



JASSO Social Bonds

Report on the Use of the Funds and Their Social Impacts
FY2018

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- JASSO contributes to the achievement of UN Sustainable Development Goal (SDGs) #4 “Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all” through its scholarship programs for Japanese students, while working on support programs for international students, which promote international student exchanges, and student support programs, which provide support for career education and job search and for students with disabilities.

Scholarship Programs for Japanese Students

Under the philosophy of “equal opportunity for education” as stipulated in the Constitution and the Fundamental Law of Education, JASSO provides scholarships loans for achieving students who find it difficult to study due to financial reasons.

- Scholarship loan programs
- Scholarship grant programs



Support Programs for International Students

With globalization, Japan is expected to enhance the international competitiveness of the education and research level of universities and to strategically acquire academically outstanding international students, and it is also expected to encourage young people to study abroad in order to develop global human resources who will play an active role on the world stage. JASSO implements various support programs for both the acceptance and dispatch of international students to further promote international student exchanges.

- Study in Japan
- Promotion of Japanese students studying abroad
- Support for faculty and staff in charge of student exchange programs

Student Support Programs

JASSO aids universities and other such institutions in carrying out career education/employment support and support for disabled students, by collecting best practices, surveys, trainings, and other relevant items.

- Support programs for career education and job search
- Support programs for students with special needs such as students with disabilities, etc.
- Collection, analysis, and provision of information on student life and student support efforts at universities, etc.

Overview of Category 2 Scholarship Loans —An Eligible Project Category (1)

- Loans for school expenses are called "scholarship loans" and those receiving scholarship loans are called "scholarship students"
- Scholarship loans are classified into Category 1 and Category 2 scholarship loans.

FY2018 Scholarship Loan Funding Sources (results)

Scholarship Grants

Scholarship Grants (launched in 2017 and started full-fledged services in 2018) are scholarships basically without a repayment requirement offered to 3rd-grade high-school students who apply to junior colleges, universities and specialized training colleges (post secondary courses), as well as 3rd-grade technical college students who continue on to the 4th grade. The grants will be provided when they advance to the next stage of education.

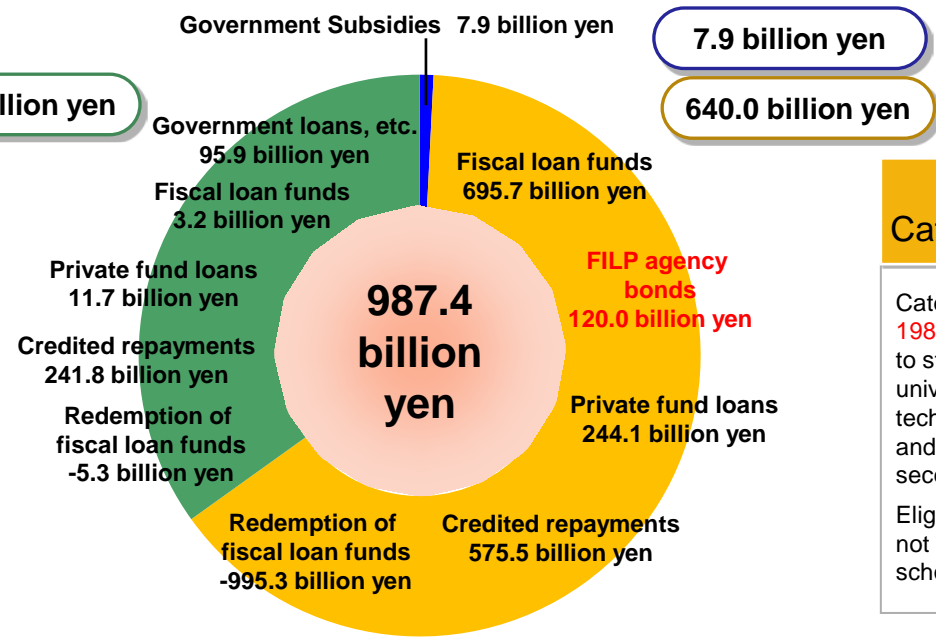
The grants are intended to assist higher education for motivated and talented students who may be forced to give up receiving education due to financial constraints.

We will continue steadily implementing this program in 2019, in which the cumulative total number of recipients will reach approximately 41,000.

Scholarship Loans Category 1 Scholarship Loans

Category 1 scholarship loans (launched in 1943) are interest-free loans provided to students attending junior colleges, universities, graduate schools, colleges of technology and specialized training colleges (post secondary courses)

Loans are provided to students who are academically outstanding but who have extreme difficulties in pursuing their studies due to financial reasons.



Scholarship Loans Category 2 Scholarship Loans

Category 2 scholarship loans (launched in 1984) are interest-bearing loans provided to students attending junior colleges, universities, graduate schools, colleges of technology (4th and 5th year students) and specialized training colleges (post secondary courses).

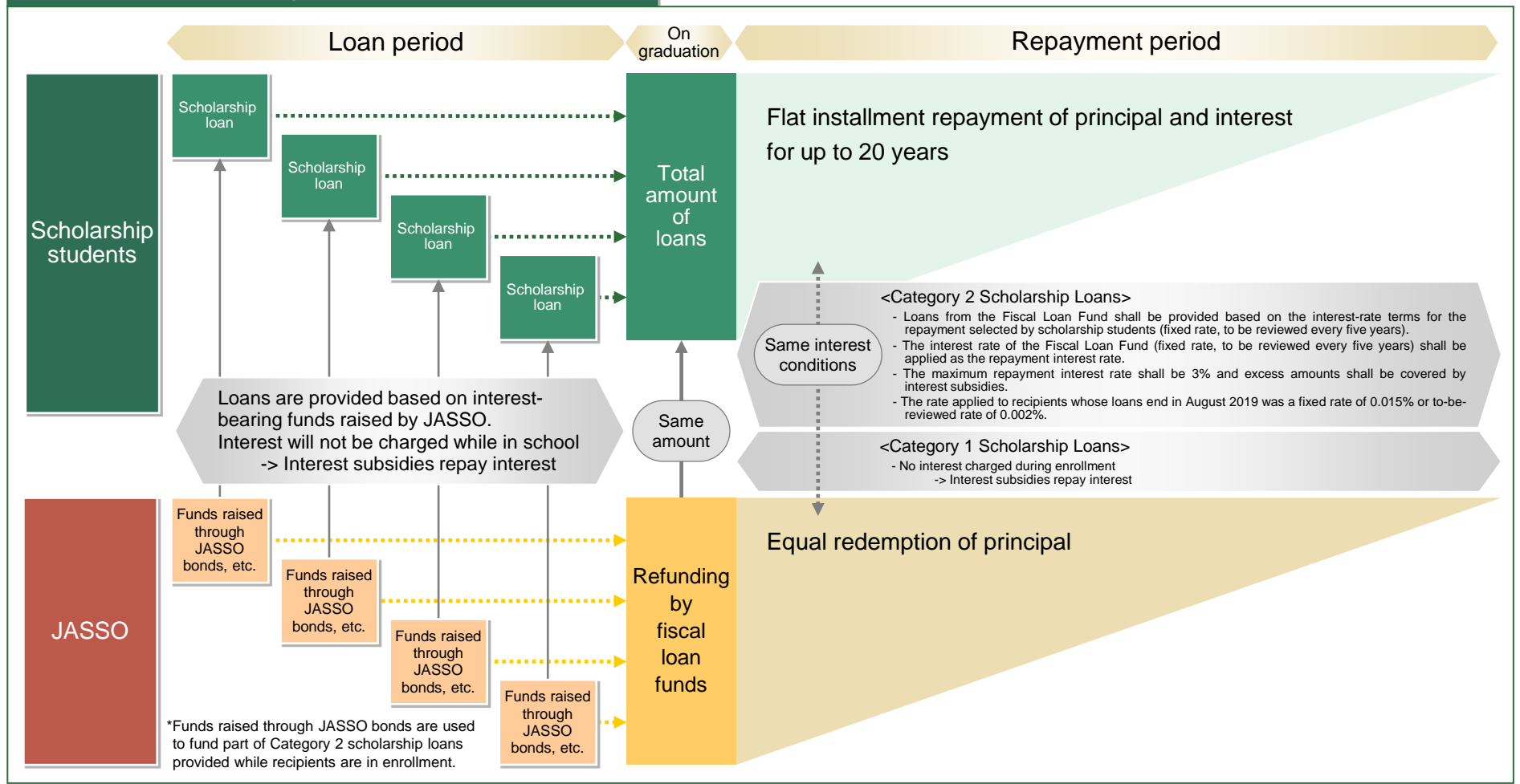
Eligibility requirements for Category 2 are not as strict as with those for Category 1 scholarship loans.

Overview of Category 2 Scholarship Loans

—An Eligible Project Category (2)

- The funds raised through Fiscal Investment and Loan Program (FILP) agency bonds (social bonds) are lent out to scholarship students as **Category 2 scholarship loans provided to cover school expenses.**

Cash Flow of Category 2 Scholarship Loans

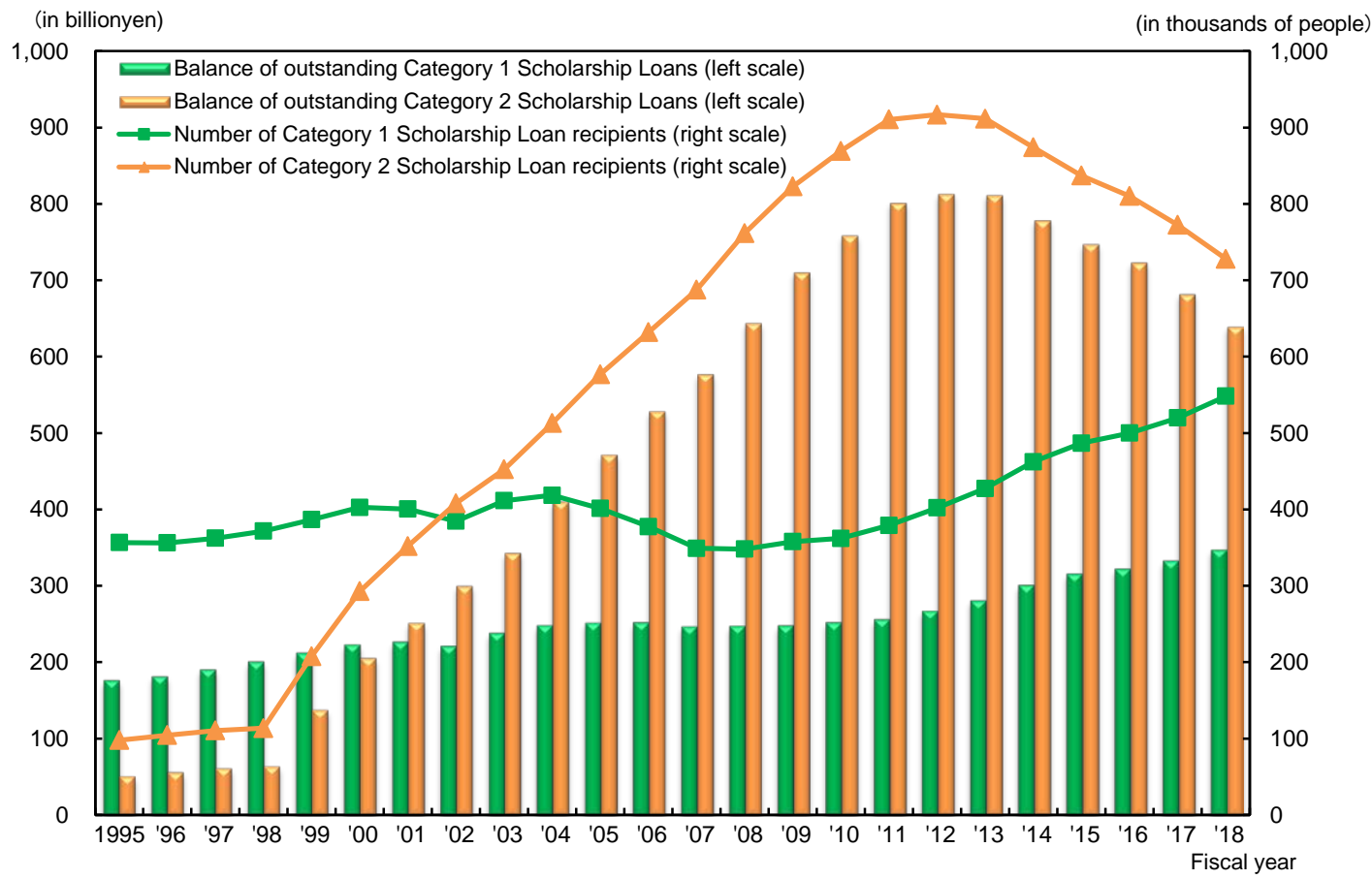


Overview of Category 2 Scholarship Loans —An Eligible Project Category (3)

Changes in Number of Scholarship Students and Amount of Scholarship Loans

- Due to the increasing advancement rate and sudden changes in household finances in the economic downturn in recent years, applicants for scholarships are increasing.
- In recent years, we have been increasing Category 1 scholarship loan recipients to accelerate our transition from “interest-bearing to interest-free.” More specifically, we are eliminating eligible recipients who miss out on scholarships. In addition, we have practically removed the academic standard requirements for students from families who are excluded from inhabitant taxes.
- We fundamentally expanded Category 2 scholarship loans and relaxed their eligibility requirements in April 1999 to provide scholarships to all applicants who satisfy the eligibility requirements. As a result, the number of Category 2 scholarship loan recipients has increased dramatically since FY1999.
- Budget in FY2019

	Recipients (thou.)	Amount (bn.)
Category 1 Scholarship Loans	566	JPY372.4
Category 2 Scholarship Loans	765	JPY676.2
Total	1,331	JPY1,048.6



JASSO (including former Japan Scholarship Foundation) has provided scholarship loans totaling about 20 trillion to about 13.30 million students in 76 years since 1943, when the scholarship loan programs were launched.

Contents of the Report on the Use of the Funds and Their Social Benefits

- All the funds raised by issuing JASSO Bonds (social bonds) are used to fund part of Category 2 scholarship loans provided while recipients are in enrollment. The indicators of their social benefits are presented below.

Data Associated with Use of the Funds

Fiscal Year	JASSO Bond Issue	Issue Date	Redemption Date	Amount of Fund Used	Balance of Fund Left Unused	Refinance Ratio
FY2018	The 52nd	Sep. 7, 2018	Sep. 18, 2020	30.0 billion yen	0 yen	0%
	The 53rd	Nov. 7, 2018	Nov. 20, 2020	30.0 billion yen	0 yen	0%
	The 54th	Feb. 6, 2019	Feb. 19, 2021	30.0 billion yen	0 yen	0%
FY2019	The 55th	Jun. 7, 2019	Jun. 18, 2021	30.0 billion yen	0 yen	0%
	The 56th	Sep. 9, 2019	Sep. 17, 2021	30.0 billion yen	0 yen	0%

Data Associated with Their Social Benefits

Fiscal Year	Total Number of Recipients of Category 2 Scholarship Loans per Year	Total Amount of Lending through Category 2 Scholarship Loans per Year	Percentage of Recipients of the Scholarship among Applicants who meet the criteria (in %)
FY2018	728 thousand	640.0 billion yen	100%
(Reference) FY2017	772 thousand	682.7 billion yen	100%

Related Data

Fiscal Year	18-Year-Old Population (Source: MEXT's School Basic Survey)	Advancement Rate to Higher Education Institutions (Source: MEXT's School Basic Survey)	Number of Students in Higher Education Institutions (A) (Source: JASSO)	Number of Scholarship Recipients (B) (Source: JASSO)	Ratio of Students Who Received Scholarship (B) / (A)
FY2018	1,180 thousand	81.5%	3,481 thousand	1,276 thousand	36.7%
(Reference) FY2017	1,200 thousand	80.6%	3,477 thousand	1,292 thousand	37.2%

(ご参考)元奨学生の声

JASSO has received many thank you notes from people who used to be a scholarship student and finished repayment.

このため、奨学金の返還完了証をいただける。無事、返還を終えることができ、正直、ほっとしているところである。受験を控えていた最中に阪神大震災により家は半壊した。かといか大学に合格したものの、学費が大きい悩みでした。奨学金のおかげで大学に通うことができ、多くの仲間に出会えたことが、今の私にとっての大きな財産です。

約20年前、学生生活のほとんどにおいて奨学金による支援のおかげで、両親の負担が軽減され、私自身、勉学や学生生活が大変充実しました。現在は就職、結婚、子育て、小こにも型に生活しております。無事に金額を返還することができ、安堵しております。今後とも学生の経済的支援をよろしくお願いいたします。長期にわたりお世話になりました。ありがとうございます。

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 ありがとうございます。
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