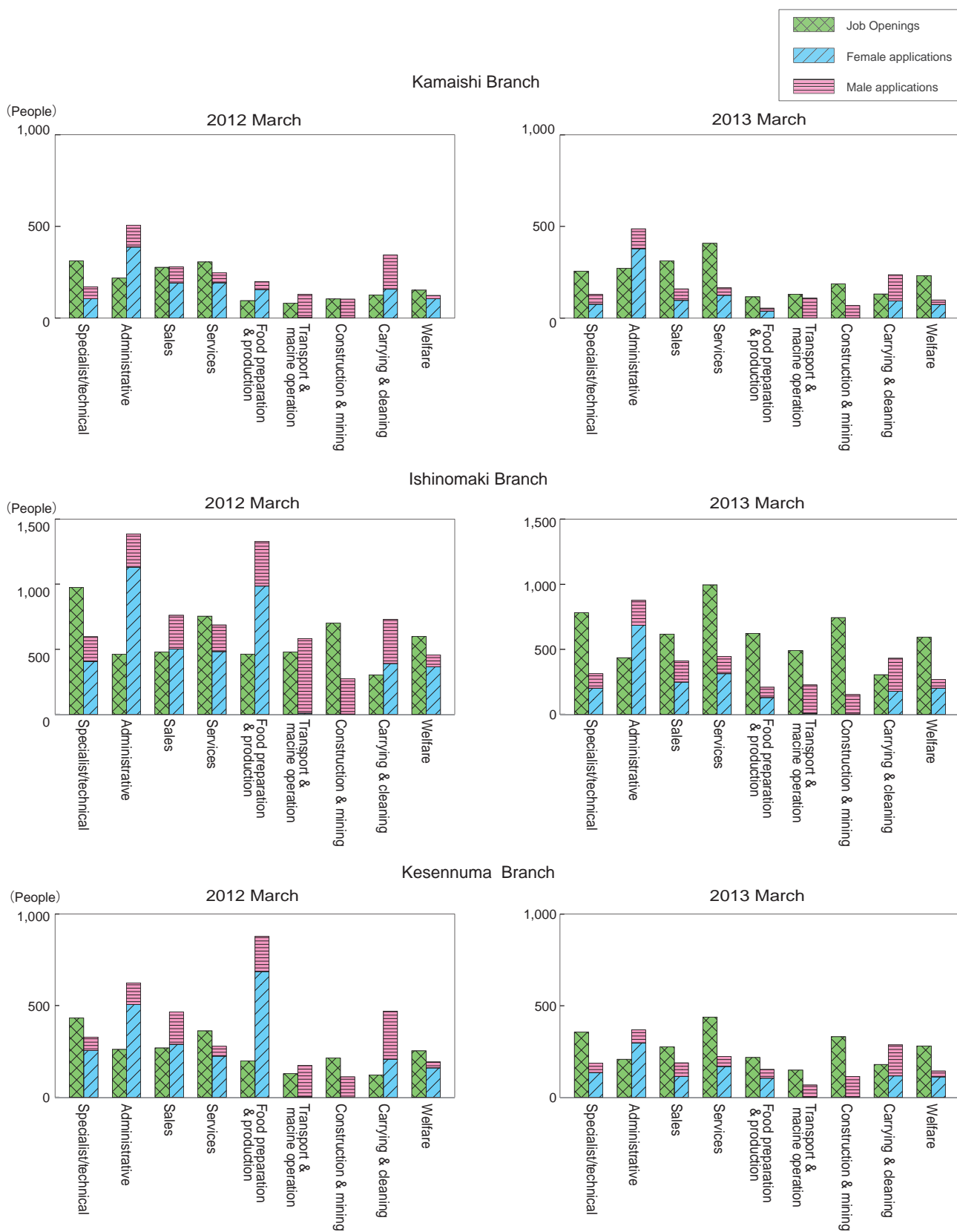


9 Disaster Prevention and Reconstruction

The Earthquake's Effects on Employment



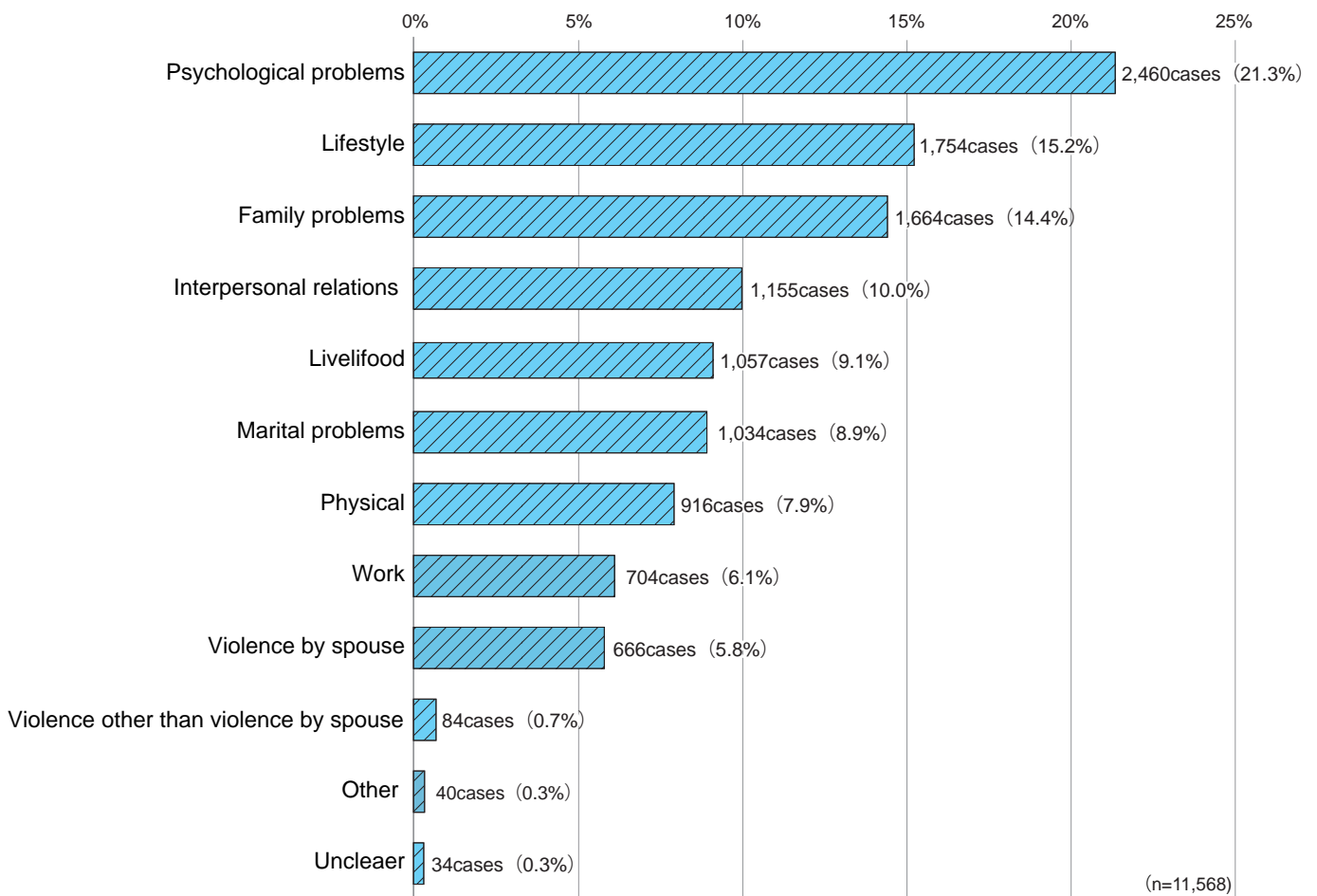
Source: Created from "Employment Referrals for General Workers" the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

Notes :

1. Job Offering form does not include question on applicant's sex, therefore no data is available on the sex decomposition.
2. Occupational classifications are based on the divisions of 2011 Classification of Occupation for Employment Security Service(ESCO) by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare. However, "food preparation production" have been re-tallied based on the divisions of 1999 revised ESCO.
3. Welfare-related work includes those jobs in other categories that are related to welfare.

At Hello Works in coastal areas that suffered significant damage from the Great East Japan Earthquake that occurred in March 2011, as of March 2012 there was a situation in which sufficient job offers were not provided for work that women want to do, and there was a small number of job offers in food preparation and production, for which there was a comparatively large number of female job-seekers. However, as of March 2013 the number of job offers had surpassed the number of job-seekers for food preparation and production. Meanwhile, for construction and mining, as of March 2013 the number of job offers had surpassed the overall number of job-seekers, but there continued to be a mismatch between employment demand and supply, due to factors such as an extremely small number of female job-seekers.

Number of cases of consultations about women's worries and violence related to the Great East Japan Earthquake



Source: Data from documents of the Cabinet Office

Notes: Number of cases are totals of telephone consultations and face-to-face consultations (excluding requests/complaints, pranks, and silent calls)

The Cabinet Office established counseling service desks in Iwate Prefecture, Miyagi Prefecture, and Fukushima Prefecture and is conducting projects for consultations about women's worries and violence in areas affected by the Great East Japan Earthquake. In fiscal 2012 there 5,573 consultations (multiple answers allowed) were made at the counseling service desks in the three prefectures. Broken down, the most consultations were for "psychological problems" such as unease, depression, and PTSD at 21.3 %, followed by "lifestyle" such as purpose for life, loneliness, and isolation at 15.2 %, and then "family problems" such as relationships with parents, siblings, and children at 14.4%.