

2013 Post House of Representatives Election [Telephone Survey]

Q1: Do you support or not support the Abe administration? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Support
2. Not support
3. DK/ I don't want to tell

Q2: Which policy do you consider the most now? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Social security such as pension and medical treatment
2. Economic measures and employment policy
3. Fiscal reform
4. Support for child rearing and countermeasures to the falling birthrate
5. Security measures
6. Public diplomacy and national security
7. Constitution revision
8. Nuclear power and energy policy
9. The issue of joining the TPP
10. Consumption tax change
11. Political reform
12. Other ()
13. DK/ I don't want to tell

Q3: Please recall the Democratic Party of Japan administration that had lasted for three years by the end of the last year. Which of their performance do you evaluate? (Please circle as many choices as necessary.)

1. Social security such as pension and medical treatment
2. Economic measures and employment policy
3. Fiscal reform
4. Support for child rearing and countermeasures to the falling birthrate
5. Security measures
6. Public diplomacy and national security
7. Constitution revision
8. Nuclear power and energy policy

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9. The issue of joining the TPP
10. Consumption tax change
11. Political reform
12. Other ()
13. There is not remarkable performance deserves to be evaluated
14. DK/ I don't want to tell

Q4: 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.)

1. Liberal
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.
- 8.
- 9.
- 10.
11. DK
12. I don't want to tell

Q5: How much are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the current politics? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Pretty satisfied
2. A little satisfied
3. A little dissatisfied
4. Pretty dissatisfied
5. DK/I don't want to tell

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Q6: 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. A little worse
4. Much worse
5. DK/ I don't want to tell

Q7: 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. A little worse
4. Much worse
5. DK/ I don't want to tell

Q8: What kind of administration do you think there will be after the next House of Councilors election? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Single-party administration of LDP
2. Coalition government based on LDP
3. Single-party administration of DPJ
4. Coalition government based on DPJ
5. Large coalition government based on LDP and DPJ
6. Large coalition government based on Japan Restoration Party
7. Other type of government ()
8. DK/ I don't want to tell

Q9: Do you go or not go to vote in the next House of Councilors election? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. I will definitely go to vote
2. I will probably go to vote
3. I will decide whether to vote after considering the political situation from now on

4. I will probably not go to vote
5. I will definitely not go to vote
6. DK/ I don't want to tell

[To those who chose between 1 and 4 or 6 in Q9]

Q10: Which party's candidate did you plan to vote for in the single-seat constituency in the next House of Councilors election? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)
2. Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ)
3. Japan Communist Party (JCP)
3. Clean Government Party (Komeito/CGP)
5. Social Democratic Party (SDP)
6. People's Life Party
7. Japan Restoration Party
8. Your Party (Minnano tou)
9. New Renaissance Party (Shinto Kaikaku)
10. Green Wind
11. Other ()
12. Abstention and I will not go to vote
13. Not decided yet
14. DK/ I don't want to tell

Q11: Which political party do you plan to vote for in the proportional-representation constituency in the next House of Councilors election? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)
2. Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ)
3. Japan Communist Party (JCP)
3. Clean Government Party (Komeito/CGP)
5. Social Democratic Party (SDP)
6. People's Life Party
7. Japan Restoration Party
8. Your Party (Minnano tou)
9. New Renaissance Party (Shinto Kaikaku)
10. Green Wind

11. Other ()
12. Abstention and I will not go to vote
13. Not decided yet
14. DK/ I don't want to tell

Q12: What do you consider the most when you decide the party to vote in the House of Councilors election? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Which party is the best at being in charge of the government
2. Which party's leader is the best
3. Which party's policy is the best
4. Other ()
5. Abstention and I do not vote
6. DK/ I don't want to tell

[To All]

Q13: 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. If you have to choose, which idea is closer to your view? (Please circle only one choice.)

- 1: We should join the TPP since it increases the export of Japanese industrial products to abroad.
- 2: We should not joint the TPP since it encourages the import of cheap agricultural products to Japan and damages Japanese farmers.
- 3: DK/I don't want to tell

Q14: The following are two major points of view about the right of collective self-defense. If you have to choose, which idea is closer to your view? (Please circle only one choice.)

- 1: The exercise of the right of collective self-defense should be approved to enhance the Japan-U.S. security alliance.
- 2: The exercise of the right of collective self-defense should not be approved because it will lead to Japan's involvement in international disputes.
- 3: DK/I don't want to tell

Q15: The following are two major points of view about the restart of nuclear power plants. If you have to choose, which idea is closer to your view? (Please circle only one choice.)

- 1: 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.
- 2: 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.
- 3: I don't want to tell

Q16: The following are two major points of view about constitutional revision. If you have to choose, which idea is closer to your view? (Please circle only one choice.)

- 1: The current Constitution is obsolete and should be revised as soon as possible.
- 2: The current Constitution overall is satisfactory and should remain unchanged.
- 3: I don't want to tell

Q17: The following are two major points of view about the relocation of the U.S. Marine Corps Futenma Air Station in Okinawa. If you have to choose, which idea is closer to your view? (Please circle only one choice.)

- 1: It is very difficult to relocate the base to another prefecture, and the air station should be relocated to Nago city in accordance with the Japan-U.S. agreement.
- 2: The Japanese government should take the time to negotiate with the United States about the relocation of the air base to another prefecture to reduce the burden on Okinawans.
- 3: I don't want to tell

Q18: Please recall the House of Representatives election in December last year (2012). Which party did you vote for in the proportional-representation constituency? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)
2. Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ)
3. Japan Communist Party (JCP)
3. Clean Government Party (Komeito/CGP)
5. Social Democratic Party (SDP)

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6. Tomorrow Party of Japan
7. Japan Restoration Party
8. Your Party (Minnano tou)
9. People's New Party
10. Green Wind
11. Other ()
12. Abstention and I did not go to vote
13. I did not have the voting rights
14. DK/ I don't want to tell

Q19: Which party did you vote for in the last House of Councilors election conducted under the Kan administration in July, 2010? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)
2. Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ)
3. Japan Communist Party (JCP)
3. Clean Government Party (Komeito/CGP)
5. Social Democratic Party (SDP)
6. People's New Party
7. Sunrise Party of Japan (Tachiagare Nippon)
8. Your Party (Minnano tou)
9. Other ()
10. Abstention and I did not go to vote
11. I did not have the voting rights
12. DK/ I don't want to tell

Q20: Putting 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. Japan Communist Party (JCP)
3. Clean Government Party (Komeito/CGP)
5. Social Democratic Party (SDP)
6. People's Life Party
7. Japan Restoration Party
8. Your Party (Minnano tou)

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9. New Renaissance Party (Shinto Kaikaku)
10. Green Wind
11. Other ()
12. No such party
13. DK/ I don't want to tell

F1 Gender

1. Male
2. Female

F2 Age

1. Early 20
2. Late 20
3. 30s
4. 40s
5. 50s
6. 60s
7. 70s
8. DK/I don't want to tell

F3 Occupation: What is your occupation? (Please circle only one choice.)

1. Manager and Executive
2. Full-time employee
3. Part-time employee
4. Temporary employee
5. Self-employee and freelance
6. Family business
7. Sideline
8. Student
9. Jobless

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