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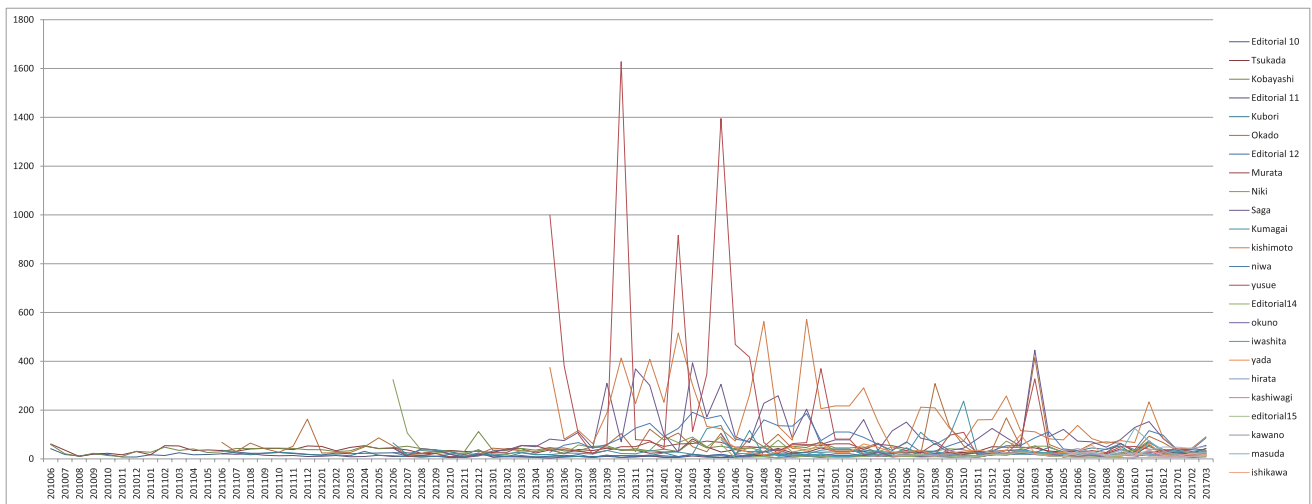
## Editorial Note

We are very happy to publish *UrbanScope* Vol.8 online, which includes a special issue. By means of its English translations *UrbanScope* has contributed to the introduction of excellent studies on Japanese culture, history and society as well as language and literature. We are proud that the electronic journal has served the development of urban culture studies throughout the world.

Many potential readers have visited the webpage of *UrbanScope* and downloaded papers as, in the following figure. We do hope that many researchers will pay attention to the webpage of *UrbanScope*, and download and read the articles in this new volume as well as those in the previous ones.

At the end of this note I must apologize for the delay of publication due to personal reasons and express my heartfelt thanks to not only the authors but also my fellow workers.

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**Figure 1.** Frequency of Downloading of Each Paper (1 May 2016 to 30 April 2017)