

General Information of Gangbuk-gu, Seoul

1. Introduction of Gangbuk-gu



<Location>



<Bukhan Mountain National Park >

Gangbuk-gu is located in the north-western tip of Seoul and over half of the district is composed of parks and greenery, thus giving it cleaner atmospheric conditions than other parts of the City. Bukhan Mountain, a guardian mountain of Seoul, stretches over Ganbuk-gu, making our district the number one destination for mountain climbers around the city and Korea.

Gangbuk-gu is the home of various cultural assets and traditional temples, exhibiting a rich tradition of history and culture. In addition, Gangbuk-gu is the noble home of the soul of many independent movement leaders and participants, sacrificing their lives for the independence of Korea during the Japanese colonial period.

Finally, located on the outskirts of Seoul, Gangbuk-gu is mostly a residential district with incomparable natural benefits and livable residential environment, thus it is expected that the population of the district will continue to increase in the future.

2. Population

(Statistics Korea, 2011)

Age	Number	Male	Female	Age	Number	Male	Female
0~4	13,104(3.87%)	6,725	6,379	55~59	23,529(6.94%)	11,079	12,450
5~9	12,928(3.81%)	6,656	6,272	60~64	19,216(5.67%)	8,751	10,465
10~14	17,269(5.09%)	9,055	8,214	65~69	16,842(4.97%)	7,857	8,985
15~19	20,824(6.14%)	10,886	9,938	70~74	12,325(3.64%)	5,789	6,536
20~24	20,429(6.03%)	10,271	10,158	75~79	6,876(2.03%)	2,931	3,945
25~29	26,868(7.93%)	13,702	13,166	80~84	3,349(0.99%)	1,110	2,239
30~34	29,197(8.61%)	15,184	14,013	85~89	1,469(0.43%)	412	1,057
35~39	29,501(8.69%)	15,353	14,148	90~94	524(0.15%)	129	395
40~44	29,378(8.67%)	14,949	14,429	95~99	128(0.04%)	20	108
45~49	26,199(7.73%)	13,154	13,045	Over100	22(0.01%)	5	17
50~54	29,008(8.56%)	13,794	15,214	Total	338,985	167,812	171,173

3. Policies and activities for the “Creation of a Safe Community, Gangbuk-gu Community”

- December 2008: Creating the Safe Community promotion taskforce team
- February 2009: Holding of a public forum on the “Realization of Safe Gangbuk City and Community”
- May 2009: Legislation and announcement of the city ordinance on “Creation of a Safe Community , Gangbuk-gu”
- June 2009: Official composition of the “Commission on a Safe Community, Gangbuk-gu” and hosting of the first official meeting
- Outsourcing introductory survey research on the “Creation of a Safe Community, Gangbuk-gu”
- September 2009: Composition of the ‘Practices Committee on Creation of a Safe Community,

Gangbuk-gu' and hosting of its first official meeting

- October 2009: Participation in the International Safe Community Conference 2009 (Beijing, China)
- March 2010: Participation in the 19th International Safe Community Conference (Hosted by Suwon City)
- April 2010: Initiation of research project surveying injurious factors in the city
- May 2010: Creation of Injury Surveillance System for young children
- June 2010: Signing of an MOU with the Affiliate Safe Community Support Center
- October 2010: Participation in the 6th Domestic Safe community Workshop

- November 2010: Participation in the 2010 International Symposium on the Safety and Health of Regional Communities
- September 2011: Participation in the 20th International Safe Community Conference (Sweden)
Contract signing for Research of the construction of a Injury Surveillance System for Gangbuk-gu

4. Statistics of Injury

(1) Causes of Deaths / The Number of Deaths

(Statistics Korea, 2008)

Causes of Deaths	The Number of Deaths	Deaths per 100,000
Cancer	497	145.2
Injury	192	56.1
Cerebrovascular disease	175	51.1
Cardiovascular disease	79	23.1
Diabetes	50	14.6
Liver ailment	35	10.2
Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary disease	30	8.8
Hypertension	21	6.1
Others	506	147.8
Total	1,585	463.1

(2) Deaths by Injury

(Statistics Korea, 2008)

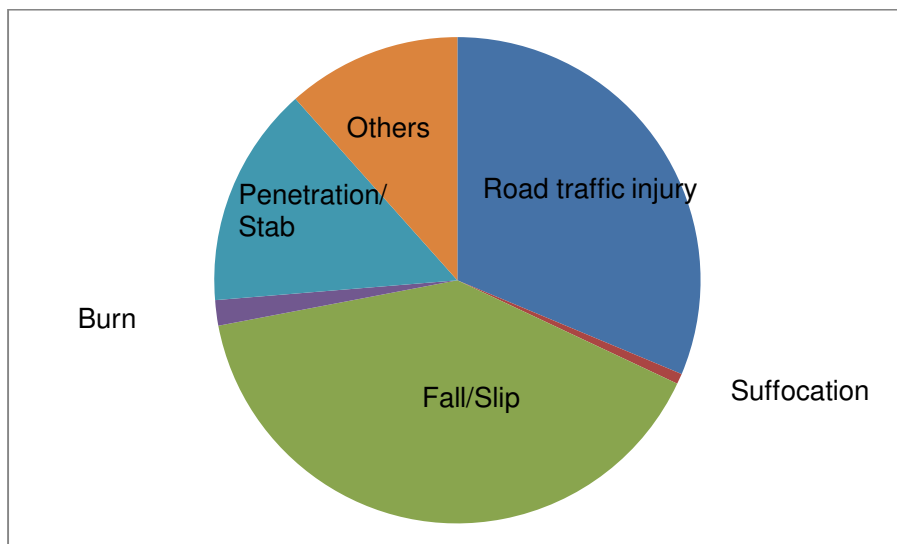
Age	Total Population (A)	Total number of deaths (B)	Deaths caused by Injury		
			Number (C)	Death Rate (D) ¹⁾	Deaths per 100,000 (E) ²⁾
Total	342,274	1,585	192	12.1	56.1
Male	169,887	915	130	14.2	76.5
Female	172,387	670	62	9.3	36.0
0~6	18,991	13,	3	23.1	15.8
7~12	21,413	1	0	0.0	0.0
13~15	12,425	2	0	0.0	0.0
16~18	12,367	2,	0	0.0	0.0
19~44	146,255	146	61	41.8	41.7
45~64	94,290	401	64	16.0	67.9
Over 65	36,533	1,022	64	6.3	175.2

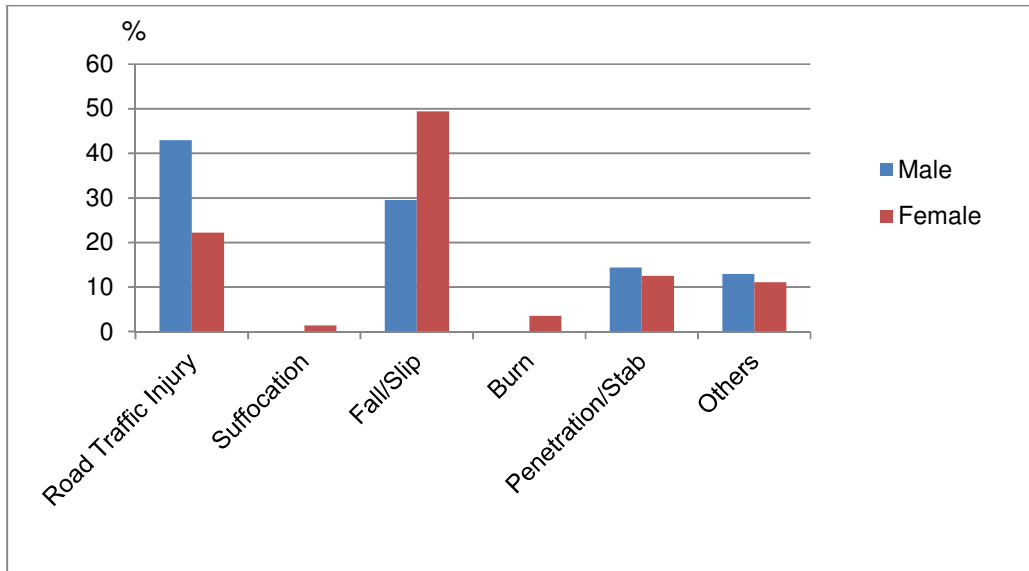
¹⁾ $D = C/B \times 100$

²⁾ $E = C/A \times 100,000$

(3) Causes of Injury

(Introductory survey research on the “Creation of a Safe Community, Gangbuk-gu, 2008)





5. Program and Activities for Safety Promotion

Area	Program and Activities	Department in Charge	Time of Promotion
Systemic Base	Composition of Healthy, Safe community Team	Safe community Team	2008
	Establishment of Ordinance for Making Gangbuk-gu a Safe community	Safe community Team	2009
Building A Cooperative Base for Each Area	Composition of Safe community Commission of Gangbuk-gu	Safe community Team	2009
	Composition of Safe community Working Level Commission of Gangbuk-gu	Safe community Team	2009
	Conclusion of Work Agreement for International Safe community Assistance Center	Safe community Team	2010
Safety for Children	Performance of Children's Life Safe Doll Play	Safe community Team	2009 ~Present
	Operation of Children's Health Experience Hall & Health Musical	Health Promotion Division	2009 ~Present

	Safety Inspection of Children's Play Facilities	Green City Division	2007 ~Present
	Operation of Infant Injury Inspection System	Safe community Team	2010 ~Present
	Improvement Project for Child Protection Area	Traffic Administration Division	2004 ~Present
	Installation, Operation of CCTV in School Zones	Traffic Administration Division	2010 ~Present
	Clearance of Obstacles along Roads in School Zones	Construction Management Division	2010 ~Present
	Education for Preventing Obstacles for Children	District Health Division	2010 ~Present
	Education in Traffic Accident Prevention	Police Station	
	Class for Children's Fire/Disaster Safety Experience	Fire Station	2010 ~Present
Safety for Senior Citizens	Safety Stick Lease Project for Prevention of Injury from Fall	Safe community Team	2010 ~Present
	Housing Improvement Project for Senior Citizen Households	Division of Welfare for the Aged	2008 ~Present
	Class for the Prevention of Falling Injuries	Regional Health Division	2004 ~Present
	Maintenance & Safety Inspection of Hall for the Aged	Division of Welfare for the Aged	
	Rehabilitation Project for Frail Seniors (Visits)	Regional Health Division	2009 ~Present
Traffic Safety	Stamp-Out Drunk Driving Campaign	Police Station	
	Traffic Accident Reduction Campaign	Police Station	
	Bicycle Only Way Preparation	Traffic Administration Division	2009 ~Present
	Maintenance & Reparation of Traffic Safety Facilities	Traffic Administration Division	
Fire fighting	1 School 1 Fireman System	Fire Station	2003 ~Present

Safety	Safety Education by Visiting House At-risk for Fires	Fire Station	
Community Safety	Measures to Prevent Flooding (Drainage Maintenance)	Flood Control & Disaster Prevention Division	
	Measures to Prevent Mountain Fires (Intensifying of Mountain Fire Inspection)	Green City Division	
	Operation of Safety Check Day	Flood Control & Disaster Prevention Division	1994 ~Present
	Repairing Handicapped Protection Device	Guarantee of Livelihood Division	2010 ~Present
	Preparation of Obstacle-free Street	Road Management Division	2010
	Safety Inspection of Housing for those at-risk for Disaster	Flood Control & Disaster Prevention Division	2007~2012
	Safety Management at Construction Site	Design Architecture Division	
	Safety Education of Site Workers	Job Policy Promotion Group	
	Safety Inspection of Street Lamps, Security Lighting	Road Management Division	2002 ~Present
	Emergency Action Education	Medicine Division	2009 ~Present
	Installation of AED	Medicine Division	2008 ~Present
	Gas Safety Management	Regional Economy Division	
Mental Health	Prevention of Depression & Suicide	Mental Health Center	1999 ~Present

6. Future Plans

Based on strong collaboration and cooperation among different departments and organizations, Gangbuk-gu will continue invest and execute plans to realize the “Safe Community of Gangbuk.” Furthermore, we will not hesitate to invest our resources to eliminate different danger factors in the city, reducing the occurrence of accidents and injuries in our district. In addition, we will continue to raise the awareness of safety in our residents as well as promote different safe Community projects, thus contributing to the enhancement of the general life quality of our residents.