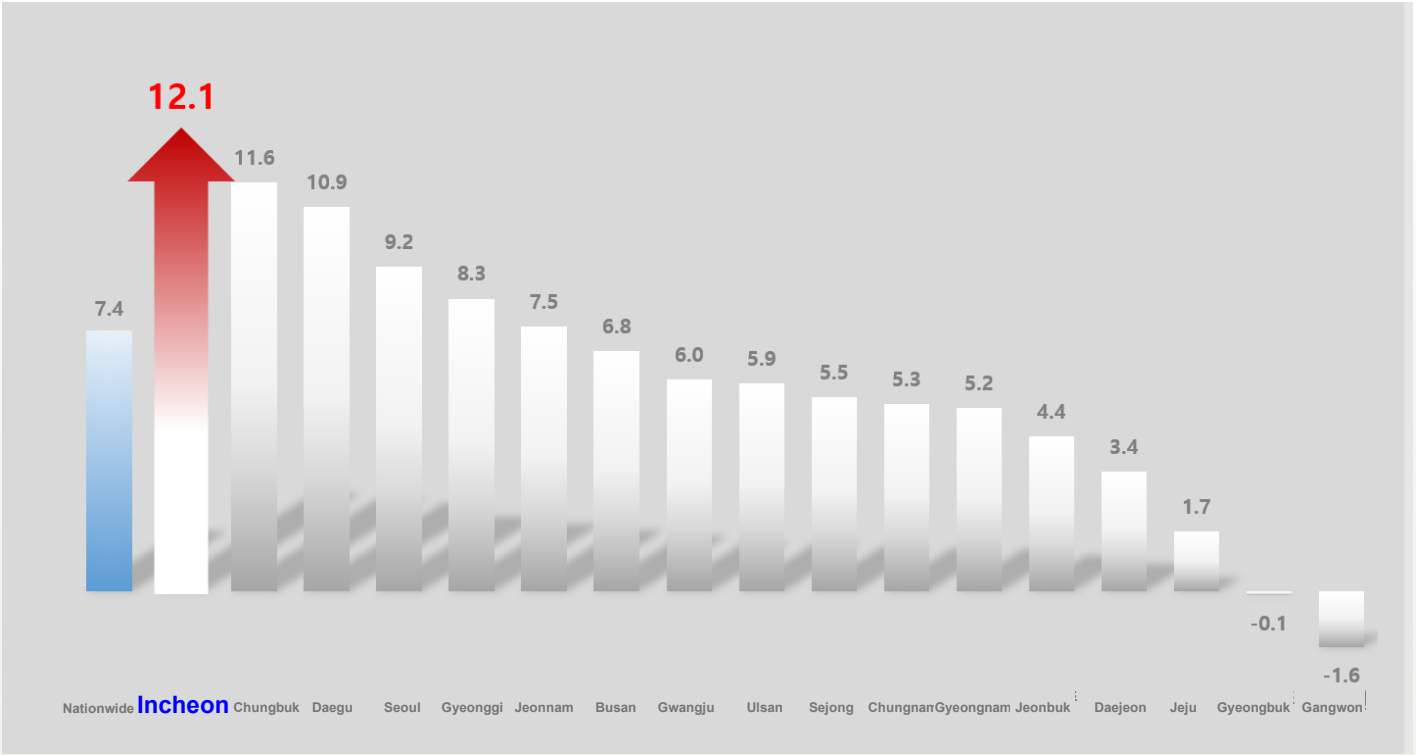
Nutritious meals for children of working parents and at-risk families

- Provision of lunch during school breaks
- Meal card for children in need of meals

Integration with food delivery apps and budget-friendly restaurants

Achievements of Incheon Birth Policy: i+ Dream

Birth Growth Rates by Region (Cumulative) for January–June 2025



(vs. the same period last year)

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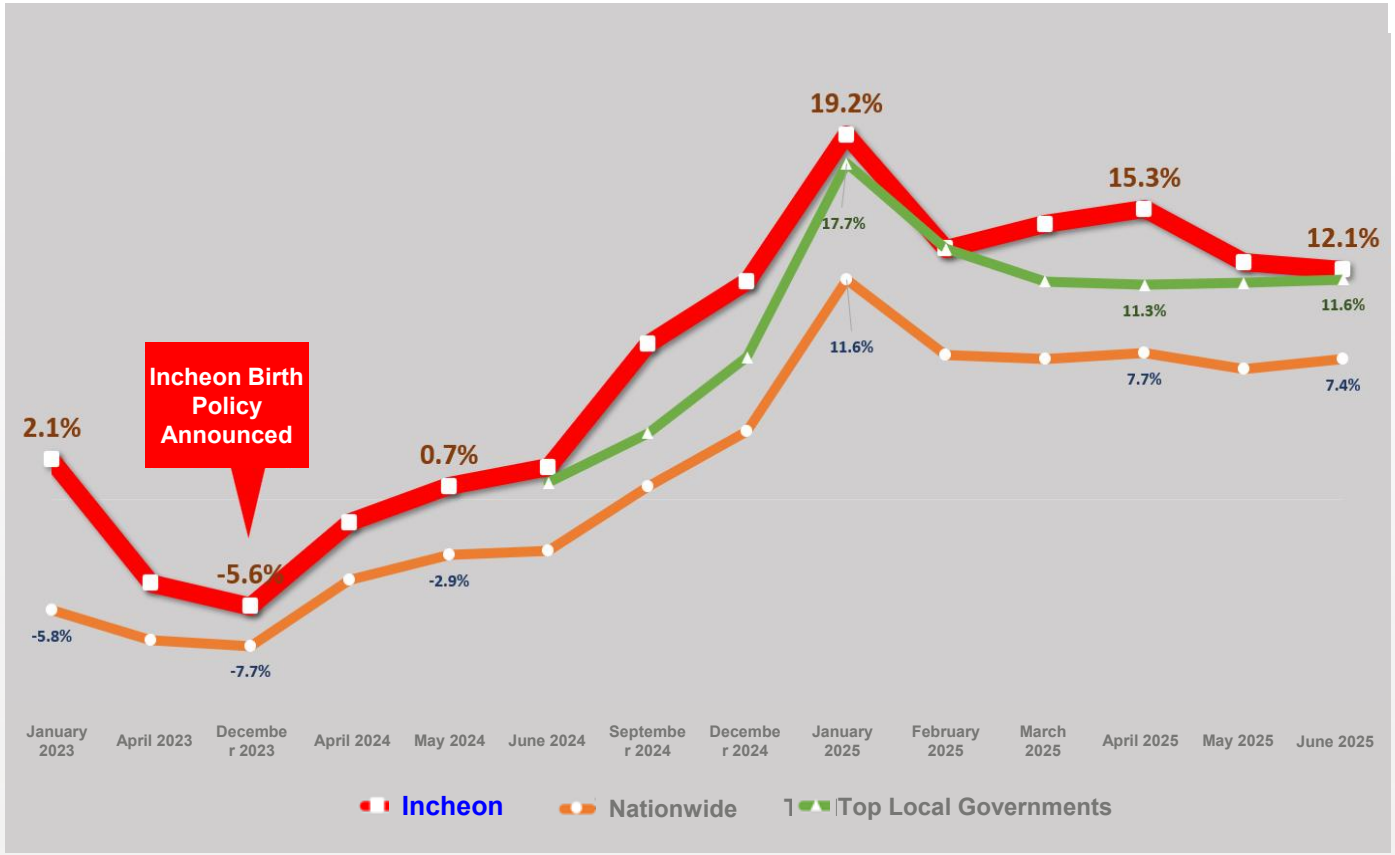
Birth Growth Rate (Nationwide/Incheon)



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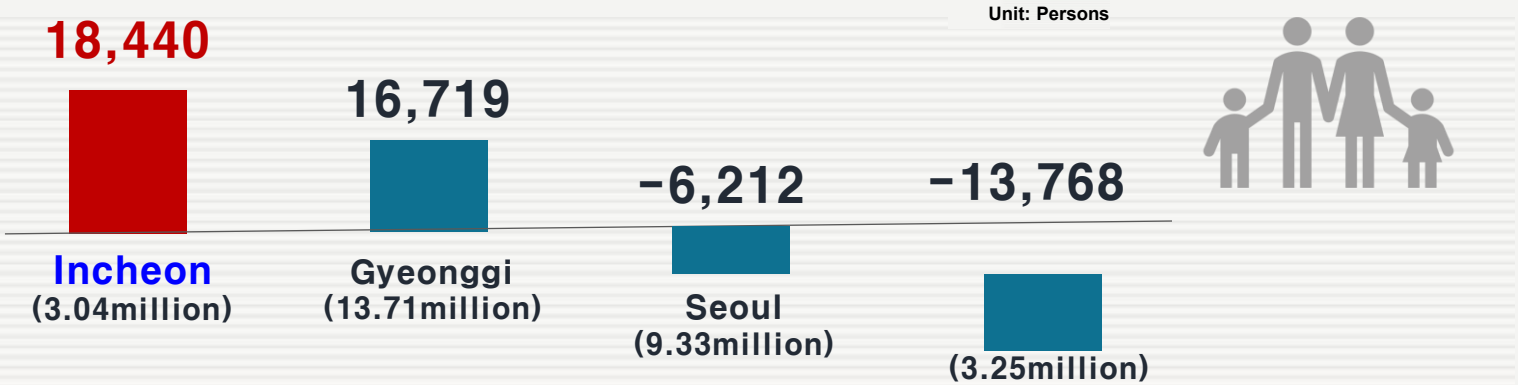
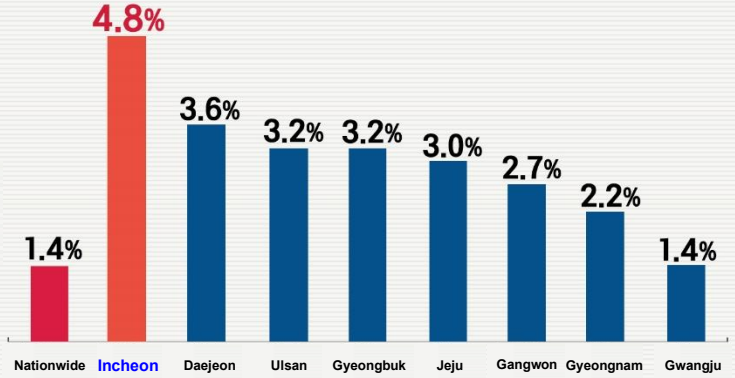
- **No. 1** Nationwide in Resident Registration Population Growth – **18,440 increase** in June 2025 (year-onyear)



- **No.1** Nationwide in Real Economic Growth Rate for Two Consecutive Years

2023: +4.8% (vs. the previous year)



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Achieving Both Population Growth and Economic Success

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