**The UTokyo-Asahi Survey (UTAS)**

**2012-2013 Voter Survey**

**Official Codebook**

# **SURVEY OVERVIEW**

**1. Survey period**

Wave1 was conducted by mail immediately after the 46th general election of the House of Representatives (held on December 16, 2012) to 3,000 voters nationwide selected by a stratified two-stage random sampling method. The survey was sent out on December 15, the day before the polling day, and 1,900 valid responses were received by the end of January (63.3% response rate).[[1]](#footnote-1)

Wave2 was conducted by mail immediately after the 23rd ordinary election of the House of Councillors (held on July 21, 2013) to 1,890 valid respondents of Wave1, excluding those who had problems with the survey (strong refusal, etc.). The questionnaires were sent out on July 20, the day before voting day, and 1,547 valid responses were obtained by the end of August (81.9% response rate).

**2. Details**

The data set to be released includes the data of 1,900 valid respondents of Wave1. It does not contain any information that could identify the respondents, such as their names or detailed addresses (addresses are listed up to the municipality).

# **VARIABLES**

## **1. BASIC VARIABLES**

Sorting number (**ID**)

Prefecture (character) (**PREFNAME**)

Municipalities (character) (**CITY**)

Prefecture of the constituency (**PREFEC**)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  | (N) |  |  |
| 81  21  25  34  21  21  32  48  26  33  112  90  187  137  37  19  17  14  12  34  33  52  117  30 |  | 1. Hokkaido  2. Aomori-ken  3. Iwate-ken  4. Miyagi-ken  5. Akita-ken  6. Yamagata-ken  7. Fukushima-ken  8. Ibaraki-ken  9. Tochigi-ken  10. Gunma-ken  11. Saitama-ken  12. Chiba-ken  13. Tokyo-to  14. Kanagawa-ken  15. Niigata-ken  16. Toyama-ken  17. Ishikawa-ken  18. Fukui-ken  19. Yamanashi-ken  20. Nagano-ken  21. Gifu-ken  22. Shizuoka-ken  23. Aichi-ken  24. Mie-ken | 19  37  128  79  19  15  8  11  27  41  23  13  18  18  12  63  10  20  25  22  16  24  19 |  | 25. Shiga-ken  26. Kyoto-fu  27. Osaka-fu  28. Hyogo-ken  29. Nara-ken  30. Wakayama-ken  31. Tottori-ken  32. Shimane-ken  33. Okayama-ken  34. Hiroshima-ken  35. Yamaguchi-ken  36. Tokushima-ken  37. Kagawa-ken  38. Ehime-ken  39. Kochi-ken  40. Fukuoka-ken  41. Saga-ken  42. Nagasaki-ken  43. Kumamoto-ken  44. Oita-ken  45. Miyazaki-ken  46. Kagoshima-ken  47. Okinawa-ken |

SMD (**HRDIST**)[[2]](#footnote-2)

## **2. QUESTIONNAIRE DATA (Wave1)**

### Q1

It is not uncommon for people to not go to the polls because they are not feeling well or just can't find the time. Did you vote in the House of Representatives election this time? (**Q010100**)[[3]](#footnote-3)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 401  1499 |  | 1. did not vote  2. voted |

*If you answered "voted" in Q1, please answer Q2 to Q18.*

### Q2

In the proportional representation bloc, for which party did you vote? (**Q010200**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 238  482  79  163  280  68  119  30  10  0  2  1  401  21  6 |  | 1. Democratic Party of Japan  2. Liberal Democratic Party  3. Tomorrow Party of Japan  4. Komeito  5. Japan Restoration Party  6. Japanese Communist Party  7. Your Party  8. Social Democratic Party  9. New Party DAICHI  10. People's New Party  11. New Renaissance Party  12. another party  66. not applicable (did not vote)  90. blank vote, faulty ballot, etc. (abstained at the polling place)  99. no answer |

### Q3

When did you decide to vote for that party in the proportional representation bloc? (**Q010200**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 629  169  143  304  238  401  16 |  | 1. before the House of Representatives was dissolved (before October 15th)  2. from the time of dissolution to just before the public announcement (October 16th to December 3rd)  3. first half of the election period (December 4th to December 9th)  4. second half of the election period (December 10th to December 15th)  5. on the day of voting (December 16th）  66. not applicable (did not vote)  99. no answer |

### Q4

For which party's candidate did you vote in the single-member district (SMD)? (**Q010400**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 335  656  68  46  157  94  58  6  10  1  1  10  401  47  10 |  | 1. official candidate of Democratic Party of Japan  2. official candidate of Liberal Democratic Party  3. official candidate of Tomorrow Party of Japan  4. official candidate of Komeito  5. official candidate of Japan Restoration Party  6. official candidate of Japanese Communist Party  7. official candidate of Your Party  8. official candidate of Social Democratic Party  9. official candidate of New Party DAICHI  10. official candidate of People's New Party  11. official candidate of New Party Nippon  12. official candidate of another party  66. not applicable (did not vote)  90. blank vote, faulty ballot, etc. (abstained at the polling place)  999. no answer |

### Q5

When did you decide to vote for that party in SMD? (**Q010500**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 516  187  188  298  288  401  22 |  | 1. before the House of Representatives was dissolved (before October 15th)  2. from the time of dissolution to just before the public announcement (October 16th to December 3rd)  3. first half of the election period (December 4th to December 9th)  4. second half of the election period (December 10th to December 15th)  5. on the day of voting (December 16th）  66. not applicable (did not vote)  99. no answer |

### Q6

Which of the following policies is most important to you in this election? What is your second and third most important policy? Please write the number in parentheses. (**Q010601** ~ **Q010603**)

The most important policy (**Q010601**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 180  277  69  24  91  257  136  1  10  109  11  28  115  10  113  29  401  39 |  | 1. diplomacy and security  2. fiscal and financial  3. industrial policy  4. agriculture, forestry and fisheries  5. education and parenting  6. pensions and medical care  7. employment  8. public security  9. environmental policy  10. political and administrative reform  11. decentralization  12. constitution (constitutional protection or constitutional change)  13. earthquake reconstruction and disaster prevention  14. social capital (e.g., infrastructure development)  15. nuclear power and energy policy  16. other  66. not applicable (did not vote)  99. no answer |

The second most important policy (**Q010602**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 168  181  58  36  91  242  118  7  8  65  18  44  124  17  141  9  401  172 |  | 1. diplomacy and security  2. fiscal and financial  3. industrial policy  4. agriculture, forestry and fisheries  5. education and parenting  6. pensions and medical care  7. employment  8. public security  9. environmental policy  10. political and administrative reform  11. decentralization  12. constitution (constitutional protection or constitutional change)  13. earthquake reconstruction and disaster prevention  14. social capital (e.g., infrastructure development)  15. nuclear power and energy policy  16. other  66. not applicable (did not vote)  99. no answer |

The third most important policy (**Q010603**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 137  108  46  24  96  185  111  25  27  88  22  75  145  18  183  8  401  201 |  | 1. diplomacy and security  2. fiscal and financial  3. industrial policy  4. agriculture, forestry and fisheries  5. education and parenting  6. pensions and medical care  7. employment  8. public security  9. environmental policy  10. political and administrative reform  11. decentralization  12. constitution (constitutional protection or constitutional change)  13. earthquake reconstruction and disaster prevention  14. social capital (e.g., infrastructure development)  15. nuclear power and energy policy  16. other  66. not applicable (did not vote)  99. no answer |

### Q7

How do you evaluate the government's work so far on the policies you answered "most important" in Q6? (**Q010700**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 33  168  267  576  385  39  401  31 |  | 1. positively  2. somewhat positively  3. not sure  4. somewhat negatively  5. negatively  9. do not know  66. not applicable (did not vote)  99. no answer |

### Q8

How do you evaluate the pledges of the Democratic Party of Japan on the policies you answered "most important" in Q6? (**Q010800**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 16  156  243  503  494  59  401  28 |  | 1. positively  2. somewhat positively  3. not sure  4. somewhat negatively  5. negatively  9. do not know  66. not applicable (did not vote)  99. no answer |

### Q9

How do you evaluate the pledges of the Liberal Democratic Party on the policies you answered "most important" in Q6? (**Q010900**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 107  355  468  271  175  95  401  28 |  | 1. positively  2. somewhat positively  3. not sure  4. somewhat negatively  5. negatively  9. do not know  66. not applicable (did not vote)  99. no answer |

### Q10

How do you evaluate the pledges of the Tomorrow Party of Japan on the policies you answered "most important" in Q6? (**Q011000**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 43  161  268  312  214  451  401  50 |  | 1. positively  2. somewhat positively  3. not sure  4. somewhat negatively  5. negatively  9. do not know  66. not applicable (did not vote)  99. no answer |

### Q11

How do you evaluate the pledges of the Japan Restoration Party on the policies you answered "most important" in Q6? (**Q011100**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 82  363  332  242  133  303  401  44 |  | 1. positively  2. somewhat positively  3. not sure  4. somewhat negatively  5. negatively  9. do not know  66. not applicable (did not vote)  99. no answer |

### Q12

When you decided which candidate or party to vote for in this election, what did you think of the following governmental frameworks? Please circle all that you thought were desirable. (**Q011201** ~ **Q011204**)[[4]](#footnote-4)

(1) DPJ-led government (**Q011201**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1257  164  401  78 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  66. not applicable (did not vote)  99. no answer |

(2) LDP-led government (**Q011202**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 781  640  401  78 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  66. not applicable (did not vote)  99. no answer |

(3) A coalition government between DPJ and LDP (a so-called "grand coalition") (**Q011203**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1134  287  401  78 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  66. not applicable (did not vote)  99. no answer |

(4) Government led by a party that is neither DPJ nor LDP (**Q011204**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 998  423  401  78 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  66. not applicable (did not vote)  99. no answer |

### Q13

When deciding which party or candidate to vote for in this election, to what extent did you consider the election situation as reported by the mass media (which party and which candidate is ahead or behind)? (**Q011300**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 80  453  187  461  243  401  31 |  | 1. put a lot of emphasis on it  2. put some emphasis on it  3. not sure  4. did not put much emphasis on it  5. did not put emphasis on it at all  66. not applicable (did not vote)  99. no answer |

### Q14

When deciding which party or candidate to vote for in this election, to what extent did you consider the policies and commitments of each party or candidate? (**Q011400**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 205  756  278  200  29  401  31 |  | 1. put a lot of emphasis on it  2. put some emphasis on it  3. not sure  4. did not put much emphasis on it  5. did not put emphasis on it at all  66. not applicable (did not vote)  99. no answer |

### Q15

When deciding which party or candidate to vote for in this election, to what extent did you consider the performance of the DPJ government (good or bad)? (**Q011500**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 263  501  242  306  158  401  29 |  | 1. put a lot of emphasis on it  2. put some emphasis on it  3. not sure  4. did not put much emphasis on it  5. did not put emphasis on it at all  66. not applicable (did not vote)  99. no answer |

### Q16

When deciding which party or candidate to vote for in this election, to what extent did you consider the ability and attractiveness of party leaders (or lack thereof)? (**Q011600**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 320  663  223  209  60  401  24 |  | 1. put a lot of emphasis on it  2. put some emphasis on it  3. not sure  4. did not put much emphasis on it  5. did not put emphasis on it at all  66. not applicable (did not vote)  99. no answer |

### Q17

When deciding which party or candidate to vote for in this election, to what extent did you consider the ability and attractiveness of individual candidates (or lack thereof)? (**Q011700**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 199  655  292  250  80  401  23 |  | 1. put a lot of emphasis on it  2. put some emphasis on it  3. not sure  4. did not put much emphasis on it  5. did not put emphasis on it at all  66. not applicable (did not vote)  99. no answer |

### Q18

When deciding which party or candidate to vote for in this election, to what extent did you consider requests for votes or other encouragement from acquaintances? (**Q011800**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 62  173  92  233  369  548  401  22 |  | 1. put a lot of emphasis on it  2. put some emphasis on it  3. not sure  4. did not put much emphasis on it  5. did not put emphasis on it at all  6. received no such encouragement  66. not applicable (did not vote)  99. no answer |

*Again, please answer the following questions.*

### Q19

For which party did you vote in the proportional representation bloc of the last HoR election (August 2009)? (**Q011900**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 827  469  121  55  51  22  4  0  107  41  15  166  22 |  | 1. Democratic Party of Japan  2. Liberal Democratic Party  3. Komeito  4. Japanese Communist Party  5. Your Party  6. Social Democratic Party  7. People's New Party  8. another party  66. forgot  77. did not have the right to vote  90. blank vote, faulty ballot, etc. (abstained at the polling place)  99. did not vote (did not go to the polling place)  999. no answer |

### Q20

For which party did you vote in the proportional representation district of the last HoC election (July 2010)? (**Q012000**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 721  458  130  62  68  21  6  1  8  1  132  21  18  230  23 |  | 1. Democratic Party of Japan  2. Liberal Democratic Party  3. Komeito  4. Japanese Communist Party  5. Your Party  6. Social Democratic Party  7. People's New Party  8. New Renaissance Party  9. Sunrise Party of Japan  10. another party  66. forgot  77. did not have the right to vote  90. blank vote, faulty ballot, etc. (abstained at the polling place)  99. did not vote (did not go to the polling place)  999. no answer |

### Q21

As long as you are not a politician or a pundit, it is quite normal for some people to know a lot about politics and others not so much. What do you think about yourself? Please circle only one. (**Q012100**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 73  317  654  527  306  23 |  | 1. know a lot  2. know something  3. not sure  4. do not know much  5. know very little  99. no answer |

### Q22

Do you have favorable or unfavorable feelings for or against the following parties and politicians? If you have neither favorable nor unfavorable feelings for a party or a politician, please use the "Emotional Thermometer" below to set the temperature at 50 degrees. If you have favorable feelings, please answer with a number between 51 and 100 degrees, depending on the intensity of your feelings, and if you have unfavorable feelings, please answer with a number anywhere between 49 and 0 degrees. Please use an integer between 0 and 100, not a decimal point. (**Q012201** to **Q012216**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (MEAN) |  |  |
| 36.4  51  32.2  34.8  48.3  29.2  45.3  28.2  41.8  48.8  32.8  21.8  42.5  49.3  36.8  44.7 |  | 1. Democratic Party of Japan (**Q012201**)  2. Liberal Democratic Party (**Q012202**)  3. Tomorrow Party of Japan (**Q012203**)  4. Komeito (**Q012204**)  5. Japan Restoration Party (**Q012205**)  6. Japanese Communist Party (**Q012206**)  7. Your Party (**Q012207**)  8. Social Democratic Party (**Q012208**)  9. Yoshihiko Noda (Democratic Party of Japan) (**Q012209**)  10. Shinzo Abe (Liberal Democratic Party) (**Q012210**)  11. Yukiko Kada (Tomorrow Party of Japan) (**Q012211**)  12. Ichiro Ozawa (Tomorrow Party of Japan) (**Q012212**)  13. Shintaro Ishihara (Japan Restoration Party) (**Q012213**)  14. Toru Hashimoto (Japan Restoration Party) (**Q012214**)  15. DPJ candidate in your constituency (**Q012215**)  16. LDP candidate in your constituency (**Q012216**) |
| 999. no answer | | |

### Q23

What do you think is the current state of the economy? (**Q012300**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 5  18  227  795  818  37 |  | 1. very good  2. somewhat good  3. not sure  4. somewhat bad  5. very bad  99. no answer |

### Q24

On average, over the past week, how many minutes per day did you spend doing the following? (Please fill in the approximate number of minutes for each) (**Q012401** to **Q012404**)[[5]](#footnote-5)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (MEAN) |  |  |
| 28.9  140  30.8  78 |  | 1. read a newspaper (**Q012401**)  2. watch TV (**Q012402**)  3. use the Internet (except for work) (**Q012403**)  4. socializing and chatting with others (**Q012404**) |
| 999. no answer | | |

### Q25

How much do you usually use social networking services (SNS) such as Twitter and Facebook? (**Q012500**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1300  82  112  101  155  150 |  | 0. do not use at all  1. less than once a week  2. once every few days  3. once daily  4. several times a day or more  99. no answer |

*If you answered 1 to 4 in Q25, please answer SQ25\_1.*

### SQ25\_1

Have you ever used social networking services to get information about political parties or politicians, or to share your opinions about them? Please circle all that apply. (**Q0125a01** to **Q0125a06**)

(1) Never (**Q0125a01**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 80  378  1315  127 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  66. not applicable  99. no answer |

(2) Have followed the accounts of political parties and politicians (**Q0125a02**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 409  49  1315  127 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  66. not applicable  99. no answer |

(3) Have shared information sent out by political parties or politicians (**Q0125a03**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 441  17  1315  127 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  66. not applicable  99. no answer |

(4) Have commented on content sent out by political parties or politicians (**Q0125a04**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 441  17  1315  127 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  66. not applicable  99. no answer |

(5) Have communicated my opinions to political parties or politicians (**Q0125a05**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 449  9  1315  127 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  66. not applicable  99. no answer |

(6) Other (**Q0125a06**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 448  10  1315  127 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  66. not applicable  99. no answer |

*Again, please answer the following questions.*

### Q26

What kind of impression do you have of Mr. Yoshihiko Noda? Please circle all that apply to you. (**Q012601** to **Q012608**)

(1) Being a man of good conduct (**Q012601**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1152  674  74 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(2) Having strong leadership (**Q012602**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1641  185  74 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(3) Caring about people like you (**Q012603**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1709  117  74 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(4) Knowing a lot of things (**Q012604**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1626  200  74 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(5) Having good capacity to understand/comprehension (**Q012605**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1518  308  74 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(6) Being dishonest (**Q012606**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1645  181  74 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(7) Not being decisive enough (**Q012607**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1262  564  74 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(8) None of the above apply (**Q012608**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1380  446  74 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

### Q27

What kind of impression do you have of Mr. Shinzo Abe? Please circle all that apply to you. (**Q012701** to **Q012708**)

(1) Being a man of good conduct (**Q012701**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1344  473  83 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(2) Having strong leadership (**Q012702**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1416  401  83 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(3) Caring about people like you (**Q012703**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1710  107  83 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(4) Knowing a lot of things (**Q012704**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1588  229  83 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(5) Having good capacity to understand/comprehension (**Q012705**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1422  395  83 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(6) Being dishonest (**Q012706**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1655  162  83 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(7) Not being decisive enough (**Q012707**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1557  260  83 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(8) None of the above apply (**Q012708**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1224  593  83 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

### Q28

What kind of impression do you have of Mr. Shintaro Ishihara? Please circle all that apply to you. (**Q012801** to **Q012808**)

(1) Being a man of good conduct (**Q012801**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1757  75  68 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(2) Having strong leadership (**Q012802**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 644  1188  68 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(3) Caring about people like you (**Q012803**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1816  16  68 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(4) Knowing a lot of things (**Q012804**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1278  554  68 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(5) Having good capacity to understand/comprehension (**Q012805**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1639  193  68 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(6) Being dishonest (**Q012806**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1687  145  68 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(7) Not being decisive enough (**Q012807**)

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| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1808  24  68 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(8) None of the above apply (**Q012808**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 1456  376  68 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

### Q29

What kind of impression do you have of Mr. Toru Hashimoto? Please circle all that apply to you. (**Q012901** to **Q012908**)

(1) Being a man of good conduct (**Q012901**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 1742  101  57 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(2) Having strong leadership (**Q012902**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 646  1197  57 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(3) Caring about people like you (**Q012903**)

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| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1731  112  57 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(4) Knowing a lot of things (**Q012904**)

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| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1256  587  57 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(5) Having good capacity to understand/comprehension (**Q012905**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 1439  404  57 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(6) Being dishonest (**Q012906**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 1715  128  57 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(7) Not being decisive enough (**Q012907**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 1816  27  57 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(8) None of the above apply (**Q012908**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 1514  329  57 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

### Q30

For the following opinions, do you agree or disagree with them? Please circle the number that applies to each item. (**Q013001** ~ **Q013026**)

(1) The constitution should be revised (**Q013001**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 468  474  578  166  173  41 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(2) Japan's defensive power should be increased (**Q013002**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 490  566  520  152  123  49 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(3) Japan should have the right to preemptive defense when it feels there is a legitimate threat to its safety (**Q013003**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 204  307  686  370  280  53 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(4) Japan should become a permanent member of the UN Security Council and fulfill its international responsibilities (**Q013004**)

|  |  |  |
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| (N) |  |  |
| 611  610  537  48  30  64 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(5) Japan should apply pressure to North Korea rather than have a dialogue with it (**Q013005**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 339  528  598  248  140  47 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(6) Either the constitution or the interpretation of it should be changed so that the government can exercise the right to collective defense (**Q013006**)

|  |  |  |
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| (N) |  |  |
| 331  492  672  171  165  69 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(7) Even if government social services suffer, Japan should strive to have small government (**Q013007**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 144  223  737  510  232  54 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(8) Provincial/rural employment should be boosted by public works (**Q013008**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 354  680  576  158  70  62 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(9) Instead of focusing on fiscal austerity, Japan needs to boost its economy through increased spending (**Q013009**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 341  616  647  176  58  62 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(10) The consumption tax has to be increased in the next 5 years (**Q013010**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 252  609  412  301  280  46 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(11) In the long run, it is inevitable that the consumption tax rate will be higher than 10% (**Q013011**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 152  389  446  433  432  48 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(12) There is no need to provide pensions to those who have assets (**Q013012**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 452  488  578  192  139  51 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(13) Japan should ratify the TPP (Trans-Pacific Partnership) (**Q013013**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 223  376  802  225  208  66 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(14) The Bank of Japan should set a clear inflation target (**Q013014**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 376  609  755  53  30  77 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(15) Individual freedoms and privacy should be restricted for greater public safety (**Q013015**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 325  554  609  225  128  59 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(16) Permanent foreign residents should be given the right to vote in local elections (**Q013016**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 248  518  622  204  258  50 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(17) Japan needs to attract immigrant workers, and should take steps to do so (**Q013017**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 114  301  832  422  168  63 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(18) Moral education should be expanded (**Q013018**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 786  671  316  41  18  68 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(19) Resumption of operations at nuclear power plants shut down for periodic inspections is unavoidable (**Q013019**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 197  458  513  365  318  49 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(20) Local governments outside the Fukushima disaster area should actively accept the debris (**Q013020**)

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| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 638  643  430  72  73  44 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(21) The House of Representatives' powers should be strengthened vis-a-vis those of the House of Councillors (**Q013021**)

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| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 199  305  1089  150  88  69 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(22) Japan should introduce a system of public election of the prime minister (**Q013022**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 527  477  697  80  42  77 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(23) A provincial system should be introduced in place of prefectures (**Q013023**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 178  268  1077  187  109  81 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(24) The consumption tax should be made a local tax and the local allocation tax should be abolished (**Q013024**)

|  |  |  |
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| (N) |  |  |
| 208  365  1020  151  91  65 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(25) The electoral system of the House of Representatives should be returned to the medium electoral district system (**Q013025**)

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| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 285  401  1011  79  53  71 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(26) The number of diet members should decrease by half (**Q013026**)

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| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 795  617  350  66  32  40 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

### Q31

For each of the following issues, is your opinion closer to A or B? For each item, please circle the number that applies. (**Q013101** ~ **Q013109**)

(1) (**Q013101**)

A: Japan's foreign policy should be "the US first" from now on

B: Japan's foreign policy should be "Asia first" from now on

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| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 263  523  567  392  105  50 |  | 1. close to A  2. somewhat close to A  3. not sure  4. somewhat close to B  5. close to B  99. no answer |

(2) (**Q013102**)

A: Improving economic competitive power should be prioritized even if there is a bit of social inequality

B: Correcting social inequality should be prioritized even if economic competitive power is sacrificed

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| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 184  522  659  363  111  61 |  | 1. close to A  2. somewhat close to A  3. not sure  4. somewhat close to B  5. close to B  99. no answer |

(3) (**Q013103**)

A: The government needs to protect domestic corporations

B: The government should promote trade and investment liberalization

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 442  706  415  196  74  67 |  | 1. close to A  2. somewhat close to A  3. not sure  4. somewhat close to B  5. close to B  99. no answer |

(4) (**Q013104**)

A: In order to preserve the environment, living standards may have to fall

B: Preserving the environment is not so important that living standards have to fall

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| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 277  624  699  177  64  59 |  | 1. close to A  2. somewhat close to A  3. not sure  4. somewhat close to B  5. close to B  99. no answer |

(5) (**Q013105**)

A: The family should be composed of a married couple and their children, not other arrangements such as single mothers or DINKS

B: The forms of families may be diverse, such as single mothers and DINKS

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 528  505  429  210  181  47 |  | 1. close to A  2. somewhat close to A  3. not sure  4. somewhat close to B  5. close to B  99. no answer |

(6) (**Q013106**)

A: The share of nuclear power in electricity should be reduced to 0% by the 2030s

B: Nuclear power should be kept as a source of electricity beyond the 2030s

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| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 415  444  471  331  179  60 |  | 1. close to A  2. somewhat close to A  3. not sure  4. somewhat close to B  5. close to B  99. no answer |

(7) (**Q013107**)

A: Current regulations on political funding are too strict

B: There should be stricter regulations on political funding

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 24  99  581  519  618  59 |  | 1. close to A  2. somewhat close to A  3. not sure  4. somewhat close to B  5. close to B  99. no answer |

(8) (**Q013108**)

A: The primary role of the Diet is to allow the ruling and opposition parties to engage in debate and to show the public where the issues are and the differences in positions between the political parties

B: The primary role of the Diet is to coordinate the opinions of the ruling and opposition parties and to reflect the will of as many people as possible in laws

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| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 109  211  525  606  381  68 |  | 1. close to A  2. somewhat close to A  3. not sure  4. somewhat close to B  5. close to B  99. no answer |

(9) (**Q013109**)

A: When voting in parliament, it is desirable for political parties to act as unanimously as possible, with all members of the party acting in unison

B: When voting in parliament, it is desirable for political parties to remove party restraints as much as possible and allow their members to make their own decisions and act accordingly

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 184  313  558  491  291  63 |  | 1. close to A  2. somewhat close to A  3. not sure  4. somewhat close to B  5. close to B  99. no answer |

### Q32

Do you feel close to the following countries or not? Please circle one for each country. (**Q013201** ~ **Q013204**)

(1) United States (**Q013201**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 523  912  329  67  25  44 |  | 1. feel close  2. feel rather close  3. not sure  4. do not feel rather close  5. do not feel close  99. no answer |

(2) China (**Q013202**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 35  138  377  599  695  56 |  | 1. feel close  2. feel rather close  3. not sure  4. do not feel rather close  5. do not feel close  99. no answer |

(3) Russia (**Q013203**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 16  110  639  637  439  59 |  | 1. feel close  2. feel rather close  3. not sure  4. do not feel rather close  5. do not feel close  99. no answer |

(4) South Korea (**Q013204**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 105  462  569  400  311  53 |  | 1. feel close  2. feel rather close  3. not sure  4. do not feel rather close  5. do not feel close  99. no answer |

### Q33

Political positions are often expressed in terms of "left" - "right". How would you describe your position using this measure? Please circle only one number that applies to you. (**Q013300**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 18  20  22  96  117  952  164  159  91  25  16  220 |  | 0. leftmost  1.  2.  3.  4.  5. center  6.  7.  8.  9.  10. rightmost  99. no answer |

### Q34

By using the same measure, where do you feel the following people and organizations stand on average? (**Q013401** ~ **Q013409**)

(1) Democratic Party of Japan (**Q013201**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 50  53  97  171  240  619  169  92  51  17  29  312 |  | 0. leftmost  1.  2.  3.  4.  5. center  6.  7.  8.  9.  10. rightmost  99. no answer |

(2) Liberal Democratic Party (**Q013202**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 24  25  35  58  58  400  199  303  256  113  124  305 |  | 0. leftmost  1.  2.  3.  4.  5. center  6.  7.  8.  9.  10. rightmost  99. no answer |

(3) Tomorrow Party of Japan (**Q013203**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 59  59  98  145  168  671  154  84  43  23  23  373 |  | 0. leftmost  1.  2.  3.  4.  5. center  6.  7.  8.  9.  10. rightmost  99. no answer |

(4) Komeito (**Q013204**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 41  41  74  130  114  644  196  127  91  51  41  350 |  | 0. leftmost  1.  2.  3.  4.  5. center  6.  7.  8.  9.  10. rightmost  99. no answer |

(5) Japan Restoration Party (**Q013205**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 37  30  57  96  110  446  166  198  197  122  108  333 |  | 0. leftmost  1.  2.  3.  4.  5. center  6.  7.  8.  9.  10. rightmost  99. no answer |

(6) Japanese Communist Party (**Q013206**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 341  201  184  173  107  343  47  49  27  29  58  341 |  | 0. leftmost  1.  2.  3.  4.  5. center  6.  7.  8.  9.  10. rightmost  99. no answer |

(7) Your Party (**Q013207**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 33  40  56  101  112  736  232  130  68  18  20  354 |  | 0. leftmost  1.  2.  3.  4.  5. center  6.  7.  8.  9.  10. rightmost  99. no answer |

(8) Social Democratic Party (**Q013208**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 158  146  209  230  201  459  66  31  20  16  22  342 |  | 0. leftmost  1.  2.  3.  4.  5. center  6.  7.  8.  9.  10. rightmost  99. no answer |

(9) Mass media (Please answer for the entire industry, not just Asahi Shimbun) (**Q013209**)

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| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 57  43  82  149  164  653  167  115  75  24  30  341 |  | 0. leftmost  1.  2.  3.  4.  5. center  6.  7.  8.  9.  10. rightmost  99. no answer |

### Q35

How much do you trust national politics? (**Q013500**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 27  399  996  418  60 |  | 1. always trust it  2. trust it most of time  3. sometimes trust it  4. do not trust it at all  99. no answer |

### Q36

For the following two opinions, do you agree or disagree with them? Please circle the number that applies to each item. (**Q013601** ~ **Q013602**)

(1) Politicians have little regard for people like me (**Q013001**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 339  457  768  145  82  109 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(2) People like me have no power to influence the government (**Q013002**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 281  414  716  248  133  108 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

### Q37

Many people seem to think that “in the long run, I lean toward party X.” Although it is possible that you will vote for another party in the short term, in the long run, which party would you say you lean toward? (**Q013700**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 188  663  27  96  241  45  103  26  2  2  1  2  0  447  57 |  | 1. Democratic Party of Japan  2. Liberal Democratic Party  3. Tomorrow Party of Japan  4. Komeito  5. Japan Restoration Party  6. Japanese Communist Party  7. Your Party  8. Social Democratic Party  9. New Party DAICHI  10. People's New Party  11. New Party Nippon  12. New Renaissance Party  13. another party  14. no party in particular  99. no answer |

*If you answered 14 in Q37, please answer SQ37\_1.*

### SQ37\_1

Why no party in particular? Please circle one. (**Q0137a00**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 180  83  182  1403  52 |  | 1. because there is no suitable party right now  2. because I usually don't want to be close to any party  3. because I'm not sure about any party  66. not applicable (did not answer "no party in particular" in Q37)  99. no answer |

*Again, please answer the following questions.*

### Q38

If the next election were to be held tomorrow, for which political party would you vote? Please circle only one. (**Q013800**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 222  620  51  100  334  56  146  18  8  2  1  5  20  248  69 |  | 1. Democratic Party of Japan  2. Liberal Democratic Party  3. Tomorrow Party of Japan  4. Komeito  5. Japan Restoration Party  6. Japanese Communist Party  7. Your Party  8. Social Democratic Party  9. New Party DAICHI  10. People's New Party  11. New Party Nippon  12. New Renaissance Party  13. another party  14. I would not vote  99. no answer |

### Q39

Is there a political party that you would never want to vote for in the future? If so, which party is it? Please circle all that apply. (**Q013901** ~ **Q013913**)

(1) Democratic Party of Japan (**Q013901**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1438  377  85 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(2) Liberal Democratic Party (**Q013902**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1557  258  85 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(3) Tomorrow Party of Japan (**Q013903**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1300  515  85 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(4) Komeito (**Q013904**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1234  581  85 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(5) Japan Restoration Party (**Q013905**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1562  253  85 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(6) Japanese Communist Party (**Q013906**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1057  758  85 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(7) Your Party (**Q013907**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1641  174  85 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(8) Social Democratic Party (**Q013908**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1267  548  85 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(9) New Party DAICHI (**Q013909**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1373  442  85 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(10) People's New Party (**Q0139010**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1465  350  85 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(11) New Party Nippon (**Q0139011**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1489  326  85 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(12) New Renaissance Party (**Q0139012**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1518  297  85 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(13) There is no such party (**Q0139013**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1387  428  85 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

### Q40

Do you have a subscription to a newspaper? If yes, which newspaper do you read? Please circle all that apply. We will never use this survey as a basis for soliciting or selling newspaper subscriptions, so please answer as you see fit. (**Q014000** ~ **Q014007**)

(0) Do not have a subscription to a newspaper (**Q014000**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1564  286  50 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(1) Asahi Shimbun (**Q014001**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1524  326  50 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(2) Yomiuri Shimbun (**Q014002**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1446  404  50 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(3) Mainichi Shimbun (**Q014003**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1726  123  50 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(4) Nihon Keizai Shimbun (**Q014004**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1733  117  50 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(5) Sankei Shimbun (**Q014005**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1782  68  50 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(6) Newspapers in your area and prefecture (**Q014006**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1127  723  50 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(7) Other newspapers (**Q014007**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1756  94  50 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

### Q41

Are you a man or a woman? (**Q014100**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 942  958 |  | 1. man  2. woman |

### Q42

How old are you as of December 16, 2012? (**Q014200**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 166  255  316  366  378  419 |  | 1. 20's  2. 30's  3. 40's  4. 50's  5. 60's  6. 70's or over |

### Q43

What is your final education? (**Q014300**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 272  757  216  164  416  31  10  34 |  | 1. elementary school or junior high school  2. high school  3. vocational school  4. short-term college  5. university  6. graduate school  7. others  99. no answer |

### Q44

Are you a member of any of the following organizations, groups, or associations? Please circle all that apply. (**Q014401** ~ **Q014405**)

(1) Political organizations such as supporters' associations of politicians and political parties (**Q014401**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1789  58  53 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(2) Labor union (**Q014402**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1738  109  53 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(3) Trade associations, trade unions, and other occupation-related organizations (**Q014403**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1757  90  53 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(4) Groups and organizations related to religion (**Q014404**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1764  83  53 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(5) Not a member of any of them (**Q014405**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 310  1537  53 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

### Q45

I would like to ask you about your occupation, please circle one from 1 to 9. If you don't know which one, please circle "9" and write your occupation in the "Other" box. (**Q015100**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 519  90  182  67  256  325  30  312  90  29 |  | 1. company employee  2. public servant  3. self-employed or free enterprise  4. agricultural, forestry, or fishing industries  5. temporary work or part-time work  6. homemaker  7. student  8. without a job  9. other  99. no answer |

## **3. FREE ANSWERS (Wave1)**

**Q0102FA**: free answer of "another party" in Q2

**Q0104FA**: free answer of "official candidate of another party" in Q4

**Q0106FA**: free answer of "other" in Q6

**Q0119FA**: free answer of "another party" in Q19

**Q0120FA**: free answer of "another party" in Q20

**Q0125FA**: free answer of "other" in SQ25\_1

**Q0137FA**: free answer of "another party" in Q37

**Q0138FA**: free answer of "another party" in Q38

**Q0140FA**: free answer of "Other newspapers" in Q40

**Q0151FA**: free answer of "other" in Q51

## **4. QUESTIONNAIRE DATA (Wave2)**

Dummy variable for respondent of Wave2 (**RESPONSE**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 353  1547 |  | 0. no response to Wave2  1. response to Wave2 |

### Q1

It is not uncommon for people to not go to the polls because they are not feeling well or just can't find the time. Did you vote in the HoC election this time? (**Q020100**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 379  1168 |  | 1. did not vote  2. voted |

*If you answered "voted" in Q1, please answerQ2 to Q5.*

### Q2

In the proportional representation district, for which party did you vote? (**Q020200**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 440  180  129  142  97  94  20  20  9  11  5  378  14  8 |  | 1. Liberal Democratic Party  2. Democratic Party of Japan  3. Japan Restoration Party  4. Komeito  5. Your Party  6. Japanese Communist Party  7. People's Life Party  8. Social Democratic Party  9. Green Wind  10. New Party DAICHI  11. another party  66. not applicable (did not vote)  90. blank vote, faulty ballot, etc. (abstained at the polling place)  99. no answer |

### Q3

When did you decide to vote for that party (candidate) in the proportional representation district? (**Q020300**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 524  121  144  195  173  378  12 |  | 1. from a long time ago (~June 25th)  2. from the end of the regular session of the Diet to just before the public announcement date (June 26th to July 3rd)  3. first half of the election period (July 4th to July 12th)  4. second half of the election period (July 13th to July 20th)  5. on the day of voting (July 21st）  66. not applicable (did not vote)  99. no answer |

### Q4

For which party's candidate did you vote in Single Non-Transferable Vote/First Past the Post (SNTV/FPTP)? (**Q020400**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 540  190  73  62  84  104  19  9  10  7  38  378  22  11 |  | 1. official candidate of Liberal Democratic Party  2. official candidate of Democratic Party of Japan  3. official candidate of Japan Restoration Party  4. official candidate of Komeito  5. official candidate of Your Party  6. official candidate of Japanese Communist Party  7. official candidate of People's Life Party  8. official candidate of Social Democratic Party  9. official candidate of Green Wind  10. official candidate of New Party DAICHI  11. official candidate of another party  90. blank vote, faulty ballot, etc. (abstained at the polling place)  66. not applicable (did not vote)  99. no answer |

### Q5

Which of the following policies is most important to you in this election? What is your second and third most important policy? Please write the number in parentheses. (**Q020501** ~ **Q020503**)

The most important policy (**Q020501**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 131  199  65  21  54  214  93  2  2  68  9  91  47  3  103  32  378  35 |  | 1. diplomacy and security  2. fiscal and financial  3. industrial policy  4. agriculture, forestry and fisheries  5. education and parenting  6. pensions and medical care  7. employment  8. public security  9. environmental policy  10. political and administrative reform  11. decentralization  12. constitution (constitutional protection or constitutional change)  13. earthquake reconstruction and disaster prevention  14. social capital (e.g., infrastructure development)  15. nuclear power and energy policy  16. other  66. not applicable (did not vote)  99. no answer |

The second most important policy (**Q020502**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 128  136  51  25  73  169  97  12  7  44  16  65  104  8  111  8  378  115 |  | 1. diplomacy and security  2. fiscal and financial  3. industrial policy  4. agriculture, forestry and fisheries  5. education and parenting  6. pensions and medical care  7. employment  8. public security  9. environmental policy  10. political and administrative reform  11. decentralization  12. constitution (constitutional protection or constitutional change)  13. earthquake reconstruction and disaster prevention  14. social capital (e.g., infrastructure development)  15. nuclear power and energy policy  16. other  66. not applicable (did not vote)  99. no answer |

The third most important policy (**Q020503**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 100  75  47  24  78  156  87  7  27  65  14  94  84  11  144  11  378  145 |  | 1. diplomacy and security  2. fiscal and financial  3. industrial policy  4. agriculture, forestry and fisheries  5. education and parenting  6. pensions and medical care  7. employment  8. public security  9. environmental policy  10. political and administrative reform  11. decentralization  12. constitution (constitutional protection or constitutional change)  13. earthquake reconstruction and disaster prevention  14. social capital (e.g., infrastructure development)  15. nuclear power and energy policy  16. other  66. not applicable (did not vote)  99. no answer |

*Again, please answer the following questions.*

### Q6

How much do you trust national politics? (**Q020600**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 47  515  746  222  17 |  | 1. always trust it  2. trust it most of time  3. sometimes trust it  4. do not trust it at all  99. no answer |

### Q7

Do you think Prime Minister Abe is doing a good job or not in general? (**Q020700**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 283  628  430  100  95  11 |  | 1.he is doing well  2. if anything, he is doing well  3. not sure  4. if anything, he is not doing well  5. he is not doing well  99. no answer |

### Q8

Please circle all of the following policies, words, and actions of the Abe Cabinet and Prime Minister Abe that you positively evaluate. (**Q020801** ~ **Q020818, Q020890**)

(1) Preparation of a large supplementary budget (**Q011201**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1153  328  66 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(2) Appointment of Mr. Haruhiko Kuroda as Governor of the Bank of Japan (**Q011202**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1137  344  66 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(3) Efforts to formulate economic growth strategies (**Q011203**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 878  603  66 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(4) Announcement of participation in the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) negotiations (**Q011204**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1019  462  66 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(5) Efforts to build a sustainable social security system (**Q011205**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1272  209  66 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(6) Efforts to counter the declining birthrate (**Q011206**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1247  234  66 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(7) Efforts to achieve fiscal soundness (**Q011207**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1228  253  66 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(8) Efforts toward the Reinforcement of National Land (**Q011208**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1311  170  66 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(9) Efforts toward recovery from the Great East Japan Earthquake (**Q011209**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1191  290  66 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(10) Efforts to address nuclear power and energy issues (**Q011210**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1281  200  66 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(11) Efforts to strengthen the Japan-U.S. Alliance (**Q011211**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1165  316  66 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(12) Efforts to address the Okinawa U.S. military base issue (**Q011212**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1363  118  66 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(13) Efforts to address the Senkaku Islands and Takeshima issues (**Q011213**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1194  287  66 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(14) Efforts to address the issue of abductions of Japanese citizens by North Korea (**Q011214**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1194  287  66 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(15) Efforts to revitalize education (**Q011215**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1335  146  66 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(16) Efforts to revise the constitution (**Q011216**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1256  225  66 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(17) Efforts to reform the electoral system (**Q011217**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1410  71  66 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(18) Other points (**Q011218**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1465  16  66 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(90) There is nothing to positively evaluate (**Q011290**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1274  207  66 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

### Q9

Do you have favorable or unfavorable feelings for or against the following parties and politicians? If you have neither favorable nor unfavorable feelings for a party or a politician, please use the "Emotional Thermometer" below to set the temperature at 50 degrees. If you have favorable feelings, please answer with a number between 51 and 100 degrees, depending on the intensity of your feelings, and if you have unfavorable feelings, please answer with a number anywhere between 49 and 0 degrees. Please use an integer between 0 and 100, not a decimal point. (**Q020901** to **Q020912**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (MEAN) |  |  |
| 57.0  31.5  40.9  36.2  42.0  31.8  24.6  26.5  57.0  32.2  37.1  38.8 |  | 1. Liberal Democratic Party (**Q020901**)  2. Democratic Party of Japan (**Q020902**)  3. Japan Restoration Party (**Q020903**)  4. Komeito (**Q020904**)  5. Your Party (**Q020905**)  6. Japanese Communist Party (**Q020906**)  7. People's Life Party (**Q020907**)  8. Social Democratic Party (**Q020908**)  9. Shinzo Abe (Liberal Democratic Party) (**Q020909**)  10. Banri Kaieda (Democratic Party of Japan) (**Q020910**)  11. Shintaro Ishihara (Japan Restoration Party) (**Q020911**)  12. Toru Hashimoto (Japan Restoration Party) (**Q020912**) |
| 999. no answer | | |

### Q10

Do you have favorable or unfavorable feelings for or against the following people and organizations? Please use the same "Emotional Thermometer" as for Q9 and answer an integer between 0 and 100. (**Q021001** to **Q021011**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (MEAN) |  |  |
| 43  55.8  55  65.9  39.7  48.2  51.9  49  43.7  46  39.4 |  | 1. Diet members (**Q021001**)  2. the court (**Q021002**)  3. police (**Q021003**)  4. Self-Defense Forces (**Q021004**)  5. central government bureaucracy (**Q021005**)  6. civil servants working in local government offices (**Q021006**)  7. teachers and staff at elementary and junior high schools (**Q021007**)  8. large companies (**Q021008**)  9. labor unions (**Q021009**)  10. citizen's groups (**Q021010**)  11. mass media (Please answer for the entire industry, not just Asahi Shimbun) (**Q021011**) |
| 999. no answer | | |

### Q11

When you see or hear the following words (1) through (14), do you feel favorable or unfavorable toward them? Please use the same "Emotional Thermometer" as for Q9 and Q10 and answer an integer between 0 and 100. If you do not understand the meaning of a word, please write "X" in parentheses. (**Q021101** to **Q021114**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (MEAN) |  |  |
| 50.6  47.9  46  25.8  26.2  64.3  64  57.5  65.7  54.6  33.4  50  57  42.4 |  | 1. conservative (**Q021101**)  2. reformer (**Q021102**)  3. liberal (**Q021103**)  4. right-wing (**Q021104**)  5. left-wing (**Q021105**)  6. freedom (**Q021106**)  7. equality (**Q021107**)  8. reform (**Q021108**)  9. democracy (**Q021109**)  10. capitalism (**Q021110**)  11. socialism (**Q021111**)  12. unarmed neutrality (**Q021112**)  13. patriotism (**Q021113**)  14. ideology (**Q021114**) |
| 888. X (do not understand the meaning of a word)  999. no answer | | |

### Q12

For the following opinions, do you agree or disagree with them? Please circle the number that applies to each item. (**Q021201** ~ **Q021212**)

(1) The constitution should be revised (**Q021201**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 268  401  488  193  170  27 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(2) Japan's defensive power should be increased (**Q021202**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 354  465  479  136  77  36 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(3) Japan should have the right to preemptive defense when it feels there is a legitimate threat to its safety (**Q021203**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 154  308  562  286  188  49 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(4) Japan should apply pressure to North Korea rather than have a dialogue with it (**Q021204**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 245  374  559  225  111  33 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(5) Either the constitution or the interpretation of it should be changed so that the government can exercise the right to collective defense (**Q021205**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 208  368  603  159  145  64 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(6) Even if government social services suffer, Japan should strive to have small government (**Q021206**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 80  240  655  371  146  55 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(7) Provincial/rural employment should be boosted by public works (**Q021207**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 226  602  492  144  33  50 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(8) Instead of focusing on fiscal austerity, Japan needs to boost its economy through increased spending (**Q021208**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 152  528  627  150  41  49 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(9) Japan should ratify the TPP (Trans-Pacific Partnership) (**Q021209**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 158  422  604  201  119  43 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(10) Resumption of operations at nuclear power plants shut down for periodic inspections is unavoidable (**Q021210**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 127  341  384  330  320  45 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(11) A provincial system should be introduced in place of prefectures (**Q021211**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 85  179  858  240  138  47 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

(12) In general, politics is better when there is a change of government (**Q021212**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 170  427  731  137  49  33 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

### Q13

For each of the following issues, is your opinion closer to A or B? For each item, please circle the number that applies. (**Q021301** ~ **Q021305**)

(1) (**Q021301**)

A: Improving economic competitive power should be prioritized even if there is a bit of social inequality

B: Correcting social inequality should be prioritized even if economic competitive power is sacrificed

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 111  447  526  322  91  50 |  | 1. close to A  2. somewhat close to A  3. not sure  4. somewhat close to B  5. close to B  99. no answer |

(2) (**Q021302**)

A: The government needs to protect domestic corporations

B: The government should promote trade and investment liberalization

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 276  593  377  211  54  36 |  | 1. close to A  2. somewhat close to A  3. not sure  4. somewhat close to B  5. close to B  99. no answer |

(3) (**Q021303**)

A: The share of nuclear power in electricity should be reduced to 0% by the 2030s

B: Nuclear power should be kept as a source of electricity beyond the 2030s

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 351  367  392  270  129  38 |  | 1. close to A  2. somewhat close to A  3. not sure  4. somewhat close to B  5. close to B  99. no answer |

(4) (**Q021304**)

A: Local education administration should be headed by a chief education officer who is appointed and dismissed by the chief executive

B: Local education administration should be the responsibility of a council-based school board

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 112  268  677  310  121  59 |  | 1. close to A  2. somewhat close to A  3. not sure  4. somewhat close to B  5. close to B  99. no answer |

(5) (**Q021305**)

A: There is no need to worry about the budget deficit as government bonds are being steadily purchased

B: The budget deficit is at a critical level, so government bond issuance should be curbed

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 19  81  539  596  266  46 |  | 1. close to A  2. somewhat close to A  3. not sure  4. somewhat close to B  5. close to B  99. no answer |

### Q14

For the following policies, which party’s opinion do you trust? Please circle the number that applies to each item. (**Q021401** ~ **Q021404**)

(1) Economic measures (**Q021401**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1059  63  83  220  122 |  | 1. Liberal Democratic Party  2. Democratic Party of Japan  3. Japan Restoration Party  4. another party  99. no answer |

(2) Fiscal reconstruction (**Q021402**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 837  122  152  292  144 |  | 1. Liberal Democratic Party  2. Democratic Party of Japan  3. Japan Restoration Party  4. another party  99. no answer |

(3) Diplomacy (**Q021403**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1010  62  90  243  142 |  | 1. Liberal Democratic Party  2. Democratic Party of Japan  3. Japan Restoration Party  4. another party  99. no answer |

(4) Administrative reform (**Q021404**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 561  121  396  319  150 |  | 1. Liberal Democratic Party  2. Democratic Party of Japan  3. Japan Restoration Party  4. another party  99. no answer |

### Q15

Do you agree or disagree with the idea of amending Article 9 of the Constitution to specify the right of self-defense and to provide for the maintenance of a national defense force? (**Q021500**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 257  396  422  224  220  28 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

### Q16

Do you agree or disagree with the idea of amending Article 96 of the Constitution to reduce the requirement for a majority of the House of Representatives and the House of Councillors to approve a constitutional amendment? (**Q021600**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 167  302  509  246  278  45 |  | 1. agree  2. somewhat agree  3. not sure  4. somewhat disagree  5. disagree  99. no answer |

### Q17

How would you describe your current lifestyle compared to one year ago? (**Q021700**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 15  107  875  416  118  16 |  | 1. getting very good  2. getting somewhat good  3. unchanged  4. getting somewhat bad  5. getting very bad  99. no answer |

### Q18

What do you think is the current state of the economy? (**Q021800**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 3  196  625  552  158  13 |  | 1. very good  2. somewhat good  3. not sure  4. somewhat bad  5. very bad  99. no answer |

### Q19

Please circle all of the following items that you saw, heard, read, or came into contact with between the end of the regular session of the Diet and the date of the election (June 26 to July 21, 8:00 p.m.). Also, please put a double circle next to all the items that helped you think about candidates and political parties.

Items that you saw, heard, read, or came into contact with (**Q021901** ~ **Q021918**)

(1) Politicians' speeches on the street (**Q021901**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1093  441  13 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(2) Newspaper ads for political parties (**Q021902**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 804  730  13 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(3) TV ads for political parties (**Q021903**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 911  623  13 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(4) Internet ads for political parties (**Q021904**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1403  131  13 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(5) Official gazette for elections (**Q021905**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 947  587  13 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(6) Political opinion broadcast (**Q021906**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 951  583  13 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(7) Manifestos and leaflets of political parties (**Q021907**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1156  378  13 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(8) Letters and postcards from political parties and politicians (excluding Email) (**Q021908**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1325  209  13 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(9) Phone calls from political parties and politicians (**Q021909**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1403  131  13 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(10) Emails from political parties and politicians (**Q021910**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1517  17  13 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(11) Websites and blogs of political parties and politicians (**Q021911**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1482  52  13 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(12) Social networking sites of political parties and politicians (Twitter, Facebook, etc.) (**Q021912**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1481  53  13 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(13) Election-related posts on bulletin boards, blogs, and social networking sites by people other than political parties and politicians (**Q021913**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1464  70  13 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(14) Request for votes from people you know (**Q021914**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1145  389  13 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(15) Election coverage in newspapers (including Internet editions) (**Q021915**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 814  720  13 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(16) TV news coverage of the election (**Q021916**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 536  998  13 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(17) TV debate show (**Q021917**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 746  788  13 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

(18) Election specials on TV talk shows and information variety programs (**Q021918**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 922  612  13 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  99. no answer |

Items that helped you think about candidates and political parties (**Q0219a01** ~ **Q0219a18**)

(1) Politicians' speeches on the street (**Q0219a01**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 405  36  1106 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  66. not applicable (did not see, hear, read, or come into contact with) |

(2) Newspaper ads for political parties (**Q0219a02**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 676  54  817 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  66. not applicable (did not see, hear, read, or come into contact with) |

(3) TV ads for political parties (**Q0219a03**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 607  16  924 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  66. not applicable (did not see, hear, read, or come into contact with) |

(4) Internet ads for political parties (**Q0219a04**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 122  9  1416 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  66. not applicable (did not see, hear, read, or come into contact with) |

(5) Official gazette for elections (**Q0219a05**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 509  78  960 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  66. not applicable (did not see, hear, read, or come into contact with) |

(6) Political opinion broadcast (**Q0219a06**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 506  77  964 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  66. not applicable (did not see, hear, read, or come into contact with) |

(7) Manifestos and leaflets of political parties (**Q0219a07**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 334  44  1169 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  66. not applicable (did not see, hear, read, or come into contact with) |

(8) Letters and postcards from political parties and politicians (excluding Email) (**Q0219a08**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 207  2  1338 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  66. not applicable (did not see, hear, read, or come into contact with) |

(9) Phone calls from political parties and politicians (**Q0219a09**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 130  1  1416 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  66. not applicable (did not see, hear, read, or come into contact with) |

(10) Emails from political parties and politicians (**Q0219a10**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 16  1  1530 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  66. not applicable (did not see, hear, read, or come into contact with) |

(11) Websites and blogs of political parties and politicians (**Q0219a11**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 45  7  1495 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  66. not applicable (did not see, hear, read, or come into contact with) |

(12) Social networking sites of political parties and politicians (Twitter, Facebook, etc.) (**Q0219a12**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 46  7  1494 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  66. not applicable (did not see, hear, read, or come into contact with) |

(13) Election-related posts on bulletin boards, blogs, and social networking sites by people other than political parties and politicians (**Q0219a13**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 65  5  1477 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  66. not applicable (did not see, hear, read, or come into contact with) |

(14) Request for votes from people you know (**Q0219a14**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 359  30  1158 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  66. not applicable (did not see, hear, read, or come into contact with) |

(15) Election coverage in newspapers (including Internet editions) (**Q0219a15**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 612  108  827 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  66. not applicable (did not see, hear, read, or come into contact with) |

(16) TV news coverage of the election (**Q0219a16**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 885  113  549 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  66. not applicable (did not see, hear, read, or come into contact with) |

(17) TV debate show (**Q0219a17**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 621  167  759 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  66. not applicable (did not see, hear, read, or come into contact with) |

(18) Election specials on TV talk shows and information variety programs (**Q0219a18**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 543  69  935 |  | 0. not selected  1. selected  66. not applicable (did not see, hear, read, or come into contact with) |

### Q20

Many people seem to think that “in the long run, I lean toward the party X.” Although it is possible that you will vote for another party in the short term, in the long run, which party would you say you lean toward? (**Q022000**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 681  160  129  89  73  59  18  23  2  3  1  270  39 |  | 1. Liberal Democratic Party  2. Democratic Party of Japan  3. Japan Restoration Party  4. Komeito  5. Your Party  6. Japanese Communist Party  7. People's Life Party  8. Social Democratic Party  9. Green Wind  10. New Party DAICHI  11. another party  12. no party in particular  99. no answer |

*If you answered 12 in Q20, please answer SQ20\_1.*

### SQ20\_1

Why no party in particular? Please circle one. (**Q022000a**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 120  57  88  1277  5 |  | 1. because there is no suitable party right now  2. because I usually don't want to be close to any party  3. because I'm not sure about any party  66. not applicable (did not answer "no party in particular" in Q20)  99. no answer |

## **5. FREE ANSWERS (Wave2)**

**Q0202FA**: free answer of "another party" in Q2

**Q0204FA**: free answer of "official candidate of another party" in Q4

**Q0205FA**: free answer of "other" in Q5

**Q0208FA**: free answer of "Other points" in Q8

**Q0220FA**: free answer of "another party" in Q20

1. The denominator of the collection rate includes cases in which the questionnaires did not reach the survey targets due to death, relocation, or other reasons. Excluding these cases, the recovery rate is a little higher. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Entered the number of House of Representatives constituencies for each prefecture. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. If the respondent circled "1. did not vote" and answered Q2 or Q4, the answer was modified to "2. Voted." If the respondent did not answer, the answer was "2. voted" if the respondent had answered Q2 or Q4, and "1. did not vote" if the respondent had not answered (same for Wave2). [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. In the case of multiple-answer format questions, we treated cases in which not all options were circled as no answer. (The only exception was Question 19 in Wave2.) [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
5. The unit is minutes (specified in the entry field of the survey form); no correction was made even if a value greater than 60 x 24 = 1440 was entered. [↑](#footnote-ref-5)