

## FY2025 Domestic Public Opinion Survey on Japan' s Diplomacy

1 Diplomacy toward the United States: Areas in which relations should be strengthened (multiple answers allowed)

- 1st: Security, counter terrorism, nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation : 55.0%
- 2nd: Economy, trade and finance : 48.2%
- 3rd: Economic security : 37.8%

2 Do you think the security environment surrounding the East Asian region is becoming increasingly severe in recent years?

- Yes : 79.3%
- No : 16.3%

2-2 (For those who selected "Yes" in Question 2) Ways to prevent the deterioration of the security environment (multiple answers allowed)

- 1st: Strengthening cooperation with the U.S., an ally, and friendly countries, including European countries and Australia : 59.3%
- 2nd: Reinforcement of Japan' s own defense capabilities : 52.7%
- 3rd: Diplomatic efforts through dialogues : 42.7%

3 Diplomacy toward China: Points that Japan should particularly focus on (multiple answers allowed)

- 1st: Taking a strong stance on intrusions into Japan' s territorial sea, etc. : 52.9%
- 2nd: Ensuring the peace and stability of the region and the international community : 46.7%
- 3rd: Ensuring the safety and security of Japanese residents in China : 31.4%

4 Diplomacy toward the Republic of Korea: Cooperation that Japan should particularly promote (multiple answers allowed)

- 1st: Security, including the issues regarding North Korea : 53.7%
- 2nd: Economy and finance : 39.8%
- 3rd: People-to-people exchange and cultural exchange : 36.9%

5 Response to the situation in Ukraine: Policy areas that Japan should focus on (multiple answers allowed)

- 1st: Enhancing coordination with the international community, including the G7 : 67.1%
- 2nd: Strengthening support for Ukraine : 35.6%
- 3rd: Promoting the acceptance of evacuees from Ukraine to Japan : 25.9%

6 Diplomacy toward Central Asia: Areas in which cooperation should be promoted (multiple answers allowed)

- 1st: Cooperation in the field of resources and energy (including energy security) : 54.9%
- 2nd: Trade and investment by Japanese companies : 43.5%
- 3rd: Development cooperation for Central Asia : 36.5%

7 Diplomacy toward the Middle East: Points in which Japan should particularly promote involvement (multiple answers allowed)

- 1st: Ensuring the security of Japanese residents and companies in the country : 51.1%
- 2nd: Lower tensions, including through cooperation with countries outside the region : 41.4%
- 2nd: Energy security, including securing the safety of navigation : 41.4%
- 3rd: Providing Humanitarian assistance, including refugee support, and recovery and reconstruction assistance : 36.4%

8 Diplomacy toward Africa, including TICAD: Points that Japan should particularly focus on (multiple answers allowed)

- 1st: Cooperation in economic fields, including promoting business and investment of Japanese companies : 51.3%
- 2nd: Solving regional social issues such as poverty, disasters, and infectious diseases : 49.7%
- 3rd: Ensuring regional peace and stability, such as conflicts, terrorism, and humanitarian crises : 38.4%

9 United Nations diplomacy (70th anniversary of Japan's membership in the United Nations): Points that Japan should focus on (multiple answers allowed)

- 1st: Efforts related to peace and security (including sanctions against North Korea and participation in UN Peacekeeping Operations (PKO)) : 46.2%
- 2nd: Efforts toward UN Reform (including the Security Council reform) : 40.4%
- 3rd: Efforts to eliminate nuclear weapons : 38.4%

10 Official Development Assistance (ODA): Benefits for Japan (multiple answers allowed)

- 1st: Securing a stable supply of resources and food : 50.3%
- 2nd: Peace, stability, and further prosperity of Japan through the peace and prosperity of the international community as a whole : 47.3%
- 3rd: Boosting exports of Japanese products through increased purchasing power of ODA recipient countries : 35.7%

11 Foreign information manipulation: Aware or not aware of spread of disinformation

- Aware : 68.0%
- Not aware : 26.6%

11-2 (For those who selected "Aware" in Question 11) Ways for distinguishing between true and false information (multiple answers allowed)

- 1st: Checking information from the Government of Japan : 50.3%
- 2nd: Checking information from Japanese media (newspapers, magazines, television, and radio) : 44.0%
- 3rd: Checking information from Japanese media (internet and app-based news sites) : 43.8%