**The UTokyo-Asahi Survey (UTAS)**

**2024 Political Leader Survey**

**Official Codebook**

**SURVEY OVERVIEW**

**1. Survey period**

Questionnaires were distributed from October 2, 2024, and collected until just before the day of the House of Representatives election (October 27).

**2. Survey targets**

1344 candidates for the 2024 House of Representatives election.

**3.** **Survey method**

Conducted by the Asahi Shimbun political group and regional directorates. Basically, the responses were collected through a web-based format.

**4. Number of valid respondents**

1255 (93.38% effective response rate).

**VARIABLES**

**1. BASIC VARIABLES**

Sorting number (**ID**)

Candidates’ name in kanji (**NAME**)

Candidates’ name in kana (**KANA**)

Response status (**RESPONSE**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 891255 |  | 0. no valid responses1. valid responses available |

Prefecture of the constituency (**PREFEC**)

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| (N) |  |  | (N) |  |  |
| 39117151110112416146660144851511121061313296113 |  | 1. Hokkaido2. Aomori-ken3. Iwate-ken4. Miyagi-ken5. Akita-ken6. Yamagata-ken7. Fukushima-ken8. Ibaraki-ken9. Tochigi-ken10. Gunma-ken11. Saitama-ken12. Chiba-ken13. Tokyo-to14. Kanagawa-ken15. Niigata-ken16. Toyama-ken17. Ishikawa-ken18. Fukui-ken19. Yamanashi-ken20. Nagano-ken21. Gifu-ken22. Shizuoka-ken23. Aichi-ken24. Mie-ken | 103077561311661421991210452612121091216231 |  | 25. Shiga-ken26. Kyoto-fu27. Osaka-fu28. Hyogo-ken29. Nara-ken30. Wakayama-ken31. Tottori-ken32. Shimane-ken33. Okayama-ken34. Hiroshima-ken35. Yamaguchi-ken36. Tokushima-ken37. Kagawa-ken38. Ehime-ken39. Kochi-ken40. Fukuoka-ken41. Saga-ken42. Nagasaki-ken43. Kumamoto-ken44. Oita-ken45. Miyazaki-ken46. Kagoshima-ken47. Okinawa-ken66. not applicable (proportional representation (PR)-only candidate) |

Electoral district number in each prefecture (**DISTRICT**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 1113231 |  | 1～25.66. not applicable (PR-only candidate) |

Dummy variable for PR (**PR**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 1113231 |  | 0. single-member district (SMD) candidate1. PR-only candidate |

PR-block (**PRBLOCK**)

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| (N) |  |  | (N) |  |  |
| 466010011110953 |  | 51. Hokkaido52. Tohoku53. Kita-Kanto54. Minami-Kanto55. Tokyo56. Hokuriku Shinetsu | 101119513695463 |  | 57. Tokai58. Kinki59. Chugoku60. Shikoku61. Kyushu66. not applicable (SMD-only candidate) |

Party (**PARTY**)

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| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 3422371645023642351795301581 |  | 1. Liberal Democratic Party2. Constitutional Democratic Party of Japan3. Japan Innovation Party4. Komeito5. Japanese Communist Party6. Democratic Party for the People7. Reiwa Shinsengumi8. Social Democratic Party9. Sanseito10. Conservative Party of Japan11. minor party12. independent candidate |

Incumbency (**INCUMB**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 83774433 |  | 1. candidate with no prior service in the House of Representatives2. former member of the House of Representatives3. current member of the House of Representatives |

Total number of times (**TERM**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 7381539754578433322822201255210001 |  | 0. 0 times1. 1 time2. 2 times3. 3 times4. 4 times5. 5 times6. 6 times7. 7 times8. 8 times9. 9 times10. 10 times11. 11 times12. 12 times13. 13 times14. 14 times15. 15 times16. 16 times17. 17 times18. 18 times19. 19 times |

Gender (**SEX**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 1030314 |  | 1. Male2. Female |

Age (**AGE**)

Election results (**RESULT**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 87928913046 |  | 1. lost the election2. elected in SMD3. ran and lost in SMD but was elected through PR (a “zombie”)4. elected as a PR-only candidate |

**2. QUESTIONNAIRE DATA**

Q1

Which of the following policies is most important to you in this election? What is your second and third most important policy?[[1]](#footnote-1) (**Q1\_1** ~ **Q1\_3**)

The most important policy (**Q1\_1**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 73117972919213389132167314166420198 |  | 1. foreign and security policy2. fiscal and monetary policy3. industrial policy4. agriculture, forestry and fisheries5. education and parenting6. pensions, health and care7. employment8. public safety9. environmental policy10. political and administrative reform11. decentralization12. constitution (promoting or opposing constitutional amendment)13. earthquake reconstruction and disaster prevention14. infrastructure15. nuclear power and energy policy16. digital policy17. other99. no answer |

The second most important policy (**Q1\_2**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 12054699526926788214611124522122471100 |  | 1. foreign and security policy2. fiscal and monetary policy3. industrial policy4. agriculture, forestry and fisheries5. education and parenting6. pensions, health and care7. employment8. public safety9. environmental policy10. political and administrative reform11. decentralization12. constitution (promoting or opposing constitutional amendment)13. earthquake reconstruction and disaster prevention14. infrastructure15. nuclear power and energy policy16. digital policy17. other99. no answer |

The third most important policy (**Q1\_3**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 13221458931617264425822847742550858104 |  | 1. foreign and security policy2. fiscal and monetary policy3. industrial policy4. agriculture, forestry and fisheries5. education and parenting6. pensions, health and care7. employment8. public safety9. environmental policy10. political and administrative reform11. decentralization12. constitution (promoting or opposing constitutional amendment)13. earthquake reconstruction and disaster prevention14. infrastructure15. nuclear power and energy policy16. digital policy17. other99. no answer |

Q2

Do you have favorable or unfavorable feelings for or against the following parties and politicians? If you have neither favorable nor unfavorable feelings for a party or politician, please use the "Emotional Thermometer" below to set the temperature at 50 degrees. If you have favorable feelings, please answer with a number between 51 and 100 degrees, depending on the intensity of your feelings, and if you have unfavorable feelings, please answer with a number anywhere between 49 and 0 degrees. Please use an integer between 0 and 100, not a decimal point. (**Q2\_1** to **Q2\_8**)

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| (MEAN) |  |   |
| 42.746.736.642.144.741.140.549.536.441.445.840.5 |  | (1) Liberal Democratic Party (**Q2\_1**)(2) Constitutional Democratic Party of Japan (**Q2\_2**)(3) Japan Innovation Party (**Q2\_3**)(4) Komeito (**Q2\_4**)(5) Japanese Communist Party (**Q2\_5**)(6) Democratic Party for the People (**Q2\_6**)(7) Shigeru Ishiba (**Q2\_7**)(8) Yoshihiko Noda (**Q2\_8**)(9) Nobuhiko Baba (**Q2\_9**)(10) Keiichi Ishii (**Q2\_10**)(11) Tomoko Tamura (**Q2\_11**)(12) Yuichiro Tamaki (**Q2\_12**) |
| 999. no answer |

Q3

Do you agree or disagree with the following statements about long-term economic management? (**Q3\_1** ~ **Q3\_4**)

(1) Raise the consumption tax rate above 10 percent (**Q3\_1**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 123920722776099 |  | 1. agree or unavoidable2. somewhat agree or unavoidable3. not sure4. somewhat opposed or unacceptable5. opposed or unacceptable99. no answer |

(2) Reduce pension and health care benefits below current levels (**Q3\_2**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 2678322307508103 |  | 1. agree or unavoidable2. somewhat agree or unavoidable3. not sure4. somewhat opposed or unacceptable5. opposed or unacceptable99. no answer |

(3) Reduce protection for uncompetitive industries and companies below current levels (**Q3\_3**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 103159371334271106 |  | 1. agree or unavoidable2. somewhat agree or unavoidable3. not sure4. somewhat opposed or unacceptable5. opposed or unacceptable99. no answer |

(4) The Bank of Japan should continue its policy of quantitative monetary easing, including purchases of Japanese Government Bonds (**Q3\_4**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 140264361200274105 |  | 1. agree or unavoidable2. somewhat agree or unavoidable3. not sure4. somewhat opposed or unacceptable5. opposed or unacceptable99. no answer |

Q4

For the following opinions, do you agree or disagree with them? (**Q4\_1** ~ **Q4\_19**)

(1) Japan's defense capabilities should be strengthened. (**Q4\_1**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 42732611659316100 |  | 1. agree2. somewhat agree3. not sure4. somewhat disagree5. disagree99. no answer |

(2) Pressure should take precedence over dialogue in dealing with North Korea. (**Q4\_2**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 88339347244223103 |  | 1. agree2. somewhat agree3. not sure4. somewhat disagree5. disagree99. no answer |

(3) The three non-nuclear principles should be upheld. (**Q4\_3**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 6691922486865102 |  | 1. agree2. somewhat agree3. not sure4. somewhat disagree5. disagree99. no answer |

(4) I want the Prime Minister to visit Yasukuni Shrine. (**Q4\_4**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 15715234991489106 |  | 1. agree2. somewhat agree3. not sure4. somewhat disagree5. disagree99. no answer |

(5) Even if government services such as social welfare worsen, a smaller government with lower costs is preferable. (**Q4\_5**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 1541313372498105 |  | 1. agree2. somewhat agree3. not sure4. somewhat disagree5. disagree99. no answer |

(6) It is necessary to secure jobs through public works. (**Q4\_6**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 30450927814013100 |  | 1. agree2. somewhat agree3. not sure4. somewhat disagree5. disagree99. no answer |

(7) For the time being, the fiscal stimulus should be used to boost the economy, instead of holding down government spending for the sake of fiscal consolidation. (**Q4\_7**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 3884813055612102 |  | 1. agree2. somewhat agree3. not sure4. somewhat disagree5. disagree99. no answer |

(8) The corporate tax rate should be raised. (**Q4\_8**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 327233385156137106 |  | 1. agree2. somewhat agree3. not sure4. somewhat disagree5. disagree99. no answer |

(9) Further organizational reforms of agricultural cooperatives should be promoted, including the corporatization of Zen-Noh and the separation of its credit operations. (**Q4\_9**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 76267421158313109 |  | 1. agree2. somewhat agree3. not sure4. somewhat disagree5. disagree99. no answer |

(10) We should promote the acceptance of foreign workers. (**Q4\_10**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 72424473126141108 |  | 1. agree2. somewhat agree3. not sure4. somewhat disagree5. disagree99. no answer |

(11) The Bank of Japan should raise its policy rate. (**Q4\_11**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 112223517241141110 |  | 1. agree2. somewhat agree3. not sure4. somewhat disagree5. disagree99. no answer |

(12) It is natural for privacy and individual rights to be restricted to protect public safety. (**Q4\_12**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 25155340299417108 |  | 1. agree2. somewhat agree3. not sure4. somewhat disagree5. disagree99. no answer |

(13) The number of government employees and their salaries should be reduced. (**Q4\_13**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 18134247352489104 |  | 1. agree2. somewhat agree3. not sure4. somewhat disagree5. disagree99. no answer |

(14) Job mobility should be promoted. (**Q4\_14**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 158297289151346103 |  | 1. agree2. somewhat agree3. not sure4. somewhat disagree5. disagree99. no answer |

(15) Factions within a party are necessary for policy expertise and human resource development. (**Q4\_15**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 57220431151344141 |  | 1. agree2. somewhat agree3. not sure4. somewhat disagree5. disagree99. no answer |

(16) The age of eligibility to run for office should be lowered. (**Q4\_16**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 61624819711762104 |  | 1. agree2. somewhat agree3. not sure4. somewhat disagree5. disagree99. no answer |

(17) Couples should be legally allowed to retain their premarital surnames after marriage if they so desire. (**Q4\_17**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 601217180110126110 |  | 1. agree2. somewhat agree3. not sure4. somewhat disagree5. disagree99. no answer |

(18) Same-sex marriage should be recognized by law. (**Q4\_18**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 467239258122148110 |  | 1. agree2. somewhat agree3. not sure4. somewhat disagree5. disagree99. no answer |

(19) A quota system should be introduced to allocate a certain proportion of parliamentary seats or candidates to women. (**Q4\_19**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 404260345131100104 |  | 1. agree2. somewhat agree3. not sure4. somewhat disagree5. disagree99. no answer |

Q5

For each of the following issues, is your opinion closer to A or B? (**Q5\_1** ~ **Q5\_14**)

(1) A: The Japan-U.S. security arrangements should be strengthened to ensure cooperation by the United States in times of crisis.

B: We should be cautious about strengthening the Japan-U.S. security arrangements to avoid being drawn into wars unrelated to Japan.

(**Q5\_1**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 16445918480355102 |  | 1. close to A2. somewhat close to A3. not sure4. somewhat close to B5. close to B99. no answer |

(2) A: China is a threat to Japan.

B: China is a partner for Japan.

(**Q5\_2**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 156415326215116116 |  | 1. close to A2. somewhat close to A3. not sure4. somewhat close to B5. close to B99. no answer |

(3) A: Improving economic competitiveness should be a priority now, even if there are some social inequality.

B: Correcting social inequalities should be a priority now, even at the expense of some economic competitiveness.

(**Q5\_3**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 30147550238263116 |  | 1. close to A2. somewhat close to A3. not sure4. somewhat close to B5. close to B99. no answer |

(4) A: Domestic industry should be protected.

B: Liberalization of trade and investment should be promoted.

(**Q5\_4**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 39039227416713108 |  | 1. close to A2. somewhat close to A3. not sure4. somewhat close to B5. close to B99. no answer |

(5) A: Cuts in social security spending is inevitable to fund measures addressing the declining birthrate.

B: Social security spending should not be cut to secure funding for measures addressing the declining birthrate.

(**Q5\_5**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 32126393252435106 |  | 1. close to A2. somewhat close to A3. not sure4. somewhat close to B5. close to B99. no answer |

(6) A: Nuclear power generation should be abolished immediately.

B: Nuclear power should remain a source of power in the future.

(**Q5\_6**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 309145237347204102 |  | 1. close to A2. somewhat close to A3. not sure4. somewhat close to B5. close to B99. no answer |

(7) A: There is no need to worry about the budget deficit, as government bonds are being steadily purchased.

B: Since the budget deficit is at a critical level, government bond issuance should be restrained.

(**Q5\_7**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 17021643533179113 |  | 1. close to A2. somewhat close to A3. not sure4. somewhat close to B5. close to B99. no answer |

(8) A: To deal with climate change, it is necessary to sacrifice our standard of living..

B: Dealing with climate change is not important enough to justify sacrificing our standard of living.

(**Q5\_8**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 503656467987117 |  | 1. close to A2. somewhat close to A3. not sure4. somewhat close to B5. close to B99. no answer |

(9) A: The use and spread of generative AI should be promoted.

B: The use and spread of generative AI should be regulated.

(**Q5\_9**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 26439440612641113 |  | 1. close to A2. somewhat close to A3. not sure4. somewhat close to B5. close to B99. no answer |

(10) A: The use and dissemination of an Individual Number should be promoted.

B: The use and dissemination of an Individual Number should be regulated.

(**Q5\_10**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 29332917288360102 |  | 1. close to A2. somewhat close to A3. not sure4. somewhat close to B5. close to B99. no answer |

(11) A: Corporations and other organizations have the freedom to engage in political activities.

B: Political donations by corporations and other organizations should be completely banned.

(**Q5\_11**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 136249109102647101 |  | 1. close to A2. somewhat close to A3. not sure4. somewhat close to B5. close to B99. no answer |

(12) A: A two-party system is preferable in Japan.

B: A multi-party system is preferable in Japan.

(**Q5\_12**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 117268397263194105 |  | 1. close to A2. somewhat close to A3. not sure4. somewhat close to B5. close to B99. no answer |

(13) A: I am a representative of all citizens, rather than of the communities and organizations that supported me.

B: I am a representative of the communities or organizations that supported me, rather than of all citizens.

(**Q5\_13**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 4204402927014108 |  | 1. close to A2. somewhat close to A3. not sure4. somewhat close to B5. close to B99. no answer |

(14) A: During the election campaign, I would rather emphasize my own personality and political views than the policies and achievements of my political party.

B: During the election campaign, I would rather emphasize the policies and achievements of my political party than on my own personality and political views.

(**Q5\_14**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 151312362286120113 |  | 1. close to A2. somewhat close to A3. not sure4. somewhat close to B5. close to B99. no answer |

### Q6

How would you rate the revised Political Funds Control Act? (**Q6**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 10401713130 |  | 1. Inadequate2. adequate3. too strict99. no answer |

### Q7

Do you plan to hold political fundraising parties in the future? (**Q7**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 480115591158 |  | 1. Yes, when necessary2. not during at least the next term3. will not hold any such parties in the future99. no answer |

### Q8

What do you think should be done about policy activity funds? (**Q8**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 52282876134 |  | 1. Maintain the policy activity funds under the current law, and disclose the receipts after 10 years2. Shorten the period until the receipts are disclosed3. Abolish the policy activity funds altogether99. no answer |

### Q9

Do you think that the current Constitution needs to be amended or not? (**Q9**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 5451688392354102 |  | 1. It needs to be amended.2. If anything, it needs to be amended.3. not sure4. If anything, it does not need to be amended.5. It does not need to be amended.99. no answer |

*If you answered "* *It needs to be amended" or "* *If anything, it needs to be amended " in* ***Q9****, please answer the following questions.*

SQ9

What kind of constitutional amendments do you think should be made? (**SQ9\_1** ~ **SQ9\_16**)

(1) Enshrine the existence of the Self-Defense Forces (**SQ9\_1**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 1515546318 |  | 0. not selected1. selected66. not applicable (answered 3, 4, or 5 or did not answer **Q9**)99. no answer |

(2) Enshrine the right of collective self-defense (**SQ9\_2**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 5591466318 |  | 0. not selected1. selected66. not applicable (answered 3, 4, or 5 or did not answer **Q9**)99. no answer |

(3) Add a clause on environmental rights (**SQ9\_3**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 5841216318 |  | 0. not selected1. selected66. not applicable (answered 3, 4, or 5 or did not answer **Q9**)99. no answer |

(4) Add a clause on privacy rights (**SQ9\_4**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 5851206318 |  | 0. not selected1. selected66. not applicable (answered 3, 4, or 5 or did not answer **Q9**)99. no answer |

(5) Add a clause on right to know (**SQ9\_5**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 631746318 |  | 0. not selected1. selected66. not applicable (answered 3, 4, or 5 or did not answer **Q9**)99. no answer |

(6) Add a clause on respect for the family and mutual support among family members (**SQ9\_6**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 659466318 |  | 0. not selected1. selected66. not applicable (answered 3, 4, or 5 or did not answer **Q9**)99. no answer |

(7) Enshrine the state’s responsibility to ensure an adequate educational environment (**SQ9\_7**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 3463596318 |  | 0. not selected1. selected66. not applicable (answered 3, 4, or 5 or did not answer **Q9**)99. no answer |

(8) Stipulate that at least one member of the House of Councillors must be elected from each prefecture (**SQ9\_8**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 4922136318 |  | 0. not selected1. selected66. not applicable (answered 3, 4, or 5 or did not answer **Q9**)99. no answer |

(9) Introduce direct election of the prime minister (**SQ9\_9**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 5601456318 |  | 0. not selected1. selected66. not applicable (answered 3, 4, or 5 or did not answer **Q9**)99. no answer |

(10) Add a clause on fiscal soundness (**SQ9\_10**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 665406318 |  | 0. not selected1. selected66. not applicable (answered 3, 4, or 5 or did not answer **Q9**)99. no answer |

(11) Enshrine enhanced powers of local governments (**SQ9\_11**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 5761296318 |  | 0. not selected1. selected66. not applicable (answered 3, 4, or 5 or did not answer **Q9**)99. no answer |

(12) Establish a Constitutional Court (**SQ9\_12**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 5251806318 |  | 0. not selected1. selected66. not applicable (answered 3, 4, or 5 or did not answer **Q9**)99. no answer |

(13) Lower the requirement for initiating constitutional amendments to a simple majority in each chamber (**SQ9\_13**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 631746318 |  | 0. not selected1. selected66. not applicable (answered 3, 4, or 5 or did not answer **Q9**)99. no answer |

(14) Allow the extension of parliamentary terms in emergency situations (**SQ9\_14**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 3004056318 |  | 0. not selected1. selected66. not applicable (answered 3, 4, or 5 or did not answer **Q9**)99. no answer |

(15) Allow the issuance of cabinet orders equivalent to statutes in emergency situations (**SQ9\_15**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 4582476318 |  | 0. not selected1. selected66. not applicable (answered 3, 4, or 5 or did not answer **Q9**)99. no answer |

(16) Impose restrictions on the Prime Minister's power to dissolve the House of Representatives (**SQ9\_16**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 620856318 |  | 0. not selected1. selected66. not applicable (answered 3, 4, or 5 or did not answer **Q9**)99. no answer |

(16) Other (**SQ9\_17**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 5101956318 |  | 0. not selected1. selected66. not applicable (answered 3, 4, or 5 or did not answer **Q9**)99. no answer |

### Q10

Do you think that your political party (or yourself, if you are an independent) may join a coalition government with each of the following parties after the election? Please select one response for each of the parties listed from ① to ⑨. (For your own party, please select "My party.") (**Q10\_1** ~ **Q10\_9**)

(1) Liberal Democratic Party (**Q10\_1**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 41138650299216 |  | 1. A coalition should be formed regardless of the election results2. Depending on the election results, a coalition may be possible3. Regardless of the election results, a coalition is impossible4. My party99. no answer |

(2) Constitutional Democratic Party of Japan (**Q10\_2**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 19260561212292 |  | 1. A coalition should be formed regardless of the election results2. Depending on the election results, a coalition may be possible3. Regardless of the election results, a coalition is impossible4. My party99. no answer |

(3) Japan Innovation Party (**Q10\_3**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 8296580158302 |  | 1. A coalition should be formed regardless of the election results2. Depending on the election results, a coalition may be possible3. Regardless of the election results, a coalition is impossible4. My party99. no answer |

(4) Komeito (**Q10\_4**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 29217760948218 |  | 1. A coalition should be formed regardless of the election results2. Depending on the election results, a coalition may be possible3. Regardless of the election results, a coalition is impossible4. My party99. no answer |

(5) Japanese Communist Party (**Q10\_5**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 1085724234291 |  | 1. A coalition should be formed regardless of the election results2. Depending on the election results, a coalition may be possible3. Regardless of the election results, a coalition is impossible4. My party99. no answer |

(6) Democratic Party for the People (**Q10\_6**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 8740351340301 |  | 1. A coalition should be formed regardless of the election results2. Depending on the election results, a coalition may be possible3. Regardless of the election results, a coalition is impossible4. My party99. no answer |

(7) Reiwa Shinsengumi (**Q10\_7**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 223196874312 |  | 1. A coalition should be formed regardless of the election results2. Depending on the election results, a coalition may be possible3. Regardless of the election results, a coalition is impossible4. My party99. no answer |

(8) Social Democratic Party (**Q10\_8**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 5235461316309 |  | 1. A coalition should be formed regardless of the election results2. Depending on the election results, a coalition may be possible3. Regardless of the election results, a coalition is impossible4. My party99. no answer |

(9) Sanseito (**Q10\_9**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 612781585311 |  | 1. A coalition should be formed regardless of the election results2. Depending on the election results, a coalition may be possible3. Regardless of the election results, a coalition is impossible4. My party99. no answer |

Q11

What is your most important means of communicating information to voters and supporters? How about your second and third most important means? Please write the number in parentheses. (**Q11\_1** ~ **Q11\_3**)

The most important means (**Q11\_1**)

|  |  |  |
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| (N) |  |  |
| 43060322215631201801163147102 |  | 1. street oratory2. direct interaction with voters (rallies, etc.)3. posters4. repeatedly call out one’s name (from a vehicle)5. official gazette for elections6. leaflets and pamphlets of activity report7. newsletters of supporters' associations, etc.8. letters and postcards (excluding e-mail)9. phone call10. e-mail11. TV and radio appearances12. contributions to magazines13. websites (including blogs)14. social networking services (SNS) (Twitter, Facebook, Instagram etc.)15. video-sharing platforms (YouTube, Niconico etc.)16. other99. no answer |

The second most important means (**Q11\_2**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 353237401401901592408022249392115 |  | 1. street oratory2. direct interaction with voters (rallies, etc.)3. posters4. repeatedly call out one’s name (from a vehicle)5. official gazette for elections6. leaflets and pamphlets of activity report7. newsletters of supporters' associations, etc.8. letters and postcards (excluding e-mail)9. phone call10. e-mail11. TV and radio appearances12. contributions to magazines13. websites (including blogs)14. social networking services (SNS) (Twitter, Facebook, Instagram etc.)15. video-sharing platforms (YouTube, Niconico etc.)16. other99. no answer |

The third most important means (**Q11\_3**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 133997434422029724717449438694123 |  | 1. street oratory2. direct interaction with voters (rallies, etc.)3. posters4. repeatedly call out one’s name (from a vehicle)5. official gazette for elections6. leaflets and pamphlets of activity report7. newsletters of supporters' associations, etc.8. letters and postcards (excluding e-mail)9. phone call10. e-mail11. TV and radio appearances12. contributions to magazines13. websites (including blogs)14. social networking services (SNS) (Twitter, Facebook, Instagram etc.)15. video-sharing platforms (YouTube, Niconico etc.)16. other99. no answer |

### Q12

There are many different opinions about the relationship between politics and mass media and the Internet. Please circle one number for each item that applies to you. (**Q12\_1** ~ **Q12\_8**)

(1) The Internet has reduced the political influence of the mass media (**Q12\_1**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 19855229212069113 |  | 1. agree2. somewhat agree3. not sure4. somewhat disagree5. disagree99. no answer |

(2) There are many problems with Internet abuse, such as slander and identity theft (**Q12\_2**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 481612111245111 |  | 1. agree2. somewhat agree3. not sure4. somewhat disagree5. disagree99. no answer |

(3) Newspapers and television cover important social issues. (**Q12\_3**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 133509306180102114 |  | 1. agree2. somewhat agree3. not sure4. somewhat disagree5. disagree99. no answer |

(4) Platforms like Yahoo! News cover important social issues. (**Q12\_4**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 6047851613240118 |  | 1. agree2. somewhat agree3. not sure4. somewhat disagree5. disagree99. no answer |

(5) Newspapers and television report based on accurate facts. (**Q12\_5**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 57408451202112114 |  | 1. agree2. somewhat agree3. not sure4. somewhat disagree5. disagree99. no answer |

(6) Platforms like Yahoo! News report based on accurate facts. (**Q12\_6**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 824568221774118 |  | 1. agree2. somewhat agree3. not sure4. somewhat disagree5. disagree99. no answer |

(7) There is "truthful" information on social media that newspapers and television do not report. (**Q12\_7**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 7023269018752113 |  | 1. agree2. somewhat agree3. not sure4. somewhat disagree5. disagree99. no answer |

(8) Political discussions on social media reflect the opinions of voters as a whole. (**Q12\_8**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 659536442185116 |  | 1. agree2. somewhat agree3. not sure4. somewhat disagree5. disagree99. no answer |

### Q13

We want to inform people not only about policies, but also about the values you hold dear. The following is a method of measuring values that is often used in psychology. There is no universal good or bad for every value. How much each person is or is not like you? Please choose one of the following from "not like me at all" to "very much like me". (**Q13\_1** ~ **Q13\_10**)

NOTE: This item is based on the Ten Item Values Inventory (TIVI) by Gosling, Schwartz & Koelkebeck (2016), with modifications to make it sound more natural in Japanese.

(1) A person who believes that s/he should always show respect to his/her parents and older people, and that it is important to be obedient. (**Q13\_1**)

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 1368152368395193155 |  | 1. Not like me at all2. Not like me3. A little like me4. Somewhat like me5. Like me6. Very much like me99. no answer |

(2) A person whose religious beliefs are important to him/her, and who tries hard to do what his/her religion requires. (**Q13\_2**)

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| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 13126629228813474159 |  | 1. Not like me at all2. Not like me3. A little like me4. Somewhat like me5. Like me6. Very much like me99. no answer |

(3) A person who places great importance on helping others, hoping that those around them will be fulfilled both physically and spiritually. (**Q13\_3**)

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| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 2763293471351157 |  | 1. Not like me at all2. Not like me3. A little like me4. Somewhat like me5. Like me6. Very much like me99. no answer |

(4) A person who believes that every person in the world should be treated equally and have equal opportunities in life. (**Q13\_4**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 1441139276363352159 |  | 1. Not like me at all2. Not like me3. A little like me4. Somewhat like me5. Like me6. Very much like me99. no answer |

(5) A person who is interested in things and who tries to understand all sorts of things. (**Q13\_5**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 331145338385287155 |  | 1. Not like me at all2. Not like me3. A little like me4. Somewhat like me5. Like me6. Very much like me99. no answer |

(6) A person who likes to take risks and is always looking for adventures. (**Q13\_6**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 3126328332718694160 |  | 1. Not like me at all2. Not like me3. A little like me4. Somewhat like me5. Like me6. Very much like me99. no answer |

(7) A person who thinks it is important to feel pleasure and seeks every chance to have fun. (**Q13\_7**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 881191351364193156 |  | 1. Not like me at all2. Not like me3. A little like me4. Somewhat like me5. Like me6. Very much like me99. no answer |

(8) A person who wants to achieve great success and impress other people. (**Q13\_8**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 1354832821747635159 |  | 1. Not like me at all2. Not like me3. A little like me4. Somewhat like me5. Like me6. Very much like me99. no answer |

(9) A person who likes to be in charge and wants people to do what s/he says. (**Q13\_9**)

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| --- | --- | --- |
| (N) |  |  |
| 2635382221123911159 |  | 1. Not like me at all2. Not like me3. A little like me4. Somewhat like me5. Like me6. Very much like me99. no answer |

(10) A person who does not like mess and places importance on things being organized and clean. (**Q13\_10**)

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| (N) |  |  |
| 3329134931715339162 |  | 1. Not like me at all2. Not like me3. A little like me4. Somewhat like me5. Like me6. Very much like me99. no answer |

**3. FREE ANSWERS**

**Q1\_1\_FA**: free answer of "other" in **Q1\_1**

**Q1\_2\_FA**: free answer of "other" in **Q1\_2**

**Q1\_3\_FA**: free answer of "other" in **Q1\_3**

**SQ9\_17\_FA**: free answer of "other" in **SQ9\_17**

1. As for "other," overlap is allowed in **Q1\_1**, **Q1\_2**, and **Q1\_3**. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)