Occupations and job types at the time of disappearance

Abduction victims and specified missing persons

Source document dated 21 June 2024

Occupation / job type	People	Share (%)
Students (university, high school, vocational and other schools)	91	22
Vessels and fisheries	51	12.3
Civil engineering, construction and electrical work	44	10.6
Metalworking, machinery and shipbuilding	38	9.2
Education, civil service and banking	33	8
Food, restaurants and hospitality	33	8
Beauty and apparel	28	6.7
Healthcare and pharmaceuticals	20	4.8
Transport and logistics	17	4.1
Children and infants aged 15 and under	17	4.1
Telephone exchange and building management	11	2.6
Agriculture	11	2.6
Self-Defense Forces	9	2.2
Printing	7	1.7
Electric power and nuclear fuel development	3	0.7

Figures and percentages reproduce the source. The listed categories total 413 persons; this is not the total number of all missing persons.

Notes

1. Company employees are counted only when their industry or occupation is known.
2. There are also many unemployed persons and persons whose occupations are unknown.
3. Students include university, high school, vocational school and preparatory school students.
4. Many persons worked on fishing boats, recreational fishing boats, tankers or other vessels.
5. Eight of the 33 persons in food, restaurants and hospitality were cooks.
6. The list includes Self-Defense Forces personnel, including active-duty members.
7. The list includes a person described as one of Japan's four leading specialists in plutonium technology, as well as persons who inspected nuclear power plant equipment.
8. Some children were only three or four years old at the time of disappearance.

This document includes both confirmed abduction victims and persons whose disappearance may have involved abduction. Not every case is confirmed as an abduction.