

Survey on current state of
Internationalization
Minato City

[Summary Report]

March 2023

Minato City

Survey Outline

1. Survey Purpose

This survey captures the current situation for foreigners and other residents living in Minato City, and will be used to develop policies for the realization of a mature “International City Minato” full of vitality and charm in which various cultures and people cohabit.

It also serves as an input into the Minato Internationalization Master Plan to be revised in FY2023.

2. Survey Design

2-1. Survey Design

- (1) Survey region: Minato City (all areas)
- (2) Survey target: Foreigners aged 20 and older who registered as residents in Minato City as of July 29 2022
- (3) Survey size: 3,000 people
- (4) Survey sample: Selected randomly from the Residency basic book
- (5) Survey method: Postal mail (mail distribution – mail retrieval), Internet answers
- (6) Survey period: from September 13 to October 11, 2022

2-2. Survey Contents

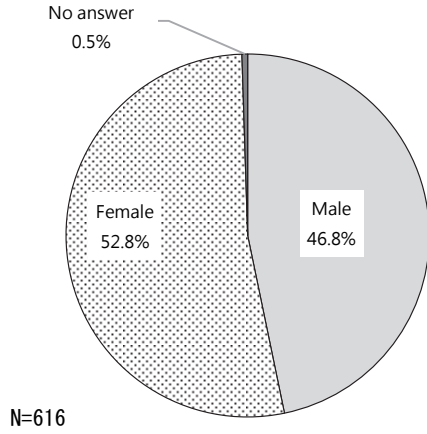
- (1) About yourself
- (2) Languages
- (3) Daily life problems and community activities
- (4) Creating a community well-prepared for disasters
- (5) Education
- (6) Medical services
- (7) About Minato City
- (8) Information transmission
- (9) Promotion of Internationalization of Minato City
- (10) City administration in general (Please state your opinion freely)

2-3. Collection Status

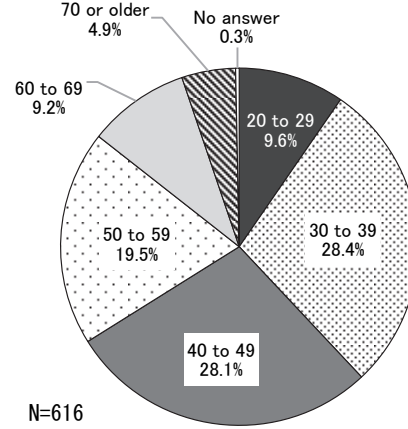
Survey size	3,000
Number of effective collection	616
Ratio of effective collection (Number of effective collection/Survey size *100)	20.5%

3. Attributes of respondents

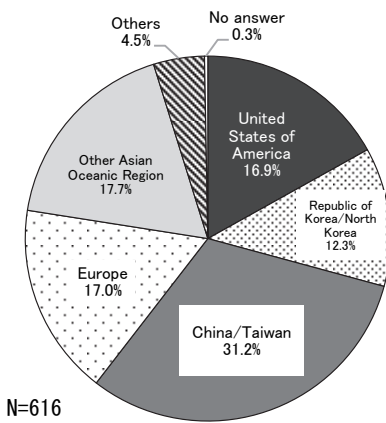
Sex



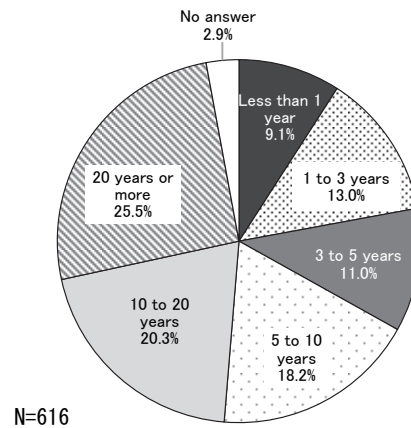
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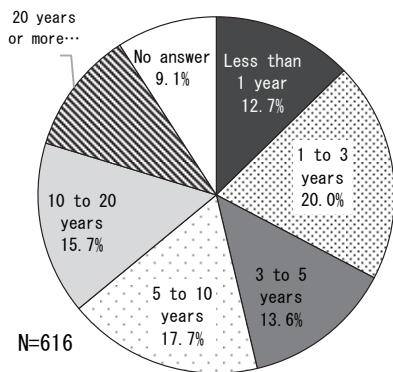
Nationality



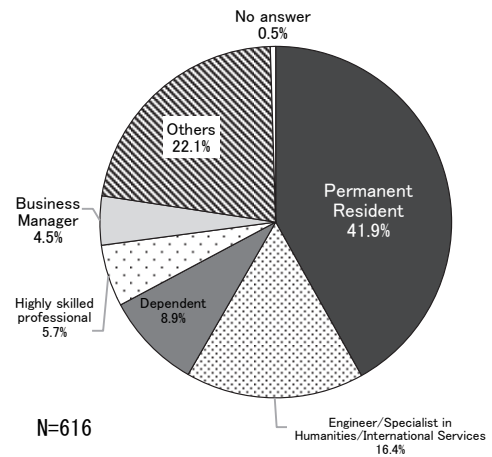
Number of years living in Japan



Number of years living in Minato City



Residency status in Japan



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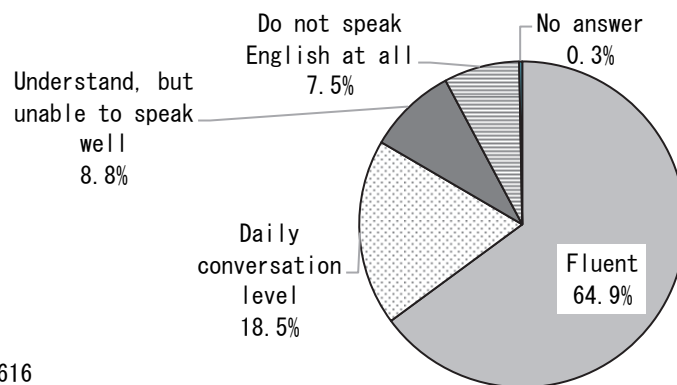
- (1) Aggregations are rounded to the second decimal place. Therefore, the total figures may not add up to 100.0%.
- (2) "Number of samples" is the number of respondents to the question.
- (3) The ratio of responses (%) is calculated based on the number of respondents to the question. Therefore, the sum of all ratios for multiple-answer questions may exceed 100.0%.
- (4) In some cases, the choice notations in the text and figures may be shortened or simplified.

Main content of the survey

Languages

Main text Q1

How good is your English?

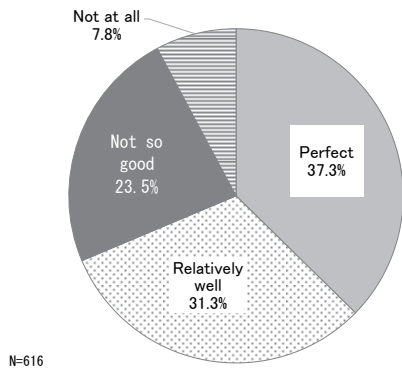


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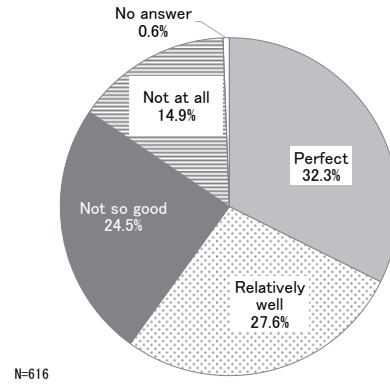
Main text Q2

How good is your Japanese?

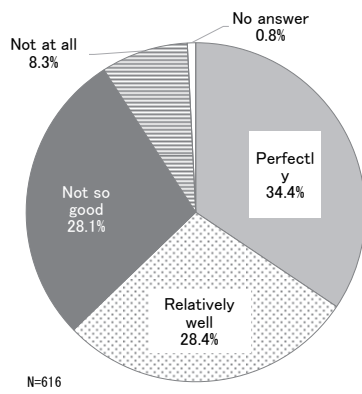
Listening



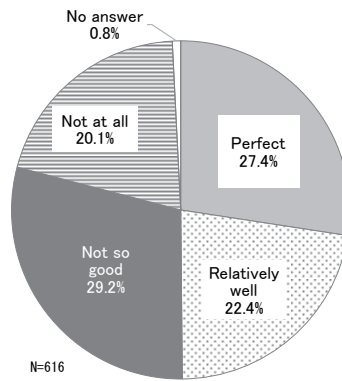
Reading



Speaking

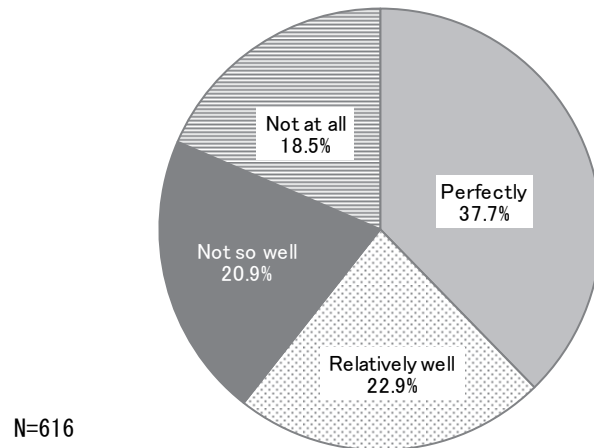


Writing



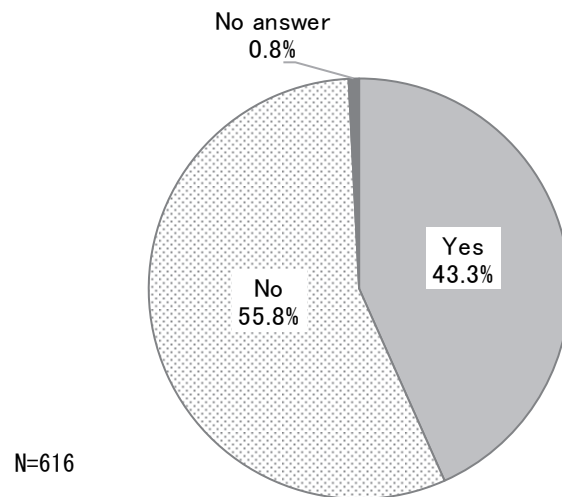
Main text Q3

How well do you understand Japanese letters sent from the city office?



Main text Q4

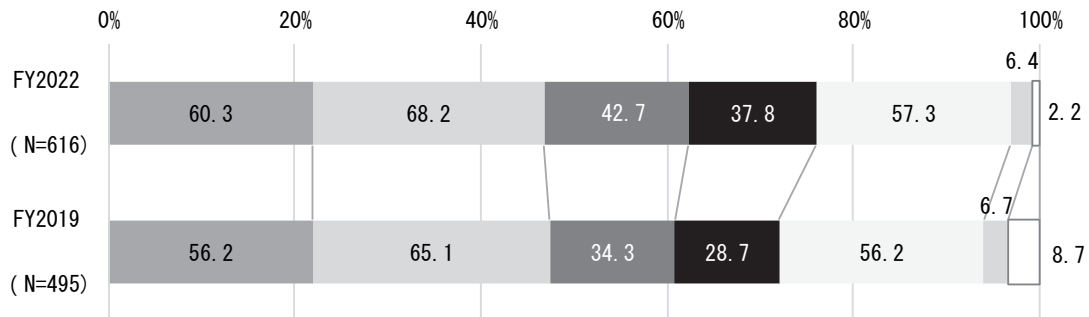
Minato City is promoting "Easy Japanese", which is simplified Japanese that is easy to understand for foreigners. Do you know "Easy Japanese"?



*"Easy Japanese" is Japanese displayed in a manner that is easier for foreigners to understand.

Point 1 Main text Q4-2

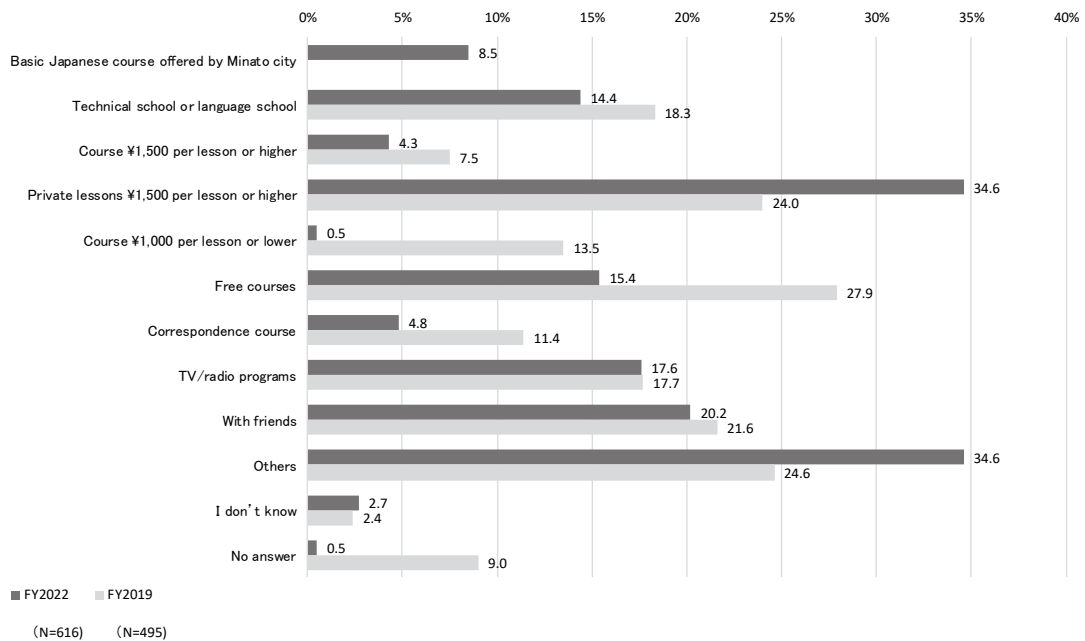
What do you think are the benefits of using “Easy Japanese”?



- It makes communication with Japanese people easier
- I am able to obtain various information necessary for my daily life
- I can shop or go out alone by using Easy Japanese
- I don't have any anxieties about Japanese while I am out.
- No need to worry in case of disasters or illness because of being able to communicate with Japanese people by using Easy Japanese

Point 2 Main text Q8-2

How/where do you learn Japanese, or want to learn in the future?

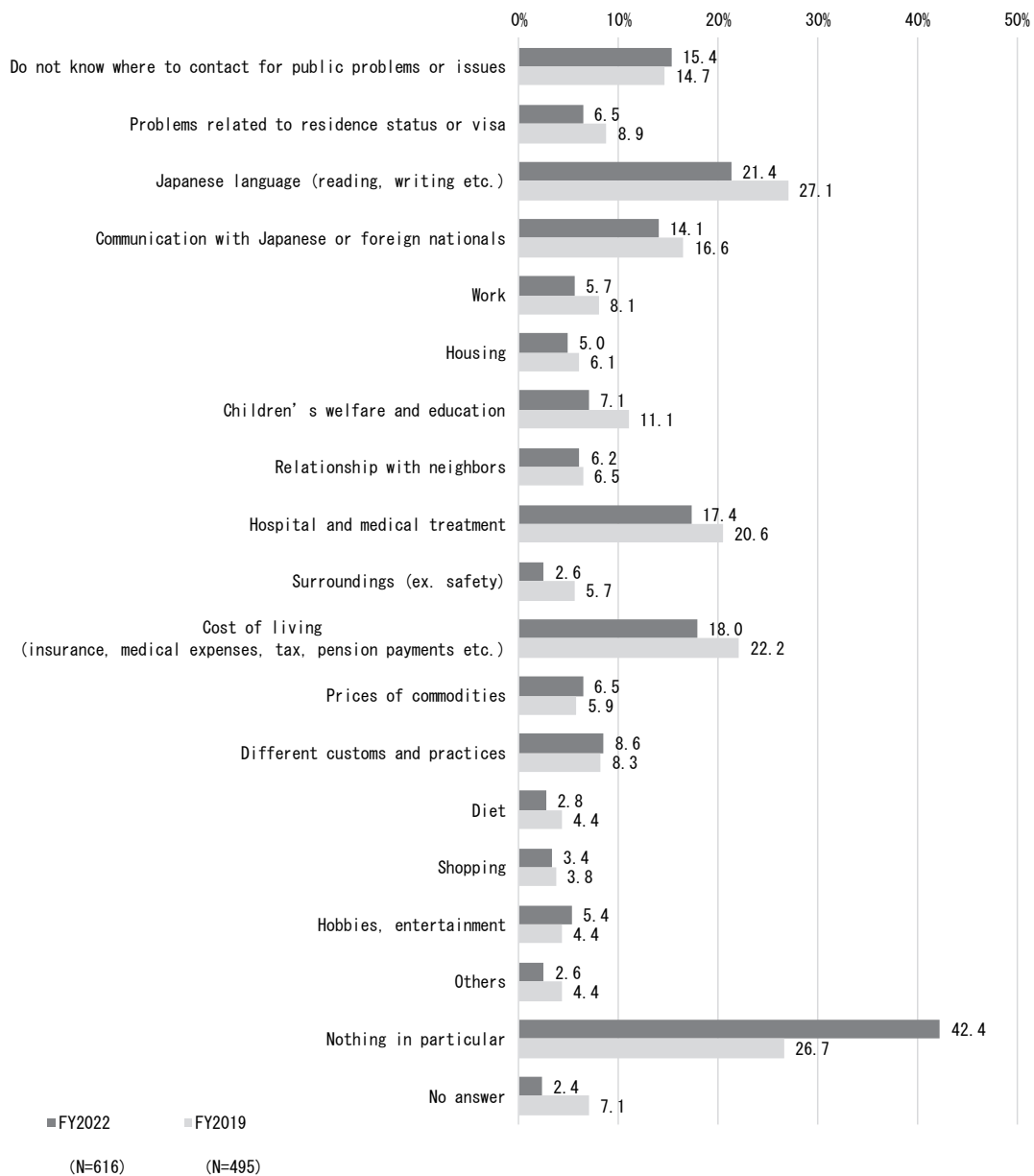


Daily Life Problems and Community Activities

Point 3 Main text Q14

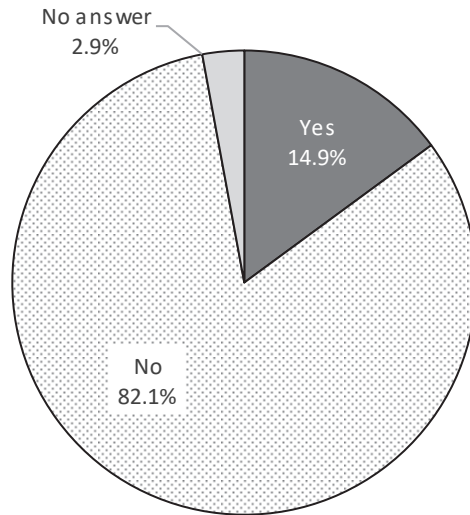
Do you have any inconveniences or problems in your daily life?

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Main text Q16

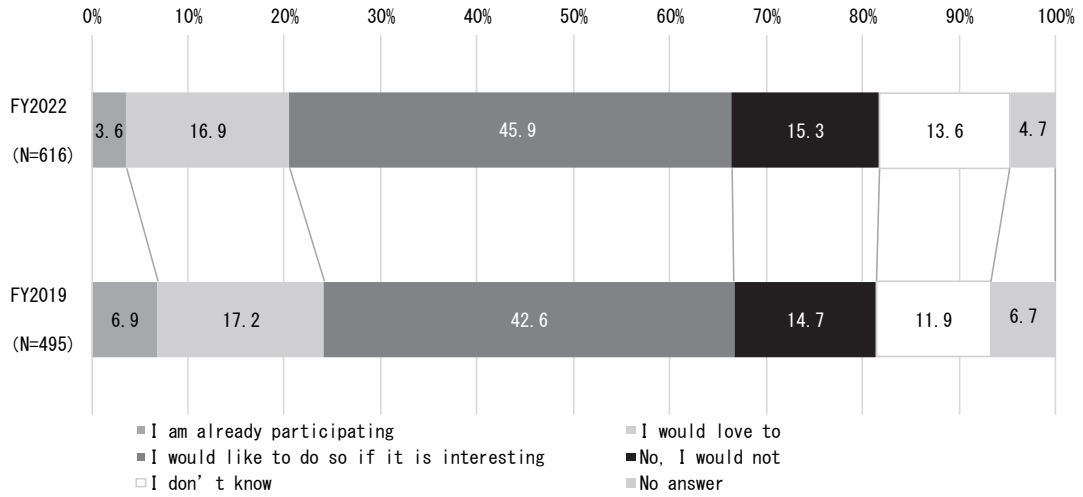
Do you participate in any local community or groups?



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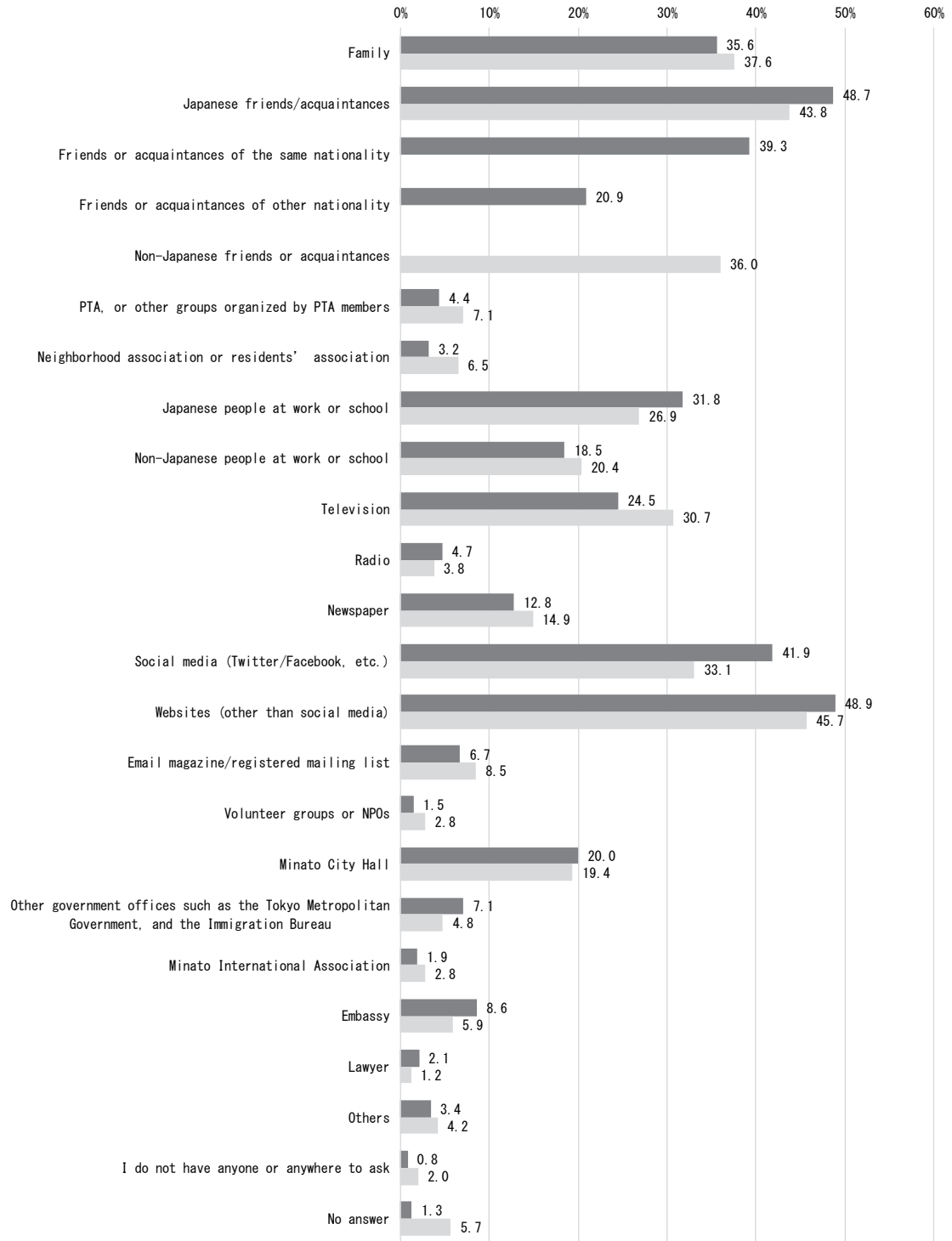
Point 4 Main text Q17

Would you like to take part in local or community development activities?



Point 5 Main text Q19

When you need information, where do you usually get it from?

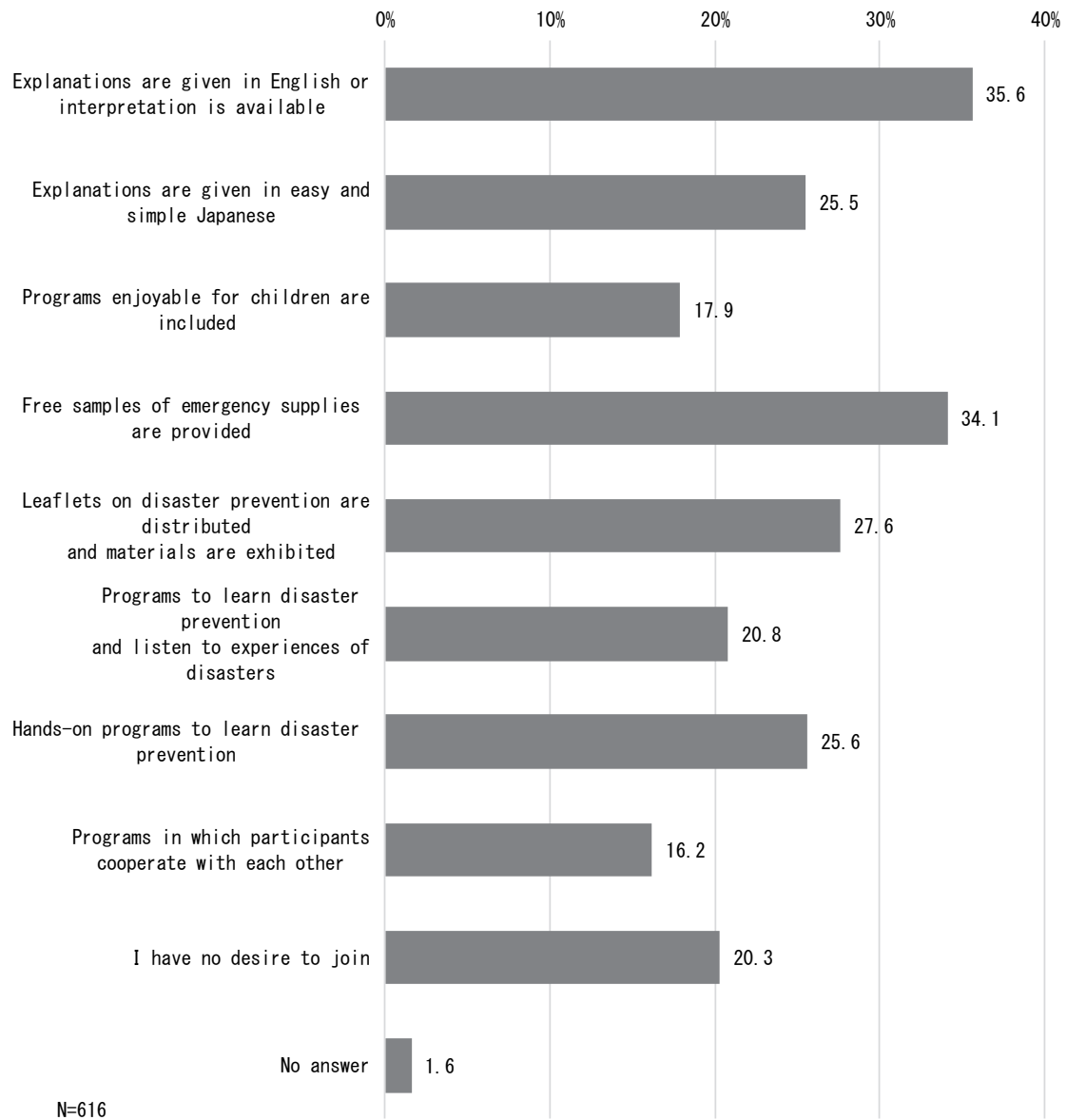


FY2022 (N=616)
 FY2019 (N=495)

Creating a Community that is Well-Prepared for Disasters

Main text Q23

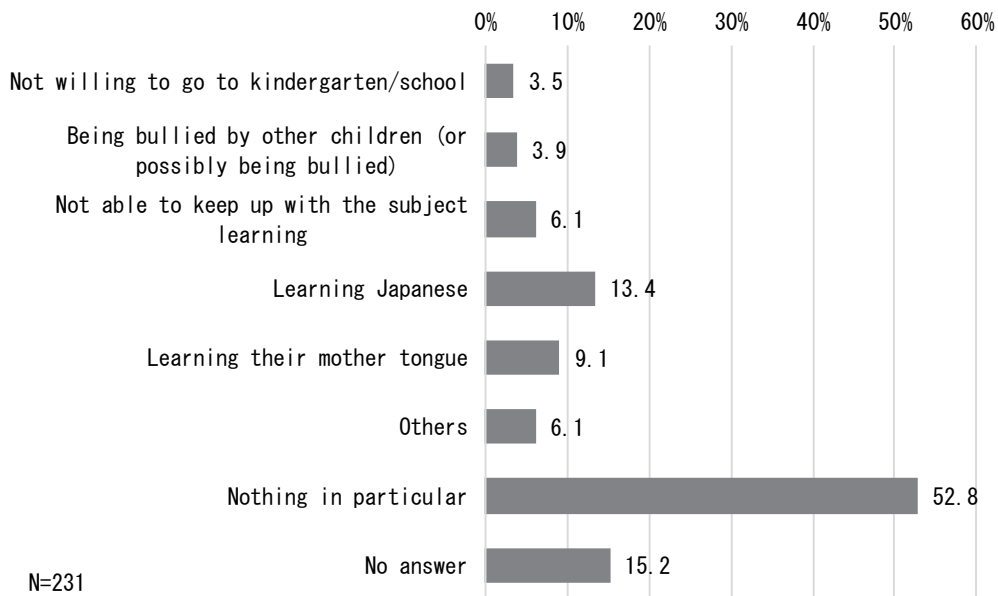
What kind of local disaster prevention drills would you like to join?



Education (for respondents who live with their children only.)

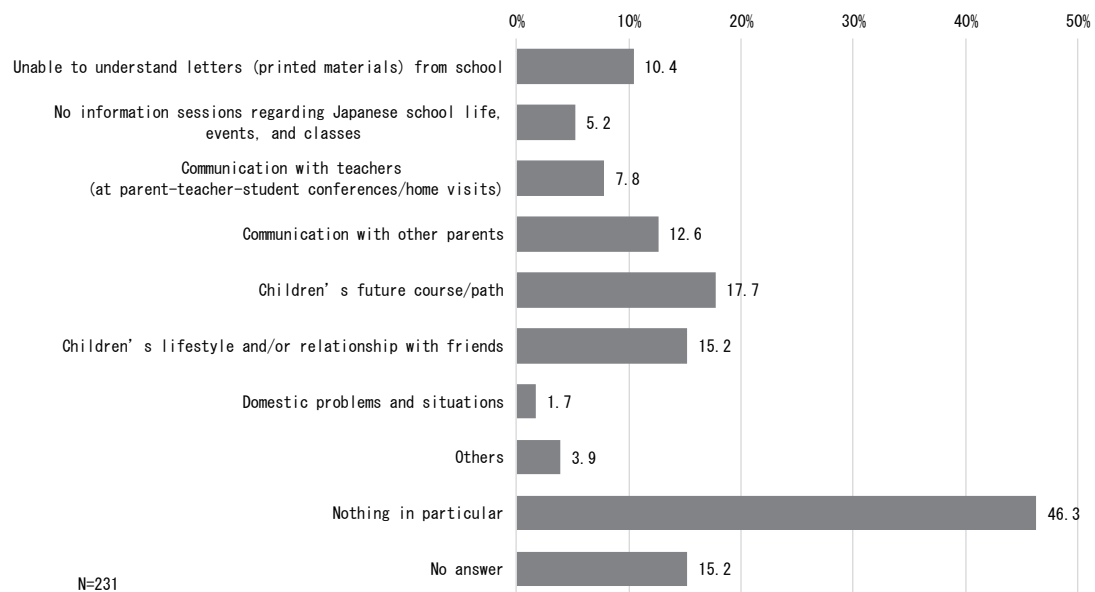
Main text Q25

Are your children having any difficulties or problems at their nursery school, kindergarten, elementary or junior high school?



Main text Q27

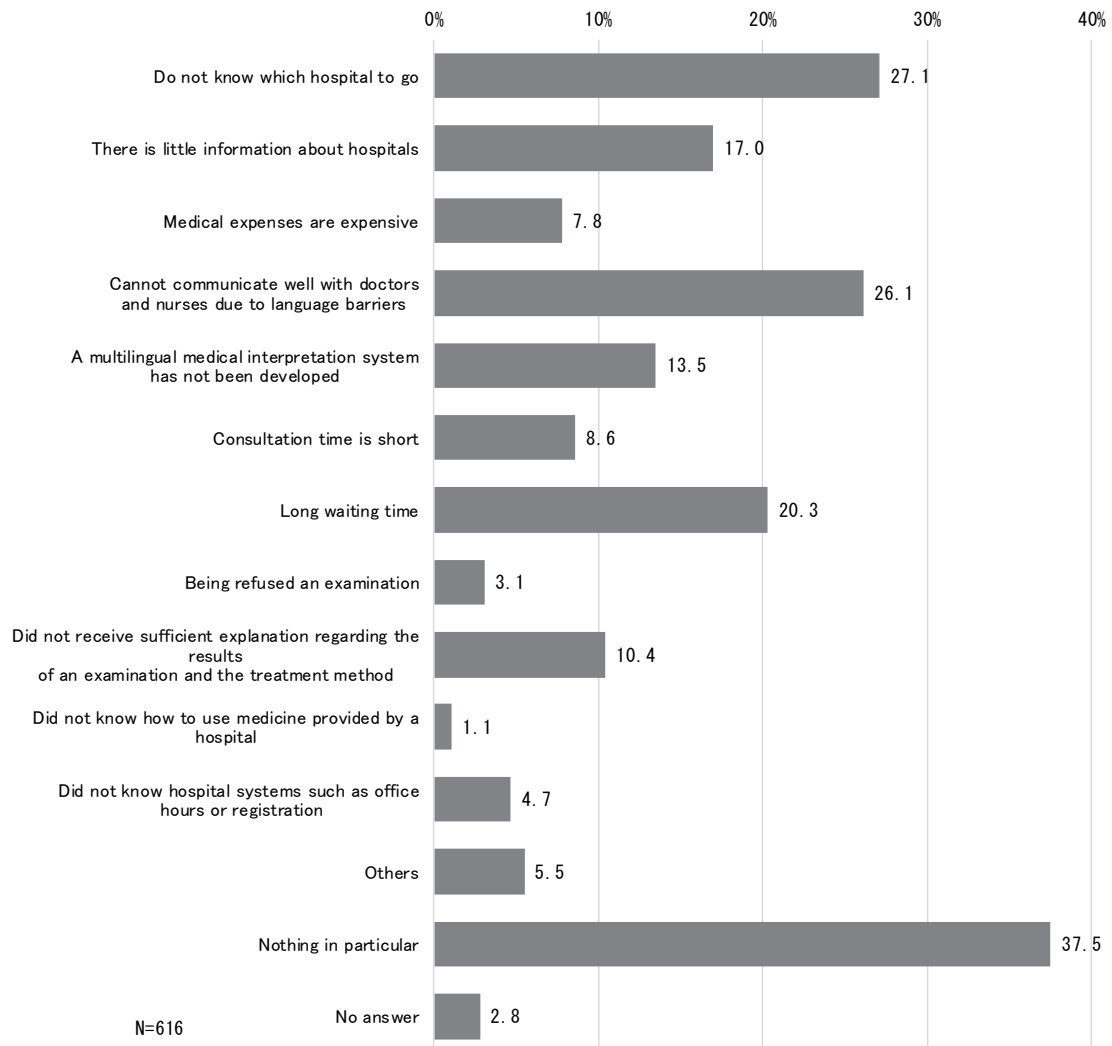
Do you have any problems or concerns as a parent?



Medical services

Main text Q28

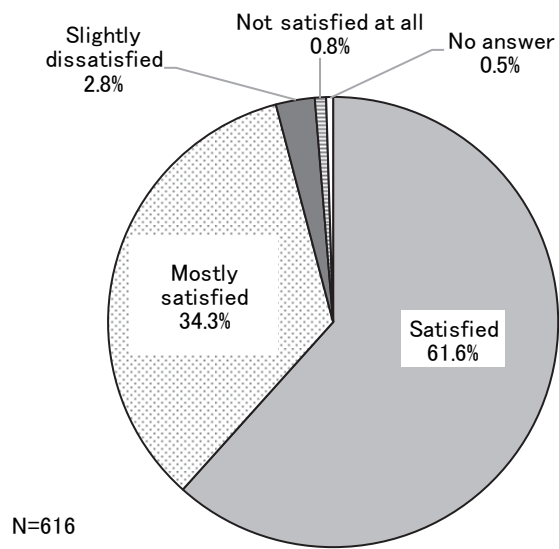
Have you ever experienced any inconvenience or trouble when using Japanese hospitals?



About Minato City

Main text Q30

How satisfied are you with the administrative services of Minato city?

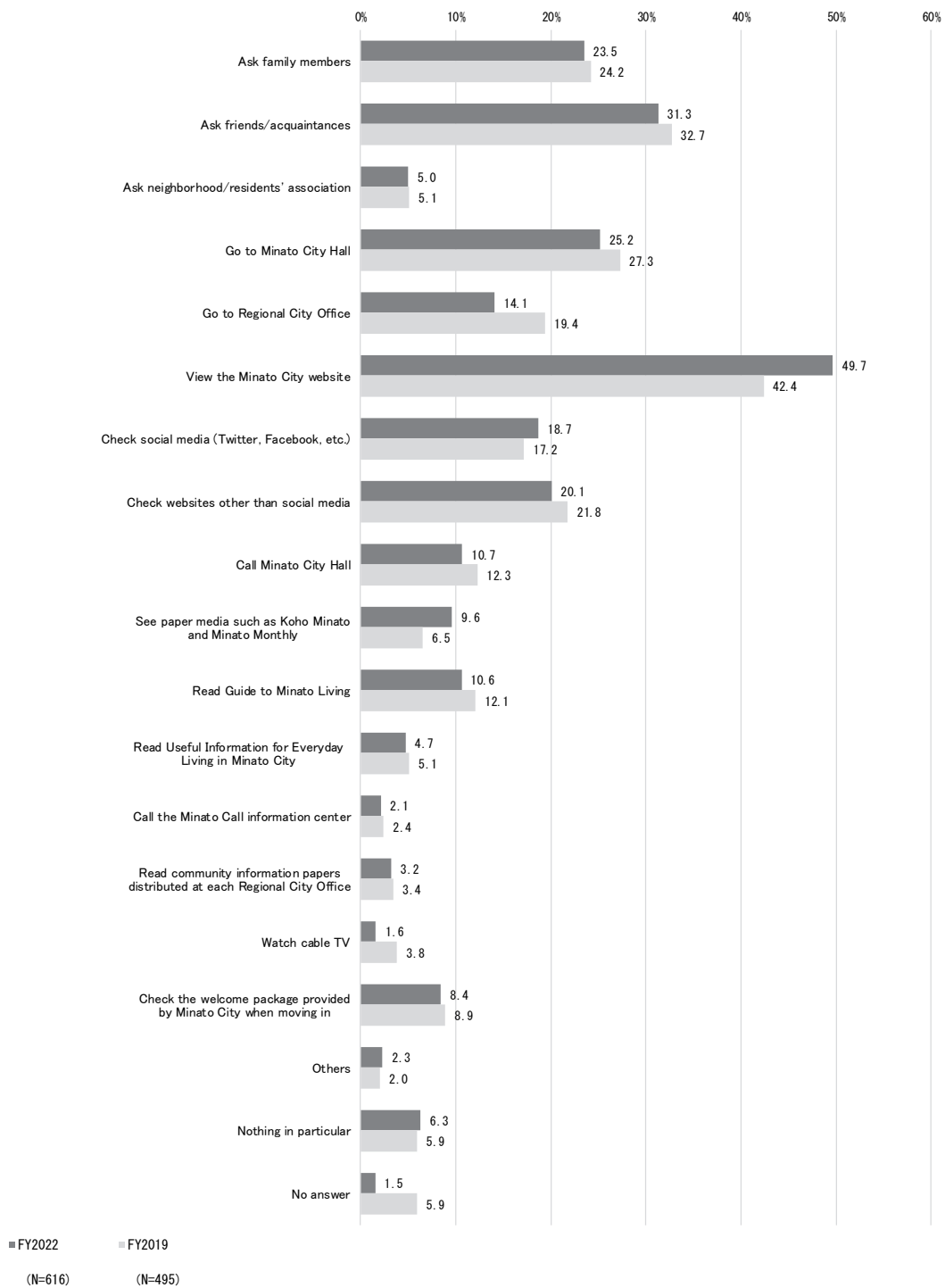


Information Transmission

Point 6 Main text Q33

How do you get information on the city services?

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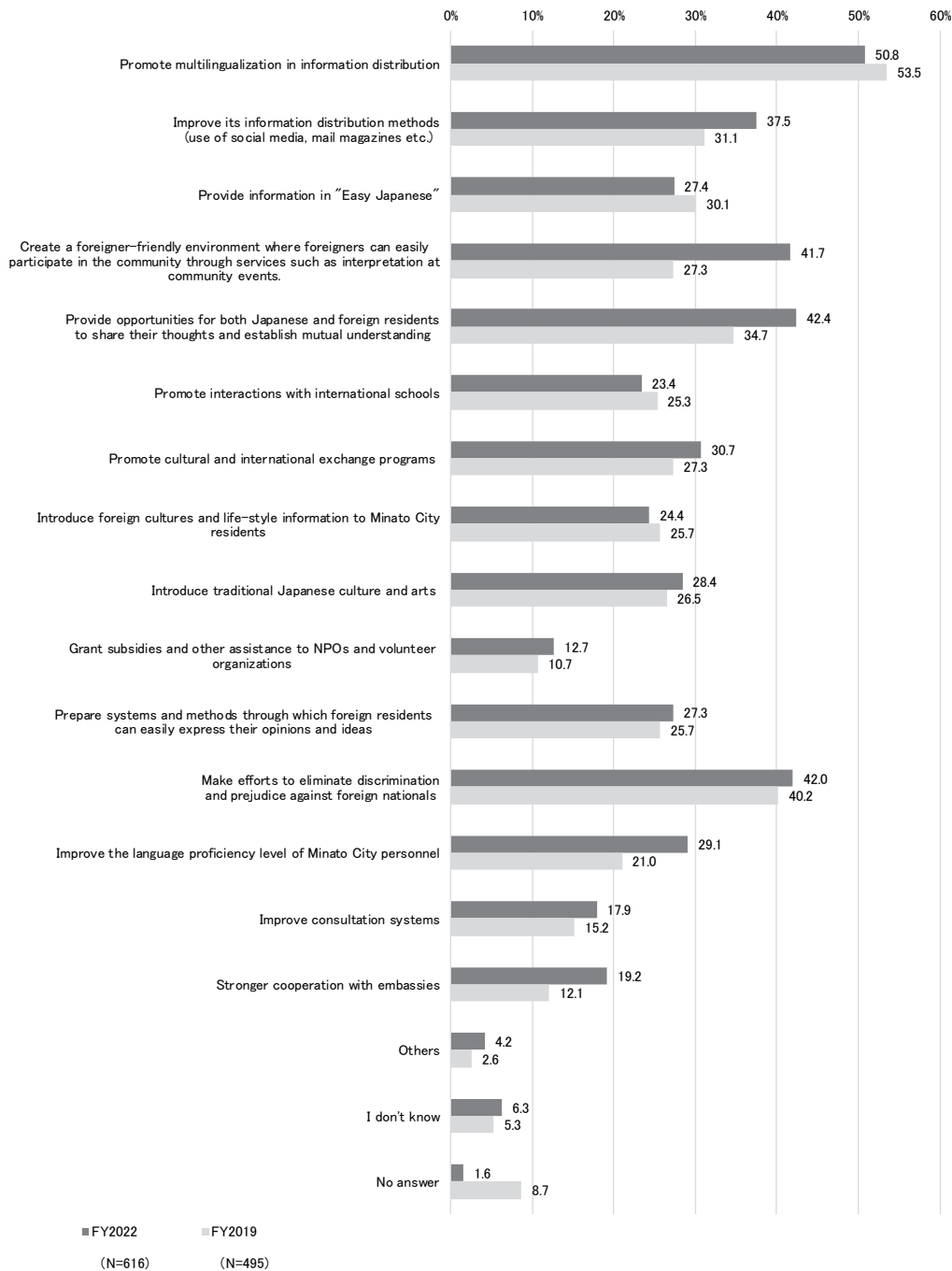


Promotion of Internationalization of Minato City

Point 7 [Main text Q41]

What kind of policies do you think are necessary for Minato City to realize affluent communities in which all Japanese and foreign people think together and support each other?

[理解那3]



Declaration as a City of Peace

Minato City

August 15, 1985

All people are one in wishing to preserve the beauty of the earth and the permanence of world peace. These sentiments will never change.

We are working to build a community dedicated to the welfare of its citizens, while striving for true peace and the preservation of our cultural traditions.

Our duty to the generations that will follow is to hand over into their keeping a society built on the brotherhood of all people and a natural environment that is flourishing and beautiful.

We request our government to abide firmly by the “three nonnuclear principles” (renouncing possession, production, and introduction of nuclear weapons) and appealing to all citizens everywhere to seek the abolition of nuclear weapons.

As it is our earnest wish for world peace, we hereby declare Minato City to be a City of Peace.

City Tree



Hanamizuki,
Dogwood

City Flowers



Hydrangea



Rose

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