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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.

1. Please circle the number by your gender.

1 Male

2 Female

2. Over the past five years, what was your main activity or status? Circle one number that best describes your activity during each of the time periods.

		April 2004	October 2004	October 2005	October 2006	October 2007	October 2008
		<u>First six months after high school</u>	First year after high school	Second year after high school	Third year after high school	Fourth year after high school	Fifth year after high school
Employment	1 . Full-time company employee	1	1	1	1	1	1
	2 . Government employee	2	2	2	2	2	2
	3 . Self-employed	3	3	3	3	3	3
	4 . Family business employee	4	4	4	4	4	4
	5 . Non-regular employee (part-time, temporary, fixed contract etc.)	5	5	5	5	5	5
Education	6 . Four-year university (including medical, dental and pharmacy programs)	6	6	6	6	6	6
	7 . Junior college	7	7	7	7	7	7
	8 . Specialized training college	8	8	8	8	8	8
	9 . Public occupational training course	9	9	9	9	9	9
	1 0 . Graduate school						1 0
	1 1 . Non-traditional (adult) student	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1
Other	1 2 . Studying for entrance exams (including cram school)	1 2	1 2	1 2	1 2	1 2	1 2
	1 3 . Unemployed but actively job searching	1 3	1 3	1 3	1 3	1 3	1 3
	1 4 . Maternity or parental leave	1 4	1 4	1 4	1 4	1 4	1 4
	1 5 . Receiving medical care	1 5	1 5	1 5	1 5	1 5	1 5
	1 6 . At home (including homemakers and domestic workers)	1 6	1 6	1 6	1 6	1 6	1 6
	1 7 . Nothing in particular	1 7	1 7	1 7	1 7	1 7	1 7

2.1 Overall, how satisfied are you with your own career path choices? Circle the number that best fits your feelings.

Very satisfied	Somewhat satisfied	Somewhat dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
1	2	3	4

3. Circle the number of the last type of school you attended or currently attend.

1	High school	4	Specialized training college	7	Other: _____
2	Four-year university (including medical, dental and pharmacy programs)	5	Public occupational training course		
3	Junior college	6	Graduate school		

3.1 Did you graduate from your last school, drop out, or are you currently enrolled? Circle the number of your answer.

1 Graduated
 2 Dropped out
 3 Currently enrolled

3.2 Circle one number below by your course of study in the last school you attended or currently attend.

(a)	<u>Four-year university</u> (including medical, dental and pharmacy programs), graduate school, or junior college	(b)	Technical school (vocational school) or public occupational training course
1	Science and engineering	1	Science and technology, information and communications, construction, or machinery.
2	Agriculture	2	Agriculture, animal husbandry
3	Social sciences (economics, business, commerce, law, political science, or sociology)	3	Health-related (medical, dental, etc.)
4	Humanities (literature, foreign languages, philosophy, history, or psychology)	4	Food services, nutrition, etc.
5	Education	5	Hair styling, cosmetology, etc.
6	Family and consumer sciences (homemaking, food science, apparel, or interior design)	6	Education, childcare, social welfare, etc.
7	Health sciences (medicine, dentistry, pharmacology)	7	Business, management, accounting, etc.
8	Fine arts	8	Apparel, fashion design, etc.
9	Other: _____ (please specify)	9	Fine arts, culture, performing arts, foreign languages, etc.
		10	Civil service exam prep course
		11	Other: _____ (please specify)

3.3 At your last school, how often did you use the following job placement services? In each row, place a checkmark (✓) in the appropriate box in the table. If you did not seek employment, please place a checkmark in the next box.

I did not seek employment while attending my last school.

	Often	Sometimes	Rarely	Never
A. Online job boards("rikunabi,"etc.)	1	2	3	4
B. Job placement magazines	1	2	3	4
C. Company information sessions	1	2	3	4
D. Information or introductions from instructors or professors	1	2	3	4
E. Help wanted ads posted at school	1	2	3	4
F. Reading company data at career counseling or job placement offices	1	2	3	4
G. Receiving individual career counseling at	1	2	3	4
H. Mock interviews at school	1	2	3	4
I. Information or introductions from friends	1	2	3	4
J. Information or introductions from parents, family, or extended family	1	2	3	4

4. This section asks about your first job after leaving your last school. Did you start working in April of your graduation year (or within one month of leaving school without graduating)? Circle the number by your start time.

1	Yes (April start date)
2	No (start date after April)



If you answered 1 or 2, go to questions 4-1 to 4-3.

3	While in school
4	I haven't worked after graduating or leaving school



If you answered 3 or 4, skip to question 11 on page 7.

4-1. How did you find out about your first job? Circle the number by your information source.

1	School recommendation or referral	6	Job placement sites on the internet or job sites via smartphones
2	Civil service general recruitment	7	Help wanted posters
3	Introduction from family, friend, or senior student	8	Transitioned from part-time to full-time at same employer
4	Job placement magazine or newspaper advertisements	9	Job listings at public employment security offices (Hello Work)
5	Advertising insert in newspapers or other publications	10	Other (please specify: _____)

4-2. Was your first job the type of work you were hoping to find when you started job hunting?

What I hoped for	Somewhat close to what I hoped for	Not really what I hoped for
1	2	3

4-3. When you were hired for your first job, were you satisfied with it? Circle the number of your satisfaction level.

Satisfied	Somewhat satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Somewhat dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
1	2	3	4	5

5. This section asks about the job you have now. In (a), enter the date you were hired for your current job. In (b) – (e), circle one answer to each question. In (f), please describe your current job.

(a) When did you start your current job?

Year:	Month:
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(b) What is your employment status?

1	Manager or executive	6	Self-employed or free-lance worker
2	Regular, full-time employee	7	Family business employee
3	Part-time, fixed term, or contract employee	8	Working at home
4	Temporary agency employee	9	Other (please specify: _____)
5	Contractor		

(c) Industry sector

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

(c) Occupation type

1	Professional or technical fields requiring specialized expertise and skills (physicians, nurses, lawyers, teachers, engineers, designers, 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, cooks, chefs, waiters, waitresses, flight attendants, etc.)
10	Other (please specify: _____)

(f) Specific description of your work

Examples: Rice farmer, English teacher at a public junior high school, outside salesperson for cosmetics firm, caregiver at a welfare facility, installing interior wiring at construction sites, manufacturing plastic toys at a factory, receptionist at a bank.

6. How did you find your current job? Circle the number by your primary information source.

1	School recommendation or referral	6	Job placement sites on the internet or job sites via smartphones
2	Civil service general recruitment	7	Help wanted posters
3	Introduction from family, friend, or senior student	8	Transitioned from part-time to full-time at same employer
4	Job placement magazine or newspaper advertisements	9	Job listings at public employment security offices (Hello Work)
5	Advertising insert in newspapers or other publications	10	Other (please specify: _____)

7. When you accepted your current job, what factors were important in making your decision? For each of the factors listed below, circle the number that indicates its importance to you.

	Very important	Somewhat important	Not that important	Not important at all
A. Opportunity to use your skills and abilities	1	2	3	4
B. Work content that fits your personality	1	2	3	4
C. Job security without fear of unemployment	1	2	3	4
D. Company with the potential for future development	1	2	3	4
E. Company that is well known to most people	1	2	3	4
F. High salary	1	2	3	4
G. No job relocation or limited relocation area.	1	2	3	4
H. Ease of commuting	1	2	3	4
I. Fulfilling your family's hopes	1	2	3	4
J. Good working hours and vacation policies	1	2	3	4
K. Within commuting distance of your parents' home	1	2	3	4
L. Good employee benefits	1	2	3	4
M. Positive workplace atmosphere	1	2	3	4
N. High probability of remaining with the company for a long time	1	2	3	4
O. Being useful to other people	1	2	3	4
P. Easy to use maternity and parental leave	1	2	3	4

8. How well does each of the following statements describe your current job? For items A-O, circle the number that shows how accurate each statement is.

	Very accurate	Somewhat accurate	Not that accurate	Not accurate at all	Don't know
A. I'm in the occupation I had hoped for.	1	2	3	4	5
B. My company is famous.	1	2	3	4	5
C. My salary is good.	1	2	3	4	5
D. Overtime is rare and I have many vacation days.	1	2	3	4	5
E. I am using skills I learned at school.	1	2	3	4	5
F. Senior staff explain work matters to me well.	1	2	3	4	5
G. I benefit from training opportunities.	1	2	3	4	5

H. The work environment rewards effort.	1	2	3	4	5
I. My worksite is clean.	1	2	3	4	5
J. My commute is easy.	1	2	3	4	5
K. I can control the pace of my own work.	1	2	3	4	5
L. I can decide how things get done at work.	1	2	3	4	5
M. I may become unemployed (including company bankruptcy) in the next twelve months.	1	2	3	4	5
N. It is easy to take maternity and parental leave.	1	2	3	4	5
O. Company policies make it easy to raise children while working (shortened work hours, flex-time, childcare facility, etc.).	1	2	3	4	5

9. At your current worksite, how satisfied are you with the following issues? For items A-J, circle the number of your satisfaction level.

	Very satisfied	Somewhat satisfied	Somewhat dissatisfied	Dissatisfied
A. Work conditions (salary)	1	2	3	4
B. Work conditions (working hours)	1	2	3	4
C. Work conditions (vacation days)	1	2	3	4
D. Opportunities for promotion or advancement	1	2	3	4
E. Opportunities to develop skills or expertise	1	2	3	4
F. Your relationships with your superiors	1	2	3	4
G. Your relationships with your colleagues	1	2	3	4
H. The company's line of business	1	2	3	4
I. Your own work duties	1	2	3	4
J. Job security	1	2	3	4

10. Since graduating from high school, how many different employers have you worked for (not counting part-time work in college)? Please enter the total number in this box:

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

11. How much is your average monthly income from work (including part-time)? Circle the appropriate number.

1	Less than ¥50,000	5	¥140,000-¥159,000	9	¥220,000-¥239,000
2	¥50,000 – ¥99,000	6	¥160,000-¥179,000	10	¥240,000-¥259,000
3	¥100,000-¥119,000	7	¥180,000-¥199,000	11	¥260,000-¥279,000
4	¥120,000-¥139,000	8	¥200,000-¥219,000	12	¥280,000 or more

12. Who currently lives with you? Please circle all of the appropriate numbers.

1	Father	4	Grandfather	7	Children	10	Living alone
2	Mother	5	Grandmother	8	Other relatives	11	Other (please specify: _____)
3	Siblings	6	Spouse	9	Non-relatives		

13. In your daily life, how often are you troubled by or worried about the following things? Circle one number for each item.

	Frequently	Occasionally	Never
A. Relationships with friends	1	2	3
B. Relationships with family members	1	2	3
C. Relationships with people at work	1	2	3
D. Making a living (income)	1	2	3
E. Having enough time	1	2	3
F. Health concerns	1	2	3
G. Romantic relationships	1	2	3
H. Work Issues	1	2	3
I. Future prospects	1	2	3

14. When you think of the future, how worried are you about the following issues? Circle one number for items A-F.

	Very worried	Somewhat worried	Not that worried	Not worried at all
A. Not finding a job or losing a job	1	2	3	4
B. Not making enough money to get by	1	2	3	4
C. Having to provide care for family members	1	2	3	4
D. Suddenly suffering an accident	1	2	3	4
E. Suddenly getting sick	1	2	3	4
F. Not being able to marry	1	2	3	4

15. 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			

C. Becoming rich	1	2	3
D. Having friends	1	2	3
E. Helping people	1	2	3
F. Having children	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. Becoming independent from your parents	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

16. How close are your beliefs to the following statements? Circle the appropriate number showing the accuracy of items A-S.

	Very accurate	Somewhat accurate	Slightly accurate	Not at all accurate
A. I don't really know what kind of work I want to do.	1	2	3	4
B. I think it is too early for me to decide what career I want.	1	2	3	4
C. I'm already worried about what path to take.	1	2	3	4
D. Grades in school determine your future.	1	2	3	4
E. I follow a budget when spending money.	1	2	3	4
F. I'd rather enjoy life now than in the future.	1	2	3	4
G. I am punctual.	1	2	3	4
H. I have goals for ten years from now.	1	2	3	4
I. I believe that not thinking carefully about your future will cost you later.	1	2	3	4
J. I am worried about getting along well in society.	1	2	3	4
K. I can wake up in the morning without someone waking me up.	1	2	3	4
L. My friends often share their problems with me.	1	2	3	4
M. I can communicate my thoughts clearly to others.	1	2	3	4
N. If friends make a mistake you must point it out to them.	1	2	3	4
O. I don't want to accept a job I don't want while I'm young.	1	2	3	4
P. I can get people to follow me.	1	2	3	4
Q. I think it is important to uphold society's rules and manners.	1	2	3	4
R. I am making an effort to get along well with people I don't like or find difficult.	1	2	3	4

S. I believe there is a connection between your grades at school and your ability to work well.	1	2	3	4
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17. How close are your experiences and views to the following statements? Circle the appropriate number showing the accuracy of items A-J.

	Very accurate	Somewhat accurate	Slightly accurate	Not at all accurate
A. I try to follow a healthy lifestyle.	1	2	3	4
B. I am healthy.	1	2	3	4
C. I do not have opportunities to meet people of the opposite sex.	1	2	3	4
D. I cannot be open with someone of the opposite sex.	1	2	3	4
E. There is someone of the opposite sex I especially like.	1	2	3	4
F. I don't know how to interact with children.	1	2	3	4
G. I like children.	1	2	3	4
H. I know someone nearby who has children.	1	2	3	4
I. My life is financially secure.	1	2	3	4
J. I am financially independent.	1	2	3	4

18. When you are around 30 years old, what employment status would you like to have? Circle one number in the following list.

1	Working as a regular, full-time employee.	6	Working as a housewife or househusband.
2	Running my own business.	7	Other (please specify: _____)
3	Running my family's business.	8	Don't know.
4	Working independently without employees.		
5	Working part-time.		

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If you chose an answer from 1-5, go to question 18-1.

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If you chose an answer from 6-8, go to question 19 on page 11.

18-1. [This question to be answered only if you selected an answer from 1 – 5 in question 18 above].
 What type of job would you like to have when you are around 30 years old? Circle one number in the list below.

	Agriculture, forestry, fishing		Professional or technical jobs
1	Agriculture, forestry, and fishing related jobs.	20	Physician
	(excluding part-time work and jobs processing foodstuffs or lumber)	21	Pharmacist, nutritionist, registered nurse, or clinical laboratory technician
	Manufacturing, construction, and technical jobs.	22	Case worker, counselor, or other welfare related worker
2	Factory technician or machine operator	23	Attorney, prosecutor, judge, etc
3	Automotive mechanic, electrician, etc.	24	Accountant, licensed tax accountant, etc.
4	Construction trades: carpenter, plasterer, plumber, etc.	25	Diplomat
	Retail and restaurants	26	Scientist, researcher, or college professor
5	Department store staff, salesperson, etc.	27	Elementary, middle, or high school teacher
6	Shop, supermarket, convenience store staff.	28	Kindergarten teacher or childcare worker
7	Owner of a café, restaurant, or boutique.	29	System engineer, computer programmer
	Business administration jobs	30	Mechanical, electrical, architectural, or civil engineer
8	Businessman, bank employee, trading company employee, office lady.	31	Reporter, journalist, or editor
9	Government employee	32	TV or radio broadcasting related jobs
	Management	33	Designer, stylist, or cameraman
10	Company executive, division or section chief	34	Novelist, writer, or manga artist
11	Corporate manager	35	Artist
12	Politician	36	Singer or television personality
	Service sector jobs	37	Professional athlete
13	Barber or beautician		
14	Cook or chef	38	No specific job in mind
15	Flight attendant, waitress, hotel employee, etc.	39	Other (please specify: _____)
	Public safety jobs		
16	Police officer, firefighter, SDF personnel		
17	Security guard		
	Transportation and communications jobs		
18	Truck driver, train operator, pilot, etc.		
19	Radio dispatcher, mail carrier, etc.		

19. What is your current marital status? Circle one number below.

1	Married	➔ Go to question 22 on page 12.
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2	Widowed	➔ Go to question 20.
3	Divorced	
4	Never married	

20. Do you currently have a boyfriend or girlfriend? Circle one number below.

1	Yes	➔ Go to question 20-1, and 20-2.
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2	No, but I did before	➔ Go to question 21.
3	No, never.	

20-1 How many months have you been dating your current boyfriend or girlfriend?

	months
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*If more than one year, please convert into months. For example, instead of “1 year” enter “12 months” as your answer. If less than one month, please enter the number of days.

20-2. How did you meet your current boyfriend or girlfriend? Circle one number in the list below.

1	Through parents or siblings	7	Through shared interest or lesson
2	Through other relatives	8	At a matchmaking mixer
3	Through a friend, acquaintance, or childhood friend	9	Online or smartphone
4	At school (in class, club activities, etc.)	10	While out in public or on a trip
5	Through a colleague or boss at work	11	Through a matrimonial or matchmaking agency
6	At your part-time job	12	Other (please specify: _____)

21. How do you feel about getting married? Circle one answer in the list below.

1. I definitely want to get married.
2. If possible, I would like to get married.

3. I don't need to get married.
4. I don't want to get married.
5. I haven't thought about marriage.

22. How do you feel about the role of women in the workplace and in the family?

If you are female, answer the following questions based on your own life plans.

If you are male, answer based on what you would like the person you will marry to do.

Circle one answer in the list below.

1	Become a homemaker without getting a job
2	Find a job, but quit after marrying.
3	Keep job after marriage, but quit after having a child
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

23. 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. Men without stable work don't have to get 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. It is fine for men to stay at home and focus on housework and child rearing.	1	2	3	4
E. It is important for men to be involved in raising their children.	1	2	3	4

24. In the space below, please share your thoughts on your experiences over the past year.