Overview of the Public Opinion Survey on Social Awareness

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Public Relations Office, Cabinet Office

The Government of Japan

Survey target: 10,000 Japanese nationals of age 18 years or above nationwide

Valid responses: 5,742 people (Response rate: 57.4%)

Survey period: 25 January - 11 February 2018 (In some areas until 18 February)

Survey method: Face-to-face interviews conducted by survey officers

Objectives: To survey the trends for the fundamental awareness of people toward society and

the country, and to use the data as basic material for general administrative

purposes.

Survey items: 1. Relationship with the country and society

2. Awareness of the current state of society

3. Evaluation of the government's policies

Track record: In principle, the survey has been conducted every fiscal year since FY1968, this

being the 47th survey.

(Since the survey for FY2006, the respondents are informed that the survey is

conducted by the Cabinet Office.)

Note: This document indicates "\u00e3" or "\u00c4" for responses with a statistically significant

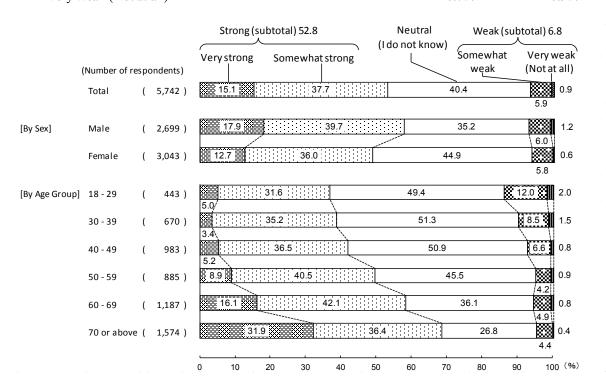
difference (95% confidence interval), in comparison with past survey results.

1. Relationship with the Country and Society

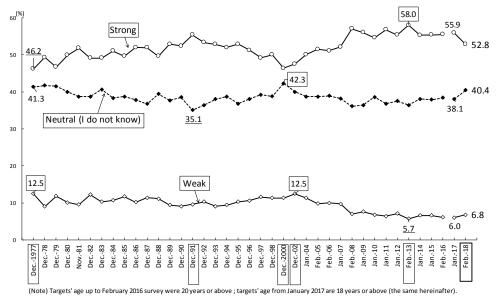
(1) Feelings of love for the country

Q1 This question concerns your feelings of "love for the country." Compared to other people, do you think that you have strong feelings of "love for the country", or weak feelings of "love for the country?" Please select one answer from the following.

	January 2017		February 20	18
• Strong (subtotal)	<u>55.9%</u>	\rightarrow	<u>52.8%</u>	\downarrow
 Very strong 	16.1%	\rightarrow	15.1%	
Somewhat strong	39.8%	\rightarrow	37.7%	\downarrow
• Neutral (I do not know)	<u>38.1%</u>	\rightarrow	<u>40.4%</u>	1
• Weak (subtotal)	<u>6.0%</u>	\rightarrow	<u>6.8%</u>	
• Somewhat weak	5.3%	\rightarrow	5.9%	
• Very weak (Not at all)	0.7%	\rightarrow	0.9%	



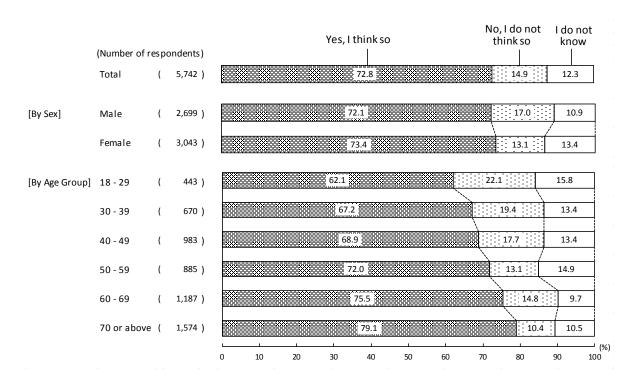
Reference: Feelings of love for the country (Time Series)



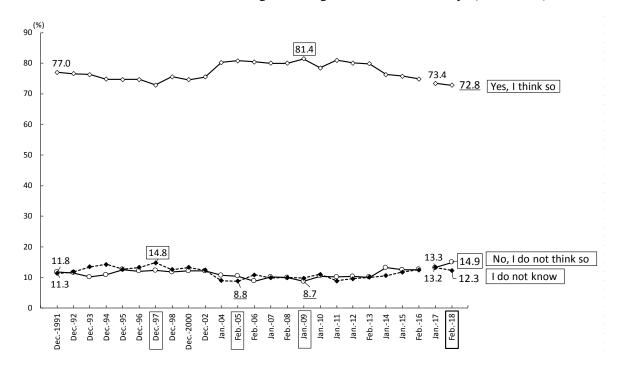
(2) Need for fostering the feelings of "love for the country"

Q2 Do you think that there is a need down the road to foster greater feelings of "love for the country" among the people?

	January 2017]	February 2018
• Yes, I think so	73.4%	\rightarrow	72.8%
• No, I do not think so	13.2%	\rightarrow	14.9% ↑
• I do not know	13.3%	\rightarrow	12.3%



Reference: Need for fostering the feelings of "love for the country" (Time Series)

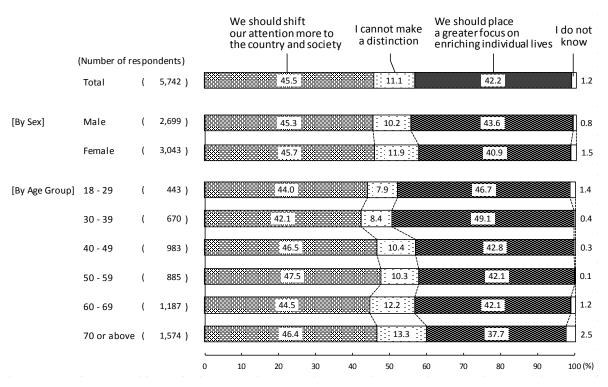


(3) Society or individual lives

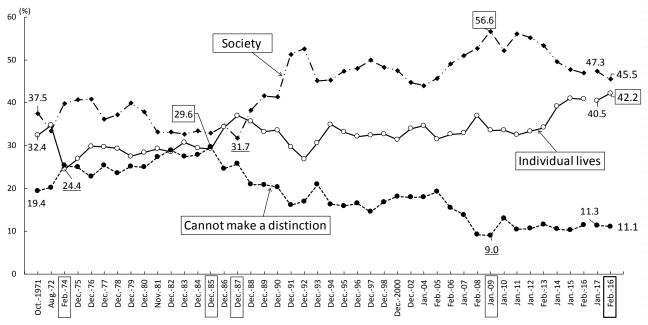
Q3 There are two different views that suggest, as citizens, "We should shift our attention more to the country and society", or that "We should place a greater focus on enriching individual lives."

Which of the two views is your personal stance closer to?

	January 2017		February 2018
• We should shift our attention more to the country and society	47.3%	\rightarrow	45.5%
• We should place a greater focus on enriching individual lives	40.5%	\rightarrow	42.2%
• I cannot make a distinction	11.3%	\rightarrow	11.1%



Reference: Society or individual lives (Time Series)

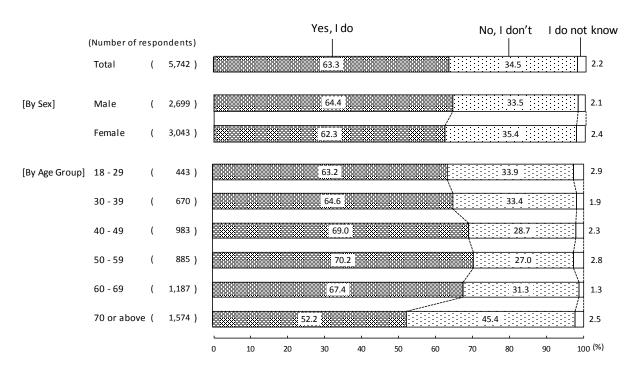


(Note) Until the December 1980 survey, Q3 was asked as follows: There are two different views that suggest, as citizens, "We should shift our attention more to the country and society from now on", or that "We should still continue to concentrate on enriching individual lives". Which of the two views is your personal stance closer to?

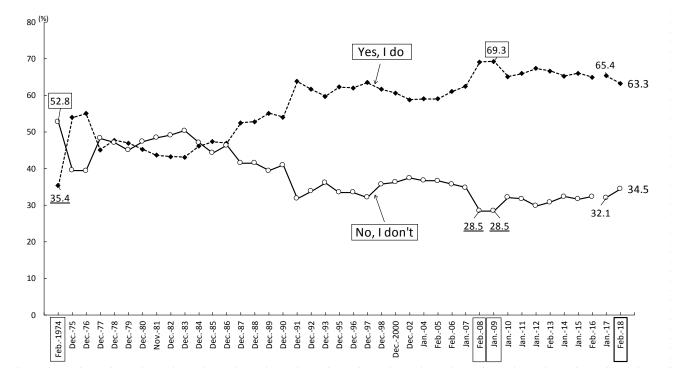
(4) Wish to serve society

Q4 Do you normally think about wanting to serve society in some way as a member of society?





Reference: Wish to serve society (Time Series)



A. Ways to serve society

(For 3,633 people who responded "Yes, I do." to Q4.)

SQ In what ways do you wish to serve society? Please select all applicable answers. (M.A.)

	(1op 5 Items)		
	January 2017		February 2018
 Activities related to social welfare 	38.8%	\rightarrow	39.3%
• Local community activities under the town council, etc.	30.1%	\rightarrow	31.4%
• Activities related to the protection of nature and the environment	29.2%	\rightarrow	28.8%
• Through my own work	24.8%	\rightarrow	25.4%
• Voluntary disaster prevention activities, disaster relief activities	24.2%	\rightarrow	25.0%

Activities related to social welfare (providing personal and nursing care to the elderly or the disabled, providing meals, childcare, etc.)

Local community activities under the town council, etc. (assisting in celebrations, accidents, etc., serving as a committee member of the town council or residents' association, crime or fire prevention activities, etc.)

Activities related to the protection of nature and the environment (beautification of the environment, recycling activities, collection of milk cartons, etc.)

Through my own work

Voluntary disaster prevention activities, disaster relief activities

Through housework and bringing up children

Activities related to athletics, sports, and culture (teaching sports and recreation, festivals, teaching at club activities at schools, etc.)

Activities related to traffic safety (monitoring the safety of children when they go to/return from school, etc.)

Activities related to health, medical care, hygiene (volunteering at hospitals, etc.)

Fundraising activities, charity bazaars

Activities related to learning activities, such as teaching, offering advice, management cooperation, etc. (cooking, English, calligraphy, etc.)

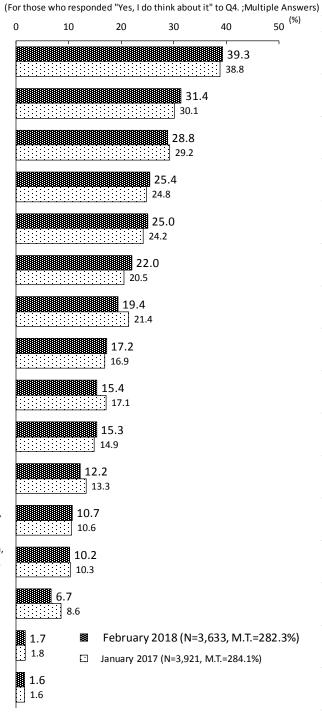
Activities held at public facilities (childcare services at community centers, exhibition guide at museums, etc.)

Activities related to international exchanges (cooperation) (interpretation, refugee aid, technological assistance, assistance to international students, etc.)

Activities related to the sound and healthy development of youths (boy scout/girl scout activities, children's associations, etc.)

Other

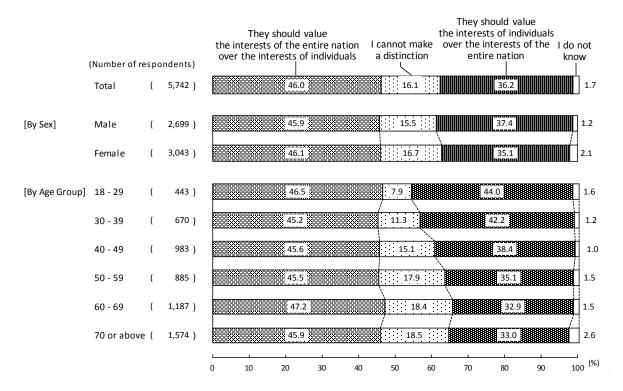
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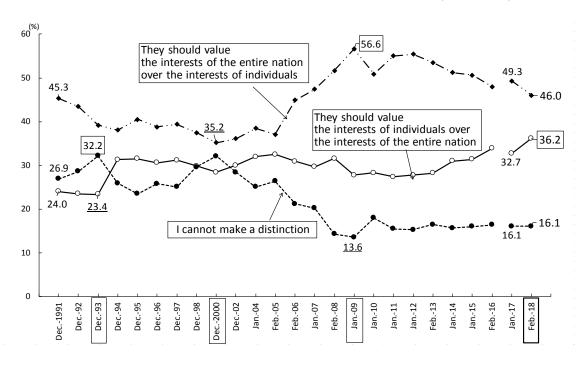
(5) Interests of the entire nation or interests of individuals?

Q5 Do you think that the Japanese people should from now on value the interests of the entire nation over the interests of individuals? Conversely, do you think that they should value the interests of individuals over the interests of the entire nation?

Janu	January 2017		February 2018
• They should value the interests of the entire nation over the interests of individuals	49.3%	\rightarrow	46.0% ↓
• They should value the interests of individuals over the interests of the entire nation	32.7%	\rightarrow	36.2% ↑
• I cannot make a distinction	16.1%	\rightarrow	16.1%

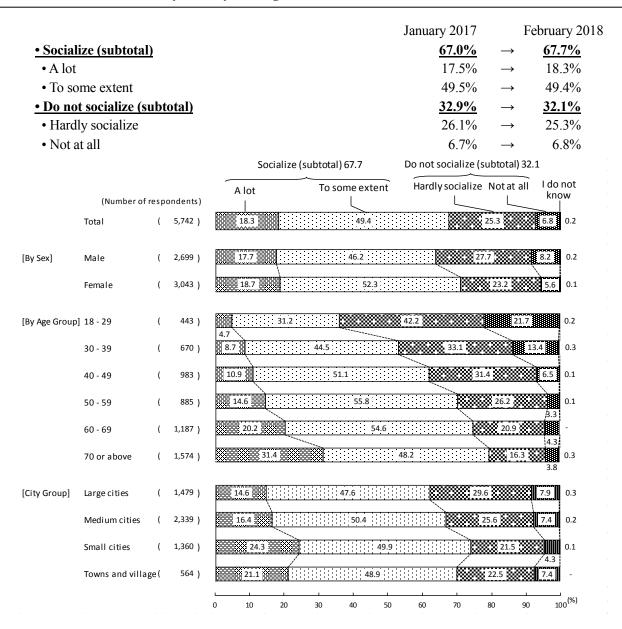


Reference: Interests of the entire nation or interests of individuals? (Time Series)

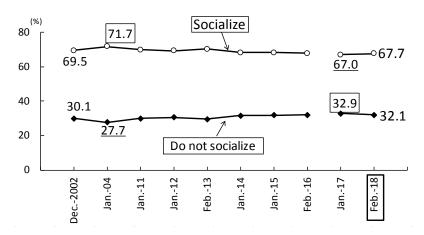


(6) Current degree of socializing with the local community

Q6 To what degree do you socialize with the local community? Please select one answer from the following.



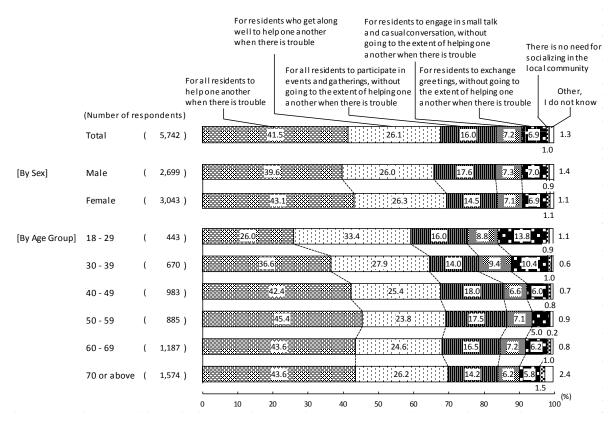
Reference: Current degree of socializing with the local community (Time Series)



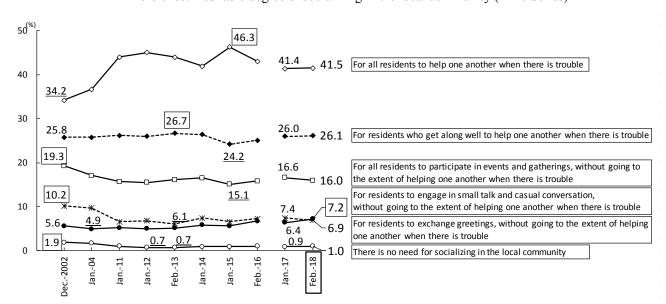
(7) Desirable degree of socializing in the local community

Q7 What do you think is the desirable degree of socializing in the local community? Please select one answer from the following.

	January 2017	Fe	bruary 2018
• For all residents to help one another when there is trouble	41.4%	\rightarrow	41.5%
• For residents who get along well to help one another when there is trouble	26.0%	\rightarrow	26.1%
 For all residents to participate in events and gatherings, without going to the extent of helping one another when there is trouble For residents to engage in small talk and casual conversation, without going 	16.6%	\rightarrow	16.0%
to the extent of helping one another when there is trouble • For residents to exchange greetings, without going to the extent of helping	6.4%	\rightarrow	7.2%
one another when there is trouble		\rightarrow	6.9%
• There is no need for socializing in the local community	0.9%	\rightarrow	1.0%



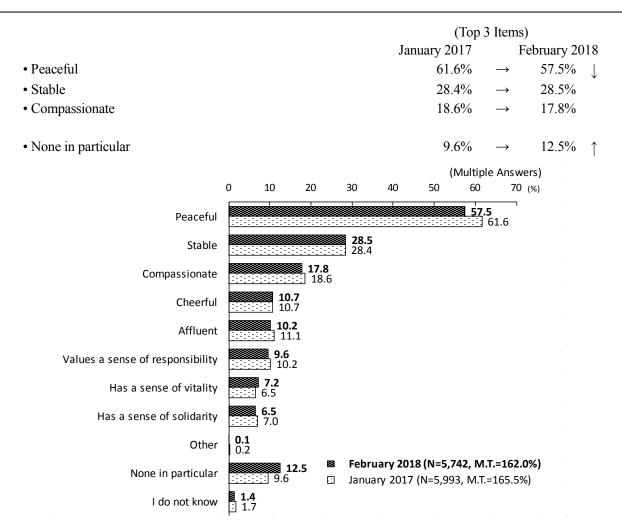
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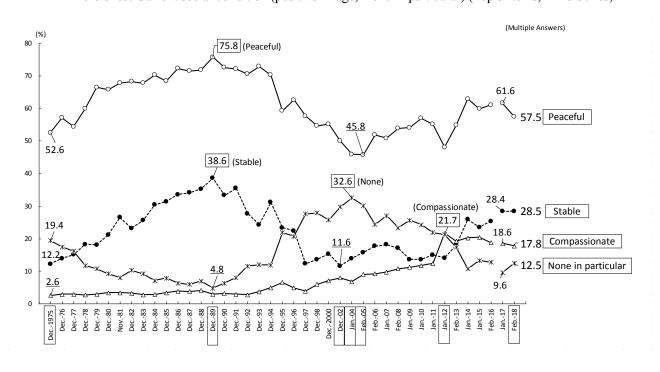
2. Awareness of the Current State of Society

(1) Current social condition (positive image)

Q8 If you were to sum up the positive image of the current social condition in a few words, which expression do you think would be suitable? Please select all applicable answers. (M.A.)



Reference: Current social condition (positive image, None in particular) (Top 3 Items, Time Series)

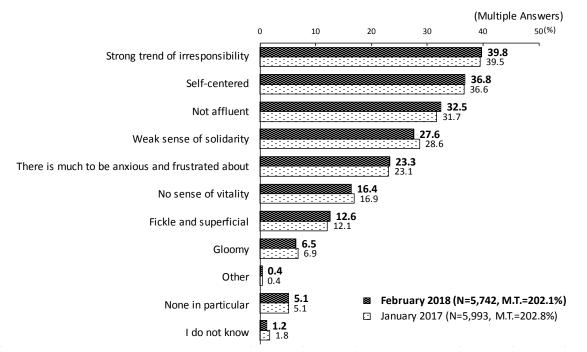


(2) Current social condition (negative image)

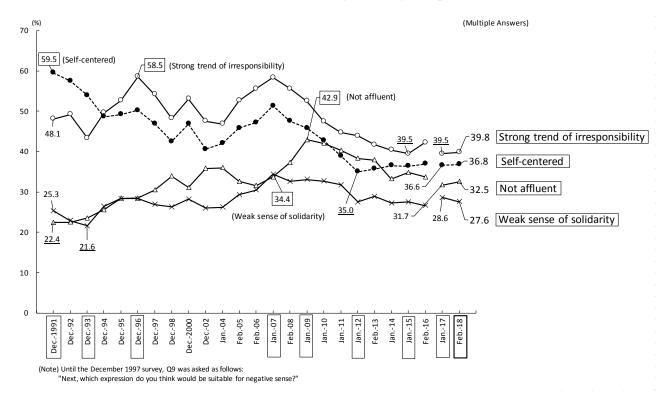
Q9 If you were to sum up the negative image of the current social condition in a few words, which expression do you think would be suitable? Please select all applicable answers. (M.A.)

	(Top Thems)			
	January 2017		February 2018	
• Strong trend of irresponsibility	39.5%	\rightarrow	39.8%	
• Self-centered	36.6%	\rightarrow	36.8%	
Not affluent	31.7%	\rightarrow	32.5%	
Weak sense of solidarity	28.6%	\rightarrow	27.6%	

(Ton 4 Items)



Reference: Current social condition (negative image) (Top 4 Items, Time Series)



(3) Pride in Japan

Q10 What do you take pride in with respect to Japan and the people of Japan? Please select all applicable answers. (M.A.)

	(Top 4 Items)		
	January 2017 February		
 Good public safety 	58.7%	\rightarrow	57.7%
Beautiful nature	56.1%	\rightarrow	55.3%
 Long history and traditions 	47.2%	\rightarrow	47.6%
Excellent culture and arts	51.1%	\rightarrow	47.1% ↓

(Multiple Answers) 0 60 10 20 30 40 50 70 (%) 57.7 Good public safety Beautiful nature Long history and traditions Excellent culture and arts Diligence and talent of the people Humanity and loyalty of the people Free and peaceful society High standards in science and technology High educational standards Stability of society Economic prosperity Unity as a nation Other February 2018 (N=5,742, M.T.=385.1%) January 2017 (N=5,993, M.T.=410.8%) 2.5 None/I do not know

Pride in Japan by Sex, Age Group (Top 4 Items)

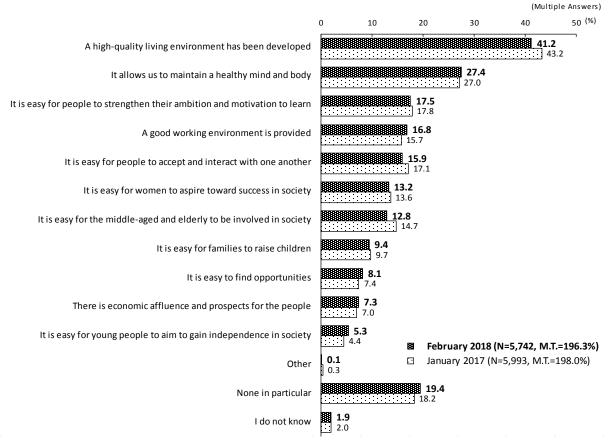
(Multiple Answers, %)

	Good public	Beautiful	Long history	Excellent
	safety	nature	and traditions	culture and arts
Male	59.5	51.8	49.2	44.8
Female	56.2	58.4	46.1	49.1
18-29	56.7	44.2	45.4	52.1
30-39	63.0	51.9	44.3	52.4
40-49	61.5	52.6	47.2	48.0
50-59	64.3	55.5	50.4	53.8
60-69	62.5	62.6	50.7	49.5
70 or above	46.2	55.8	45.8	37.1

(4) Aspects of satisfaction in current society (Satisfied)

Q11 In which aspects are you satisfied with the current society? Please select all applicable answers. (M.A.)

	(Top 5 Items)		
	January 2017		February 2018
• A high-quality living environment has been developed	43.2%	\rightarrow	41.2% ↓
• It allows us to maintain a healthy mind and body	27.0%	\rightarrow	27.4%
• It is easy for people to strengthen their ambition and motivation to lear	n 17.8%	\rightarrow	17.5%
• A good working environment is provided	15.7%	\rightarrow	16.8%
• It is easy for people to accept and interact with one another	17.1%	\rightarrow	15.9%
None in particular	18.2%	\rightarrow	19.4%



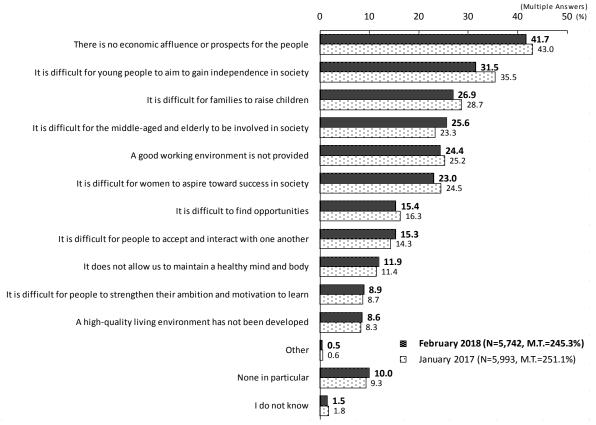
Aspects of satisfaction in current society (Satisfied) by Sex, Age Group (Top 5 Items)

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	A high-quality living environment has been developed	It allows us to	It is easy for people to strengthen their ambition and motivation to learn	A good working	It is easy for people to accept and interact with one another
Male	43.2	27.2	19.1	20.0	13.7
Female	39.5	27.5	16.0	13.9	17.9
18-29	53.5	33.4	15.8	20.3	12.2
30-39	44.3	30.3	16.0	18.5	13.0
40-49	47.2	25.7	18.1	17.6	13.2
50-59	45.0	25.4	18.6	19.4	15.0
60-69	40.6	28.2	21.1	18.3	17.1
70 or above	31.1	25.9	14.8	11.8	19.6

(5) Aspects of satisfaction in current society (Dissatisfied)

Q12 In which aspects are you not satisfied with the current society? Please select all applicable answers. (M.A.)

	(Top 6 Items)		
	January 2017		February 2018
• There is no economic affluence or prospects for the people	43.0%	\rightarrow	41.7%
• It is difficult for young people to aim to gain independence in society	35.5%	\rightarrow	31.5% ↓
• It is difficult for families to raise children	28.7%	\rightarrow	26.9% ↓
• It is difficult for the middle-aged and elderly to be involved in societ	y 23.3%	\rightarrow	25.6% ↑
• A good working environment is not provided	25.2%	\rightarrow	24.4%
• It is difficult for women to aspire toward success in society	24.5%	\rightarrow	23.0%
None in particular	9.3%	\rightarrow	10.0%



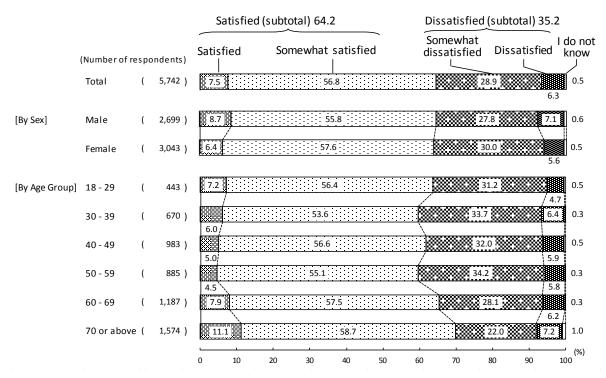
Aspects of satisfaction in current society (Dissatisfied) by Sex, Age Group (Top 6 Items)

(Multiple Answers, 9						(Multiple Answers, %)
	There is no economic affluence or prospects for the people	It is difficult for young people to aim to gain independence in society	It is difficult for families to raise children	It is difficult for the middle-aged and elderly to be involved in society	A good working environment is not provided	It is difficult for women to aspire toward success in society
Male	41.8	31.2	28.2	25.8	23.5	20.2
Female	41.7	31.7	25.8	25.4	25.3	25.5
18-29	41.8	28.2	35.2	15.8	26.2	23.3
30-39	46.7	32.5	38.2	21.5	34.0	31.2
40-49	46.9	34.7	31.9	24.7	27.3	28.5
50-59	48.5	37.3	29.6	32.4	27.3	28.6
60-69	42.5	38.2	24.9	29.1	26.4	24.2
70 or above	32.0	21.5	16.6	24.0	15.0	12.0

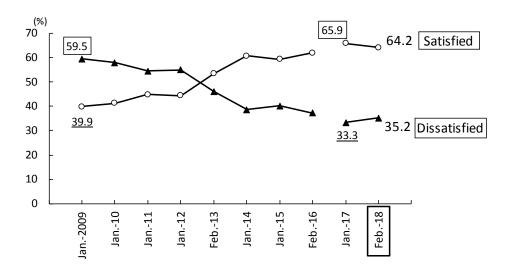
(6) Satisfaction of current society on the whole

Q13 Are you satisfied with the current society on the whole? Please select one answer from the following.

	January 2017		February 2018
Satisfied (subtotal)	<u>65.9%</u>	\rightarrow	<u>64.2%</u>
 Satisfied 	8.2%	\rightarrow	7.5%
 Somewhat satisfied 	57.8%	\rightarrow	56.8%
• Dissatisfied (subtotal)	<u>33.3%</u>	\rightarrow	<u>35.2%</u> ↑
 Somewhat dissatisfied 	27.4%	\rightarrow	28.9%
 Dissatisfied 	6.0%	\rightarrow	6.3%



Reference: Satisfaction of current society on the whole (Time Series)

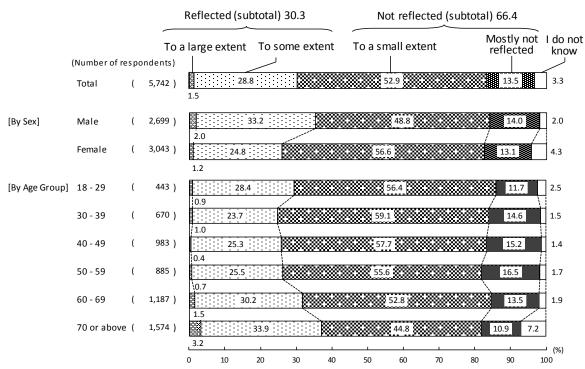


3. Evaluation of the Government's Policies

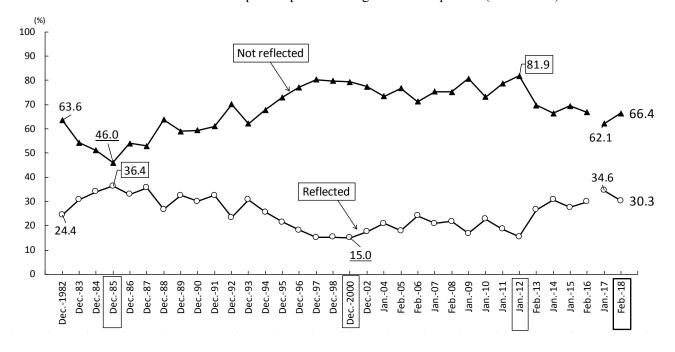
(1) Reflection of public opinion in the government's policies

Q14 Overall, to what extent do you think that the ideas and views of the people are reflected in the government's policies? Please select one answer from the following.

	January 2017		February 2018
• Reflected (subtotal)	<u>34.6%</u>	\rightarrow	<u>30.3%</u> ↓
• To a large extent	1.9%	\rightarrow	1.5%
• To some extent	32.7%	\rightarrow	28.8% ↓
• Not reflected (subtotal)	<u>62.1%</u>	\rightarrow	<u>66.4%</u> ↑
• To a small extent	50.6%	\rightarrow	52.9% ↑
 Mostly not reflected 	11.6%	\rightarrow	13.5% ↑



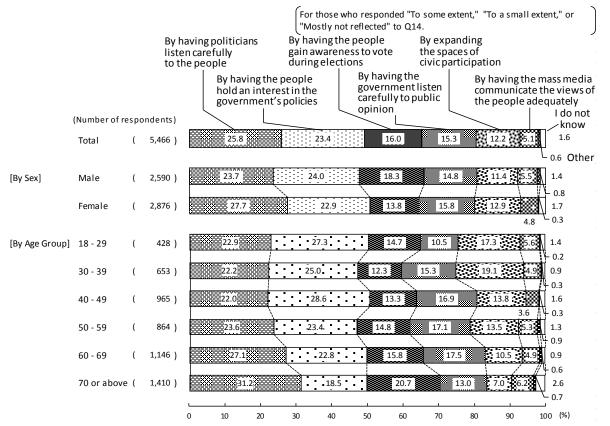
Reference: Reflection of public opinion in the government's policies (Time Series)



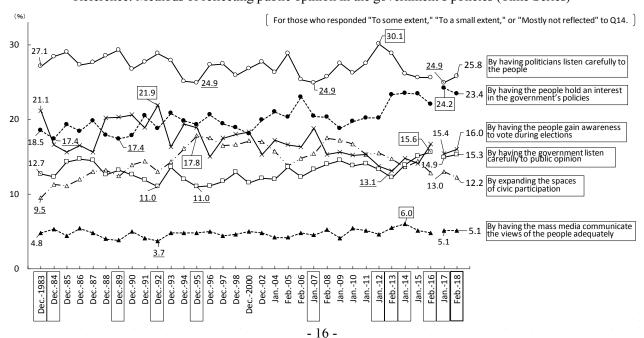
A. Methods of reflecting public opinion in the government's policies

(For 5,466 people who responded "To some extent", "To a small extent" or "Mostly not reflected" to Q14.) SQ What do you think can be done to improve the extent to which the ideas and views of the people are reflected in the government's policies? Please select one answer from the following.

	January 2017	Fe	bruary 2018
• By having politicians listen carefully to the people	24.9%	\rightarrow	25.8%
• By having the people hold an interest in the government's policies	24.2%	\rightarrow	23.4%
• By having the people gain awareness to vote during elections	15.4%	\rightarrow	16.0%
By having the government listen carefully to public opinion	14.9%	\rightarrow	15.3%
• By expanding the spaces of civic participation	13.0%	\rightarrow	12.2%
• By having the mass media communicate the views of the people adequately	5.1%	\rightarrow	5.1%



Reference: Methods of reflecting public opinion in the government's policies (Time Series)



(2) The areas which are heading toward a positive direction

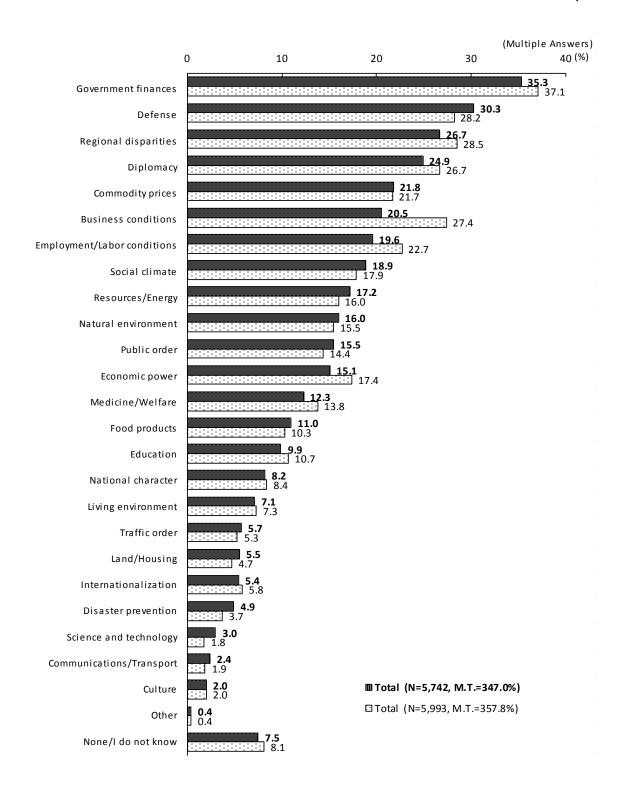
Q15 With regard to the current situation in Japan, which are the areas that you think are heading toward a positive direction? Please select all applicable answers. (M.A.)

	(Top 5 Items)	
	January 2017 February 2018	
 Medicine/Welfare 	$31.4\% \rightarrow 31.5\%$	
 Science and technology 	$25.8\% \rightarrow 20.5\% \downarrow$	
• Public order	$22.0\% \rightarrow 20.5\% \downarrow$	
• Education	$17.0\% \rightarrow 18.5\% \uparrow$	
• Disaster Prevention	$21.2\% \rightarrow 17.9\% \downarrow$	
• None / I do not know	15.9% → 15.2%	
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Medicine/Welfare	31.5 31.4	
Science and technology	25.8	
Public order	20.5	
Education	18.5 ::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::	
Disaster prevention	17.9	
Internationalization	15.5 15.0	
Communications/Transport	13.3 16.2	
Employment/Labor conditions	13.0 ::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::	
Business conditions	12.8 ::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::	
Culture	12.8 	
Traffic order	12.5 13.6	
Diplomacy	10.3	
Natural environment	9.1 ::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::	
Food products	8.8 :::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::	
Living environment	8.7 ::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::	
Defense	8.1 ::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::	
Economic power	7.5 ::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::	
National character	6.4 ::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::	
Resources/Energy	11.11.11.11.11.11.11.11.11.11.11.11.11.	
Commodity prices	3.3 [:::::::] 3.5	
Land/Housing	3.3	
Regional disparities	1111111111111111111111111111111111111	
Social climate	1.8 :::: 2.2 :::: 2.7 :::: 2.7 :::: 2.8 :::: 2.7 :::: 2.7 :::: 2.7 :::: 2.7 :::: 2.7 :::: 2.7 :::: 2.7 ::: 2.7 ::: 2.7 ::	
Government finances	1.8	
Other	0.1 0.1	
None / I do not know	15.2 	

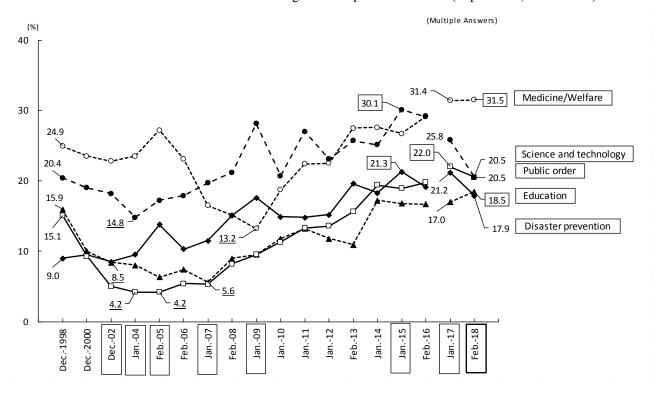
(3) The areas which are heading toward a negative direction

Q16 With regard to the current situation in Japan, which are the areas that you think are heading toward a negative direction? Please select all applicable answers. (M.A.)

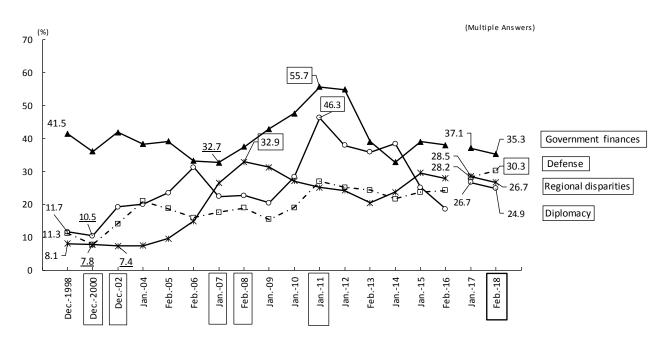
	(Top 4 Items)		
	January 2017		February 2018
 Government finances 	37.1%	\rightarrow	35.3% ↓
• Defense	28.2%	\rightarrow	30.3% ↑
 Regional disparities 	28.5%	\rightarrow	26.7% ↓
• Diplomacy	26.7%	\rightarrow	24.9% ↓



Reference1: The areas which are heading toward a positive direction (Top 5 Items, Time Series)



Reference2: The areas which are heading toward a negative direction (Top 4 Items, Time Series)



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(N=5,742)

1. Relationship with the country and society

Q1. [Response Sheet 1] This question concerns your feelings of "love for the country." Compared to other people, do you think that you have strong feelings of "love for the country", or weak feelings of "love for the country?" Please select one answer from the following.

(15.1)(37.7)(40.4)(5.9)(0.9)(b) (c) (d) (e) (a) Neutral Very strong Somewhat strong Somewhat weak Very weak (I do not know) (Not at all)

Q2. Do you think that there is a need down the road to foster greater feelings of "love for the country" among the people?

(72.8) (14.9) (12.3) Yes, I think so No, I do not think so I do not know

Q3. [Response Sheet 2] There are two different views that suggest, as citizens, "We should shift our attention more to the country and society", or that "We should place a greater focus on enriching individual lives." Which of the two views is your personal stance closer to?

(45.5) (42.2) (11.1) (1.2)

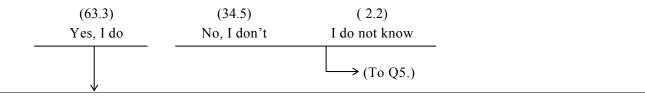
(a) (b)

We should shift our attention more to the country and society individual lives

(45.5) (42.2) (11.1) (1.2)

I cannot make a distinction a distinction

Q4. Do you normally think about wanting to serve society in some way as a member of society?



(For those who responded "Yes, I do" in Q4.)

SQ [Response Sheet 3] In what ways do you wish to serve society?

Please select all applicable answers. (M.A.)

(N=3,633)

- (6.7)(a) Activities related to the sound and healthy development of youths (boy scout/girl scout activities, children's associations, etc.)
- (19.4)(b) Activities related to athletics, sports, and culture (teaching sports and recreation, festivals, teaching at club activities at schools, etc.)
- (25.0)(c) Voluntary disaster prevention activities, disaster relief activities
- (10.7)(d) Activities held at public facilities (childcare services at community centers, exhibition guide at museums, etc.)
- (12.2)(e) Activities related to learning activities, such as teaching, offering advice, management cooperation, etc. (cooking, English, calligraphy, etc.)
- (10.2)(f) Activities related to international exchanges (cooperation) (interpretation, refugee aid, technological assistance, assistance to international students, etc.)
- (39.3)(g) Activities related to social welfare (providing personal and nursing care to the elderly or the disabled, providing meals, childcare, etc.)
- (15.4)(h) Activities related to health, medical care, hygiene (volunteering at hospitals, etc.)
- (28.8)(i) Activities related to the protection of nature and the environment (beautification of the environment, recycling activities, collection of milk cartons, etc.)
- (17.2)(j) Activities related to traffic safety (monitoring the safety of children when they go to/return from school, etc.)
- (15.3)(k) Fundraising activities, charity bazaars
- (31.4)(1) Local community activities under the town council, etc. (assisting in celebrations, accidents, etc., serving as a committee member of the town council or residents' association, crime or fire prevention activities, etc.)
- (22.0)(m) Through housework and bringing up children
- (25.4)(n) Through my own work
- (1.7) Other (
- (1.6) I do not know

(M.T.=282.3)

(For all respondents)

- Q5. [Response Sheet 4] Do you think that the Japanese people should from now on value the interests of the entire nation over the interests of individuals? Conversely, do you think that they should value the interests of individuals over the interests of the entire nation?
 - (46.0)(a) They should value the interests of the entire nation over the interests of individuals
 - (36.2)(b) They should value the interests of individuals over the interests of the entire nation
 - (16.1) I cannot make a distinction
 - (1.7) I do not know

Q6. [Response Sheet 5] To what degr	ree do you socialize with the local community?
Please select one answer from the	ne following.

(18.3)(a) I socialize a lot

(49.4)(b) I socialize to some extent

(25.3)(c) I hardly socialize

(6.8)(d) I do not socialize at all

I do not know (0.2)

- Q7. [Response Sheet 6] What do you think is the desirable degree of socializing in the local community? Please select one answer from the following.
 - (41.5)(a) For all residents to help one another when there is trouble
 - (26.1)(b) For residents who get along well to help one another when there is trouble
 - (16.0)(c) For all residents to participate in events and gatherings, without going to the extent of helping one another when there is trouble
 - (7.2)(d) For residents to engage in small talk and casual conversation, without going to the extent of helping one another when there is trouble
 - (6.9)(e) For residents to exchange greetings, without going to the extent of helping one another when there is trouble
 - (1.0)(f) There is no need for socializing in the local community
 - (0.1)Other ()
 - I do not know (1.1)

2. Awareness of the current state of society

Q8. [Response Sheet 7] If you were to sum up the positive image of the current social condition in a few words, which expression do you think would be suitable? Please select all applicable answers. (M.A.)

(57.5)(a) Peaceful

(10.2)(b) Affluent

(28.5)(c) Stable

(9.6)(d) Values a sense of responsibility

(6.5)(e) Has a sense of solidarity

(17.8)(f) Compassionate

(10.7)(g) Cheerful

(7.2)(h) Has a sense of vitality

(0.1)Other (

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(12.5)None in particular

(1.4)I do not know

(M.T.=162.0)

words, which	n expression do you think would be suitable? Please select all applicable answers. (M.A.	.)
(23.3)(a)	There is much to be anxious and frustrated about	
(32.5)(b)	Not affluent	
(12.6)(c)	Fickle and superficial	
(39.8)(d)	Strong trend of irresponsibility	
(27.6)(e)	Weak sense of solidarity	
(36.8)(f)	Self-centered	
(6.5)(g)	Gloomy	
(16.4)(h)	No sense of vitality	
(0.4)	Other (
(5.1)	None in particular	

(M.T.=202.1)

Q9. [Response Sheet 8] If you were to sum up the negative image of the current social condition in a few

Q10 [Response Sheet 9] What do you take pride in with respect to Japan and the people of Japan? Please select all applicable answers. (M.A.)

(1.2)

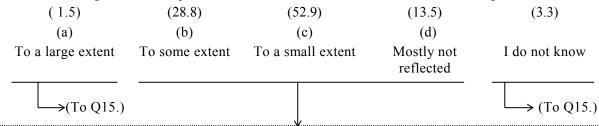
I do not know

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(47.6)(a) Long history and traditions
(47.1)(b) Excellent culture and arts
(55.3)(c) Beautiful nature
(31.4)(d) Humanity and loyalty of the people
(38.3)(e) Diligence and talent of the people
(19.2)(f) High educational standards
(21.7)(g) High standards in science and technology
(11.5)(h) Economic prosperity
(9.1)(i) Unity as a nation
(18.0)(j) Stability of society
(57.7)(k) Good public safety
(25.5)(1) Free and peaceful society
(0.2)
          Other (
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(2.5)
          None / I do not know
                                                                                     (M.T.=385.1)
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-		neet 10] In which aspects are yo all applicable answers. (M.A.)	ou satisfied with	the current society?	
	i icase seiect	an applicable answers. (M.A.)			
	(41.2)(a)	A high-quality living environr	ment has been de	veloped	
	(16.8)(b)	A good working environment	is provided		
	(7.3)(c)	There is economic affluence a	nd prospects for	the people	
	(8.1)(d)	It is easy to find opportunities			
	(15.9)(e)	It is easy for people to accept	and interact with	one another	
	(17.5)(f)	It is easy for people to strengt	hen their ambitio	n and motivation to le	arn
	(27.4)(g)	It allows us to maintain a heal	thy mind and boo	dy	
	(5.3)(h)	It is easy for young people to	aim to gain indep	endence in society	
	(9.4)(i)	It is easy for families to raise	children		
	(13.2)(j)	It is easy for women to aspire	toward success in	n society	
	(12.8)(k)	It is easy for the middle-aged	and elderly to be	involved in society	
	(0.1)	Other ()
	(19.4)	None in particular			
	(1.9)	I do not know			
	` ,				(M.T.=196.3)
		neet 11] In which aspects are yo	ou not satisfied w	ith the current society	?
	Please select	all applicable answers. (M.A.)			
	(9 6) (a)	A high quality living anyingm	mant has not have	. davidamad	
		A high-quality living environm		i developed	
		A good working environment			
	. , , ,	There is no economic affluence		r the people	
	` ' ' '	It is difficult to find opportuni		ta a	
	` , ` ,	It is difficult for people to acc	-		1
	` ' ' '	It is difficult for people to stre	_		o learn
	, , , , ,	It does not allow us to maintain	-	-	
	` ' ' '	It is difficult for young people		idependence in society	<i>I</i>
	(26.9)(i)	It is difficult for families to ra			
	(23.0)(j)	It is difficult for women to asp			
	(25.6)(k)	It is difficult for the middle-ag	ged and elderly to	be involved in societ	
	(0.5)	Other ()
	(10.0)	None in particular			
	(1.5)	I do not know			
					(M.T.=245.3)
O12	[Dagnanga C	haat 121 Ara you satisfied with	the current socio	ty on the whole?	
Q13.		neet 12] Are you satisfied with one answer from the following		ty on the whole?	
	Please select	one answer from the following	3.		
	(7.5)	(56.8)	(28.9)	(6.3)	(0.5)
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(0.0)
	Satisfi	` '	Somewhat dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	I do not know

3	Evaluation	of the	government's	policies
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Q14. [Response Sheet 13] Overall, to what extent do you think that the ideas and views of the pe	ople are
reflected in the government's policies? Please select one answer from the following.	



(For those who responded "(b) To some extent," "(c) To a small extent," and "(d) Mostly not reflected" in Q14.)

SQ [Response Sheet 14] What do you think can be done to improve the extent to which the ideas and views of the people are reflected in the government's policies?

Please select one answer from the following.

(N=5,466)

- (25.8)(a) By having politicians listen carefully to the people
- (23.4)(b) By having the people hold an interest in the government's policies
- (5.1)(c) By having the mass media communicate the views of the people adequately
- (16.0)(d) By having the people gain awareness to vote during elections
- (15.3)(e) By having the government listen carefully to public opinion
- (12.2)(f) By expanding the spaces of civic participation
- (0.6) Other (
- (1.6) I do not know

(For all respondents)

Q15. [Response Sheet 15] With regard to the current situation in Japan, which are the areas that you think are heading toward a positive direction? Please select all applicable answers. (M.A.)

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 (10.3) (a) Diplomacy (8.1) (b) Defense (1.7) (c) Government finances (3.3) (d) Commodity prices (12.8) (e) Business conditions (7.5) (f) Economic power (13.0) (g) Employment/ 	(20.5) (k) Science and technology (6.2) (l) Resources/Energy (8.8) (m) Food products (9.1) (n) Natural environment (8.7) (o) Living environment (17.9) (p) Disaster prevention (20.5) (q) Public order	(1.8) (v) (3.0) (w) (15.5) (x) (0.1)	National character Social climate Regional disparities Internationalization Other () None/I do not know
Labor conditions (31.5) (h) Medicine/Welfare (18.5) (i) Education (12.8) (j) Culture	(3.3) (r) Land/Housing (13.3) (s) Communications/ Transport (12.5) (t) Traffic order		(M.T.=282.1)

Q16. [Response Sheet 15] With regard to the current situation in Japan, which are the areas that you think are heading toward a negative direction? Please select all applicable answers. (M.A.)

(24.9) (a)	Diplomacy	(3.0) (k)	Science and technology	(8.2)	(u)	National character
(30.3) (b)	Defense	(17.2) (1)	Resources/Energy	(18.9)	(v)	Social climate
(35.3) (c)	Government finances	(11.0) (m)	Food products	(26.7)	(w)	Regional disparities
(21.8) (d)	Commodity prices	(16.0) (n)	Natural environment	(5.4)	(x)	Internationalization
(20.5) (e)	Business conditions	(7.1) (o)	Living environment	(0.4)		Other ()
(15.1) (f)	Economic power	(4.9) (p)	Disaster prevention	(7.5)		None/I do not know
(19.6) (g)	Employment/	(15.5) (q)	Public order			
	Labor conditions	(5.5) (r)	Land/Housing			
(12.3) (h)	Medicine/Welfare	(2.4) (s)	Communications/			
(9.9) (i)	Education		Transport			
(2.0) (j)	Culture	(5.7) (t)	Traffic order			(M.T.=347.0)

<<Respondent's Profile>>

Finally, please provide us with the following information about yourself, in order to facilitate the statistical analysis of your responses.

F1 [Sex]

(47.0) Male

Female (53.0)

F2 [Age] How old are you?

(1.4)18 - 19

40 - 44 (8.1)

65 - 69 (12.1)

(2.8)20 - 24

45 - 49 (9.0)

70 - 74 (10.3)

(3.6)25 - 29 (7.5)50 - 54 (8.2)75 - 79

30 - 34(5.3)

(7.9)55 - 59 (8.9)80 or above

(6.4)35 - 39(8.5)

F3 [Response Sheet 16] [Employment status] Which of the following applies to your employment status?

60 - 64

48.7) (a) Employed (including executive officer)

8.2)(b) Self-employed (including home-based work)

(2.0) (c) Family worker

(41.2)(d) Unemployed (including homemaker, student)

(0.0)No response

(For those who responded "a. Employed (including executive officer)", "b. Self-employed (including home-based work)", "c. Family worker" in F3.) SQ-a [Occupation] What is your occupation?

(Write down specific details, and circle the applicable job category below.)

- (7.5) Administrative or Managerial Worker
- (17.3) Professional or Technical Worker
- (18.7) Clerical Worker
- (28.7) Sales, Service, or Security Worker
- (4.2) Agriculture, Forestry, or Fishery Worker
- (23.4) Production, Transportation, Construction or Related Worker
- (0.1) No response

(For those who responded "d. Unemployed (including homemaker, student)" in F3.)

SQ-b [Response Sheet 18] [Homemaker, student, other unemployed]

Which of the following is applicable to you?

(N=2,363)

(46.7)(a) Housewife

(1.9) (b) Househusband

(5.1) (c) Student

(46.3)(d) Other

(For those who responded "a. Employed (including executive officer)" in F3.)

SQ-c [Response Sheet 17] [Type of Employment] Which of the following is applicable to you? (N=2,795)

- (5.7) (a) Executive officer
- (61.0) (b) Regular staff/employee
- (33.3) (c) Non-regular staff/employee (including contract staff and staff dispatched from worker dispatching agencies)
- (0.0)No response

(For all respondents)

F4. [No. of people in the household] What is the number of people who share the family budget in your household, including yourself? (Not including domestic helpers)

(10.7)	(30.7)	(24.3)	(20.1)	(8.8)	(3.3)	(1.9)	(0.1)
1 person	2 people	3 people	4 people	5 people	6 people	7 people	No
						or more	response

F5 [Response Sheet 19] [Household] Which of the following categories is applicable to your household?

(10.8)(a) One-person household

(25.9)(b) One-generation household (married couple only)

(50.4)(c) Two-generation household (parents and child/children)

(11.8)(d) Three-generation household (parents, child/children, and grandchild/grandchildren)

(1.0)(e) Other household types

(0.1)No response

F6 [Response Sheet 20] [Marital status] Are you married? Please select one answer.

(71.6)(a) Married (13.3)(b)

(15.1)(c) Unmarried (0.1)

No response

Married (divorced/widowed) (with spouse)

F7 [With/Without child/children] Do you have any children? Please include grown child/children or child/children who do not live with you.

I have a child/children

I do not have any children (0.1) No response (22.4)



(For those who responded "I have a child/children" in F7.)

SQ [Response Sheet 21][Growth stages of the child/children] Which growth stage is your child/children in? Please choose the answers applicable to all your children. (M.A.)

(N=4,451)

(12.8)(a) Baby, infant, or preschooler

(13.6)(b) Elementary school student

(8.6)(c) Middle school student

(7.9)(d) High school student

(7.5)(e) College, postgraduate, junior college, or vocational school student

(67.3)(f) Has already completed his/her schooling

(0.5)Other (

(0.4)No response

(M.T.=118.6)

(For all respondents)

F8. [No. of years of residence] How many years have you lived in this city (ward/town/village)?

(3.6)(5.6)(8.2)(14.6)(68.0)(0.1)Less than 2 years - Less 5 years - Less 10 years - Less 20 years No response 2 years than 5 years than 10 years than 20 years or more

(17.3)	(64.6)	(12.9)	(3.8)	(1.3)	(0.1)
(a) Satisfied	(b) Somewhat satisfied	(c) Somewhat dissatisfied	(d) Dissatisfied	Neither	I do not know
F10. [Response Shee Do you feel wo	et 23][Troubles and orried or anxious in	•		one answer fro	om the following.
(14.4)	(49.1)	,	5.7)	(10.5)	(0.2)
(a) Yes	(b) To some ext		(c) really	(d) Not at all	I do not know
Please select of	ne answer from the	following.	k is the standard of (19.5)		
-		-	k is the standard of (19.5)	of living for you (4.1)	ur household?
Please select of	ne answer from the	following.			
Please select of (1.6) (a) High	(14.5) (b) Upper-middle	(58.5) (c) Middle	(19.5) (d) Lower-middle	(4.1) (e) Low	(1.7) I do not know
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(M.T.=273.1)

(0.1)

(0.0)

Other (

I do not know

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