



Overview of JSPS and Preparing for Your Research Trip

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JSPS London

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Overview

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Life in Japan



Life in Japan -Mind the Gap-



First Culture Shock@Airport

All Japanese

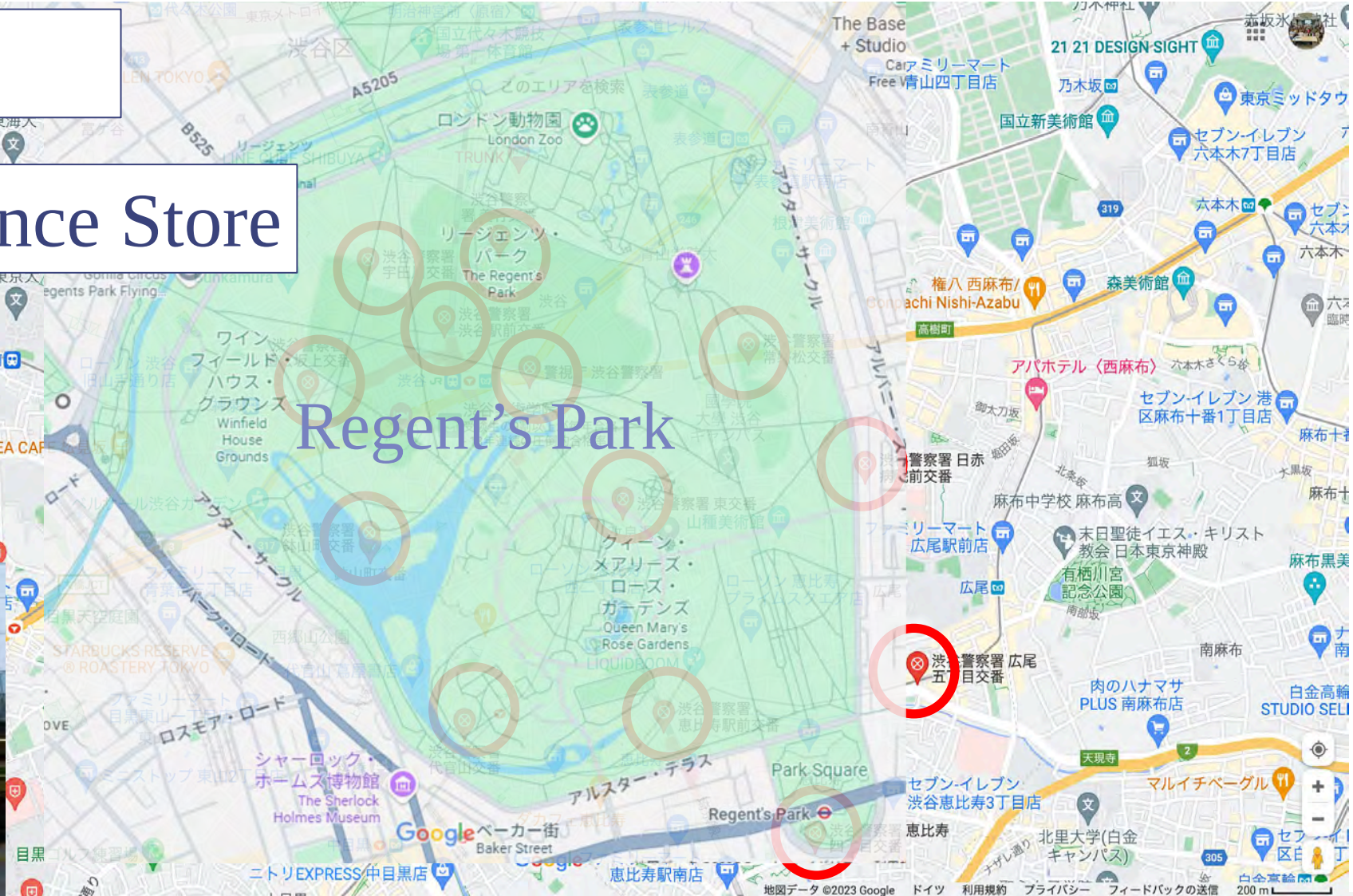
Life in Japan -Clean and Safe-



Police



Convenience Store





Life in Japan -Clean and Safe-



Life in Japan -Punctual and Ordered-



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An evening on the Osaka loop line platform



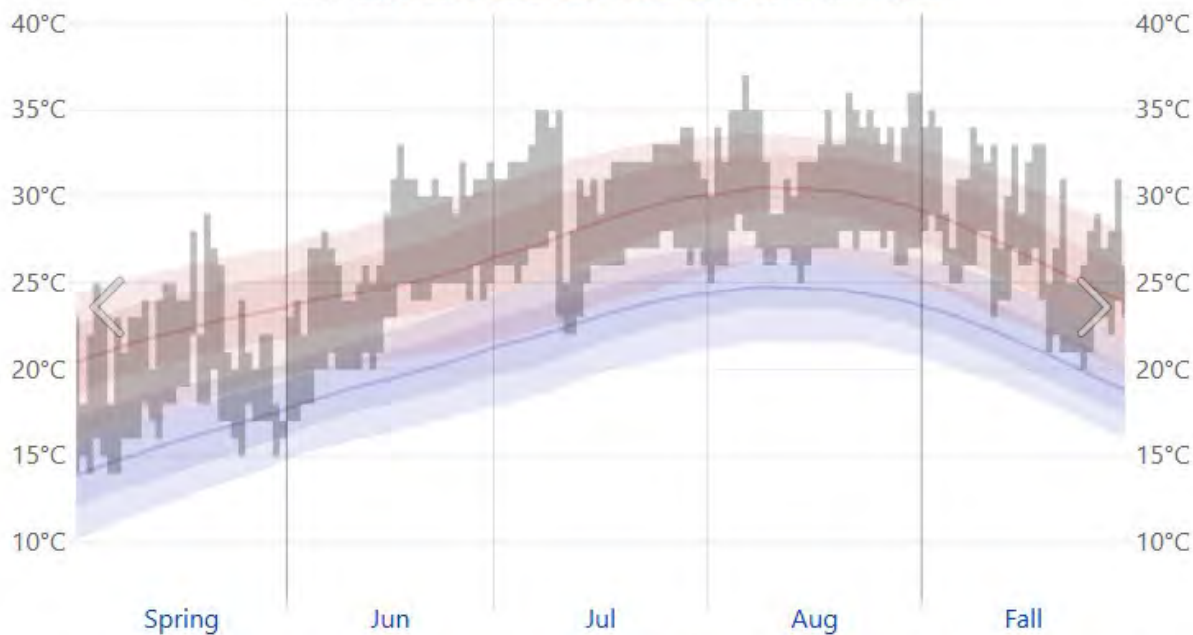
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Life in Japan – Beware : Summer in Japan can be quite hot and humid

Tokyo Temperature History in the Summer of 2025

← 2025 [Link](#) [Download](#) [Compare](#) [Averages](#)

History: 2024 2023 2022 2021 2020 2019 2018 2017 2016



The daily range of reported temperatures (gray bars) and 24-hour highs (red ticks) and lows (blue ticks), placed over the daily average high (faint red line) and low (faint blue line) temperature, with 25th to 75th and 10th to 90th percentile bands.

[Tokyo 2025 Past Weather \(Japan\) - Weather Spark](#)

Average humidity in Tokyo

On this page you find more information about the monthly relative humidity over the year in Tokyo (Tokyo Prefecture), Japan.



[Check Humidity in Tokyo by Month | Accurate Insights](#)

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Japan Data >

Japan's Highest Temperatures: New Record of 41.8°C Set in August 2025

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Japan's Highest Recorded Temperatures

41.8°

- Iseaki, Gunma (August 5, 2025)

41.4°

- Shizuoka, Shizuoka (August 6, 2025)
- Hatoyama, Saitama (August 5, 2025)

41.2°

- Kiryū, Gunma (August 5, 2025)
- Tanba, Hyōgo (July 30, 2025)

41.1°

- Hamamatsu, Shizuoka (August 17, 2020)
- Kumagaya, Saitama (July 23, 2018)

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Handy Fan



Image taken from <https://lifeonproducts.co.jp/product/pr-f093/>

Neck Cooler Fan



Image taken from <https://store.shopping.yahoo.co.jp/akaneashop/sg188.html>

Neck Cooling Ring

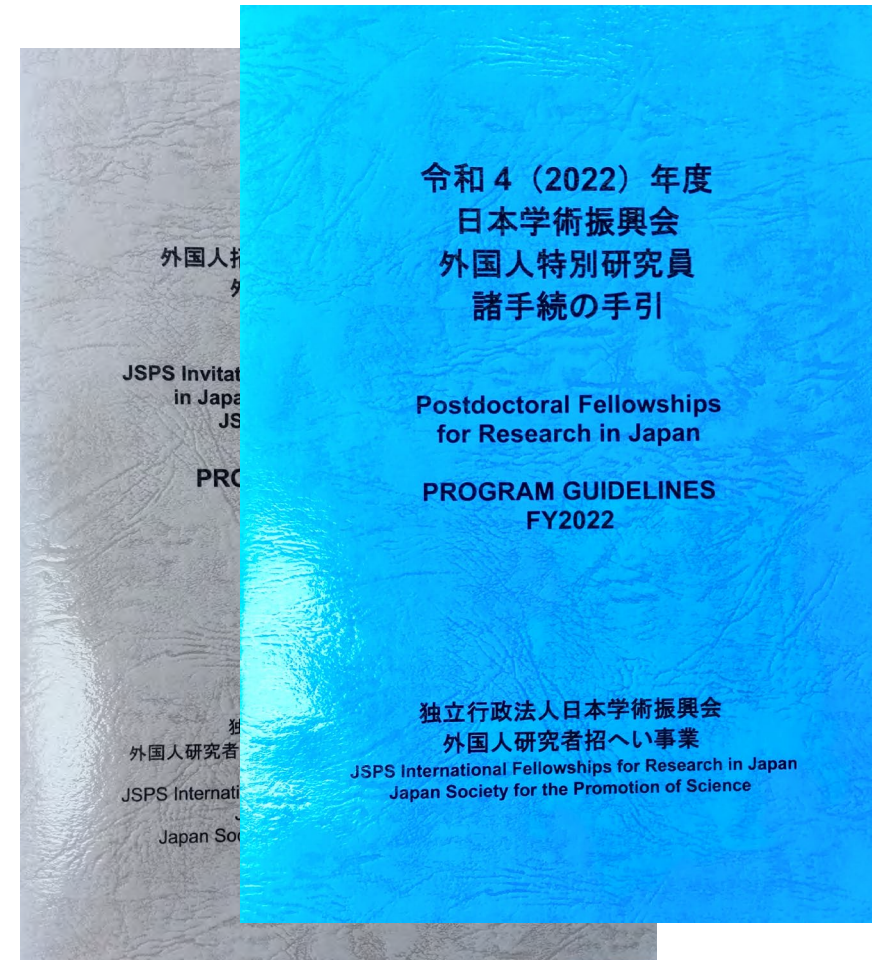
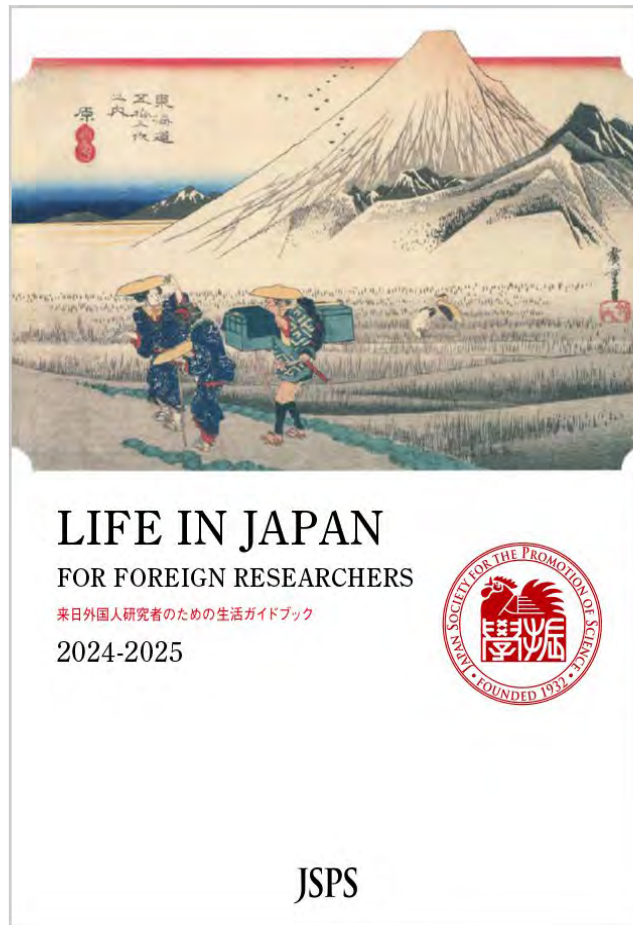


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Detailed Information for Your Life in Japan

Please carefully read the handbooks provided by JSPS TOKYO



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Who we are

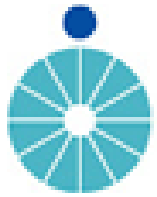
Japan Society for the Promotion of Science



December 1932

Positioning of JSPS

Japanese Government

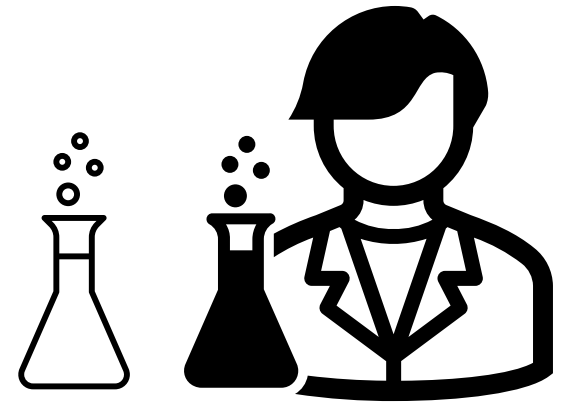
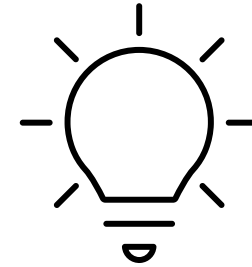


文部科学省

Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports,
Science and Technology (MEXT)



JSPS



Bottom-up research “No priority area”

JSPS: Basic Features in its Programme Operation



● Supporting bottom-up research

Grant-in-Aid, “KAKENHI”: £1,200,000,000/80,000 projects

● Supporting research initiatives

WPI (World Premier International Research Centre Initiative)

● Fostering next generations

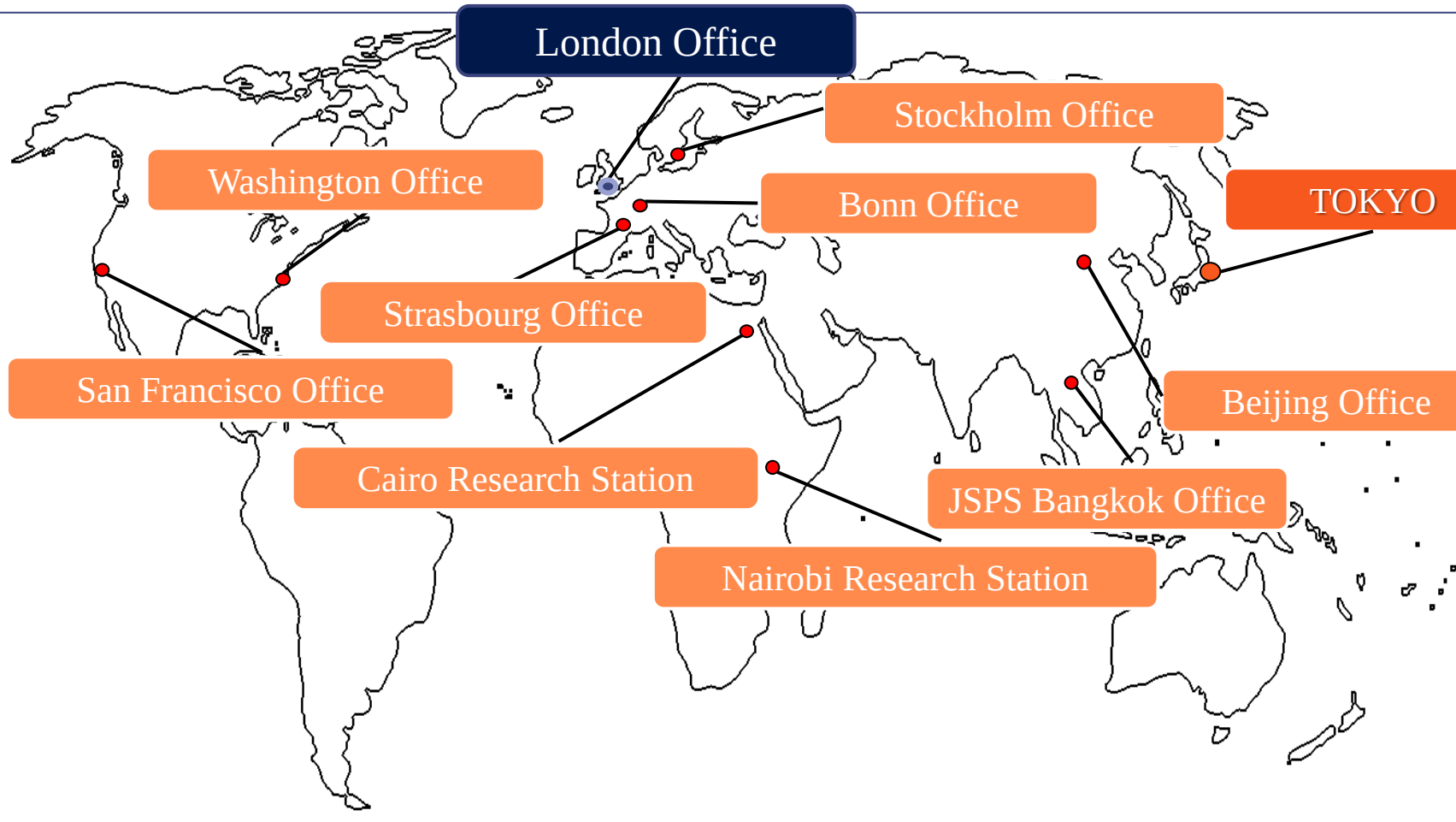
Fellowships: 6,000 Japanese pre-/post-docs

● Advancing International collaborations

Mobility by "International programmes" 10,000 researchers

JSPS Overseas Offices

Strengthen Japan-Foreign academic linkages and advance international collaboration





JSPS London Office



Established in 1994



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Staff members: 7
(including a staff member from KEIO Univ.)



Our mission:
Promoting and supporting the development
of international research collaboration,
with a particular focus on partnerships
between the UK and Japan

