

Overview of the Public Opinion Survey on Diplomacy

December 2016
Public Relations Office, Cabinet Office
The Government of Japan

Survey target: 3,000 Japanese nationals of age 18 years or above nationwide
Valid responses: 1,804 people (Response rate: 60.1%)

Survey period: 27 October - 6 November 2016 (Face-to-face interviews conducted by survey officers)

Objectives: To obtain information pertaining to people's awareness on diplomacy, and to use the data as future reference for policy measures.

Survey items:

1. Relations between Japan and other countries
2. Development cooperation
3. Japan's role in the United Nation
4. External economy
5. Protection of Japanese nationals overseas
6. The role that Japan should fulfill

Track record: The survey has been conducted every fiscal year since FY1975 (with the exception of FY1976), this being the 41th survey.

(Since the survey for FY2006, the respondents are informed that the survey is conducted by the Cabinet Office.)

* Attention should be paid when simply comparing the results of this survey to that of the past, for the targets' age has been lowered from 20 years or above to 18 years or above from this fiscal year.

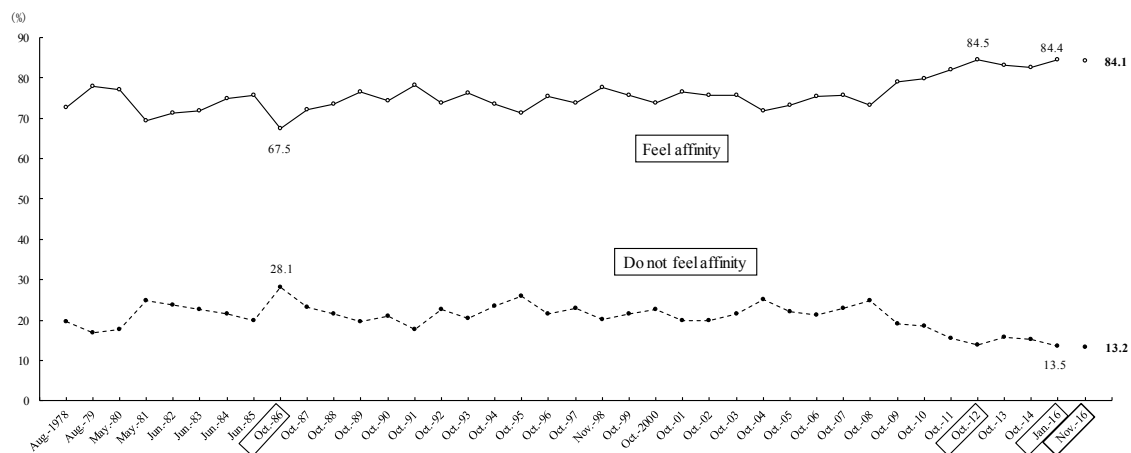
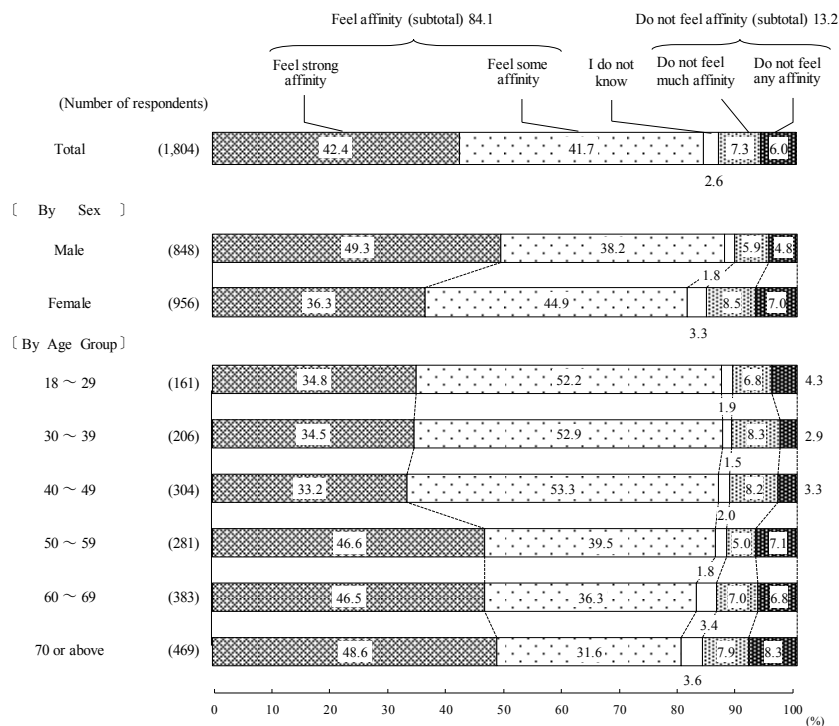
1. Relations between Japan and other countries

(1) Japan and the United States of America

A. Affinity towards the United States of America

Q1-1 Do you feel an affinity towards the United States of America?
Please select one answer from the following.

	November 2016	(ref.) January 2016
• Feel affinity (subtotal)	84.1%	84.4%
• Feel strong affinity	42.4%	43.4%
• Feel some affinity	41.7%	41.0%
• Do not feel affinity (subtotal)	13.2%	13.5%
• Do not feel much affinity	7.3%	7.7%
• Do not feel any affinity	6.0%	5.9%

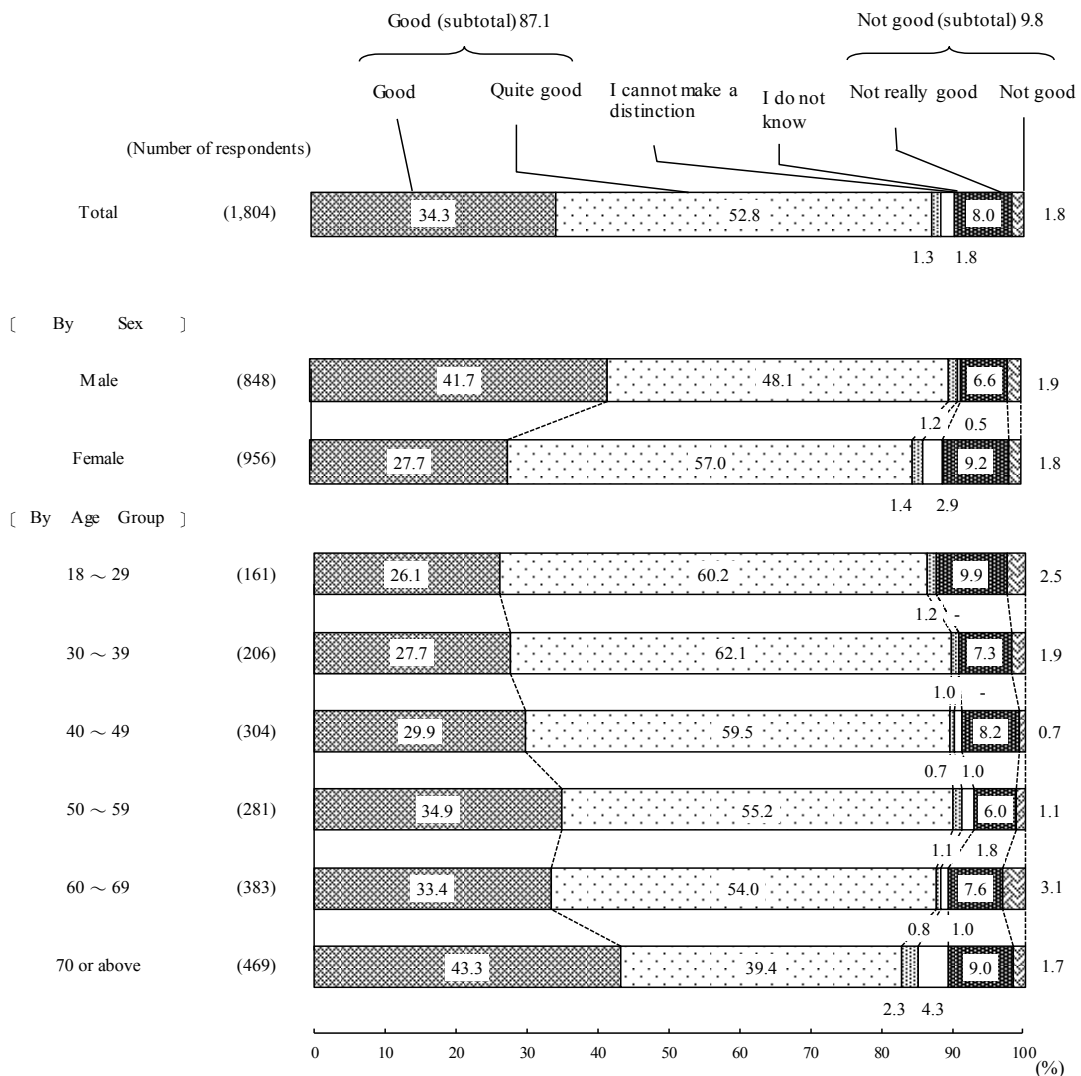


(Note) Targets' age up to January 2016 survey were 20 years and above; targets' age from November 2016 are 18years and above (the same hereinafter).

B. Current Relations between Japan and the United States of America

Q2-1 Do you think that the current relations between Japan and the United States of America are, on the whole, good? Please select one answer from the following.

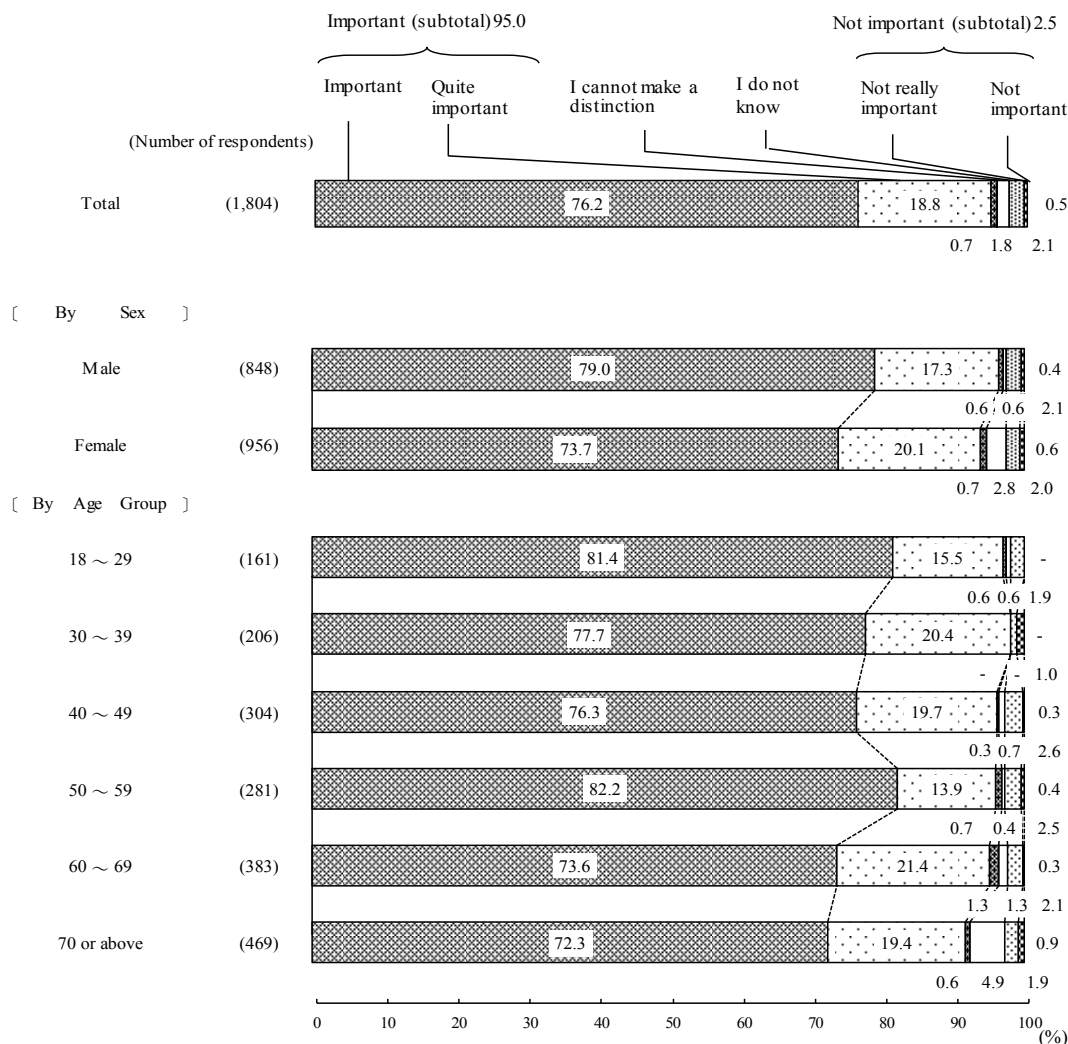
	November 2016	(ref.) January 2016
• Good (subtotal)	87.1%	88.0%
• Good	34.3%	37.1%
• Quite good	52.8%	50.8%
• Not good (subtotal)	9.8%	9.2%
• Not really good	8.0%	7.9%
• Not good	1.3%	1.3%



C. Future Development of Relations between Japan and the United States of America

Q3-1 Do you think that the future development of the relations between Japan and the United States of America is important for the two countries, and for Asia and the Pacific region? Please select one answer from the following.

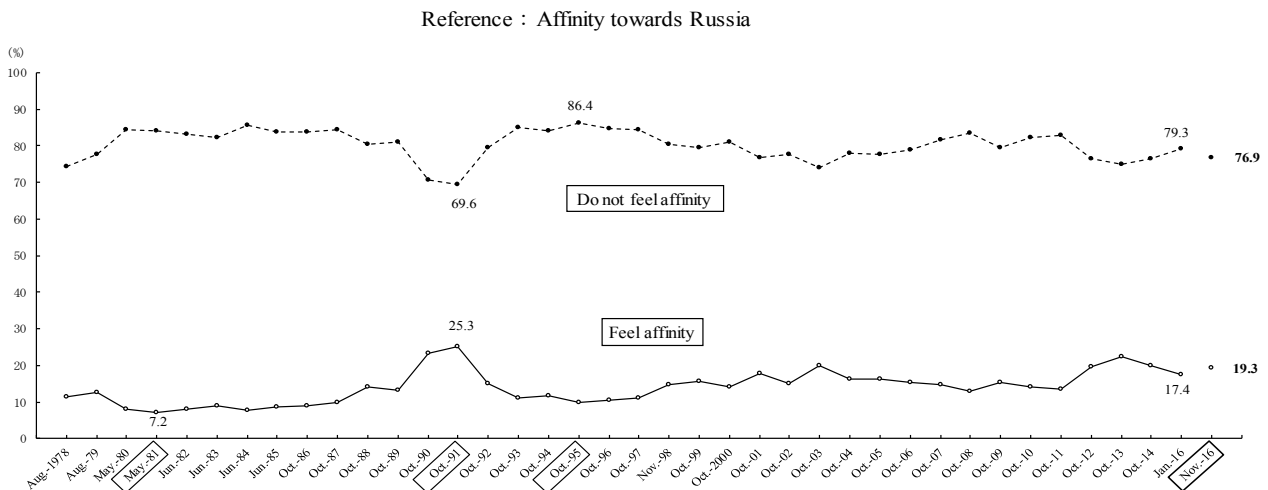
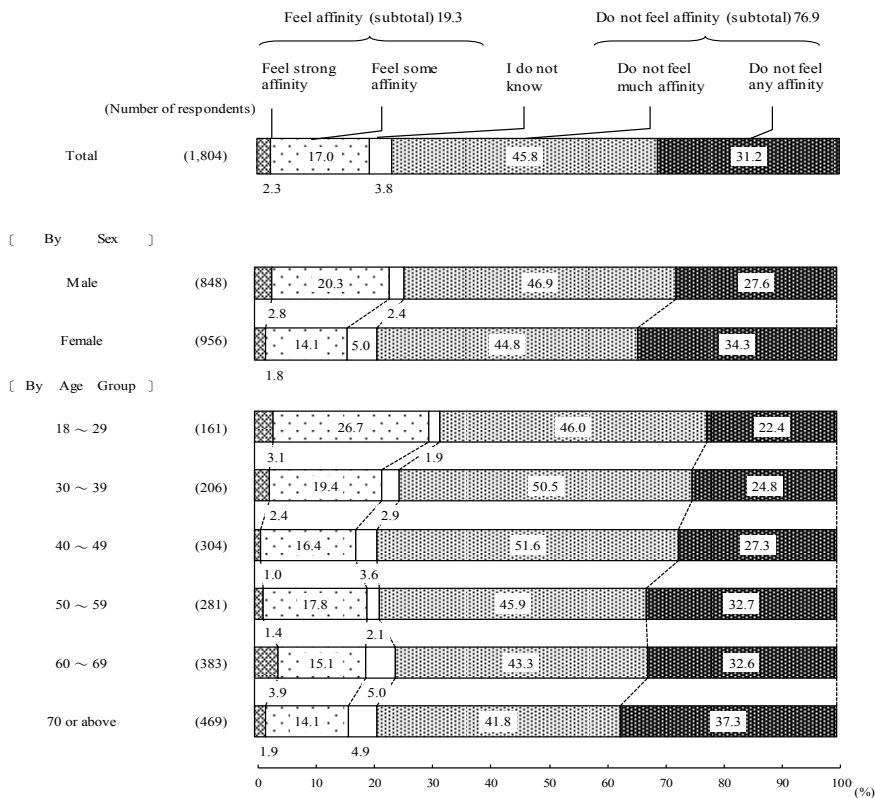
	November 2016	(ref.) January 2016
• Important (subtotal)	95.0%	95.8%
• Important	76.2%	79.1%
• Quite important	18.8%	16.8%
• Not important (subtotal)	2.5%	2.1%
• Not really important	2.1%	1.6%
• Not important	0.5%	0.5%



(2) Japan and Russia
A. Affinity towards Russia

Q1-2 Do you feel an affinity towards Russia? Please select one answer from the following.

	November 2016	(ref.) January 2016
• Feel affinity (subtotal)	19.3%	17.4%
• Feel strong affinity	2.3%	1.9%
• Feel some affinity	17.0%	15.5%
• Do not feel affinity (subtotal)	76.9%	79.3%
• Do not feel much affinity	45.8%	45.8%
• Do not feel any affinity	31.2%	33.5%

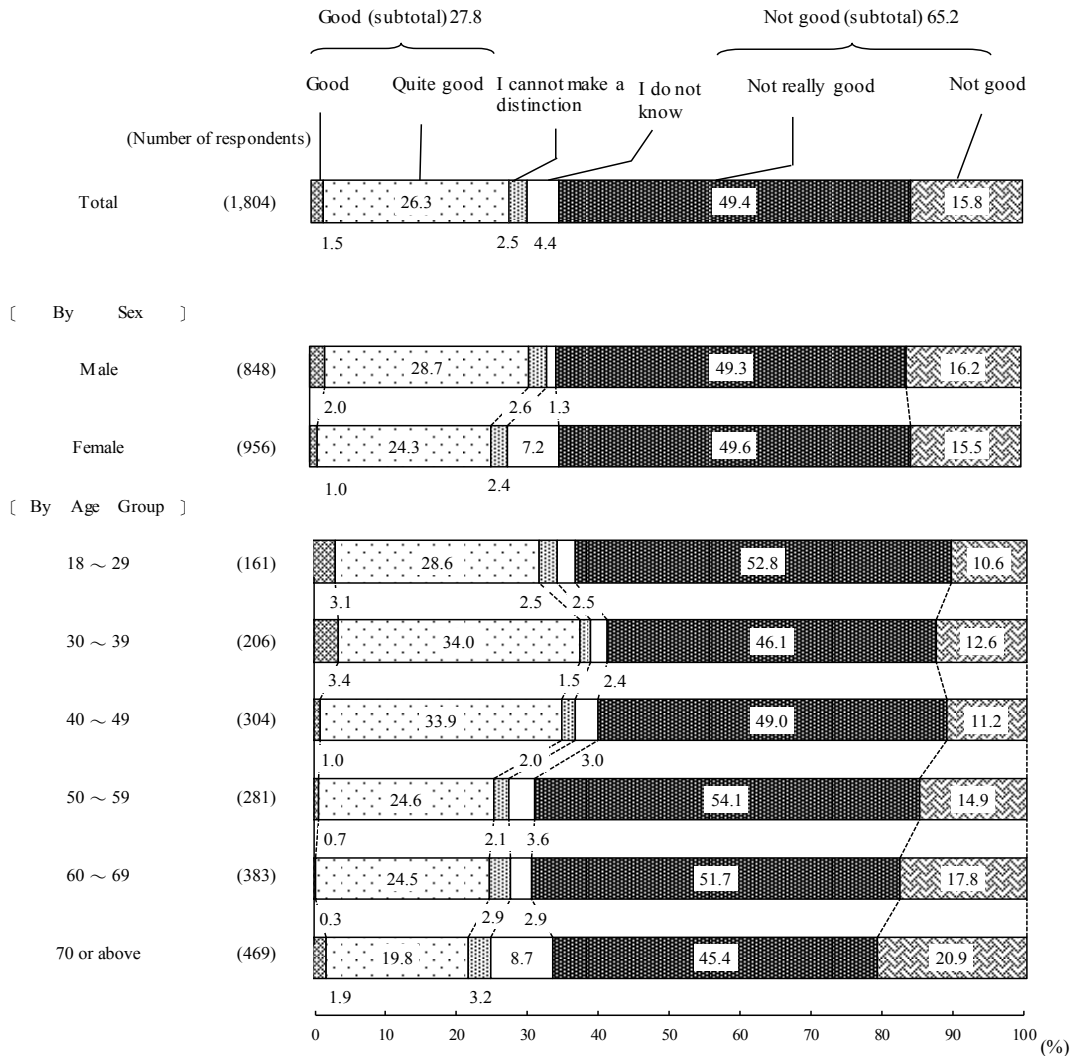


(Note) The question asked about "Soviet Union" up to October 1991.

B. Current Relations between Japan and Russia

Q2-2 Do you think that the current relations between Japan and Russia are, on the whole, good?
Please select one answer from the following.

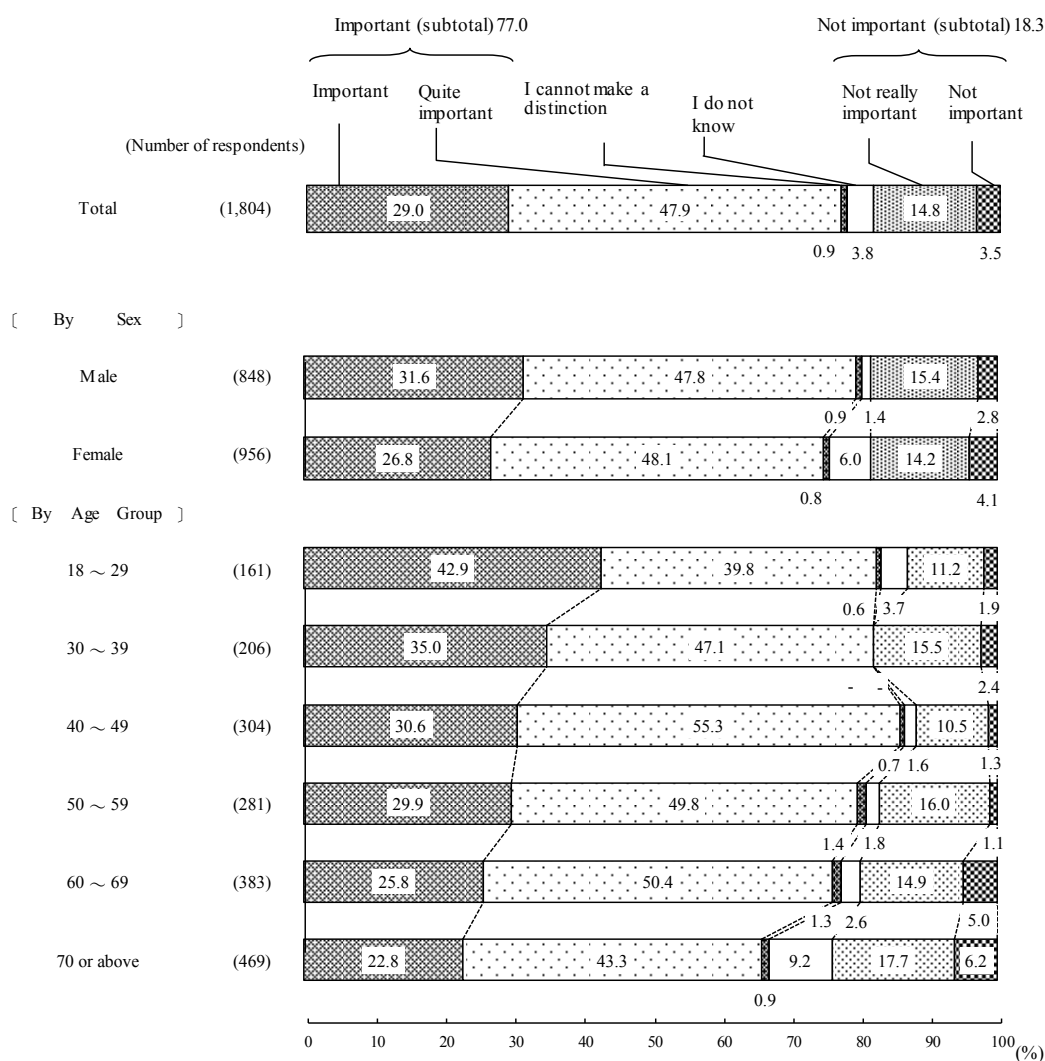
	November 2016	(ref.) January 2016
• Good (subtotal)	27.8%	21.8%
• Good	1.5%	1.3%
• Quite good	26.3%	20.5%
• Not good (subtotal)	65.2%	71.0%
• Not really good	49.4%	52.5%
• Not good	15.8%	18.5%



C. Future Development of Relations between Japan and Russia

Q3-2 Do you think that the future development of the relations between Japan and Russia is important for the two countries, and for Asia and the Pacific region? Please select one answer from the following.

	November 2016	(ref.) January 2016
• Important (subtotal)	77.0%	76.0%
• Important	29.0%	28.7%
• Quite important	47.9%	47.3%
• Not important (subtotal)	18.3%	18.9%
• Not really important	14.8%	14.7%
• Not important	3.5%	4.2%

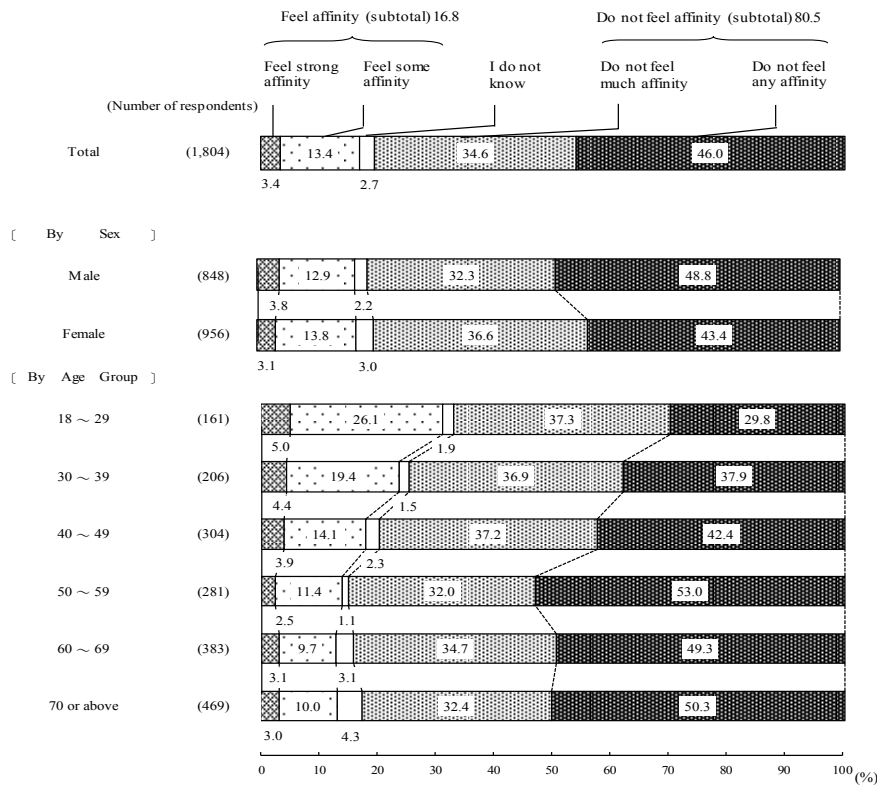


(3) Japan and China

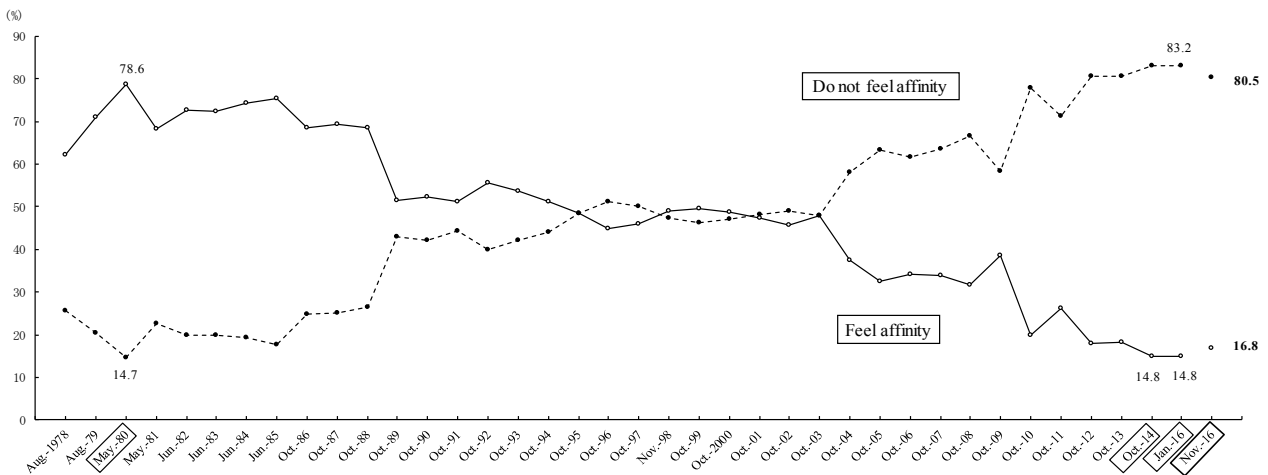
A. Affinity towards China

Q1-3 Do you feel an affinity towards China? Please select one answer from the following.

	November 2016	(ref.) January 2016
• Feel affinity (subtotal)	16.8%	14.8%
• Feel strong affinity	3.4%	2.3%
• Feel some affinity	13.4%	12.4%
• Do not feel affinity (subtotal)	80.5%	83.2%
• Do not feel much affinity	34.6%	33.7%
• Do not feel any affinity	46.0%	49.5%



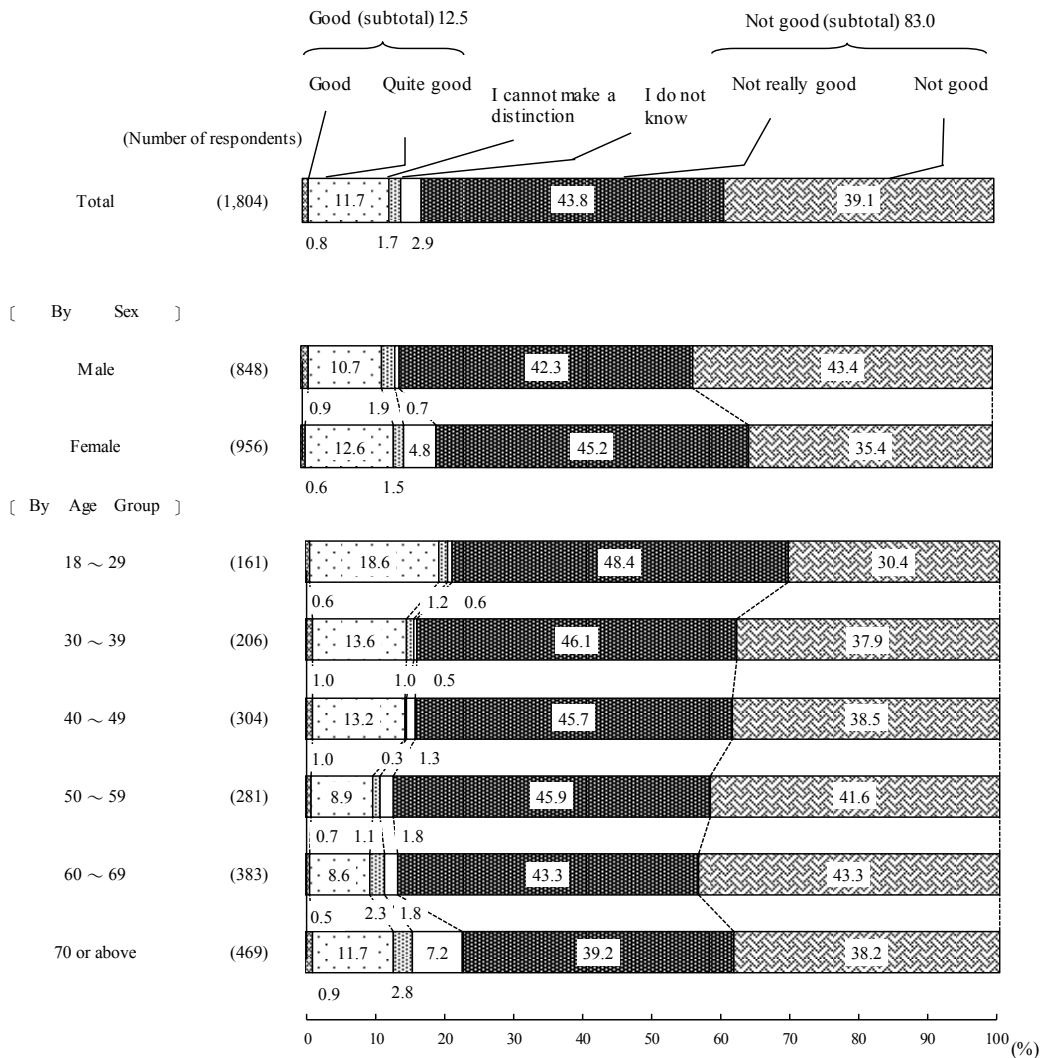
Reference : Affinity towards China



B. Current Relations between Japan and China

Q2-3 Do you think that the current relations between Japan and China are, on the whole, good?
Please select one answer from the following.

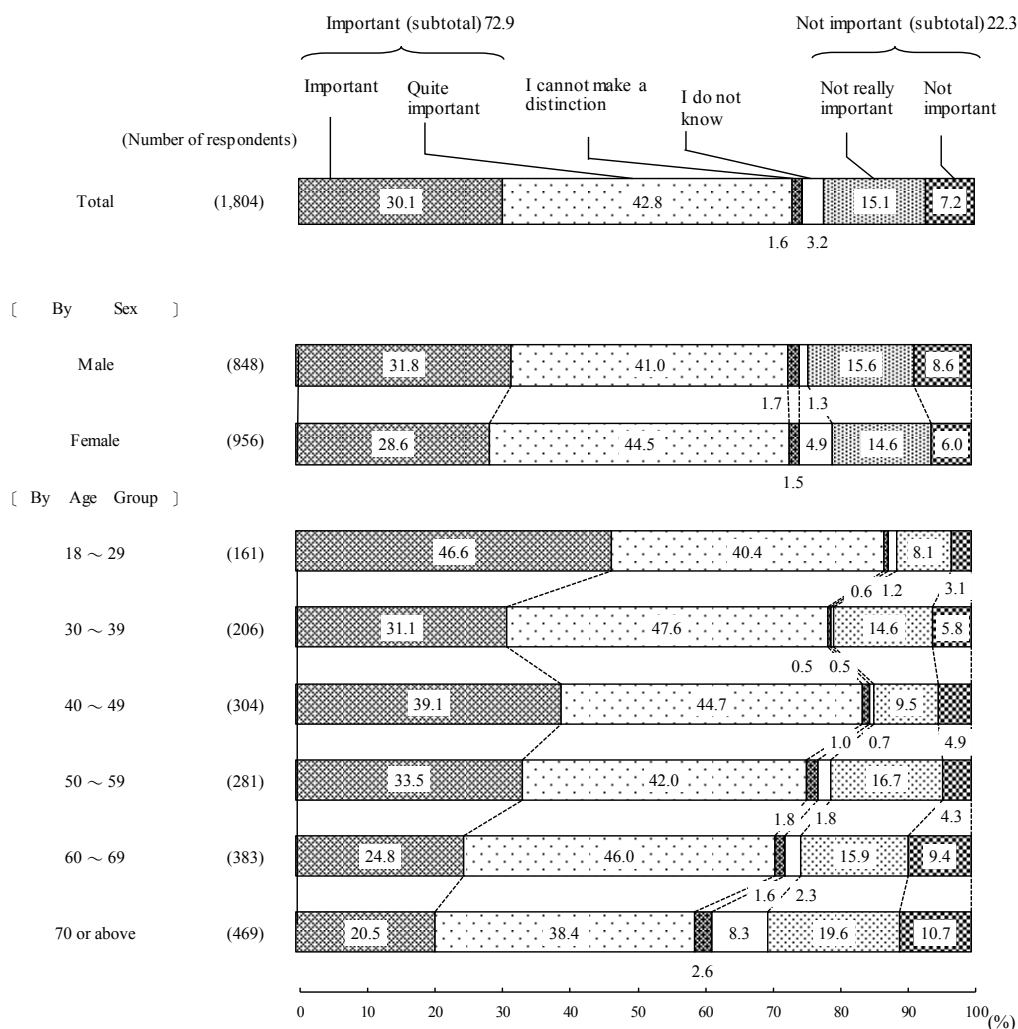
	November 2016	(ref.) January 2016
• Good (subtotal)	12.5%	9.5%
• Good	0.8%	0.9%
• Quite good	11.7%	8.6%
• Not good (subtotal)	83.0%	85.7%
• Not really good	43.8%	41.3%
• Not good	39.1%	44.4%



C. Future Development of Relations between Japan and China

Q3-3 Do you think that the future development of the relations between Japan and China is important for the two countries, and for Asia and the Pacific region? Please select one answer from the following.

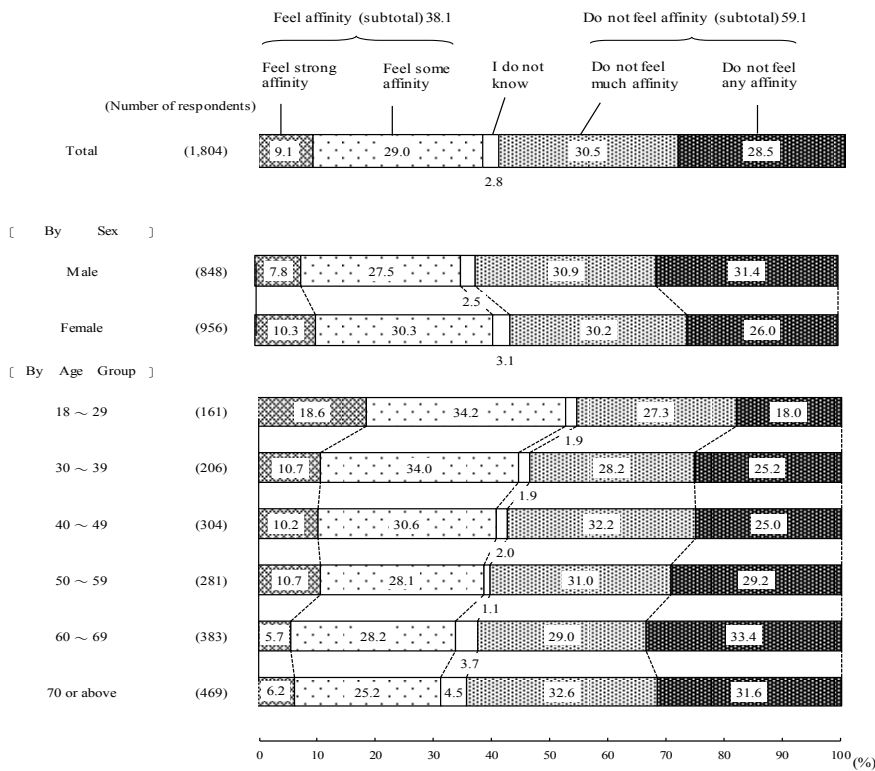
	November 2016	(ref.) January 2016
• Important (subtotal)	72.9%	73.3%
• Important	30.1%	33.5%
• Quite important	42.8%	39.9%
• Not important (subtotal)	22.3%	22.5%
• Not really important	15.1%	14.5%
• Not important	7.2%	8.0%



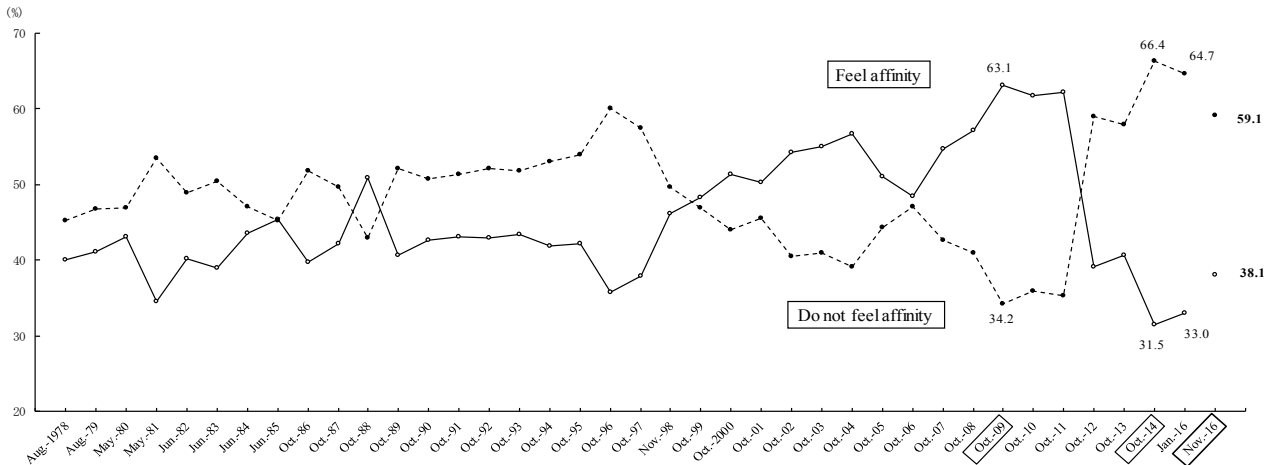
(4) Japan and Republic of Korea
A. Affinity towards Republic of Korea

Q1-4 Do you feel an affinity towards Republic of Korea? Please select one answer from the following.

	November 2016	(ref.) January 2016
• Feel affinity (subtotal)	38.1%	33.0%
• Feel strong affinity	9.1%	6.0%
• Feel some affinity	29.0%	27.0%
• Do not feel affinity (subtotal)	59.1%	64.7%
• Do not feel much affinity	30.5%	31.0%
• Do not feel any affinity	28.5%	33.7%



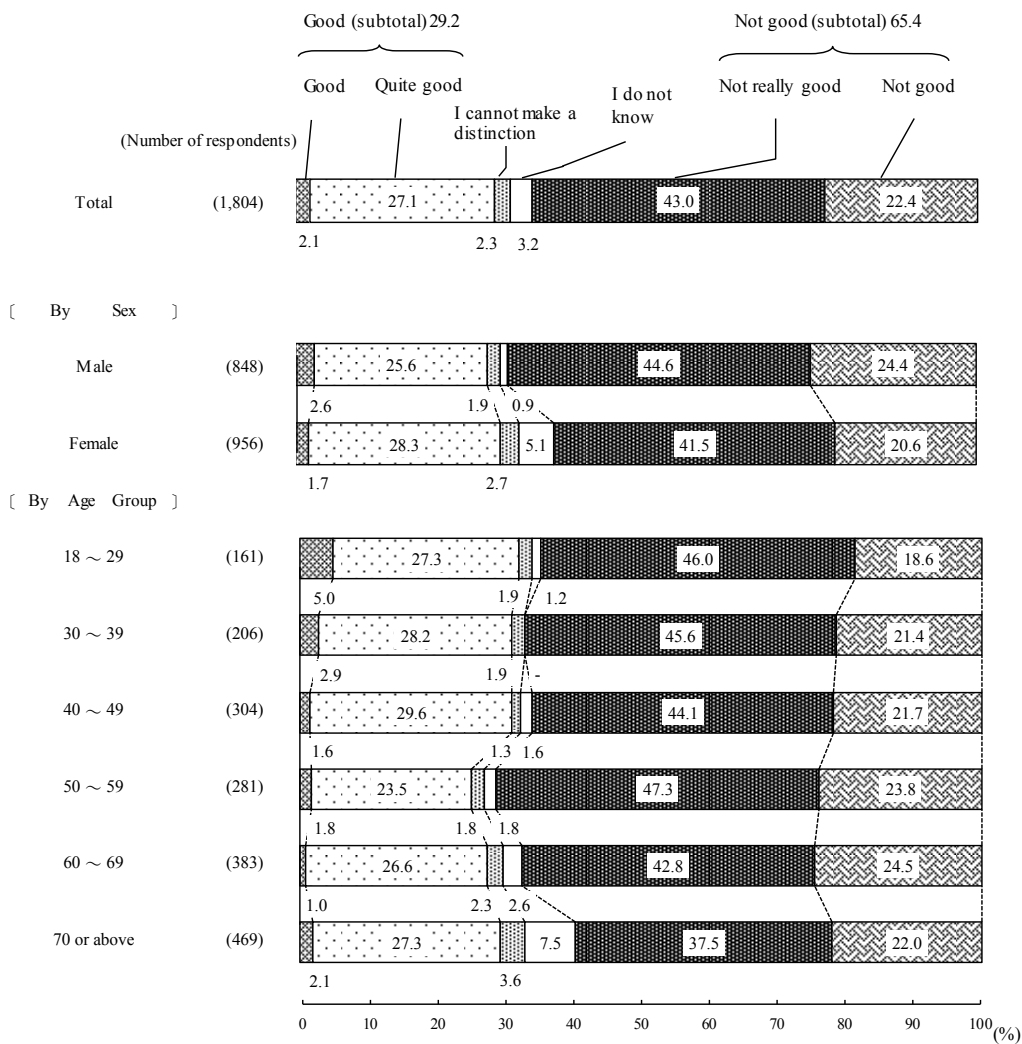
Reference : Affinity towards Republic of Korea



B. Current Relations between Japan and Republic of Korea

Q2-4 Do you think that the current relations between Japan and Republic of Korea are, on the whole, good? Please select one answer from the following.

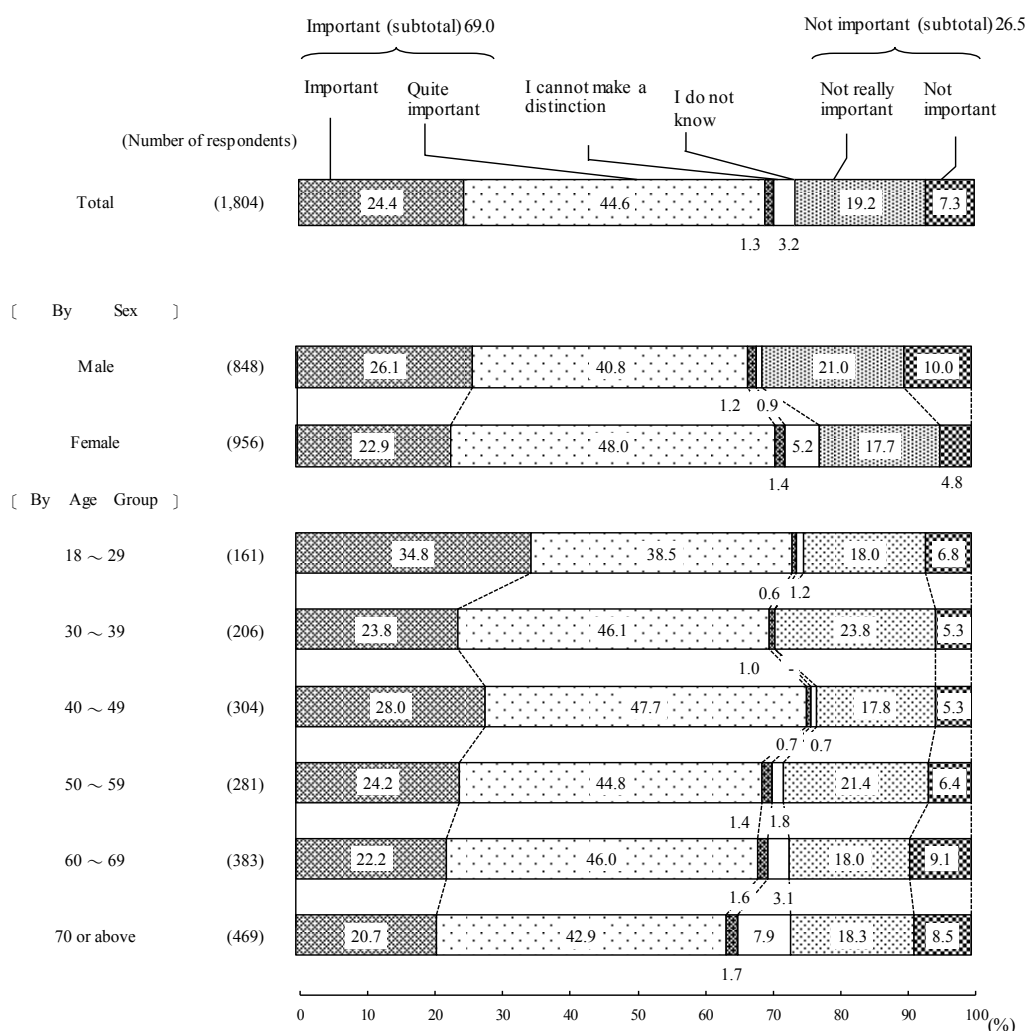
	November 2016	(ref.) January 2016
• Good (subtotal)	29.2%	22.7%
• Good	2.1%	1.9%
• Quite good	27.1%	20.7%
• Not good (subtotal)	65.4%	73.1%
• Not really good	43.0%	40.4%
• Not good	22.4%	32.7%



C. Future Development of Relations between Japan and Republic of Korea

Q3-4 Do you think that the future development of the relations between Japan and Republic of Korea is important for the two countries, and for Asia and the Pacific region? Please select one answer from the following.

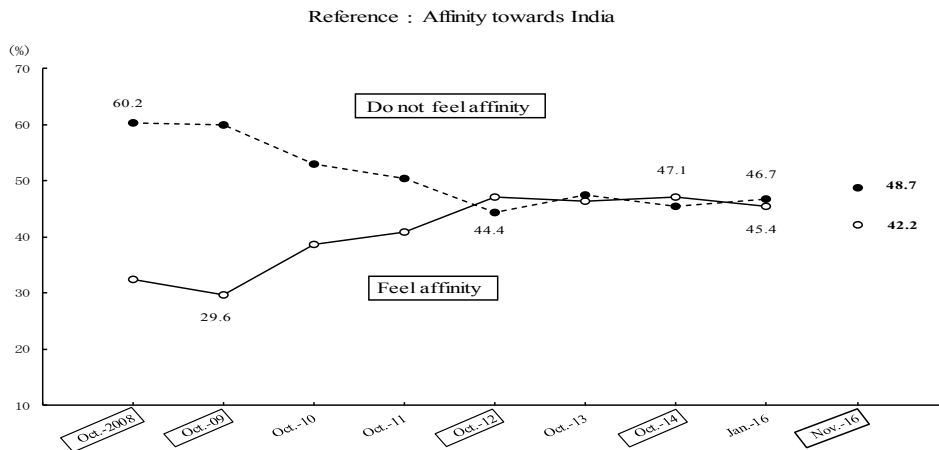
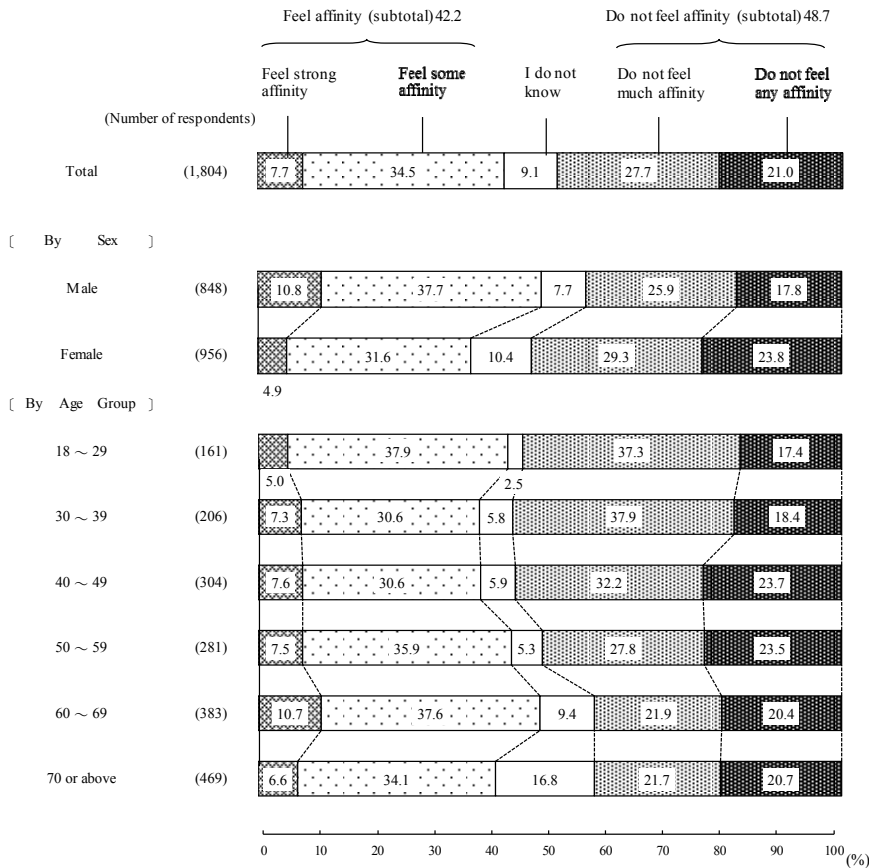
	November 2016	(ref.) January 2016
• Important (subtotal)	69.0%	69.7%
• Important	24.4%	28.3%
• Quite important	44.6%	41.5%
• Not important (subtotal)	26.5%	26.0%
• Not really important	19.2%	16.0%
• Not important	7.3%	10.0%



(5) Japan and India
A. Affinity towards India

Q1-5 Do you feel an affinity towards India? Please select one answer from the following.

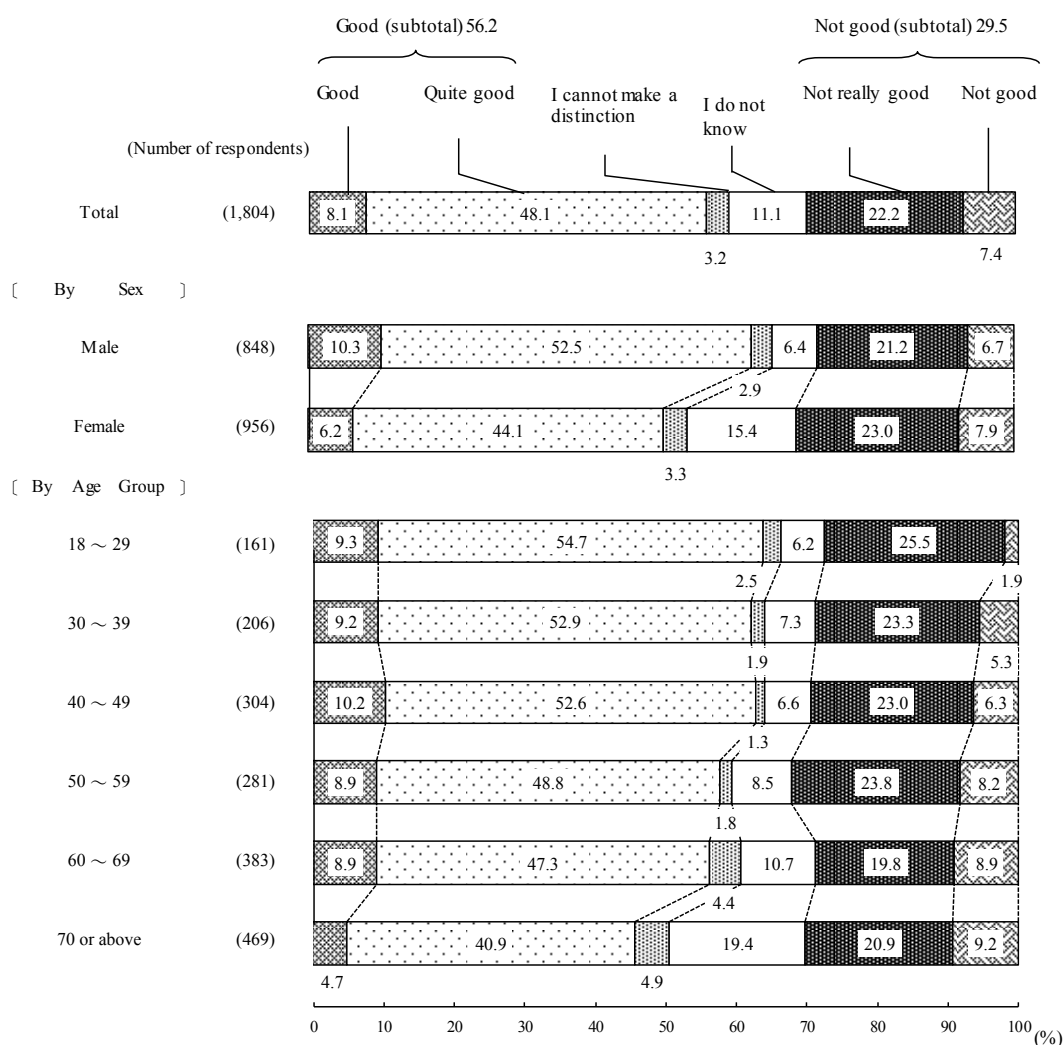
	November 2016	(ref.) January 2016
• Feel affinity (subtotal)	42.2%	45.4%
• Feel strong affinity	7.7%	8.1%
• Feel some affinity	34.5%	37.3%
• Do not feel affinity (subtotal)	48.7%	46.7%
• Do not feel much affinity	27.7%	28.1%
• Do not feel any affinity	21.0%	18.6%



B. Current Relations between Japan and India

Q2-5 Do you think that the current relations between Japan and India are, on the whole, good?
Please select one answer from the following.

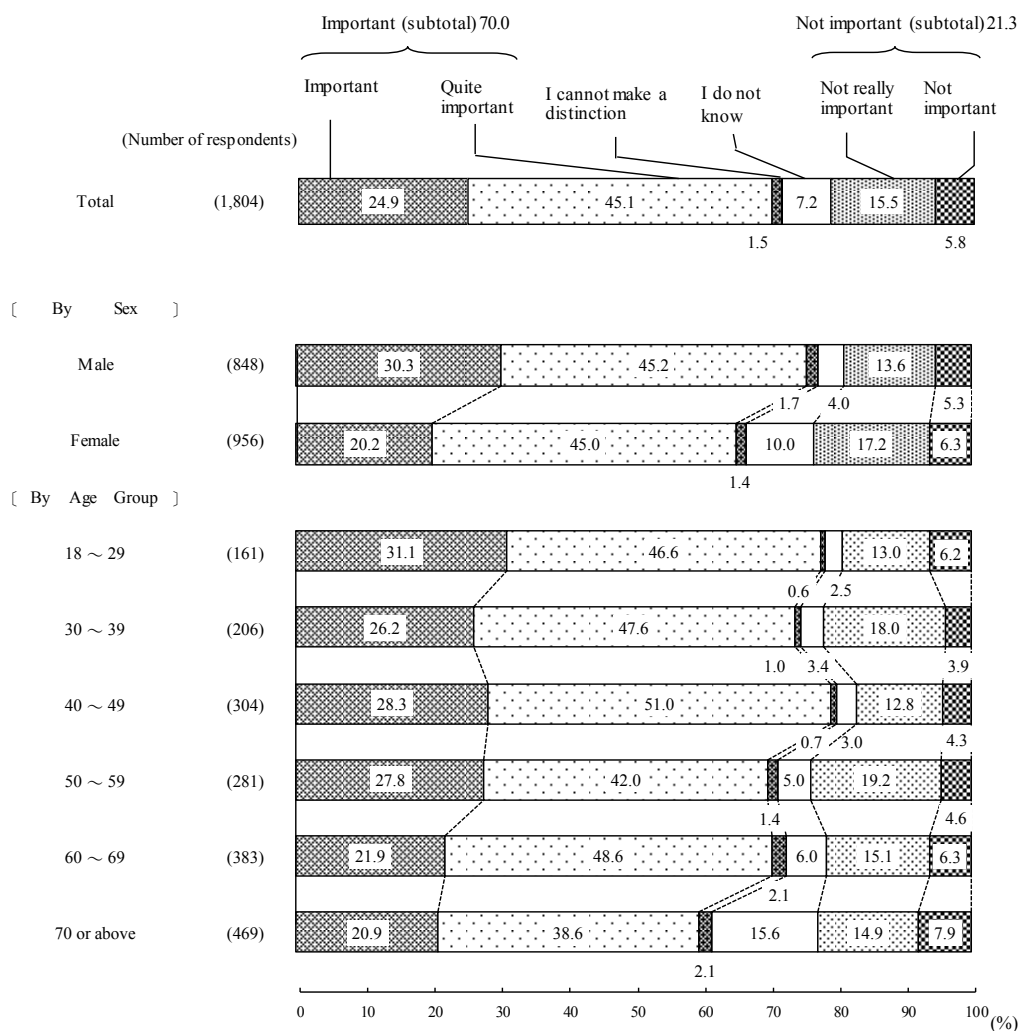
	November 2016	(ref.) January 2016
• Good (subtotal)	56.2%	61.5%
• Good	8.1%	9.6%
• Quite good	48.1%	51.9%
• Not good (subtotal)	29.5%	25.5%
• Not really good	22.2%	19.7%
• Not good	7.4%	5.8%
• I do not know	11.1%	9.9%



C. Future Development of Relations between Japan and India

Q3-5 Do you think that the future development of the relations between Japan and India is important for the two countries, and for Asia and the Pacific region? Please select one answer from the following.

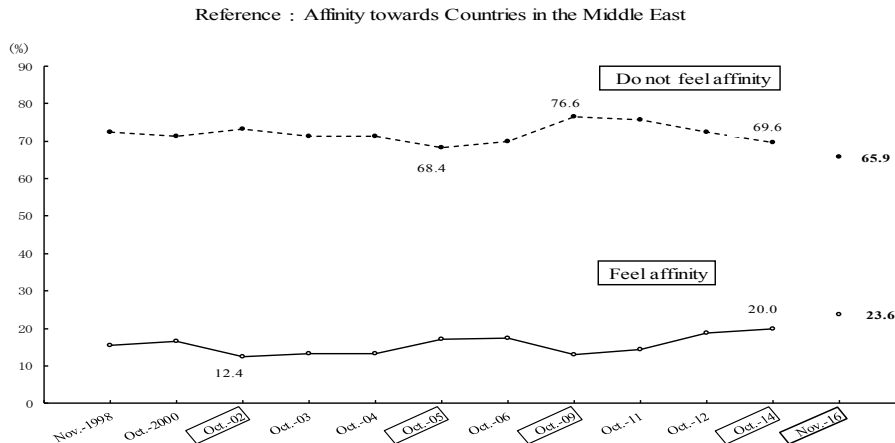
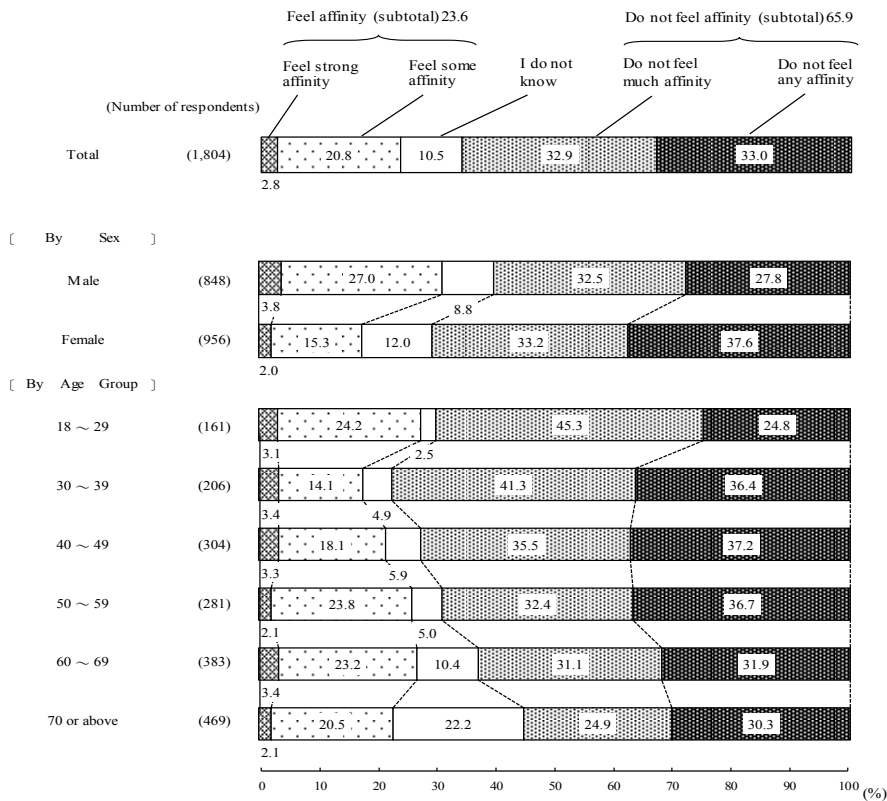
	November 2016	(ref.) January 2016
• Important (subtotal)	70.0%	72.4%
• Important	24.9%	27.3%
• Quite important	45.1%	45.1%
• Not important (subtotal)	21.3%	19.8%
• Not really important	15.5%	15.5%
• Not important	5.8%	4.3%



(6) Japan and Countries in the Middle East
Affinity towards Countries in the Middle East

Q1-6 Do you feel an affinity towards Countries in the Middle East? Please select one answer from the following.

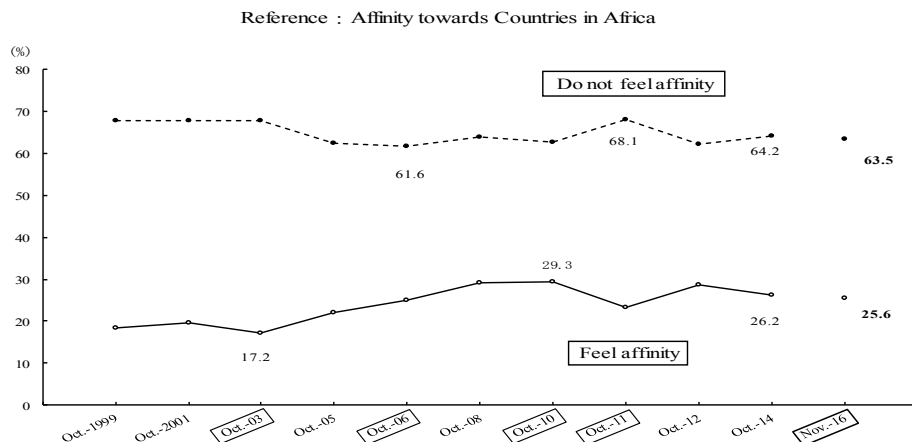
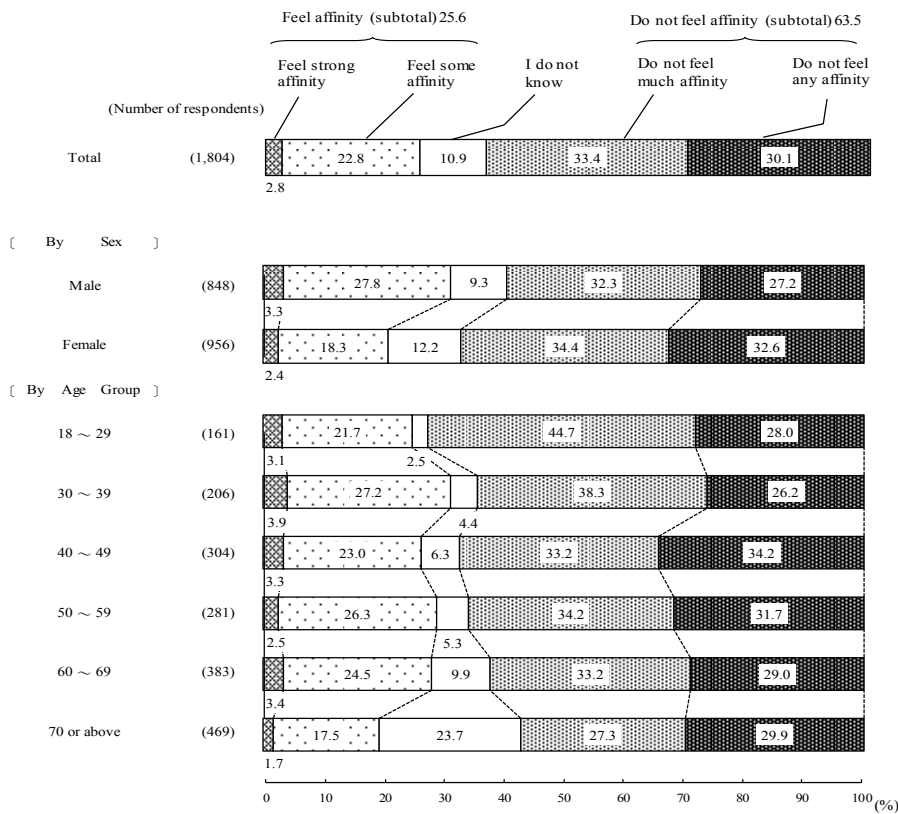
	November 2016	(ref.) October 2014
• Feel affinity (subtotal)	23.6%	20.0%
• Feel strong affinity	2.8%	2.3%
• Feel some affinity	20.8%	17.7%
• Do not feel affinity (subtotal)	65.9%	69.6%
• Do not feel much affinity	32.9%	33.6%
• Do not feel any affinity	33.0%	36.0%
• I do not know	10.5%	10.4%



(7) Japan and Countries in Africa
Affinity towards Countries in Africa

Q1-7 Do you feel an affinity towards Countries in Africa? Please select one answer from the following.

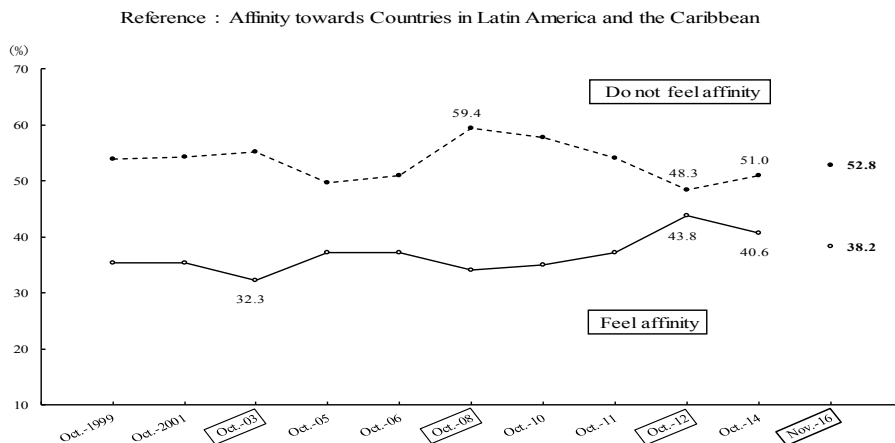
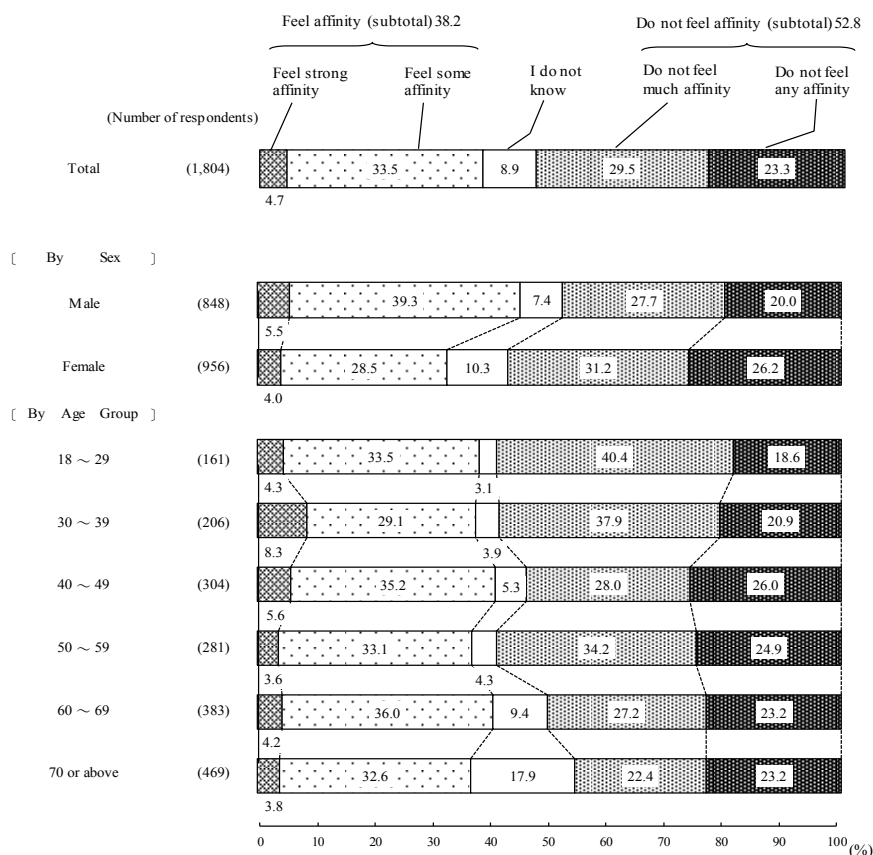
	November 2016	(ref.) October 2014
• Feel affinity (subtotal)	25.6%	26.2%
• Feel strong affinity	2.8%	2.9%
• Feel some affinity	22.8%	23.2%
• Do not feel affinity (subtotal)	63.5%	64.2%
• Do not feel much affinity	33.4%	32.8%
• Do not feel any affinity	30.1%	31.5%
• I do not know	10.9%	9.6%



(8) Japan and Countries in Latin America and the Caribbean
Affinity towards Countries in Latin America and the Caribbean

Q1-8 Do you feel an affinity towards Countries in Latin America and the Caribbean? Please select one answer from the following.

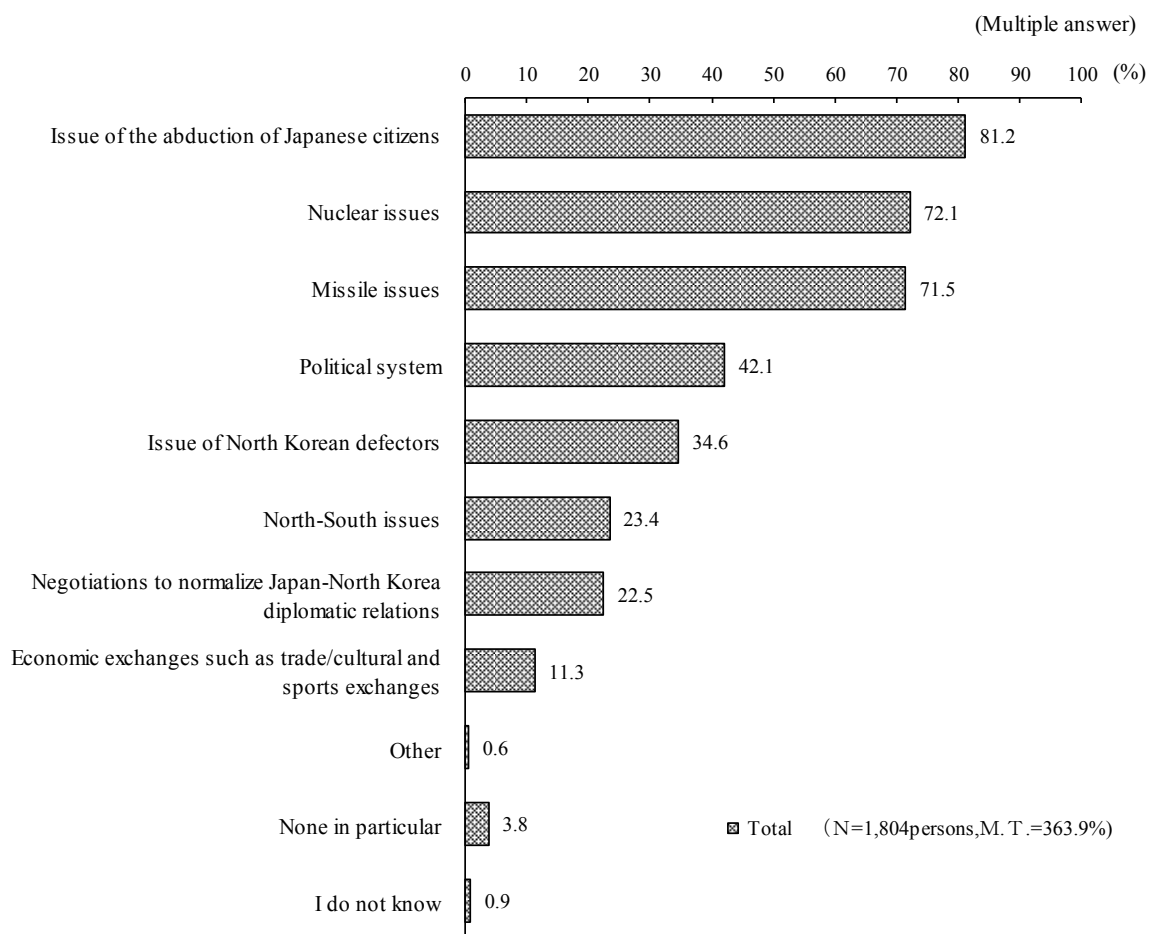
	November 2016	(ref.) October 2014
• Feel affinity (subtotal)	38.2%	40.6%
• Feel strong affinity	4.7%	6.0%
• Feel some affinity	33.5%	34.6%
• Do not feel affinity (subtotal)	52.8%	51.0%
• Do not feel much affinity	29.5%	27.0%
• Do not feel any affinity	23.3%	24.0%



(9) Interest in Issues Related to North Korea

*Q4 Are you interested in any issues related to North Korea? Please select all applicable answers.
(M.A.)*

	November 2016	(ref.) January 2016
• Issue of the abduction of Japanese citizens	81.2%	83.5%
• Nuclear issues	72.1%	76.1%
• Missile issues	71.5%	60.5%
• Political system	42.1%	44.6%



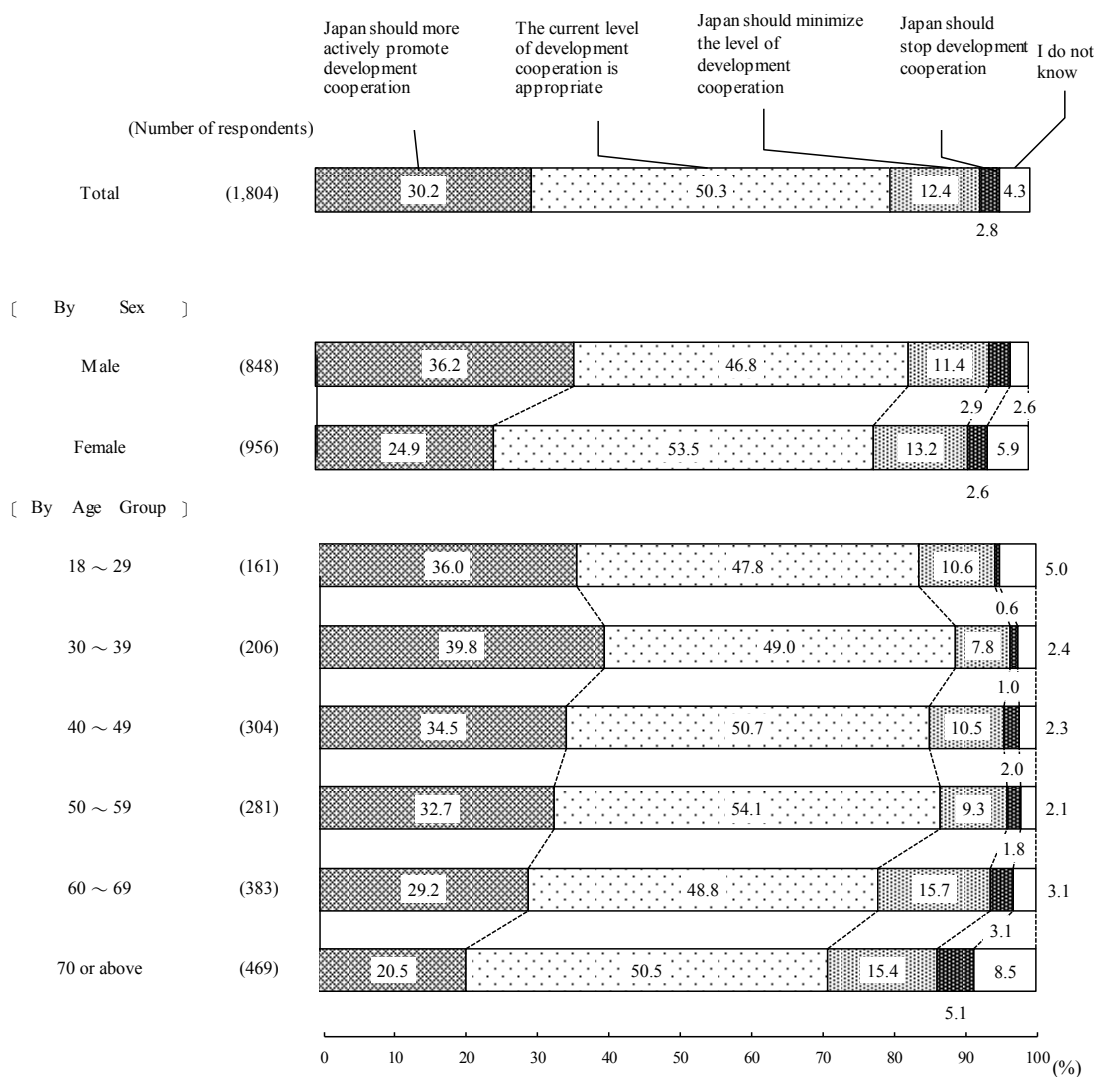
2. Development Cooperation

Future of Japan's Development Cooperation

Q5 Developed countries extend development cooperation, such as financial and technical cooperation, to developing countries. Taking into consideration the various aspects involved, how do you feel about Japan's development cooperation in the future? Please select one answer from the following.

November 2016 (ref.) January 2016

• Japan should more actively promote development cooperation	30.2%	33.2%
• The current level of development cooperation is appropriate	50.3%	49.3%
• Japan should minimize the level of development cooperation	12.4%	11.0%
• Japan should stop development cooperation	2.8%	2.2%



SQ. Perspectives on Extending Development Cooperation

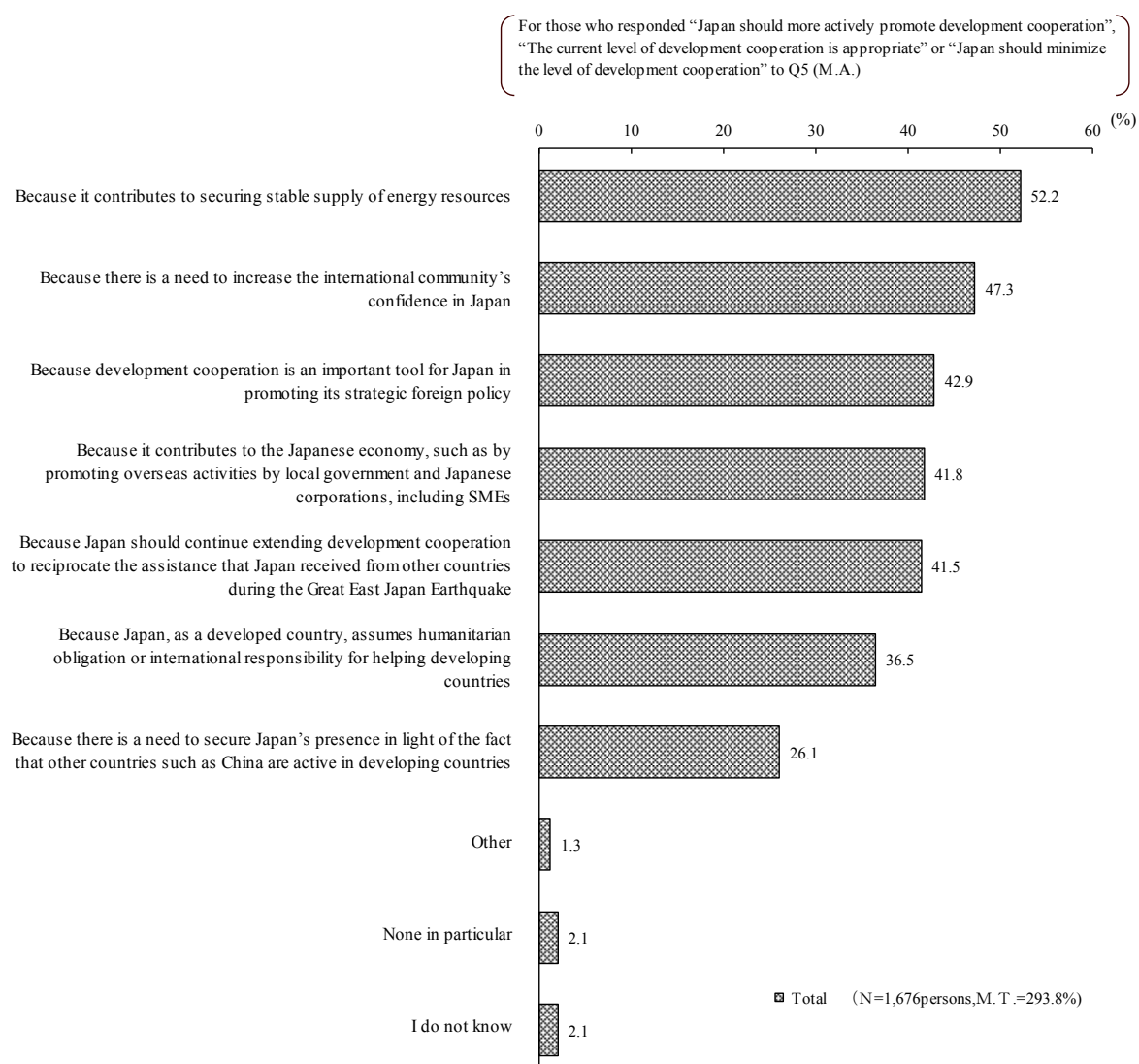
SQ (For 1,676 people who responded “Japan should more actively promote development cooperation”, “The current level of development cooperation is appropriate” or “Japan should minimize the level of development cooperation” to Q5)

From which perspective do you think development cooperation should be extended to developing countries? Please select all applicable answers. (M.A.)

(Top 4 Items)

November 2016 (ref.) January 2016

• Because it contributes to securing stable supply of energy resources	52.2%	53.1%
• Because there is a need to increase the international community’s confidence in Japan	47.3%	51.0%
• Because development cooperation is an important tool for Japan in promoting its strategic foreign policy	42.9%	46.3%
• Because it contributes to the Japanese economy, such as by promoting overseas activities by local government and Japanese corporations, including SMEs	41.8%	43.6%



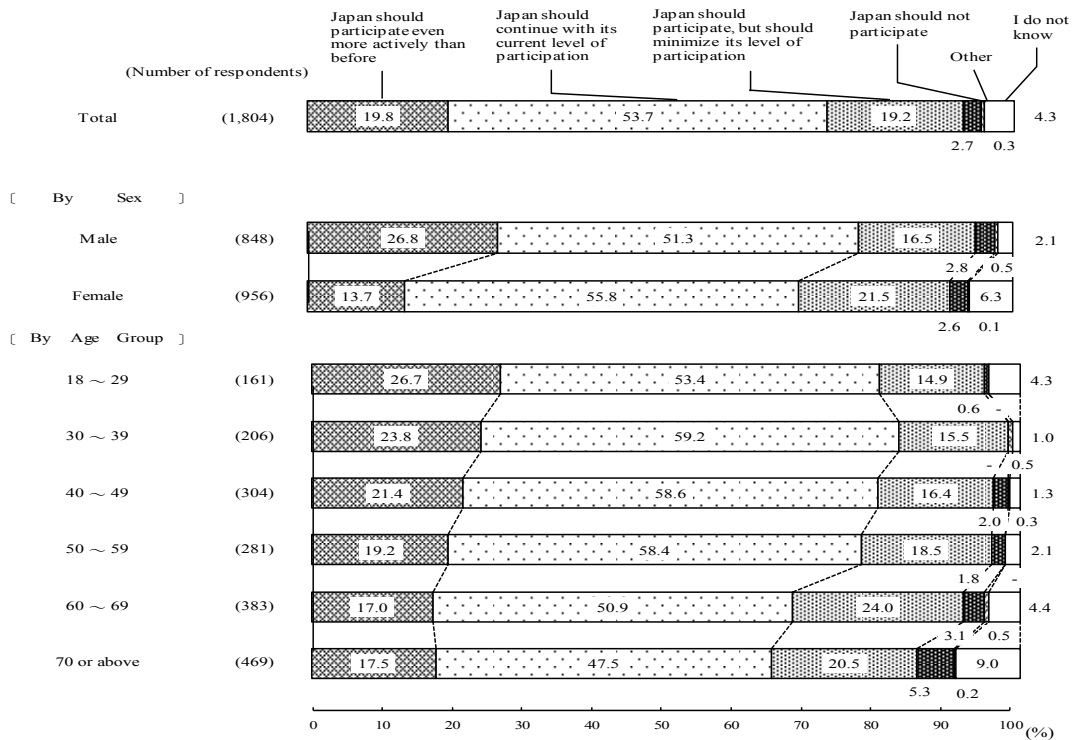
3. Japan's Role in the United Nations

(1) Attitude towards Japan's Participation in United Nations Peacekeeping Operations

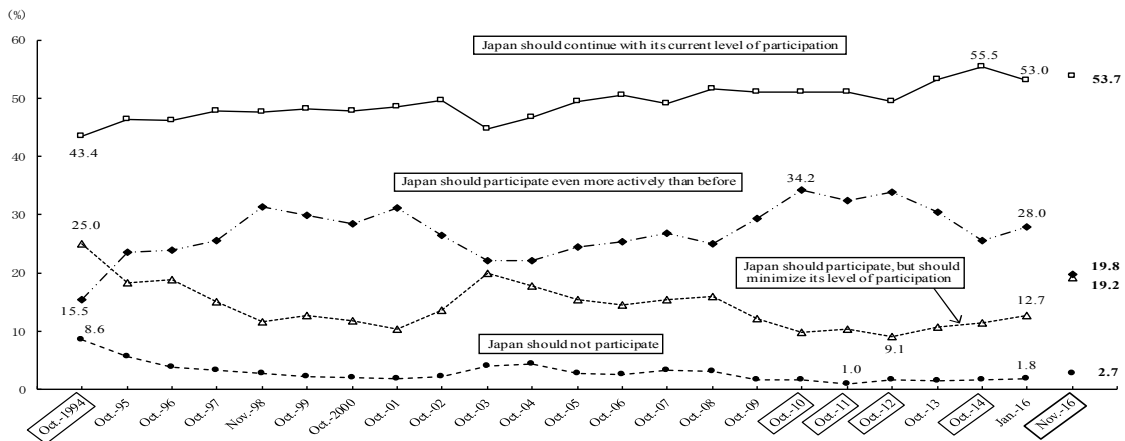
Q6 Currently, more than 100 countries around the world have dispatched personnel to the United Nations Peacekeeping Operations (UN PKO). In accordance with the International Peace Cooperation Law, Japan has also participated in UN PKO missions in places such as Cambodia, the Golan Heights, East Timor, Haiti, and South Sudan; international humanitarian relief operations such as assistance to Iraqi refugees; and international election monitoring activities such as in East Timor or Nepal. Do you think that Japan should continue such activities as part of its efforts to contribute human resources to the international community? Please select one answer from the following.

November 2016 (ref.) January 2016

- Japan should participate even more actively than before 19.8% 28.0%
- Japan should continue with its current level of participation 53.7% 53.0%
- Japan should participate, but should minimize its level of participation 19.2% 12.7%
- Japan should not participate 2.7% 1.8%



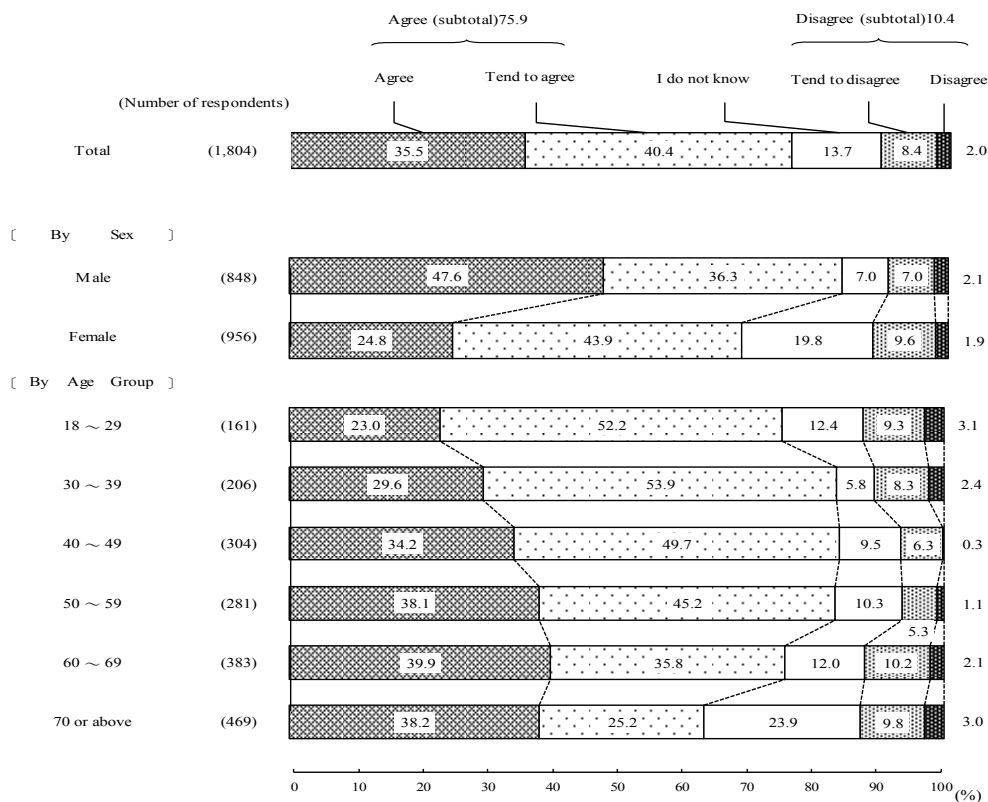
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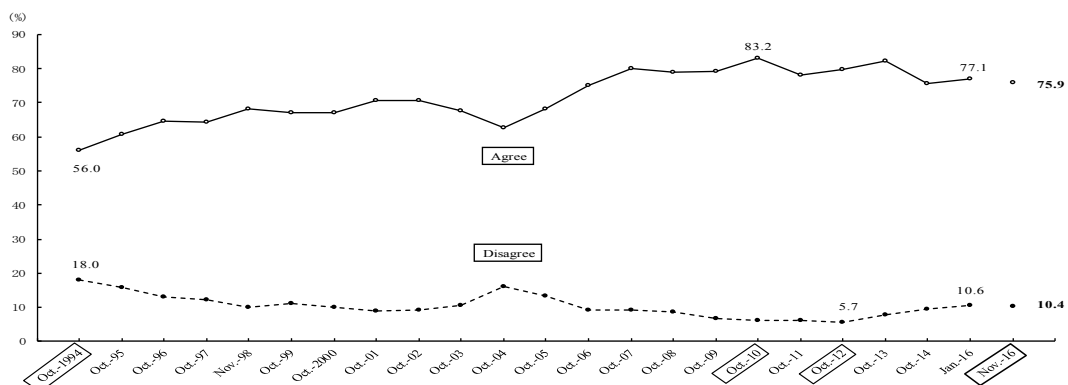
(2) Japan's Addition as a Permanent Member of the Security Council

Q7 The United Nations is engaged in discussions to increase the number of member states of the Security Council with the aims of strengthening its functions as well as enhancing the representation of each region in the Council. Do you think that Japan should be added as a permanent member of the Security Council? Please select one answer from the following.

	November 2016	(ref.) January 2016
• Agree (subtotal)	75.9%	77.1%
• Agree	35.5%	37.1%
• Tend to agree	40.4%	39.9%
• Disagree (subtotal)	10.4%	10.6%
• Tend to disagree	8.4%	8.7%
• Disagree	2.0%	1.9%
• I do not know	13.7%	12.3%



Reference : Japan's Addition as a Permanent Member of the Security Council



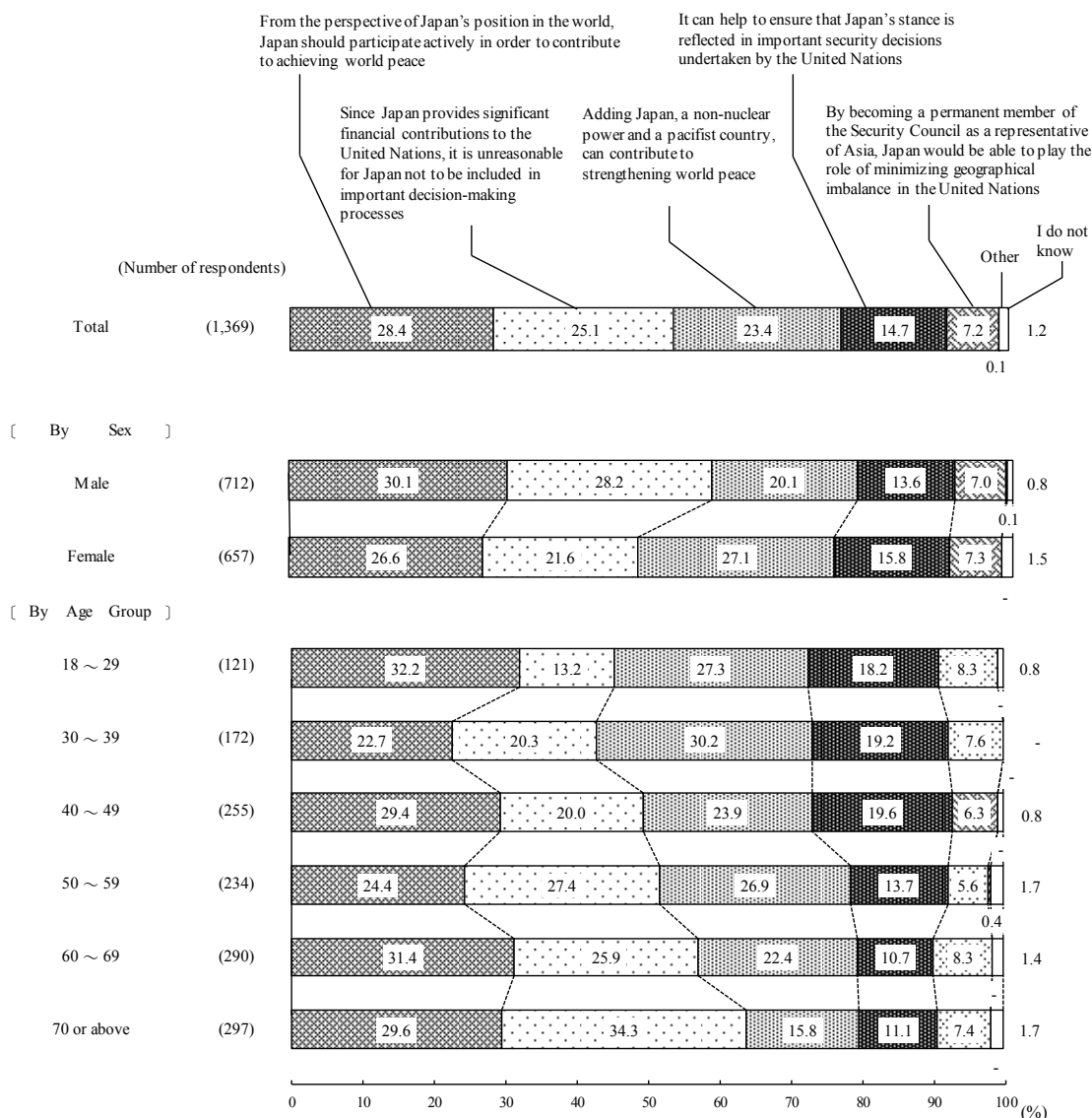
SQ-A. Reasons to Agree to Japan's Addition as a Permanent Member of the Security Council

*SQ-a (For 1,369 people who responded "Agree" or "Tend to agree" to Q7)
Why do you think so? Please select one answer from the following.*

November 2016 (ref.) January 2016

• From the perspective of Japan's position in the world, Japan should participate actively in order to contribute to achieving world peace	28.4%	28.2%
• Since Japan provides significant financial contributions to the United Nations, it is unreasonable for Japan not to be included in important decision-making processes	25.1%	24.1%
• Adding Japan, a non-nuclear power and a pacifist country, can contribute to strengthening world peace	23.4%	24.1%
• It can help to ensure that Japan's stance is reflected in important security decisions undertaken by the United Nations	14.7%	13.1%
• By becoming a permanent member of the Security Council as a representative of Asia, Japan would be able to play the role of minimizing geographical imbalance in the United Nations	7.2%	8.6%

[For those who responded "Agree" or "Tend to agree" to Q7]



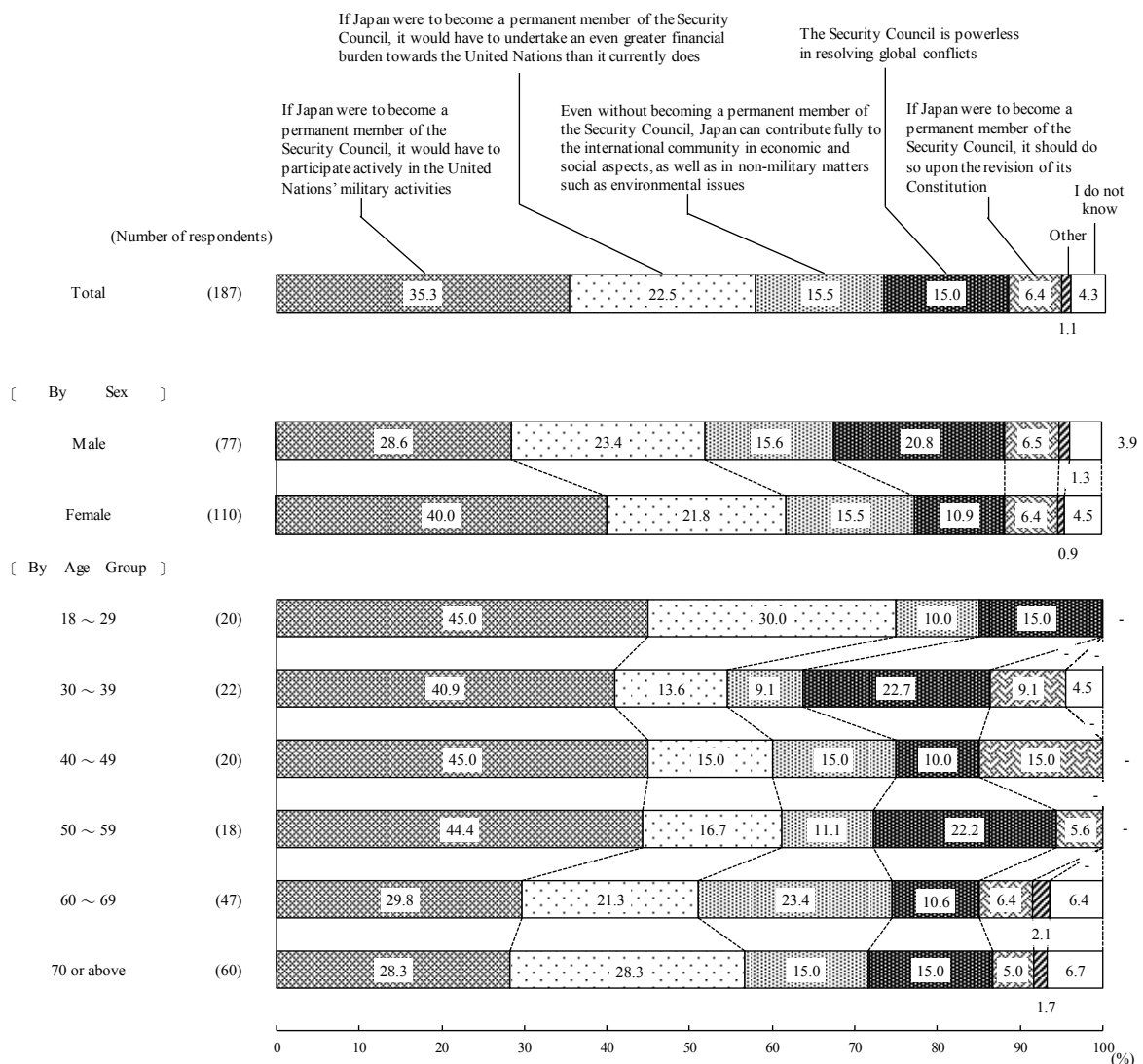
SQ-B. Reasons to Disagree to Japan's Addition as a Permanent Member of the Security Council

SQ-b (For 187 people who responded "Tend to disagree" or "Disagree" to Q7)
 Why do you think so? Please select one answer from the following.

November 2016 (ref.) January 2016

• If Japan were to become a permanent member of the Security Council, it would have to participate actively in the United Nations' military activities	35.3%	39.3%
• If Japan were to become a permanent member of the Security Council, it would have to undertake an even greater financial burden toward the United Nations than it currently does	22.5%	13.6%
• Even without becoming a permanent member of the Security Council, Japan can contribute fully to the international community in economic and social aspects, as well as in non-military matters such as environmental issues	15.5%	18.8%
• The Security Council is powerless in resolving global conflicts	15.0%	12.6%
• If Japan were to become a permanent member of the Security Council, it should do so upon the revision of its Constitution	6.4%	8.9%

[For those who responded "Tend to disagree" or "Disagree" to Q7]



4. External Economy

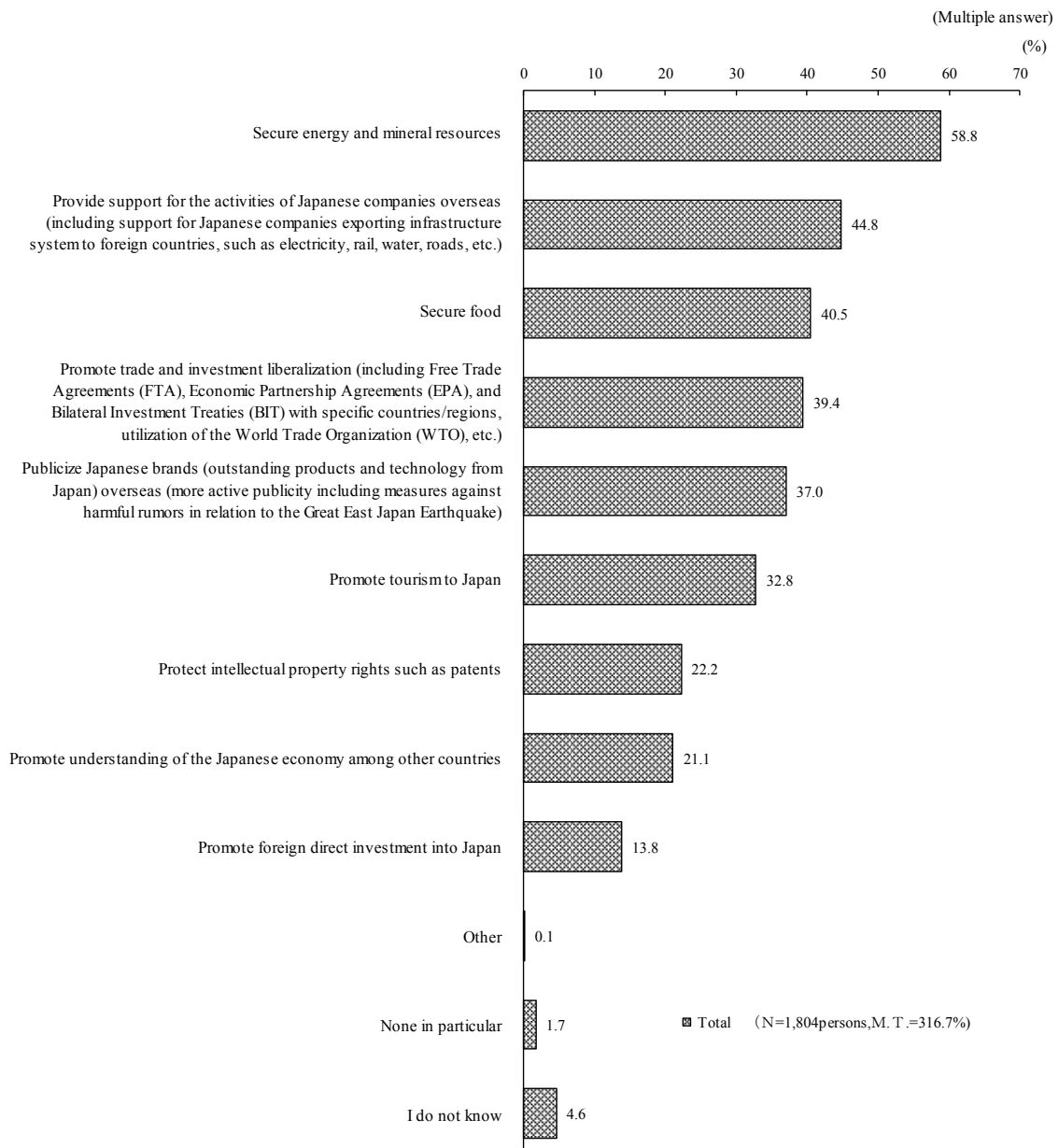
Japan's Areas of Priority in Developing Foreign Economic Relations

Q8 Which are the areas that you think Japan should place priority on in its efforts to develop economic relations with other countries? Please select all applicable answers. (M.A.)

(Top 4 Items)

November 2016 (ref.) January 2016

• Secure energy and mineral resources	58.8%	60.1%
• Provide support for the activities of Japanese companies overseas (including support for Japanese companies exporting infrastructure system to foreign countries, such as electricity, rail, water, roads, etc.)	44.8%	46.4%
• Secure food	40.5%	42.0%
• Promote trade and investment liberalization (including Free Trade Agreements (FTA), Economic Partnership Agreements (EPA), and Bilateral Investment Treaties (BIT) with specific countries/regions, utilization of the World Trade Organization (WTO), etc.)	39.4%	41.9%



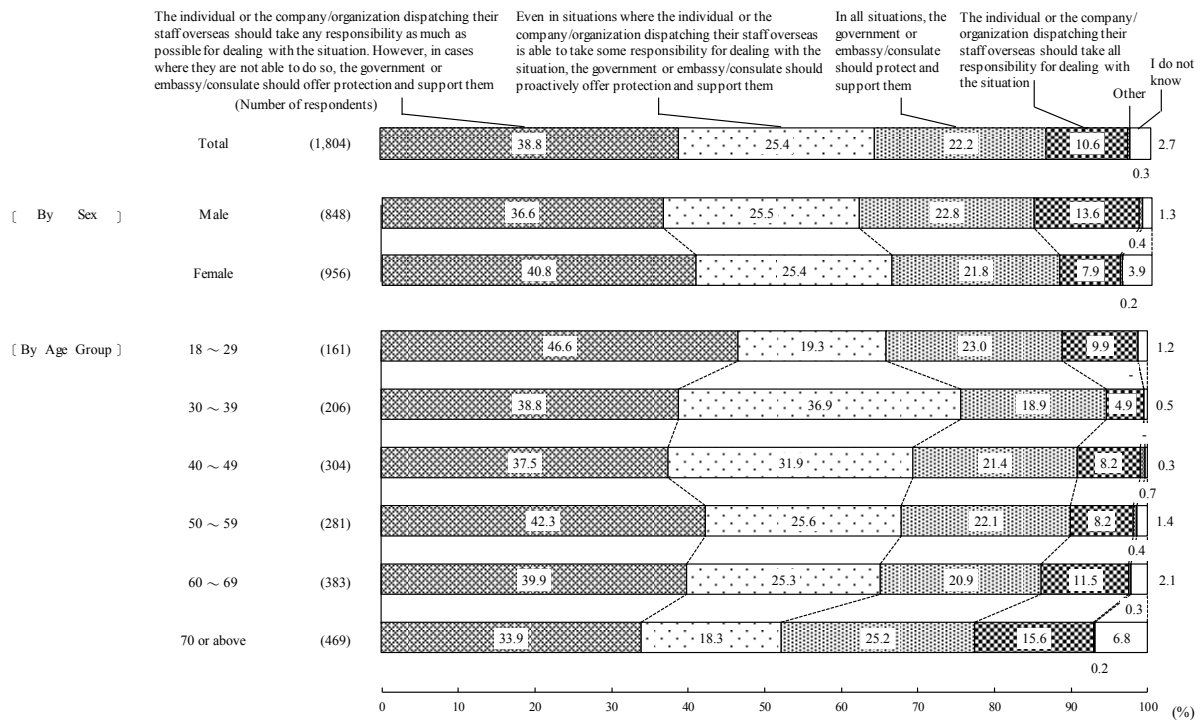
5. Protection of Japanese Nationals Overseas

Views on Protection and Support of Japanese Nationals Overseas

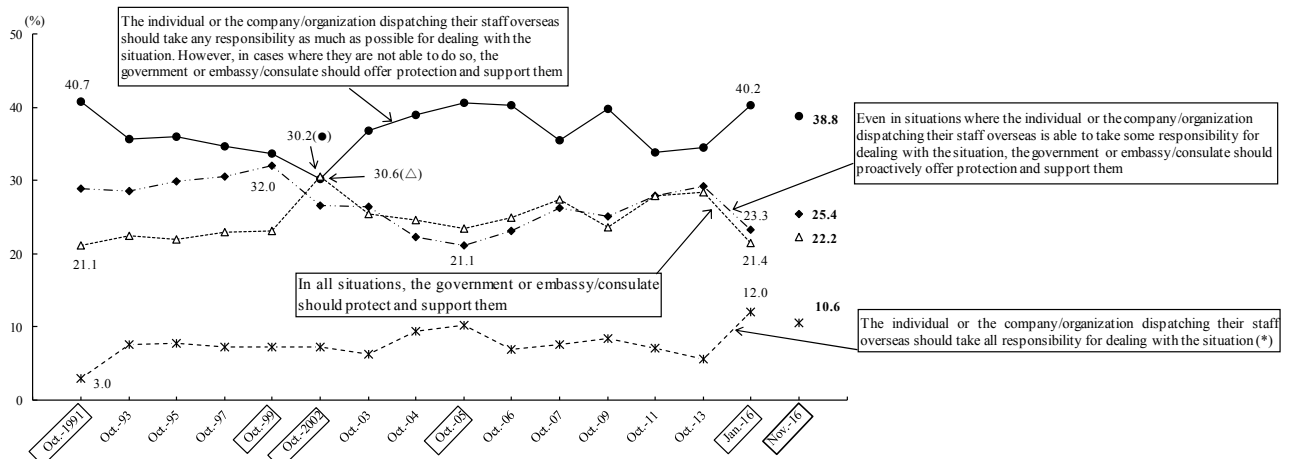
Q9 What are your views on providing protection and support to Japanese nationals who are involved in incidents or accidents overseas, such as traffic accidents, crimes, illness, or terrorism? Please select one answer from the following.

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• The individual or the company/organization dispatching their staff overseas should take any responsibility as much as possible for dealing with the situation. However, in cases where they are not able to do so, the government or embassy/consulate should offer protection and support them	38.8%	40.2%
• Even in situations where the individual or the company/organization dispatching their staff overseas is able to take some responsibility for dealing with the situation, the government or embassy/consulate should proactively offer protection and support them	25.4%	23.3%
• In all situations, the government or embassy/consulate should protect and support them	22.2%	21.4%
• The individual or the company/organization dispatching their staff overseas should take all responsibility for dealing with the situation	10.6%	12.0%



Reference : Views on Protection and Support of Japanese Nationals Overseas



(*) The response option was phrased "The individual of the company/organization dispatching their staff overseas should take all responsibility for dealing with the situation, and the government does not need to act in particular." in the October 1991 survey.

6. The Role that Japan Should Fulfill

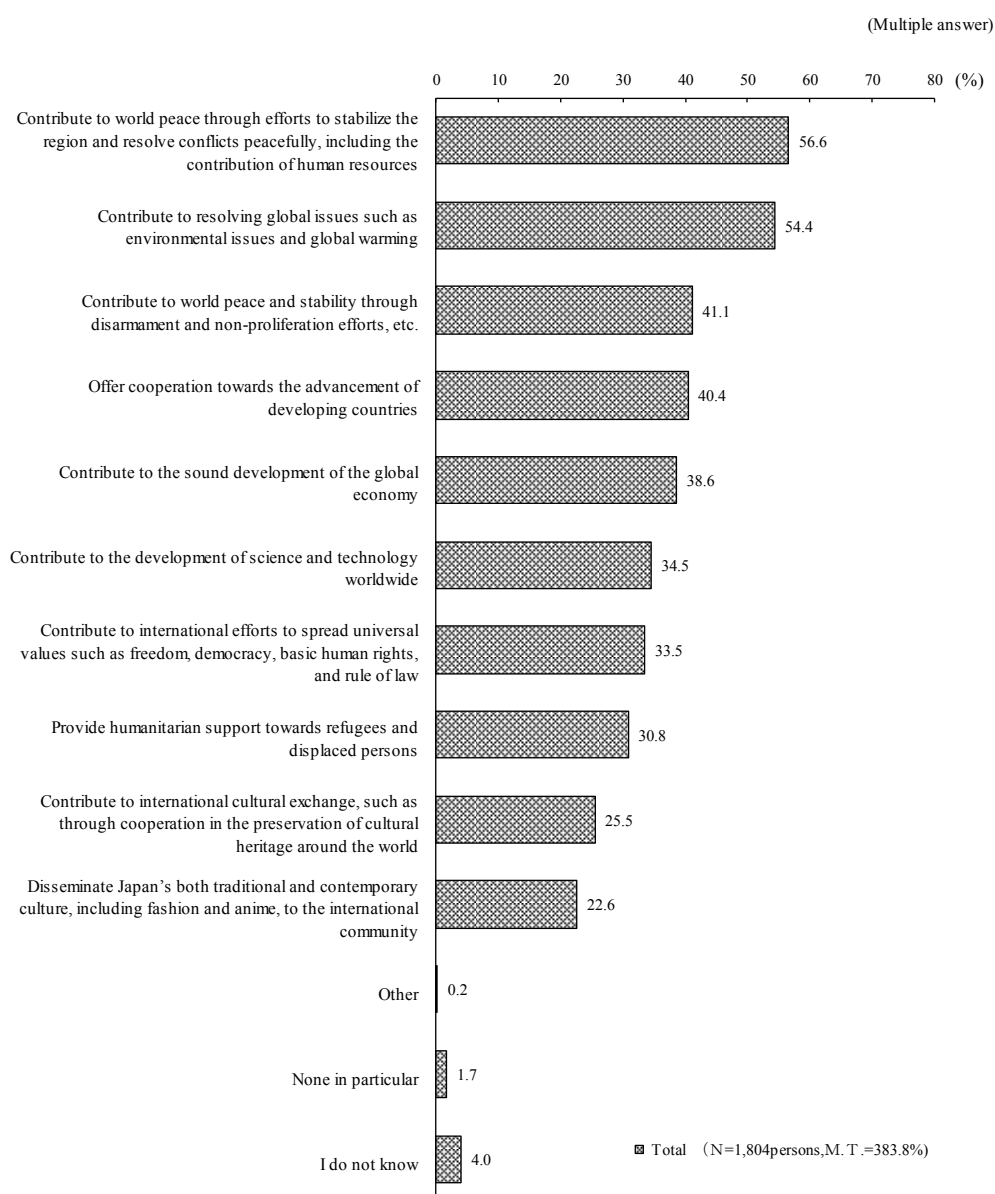
The Role that Japan Should Fulfill

*Q10 What is the main role that you think Japan should fulfill in the international community?
Please select all applicable answers. (M.A.)*

(Top 4 Items)

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• Contribute to world peace through efforts to stabilize the region and resolve conflicts peacefully, including the contribution of human resources	56.6%	60.7%
• Contribute to resolving global issues such as environmental issues and global warming	54.4%	56.8%
• Contribute to world peace and stability through disarmament and non-proliferation efforts, etc.	41.1%	42.4%
• Offer cooperation toward the advancement of developing countries	40.4%	42.6%



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1. Relations between Japan and other countries

Q1. [Response Sheet 1] Do you feel an affinity towards the United States of America?

Please select one answer from the following.

[The same question applies for the following countries, in order: (2) Russia, (3) China, (4) Republic of Korea, (5) India, (6) Countries in the Middle East (Turkey, Saudi Arabia, etc.), (7) Countries in Africa (South Africa, Kenya, Nigeria, etc.), (8) Countries in Latin America and the Caribbean (Mexico, Brazil, Jamaica, etc.)]

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	
	Feel	Feel	Do not	Do not	I do not
	strong	some	feel much	feel any	know
	affinity	affinity	affinity	affinity	
(1) United States of America	(42.4)	(41.7)	(7.3)	(6.0)	(2.6)
(2) Russia	(2.3)	(17.0)	(45.8)	(31.2)	(3.8)
(3) China	(3.4)	(13.4)	(34.6)	(46.0)	(2.7)
(4) Republic of Korea	(9.1)	(29.0)	(30.5)	(28.5)	(2.8)
(5) India	(7.7)	(34.5)	(27.7)	(21.0)	(9.1)
(6) Countries in the Middle East	(2.8)	(20.8)	(32.9)	(33.0)	(10.5)
(Turkey, Saudi Arabia, etc.)					
(7) Countries in Africa	(2.8)	(22.8)	(33.4)	(30.1)	(10.9)
(South Africa, Kenya, Nigeria, etc.)					
(8) Countries in Latin America and the Caribbean	(4.7)	(33.5)	(29.5)	(23.3)	(8.9)
(Mexico, Brazil, Jamaica, etc.)					

Q2. [Response Sheet 2] Do you think that the current relations between Japan and the United States of America are, on the whole, good? Please select one answer from the following.

[The same question applies for the following countries, in order: (2) Russia, (3) China, (4) Republic of Korea, and (5) India.]

	(a) Good	(b) Quite good	(c) Not really good	(d) Not good	I cannot make a distinction	I do not know
(1) United States of America	(34.3).....	(52.8).....	(8.0).....	(1.8).....	(1.3).....	(1.8)
(2) Russia	(1.5).....	(26.3).....	(49.4).....	(15.8).....	(2.5).....	(4.4)
(3) China	(0.8).....	(11.7).....	(43.8).....	(39.1).....	(1.7).....	(2.9)
(4) Republic of Korea.....	(2.1).....	(27.1).....	(43.0).....	(22.4).....	(2.3).....	(3.2)
(5) India	(8.1).....	(48.1).....	(22.2).....	(7.4).....	(3.2).....	(11.1)

Q3. [Response Sheet 3] Do you think that the future development of the relations between Japan and the United States of America is important for the two countries, and for Asia and the Pacific region? Please select one answer from the following.

[The same question applies for the following countries, in order: (2) Russia, (3) China, (4) Republic of Korea, and (5) India.]

	(a) Important	(b) Quite important	(c) Not really important	(d) Not important	I cannot make a distinction	I do not know
(1) United States of America	(76.2).....	(18.8).....	(2.1).....	(0.5).....	(0.7).....	(1.8)
(2) Russia	(29.0).....	(47.9).....	(14.8).....	(3.5).....	(0.9).....	(3.8)
(3) China	(30.1).....	(42.8).....	(15.1).....	(7.2).....	(1.6).....	(3.2)
(4) Republic of Korea.....	(24.4).....	(44.6).....	(19.2).....	(7.3).....	(1.3).....	(3.2)
(5) India	(24.9).....	(45.1).....	(15.5).....	(5.8).....	(1.5).....	(7.2)

Q4. [Response Sheet 4] Are you interested in any issues related to North Korea? Please select all applicable answers. (M.A.)

- (42.1) (a) Political system
- (23.4) (b) North-South issues
- (22.5) (c) Negotiations to normalize Japan-North Korea diplomatic relations
- (81.2) (d) Issue of the abduction of Japanese citizens
- (72.1) (e) Nuclear issues
- (71.5) (f) Missile issues
- (34.6) (g) Issue of North Korean defectors
- (11.3) (h) Economic exchanges such as trade/cultural and sports exchanges
- (0.6) Other ()
- (3.8) None in particular
- (0.9) I do not know

(M.T.=363.9)

2. Development cooperation

Q5. [Response Sheet 5] Developed countries extend development cooperation, such as financial and technical cooperation, to developing countries. Taking into consideration the various aspects involved, how do you feel about Japan's development cooperation in the future? Please select one answer from the following.

- (30.2) (a) Japan should more actively promote development cooperation
 - (50.3) (b) The current level of development cooperation is appropriate
 - (12.4) (c) Japan should minimize the level of development cooperation
 - (2.8) (d) Japan should stop development cooperation
 - (4.3) I do not know
- (To Q6.)

(For those who responded “(a) Japan should more actively promote development cooperation”, “(b) The current level of development cooperation is appropriate”, or “(c) Japan should minimize the level of development cooperation” in Q5)

SQ. [Response Sheet 6] From which perspective do you think development cooperation should be extended to developing countries? Please select all applicable answers. (M.A.)

(N=1,676)

- (42.9) (a) Because development cooperation is an important tool for Japan in promoting its strategic foreign policy
- (26.1) (b) Because there is a need to secure Japan's presence in light of the fact that other countries such as China are active in developing countries
- (41.8) (c) Because it contributes to the Japanese economy, such as by promoting overseas activities by local government and Japanese corporations, including SMEs
- (52.2) (d) Because it contributes to securing stable supply of energy resources
- (41.5) (e) Because Japan should continue extending development cooperation to reciprocate the assistance that Japan received from other countries during the Great East Japan Earthquake
- (47.3) (f) Because there is a need to increase the international community's confidence in Japan
- (36.5) (g) Because Japan, as a developed country, assumes humanitarian obligation or international responsibility for helping developing countries
- (1.3) Other ()
- (2.1) None in particular
- (2.1) I do not know

(M.T.=293.8)

(For all respondents)

3. Japan's role in the United Nations

Q6. [Response Sheet 7] Currently, more than 100 countries around the world have dispatched personnel to the United Nations Peacekeeping Operations (UN PKO). In accordance with the International Peace Cooperation Law, Japan has also participated in UN PKO missions in places such as Cambodia, the Golan Heights, East Timor, Haiti, and South Sudan; international humanitarian relief operations such as assistance to Iraqi refugees; and international election monitoring activities such as in East Timor or Nepal. Do you think that Japan should continue such activities as part of its efforts to contribute human resources to the international community? Please select one answer from the following.

- (19.8) (a) Japan should participate even more actively than before
- (53.7) (b) Japan should continue with its current level of participation
- (19.2) (c) Japan should participate, but should minimize its level of participation
- (2.7) (d) Japan should not participate
- (0.3) Other ()
- (4.3) I do not know

Q7. [Response Sheet 8] The United Nations is engaged in discussions to increase the number of member states of the Security Council with the aims of strengthening its functions as well as enhancing the representation of each region in the Council. Do you think that Japan should be added as a permanent member of the Security Council? Please select one answer from the following.

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|--------|---------------|------------------|----------|---------------|
| (35.5) | (40.4) | (8.4) | (2.0) | (13.7) |
| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | |
| Agree | Tend to agree | Tend to disagree | Disagree | I do not know |
| ↓ | | ↓ | | → (To Q8.) |

(For those who responded “(a) Agree” or “(b) Tend to agree” in Q7)

SQ a. [Response Sheet 9] Why do you think so?

Please select one answer from the following.

(N=1,369)

- (28.4) (a) From the perspective of Japan's position in the world, Japan should participate actively in order to contribute to achieving world peace
- (25.1) (b) Since Japan provides significant financial contributions to the United Nations, it is unreasonable for Japan not to be included in important decision-making processes
- (23.4) (c) Adding Japan, a non-nuclear power and a pacifist country, can contribute to strengthening world peace
- (14.7) (d) It can help to ensure that Japan's stance is reflected in important security decisions undertaken by the United Nations
- (7.2) (e) By becoming a permanent member of the Security Council as a representative of Asia, Japan would be able to play the role of minimizing geographical imbalance in the United Nations
- (0.1) Other ()
- (1.2) I do not know

(For those who responded “(c) Tend to disagree” or “(d) Disagree” in Q7)

SQ b. [Response Sheet 10] Why do you think so?

Please select one answer from the following.

(N= 187)

- (22.5) (a) If Japan were to become a permanent member of the Security Council, it would have to undertake an even greater financial burden towards the United Nations than it currently does
- (35.3) (b) If Japan were to become a permanent member of the Security Council, it would have to participate actively in the United Nations' military activities
- (15.5) (c) Even without becoming a permanent member of the Security Council, Japan can contribute fully to the international community in economic and social aspects, as well as in non-military matters such as environmental issues
- (6.4) (d) If Japan were to become a permanent member of the Security Council, it should do so upon the revision of its Constitution
- (15.0) (e) The Security Council is powerless in resolving global conflicts
- (1.1) Other ()
- (4.3) I do not know

(For all respondents)

4. External economy

Q8. [Response Sheet 11] Which are the areas that you think Japan should place priority on in its efforts to develop economic relations with other countries? Please select all applicable answers. (M.A.)

- (39.4) (a) Promote trade and investment liberalization (including Free Trade Agreements (FTA), Economic Partnership Agreements (EPA), and Bilateral Investment Treaties (BIT) with specific countries/regions, utilization of the World Trade Organization (WTO), etc.)
- (58.8) (b) Secure energy and mineral resources
- (40.5) (c) Secure food
- (13.8) (d) Promote foreign direct investment into Japan
- (44.8) (e) Provide support for the activities of Japanese companies overseas (including support for Japanese companies exporting infrastructure system to foreign countries, such as electricity, rail, water, roads, etc.)
- (22.2) (f) Protect intellectual property rights such as patents
- (32.8) (g) Promote tourism to Japan
- (21.1) (h) Promote understanding of the Japanese economy among other countries
- (37.0) (i) Publicize Japanese brands (outstanding products and technology from Japan) overseas (more active publicity including measures against harmful rumors in relation to the Great East Japan Earthquake)
- (0.1) Other ()
- (1.7) None in particular
- (4.6) I do not know (M.T.=316.7)

5. Protection of Japanese nationals overseas

Q9. [Response Sheet 12] What are your views on providing protection and support to Japanese nationals who are involved in incidents or accidents overseas, such as traffic accidents, crimes, illness, or terrorism? Please select one answer from the following.

- (10.6) (a) The individual or the company/organization dispatching their staff overseas should take all responsibility for dealing with the situation
- (38.8) (b) The individual or the company/organization dispatching their staff overseas should take any responsibility as much as possible for dealing with the situation. However, in cases where they are not able to do so, the government or embassy/consulate should offer protection and support them
- (25.4) (c) Even in situations where the individual or the company/organization dispatching their staff overseas is able to take some responsibility for dealing with the situation, the government or embassy/consulate should proactively offer protection and support them
- (22.2) (d) In all situations, the government or embassy/consulate should protect and support them
- (0.3) Other ()
- (2.7) I do not know

6. The role that Japan should fulfill

Q10. [Response Sheet 13] What is the main role that you think Japan should fulfill in the international community? Please select all applicable answers. (M.A.)

- (56.6) (a) Contribute to world peace through efforts to stabilize the region and resolve conflicts peacefully, including the contribution of human resources
- (41.1) (b) Contribute to world peace and stability through disarmament and non-proliferation efforts, etc.
- (33.5) (c) Contribute to international efforts to spread universal values such as freedom, democracy, basic human rights, and rule of law
- (30.8) (d) Provide humanitarian support towards refugees and displaced persons
- (38.6) (e) Contribute to the sound development of the global economy
- (40.4) (f) Offer cooperation towards the advancement of developing countries
- (54.4) (g) Contribute to resolving global issues such as environmental issues and global warming
- (25.5) (h) Contribute to international cultural exchange, such as through cooperation in the preservation of cultural heritage around the world
- (34.5) (i) Contribute to the development of science and technology worldwide
- (22.6) (j) Disseminate Japan's both traditional and contemporary culture, including fashion and anime, to the international community
- (0.2) Other ()
- (1.7) None in particular
- (4.0) I do not know

(M.T.=383.8)

<<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

(53.0) Female

F2 [Age] How old are you?

(1.6) 18 - 19 years old

(9.5) 40 - 44 years old

(12.1) 65 - 69 years old

(3.0) 20 - 24 years old

(7.3) 45 - 49 years old

(10.3) 70 - 74 years old

(4.4) 25 - 29 years old

(8.4) 50 - 54 years old

(7.9) 75 - 79 years old

(4.5) 30 - 34 years old

(7.2) 55 - 59 years old

(7.9) 80 years old or above

(6.9) 35 - 39 years old

(9.1) 60 - 64 years old

F3 [Response Sheet 14] [Employment status] Which of the following applies to your employment status?

(46.5) (a) Employed (including executive officer)

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

(2.0) (c) Family worker

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

(For those who responded "(a) Employed (including executive officer)", "(b) Self-employed (including home-based work)" or "(c) Family worker" in F3)

SQ-a [Occupation] What is your occupation?

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

(N=1,019)

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- (4.9) Administrative or Managerial Worker
- (14.5) Professional or Technical Worker
- (22.1) Clerical Worker
- (28.5) Sales, Service, or Security Worker
- (5.5) Agriculture, Forestry, or Fishery Worker
- (24.5) Production, Transportation, Construction or Related Worker

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

SQ-b [Homemaker, student, other unemployed]

Which of the following is applicable to you?

(N=785)

- (54.0) Housewife
- (2.0) Househusband
- (4.8) Student
- (39.1) Other