

# Resource Summary Report

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## National Survey of the Japanese Elderly

RRID:SCR\_008971

Type: Tool

### Proper Citation

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### Resource Information

**URL:** <http://dx.doi.org/10.3886/ICPSR06842.v1>

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**Description:** A panel data set for use in cross-cultural analyses of aging, health, and well-being between the U.S. and Japan. The questionnaires were designed to be partially comparable to many surveys of the aged, including Americans' Changing Lives; 1984 National Health Interview Survey Supplement on Aging; Health and Retirement Study (HRS), and Well-Being Among the Aged: Personal Control and Self-Esteem (WBA). NSJE questionnaire topics include: \* Demographics (age, sex, marital status, education, employment) \* Social Integration (interpersonal contacts, social supports) \* Health Limitations on daily life and activities \* Health Conditions \* Health Status (ratings of present health) \* Level of physical activity \* Subjective Well-Being and Mental Health Status (life satisfaction, morale), \* Psychological Indicators (life events, locus of control, self-esteem) \* Financial situation (financial status) \* Memory (measures of cognitive functioning) \* Interviewer observations (assessments of respondents) The NSJE was based on a national sample of 2,200 noninstitutionalized elderly aged 60+ in Japan. This cohort has been interviewed once every 3 years since 1987. To ensure that the data are representative of the 60+ population, the samples in 1990 and 1996 were refreshed to add individuals aged 60-62. In 1999, a new cohort of Japanese adults aged 70+ was added to the surviving members of previous cohorts to form a database of 3,990 respondents 63+, of which some 3,000 were 70+. Currently a 6-wave longitudinal database (1987, 1990, 1993, 1996, 1999, & 2002) is in place; wave 7 began in 2006. Data Availability: Data from the first three waves of the National Survey of the Japanese Elderly are currently in the public domain and can be obtained from ICPSR. Additional data are being prepared for future public release. \* Dates of Study: 1987-2006 \* Study Features: Longitudinal, International \* Sample Size: \*\* 1987: 2,200 \*\* 1990: 2,780 \*\* 1993: 2,780 \*\* 1996: \*\* 1999: 3,990 \*\* 2002: \*\* 2006: Links: \* 1987 (ICPSR):

<http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/icpsrweb/ICPSR/studies/06842> \* 1990 (ICPSR):

<http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/icpsrweb/ICPSR/studies/03407> \* 1993 (ICPSR):

<http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/icpsrweb/ICPSR/studies/04145> \* 1996 (ICPSR):

<http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/icpsrweb/ICPSR/studies/26621>

**Abbreviations:** NSJE

**Resource Type:** data or information resource, data set

**Keywords:** longitudinal, international, japan, demographic, health status, mental health, late adult human, psychological wellbeing, social integration, survey, age, sex, marital status, education, employment, interpersonal contact, social support, health, physical activity, life satisfaction, morale, financial status, memory, cognitive functioning, interview, questionnaire

**Related Condition:** Aging, Noninstitutionalized, Late adult human

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## Ratings and Alerts

No rating or validation information has been found for National Survey of the Japanese Elderly.

No alerts have been found for National Survey of the Japanese Elderly.

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## Data and Source Information

**Source:** [SciCrunch Registry](#)

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## Usage and Citation Metrics

We have not found any literature mentions for this resource.