Self-imposed Management in the Ogasawara Islands and their Academic Capital against World Heritage

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Ecotourism Activity and industry

Increasing in Japan from 1990s (MoE 2004) Research articles from 2000s

Negative Impacts of Ecotourism

Diversification and definition problem (Kaizu and Maita 2004, Arima 2010)

Degradation problem

(Watanabe 2008, Kobayashi and Aiko 2008)

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Self-imposed management by rules with no legal penalty

Contents of a self-imposed rule in Minami-jima Island

Rules about	Contents
Walking	Tourists must keep to the trails
Maximum time on trails	2 hours
Maximum number of tourists on trails per day	100 people
Maximum numbers of tourists per group	15 people
Additional restriction	Tourists are prohibited to land on the island in 3 months of the year

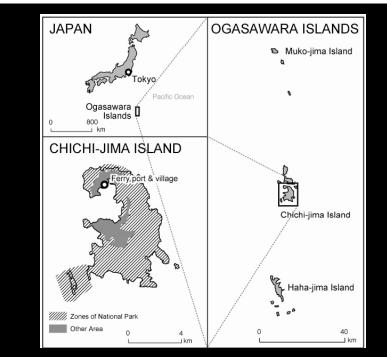
Why are residences following these rules in Ogasawara Islands?

Their social and academic corporations (Nakai 2002, Shikida 2008) : Academic Capital

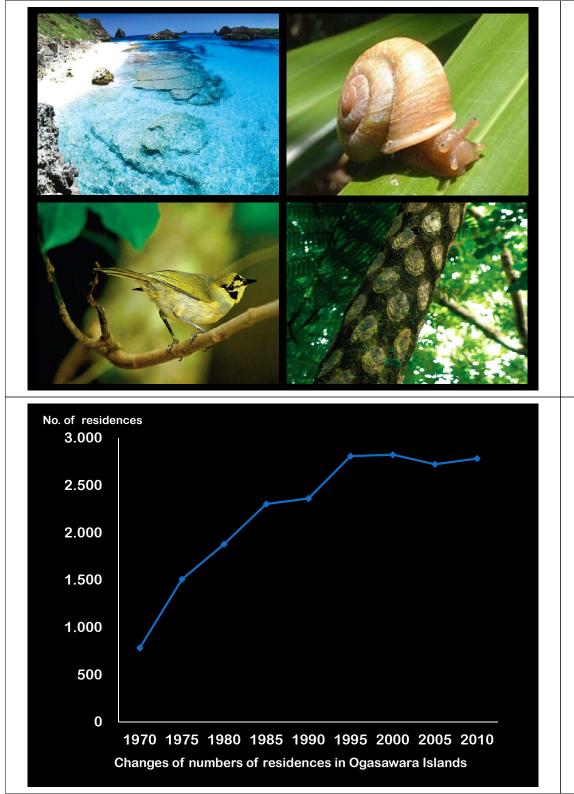
OBJECTIVE Why can residences keep the academic capital?

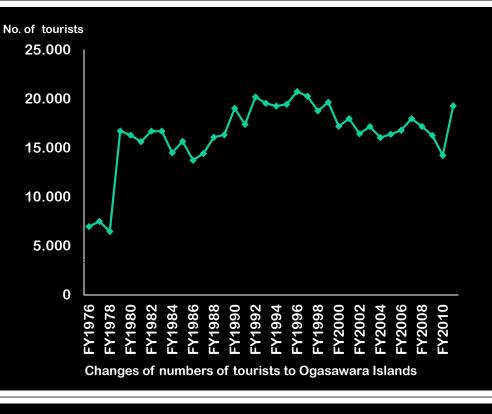


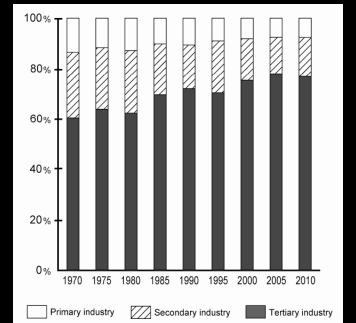
Host (Supply) dimension



Location of Ogasawara Islands and Chichi-jima Island







Changes of the compositions of workforce in Ogasawara Islands

Years of establish of research facilities in Chichi-jima Island

Establish	Organization	Administrator
1970	Ogasawara Subtropical Agricultural Center	Government
1970	Ogasawara Research Center	University
1973	Ogasawara Fisheries Center	Government
1982	Ogasawara Marine Center	NPO
1988	Ogasawara Visitors Center	Government
1989	Ogasawara Whale Watching Association	Incorporate Association
1997	Ogasawara Wildlife Research Society	NPO
2000	Institute of Boninology	NPO
2001	VERA Ogasawara Station	Inter-University Institute

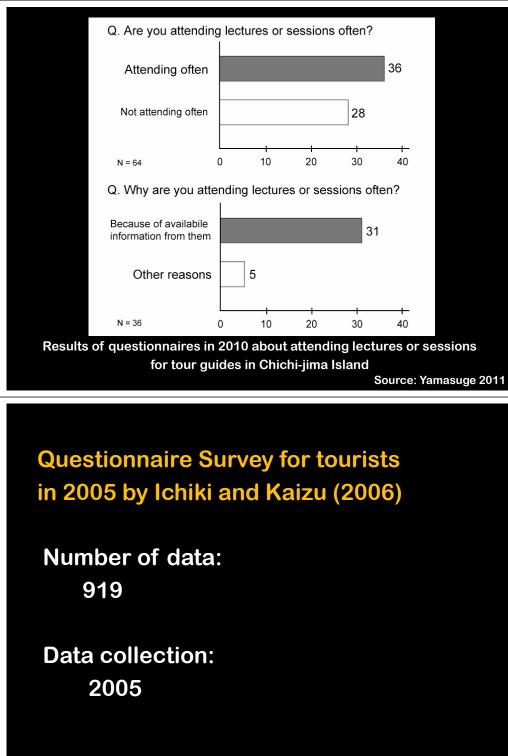


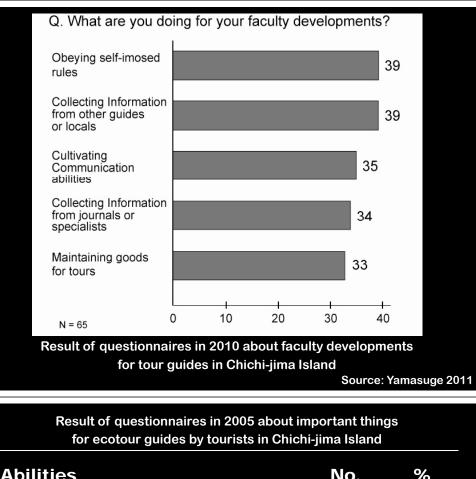


Questionnaire Survey for ecotour guides in 2010 by Yamasuge (2010)

Number of data: 65 (75% of all tour guides)

Data collection: 2010 September and October





Admines	NO.	70
Communication and entertainment ability	113	12.3
Planning ability of tour programs	82	8.9
Ability of knowledge	31	3.4
Judgment and leadership	21	2.3
Philosophy	14	1.5
Ability of safety management	11	1.2
	Source: Jobiki and	

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Conclusion and for the future

Host Dimension and Guest dimension for academic capital in Chichi-jima Island

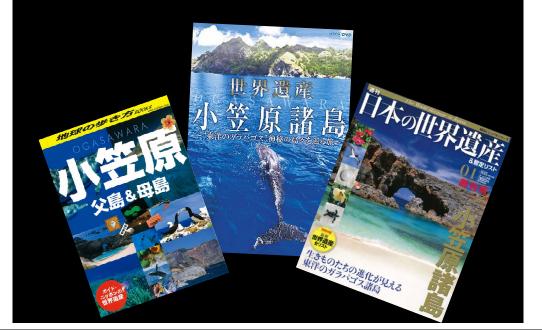
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- Research facilities
- · Government commitment

Guest (Demand) dimension

- Loving the islands
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- Tourists demands

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Changing tourists' demographics and their demands

Increasing tourists: older than before

Their demands: similar to them of mass tourists

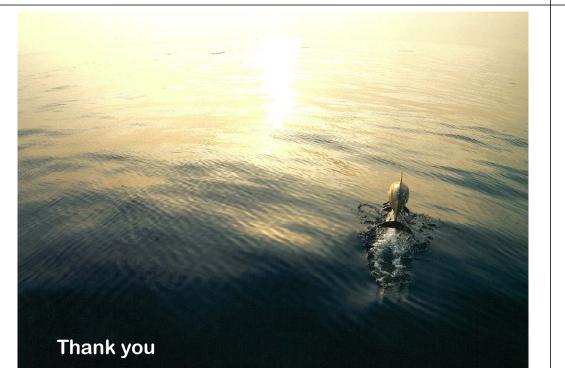
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