

A study on the change of residence and the dwelling life of the family in the later phases of lifecycle

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The purpose of this report is to clarify the change of residence and the dwelling life of the family in the later phases of lifecycle. We analyzed the survey data of the aged family, over 50 years old, who lives at the detached house in Yokohama City.

Chapter 1 shows the purpose of this research.

Chapter 2 explains the outline of the research and shows the properties of the family, an object of study, and their house.

Chapter 3 focuses on the retirement of husband and wife, the departure of their children from their home and their parents' aging, and shows the characteristics of the family members and the household composition in this life stage.

Chapter 4 clarifies what kind of living activities are observed in the family living space, which is consisting of a dining room, a living room and a Japanese style room, and the private room. It is also studied the difference in the activities among the family members. Furthermore, it is searched where the family members choose for doing the activities, and whether the extent of living-dining space influences for their activities. This chapter finally mentions what kind of people participates in the activities in the family living space.

Chapter 5 examines the restructuring of dwelling life in this phase and the transference of their house to their children through the analysis of the process of changing their residence from the past to the immediate future.

Chapter 6 explains the kinds of house, including nursing house, which people hope to live in the future. And shows the present condition whether the children are independent of their parents and the hope whether people hope to live with their children, then evaluates the influence those two factors have on the hope future living.

Finally, chapter 7 summarizes the main findings that been made in this report.