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Supplementary Table s1: Priority major categories of governmental "General Principles of Suicide Prevention Policy" (GPSPP) in 1st (2007-2012), 2nd (2012-2017) and 3rd (2017-2022) periods

1st PSPP (2007-2012)	2nd PSPP (2012-2017)	3rd PSPP (2017-2022)
1.Clarify the actual situation of the suicide	1.Clarify the actual situation of the suicide	1. Clarify the actual situation of the suicide
Investigation of the actual situation of suicide	Investigation of the actual situation of suicide	
Enhancement of information of reporting system	Enhancement of information of reporting system	
Survey about the actual situation and the support for suicide attempter, bereaved family		
Survey about the suicide prevention of student	Survey about the suicide prevention of student	
Investigations of pathophysiology of mood disorder	Investigations of pathophysiology of mood disorder	
promotion of utilization of existing materials		
, v		Innovative suicide research promotion programme
		(investigative research, verification and utilization of survey findings)
		Collection, organization and provision of information on advanced init
		Survey of children/adolescent suicides
		Coordination with the cause-of-death investigation system
		Accumulation, organization and analysis of information related to suic
2. Promoting awareness and observation by each individual	2. Promoting awareness and observation by each individual	2. Promoting awareness and observation by each individual
Enlightenment of suicide prevention programme week	Enlightenment of suicide prevention programme week	Enlightenment of suicide prevention programme week
Implementation of education about suicide prevention among student	Implementation of education about suicide prevention among student	Implementation of education about suicide prevention among student
Enlightenment of mood disorder	Enlightenment of mood disorder	Enlightenment of mood disorder
	Dissemination of knowledge about suicide and suicide-related events	Dissemination of knowledge about suicide and suicide-related events
		Enlightenment of importance about SOS
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Implementation of training for long-term care support specialists	Implementation of training for long-term care support specialists	
Improving the quality of community/occupational health staffs		Improving the quality of community/occupational health staffs
Implementation of training for regional welfare officers and children's commissioners		
Development of regional leaders		
Improving the quality of counsellors related to social		
Improving the quality of public staffs who contact with bereaved families.		
Development of mental health supportive system for staffs of suicide		
prevention programme		
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	Development of gatekeeper	Development of gatekeepers Support for supporters including family members and acquaintances
		Promotion of education of suicide prevention in university
4. Promoting mental health	4. Promoting mental health	4. Promoting mental health
Promotion of occupational mental health supports	Promotion of occupational mental health supports	Promotion of occupational mental health supports
Development of mental health support system in community	Development of mental health support system in community	Development of mental health support system in community
Development of mental health support service in schools	Development of mental health support service in schools	Development of mental health support service in schools
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Restrictions about hazardous places and chemicals		
Consultation for management		
	Enhancement of support systems for victims of child abuse and sex crime	Enhancement of support systems for victims of child abuse and sex crim
	Enhancement of support system for economic hardship	Enhancement of support system for economic hardship
		Enhancement of consultation services using internet and SNS Development of diverse consultations and strengthening outreach
		Disseminate information sharing necessary for cooperation among relate
		Promoting of places for stay contributing to suicide prevention
		Enhancement of support for expectant and nursing mothers
		Enhancement of support for LGBT
7. Preventing repeated suicidal behaviours in suicide attempters	7. Preventing repeated suicidal behaviours in suicide attempters	7. Preventing repeated suicidal behaviours in suicide attempters
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		Enhancement of comprehensive support systems for suicidal attempters
		Development of regional medical centre for prevention repeated suicide
		Development of safety places
		Development of supporting systems in schools and workplaces
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		Development of supporting systems for bereaved families of suicide victor
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Total	2370	(249	/	123)	1566	(185	/	66)
R 9 11	369		38	,	15		270	(20	,	6	
Family problems	153	(15	/	4)	113	(29 14	/	6 2)
Conflict with parent	0	(15	/	4)	2	(/	2 0)
Marital conflict	35	(7	/	0)	43	(1 5	/	0)
Conflict with other family members	16	(2	/	0)	15	(3	/	0)
Death of family	16	(3	/	0)	10	(3	/	0)
Hopeless for family	95	(15	/	2)	58	(8	/	1)
Severe verbal reprimand	0	(0	/	0)	0	(0	/	0)
Stress of raising children	4	(1	/	0)	4	(2	/	0)
Physical and/or verbal abuse	4 0	(0	/	0)	4 0	(0	/	0)
Exhaustion from caring for infirm family	50	(7	/	1)	25	(3	/	0)
Other family-related problems	50	(/	/	1)	25	(5	/	0)
	430	(36	,	17	``	523	(66	,	18)
Health problems		(/)		(/)
Physical illness	52	(6	/	1)	31	(5	/	0)
Depression	155	(18	/	0)	224	(29	/	5)
Schizophrenia	54	(8	/	0)	75	(8	/	1)
Alcoholism	0	(0	/	0)	0	(0	/	0)
Drug abuse	3	(2	/	0)	3	(1	/	0)
Other mental illness	132	(18	/	2)	168	(31	/	3)
Physical disability	8	(3	/	0)	7	(2	/	0)
Other health-related problems	26	(6	/	0)	15	(3	/	0)
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Economic problems	34	(6	/	0)	14	(2	/	0)
Bankruptcy	0	(0	/	0)	0	(0	/	0)
Business struggling	0	(0	/	0)	0	(0	/	0)
Unemployment	0	(0	/	0)	0	(0	/	0)
Inability to find employment	14	(4	/	0)	4	(2	/	0)
Economic hardships	4	(2	/	0)	4	(1	/	0)
Overloaded with debt	1	(1	/	0)	0	(0	/	0)
Assumption of excessive debt	0	(0	/	0)	0	(0	/	0)
Debt (other)	4	(2	/	0)	0	(0	/	0)
Harassment by debt-collectors	1	(1	/	0)	0	(0	/	0)
Suicide for death benefit	0	(0	/	0)	0	(0	/	0)
Other economic-related problems	52	(44	/	0)	48	(44	/	0)
Employment problems	9	(2	/	0)	7	(1	/	0)
Failure at work	1	(1	/	0)	1	(1	/	0)
Inter-personal relations at work	2	(1	/	0)	3	(1	/	0)
Trouble adjusting to changing work environment	0	(0	/	0)	1	(1	/	0)
Work-related fatigue	0	(0	/	0)	0	(0	/	0)
Other employment-related problems	6	(1	/	0)	2	(1	/	0)
Romantic problems	206	(18	/	8)	137	(14	/	4)
Marital problems	0	(0	/	0)	0	(0	/	0)
Heartbreak	136	(14	/	4)	64	(8	/	1)
Extra-marital affair	1	(1	/	0)	2	(1	/	0)
Conflict in relationship	56	(7	/	0)	58	(8	/	0)
Other romantic-related problems	13	(3	/	0)	13	(4	/	0)
School problems	1089	(125	/	48)	493	(64	/	19)
Entrance examination problems	139	(15	/	3)	52	(6	/	0)
Worrying about the future	306	(29	/	13)	126	(20	/	4)
Underachievement	343	Ì	43	/	14)	92	Ì	15	/	3	ý
Inter-personal relations with teachers	22	Ì	5	/	0	ý	14	ì	3	/	0	Ś
Bullying	16	Ì	3	/	0	ý	20	ì	4	/	0	Ś
Conflict with classmate	111	Ì	16	/	4)	103	Ì	19	/	3	ý
Other school-related problems	152	Ì	19	/	6)	86	Ì	10	/	2	ý
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Others problems	239	(26	/	8)	122	(15	/	1)
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Supplementary Table s2: Suicide numbers of high school students disaggregated by motives and gender during 2007-2022.

Public disclosure of crime	23	(4	/	0)	9	(4	/	0)
Crime victim	1	(1	/	0)	4	(1	/	0)
Copycat suicide	4	(1	/	0)	7	(2	/	0)
Loneliness	66	(7	/	1)	43	(5	/	0)
Neighborhood problems	0	(0	/	0)	1	(1	/	0)
Others	145	(17	/	4)	58	(8	/	0)

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Total	5179	(391	/	221)	1880	(158	/	80	,
Family problems	378	(33	/	13)	157	(13	/	4	
Conflict with parent	118	(16	/	3)	53	(6	/	1	
Marital conflict	5	Č	1	/	0)	4	Č	1	/	0	
Conflict with other family members	43	Ì	6	/	1	ý	30	Ì	4	/	0	
Death of family	23	ć	4	/	0	ý	13	Č	3	/	0	
Hopeless for family	41	Ì	6	/	0	ý	20	Ì	3	/	0	
Severe verbal reprimand	83	Ì	11	/	2	ý	19	Ì	4	/	0	
Stress of raising children	1	Ì	1	/	0	ý	4	Ì	1	/	0	
Physical and/or verbal abuse	1	Ì	1	/	0	ý	0	Ì	0	/	0	
Exhaustion from caring for infirm family	2	Ì	1	/	0	ý	0	Ì	0	/	0	
Other family-related problems	61	(9	/	1)	14	(3	/	0	
Health problems	1233	(123	/	44)	725	(60	/	32	
Physical illness	101	(13	/	2)	44	(4	/	1	
Depression	624	(73	/	18)	416	(45	/	15	
Schizophrenia	155	(19	/	4)	72	(8	/	2	
Alcoholism	2	(1	/	0)	1	(1	/	0	
Drug abuse	3	(1	/	0)	4	(1	/	0	
Other mental illness	282	(25	/	11)	165	(17	/	6	
Physical disability	17	(4	/	0)	3	(1	/	0	
Other health-related problems	49	(9	/	0)	20	(3	/	0	
Economic problems	553	(59	/	19)	105	(13	/	1	
Bankruptcy	0	(0	/	0)	0	(0	/	0	_
Business struggling	2	\tilde{c}	1	,	0)	0	\tilde{c}	0	,	0	
Unemployment	0	\tilde{c}	0	,	0	ý	0	$\tilde{(}$	0	,	0	
Inability to find employment	345	\tilde{c}	42	,	10	ý	75	$\tilde{(}$	10	,	0	
Economic hardships	43	\tilde{c}	6	,	0	ý	5	$\tilde{(}$	1	,	0	
Overloaded with debt	26	\tilde{c}	4	,	0	ý	2	$\tilde{(}$	1	,	0	
Assumption of excessive debt	0	\tilde{c}	0	,	0	ý	0	$\tilde{(}$	0	,	0	
Debt (other)	32	ć	6		0	ý	3	ć	2	/	0	
Harassment by debt-collectors	0	ć	0		0	ý	0	ć	0	/	0	
Suicide for death benefit	0	\tilde{c}	0	,	0	ý	0	$\tilde{(}$	0	,	0	
Other economic-related problems	145	(53	/	2)	72	(53	/	0	
Employment problems	55	(8	/	0)	14	(3	/	0	
Failure at work	10	(2	/	0)	1	(1	/	0	
Inter-personal relations at work	11	(3	/	0)	5	(2	/	0	
Trouble adjusting to changing work environment	5	(1	/	0)	0	(0	/	0	
Work-related fatigue	5	(2	/	0)	6	(2	/	0	
Other employment-related problems	24	(7	/	0)	2	(2	/	0	
Romantic problems	325	(34	/	8)	196	(21	/	7	_
Marital problems	12	(4	/	0)	4	(1	/	0	_
Heartbreak	203	Ì	20	/	4)	85	(8	/	3	
Extra-marital affair	3	Ì	2	/	0	ý	10	Ì	3	/	0	
Conflict in relationship	91	Ì	12	/	0	ý	84	Ì	8	/	0	
Other romantic-related problems	16	(4	/	0)	13	(3	/	0	
School problems	2193	(177	/	105)	541	(57	/	21	
Entrance examination problems	35	(6	/	0)	6	(2	/	0	
Worrying about the future	801	(67	/	33)	207	(24	/	6	
Underachievement	977	(76	/	43)	174	(20	/	3	
Inter-personal relations with teachers	26	(6	/	0)	8	(3	/	0	
Bullying	8	(2	/	0)	1	(1	/	0	
Conflict with classmate	125 221	(17 22	/	4)	68	(9 9	/	1	
Other school-related problems					7		77				1	

Supplementary Table s3: Suicide numbers of university students disaggregated by motives and gender during 2007-2022.

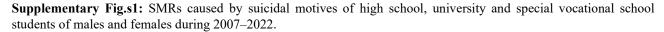
Others problems	442	(45	/	17)	142	(15	/	2)
Public disclosure of crim	e 35	(4	/	1)	1	(1	/	0)
Crime victir	n 2	(1	/	0)	0	(0	/	0)
Copycat suicid	e 7	(1	/	0)	5	(1	/	0)
Lonelines	s 116	(20	/	2)	42	(9	/	0)
Neighborhood problem	s 2	(1	/	0)	1	(1	/	0)
Other	s 280	(26	/	12)	93	(9	/	2)

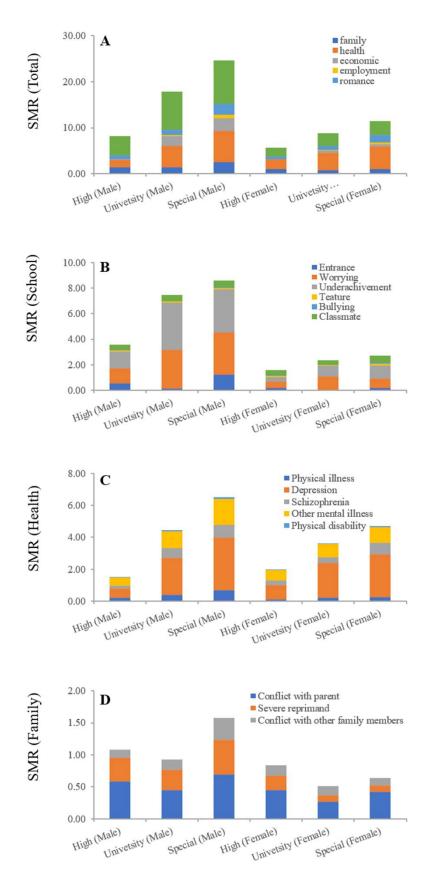
	Males Total	(min	/	max)	Females Total	(min	/	max	
Fotal	1233	(102	/	58)	690	(60	/	27	
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Family problems	116	(12	/	4)	60	(7	/	1	
Conflict with parent	32	(5	/	0)	24	(4	/	0	
Marital conflict	2	Ì	1	/	0)	7	(2	/	0	
Conflict with other family members	16	Ì	3	/	0	ý	7	Ì	2	/	0	
Death of family	7	Ì	2	/	0	ý	2	Ì	1	/	0	
Hopeless for family	12	ì	2		0	ý	4	ì	2	/	0	
Severe verbal reprimand	25	\tilde{c}	4	,	0)	6		3	,	0	
Stress of raising children	0		0	,	0)	3	(1	,	0	
Physical and/or verbal abuse	0	(0	,	0)	0	(0	,	0	
-	0	(0	,	0)	0	(0	,	0	
Exhaustion from caring for infirm family	22	(4	,	0)	7	(2	/	0	
Other family-related problems		(4	/	0)	/	(2	/	0	
lealth problems	310	(29	/	11)	278	(30	/	6	
Physical illness	31	(4	,	0)	14	(2	,	0	
Depression	152	$\left(\right)$	15	,	3)	151	(20	,	2	
Schizophrenia	37	(5	,	0)	40	(6	,	0	
-	1	(1	,	0)	1	(1	,	0	
Alcoholism	1	(1	,	0)	1	(1	,	0	
Drug abuse		(/)		(/		
Other mental illness	75	(9	/	1)	57	(11	/	1	
Physical disability	5	(1	/	0)	4	(1	/	0	
Other health-related problems	8	(2	/	0)	10	(3	/	0	
conomic problems	130	(12	/	4)	25	(4	/	0	
Bankruptcy	0	(0	/	0)	0	(0	/	0	
Business struggling	0	(0	,	0)	0	(0	,	0	
	4	(2	,	0)	0	(0	,	0	
Unemployment	67	(8	,	1)	8	(2	,	0	
Inability to find employment	20	(3	,	0)	5	(2	,	0	
Economic hardships		(1	/)		(1	/		
Overloaded with debt	4	(/	0)	2	(/	0	
Assumption of excessive debt	0	(0	/	0)	0	(0	/	0	
Debt (other)	17	(3	/	0)	6	(2	/	0	
Harassment by debt-collectors	0	(0	/	0)	0	(0	/	0	
Suicide for death benefit	0	(0	/	0)	0	(0	/	0	
Other economic-related problems	60	(42	/	0)	46	(42	/	0	
Employment problems	35	(4	/	0)	21	(4	/	0	
Failure at work	1	(1	/	0)	1	(1	/	0	
Inter-personal relations at work	10	(2	,	0)	6	$\left(\right)$	2	,	0	
Trouble adjusting to changing work environment	3	(1	,	0)	1	(1	,	0	
Work-related fatigue	5	(2	,	0)	7	(2	,	0	
Other employment-related problems	16	(2	/	0)	6	(3	/	0	
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tomantic problems	110	(10	/	3)	95	(14	/	3	
Marital problems	1	(1	/	0)	2	(1	/	0	
Heartbreak	74	(8	/	2)	48	(8	/	0	
Extra-marital affair	2	(1	/	0)	6	(1	/	0	
Conflict in relationship	28	(5	/	0)	31	(3	/	0	
Other romantic-related problems	5	(2	/	0)	8	(2	/	0	
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school problems	434	(40	/	18)	175	(18	/	6 0	
Entrance examination problems		(8 17	/	3)	10 41	(2 5	/	0	
Worrying about the future	153	(/)		(1		
Underachievement	155	(16	/	5)	61	(8	/	1	
Inter-personal relations with teachers	4	(2	/	0)	7	(1	/	0	
Bullying Conflict with classmate	3 25	(1 5	/	0 0)	5 33	(1 6	/	0 0	

Supplementary Table s4: Suicide numbers of special vocational school students disaggregated by motives and gender during 2007-2022.

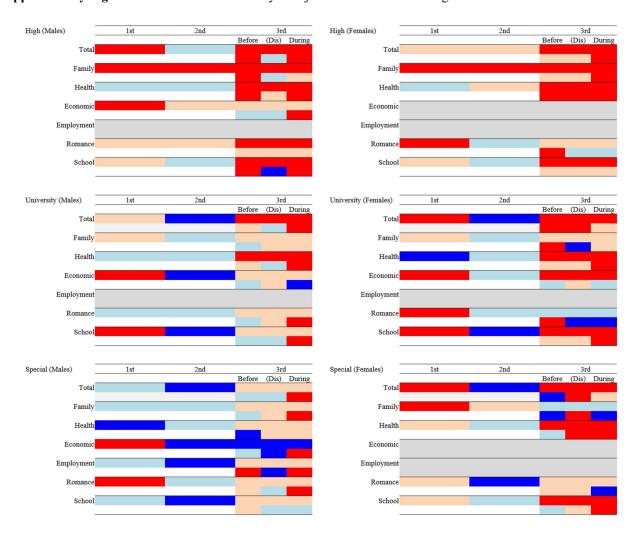
Other school-related problems	37 (5 / 0)	18 (5 / 0)
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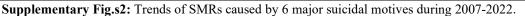
Others problems	98	(11	/	3)	36 (6	/	0)
Public disclosure of crime	6	(2	/	0)	0 (0	/	0)
Crime victim	1	(1	/	0)	0 (0	/	0)
Copycat suicide	3	(1	/	0)	2 (1	/	0)
Loneliness	22	(4	/	0)	18 (4	/	0)
Neighborhood problems	0	(0	/	0)	0 (0	/	0)
Others	66	(7	/	2)	16 (3	/	0)





Average of SMRs of high school, university and special vocational school students of males and females during 2007–2022 caused by major 6 suicidal motives (A), subcategories in school-related motives (B), health-related motives (C) and family-related motives (D) were represented. The ordinates indicate the mean of SMRs (per 100,000 population) during 2007-2022.



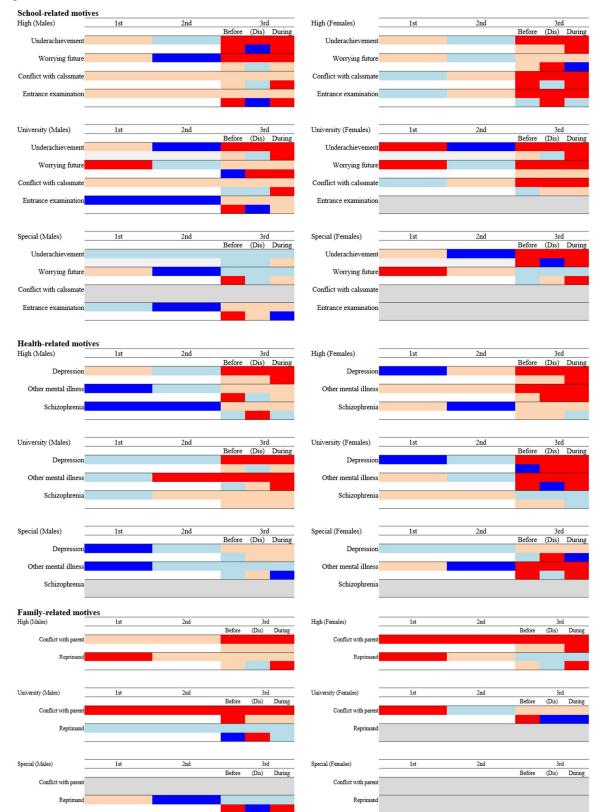


Trends of SMRs of high school (High), university and special vocational school (Special) students of males and females disaggregated by 6 major motives (total, family-, health-, economic-, employment-, romance- and school-related motives) during 1st (2007-2012), 2nd (2012-2017) and 3rd GPSPP (2017-2022) were indicated in upper columns. Especially, to analyse the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, trends and discontinuity (Dis) of SMRs between before (2017-2020) and after (2020-2022) the pandemic outbreak were lower columns. Blue and red columns indicate significant (p < 0.05) decreasing and increasing trends of SMR detected by ITSA. Light blue and red columns indicate significant decreasing and increasing trends detected by ITSA. Grey columns indicated the excluded categories. Actual trends of SMRs detected by ITSA were indicated in Supplementary Fig.2.

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Supplementary Fig.s3: Trends of SMRs caused by suicidal motives in school-, health- and family-related problems during 2007-2022.



Trends of SMRs of high school (High), university and special vocational school (Special) students of males and females disaggregated by suicidal motives (in family-, health- and school-related motives) during 1st (2007-2012), 2nd (2012-2017) and 3rd GPSPP (2017-2022) were indicated in upper columns. Especially, to analyse the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, trends and discontinuity (Dis) of SMRs between before (2017-2020) and after (2020-2022) the pandemic outbreak were lower columns. Blue and red columns indicate significant (p < 0.05) decreasing and increasing trends of SMR detected by ITSA. Light blue and red columns indicate significant decreasing and increasing trends detected by ITSA. Grey columns indicated the excluded categories. Actual trends of SMRs caused school-, health- and family-related motives by detected by ITSA were indicated in Figs.3-4.

		Male		-			-	Female					
Factor	(Subcategory)	Adjusted R ²	F value	P value	Year	β	P value	Adjusted R ²	F value	P value	Year	β	P value
Total		0.541	12.760	0.001 **	R1	-1.91	0.72	0.710	5.268	0.015 *	RI	-17.31	0.580
					R2	43.14	0.11				R2	90.08	0.309
					R3	3.08	0.92				R3	-185.08	0.400
					R4<	-125.83	0.11				R4<	-207.76	0.269
Family		-0.177	1.308	0.331	R1	0.67	0.518	0.304	3.484	0.050 *	R1	-2.02	0.101
Family		-0.177	1.508	0.551	R1 R2	-2.51	0.493	0.504	5.404	0.050	R1 R2	15.37	0.005 **
					R3	-1.58	0.862				R3	-32.30	0.051
					R4<	14.71	0.174				R4<	23.07	0.122
	Conflict with parent	-0.029	1.633	0.248	R1	-0.584	0.228	-0.156	1.793	0.207	R1	0.037	0.981
					R2	2.806	0.094				R2	2.178	0.631
					R3	-4.293	0.293				R3	-16.280	0.280
					R4<	-0.993	0.791				R4<	-0.406	0.947
	Reprimand	-0.273	0.785	0.560	R1	0.358	0.234	-0.292	2.647	0.097	R1	-0.283	0.057
					R2	-1.819	0.233				R2	3.278	0.072
					R3	0.992	0.661				R3	-4.774	0.576
					R4<	4.157	0.410				R4<	6.180	0.511
77 1.1		0.243	3.612	0.045 *	D 1	-5.587	0.010 *	0.002	0.5.770	0 000 **	D 1	2.02	0.716
Health		0.243	5.012	0.040 *	R1 R2	-3.387	0.010	0.603	25.779	0.000 **	R1 R2	2.83 -24.66	0.716 0.240
					R2 R3	32.011	0.062				R2 R3	-24.66	0.240
					R4<	-111.059	0.002 **				R4<	-199.39	0.499
	physical	0.690	7.433	0.005 **	R1	-1.34	0.000 **					.,,,,,,,	01000
	physical	0.090	7.455	0.000	R1 R2	1.00	0.559						
					R3	10.42	0.084						
					R4<	-10.67	0.111						
	depression	0.316	3.774	0.040 *	R1	-4.166	0.063	0.506	7.929	0.004 **	R1	-1.30	0.873
					R2	20.405	0.043 *				R2	-19.34	0.451
					R3	11.411	0.651				R3	-3.25	0.961
					R4<	-79.193	0.036 *				R4<	-170.59	0.016 *
	schizophrenia	0.101	3.946	0.036 *	R1	-0.41	0.272	-0.037	3.532	0.048 *	R1	3.03	0.020 *
					R2	2.21	0.258				R2	-4.34	0.337
					R3	4.95	0.234				R3	-29.28	0.104
					R4<	-18.97	0.036 *				R4<	-16.57	0.205
	Other mental illness	-0.114	1.402	0.302	R1	0.370	0.451	-0.351	0.750	0.581	R1	-0.282	0.929
					R2	-2.171	0.338				R2	-2.312	0.782
					R3	2.424	0.681				R3	3.266	0.913
					R4<	-3.441	0.574				R4<	-5.642	0.795
Economic		0.091	2.567	0.103	R1	2.74	0.278	0.035	0.915	0.492	R1	0.27	0.950
					R2	3.17	0.732				R2	11.09	0.508
					R3	-16.75	0.198				R3	-45.59	0.096
					R4<	-1.61	0.930				R4<	1.43	0.957
Employment		0.136	5.669	0.012 *	R1	0.12	0.726	-0.303	0.433	0.782	R1	1.27	0.329
					R2	1.42	0.291				R2	-1.52	0.665
					R3	-1.00	0.816				R3	-10.84	0.356
					R4<	-2.56	0.516				R4<	-5.33	0.447
Pomanag		0.177	1.438	0.291	R1	-0.69	0.757	0.162	1.399	0.303	R1	3.40	0.324
Romance		0.177	1.438	0.291	R1 R2	-0.69 2.95	0.757 0.738	0.162	1.399	0.303	R1 R2	3.40 3.61	0.324 0.773
					R2 R3	2.95 9.93	0.738				R2 R3	-74.40	0.773
					R4<	-27.71	0.164				R4<	-17.20	0.589
	conflict with partner	-0.065	1.311	0.330	R1	-0.506	0.164	0.816	81.958	0.000 **	R1	2.24	0.000 **
					R2	-0.817	0.604				R2	2.86	0.255
					R3	7.482	0.084				R3	-44.70	0.000 **
					R4<	-6.643	0.118				R4<	-7.60	0.205
School		0.225	11.652	0.001 **	R1	-4.78	0.203	0.274	3.569	0.047 *	R1	-8.12	0.066
					R2	16.37	0.140				R2	43.54	0.025 *
					R3	32.09	0.049 *				R3	-41.82	0.456
					R4<	-66.15	0.108				R4<	-34.17	0.605
	worrying about the future	0.660	16.295	0.000 **	R1	2.80	0.007 **	0.131	3.935	0.036 *	R1	-3.56	0.011 *
					R2	0.35	0.933				R2	4.24	0.594
					R3	-5.23	0.551				R3	46.30	0.036 *
	underachievement	0.005	6.851	0.006 **	R4<	-5.65	0.561	0.171	3 789	0.040 *	R4<	-19.41	0.469
	underachievement	0.387	6 851	0.006 **	RI	-3.39	0.058	0.171	1789	0.040 *	R1	-2.46	0.576

Table: Effects of grade repetitions on SMRs of university students caused by suicidal motives

underachievement	0.387	6.851	0.006 **	R1	-3.39	0.058	0.171	3.789	0.040 *	R1	-2.46	0.576
				R2	13.37	0.047 *				R2	29.29	0.049 *
				R3	7.90	0.514				R3	-75.21	0.060
				R4<	-30.03	0.059				R4<	13.01	0.755
Conflict with classmate	0.481	2.859	0.081	R1	-0.251	0.811	-0.049	3.629	0.045 *	R1	0.747	0.783
				R2	-0.417	0.909				R2	9.058	0.273
				R3	2.701	0.452				R3	-25.506	0.325
				R4<	5.354	0.329				R4<	-12.362	.0377

*: p<0.05, **:p<0.01: analysed by multiple regression analysis with robust standard error.

R1: repeat the same grad for one year, R2: repeat the same grad for two year, R3: repeat the same grad for three year, R4<: repeat the same grad for more than four years.