Application guidelines for the SSJDA Panel joint research project

This is a call for questionnaire items for the SSJDA Panel survey to promote joint usage and research projects.

The SSJDA Panel is an online survey series based on probability sampling. In these surveys, conducted twice between February 2021 and March 2022, we asked residents of Japan aged 20-39 as of the end of December 2020 about base items, such as occupation, educational background, and socioeconomic background (e.g., parents' educational background and occupation).

In the first survey conducted in 2021, 50 individuals were randomly selected from 100 locations, respectively (resulting in a total of 5000 individuals). In the second survey conducted in 2022, 44 individuals were randomly selected from 150 locations, respectively (resulting in a total of 6600 individuals), from the Basic Resident Ledger.
Following the completion of the base surveys, there are currently 2,033 people on the panel.
Further online surveys are scheduled for February 2027; the expected response rate, based on past surveys, is 70%.
The SSJDA Panel joint research project is now calling for questionnaire items that can be incorporated in the forthcoming surveys.

1. Application Outline
   We call for questionnaire items that can be included in the SSJDA Panel online surveys scheduled for February 2027. Please note, applications will be accepted only once a year.

2. Eligibility
   The applicant should be a researcher affiliated to a university or other research institutes. Alternatively, the applicant should be an equivalent researcher, graduate student, or an individual approved by the Director of the Center for Social Research and Data Archives (CSRDA).
   Undergraduate students are not eligible to apply.

3. How to apply

(1) Please fill out the application form and send it to the e-mail address below. The form can be downloaded from the following URL.
https://csrda.iss.u-tokyo.ac.jp/ssjdap/SSJDAPanel_form_en.docx

In case of any questions, please feel free to contact us.

(2) Please keep “Application for SSJDA Panel joint research project” as the subject line of your application e-mail.

Email: infocsrda@iss.u-tokyo.ac.jp

4. Data Usage

Survey data will be given to the accepted applicants.
We will provide you with a data set including all variables; however, variables applied by other applicants are generally unavailable.
You are required to analyze the data as per the research plan you have submitted.
To accumulate empirical research, you are obligated to report the analysis results, regardless of the outcome.
The analysis results should be reported by February 2028, either in a discussion paper, journal, submitted paper, conference, the SSJDA Panel research briefing session, or a similar manner.

5. Data Release

All data, except for respondents’ personal information and free answers, will be released by the Social Science Japan Data Archive (SSJDA).

6. Application Deadline

Monday, December 7th, 2026 (JST)

7. Notification of application results

The CSRDA will select applicants after considerable deliberation.
The applicants will be notified of the selection results by Tuesday, December 15th 2026.
If approved, the final confirmation of survey items and layout will be done. Substantial additions or changes cannot be made after the approval.

8. Report on the outcomes of joint research

We will hold the SSJDA Panel research briefing session, in which you will report on your research results. You are also required to report on your research results at the CSRDA Discussion Paper Series (https://csrda.iss.u-tokyo.ac.jp/english/international/DP/) or the SSJDA Research Paper Series (https://csrda.iss.u-tokyo.ac.jp/infrastructure/rps/).
You can also report at a journal or a conference prior to reporting at the SSJDA Panel

research briefing session.

The analysis results should be reported by February 2028 either in a discussion paper, journal, submitted paper, conference, the SSJDA Panel research briefing session, or a similar manner.

9. Data provision of surveys conducted to date

The questionnaire for past waves (Wave1 – Wave10) is available on the SSJDA Panel website (only in Japanese).

https://csrda.iss.u-tokyo.ac.jp/ssjdap/call-for-proposals.html

If you would like to use the data from previous waves in advance, please contact the SSJDA Panel project. However, the data will only be used as reference information for question submissions. The results of data analysis cannot be presented to third parties prior to the acceptance of the submitted questions.