General Population Survey												
Question 1: For each of the following statements, please tell me if it describes or does not describe your image of Japan. (%Yes) (MA)												
Note: This question has been asked since 2006.Choice (7) and (8) were added to the survey in 2010.and Choice (4) and (12) were added	0040	0045	2014	2042	0040	0044	0040	0000	0000	0007	2000	
(1) a country that has great tradition and culture	2016 95	2015 96	2014 92	2013 97	2012 97	2011 97	2010 97	2009 96	2008 92	2007 95	2006 94	
(2) a country with a strong economy and high-technology	87	81	86	92	91	91	90	88	91	94	93	
(3) a country that has consistently followed the path of a peace-loving nation since the end of World War II	82	80	81									
(4) a country with a high standard of living (5) a country with beautiful nature	75 84	66 79	81	90	88	85	85	85	80	78	81	
(6) a country that disseminates new culture to the world such as	79	80	78	82	90	88	82	80	73	78	0.	
animation, fashion, and cuisine (7) a country that has shown leadership in global society	59	54	48	66	65	66	62	65	59	64		
(8) a country that currently shares the same values with the United States, such as democracy and liberalism	60	52	58	59	64	59	55					
(9) a country that is conservative and closed	49	46	52	55	46	47	49	45		40	40	
(10) a country that is difficult to understand(11) a country that Americans should be wary of	35 21	42 23	42 25	38 27	39 21	42 26	45 26	45 22	47 31	48 29	49 30	
(12) a militant country	28	30										
Question 2: Which aspects of Japan would you like to know more about? Please select all that apply. Note: This question was added in 2015.	2016	2015										
(1) Politics/ Diplomacy /Security issues	62	52										
(2) Economy (3) Companies/ Business (4) Economic and technical cooperation (Official Development	59 49	53 49										
(4) Economic and technical cooperation (Official Development Assistance-ODA) (5) History	59 69	57 66										
(6) Culture (including traditional, pop, Japanese food, etc) (7) Science/ Technology	72 70	68 65										
(8) Tourism (9) Other	59 34	65 24										
(10) Nothing special	9	10										
Question 3: For each of the following areas of Japanese culture, please tell me if you are interested or not interested in the topic. (MA)												
Note: Choice (16) and (17) were added to the survey in 2015.	0040	0045	0044	0040	0040	0044						
(1) Flower arrangement	2016 46	2015 43	2014 48	2013 52	2012 51	2011 55						
(2) Tea ceremony (3) Traditional Japanese theater (Kabuki, Noh, Kyogen)	47 42	40 38	37 32	40 31	53 37	52 50						
(4) Calligraphy (Shodo)	48	41	41	41	57	63						
(5) Traditional Japanese music (Gagaku, Koto)(6) Japanese literature or Haiku	40 44	36 43	29 35	33 41	48 49	47 52						
(7) Sumo or Japanese martial arts (such as Karate, Judo or Kendo) (8) Bonsai	50 49	48 42	51 43	53 49	62 60	61 62						
(9) Japanese Animation	38	34	41	41	60	58						
(10) Japanese comics (also known as Manga)(11) Video games	23 24	24 27	24 36	21 38	17 35	15 37						
(12) Japanese pop music (13) Japanese fashion	17 39	18 35	16 28	16 34	25 40	22 39						
(14) Japanese movies and dramas (15) Japanese food	35 70	34 69	33 68	39 73	59 86	56 84						
(16) Architecture	66	61	00	73	00	04						
(17) Japanese lifestyle and thought	65	59										
Question 4: From what sources do you acquire information or knowledge? Please select all that apply. Note: This question was added in 2015.	2016	2015										
(1) Television (2) Magazines and books	79 75	82 79										
(3) Newspaper (4) Radio	52 71	61 65										
(5) Website (6) Blog	25 32	24 32										
(7) Email newsletter (8) Facebook, Twitter and other SNS (social networking services)	46 49	47 52										
(9) Video-sharing websites like YouTube (10) Movies	41 56	40 59										
(11) School studies (12) Seminars/symposiums and cultural events	46 66	38 67										
(13) Friends / Family / Relatives (14) Traveling or Studying abroad	50 39	50 38										
Question 5: Which of the following sources do you use or have you used to get information about Japan? (%Yes)												
Note: This question has been asked since 1994. Choice (4) to (8),and												
(11) were added in 2015. (1) Television	2016	2015 71	2014 70	2013 77	2012	2011 82	2010	2009 79	2008	2007	2006 78	2005 78
(2) Magazines/Books	67 62	61	59	58	79 58	59	81 69	71	74 64	80 72	67	62
(3) Newspapers Internet	44	48	45 65	65 69	63 67	65 66	66 57	67 52	63 39	71 43	71 38	70 33
(4) Website (5) Blog	55 17	52 15										
(6) Email newsletter (7) Facebook, Twitter and other SNS (social networking services)	15 30	18 34										
(8) Video-sharing websites like YouTube	36	39										

(9) School studies	31	30	42	47	34	35	54	56	52	51
(10) Movies	47	47	51	27	24	23	40	39	37	40
(11)Seminars/symposiums and cultural events	31	27								
Japanese friends			36	32	26	25	35	33	29	29
(12) Friends/Neighbors	51	44	37	30	24	25	34	31	30	29
(13) Radio	34	32	22	35	42	43	30	30	26	34
(14) Experience in Japan	25	23	13	13	10	10	11	12	12	12
Question 6: How often do you normally access international news or										
information? Please select one response.										
Note: This question was added in 2015.	0040	0045								
(4) Everydey	2016 44	2015 38								
(1) Everyday (2) About 2-3 times a week	18	20								
(3) About once a week	12	13								
(4) About once a month	8	8								
(5) About once in 2-3 months	2	3								
(6) About once in 6 months (7) About once a year	3 1	1 3								
(8) I hardly access international news or information.	11	14								
		• • •								
Question 7: Are you interested in international news or information?										
Note: This question was added in 2015.	2016	2015								
(1) Very interested	44	38								
(2) Somewhat interested	39	44								
(3) Not very interested	9	10								
(4) Not at all interested	8	8								
Question 8-a: Are you studying Japanese or interested in studying the Japanese language?										
Japanese language:	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011				
(1) Yes	2016	2015 15	15	19	2012	23				
(2) No	79	84	85	81	74	77				
Question 8-b: I'm going to read you a list of languages. For each one										
are you interested in learning it or not? Are you interested in learning										
?										
Note: This question has been asked since 2012(Ask only for those who chose <(2) No> for 8-a). This question changed to be asked										
regardless of choises for 8-a and choice (1) and (8) were added in										
redardless of choises for 6-a and choice (1) and (0) were added in	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012					
(1) Japanese	23	19								
(2) Chinese	19	17	11	13	12					
(3) Korean	10	8	3 8	7 13	3					
(4) Arabic (5) French	17 31	16 26	29	30	8 27					
(6) German	26	23	22	23	24					
(7) Spanish	50	43	45	53	57					
(8) Russian	14	12								
(9) Not interested in learning any language	32	38								
Question 8-c: (Note: Ask only for those who chose <1. Japanese>)										
What is the reason to choose Japanese? Please select all that apply.										
Note: This question was added in 2015.										
(4)	2016	2015								
 (1) I would like to visit Japan (2) I would like to travel Japan for sightseeing 	92 88	97 96								
(2) I would like to travel Japan for sightseeing(3) I would like to work in Japan	34	30								
(4) I would like to study in Japan	38	36								
(5) I would like to understand Japanese culture and lifestyle	93	94								
(6) I would like to enjoy Japanese cultural contents (fashion, music,	84	82								
movies. TV dramas. comics and animation)	64	56								
 (7) I would like to communicate with my Japanese friends more (8) Japanese is necessary for my work / business 	9	11								
(9) Japanese can be useful in the future	88	86								
(10) There is a language school close to my home	21	19								
(11) Japanese is a required course in my school	5	8								

 Question 9: In general, how do you view the current level of cooperation between Japan and the Unitted States? Do you think that the current level of cooperation is excellent, good, fair, or poor?

Excellent Good Fair Poor Don't know/Refused	2016 14 48 22 8 7	2015 16 46 29 3 6	2014 16 51 24 5 3	2013 16 42 34 5 3	2012 29 51 17 2 1	2011 26 51 20 2	2010 14 58 24 2	2009 16 57 23 2 2	2008 14 49 27 4 6	2007 13 54 27 4 2	2006 12 51 29 4 4	2005 9 52 33 3 3
Question 10-a: Do you think Japan is a reliable partner for the US? Please select one response.												
Yes	2016 82	2015 73	2014 73	2013 76	2012 84	2011 84	2010 79	2009 80	2008 67	2007 74	2006 69	2005 72
No	11	15	18	10	12	13	16	15	18	21	22	21
Don't know	7	12	9	14	4	3	5	5	15	5	9	7
Question 10-b: Why do you think Japan is a reliable partner? Please select all that apply. Note: Choices were added in 2015.												
	2016	2015										
(1) Good relationship / the countries share the same values(2) Economic ties (investments from Japan, good trade relationship)	76 90	73 85										
(3) Contribution to security (Peace building, anti-terrorism efforts, PKO												
(peacekeeping operations), anti-piracy efforts)	76	68										
(4) Contribution to the stabilization of International order (Rule of law, liberal democracy, free-trade system, etc.)	80	71										
(5) Contribution to stabilization and growth of world economy	83	74										
(6) Attractive culture	74	65										
(7) Development cooperation in the international community	85	58										
(8) Contribution to solutions for global issues (Environment, climate change, infectious diseases, population, poverty, etc.)	75	71										

Question 11: Thinking about international relations, how significant of a role do you think Japan plays in each of the following areas? Do you think Japan play a role that is very significant, somewhat significant, not very significant, or not at all significant?

Note: This question has been asked since 1994. Section (VI) was added in 1995. Section (I) (anti-terrorism efforts), section (VII)(climate change), section (VIII) were added in 2010. Choices were changed from "Yes/No" to "Very significant/Somewhat significant/Not very significant/Not at all significant ". Section (IX) and (X) were added in 2015.

(I) Security (including peace building, anti-terrorism efforts,	PKO
(neacekeening operations), anti-piracy efforts)	

Not very significant

(I) Security (including peace building, anti-terrorism efforts, PKO												
(peacekeeping operations), anti-piracy efforts)	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Yes	2010	2010	2014	2010	2012	2011	32	29	29	33	35	31
Very significant	35	30	22	24	16	19						
Somewhat significant	42	44	42	38	41	39						
Not very significant	12	15	19	21	31	30						
Not at all significant	4	3	7	5	7	6	61	64	60	61	56	64
Don't know/Refused	7	8	10	11	5	6	7	7	11	6	9	5
(II) The United Nations												
()	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011						
Very significant		31	26	29	21	22						
Somewhat significant	32	43	46	42	56	55						
Not very significant	44	10	13	13	14	13						
Not at all significant	9	3	5	7	3	5						
Don't know/Refused	5 10	13	10	10	6	5						
(Ⅲ) Global economy	10											
(,,	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Yes							65	62	53	62	58	53
Very significant	52	48	51	53	50	52						
Somewhat significant	37	40	36	37	42	40						
Not very significant	4	4	7	4	6	4						
Not at all significant	3	3	2	2	1	2	33	36	42	35	38	45
Don't know/Refused	4	5	4	3	1	2	2	2	5	3	4	2
(IV) Official development aid, including assistance to countries such												
as Afghanistan and Iraq												
V	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Yes Very significant	34	23	8	6	7	8	36	34	29	34	36	34
Very significant Somewhat significant	49	47	26	26	32	34						
Not very significant	6	12	29	32	39	36						
Not at all significant	3	4	15	14	11	11	55	55	56	54	52	59
Don't know/Refused	9	14	23	21	11	11	9	11	15	12	12	7
(V)Science and technology	0040	0045	0044	0040	0040	0044	0010			000=	0000	0005
Yes	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010 70	2009 66	2008 60	2007 67	2006 65	2005 57
Very significant	72	69	72	74	75	78	70	00	00	07	00	37
Somewhat significant	21	25	21	19	22	20						
Not very significant	1	2	2	2	1	1						
Not at all significant	2	1	2	3	1	1	30	33	39	32	34	42
Don't know/Refused	3	4	4	3	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
(VI) Cultural exchange												
Yes	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010 60	2009 57	2008 48	2007 58	2006 54	2005 49
Very significant	36	36	38	40	36	39	00	31	40	30	34	43
Somewhat significant	46	45	43	41	54	49						
Not very significant	9	9	9	9	7	8						
Not at all Significant	3	2	4	4	1	2	38	41	47	40	43	49
Don't know/Refused	5	7	5	6	2	2	2	2	5	2	3	2
(Ⅶ)Environment and climate change	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Yes	2010	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	45	41	37	40	41	37
Very significant	34	30	30	32	30	25						
Somewhat significant	39	39	37	36	39	44						
Not very significant	12	13	14	13	18	20						
Not at all significant	6	6	9	9	6	6	50	54	53	53	51	57
Don't know/Refused	9	11	9	10	7	5	5	5	10	7	8	6
(Ⅷ)Nuclear disarmament or non-proliferation												
	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010					
Yes			o=				35					
Very significant	39	30	27 33	28	23	25						
Somewhat significant Not very significant	35 11	35 14	33 17	31 16	41 22	40 23						
Not at all significant	4	7	8	10	6	23 6	27					
Don't know/Refused	11	15	15	15	8	6	38					
(X) Providing Solutions for global issues (including environment, climate change, infectious diseases, population, poverty, etc.)												
omnato onango, micolious discases, population, poventy, etc.)	2016	2015										
Very significant	35	30										
Somewhat significant	44	42										

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Not at all significant	5	5
Don't know/Refused	7	8
(X) Stabilization of international order (including rule of law, liberal democracy, free-trade system, etc.)		
	2016	2015
Very significant	34	27
Somewhat significant	46	46
Not very significant	8	12
Not at all significant	5	7
Don't know/Refused	7	8

Question 12: Thinking about how much the Japanese people and the American people understand each other, do you think they have a good, fair, or poor understanding of each other?

Good Fair Poor Don't know/Refused	2016 43 43 13 2	2015 36 45 15 4	2014 35 48 15 2	2013 37 44 18 1	2012 43 47 9 1	2011 42 50 8 0	2010 43 45 11 1	2009 42 48 9 1	2008 38 43 13 6	2007 36 49 14 1	2006 38 45 15 2	2005 36 47 16 1
Question 13: Now we would like to ask about your view of future Japan-U.S. relations. Thinking of the future, do you think that the United States should be working more closely with Japan, working less closely with Japan, or that their relationship should stay the same?												
	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011						
More Closely	66	53	53	59	44	49						
Less Closely	3	2	5	3	3	3						
Stay the Same	28	40	37	34	52	48						
Don't know/Refused	4	4	4	3								
Question 14: Thinking about ways Japan and the US may improve their relations, which one of the following do you think would be most helpful in improving Japan-U.S. relations? (MA)												
Note: This question has been asked since 1995. The choice "promote cultural exchanges" was added in 1997. Note: 2010 wording change in (2)- "climate change" added and "population control" changed from "populating growth".												
(1) Strengthen economic/trade relations	2016 84	2015 81	2014 26	2013 32	2012 41	2011 42	2010 43	2009 45	2008 36	2007 36	2006 36	2005 38
(2) Encourage cooperation on global issues such as climate change, as well as control and prevention of infectious diseases	84	80	30	29	25	25	25	27	27	30	28	26
(3) Strengthen political/security relations	84	74	18	17	21	19	19	20	20	25	21	25
(4) Promote cultural and people-to-people exchanges	80	74	22	18	10	12	7	7	8	8	12	9
(5) Don't know/Refused	5	3	5	3	3	2	6	1	9	1	3	2

Question 15-a: Do you think that the United States and Japan should closely cooperate in order to ensure peace and security in the Asia-Pacific region? (NEW: 2014)												
Yes, they should cooperate No, they should not cooperate Don't know/Refused	2016 91 6 3	2015 93 3 4	2014 91 5 3									
Question 15-b: Do you think that Japan should play a more proacrtive role in order to ensure peace and security in the Asia-Pacific region? (NEW: 2014)	2016	2015	2014									
Yes, Japan should play a more proactive role No, Japan should not play a more proactive role Don't know/Refused	80 12 8	83 10 7	81 9 11									
Question 16: How much do you think the Japan-U.S. Security Treaty, which allows for the stationing of U.S. Forces in Japan for the security of Japan and for maintaining international peace and security in the Far East, contributes to peace and stability in the region? Do you think it contributes a great deal, a moderate amount, only a little, or not at all?												
Note: This question has been asked since 1996.	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
A great deal A moderate amount Only a little	46 37 7	41 36 13	35 42 14	41 40 10	42 41	43 42	37 44	34 46 14	29 36 18	30 47	25 46 18	27 45 18
Not at all Don't know/Refused	5 5	4 6	3	6 4	11 4 2	11 2 2	13 3 3	3	6	16 4 3	5 6	5 5
Question 17-a: Do you think that the U.S. and Japan should or should not maintain the current Japan-U.S. Security Treaty?												
Note: This question has been asked since 1996.	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Yes, should maintain No, should not maintain Don't know/Refused	82 7 11	81 5 4	81 7 12	67 9 24	89 7 4	92 4 4	90 5 5	87 6 7	78 7 15	87 6 7	85 7 8	86 6 8
Question 17-b: BASE: THINKS US SHOULD MAINTAIN CURRENT TREATY Why do you think so? (OPEN END - top results) (NEW: 2014)												
Important to maintain long-term relationship/cooperation with ally Positive effects/Treaty should stay as is Ensure safety/security Important to maintain peace	2016 19 14 9	2015 25 18 15 9	2014 22 17 23 15									
Question 17-b: BASE: THINKS US SHOULD NOT MAINTAIN CURRENT TREATY Why do you think so? (OPEN END - top results) (NEW: 2014)	0040	0045	004.4									
Japan doesn't need the US/can stand on its own Treaty is not needed/Japan is no threat Japan needs to take responsibility for its own security and military	2016 14 - -	2015 17 15 13	2014 31 12									
Question 18-a: How important do you think the Japan-U.S. Security Treaty is for the security of the United States? Do you think it is very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not important at all?												
Note: This question has been asked since 1996.	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Very important Somewhat important	54 33	48 36	45 38	59 29	54 36	55 34	49 39	49 41	51 33 7	52 37	55 32	50 36
Not too important Not important at all Don't know/Refused	4 4 5	9 6 3	6 4 6	6 3 4	7 3 0	8 2 1	9 2 1	7 1 2	7 4 5	7 3 1	7 3 3	8 3 3
Question 18-b: How important do you think it is to have U.S. Forces in Japan for the security of the United States? Do you think it is very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not important at all?												
Note: This question was added in 2012.	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012							
Very important Somewhat important Not too important Not important at all	46 35 9 7	44 34 11 7	36 40 11 10	42 36 13 6	42 39 14 5							
Don't know/Refused Question 19: Do you think Japan should or should not increase its self-defense capability?	3	4	3	3	0							
Yes, should increase No, should not increase Don't know/Refused	2016 61 28 10	2015 59 25 14	2014 57 28 15	2013 64 24 12	2012 59 37 4	2011 61 35 4	2010 56 37 7	2009 54 38 8	2008 46 39 15	2007 54 40 6	2006 51 39 10	2005 52 41 7

Question20-a: From the following list, which country in Asia do you
think is the most important partner of the United States?

	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
(1) Japan	33	27	46	35	50	31	44	46	43	48	45	48
(2) China	20	25	26	39	39	39	44	39	34	34	33	26
(3) Australia	16	17				11						
(4) South Korea	9	10	13	7	1	7	1	1	1	1	1	1
(5) India	2	4				5						
(6) Russia	7	5	5	5	3	2	3	8	10	8	13	13
Other	-	1	0	5	3	3	2	3	2	1	2	4
None	2	1	1	5	1	0	1	1	2	1	2	1
Don't know/Refused	11	9	8	4	3	2	4	2	8	6	4	6

Note: Choices for each year 2016: Japan, China, Australia, South Korea, India, Russia, Other, None,

2016: Japan, China, Australia, South Korea, India, Russia, Other, None, Don't know/Refused
2015: Japan, China, Australia, South Korea, India, Russia, Other, None, Don't know/Refused
2014: Japan, China, South Korea, Russia, Other, None, Don't

know/Refused 2013: Japan, China, South Korea, Russia, Other, None, Don't

know/Refused

know/Refused 2012: Japan, China, Russia, Some other country, Don't know/Refused 2011: Japan, China, Australia, South Korea, India, Russia, Some other

country, None, Don't know/Refused
2010 and before: Japan, China, Russia, Some other country, Don't know/Refused

Question20-b: Why do you regard this country as the most important partner of the United States? (OPEN END - top Trended results)

Note: This question has been asked since 1995.

Reasons for Japan (1) Political/General ties with U.S. (2) Trade/Economic relations with U.S.	2016 35 26	2015 52 29	2014 63 19	2013 48 39	2012 44 21	2011 29 29	2010 33 28	2009 34 26	2008 37 20	2007 34 22	2006 26 18	2005 28 26
(3) Nation's technology	13	9	6	8	17	15	19	17	24	21	26	24
(4) National qualities (ex. population)	18	18	8	7	8	16	9	11	9	10	18	8
(5) Personal qualities/Culture of people	16	3	11	12	4	3	4	7	5	6	7	4
Reasons for China Trade/Economic relations with U.S.	2016 52	2015 65	2014 71	2013 80	2012 41	2011 43	2010 48	2009 38	2008 26	2007 27	2006 21	2005 22
(2) Nation's technology	1	3	2	5	22	20	22	21	28	19	29	15
(3) National qualities (ex. population)	39	23	22	14	17	19	19	25	17	31	23	34
(4) Political/General ties with U.S.	15	28	28	11	11	11	5	7	19	10	15	20
(5) Personal qualities/Culture of people	2	0	0	2	2	1	2	4	4	5	7	3

Question 21-a: Which of the following countries is the most reliable?

Please select one response.

Note: This question has been asked since 2015.

	2016	2015
(1) Japan	5	3
(2) UK	33	36
(3) France	2	2
(4) Germany	3	7
(5) Italy	0	0
(6) Canada	31	29
(7) Russia	0	0
(8) China	2	3
(9) India	0	0
(10) Brazil	0	0
(11) Mexico	2	1
(12) South Africa	0	0
(13) Australia	2	4
(14) South Korea	1	1
(15) Indonesia	0	0
(16) Saudi Arabia	1	2
(17) Turkey	0	0
(18) Argentine	0	0
(19) Other	1	0
(20) Don't know	-	7

Question 21-b: (Note: Ask only for those who DID NOT choose <1. Japan>) Why do you think the country is the most reliable? Please Note: This question has been asked since 2015.

	2013
(1) Good relationship / the countries share the same values	86
(2) Economic ties (investments, good trade relationship)	78
(3) Contribution to security (Peace building, anti-terrorism efforts, PKO (peacekeeping operations), anti-piracy efforts)	74
(4) Contribution to the stabilization of International order (Rule of law,	75
liberal democracy, free-trade system, etc.)	13
(5) Contribution to stabilization and growth of world economy	70
(6) Attractive culture	64
(7) Development cooperation in the international community	70
(8) Contribution to solutions for global issues (Environment, climate	66
change, infection, population, poverty, etc.)	00
(9) No specific reason	1

Question 22: Which of the following countries is currently considered to be an important partner for the US? Note: This question has been asked since 2015.

	2016	2015
(1) Japan	76	66
(2) UK	79	76
(3) France	62	54
(4) Germany	69	62
(5) Italy	52	47
(6) Canada	79	74
(7) Russia	34	27
(8) China	57	42
(9) India	51	44

 (10) Brazil (11) Mexico (12) South Africa (13) Australia (14) South Korea (15) Indonesia (16) Saudi Arabia (17) Turkey (18) Argentina (19) Others 	40 61 40 67 63 29 44 37 33	36 45 29 56 51 25 36 33 26
	33	
(20) No idea	-	4

Question 23:Which of the following countries would be considered to be an important partner for the US IN THE FUTURE? Please select all Note: This question has been asked since 2015.

	2016	2015
(1) Japan	81	68
(2) UK	82	71
(3) France	72	58
(4) Germany	77	67
(5) Italy	63	52
(6) Canada	83	70
(7) Russia	54	48
(8) China	70	59
(9) India	68	53
(10) Brazil	58	48
(11) Mexico	72	54
(12) South Africa	57	45
(13) Australia	74	61
(14) South Korea	70	57
(15) Indonesia	47	37
(16) Saudi Arabia	55	45
(17) Turkey	50	43
(18) Argentina	48	40
(19) Others	-	11
(20) No idea	-	3

Question 24:How do you value Japan's performance as a peaceloving nation for 70 years since the end of World War II? Note: This question has been asked since 2015.

		2016	2015
(1)	Value highly	68	57
(2)	Value partially	19	30
(3)	Value less	6	6
(4)	Not value at all	3	3
(5)	Don't know	3	3

Question 25: When Prime Minister Shinzo Abe describes his security policy, he says that the goal is to proactively contribute even further to the peace and stability of the Asia-Pacific region and the international community from the perspective of "Proactive Contribution to Peace", based on the principle of international cooperation. Do you think this policy is valuable for maintaining global peace and international order? Please select one response.

Ulue	er riease select one response.	
		2015
(1)	Valuable	62
(2)	Rather valuable	24
(3)	Rather not valuable	6
(4)	Not valuable at all	4
(5)	Don't know/Refused	4

Opinion Leaders Survey												
Question 1: Which of the following sources do you use or have you used to get information about Japan? (% Yes)												
Note: This question has been asked since 1994. Choice $(4),(5),(6),(7),(8)$ were added in 2015.												
(1) Newspapers (2) Magazines/Books (3) Television Internet (4) Website (5) Blog (6) Email newsletters	2016 48 40 53 52 14 23	2015 67 66 74 69 13 28	2014 67 56 67 81	2013 85 82 76 80	2012 80 77 75 83	2011 81 76 72 82	2010 83 83 76 61	2009 85 81 73 65	2008 86 86 75 58	2007 89 83 72 60	2006 90 89 80 56	2005 89 85 71 50
(7) Facebook, Twitter and other SNS (social networking services) (8) Video-sharing websites like YouTube (9) School studies (10) Radio (Japanese friends)	32 27 24 35	34 27 30 50	20 41 25	38 52 33	35 52 38	36 51 43	60 53 49	59 49 45	61 46 44	61 48 46	62 48 52	51 46 53
(11) Seminars/ symposiums / cultural events (12) Friends/Neighbors (13) Movies (14) Experience in Japan	21 30 29 19	37 49 34	25 26 15	27 21 18	24 18 23	31 19 23	41 33 27	34 34 22	39 30 28	38 32 24	41 40 31	41 30 30
Question 2: In general, how do you view the current level of cooperation between Japan and the United States? Do you think that the current level of cooperation is excellent. aood. fair. or poor?	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Excellent Good Fair Poor Don't know/Refused	14 44 25 8 11	20 55 20 1 6	12 58 25 2 5	21 65 12 1	31 58 9 1	31 56 12 0	16 70 10 3	20 61 15 1	17 68 12 2	26 60 11 0 3	23 62 12 0	19 64 14 1 2
Question 3: Which country or region in Asia do you think shares values most closely with the United States?												
Japan China Russia Australia India	2016 50 7 5	2015 15 2 0 67 2	2014 52 4 1	2013 52 1 3	2012 76 3 2 2	2011 9 1 0 78 2						
South Korea Other Don't know/Refused Note: Choices for each year 2016: Japan, China, Russia, Australia, India, Souh Korea, Other, Don't know/Refused 2015: Japan, China, Australia, India, Souh Korea, Other, Don't	28 4 8	12 1 3	38 1 5	36 1 6	6	10						
know/Refused 2014: Japan, China, South Korea, Russia, Other, Don't know/Refused 2013: Japan, China, South Korea, Russia, Other, Don't know/Refused 2012: Japan, China, Russia, Other, Don't know/Refused 2011: Japan. China. Russia. Australia. India. South Korea. Other.												
Question 4-a: Please tell me whether or not you think Japan is a reliable partner of the US?	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Yes No Don't know/Refused	86 7 7	83 12 6	90 7 3	93 5 2	90 8 2	90 8 2	90 9 1	91 7 2	92 6 2	91 5 4	91 4 5	90 6 4
Question 4-b: Why do you think Japan is a reliable partner of the US?												
Note: Choices were added in 2015. Multiple choices allowed. (1) Good relationship / the countries share the same values (2) Economic ties (investments from Japan, good trade relationship) (3) Contribution to security (Peace building, anti-terrorism efforts, PKO (peacekeeping operations). anti-piracy efforts) (4) Contribution to the stabilization of International order (Rule of law, liberal democracy, free-trade system, etc.) (5) Contribution to stabilization and growth of world economy (6) Attractive culture (7) Development cooperation in the international community (8) Contribution to solutions for global issues (Environment, climate change, infectious diseases, population, poverty, etc.)	2016 64 83 51 53 65 52 59	2015 83 95 74 81 92 84 67 73										

Question 5: Thinking about international relations, how significant of a role do you think Japan plays in each of the following areas? Do you think Japan plays a role that is very significant, somewhat significant, not very significant, or not at all significant?

Note: This question has been asked since 1994. Section (VI) was added in 1995. Section (I) (anti-terrorism efforts), section (VII)(climate change), section (VIII) were added in 2010. Choices were changed from "Yes/No" to "Very significant/Somewhat significant/Not very significant/Not at all significant ". Section (IX) and (X) were added in 2015

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(I) Consumity (in all ading a constant published and townships offerts DKO			2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2006	2007	2000	2003
(I)Security (including peace building, anti-terrorism efforts, PKO (peacekeeping operations), anti-piracy efforts)												
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Yes	2010	2010	20	20.0	2012	2011	56	45	41	43	45	39
Very significant	25	26	18	19	12	14						
Somewhat significant	48	50	51	41	49	45						
Not very significant	15	20	25	31	31	36						
Not at all significant	4	2	2	2	3	3						
Don't know/Refused	9	3	5	7	5	2						
(II)The United Nations												
	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Very significant	07	00	18 57	23	25	20						
Somewhat significant Not very significant	27 52	23 56	17	54 12	55 14	56 18						
Not at all significant	11	15	2	2	3	2						
Don't know/Refused	4	3	6	8	3	4						
	7	5										
(Ⅲ)Global economy	0040	0045	0044	0040	0010	0011	0010			000=	0000	0005
Yes	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010 96	2009 96	2008 96	2007 96	2006 97	2005 97
Very significant	57	59	61	64	58	65	30	30	30	30	01	01
Somewhat significant	37	40	37	32	38	33						
Not very significant	2	2	2	1	3	2						
Not at all significant	3	0	0		1	0						
Don't know/Refused	3	1	1	2	0	0						
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(IV)Official development aid, including assistance to countries such as Afghanistan and Iraq												
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Somewhat significant	53	56	38	29	46	40						
Not very significant	9	10	36	36	34	40						
Not at all significant	2	2	4	9	6	7						
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Question 6: Thinking about how much the Japanese people and American people understand each other, do you think they have good, fair, or poor understanding of each other?	

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Question 7: Now we would like to ask about your view of future Japan- U.S. relations. Thinking of the future, do you think that the United States should be working more closely with Japan, working less closely with Japan, or that their relationship should stay the same?												
Note: This question has been asked since 2011. More closely Less closely Stay the same Don't know/Refused	2016 62 3 33 4	2015 38 54 8 1	2014 63 2 35 0	2013 52 1 45 2	2012 43 1 55	2011 46 3 50 1						
Question 8: Thinking about ways Japan and the US may improve their relations, which one of the following do you think would be most helpful in improving Japan-U.S.relations?												
Note: This question has been asked since 1995. The word "climate change" was added in choice (2), and the word " people-to-people" was added in choice (4).	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
(1) Strengthen economic/trade relations (2) Encourage cooperation on global issues such as climate change, as well as control and prevention of infectious diseases	34 25	34	37 29	44 27	49	46	55 18	47 29	40	36 29	44 27	50 28
Strengthen political/security relations Promote cultural and people-to-people exchanges Don't know/Refused	14 21 6	19 17 2	18 14 3	16 11 1	20 8 1	16 16 0	18 8 1	19 4 1	24 4 1	26 8 1	20 8 1	16 6 0
Question 9: Thinking about Japan and the U.S. relations in the field of high technology, do you feel that in the future, Japan and the U.S. will COOPERATE with each other more, that they will COMPETE more, or that there will be no change?												
Note: This question has been asked since 1994.	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
Cooperate more Compete more Don't know/Refused No change	34 36 3 28	33 29 2 37	29 33 3 3 35	33 31 1 34	29 27 2 42	29 34 37	57 39 4	66 31 3	51 44 5	52 42 6	60 38 2	49 47 4
Question 10: Which of the following policies should Japan particularly address in order to deepen the economic relationship between Japan and the United States? Do you think Japan should (% Yes) (MA)												
Note: This question has been asked since 2010. Multiple choices have been allowed since 2014.												
(1) Cooperate in negotioation of the Trans-Pacific Partnership (2) Sign and ratify a free-trade agreement with the U.S. [NOT ASKED IN 2013&2014]	2016 57	2015 78	2014 88	2013 92	2012 86 86	2011 81 83						
(3) Promote technological cooperation, such as clean energy and	86	90	91	95	88	89						
high-speed railway systems (4) Other	21	27	23	49	30	30						
(5) Develop natural resources such as shale gas	57	52	61	57								
Question 11: Thinking about the high-speed railway system in the United States, do you think the U.S. should adopt Japan's high-speed railway system, adopt another country's high-speed railway system, or that it should not adopt any high-speed railway system at all?												
Note: This question was added in 2010.	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010					
(1) The U.S. should adopt the Japanese high-speed railway system (2) The U.S. should not adopt any high-speed railway system (3) The U.S. should adopt another country's railway system (4) Other/Don't know/Refused	48 22 11 20	48 18 12 24	47 17 14 23	41 14 11 33	41 28 13	34 28 14 24	49 23 12 16					
Question 12-a: Do you think that Japan and the United States should closely cooperate for peace and security in the Asia-Pacific region?												
Yes, they should cooperate No, they should not cooperate Don't know / Refused	2016 96 3 2	2015 100 1 0	2014 97 2 2									
Question 12-b: Do you think that Japan should play a more proacrtive role for peace and security in the Asia-Pacific region? (NEW: 2014)	2040	2045	204.4									
Yes, Japan should play a more proactive role No, Japan should not play a more proactive role Don't know / Refused	2016 85 10 6	2015 88 9 4	2014 88 7 6									

Question 13: How much do you think the Japan-U.S. Security Treaty, which allows for the stationing of U.S. Forces in Japan and for maintaining international peace and security in the Far East, contributes to peace and stability in the region? Do you think it contributes a great deal, a moderate amount, only a little, or not at all?

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Cousion 14-b: BASE: SHOULD MAINTAIN TREATY With you bit his so? (OPEN END - top results) (NEW 2014) With you bit his so? (OPEN END - top results) (NEW 2014) With you bit his so? (OPEN END - top results) (NEW 2014) With you bit his so? (OPEN END - top results) (NEW 2014) With you bit his so? (OPEN END - top results) (NEW 2014) With you bit his so? (OPEN END - top results) (NEW 2014) With you bit his so? (OPEN END - top results) (NEW 2014) With you bit his so? (OPEN END - top results) (NEW 2014) With you bit his so? (OPEN END - top results) (NEW 2014) With you bit his so? (OPEN END - top results) (NEW 2014) With you be uniformated by which were presented by the security of the United States? Do you think it is very large in the security of the United States? Do you think it is very large in the security of the United States? Do you think it is very large in the security of the United States? Do you think it is very large in the security of the United States? Do you think it is very large in the security of the United States? Do you think it is very large in the security of the United States? Do you think it is very large in the security of the United States? Do you think it is very large in the security of the United States? Do you think it is very large in the security of the United States? Do you think it is very large in the security of the United States? Do you think it is very large in the security of the United States? Do you think it is very large in the security of the United States? Do you think it is very large in the security of the United States? Do you think it is very large in the security of the United States? Do you think it is very large in the security of the United States? Do you think it is very large in the security of the United States? Do you think it is very large in the security of the United States? Do you think it is very large in the security of the United States? Do you think it is very large in the security of the United States? Do you think it is very large i													
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Page													
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Question 17-a: Do you think Japan should or should not become a permanent member of the United Nations Security Council?												
Note: This question has been asked since 2007. Yes, it should become a member No. it should not become a member	2016 69 18	2015 69 24	2014 66 20	2013 76 16	2012 58 40	2011 50 46	2010 56 41	2009 57 39	2008 49 47	2007 52 42		
Don't know/Refused	13	8	15	7	2	4	3	4	4	6		
Question 17-b: For each of the statements that I'm about to read, please tell me if it is or is not a reason why you think Japan should become a permanent member of the United Nations Security Council. (% Yes)												
Note: This question has been asked since 2007. Choice (6) was added in 2014. $ \label{eq:continuous} $	0040	0045	0044	0040	0040					0007		
(1) Japan can be expected to make a larger contribution to world peace and security after becoming a permanent member of the United Nations	2016 91	2015 97	2014 94	2013 91	2012 90	2011 95	2010 93	2009 93	2008 95	2007 96		
(2) Japan shares common values with the United States, such as democracy and human rights	80	87	86	86	91	95	93	89	84	87		
(3) Japan has a big economy, and this will strengthen the effectiveness of the United Nations Security Council	86	85	90	87	86	90	88	92	92	87		
(4) Japan is a dependable ally	88	88	90	92	89	87	88	92	88	87		
(5) Japan currently contributes to world peace and security	72	80	77	82	73	82	78	74	71	75		
(6) Other (NEW: 2014)	20	18	20									
Question 17-c: For each of the following statements that I am about to read, please tell me if it is or is not a reason why you do not think Japan should become a permanent member of the United Nations Security Council. (% Yes)												
Note: This question was added to the survey in 2008. Choice (5) was added in 2009.												
	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008			
(1) Japan does not provide enough personnel to Peacekeeping Operations (PKO) and other multinational forces	56	57	48	45	57	65	69	67	64			
(2) Japan will not make sufficient contributions to world peace and security through the United Nations Security Council	47	43	43	33	40	46	59	59	52			
(3) Japan's permanent membership may involve other countries' attainment of permanent membership although they may not be fully qualified to bear major responsibility for maintaining international peace and security	56	74	63	58	59	61	57	62	60			
(4) No increase should be made to the number of UN Security Council permanent members	72	64	73	76	51	49	54	52	53			
(5) Some countries are better qualified than Japan to become a permanent member of the Security Council [NOT ASKED IN 2013 & 2014]	NA	0 N	1/A 1	N/A	40	47	52	67	-			
Question18-a: From the following list, which country in Asia do you think is the most important partner of the United States?												
(1) China (2) Japan (3) Australia (4) South Korea	2016 21 34 14 13	2015 19 48 13 6	2014 24 58	2013 43 39	2012 54 40 0 1	2011 46 28 10 8	2010 56 36	2009 42 44	2008 38 54	2007 38 53	2006 43 47	2005 38 48
(5) India (6) Russia	5	3	1	1	1	7 0	1	8	5	5	4	9
Other None	3 1	3 1	0 1	1	1 1	1 0	6 1	3 1	2 0	3 0	4 0	5 0
Don't know/Refused Note: Choices for each year	7	5	5	1	1	0	0	2	1	1	2	0
2016: Japan, China, South Korea, Russia, India, Australia, Other, None, Don't know/Refused												
2015: Japan, China, South Korea, Russia, India, Australia, Other, None, Don't Know/Refused												
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2013: Japan, China, South Korea, Russia, Other, None, Don't know/Refused												
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2010 and before: Japan, China, Russia, Some other country, Don't know/Refused												

Question18-b: Why do you regard this country as the most important partner of the United States? (OPEN END - top 5 results)

Note: This question has been asked since 1995.

Reasons for Japan	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
(1) Political/General ties with U.S.	31	54	59	61	55	34	52	37	49	43	38	39
(2) Trade/Economic relations with U.S.	33	55	37	56	19	36	20	27	23	24	31	30
(3) Nation's technology	13	8	6	8	9	14	10	14	14	17	15	14
(4) National qualities (ex. population)	25	19	14	6	13	13	9	15	9	11	12	14
(5) Personal qualities/Culture of people	10	24	22	19	1	-	2	2	3	2	4	2
(6) Other	4	8	7		2	2	6	5	2	3	0	1
Reasons for China	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005
 Reasons for China (1) Trade/Economic relations with U.S. 	2016 54	2015 79	2014 68	2013 78	2012 37	2011 43	2010 34	2009 31	2008 32	2007 27	2006 32	2005 33
(1) Trade/Economic relations with U.S.	54	79	68		37	43	34	31	32	27	32	33
(1) Trade/Economic relations with U.S.(2) Nation's technology	54 5	79 0	68 4	78 1	37 26	43 16	34 23	31 20	32 21	27 17	32 18	33 14
(1) Trade/Economic relations with U.S.(2) Nation's technology(3) National qualities (ex. population)	54 5 44	79 0 34	68 4 49	78 1 35	37 26 24	43 16 26	34 23 25	31 20 33	32 21 34	27 17 42	32 18 29	33 14 39