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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.

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 or jobs	1	2	3
C. About grades	1	2	3
D. About your child's job in future	1	2	3
E. About your child's marriage	1	2	3
F. About current events	1	2	3
G. About troubles or worries	1	2	3

Q3. When your child was in high school, how frequently did you engage in the following activities and events with your child? For A through H, please circle the one answer that applies in each case.

- A. Events at school (e.g., sports festival, school play)
- B. Music concerts, plays, movies
- C. Watching sports games
- D. Ceremonial occasions, Bon, New Year's, birthdays
- E. Vacation, travel
- F. Hobbies, playing sports
- G. Shopping
- H. Eating out

- 1. Often
- 2. Sometimes
- 3. Rarely
- 4. Never

Q4. When your child was in high school, did you know the names (including nicknames) of your child's close friends? Please circle the one answer that applies.

- 1. I did know
- 2. I did not know

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. What work do you wish your child to be doing when he or she is around 30 years of age? Please circle the one answer that applies.

- 1. Engaged in full-time employment
- 2. Entering a business through investment, or by finding other shareholders
- 3. Taking over the family business
- 4. Launching his/her own business (as sole proprietor)
- 5. Working part-time
- 6. Being a full-time homemaker
- 7. Other (Specify: _____)
- 8. Don't know

Q7 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. Total

B. Money for housing

C. Money for food, Allowance, Other (Specify: _____)
yen

Q8. 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)
2. My child is not enrolled at a school → Please proceed to Q8.1

Q8.1 What are the expenses for your child's schooling for this year? Please enter the amount in the box below.

Approximately
Yen

Q9. 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 in March 2004

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

Working away from home

(e) Total _____ members

Q10. Which of the following applies to your current residence? Please circle the one answer that applies.

1. Owned house (independent house)
2. Owned house (condominium apartment)
3. Rented apartment or house, owned privately
4. Rented apartment or house, owned by the Housing and Urban Development Corporation
5. Rented apartment or house, owned publicly
6. Company housing or dormitory or housing for government employees
7. Boarding house or lodging
8. Other (Specify: _____)
9. Don't know

Q11. If we were to divide the current Japanese society into five strata, to which stratum do you think you would belong? Please circle the one answer that best describes how you feel.

Upper class	Upper-middle class	Middle-middle class	Lower-middle class	Lower class	Don't know
1	2	3	4	5	6

Q12. 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?

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|---|----------------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------------------------|
| 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 retirement)→Please proceed to Q16 |
| 5 | Self-employed or free-lance worker | | |

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

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|---|-------------------------------------------|---|--------------------|
| 1 | Agriculture, forestry, fishing, or mining | 9 | Finance, insurance |
|---|-------------------------------------------|---|--------------------|

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)
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: _____)

Q13. 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?

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|---|----------------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 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 | 9 | Finance, insurance |
| 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)

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|---|-------|---|---------|---|--------------|---|---------------------|
| 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

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|---|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 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: _____)

Q14. 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

Q15. Which of the following describes your current living conditions? Please circle the one answer that applies.

Rich	Somewhat rich	Average	Not very rich	Not rich	Don't know
1	2	3	4	5	6

The following questions ask you about your views.

Q16. How important are the following things to you? Circle the appropriate number for items A-N.

	Very important	A little important	Not important
A. Succeeding at work	1	2	3
B. Getting married and having a happy home life	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
N. Finding stable employment	1	2	3

Q17. With regards to your life after retirement, which of the following best describes your views? Please circle the one answer that applies.

1. I am responsible for my own life after retirement, and should not depend on a pension
2. In principle I am responsible for my own life after retirement, and may use a pension to cover any shortages
3. My family, such as my children, will be responsible for my life after my retirement, and I need not depend on a pension
4. In principle my family, such as my children, will be responsible for my life after my retirement, and I may use a pension to cover any shortages
5. I would like to depend on a pension for my life after retirement
6. I don't know

Q18. The falling birthrate and the aging population in our society will lead to growing welfare needs. Under such circumstances, who do you think should primarily assume the burden? Please circle the one answer that best applies.

1. Each individual and his or her family
2. Mostly, each individual and his or her family
3. Mostly the government
4. The government
5. I don't know

Q19. Lastly, what are your thoughts about your child's life lately and your relationship with your child? Please write your answer in the box below.