Survey on the images of foreign countries and current topics (Issue 12)

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	Read	Read	Don't	Don't want

	almost every time	sometimes	almost never	know	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

P1 Will you vote in the following House of Representatives election? Please choose one of the following. (Only one)

1. Will vote
2. Will abstain
3. Have not decided yet
4. Don't want to answer

【Only those who answered "1. Will vote" in P1; parties order is randomized】(Fixed from "Other party" on)

P2 In the next House of Representatives election, which party are you going to vote for in the proportional district, where you vote for a party? Please choose one of the following. (Only one)

1. Democratic Party of Japan
2. Liberal Democratic Party
3. New Komeito
4. Japanese Communist Party
5. Social Democratic Party
6. People's New Party
7. Your Party
8. People's Life First
9. Japan Restoration Party
10. Other party
11. Independent
12. Not decided yet
13. Don't want to answer

【Only those who answered "1. Will vote", "3. Not decided yet" in P1】

P3_1 When deciding how to vote in the following House of Representatives election, how important are, in your eyes, the DPJ administration's response to and actual performance on the following issues? Please choose one for each. (One for each)

<All items randomized>

	Important	Somewhat important	Neither	Almost not important	Not important	Don't want to answer
Foreign policy	1	2	3	4	5	6
Reconstruction of public finance	1	2	3	4	5	6
Stimulus measures	1	2	3	4	5	6
Structural economic reform	1	2	3	4	5	6
Energy policy	1	2	3	4	5	6
Education	1	2	3	4	5	6
Pensions	1	2	3	4	5	6
Healthcare	1	2	3	4	5	6
Employment	1	2	3	4	5	6

Environment	1	2	3	4	5	6
Political/ administrative reform	1	2	3	4	5	6
Decentralization	1	2	3	4	5	6
Constitution	1	2	3	4	5	6

【Only those who answered “1. Will vote”, “3. Not decided yet” in P1】

P3_2 How important are, in your eyes, the DPJ administration’s response to and actual performance on the following concrete issues and problems? (One for each)

<All items randomized>

	Important	Somewhat important	Neither	Almost not important	Not important	Don’t want to answer
Senkaku Islands issue	1	2	3	4	5	6
Takeshima Island issue	1	2	3	4	5	6
Consumption tax increase	1	2	3	4	5	6
Social security reform	1	2	3	4	5	6
TPP membership negotiations	1	2	3	4	5	6
Managing Diet affairs	1	2	3	4	5	6
Restoring the budget order	1	2	3	4	5	6
Post-disaster reconstruction	1	2	3	4	5	6
Reopening of nuclear power plants	1	2	3	4	5	6

※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(include those who did not answer in Q2SSQ1)

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 (August 2012). 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
London Olympics	1	1
South Korean President landed on Takeshima	2	2
Consumption tax increase	3	3
Uichiro Niwa to be replaced as ambassador to China	4	4
Sharp, ltd reconstruction issue	5	5
Japan-North Korea talks reopened	6	6
Eurozone negative growth	7	7
TEPCO female worker murder case retrial	8	8
Lightning strike killed two	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 (August 2012). 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
London Olympics	1	1
Consumption tax increase	2	2
Nuclear power plant accident	3	3
Ministry of Justice considers raising sentences of imprisonment possible for juveniles	4	4
Meeting evaluating results of national debate summed up that “the majority	5	5

wants to abandon nuclear power"		
Nuclear and Industrial Safety Agency decided to re-examine 6 nuclear power plants	6	6
Issue of electoral system reform	7	7
Poisoning due to O157 in asazuke pickles	8	8
Bill for metropolitan Osaka passed	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 (August 2012). 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
Consumption tax increase	1	1
Resolution on censure for the Prime Minister	2	2
South Korean President landed on Takeshima	3	3
Volkswagen and Hundai to reenter Japanese market of trucks	4	4
Maritime Safety Agency asked for new-type patrol boats	5	5
Japan-North Korea talks reopened	6	6
Kansai Electric Power will not pay interim dividends	7	7
Uichiro Niwa to be replaced as ambassador to China	8	8
Rising stock prices (Nikkei average)	9	9

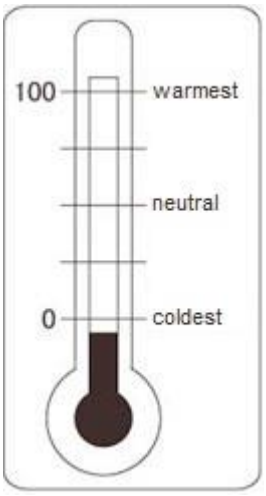
Q5

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) Randomize categories.



Democratic Party of Japan	→	( ) degrees
Liberal Democratic Party	→	( ) degrees
New Komeito	→	( ) degrees
Japanese Communist Party	→	( ) degrees
Social Democratic Party	→	( ) degrees
Your Party	→	( ) degrees
People’s Life First	→	( ) degrees
Japan Restoration 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_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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

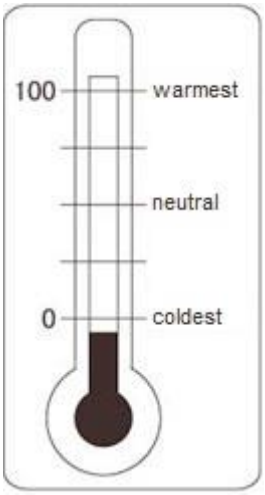
promoting the relocation of Okinawa bases “outside the country”							

Q12

[Countries: Group A – every month. Group B and Group C – alternating every month. Randomized]

[In September, 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)



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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

Arabia							

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
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'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_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
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 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
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
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

Q24A Next, we would like to ask about the presidential election to be held in the United States in November this year. The candidates are the incumbent President Obama of the Democratic Party and Mitt Romney of the Republican Party. Do you think that the result of this election will influence the relations between Japan and the US, or do you think that it won't? (Only one)

1. Will influence (Go to Q25-2)
2. Will not influence
3. Don't know
4. Don't want to answer

Q24B In your opinion, which candidate's victory will have better influence on the relations between Japan and the US? (Only one)

1. President Obama
2. Mitt Romney

3. Don't know
4. Don't want to answer

<Two-way split for Q24-1~10A beginning with the following page. Split both panel and fresh sample into two. No need to inherit other splits>

Both panel and fresh samples should be split into two (pat=1,2), if pat=1, then _A applies, if pat=2_, then questions with _B apply. Either A or B are shown.

Whether to begin with Takeshima or with Senkaku should determine the two-way split. If pat=1, then begin with Q24-1, if pat=2, then begin with Q24-6.

We would like to ask about the incident on Takeshima Island that happened last month (in August).

Q24_1 Generally speaking, do you approve or disapprove the way how the Japanese Government responded this time to Lee Myung-bak, the President of South Korea, landing on Takeshima Island? (Only one) No SA blank

1. Approve
2. Approve somewhat
3. Hard to say one way or the other
4. Disapprove somewhat
5. Disapprove
6. Don't know
7. Don't want to answer

Q24_2 In your opinion, what kind of response was the Japanese response? (Only one) No SA blank

1. Very firm response
2. Somewhat firm response
3. Neither firm nor weak, but adequate response
4. Somewhat weak response
5. Very weak response
6. Don't know
7. Don't want to answer

Q24_3 Do you think that the Japanese Government should respond (or should have responded) with the following concrete measures to Lee Myung-bak, the President of South Korea, landing on Takeshima Island, or do you think that it shouldn't? (One for each) No matrix SA blank

<All items randomized>

- Renounce Japan's claims of territorial rights
- Appeal to the International Court of Justice
- Limit cultural exchanges with South Korea
- Reconsider currency swap agreement with South Korea and other forms of economic exchange / assistance
- Forcefully stop South Korea's de-facto control of the island, for example, by using the SDF

1. Definitely should do (should have done)
2. Should, rather than should not, do (should have done)
3. Hard to say one way or the other
4. Should not, rather than should, do (should not have done)
5. Definitely should not do (should not have done)
6. Don't know
7. Don't want to answer

Q24_4 To what degree do you think is the previous foreign policy of the Japanese Government responsible for causing this incident? (One for each) No matrix SA blank

- Foreign policy of the LDP-run administration before 2009 (before the change of government)
- Foreign policy of the DPJ-run administration after 2009 (after the change of government)

1. Is greatly responsible
2. Is responsible to some extent
3. Is not really responsible
4. Is not responsible at all
5. Don't know
6. Don't want to answer

Q24_5 Which of the following two opinions is closer to your opinion, between A and B, about what Japan's stance on the Takeshima Island issue should be from now on? (Only one) No SA blank

Opinion A. To improve relations with the other country, a concession should be made in the territorial problem.
Opinion B. Even if it worsens relations with the other country, no concession should be made in the territorial problem.

1. Closer to A
2. Closer rather to A than to B
3. Hard to say one way or the other
4. Closer rather to B than to A
5. Closer to B
6. Don't know
7. Don't want to answer

We would like to the Senkaku Islands accident that happened last month (in August).

Q24_6 We would like to ask about the Chinese activists' landing on the Senkaku Islands. Generally speaking, do you approve or disapprove the way how the Japanese Government responded to this incident? (Only one) No SA blank

1. Approve
2. Approve somewhat
3. Hard to say one way or the other
4. Disapprove somewhat
5. Disapprove
6. Don't know
7. Don't want to answer

Q24_7 In your opinion, what kind of response was the Japanese response? (Only one) No SA blank

1. Very firm response
2. Somewhat firm response
3. Neither firm nor weak, but appropriate response
4. Somewhat weak response
5. Very weak response
6. Don't know
7. Don't want to answer

Q24_8 Do you think that the Japanese Government should respond (or should have responded) with the following concrete measures to Chinese activists' landing on the Senkaku Islands, or do you think that it shouldn't? (One for each) No matrix SA blank

<All items randomized>

- Renounce Japan's claims of territorial rights
- Arrest and prosecute those who landed there
- Nationalize the Senkaku Islands

- Limit cultural exchanges with China
- Reconsider economic exchanges with China
- Strengthen control of the islands, for example, by constructing harbor facilities in the Senkaku Islands

1. Definitely should do (should have done)
2. Should, rather than should not, do (should have done)
3. Hard to say one way or the other
4. Should not, rather than should, do (should not have done)
5. Definitely should not do (should not have done)
6. Don't know
7. Don't want to answer

Q24_9 To what degree, do you think, is the previous foreign policy of the Japanese Government responsible for causing this incident? (One for each) No matrix SA blank

- Foreign policy of the LDP-run administration before 2009 (before the change of government)
- Foreign policy of the DPJ-run administration after 2009 (after the change of government)

1. Is greatly responsible
2. Is responsible to some extent
3. Is not really responsible
4. Is not responsible at all
5. Don't know
6. Don't want to answer

Q24_10 Which of the following two opinions, A and B, about what Japan's stance on the Senkaku Islands issue should be from now on, is closer to your opinion? (Only one) No SA blank

Opinion A. To improve relations with the other country, a concession should be made in the territorial problem.
Opinion B. Even if it worsens relations with the other country, no concession should be made in the territorial problem.

1. Closer to A
2. Closer rather to A than to B

3. Hard to say one way or the other
4. Closer rather to B than to A
5. Closer to B
6. Don't know
7. Don't want to answer

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(Skip for panel sample)
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")
99 Don't want to answer

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(Skip for panel sample)
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. People's Life First
8. Japan Restoration Party
9. Other
10. Do not support any
11. 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(Skip for panel sample)
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. (Skip for panel sample)
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. (Skip for panel sample)
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)