

Survey on the images of foreign countries and current topics (Issue 10)

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
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	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

※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 (June 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
Consultations on the packaged reform of consumption tax increase	1	1
Ozawa group's movements	2	2
Cabinet reshuffle	3	3
Economic situation in Spain	4	4
Falling stock prices	5	5
TEPCO reform	6	6
China decreased interest rates by 0.25%	7	7
US unemployment worsened	8	8
Consumption tax increase to be spelled out in the G20 action plan	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 (June 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
Consultations on the packaged reform of consumption tax increase	1	1
Issue of resuming nuclear plants operation / electric power supply problem	2	2
Ozawa group's movements	3	3
TEPCO final report emphasized the "unexpected"	4	4
Association for Acute Medicine warned about the danger of heat illness in the summer	5	5
G7 cooperation to stabilize markets	6	6
Eco car subsidies to end in August	7	7

Falling stock prices	8	8
Referendum in Ireland approved EU financial agreement	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 (June 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
Consultations on the packaged reform of consumption tax increase	1	1
Ozawa group's movements	2	2
Issue of resuming nuclear plants operation / electric power supply problem	3	3
Capital provision by foreign companies in Japan increased	4	4
Japan Bank for International Cooperation strengthened support for infrastructure-oriented exports	5	5
MEXT considers reorganization of national universities exceeding prefectural borders	6	6
Yen exchange rate temporarily reached 80 yen for USD	7	7
US and European stocks plunge	8	8
Nikkei average reaches closing price of 8800 yen	9	9

Q5

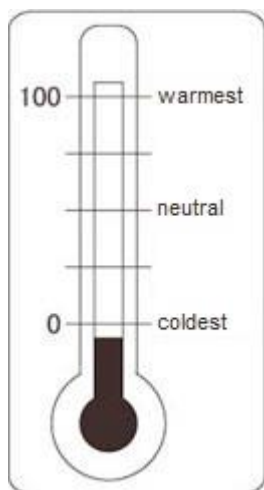
Do you support, or not support the current Noda Cabinet? (Only one)

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

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
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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)

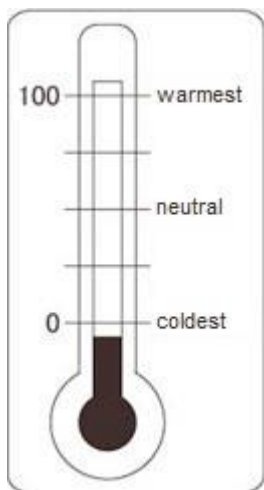
	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither	Somewhat disagree	Disagree	Don't know	Don't want to answer
Economic assistance to Okinawa should be increased	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
The burden on other prefectures should be increased by promoting the relocation of Okinawa bases "outside the prefecture"	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
The US troops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

Q12

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

[In July, Group B is not shown]

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



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

Q13

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

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

Q14_1 [Fresh sample split A]

Countries: same as in Q12, order is the same

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

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

Q14_2 [Fresh sample split B]

Countries: same as in Q12, in the same order

How do you consider the relations between Japan and each of the countries listed below have

changed compared to one month before? (One for each)

	Improved	Improved a little	Have not changed	Worsened a little	Worsened	Don't know	Don't want to answer
USA	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
China	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
South Korea	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Germany	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Thailand	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
India	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Russia	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
North Korea	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Brazil	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
France	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Australia	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
United Kingdom	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Taiwan	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Vietnam	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Canada	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Saudi Arabia	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

Q14_3 **Panel (common)**

Countries: same as in Q12, in the same order

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

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

India	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Russia	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
North Korea	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Brazil	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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

	has no influence at all											has extremely high influence		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

	has no influence at all											has extremely high influence		
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	

Split panel sample into P and Q, split fresh sample also into P and Q

(Panel sample: pat_rq24=1-2 1=P,2=Q) Fresh sample: pat_fq=1-2, 1=P, 2=Q)

Q24_1

【Split P】 ※No need to inherit previous splits. Make a new split.

At the end of the last month, after the vote in the House of Representatives on the packaged reform bill on social security and taxes, former party president Ichiro Ozawa and others voted against the bill and were expelled from the Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ), and thus split from the party. What do you think about the following opinions on this issue? Please choose the appropriate number.

“Generally speaking, a parliamentary system of government cannot function unless the ruling party has the support of parliamentary majority. For this reason, it was not right that Ozawa, who was a DPJ member, and his followers opposed the government bill, while the DPJ is a ruling party.” (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

“Generally speaking, a political party cannot function unless it is a collective of people with coinciding opinions about policies and methods of politics. For this reason, it was right that Ozawa and his followers, whose opinion about an important policy were different, split from the party.”
(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

“Generally speaking, democracy cannot function unless politicians and political parties keep the promises with the voters. For this reason, it was right that Ozawa and his followers acted on the insistence that an increase of the consumption tax would violate the manifesto which the party had engaged during the previous election.” (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

【Split Q】

Q24_2

At the end of the last month, after the vote in the House of Representatives on the packaged reform bill on social security and taxes, former president Ichiro Ozawa and others voted against the bill and were expelled from the Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ) and thus split from the party. What do you think about the following opinions on this issue? Please choose the appropriate number.

“It was not right that Ozawa, who was a DPJ member, and his followers opposed the government bill,

while the DPJ is a ruling party”. (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

“It was right that Ozawa and his followers, whose opinions on an important policy were different, split from the party”. (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

“It was right that Ozawa and his followers acted on the insistence that an increase of the consumption tax would violate the manifesto which the party had engaged during the previous election.” (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

Q25_1 **【Common for splits A and B】 (All respondents)**

To what degree do you feel that the countries listed below are a threat to Japan? If “I feel that it is a threat” is 5, and “I don't feel that it is a threat” is 1, please choose a number from 1 to 5. (One for each) **(Presentation randomized)**

	I feel that		Neither		I don't	Don't	Don't
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	it is a threat				feel that it is a threat	know	want to answer
USA	5	4	3	2	1	6	7
China	5	4	3	2	1	6	7
South Korea	5	4	3	2	1	6	7
North Korea	5	4	3	2	1	6	7
Taiwan	5	4	3	2	1	6	7
Russia	5	4	3	2	1	6	7

Q25_2 **【Common for splits A and B】** (All respondents)

And what about the countries and organizations listed below? (One for each) **(Randomized from India to Australia, the last 3 are fixed)**

	I feel that it is a threat		Neither		I don't feel that it is a threat	Don't know	Don't want to answer
India	5	4	3	2	1	6	7
Brazil	5	4	3	2	1	6	7
Vietnam	5	4	3	2	1	6	7
Iran	5	4	3	2	1	6	7
Israel	5	4	3	2	1	6	7
Indonesia	5	4	3	2	1	6	7
Pakistan	5	4	3	2	1	6	7
Australia	5	4	3	2	1	6	7
ASEAN (Association of Southeast Asian Nations)	5	4	3	2	1	6	7
EU (European Union)	5	4	3	2	1	6	7
International terrorist organizations	5	4	3	2	1	6	7

Split panel sample into R and S, split fresh sample also into R and S

(Panel sample: pat_rq24=1-2 1=R,2=S)

Fresh sample: pat_fq=1-2, 1=R, 2=S)

Q26_1 **【Split R】** ※No need to inherit previous splits. Make a new split.

1R Below, we present a list of situations and events that may possibly occur in the future. To what degree, do you think, each of these is a threat for Japan? If “is a threat” is 5, and “is not a threat” is 1, please express your opinion by choosing a number from 1 to 5. (One for each)

	5	4	3	2	1	6	7
Presentation: item	Is a threat		Neither		Is not a threat	Don't know	Don't want to answer

(The list below is randomized)

- Military clash occurs in the Taiwan Strait
- War erupts in the Korean Peninsula
- China replaces the US as the world's first economic power
- India replaces Japan as the world's third economic power
- The US military power decreases and its influence in the world declines
- China occupies the Senkaku Islands
- South Korea and Japan have a military clash because of Takeshima
- US military forces withdraw from Japan
- US and China conclude an alliance
- Japan revises Article 9 of the Constitution
- Chinese Navy acquires an aircraft carrier
- Japan acquires nuclear weapons
- South Korea acquires nuclear weapons
- North Korea succeeds in developing a nuclear missile
- China democratizes and the one-party system dominated by the Communist party ends
- South and North Korea are unified

Q26_2 **【Split R】** Considering the situations and events about which you have just answered, in your opinion, how soon is each of these likely or unlikely to happen? (One for each)

	Will happen within 5 years	(Will not happen within 5 years, but) will	(Will not happen within 10 years, but) will	Don't know about the time, but it will	It won't happen	Don't know	Don't want to answer
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		happen within 10 years	happen within 25 years	happen			
Presentation: item	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

(For each respondent, stick to the randomized order of the list presented in 1A and 2A above)

- Military clash occurs in the Taiwan Strait
- War erupts in the Korean Peninsula
- China replaces the US as the world's first economic power
- India replaces Japan as the world's third economic power
- The US military power decreases and its influence in the world declines
- China occupies the Senkaku Islands
- South Korea and Japan have a military clash because of Takeshima
- US military forces withdraw from Japan
- US and China conclude an alliance
- Japan revises Article 9 of the Constitution
- Chinese Navy acquires an aircraft carrier
- Japan acquires nuclear weapons
- South Korea acquires nuclear weapons
- North Korea succeeds in developing a nuclear missile
- China democratizes and the one-party system dominated by the Communist party ends
- South and North Korea are unified

Q26_3 **【Split S】** ※No need to inherit previous splits. Make a new split.

Below, we present a list of situations and events that may possibly occur in the future. In your opinion, how soon is each of these likely to happen, or is it unlikely to happen? (One for each)

	Will happen within 5 years	(Will not happen within 5 years, but) will happen within 10 years	(Will not happen within 10 years, but) will happen within 25 years	Don't know about the time, but it will happen	It won't happen	Don't know	Don't want to answer
Presentation:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

item							
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(The list below is randomized)

- Military clash occurs in the Taiwan Strait
- War erupts in the Korean Peninsula
- China replaces the US as the world's first economic power
- India replaces Japan as the world's third economic power
- The US military power decreases and its influence in the world declines
- China occupies the Senkaku Islands
- South Korea and Japan have a military clash because of Takeshima
- US military forces withdraw from Japan
- US and China conclude an alliance
- Japan revises Article 9 of the Constitution
- Chinese Navy acquires an aircraft carrier
- Japan acquires nuclear weapons
- South Korea acquires nuclear weapons
- North Korea succeeds in developing a nuclear missile
- China democratizes and the one-party system dominated by the Communist party ends
- South and North Korea are unified

Q26_4 [Split S]

Considering the situations and events about which you have just answered, to what degree, do you think, each of these is a threat for Japan? If "is a threat" is 5, and "is not a threat" is 1, please express your opinion by choosing a number from 1 to 5. (One for each)

	5	4	3	2	1	6	7
Presentation: item	Is a threat		Neither		Is not a threat	Don't know	Don't want to answer

(For each respondent, stick to the randomized order of the list presented in 1S above)

- Military clash occurs in the Taiwan Strait
- War erupts in the Korean Peninsula
- China replaces the US as the world's first economic power
- India replaces Japan as the world's third economic power
- The US military power decreases and its influence in the world declines

- China occupies the Senkaku Islands
- South Korea and Japan have a military clash because of Takeshima
- US military forces withdraw from Japan
- US and China conclude an alliance
- Japan revises Article 9 of the Constitution
- Chinese Navy acquires an aircraft carrier
- Japan acquires nuclear weapons
- South Korea acquires nuclear weapons
- North Korea succeeds in developing a nuclear missile
- China democratizes and the one-party system dominated by the Communist party ends
- South and North Korea are unified

Q27 **【Common for splits A and B】** (All respondents)

Do you agree, or disagree with the following opinions? If 5 is “agree”, and 1 is “disagree”, please choose one for each. (One for each)

	5	4	3	2	1	6	7
Presentation: item	Agree	Rather agree	Neither	Rather disagree	Disagree	Don't know	Don't want to answer

(The list below is randomized)

- Chinese culture has had great influence on Japanese culture
- Japanese culture has had great influence on Chinese culture
- The Japanese and the Chinese have more similarities than differences
- The Japanese and the Chinese should further promote cultural exchange
- I feel favorably towards the Chinese living in Japan

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. Other
8. Do not support any
9. Don't want to answer

F6

Are you currently married? (Only one)

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

F7

How many children do you have? (Only one)

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

F8

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

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

F9 (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

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)