8 Education and Research Fields

Advancement Rate by Type of School

The percentage of girls who advance to higher educational institutions is increasing as a whole.

Number of Undergraduate Students by Specialization

In engineering fields, 11.7% of students were women, compared to 65.9% of students in humanities. This shows the disparities among specializations between men and women.
While more than 60% of full-time teachers at elementary school are female, the proportion of female teachers decreases as education proceeded to lower and upper secondary schools. With regard to junior college and university, while female teachers account for 50% at junior colleges, their proportion is only 20% at universities.

Although the proportion of female researchers in Japan is increasing gradually, it stood at 14.4% as of March 31, 2013, which is low compared to other countries.