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## **Japanese Life Course Panel Survey of High School Graduates' Life and Attitudes**

Administered by the "High School Graduates' Life and Attitudes Survey" research group.

### **The following questions are about yourself and your child.**

Q1. What is your relationship to your child? Please circle the one answer that applies.

1. Father 2. Mother 3. Other (Specify: . )

Q2. How frequently did you talk with your child about the following subjects when your child was in his or her third year of high school? For A through H, please circle the one answer that applies in each case.

	Frequently	Sometimes	Never
A. About events at school	1	2	3
B. About classes	1	2	3
C. About grades	1	2	3
D. About pursuing further education after high school	1	2	3
E. About obtaining full-time employment after high school	1	2	3
F. About current events	1	2	3
G. About troubles or worries	1	2	3
H. About your child's future	1	2	3

Q3. When your child was in his or her third year of high school, what was your stance on your child's attitudes or behaviors and plans? Please circle the one answer that applies.

1. I forcefully expressed my wishes and views  
2. I gave my child advice, while respecting my child's feelings  
3. I left everything to my child and did not interfere  
4. I was not thinking anything specifically about my child's attitudes or behaviors and plans  
5. Other (Specify: )

Q4. When your child was in his or her third year of high school, how strongly did you wish your child to pursue the following paths after high school? For A through G, please circle the one answer that applies in each case.

Paths after graduation	Strongly	Somewhat	Never	Don't know
A. Obtain a full-time or civil service position	1	2	3	4
B. Attend a technical school/miscellaneous vocational school	1	2	3	4
C. Attend a junior college	1	2	3	4

- D. Attend a four-year university
- E. Work part-time
- F. Help with a family business
- G. Other (Specify: .

1	2	3	4
1	2	3	4
1	2	3	4
1	2	3	4

Q5. In raising your child, how important were the following things to you for your child? For A through O, please circle the one answer that applies in each case.

- A. To strive for success
- B. To be honest
- C. To be able to make sensible decisions
- D. To have self-discipline
- E. To be able to work with others
- F. To listen to his/her parents
- G. To have a sense of responsibility
- H. To be caring
- I. To have an inquiring mind
- J. To be earnest
- K. To stand up for his/her beliefs
- L. Not to be swayed by others
- M. To be polite
- N. To care about his/her appearance
- O. To behave like a man/woman

- 1. Very important
- 2. Somewhat important
- 3. Neither important nor unimportant
- 4. Not very important
- 5. Not important

Q6. Did you have any of the following expectations for your child's future? For A through H, please circle the one answer that applies in each case.

- A. To attend a highly regarded school or to work at a highly regarded company
- B. To make good use of his/her abilities and strengths
- C. To be of service to society
- D. To cherish his/her own way of life
- E. To live an average life
- F. To have a good family life
- G. Not to cause trouble to others
- H. Other (Specify: )

- 1. Strongly
- 2. Somewhat
- 3. Never
- 4. Don't know

Q7, To what extent do the following statements apply to your child? For A through S, please circle the one answer that applies in each case.

- A. He/she is not sure what career to pursue
- B. He/she thinks that it is still too early to decide on a career to pursue
- C. He/she is still trying to decide on a path to follow
- D. He/she thinks that their grades at school determine their future
- E. He/she prepares a budget and sticks to it
- F. He/she likes to live in the moment rather than plan for the future
- G. He/she is a punctual person
- H. He/she has set a 10-year goal
- I. He/she thinks that not planning for future will cost them later
- J. He/she is worried that they may not be successful in life
- K. He/she does not need help waking up in the morning
- L. His/her friends often share their worries with him/her
- M. He/she can communicate his/her thoughts clearly
- N. He/she thinks that he/she should point out when his/her friend does something wrong
- O. He/she does not want to pursue an undesirable career while still young
- P. He/she has the ability to lead others
- Q. He/she thinks it is important to follow the rules of society and mind his/her manners
- R. He/she makes an effort to get along with those he/she dislikes or finds difficult
- S. He/she believes that school grades and success in life are related

- 1. Very true
- 2. Somewhat true
- 3. Not very true
- 4. Completely untrue
- 5. Don't know

Q8. How much financial exchange do you have with your child (excluding school expenses)? For A through F, please enter the monthly amount (total and breakdown) in the boxes below, for money passing (a) from you to your child, and (b) from your child to you. If you cannot provide the breakdown, please enter the total amount only.

- (a) From you to your child
- (b) From your child to you

Example: If your child sends 30,000 yen monthly to you

Money for food

0 yen

30,000 yen

Your case:

- A. Money for housing
- B. Money for utilities
- C. Money for food
- D. Allowance

E. Other (Specify: \_\_\_\_\_ )

F. Total

yen

Q9 Is your child currently enrolled at a school? Please circle the one answer that applies.

1. My child is enrolled at a school (Please answer Q9.1 and Q9.2)
2. My child is not enrolled at a school → Please proceed to Q10

Q9.1 What are the expenses for your child's schooling for this year? Please enter the amount in the box below.

Approximately

Yen

Q9.2 How did you pay for your child's schooling, including enrollment and tuition fees? Please circle all answers that apply.

1. I used savings for my child's education (e.g., asset-building savings, education endowment insurance)
2. I used my savings or insurance (other than in answer 1)
3. I borrowed from or received financial support from my parents (my child's grandparents)
4. I borrowed from or received financial support from my relative
5. I borrowed from or received financial support from my employer
6. I used a scholarship from the Japan Scholarship Foundation
7. I used a scholarship from a local government or foundation
8. I used a tuition exemption program or a scholarship of the university at which my child is enrolled
9. I used a loan from the National Life Finance Corporation, or a bank loan, or a loan-based scholarship from the university at which my child is enrolled
10. I used my child's savings
11. Other (Specify: \_\_\_\_\_ )

**All survey takers are asked to answer all of the following questions.**

**The following questions ask you about your views.**

Q10. How important are the following things to you? Circle the appropriate number for items A-N.

- A. Succeeding at work
- B. Getting married and having a happy home life

Very important	A little important	Not important
1	2	3
1	2	3

C. Becoming rich	1	2	3
D. Having friends	1	2	3
E. Helping people	1	2	3
F. To raise a child	1	2	3
G. Living near parents or relatives	1	2	3
H. Participating in social actions to eliminate various types of injustice in the world	1	2	3
I. Providing your children with more than you had	1	2	3
J. Having time to do things you enjoy	1	2	3
K. To raise my child to be independent	1	2	3
L. Being respected at work	1	2	3
M. Receiving a good education	1	2	3

Q11. How do you feel about the role of women in the workplace and in the family?  
Circle one answer in the list below.

1	Become a homemaker without getting a job	
2	Quit employment after marriage, and stay home	
3	Quit employment after having a child, and stay home	
4	Quit job after having a child, but return to work once children require less attention	
5	Continue working after marriage and having children	
6	Keep job after marriage and never have children	
7	Keep working without getting married	
8	Other (please specify: _____)	)
9	Don't know	

Q12. How do you feel about the role of men in the family? For items A-E, circle the number that indicates how you agree with each statement.

	Strongly agree	Somewhat agree	Somewhat disagree	Strongly disagree
A. Men should provide for their families.	1	2	3	4
B. That's just the way it is – men who do not have a stable job cannot be married	1	2	3	4
C. Men should leave housework and child rearing to women and focus on work instead.	1	2	3	4
D. Unemployed men may also stay home to keep house and care for their children	1	2	3	4
E. It is important for men to be involved in raising their children.	1	2	3	4

Q13. Recently, an increasing number of people are making a living doing part-time jobs without pursuing further education or engaging in full-time employment, or remain single and continue to live with their parents. What do you think about these lifestyles? For A through O, please circle the one answer that applies in each case.

		Strongly agree	Somewhat agree	Somewhat disagree	Strongly disagree
[Living on part-time jobs]	A. With the decreasing number of job openings, it is inevitable	1	2	3	4
	B. It helps in searching for the path one wishes to pursue	1	2	3	4
	C. It is a result of an individual's apathy	1	2	3	4
	D. It is a result of inadequate career counseling at high school	1	2	3	4
	E. It is not a big problem, as many of these people will eventually obtain proper jobs	1	2	3	4
	F. People who work part-time to pursue their dream are cool	1	2	3	4
	G. Anyone can become a part-time worker	1	2	3	4
	H. Being a part-time worker causes a lasting disadvantage	1	2	3	4
	I. Being a part-time worker is an honorable way of working	1	2	3	4
[Living with parents]	J. It is nice to have parents do household chores	1	2	3	4
	K. It is better to leave home soon and become independent	1	2	3	4
	L. Parents are happy living with their children, so it is a good thing	1	2	3	4
	M. For people whose income is not enough to earn a living, it can't be helped	1	2	3	4
	N. It is an advantage to be able to save living expenses and invest in what one loves	1	2	3	4
	O. Living with parents makes it difficult for one to marry	1	2	3	4

**The following questions are about your family. Please answer only those questions that you feel comfortable about answering.**

Q14. What is your current family structure? With regards to your family members, please enter their relationship to you and their year of birth for (a) and (b), respectively. For (c) and (d), please circle the one answer that applies in each case. For (e), please enter the number of your family members.

(a) Relationship to you

Yourself

Your spouse

Your child who graduated from high school this spring

Other family members

(b) Year of birth

In the Western calendar

(c) Gender

Male

Female

(d) Living together or apart

Living together

Living apart

Separated or bereaved

(e) Total members

Q15. The following questions are about your child's father or male guardian. For B through D(c), please circle the one answer that applies in each case. If your child does not have anyone who is applicable, please circle A and proceed to Q16.

A Not applicable → Please proceed to Q16

B Highest level of educational attainment

1 Lower secondary school (junior high school)

2 Upper secondary school (senior high school)

3 Technical school (vocational school) / Miscellaneous school

4 Junior college / College of technology

5 University

6 Graduate school

7 Don't know

C What is your employment status?

1 Manager or executive

2 Regular, full-time employee

3 Contract employee, temporary agency employee

4 Temporary employee, part-time

5 Self-employed or free-lance worker

6 Family business employee

7 Working at home

8 Other (please specify: \_\_\_\_\_)

9 Unemployed (including retirement) → Please proceed to Q16 )

D This question is for fathers who are currently employed. Please answer the following about the father's main job.

1 Agriculture, forestry, fishing, or mining

2 Construction

3 Machinery, electronics, or automotive manufacturing

4 Other manufacturing

5 Utilities (electricity, gas, heat supply, water)

6 Transportation

7 Communications

8 Wholesale, retail, or restaurant

9 Finance, insurance

10 Real estate

11 Personal service sector (hotels, hair salons, etc.)

12 Information services, surveys, or advertising

13 Medical, health, or social services

14 Other services (leasing, security, business contracting, etc.)

15 Government employee

16 Other (please specify: \_\_\_\_\_)

(d) Company size (total number of employees at the main office and all branch offices, excluding part-time workers)

1	1-29
2	30-99

3	100-299
4	300-499

5	500-999
6	1000 or more

7	Government employee
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(e) Occupation type

1	Professional or technical fields requiring specialized expertise and skills (physicians, nurses, lawyers, teachers, care manager, care worker, etc.)
2	Management (section chief or higher in business or government)
3	Administrative staff (clerical workers handling bookkeeping and other office work in business or government)
4	Sales and marketing (retail, wholesale, shop assistants, realtors, insurance sales, outside sales representatives, etc.)
5	Skilled technicians and manufacturing-related workers (manufacturing, assembly, auto repair, construction, carpentry, electrical work, food processing, etc.)
6	Transportation and communications (truck and taxi drivers, sailors, mail carriers, radio dispatchers, etc.)
7	Public safety and security (police officers, firefighters, SDF personnel, security guards, etc.)
8	Farming, forestry, and fishing (farming, livestock, forestry, logging, aquaculture, fishing, etc.)
9	Service sector (barbers, hair stylists, home care helper, cooks, chefs, waitresses, flight attendants, etc.)
10	Other (please specify: _____)

Q16. The following questions are about your child's mother or female guardian. For B through D(c), please circle the one answer that applies in each case. If your child does not have anyone who is applicable, please circle A and proceed to Q17.

A Not applicable → Please proceed to Q17

B Highest level of educational attainment

- 1 Lower secondary school (junior high school)
- 2 Upper secondary school (senior high school)
- 3 Technical school (vocational school) / Miscellaneous school
- 4 Junior college / College of technology
- 5 University
- 6 Graduate school
- 7 Don't know

C What is your employment status?

1	Manager or executive	6	Family business employee
2	Regular, full-time employee	7	Working at home
3	Contract employee, temporary agency employee	8	Other (please specify: _____)
4	Temporary employee, part-time	9	Unemployed (including housewife and retirement)→ Please proceed to Q17
5	Self-employed or free-lance worker		

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1	Agriculture, forestry, fishing, or mining
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9	Finance, insurance
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2	Construction	10	Real estate
3	Machinery, electronics, or automotive manufacturing	11	Personal service sector (hotels, hair salons, etc.)
4	Other manufacturing	12	Information services, surveys, or advertising
5	Utilities (electricity, gas, heat supply, water)	13	Medical, health, or social services
6	Transportation	14	Other services (leasing, security, business contracting, etc.)
7	Communications	15	Government employee
8	Wholesale, retail, or restaurant	16	Other (please specify: _____)

(d) Company size (total number of employees at the main office and all branch offices, excluding part-time workers)

1	1-29	3	100-299	5	500-999	7	Government employee
2	30-99	4	300-499	6	1000 or more		

(e) Occupation type

1	Professional or technical fields requiring specialized expertise and skills (physicians, nurses, lawyers, teachers, care manager, care worker, etc.)
2	Management (section chief or higher in business or government)
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8	Farming, forestry, and fishing (farming, livestock, forestry, logging, aquaculture, fishing, etc.)
9	Service sector (barbers, hair stylists, home care helper, cooks, chefs, waitresses, flight attendants, etc.)
10	Other (please specify: _____)

Q17. What was your family's annual before-tax income (including bonus) last year? Please circle the one answer that applies.

1. Less than 1 million yen
2. 1 million to less than 2 million yen
3. 2 million to less than 3 million yen
4. 3 million to less than 4 million yen
5. 4 million to less than 5 million yen
6. 5 million to less than 6 million yen
7. 6 million to less than 7 million yen
8. 7 million to less than 8 million yen
9. 8 million to less than 9 million yen
10. 9 million to less than 10 million yen
11. 10 million to less than 11 million yen
12. 11 million to less than 13 million yen
13. 13 million to less than 15 million yen
14. 15 million to less than 20 million yen

15. 20 million yen or more

Q18. Lastly, what are your thoughts about your child's decision on his or her path after graduation from high school, and the deciding factors such as school and social environment? Please write your answer in the box below.