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Q1.(2)-SQ2. How much do you know about this candidate?

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| g1s2x2 | 1. Know a lot | (proceed to Q1.(2)-SQ3) |
| | 2. Know a little | (proceed to Q1.(2)-SQ3) |
| | 3. Know only the candidate's name | (proceed to Q1.(3)-SQ1) |
| | 4. DK | (proceed to Q1.(3)-SQ1) |
| | 5. NA | (proceed to Q1.(3)-SQ1) |

Q1.(2)-SQ3. Please express your feeling toward the candidate in terms of temperature.

g1s2x3 () degrees

Q1.(3)-SQ1. Are there any other names on this list that you know?

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| g1s3x1p | 1. Yes (specify by the number:) | (proceed to Q1.(3)-SQ2) |
| | 2. No | (proceed to Q2) |
- g1s3x1c

Q1.(3)-SQ2. How much do you know about this candidate?

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| g1s3x2 | 1. Know a lot | (proceed to Q1.(3)-SQ3) |
| | 2. Know a little | (proceed to Q1.(3)-SQ3) |
| | 3. Know only the candidate's name | (proceed to Q1.(4)-SQ1) |
| | 4. DK | (proceed to Q1.(4)-SQ1) |
| | 5. NA | (proceed to Q1.(4)-SQ1) |

Q1.(3)-SQ3. Please express your feeling toward the candidate in terms of temperature.

g1s3x3 () degrees

Q1.(4)-SQ1. Are there any other names on this list that you know?

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| g1s4x1p | 1. Yes (specify by the number:) | (proceed to Q1.(4)-SQ2) |
| | 2. No | (proceed to Q2) |
- g1s4x1c

Q1.(4)-SQ2. How much do you know about this candidate?

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| g1s4x2 | 1. Know a lot | (proceed to Q1.(4)-SQ3) |
| | 2. Know a little | (proceed to Q1.(4)-SQ3) |
| | 3. Know only the candidate's name | (proceed to Q1.(5)-SQ1) |
| | 4. DK | (proceed to Q1.(5)-SQ1) |
| | 5. NA | (proceed to Q1.(5)-SQ1) |

Q1.(4)-SQ3. Please express your feeling toward the candidate in terms of temperature.

g1s4x3 () degrees

Q1.(5)-SQ1. Are there any other names on this list that you know?

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| g1s5x1p | 1. Yes (specify by the number:) | (proceed to Q1.(5)-SQ2) |
| | 2. No | (proceed to Q2) |
- g1s5x1c

Q1.(5)-SQ2. How much do you know about this candidate?

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| g1s5x2 | 1. Know a lot | (proceed to Q1.(5)-SQ3) |
| | 2. Know a little | (proceed to Q1.(5)-SQ3) |

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3. Know only the candidate's name (proceed to Q1.(6)-SQ1)
4. DK (proceed to Q1.(6)-SQ1)
5. NA (proceed to Q1.(6)-SQ1)

g1s5x3 Q1.(5)-SQ3. Please express your feeling toward the candidate in terms of temperature.
() degrees

g1s6x1p Q1.(6)-SQ1. Are there any other names on this list that you know?
g1s6x1c 1. Yes (specify by the number:) (proceed to Q1.(6)-SQ2)
2. No (proceed to Q2)

g1s6x2 Q1.(6)-SQ2. How much do you know about this candidate?
1. Know a lot (proceed to Q1.(6)-SQ3)
2. Know a little (proceed to Q1.(6)-SQ3)
3. Know only the candidate's name (proceed to Q2)
4. DK (proceed to Q2)
5. NA (proceed to Q2)

g1s6x3 Q1.(6)-SQ3. Please express your feeling toward the candidate in terms of temperature.
() degrees

g2 Q2. {SHOW CARD #1} Do you plan to go to the upcoming House of Councilors election?
Choose one that best reflects your intention.
1. On election day I have something else to do, so going to vote is difficult.
2. I have nothing else to do, but going to vote is too much trouble.
3. I have no problems with going to vote.
4. DK
5. NA

g3 Q3. Do you plan to do absentee balloting? Choose one that best reflects your intention.
1. I have done absentee balloting already.
2. I plan to do absentee balloting.
3. There is a possibility I will do absentee balloting.
4. I have no plan to do absentee balloting.
5. DK
6. NA

g4 Q4. {SHOW CARD #3} In regard to voting, several opinions are shown on the list.
Choose one that best reflects your own.
1. Voting in elections is a citizen's duty, and all citizens are obliged to vote.
2. Voting in elections is something that a citizen really should do.
3. Voting in elections is something that each citizen decides on their own, so one should not be obliged to vote.
4. DK
5. NA

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Q5. {SHOW CARD #4} How close of a race do you think the prefectural constituency election where you live will be (in the upcoming House of Councilor election)?

1. Since the candidate I support is fairly strong, I think that even if I don't vote, he/she will be elected.
2. Even if I don't vote, I think the candidate that I support will gather just enough votes be elected.
3. Since the candidate that I support is barely ahead, I think that if I will vote, he/she may be elected.
4. If I don't vote, the candidate that I support may have a hard time winning. But if I vote, he/she may come out ahead.
5. Even if I vote, I think that the candidate that I support may have a hard time winning.
6. Other ()
7. There are no candidates that I support.
8. I have not decided which candidate to support.
9. DK
10. NA

Q6. {SHOW CARD #5} What are your feelings toward people and political parties that are influential in politics? Please express your likes and dislikes in terms of temperature. If you feel completely neutral about the person or the political party on the list, indicate this neutral feeling by giving them a rating of 50 °c. If you like the person or political party listed, rate them between 50°c to 100°c depending on how positively you feel. Conversely, if you dislike the person or party, rate them 0°c to 50 °c depending on how negatively you feel.

{Note for interviewer: Repeat through (1) to (10). Code DK as "111", NA as "222".}

The first person on the list is Junichiro Koizumi. How do you feel about the Prime Minister Koizumi?

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| g6x1 | (1) Junichiro Koizumi | ()degrees |
| g6x2 | (2) Shinzo Abe | ()degrees |
| | (3) Naoto Kan | ()degrees |
| g6x3 | (4) Ichiro Ozawa | ()degrees |
| g6x4 | (5) Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) | ()degrees |
| g6x5 | (6) Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ) | ()degrees |
| g6x6 | (7) Clean Government Party (New Komeito/CGP) | ()degrees |
| g6x7 | (8) Social Democratic Party (SDP) | ()degrees |
| g6x8 | (9) Japan Communist Party (JCP) | ()degrees |
| g6x9 | | |

Q7. {SHOW CARD #6} How do you feel about the Koizumi Cabinet's record?

g7x1

(1) How would you evaluate their fiscal structural reform? Choose one from the list.

1. Very favorably
2. Somewhat favorably
3. Neither favorably nor unfavorably
4. Somewhat unfavorably

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5. Very unfavorably
6. DK
7. NA

(2) How would you evaluate their contra-cyclical policy?

g7x2

1. Very favorably
2. Somewhat favorably
3. Neither favorably nor unfavorably
4. Somewhat unfavorably
5. Very unfavorably
6. DK
7. NA

(3) How about their foreign policy?

g7x3

1. Very favorably
2. Somewhat favorably
3. Neither favorably nor unfavorably
4. Somewhat unfavorably
5. Very unfavorably
6. DK
7. NA

(4) What is your overall evaluation of the Koizumi Cabinet?

g7x4

1. Very good
2. Somewhat good
3. Neither good nor bad
4. Somewhat bad
5. Very bad
6. DK
7. NA

Q8. {SHOW CARD #7} Putting elections aside, which political party in Japan do you usually support?

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| 1. Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) | (proceed to Q7-SQ1) |
| 2. Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ) | (proceed to Q7-SQ1) |
| 3. Clean Government Party (New Komeito/CGP) | (proceed to Q7-SQ1) |
| 4. Social Democratic Party (SDP) | (proceed to Q7-SQ1) |
| 5. Japan Communist Party (JCP) | (proceed to Q7-SQ1) |
| 6. X (blank) | (proceed to Q7-SQ1) |
| 7. X (blank) | (proceed to Q7-SQ1) |
| 8. Other () | (proceed to Q7-SQ1) |
| 9. No such party | (proceed to Q7-SQ2) |
| 10. DK | (proceed to Q7-SQ2) |
| 11. NA | (proceed to Q7-SQ2) |

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g8s1 Q8-SQ1. (Asked to those who chose 1 to 8 in Q8.) How strongly do you support this party: enthusiastically or not so enthusiastically?

1. Enthusiastically
2. Not so enthusiastically
3. DK
4. NA

g8s2 Q8-SQ2. (Asked to those who chose 9 to 11 in Q8.) If you are to name one party that you favor the most, which do you choose?

1. LDP
2. DPJ
3. CGP (New Komeito)
4. SDP
5. JCP
8. Other ()
9. No such party
10. DK
11. NA

(To all respondents)

g9_1 Q9. {SHOW CARD #7} Is there a political party you would never support? ... Is there
g9_2 any other party that you would never support? (M.A.)

- g9_3 1. LDP
2. DPJ
- g9_4 3. CGP (New Komeito)
- g9_5 4. SDP
- g9_6 5. JCP
- g9_7 8. Other ()
- g9_8 9. No such party
- g9_9 10. DK
- g9_10 11. NA

g9_11 Q10. Now, generally speaking, how would you evaluate the Koizumi Cabinet?

(1) First, please tell us what you like about the Koizumi Cabinet. Give as many comments as you can think of. ... Anything else? (Open Ended)

{Note for interviewer: Make sure to ask "Anything else?" and have the respondent answer as much as possible. Write down the respondent's answer exactly as he/she puts it.}

1. DK
2. NA

(2) What do you dislike about the Koizumi Cabinet? Give as many comments as you can think of. ... Anything else? (Open Ended)

{Note for interviewer: Make sure to ask "Anything else?" and have the respondent answer as much as possible. Write down the respondent's answer exactly as he/she

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puts it.}

1. DK
2. NA

Q11. Generally speaking, what kind of party is the LDP? Please tell us what you think about this party. Any comment is welcome. For example, is there something you like or dislike about the LDP? ... Anything else? (Open Ended)

{Note for interviewer: Pause between questions, repeat all questions for each party on the list.}

(1) What kind of party is the LDP? (Open Ended)

1. DK
2. NA

(2) What kind of party is the DPJ? (Open Ended)

1. DK
2. NA

(3) What kind of party is the CGP (New Komeito)? (Open Ended)

1. DK
2. NA

(4) What kind of party is the SDP? (Open Ended)

1. DK
2. NA

(5) What kind of party is the JCP? (Open Ended)

1. DK
2. NA

g12 Q12. {SHOW CARD #8} Do you intend to vote in the upcoming House of Councilors election?

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| 1. I plan to vote. | (proceed to Q12-SQ1) |
| 2. I will probably vote. | (proceed to Q12-SQ1) |
| 3. I will probably abstain from voting. | (proceed to Q13) |
| 4. I plan to abstain from voting. | (proceed to Q13) |
| 5. I have not decided/DK | (proceed to Q13) |
| 6. NA | (proceed to Q13) |

Q12-SQ1. {SHOW CARD #9} (Asked to those who chose 1 and 2 in Q12) Have you decided for whom to vote in the prefectural constituency election?

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| 1. I have decided for whom to vote. | (proceed to Q12-SQ2) |
| 2. I have decided for which party to vote. | (proceed to Q12-SQ3) |
| 3. Not decided on the candidate or the party. | (proceed to Q12-SQ6) |
| 4. DK | (proceed to Q12-SQ6) |
| 5. NA | (proceed to Q12-SQ6) |

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Q12-SQ2. (Asked to those who chose 1 in Q12-SQ1) For whom will you vote?

{Note for interviewer: Hand respondent the Candidate List A.}

- g12s2c Candidate's name: _____ (proceed to Q12-SQ4)
- g12s2p 1. DK (proceed to Q12-SQ4)
2. NA (proceed to Q12-SQ4)
- (The particular code number of the each candidate was filled by interviewer after the interview. DK=88. NA = 99)

Q12-SQ3 {SHOW CARD #9} For which party will you vote?

- g12s3 1. LDP
2. DPJ
3. CGP (New Komeito)
4. SDP
5. JCP
- g12prtya 8. Other ()
9. Independent
10. DK
11. NA

- g12s4 Q12-SQ4 {SHOW CARD #12} For which party will you vote in the proportional-representation election?
1. I have decided for whom to vote. (proceed to Q12-SQ5)
2. I have decided for which party to vote. (proceed to Q12-SQ6)
3. Not decided on the candidate or the party. (proceed to Q13)
4. DK (proceed to Q13)
5. NA (proceed to Q13)

Q1-SQ5 (To respondents whose answer was 1 in SQ4) Which member of which party will you vote for?

- g12s5c Candidate code:
- g12s5p Party code:
- (Note to interviewer: write the name of the candidate and party down first, then look up and fill in the codes after the interview. The party codes are the same as the numbers used in SQ7. For the candidate codes DK is 88 and NA is 99)

- g12s6 Q1-SQ6 (To respondents whose answer was 2 in SQ4) Which party will you vote for?
(proceed to SQ7)
1. LDP
2. DPJ
3. CGP (New Komeito)
4. SDP
5. JCP
- g12prtyb 8. Other ()
9. DK
10. NA

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- g12s7 Q12-SQ7. Please confirm the party you intend to vote for in the prefectural constituency election and the proportional representation election: are they the same or different?
1. The same party (proceed to Q13)
 2. Different parties (proceed to Q12-SQ8)
 3. DK (proceed to Q13)
 4. NA (proceed to Q13)

- g12s8 Q12-SQ8. (To those who answered "Different parties" in Q11-SQ5.)
{SHOW CARD #12} Why is that? Please choose one from the list.
1. In my prefectural district, there is no candidate from the party that I support.
 2. In my prefectural district, the candidate from the party I support will certainly win even if I don't vote for him/her.
 3. In my prefectural district, the candidate from the party I support will certainly lose even if I vote for him/her.
 4. In the proportional representation district, there is a candidate that is not from the party I support for whom I would like to vote.
 5. I chose for whom to vote regardless of the candidates' affiliated parties.
 6. I considered the balance of the seats in the House.
 7. Other ()
 8. DK
 9. NA

(To all respondents)

- g13 Q13. Please recall the previous House of Councilors election held three years ago (in 2001.) Did you vote in that election?
1. Yes (proceed to Q13-SQ1)
 2. No (proceed to Q14)
 3. I was not eligible to vote (proceed to Q14)
 4. DK or forgot(ten) (proceed to Q14)
 5. NA (proceed to Q14)

- g13s1 Q13-SQ1. For which party's candidate did you vote in the prefectural constituency election?
1. LDP
 2. DPJ
 3. CGP (New Komeito)
 4. SDP
 5. JCP
 7. LBP
 8. Other ()
 9. Independent
 10. Forgot(ten)
 11. DK
 12. NA

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g13s2 Q13-SQ2. For which party did you vote in the proportional-representation election?

1. LDP
2. DPJ
3. CGP (New Komeito)
4. SDP
5. JCP
6. NCP
7. LBP
8. Other ()
9. Forgotten
10. DK
11. NA

g14 Q14. Please recall last year's House of Representatives election (in year 2003.) Did you vote in that election?

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| 1. Yes | (proceed to Q14-SQ1) |
| 2. No | (proceed to Q15) |
| 3. I was not eligible to vote | (proceed to Q15) |
| 4. DK or forgotten | (proceed to Q15) |
| 5. NA | (proceed to Q15) |

g14s1 Q14-SQ1. For which party's candidate did you vote in the single-representation election?

1. LDP
2. DPJ
3. CGP (New Komeito)
4. SDP
5. JCP
6. NCP
8. Other ()
9. Independent
10. Forgotten
11. DK
12. NA

g14s2 Q14-SQ2. For which party did you vote in the proportional-representation election?

1. LDP
2. DPJ
3. CGP (New Komeito)
4. SDP
5. JCP
8. Other ()
9. Forgotten
10. DK
11. NA

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g15_1 Q15. {SHOW CARD #13} Which political parties do you think have the ability to be in charge of the government? Choose as many parties as you like from the list. (M. A.)

g15_2 1. LDP

g15_3 2. DPJ

g15_4 3. CGP (New Komeito)

g15_5 4. SDP

g15_6 5. JCP

g15_6 8. Other ()

g15_7 9. DK

g15_8 10. NA

g15_9

g15_10 Q16. {SHOW CARD #14} (We would like to know your thoughts on recently expressed opinions regarding several national issues.) First, statements A and B address the issues of the financial reconstruction and the contra-cyclical policy.

A. When the economic climate as is bad as it is now, the government should put (the) priority on the contra-cyclical policy, even though it may delay the financial reconstruction.

B. When the country is in so much debt as it is now, the government should put (the) priority on the financial reconstruction, even though it may delay the contra-cyclical policy.

g16s1 Q16-SQ1. Which statement do you agree with? Choose one that is closest to your opinion.

1. Agree with A

2. Somewhat agree with A

3. Somewhat agree with B

4. Agree with B

5. DK

6. NA

g16s2 Q16-SQ2. How important is this issue to you?

1. Very important

2. Somewhat important

3. Somewhat unimportant

4. Unimportant

5. DK

6. NA

Q16-SQ3. Which opinion do you think the following political parties agree with concerning this issue? We will start with the LDP.

{Note for interviewer: Ask the same question for each party listed.}

(1) LDP

g16s3x1

1. Agree with A

2. Somewhat agree with A

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3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

(2) DPJ

g16s3x2

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

(3) CGP (New Komeito)

g16s3x3

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

(4) SDP

g16s3x4

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

(5) JCP

g16s3x5

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

Q17. {SHOW CARD #21} Statements A and B address the issue of the right to collective self-defense.

- A. In order to strengthen the Japan-US security regime, the use of the right to collective self-defense should be approved.
- B. Because Japan might be involved in international conflicts, the use of the right to collective self-defense should not be approved.

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Q17-SQ1. Which statement do you agree with? Choose one that is the closest to your opinion.

g17s1

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

Q17-SQ2. How important is this issue to you?

g17s2

1. Very important
2. Somewhat important
3. Somewhat unimportant
4. Unimportant
5. DK
6. NA

Q17-SQ3. Which opinion do you think the following political parties agree with, concerning this issue? We will start with the LDP.

{Note for interviewer: Ask the same question for each party listed.}

(1) LDP

g17s3x1

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

(2) DPJ

g17s3x2

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

(3) CGP (New Komeito)

g17s3x3

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

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g17s3x4 (4) SDP

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

(5) JCP

g17s3x5

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

Q18. {SHOW CARD #18} Statements A and B address the issue of public welfare and (the) public burden.

- A. Even if the taxes have to be increased, public services such as welfare should be improved.
- B. Even if (the) public services such as welfare have to be weakened, the tax burden should be made lighter.

Q18-SQ1. Which statement do you agree with? Choose one that is closest to your opinion.

g18s1

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

Q18-SQ2. How important is this issue to you?

g18s2

1. Very important
2. Somewhat important
3. Somewhat unimportant
4. Unimportant
5. DK
6. NA

Q18-SQ3. Which opinion do you think the following political parties agree with concerning this issue? We will start with the LDP.

{Note for interviewer: Ask the same question for each party listed.}

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- g18s3x1 (1) LDP
1. Agree with A
 2. Somewhat agree with A
 3. Somewhat agree with B
 4. Agree with B
 5. DK
 6. NA

- g18s3x2 (2) DPJ
1. Agree with A
 2. Somewhat agree with A
 3. Somewhat agree with B
 4. Agree with B
 5. DK
 6. NA

- g18s3x3 (3) CGP (New Komeito)
1. Agree with A
 2. Somewhat agree with A
 3. Somewhat agree with B
 4. Agree with B
 5. DK
 6. NA

- g18s3x4 (4) SDP
1. Agree with A
 2. Somewhat agree with A
 3. Somewhat agree with B
 4. Agree with B
 5. DK
 6. NA

- g18s3x5 (5) JCP
1. Agree with A
 2. Somewhat agree with A
 3. Somewhat agree with B
 4. Agree with B
 5. DK
 6. NA

Q19 {SHOW CARD #18} Regarding the participation of the Self-Defense Forces in the Multinational Security Force, there are two opinions,

A: In order to make an international contribution, the SDF should join the

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Multinational Security Force in Iraq.

B: Under the current Constitution, the SDF should not be a part of the Multinational Security Force in Iraq.

g19s1 Q19-SQ1 Which statement do you agree with? Choose one that is closest to your opinion.

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

g19s2 Q19-SQ2 How important is the issue of the SDF participation in the Multinational Security Force to you?

1. Very important
2. Somewhat important
3. Not very important
4. Not important at all
5. DK
6. NA

Q19-SQ2 Finally, how do you feel the following political parties stand on the issue of the SDF participation in the Multinational Security Force? Let's start with the LDP...

g19s3x1 1) LDP

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

g19s3x2 2) DPJ

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

- g19s3x3 3) CGP (New Komeito)
1. Agree with A
 2. Somewhat agree with A
 3. Somewhat agree with B
 4. Agree with B
 5. DK
 6. NA

- g19s3x4 4) SDP
1. Agree with A
 2. Somewhat agree with A
 3. Somewhat agree with B
 4. Agree with B
 5. DK
 6. NA

- g19s3x5 5) JCP
1. Agree with A
 2. Somewhat agree with A
 3. Somewhat agree with B
 4. Agree with B
 5. DK
 6. NA

Q20. {SHOW CARD #19} Statements A and B address the relationship between the government and the local autonomous bodies.

A. In order to support local autonomous bodies that are not competitive, it is legitimate to distribute government subsidies.

B. In order to realize a vital society, local areas should participate in free competition and receive less government subsidies.

- g20s1 Q20-SQ1. Which statement do you agree with? Choose one that is the closest to your opinion.
1. Agree with A
 2. Somewhat agree with A
 3. Somewhat agree with B
 4. Agree with B
 5. DK
 6. NA

- g20s2 Q20-SQ2. How important is this issue to you?
1. Very important

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2. Somewhat important
3. Somewhat unimportant
4. Unimportant
5. DK
6. NA

Q20-SQ3. Which opinion do you think the following political parties agree with concerning this issue? We will start with the LDP.

{Note for interviewer: Ask the same question for each party listed.}

(1) LDP

g20s3x1

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

g20s3x2 (2) DPJ

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

(3) CGP (New Komeito)

g20s3x3

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

g20s3x4 (4) SDP

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

(5) JCP

g20s3x5

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B

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4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

Q21. {SHOW CARD #20} Statements A and B address the issue of constitutional amendment.

- A. The Constitution of Japan is becoming out of date, and should be amended in the near future.
- B. The Constitution of Japan is good and respectable overall, and should not be amended at this point in time.

g21s1 Q21-SQ1. Which statement do you agree with? Choose one that is closest to your opinion.

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

g21s2 Q21-SQ2. How important is the issue of constitutional amendment to you?

1. Very important
2. Somewhat important
3. Somewhat unimportant
4. Unimportant
5. DK
6. NA

Q21-SQ3. Which opinion do you think the following political parties agree with, concerning the issue of constitutional amendment? We will start with the LDP.

{Note for interviewer: Ask the same question for each party listed.}

(1) LDP

g21s3x1

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

g21s3x2 (2) DPJ

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A

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3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

g21s3x3 (3) CGP (New Komeito)

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

(4) SDP

g21s3x4

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

(5) JCP

g21s3x5

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

Q22 Regarding the maintenance of the public pension program, there are two opinions,

A: In order to have stable resources in the future, the premiums should be increased.

B: Because all of the generations should suffer together, the taxes should be increased.

g22s1 Q22-SQ1 Which statement do you agree with? Choose one that is closest to your opinion.

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

Q22-SQ2 How important is the issue of the public pension maintenance to you?

g22s2

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1. Very important
2. Somewhat important
3. Not very important
4. Not important at all
5. DK
6. NA

Q22-SQ3 Finally, how do you feel the following political parties stand on the issue of the public pension maintenance? Let's start with the LDP...

- g22s3x1 1) LDP
1. Agree with A
 2. Somewhat agree with A
 3. Somewhat agree with B
 4. Agree with B
 5. DK
 6. NA

- g22s3x2 2) DPJ
1. Agree with A
 2. Somewhat agree with A
 3. Somewhat agree with B
 4. Agree with B
 5. DK
 6. NA

- g22s3x3 3) CGP (New Komeito)
1. Agree with A
 2. Somewhat agree with A
 3. Somewhat agree with B
 4. Agree with B
 5. DK
 6. NA

- g22s3x4 4) SDP
1. Agree with A
 2. Somewhat agree with A
 3. Somewhat agree with B
 4. Agree with B
 5. DK
 6. NA

g22s3x5 5) JCP

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

Q23 Regarding the issue of Japan's handling of problems in Iraq, there are two opinions,

A: Japan should seek to be actively involved in the operations that the U.S. and other countries are involved in Iraq.

B: Japan should not seek to be actively involved in the operations that the U.S. and other countries are involved in Iraq.

Q23-SQ1 Which statement do you agree with? Choose one that is closest to your opinion.

g23s1

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

Q23-SQ2 How important is the issue of the Japan's involvement in Iraq to you?

g23s2

1. Very important
2. Somewhat important
3. Not very important
4. Not important at all
5. DK
6. NA

Q23-SQ3 Finally, how do you feel the following political parties stand on the issue of Japan's involvement in Iraq? Let's start with the LDP...

1) LDP

g23s3x1

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK

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6. NA

g23s3x2 2) DPJ

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

g23s3x3 3) CGP (New Komeito)

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

g23s3x4 4) SDP

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

g23s3x5 5) JCP

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

g23s4 Q23-SQ4. {SHOW CARD #15}. Do you think your opinion is influenced by opinions of newspaper or TV programs? Choose one that is closest to your opinion.

1. Influenced a lot
2. Influenced somewhat

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3. Was not influenced much
4. Was not influenced at all
5. DK
6. NA

g23s5 Q23-SQ5 {SHOW CARD #15}. Do you think other people's opinions are influenced by opinions of newspaper or TV programs? Choose one that is closest to your opinion.

1. Influenced a lot
2. Influenced somewhat
3. Was not influenced much
4. Was not influenced at all
5. DK
6. NA

g23s6 Q23-SQ6. {SHOW CARD #16} Assume you were discussing this issue of financial reconstruction and the contra-cyclical policy in the train with your friend. Do you think other passengers will think of you repulsively? Choose one that is closest to your opinion.

1. Agree
2. Somewhat agree
3. Somewhat disagree
4. Disagree
5. DK
6. NA

Q23-SQ7. {SHOW CARD #17} In what ways would you be willing to express your opinions regarding the issue of financial reconstruction and the contra-cyclical policy? Choose all of the methods which you would be willing to do (M. A.)

- g23s7_1 1. Write letters to newspaper
- g23s7_2 2. Express your opinion to family member or friends
- g23s7_3 3. Express your opinion to family member or friends if requested
- g23s7_4 4. Sign a petition
- g23s7_5 5. Express your opinion when interviewed on the street
- g23s7_6 6. Express your opinion on the Internet
- g23s7_7 7. none of the above
- g23s7_8 8. DK
- g23s7_9 9. NA

g24 Q24. {SHOW CARD #23} Now, we often hear the words “conservative” and “liberal” being used. What do you think is your political position on a scale of 0 to 10? 0 stands for a liberal position and 10 for a conservative position.

0 --- 1 --- 2 --- 3 --- 4 --- 5 --- 6 --- 7 --- 8 --- 9 --- 10 11 (DK) 12 (NA)
(liberal) (conservative)

- g25 Q25. {SHOW CARD #24} How satisfied are you with the present political situation?
1. Very satisfied
 2. Somewhat satisfied
 3. Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
 4. Somewhat dissatisfied
 5. Very dissatisfied
 6. DK
 7. NA
- g26 Q26. {SHOW CARD #25} Which type of government do you wish to have after the upcoming House of Representatives election?
1. Single party government led by the LDP
 2. Coalition government led by the LDP and other parties, excluding the DPJ
 3. Coalition government led by various parties including the LDP and the DPJ
 4. Coalition government led by various parties excluding the LDP
 5. Other ()
 6. DK
 7. NA
- g27 Q27. {SHOW CARD #26} Regardless of whether or not there is an upcoming election, some people show continuous interests in politics, and others don't. How regularly do you pay attention to the political situation?
1. Almost always
 2. Often
 3. Sometimes
 4. Never
 5. DK
 6. NA
- g28 Q28 {SHOW CARD #27} Are you a supporter of the Koizumi Cabinet? Choose one from the following.
1. Strongly support
 2. Somewhat support
 3. Do not support strongly
 4. Do not support at all
 5. DK
 6. NA
- g29 Q29. {SHOW CARD #28} How do you evaluate Japan's present economic climate? Choose one from the list.
1. Very Good
 2. Somewhat good
 3. Neither good nor bad
 4. Somewhat bad
 5. Very bad

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6. DK

7. NA

g30 Q30. {SHOW CARD #29} How do you evaluate Japan's present economic climate compared to that of a year ago?

1. Much better

2. A little better

3. No change

4. A little worse

5. Much worse

6. DK

7. NA

g31 Q31. {SHOW CARD #30} How do you anticipate Japan's economic climate to be a year from now?

1. Much better

2. A little better

3. No change

4. A little worse

5. Much worse

6. DK

7. NA

g32 Q32. {SHOW CARD #31} How responsible do you think the government is for economic climate and business conditions?

1. Extremely responsible

2. Responsible

3. Somewhat responsible

4. Not responsible

5. DK

6. NA

Q33. {SHOW CARD #32} The following are the statements often made about politics. How do you feel about each of them? Do you agree or disagree?

{Note for interviewer: Ask the same question for all statements listed.}

g33x1 (1) Political parties make it possible for people's voices to be heard in politics.

1. Agree

2. Somewhat agree

3. Somewhat disagree

4. Disagree

5. DK

6. NA

g33x2 (2) Elections make it possible for people's voices to be heard in politics.

1. Agree

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2. Somewhat agree
3. Somewhat disagree
4. Disagree
5. DK
6. NA

g33x3 (3) The National Diet makes it possible for people's voices to be heard in politics.

1. Agree
2. Somewhat agree
3. Somewhat disagree
4. Disagree
5. DK
6. NA

Q34. {SHOW CARD #33} The following statements are about the relationship between Japanese people, elections, and politics. Choose the response that best reflects your opinion.

{Note for interviewer: Ask the same question for all statements listed.}

g34x1 (1) Since numerous people will vote in elections, it really doesn't matter whether or not I vote.

1. Agree
2. Somewhat agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Somewhat disagree
5. Disagree
6. DK
7. NA

g34x2 (2) I have no power to influence the government's actions.

1. Agree
2. Somewhat agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Somewhat disagree
5. Disagree
6. DK
7. NA

g34x3 (3) Politics and government are so complicated that I sometimes cannot understand what's happening.

1. Agree
2. Somewhat agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Somewhat disagree
5. Disagree
6. DK

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7. NA

g34x4 (4) Generally speaking, Congresspersons stop thinking about the public's interest immediately after taking office.

1. Agree
2. Somewhat agree
3. Neither agree nor disagree
4. Somewhat disagree
5. Disagree
6. DK
7. NA

Q35 Please tell me how you feel about the following statements by choosing one answer for each statement that most closely reflects your feelings.

g35x1 (1) Most people can be trusted

1. I think so
2. If I had to have an opinion, I think so
3. I'm in between thinking so and not thinking so
4. If I had to have an opinion, I would not think so
5. I don't think so
6. DK
7. NA

g35x2 (2) Typically if someone trusts a person, the person will in turn trust that someone.

1. I think so
2. If I had to have an opinion, I would think so
3. I'm in between thinking so and not thinking so
4. If I had to have an opinion, I would not think so
5. I don't think so
6. DK
7. NA

g35x3 (3) I have confidence in being able to tell apart trustworthy people from those who are untrustworthy.

1. I think so
2. If I had to have an opinion, I think so
3. I'm in between thinking so and not thinking so
4. If I had to have an opinion, I would not think so
5. I don't think so
6. DK
7. NA

g35x4 (4) If I help someone, that person will eventually help me in return.

1. I think so
2. If I had to have an opinion, I think so
3. I'm in between thinking so and not thinking so

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4. If I had to have an opinion, I would not think so
5. I don't think so
6. DK
7. NA

g35x5 (5) The world is made so that if I help someone, when I am in trouble in the future I will be helped as well.

1. I think so
2. If I had to have an opinion, I think so
3. I'm in between thinking so and not thinking so
4. If I had to have an opinion, I would not think so
5. I don't think so
6. DK
7. NA

g35x6 (6) If I am helped by someone, in the future, when that person is in trouble I should help that person.

1. I think so
2. If I had to have an opinion, I think so
3. I'm in between thinking so and not thinking so
4. If I had to have an opinion, I would not think so
5. I don't think so
6. DK
7. NA

g35x7 (7) If I am helped by someone, I should help a someone as well.

1. I think so
2. If I had to have an opinion, I think so
3. I'm in between thinking so and not thinking so
4. If I had to have an opinion, I would not think so
5. I don't think so
6. DK
7. NA

Q36. {SHOW CARD #37,38} Statement A and Statement B represent opposite views. If you were to make a choice, with which statement would you say you agree? Choose the response that best reflects your opinion on each issue.

{Note for interviewer: Ask the same question for all statements listed.}

g36x1 (1) {SHOW CARD #37}

A: One should be more concerned about the affairs of the society and the country.

B: One should be more concerned about the affairs of one's private life.

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B

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4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

(2) {SHOW CARD #37}

g36x2 A: I want to receive benefits from Japan and from the society.

B: I want to do something for Japan and for the society.

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

(3) {SHOW CARD #37}

g36x3 A: I want to concentrate on saving money and making good investments in order to prepare for the future.

B: I want to concentrate on having fun and enjoying life on a day-to day basis.

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

(4) {SHOW CARD #37}

g36x4 A: The benefit of the people should be prioritized over the benefit of an individual.

B: The benefit of an individual should be prioritized over the benefit of the people.

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

(5) {SHOW CARD #37}

g36x5 A: I'd rather have more free time than to have more income.

B: I'd rather have more income than to have more free time.

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

(6) {SHOW CARD #38}

g36x6

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A: Generally speaking, I think that Japan has favorable prospects for the future.

B: Generally speaking, I think that Japan has unfavorable prospects for the future.

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

g36x7 (7) {SHOW CARD #38}

A: The patriotic feelings among Japanese people should be more encouraged to grow.

B: It is up to each individual to have patriotic feelings.

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

g36x8 (8) {SHOW CARD #38}

A: I prefer the life that is relaxed and emotionally enriching.

B: I intend to put an emphasis on making my life materially affluent.

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

g36x9 (9) {SHOW CARD #38}

A: If I had a chance, I'd like to live abroad for a couple of years.

B: Even if I had a chance, I would not want to live abroad for a couple of years.

1. Agree with A
2. Somewhat agree with A
3. Somewhat agree with B
4. Agree with B
5. DK
6. NA

g37 Q37. {SHOW CARD #39} How satisfied are you with your family's present financial situation?

1. Very satisfied
2. Somewhat satisfied
3. Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
4. Somewhat dissatisfied
5. Very dissatisfied

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6. DK

7. NA

g38 Q38. {SHOW CARD #40} How does your family's present financial situation compare to that of a year ago?

1. Much better
2. A little better
3. No change
4. A little worse
5. Much worse
6. DK
7. NA

g39 Q39. {SHOW CARD #41} What do you think your family's financial situation will be in the future?

1. Much better
2. A little better
3. No change
4. A little worse
5. Much worse
6. DK
7. NA

g40 Q40. {SHOW CARD #42} How responsible do you think the government is for a family's financial situation?

1. Extremely responsible
2. Responsible
3. Somewhat responsible
4. Not responsible
5. DK
6. NA

g41x1 Q41. What kind of expectations do you have for the Koizumi Cabinet?

(1) {SHOW CARD #43} What kind of expectations do you have for their fiscal structural reform?

1. Very positive
2. Somewhat positive
3. Neither positive nor negative
4. Somewhat negative
5. Very negative
6. DK
7. NA

g41x2

(2) {SHOW CARD #43} How about their contra-cyclical policy?

1. Very positive

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2. Somewhat positive
3. Neither positive nor negative
4. Somewhat negative
5. Very negative
6. DK
7. NA

(3) {SHOW CARD #43} How about their foreign policy?

g41x3

1. Very positive
2. Somewhat positive
3. Neither positive nor negative
4. Somewhat negative
5. Very negative
6. DK
7. NA

(4) {SHOW CARD #43} Overall, what kind of future expectations do you have for the Koizumi Cabinet?

g41x4

1. Very positive
2. Somewhat positive
3. Neither positive nor negative
4. Somewhat negative
5. Very negative
6. DK
7. NA

Q42. {SHOW CARD #44} How reliable are the following? Choose one that best reflects your opinion for each item.

{Note for interviewer: Ask the same question for all items listed.}

(1) The ruling parties.

g42x1

1. Very reliable
2. Somewhat reliable
3. Somewhat unreliable
4. Not reliable
5. DK
6. NA

(2) Political parties as institutions.

g42x2

1. Very reliable
2. Somewhat reliable
3. Somewhat unreliable
4. Not reliable
5. DK
6. NA

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- g42x3 (3) The general behavior of political parties and politicians.
1. Very reliable
 2. Somewhat reliable
 3. Somewhat unreliable
 4. Not reliable
 5. DK
 6. NA

- g42x4 (4) Indirect democracy such as the electoral process.
1. Very reliable
 2. Somewhat reliable
 3. Somewhat unreliable
 4. Not reliable
 5. DK
 6. NA

- g43x1 Q43. (1) {SHOW CARD #45} Thinking about ten or fifteen years from now, which one of the following goals is the most important as a national goal of our nation?
1. Maintaining order in the nation
 2. Giving the people more say in important political decisions
 3. Stabilizing the economy
 4. Protecting freedom of speech
 5. DK
 6. NA

- g43x2 (2) How about the second most important goal?
1. Maintaining order in the nation
 2. Giving the people more say in important political decisions
 3. Stabilizing the economy
 4. Protecting freedom of speech
 5. Cannot think of any
 6. DK
 7. NA

- g44 Q44 {SHOW CARD #46} Supposing that the present Japanese society as a whole were divided into five strata, which stratum would you categorize yourself in? Choose one and circle the number.
1. Upper stratum
 2. Upper middle stratum
 3. Lower middle stratum
 4. Upper lower stratum
 5. Lower stratum

Q45. Think of a person over 20 y. o. with whom you most frequently talk to. The following questions concern him/her.

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(1) Is there such a person with whom you most frequently talk to?

g45x1

1. Yes	(proceed to Q45-(1)-SQ1)
2. No	(proceed to Q46-(1))

Q45. (1)-SQ1. {SHOW CARD #47} What is your relation to the person you talk with?

g45x1s1

1. Spouse
2. Another immediate family member
3. A relative
4. A coworker
5. An acquaintance from a leisure activity group
6. An acquaintance from another group
7. An neighbor
8. A friend
9. Other ()
10. DK
11. NA

Q45. (1)-SQ2. What is the gender of that person?

g45x1s2

1. Male
2. Female
3. DK
4. NA

Q45. (1)-SQ3. Recently, how often did you talk about politicians, election and politics with that person?

1. Very often
2. Sometimes
3. Rarely
4. DK
5. NA

Q45. (1)-SQ4. How well do you think that person knows politics?

g45x1s4

1. Very well
2. Somewhat well
3. Not so well
4. DK
5. NA

Q45. (1)-SQ5. Which party do you think that person will vote for in the upcoming House of Councilors election?

1. LDP
2. DPJ
3. CGP (New Komeito)
4. SDP
5. JCP
6. NCP

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- 7. Other ()
- 8. DK
- 9. NA

g45x1s6 Q45. (1)-SQ6. Do you think that person supports the Koizumi Cabinet?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- 3. DK
- 4. NA

g45x1s7 Q45. (1)-SQ7. Do you think that you and that person happen to have differing opinions concerning politicians, elections & politics?

- 1. Very often
- 2. Sometimes
- 3. Rarely
- 4. DK
- 5. NA

g45x1s8 Q45. (1)-SQ8. Do you think that you and that person are similar; in the way you think and do things?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- 3. DK
- 4. NA

g45x1s9 Q45. (1)-SQ9. Is that person in a social status above you, below you, or about the same?

- 1. Above
- 2. Below
- 3. Same
- 4. Hard to say
- 5. DK
- 6. NA

g45x2 Q45.(2) Is there anyone else with whom you talk to about the Prime Minister, politicians and elections?

- 1. Yes (proceed to Q45-(2)-SQ1)
- 2. No (proceed to Q46-(1))

g45x2s1 Q45. (2)-SQ1. {SHOW CARD #47} What is your relation to the person you talk with?

- 1. Spouse
- 2. Another immediate family member
- 3. A relative
- 4. A coworker
- 5. An acquaintance from a leisure activity group
- 6. An acquaintance from another group
- 7. An neighbor

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8. A friend
9. Other ()
10. DK
11. NA

- g45x2s2 Q45. (2)-SQ2. What is the gender of that person?
1. Male
 2. Female
 3. DK
 4. NA

- g45x2s3 Q45. (2)-SQ3. Recently, how often did you talk about politicians, election and politics with that person?
1. Very often
 2. Sometimes
 3. Rarely
 4. DK
 5. NA

- g45x2s4 Q45. (2)-SQ4. How well do you think that person knows politics?
1. Very well
 2. Somewhat well
 3. Not so well
 4. DK
 5. NA

- g45x2s5 Q45. (2)-SQ5. Which party do you think that person will vote for in this upcoming House of Councilors election?
1. LDP
 2. DPJ
 3. CGP (New Komeito)
 4. SDP
 5. JCP
 6. NCP
 7. Other ()
 8. DK
 9. NA

- g45x2s6 Q45. (2)-SQ6. Do you think that person supports the Koizumi Cabinet?
1. Yes
 2. No
 3. DK
 4. NA

- g45x2s7 Q45. (2)-SQ7. Do you think that you and that person happen to have differing opinions

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concerning politicians, elections & politics?

1. Very often
2. Sometimes
3. Rarely
4. DK
5. NA

g45x2s8 Q45. (2)-SQ8. Do you think that you and that person are similar; in the way you think and do things?

1. Yes
2. No
3. DK
4. NA

g45x2s9 Q45. (2)-SQ9. Is that person in a social status above you, below you, or about the same?

1. Above
2. Below
3. Same
4. Hard to say
5. DK
6. NA

g45x3 Q45.(3) Is there anyone else with whom you talk to about Prime Minister, politicians and elections?

1. Yes (proceed to Q45-(3)-SQ1)
2. No (proceed to Q45-SQ10)

g45x3s1 Q45. (3)-SQ1. {SHOW CARD #47} What is your relation to the person you talk with?

1. Spouse
2. Another immediate family member
3. A relative
4. A coworker
5. An acquaintance from a leisure activity group
6. An acquaintance from another group
7. A neighbor
8. A friend
9. Other ()
10. DK
11. NA

g45x3s2 Q45. (3)-SQ2. What is the gender of that person?

1. Male
2. Female
3. DK
4. NA

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g45x3s3 Q45. (3)-SQ3. Recently, how often did you talk about politicians, election and politics with that person?

1. Very often
2. Sometimes
3. Rarely
4. DK
5. NA

Q45-(3)-SQ4. How well do you think that person knows politics?

- g45x3s4
1. Very well
 2. Somewhat well
 3. Not so well
 4. DK
 5. NA

g45x3s5 Q45-(3)-SQ5. Which party do you think that person will vote for in this upcoming House of Councilors election?

1. LDP
2. DPJ
3. CGP (New Komeito)
4. SDP
5. JCP
6. NCP
7. Other ()
8. DK
9. NA

g45x3s6 Q45-(3)-SQ6. Do you think that person supports the Koizumi Cabinet?

1. Yes
2. No
3. DK
4. NA

g45x3s7 Q45. (3)-SQ7. Do you think that you and that person happen to have differing opinions concerning politicians, elections & politics?

1. Very often
2. Sometimes
3. Rarely
4. DK
5. NA

g45x3s8 Q45-(3)-SQ8. Do you think that you and that person are similar; in the way you think and do things?

1. Yes
2. No
3. DK

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4. NA

Q45-(3)-SQ9. Is that person in a social status above you, below you, or about the same?

g45x3s9

1. Above
2. Below
3. Same
4. Hard to say
5. DK
6. NA

g45x4

Q45.(4) Is there anyone else with whom you talk to about the Prime Minister, politicians and elections?

1. Yes (proceed to Q45-(4)-SQ1)
2. No (proceed to Q45-SQ10)

g45x4s1

Q45. (4)-SQ1. {SHOW CARD #47} What is your relation to the person you talk with?

1. Spouse
2. Another immediate family member
3. A relative
4. A coworker
5. An acquaintance from a leisure activity group
6. An acquaintance from another group
7. An neighbor
8. A friend
9. Other ()
10. DK
11. NA

g45x4s2

Q45. (4)-SQ2. What is the gender of that person?

1. Male
2. Female
3. DK
4. NA

g45x4s3

Q45-(4)-SQ3. How often did you talk about politicians, election and politics with that person recently?

1. Very often
2. Sometimes
3. Rarely
4. DK
5. NA

g45x4s4

Q45-(4)-SQ4. How well do you think that person knows about politics?

1. Very well
2. Somewhat well
3. Not so well

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4. DK
5. NA

g45x4s5 Q45-(4)-SQ5. Which party do you think that person will vote for in this upcoming House of Councilors election?

1. LDP
2. DPJ
3. CGP (New Komeito)
4. SDP
5. JCP
6. NCP
7. Other ()
8. DK
9. NA

g45x4s6 Q45-(4)-SQ6. Do you think that person supports the Koizumi Cabinet?

1. Yes
2. No
3. DK
4. NA

g45x4s7 Q45. (4)-SQ7. Do you think that you and that person happen to have differing opinions concerning politicians, elections & politics?

1. Very often
2. Sometimes
3. Rarely
4. DK
5. NA

g45x4s8 Q45-(4)-SQ8. Do you think that you and that person are similar; in the way you think and do things?

1. Yes
2. No
3. DK
4. NA

g45x4s9 Q45-(4)-SQ9. Is that person in a social status above you, below you, or about the same?

1. Above
2. Below
3. Same
4. Hard to say
5. DK
6. NA

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g45s10_1 Q45.-SQ10. Does the first person know any of the other people that you have just mentioned? (M. A.)

- g45s10_2 1. The 2nd person
- g45s10_3 2. The 3rd person
- g45s10_4 3. The 4th person
- g45s10_5 4. No
- g45s10_6 5. DK
- 6. NA

Q45.-SQ11. Do the other people you just mentioned know each other? (M. A.)

g45s11_1 (For those who mentioned 3 or 4 others)

- g45s11_2 1. The 2nd and 3rd know each other.
- g45s11_3 2. The 2nd and 4th know each other
- g45s11_4 3. The 3rd and 4th know each other.
- g45s11_5 4. No
- g45s11_6 5. DK
- 6. NA

(Asked to all respondents)

g46x1_1 Q46-(1). {SHOW CARD #49} From which sources do you usually obtain political information? First, how about the newspaper? (M. A.)

- g46x1_2 1. Yomiuri Newspaper
- g46x1_3 2. Asahi Newspaper
- g46x1_4 3. Mainichi Newspaper
- g46x1_5 4. Sankei Newspaper
- g46x1_6 5. Nihon Keizai Newspaper
- g46x1_7 6. Tokyo Newspaper
- g46x1_8 7. Hokkaido Newspaper
- g46x1_9 8. Kahoku Newspaper
- g46x1_10 9. Chunichi Newspaper
- g46x1_11 10. Kobe Newspaper
- g46x1_12 11. Chugoku Newspaper
- g46x1_13 12. Nishi Nihon Newspaper
- g46x1_14 13. Some other newspaper ()
- g46x1_15 14. None
- g46x1_16 15. DK
- 16. NA

Q46-(2). How about TV programs? (M. A.)

- g46x2_1 1. NHK news programs
- g46x2_2 2. Izumi Oguri's "Today's Events" (NTV)
- g46x2_3 3. Masako Fubuki & Takahiko Fujii's "News Plus 1" (NTV)
- g46x2_4 4. Tetsuya Chikushi & Mitsuyo Kusano's "News 23" (TBS)
- g46x2_5 5. Hideya Sugio & Tomoko Ogawa's "News Forest" (TBS)
- g46x2_6 6. Matsumoto Masaya's & Takigawa Crystel "News Japan" (FTV)
- g46x2_7 7. Taro Kimura & Yuko Ando's "FNN Super News" (FTV)

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g46x2_8

g46x2_9

- g46x2_10 8. Furudate Ichiro's "News Station" (ATV)
g46x2_11 9. Etsuko Komiya's "Super J Channel" (ATV)
g46x2_12 10. Maoko Kotani's "World Business Satellite" (TTV)
g46x2_13 11. Bunchin Katsura's "Wake Up" (NTV)
g46x2_14 12. Kazuo Tokumitsu's "The Sunday" (NTV)
g46x2_15 13. Hiroshi Sekiguchi's "Sunday Morning" (TBS)
g46x2_16 14. Misuzu Tamaru's "News Special" (TBS)
g46x2_17 15. Yuji Kuroiwa's "News 2001" (FTV)
g46x2_18 16. Soichiro Tahara's "Sunday Project" (ATV)
g46x2_19 17. Isao Fukutome & Takae Mikumo's "Broadcaster" (TBS)
g46x2_20 18. Radio Station
g46x2_21 19. Weekly Magazines
g46x2_22 20. Other program ()
21. DK
22. NA

Q47 {SHOW CARD #51} Do you use cellular phones and/or computers? Please include use at home, work, and school when answering. For each item, please choose one answer and circle the number

- g47x1 (1) Talk on cellular phone
1. Frequently
2. Sometimes
3. Seldom
4. Never

- g47x2 (2) Use e-mail on cellular phone
1. Frequently
2. Sometimes
3. Seldom
4. Never

- g47x3 (3) Check webpages on cellular phone (Including searching for information)
1. Frequently
2. Sometimes
3. Seldom
4. Never

- g47x4 (4) Use e-mail on computer
1. Frequently
2. Sometimes
3. Seldom
4. Never

- g47x5 (5) Check webpages on computer
1. Frequently

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2. Sometimes
3. Seldom
4. Never

【For those who checked 1-3 for more than one item among Q45 (2)-(5)】

Q47-SQ If so, how often do you do the things listed below? Choose one answer for each item and circle the number.

- g47sx1 (1) Read political news on the Internet
- g47sx2 (2) Check webpages of local self-governing bodies on the Internet
- g47sx3 (3) Check webpages related to politics owned personally or by private organizations
- g47sx4 (4) Read e-mail magazines related to politics on the internet (except those supporting particular candidates)
- g47sx5 (5) Check webpages of the candidates and supporters
- g47sx6 (6) Read e-mail magazines that support particular candidates
- g47sx7 (7) Read politics related BBS, IRC, and mailing lists on the Internet
- g47sx8 (8) Speak out about politics on the Internet
- (alternatives(choices?) for (1) – (8))
1. Almost everyday
 2. Often
 3. Sometimes
 4. Rarely

{Face sheet}

Demographic Background Information on Respondent

- gender F1. Gender
1. Male
 2. Female

- gengo F2. Age: What is the day, month and year of your birth? How old are you?
1. Meiji
2. Taisho
3. Showa
- } (circle one) Day: _____ Month: _____ Year: _____
- Age ()

- residy04 F3. Place of Residence: How long have you lived in your present location, or within 30 minutes by foot from your present location?
1. 3 years or less
 2. 4 to 9 years
 3. 10 to 14 years
 4. 15 years or more (If respondent lived in their present location their entire life, circle the next answer.)
 5. All my life
 6. NA

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- educat04 F4. Education: {SHOW CARD #53} What is your highest level of education?
1. Primary or lower-secondary school (junior high school)
 2. High school
 3. Junior college and trade school
 4. University and graduate school
 5. NA
- F5. Employment Information:
- occup5a4 (1) What is your current employment status?
1. Employed
 2. Self-employed
 3. Work in a family business
 4. Student
 5. Housewife
 6. Unemployed
 7. Other ()
 8. NA
- occup5c4 (2) Number of people at your workplace: {SHOW CARD #55} Including the various branches and business offices, how many people in total work at the company/store in which you are employed? If you are a civil-employee, please answer "6", "Civil Servant".
1. 1-4 people
 2. 5-29 people
 3. 30-299 people
 4. 300-999 people
 5. Over 1,000 people
 6. Civil Servant
 7. DK
 8. NA
- occup5b4 (3) Occupation: What kind of things do you usually do at work? (e.g. schoolteacher, farmer, bus driver, automobile engineer, supermarket cashier, bank accountant, computer programmer, clerical staff member for a sales department, on-the-road salesperson, manufacturing electronic devices, pensioner, housewife, etc.)
- Respondent's answer()
- <Classify respondent's answer>
1. Farm, forest or fishery worker
 2. Commercial / industrial service
 3. Free-lance worker & artist
 4. Managerial position
 5. Professional or technical
 6. Clerical and related work
 7. Sales / service / manual labor
 8. Other (employed)
 9. Student

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10. Housewife
11. Other (unemployed)
12. Unclassifiable
13. DK
14. NA

gcommute (4) How long does it take to go from your house to your workplace, school, or place you spend most of your time? Choose one that best reflects your own. (Only for those who choose 1-4 in F5 (1).)

1. do not commute
2. within 20 minutes
3. 21 to 40 minutes
4. 41 to 61 minutes
5. more than 61 minutes
6. DK
7. NA

(5) Do you read e-mails or websites using a cellular phone/PHS during your commute? Choose all that apply on the list. (M. A.)

gcomnet1

gcomnet2 1. Read e-mails

gcomnet3 2. Write e-mails

gcomnet4 3. Read websites

4. Play Games

gcomnet5 5. Take pictures with a built-in camera

gcomnet6 6. Send pictures via e-mail

gcomnet7 7. others ()

gcomnet8 8. Do not use cellular phone or PHS

gcomnet9 9. not applicable to any of above categories

10. DK

gcomnet0 11. NA

gcomnetx

whoearn4 F6. Information about the Head of the Household (the primary earner): Are you the head of your family's household?

1. Yes (proceed to F7)
2. No (proceed to F6-1)

occup6a4 F6-1. What is the current employment status of the head of your household?

1. Employed
2. Self-employed
3. Work in a family business
4. Student
5. Housewife
6. Unemployed
7. Other ()
8. NA

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occup6c4 F6-2. What is the entire size of the company or office in which this person works? Please give the number of people who work there:

1. 1-4
2. 5-29
3. 30-299
4. 300-999
5. more than 1000
6. civil servant
7. DK
8. NA

occup6b4 F6-3. What kind of things does he/she usually do at work? (e.g. schoolteacher, farmer, bus driver, automobile engineer, supermarket cashier, bank accountant, computer programmer, clerical staff member for a sales department, on-the-road salesperson, manufacturing electronic devices, pensioner, housewife, etc.)

Respondent's answer()

<Classify respondent's answer>

1. Farm, forest or fishery worker
2. Commercial / industrial service
3. Free-lance worker & artist
4. Managerial position
5. Professional or technical
6. Clerical and related work
7. Sales / service / manual labor
8. Other (employed)
9. Student
10. Housewife
11. Other (unemployed)
12. Unclassifiable
13. DK
14. NA

typeho04 F7. Type of Residence: {SHOW CARD #56} What type of residence do you live in?

1. Own a house
2. Own a condominium or apartment
3. Rent a privately-owned house
4. Rent a privately-owned apartment
5. Rent a publicly-owned apartment
6. Rent a company-owned house or apartment
7. Live at place of work or dormitory
8. Other ()
9. NA

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F8. Household income: {SHOW CARD #57} What was your family's income, before taxes, during the last year (January to December)?

1. Less than 2 million yen
2. G. E. 2 ~ L. T. 4 million
3. G. E. 4 ~ L. T. 6 million
4. G. E. 6 ~ L. T. 8 million
5. G. E. 8 ~ L. T. 10 million
6. G. E. 10 ~ L. T. 12 million
7. G. E. 12 ~ L. T. 14 million
8. G. E. 14 ~ L. T. 20 million
9. More than 20 million yen
10. DK
11. NA

F9. We may want to confirm several things at a later date, and would it very much appreciate if you could let us know of your phone number. Mobile phone numbers would work just as well. (Do not force respondent to give phone number)

1. Yes Respondent's phone number ()
2. No
3. NA

Thank you for your cooperation with this survey!

<For the Interviewer>

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Date of Interview:

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Length of Interview: _____minutes

time_g

Number of times visited to complete the survey:

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