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EXPO 2005 Volunteer Center

Press Release

Final Report on the Number of Volunteers at EXPO 2005

Thank you very much for your constant support and cooperation with the activities of the EXPO 2005 Volunteer Center.

We are pleased to announce that we were able to finish the volunteer activities at EXPO 2005, which had continued for 185 days, without mishap on September 25, when the exposition came to a close. Also, we are delighted to report that we managed to achieve certain records during the period. On September 16, for example, the number of volunteers reached an aggregate total of 100,000 persons, which was our initial goal. We realize that this is thanks to everyone's enthusiastic support and would like to offer our sincere gratitude.

The following is our report on the final number of volunteers at EXPO 2005. We look forward to your continued support and cooperation with our center.

1. No. of participants (final no. of registered volunteers)
26,937 persons
2. Aggregate no. of volunteers
105,173 persons
3. No. of participants in other volunteer programs
3,146 persons
4. Aggregate no. of volunteers in other volunteer programs
3,312 persons
5. Total no. of participants
30,083 persons
6. Total aggregate no. of volunteers
108,485 persons

*Please see attachment for details.

Attachment

Record of Volunteers at EXPO 2005

1. Profile of volunteer participants

(1) Registered volunteers

	Final no. of participants	Aggregate no. of volunteers
Individuals (general)	17,296	72,278
Groups (general) (46 groups)	9,055	22,383
Individuals (leaders)	486	9,957
Groups (leaders) (1 group)	100	555
Total	26,937	105,173

(2) Other volunteer participants

	No. of participants	Aggregate no. of volunteers
Kids EXPO team participants	1,874	1,874
Practical experience volunteer participants	888	888
Girl Scout Experience Volunteer Participants	332	332
Internship participants	52	218
Total	3,146	3,312

*Kids EXPO team and practical experience volunteer participants: These programs were designed to let elementary school children experience volunteer activities at EXPO 2005.

(3) Total no. of participants (Total of (1) and (2))

	No. of participants	Aggregate no. of volunteers
Total	30,083	108,485

2. Breakdown of volunteer participants (Figures in (1)–(5) are for registered individuals, who numbered 17,782.)

(1) By gender

	Leader	General	Total	%
Male	257	5,970	6,227	35.0
Female	229	11,326	11,555	65.0
Total	486	17,296	17,782	100.0

(2) By age (Average age: 47.2 years; youngest age: 15 years; oldest age: 83 years)

	Leader	General	Total	%
10s	17	1,273	1,290	7.3
20s	26	2,713	2,739	15.4
30s	24	1,764	1,788	10.1
40s	58	2,323	2,381	13.4
50s	107	3,873	3,980	22.4
60s	207	4,441	4,648	26.1
70s and over	47	909	956	5.4
Total	486	17,296	17,782	100.0

*Ages are as of June 1, 2005.

(3) By occupation

	Leader	General	Total	%
Housewife	122	4,961	5,083	28.6
Company employee	77	3,853	3,930	22.1
University or vocational school student	23	1,989	2,012	11.3
High school student	12	905	917	5.2
Public employee	24	715	739	4.2
Self-employed	25	566	591	3.3
Other	203	4,307	4,510	25.4
Total	486	17,296	17,782	100.0

(4) By place of residence (Participants from 28 prefectures and overseas)

	Leader	General	Total	%
Aichi Prefecture	453	16,163	16,616	93.4
Gifu Prefecture	16	662	678	3.8
Mie Prefecture	11	289	300	1.7
Other	6	182	188	1.1
Total	486	17,296	17,782	100.0

(5) By nationality (Participants from 16 countries and territories)

	Leader	General	Total	%
Japan	482	17,146	17,628	99.1
China	1	73	74	0.4
South Korea	1	37	38	0.2
Taiwan	1	10	11	0.1
Other	1	30	31	0.2
Total	486	17,296	17,782	100.0

(6) By experience of volunteer activities

	Leader	General	Total	%
Experience	486	6,396	6,882	38.7
No experience or unknown	0	10,900	10,900	61.3
Total	486	17,296	17,782	100.0

(7) Largest no. of activity days of registered volunteers

	No. of activity days
Individuals (general)	31
Groups (general)	32
Individuals (leaders)	77
Groups (leaders)	15

3. Other results

No. of Kids Eco Tour participants (April 22 – September 25) 20,095 persons

*The Kids Eco Tour, which was mainly for upper elementary and junior high school students, was a guided tour in which volunteers gave an explanation of pavilions and environmental facilities from the Global Loop.

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