

ISSP Characteristics of National Population: Japan

Gender

Source; the latest National Population Census conducted in 2005

Total population		
Total	125.730.148	100,0%
Female	64.399.547	51,2%
Male	61.330.601	48,8%

16 years and more		
Total	107.131.572	100,0%
Female	55.325.297	51,6%
Male	51.806.275	48,4%

Age Group

Source; the latest National Population Census conducted in 2005

Total population		
Total	125.730.148	100,0%
0- 4	5.526.853	4,4%
5-14	11.847.576	9,4%
15-24	13.662.954	10,9%
25-34	17.617.574	14,0%
35-44	16.494.658	13,1%
45-54	16.334.481	13,0%
55-64	18.680.144	14,9%
65-74	14.006.650	11,1%
75+	11.559.258	9,2%

16 years and more		
Total	107.131.572	100,0%
16-17	2.563.830	2,4%
18-24	9.874.977	9,2%
25-34	17.617.574	16,4%
35-44	16.494.658	15,4%
45-54	16.334.481	15,3%
55-64	18.680.144	17,4%
65-74	14.006.650	13,1%
75+	11.559.258	10,8%

Schooling Group

(15 years old and more, includes 1.157.354 foreigners)

Source; the latest National Population Census conducted in 2000

Total	108.224.783	100,0%
Compulsory completed (9-11years)	23.807.854	22,0%
High school completed (12,13years)	45.024.501	41,6%
Junior college completed (14,15years)	11.923.625	11,0%
University or graduate school completed (16years and more)	14.651.266	13,5%
Type of last school completed not reported	3.813.474	3,5%
Student	8.845.172	8,2%
None	158.891	0,1%

Marital Status

(16 years old and more)

Source; the latest National Population Census conducted in 2000

Total	109.764.419	100,0%
Male	53.085.562	48,4%
-Never married	16.685.861	15,2%
-Married	32.260.481	29,4%
-Widowed	1.515.271	1,4%
-Divorced	1.744.045	1,6%
-Not reported	879.904	0,8%
Female	56.678.857	51,6%
-Never married	13.146.676	12,0%
-Married	32.322.674	29,4%
-Widowed	7.660.400	7,0%
-Divorced	2.957.400	2,7%
-Not reported	591.707	0,5%

Employment Status

(16age and more, includes 1.146.481 foreigners)

Source; the latest National Population Census conducted in 2000

Total	109.764.419	100,0%
Employed	61.505.973	56,0%
-Mostly worked	50.955.294	46,4%
-Worked besides doing housework	8.498.410	7,7%
-Worked besides attending school	1.067.827	1,0%
-Absent from work	984.442	0,9%
Unemployed	3.893.712	3,5%
Not in Labor force	41.007.773	37,4%
-Did housework	17.723.581	16,1%
-Attending school	6.928.741	6,3%
-Others	16.355.451	15,0%
Not reported	3.356.961	3,1%

Classification of Occupations (country specific)

1. Agricultural, Forestry or Fishery workers

Those who are engaged mainly in agriculture, forestry or fishery and family workers

2. The Self-Employed

Those who operate shops, restaurants, plants, etc. each with 9 employees or less, as well as their family workers

3. Sales or Service Workers

Employees or sales persons at shops, restaurants, department stores, etc.

Employees at barber shops, beauty parlors, places of amusement, etc.

Waiters and waitresses, housekeepers, transport conductors, station clerks, travel attendants

Sales persons, canvassers, bill collectors

4. Skilled Workers, Manual/Unskilled Workers

(Skilled Workers)

Locomotive-engine and motor-vehicle drivers

Those engaged in such work as manufacturing, repairs, assembly, processing, printing, spinning, sewing, tailoring, packing and bailing

Carpenters, joiners, plasterers, cabinetmakers

(Manual/Unskilled Workers)

Laborers in mining, construction, manufacturing and transport

Street vendors, deliverymen, garbage collectors

5. Clerical and Technical workers

Clerical and technical employees of business firm, public organizations and governmental agencies

Section and division chiefs of business firms and organizations with 49 employees or less

Those engaged in transportation, such as pilots and navigators

Education-related personnel such as college lecturers, teachers and nursery governesses

Medical-related persons such as pharmacists and nurses

6. Business operators or Managers

Directors and managers with the post of section chief or above of government offices

Directors and managers of business firms and organizations with 50 employees or more

Those who operate business firms and organizations with 10 to 49 employees

Directors of a kindergarten, headmasters, chief teachers, college presidents

Captains and crew chief of ocean-going vessels and aircraft and of craft serving major domestic routes

7. Specialists, Free-lancers, etc.

Medical doctors, lawyers, judges, certified public accountants, college (assistant) professors

Artists (painters, performers, etc.) and masters of various arts

Those related to professional sports, religious activities, politics

Self-Defense force personnel, policemen

8. Housewives

Women engaged mainly in housework

× Women who live alone are put in category 10 (Jobless)

9. Students

High school students Higher professional school students, junior college students, university students, graduate school students, special school students and miscellaneous school students

× Those who attend night high school or colleges, while working in the daytime, are put in categories 1 to 7

10. Jobless

Those who are not now employed and those who live on pension, etc.

97. Refused

99. No Answer

*Job-holders

Total of those listed in the items numbered 1 to 7

*Employed persons

Total of those mentioned in the items numbered 3, 4, 5 and 6