

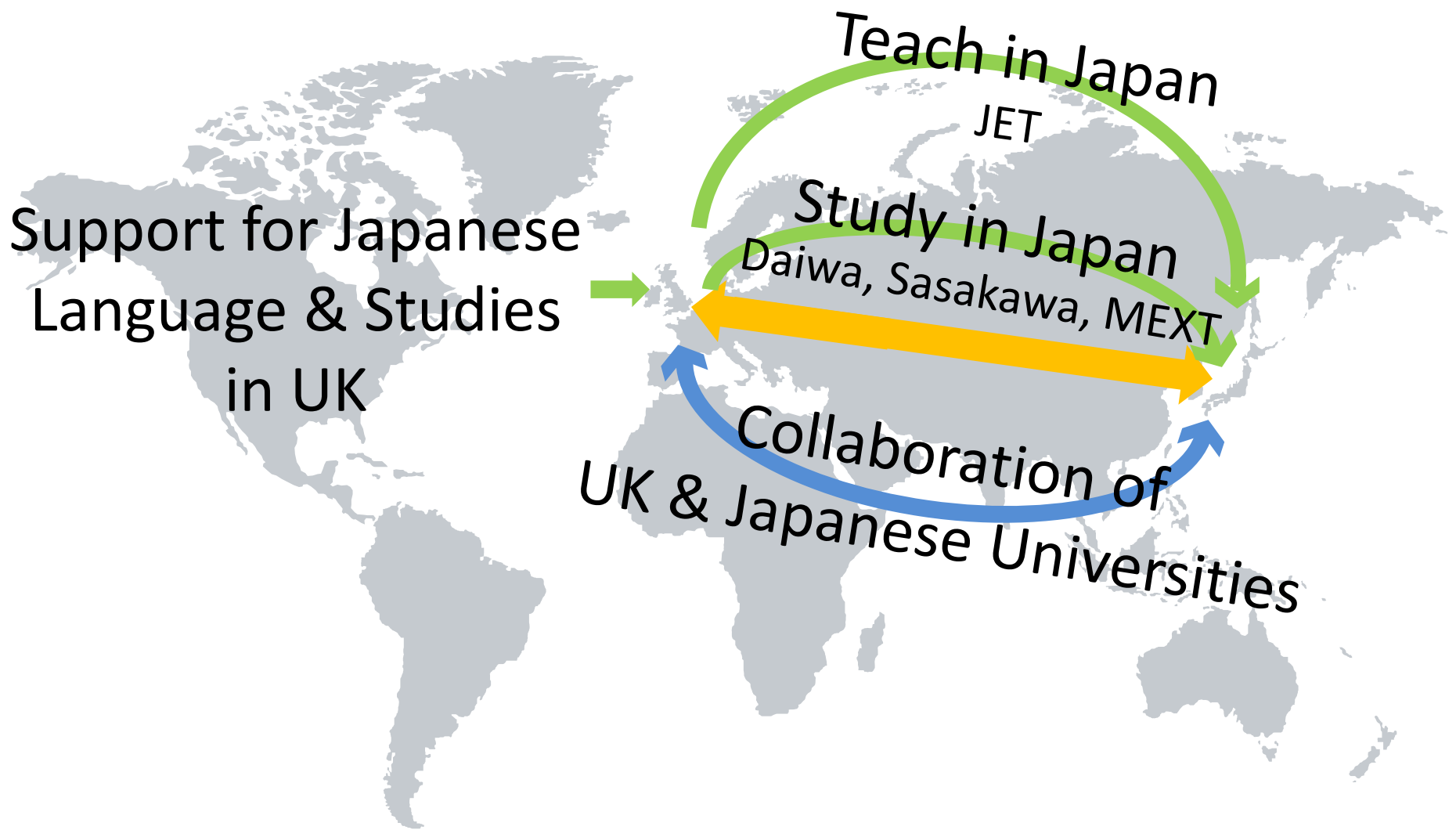
International Aspect of Education in Japan


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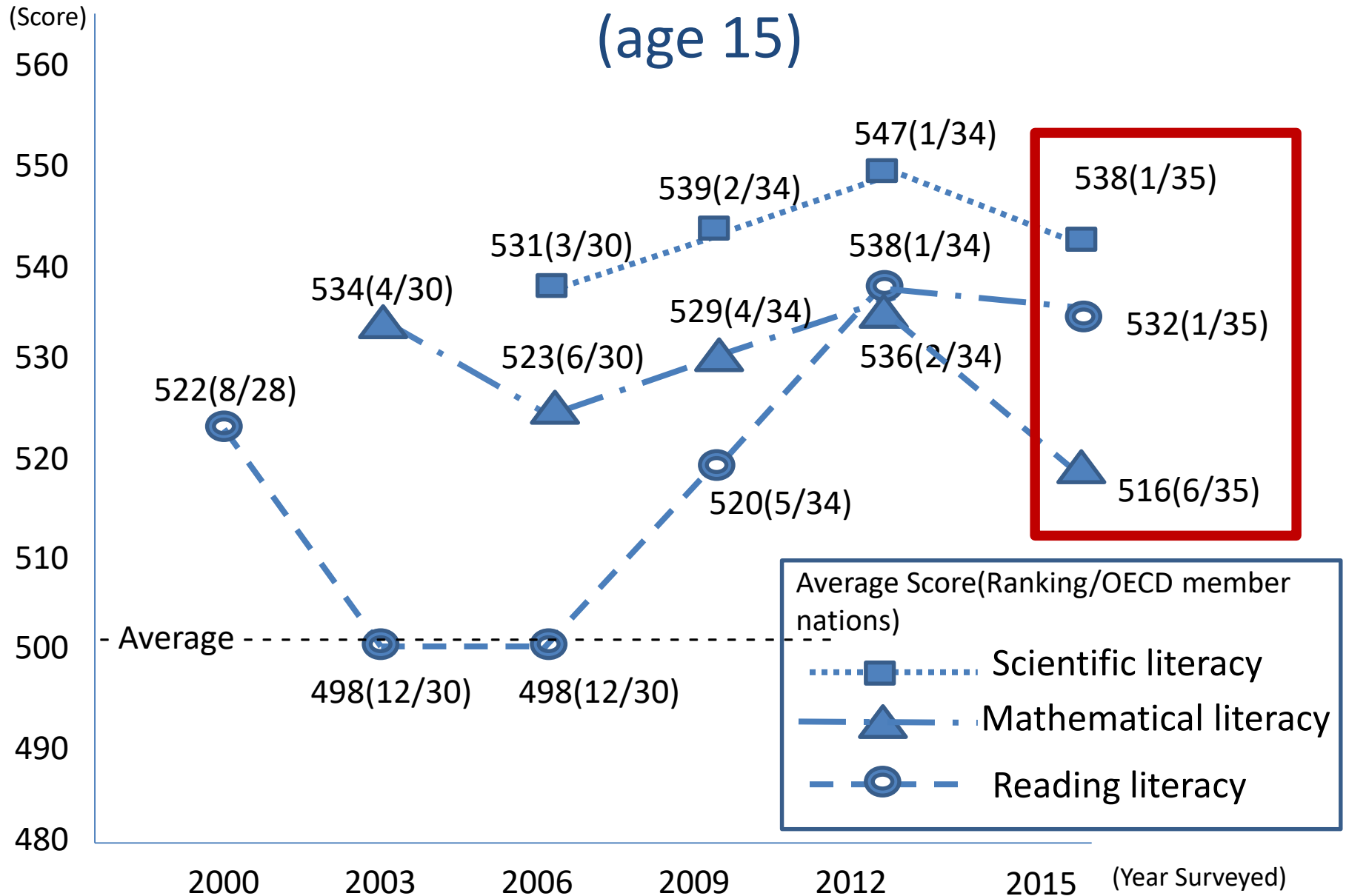






Academic Ability in Japan (Elementary & Secondary Education)

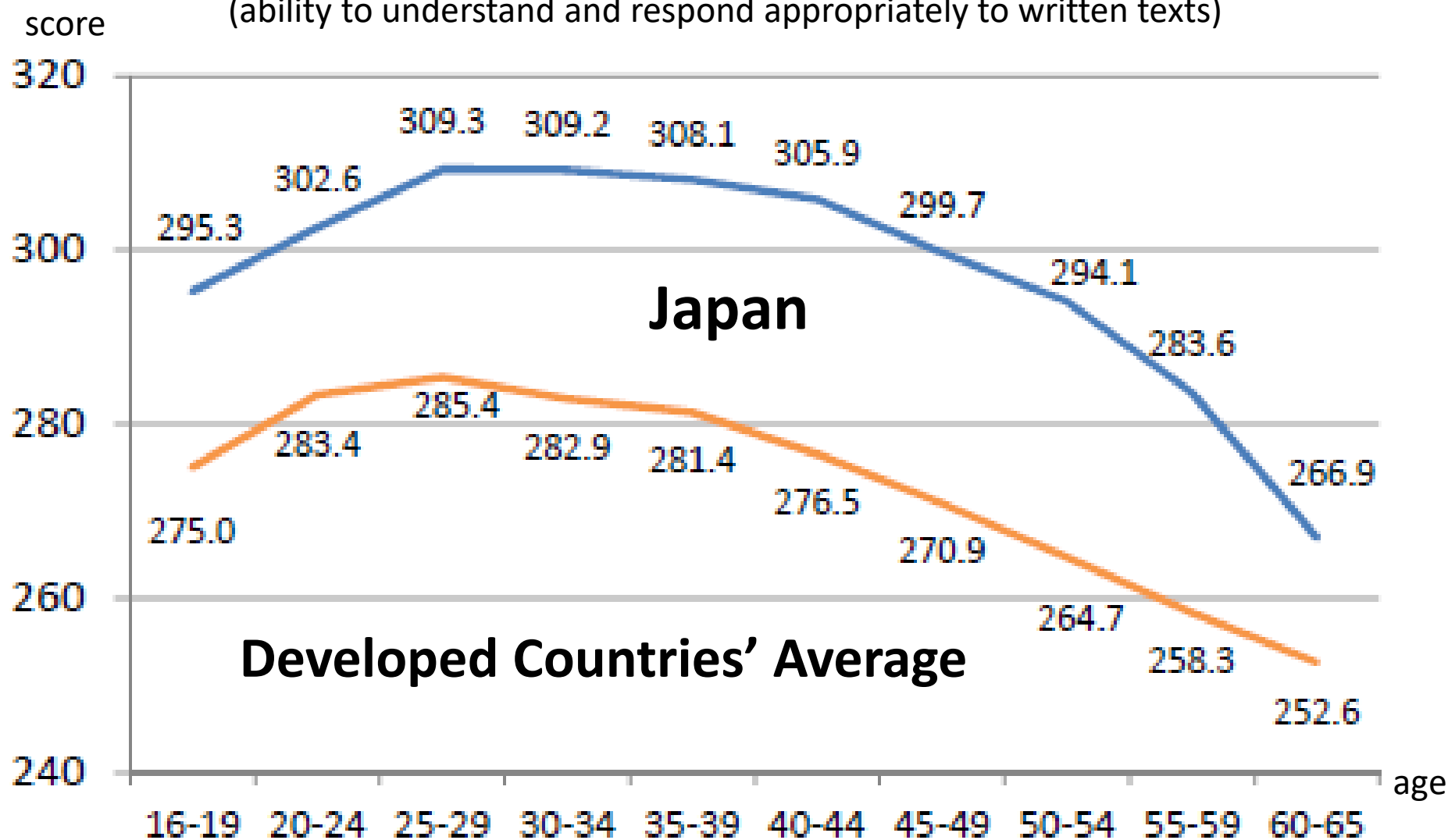
(1) Current State of Academic Ability in Japan (age 15)



from the results of the OECD Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA)

(2) Survey of Adult Literacy Skills

(ability to understand and respond appropriately to written texts)



source: OECD (Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development) PIAAC:2011

Yet, the greatest challenge is
acquisition of English ability
in the globalized world.



Teach in Japan



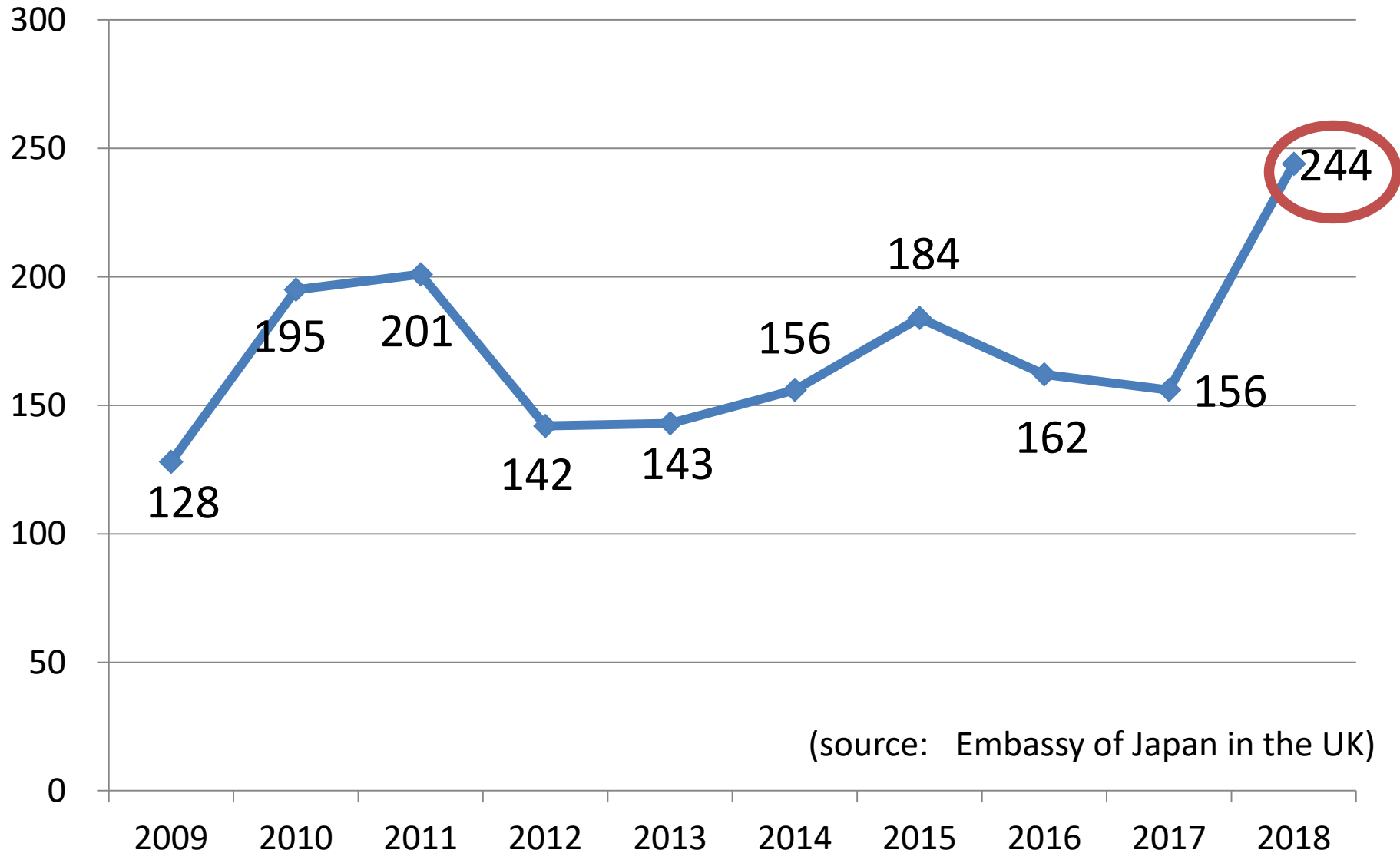
JET:

Japan Exchange & Teaching Programme

- More than 10,000 JET participants from UK since 1987
(more than 60,000 participants around the world)



Changes in the number of JET Programme participants from the UK



(source: Embassy of Japan in the UK)

Overview of Japanese Universities

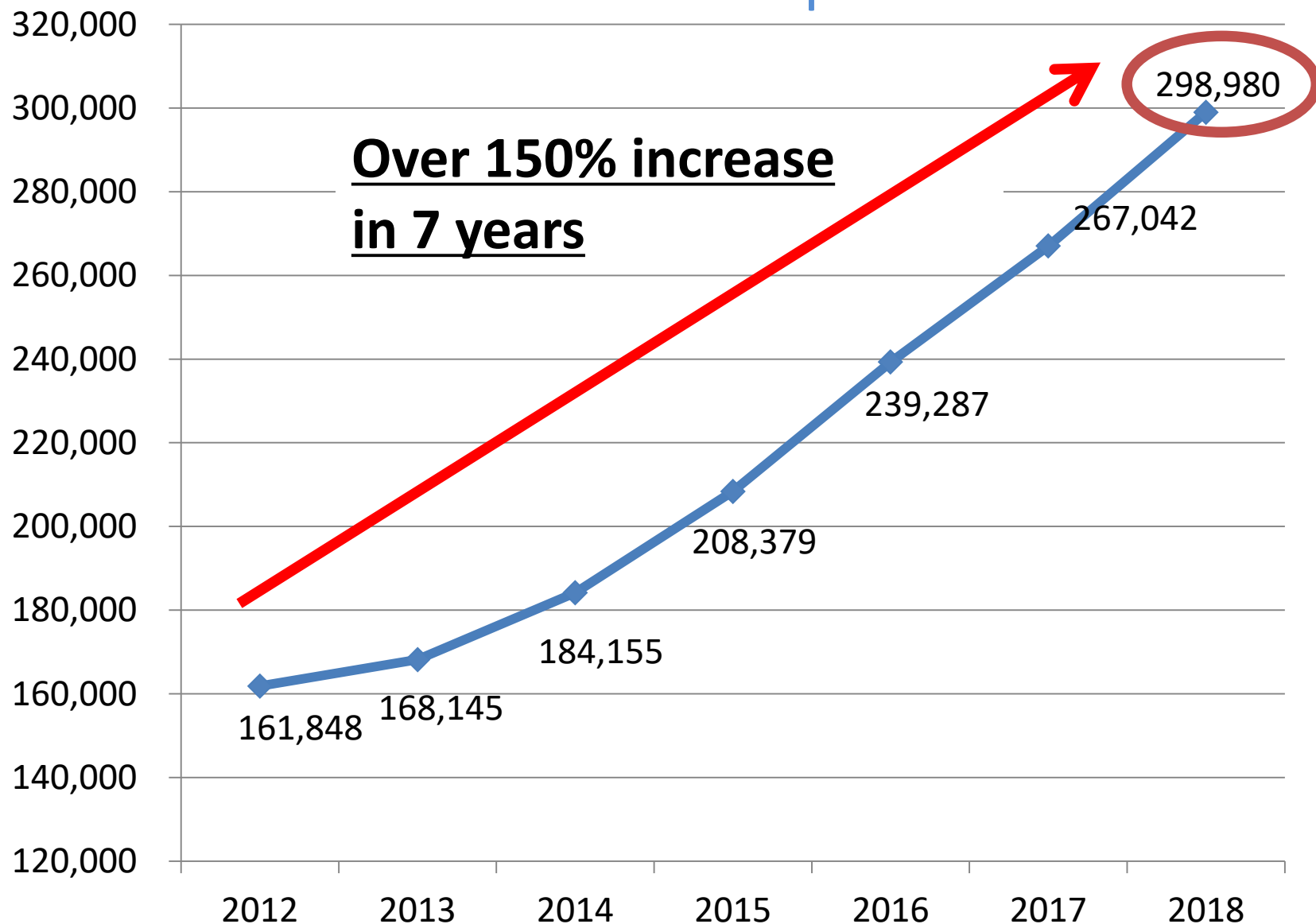


- ✓ 780 Universities
- ✓ 80% are private
- ✓ 86 National Universities are expected to lead Japanese research & education
- ✓ Fee per year
 - National & Public: £3,900
 - Private: £6,200
- ✓ 3million students
- ✓ 4% are foreign students



Globalization of Japanese Universities (Inbound)

(1) Total number of international students in Japan



(source: JASSO survey)

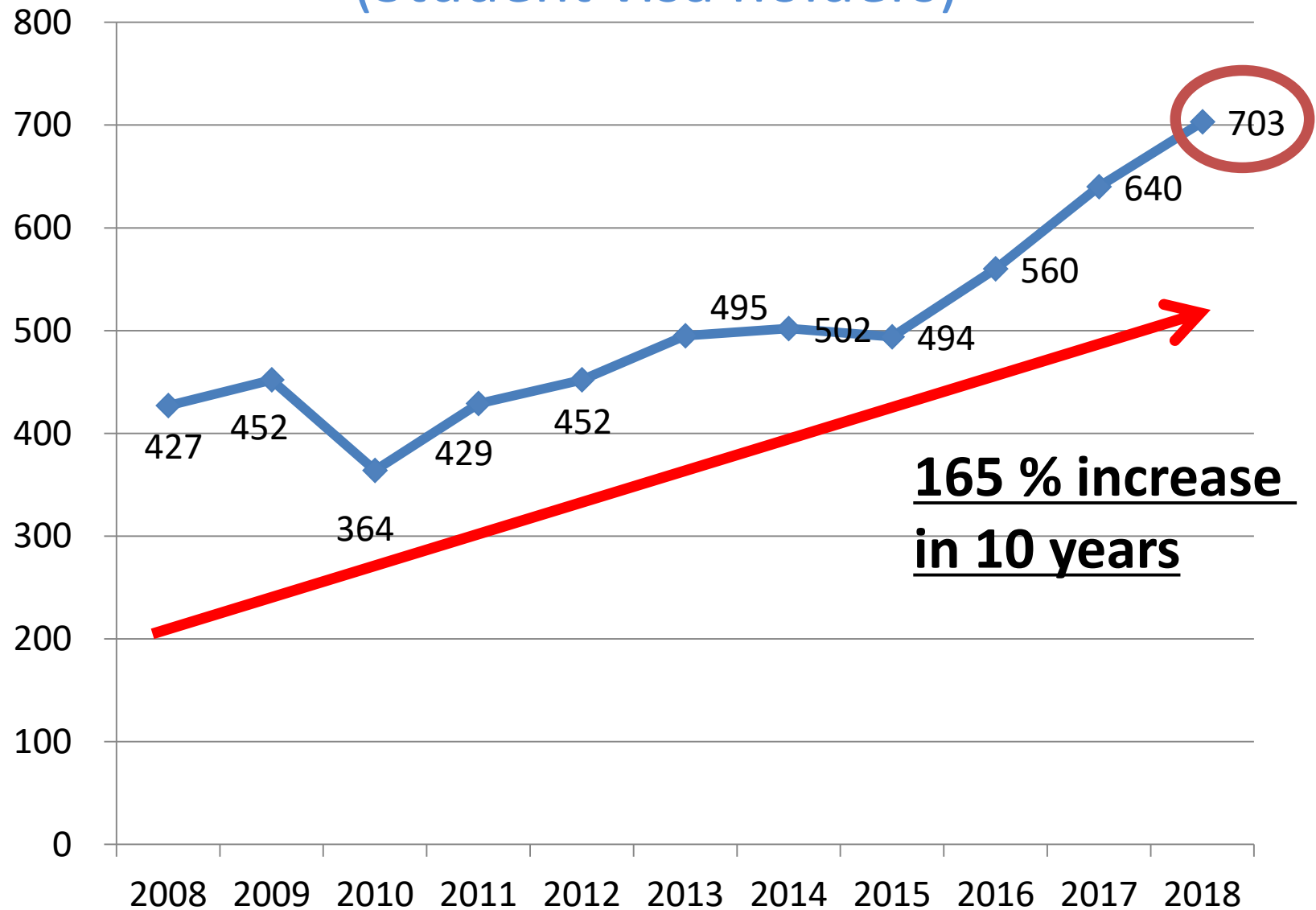
*As of May 1 each year

93.4 % come from Asia

No.	Countries	2018
1	China	114,950
2	Vietnam	72,354
3	Nepal	24,331
4	South Korea	17,012
13	USA	2,932
17	France	1,493
18	Germany	924
21	Italy	715
23	UK	703

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(2) UK students in Japan (Student visa holders)



(source: JASSO survey)

*As of May 1 each year

(3) English-language Courses at Japanese Universities

- **858** University Degree Courses
offered in English (2018)
(it was **781** in 2017)
- Check the website “Study in Japan
(JASSO)”, and the “Search for schools”

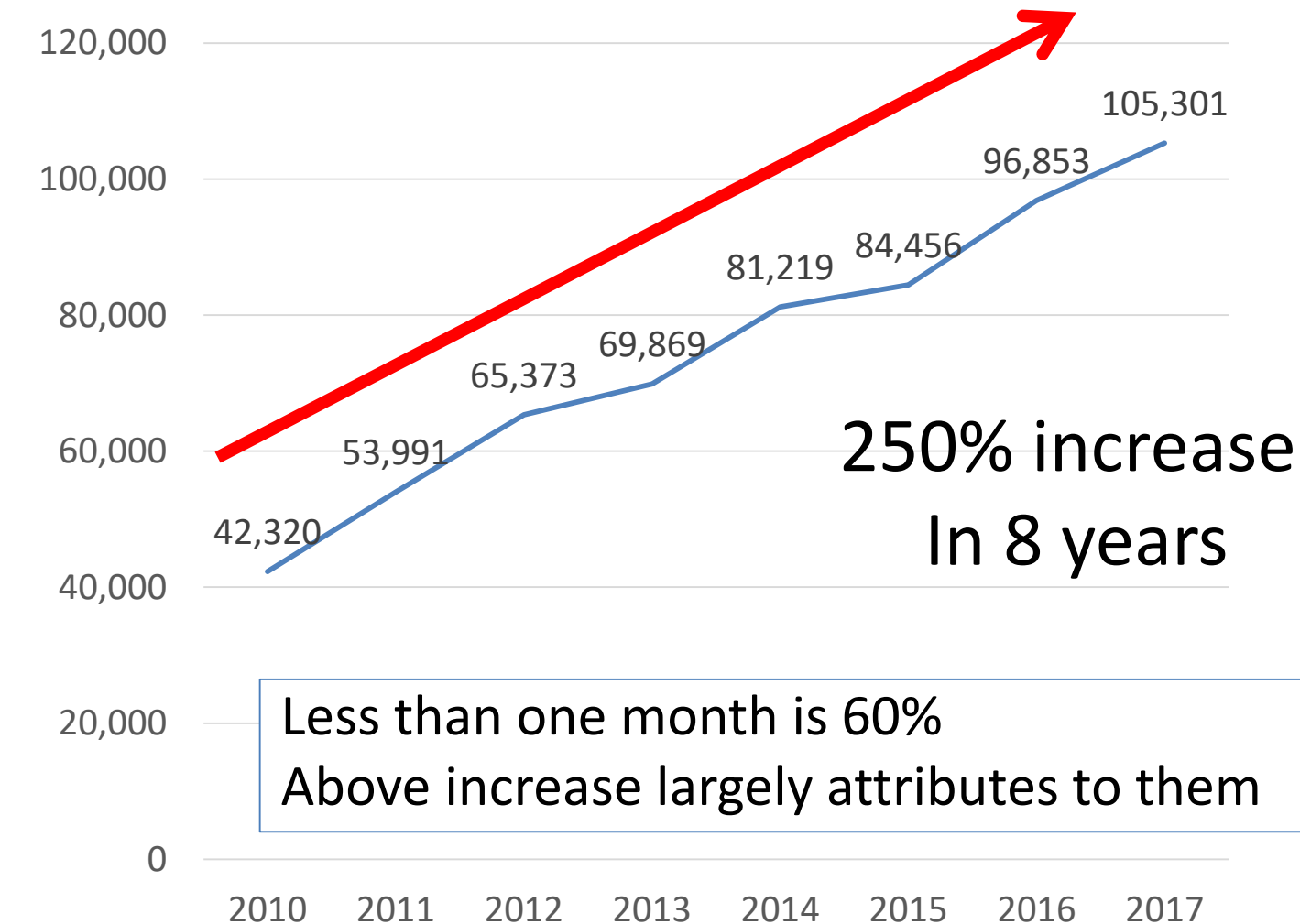
https://www.jasso.go.jp/sp/ryugaku/study_j/search/_icsFiles/afieldfile/2018/04/23/degree_english_20180330.pdf



Globalization of Japanese Universities (Outbound)

(1) Outbound Mobility:

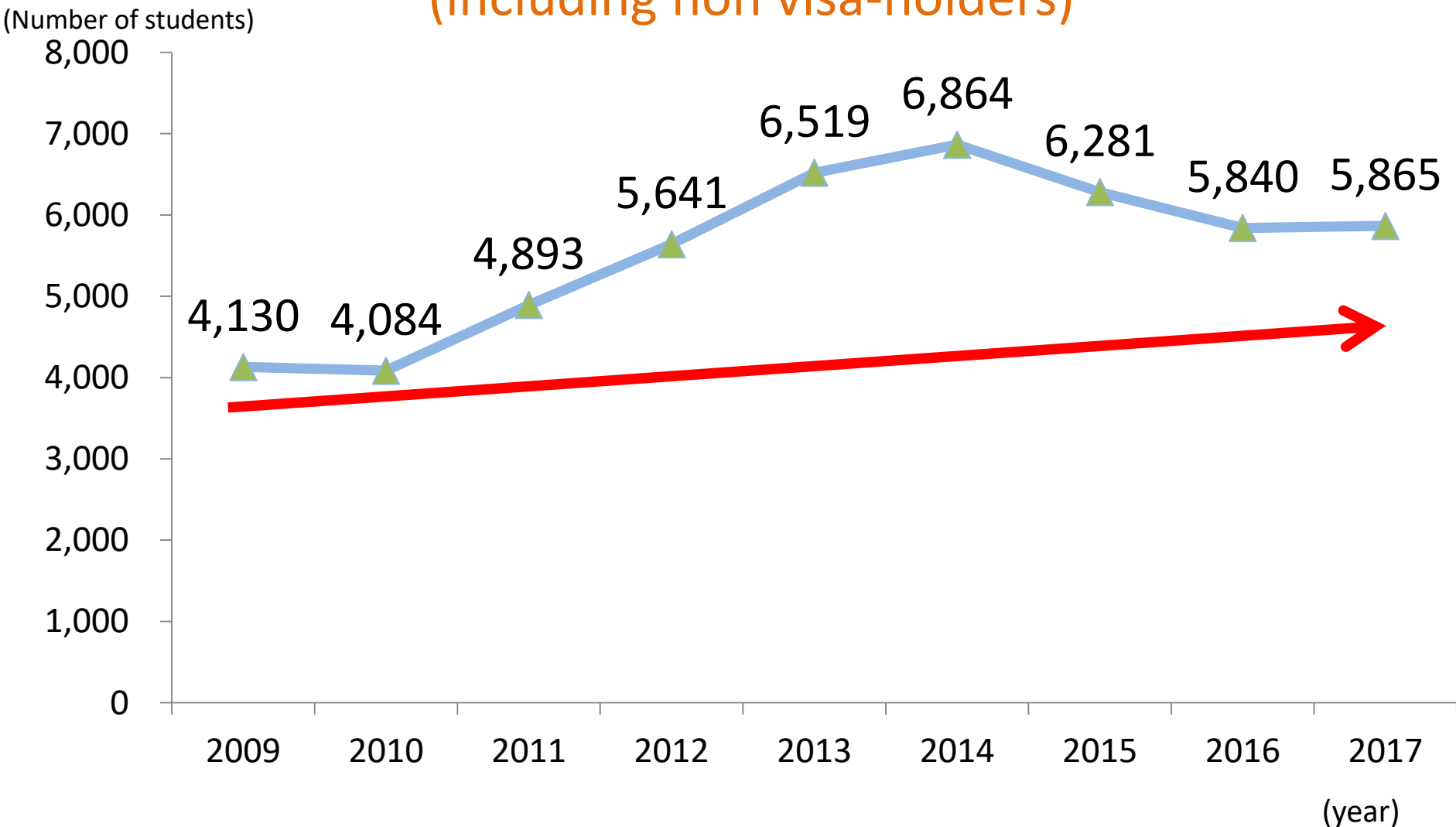
Japanese students studying in foreign countries (including non visa-holders)



survey conducted by the Japanese Student Services Organization (JASSO)

(2) Outbound Mobility:

Japanese students studying in UK
(including non visa-holders)



No.	Countries	2009
1	USA	8,316
2	UK	4,130
3	Australia	3,848
4	Canada	3,704
5	China	3,304
6	South Korea	2,451

No.	Countries	2017
1	USA	19,527
2	Australia	9,879
3	Canada	9,440
4	China	7,144
5	South Korea	7,006
6	UK	5,865

Among Japanese students in the UK,
60% are taking courses based on exchange agreements.



Globalization of Japanese Universities (Drive)

(1) Policy:

Grand Design for Higher Education toward 2040
(Report Summary by Central Council for Education,
November 26, 2018)

Education and research systems—Ensuring diversity and flexibility—

Diverse students

- Shifting from the conventional model that assumes Japanese students entering higher education at the age of 18 to be the main targets, to **the new model that actively accepting** adult students and **international students**
- *Recurrent education, **promotion of international exchange of students**, international expansion of higher education*

(source: Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan)

(2) Study in Japan: Scholarships and other funding schemes in UK and Europe

Institution

- *Japanese Government (**MEXT**) Scholarship*
- ***Japan Foundation***
- ***Japan Society for Promotion of Science***
- ***Daiwa** Anglo-Japanese Foundation*
- *Great Britain **Sasakawa** Foundation*
- ***British Association for Japanese Studies***
- ***Toshiba** Corporation/Toshiba of Europe Ltd.*
- ***Canon** Foundation in Europe*

** Also, there are other opportunities such as
scholarships provided by **Local Governments***

→ **Jasso** https://www.jasso.go.jp/en/study_j/scholarships/brochure.html

(3) UK Strategy:

UK STRATEGY FOR OUTWARD STUDENT MOBILITY 2017-2020 (Universities UK)



The UK Strategy for Outward Student Mobility aims to **double the percentage of UK-domiciled, full-time, first degree students* who undertake international placements** as part of their higher education programmes **from 6.6% in 2014 to 13.2% in 2020**. This will create a new generation of global graduates, and a higher education culture in which international opportunities are an aspiration for all students.

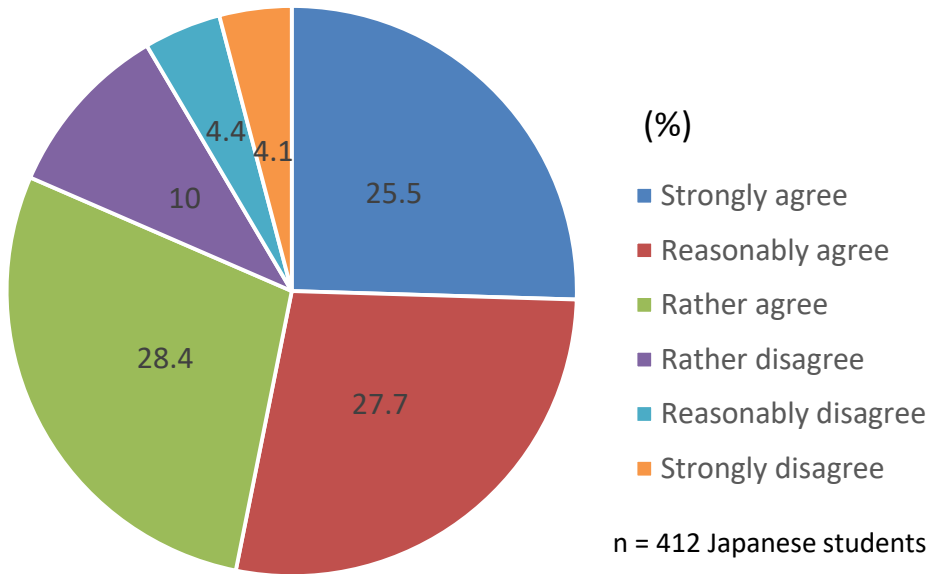
*ie, graduates who had a mobility period during their undergraduate studies

(Source: UK STRATEGY FOR OUTWARD STUDENT MOBILITY 2017-2020, Universities UK)

(1) Students Mind

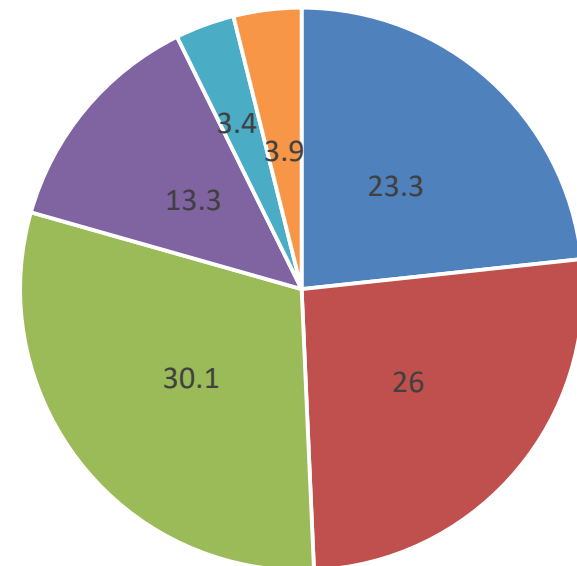
80% of Japanese students (age 18+) think positively about studying abroad.

**You should study abroad
while at university**



Agreed total: 81.6%

**Study abroad will
benefit your career**



Agreed total: 79.4%

Survey on Studying Abroad

(source: Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology of Japan)

(2) Chiba University

All students go abroad !
(approximately 10,000 students)

- Japan's Chiba University has revealed that **study abroad will become a compulsory element of undergraduate and postgraduate programs** for all students entering the university from 2020.
- As reported by British Council, students will be expected to study abroad for between **one week and 2 months at least once during their degree, with tuition fees at the destination institution covered by Chiba U.**

(source: the Pie News posted
on Feb12, 2019 by Kerrie)



Resource



Resource to fully encourage students in both countries and University staff to advance.

- Funding
- Information
 - Funding scheme
 - Background policy
 - University information
 - The person in charge for improvement

What the Embassy offers

1. MEXT Scholarship Programme

- (1) Post-graduate course (Doctoral & Master's Courses etc)
- (2) 1-year undergraduate course (in Japanese Studies)
- (3) 5-year undergraduate course (launched in the UK in 2018)

2. Useful information (Please advise your students.)

- (1) [Scholarships and other funding schemes in UK and Europe](#)
- (2) [Japanese Embassy homepage \(Education & Scholarships\)](#)
- (3) The Embassy library has the brochures of over 60 Japanese universities.

3. Opportunity for direct information and networking