

Survey of Political Views, January, 2010

Q1. Please recall the previous House of Representatives election held in August 2009. For which party's candidate did you vote in the single-member constituency election?

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| 1. LDP | 7. Other () |
| 2. DPJ | 8. Independents |
| 3. CGP | 9. Forgotten |
| 4. SDP | 10. I abstained |
| 5. JCP | |
| 6. People's New Party | |

Q2. For which party's candidate did you vote in the proportional-representation election?

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| 1. LDP | 7. Other () |
| 2. DPJ | 8. Forgotten |
| 3. CGP | 9. I abstained |
| 4. SDP | |
| 5. JCP | |
| 6. People's New Party | |

Q3. 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 positive you feel. Conversely, if you dislike the person or party, rate them 0°c to 50 °c depending on how much you dislike them.

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| (1) Teiichi Tanigaki | ()degrees |
| (2) Yukio Hatoyama | ()degrees |
| (3) Natsuo Yamaguchi | ()degrees |
| (4) Mizuho Fukushima | ()degrees |
| (5) Kazuo Shii | ()degrees |
| (6) Shizuka Kamei | ()degrees |
| (7) Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) | ()degrees |
| (8) Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ) | ()degrees |
| (9)Clean Government Party (CGP) | ()degrees |
| (10)Social Democratic Party (SDP) | ()degrees |
| (11)Japan Communist Party (JCP) | ()degrees |
| (12)People's New Party | ()degrees |

Q4. The next election for the House of Councilors is coming up in summer 2010. Let us suppose that today is election day. Which one of the following parties do you think you will vote for with respect to candidates running for prefectural district? Please assume that all of the following parties have candidates.

1. LDP
2. DPJ
3. CGP
4. SDP
5. JCP
6. People's New Party
7. Other ()
8. Independent

9. Will abstain from voting
10. Undecided

Q5. So, which one of the following parties (or parties' candidates) do you think you will vote for with respect to proportional representation election?

1. LDP
2. DPJ
3. CGP
4. SDP
5. JCP
6. People's New Party
7. Other ()
8. Will abstain from voting
9. Undecided

Q6. Putting elections aside, which political party in Japan do you usually support?

1. Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) (proceed to Q6-SQ1)
2. Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ) (proceed to Q6-SQ1)
3. Clean Government Party (CGP) (proceed to Q6-SQ1)
4. Social Democratic Party (SDP) (proceed to Q6-SQ1)
5. Japan Communist Party (JCP) (proceed to Q6-SQ1)
6. People's New Party (proceed to Q6-SQ1)
7. Other () (proceed to Q6-SQ1)
8. No such party (proceed to Q6-SQ2)

[To respondents whose answer was 1~7 in Q6]

Q6-SQ1. How strongly do you support this party: enthusiastically or not so enthusiastically?

1. Enthusiastically (proceed Q7)
2. Not so enthusiastically (proceed Q7)

[To respondents whose answer was 8 in Q6]

Q6-SQ2. If you are to name one party that you favor the most, which do you choose?

1. LDP (proceed Q7)
2. DPJ (proceed Q7)
3. CGP (proceed Q7)
4. SDP (proceed Q7)
5. JCP (proceed Q7)
6. People's New Party (proceed Q7)
7. Other () (proceed Q7)
8. No such party (proceed Q7)

[For all respondents]

Q7. Do you think the Hatoyama cabinet is handling the following issues well?

- (1) Execution of policies promised in the Manifest
- (2) Transformation from bureaucratic initiative to political initiative
- (3) Unifying stance among the parties participating in the coalition government and among cabinet members
- (4) Communication between the cabinet and the ruling party
- (5) Effective response to criticisms from opposition parties
- (6) Leadership of Prime Minister Yukio Hatoyama

1. Handling well 2. Somewhat handling well 3. Cannot say at the present
 4. Somewhat not handling well 5. Not handling well at all 6. Do not know

Q8. Do you think the Liberal Democratic Party is doing the following well as an opposition party?

- (1) Criticisms and investigation of the ruling party
 (2) Presentation of counter proposals against the policies of the ruling party
 (3) Promoting execution of policies in cooperation with the ruling party

1. Handling well 2. Somewhat handling well 3. Cannot say at the present
 4. Somewhat not handling well 5. Not handling well at all 6. Do not know

Q9. What do you think will happen as the result of the upcoming election of the House of Councilors?

1. The administration will stabilize after the DPJ gains the working majority in the House of Councilors as well.
 2. The LDP will increase its seats, resulting in destabilization of the administration.
 3. A large-scale party realignment will occur.
 4. Other; be specific (_____)
 5. Do not know

Q10 Do you support the Hatoyama Cabinet?

1. Strongly support
 2. Somewhat support
 3. Do not support strongly
 4. Do not support at all

{Face sheet}

F1. Gender

1. Male
 2. Female

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 (_____)

F3. Which prefecture do you live in?

(_____)

Thank you for your cooperation with this survey!