

Japan

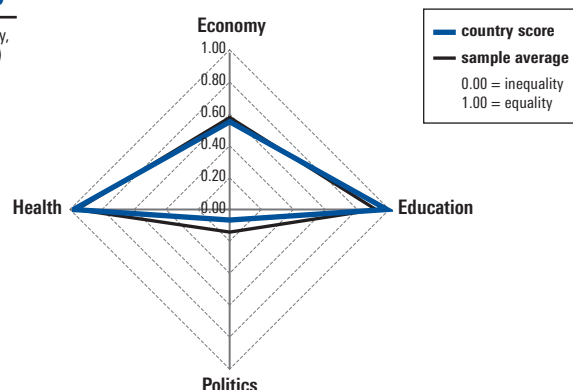
Gender Gap Index 2007

Rank **91** Score **0.645**

(out of 128 countries) (0.00 = inequality, 1.00 = equality)

Key Indicators

Total population (millions), 2005	127.77
Population growth (in %)	0.01
GDP (US\$ billions), 2005	4,992.81
GDP (PPP) per capita	27,817
Mean age of marriage for women (years)	29
Fertility rate (births per woman)	1.30
Year women received right to vote	1947
Overall population sex ratio (male/female)	0.95



Gender Gap Subindexes

	Rank	Score	Sample average	Female	Male	Female-to-male ratio	
Economic Participation and Opportunity							
Labour force participation	73	0.71	0.69	61%	85%	0.71	
Wage equality for similar work (survey)	90	0.61	0.64	—	—	0.61	
Income (PPP US\$)	92	0.44	0.50	18,130	40,885	0.44	
Legislators, senior officials, and managers	94	0.11	0.26	10%	90%	0.11	
Professional and technical workers	59	0.85	0.68	46%	54%	0.85	
Educational Attainment							
Literacy rate	1	1.00	0.85	99%	99%	1.00	
Enrolment in primary education	1	1.00	0.97	100%	100%	1.00	
Enrolment in secondary education	1	1.00	0.92	—%	—%	1.01	
Enrolment in tertiary education	83	0.89	0.81	51%	57%	0.89	
Health and Survival							
Sex ratio at birth (female/male)	87	0.94	0.92	49%	51%	0.94	
Healthy life expectancy	1	1.06	1.04	78	72	1.08	
Political Empowerment							
Women in parliament	95	0.10	0.19	9%	91%	0.10	
Women in ministerial positions	62	0.14	0.13	13%	88%	0.14	
Number of years with a female head of state	42	0.00	0.11	0	50	0.00	

Additional Data

Maternity and Childbearing

Births attended by skilled health staff (as % of total)	100
Contraceptive prevalence, married women (%)	56
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	3
Length of paid maternity leave	14 weeks
Maternity leave benefits (% of wages paid)	60%
Provider of maternity coverage	Health insurance or social security
Maternal mortality ratio per 100,000 live births	10
Adolescent fertility rate (births per 1,000 women aged 15–19)	3.72

Education and Training

Percentage of female teachers, primary education	65
Percentage of female teachers, secondary education	31
Percentage of female teachers, tertiary education	17

Employment and Earnings

Female adult unemployment rate (%)	4
Male adult unemployment rate (%)	5
Women in non-agricultural paid labour (as % of total labour force)	41
Ability of women to rise to positions of enterprise leadership*	4.04

Basic Rights and Social Institutions**

Paternal versus maternal authority	0.00
Female genital mutilation	0.00
Polygamy	0.00
Existence of legislation punishing acts of violence against women	0.67

*survey data, responses on a 1-to-7 scale (1=worst score, 7=best score)
**data on a 0-to-1 scale (1=worst score, 0=best score)