American and Japanese University Students' Views of Having Children

My name is Josh Baldwin, and I am a graduating senior at California State University Monterey Bay. For my graduating research I am conducting a survey on what university age Americans and Japanese students think about having children. I appreciate you for taking the time to complete my survey. Your responses will be strictly confidential.

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•	1. Gender * Mark only one oval.
	Male
	Female
	Other:

2. 2. Age *

3. 3. Religious Affiliation *

Mark only one oval.

- Catholic
- Lutheran
- Baptist
- Jehovah's Witness
- LDS (Mormon)
- Buddhist
- Jewish
- Muslim
- None
 - Other:

4. 4. Year in College *

Mark only one oval.

- Freshman
- Sophomore
- Junior
- Senior
- Other:

5. 5. What is your relationship status? *

Mark only one oval.

\bigcirc	single
\bigcirc	in a relationship
\bigcirc	in serious relationship (living together)
\bigcirc	in serious relationship (not living together)
\bigcirc	engaged
\bigcirc	married
\bigcirc	Other:

Reasearch Question #1: What are the views on having children among university students?

6. 6. What does the "ideal family" look like to you? *

Mark only one oval.

- working father with stay at home mom
- working mother with stay at home dad
- two working parent household
- married couple with no kids
- single parent
- Other:
- 7. 7. How do you feel about young parents (teens to mid-20s)? * Mark only one oval.
 - supportive
 - slightly support
 - neutral
 - slightly unsupportive
 - unsupportive

8. 8. Do you want to have children? *

Mark only one oval.

- definitely want children
- someday want children
- not decided
- not likely to have children
- absolutely not

9. 9. How many children do you want?

if answered "not likely to have children" or "absolutely not" skip to #11 *Mark only one oval.*

\bigcirc	1			
\bigcirc	2			
\bigcirc	3			
\bigcirc	4			
\bigcirc	Other:			

10. **10. If children are desired, what would be your ideal age to start having children?** *Mark only one oval.*

\bigcirc	20-25
\bigcirc	26-30
\bigcirc	31-35
\bigcirc	35+
\bigcirc	Other:

11. 11. How often have you seriously thought about having children? *

Mark only one oval.

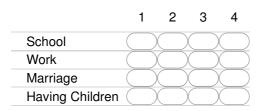
- constantly on my mind
- occasionally think about it
- have thought about it once or twice
- have never thought about it
- refuse to think about it

12. 12. How important is it for you to have children after being married? *

Mark only one oval per row.

	great importance	important	little importance	not very important	no importance	not sure
importance						\bigcirc

- 13. 13. List in order from highest priority to lowest (CURRENT priorities): *
 - 1: highest 4: lowest Mark only one oval per row.



14. 14. List in order from highest priority to lowest (priorities AFTER GRADUATION): *

1: highest 4: lowest Mark only one oval per row.

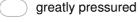
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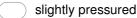
Research Question #2: What outside influences affect opinions of children having among Japanese and American university students?

- 15. **15. How do you feel having children would affect your future plans?** * *Mark only one oval.*
 - great positive effect
 - slight positive effect
 - no effect
 - slight negative effect
 - great negative effect

16. 16a. Do you feel pressured to have a family? *

Mark only one oval.





- no pressure at all
- 17. 16b. If pressure is present what sort of affect does it have?

Mark only one oval.



- pressure present has a negative effect
- no effect

18. 17. What factors have an influence on your views of having children? *

Mark only one oval per row.

	very influential	somewhat influential	neutral	not very influential	not influential
a. Family (parents) influence					
b. Social norms influence					
c. Religion's influence					
d. Friend's influence					
e. Economic status' influence					
f. Partner's influence					
g. Cost of living's influence					
h. The influence thinking about who will take care of you when you are older					

19. 18. Would incentives from the government affect your desire to have children? *

Mark only one oval.

- very influential
- somewhat influential
- neutral
- not very influential
- not influential
- 20. 19. How much money would the government have to provide you for you to decide to have a child? *

money given per month for first child until age 15 *Mark only one oval.*

\$50
\$100
\$500
Don't need incentive to have children
Won't have children no matter the incentive
Other:

21. **20. Would more affordable State run daycare affect your desire to have children?** *Mark only one oval.*

very influential

- somewhat influential
- neutral
 - not very influential
- not influential

22. If you have any comments about the survey please put them in the box below

