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n.

A small, two-wheeled carriage drawn by one or two persons.

[Japanese *jirinrikisha* : *jin*, person (from Middle Chinese *rin*) + *riki*, strength (from Middle Chinese *lik*) + *sha*, cart, carriage, vehicle (from Middle Chinese *tʂʰia*, probably of Indo-European origin; akin to Tocharian A *kukäl*, Tocharian B *kokale*, wagon); see **k^wel-1** in the Appendix of Indo-European roots.]

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