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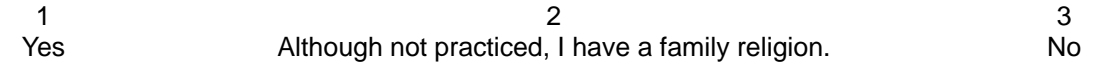


Q8 What do you think of the following opinions?

		Agree	Somewhat agree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree
<b>OPPTREG</b>	A Pet-keeping should be more strictly regulated. ----->	1 .....	2 .....	3 .....	4 .....
<b>OPPTCALM</b>	B Pets comfort and relax me. ----->	1 .....	2 .....	3 .....	4 .....
<b>OPPTKILL</b>	C Pets suffering from an incurable diseases should be euthanized. ----->	1 .....	2 .....	3 .....	4 .....

Q9-1 Do you follow a religion?

**DORL**



Q9-2 Please name the religion.  
**XXRL**  
(Please specify )

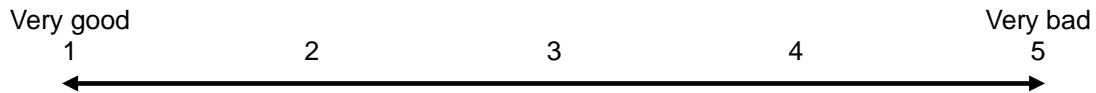
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Q9-3 How would you describe yourself as a religious follower?  
**DO3PIOUS**

1 Very devoted  
2 Devoted to a certain degree  
3 Not very devoted

Q10 How would you rate your health condition?

**OP5HLTHE**



Q11-1 Currently, do you have any of the following symptoms? Choose all that apply.

<b>HAATOPI</b> 1	<b>HAKAFUN</b> 2	<b>HAZENSOK</b> 3	<b>HAFOOD</b> 4	<b>HANONE</b> 5
Atopic dermatitis	Hay fever	Asthma	Food allergy	None

Q11-2 Currently, does anyone in your family living with you have any of the following symptoms? Choose all that apply.

<b>FAATOPI</b> 1	<b>FAKAFUN</b> 2	<b>FAZENSOK</b> 3	<b>FAFOOD</b> 4	<b>FANONE</b> 5	<b>FANOFF</b> 6
Atopic dermatitis	Hay fever	Asthma	Food allergy	None	Not living with anyone

Q12 During the past 5 years how many traumatic events (such as divorce, unemployment, hospitalization, disabilities, death of someone close to you) have happened to you?

**XTRAUM5Y**

0 None	1 Once	2 Twice	3 Three times	4 Four or more times
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Q13-1 Have you ever looked after any family member who needed nursing care (for one month or longer)?

**XCARE**

1 No	2 Currently looking after someone	3 Have done so in the past
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Q13-2 Whose care have you done? Choose all that apply.

<b>XC2SS</b>	<b>XC2PM</b>	<b>XC2SSPM</b>	<b>XC2OTHR</b>
1	2	3	4
Spouse	Your parent(s)	Spouse's parent(s)	Other family members(    )

Q14 How much satisfaction do you get from the following areas of life? (Circle a number as in the example.)

		Satisfied	←	→	Dissatisfied	
	(Example)	1	2	3	4	5
<b>ST5AREAY</b>	A Place you live in	1	2	3	4	5
<b>ST5LEISY</b>	B Your non-work activities	1	2	3	4	5
<b>ST5LIFEY</b>	C Your family life	1	2	3	4	5
<b>ST5ECNY</b>	D The current financial situation of your household	1	2	3	4	5
<b>ST5FRIY</b>	E Your friendships	1	2	3	4	5
<b>ST5HLTHY</b>	F Your health and physical condition	1	2	3	4	5
<b>ST5SSREL</b>	G Relationship with your spouse	1	2	3	4	5
					6	I don't have a spouse.

Q15 All things considered, how satisfied are you with your life as a whole these days?

**STALLF**

Very satisfied					Very dissatisfied
1	2	3	4	5	

The following are questions regarding your thinking about your living circumstances and politics.

Q16-1 In which of following do you live?

**OWNHOUSE**

- 1 Own house (including a house owned by your parents or other family members)
- 2 Rented house owned private company
- 3 Company house or house for government employees
- 4 Rented public house of a public corporation
- 5 Others (    )



Q23 Generally speaking, how important do you think the following are for children?

		Very Important	Important	Somewhat important	Not important
<b>IMEDLSSN</b>	A Taking lessons after-school ----->	1 .....	2 .....	3 .....	4 .....
<b>IMEDCRAM</b>	B Going to cram school or preparatory school ----->	1 .....	2 .....	3 .....	4 .....
<b>IMEDUNIV</b>	C Getting into university ----->	1 .....	2 .....	3 .....	4 .....
<b>IMEDHRU</b>	D Getting into a relatively high-ranking university ----->	1 .....	2 .....	3 .....	4 .....

Q24 What do you think of the following views on education?

		Agree	Somewhat agree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree
<b>OP4EDJOB</b>	A A person with a superior academic career can obtain the job he/she wants. ----->	1 .....	2 .....	3 .....	4 .....
<b>OP4EDINC</b>	B A person with a superior academic career will obtain a higher income. --->	1 .....	2 .....	3 .....	4 .....
<b>OP4EDMG</b>	C A person with a superior academic career has better marriage prospects.>	1 .....	2 .....	3 .....	4 .....

Q25 When a person has a fatal disease (that cannot be cured), do you think doctors should be allowed by law to end the patient's life by some painless means if the patient and his/her family request it?

**QDDKILLA**

1	2	3
Yes	No	Don't know

Q26 Where would you place your political views on a 5-point scale?

**OP5RADCA**

Conservative					Progressive
1	2	3	4	5	

←-----→

Q27 Currently, which political party do you support? Choose one that applies.

**XX8PLPTY**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Liberal Democratic Party	Democratic Party of Japan	New <i>Komeito</i>	Japanese Communist Party	Social Democratic Party	Other party ( )	There is no particular party I support.	Don't know

You will be now asked the questions about relationship between parents and children.

Q28 If you were to have only one child, would you prefer a boy or a girl?

**APPCCSXE**

1 Boy	2 Girl	3 No preference
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Q29 What do you think is the ideal number of children for a family to have?

**APPCCNUM**

0	1	2	3	4	5
None	One	Two	Three	Four	Five or more (Please specify )

**APPCCNMX**



Q35 To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

A The authority of father in a family should be respected under any circumstances.

**Q7FFAUTH**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Strongly agree	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree

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B Children must make efforts to do something that would bring honor to their parents.

**Q7FFHNR**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Strongly agree	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree

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C The eldest son should inherit a larger share of the property.

**Q7FFMAN**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Strongly agree	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree

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D A child who has taken good care of parents should inherit a larger share of the property.

**Q7FFCARE**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Strongly agree	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree

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E To continue the family line, one must have at least one son.

**Q7FFNDMN**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Strongly agree	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree

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F One should take good care of the ancestral grave and pass on the next generation.

**Q7FFGRV**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Strongly agree	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree

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Q36 To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

A If husband's family and wife's family need help at the same time, a married woman should help husband's family first.

**Q7PRMAN**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Strongly agree	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree

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B One must put familial well-being and interest before one's own.

**Q7PRFF**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Strongly agree	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree

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Q37-1 You will be now asked questions about relationship between yourself and your parents. Are your parents alive now?

**PMDTH**

1 Both of them are alive. 2 Only father is alive. 3 Only mother is alive. 4 Both of them are deceased.

Q37-2 How frequently did you do each of the following things to your own parent(s) for the last 12 months?

You---->Own Parent(s) Very frequently Often Sometimes Seldom Not at all  
**HLPE2PM** A Providing financial support-----> 1 ..... 2 ..... 3 ..... 4 ..... 5  
**HLPP2PM** B Taking care of household chores  
 (e.g., cleaning, meal preparation,  
 shopping, running errands, etc.) or  
 health care-----> 1 ..... 2 ..... 3 ..... 4 ..... 5

Q37-3 How frequently did your own parent(s) do each of the following things to you for the last 12 months?

Own Parent(s)---->You Very frequently Often Sometimes Seldom Not at all  
**HLPEFPM** A Providing financial support-----> 1 ..... 2 ..... 3 ..... 4 ..... 5  
**HLPPFPM** B Taking care of household chores  
 (e.g., cleaning, meal preparation,  
 shopping, running errands, etc.) or  
 child care-----> 1 ..... 2 ..... 3 ..... 4 ..... 5

Q37-4 How would you rate your parents' health condition?

Very good Very bad Deceased  
**PPHLTH** Your father-----> 1 2 3 4 5 6  
**MMHLTH** Your mother-----> 1 2 3 4 5 6

The following are questions regarding marriage and relationship between husband and wife.

Q38 To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

A Husband should be older than wife.

**Q7MGOLD**

1 Strongly agree 2 Agree 3 Somewhat agree 4 Neither agree nor disagree 5 Somewhat disagree 6 Disagree 7 Strongly disagree

B It is not necessary to have children in a marriage.

**Q7MGCC**

1 Strongly agree 2 Agree 3 Somewhat agree 4 Neither agree nor disagree 5 Somewhat disagree 6 Disagree 7 Strongly disagree

C Married men are generally happier than unmarried men.

**Q7MGMNHP**

1 Strongly agree 2 Agree 3 Somewhat agree 4 Neither agree nor disagree 5 Somewhat disagree 6 Disagree 7 Strongly disagree

D Married women are generally happier than unmarried women.

**Q7MGWNHP**

1 Strongly agree 2 Agree 3 Somewhat agree 4 Neither agree nor disagree 5 Somewhat disagree 6 Disagree 7 Strongly disagree

E It is all right for a couple to live together without intending to get married.

**Q7MGCOH**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Strongly agree	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree

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F People who want to divorce must wait until children are grown up.

**Q7MGDVCC**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Strongly agree	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree

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G Divorce is usually the best solution when a couple can't seem to work out their marriage.

**Q7MGDVGD**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Strongly agree	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree

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Q39 What do you think a couple should do with their surname when they get married?

**OP4NAME**

- 1 The wife should take her husband's surname without question.
  - 2 It is preferred for a wife to take her husband's surname under current conditions.
  - 3 The couple should claim a common surname, however, it is up to them to decide whose name they will keep.
  - 4 There is no need for either to change their names.
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Q40 To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

A It is more important for a wife to help her husband's career than to pursue her own career.

**Q7WWHPHH**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Strongly agree	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree

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B A husband's job is to earn money; a wife's job is to look after the home and family.

**Q7WWHHX**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Strongly agree	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree

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C Men ought to do a larger share of household work than they do now.

**Q7WWMNCK**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Strongly agree	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree

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D During economic recession, it is all right for women to be laid-off than prior to men.

**Q7WWLOFF**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Strongly agree	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree

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Q41 To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

A It is better for children to keep contact with parents even after they got divorced.

**OPDVCNT**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Strongly agree	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree

B One can bring up children-in-law as well as his/her own children.

**OPDVSTEP**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Strongly agree	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree

C Children can be brought up properly even by a single parent.

**OPDVSGL**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Strongly agree	Agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree

You will be asked questions about your family life.

Q42 How often do you and your family have a supper together? (Family here indicates family members who are currently living together with you.)

**FQFFDNRE**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Almost everyday	Several times a week	About once a week	About once a month	Several times a year	About once a year	Less than once a year	Not living with any family members

Q43 How often do you and your family do leisure activities together? (Family here indicates family members who are currently living together with you.)

**FQFFLSR**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Almost everyday	Several times a week	About once a week	About once a month	Several times a year	About once a year	Less than once a year	Not living with any family members

Q44 How often does your family make use of the following for supper? If you live alone, please answer about your own condition.

		Almost everyday	Several times a week	About once a week	About once a month	Several times a year	About once a year	Never
<b>FQFDOUT</b>	A Eating out at restaurants ----->	1.....	2.....	3.....	4.....	5.....	6.....	7
<b>FQFDBOX</b>	B Boxed meals on the market ---->	1.....	2.....	3.....	4.....	5.....	6.....	7
<b>FQFDFRZN</b>	C Delicatessen or frozen meal --->	1.....	2.....	3.....	4.....	5.....	6.....	7

Q45 Have you ever got married? If so, how many times have you got married?

**XMARRY**

I have married  times. I have never married. →

This is the end of the survey. Thank you very much for your kind cooperation.

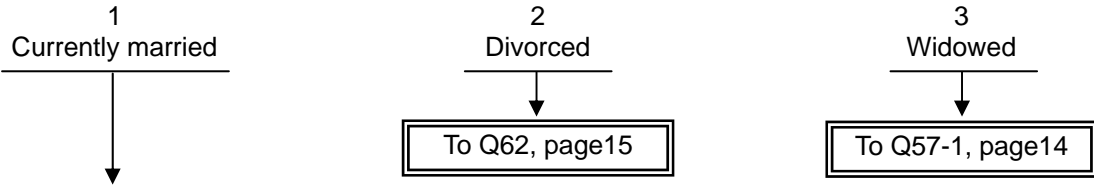
**NUMMARRY**

Q46 How old were you when you got married? If you have married plural times, please answer for each.

<b>AGE1MG</b>	<b>AGE2MG</b>	<b>AGE3MG</b>	<b>AGE4MG</b>
1st time <input type="text"/> yrs	2nd time <input type="text"/> yrs	3rd time <input type="text"/> yrs	4th time <input type="text"/> yrs

Q47 Are you married now?

**DOMARRYZ**



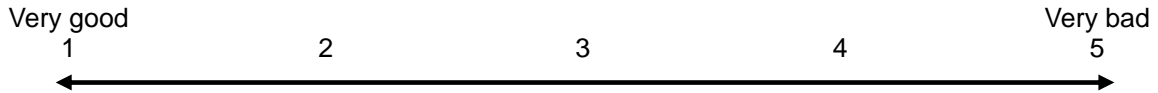
Q48 How old is your spouse?

**SPAGEZ**

yrs

Q49 How would you rate your spouse's health condition?

**SS5HLTHE**

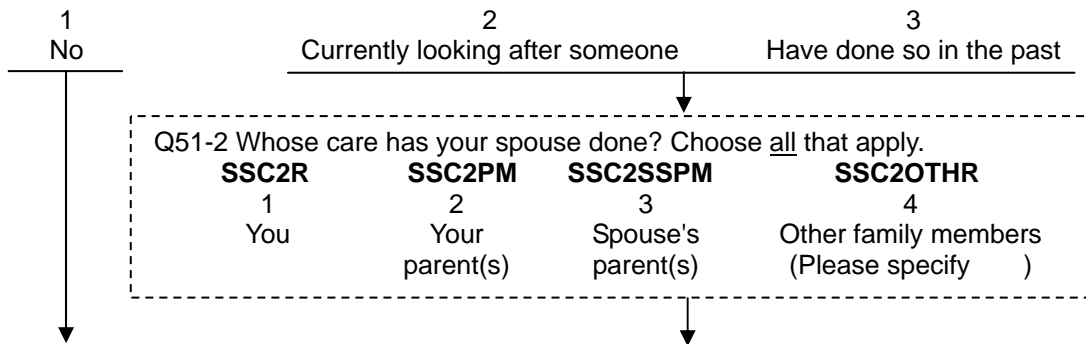


Q50 How often does your spouse do the followings?

		Almost everyday	Several times a week	About once a week	About once a month	Several times a year	About once a year	Never
<b>SSFQ7CK</b>	A Prepare the evening meal ----->	1.....	2.....	3.....	4.....	5.....	6.....	7
<b>SSFQ7WSH</b>	B Do the laundry ----->	1.....	2.....	3.....	4.....	5.....	6.....	7
<b>SSFQ7SHP</b>	C Shop for groceries -----> (daily goods and foodstuffs)	1.....	2.....	3.....	4.....	5.....	6.....	7
<b>SSFQ7CLN</b>	D Clean the house ----->	1.....	2.....	3.....	4.....	5.....	6.....	7
<b>SSFQ7GRB</b>	E Take out the garbage ----->	1.....	2.....	3.....	4.....	5.....	6.....	7

Q51-1 Has your spouse ever looked after any family member who needed nursing care (for one month or longer)? (Including you had nursing care from your spouse.)

**SSCARE**



Q52 How true is the following statement to you? "My spouse listens to my troubles."

**SSTRLSTN**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Very true	Quite true	Somewhat true	Neither true nor untrue	Somewhat untrue	Quite untrue	Not true at all

Q53 How true is the following statement to you? "My spouse speaks his/her troubles to me."

**SSTRSPK**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Very true	Quite true	Somewhat true	Neither true nor untrue	Somewhat untrue	Quite untrue	Not true at all



The following are questions about your marriage.  
 If you got married two and more times, please answer your latest marriage.

Q57-1 How did you get to know your current spouse for the first time?

**FSTMTSS**

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|---------------------|--|----------------|
| 1<br>By arrangement | 2<br>By introduction<br>(except arrangement) | 3<br>By myself |
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<p>Q57-2A Who arranged or introduced the first meeting?  <b>WHOINTSS</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 Siblings or cousins</li> <li>2 Parents or other relatives</li> <li>3 Friends or classmates</li> <li>4 Colleagues</li> <li>5 Neighbors</li> <li>6 Match-maker or professional match-maker company</li> <li>7 Other(Please specify )</li> </ol>	<p>Q57-2B Where did you meet your spouse?  <b>WHRMTSS</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 In neighborhood</li> <li>2 At school</li> <li>3 At workplace</li> <li>4 On other occasions (Please specify )</li> </ol>
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Q58 Was it the first marriage for your spouse?

**XSSRMG**

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| 1 First marriage | 2 Remarriage |
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Q59 To what extent do you think your own parent(s) influenced your decision of the current marriage partner?

**INFLPMMG**

- 1 Very much
- 2 Fairly much
- 3 Not too much
- 4 Not at all
- 5 Parents not alive at that time

Q60 Have you received any financial assistance from your own parent(s) for things such as house purchase, renting a house, and doing a business since marriage, and how much?

**HLPMGPM**

- 1 Yes, very much
- 2 Yes, some
- 3 No, not at all
- 4 Both had deceased earlier

Q61 Have you received any financial assistance from your parent(s)-in-law for things such as house purchase, renting a house, and doing a business since marriage, and how much?

**HLPMPML**

- 1 Yes, very much
- 2 Yes, some
- 3 No, not at all
- 4 Both had deceased earlier

