Survey on the images of foreign countries and current topics (Issue 4)

Q1

How often do you watch news on TV? Please choose one of the following. (Only one)

1. Don't watch at all
2. Approximately once a week
3. Approximately 2-3 times a week
4. Approximately 4-5 times a week
5. Every day or almost every day
6. Don't know
7. Don't want to answer

Q2

How often do you read printed newspapers? Please choose one of the following. (Only one)

1. Don't read at all
2. Approximately once a week → Go to Q2SQ1
3. Approximately 2-3 times a week → Go to Q2SQ1
4. Approximately 4-5 times a week → Go to Q2SQ1
5. Every day or almost every day → Go to Q2SQ1
6. Don't know
7. Don't want to answer

Q2SQ1

Which newspaper do you usually read? Please choose one of the following. (Only one)

1. Yomiuri Shimbun → Go to Q2SSQ1
2. Asahi Shimbun → Go to Q2SSQ1
3. Mainichi Shimbun → Go to Q2SSQ1
4. Nihon Keizai Shimbun → Go to Q2SSQ1
5. Sankei Shimbun → Go to Q2SSQ1
6. A regional newspaper → Go to Q2SSQ1
7. A sports newspaper
8. Other newspaper
9. Don't know
10. Don't want to answer

Q2SSQ1

When you usually read a newspaper, what parts of it do you read? (One for each)

| | Read almost every time | Read sometimes | Read almost never | Don't know | Don't want to answer |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Front page (general section) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Politics section | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Economic section | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| International section | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Cultural section | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Editorial/ commentary | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Articles on everyday life/ society | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Stocks/ market situation | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Sports section | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| TV listings | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |

Q3

Are you interested in politics? (Only one)

1. Interested
2. Interested to some degree
3. Not very interested
4. Not interested
5. Don't know
6. Don't want to answer

Q4

Are you interested in international issues facing Japan? (Only one)

1. Interested
2. Interested to some degree
3. Not very interested
4. Not interested
5. Don't know
6. Don't want to answer

※The split goes as follows.

Respondents who read the first page of Yomiuri according to Q2SQ and Q2SSQ1: Group A

Respondents who read the first page of Asahi according to Q2SQ and Q2SSQ1: Group B

Respondents who read the first page of Nikkei according to Q2SQ and Q2SSQ1: Group C

Respondents not falling into Group A, B, or C, are divided randomly into three groups: Group D, Group E, Group F

Pattern 1 (Randomization: Groups A and D according to the above-mentioned split)

Q4_2_1

Next, we present a list of events and occurrences that drew special attention during the previous month (December 2011). Which of these events and occurrences is, in your opinion, the most important one for Japan? And which of these is, in your opinion, the most important one for you personally? Please choose one for each. (One for each)

| | Most important for Japan | Most important for you |
|---|---|---|
| Nuclear power plant/ radiation issue | 1 | 1 |
| Kim Jong-il's death/ situation in North Korea | 2 | 2 |
| Consumption tax increase issue | 3 | 3 |
| Vehicle weight tax decrease | 4 | 4 |
| US State Secretary's visit to Myanmar | 5 | 5 |
| Issue of environmental assessment in Okinawa | 6 | 6 |
| Intermediary report of Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare: exceptions on pension regulations will be gradually cancelled | 7 | 7 |
| Cooperation between 6 major central banks improved: stocks rise in NYSE and elsewhere | 8 | 8 |
| Yokohama DeNA BayStars baseball team created | 9 | 9 |

Pattern 2 (Randomization: Groups B and E according to the above-mentioned split)

Q4_2_2

Next, we present a list of events and occurrences that drew special attention during the previous month (December 2011). Which of these events and occurrences is, in your opinion, the most important one for Japan? And which of these is, in your opinion, the most important one for you personally? Please choose one for each. (One for each)

| | Most important for Japan | Most important for you |
|---|---|---|
| Nuclear power plant/ radiation issue | 1 | 1 |
| Consumption tax increase issue | 2 | 2 |
| Kim Jong-il's death/ situation in North Korea | 3 | 3 |
| Issue of environmental assessment in Okinawa | 4 | 4 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Higgs boson | 5 | 5 |
| Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare follow-up health study of in-vitro babies | 6 | 6 |
| Iran's embassy in the UK closed | 7 | 7 |
| Bank of Japan short-term report: business mood in the 6 Tohoku prefectures improves for the first time in 20 years | 8 | 8 |
| Cooperation between 6 major central banks improved: stocks rise in NYSE and elsewhere | 9 | 9 |

Pattern 3 (Randomization: Groups C and F according to the above-mentioned split)

Q4_2_3

Next, we present a list of events and occurrences that drew special attention during the previous month (December 2011). Which of these events and occurrences is, in your opinion, the most important one for Japan? And which of these is, in your opinion, the most important one for you personally? Please choose one for each. (One for each)

| | Most important for Japan | Most important for you |
|---|---|---|
| Financial/ economic situations in Europe | 1 | 1 |
| Nuclear power plant/ radiation issue | 2 | 2 |
| Consumption tax increase issue | 3 | 3 |
| Above half of listed companies raised profits | 4 | 4 |
| Toyota to increase production by 20% next year, to advance in developing countries | 5 | 5 |
| Next year, the 5 major convenience stores companies are to open the largest number of new stores ever | 6 | 6 |
| Toshiba to close 3 semiconductor plants | 7 | 7 |
| Plans of relocation of US marines stationed in Okinawa to Guam reconsidered due to budget cuts | 8 | 8 |
| In New York, crude oil price exceeded 100 dollars | 9 | 9 |

Q5

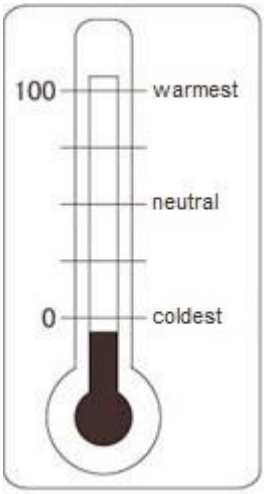
Do you support, or not support the current Noda Cabinet? (Only one)

1. Support

2. Do not support
3. Don't know
4. Don't want to answer

Q6

Please rate your feelings (degree of favorability) toward political parties listed below, by using something called "feeling thermometer". If the "warmest" is 100 degrees, the "coldest" is 0 degrees, and neither "warm" nor "cold" is 50 degrees, what temperature expresses your feelings? If you don't know, please enter "888"; if you don't want to answer, please enter "999". (Please answer about each item. Half-width numbers only)

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|---|---|---|
| Democratic Party of Japan | → | (  ) degrees |
| Liberal Democratic Party | → | (  ) degrees |
| New Komeito | → | (  ) degrees |
| Japanese Communist Party | → | (  ) degrees |
| Social Democratic Party | → | (  ) degrees |
| Your Party | → | (  ) degrees |

Q7_1 [Fresh sample split A]

[Once randomly assigned to either A or B, the respondents should always be presented with A or B from Q7 onward: fixed]

Are you satisfied or not satisfied with your well-being at present time? (Only one)

1. Satisfied
2. Mostly satisfied
3. Neither
4. Somewhat dissatisfied
5. Dissatisfied
6. Don't know

7. Don't want to answer

Q7_2 [Fresh sample split B]

How has your well-being changed compared to one month ago? (Only one)

1. Improved
2. Improved a little
3. Has not changed
4. Worsened a little
5. Worsened
6. Don't know
7. Don't want to answer

Q7_3 [Panel (common)]

Are you satisfied or not satisfied with your well-being at present time? (Only one)

1. Satisfied
2. Mostly satisfied
3. Neither
4. Somewhat dissatisfied
5. Dissatisfied
6. Don't know
7. Don't want to answer

Q8_1 [Fresh sample split A]

Do you think that your well-being is influenced or not influenced by government's policies? (Only one)

1. Influenced
2. Influenced to some degree
3. Hardly influenced
4. Not influenced
5. Don't know
6. Don't want to answer

Q8_2 [Fresh sample split B]

Do you think that the changes in your well-being are influenced or not influenced by government's policies? (Only one)

1. Influenced
2. Influenced to some degree
3. Hardly influenced

4. Not influenced
5. Don't know
6. Don't want to answer

Q8_3 [Panel (common)]

Do you think that your well-being is influenced or not influenced by government's policies? (Only one)

1. Influenced
2. Influenced to some degree
3. Hardly influenced
4. Not influenced
5. Don't know
6. Don't want to answer

Q9_1 [Fresh sample split A]

How do you consider the current situation of the Japanese economy? (Only one)

1. Good
2. Somewhat good
3. Neither good nor bad
4. Somewhat bad
5. Bad
6. Don't know
7. Don't want to answer

Q9_2 [Fresh sample split B]

How do you consider the current situation of the Japanese economy has changed compared to one month ago? (Only one)

1. Improved
2. Improved a little
3. Has not changed
4. Worsened a little
5. Worsened
6. Don't know
7. Don't want to answer

Q9_3 [Panel (common)]

How do you consider the current situation of the Japanese economy? (Only one)

1. Good

2. Somewhat good
3. Neither good nor bad
4. Somewhat bad
5. Bad
6. Don't know
7. Don't want to answer

Q10_1 [Fresh sample split A]

Do you think that the current situation of the Japanese economy is influenced or not influenced by government's policies? (Only one)

1. Influenced
2. Influenced to some degree
3. Hardly influenced
4. Not influenced
5. Don't know
6. Don't want to answer

Q10_2 [Fresh sample split B]

Do you think that the changes in the situation of the Japanese economy are influenced or not influenced by government's policies? (Only one)

1. Influenced
2. Influenced to some degree
3. Hardly influenced
4. Not influenced
5. Don't know
6. Don't want to answer

Q10_3 [Panel (common)]

Do you think that the situation of the Japanese economy is influenced or not influenced by the government's policies? (Only one)

1. Influenced
2. Influenced to some degree
3. Hardly influenced
4. Not influenced
5. Don't know
6. Don't want to answer

Q11_1

Next, we would like to ask you about opinions and feelings that you hold in your daily life. Do you agree or disagree with the following opinions? Please answer by choosing one for each. (One for each)

| | Strongly agree | Agree | Neither agree nor disagree | Disagree | Strongly disagree | Don't know | Don't want to answer |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| In order to keep the sustainable pension system, consumption tax should be increased. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Small government is better, even if the quality of the government service such as the social welfare program becomes poorer. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| The local election suffrage should be granted to permanent residents (foreigners). | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |

Q11_2

Suppose some country invades another. Which one is closest to the maximum response that, in your opinion, Japan should take? (Only one)

1. Whatever the situation, Japan should not intervene in such international problems.
2. Whatever the situation, the measures Japan takes should be limited to diplomatic negotiations.
3. Depending on the situation, Japan should take measures up to imposing economic sanctions.
4. Depending on the situation, in addition to economic sanctions, Japan should take measures up to dispatching the Self-Defense Forces.

5. Don't know

6. Don't want to answer

Q11_3 We would like to ask you about the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP). There are those who support Japan's participation in the TPP and those who oppose to it. What do you think about it? (Only one)

1. Support
2. Rather support
3. Neither support nor oppose
4. Rather oppose
5. Oppose
6. Don't know

7. Don’t want to answer

Q11_4 Japan has a security treaty with the United States. Do you agree or disagree with the following two opinions about this Japan-US security treaty? (One for each)

| | Agree | Rather agree | Neither agree nor disagree | Rather disagree | Disagree | Don't know | Don't want to answer |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| With Japan-US security arrangements, the likelihood that Japan would get involved in US foreign policy and military strategy and thus face international crises increases. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Without Japan-US security arrangements, the likelihood that Japan would be abandoned by US foreign policy and military strategy and thus face international crises increases. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |

Q11_5_1 What do you think about the current situation that US military bases are concentrated in Okinawa under Japan-US security arrangements? (Only one)

1. The burden on Okinawa is too heavy
2. The burden on Okinawa is not too heavy
3. Neither
4. Don’t know
5. Don’t want to answer

Q11_5_2 There is an opinion that even if the burden on Okinawa is too heavy, because of the strategic importance, the current situation that the bases are concentrated in Okinawa is unavoidable. What do you think about this opinion? (Only one)

1. I agree
2. I agree somewhat
3. Neither
4. I disagree somewhat
5. I disagree

6. Don't know
7. Don't want to answer

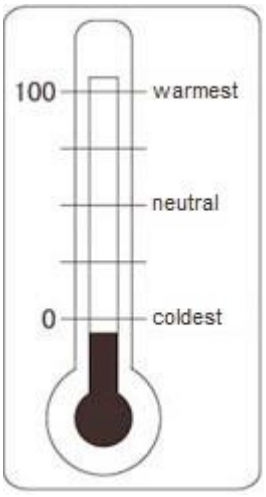
Q11_5_3 There are following opinions about the situation that US bases are concentrated in Okinawa. Do you agree or disagree with these opinions? (One for each)

| | Agree | Somewhat agree | Neither | Somewhat disagree | Disagree | Don't know | Don't want to answer |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Economic assistance to Okinawa should be increased | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| The burden on other prefectures should be increased by promoting the relocation of Okinawa bases "outside the prefecture" | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| The US troops stationed in Japan should be reduced by promoting the relocation of Okinawa bases "outside the country" | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |

Q12

[Countries: Group A – every month. Group B and Group C – alternating every month. Randomized]
[In January, Group B is not shown]

In the same way as we asked previously about political parties, please rate your feelings (degree of favorability) toward countries listed below, by using feeling thermometer. If the "warmest" is 100 degrees, the "coldest" is 0 degrees, and neither "warm" nor "cold" is 50 degrees, please answer with a number. If you don't know, please enter "888"; if you don't want to answer, please enter "999". (Please answer about each item. Half-width numbers only)

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|---|---|---|---|
| USA | → | (  ) degrees | Group A |
| China | → | (  ) degrees | |
| South Korea | → | (  ) degrees | |
| Germany | → | (  ) degrees | |
| Thailand | → | (  ) degrees | |
| India | → | (  ) degrees | |
| Russia | → | (  ) degrees | Group B |
| North Korea | → | (  ) degrees | |
| Brazil | → | (  ) degrees | |
| France | → | (  ) degrees | |
| Australia | → | (  ) degrees | |
| United Kingdom | → | (  ) degrees | Group C |
| Taiwan | → | (  ) degrees | |
| Vietnam | → | (  ) degrees | |
| Canada | → | (  ) degrees | |
| Saudi Arabia | → | (  ) degrees | |

Q13

Do you think that whether people from other countries do or do not feel favorable towards Japan is influenced or not influenced by Japanese government's policies? (Only one)

1. Influenced
2. Influenced to some degree
3. Hardly influenced
4. Not influenced
5. Don't know
6. Don't want to answer

Q14_1 [Fresh sample split A]

Countries: same as in Q12, order is the same

How do you consider the current situation of relations between Japan and each of the countries listed below? (One for each)

| | Good | Somewhat good | Neither good nor bad | Somewhat bad | Bad | Don't know | Don't want to answer |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| USA | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| China | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| South Korea | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Germany | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Thailand | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| India | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Russia | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| North Korea | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Brazil | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| France | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Australia | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| United Kingdom | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Taiwan | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Vietnam | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Canada | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Saudi Arabia | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |

Q14_2 [Fresh sample split B]

Countries: same as in Q12, in the same order

How do you consider the relations between Japan and each of the countries listed below have changed compared to one month before? (One for each)

| | Improved | Improved a little | Have not changed | Worsened a little | Worsened | Don't know | Don't want to answer |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| USA | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| China | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |

| | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| South Korea | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Germany | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Thailand | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| India | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Russia | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| North Korea | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Brazil | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| France | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Australia | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| United Kingdom | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Taiwan | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Vietnam | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Canada | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Saudi Arabia | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |

Q14_3 [Panel (common)]

Countries: same as in Q12, in the same order

How do you consider the current situation of relations between Japan and each of the countries listed below? (One for each)

| | Good | Somewhat good | Neither good nor bad | Somewhat bad | Bad | Don't know | Don't want to answer |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| USA | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| China | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| South Korea | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Germany | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Thailand | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| India | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Russia | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| North Korea | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Brazil | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| France | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Australia | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| United Kingdom | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Taiwan | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Vietnam | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Canada | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Saudi Arabia | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |

Q15_1 [Fresh sample split A]

Do you think that the current situation of Japan's relations with other countries is influenced or not influenced by the Japanese government's policies? (Only one)

1. Influenced SQ
2. Influenced to some degree SQ
3. Hardly influenced SQ
4. Not influenced SQ
5. Don't know
6. Don't want to answer

Q15_2 [Fresh sample split B]

Do you think that the changes of Japan's relations with other countries influence or do not influence the Japanese government? (Only one)

1. Influence SQ
2. Influence to some degree SQ
3. Hardly influence SQ
4. Do not influence SQ
5. Don't know
6. Don't want to answer

Q15_3 [Panel (common)]

Do you think that the current situation of Japan's relations with other countries is influenced or not influenced by the Japanese government's policies? (Only one)

1. Influenced SQ
2. Influenced to some degree SQ
3. Hardly influenced SQ
4. Not influenced SQ
5. Don't know

6. Don't want to answer

Q15SQ1 (common for all)

When you answered that the government's policies [influence/ influence to some degree/ hardly influence/ don't influence](←insert as in Q15), did you think of Japan's relations with some particular country? If so, what country was that? (Only one)

1. Thought of relations with a particular country (Country name: )
2. Did not think of relations with a particular country
3. Don't know
4. Don't want to answer

Q16

To denote political stance, people talk of "conservative" and "progressive". If 0 is progressive, and 10 is conservative, what is your political stance? Please choose a number from 0 to 10. (Only one)

| Progressive | | | | | | | | | | Conservative | Don't know | Don't want to answer |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |

Next, we would like to ask several questions about international organizations and international situation.

[Q17S1~Q17S6: Fresh sample only]

Q17S1. Which country is the current Secretary-General of the United Nations from? (Only one) [Randomized; "Don't know" is fixed]

1. USA
2. China (People's Republic of China)
3. Ghana
4. South Korea (Republic of Korea)
5. Don't know

Q17S2. Which of the following is the international organization called by the abbreviation NATO? (Only one) [Randomized; "Don't know" is fixed]

1. An organization formed according to the treaty aimed at protecting the environment of the Arctic
2. An international organization aimed at promoting free trade on the North American continent
3. A military alliance of the US, Canada, and major European countries
4. A non-profit organization aiming to promote tourism and cultural exchange between South and

North America
5. Don't know

Q17S3. Which of the following is the international organization called by the abbreviation IMF? (Only one) [Randomized; "Don't know" is fixed]
1. World Trade Organization
2. International Monetary Fund
3. Security Council
4. Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change
5. Don't know

Q17S4. Which of the following is the international agreement concluded in 1985 by five developed countries, including US and Japan, and aimed at regulating exchange rates and depreciating the US dollar in relation to the Japanese yen? (Only one) [Randomized; "Don't know" is fixed]
1. Geneva Agreement
2. Plaza Accord
3. Bretton Woods Agreement
4. Washington Agreement
5. Don't know

Q17S5. Which of the following international organizations currently has a Japanese citizen as its chief? (Only one) [Randomized; "Don't know" is fixed]
1. UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization)
2. UNICEF (United Nations Children's Fund)
3. IAEA (International Atomic Energy Agency)
4. WHO (World Health Organization)
5. Don't know

Q17S6. Which of the following countries has the largest Islamic population? (Only one) [Randomized; "Don't know" is fixed]
1. Pakistan
2. Saudi Arabia
3. Indonesia
4. United Arab Emirates
5. Don't know

Q18_1 [Fresh sample split A; panel sample split A (same split as in the October survey)]
Next, we would like to ask you to evaluate the government's performance. Separating domestic

policies from policies of defense and foreign relations, how do you evaluate the Noda Cabinet's performance in each of these areas? (One for each)

| | Approve | Disapprove | Don't know | Don't want to answer |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Domestic policy | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Defense/ foreign policy | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |

Q18_2 [Fresh sample split B; panel sample split B (same split as in the October survey)]

Next, we would like to ask you to evaluate the government's performance. How do you evaluate the Noda Cabinet's performance in each of these policy areas? (One for each)

| | Approve | Disapprove | Don't know | Don't want to answer |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Economy | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Welfare | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Education | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Order and safety | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Defense | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Foreign trade | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Assistance to developing countries | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Global environment | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |

Q20

Generally speaking, do you think that at the present time Japan is going in the right direction or in the wrong direction? (Only one)

1. In the right direction
2. In the wrong direction
3. Don't know
4. Don't want to answer

Q21

Which do you think are more important for the future of Japan – issues of domestic policy or issues of relations with foreign countries? (Only one)

1. Issues of domestic policy are more important
2. Issues of relations with foreign countries are more important
3. Both are approximately equal in importance
4. Don't know
5. Don't want to answer

Q22_1 [Panel (common); Fresh sample split X and z]

In your opinion, to what degree do the countries listed below have influence in the world? If "I think that it has no influence at all" is 0, and "I think that it has extremely high influence" is 10, please choose a number from 0 to 10. (Please answer about each item)

| | I think that it has no influence at all | | | | | | | | | | I think that it has extremely high influence | Don't know | Don't want to answer |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| USA | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| China | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| India | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| Russia | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| South Korea | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| Saudi Arabia | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| Taiwan | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| North Korea | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| EU (Germany, United Kingdom, France, etc) | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| ASEAN (Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia, Thailand, etc) | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| Japan | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |

Q22_2 [Fresh sample split Y]

In your opinion, to what degree do the countries listed below have influence on Japan? If "I think that it has no influence at all" is 0, and "I think that it has extremely high influence" is 10, please choose a number from 0 to 10. (One for each)

| | I think that it has no influence at all | | | | | | | | | | I think that it has extremely high influence | Don't know | Don't want to answer |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| USA | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| China | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| India | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| Russia | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| South Korea | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| Saudi Arabia | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| Taiwan | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| North Korea | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| EU (Germany, United Kingdom, France, etc) | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| ASEAN (Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia, Thailand, etc) | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |

Q23_1 [Panel (common); Fresh sample split x]

In your opinion, to what degree do these countries have influence on Japan? If “I think that it has no influence at all” is 0, and “I think that it has extremely high influence” is 10, please choose a number from 0 to 10. (One for each)

| | I think that it has no influence at all | | | | | | | | | | I think that it has extremely high influence | Don’t know | Don’t want to answer |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| USA | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| China | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| India | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| Russia | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| South Korea | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| Saudi Arabia | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| Taiwan | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| North Korea | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| EU (Germany, United Kingdom, France, etc) | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| ASEAN (Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia, Thailand, etc) | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |

Q23_2 (Fresh sample split z)

In your opinion, what do the people from these countries think about Japan’s influence in the world?

If “they think that Japan has no influence” is 0, and “they think that Japan has extremely high influence” is 10, please choose a number from 0 to 10. (One for each)

| | They think that Japan has no influence at all | | | | | | | | | | They think that Japan has extremely high influence | Don’t know | Don’t want to answer |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| USA | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| China | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| India | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| Russia | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| South Korea | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| Saudi Arabia | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| Taiwan | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| North Korea | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| EU (Germany, United Kingdom, France, etc) | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| ASEAN (Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia, Thailand, etc) | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |

Q23_3 [Fresh sample split Y]

Conversely, in your opinion, what do the people from these countries think about Japan’s influence on their own country? If “they think that Japan has no influence” is 0, and “they think that Japan has extremely high influence” is 10, please choose a number from 0 to 10. (One for each)

| | They think that Japan has no influence at all | | | | | | | | | | They think that Japan has extremely high influence | Don’t know | Don’t want to answer |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| USA | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| China | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| India | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| Russia | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| South Korea | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| Saudi Arabia | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| Taiwan | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| North Korea | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| EU (Germany, United Kingdom, France, etc) | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
| ASEAN (Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia, Thailand, etc) | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |

【For panel sample, continue the urgent survey split used last time, for fresh sample, assign randomly to splits X, Y, or Z】

Q24_1

In December last year, Kin Jong-il, the Secretary General of North Korea, died. Do you think that, due to this, there will be progress in the improvement of relations between Japan and North Korea? (Only one)

1. I think there will be big progress
2. I think there will be some progress
3. I do not think there will be any progress
4. Don't know
5. Don't want to answer

Q24_2

In December last year, Kin Jong-il, the Secretary General of North Korea, died. Do you think that, due to this, there will be progress in solving the problem of abductions of Japanese citizens? (Only one)

1. I think there will be big progress
2. I think there will be some progress
3. I do not think there will be any progress
4. Don't know
5. Don't want to answer

Q24_3 In December last year, Kin Jong-il, the Secretary General of North Korea, died. Do you think that, due to this, there will be progress in solving the problem of North Korean nuclear program? (Only one)

1. I think there will be big progress
2. I think there will be some progress
3. I do not think there will be any progress
4. Don't know
5. Don't want to answer

【For panel sample, continue the urgent survey split used last time, for fresh sample, assign randomly to splits A or B】

Q25_1 Do you think that due to Kim Jong-il's death there will be changes in the North Korean political system, or do you think that there won't? (Only one)

1. I think there will be big changes
2. I think there will be some changes
3. I do not think there will be any changes
4. Don't know
5. Don't want to answer

Q25_2 Do you think that due to Kim Jong-il's death there will be changes in the North Korean foreign policy, or do you think that there won't? (Only one)

1. I think there will be big changes
2. I think there will be some changes
3. I do not think there will be any changes
4. Don't know
5. Don't want to answer

Q26

Do you feel that the issues presented below are a threat to Japan or that they are not a threat? Please choose one applicable answer for each. (One for each)

※Item presentation order is randomized

| | I feel that it is a threat | | Neither | | I don't feel that it is a | Don't know | Don't want to answer |
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| | | | | | threat | | |
| (a) The number of natural disasters in the world increases | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (b) Global warming continues | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (c) Cyber-terrorism | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (d) Food self-sufficiency decreases | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (e) North Korean nuclear program | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (f) Violations of territorial waters by North Korea | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (g) North Korean missiles tests | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (h) Sovereignty violations by North Korea | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (i) Terrorist attacks by international terrorist organizations | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (j) Interruptions of supply and soaring prices of crude oil and/or natural gas | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (k) Interruptions of supply and soaring prices of raw materials | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (l) China intensifies military build-up | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (m) China expands its territorial waters and zones of national interests at sea | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (n) Japanese economy | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |

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| becomes dependent on China | | | | | | | |
| (o) Foreign capital inflow in Japan | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (p) Russia intensifies military build-up | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (q) Decline of birthrate and ageing of society continues in Japan | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (r) Economic inequality rises in Japan | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (s) US influence in the world decreases | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (t) World population increases | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (u) Yen continues to appreciate | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (v) America exerts pressure on questions of Japan's trade practices | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (w) Economic growth in India | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (x) Economic growth in South-East Asia | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (y) Economic growth in China | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (z) Financial crisis and credit instability in Europe | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |

Q27 Thinking those issues above, about which you have just been asked, generally speaking, do you feel that Japan now is threatened, or do you feel that Japan is not threatened? Please choose the applicable answer. (Only one)

| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| I feel that Japan is not threatened | | | | | Neither | | | | | I feel that Japan is threatened | Don't know | Don't want to answer |

| 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 99 | 999 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|

Q28 The following options are considered to be ways of strengthening Japan's security. What do you think about each of these? Please choose one applicable. (One for each)

| | Should not be promoted | | Neither | | Should be promoted | Don't know | Don't want to answer |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Strengthen the Ground Self-Defense Force | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Strengthen the Air Self-Defense Force | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Strengthen the Maritime Self-Defense Force | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Possess nuclear weapons | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Increase support to US troops stationed in Japan | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Strengthen cooperation with the US in the field of military technology | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Conduct joint Japan-US military exercises more frequently | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Revise the Constitution and create a "Jiei-gun" | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Revise the Constitution and introduce conscription | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Deepen friendship and economic ties with South Korea | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Deepen friendship and economic ties with Australia | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Deepen friendship and economic ties with India | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Deepen friendship and economic ties with ASEAN (South-East | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |

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| Asian) countries | | | | | | | |
| Deepen the dialogue and mutual understanding with China | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Deepen the dialogue and mutual understanding with North Korea | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Deepen the dialogue and mutual understanding with Russia | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Deepen friendship and economic ties with Middle Eastern countries | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Develop a UN-centered foreign policy | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Increase food self-sufficiency | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Increase economic autonomy | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Strengthen missile defense system | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Strengthen cyber security | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Set up laws to control illegal intelligence activities (espionage) by foreign countries | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Establish a government organization for Japan's intelligence activity | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |

Thank you for taking your time to answer these questions. Last, let us ask you something about yourself for the purpose of statistical analysis.

F1

First, please choose your gender. (Only one)

1. Male

2. Female
3. Don't want to answer

F2

How old are you? (Only one)

□□years old("below 19", "20", "21", … , "69", "above 70")

F3

Which of these is the school that you last attended (or are now attending)? (Only one)

1. Primary school / junior high school
2. High school
3. Junior college / technical college / technical school
4. University / Graduate school
5. Don't want to answer

F4

What approximately was the income of your household last year, considering the income of all family members? Please include bonuses, extra work hours payments, and exclude taxes. (Only one)

1. Below 2,000,000 yen
2. 2,000,000 ~ below 4,000,000 yen
3. 4,000,000 ~ below 6,000,000 yen
4. 6,000,000 ~ below 8,000,000 yen
5. 8,000,000 ~ below 10,000,000 yen
6. 10,000,000 ~ 12,000,000 yen
7. 12,000,000 ~ 14,000,000 yen
8. 14,000,000 yen or more
9. Don't know
10. Don't want to answer

F5

Not speaking about elections, which party do you usually support? (Only one) (Randomized, fixed from "Other" on)

1. Democratic Party of Japan
2. Liberal Democratic Party
3. New Komeito
4. Japanese Communist Party
5. Social Democratic Party

6. Your Party
7. Other
8. Do not support any
9. Don't want to answer

F6

Are you currently married? (Only one)

1. Married
2. Not married
3. Don't want to answer

F7

How many children do you have? (Only one)

1. 0
2. 1
3. 2 or more
4. Don't want to answer

F8

On average, how much do use internet every day? (Only one)

1. Less than 30 minutes
2. 30 minutes ~ less than 1 hour
3. 1 hour ~ less than 2 hours
4. 2 hours ~ less than 3 hours

F9

Have you lived abroad (in a country other than Japan) for 1 year or longer? If you have lived in several countries, but the total time is 1 year or more, please answer "I have". (Only one)

I haven't

I have →Go to F9SF1,2

Don't want to answer

F9SF1. This question is addressed to those who have lived abroad for longer than one year. For how many years have you lived abroad in total? (Only one) (Pull-down)

(Error if Age < Total time abroad)

□□years (1~69 years)

99 don't want to answer

F9SF2 Please write the name of the country where you have lived longest. (Please do not use half-width katakana) (FA)

Country name [ ]

1. Don't want to answer

F10

Generally speaking, which of the following describes your position in your current job? (Only one)

1 Manager/ executive →Go to F10SF1, 2

2 General office work (administrative work) under regular employment →Go to F10SF1, 2

3 General office work (other than administrative work) under regular employment →Go to F10SF1, 2

4 Temporary employee/ part-time employee →Go to F10SF1, 2

5 Employee sent from a temp agency →Go to F10SF1, 2

6 Self-employed/ free-lancer →Go to F10SF1, 2

7 Working in family business →Go to F10SF1, 2

8 Working at home →Go to F10SF1, 2

9 Currently not working

10 Don't know

11 Don't want to answer

F10SF1

Generally speaking, which of the following best describes the company or organization you are working at, or your type of business? (Only one)

1 Agriculture and fishery

2 Construction

3 Manufacturing

4 Electric power/ gas/ heat/ water supply industry

5 Transportation

6 Wholesale

7 Retail

8 Food services

9 Finance/ insurance

10 Public service

11 Newspaper/ broadcasting/ publishing/ advertising/ film production

12 Information/ communication services

13 Healthcare/ welfare services

14 Education/ research services

15 Law/ accounting services

16 Other service job
17 Don't know
18 Don't want to answer

F10SF2
Please choose all that applies to the company or organization you are working at, or your type of business. (Multiple answers possible)
1 Import materials and goods from other countries
2 Export materials and goods to other countries
3 Have production in other countries
4 Have no deals with other countries
5 Don't know
6 Don't want to answer

F11
Do you currently belong to some of the organizations listed below? (Multiple answers possible)
1 Neighborhood association
2 Parent-teacher association
3 Business organization
4 Farming cooperative/ labor union
5 Consumer cooperative/ consumer organization
6 Volunteer organization
7 Neighborhood movement organization
8 Civil movement organization
9 Religious organization
10 Alumni association
11 Politician's supporters' association
12 Do not belong to any
13 Don't know
14 Don't want to answer

F12
Finally, if you please, enter the 7 digits, or the first 3 digits of the postal code number and the prefecture of the place you currently live, and the number of years that you have been living there. If you do not want to give your postal code number, please enter "999-9999"

Postal code number□□□-□□□□(Pull-down for postal code number)

Prefecture (Pull-down for the 47 administrative divisions of Japan)

Years of residence □□ years (Pull-down. 0~69 years)
(Error if Age < Years of residence)