

EASS 2006 Standard Background Variables

Variable Name	Variable Label	Value Labels	Target Respondents
sex	R: Sex	1 Male 2 Female 8 DK, refused	All respondents
age	R: Age	888 DK, refused	All respondents
spage	SP: Age	888 DK, refused 999 Not applicable	For those who are currently married (marital status is 1: Married, living as married or 6: Cohabiting)
marital	R:Maritalstatus	1 Married, living as married 2 Widowed 3 Divorced 4 Separated, but married 5 Single, never married 6 Cohabiting 8 DK, refused	All respondents
educyrs	R:Education I: years of schooling	0 No schooling at all 88 DK, refused 97 Still at school 98 No formal school	All respondents
spedyrs	SP:Education I: years of schooling	0 No schooling at all 88 DK, refused 97 Still at school 98 No formal school 99 Not applicable	For those who are currently married (marital status is 1: Married, living as married or 6: Cohabiting).
paedyrs	PA: Education I: years of schooling	0 No schooling at all 77 CN: R's father is deceased. 88 DK, refused 97 Still at school 98 No formal school	All respondents (<u>Ask even if Father is deceased</u>)
maedyrs	MA: Education I: years of schooling	0 No schooling at all 77 CN: R's mother is deceased. 88 DK, refused 97 Still at school 98 No formal school	All respondents (<u>Ask even if Mother is deceased</u>)
degree	R: Education II-highest education level	0 No formal qualification 1 Lowest formal qualification 2 Above lowest qualification 3 Higher secondary completed 4 Above higher secondary level 5 University degree completed 8 DK, refused	All respondents
spdegr	SP: Education II-highest education level	0 No formal qualification 1 Lowest formal qualification 2 Above lowest qualification 3 Higher secondary completed 4 Above higher secondary level 5 University degree completed 8 DK, refused 9 Not applicable	For those who are currently married (marital status is 1: Married, living as married or 6: Cohabiting)
padegr	PA: Education II-highest education level	0 No formal qualification 1 Lowest formal qualification 2 Above lowest qualification 3 Higher secondary completed 4 Above higher secondary level 5 University degree completed 7 CN: R's father is deceased. 8 DK, refused	All respondents (<u>Ask even if Father is deceased</u>)

madegr	MA: Education II-highest education level	0 No formal qualification 1 Lowest formal qualification 2 Above lowest qualification 3 Higher secondary completed 4 Above higher secondary level 5 University degree completed 7 CN: R's mother is deceased. 8 DK, refused	All respondents (<u>Ask even if Mother is deceased</u>)
cn_degr	R: Country specific education: China	1 None 2 Anti-illiteracy program 3 Elementary school 4 Junior high school 5 Vocational high school 6 High school 7 Secondary specialized schools (zhongzhuan) 8 Technical school (jixiao) 9 3-year college (continuous education) 10 3-year college (full time) 11 College (continuous education) 12 College (full time) 13 Post-graduate education 14 Other 99 Not applicable	All respondents in China
jp_degr	R: Country specific education: Japan	1 Ordinary elementary school in the old system 2 Higher elementary school in the old system 3 Junior high school/Girls high school in the old system 4 Vocational school in the old system 5 Normal school in the old system 6 Higher school or vocational school in the old system/higher 7 University/Graduate school in the old system 8 Junior high school 9 High school 10 College of technology 11 2-year college 12 University 13 Graduate school 88 DK, refused 99 Not applicable	All respondents in Japan
kr_degr	R: Country specific education: South Korea	1 Elementary incompleted 2 Elementary completed 3 Middle school incompleted 4 Middle school completed 5 High school incompleted 6 High school completed 7 Junior college incompleted 8 Junior college completed 9 University incompleted 10 University completed 11 Graduate school incompleted 12 Graduate school completed 88 DK, refused 99 Not applicable	All respondents in South Korea

tw_degr	R: Country specific education: Taiwan	1 None 2 Self-study 3 Elementary school 4 Junior high school 5 Vocational junior high school 6 High school (general subjects) 7 High school (vocational subjects) 8 Vocational high school 9 Cadet school 10 5-year junior college (after junior high school) 11 2-year junior college (after vocational high school) 12 3-year junior college (after high school of general subject) 13 Military/police junior college (one year) 14 Military/police college (two years) 15 Open junior college 16 Open college 17 Military/police college 18 Technological college, science and technological college 19 College 20 Master degree 21 Doctorate degree 77 Other 88 DK, refused 99 Not applicable	All respondents in Taiwan
wrkst	R: Current employment status	1 Employed-full time 2 Employed-part time 3 Self-employed 4 Helping family member 5 Unemployed 6 Student, school, vocational training 7 Retired 8 Housewife,-man, home duties 9 Permanently disabled 10 TW:Employer 11 TW:Not Stable (odd jobs) 77 Other, not in labour force 88 DK, refused	All respondents
spwrkst	SP: Current employment status	1 Employed-full time 2 Employed-part time 3 Self-employed 4 Helping family member 5 Unemployed 6 Student, school, vocational training 7 Retired 8 Housewife,-man, home duties 9 Permanently disabled 10 TW:Employer 11 TW:Not Stable (odd jobs) 77 Other, not in labour force 88 DK, refused 99 Not applicable	For those who are currently married (marital status is 1: <u>Married, living as married</u> or 6: <u>Cohabiting</u>).
wrkhrs	R: Hours worked weekly	888 DK,can't say,varies too much 999 Not applicable	For those who have paying job currently.
spwrkhrs	SP: Hours worked weekly	888 DK,can't say,varies too much 999 Not applicable	For those whose spouse have paying job currently.
isco88	R: Occupation ILO,ISCO 1988 4-digit	(See III-7)	For those who have paying job currently.

spisco88	SP: Occupation ILO,ISCO 1988 4-digit	(See III-7)	For those whose spouse have paying job currently.
cn_rinc	R: Earnings : China	8888888 DK, refused 9999999 Not applicable	All respondents in China
jp_rinc	R: Earnings: Japan	1 None 2 Less than 700,000 yen 3 700,000 yen - 1 million yen 4 1 million yen - 1.3 million yen 5 1.3 million yen - 1.5 million yen 6 1.5 million yen - 2.5 million yen 7 2.5 million yen - 3.5 million yen 8 3.5 million yen - 4.5 million yen 9 4.5 million yen - 5.5 million yen 10 5.5 million yen - 6.5 million yen 11 6.5 million yen - 7.5 million yen 12 7.5 million yen - 8.5 million yen 13 8.5 million yen - 10 million yen 14 10 million yen - 12 million yen 15 12 million yen - 14 million yen 16 14 million yen - 16 million yen 17 16 million yen - 18.5 million yen 18 18.5 million yen - 23 million yen 19 23 million yen or over 8888888 DK, refused 9999999 Not applicable	All respondents in Japan
kr_rinc	R: Earnings: South Korea	7777777 KR: not employed 8888888 DK, refused 9999999 Not applicable	All respondents in South Korea
tw_rinc	R: Earnings: Taiwan	0 No earnings 1 Under NT\$10,000 2 NT\$10,000-20,000 3 NT\$20,000-30,000 4 NT\$30,000-40,000 5 NT\$40,000-50,000 6 NT\$50,000-60,000 7 NT\$60,000-70,000 8 NT\$70,000-80,000 9 NT\$80,000-90,000 10 NT\$90,000-100,000 11 NT\$100,000-110,000 12 NT\$110,000-120,000 13 NT\$120,000-130,000 14 NT\$130,000-140,000 15 NT\$140,000-150,000 16 NT\$150,000-160,000 17 NT\$160,000-170,000 18 NT\$170,000-180,000 19 NT\$180,000-190,000 20 NT\$190,000-200,000 21 NT\$200,000-300,000 22 NT\$300,000-400,000 23 NT\$400,000-500,000 24 NT\$500,000-1,000,000 8888888 DK, refused 9999999 Not applicable	All respondents in Taiwan
cn_spinc	SP: Earnings: China	8888888 DK, refused 9999999 Not applicable	For those who are currently married in China (marital status is 1:Married, living as married or 6: Cohabiting).

jp_spinc	SP: Earnings: Japan	1 None 2 Less than 700,000 yen 3 700,000 yen - 1 million yen 4 1 million yen - 1.3 million yen 5 1.3 million yen - 1.5 million yen 6 1.5 million yen - 2.5 million yen 7 2.5 million yen - 3.5 million yen 8 3.5 million yen - 4.5 million yen 9 4.5 million yen - 5.5 million yen 10 5.5 million yen - 6.5 million yen 11 6.5 million yen - 7.5 million yen 12 7.5 million yen - 8.5 million yen 13 8.5 million yen - 10 million yen 14 10 million yen - 12 million yen 15 12 million yen - 14 million yen 16 14 million yen - 16 million yen 17 16 million yen - 18.5 million yen 18 18.5 million yen - 23 million yen 19 23 million yen or over 8888888 DK, refused 9999999 Not applicable	For those who are currently married in Japan (marital status is 1: Married, living as married or 6: Cohabiting).
kr_spinc	SP: Earnings: South Korea	7777777 KR: not employed 8888888 DK, refused 9999999 Not applicable	For those who are currently married in South Korea (marital status is 1: Married, living as married or 6: Cohabiting).
tw_spinc	SP: Earnings: Taiwan	7777777 TW: not asked 8888888 DK, refused 9999999 Not applicable	For those who are currently married in Taiwan (marital status is 1: Married, living as married or 6: Cohabiting).
cn_hinc	Household income: China	8888888 DK, refused 9999999 Not applicable	All respondents in China
jp_hinc	Household income: Japan	1 None 2 Less than 700,000 yen 3 700,000 yen - 1 million yen 4 1 million yen - 1.3 million yen 5 1.3 million yen - 1.5 million yen 6 1.5 million yen - 2.5 million yen 7 2.5 million yen - 3.5 million yen 8 3.5 million yen - 4.5 million yen 9 4.5 million yen - 5.5 million yen 10 5.5 million yen - 6.5 million yen 11 6.5 million yen - 7.5 million yen 12 7.5 million yen - 8.5 million yen 13 8.5 million yen - 10 million yen 14 10 million yen - 12 million yen 15 12 million yen - 14 million yen 16 14 million yen - 16 million yen 17 16 million yen - 18.5 million yen 18 18.5 million yen - 23 million yen 19 23 million yen or over 8888888 DK, refused 9999999 Not applicable	All respondents in Japan
kr_hinc	Household income: South Korea	8888888 DK, refused 9999999 Not applicable	All respondents in South Korea

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relig	R: Religious main groups	1 No religion 2 Roman Catholic 3 Protestant 4 Christian Orthodox 5 Jewish 6 Islam 7 Buddhism 8 Hinduism 9 Other Christian Religions 10 Other Eastern Religions 11 Other Religions 88 DK, refused	All respondents
topbot	R:Top Bottom self-placement 10 pt scale	1 Lowest, 01 2 2 3 3 4 4 5 5 6 6 7 7 8 8 9 9 10 Highest, 10 77 CN: not asked 88 DK, refused	All respondents Question: In our society there are groups which tend to be towards the top and groups which tend to be towards the bottom. Below is a scale that runs from bottom to top. Where would you put yourself on this scale?
cn_tb01	R:Class identification: China	1 Upper 2 Upper Middle 3 Middle 4 Lower Middle 5 Lower 8 DK, refused 9 Not applicable	All respondents in China

cn_tb02	Family: Class identification: China	1 Upper 2 Upper Middle 3 Middle 4 Lower Middle 5 Lower 8 DK, refused 9 Not applicable	All respondents in China
comhinc	Household income compared	1 Far below average 2 Below average 3 Average 4 Above average 5 Far above average 7 CN: not asked 8 DK, refused 9 Not applicable	All respondents Question: Compared with country/region] families in general, what would you say about your family income?
cn_reg	Region: China	11 Beijing 12 Tianjin 13 Hebei 14 Shanxi 15 InnerMongolia 21 Liaolin 22 Jinlin 23 Heilongjiang 31 Shanghai 32 Jiangshu 33 Zhejiang 34 Anhui 35 Fujian 36 Jiangxi 37 Shandong 41 Henan 42 Hubei 43 Hunan 44 Guangdong 45 Guangxi 46 Hainan 50 Chongqing 51 Sichuan 52 Guizhou 53 Yunnan 61 Shaanxi 62 Gansu 65 Xinjiang 99 Not applicable	All respondents in China
jp_reg	Region: Japan	1 Hokkaido or Tohoku 2 Kanto 3 Chubu 4 Kinki 5 Cyugoku or Shikoku 6 Kyusyu 99 Not applicable	All respondents in Japan

kr_reg	Region: South Korea	1 Seoul Metropolitan City 2 Incheon Metropolitan city 3 Daejeon Metropolitan city 4 Busan Metropolitan city 5 Ulsan Metropolitan City 6 Deagu Metropolitan City 7 Gwangju Metropolitan city 8 Gyeonggi Province 9 Gangwon Province 10 Chungcheong Province 11 Gyeongsang Province 12 Jeolla Province 13 Jeju-do 99 Not applicable	All respondents in South Korea
tw_reg	Region: Taiwan	1 Keelung city 2 Taipei city 3 Taipei county 4 Taoyuan county 5 Hsinchu City 6 Hsinchu county 7 Miaoli county 8 Taichung city 9 Taichung county 10 Nantou county 11 Changhua county 12 Yunlin county 13 Chiayi city 14 Chiayi County 15 Tainan city 16 Tainan county 17 Kaohsiung city 18 Kaohsiung county 19 Pingtung county 20 Ilan county 21 Hualien county 22 Taitung county 99 Not applicable	All respondents in Taiwan
cn_size	Size of Community: China	77 CN: not asked 99 Not applicable	All respondents in China
jp_size	Size of Community: Japan	1 Largest cities 2 Cities with population of 200,000 or more 3 Cities with population of under 200,000 4 Town/village 99 Not applicable	All respondents in Japan
kr_size	Size of Community: South Korea	1 1,000,001 and more: Metropolitan city 2 100,001 - 1,000,000: Large city 3 50,001 - 100,000: Middle city 4 Less than 50,000: Rural city 99 Not applicable	All respondents in South Korea
tw_size	Size of Community: Taiwan	1 Large cities 2 Medium cities 3 Small cities or town 4 Rural areas 99 Not applicable	All respondents in Taiwan