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Private Education Expenditures Survey of Elementary, Middle and High School Students in 2025

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Ⅰ. Private Education Expenditures of Elementary, Middle and High School Students

1. Total private education expenditures

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○ The total private education expenditures of elementary, middle and high school students recorded 27.5 trillion won in 2025, dropping by 1.7 trillion won (-5.7%) from 29.2 trillion won in 2024.

- The private education expenditures of elementary school students recorded 12.2 trillion won in 2025, dropping by 7.9% from 2024. The private education expenditures of middle school students recorded 7.6 trillion won in 2025, dropping by 3.2% from 2024. The private education expenditures of high school students recorded 7.8 trillion won in 2025, dropping by 4.3% from 2024.

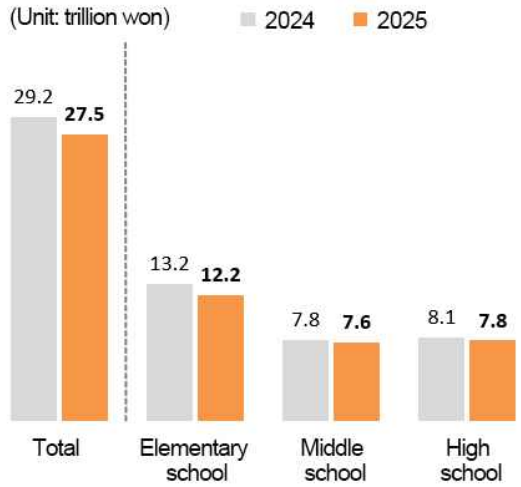
○ In 2025, the total number of elementary, middle and high school students was 5.02 million persons, which fell by 120 thousand persons (-2.3%) from 2024.

<Table 1> Total private education expenditures

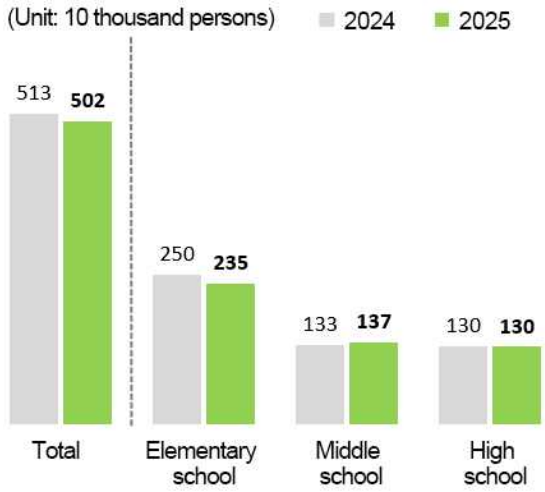
(Unit: 100 million won, %)

Classification	Total students	Participation students		
		Elementary school	Middle school	High school
2024	291,919	132,256	78,338	81,324
2025	275,351	121,744	75,794	77,813
Percent change	-5.7	-7.9	-3.2	-4.3

<Figure 1> Total private education expenditures by school level



<Figure 2> Total number of students by school level



* Source: Ministry of Education (2025 Basic Education Statistics)

2. Private education participation rate and weekly participation hours

The private education participation rate of elementary, middle and high school students stood at 75.7% in 2025, down 4.3%p from 2024. The weekly participation hours recorded 7.1 hours per student in 2025, which fell by 0.4 hour from 2024.

○ The participation rate of elementary school students recorded the highest figure at 84.4%, which was followed by middle school students (73.0%) and high school students (63.0%).

- Compared to 2024, the participation rate of elementary, middle and high school students went down by 3.3%p, 5.0%p and 4.3%p, respectively.

○ The weekly participation hours of elementary school students recorded the highest figure of 7.4 hours, which was followed by middle school students (7.2 hours) and high school students (6.6 hours).

- Compared to 2024, the weekly participation hours of elementary, middle, and high school students went down by 0.4 hour, 0.5 hour, and 0.4 hour, respectively.

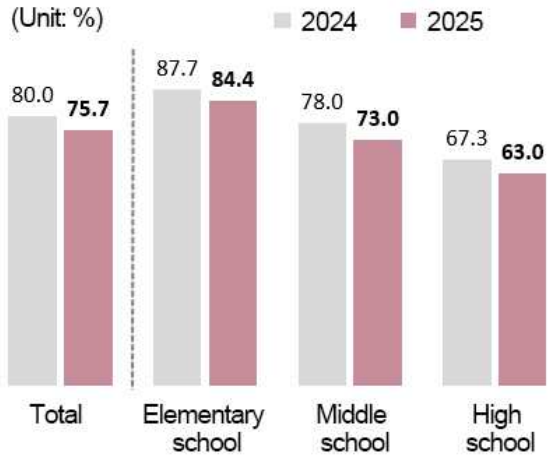
<Table 2> Private education participation rate and weekly participation hours by school level

(Unit: %, %p, hour)

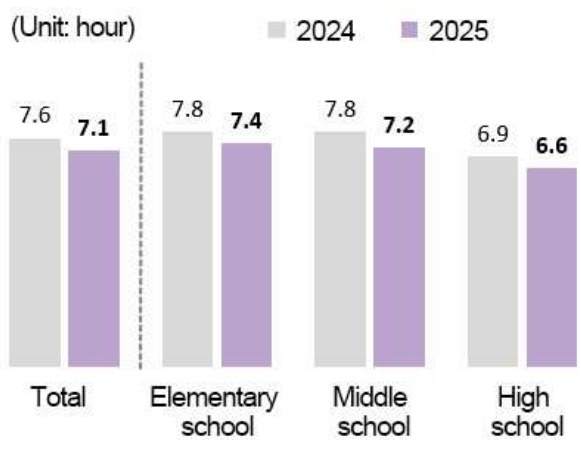
Classification	Private education participation rate				Weekly participation hours			
		Elementary school	Middle school	High school		Elementary school	Middle school	High school
2024	80.0	87.7	78.0	67.3	7.6	7.8	7.8	6.9
2025	75.7	84.4	73.0	63.0	7.1	7.4	7.2	6.6
Change	-4.3	-3.3	-5.0	-4.3	-0.4	-0.4	-0.5	-0.4

※ Data on weekly participation hours covers the total students.

<Figure 3> Private education participation rate by school level



<Figure 4> Private education participation hours per week by school level



○ As for the private education participation rate by grade, 3rd grade elementary school students recorded the highest figure of 86.5%. 1st grade middle school students recorded the highest figure of 75.0%. 1st grade high school students recorded the highest figure of 66.3%.

<Table 3> Private education participation rate by grade

(Unit: %, %p)

Classification	Elementary school							Middle school				High school			
		1st grade	2nd grade	3rd grade	4th grade	5th grade	6th grade		1st grade	2nd grade	3rd grade		1st grade	2nd grade	3rd grade
2024	87.7	87.9	90.4	90.2	88.5	87.8	82.4	78.0	80.0	77.9	76.1	67.3	70.2	69.0	62.2
2025	84.4	83.9	86.5	86.5	84.8	84.4	80.8	73.0	75.0	73.1	70.7	63.0	66.3	64.3	58.4
Change	-3.3	-3.9	-4.0	-3.7	-3.6	-3.4	-1.6	-5.0	-4.9	-4.8	-5.4	-4.3	-3.9	-4.7	-3.8

3. Average monthly private education expenditures per student

The average monthly private education expenditures per student recorded 458 thousand won in 2025, falling by 3.5% from 2024. The average monthly private education expenditures per participation student recorded 604 thousand won in 2025, rising by 2.0% from 2024.

○ The average monthly private education expenditures recorded 433 thousand won per elementary school student, 461 thousand won per middle school student, and 499 thousand won per high school student.

- Compared to 2024, the average monthly expenditures of elementary, middle and high school students fell by 2.1%, 5.9% and 4.0%, respectively.

○ The average monthly private education expenditures recorded 512 thousand won per elementary school participation student, 632 thousand won per middle school participation student and 793 thousand won per high school participation student.

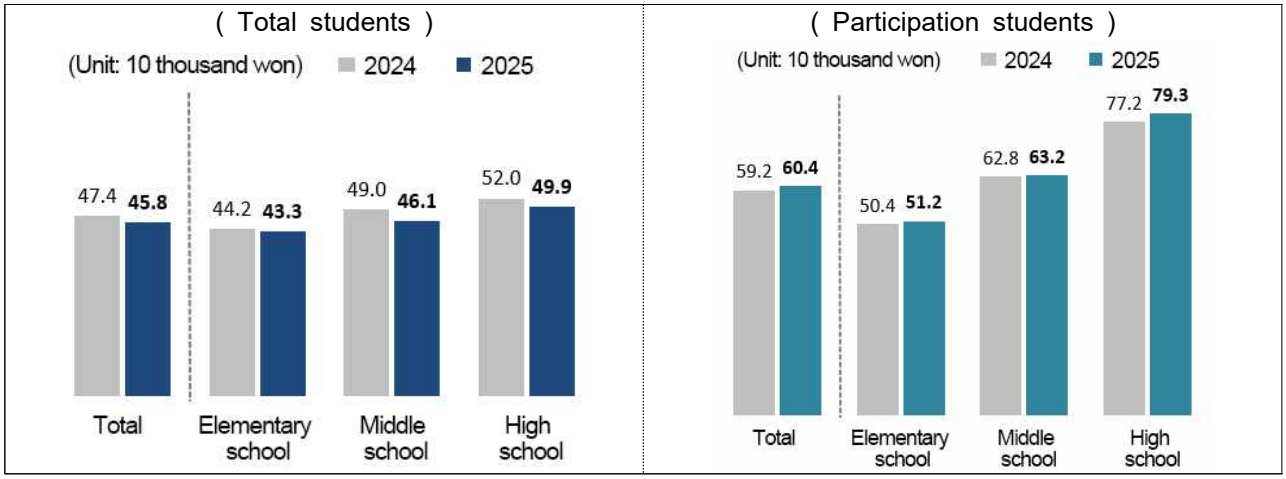
- Compared to 2024, the average monthly expenditures of elementary, middle and high school participation students rose by 1.7%, 0.6% and 2.6%, respectively.

<Table 4> Average monthly private education expenditures per student by school level

(Unit: 10 thousand won, %)

Classification	Total students				Participation students			
		Elementary school	Middle school	High school		Elementary school	Middle school	High school
2024	47.4	44.2	49.0	52.0	59.2	50.4	62.8	77.2
2025	45.8	43.3	46.1	49.9	60.4	51.2	63.2	79.3
Percent change	-3.5	-2.1	-5.9	-4.0	2.0	1.7	0.6	2.6

<Figure 5> Average monthly private education expenditures per student by school level



As for the average monthly private education expenditures by grade, 1st grade high school students marked the highest figure of 534 thousand won per student. 1st grade high school students marked the highest figure of 806 thousand won per participation student.

○ As for the average monthly private education expenditures per student by grade, 5th grade elementary school students recorded the highest figure of 472 thousand won. 2nd grade middle school students recorded the highest figure of 466 thousand won. 1st grade high school students recorded the highest figure of 534 thousand won.

- Compared to 2024, all grade elementary (excluding 6th grade), middle and high school students showed a decrease in the average monthly private education expenditures.

○ As for the average monthly private education expenditures per participation student by grade, 6th grade elementary school students recorded the highest figure of 583 thousand won. 3rd grade middle school students recorded the highest figure of 645 thousand won. 1st grade high school students recorded the highest figure of 806 thousand won.

- Compared to 2024, all grade elementary (excluding 1st~3rd grade), middle (excluding 3rd grade) and high school participation students showed an increase in the average monthly private education expenditures.

<Table 5> (Total students) Average monthly private education expenditures per student by grade

(Unit: 10 thousand won, %)

Classification	Elementary school							Middle school				High school			
		1st grade	2nd grade	3rd grade	4th grade	5th grade	6th grade		1st grade	2nd grade	3rd grade		1st grade	2nd grade	3rd grade
2024	44.2	37.7	43.1	46.6	46.2	47.7	42.8	49.0	48.0	49.5	49.4	52.0	56.1	53.1	46.2
2025	43.3	35.2	38.8	42.7	45.8	47.2	47.1	46.1	46.0	46.6	45.6	49.9	53.4	51.2	45.2
Percent change	-2.1	-6.6	-9.9	-8.3	-0.9	-1.0	10.1	-5.9	-4.2	-5.8	-7.7	-4.0	-4.7	-3.4	-2.3

<Table 6> (Participation students) Average monthly private education expenditures per student by grade

(Unit: 10 thousand won, %)

Classification		Elementary school						Middle school				High school			
		1st grade	2nd grade	3rd grade	4th grade	5th grade	6th grade		1st grade	2nd grade	3rd grade		1st grade	2nd grade	3rd grade
2024	50.4	42.9	47.7	51.6	52.2	54.3	52.0	62.8	60.1	63.6	65.0	77.2	79.9	76.9	74.4
2025	51.2	41.9	44.9	49.3	54.0	55.9	58.3	63.2	61.3	63.8	64.5	79.3	80.6	79.7	77.4
Percent change	1.7	-2.3	-5.8	-4.4	3.3	2.9	12.2	0.6	2.1	0.4	-0.7	2.6	0.9	3.5	4.1

4. Average monthly private education expenditures per student by subject

The average monthly private education expenditures on general subjects amounted to 336 thousand won per student in 2025, going down by 6.0% from 2024. The average monthly private education expenditures on general subjects amounted to 595 thousand won per participation student in 2025, rising by 7.9% from 2024.

○ As for the average monthly private education expenditures on general subjects, English recorded the highest figure of 131 thousand won per student, which was followed by mathematics (128 thousand won), Korean (39 thousand won) and 'Social studies and science' (19 thousand won).

- Compared to 2024, the average monthly private education expenditures on 'Social studies and science' (-8.9%), Korean (-7.2%), English (-7.0%), and mathematics (-4.7%) all recorded a decrease.
- As for the average monthly private education expenditures on general subjects by grade, 6th grade elementary school students spent the highest expenditures on English (153 thousand won). 3rd grade middle school students spent the highest expenditures on mathematics (174 thousand won). 1st grade high school students spent the highest expenditures on mathematics (197 thousand won).

○ As for the average monthly private education expenditures on general subjects, English recorded the highest figure of 281 thousand won per participation student, which was followed by mathematics (270 thousand won), Korean (185 thousand won) and 'Social studies and science' (166 thousand won).

- Compared to 2024, the average monthly private education expenditures on 'Social studies and science' (13.8%), Korean (13.1%), mathematics (8.7%) and English (6.2%) all recorded an increase.
- As for the average monthly private education expenditures on general subjects by grade, 6th grade elementary school participation students spent the highest expenditures on English (267 thousand won). 3rd grade middle school participation students spent the highest expenditures on mathematics (312 thousand won). 2nd grade high school participation students spent the highest expenditures on mathematics (399 thousand won).

<Table 7> (Total students) Average monthly private education expenditures per student by subject and grade

(Unit: 10 thousand won, %)

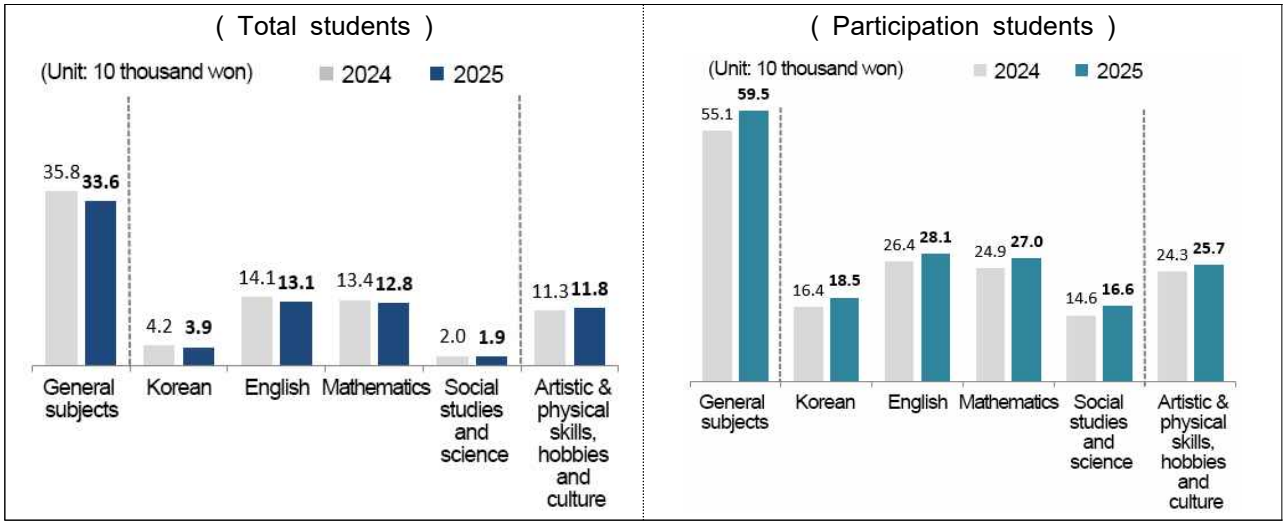
Classification	Total	General subjects					Artistic & physical skills, hobbies and culture
			Korean	English	Mathematics	Social studies and science	
2024	47.4	35.8	4.2	14.1	13.4	2.0	11.3
2025	45.8	33.6	3.9	13.1	12.8	1.9	11.8
Percent change	-3.5	-6.0	-7.2	-7.0	-4.7	-8.9	4.1
Elementary school	43.3	25.8	2.2	11.8	8.4	0.8	17.3
1st grade	35.2	16.1	2.6	7.3	4.2	0.2	19.0
2nd grade	38.8	17.3	2.5	7.7	4.8	0.2	21.4
3rd grade	42.7	22.9	2.2	10.9	6.6	0.7	19.7
4th grade	45.8	28.0	2.0	13.1	8.8	1.0	17.7
5th grade	47.2	32.1	2.1	14.5	11.3	1.1	15.0
6th grade	47.1	34.5	2.2	15.3	12.9	1.3	12.5
Middle school	46.1	39.7	3.3	15.8	17.0	2.1	6.2
1st grade	46.0	38.7	2.8	15.8	16.2	1.5	7.2
2nd grade	46.6	40.6	3.4	16.2	17.2	2.3	5.9
3rd grade	45.6	39.9	3.8	15.4	17.4	2.5	5.5
High school	49.9	41.3	7.4	12.7	16.5	3.6	7.6
1st grade	53.4	48.3	7.9	16.0	19.7	4.2	4.4
2nd grade	51.2	42.3	7.3	13.1	17.1	4.1	8.0
3rd grade	45.2	33.5	7.0	9.2	12.8	2.4	10.2

<Table 8> (Participation students) Average monthly private education expenditures per student by subject and grade

(Unit: 10 thousand won, %)

Classification	Total	General subjects					Artistic & physical skills, hobbies and culture
			Korean	English	Mathematics	Social studies and science	
2024	59.2	55.1	16.4	26.4	24.9	14.6	24.3
2025	60.4	59.5	18.5	28.1	27.0	16.6	25.7
Percent change	2.0	7.9	13.1	6.2	8.7	13.8	5.7
Elementary school	51.2	45.4	11.0	25.1	18.7	8.9	24.5
1st grade	41.9	36.1	10.1	26.1	12.8	9.4	24.6
2nd grade	44.9	36.0	10.2	23.3	13.4	7.8	26.8
3rd grade	49.3	41.1	10.1	23.2	16.0	7.4	25.5
4th grade	54.0	46.3	10.8	25.3	19.1	8.0	24.9
5th grade	55.9	50.3	12.0	25.5	21.4	8.7	22.5
6th grade	58.3	53.8	13.2	26.7	23.2	11.1	22.1
Middle school	63.2	64.6	18.9	29.1	29.8	15.9	20.4
1st grade	61.3	61.9	17.1	28.3	28.3	13.4	19.0
2nd grade	63.8	65.8	18.8	29.6	30.1	15.9	20.5
3rd grade	64.5	66.2	20.5	29.4	31.2	18.1	22.8
High school	79.3	81.7	29.1	33.0	39.0	26.8	44.1
1st grade	80.6	84.6	28.0	33.3	37.8	26.2	27.9
2nd grade	79.7	82.6	28.9	33.3	39.9	31.2	42.4
3rd grade	77.4	76.9	30.8	32.1	39.8	22.3	60.6

<Figure 6> Average monthly private education expenditures per student by subject



5. Average monthly private education expenditures per student by type

As for the private education expenditures on general subjects and 'Artistic and physical skills' of the total students, 'Taking lessons at private academic institutes' recorded the highest figure. As for the private education expenditures on general subjects of participation students, 'Taking lessons at private academic institutes' recorded the highest figure. As for the private education expenditures on 'Artistic & physical skills' of participation students, 'One-on-one tutoring' recorded the highest figure.

○ As for the average monthly expenditures on general subjects, 'Taking lessons at private academic institutes' recorded the highest figure of 267 thousand won per student, which was followed by 'One-on-one tutoring' (31 thousand won), 'Group tutoring' (18 thousand won) and 'Internet & correspondence lectures, etc.' (11 thousand won).

- Compared to 2024, the average monthly private education expenditures on 'Internet & correspondence lectures, etc.' (-27.3%), 'Textbooks with tutor's visit' (-21.5%) and 'One-on-one tutoring' (-14.7%), 'Group tutoring' (-9.3%) and 'Taking lessons at private academic institutes' (-2.8%) all recorded a decrease.

○ As for the average monthly expenditures on general subjects, 'Taking lessons at private academic institutes' recorded the highest figure of 560 thousand won per participation student, which was followed by 'One-on-one tutoring' (452 thousand won), 'Group tutoring' (328 thousand won) and 'Internet & correspondence lectures, etc.' (135 thousand won).

- Compared to 2024, the average monthly private education expenditures on 'Taking lessons at private academic institutes' (6.6%), 'Group tutoring' (4.7%), 'One-on-one tutoring' (2.9%) and 'Textbooks with tutor's visit' (1.7%) recorded an increase. Whereas, the average monthly private education expenditures on 'Internet & correspondence lectures, etc.' (-3.9%) recorded a decrease.

<Table 9> (Total students) Average monthly private education expenditures per student by type

(Unit: 10 thousand won, %)

	Total	General subjects						Total				
			One-on-one tutoring	Group tutoring	Taking lessons at private academic institutes	Textbooks with tutor's visit	Internet & correspondence lectures, etc.		One-on-one tutoring	Group tutoring	Taking lessons at private academic institutes	Tutor's visit, etc.
2024	47.4	35.8	3.7	2.0	27.5	1.1	1.6	47.4	11.3	1.2	0.6	9.1
2025	45.8	33.6	3.1	1.8	26.7	0.8	1.1	45.8	11.8	1.3	0.5	9.5
Percent change	-3.5	-6.0	-14.7	-9.3	-2.8	-21.5	-27.3	-3.5	4.1	5.6	-7.0	3.8
Elementary school	43.3	25.8	1.4	1.6	20.1	1.6	1.2	43.3	17.3	1.2	0.7	14.7
Middle school	46.1	39.7	3.3	2.2	32.8	0.4	1.0	46.1	6.2	1.0	0.4	4.4
High school	49.9	41.3	6.1	2.0	32.1	0.0	1.1	49.9	7.6	1.6	0.3	5.4

<Table 10> (Participation students) Average monthly private education expenditures per student by type

(Unit: 10 thousand won, %)

	Total	General subjects						Artistic & physical skills, hobbies and culture				
			One-on-one tutoring	Group tutoring	Taking lessons at private academic institutes	Textbooks with tutor's visit	Internet & correspondence lectures, etc.		One-on-one tutoring	Group tutoring	Taking lessons at private academic institutes	Tutor's visit, etc.
2024	59.2	55.1	43.9	31.3	52.6	11.8	14.0	24.3	29.9	18.9	23.0	8.9
2025	60.4	59.5	45.2	32.8	56.0	12.0	13.5	25.7	33.5	21.0	24.3	9.3
Percent change	2.0	7.9	2.9	4.7	6.6	1.7	-3.9	5.7	12.1	11.1	5.9	4.1
Elementary school	51.2	45.4	30.2	25.5	43.7	12.1	12.8	24.5	27.7	19.3	23.3	8.8
Middle school	63.2	64.6	42.7	35.7	59.8	11.5	14.8	20.4	28.8	21.0	19.3	9.6
High school	79.3	81.7	59.1	48.0	74.8	9.8	13.6	44.1	54.1	31.0	43.7	12.5

6. Private education expenditures and participation rate by household income

The higher household income level, the higher education expenditures and the participation rate.

○ The average monthly private education expenditures of households earning 8 million won and over marked 662 thousand won, which fell by 2.1% from 2024. The average monthly private education expenditures of households earning less than 3 million won marked 192 thousand won, which fell by 6.6% from 2024.

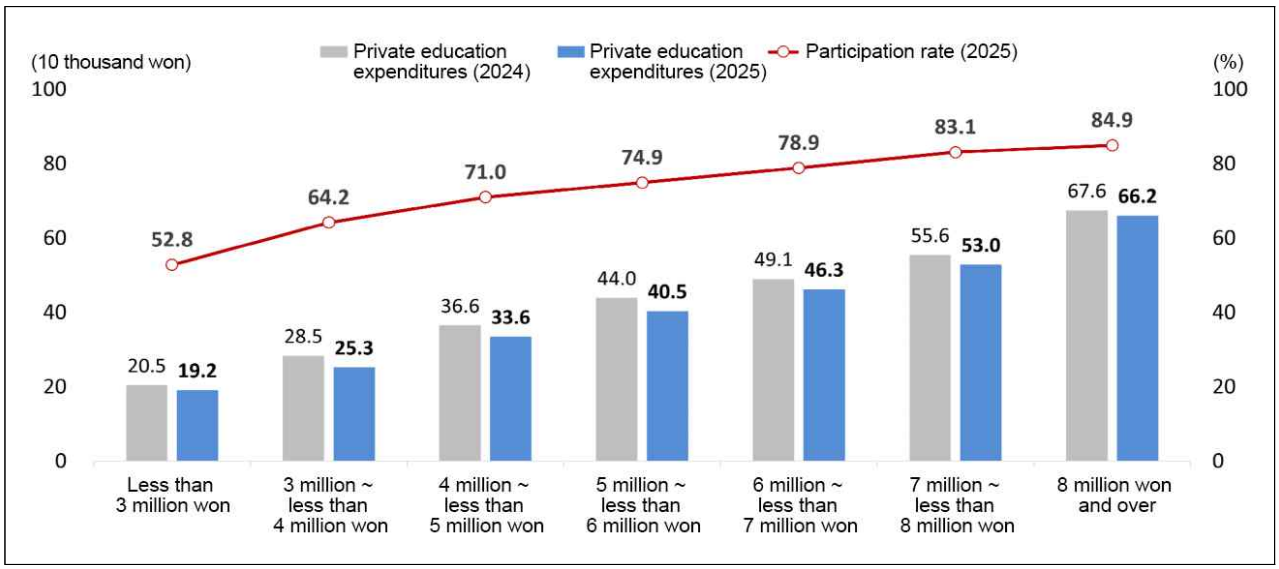
○ The participation rate of households earning 8 million won and over stood at 84.9%, down 2.6%p from 2024. The participation rate of households earning less than 3 million won stood at 52.8%, down 5.3%p from 2024.

<Table 11> Average monthly private education expenditures per student and participation rate by household income

(Unit: 10 thousand won, %,%p)

Classification	Private education expenditures			Participation rate		
	2024	2025	Percent change	2024	2025	Change
Total	47.4	45.8	-3.5	80.0	75.7	-4.3
Less than 3 million won	20.5	19.2	-6.6	58.1	52.8	-5.3
3 million ~ less than 4 million won	28.5	25.3	-11.0	68.2	64.2	-4.1
4 million ~ less than 5 million won	36.6	33.6	-8.3	77.3	71.0	-6.3
5 million ~ less than 6 million won	44.0	40.5	-8.1	82.0	74.9	-7.1
6 million ~ less than 7 million won	49.1	46.3	-5.6	83.9	78.9	-5.1
7 million ~ less than 8 million won	55.6	53.0	-4.8	86.2	83.1	-3.0
8 million won and over	67.6	66.2	-2.1	87.6	84.9	-2.6

<Figure 7> Average monthly private education expenditures per student and participation rate by household income



7. Private education expenditures and participation rate by parents' economic activity

'Dual income households' recorded the highest average monthly private education expenditures per student and the highest participation rate.

○ The average monthly private education expenditures of 'Dual income households' recorded 486 thousand won per student, going down by 3.3% from 2024.

- The average monthly expenditures of 'Single income households by fathers' and 'Single income households by mothers' recorded 444 thousand won and 307 thousand won, respectively.

○ The private education participation rate of 'Dual income households' stood at 78.0%, down 4.2%p from 2024.

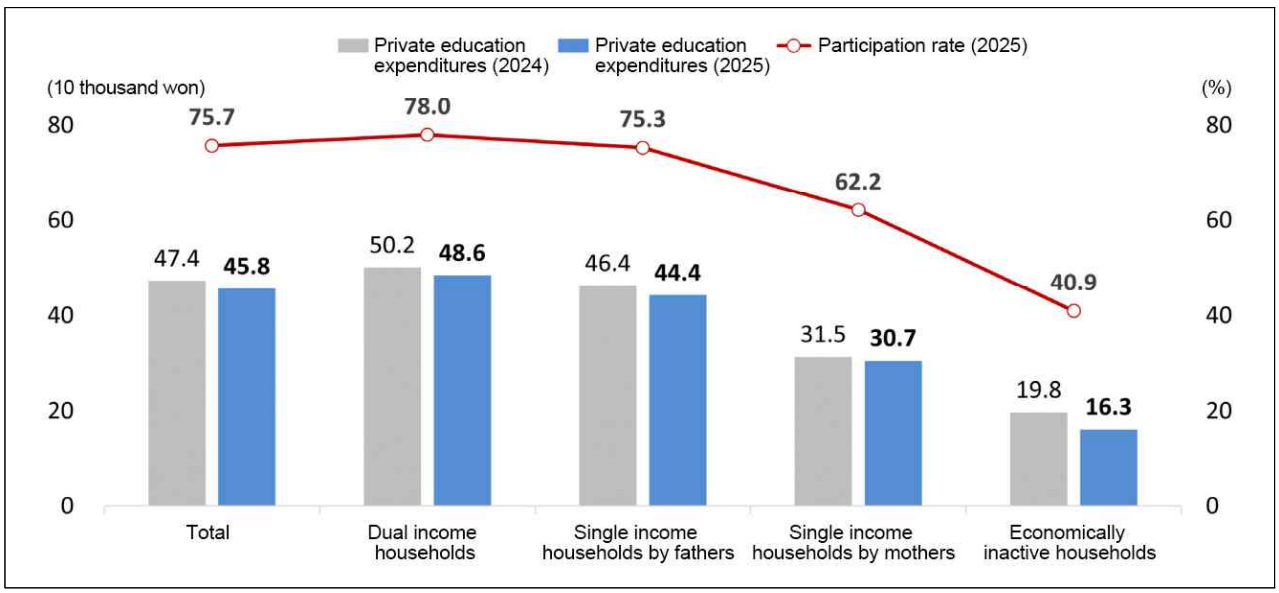
- The private education participation rate of 'Single income households by fathers' and 'Single income households by mothers' stood at 75.3% and 62.2%, respectively.

<Table 12> Average monthly private education expenditures per student and participation rate by parents' economic activity

(Unit: 10 thousand won, %, %p)

Classification	Private education expenditures			Participation rate		
	2024	2025	Percent change	2024	2025	Change
Total	47.4	45.8	-3.5	80.0	75.7	-4.3
- Dual income households	50.2	48.6	-3.3	82.2	78.0	-4.2
- Single income households	44.1	42.1	-4.4	78.0	73.1	-4.8
Father	46.4	44.4	-4.3	80.2	75.3	-4.9
Mother	31.5	30.7	-2.5	65.7	62.2	-3.6
- Economically inactive households	19.8	16.3	-17.9	43.6	40.9	-2.7

<Figure 8> Average monthly private education expenditures per student and participation rate by parents' economic activity



8. Private education expenditures and participation rate by the number of children

As for the average monthly private education expenditures and the participation rate, the households with 1 child showed the highest figure.

○ The average monthly private education expenditures of households with 1 child showed the highest figure of 518 thousand won per student, which was followed by those with 2 children (474 thousand won per student) and those with 3 children or more (358 thousand won per student).

○ The participation rate of households with 1 child showed the highest figure of 79.6%, which was followed by those with 2 children (77.4%) and those with 3 children or more (67.7%).

<Table 13> Average monthly private education expenditures per student by the number of children

(Unit: 10 thousand won, %, %p)

Classification	Private education expenditures			Participation rate		
	2024	2025	Percent change	2024	2025	Change
Total	47.4	45.8	-3.5	80.0	75.7	-4.3
1 child	53.6	51.8	-3.4	83.6	79.6	-4.0
2 children	49.5	47.4	-4.2	82.0	77.4	-4.6
3 children or more	36.5	35.8	-2.1	71.6	67.7	-3.9

9. Private education expenditures and participation rate of high school students by school performance

The higher school performance, the higher average monthly private education expenditures and the participation rate.

○ The average monthly private education expenditures of students recording 'Within top 10%' of school performance amounted to 661 thousand won, dropping by 0.7% from 2024. On the other hand, the average monthly expenditures of students recording 'Within bottom 20%' of school performance amounted to 326 thousand won, dropping by 11.9% from 2024.

○ The participation rate of students recording 'Within top 10%' of school performance stood at 73.8%, down 2.8%p from 2024. In the meantime, the participation rate of students recording 'Within bottom 20%' of school performance stood at 50.1%, down 5.6%p from 2024.

<Table 14> Average monthly private education expenditures per high school student and participation rate by school performance

(Unit: 10 thousand won, %, %p)

Classification	Private education expenditures			Participation rate		
	2024	2025	Percent change	2024	2025	Change
Total	52.0	49.9	-4.0	67.3	63.0	-4.3
Within top 10%	66.5	66.1	-0.7	76.6	73.8	-2.8
11 ~ 30%	61.1	59.3	-2.9	74.3	70.0	-4.3
31 ~ 60%	54.3	53.1	-2.2	69.5	65.5	-4.1
61 ~ 80%	46.3	43.4	-6.2	63.3	58.5	-4.9
81 ~ 100%	37.0	32.6	-11.9	55.7	50.1	-5.6

* Since 2018, data by school performance has covered only high school students.

10. Private education expenditures and participation rate by area

Among 4 areas, Seoul showed the highest figure of private education expenditures for the total students and the participation students.

○ As for the average monthly private education expenditures per student by area, Seoul marked the highest figure, which was followed by cities, metropolitan cities and 'Eup & Myeon'.

- Compared to 2024, all 4 areas of metropolitan cities (-5.5%), cities (-3.7%), 'Eup & Myeon' (-2.2%) and Seoul (-1.4%) recorded a drop in private education expenditures per student.

○ As for the average monthly private education expenditures per participation student by area, Seoul marked the highest figure, which was followed by cities, metropolitan cities and 'Eup & Myeon'.

- Compared to 2024, all 4 areas of 'Eup & Myeon' (3.8%), Seoul (2.8%), cities (1.7%) and metropolitan cities (0.5%) recorded a rise in private education expenditures per participation student.

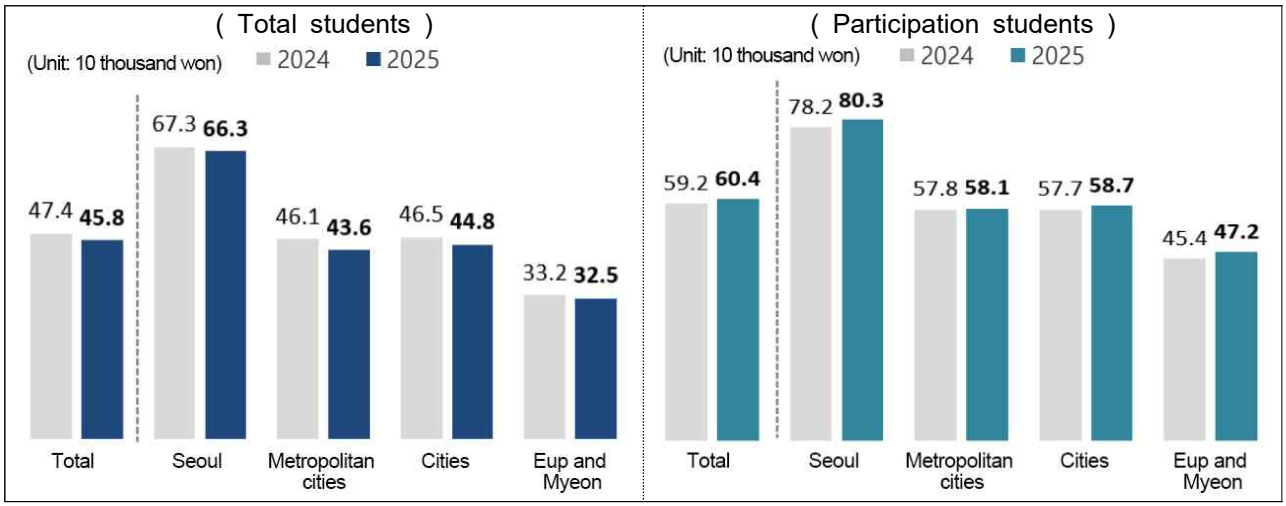
<Table 15> Average monthly private education expenditures per student by area

(Unit: 10 thousand won, %)

Classification	Total students					Participation students				
		Seoul	Metropolitan cities	Cities*	Eup & Myeon		Seoul	Metropolitan cities	Cities*	Eup & Myeon
2024	47.4	67.3	46.1	46.5	33.2	59.2	78.2	57.8	57.7	45.4
2025	45.8	66.3	43.6	44.8	32.5	60.4	80.3	58.1	58.7	47.2
Percent change	-3.5	-1.4	-5.5	-3.7	-2.2	2.0	2.8	0.5	1.7	3.8
Elementary school	43.3	60.1	40.9	42.8	32.6	51.2	67.5	48.9	50.4	40.8
Middle school	46.1	66.4	45.2	44.2	34.4	63.2	81.5	62.7	60.3	52.3
High school	49.9	76.7	46.8	48.9	30.2	79.3	105.4	74.9	76.9	58.5

* Cities refer to 'Dong' in cities excluding Seoul and 6 metropolitan cities.

<Figure 9> Average monthly private education expenditures per student by area



As for the average monthly private education expenditures of the total students by metropolitan city and province, Seoul, Gyeonggi and Sejong recorded a higher figure than the nation. As for the average monthly private education expenditures of participation students by metropolitan city and province, Seoul an Gyeonggi recorded a higher figure than the nation.

○ As for the private education expenditures of the total students by metropolitan city and province, Seoul, Gyeonggi and Sejong recorded a higher figure compared to the nation.

- As for the private education expenditures of elementary school students by metropolitan city and province, Seoul (601 thousand won), Gyeonggi (470 thousand won), Busan (453 thousand won) and Sejong (439 thousand won) recorded a higher figure compared to the nation.

- As for the private education expenditures of middle school students by metropolitan city and province, Seoul (664 thousand won), Sejong (484 thousand won), Gyeonggi (482 thousand won), Daegu (474 thousand won) and Busan (474 thousand won) recorded a higher figure compared to the nation.

- As for the private education expenditures of high school students by metropolitan city and province, Seoul (767 thousand won), Gyeonggi (573 thousand won) and Incheon (505 thousand won) recorded a higher figure compared to the nation.

○ As for the private education participation rate by metropolitan city and province, Seoul, Sejong, Gyeonggi and Busan recorded a higher figure than the nation.

<Table 16> Average monthly private education expenditures per student and participation rate by metropolitan city and province

(Unit: 10 thousand won, %)

Classification	Total students				Participation students				Participation rate			
		Elementary school	Middle school	High school		Elementary school	Middle school	High school		Elementary school	Middle school	High school
The nation	45.8	43.3	46.1	49.9	60.4	51.2	63.2	79.3	75.7	84.4	73.0	63.0
Seoul	66.3	60.1	66.4	76.7	80.3	67.5	81.5	105.4	82.6	89.0	81.5	72.8
Busan	45.6	45.3	47.4	44.0	59.8	52.1	65.7	73.4	76.2	86.9	72.2	59.9
Daegu	44.7	40.8	47.4	49.0	59.3	49.3	63.4	78.9	75.3	82.8	74.8	62.1
Incheon	43.8	39.8	44.6	50.5	58.3	47.9	62.9	78.1	75.2	83.1	71.0	64.6
Gwangju	37.2	34.6	37.8	41.3	51.9	43.2	55.4	67.9	71.7	80.0	68.3	60.7
Daejeon	44.3	42.2	43.8	48.6	58.8	50.0	61.2	76.1	75.4	84.3	71.5	63.9
Ulsan	39.8	37.1	43.9	40.3	53.2	45.3	59.2	65.0	74.7	82.0	74.2	62.0
Sejong	45.8	43.9	48.4	47.2	57.3	49.8	63.9	70.3	79.9	88.1	75.7	67.1
Gyeonggi	49.9	47.0	48.2	57.3	63.5	54.6	63.8	84.8	78.5	86.0	75.6	67.5
Gangwon	33.3	33.5	35.2	31.0	47.6	40.5	53.1	59.4	69.9	82.7	66.3	52.2
Chungbuk	33.9	34.1	35.3	32.1	48.3	42.7	51.3	59.6	70.2	79.9	68.9	53.8
Chungnam	34.5	34.2	35.6	34.0	49.3	42.3	52.6	63.6	70.0	80.9	67.5	53.5
Jeonbuk	33.2	29.8	37.4	34.4	50.0	39.1	57.6	65.3	66.4	76.0	64.9	52.7
Jeonnam	30.9	30.7	33.6	28.5	45.4	38.0	52.7	55.2	68.1	80.7	63.7	51.6
Gyeongbuk	32.9	33.9	34.3	29.8	46.4	40.7	50.2	56.4	70.9	83.1	68.4	52.8
Gyeongnam	35.3	35.1	35.9	35.1	48.8	42.4	52.6	60.3	72.4	82.8	68.3	58.3
Jeju	36.9	36.6	37.0	37.6	50.9	44.7	53.6	64.2	72.5	81.8	69.0	58.5

11. Average monthly private education expenditures by size

The students spending '700 thousand ~ less than 1 million won' per month on private education occupied the largest share at 13.9%, down 0.2%p from 2024.

○ As for the average monthly private education expenditures, the share of student groups spending '0', 'less than 200 thousand won' and '1 million won and over' showed a year-on-year increase. Whereas, the share of the other student groups showed a year-on-year decrease.

○ As for the average monthly private education expenditures by area, Seoul showed the highest share of students spending 1 million won and over. Metropolitan cities and 'Cities' showed the highest share of students spending '700 thousand ~ less than 1 million won'. 'Eup & Myeon' showed the highest share of students spending less than 200 thousand won.

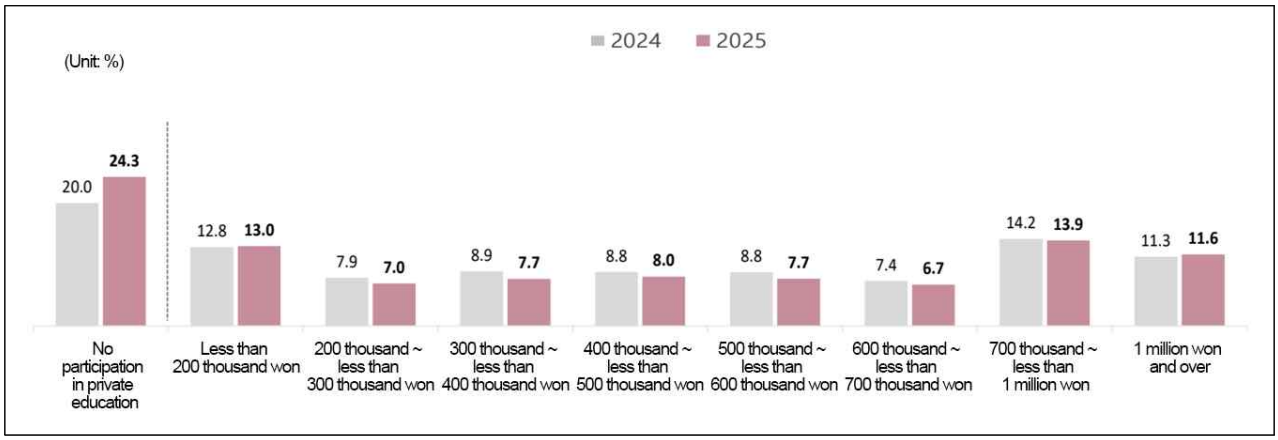
<Table 17> Average monthly private education expenditures per student by size

(Unit: %, %p)

Classification	No participation in private education	Less than 200 thousand won	200 thousand ~ less than 300 thousand won	300 thousand ~ less than 400 thousand won	400 thousand ~ less than 500 thousand won	500 thousand ~ less than 600 thousand won	600 thousand ~ less than 700 thousand won	700 thousand ~ less than 1 million won	1 million won and over
2024	20.0	12.8	7.9	8.9	8.8	8.8	7.4	14.2	11.3
2025	24.3	13.0	7.0	7.7	8.0	7.7	6.7	13.9	11.6
Change	4.3	0.2	-0.9	-1.2	-0.8	-1.0	-0.6	-0.2	0.4
Seoul	17.4	9.8	5.8	6.2	6.2	6.0	6.1	17.9	24.6
Metropolitan cities	25.0	13.1	7.0	8.2	7.9	7.9	7.1	13.6	10.3
Cities*	23.7	13.0	7.1	7.6	8.3	8.0	7.0	14.6	10.6
Eup and Myeon	31.2	15.8	7.5	8.7	9.2	8.4	6.0	8.9	4.4

* Cities refer to 'Dong' in cities excluding Seoul and 6 metropolitan cities.

<Figure 10> Average monthly private education expenditures per student by size



12. Private education by purpose

As for the private education of general subjects by purpose, 'Makeup for classes' occupied the highest share. As for the private education of artistic and physical skills by purpose, 'Hobbies, culture and development of talent' occupied the highest share.

○ As for the private education of general subjects by purpose, 'Makeup for classes' occupied the highest share at 49.5%, which was followed by 'Study in advance' (22.7%) and 'Preparation for higher school level' (16.2%).

- Compared to 2024, the share of 'Preparation for higher school level' went up by 1.9%p. Whereas, the share of 'Makeup for classes', 'Child care' and 'Study in advance' went down by 1.0%p, 0.5%p and 0.4%p, respectively.

- As for the purposes of the private education of general subjects by school level, 'Makeup for classes' and 'Study in advance' were main purposes of elementary and middle school students. 'Makeup for classes' and 'Preparation for higher school level' were main purposes of high school students.

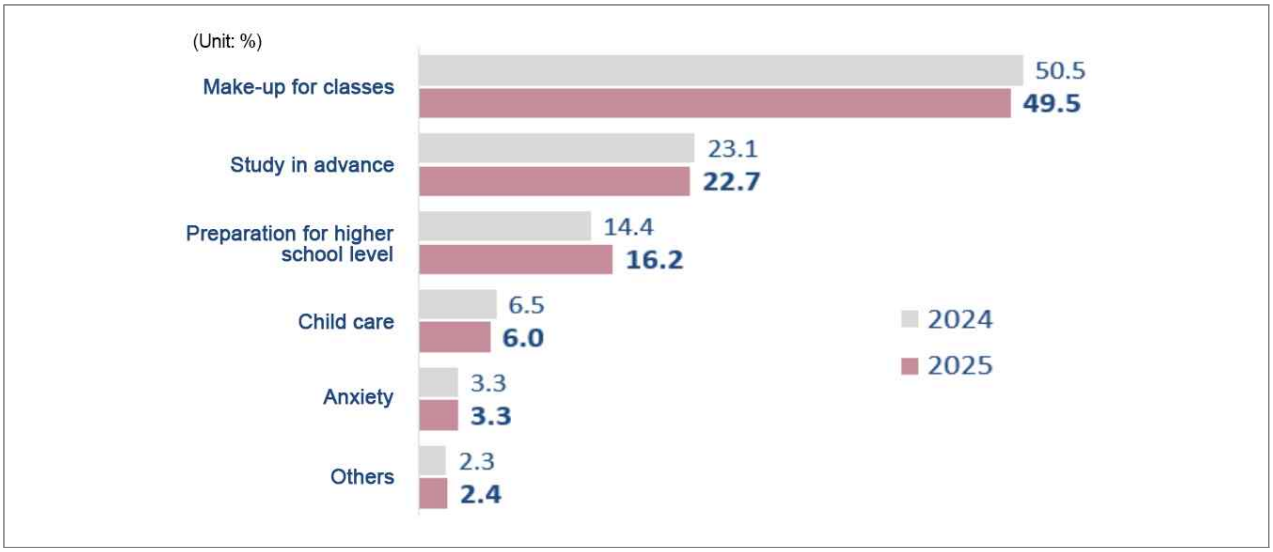
<Table 18> Private education of general subjects by purpose

(Unit: %, %p)

Classification	Preparation for higher school level	Anxiety	Study in advance	Makeup for classes	Child care	Others
2024	14.4	3.3	23.1	50.5	6.5	2.3
2025	16.2	3.3	22.7	49.5	6.0	2.4
Change	1.9	-0.0	-0.4	-1.0	-0.5	0.1
Elementary school	8.0	2.9	23.8	49.3	12.5	3.6
Middle school	16.9	4.0	26.0	51.3	-	1.8
High school	32.6	3.2	16.2	47.4	-	0.6

* All responses of this multiple response survey item are converted to 100.

<Figure 11> Private education of general subjects by purpose



○ As for the purposes of artistic and physical skills, 'Hobbies, culture and development of talent' occupied the highest share at 63.2%.

- Compared to 2024, the share of 'Preparation for higher school level', 'Makeup for classes' and 'Child care' went up by 0.6%p, 0.6%p and 0.4%p, respectively. Whereas, the share of 'Hobbies, culture and development of talent' and 'To make friends' dropped by 0.7%p and 0.3%p, respectively.

- As for the purposes of the private education of artistic and physical skills by school level, 'Hobbies, culture and development of talent' was a main purpose of elementary and middle school students. 'Preparation for higher school level' and 'Hobbies, culture and development of talent' were main purposes of high school students.

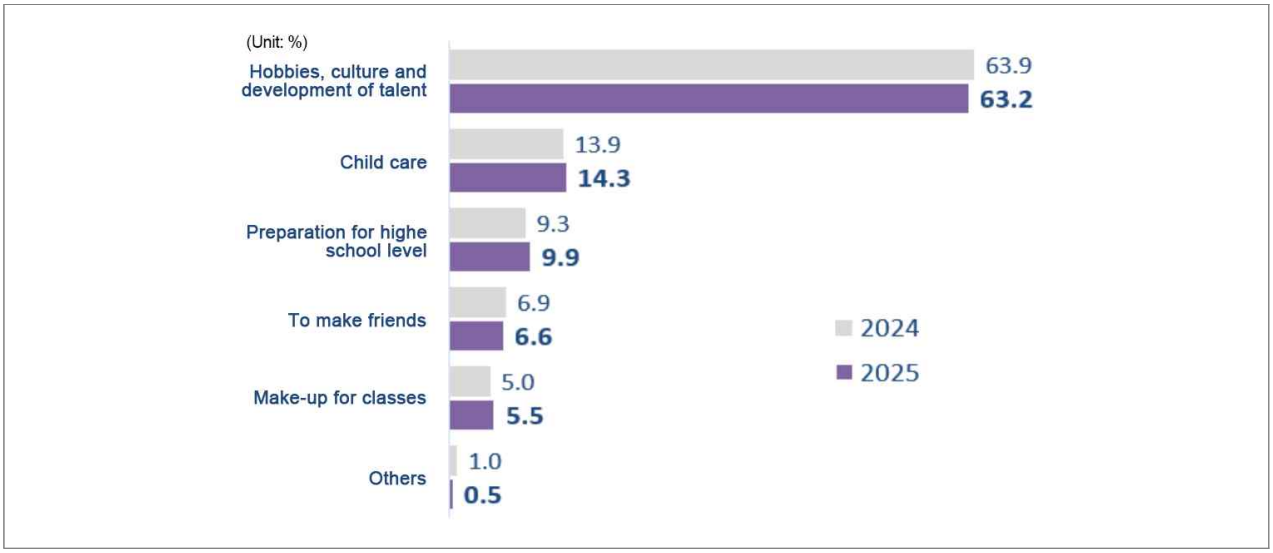
<Table 19> Private education of artistic and physical skills by purpose

(Unit: %, %p)

Classification	Preparation for higher school level	Makeup for classes	Hobbies, culture and development of talent	Child care	To make friends	Others
2024	9.3	5.0	63.9	13.9	6.9	1.0
2025	9.9	5.5	63.2	14.3	6.6	0.5
Change	0.6	0.6	-0.7	0.4	-0.3	-0.5
Elementary school	3.7	5.7	64.0	19.1	7.1	0.4
Middle school	16.4	4.0	72.1	-	6.5	1.0
High school	48.7	6.9	41.8	-	2.5	0.1

* All responses of this multiple response survey item are converted to 100.

<Figure 12> Private education of artistic and physical skills by purpose



Ⅱ. After-School Care & Programs, EBS Textbooks and Language Courses

1. Expenditures and participation rate of after-school care and programs

In 2025, the expenditures on after-school care and programs amounted to 779.9 billion won. The after-school care and program participation rate recorded 36.7%.

○ The expenditures on after-school care and programs amounted to 779.9 billion won, which fell by 2.0% from 2024.

<Table 20> Expenditures on after-school care and programs by school level

(Unit: 100 million won, %)

Classification	Expenditures on after-school care and programs			
		Elementary school	Middle school	High school
2024	7,958	6,936	145	877
2025	7,799	6,735	132	932
Percent change	-2.0	-2.9	-9.0	6.3

○ The paid and free after-school care and program participation rate marked 36.7% in 2025, falling by 0.0%p from 2024. Compared to 2024, the paid and free after-school care and program participation rate of elementary and high school students went up by 1.3%p and 1.2%p, respectively. In the meantime, the paid and free after-school care and program participation rate of middle school students went down by 1.5%p.

- The paid after-school program participation rate marked 23.3% in 2025, declining by 1.3%p from 2024. Compared to 2024, the paid after-school program participation rate of middle school students went up by 0.1%p. Whereas, the paid after-school program participation rate of elementary and high school students went down by 0.9%p and 0.9%p, respectively.

<Table 21> Participation rate of after-school care and programs by school level

(Unit: %, %p)

Classification	Paid and free after-school programs				Paid after-school programs			
		Elementary school	Middle school	High school		Elementary school	Middle school	High school
2024	36.8	50.9	18.6	28.2	24.6	41.5	4.1	13.2
2025	36.7	52.2	17.2	29.5	23.3	40.6	4.2	12.3
Change	-0.0	1.3	-1.5	1.2	-1.3	-0.9	0.1	-0.9

2. Percentage of students purchasing EBS textbooks for autonomous learning

The percentage of students purchasing EBS textbooks for autonomous learning stood at 18.0% in 2025, up 1.6%p from 2024.

○ High school students recorded the highest percentage of students purchasing EBS textbooks at 32.6%, which was followed by elementary school students (13.7%) and middle school students (11.6%).

- Compared to 2024, the share of high, elementary and middle school students purchasing EBS textbooks went up by 4.0%p, 0.9%p and 0.3%p, respectively.

<Table 22> Percentage of students purchasing EBS textbooks by school level

(Unit: %, %p)

Classification	Percentage of students purchasing EBS textbooks			
		Elementary school	Middle school	High school
2024	16.4	12.8	11.3	28.6
2025	18.0	13.7	11.6	32.6
Change	1.6	0.9	0.3	4.0

3. Expenditures and participation rate of language courses

In 2025, the expenditures on language courses amounted to 236.7 billion won. The language course participation rate stood at 0.7% in 2025.

○ The expenditures on language courses amounted to 236.7 billion won, which dropped by 16.4% from 2024.

○ The language course participation rate recorded 0.7%, remaining the same level as 2024. The language course participation rate of elementary school students recorded the highest figure of 1.1%, which was followed by middle school students (0.5%) and high school students (0.2%).

<Table 23> Expenditures and participation rate of language courses by school level

(Unit: 100 million won, %, %p)

Classification	Expenditures on language courses				Participation rate of language courses			
		Elementary school	Middle school	High school		Elementary school	Middle school	High school
2024	2,832	2,042	583	207	0.7	1.1	0.5	0.3
2025	2,367	1,755	490	123	0.7	1.1	0.5	0.2
(Percent) change	-16.4	-14.1	-16.0	-40.7	-0.0**	0.0**	-0.0**	-0.0**

* Language courses: 8 months (Jan. ~ May, July ~ September)

** '0.0' means less than unit owing to rounding.