

2003 Pre-Election_Lower House

Q1: We will ask you about the candidates who have completed the procedures for running for the upcoming Lower 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.)

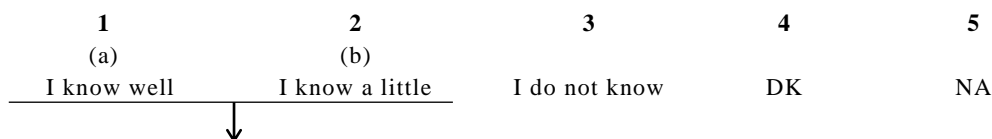
【Note: please enter the code 111 for DK and 222 for NA.】

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?



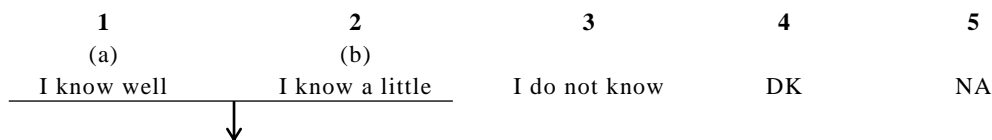
(3) How much do you like or dislike the candidate?

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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?

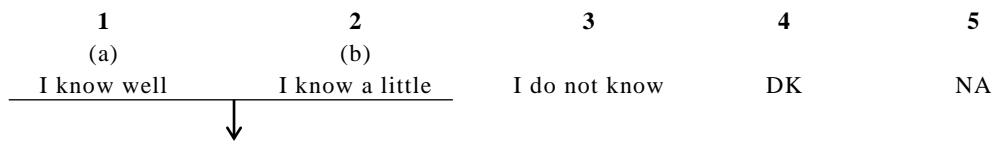


(3) How much do you like or dislike the candidate?

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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?



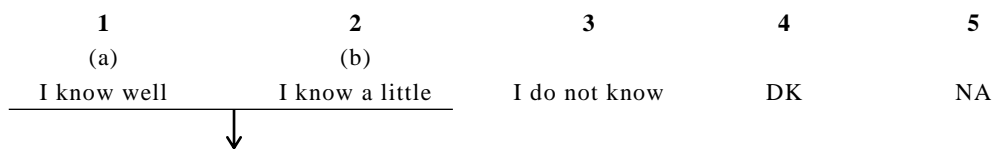
(3) How much do you like or dislike the candidate?

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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?



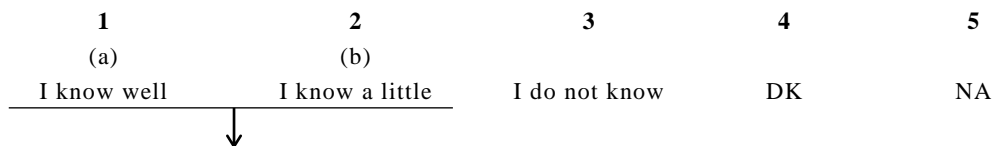
(3) How much do you like or dislike the candidate?

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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?



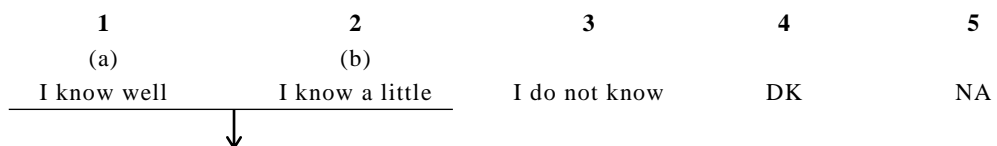
(3) How much do you like or dislike the candidate

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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 Lower 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: Do you plan to cast an absentee ballot? Please select one option from the following:

- 1. I have already cast an absentee ballot
- 2. I think I will cast an absentee ballot
- 3. There is a possibility I will cast an absentee ballot
- 4. I do not have such plans
- 5. DK
- 6. NA

Q4: 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

Q5: For the upcoming Lower house election, how intense do you think the race is getting in your single-member 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.
- 8 I have not decided which candidate to support.
- 9 DK
- 10 NA

Q6: 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 (10) item. Please enter code 111 for DK and 222 for NA.】

(1) Junichiro Koizumi	<input style="width: 30px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>			(6) DPJ	<input style="width: 30px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
(2) Shinzo Abe	<input style="width: 30px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>			(7) Komei	<input style="width: 30px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
(3) Naoto Kan	<input style="width: 30px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>			(8)SDP	<input style="width: 30px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
(4) Ichiro Ozawa	<input style="width: 30px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>			(9) JCP	<input style="width: 30px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
(5) LDP	<input style="width: 30px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>			(10) Conservative New Party	<input style="width: 30px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>

Q7: 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 structural reform.....	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

Q8: Apart from which party you will vote for in the upcoming 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 New Party	9 None
2 DPJ	7 X	10 DK
3 Komei	8 Other ()	11 NA
4 SDP		
5 JCP		

【For those who chose between 1 and 8 in Q8】

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 Q8】

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 New Party
- 7 X
- 8 Other ()
- 9 None
- 10 DK
- 11 NA

【To all】

Q9: Do you have any party that you never want to support?Anything else? (Multiple answers are okay.)

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

Q10: 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】

Write here

- 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

Q11: 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?

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- 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

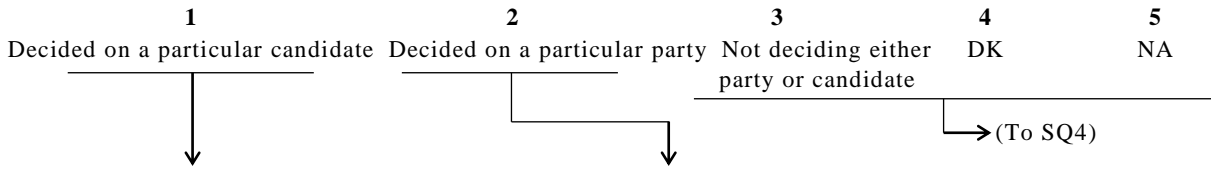
Q12: Will you go to vote in the upcoming lower house election?

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

3 I will probably abstain.
4 I will abstain.
5 Not yet decided or DK
6 NA (To Q13)

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

SQ1: In the single-member districts where you vote for individual candidates, have you decided who you will vote for?



【★Hand candidate list】

SQ2: Who is the candidate?

Write the candidate name

- 1 DK
- 2 NA

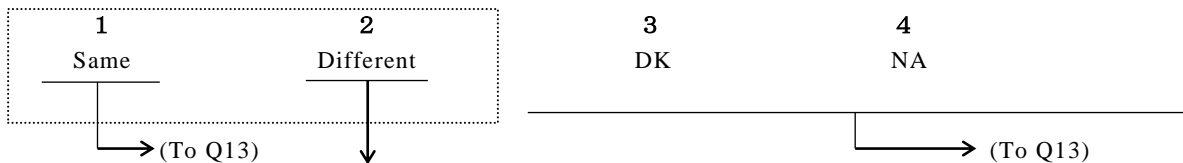
SQ3: Which party is it? Please choose from below. (One choice per person)

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

SQ4: In the proportional representation district voting, which party do you plan to vote for?

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

SQ5: We would like to confirm again. Is the party of the candidate you will vote for in the single-member district and the party you will vote for in the proportional representation district the same or different? (One choice per person)



【For those who chose “2. Different” in SQ5】

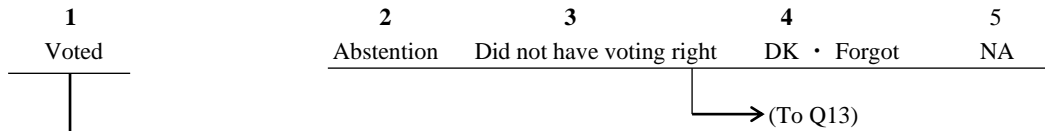
SQ6: Why is it? Please choose only one item. (One choice per person)

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

Q13: Regarding the lower house election last year (2000), 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 single-seat constituency ballot? (One choice per person)

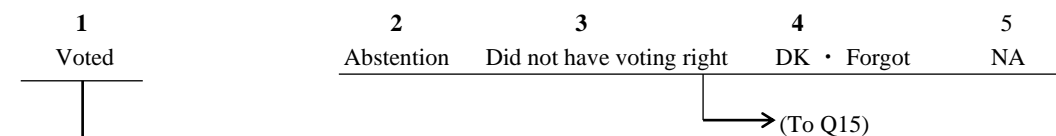
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| 1 LDP | 5 JCP | 9 Independents |
| 2 DPJ | 6 Conservative Party | 10 Forgot |
| 3 Komei | 7 Liberal Party | 11 DK |
| 4 SDP | 8 Other () | 12 NA |

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】

Q14: Regarding the previous 2001 upper house election, 3 years ago, did you vote?



(To SQ1 and SQ2)

【SQ1 and SQ2 for those who answered “1. I voted” in Q15】

SQ1: Which party’s candidate did you vote for in the 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 or which party's candidate did you vote for in the proportional representation ballot? (One choice per person)

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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】

Q15 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 New Party	9 DK
2 DPJ	7 X	10 NA
3 Komei	8 Other ()	
4 SDP		
5 JCP		

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

Q16: 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 New Party	1	2	3	4	5	6

SQ4: Do you think your opinions on the issues of fiscal reconstruction and economic measures are influenced by newspapers and television? Please select one option:

1. Quite a bit influenced
2. Somewhat influenced
3. Not very influenced
4. Almost not influenced
5. DK
6. NA

SQ5: Do you think the opinions of the general public are influenced by newspapers and television? Please select one option:

- 1. Quite a bit influenced
- 2. Somewhat influenced
- 3. Not very influenced
- 4. Almost not influenced
- 5. DK
- 6. NA

SQ6: Regarding your opinions on the issues of fiscal reconstruction and economic measures, imagine discussing them with a friend on the train. Do you think those around you would look at you disapprovingly? Please select one option:

- 1. I think so
- 2. I somewhat think so
- 3. I don't think so much
- 4. I don't think so at all
- 5. DK
- 6. NA

SQ7: Regarding your opinions on the issue of fiscal reconstruction and economic measures, please select all the actions you think are appropriate from the options below.

- 1. Submit a letter to the newspaper
- 2. Actively express opinions to friends and family
- 3. Share opinions with friends and family when asked
- 4. Support a petition drive
- 5. Express opinions if interviewed on the street
- 6. Share opinions online
- 7. None of the above
- 8. DK
- 9. NA

Q17: 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)

	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 New Party	1	2	3	4	5	6

Q18: 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)

	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 New Party	1	2	3	4	5	6

Q19: 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)

	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 New Party	1	2	3	4	5	6

Q20: 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)

	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 New Party	1	2	3	4	5	6

Q25: Regardless of whether or not an election campaign is on, some are consistently interested in politics and others are not.

How much attention do you pay in political events? Please choose one item. (One choice per person)

1. I pay quite a lot of attention
2. I pay somewhat of attention
3. I do not pay much attention
4. I hardly pay any attention
5. DK
6. NA

Q26: Do you support the Koizumi Cabinet? Which of the following applies to you?

1. I strongly support it
2. I somewhat support it
3. I do not support it much
4. I hardly support it at all
5. DK
6. NA

Q27: What condition do you think the current Japanese economy is in? (One choice per person)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Pretty good	A little good	Neither	A little bad	Pretty bad	DK	NA

Q28: What do you think of current economic conditions compared with what they were one year ago? (One choice per person)

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

Q29: What do you think the Japanese economy will now become moving into the future? (One choice per person)

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

Q30: How much responsibility do you think the government has for the state of the economy?

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

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 |
| (4) In general terms, once elected, members of the Diet tend to stop thinking about the people right away. | 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 |
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| (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 indifferent to others. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (6) It is natural that some are haves and others are have-nots. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (7) You should abide by whatever your parents say. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (8) Those who break the rules should be severely punished. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (9) Leaders should treat their subordinates in a dignified manner. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (10) Adolescent girls and boys should, if possible, be educated separately | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (11) A good educational background and material richness matter in the world. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (12) We have much information about political and social issues, but I am at a loss about which is more credible. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (13) Honesty does not pay off in the current social situation; the shrewd guys win. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |

- (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 understand you.
- (18) If you do what others seek, 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
your own wishes will also be fulfilled.
- (19) To get along well with others, 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
it's enough to understand what they desire.
- (20) Most people are trustworthy. 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
- (21) When most people are trusted 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
by others, they tend to trust in return.
- (22) If you help someone, 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
eventually that person will help you.
- (23) The world is structured in such a way 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
that if you help others, someone will help you when you are in need.
- (24) If someone helps you, you should help 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
that person in the future when they are in trouble.
- (25) If you've received help from someone, 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
you should also help someone else.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Pretty high	A little high	Neither	Not so high	Almost nil	DK	NA

(2) How high is your expectations for the Koizumi Cabinet's future economic measures? (One choice per person)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Pretty high	A little high	Neither	Not so high	Almost nil	DK	NA

(3) How high is your expectations for the Koizumi Cabinet's future diplomatic performance? (One choice per person)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Pretty high	A little high	Neither	Not so high	Almost nil	DK	NA

(4) How high is your expectations for the Koizumi Cabinet's overall performance? (One choice per person)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Pretty high	A little high	Neither	Not so high	Almost nil	DK	NA

Q40: 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.

	1	2	3	4	5	6
	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

Q41: (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

Q42: If we were to divide the current Japanese society into the following five layers, which one do you think you belong to? Please select one option and mark it with a circle.

- 1. Upper
- 2. Middle upper
- 3. Middle lower
- 4. Lower upper
- 5. Lower lower

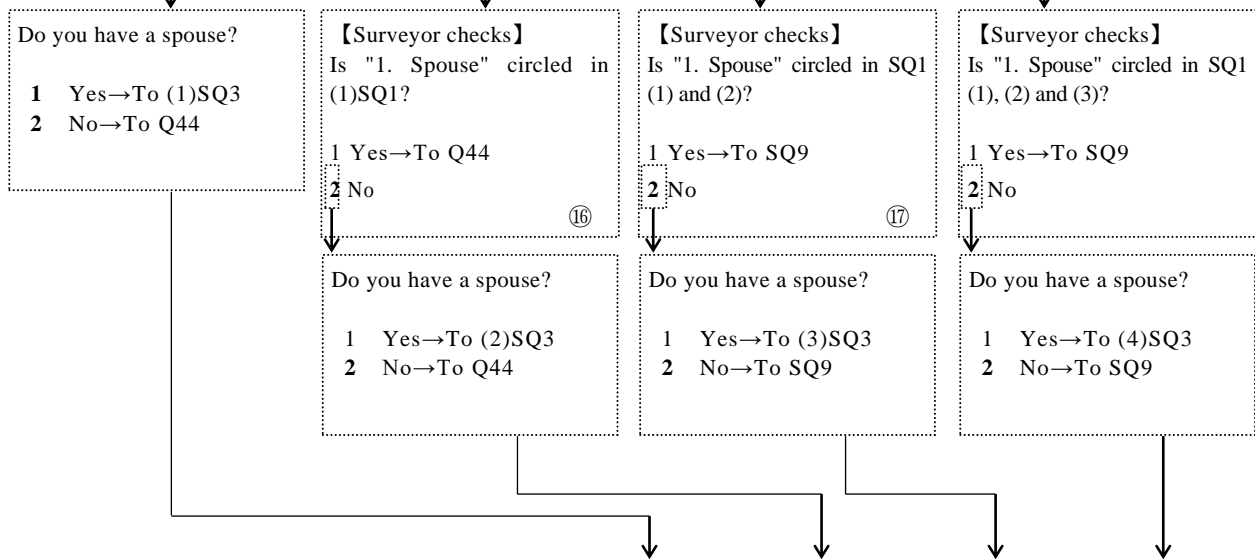
Q43: Please think about people 20 years or older with whom you talk about the Japanese prime minister, politicians or elections. This also applies to someone that you sometimes happen to talk to about those topics. We will ask you about those individuals

【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

No..... 2..... 2..... 2..... 2.....



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: 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

SQ4: 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

SQ5: Which party's candidate do you suppose the person will vote for in the upcoming upper house election? (One choice per person)

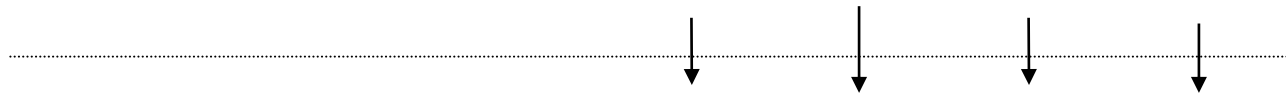
LDP	1	1	1	1
DPJ	2	2	2	2
Komei	3	3	3	3
SDP	4	4	4	4
JCP	5	5	5	5
Conservative New Party	6	6	6	6
Other ()	7	7	7	7
DK	8	8	8	8
NA	9	9	9	9

SQ6: 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

SQ7: 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



SQ8: 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 9 and 10. If the respondent answers spouse , the last numbered person means the spouse.】

【SQ9 is for those who answered after (2) in SQ1, that is, those who answered about the second and subsequent persons.】

SQ9: 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

【SQ10 is for those who answered after (2) in SQ1, that is, those who answered about the third and subsequent persons.】

SQ10: 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】

Q44: (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 Yomiuri	8 Kahoku Shimpo	14 I do not read any newspaper.
2 Asahi	9 Chunichi	15 DK
3 Mainichi	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
 - Izumi Oguri's "Today's Events" (Nippon Television)
 - Masako Fuefuki and Takahiko Fujii's "News Plus 1" (Nippon Television)
 - Tetsuya Chikushi and Mitsuyo Kusano's "News 23" (TBS)
 - Hideya Matsuo and Tomoko Ogawa's "News no Mori" (TBS)
 - Hiroyuki Abe and Christel Takigawa's "News JAPAN" (Fuji Television)
 - Taro Kimura and Yuko Ando's "FNN Super News" (Fuji Television)
 - Hiroshi Kume's "News Station" (TV Asahi)
 - Etsuko Komiya's "Super J Channel" (TV Asahi)
 - Maeko Kotani's "World Business Satellite" (TV Tokyo)
 - Bunchin Katsura's "Wake Up" (Nippon Television)
 - Kazuo Tokumitsu's "The Sunday" (Nippon Television)
 - Hiroshi Sekiguchi's "Sunday Morning" (TBS)
 - Misuzu Tamura's "News Special" (TBS)
 - Yuji Kuroiwa's "News 2001" (Fuji Television)
 - Soichiro Tahara's "Sunday Project" (TV Asahi)

- 17. Isao Fukudome and Takako Mikumo's "Broadcaster" (TBS)
- 18. Radio Program
- 19. Weekly Magazine
- 20. Other TV programs (_____)
- 21. DK
- 22. NA

Q45: Do you use a mobile phone and PC? In this context, uses at home, office and school are included. The first question is whether or not you communicate by mobile phone. (One choice each for the first through the fifth question)

【Note: The same pattern applies to the second through the fifth question.】

	Often	Sometimes	Seldom	No use	DK	NA
(1) I use a mobile phone as a means of communication.	→ 1	2	3	4	5	6
(2) I text by mobile phone.	→ 1	2	3	4	5	6
(3) I check websites by mobile phone. (including online searches)	→ 1	2	3	4	5	6
(4) I email by PC.	→ 1	2	3	4	5	6
(5) I check websites by PC.	→ 1	2	3	4	5	6



【To those who chose between 1 and 3 in Q45 (2) to (5)】

SQ: How often do you usually do the following things? The first question is whether you check online political news. (One choice each for the first to tenth question)

【Note: The same pattern applies to the second through the tenth question.】

	Almost every day	Sometimes	Occasional	Seldom	DK	NA
(1) I check online political news.	→ 1	2	3	4	5	6
(2) I check the official websites of local governments.	→ 1	2	3	4	5	6
(3) I check political websites managed by individuals and private organizations. (Excluding support websites for your favorite candidates)	→ 1	2	3	4	5	6
(4) I check online political newsletters. (Excluding support websites for your favorite candidates)	→ 1	2	3	4	5	6
(5) I check the websites of candidates, their supporters and parties.	→ 1	2	3	4	5	6
(6) I check support newsletters for candidates and parties.	→ 1	2	3	4	5	6
(7) I check online political BBS, forums and newsletters. → 1	2	3	4	5	6	
(8) I express my political opinions on the Internet.	→ 1	2	3	4	5	6

[Face sheet]

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

F1: Gender

- 1 Male
- 2 Female

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

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	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.)

- | | | | |
|--|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------|
| 1 Agriculture, forestry and fisheries | 5 Specialist | 9 Student | 13 DK |
| 2 Commercial and industrial service | 6 Clerical work | 10 Full-time homemaker | 14 NA |
| 3 Freelance | 7 Sales, service and laborers | 11 Jobless | |
| 4 Managerial | 8 Other expert | 12 Impossible to classify | |

[To those who marked '1 (Employed) to 4 (Student)' in F5 (1)]

(3) How long does it take you to get to your workplace or school, or to the place where you spend most of your day, from your home? Please select one option:

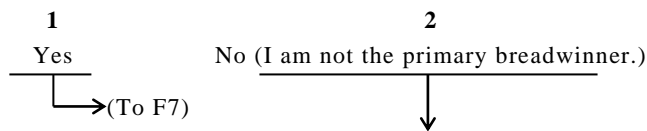
1. I do not commute or go to school
2. A place that takes 20 minutes or less
3. A place that takes 21 to 40 minutes
4. A place that takes 41 to 60 minutes
5. A place that takes more than 61 minutes
6. DK
7. NA

[To those who marked '2 to 5' in (3)]

(4) During your commute or school journey, do you check emails or obtain information via your mobile phone or PHS? Please select all that apply:

1. Reading emails
2. Composing emails
3. Checking information
4. Enjoying games
5. Taking photos with the camera function
6. Sending images via email
7. Other (please specify)
8. Not using a mobile phone or PHS
9. None apply
10. DK (Don't know)
11. NA (No answer)

F6 Primary breadwinner's job: Are you the primary breadwinner at home? (One choice per person)



(1) (1) What is the occupation of the primary breadwinner in the home? Is the primary breadwinner a company employee or self-employed worker? (One choice per person)

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

(2) Job classification:

More specifically, what kind of job does the primary breadwinner 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.)

- | | | | |
|--|------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------|
| 1 Agriculture, forestry and fisheries | 5 Specialist | 9 Student | 13 DK |
| 2 Commercial and | 6 Clerical work | 10 Full-time homemaker | 14 NA |

