# Evidence-Based Policymaking in Kobe City: Leveraging Big Data for Local Governance in Japan

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## **Biography**

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- 2010: Policy Planner, Decentralization Reform Office, Cabinet Office
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- 2013: Deputy Director for Policy Coordination, Governor's Office, Kumamoto Prefectural Government
- 2014: Director, Environmental Policy Division, Kumamoto Prefectural Government
- 2015: Director, Finance and Prefectural Assembly Division, Kumamoto Prefectural Government
- 2016: Master's Program at Harvard University Graduate School (International Fellow, Nippon Foundation)
- 2018: AM, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Harvard University
  Deputy Director, Local Administration Management Assistance Office, Ministry of Internal Affairs
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- 2020: Associate Professor, Graduate School of Public Policy, University of Tokyo
- 2022: Chief Digital Officer, City of Kobe
- 2024: (Concurrently) Project Associate Professor, Graduate School of Public Policy, University of Tokyo
- 2025: Chief Financial and Human Resources Officer, City of Kobe (current position)

## **Overview of Kobe City**

### 神戸スてートシティ

Government-Designated City (9 Administrative Wards, 10 Ward Offices, 2 Branch Offices)

Population: 1,488,568 (7th among designated

cities)

Area: 557.05 km<sup>2</sup> (9th among designated cities)

\*As of May 1, 2025

Number of Staff: 21,514

General Administration and Enterprise Accounting:

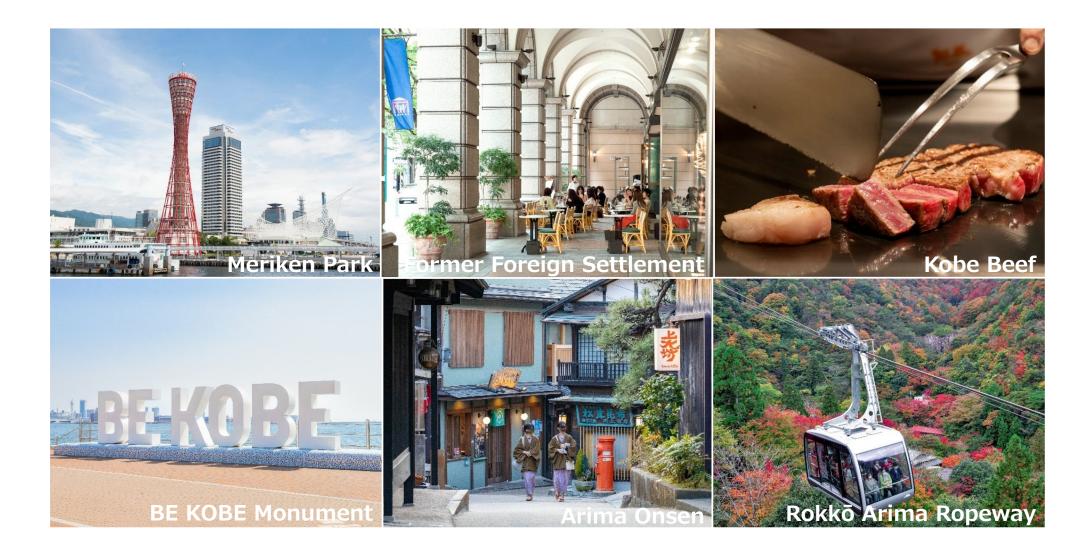
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Education: 9,690 (including 7,731 teachers)

Fire Department: 1,507



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PRESIDENT (published 2024.05.03)



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- Vaccination patterns have become complex, and providing detailed communication to each target group has been challenging.
- By utilizing generative AI, all personas for eligible vaccination patterns were identified, and ideas for appropriate information provision for each persona were generated.
- Tasks that previously took multiple staff members several days were reduced to half a day's work, and high-quality persona generation was achieved without preconceived notions.
- By having generative AI create drafts for newsletters and social media posts tailored to each persona, both the quality and efficiency of the work improved.



#### Websites

- The commencement of in-office use of generative AI and the enactment of the AI ordinance have been featured on various websites.
- Nikkei XTECH (2024.03)



Pcwatch (2024.05)



The Nikkei (2023.12)



CNETJapan (2024.05)



Also featured in various other media outlets

### Numerous Requests for Inspections, Lectures, Interviews, and Speaking Engagements 神戸スマートラティ

- ○In FY 2023, there were 175 requests for inspections, lectures, interviews, and speaking engagements.
- As of January 9 in FY 2024, there have been 200 requests for inspections, lectures, interviews, and speaking engagements.





## Data StaRt Award Award for Utilization of Statistical Data in Local Governments

Organized by: Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications

Overview: An award system for local governments that advance outstanding initiatives utilizing statistical data.

### **6th Edition (2021)**

**Director-General of SBJ Award** 

### **Healthcare Data Integration System**

Kobe City Health Bureau, Health Planning Division

### **7th Edition (2022)**

Minister of Internal Affairs and Communications Award

### DIY Data Analysis: Kobe Data Lounge

Kobe City Planning and Coordination Bureau, Policy Division

#### Overview:

Aiming to enhance citizen services by promoting health projects based on scientific evidence, we have newly established the "Healthcare Data Integration System." This system links and anonymizes data previously held by various departments, such as medical and nursing care receipt data and health examination data, enabling the analysis of comprehensive data with high completeness.

#### Overview:

To swiftly respond to the rapid changes in the external environment surrounding administration, we embraced a DIY spirit of "doing what we can ourselves without relying solely on external experts." This involved building an in-house data integration platform to collect data necessary for analysis, creating an environment for data utilization where dashboards made by staff using BI tools can be safely shared internally, and disseminating easy-to-understand information to citizens. Additionally, staff took the lead in advancing the development of human resources skilled in data utilization.

### 8th Edition (2023)

Special Award

#### Population Strategy Created Through EBPM

Kobe City Planning and Coordination Bureau, Policy Division

#### Overview:

Focusing on a population strategy based on the two perspectives of "mitigation" and "adaptation" to population decline, we conducted an analysis of factors contributing to population growth using multiple regression analysis with "R." Additionally, we developed original future population projections for Kobe City and created a dashboard overlaying population decline with public services. This has enabled a comprehensive view and discussion of administrative services in relation to population size.

### Young Staff Featured in Digital Agency's Owned Media

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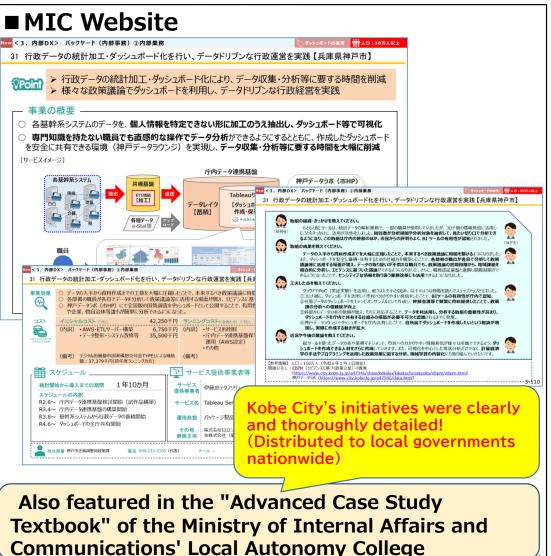
- O **Young staff members were featured** in the Digital Agency's owned media, released on platforms such as "**Digital Agency News.**"
- # 1 "Four Kobe City Employees Discuss the Reality of 'Administration × Data Utilization' " (Released on May 23)
- # 2 "What Are the Tax Collection Reforms  $\times$  Data Utilization Practices Implemented by Kobe City?" (Released on June 20)



#### Introduction of Kobe City's Initiatives on the Websites of the Digital Agency and MIC

### 神戸スてートシティ





An event primarily for local government officials to experience administrative digital transformation (DX) and learn from advanced case studies nationwide, the "Smart City Summit in Kobe," was held on October 22-23!

### **Program Overview (Excerpt)**

- Keynote Speech & Panel Discussion
- Generative AI Cross Talk
- Drone Cross Talk
- Tableau Cross Talk
- Drone Flying Experience and Case Study Introduction
- kintone Cross Talk
- Data Integration Platform (City OS) Cross Talk
- Data Analysis Workshop Using BI Tools
- Tableau Hands-On Session
- kintone Hands-On Session

...etc.

### **Participation Data**

The number of applicants was 445.

(Actual in-person participants: 142; online viewers: over 300)



所属	申込者数(団体数)
政令指定都市	109 (16)
市町(県内)	47 (19)
市区町村(県外)	94 (59)
都道府県	46 (16)
玉	13 (3)
民間企業	118 (70)
その他	18 (13)
計	445 (196)



#### **Breakdown of Event Applicants**

3 ministries, 110 local governments, 3 universities, and 80 organizations!!

# Today's Agenda

- Practice of EBPM in Kobe City
  - ✓ ①EBPM Regarding the Current Situation
  - ✓2EBPM Concerning Policy Effects
- Preparation of Usable Data
- Development of Personnel Skilled in Data Utilization

# **Practice of EBPM in Kobe City**

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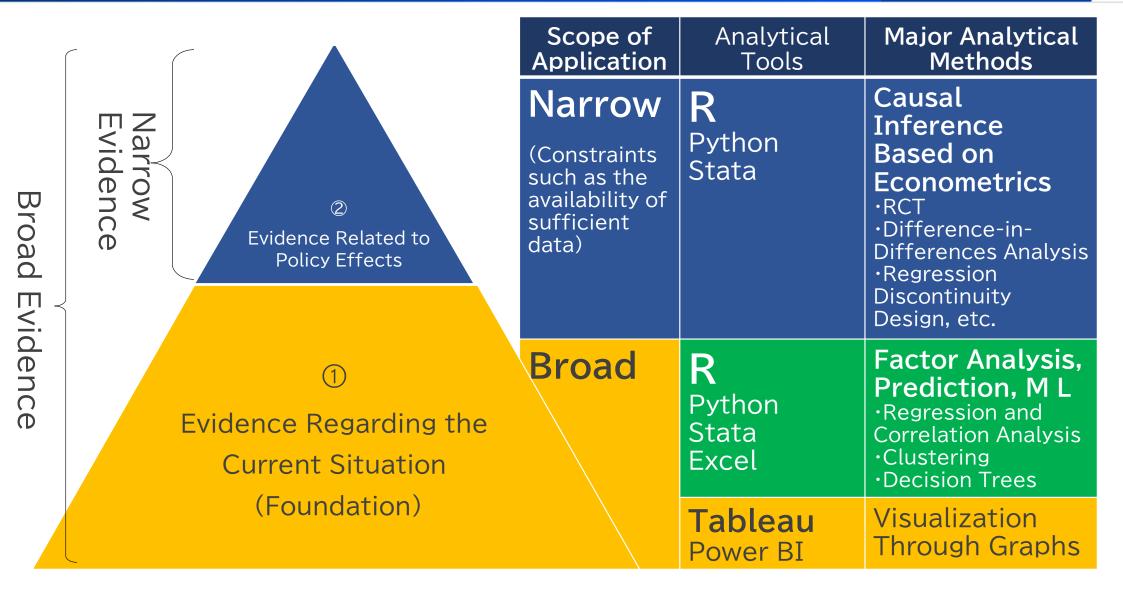
# **DIY: Do It Yourself**

Don't Rely Solely on External Experts

Let Staff Take the Initiative!!

In-House
Development
Using Low-Code Tools

# **Types of Evidence**



FY2022 FY2020-2021 FY2023 Utilization of Academic Papers **Utilization of** on Statistical Causal Inference **Existing Evidence** Initiated 23 Analyses Using R Creation of New **Evidence** R Training / Introduction (Lectures) R Training / Practical Application (Exercises) Promotion of EBPM Using BI Tools (Individual Analysis and Group-Level Dashboard Sharing) Development "Kobe Data Lounge" (Internal Dashboard) "Kobe Data Lab" (Public Dashboard) Tableau Training Creation of Original Future Population Projections

FY2024·25

Enhanced Time for Sharing Issue Awareness with Relevant Departments

Focusing on the Health and Welfare Sector

Building a Framework through the Recruitment of Doctoral Students, University Collaboration, and Utilization of In-House Side Work

Proactive Support for Each Bureau

Enhanced for Better Visibility

Publication of Future Population Projections

Utilized in Policy Meetings by Each Bureau and in Formulating the Next Fiscal Plan

Exploring the Utilization of the Vision in Management

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# **1** EBPM Regarding the Current Situation

## **Challenges in Main Telephone Exchange Operations**

 Kobe City has outsourced the main telephone exchange operations for its 1 city office, 10 ward offices, and 2 branch offices to a private company.

#### [Overview]

Operating Hours	City Office: Weekdays from 8:45 AM to 5:30 PM Ward Offices: Weekdays from 8:45 AM to 5:30 PM (until 8 PM on Thursdays)
Number of Incoming Calls	Annually: 1,937,622 calls
Number of Answered Calls	Annually: 1,599,002 calls (Response rate: 82.5%)

Kobe City does not publish direct phone numbers for departments, so incoming calls are centralized (resulting in a higher volume of calls handled).

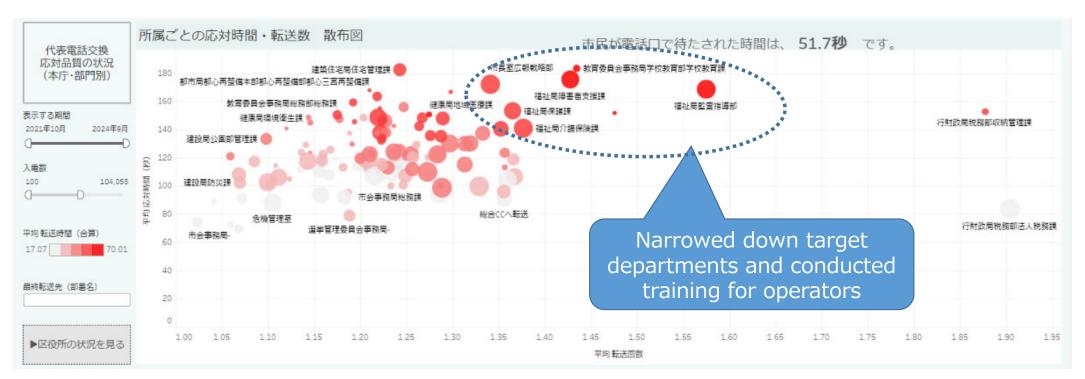
### [Operation Booth]



- There were frequent complaints about issues such as "long wait times" and "being transferred from one department to another."
- ⇒ The decision was made to <u>identify the issues</u> and consider countermeasures <u>based on data analysis</u>.

### Visualization of Response Quality (Identification of Problematic Departments)神戸スペートシティ

- Response quality was visualized in near real time by linking data from the main telephone exchange system (PBX) to Tableau.
- The situation of each responsible department was visualized and shared, to be utilized for data organization and improvement requests.



## Verification of Countermeasure Effectiveness (City Office) 神戸スマートシティ

• A common target value of 120 seconds for "average response time" was set with the contractor, and the daily situation was monitored. (Response time refers to the duration from when the operator answers the call to when it is successfully transferred to staff.)

Set the target value at 120 seconds

2023年3月

2024年9月

2022年3月

平均応対時間

Average reduction of 35 seconds!

Currently, the target value is consistently being achieved!

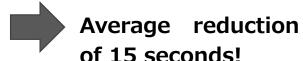
### **Verification of Countermeasure Effectiveness (Ward Offices)**

- As services at ward offices are more limited than those at the city office, the target value was set at a shorter 80 seconds.
- While verifying the effectiveness of the countermeasures, we continuously rolled out the next initiatives.

Before the improvements, response time exceeded 90 seconds (1.5 minutes)...

Set the target value at 80 seconds

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## **Summary of Effectiveness**

- City Office: Average reduction of 35 seconds per call
- Ward Offices: Average reduction of 15 seconds per call



**Time Citizens Were** 

• Citizen Waiting Times (Monthly Estimates) —

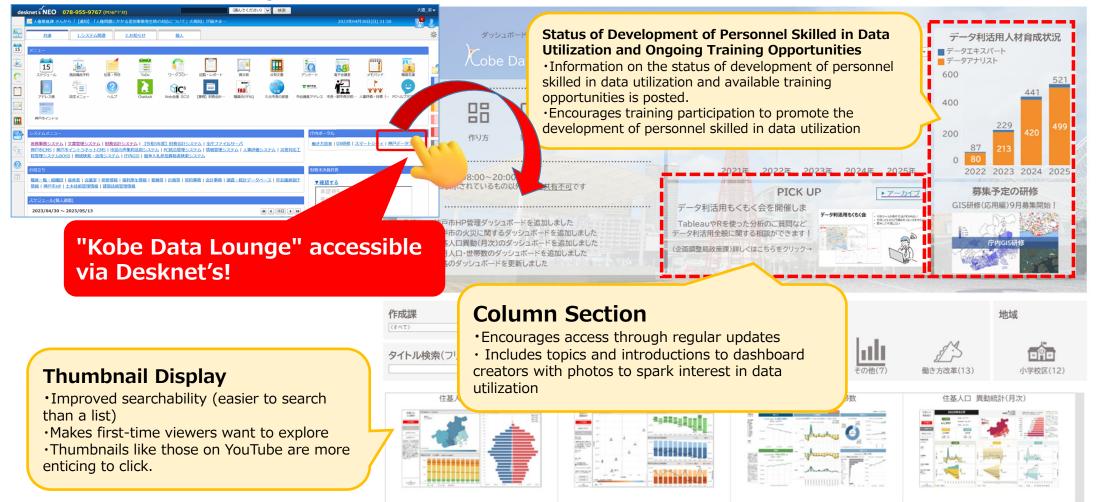
City Office = 35 sec.  $\times$  9,000 calls = 5,250 min.

Ward Offices =  $15 \text{ sec.} \times 107,000 \text{ calls} = 26,750 \text{ min.}$ 

32,000 min.

(533 hours)

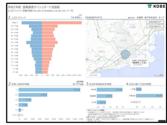
OFull-scale operation began in June 2022 (shared across the entire organization). Staff can access "Kobe Data Lounge" via the Desknet's software.



OCurrently, about 160 dashboards are posted on "Kobe Data Lounge" and shared among staff.





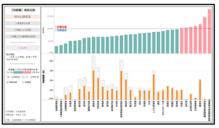






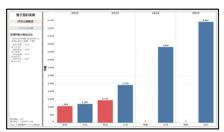




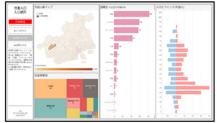








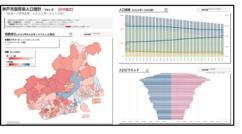


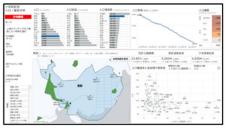






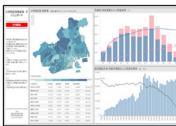




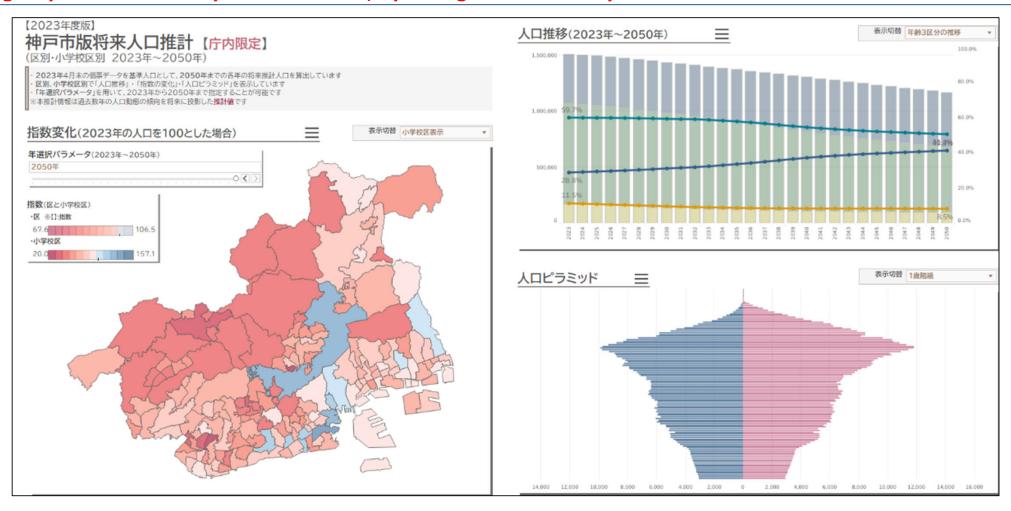




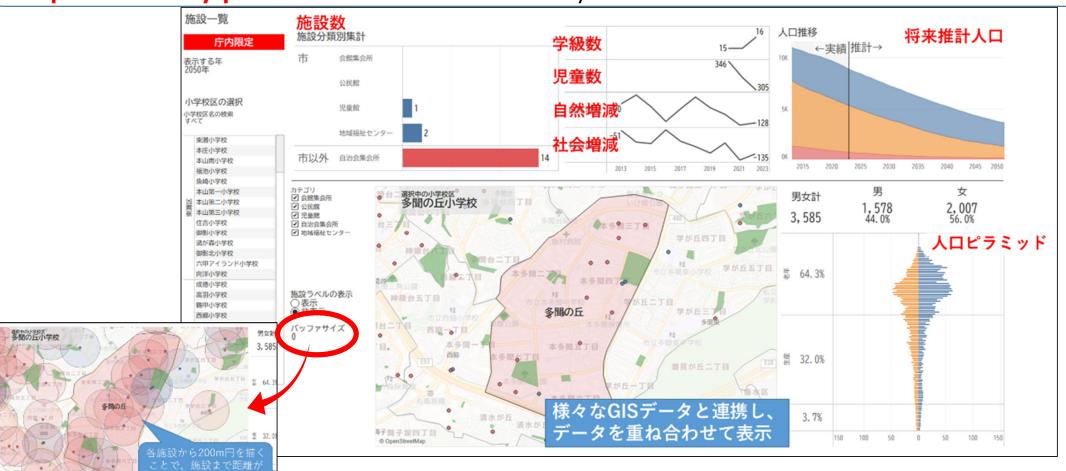




O Utilizing resident registration data, Kobe City independently calculates future population projections by age group and elementary school district, updating them annually.

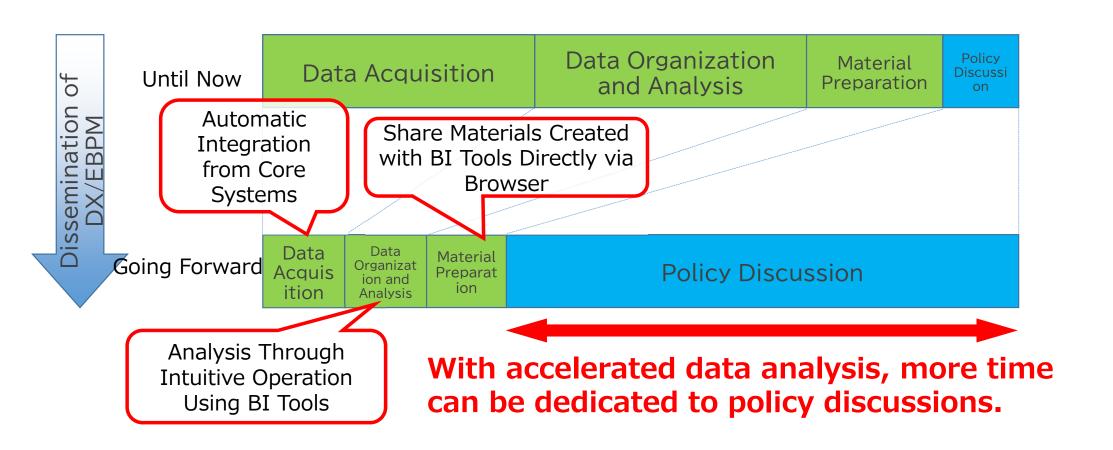


O Created and shared a dashboard that allows for the verification of **population conditions** and **public facility placement** for each elementary school district.



### Acceleration of Data Analysis Enabled by Kobe Data Lounge

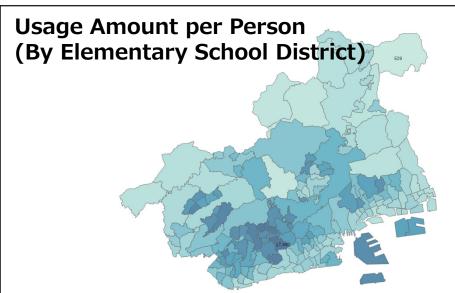
- O Intuitive **Analysis and Sharing** Using BI Tools
- O Data Organization Through Integration with Core Systems



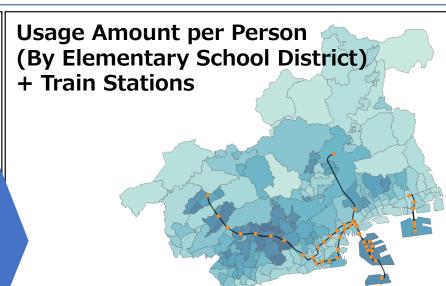
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### Specific Policy Formulation Example 1: Annual Usage of the Senior Citizen Pass

- OWhen observing the annual usage amount per person, it was found that there is about a 34-fold difference, ranging from 509 yen to 17,440 yen, and areas around train stations have consistently higher usage.
- OGoing forward, the Welfare Bureau will consider measures to ensure the fairness of system usage, such as setting usage limits.



It is evident that the Senior Citizen Pass is used with a range of 509 yen to 17,440 yen per person annually. Additionally, there is variability in usage amounts across different elementary school districts.

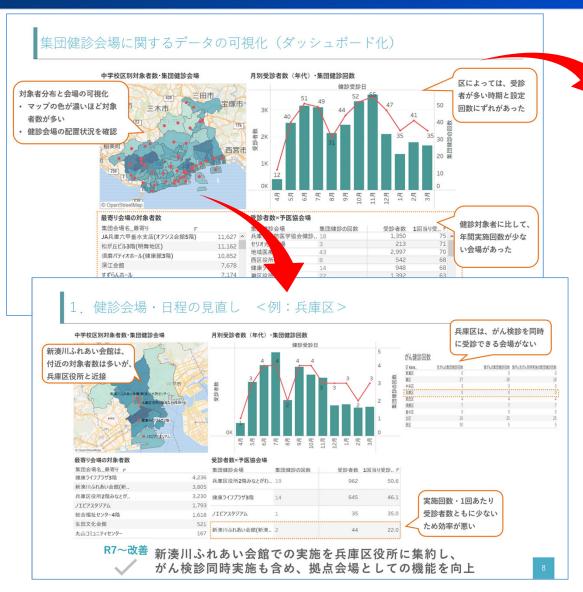


Overlaying train stations where the Senior Citizen Pass can be used on the map reveals that the annual usage amount per person is higher in elementary school districts located near train stations.

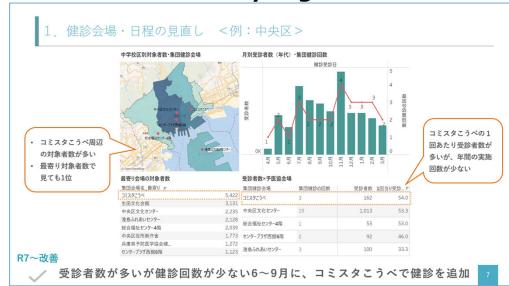
⇒It can be inferred that using trains is highly convenient, and residents living near stations benefit more from the pass.

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### Specific Policy Formulation Example 2: Implementation Status of Specific Health Checkups



Differences in the attributes of eligible individuals and implementation status were visualized by region.



By identifying the factors contributing to regional differences and clarifying the targets of countermeasures, we can aim for more effective policy formulation.

# Operational Reform Through Data Utilization 神戸

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- OSeveral departments have already achieved significant results by implementing data-driven operational management.
- OGoing forward, it is necessary to expand these initiatives across the entire organization.

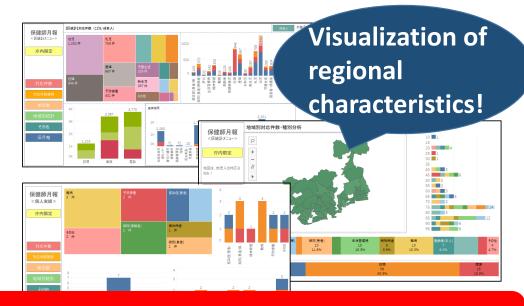
### [Tax Department] Tax Collection Dashboard

Success achieved through dashboard initiatives and a review of delinquency management policies



# [Health Bureau] Public Health Nurse Monthly Report Dashboard

Visualizing and sharing daily report data from public health nurses



In the future, through system standardization, the regular accumulation of detailed data will enable the creation of various dashboards for operational management.

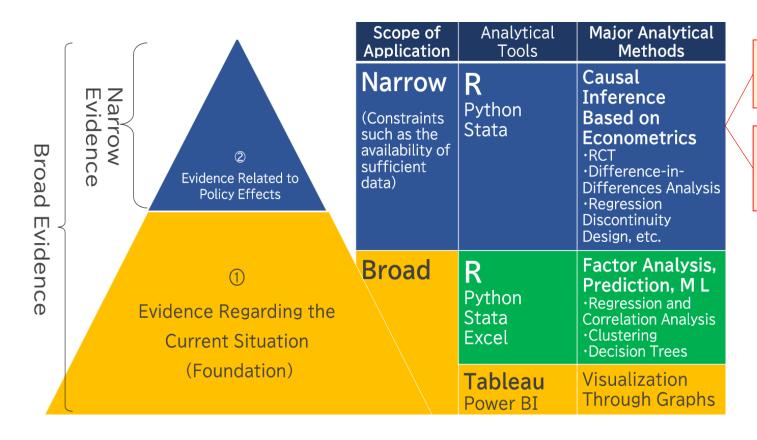


# **2EBPM Concerning Policy Effects**

- Utilization of Existing Evidence
- O Creation of New Evidence

## **Evidence Related to Policy Effects**

○ In terms of evidence related to policy effects, we are undertaking two initiatives: "utilization of existing evidence" and "creation of new evidence."



Utilization of Existing Evidence

→Preliminary literature reviews

Creation of New Evidence

→Analysis conducted by staff themselves

## Evidence Related to Policy Effects ①: Utilization of Existing Evidence 神戸スマートシティ

○Investigated 33 topics and 760 academic papers, both domestic and international, using econometric causal inference methods and utilized them as evidence.

論文歌 ①出生率に影響を与える要因 12 ②最低賃金の経済効果に対する因果効果 12 ③子どもの体力に影響を与える要因 58 ④外国人の流入による影響 19 ⑤大学生の負担軽減施策による政策効果 19 ⑥結婚の決定要因(結婚支援策の効果) 51 ⑦空家の発生要因 9 ③成人病の発症率の決定要因 25 ⑨開業率が高い地域の要因(スタートアップ関連) 30 ⑩女性の就業率を上げるには(女性の就業要因) 22 の住宅の構造が健康に及ぼす影響 45 @ソーシャルキャピタルは社会経済にどのような影響を与えるか 25 ூソーシャルキャピタルがウェルビーイング (子育てなど) に及ぼす影響 26 ூウェルビーイングを構成する要因(決定要因) 26 ⑤小・中学校教育に係る「学級規模」が学力に与える影響 24 過フッ化物の虫歯予防に対する効果 21 の投票環境が投票率に及ぼす影響 9 63子供の職業選択に親が及ぼす影響 21 図孤立・孤独による生活への影響 22 るメンタルヘルス不調・精神疾患になる要因 19 ②夫婦出生力の決定要因 33 ◎海外 (先進国) における出生率向上の要因 20 ②不登校(小学生・中学生)の決定要因 20 ◎健康寿命の決定要因 31 ①スタートアップ企業の成長の要因 21 ②コンビニエンスストアの誘致による効果 19 ③後期高齢者健診の効果 16 ④文化財・伝統行事が住民や地域に与える効果 14 ⑤オーラルフレイルの方への事後指導の効果 22 ⑥若者のUターンの要因と有効な政策 17 ⑦若年期の女性のやせと健康 18 ⑧森林・緑化が及ぼすヒートアイランド現象の緩和効果 15 ⑨市街地緑化の心理的な影響

# Also implemented in FY 2025

### Beterminants of the Incidence Rate of Adult Diseases

It was found that undergoing health checkups is linked to healthy behaviors such as exercise. This insight is being utilized in the Health Bureau's consideration of health checkup promotion measures.

#### 1 Impact of Housing Structure on Health

It was found that the thermal insulation performance of housing contributes to health promotion. This finding is being used by the Housing Bureau to review the Kobe Living Support Subsidy.

### **(b)** Effectiveness of Fluoride in Preventing Tooth Decay

It was determined when fluoride mouth rinse is most effective for prevention and how often and for how many years fluoride should be applied topically to be effective. This information is being used to consider the full-scale implementation of fluoride use in elementary schools.

Factors in Young People's Returns to Rural Areas and Effective Policies

勉強会の流れ

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② 所得が地域関移動 に与える影響 03

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#### Examples

Confirmed the preventive effects of fluoride mouth rinse and topical application

Utilized to consider the expansion of fluoride use to all schools

#### Effectiveness of Fluoride in Preventing Tooth Decay

4 フッ化物洗口の予防効果(いつ実施すれば効果があるか)小学生

#### 【調査時点が小学生の場合】

- 蝕罹患の調査を小学生時に行ったもので、フッ化物洗口によるう蝕予防効果があるとした論文のうち、いつからフッ化物洗口を開始したのかを分析した3つの論文の結果を合成した。
- う蝕の罹患は複数年で進行するため、継続的に数年間予防に取り組むことが重要であることが指摘されていた。また、乳歯の時点でう蝕罹患しないことが、萌出する永久歯へのう蝕罹患を避けることが期待できるという指摘がなされていた。



Also conducted study sessions utilizing preliminary literature reviews

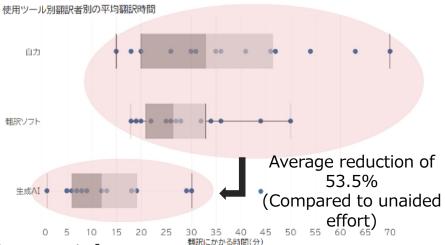
### Verification of Operational Improvement Effects of Translation Support Software and Generative AI 神戸スマートラティ

 The purchase of paid translation support software was under consideration for translating public relations materials into English.

• As a result of conducting an RCT, it was found that the already introduced generative AI was superior to the translation support software in terms of time and quality. ⇒ Decided not to proceed with the introduction of

specialized translation software.

#### (Time Required for Translation)

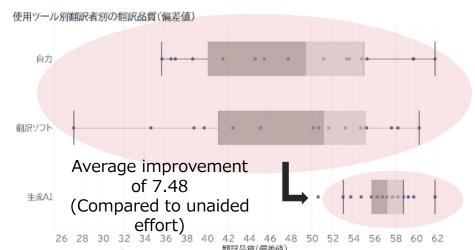


[Analysis Results]

Considering the translators and the pages translated, using generative AI reduced the time required for translation by 67.2% compared to unaided effort. (RCT)

\*The generative AI used was Microsoft Copilot, which is available to all staff.
\*The translation support software is typically used after training it with past translation results; however, in this experiment, no past data was used for training.

#### [Quality of Translation Results (Standard Score)]



[Analysis Results]

Considering the translators and the pages translated, using generative AI improved the quality of translation results (standard score) by 8.72 compared to unaided effort. (RTC)

\*The standard score was calculated by having translation results graded (out of 100 points) by staff responsible for translation in the International Affairs Division, without them knowing which tools or translators were used. It was found that using postpartum care significantly improves parenting emotions.

 $\Rightarrow$  The analysis results were used in budget requests.

#### ■ Overview of the Postpartum Care Program **Objective:**

By promoting the reduction of parenting anxiety and the formation of parent-child attachment, the program aims to prevent postpartum depression and child abuse.

#### **Content:**

Mothers within one year postpartum can receive health management and lifestyle advice from midwives through overnight or outpatient visits.

#### ■ Analysis Overview

#### **Objective:**

Although citizen feedback from surveys is positive, the necessary budget has increased with growth in users. The aim of the analysis is to objectively demonstrate the program's effectiveness to secure the necessary budget.

#### **Method:** Multiple Regression Analysis

Dependent Variable: Improvement in parenting emotions Independent Variable: Use of postpartum care

Control Variables: Mother's age, emotions during pregnancy, EPDS score, presence of apathy, presence of spousal support for childcare, presence of newborn fussiness, whether twins or

single child

#### **Analysis Results**

Mothers who utilized postpartum care showed an improvement in parenting emotions that was 0.165 points higher than for those who did not use the program. (This was significant at the 10% level.)

	Improvement in Parenting Emotions		
Use of Postpartum Care	0.165	_	
Robust Standard Error	(0.0985)		
90% Confidence Interval	[0.00245, 0.327]		
N	923	**	p<0.0
*Limited to mothers who expe	<b>-</b> *	p<0.0 p<0.1	

\*Parenting Emotions: Parenting emotions of mothers were quantified at the 4-month and 9-month infant health checkups, assigning values as follows: "Very Enjoyable" = 4, "Enjoyable" = 3, "Neutral" = 2,

"Struggling" = 1, "Greatly Struggling" = 0.

\*\*Improvement in Parenting Emotions: Parenting Emotions at 9-Month Infant Checkup - Parenting Emotions at 4-Month Infant Checkup \*EPDS: The responses to a questionnaire were scored to calculate a result. With a maximum score of 30, a score of 9 or above indicates the possibility of postpartum depression (not a definitive diagnosis).

Mothers with high EPDS (depression index) scores, those with unfavorable parenting emotions, and older mothers had higher utilization rates.

Parenting Emotion Score of Research Parenting Emotion Parenting Parenting Emotion Parenting Parentin

Analysis Overview

Method: Decision Tree Analysis

- Dependent Variable: Use of postpartum care
- Independent Variables: Mother's age

Emotions during pregnancy

**EPDS** 

Presence of apathy

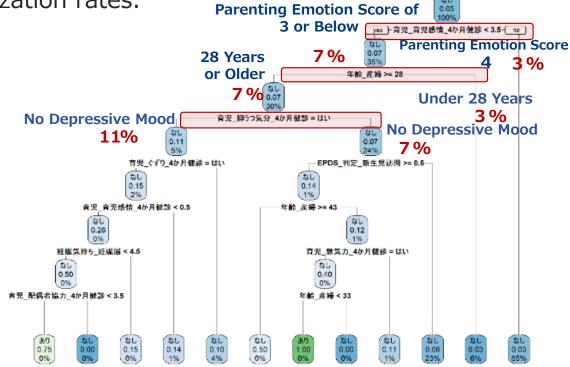
Presence of spousal support for childcare

Presence of newborn fussiness

Whether twins or single child

## Analysis Results

- The utilization rate of postpartum care among mothers with a parenting emotion score of 3 or below was more than twice that of mothers with a parenting emotion score of 4.
- 2 Among mothers with a parenting emotion score of 3 or below, the postpartum care utilization rate for mothers aged 28 or older was more than twice that of mothers under 28.
- 3 Among mothers with a parenting emotion score of 3 or below who were also aged 28 or older, the postpartum care utilization rate for those who experienced depressive mood was more than 1.5 times that of those who did not experience depressive mood.

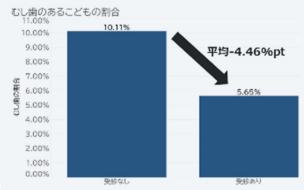


**Red: Percentage of Mothers Who Used Postpartum Care** 

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Since FY 2023, we have undertaken 35 analyses, completing 21 of them. Some projects have been revised based on the analysis results, achieving a certain measure of succes's.

■ Prenatal Dental Checkups and Children's Cavities (Multiple Regression Analysis)



·Pregnant women can receive free dental checkups. These checkups provide knowledge on preventing the transmission of cavity-causing 就接到外心運動時代以降級人可能化於時期,以內內公園就多人,運動時間長 bacteria and refer cavity treatment that reduces such bacteria in pregnant women, thereby lowering the risk of transmission to their children. ·Children of mothers who received checkups had a 2.54 percentage point lower probability of developing cavities. (Significant at the 10% level)

⇒Consideration of strategies to improve checkup attendance rates ■ Number of Parks Within Elementary School Districts and Exercise Time Outside of Class (Multiple Regression Analysis)



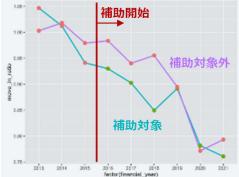
- For fifth-grade boys, students at schools with "many" parks in the district spent 99.5 more minutes exercising than those at schools with "almost none." (Significant at the 0.1% level)
- ·For fifth-grade girls, there was no statistically significant difference.
- ⇒Providing spaces for exercise is important for boys, but for girls, different strategies need to be considered.

■ Review of Point Allocation Rules and the Number of Refill Packs Collected (RCT)



- ·When a refill pack is collected via the app, users receive points equivalent to 10 points = 1 yen. An investigation was conducted to determine whether changing the point allocation rules would increase the number of containers collected.
- ·Changing the upper limit on the number of collections eligible for points (per month, per person) resulted in an increase of 1.23 packs (per month, per person). (Significant at the 5% level)
- **⇒Based on the analysis results and a** comprehensive evaluation, the program was discontinued.

■ A Subsidy System and the Number of New Resident Households (Difference-in-Differences Analysis)



- ·A subsidy is provided to households that meet certain criteria when they move into Kobe City, with the aim of increasing the number of new resident households.
- Even with the introduction of the subsidy system, there was no statistically significant difference between the number of new resident households eligible for the subsidy and the number of similar households that were ineligible.
- ⇒Review of the system

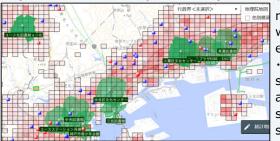
# **Preparation of Usable Data**

## **Analysis Combining Official Statistics with Open Data / GPS Data**

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O With official statistics such as the national census, we create dashboards to use for comparisons with other cities. Additionally, official statistics are utilized in data analyses like the ones listed below.

■ Selection of Areas for Establishing Community Study Rooms (Child and Family Bureau)



- When setting up community study rooms, it was necessary to consider which areas to select for the establishments.
- •The goal was to establish community study rooms in locations easily accessible to middle and high school students, considering existing study spaces like libraries and youth stations, as well as the locations of schools and the residential areas of middle and high school students.
- ·Utilized data on existing study spaces, school locations, and the distribution of the young population (from the national census) to select sites for the establishment of community study rooms. By visualizing areas with existing study spaces and regions with a high concentration of middle and high school students but lacking study spaces, a comprehensive investigation was conducted to establish study rooms in the most desirable locations possible.

 $\times$  Note: Utilized the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications Statistics Bureau's Geographic Information System, "j-STAT MAP"





- •The site of a former city bus depot was leased to a food supermarket operator. As the lease agreement approached expiration, it became necessary to consider new utilization methods for the site to improve both urban development and the financial balance of the bus operations.
- •Utilized KLA's human flow data analysis to understand area characteristics, as well as customer information for the existing supermarket and its relationship with competing stores.



- ·Using census data within KLA, we identified the population dynamics and number of business establishments within a 700-meter radius of the target area. It was revealed that the daytime population exceeds the nighttime population, and the area has a high concentration of manufacturing industries.
- ·An analysis of competitors and visitors' areas of residence indicated that the existing supermarket is a key facility for local residents, with high demand for a drugstore as well.
- •It was decided to redevelop the site into a complex that includes not just a supermarket, but also a drugstore and dining establishments.

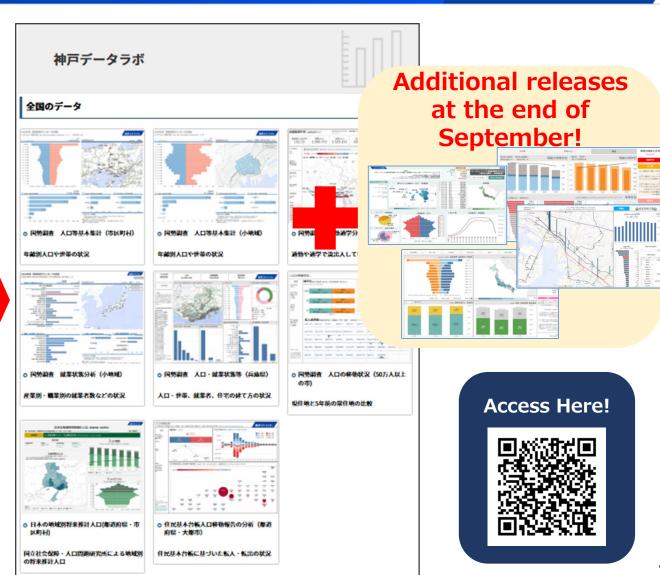
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## Kobe Data Lab: Nationwide Dashboard Publication

Dashboards allowing the exploration of nationwide data are now available!

## **Kobe City Website**



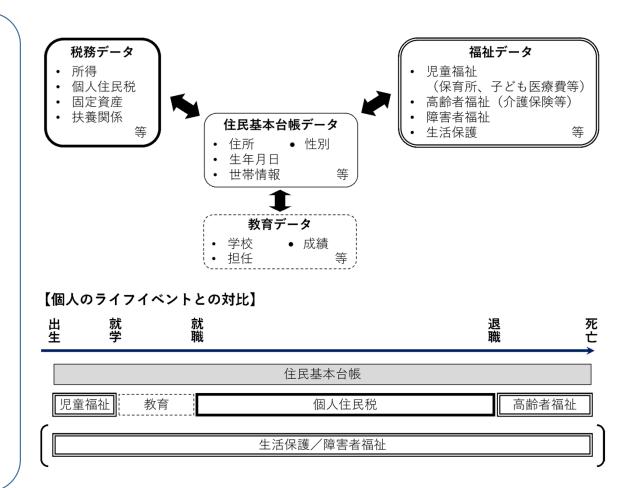


<b>1</b> st	Basic Complete Tabulation of Population Census (Municipalities / Small Areas)	Population by age group and data on household situations
Batch	Commuting Analysis of Population Census	Data on where people are commuting to and from for work and school
	Labour Force Analysis of Population Census (Small Areas)	Number of employed persons by industry and occupation
2 <sup>nd</sup> Batch	Data on Population and Employment Status in Hyogo Prefecture from Population Census	Population of Hyogo Prefecture, as well as data on its employed persons and housing situation
	Data on Mobility of Population (Cities with Population of 500,000 or More) from Population Census	Mobility of population through comparison of data on place of residence between now and 5 years ago
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Population Projection of Japan by Area (Prefectures and Municipalities)	Population projections up to 2050 by area
Batch	Report on Internal Migration in Japan (Prefectures and Major Cities)	Migration patterns by age group and destination
	Housing and Land Survey (Prefectures and Ordinance- Designated Cites)	Number of dwellings, percentage of vacant dwellings, and distribution of monthly rent for leased housings
4 <sup>th</sup>	Employment Status Survey (Prefectures and Ordinance- Designated Cities)	Employment rate, childcare leave utilization rate, and percentage of dual-income households
Batch	Number of Passengers Getting On and Off by Railway Station	Number of passengers getting on and off at each station shown on a map
	Data on Marital Status from Population Census and Labour Force Survey (Prefectures and Municipalities)	Percentage of unmarried persons, employment rate, and unemployment rate

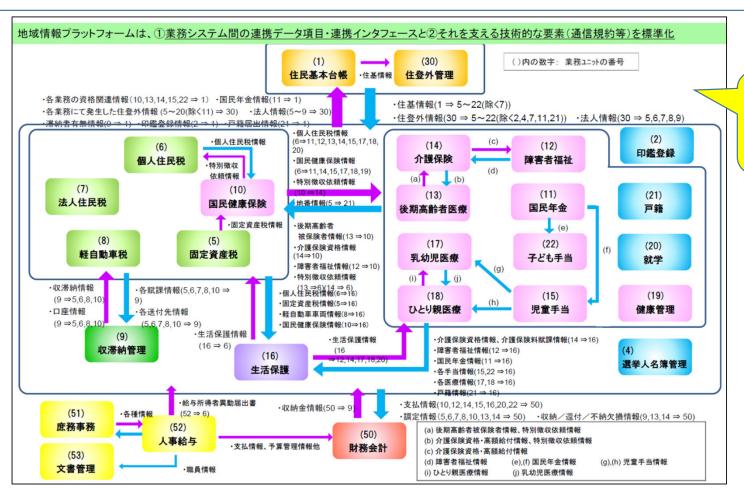
Please try it out yourself!

## The Potential of EBPM Utilizing Big Data Held by Local Governments 神戸スマートシティ

- Because local government services are closely tied to residents' lives and cover a wide range of areas, municipalities hold big data related to taxation, welfare, education, and more, centered around the resident registration system.
- In addition to core systems, there are a wide variety of other systems that hold a large amount of data.
- However, until now, this data has not been utilized beyond its use in operations.
- ⇒ Instead of viewing systems solely as systems from the perspective of an IT department, consider them as treasure troves of data that could be utilized for EBPM (Evidence-Based Policy Making) in policy departments.



○ 84 datasets sent from core systems to an intermediary server managed by the government, along with proprietary datasets such as resident registration and tax data, are stored in the internal data integration platform.
 ○ Among these, the Resident Registration Data Mart, Census Data Mart, and Statistics Data Mart are shared.



A portion of this data was extracted and stored in the internal data integration platform.

## **Ascertainment of Each Bureau's Administrative Data and Sharing of Data Items**

O Organized information from approximately 700 information system ledgers to ascertain and compile the data held by each bureau, presenting it in an easy-to-understand format for listing and sharing.

	ーーー 情報システム台帳の一例	
EM-NET	災害援護資金貸付償還事務システム	耐震診断・改修等補助台帳システム
近畿情報ネット	介護認定システム	住宅貸付システム
全国瞬時警報システム(J-ALERT)	後期高齢者医療(広域連合システム)	建築情報管理システム
兵庫県フェニックス防災システム	後期高齢者医療(神戸市システム)	建築・設備積算システム
防災行政無線(同報系)システム	介護認定審査会支援	AIS(船舶自動識別装置)
文書管理・電子決裁システム	介護保険認定管理	港湾EDIシステム(みなとシステム)
戸籍総合システム	総合事業管理システム	ハーバーハイウェイ保全情報管理システム
住民基本台帳ネットワークシステム	墓園管理システム	搬入車両重量計量システム(苅藻島クリーンセンター)
パイオネットシステム	生活衛生関係業務システム	下水道事業財務会計システム
例規データベース	医務薬務台帳管理システム	水防情報システム(FISKO)
経理契約システム	ものづくり工場使用料等収納管理専用システム	公園施設管理台帳システム
地方税電子申告システム	自動検針装置(BMS)	土木積算システム
固定資産税評価図管理システム	農業共済集中化運営システム	下水道使用料調定・収納システム
家屋評価計算システム	都市計画情報案内システムゆーまっぷ	下水道予算決算システム
下水道台帳管理システム	放置自転車等管理システム	給水設計台帳管理システム
下水道施設・設備情報システム	道路冠水モニタリングカメラシステム	道路管理システム
河川モニタリングシステム	制御専用システム	管路情報管理(マッピング)システム
道路冠水モニタリングカメラシステム	営業オンラインシステム	財務会計システム(交通局)
バスICシステム	お客様サポートシステム	例規システム(交通局)
運行情報システム	財務会計システム(水道局)	駅務ICシステム

## Construction of the Internal Data Integration Platform (Including a Vision for the Future)

Intended for future integration

identified at first glance

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○"Accumulate" data and process it into dashboards for "sharing" ⇒ Enables even staff unfamiliar with data handling to utilize it. **LGWAN Connection System Internet Connection System** LGWAN is a government-exclusive network with advanced information security and secure **Intra-Agency Data External** Visualization, analysis, communication Integration Platform storage, and information **Individual Number Utilization System** sharing using BI tools, etc. **Smart City Integration** Platform (City OS) Save **Each Core System** Extraction, processing, and transmission Analytical Analytical Results **Open Data** Tax Online Data Server Data Server System (Data Lake) \*Anonymization required (Data Library) Data Processing Resident Basic **Statistical Information** (ETL Functions) **Kobe Data Lounge** Registry **AWS** Common Extract data for Network System **Kobe Data Lab** • Dashboards, etc. analysis **Platform** Assign city-·Connect to AWS via \* Sensitive information LGWAN-ASP line service specific unique National Health Insurance Online is access-restricted. numbers Viewing System Executives Abstract personal access information **Organization-wide** Viewing 83 data sets dashboard sharing Transportation access Online System General Statistical surveys Access limited Visualization Staff Abstraction of Personal Information such as the and analysis to authorized Population Names removed and data abstracted XYZ Online using BI Survey Census and personnel only so that individuals cannot be easily tools and System Policy Research **Economic Census** 

GIS

Information

## Comparison of Official Statistics and Business Data

- Official statistics, such as the national census, continue to maintain their quality even amid the growing use of alternative data (business data). They are useful for policy formulation, including analyzing changes over time and comparing different cities.
- On the other hand, business data has distinct strengths not found in existing official statistics such as:
  - ✓ Administrative operational data (e.g., tax data) offers accuracy, comprehensiveness, and large sample sizes.
  - ✓ Real-time data (e.g., smartphone GPS data) provides immediacy and speed.
- However, since business data is ultimately a byproduct of business,
  - ✓ It may lack items that are not necessary for business but are important for analysis (e.g., educational background).
  - ✓ It is necessary to understand its "quirks" and perform data cleaning and processing to use it effectively for analysis.
- Therefore, it is important to understand the strengths and weaknesses of both types of data and to combine them effectively.
  - $\Rightarrow$  Kobe City also utilizes both types of data.



**Development of Personnel Skilled in Data Utilization** 

# Except for advanced analyses, the approach is to undertake analysis internally, with staff conducting the analysis themselves.

If one has not personally engaged in hands-on analysis, it is difficult to interpret the results, including understanding their limitations.

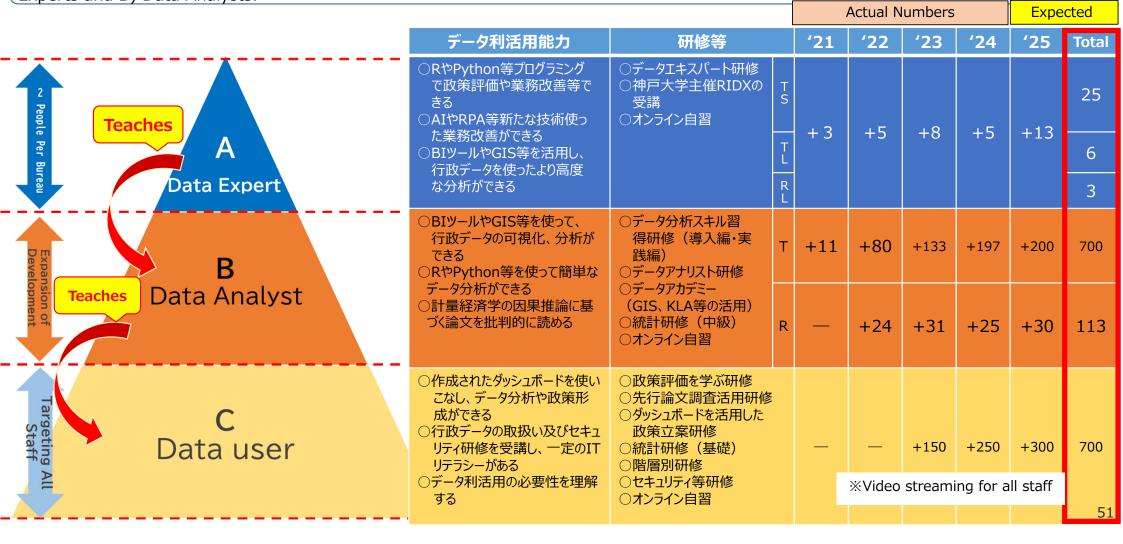
The following decisions require domain knowledge, and it is most efficient for staff with that knowledge to conduct the analysis themselves.

- ✓ The assumptions for whether statistical causal inference holds (e.g., in RDD, whether there are no changes other than the treatment before and after the intervention).
- ✓ Interpretation of analysis results (e.g., why did the number of passengers at a particular station suddenly increase this year?)
- ✓ The presence or absence of policy implications in analysis results (e.g., even if it's
  determined that a large playground has an effect (or no effect) on improving
  children's physical fitness, the results cannot be utilized if there is no room to change
  the playground area due to legal or budgetary constraints)

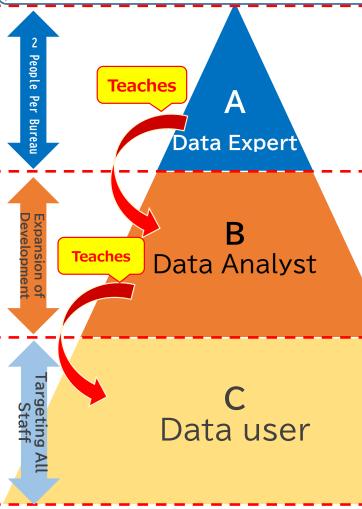
## Kobe City's Strategy for Developing Personnel Skilled in Data Utilization (FY 2021-2025)

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OStrategically implemented personnel development. Starting from scratch, around 800 individuals have been trained as A) Data Experts and B) Data Analysts.



OThere has been active participation in training, particularly among young staff, advancing the development of personnel skilled in data utilization across various bureaus and departments.



## OData Expert: 22 staff passed

%The number of staff per bureau/department was counted based on current workplace.

OR User: 93 staff

Staff who participated in R training

	危機管理局	-人	福祉局	8人	建設局	7人	水道局	2人
	企画調整局	9人	健康局	4人	都市局	3人	交通局	3人
_	地域協働局	5人	こども家庭局	4人	建築住宅局	3人	教育委員会事務局	4人
	行財政局	14人	環境局	2人	港湾局	1人	区役所	10人
	文化スポーツ局	2人	経済観光局	5人	消防局	5人	その他	-人

OData Analyst: approx. 530 staff

Staff granted dashboard creation authority via training, etc.

危機管理局	8人	福祉局	50人	建設局	15人	水道局	34人
企画調整局	100人	健康局	27人	都市局	28人	交通局	5人
地域協働局	16人	こども家庭局	13人	建築住宅局	11人	教育委員会事務局	8人
行財政局	75人	環境局	9人	港湾局	8人	区役所	74人
文化スポーツ局	6人	経済観光局	25人	消防局	9人	その他	7人

**Data User Training Participants:** approx. **650** staff

## **Data Analysis Skill Acquisition Training**

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OThe Data Analysis Skill Acquisition Training includes an "Introduction" and a "Practical Application" module, and so far, about 80 staff members within the organization have participated.

OIn FY 2024, the "Introduction" module had 15 participants from within the organization, and the training was also opened to external personnel, with 15 participants from Hatsukaichi City and the MIC.

Narrow Evidence **Broad Evidence** vidence Related to Policy Effects **Evidence Regarding** the Current Situation (Foundation)

In FY 2023 and FY 2024, opinion exchanges were conducted with a University of Tokyo research team.

The objective is to acquire methods for determining causal effects of policy based on data. The focus is on acquiring practical data analysis skills, so conceptual explanations are minimized as much as possible.

List of Participants Curriculum

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		4日目前半 (1時間) 論文の読み方につい て学ぶ		

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		Numb	rticipants				
	Year	Kobe City	Hatsuk chi Cit	In FY 2025, due to			
	2022	23		a large number of applicants,			
	2023	18		registration was			
	2024	15		closed before the			
_	2025	33		deadline.			

Practical **Application** 

Introduction

After lectures aimed at improving analytical skills using R, participants conduct analyses using real data. In the analyses, participants are divided into teams to analyze data and forecast next year's birth rate and annual tax amount.

#### Curriculum

	内容						
第1回	線形回帰、ロジスティック回帰による予測 -連続変数の予測と評価 -カテゴリー変数の予測と評価						
第2回	決定木による予測 -連続変数の予測と評価 -カテゴリー変数の予測と評価						
第3回	ランダムフォレスト、チューニングによる予測精度向上						
第4回	課題に対する取り組み状況の報告 情報交換・講師からのアドバイス						
第5回	課題に対する取り組みについて、分析結果と政策提案内容の発表						

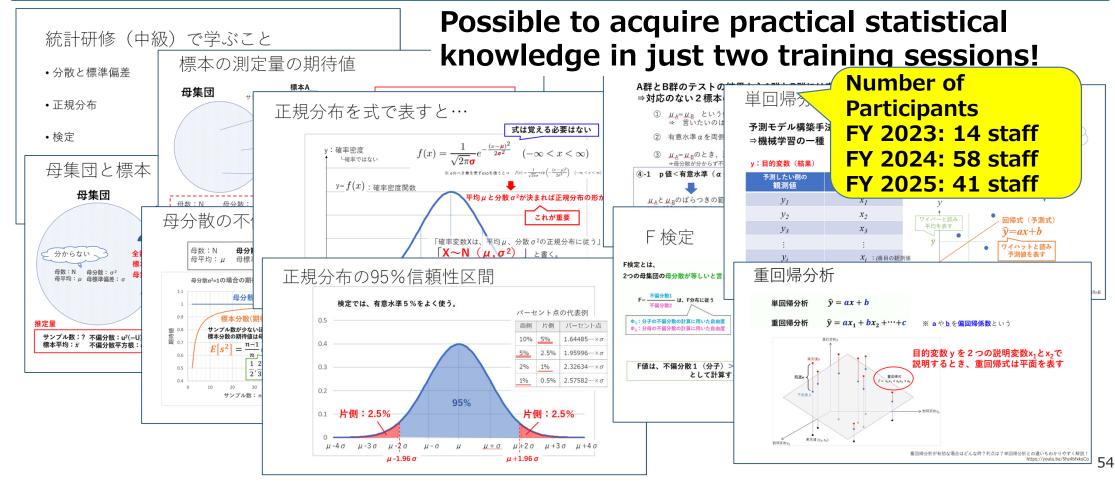
Year	Particip ants				
2023	18				
2024	10				
2025	19				
Of the participants in the					

Of the participants in the Practical Application module, 7 have participated in an opinion exchange meeting with the University of Tokyo and presented their own analyses.

List of Participants In FY 2024, the training was conducted with external instructors.



O Previously, only basic statistical training (beginner level) had been offered, but in FY 2023, new intermediate-level statistical training was introduced to help participants acquire statistical knowledge.



## FY2024 Development of Personnel Skilled in Data Utilization: Implementation of Training

Oconducted numerous training sessions to accelerate the development of personnel skilled in data utilization. A cumulative total of approximately 1,200 staff members participated across 20 different types of training sessions.

		内容	時期	対象者·受講者	人数	備考
	Α	Tableauセイバー	前期·後期	政策課など	6人	前期:5人、後期:1人
		政策会議(前期)対応	5月~	各局政策担当	46人	全3回(2h×3回)
		政策会議(後期)対応	11月	各局政策担当	46人	全2回(3h×2回)
		DX推進リーダー育成研修	10月~	庁内公募	60人	全1回(3 h×1回)※育成研修の1コマ
	В	地域の課題調査	9月	C受講者のうち希望者	27人	合同で実施
Tableau		各区	9月	(余裕があれば庁内で追加募集)	2/人	ロ内に天旭
lableau		庁内インターンの受入	10月	庁内希望者	2人	2日間ハンズオン研修(OJT)ほか
		各局室区別ハンズオン研修	1月~	各局から依頼	約140人	現在7局(福祉・健康・都市・水道・経済観光・教育・行財政)から依頼
	С	地域の課題調査	8月	庁内公募	約20人	
		各区	7月~	各区希望者	約210人	各区・支所で実施 (計15回)
		課長等研修	1月	庁内公募 ※オンライン参加含む	79人	CDO補佐官が講師、全2回(3h×2回)
		階層別研修(新採、昇任時等)	4月~	該当者全員	約400人	新採(4月、10月の2回)等
R	В	データ分析(実践編)	7月~	庁内公募	10人	全5回
	В	データ分析(導入編)	11月~	庁内公募	15人	外部講師を公募、全5回、他自治体等受入
GIS	В	庁内GIS研修(分析編)	8月	庁内公募	40人	
KDDI	В	KLA勉強会(初心者向け)	6月	庁内公募	32人	
統計	В	統計研修 (中級)	2月	庁内公募	58人	
論文調査	С	先行論文を活用したEBPM研修	9月~	庁内公募	オンライン	事業者で実施(委託、9テーマ)
KTL	-	自主的勉強会	随時	庁内公募	10~20人	Tableau、Rなどのテーマで実施
オンライン	-	Udemy(Tableau、R等の自習)	随時	庁内公募	オンライン	10~20人にライセンス貸出、人数制限あり

## FY 2024 KTL (Voluntary Study Group) and Online Learning

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- Oreated a chat room for information exchange within the organization regarding the use of Tableau and R.
- ODuring and after training, many members participate to exchange opinions, share information, and resolve technical questions.

## FY 2024 KTL (Voluntary Study Group)

● Tableau Mokumoku-kai (Held After

Hands-On Training) \*Hosted by the Health Bureau

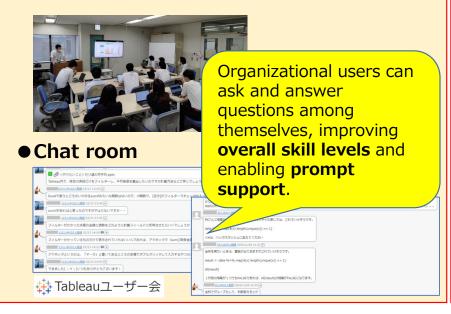
1st Session: Tuesday, July 9, 2024

2nd Session: Thursday, January 30, 2025

R Data Analysis Case-Sharing Meeting

1st Session: Wednesday, November 6, 2024

2nd Session: Monday, March 10, 2025



## **Tableau Beginner and Intermediate Courses**



今すぐ始めよう! ("tableau"に関する6個のレクチャー

ズオン形式で一緒にTableauのスキルを習得してみましょう

現役データアナリストがハンズオンで徹底解説「データ活用初学者のための

現役データアナリストが運営する「BIVール研究所」のメンバーが現場で使えるノウハウを解

説します。初学者でも人気のデータ分析ツールTableauを使い始められるようになります。ハン

● デモ・集計 Tableau

● デモ・結合 Tableau

テモ・ビボット Tableau

♪ デモ・折れ線グラフ Tableau

合計2.5時間・レクチャーの数: 47・すべてのレベル

デモ・極グラフ Tableau

● デモ - 箱ひげ図 Tableau

Tableau 講座~入門編~ I



試験対策をしなから基礎スキルを身につける!ゼロからのTableau Desktop Specialist試験対策調座 別品の基礎知識(温熱と不温k、ディメンションと指標等)から、開散(敬値・文字列・日 付・型窓換・課理・集計)、フィルタ、パラメータ、セット、ダッシュボードアグションまで

事前知識なしの方からTableau利用歴3か月以内の方が知っておきたい知識内容を中心とした約2

時間で効率よく学べる講座です。Tableau資格の登竜門「Tableau Desktop Specialist」の出題頻

を網羅的に学習 木田和廣

度が高い内容にフォーカス。

3.9 \*\*\*\* (1.093)

4.4 ★★★★ (293) 合計23時間 . レクチャーの数: 210 . すべてのレベル

Tableauを使いこなしたい分析者のための『ゼロからの Tableau Prep 入門』 分析者がより「筋のよい」データ分析フロー構築のための支援ツール Tableau Prep の入門コ スです。

4.2 ★★★★☆ (1,564)
合計5時間・レクチャーの数:51・すべてのレベル

合計4.5時間・レクチャーの数: 30・中級



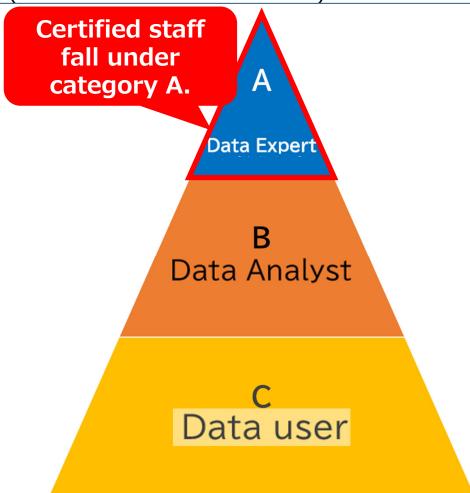
【初級~中級者向け】Tableauスタートダッシュ(基本操作マスター) Tabelauの概要理解(データ接続からレポート作成、ダッシュポード作成までの基本を網羅 Ryusuke Shimizu

4.2 ★★★★☆ (131)
合計6時間,レクチャーの数:67,すべてのレベル

For those interested, we provide a temporary Udemy (online) account to facilitate further skill development.

O Established new certification systems for staff who have acquired the skills necessary for data analysis

(Tableau Leader and R Leader).



## Tableau Leader

#### [Overview]

This is **an internal certification** for staff who have acquired practical skills in using Tableau.

Three staff members currently seeking certification

#### **(Certification Process)**

Complete all of the following tasks within **four months** from the start.

- ·Skill Development: Acquire essential skills for creating dashboards
- •Practical Experience: Create dashboards using your department's data
- Presentation: Present the dashboard content to the department head and relevant personnel in your department.

#### R Leader

#### [Overview]

This is **an internal certification** for staff who have acquired practical skills in using R.

Approximately
10 staff
members
planning to seek
certification

#### **(Certification Process)**

Complete all of the following tasks within five months from the start.

- •Multiple-Choice Exam: Acquire basic statistical knowledge and coding skills.
- •Practical Experience: Conduct analysis using your department's data and prepare a report.
- •Presentation: Present the analysis content to the department head and relevant personnel in your department.

## ご清聴ありがとうございました



行政DXの"今"を体感できる多彩なプログラムを企画中!

2026

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参加無料

13:30-17:00



神戸ポートオアシス 5階会議室 神戸市中央区新港町5番2号

#### 対象

会場

全国の自治体職員・国家公務員の方々 関連分野に関心のある民間企業の皆様

#### 開催概要

生成AI・データ利活用・データ連携基盤をテーマに、 クロストーク・体験型ハンズオン・神戸市職員との相談会など実施予定

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