

EASS 2012 Module on Network Social Capital

- v1** EASS Study Year
v2 Country/Region
v3 Respondent Number

A. Social Networks

A1. Are you a member of the following organizations or groups? If so, please indicate whether you are actively involved or not. [Note: A membership includes both online and offline activities.]

| | | Yes, actively involved | Yes, but hardly involved | No |
|------------|---|------------------------------|--------------------------------|----|
| V4 | A Political association | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| V5 | B Residential/neighborhood association | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| V6 | C Social service club (Volunteer group/ NPO) | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| V7 | D Citizens' movement/ Consumers' cooperative group | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| V8 | E Religious group | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| V9 | F Alumni association | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| V10 | G Recreational association (hobby and sports) | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| V11 | H Labor union | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| V12 | I Occupational/ Professional association/ Trade association | 1 | 2 | 3 |

V13

A2-1. Among the organizations/groups you mentioned in A1, in which of them did you participate most actively in the last 12 months? [Circle one]

1. A 2. B 3. C 4. D 5. E 6. F 7. G 8. H 9. I
 10. None of them

Note: Since the questionnaire of KGSS does not include "10: None of them," we cannot distinguish "None of them" from "DK, refused." Those Korean respondents who did not choose any options among 1 through 9 are given a new code of "77 KR: Either 'None of them' or 'DK, refused' is unknown."]

V14

A2-2. Of this organization/group, which of the following best describes the relationships among the members? [Circle one]

1. There are clear authority lines between superiors and subordinates
2. There are superiors and subordinates, but members rotate in those roles
3. There are not clear authority lines, and members are mostly equal to each other
4. Members are fundamentally equal to each other

V15

A2-3. Are members in this organization/group different from each other in the way they think and do things? [Circle one]

1. Almost all members are similar to each other
2. There are more members who are similar than those who are different.
3. There are more members who are different than those who are similar.
4. Almost all members are different from each other

V16

A3-1. On an ordinary day, with how many family members or relatives, excluding those who live with you, do you have contact through telephone, mails, internet, or face-to-face? Your best estimate is:

1. 0 2. 1-2 3. 3-4 4. 5-9 5. 10-19
 6. 20-49 7. 50-99 8. 100 or more 88. DK

V17

A3-2. On an ordinary day, with how many people other than family members or relatives do you have contact through telephone, mails, internet, or face-to-face? Your best estimate is:

1. 0 2. 1-2 3. 3-4 4. 5-9 5. 10-19
 6. 20-49 7. 50-99 8. 100 or more 88. DK

V18

A3-3 Among nonkin contacts with whom you frequently socialize, which of the following best describes social characteristics of these people? From your viewpoint, [Circle one]

1. You have contact more with people who are socially higher than those who are lower.
2. The majority of people with whom you have contact are socially equivalent to you.
3. You have contact more with people who are socially lower than those who are higher.

Note: TSCS does not ask A3-3 for those who do not have nonkin contacts with whom he or she frequently socialize (v17=0).

A4. Do you have any relatives, friends, or acquaintances that fit the following occupational descriptions? An acquaintance is someone whom you know enough to have conversations with.

| | 1 Yes | 2 No |
|-------------------------------------|-------|------|
| V19 1. Professor | | |
| V20 2. Lawyer | | |
| V21 3. Nurse | | |
| V22 4. Computer programmer | | |
| V23 5. Middle school teacher | | |
| V24 6. Personnel manager | | |
| V25 7. Farmer | | |
| V26 8. Hair dresser | | |
| V27 9. Receptionist | | |
| V28 10. Policeman | | |

V29

A5-1 Do you have relatives, friends, or acquaintances in a foreign country? ___ ___
 1 Yes 2 No

V30

A5-2 Do you have acquaintances of foreign origin? [Foreign origin means the person is not a legal citizen of your country]
 1 Yes 2 No

V31

A6-1. During the process of getting your current/last job, how many people (relatives, friends, or acquaintances) helped you in all kinds of ways, e.g., telling you job opportunities, putting a good word for you, etc. If you do not work for pay at this time, please tell us about your last main paid job.

- Never has had a job [SKIP to A7-1]
 0 [SKIP to A7-1]
 1 ___ 2 ___ 3 ___ 4 ___ 5 ___ 6 or more

V32

A6-2. Were the kinds of help provided useful to getting/securing your job?

- 1. No
- 2. Yes, to some extent
- 3. Yes, to a great extent
- 9. Not applicable

V33

A7-1. How often do you go out to eat or drink with three or more nonkin others?

- 1. Never [->SKIP to A8]
- 2. Few 3. Sometimes 4. Often 5. Very often

A7-2. Do the following situations occur to these occasions?

- V34** 1. Someone with special status often speaks first 1 yes 2 no
- V35** 2. One or two people often dominate the conversation 1 yes 2 no
- V36** 3. Seating is often carefully managed even on informal occasions 1 yes 2 no

V37

A7-3. How often do you meet new friends on these occasions?

- (1) Never (2) Few (3) Sometimes (4) Often (5) Very often

A8. When people encounter problems, they may go to formal and informal channels for help. In dealing with the following problems that occurred to you last time, tell me the one channel from which you sought help first.

[This is about respondent's actual experience, not hypothetical situation.]

- 1. Co-residence family; 2. Other relatives; 3. Work colleagues; 4. Neighbors; 5. Friends;
- 6. Professional workers/institutions; 7. Did not seek help to anybody; 9. Never had such a problem.

| Problems are: | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 9 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| V38 A8-1 Emotional/psychological | | | | | | | | |
| V39 A8-2 Health | | | | | | | | |
| V40 A8-3 Household chores/cares | | | | | | | | |
| V41 A8-4 Financial | | | | | | | | |
| V42 A8-5 Emergency/disaster | | | | | | | | |

[In the above grid, check one choice in each row.]

V43

A9-1. For a close estimate, with how many neighbors are you on greeting terms?

- (1) 0
- (2) 1-2
- (3) 3-4
- (4) 5-9
- (5) 10 or more

V44

A9-2. With how many neighbors could you ask for a favor when needed, such as watering plants, feeding pets, and giving an advice? [Teams have discretion to delete or add new examples after "such as"]

- (1) 0
- (2) 1-2
- (3) 3-4
- (4) 5-9
- (5) 10 or more

B. Social Engagement

B1. To what extent do you have a hard time discussing with the following people/acquaintances if they had different opinions on social issues of public interest?

| | | A great Deal | Some | A little | Not at all |
|------------|---|--------------|------|----------|------------|
| V45 | (a) with those who have equal social status to you | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| V46 | (b) with those who have higher social status than you | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| V47 | (c) with those who have lower social status than you | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |

B2. How often have you participated in group discussions (either formal or informal discussion among 3 or more people) about the following community or local issues during the last 12 months? [Teams have discretion to modify description in parenthesis]

Response categories: 1. Never, 2. Several times, 3. About every month, 4. About every week

[Group discussions include both online and offline discussions]

| | | | | | |
|------------|---|---|---|---|---|
| V48 | B2a. Environmental issues (air/water/noise pollution, garbage, sand storm, etc) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| V49 | B2b. Educational issues (unregulated school charges, private tutoring, juvenile misbehavior, etc) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| V50 | B2c. Safety issues (disaster and crime preventions, etc.) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| V51 | B2d. Consumer issues (food safety, goods quality, price fluctuation, etc.) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |

B3. Have you participated in the following activities of public interest during the last 12 months?

[Activities of public interest include both online and offline activities; Teams have discretion to modify description in parenthesis]

| | | | |
|------------|---|-----|-----|
| V52 | 1 Volunteer activities to improve my community (improve environment, increase safety, revitalize the town, etc.) | ___ | ___ |
| V53 | 2 Volunteer activities associated with sports, culture, arts, and/or scholarliness (sport coaching, promoting traditional culture, providing technical knowledge, etc) | ___ | ___ |
| V54 | 3 Volunteer activities associated with socially vulnerable groups (disabled, children, elderly, etc) | ___ | ___ |
| V55 | 4 Activities associated with political issues (signed a petition, took part in a demonstration or protest, etc) | ___ | ___ |

B4 How likely do you think the following types of disaster will occur in your current residential region, in such a scale as to force the residents into the emergency evacuation?

| | | Most Likely | Likely | Less Likely | Unlikely |
|----------------|---|-------------|--------|-------------|----------|
| s1_jptw | (A) Earthquake | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| s2_jptw | (B) Flood due to high tide water and overflow of rivers | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| s3_jptw | (C) Landslide and avalanche of sand and stone | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| s4_jptw | (D) Accidents of Nuclear Power Plants | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |

Note: Only JGSS and TSCS include Question B4.

V56

B5. To what extent do you agree that people in your residential community are able to collaboratively cope with the situation caused by a natural disaster?

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|------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| 1 Strongly agree | 2 Agree | 3 Somewhat agree |
| 4 Neither agree nor disagree | 5 Somewhat disagree | 6 Disagree |
| 7 Strongly disagree | | |

B6. In the last major election that occurred to you, did someone ask you to vote for a specific candidate or to engage in some other type of political activity? [CHECK ALL THAT APPLIES]

- V57** (1) Family member or relative
- V58** (2) Co-worker
- V59** (3) Neighbor
- V60** (4) Friend
- V61** (5) Religious leader or member
- V62** (6) Fellow member of a club or voluntary organization
- V63** (7) Campaign worker
- V64** (8) Other (Specify)

B7. Do you agree or disagree on the following opinions concerning citizenship, government, and neighborhoods? [Response categories: 1 Strongly agree; 2 Agree, 3 Somewhat agree, 4 Neither agree nor disagree, 5 Somewhat disagree, 6 Disagree, 7 Strongly disagree]

- V65** a. People like me don't have any say about what the government does. _____
- V66** b. Politics and government are too complicated for me to understand what is going on. _____
- V67** c. I am personally interested in politics. _____
- V68** d. I want to make contributions towards society. _____
- V69** e. The neighbors are mutually concerned for each other. _____
- V70** f. The neighbors are willing to provide assistance when I am in need. _____

C. Social Trust

C1. How much do you trust the following people?

1 A great deal, 2 To some extent, 3 Not very much, 4 Not at all

- V71** A Relatives1..... 2..... 3..... 4
- V72** B Friends1..... 2..... 3..... 4
- V73** C Neighbors.....1..... 2..... 3..... 4
- V74** D Work colleagues1..... 2..... 3..... 4
- V75** E Strangers.....1..... 2..... 3..... 4
- V76** F Physicians.....1..... 2..... 3..... 4
- V77** G Banking staff1..... 2..... 3..... 4
- V78** H Company executives.....1..... 2..... 3..... 4
- V79** I Journalists1..... 2..... 3..... 4
- V80** J NGO/NPO leaders1..... 2..... 3..... 4
- V81** K Teachers1..... 2..... 3..... 4
- V82** L Local govt officials.....1..... 2..... 3..... 4
- V83** M Central govt officials.....1..... 2..... 3..... 4
- V84** N Police officers.....1..... 2..... 3..... 4
- V85** O Military officers1..... 2..... 3..... 4
- V86** P Judges1..... 2..... 3..... 4

V87

C2. What do you think of human nature? Choose a number from 1 to 7.



V88

C3. Generally speaking, would you say that most people can be trusted?

1. People can almost always be trusted
2. People can usually be trusted
3. You usually can't be too careful in dealing with people
4. You almost always can't be too careful in dealing with people

D. Other Items

V89

D1. How long have you been living in the same area (township/city district)?

1. Since I was born
2. Less than a year
3. 1-2.99 years
4. 3-4.99 years
5. 5-9.99 years
6. 10-19.99 years
7. 20-29.99 years
8. 30 years and more

V90

D2. Do you feel that you have the power to make important decisions to change the course of your life?

- (1) Mostly unable to change life
- (2) Somewhat unable to change life
- (3) Somewhat able to change life
- (4) Mostly able to change life.

D3. At present, do you own any of the financial products listed below? Choose all that apply.

| | | | |
|-----------------|---|-------|------|
| v91 | (A) Publicly traded stocks | 1 Yes | 2 No |
| s5_1_cjt | (B) Bonds (Government bond, Foreign bond, Local bond, Corporate bond) | 1 Yes | 2 No |
| s5_2_cjt | (C) Foreign currency account | 1 Yes | 2 No |
| s5_3_jt | (D) Investment trust | 1 Yes | 2 No |

Note: Only CGSS, JGSS and TSCS include options (B) and (C); JGSS and TSCS include an option (D).