

## 2014 Pre House of Representatives Election [Internet Survey]

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Q1: Will you go to the coming House of Representatives election? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. I have something to do on the Election Day, and it is difficult to go to vote
2. I do not have things to do on the Election Day, but it is troublesome for me
3. I have no problem to go to vote
4. I have already voted using early voting or absentee ballot

Q2: Do you have any plant to use early voting or absentee ballot? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. I think I use
2. I have a possibility to use
3. I do not have such a plan

Q3: Which one is closest to your viewpoint in terms of going to vote in the coming election? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Going to vote is the electorate's duty
2. We have to participate in elections as much as possible
3. We do not necessarily have to participate in elections

Q4: How much do you think your district is competitive in the coming House of Representatives election? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Since the candidate I support is very strong, he/she will win even if I do not vote for
2. A candidate will slightly win even if I do not vote for him/her
3. A candidate will win only if I vote for him/her because he/she is on the border
4. A candidate will be on the border only if I vote for him/her, otherwise it seems difficult for him/her to win
5. It seems difficult for a candidate to win even if I vote for him/her
6. Other
7. I do not have any candidate to support
8. I have not decided a candidate to support

Q5: How do you feel about influential politicians and parties? If you are neutral, please mark 50. If

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you have positive feelings, please indicate from 50 and 100 according to the level of your feelings; if you have negative feelings, please indicate from 0 and 50 according to the level of your feelings. Please enter 0 to 100 for each item.

- (1) Shinzo Abe
- (2) Banri Kaieda
- (3) Natsuo Yamaguchi
- (4) Kenji Eda
- (5) Toru Hashimoto
- (6) Takeo Hiranuma
- (7) Shintaro Ishihara
- (8) Kazuo Shii
- (9) Ichiro Ozawa
- (10) Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)
- (11) Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ)
- (12) Clean Government Party (Komeito/CGP)
- (13) Japan Innovation Party (Ishinno tou)
- (14) The Party for Future Generations
- (15) People's Life Party
- (16) Japan Communist Party (JCP)

Q6: How did you feel about the current Abe administration? (Please circle only one choice for each item.)

- (1) Fiscal policy
- (2) Economic stimulus policy
- (3) Diplomacy
- (4) Political leadership
- (5) Overall performance of the Abe administration

1. Pretty good
2. A little good
3. Neither
4. A little bad
5. Pretty bad

Q7: Putting this election aside, which party do you usually support? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)
2. Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ)
3. Clean Government Party (Komeito/CGP)
4. Japan Innovation Party (Ishinno tou)
5. The Party for Future Generations
6. Japan Communist Party (JCP)
7. People's Life Party
8. Other
9. No such party

**[To those who chose between 1 and 8 in Q7]**

Q8: Are you an ardent supporter of the party? Or a not so ardent supporter? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Ardent supporter
2. Not so ardent

**[To those who chose 13 in Q2]**

Q9: If you had to choose one party that you favor the most, which party do you choose? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)
2. Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ)
3. Clean Government Party (Komeito/CGP)
4. Japan Innovation Party (Ishinno tou)
5. The Party for Future Generations
6. Japan Communist Party (JCP)
7. People's Life Party
8. Other
9. No such party

**[To all]**

Q10: Are there any political party you would never support? (Please circle as many items as necessary)

1. Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)
2. Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ)
3. Clean Government Party (Komeito/CGP)
4. Japan Innovation Party (Ishinno tou)
5. The Party for Future Generations
6. Japan Communist Party (JCP)
7. People's Life Party
8. Other
9. No such party

Q11: Will you go to vote in the coming House of Representatives election? Or have you already voted using early voting or absentee ballot? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. I have already voted using early voting or absentee ballot
2. I will definitely go to vote
3. I will probably go to vote
4. I will probably abstain from voting
5. I will abstain from voting
6. I have not decided yet

**[To those who chose 1 in Q11]**

Q12: Which party's candidate did you vote for in the single-seat constituency? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)
2. Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ)
3. Clean Government Party (Komeito/CGP)
4. Japan Innovation Party (Ishinno tou)
5. The Party for Future Generations
6. Japan Communist Party (JCP)
7. People's Life Party
8. Other
9. Independent (Nonpartisan)

Q12-1: Which party's candidate did you vote for in the proportional representation constituency where you vote for a party in one of eleven national blocks? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)
2. Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ)
3. Clean Government Party (Komeito/CGP)
4. Japan Innovation Party (Ishinno tou)
5. The Party for Future Generations
6. Japan Communist Party (JCP)
7. People's Life Party
8. Other

**[To those who chose 2 and 3 in Q11]**

Q13: Have you decided which party's candidate to vote for in the single-seat constituency?

1. Yes
2. No

**[To those who chose 1 in Q13]**

Q13-1: Which party's candidate is he/she?

1. Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)
2. Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ)
3. Clean Government Party (Komeito/CGP)
4. Japan Innovation Party (Ishinno tou)
5. The Party for Future Generations
6. Japan Communist Party (JCP)
7. People's Life Party
8. Other
9. Independent (Nonpartisan)

Q13-2: Which party do you plan to vote in the proportional representation constituency where you vote for a party in one of eleven national blocks? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)
2. Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ)

3. Clean Government Party (Komeito/CGP)
4. Japan Innovation Party (Ishinno tou)
5. The Party for Future Generations
6. Japan Communist Party (JCP)
7. People's Life Party
8. Other

Q14: Do (Did) you vote for the same party or different parties in the single-seat constituency and in the proportional representation constituency? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Same party
2. Different party

**[To those who chose 2. Different party in Q14]**

Q14-1: Why is that? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. The candidate from the party I support is not in the single-seat constituency
2. In the single-seat constituency, the candidate from the party I support will surely win even if I do not vote for him/her
3. In the single-seat constituency, the candidate from the party I support will surely lose even if I do not vote for him/her
4. There is a candidate, who is not from the party I support, I want to vote for in the proportional representation constituency
5. I always vote for a candidate without caring about political party
6. I consider the overall balance of parliamentary seats
7. Other

Q15: Please recall the House of Councilors election in July last year. Did you vote in the election? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Voted
2. Abstained
3. Did not have voting rights

**[To those who chose 1. Voted in Q15]**

Q15-1: Which party's candidate did you vote for in the single-seat constituency? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)
2. Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ)
3. Clean Government Party (Komeito/CGP)
4. Social Democratic Party (SDP)
5. Japan Communist Party (JCP)
6. People's New Party (Kokumin shintou)
7. Your Party (Minnano tou)
8. Japan Restoration Party (Nippon Ishin-no kai)
9. People's Life Party (Seikatsu-no tou)
10. Green Wind (Midori-no kaze)
11. New Party Daichi
12. Okinawa Social Mass Party
13. Other party
14. Independent (Nonpartisan)

Q15-2: Which party did you vote for in the proportional representation constituency, where you vote for political party? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)
2. Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ)
3. Clean Government Party (Komeito/CGP)
4. Social Democratic Party (SDP)
5. Japan Communist Party (JCP)
6. People's New Party (Kokumin shintou)
7. Your Party (Minnano tou)
8. Japan Restoration Party (Nippon Ishin-no kai)
9. People's Life Party (Seikatsu-no tou)
10. Green Wind (Midori-no kaze)
11. New Party Daichi
12. Greens Japan (Midori-no tou)
13. Other party

Q16: Please recall the previous House of Representatives election (in 2012, Prime Minister was Mr. Yoshihiko Noda). Did you vote in the election? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Voted
2. Abstained
3. Did not have voting rights

**[To those who chose 1. Voted in Q16]**

Q16-1: Which party's candidate did you vote for in the single-seat constituency? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)
2. Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ)
3. Clean Government Party (Komeito/CGP)
4. Social Democratic Party (SDP)
5. Japan Communist Party (JCP)
6. Japan Restoration Party (Nippon Ishin-no kai)
7. Your Party (Minnano tou)
8. Tomorrow Party of Japan
9. New Party Daichi
10. Other party
11. Independent (Nonpartisan)

Q16-2: Which party did you vote for in the proportional representation constituency, where you vote for political party? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)
2. Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ)
3. Clean Government Party (Komeito/CGP)
4. Social Democratic Party (SDP)
5. Japan Communist Party (JCP)
6. Japan Restoration Party (Nippon Ishin-no kai)
7. Your Party (Minnano tou)
8. Tomorrow Party of Japan
9. New Party Daichi
10. Other party

Q17: Which political party do you think has an ability of begin in charge of a government? Please choose any political parties that you think so. (Please circle as many items as necessary)

1. Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)
2. Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ)
3. Clean Government Party (Komeito/CGP)
4. Japan Innovation Party (Ishinno tou)
5. The Party for Future Generations
6. Japan Communist Party (JCP)
7. People's Life Party
8. Other party
9. No such party

**Next, please give us your views on several recent propositions.**

Q18: The following are two major points of view about economic policy called the Abenomics that the Abe administration has implemented.

A: I appreciate it since the performances of export companies improved and stock values went up by issuing large amounts of government bonds and leading to a weaker yen.

B: I do not appreciate it since the price of import goods rose and the debt of government increased by issuing large amounts of government bonds and leading to a weaker yen.

Which idea is closer to your view? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Close to A
2. A little close to A
3. A little close to B
4. Close to B

Q19. The following are two major points of view about this snap election following Prime Minister Abe's dissolution of the House of Representatives.

A. It is appropriate for the election to be called because it gives people an opportunity to evaluate "Abenomics" and have a say on the timing of the consumption tax hike to 10%.

B. It is not appropriate for the election to be called because it lacks a reasonable cause, only helping

postpone problems such as suspicious political funds and legislative malapportionment.

Which idea is closer to your view? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Close to A
2. A little close to A
3. A little close to B
4. Close to B

Q20. Prime Minister Abe recently announced the postponement of the consumption tax hike to 10%, pushing it back one and half years to April 2017. The following are two major points of view about this issue.

A: The consumption tax should be raised in fall next year, as it is scheduled, to maintain the social security system and achieve fiscal reconstruction.

B: The consumption tax hike to 10% should be delayed by one and half years because the economy has not been good since the last consumption tax hike to 8% in this April.

Q20-1: Which idea is closer to your view? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Close to A
2. A little close to A
3. A little close to B
4. Close to B

Q20-2: How important is the issue of raising consumption tax to you? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Pretty important
2. A little important
3. No so important
4. Not important at all

Q20-3: What policy do you think the following parties are pushing for regarding raising consumption tax? (Please circle only one choice for each party)

- (1) Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)
- (2) Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ)
- (3) Clean Government Party (Komeito/CGP)
- (4) Japan Innovation Party (Ishinno tou)
- (5) The Party for Future Generations
- (6) Japan Communist Party (JCP)
- (7) People's Life Party (Seikatsu-no tou)

Q21: The following are two major points of view about the TPP (Trans-Pacific Partnership) which attempt to reduce the trade tariff to zero among countries in the Pacific Ocean.

A: We should join the TPP since it increases the export of Japanese industrial products to abroad.

B: We should not joint the TPP since it encourages the import of cheap agricultural products to Japan and damages Japanese farmers.

Q21-1: Which idea is closer to your view? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Close to A
2. A little close to A
3. A little close to B
4. Close to B

Q21-2: How important is the issue of TPP to you? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Pretty important
2. A little important
3. No so important
4. Not important at all

Q21-3: What policy do you think the following parties are pushing for regarding TPP? (Please circle only one choice for each party)

- (1) Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)

- (2) The Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ)
- (3) Clean Government Party (Komeito/CGP)
- (4) Japan Innovation Party (Ishinno tou)
- (5) The Party for Future Generations
- (6) Japan Communist Party (JCP)
- (7) People's Life Party (Seikatsu-no tou)

Q22: The following are two major points of view about fiscal reconstruction and economic policy

A: Amidst the current sluggish economy, economic stimulus measures should be implemented first at the risk of fiscal reconstruction postponement.

B: With the government saddled with a massive amount of debt, fiscal reconstruction measures should come first at the risk of postponing economic stimulus packages.

Q22-1: Which idea is closer to your view? (Please circle only one choice.)

- 1. Close to A
- 2. A little close to A
- 3. A little close to B
- 4. Close to B

Q22-2: How important is the fiscal-or-economy question to you? (Please circle only one choice.)

- 1. Pretty important
- 2. A little important
- 3. No so important
- 4. Not important at all

Q22-3: What policy do you think the following parties are pushing for regarding fiscal reconstruction and economic stimulus measures? (Please circle only one choice for each party)

- (1) Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)
- (2) Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ)
- (3) Clean Government Party (Komeito/CGP)
- (4) Japan Innovation Party (Ishinno tou)
- (5) The Party for Future Generations

- (6) Japan Communist Party (JCP)
- (7) People's Life Party (Seikatsu-no tou)

Q23: The following are two major points of view about the right of collective self-defense.

A: The exercise of the right of collective self-defense should be approved to enhance the Japan-U.S. security alliance.

B: The exercise of the right of collective self-defense should not be approved because it will lead to Japan's involvement in international disputes.

Q23-1: Which idea is closer to your view? (Please circle only one choice.)

- 1. Close to A
- 2. A little close to A
- 3. A little close to B
- 4. Close to B

Q23-2: How important is the right of collective self-defense to you? (Please circle only one choice.)

- 1. Pretty important
- 2. A little important
- 3. No so important
- 4. Not important at all

Q23-3: What policy do you think the following parties are pushing for regarding the right of collective self-defense? (Please circle only one choice for each party.)

- (1) Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)
- (2) Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ)
- (3) Clean Government Party (Komeito/CGP)
- (4) Japan Innovation Party (Ishinno tou)
- (5) The Party for Future Generations
- (6) Japan Communist Party (JCP)
- (7) People's Life Party (Seikatsu-no tou)

Q24: The following are two major points of view about welfare and taxes.

A: Public services like welfare should be developed even if a tax hike is required.

B: Taxes should be reduced even if the quality of public services like welfare deteriorates.

Q24-1: Which idea is closer to your view? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Close to A
2. A little close to A
3. A little close to B
4. Close to B

Q24-2: How important is the issue of welfare and taxes to you? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Pretty important
2. A little important
3. No so important
4. Not important at all

Q24-3: What policy do you think the following parties are pushing for regarding welfare and taxes?  
(Please circle only one choice for each party.)

- (1) Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)
- (2) Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ)
- (3) Clean Government Party (Komeito/CGP)
- (4) Japan Innovation Party (Ishinno tou)
- (5) The Party for Future Generations
- (6) Japan Communist Party (JCP)
- (7) People's Life Party (Seikatsu-no tou)

Q25: The following are two major points of view about the restart of nuclear power plants.

A: We should restart nuclear power plants, because we cannot cover the demand for electricity only with thermal power, wind power, and solar power generation and we have to bear the influence of power saving.

B: We should not restart nuclear power plants and cover the demand for electricity with thermal power, wind power, and solar power generation and power saving, until we will be certain about

the safety of nuclear power generation.

Q25-1: Which idea is closer to your view? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Close to A
2. A little close to A
3. A little close to B
4. Close to B

Q25-2: How important is the issue of restarting nuclear power plants to you? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Pretty important
2. A little important
3. No so important
4. Not important at all

Q25-3: What policy do you think the following parties are pushing for regarding the restart of nuclear power plants? (Please circle only one choice for each party.)

- (1) Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)
- (2) Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ)
- (3) Clean Government Party (Komeito/CGP)
- (4) Japan Innovation Party (Ishinno tou)
- (5) The Party for Future Generations
- (6) Japan Communist Party (JCP)
- (7) People's Life Party (Seikatsu-no tou)

Q26: The following are two major points of view about the relationships between the central and local governments.

A: Naturally, the central government should provide subsidies and other forms of aid to support less competitive local areas.

B: It is significant to aim to create communities with vitality based on free competition among local areas by reducing the central government's subsidies and other forms of aid.

Q26-1: Which idea is closer to your view? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Close to A
2. A little close to A
3. A little close to B
4. Close to B

Q26-2: How important is the issue of the central and local governments to you? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Pretty important
2. A little important
3. No so important
4. Not important at all

Q26-3: What policy do you think the following parties are pushing for regarding the relationships between the central and local governments? (Please circle only one choice for each party.)

- (1) Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)
- (2) Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ)
- (3) Clean Government Party (Komeito/CGP)
- (4) Japan Innovation Party (Ishinno tou)
- (5) The Party for Future Generations
- (6) Japan Communist Party (JCP)
- (7) People's Life Party (Seikatsu-no tou)

Q27: The following are two major points of view about constitutional revision.

- A: The current Constitution is obsolete and should be revised as soon as possible.  
B: The current Constitution overall is satisfactory and should remain unchanged.

Q27-1: Which idea is closer to your view? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Close to A
2. A little close to A
3. A little close to B

4. Close to B

Q27-2: How important is the issue of constitution revision to you? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Pretty important
2. A little important
3. No so important
4. Not important at all

Q27-3: What policy do you think the following parties are pushing for regarding constitution revision?

(Please circle only one choice for each party.)

- (1) Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)
- (2) Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ)
- (3) Clean Government Party (Komeito/CGP)
- (4) Japan Innovation Party (Ishinno tou)
- (5) The Party for Future Generations
- (6) Japan Communist Party (JCP)
- (7) People's Life Party

Q28: The following are two major points of view about how to sustain the public pension system.

- A: Insurance premiums should be raised to secure stable financial resources for the future.
- B: The consumption tax rate should be increased so that all generations can shoulder an equal level of responsibility.

Q28-1: Which idea is closer to your view? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Close to A
2. A little close to A
3. A little close to B
4. Close to B

Q28-2: How important is the issue of the public pension system to you? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Pretty important
2. A little important
3. No so important
4. Not important at all

Q28-3: What policy do you think the following parties are pushing for regarding the public pension system? (Please circle only one choice for each party.)

- (1) Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)
- (2) Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ)
- (3) Clean Government Party (Komeito/CGP)
- (4) Japan Innovation Party (Ishinno tou)
- (5) The Party for Future Generations
- (6) Japan Communist Party (JCP)
- (7) People's Life Party

Q29: Due to Article 96, to revise the constitution, each of the House of Representatives and the House of Councilors has to gain the two-thirds or more approvals. The following are two major points of view about Article 96. Which idea is closer to your view? (Please circle only one choice.)

A: It is better to keep the current conditions of the two-thirds of approvals.

B: The condition must be that the each House has to gain the half or more approvals.

Q29-1: Which idea is closer to your view? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Close to A
2. A little close to A
3. A little close to B
4. Close to B

Q29-2: How important is the issue of Article 96 to you? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Pretty important
2. A little important
3. No so important

4. Not important at all

Q29-3: What policy do you think the following parties are pushing for regarding Article 96? (Please circle only one choice for each party.)

- (1) Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)
- (2) Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ)
- (3) Clean Government Party (Komeito/CGP)
- (4) Japan Innovation Party (Ishinno tou)
- (5) The Party for Future Generations
- (6) Japan Communist Party (JCP)
- (7) People's Life Party

Q30: Regarding the political stance of being conservative or liberal, what is your stance? In the scale, the left end (0) means the most liberal and the right end (10) means the most conservative. Please circle the number that best describes your thinking. (Please circle only one number.)

- 0. Liberal
- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.
- 8.
- 9.
- 10. Conservative

Q31: How much are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the current politics? (Please circle only one choice.)

- 1. Pretty satisfied
- 2. A little satisfied
- 3. Neither
- 4. A little dissatisfied

5. Pretty dissatisfied

Q32: Whether or not there is an election, some people always pay attention to politics while others do not. How much do you pay attention to political issues? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. A lot
2. A little
3. No so much
4. Hardly

Q33: Do you support the Abe administration? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Support a lot
2. Support a little
3. Not support so much
4. Almost no support

Q34: What do you think of the current Japanese economic condition? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Pretty good
2. A little good
3. Neither
4. A little bad
5. Pretty bad

Q35: What do you think of the current Japanese economic condition compared with what it was one year ago? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Much better
2. A little better
3. Unchanged
4. A little worse
5. Much worse

Q36: How do you think the Japanese economic condition will be from now onward? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Much better
2. A little better
3. Unchanged
4. A little worse
5. Much worse

Q37: What do you think of the following? Please choose the response that best matches your thinking. (Please circle only one choice each for item.)

- (1) Today's Japanese politicians do not give people much consideration.
- (2) I cannot tell how things will change and it does not make any sense to think of the future.
- (3) People are becoming economically worse off.
- (4) Considering how things change, I am pessimistic about the future of my children.
- (5) People are becoming increasingly indifferent to others.
- (6) It is natural that some are haves and others are have-nots.
- (7) You should abide by whatever your parents say.
- (8) Those who break rules should be severely punished.
- (9) Leaders should treat their subordinates in a dignified manner.
- (10) Adolescent girls and boys should if possible, be educated separately.
- (11) A good educational background and material richness matter in the world.
- (12) We have much information about political and social issues, but I am at a loss about which is more credible.
- (13) Honesty does not pay off in the current social situation; the shrewd guys win.
- (14) Much of what I want to say or think is rejected by people around me.
- (15) I am unlikely to realize my dream if I continue to live as I do now.

1. Agree
2. Agree, if anything
3. Neither
4. Disagree, if anything
5. Disagree

Q38: Regarding the following two points of view, which is closer to your view? (Please circle only one choice for each item.)

Q38-1: Proposition            A: You should pay more attention to national and social issues.  
   B: You should put more emphasis on developing your personal life.

Q38-2: Proposition            A: I would like the nation and public to do something for me.  
   B: I would like to do something for the nation and public.

Q38-3: Proposition            A: I will prepare for my future life by saving, for example.  
   B: I will enrich and enjoy my daily life.

Q38-4: Proposition            A: You should put more emphasis on all public benefits rather than individual benefits.  
   B: You should put more emphasis on individual benefits rather than all public benefits.

Q38-5: Proposition            A: I want more leisure time even if my income remains the same.  
   B: I want more income even if my leisure time remains the same.

Q38-6: Proposition            A: On the whole, Japan is going in the right direction.  
   B: On the whole, Japan is going in the wrong direction.

Q38-7: Proposition            A: We should make an effort to further develop patriotism.  
   B: We should leave individuals to develop patriotism.

Q38-8: Proposition            A: I would like to emphasize spiritual richness and a comfortable lifestyle.  
   B: I would like to emphasize material richness and an affluent lifestyle.

Q38-9: Proposition            A: I would like to live abroad for a few years if I have such an opportunity.  
   B: I would not like to live abroad for a few years even if I have such an opportunity.

1. Close to A
2. A little close to A
3. A little close to B
4. Close to B

Q39: How much are you satisfied or dissatisfied with your current livelihood? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Pretty satisfied
2. A little satisfied
3. Neither
4. A little dissatisfied
5. Pretty dissatisfied

Q40: How has your livelihood changed compared with what it was one year ago? Please choose from below. (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Much better
2. A little better
3. Unchanged
4. A little worse
5. Much worse

Q41: How do you think your livelihood will change from now moving forward? Please choose from below. (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Much better
2. A little better
3. Unchanged
4. A little worse
5. Much worse

Q42: What is your expectation for the Abe administration's future performance? (Please circle only one choice for each.)

- (1) Fiscal policy

- (2) Economic stimulus policy
- (3) Diplomacy
- (4) Political leadership
- (5) Overall future performance of the Abe administration

- 1. Pretty high
- 2. A little high
- 3. Neither
- 4. No so high
- 5. Almost no expectation

Q43: How much do you think the following institutions are trustworthy? (Please circle only one choice.)

- (1) Political party being charge of government

- 1. Pretty trustworthy
- 2. A little trustworthy
- 3. No so much trustworthy
- 4. Almost no trust

- (2) Existing political parties

- 1. Pretty trustworthy
- 2. A little trustworthy
- 3. No so much trustworthy
- 4. Almost no trust

- (3) Political party and politicians

- 1. Pretty trustworthy
- 2. A little trustworthy
- 3. No so much trustworthy
- 4. Almost no trust

(4) Representative system like election

1. Pretty trustworthy
2. A little trustworthy
3. No so much trustworthy
4. Almost no trust

Q44: In the Japanese Public Offices Election Act, when an electoral violation by campaign staff is verified, and guilt-by-association system is applied, candidate's election will be nullified and the candidate will be forbidden to run from the district where he or she run at that time for a certain period. How long is the period? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. 4 years
2. 5 years
3. 6 years
4. 10 years

Q45: In order to revise the Japanese Constitution, resolution in both the House of Representatives and Councilors and approvals by referendum will be required. How many votes do you think are necessary to revise the Japanese Constitution? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. More than two-thirds of approvals both in the House of Representatives and the House of Councilors, and two-thirds of approvals in referendum
2. Majority of approvals both in the House of Representatives and the House of Councilors, and majority of approvals in referendum
3. More than two-thirds of approvals both in the House of Representatives and the House of Councilors, and majority of approvals in referendum
4. Majority of approvals both in the House of Representatives and the House of Councilors, and two-thirds of approvals in referendum

Q46: When the decisions on a proposed bill are different between the House of Representatives and the House of Councilors, the proposed bill will be enacted if the House of Representatives pass it again. In such case, how many of yeas do you think are necessary in the House of Representatives to pass a bill? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Majority of the members present

2. Majority of the all members
3. Two-thirds of the members present
4. Two-thirds of the all members

Q47: Who is the current president of House of Councilors? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Kenji Hirata
2. Koshiishi Azuma
3. Bunmei Ibuki
4. Masaaki Yamazaki
5. Hirotaka Akamatsu

Q48: Who is the current president of United Kingdom? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Gordon Brown
2. Tony Blair
3. David Cameron
4. Margaret Thatcher
5. John Major

Q49: In this House of Representatives election, which policy did you consider the most? How about the second, and the third? (Please circle only one choice for each item.)

**The Most**

**The Second**

**The Third**

1. Diplomacy and security
2. Fiscal and monetary
3. Industrial policy
4. Agriculture, forestry, and fisheries
5. Education and child-rearing
6. Pension and medical treatment
7. Employment and finding jobs
8. Public security
9. Environment

10. Political and administrative reform
11. Decentralization of power
12. Constitution (revision or not)
13. Earthquake disaster reconstruction and prevention
14. Social Structure (ex. infrastructure)
15. Nuclear power plant and energy
16. Raising consumption tax
17. Other

Q50: How much do you think you understand or do not understand the manifesto and election promises of each party? (Please circle only one choice for each item.)

- (1) Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)
- (2) Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ)
- (3) Clean Government Party (Komeito/CGP)
- (4) Japan Innovation Party (Ishinno tou)
- (5) The Party for Future Generations
- (6) Japan Communist Party (JCP)
- (7) People's Life Party

1. Understand well
2. Understand a little
3. Neither
4. Not understand so much
5. Not understand

Q51: Suppose there are following two policies to improve the economy, which policy do you think we should implement? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. A policy that has a great outcome with a great probability of failure
2. A policy that has a small outcome with a small probability of failure

Q52: There is a saying "If you don't go into the tiger's cave, you cannot capture a baby tiger" (Nothing venture, nothing have). Do you agree or disagree with the saying? (Please circle only one choice.)

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1. Agree
2. Somewhat agree
3. Neither
4. Somewhat disagree
5. Disagree

Q53: Do you subscribe newspaper? If so, which one do you read? (Please circle as many items as necessary)

1. Yomiuri Shinbun
2. Asahi Shinbun
3. Mainichi Shinbun
4. Sankei Shinbun
5. Nihon Keizai Shinbun
6. Tokyo Shinbun
7. Hokkaido Shinbun
8. Kahoku Shinpo
9. Chunichi Shinbun (including Hokuriku-Chunichi Shinbun)
10. Niigata Nippo
11. Shinano Mainichi Shinbun
12. Kobe Shinbun
13. Chugoku Shinbun
14. Nishinihon Shinbun
15. Other newspaper
16. I do not subscribe newspaper
17. DK

Q54: Have you continued to live in this area (within a 30-minute walk around this town, village and apartment block) since your birth? Or did you move here from somewhere else? If you have temporarily moved anywhere else after you were born around here, please choose "Lived here since birth." (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Live here since birth
2. Moved from somewhere else

Q54-1: How long have you lived in this area (within a 30-minute walk around this town, village and apartment block)? If you have temporarily moved to somewhere else, please choose the answer that is the closest to the total years of your residence around here.

1. Less than 3
2. 4 to 9
3. 10 to 14
4. More than 15

Q55: What is your final schooling? This question excludes schools in the miscellaneous category. For dropouts and current enrollments, please answer indicating the type of final school when you were a student. (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Postwar junior high, prewar elementary and junior high
2. Postwar high and wartime junior high
3. Technical college, junior college and advanced vocational school
4. University and graduate school

Q56-1: What is your occupation? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Employed
2. Self-employed
3. Family business
4. Student
5. Full-time homemaker
6. Jobless
7. Other (        )

**[Ask those who chose between 1. Employed and 3. Family business in Q56-1]**

Q56-2: Approximately, what is the total number of employees at your company, including branch offices and satellite stations? If you are a public employee, please choose 6. (Please circle only one choice.)

1. 1 to 4
2. 5 to 29
3. 30 to 299

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4. 300 to 999
5. More than 1,000
6. Public employee

**[To all]**

Q56-4: What kind of work do you usually do? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Agriculture, forestry, and fisheries
2. Commerce and industrial service
3. Freelance
4. Managerial
5. Technical Specialist
6. Clerical work
7. Sales, services, laborers
8. Other
9. Impossible to categorize

Q57: Are you the primary breadwinner at home?

1. Yes
2. No (I am not the primary breadwinner.)

**[To those who chose 2. No (I am not the primary breadwinner.) in Q57]**

Q57-1: What is the occupation of the primary breadwinner in the home?

1. Employed
2. Self-employed
3. Family business
4. Student
5. Full-time homemaker
6. Jobless
7. Other (        )

**[To those who chose between 1. Employed and 3. Family business in Q57-1]**

Q57-2: Approximately, what is the total number of employees at the primary breadwinner's company, including branch offices and satellite stations? If you are a public employee, please choose 6. (Please circle only one choice.)

1. 1 to 4
2. 5 to 29
3. 30 to 299
4. 300 to 999
5. More than 1,000
6. Public employee

Q57-4: What kind of work does the household primary breadwinner do? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Agriculture, forestry, and fisheries
2. Commerce and industrial service
3. Freelance
4. Managerial
5. Technical Specialist
6. Clerical work
7. Sales, services, laborers
8. Other
9. Student
10. Full-time homemaker
11. Jobless
12. Impossible to categorize

**[To All]**

Q58: Which type is your house? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Your own home (detached house)
2. Condominium
3. Private rental house (detached house)
4. Private apartment
5. Public housing or apartment

6. Salaried housing (company house or public employee's apartment)
7. Sleep-in or live-in, dormitory or boarding house
8. Other (        )

Q59: What was the total annual income of your household last year (from January to December 2013)? Please include bonuses and other additional income before taxes. (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Less than 2 million yen
2. 2 million to less than 3 million yen
3. 3 million to less than 4 million yen
4. 4 million to less than 5 million yen
5. 5 million to less than 6 million yen
6. 6 million to less than 7 million yen
7. 7 million to less than 8 million yen
8. 8 million to less than 9 million yen
9. 10 million to less than 11 million yen
10. 12 million to less than 14 million yen
11. 14 million to less than 20 million yen
12. 20 million yen or more

Thank you for your cooperation.