

2001Pre-Election_Upper House

Q1: We will ask you about the candidates who have completed the procedures for running for the upcoming upper house election in this district.

Note for the surveyor: Hand the candidate list A to the respondent. On the list are the names of the candidate and a thermometer.

Circle the number of the candidates in each checked district →

1	2	3	4	5	6
	2	3	4	5	6 more than 7

(1) Of the following candidates, which names do you know? Please answer by number.

【Note: The surveyor asks the respondent to answer the name in the order he or she knows, not in ascending order, from number 1 of the candidate list.】

(2) How much do you know about the candidate? (If the respondent does not know any name in question (1), circle 3. I do not know.)

(3) (To the respondents who answered "I know well" or "I know a little.") If you have neutral feelings about the candidate, please mark 50 on the thermometer. If you have positive feelings, please indicate from 50 to 100 according to the level of your feelings. If you have negative feelings, please indicate from 0 to 50 according to the level of your feelings.)

【Note: please enter the code 111 for DK and 222 for NA.】

The surveyor repeats the above-mentioned three question patterns until the respondent finishes the names mentioned (for the maximum number of the candidates). (The maximum number that can be recorded is 6.) When the respondent stops mentioning names, the surveyor always remembers to ask "Anyone else?" After confirming that the respondent knows no other candidate names, the surveyor circles 3. I do not know in question (2) regarding the remaining candidates.

<First> (1) Of the following candidates, which name do you know? Please answer by number.

→(Write the number:)

(2) How much do you know about the candidate?

1	2	3	4	5
(a)	(b)			
I know well		I know a little	I do not know	DK
NA				

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(3) How much do you like or dislike the candidate?

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<Second> (1) Please answer the number of the candidate you know next.

→(Write the number:)

(2) How much do you know about the candidate?

1	2	3	4	5
(a)	(b)			
I know well		I know a little	I do not know	DK
NA				

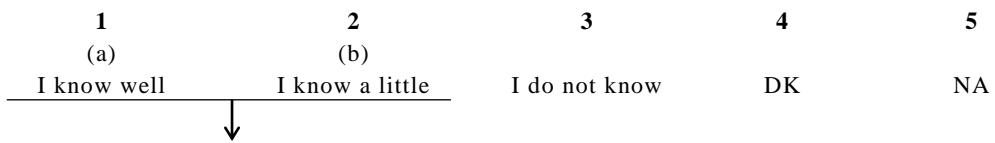
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(3) How much do you like or dislike the candidate?

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<Third> (1) Please answer the number of the candidate you know next.
→(Write the number:)

(2) How much do you know about the candidate?



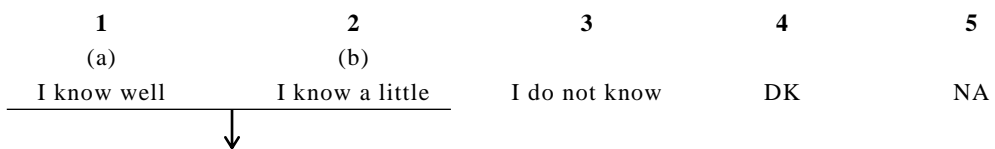
(3) How much do you like or dislike the candidate?

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<Fourth> (1) Please answer the number of the candidate you know next.
→(Write the number:)

(2) How much do you know about the candidate?



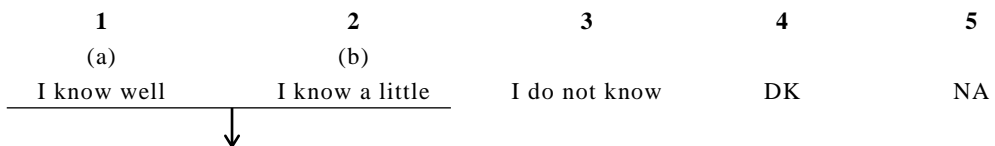
(3) How much do you like or dislike the candidate?

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<Fifth> (1) Please answer the number of the candidate you know next.
→(Write the number:)

(2) How much do you know about the candidate?



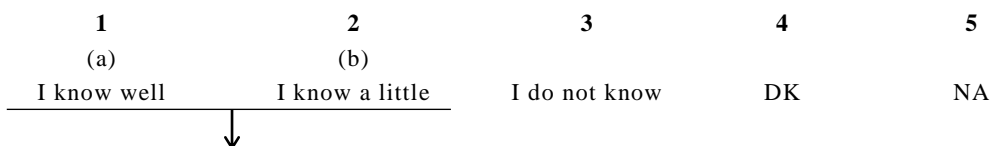
(3) How much do you like or dislike the candidate

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<Sixth> (1) Please answer the number of the candidate you know next.
→(Write the number:)

(2) How much do you know about the candidate?



(3) How much do you like or dislike the candidate?

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Q2: Will you vote in the upcoming upper house election? Please choose the response that best describes your feeling. (One choice per person) 【Note: The respondent is given the choices from 1 to 4.】

- 1 I have something else to do on election day, which will make it difficult for me to go to vote.
- 2 Although I have nothing else to do on election day, I do not feel like participating in the election.
- 3 I have no trouble going to vote.
- 4 DK
- 5 NA

Q3: Please choose the item that best matches your thinking about voting from among the items here? (One choice per person)

- 1 Voting is the elector's obligation. I think it essential to vote.
- 2 I think it significant to participate, as much as possible, in the election as an elector.
- 3 It depends on the elector to decide whether or not to vote. I do not think it always necessary to vote.
- 4 DK
- 5 NA

Q4: For the upcoming upper house election, how intense do you think the race is getting in your local district? (One choice per person) 【Note: The surveyor reads aloud the first to fifth choice.】

- 1 The candidate I support is pretty strong, and I expect that the candidate will win even if I do not vote.
- 2 I expect the candidate I support will win by a close margin even if I do not vote.
- 3 The candidate I support is straddling the thin line between defeat and victory. I expect my vote will be helpful to the candidate's victory.
- 4 I expect that if I do not vote, the win of the candidate I support will be unlikely, but my vote will bring the candidate up to the thin line between defeat and victory.
- 5 I expect that even if I vote, the win of the candidate I support will be unlikely.
- 6 Others ()
- 7 No candidate I support. 9 DK
- 8 I have not decided which candidate to support. 10 NA

Q5: How do you feel about influential politicians and parties? If you are neutral, please mark 50. If 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. The first question is about Junichiro Koizumi. How do you feel about him?

【Note: The same pattern applies to (2) through (8) item. Please enter code 111 for DK and 222 for NA.】

(1) Junichiro Koizumi	<input style="width: 30px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>				(5) SDP	<input style="width: 30px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
(2) LDP	<input style="width: 30px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>				(6) JCP	<input style="width: 30px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
(3) DPJ	<input style="width: 30px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>				(7) Conservative Party	<input style="width: 30px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
(4) Komei	<input style="width: 30px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>				(8) Liberal Party	<input style="width: 30px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>

Q6: What do you think of the Koizumi Cabinet's performance from its launch to the present? The first question is about fiscal structural reform. (One choice each for the first to the fifth item) 【Note: The same pattern applies to the second through the fifth item.】

	Pretty good	A little good	Neither	A little bad	Pretty bad	DK	NA
1. Fiscal policy	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
2. Economic measures	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
3. Diplomacy	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
4. Overall cabinet performance	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

Q7: Apart from which party you will vote for in the upcoming upper house election, which party do you usually support? 【Note: The respondent is given the choices from 1. LDP to 9. None.】 (One choice per person)

1 LDP	6 Conservative Party	9 None
2 DPJ	7 Liberal Party	10 DK
3 Komei	8 Other ()	11 NA
4 SDP		
5 JCP		

【For those who chose between 1 and 8 in Q7】

SQ1: Are you an ardent supporter of the party? Or a not so ardent supporter? (One choice per person)

- 1 Ardent supporter
- 2 Not so ardent
- 3 DK
- 4 NA

【For those who chose between 9 and 11 in Q7】

SQ2: If you are asked to choose one party, which party do you prefer most? (One choice per person)

- 1 LDP
- 2 DPJ
- 3 Komei
- 4 SDP
- 5 JCP
- 6 Conservative Party
- 7 Liberal Party
- 8 Other ()
- 9 None
- 10 DK
- 11 NA

【To all】

Q8: Do you have any party that you never want to support?Anything else? (Multiple answers are okay.)

1 LDP	6 Conservative Party	9 None
2 DPJ	7 Liberal Party YP	10 DK
3 Komei	8 Other ()	11 NA
4 SDP		
5 JCP		

Q9: Generally speaking, what do you think of the Koizumi Cabinet?

(1) Please give as many things as possible that you like about the Koizumi Cabinet.Anything else?

【Note: Be sure to try to encourage multiple answers, asking "Anything else?" As much as possible, make notes about the respondent's answers as they are expressed】

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- 1 DK
- 2 NA

(2) Please give as many things as possible you do not like about the Koizumi Cabinet.Anything else?

【Note: Be sure to try to encourage multiple answers, asking "Anything else?" As much as possible, make notes about the respondent's answers as they are expressed.】

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- 1 DK
2 NA

Q10: Generally speaking, what do you think of the LDP? Feel free to indicate anything you find about the party.Any opinion is okay.For example, the things you like and do not like about the LDP.Anything else? 【Note: Pause in the parts marked "" As much as possible, make notes about the respondent's answers as they are expressed. The same pattern applies to the second through the fifth question.】

(1) What is your view of the LDP?

Write here

- 1 DK
2 NA

(2) What is your view of the DPJ?

Write here

- 1 DK
2 NA

(3) What is your view of the Komei?

Write here

- 1 DK
2 NA

(4) What is your view of the SDP?

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- 1 DK
2 NA

(5) What is your view of the JCP?

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- 1 DK
2 NA

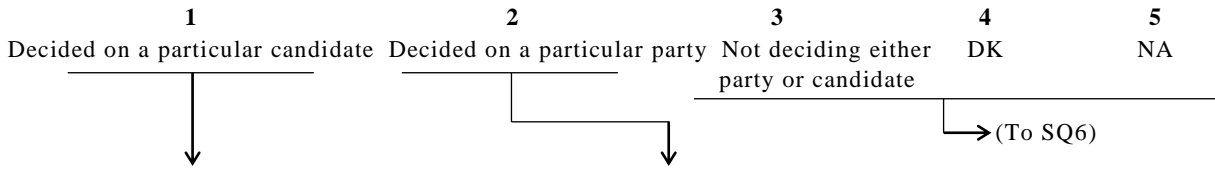
Q11: Will you go to vote in the upcoming upper house election? Or have you already voted before election day or used absentee voting? (One choice per person) 【Note: The respondent is given choices 1 to 5.】

1 I will vote without fail.
2 I will probably vote. (To SQ1)

3 I will probably abstain.
4 I will abstain. (To Q12)
5 Not yet decided or DK
6 NA

【SQ1 to 11 for those who chose 1. or 2. in Q11.】

SQ1: Have you decided which candidate you will vote for in your prefectural constituency ballot?



【★Hand candidate list A】

SQ2: Who is the candidate?

Write the candidate name

- 1 DK
- 2 NA

SQ3: Which party is it? Please choose from below. (One choice per person)

1 LDP	10 DK
2 DPJ	11 NA
3 Komei	
4 SDP	
5 JCP	
6 Conservative Party	
7 Liberal Party	
8 Other party ()	
9 Independents	

SQ4: When you finally decided to vote for the candidate or party you liked in the prefectural constituency, what was your most significant consideration? Please choose only one item. (One choice per person)

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|----------------------------|---|
| 1. Support for the party | 5. Others (Be specific) |
| 2. Party policy | 6. Nothing particular |
| 3. Candidate's personality | 7. DK |
| 4. Asked to vote | 8. NA |

SQ5: When you finally decided to vote for the candidate or party you liked in the prefectural constituency, what was your second significant consideration? Please choose only one item. (One choice per person)

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| 1. Support for the party | 5. Others (Be specific) |
| 2. Party policy | 6. Nothing particular as the second significance |
| 3. Candidate's personality | 7. DK |
| 4. Asked to vote | 8. NA |

SQ6: Have you decided which candidate you will vote for in the proportional representation constituency?

1	2	3	4	5
Decided on a particular candidate	Decided on a particular party	Not deciding either party or candidate	DK	NA

【★Hand candidate list A】

SQ7: Who is the candidate?

Write the candidate name

1 DK
2 NA

SQ8: Which party is it? Please choose from below. (One choice per person)

1 LDP	10 DK
2 DPJ	11 NA
3 Komei	
4 SDP	
5 JCP	
6 Conservative Party	
7 Liberal Party	
8 Liberal League	
9 Other party	
()	

SQ9 When you finally decided to vote for the candidate or party you liked in the proportional representation constituency, what was your most significant consideration? Please choose only one item.

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|----------------------------|---|
| 1. Support for the party | 5. Others (Be specific) |
| 2. Party policy | 6. Nothing particular |
| 3. Candidate's personality | 7. DK |
| 4. Asked to vote | 8. NA |

SQ10: When you finally decided to vote for the candidate or party you liked in the proportional representation constituency, what was your second significant consideration? Please choose only one item. (One choice per person)

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|----------------------------|--|
| 1. Support for the party | 5. Others (Be specific) |
| 2. Party policy | 6. Nothing particular as the second significance |
| 3. Candidate's personality | 7. DK |
| 4. Asked to vote | 8. NA |

SQ11: We would like to confirm again. Is the party of the candidate you will vote for in the prefectural constituency ballot and the party you will vote for in the proportional representation ballot the same or different? (One choice per person)

1	2	3	4
Same	Different	DK	NA

→ (To Q12)

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【For those who chose “2. Different” in SQ11】

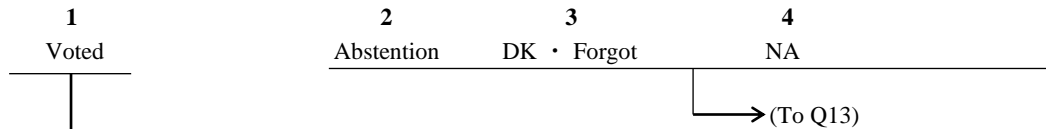
SQ12: Why is it? Please choose only one item. (One choice per person)

- 1 I have no candidate of the party I support in the prefectural constituency.
- 2 It is quite likely that the candidate of the party I support will win in the prefectural constituency even if I do not vote.
- 3 It is quite likely that the candidate of the party I support will lose in the prefectural constituency even if I vote.

- 4 I have found another candidate, other than the party I support, in the proportional representation ballot.
- 5 I considered both the prefectural constituency and proportional representation ballots regardless of parties.
- 6 I considered parliamentary seat balance.
- 7 Other ()
- 8 DK
- 9 NA

【To all】

Q12: Regarding the lower house election last year (2000) , did you vote?



【SQ1 and SQ2 for those who answered “1. I voted” in Q12】

SQ1: Which party’s candidate did you vote for in the single-seat constituency ballot? (One choice per person)

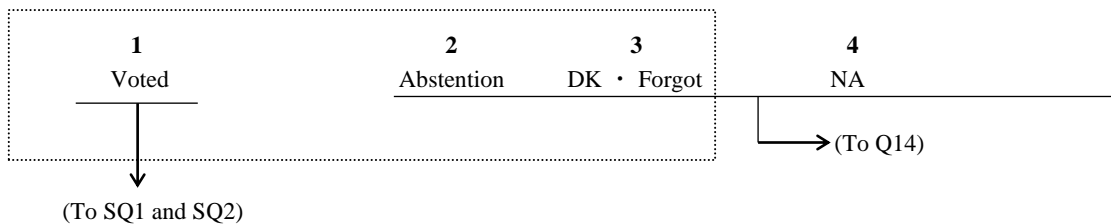
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| 1 LDP | 5 JCP | 9 Independents |
| 2 DPJ | 6 Conservative Party | 10 Forgot |
| 3 Komei | 7 Liberal Party | 11 DK |
| 4 SDP | 8 Other () | 12 NA |

SQ2: Which party did you vote for in the proportional representation ballot? (One choice per person) 【Note: The names of the parties are not given to the respondent.】

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| 1 LDP | 5 JCP | 9 Forgot |
| 2 DPJ | 6 Conservative Party | 10 DK |
| 3 Komei | 7 Liberal Party | 11 NA |
| 4 SDP | 8 Other () | |

【To all】

Q13: Regarding the previous 1998 upper house election, 3 years ago, did you vote?



【SQ1 and SQ2 for those who answered “1. I voted” in Q13】

SQ1: Which party’s candidate did you vote for in the constituency ballot? (One choice per person) 【Note: The names of the parties are not given to the respondent.】

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| 1 LDP | 5 JCP | 9 Forgot |
| 2 DPJ | 6 Liberal Party | 10 DK |
| 3 Komei | 7 Other () | 11 NA |
| 4 SDP | 8 Independents | |

SQ2: Which party or which party's candidate did you vote for in the proportional representation ballot? (One choice per person) 【Note: The names of the parties are not given to the respondent.】

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|---------|-----------------|-------|
| 1 LDP | 5 JCP | 9 DK |
| 2 DPJ | 6 Liberal Party | 10 NA |
| 3 Komei | 7 Other () | |
| 4 SDP | 8 Forgot | |

【To all】

Q14 Which party do you think has the capability for national administration? Please choose all parties that you think have that capability. (Multiple answers are okay.)

1 LDP	6 Conservative Party	9 DK
2 DPJ	7 Liberal Party	10 NA
3 Komei	8 Other ()	
4 SDP		
5 JCP		

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

Q15: 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.

SQ1: Which proposition is closer to your view? (One choice per person)

1	2	3	4	5	6
Close to A	A little close to A	A little close to B	Close to B	DK	NA

SQ2: How important is the fiscal-or-economy question to you? (One choice per person)

1	2	3	4	5	6
Pretty important	A little important	Not so important	Minimally important	DK	NA

SQ3: What policy do you think the following parties push for regarding fiscal reconstruction and economic stimulus measures? The first question is about the LDP. (One choice each for the first through the seventh party)

	Close to A	A little close to A	A little close to B	Close to B	DK	NA
(1) LDP	1	2	3	4	5	6
(2) DPJ	1	2	3	4	5	6
(3) Komei	1	2	3	4	5	6
(4) SDP	1	2	3	4	5	6
(5) JCP	1	2	3	4	5	6
(6) Conservative Party	1	2	3	4	5	6
(7) Liberal Party	1	2	3	4	5	6

Q16: 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.

SQ1: Which proposition is closer to your view? (One choice per person)

1	2	3	4	5	6
Close to A	A little close to A	A little close to B	Close to B	DK	NA

SQ2: How important is the issue of welfare and taxes to you? (One choice per person)

1	2	3	4	5	6
Pretty important	A little important	Not so important	Minimally important	DK	NA

SQ3: What policy do you think the following parties push for regarding welfare and taxes? The first question is about the LDP. (One choice each for the first through the seventh party)

【Note: The same pattern applies to the second through the seventh party.】

	Close to A	A little close to A	A little close to B	Close to B	DK	NA
(1) LDP	1	2	3	4	5	6
(2) DPJ	1	2	3	4	5	6
(3) Komei	1	2	3	4	5	6
(4) SDP	1	2	3	4	5	6
(5) JCP	1	2	3	4	5	6
(6) Conservative Party	1	2	3	4	5	6
(7) Liberal Party	1	2	3	4	5	6

Q17: 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: The aim should be creating communities with vitality based on free competition among local areas by reducing the central government's subsidies and other forms of aid.

SQ1: Which proposition is closer to your view? (One choice per person)

1	2	3	4	5	6
Close to A	A little close to A	A little close to B	Close to B	DK	NA

SQ2: How important is the issue of the central and local governments to you? (One choice per person)

1	2	3	4	5	6
Pretty important	A little important	Not so important	Minimally important	DK	NA

SQ3: What policy do you think the following parties push for regarding the relationships between the central and local governments? The first question is about the LDP. (One choice each for the first through the seventh party)

【Note: The same pattern applies to the second through the seventh party.】

	Close to A	A little close to A	A little close to B	Close to B	DK	NA
(1) LDP	1	2	3	4	5	6
(2) DPJ	1	2	3	4	5	6
(3) Komei	1	2	3	4	5	6
(4) SDP	1	2	3	4	5	6
(5) JCP	1	2	3	4	5	6
(6) Conservative Party	1	2	3	4	5	6
(7) Liberal Party	1	2	3	4	5	6

Q18: 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 respectable and should remain unchanged.

SQ1: Which proposition is closer to your view? (One choice per person)

1	2	3	4	5	6
Close to A	A little close to A	A little close to B	Close to B	DK	NA

SQ2: How important is the issue of constitutional revision to you? (One choice per person)

1	2	3	4	5	6
Pretty important	A little important	Not so important	Minimally important	DK	NA

SQ3: What policy do you think the following parties push for regarding constitutional revision? The first question is about the LDP. (One choice each for the first through the seventh party)

【Note: The same pattern applies to the second through the seventh party.】

	Close to A	A little close to A	A little close to B	Close to B	DK	NA
(1) LDP	1	2	3	4	5	6
(2) DPJ	1	2	3	4	5	6
(3) Komei	1	2	3	4	5	6
(4) SDP	1	2	3	4	5	6
(5) JCP	1	2	3	4	5	6
(6) Conservative Party	1	2	3	4	5	6
(7) Liberal Party	1	2	3	4	5	6

Q19: 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.

SQ1: Which proposition is closer to your view? (One choice per person)

1	2	3	4	5	6
Close to A	A little close to A	A little close to B	Close to B	DK	NA

SQ2: How important is the right of collective self-defense to you? (One choice per person)

1	2	3	4	5	6
Pretty important	A little important	Not so important	Minimally important	DK	NA

SQ3: What policy do you think the following parties pushed for regarding the right of collective self-defense? The first question is about the LDP. (One choice each for the first through the seventh party)

【Note: The same pattern applies to the second through the seventh party.】

	Close to A	A little close to A	A little close to B	Close to B	DK	NA
(1) LDP	1	2	3	4	5	6
(2) DPJ	1	2	3	4	5	6
(3) Komei	1	2	3	4	5	6
(4) SDP	1	2	3	4	5	6
(5) JCP	1	2	3	4	5	6
(6) Conservative Party	1	2	3	4	5	6
(7) Liberal Party	1	2	3	4	5	6

Q24: Regardless of whether or not an election campaign is on, some are consistently interested in politics and others are not. How much interest do you have in political events? Please choose one item. (One choice per person)

1 Pretty interested	2 A little interested	3 Not so interested	4 Hardly interested	5 DK	6 NA
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Q25: Please name any government ministries and agencies you know.

Notes: The surveyor asks the respondent to name all the government organizations he or she knows and circles all the answered ones. Then, enter the total counts answered (0-14). If the respondent gives incorrect answers, it is counted as 0. Circle 15 for DK. [Note: The respondent is not given the names of the government organizations.]

counts **15** DK

1. National Police Agency 2. Ministry of Defense 3. Financial Services Agency 4. Cabinet Office
 5. Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications 6. Ministry of Justice 7. Ministry of Foreign Affairs
 8. Ministry of Finance 9. Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology
 10. Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare 11. Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries
 12. Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry 13. Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism
 14. Ministry of the Environment

Q26: What condition do you think the current Japanese economy is in? (One choice per person)

1 Pretty good	2 A little good	3 Neither	4 A little bad	5 Pretty bad	6 DK	7 NA
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Q27: What do you think of current economic conditions compared with what they were one year ago? (One choice per person)

1 Much better	2 A little better	3 Unchanged	4 A little worse	5 Much worse	6 DK	7 NA
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Q28: What do you think the Japanese economy will now become moving into the future? (One choice per person)

1 Much better	2 A little better	3 Unchanged	4 A little worse	5 Much worse	6 DK	7 NA
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Q29: How much responsibility do you think the government has for the state of the economy?

1 Pretty	2 A little	3 Not so	4 Hardly	5 DK	6 NA
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Q30: I would like to ask you about the role of politics in your life. Which of the following statements comes closest to your view?

- | | Agree | Somewhat agree | Somewhat disagree | Disagree | DK | NA |
|--|-------|----------------|-------------------|----------|----|----|
| (1) Politics is something to actively engage in. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| (2) Politics is something to keep an eye on. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| (3) Politics is something that will happen as it will. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| (4) There is a deep connection between my life and politics. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| (5) I can protect my life without relying on politics. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| (6) I prefer to stay away from political matters. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |

Q31: There are several opinions regarding politics. How do you feel about these? Do you agree or disagree?

- | | Agree | Somewhat agree | Somewhat disagree | Disagree | DK | NA |
|---|-------|----------------|-------------------|----------|----|----|
| (1) The party is a significant channel that the voices of voters are reflected in politics. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| (2) The election is a significant opportunity that the voices of voters are reflected in politics. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| (3) The National Diet is a significant Channel that the voices of voters are reflected in politics. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |

Q32: I will read some opinions about the relationship between the public and elections or politics. Please share your thoughts on each one.

- | | Agree | Partly agree | Neither | Partly disagree | Disagree | DK | NA |
|---|-------|--------------|---------|-----------------|----------|----|----|
| (1) Since many people vote in elections, it doesn't really matter whether I vote or not. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (2) I feel I have no power to influence what the government does. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (3) Politics and government are so complex that I sometimes struggle to understand what is happening. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |

Q33: What do you think of the following? Please choose the response that best matches your thinking. The first question is about the proposition that today's Japanese politicians do not give people much consideration. (One choice each for the first through the fifteenth item) 【Note: The same pattern applies to the second through the fifteenth item.】

- | | Agree | Partly agree | Neither | Partly disagree | Disagree | DK | NA |
|--|-------|--------------|---------|-----------------|----------|----|----|
| (1) Today's Japanese politicians do not give people much consideration. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (2) I cannot tell how things will change and it does not make any sense to think of the future | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (3) People are becoming economically worse off. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (4) Considering how things change, I am pessimistic about the future of my children. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |

- (5) People are becoming increasingly 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
indifferent to others.
- (6) It is natural that some are haves and 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
others are have-nots.
- (7) You should abide by whatever your 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
parents say.
- (8) Those who break the rules should be 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
severely punished.
- (9) Leaders should treat their subordinates 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
in a dignified manner.
- (10) Adolescent girls and boys should, 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
if possible, be educated separately
- (11) A good educational background and 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
material richness matter in the world.
- (12) We have much information about 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
political and social issues, but I am at
a loss about which is more credible.
- (13) Honesty does not pay off in the current 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
social situation; the shrewd guys win.
- (14) Much of what I want to say or think 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
gets rejected by people around me.
- (15) I am unlikely to realize my dream if 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
I continue to live as I do now.
- (16) If I put in the effort, I can achieve 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
anything on your own.
- (17) If you speak earnestly, 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
anyone can understand you.
- (18) By doing what others seek, 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
you can also fulfill your own desires.
- (19) To get along well with others, 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
it's important to know what they want.
- (20) Most people are trustworthy. 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
- (21) Generally, when someone is trusted 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
by others, they tend to trust back in the same way.
- (22) When you need to negotiate 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
an important matter with a complete stranger,
it's very important for an acquaintance to introduce you to that person.
- (23) A familiar person is much more 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
trustworthy than an unknown one.
- (24) In general, people you have known 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
for a long time are more likely to help you when needed.

Q34: Regarding the following two points of view, which is closer to your view?

(One choice each for the first through the ninth question) 【Note: The same pattern applies to the second through the ninth question.】

(1) Proposition

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Close to A	A little close to A	A little close to B	Close to B	DK	NA

(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.

1	2	3	4	5	6
Close to A	A little close to A	A little close to B	Close to B	DK	NA

(3) Proposition

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Close to A	A little close to A	A little close to B	Close to B	DK	NA

(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.

1	2	3	4	5	6
Close to A	A little close to A	A little close to B	Close to B	DK	NA

(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.

1	2	3	4	5	6
Close to A	A little close to A	A little close to B	Close to B	DK	NA

(6) Proposition

A: On the whole, Japan is going in the right direction.
B: On the whole, Japan is going in the wrong direction.

1	2	3	4	5	6
Close to A	A little close to A	A little close to B	Close to B	DK	NA

(7) Proposition

A: We should make an effort to further develop patriotism.
B: We should leave individuals to develop patriotism.

1	2	3	4	5	6
Close to A	A little close to A	A little close to B	Close to B	DK	NA

- (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.

1	2	3	4	5	6
Close to A	A little close to A	A little close to B	Close to B	DK	NA

- (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	2	3	4	5	6
Close to A	A little close to A	A little close to B	Close to B	DK	NA

Q35: How much are you satisfied or dissatisfied with your current lifestyle? (One choice per person)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Pretty satisfied	A little satisfied	Neither	A little dissatisfied	Pretty dissatisfied	DK	NA

Q36: How has your lifestyle changed compared with what it was one year ago? Please choose one item. (One choice per person)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Much better	A little better	Unchanged	A little worse	Much worse	DK	NA

Q37: How do you think your lifestyle will change from now moving forward? Please choose one item. (One choice per person)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Much better	A little better	Unchanged	A little worse	Much worse	DK	NA

Q38: How much responsibility do you think the government has for changes in people's livelihoods?

1	2	3	4	5	6
Pretty high	A little high	Not so high	Almost nil	DK	NA

Q39: Where do you primarily get information about Japan's economy? Please answer with all that apply from the following options.

1. Media
2. Conversations with colleagues or friends
3. Personal experiences or those of family members
4. Other (please specify)
5. DK
6. NA

Q40: Do you think the media's tone regarding the current state of Japan's economy is optimistic or pessimistic? Which of the following best describes your view?

1. Very optimistic
2. Somewhat optimistic
3. Neither optimistic nor pessimistic
4. Somewhat pessimistic
5. Very pessimistic
6. DK
7. NA

Q41 (1): How high is your expectations for the Koizumi Cabinet's future performance? The first question is about fiscal policy. (One choice per person)

1 Pretty high	2 A little high	3 Neither	4 Not so high	5 Almost nil	6 DK	7 NA
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(2) How high is your expectations for the Koizumi Cabinet's future economic measures? (One choice per person)

1 Pretty high	2 A little high	3 Neither	4 Not so high	5 Almost nil	6 DK	7 NA
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(3) How high is your expectations for the Koizumi Cabinet's future diplomatic performance? (One choice per person)

1 Pretty high	2 A little high	3 Neither	4 Not so high	5 Almost nil	6 DK	7 NA
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(4) How high is your expectations for the Koizumi Cabinet's overall performance? (One choice per person)

1 Pretty high	2 A little high	3 Neither	4 Not so high	5 Almost nil	6 DK	7 NA
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Q42: How much trust do you put in the following items? Please choose the response that best matches your thinking. The first question is about the ruling party in charge of national administration.

(One choice each for the first through the fourth item) 【Note: The same pattern applies to the second through the fourth item.】

	Pretty trustworthy	A little trustworthy	Not so trustworthy	Almost not trustworthy	DK	NA
(1) Administrative party	1	2	3	4	5	6
(2) Existing parties	1	2	3	4	5	6
(3) Parties and politicians	1	2	3	4	5	6
(4) Indirect representative systems, such as elections	1	2	3	4	5	6

Q43: (1) Considering the next 10 to 15 years, which of the following national goals do you think should be prioritized the most in our country?

1. Maintaining domestic order
2. Reflecting the voices of the people in policy decisions
3. Stabilizing the economy
4. Protecting freedom of speech
5. DK
6. NA

(2) Then, what do you think should be the second priority?

1. Maintaining domestic order
2. Reflecting the voices of the people in policy decisions
3. Stabilizing the economy
4. Protecting freedom of speech
5. No second priority
6. DK
7. NA

Q44: Do you think the gap in living standards among people in Japanese society is getting smaller or larger? Which of the following best describes your view?

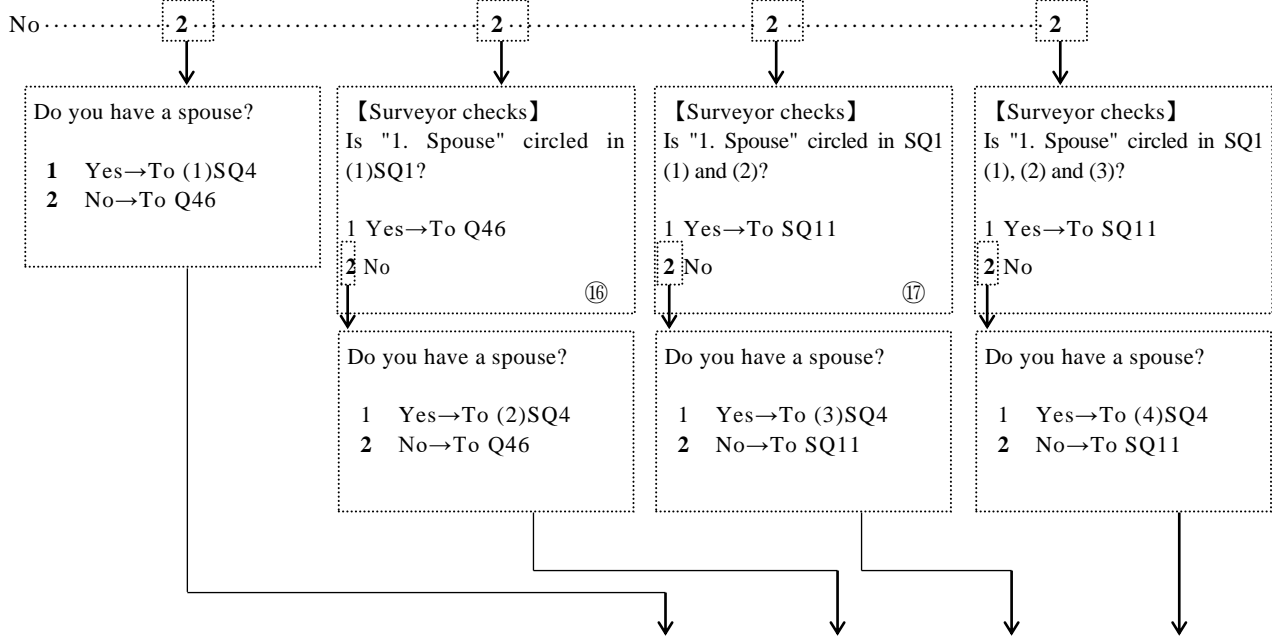
1. It is becoming significantly smaller.
2. It is somewhat becoming smaller.
3. I can't say either way.
4. It is somewhat becoming larger.
5. It is becoming significantly larger.
6. DK
7. NA

Q45: Please think about people 20 years or older with whom you talk about the Japanese prime minister, politicians or elections. This also applies to someone that you sometimes happen to talk to about those topics. We will ask you about those individuals

【The surveyor asks SQ 1 to 10 regarding (1) and then goes back to (2). The same pattern applies to (3) and (4).】

- (1) Do you have anyone to talk with about the prime minister, politicians or elections. (2) Anyone else? (Second)
- (3) Anyone else? (Third) (4) Anyone else? (Fourth)

Yes..... 1→To (1)SQ1..... 1→To (2)SQ1..... 1→To (3)SQ1 1→To (4)SQ1



SQ1: What relationship do you have with the person? Please choose only one item. (One choice per person)

	(1) First	(2) Second	(3) Third	(4) Fourth
Spouse.....	1	1	1	1
Family except for spouse	2	2	2	2
Relatives	3	3	3	3
Coworker	4	4	4	4
Person of the same interest group.....	5	5	5	5
Person in the same organization or group.....	6	6	6	6
Neighbor.....	7	7	7	7
Friend and acquaintance	8	8	8	8
Other ().....	9	9	9	9
DK.....	10	10	10	10
NA.....	11	11	11	11

SQ2: Is the person male or female?

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



SQ3: Are you close to that person? Would you say "very close," "somewhat close," or "not very close"?

1. Very close
2. Somewhat close
3. Not very close
4. I don't know
5. I prefer not to answer

SQ4: How often have you recently talked about politicians, elections or politics with the person? Pretty often, sometimes or seldom? (One choice per person)

	(1) First	(2) Second	(3) Third	(4) Fourth
Pretty often	1	1	1	1
Sometimes	2	2	2	2
Seldom	3	3	3	3
DK	4	4	4	4
NA	5	5	5	5



SQ5: How often do you watch news, read newspaper and/or magazine about politicians, elections, or politics with that person? Would you say "quite often," "sometimes," or "not very often"?

	(1) First	(2) Second	(3) Third	(4) Fourth
Quite often	1	1	1	1
Sometimes	2	2	2	2
Not very often	3	3	3	3
DK	4	4	4	4
NA	5	5	5	5



SQ6: How much does the person know about politics? Pretty much, knows to some extent or not so much? (One choice per person)

Knows pretty much	1	1	1	1
Knows to some extent	2	2	2	2
Not so much	3	3	3	3
DK	4	4	4	4
NA	5	5	5	5



SQ7: Which party's candidate do you suppose the person will vote for in the upcoming upper house election? (One choice per person)

LDP	1	1	1	1
DPJ	2	2	2	2
Komei	3	3	3	3
SDP	4	4	4	4
JCP	5	5	5	5
Conservative Party	6	6	6	6
Liberal Party	6	6	6	6
Other ()	7	7	7	7
DK	8	8	8	8
NA	9	9	9	9



SQ8: Do you think the person is in favor of the Koizumi Cabinet? (One choice per person)

In favor	1	1	1	1
Not in favor	2	2	2	2
DK	3	3	3	3
NA	4	4	4	4

SQ9: Do you think you are similar to the person in thinking or behavior? (One choice per person)

Similar	1	1	1	1
Not similar	2	2	2	2
DK	3	3	3	3
NA	4	4	4	4

SQ10: Is the person older, younger or the same age as you? (One choice per person)

Older	1	1	1	1
Younger	2	2	2	2
Same age	3	3	3	3
No comment	4	4	4	4
DK	5	5	5	5
NA	6	6	6	6

【 For those who answered "More than one," including spouse, the surveyor goes to SQ 11 and 12. If the respondent answers spouse , the last numbered person means the spouse.】

【SQ11 & SQ12 are for those who answered after (2) in SQ1, that is, those who answered about the second and subsequent persons.】

SQ11: What numbered person is the first person acquainted with? (Multiple answers are okay)

1	2	3	4	5	6
Second person	Third person	Fourth person	No acquaintance	DK	NA

SQ11: Does anyone else know each other? Please choose all items that apply. (Multiple answers are okay)

1	2	3	4	5	6
Second and third persons	Second and fourth persons	Third and fourth persons	No acquaintance	DK	NA

【To all】

Q46: (1) Which newspaper do you usually refer to as a major source to gain political information? Which of the following newspapers do you usually read?Anything else? (Multiple answers are okay.) (M.A)

1 Asahi	8 Kahoku Shimpō	14 I do not read any newspaper.
2 Mainichi	9 Chunichi	15 DK
3 Yomiuri	10 Kobe	16 NA
4 Sankei	11 Chugoku	
5 Nikkei	12 Nishi Nippon	
6 Tokyo	13 Other	
7 Hokkaido	(Specifically)

(2) How about TV program? (M.A)

- NHK News Programs
- Yumi Ida's "Today's Events" (Nippon Television)
- Yuko Kimura and Yuichi Mayama's "News Plus 1" (Nippon Television)
- Tetsuya Chikushi's "News 23" (TBS)

5. Koji Matsubara and Tomoko Ogawa's "News no Mori" (TBS)
6. Naoko Tashiro's "News JAPAN" (Fuji Television)
7. Yuko Ando's "FNN Super News" (Fuji Television)
8. Hiroshi Kume's "News Station" (TV Asahi)
9. Etsuko Komiya's "Super J Channel" (TV Asahi)
10. Maeko Kotani's "World Business Satellite" (TV Tokyo)
11. Bunchan Katsura's "Wake Up" (Nippon Television)
12. Kazuo Tokumitsu's "The Sunday" (Nippon Television)
13. Hiroshi Sekiguchi's "Sunday Morning" (TBS)
14. Misuzu Tamura's "News Special" (TBS)
15. Shuntaro Torigoe's "Scoop 21" (TV Asahi)
16. Yuji Kuroiwa's "News 2001" (Fuji Television)
17. Shinsuke Shimada's "Sunday Project" (TV Asahi)
18. Isao Fukudome and Takako Mikumo's "Broadcaster" (TBS)
19. Other TV programs (_____)
20. I do not watch TV
21. DK
22. NA

(3) How about other Media? (M.A)

1. Radio programs
2. Weekly magazines
3. News websites on the internet
4. News from internet newsletters, etc. (not related to candidate support)
5. Candidate or supporter websites
6. Newsletters supporting candidates
7. Other (_____)
8. I haven't seen or heard anything
9. DK
10. NA

Q47: Do you use the internet? Please list all that apply.(M.A.)

(If asked what the internet is, you can refer to activities such as using email or browsing websites on a computer or mobile phone. Mobile phone use is also acceptable.)

1. I use email (E-mail, text messaging).
2. I browse websites.
3. I use it for other purposes (_____).
4. I do not use the internet.
5. DK
6. NA

[Face sheet]

All our inquiries into your views have been done. Now, please answer the following questions for our statistical procedures.

F1: Gender

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|------|--------|
| 1 | 2 |
| Male | Female |

F2 Age: What is your birthday and how old are you in completed years?

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|----------|------|-------|-----|-----|--|
| 1 Meiji | | | | | |
| 2 Taisho | | | | | |
| 3 Showa | | | | | |
| 4 Heisei | | | | | |
| | year | month | day | age | |

F3 Residential years:

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 somewhere else, please choose the answer that is the closest to the total number of years of your residence around here. (For those who have lived here for over 15 years) Have you lived here continuously since you were born? (Temporary relocations are considered "continuously.")

1	2	3	4	5	6
Less than 3 years	4 to 9	10 to 14	More than 15	Since birth.	NA

F4 Education: What is your final schooling? This question excludes schools in the miscellaneous category. For dropouts and current enrollment, please answer indicating the type of final schooling when you were a student. (One choice per person)

1	2	3	4	5
Postwar junior high, prewar elementary and junior high	Postwar high and wartime junior high	Technical college, junior college and advanced vocational school	University and graduate school	DK or NA

F5 Job: What is your occupation?

(1) Are you a company employee, self-employed or do you help your family's business? Or are you a student or a full-time homemaker? (One choice per person)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Employed	Self-employed (including freelancer)	Family business	Student	Full-time homemaker	Jobless	Other	DK or NA

(2) Job classification:

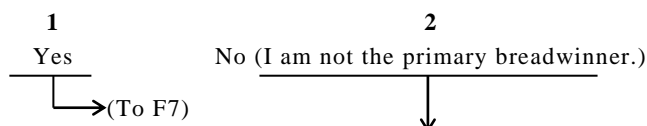
More specifically, what kind of job do you usually do? (For example, elementary school teacher, agricultural worker, bus driver, car mechanic, supermarket personnel, bank accountant, cram school teacher, computer programmer, clerical worker, sales operator, electric product manufacturing operator, pensioner, full-time homemaker) (Simply answering "employed, company employee or self-employed" is not sufficient.)

Specifically

(After a survey, circle one of the numbers.)

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|--|---|---|---|
| <p>1 Agriculture, forestry and fisheries</p> <p>2 Commercial and industrial service</p> <p>3 Freelance</p> <p>4 Managerial</p> | <p>5 Specialist</p> <p>6 Clerical work</p> <p>7 Sales, service and laborers</p> <p>8 Other expert</p> | <p>9 Student</p> <p>10 Full-time homemaker</p> <p>11 Jobless</p> <p>12 Impossible to classify</p> | <p>13 DK</p> <p>14 NA</p> |
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F6 Primary breadwinner's job: Are you the primary breadwinner at home? (One choice per person)



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