

VISUALIZING THE 80-YEAR JOURNEY  
OF THE JAPAN SOCIETY OF MONETARY ECONOMICS:  
EMPIRICAL ASSESSMENTS AND FUTURE CHALLENGES

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《SUMMARY》

In celebration of its 80th anniversary in 2023, this paper visualizes and assesses eight decades of activity of the Japan Society of Monetary Economics (JSME). We provide a data-based overview of the JSME's development by combining administrative statistics—including membership and conference presentation numbers, as well as the shares of English-language and graduate-student papers—with text analytics on paper titles. We document membership growth and recent challenges, including a plateau in participation and a decline in the presence of graduate students. Research themes have evolved over time, with increased focus on crossfield research. Communications are active among academia, policymakers, and practitioners. These findings indicate that the JSME has adapted to societal and economic changes by promoting multidisciplinary research and fulfilling its role as a bridge between academia and the real world. We conclude with three priorities for the future: broadening membership, especially from adjacent fields; incentivizing interdisciplinary collaboration through workshops and joint projects; and cultivating emerging research areas, to boost scholarly exchange and JSME's contribution to society.

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