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How are you? I am (), an interviewer working for the Korea Survey Gallup Ltd. Our research institute is currently collecting citizen opinion regarding political views and life in general. The questions that I am going to ask you do not have any right or wrong answers. Your opinion will be combined with other people to figure out how many have the same opinion. Your answers will not be used for any other purpose. We sincerely hope that you will tell us exactly how you feel. Especially, since this survey is to be compared with other surveys currently being conducted in other Countries, we, once again, earnestly ask for your candid opinion.
We thank you sincerely.

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¹⁰⁻¹¹ Region:

1. Seoul 2.Pusan 3.Daegu 4.Inchon 5.Kwangju
6. Taejon 7.Kyongi 8.Kangwon 9.Choonbook 10.Choognam
11.Chunbook 12.Chunnam 13.Kyungbook 14.Kyungnam

¹² Community Size: 1. Large city 2. medium or small city 3.town/village

¹³ SQ 1. Gender

- 1)Male
2)Female

¹⁴⁻¹⁵ SQ 2. Age _____

¹⁶ Q1) How often do you watch the news on television?

- 1) Almost always
2) Often
3) Occasionally
4) Rarely

¹⁷ Q2) How interested are you in politics?

- 1) A lot
- 2) Some
- 3) Not very much
- 4) Not at all

¹⁸ Q3. Compared to the period in which Chun Doo Hwan was the president, would you say you are now much more interested in politics? Or are you much less interested in it?

- 1) Much more
- 2) A little more
- 3) About the same
- 4) A little less
- 5) Much less

¹⁹ 4. Compared to the Chun Doo Hwan government period, have your political views changed, and have you become more conservative or liberal?

- 1) Much more conservative
- 2) Somewhat more conservative
- 3) The same
- 4) Somewhat more liberal
- 5) Much more liberal

²⁰ 5. In general, how much influence do you think ordinary people like you have on government policy?

- 1) Great deal
- 2) Some
- 3) A Little
- 4) None

²¹ 6. Compared to the period in which Chun Doo Hwan was the president, would you say ordinary people like you have more or less influence on the government?

- 1) Much more
- 2) A little more
- 3) About the same
- 4) A little less
- 5) Much less

²² 7. How much influence do you think the government has on ordinary people like you?

- 1) Great deal
- 2) Some
- 3) A little
- 4) None

23 8. Compared to the era in which Chun Doo Hwan was the president, would you say the government has much more or less influence on ordinary people like you?

- 1) Much more
2) A little more
3) About the same
4) A little less
5) Much less

24-25 9. [Show Card 1] If political attitudes are divided into the left and the right, where would you place yourself? The closer you are to the number 1 on this scale, the more strongly leftist you are; the closer you are to the number 10, the more strongly rightist you are. Keeping that in mind, please choose a number on this scale.

Left Right
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |

26-31 10. [Show Card 2] Even in democracies, there are several different types. Which of the types on this card have you heard of?

- 26 1) European social democracy
27 2) People's democracy
28 3) Mass democracy
29 4) Corporatist democracy
30 5) Korean democracy
31 6) Liberal democracy

Q11) [Show Card 3] Please tell me your views on democracy with a number on this scale. The closer you are to the number 10, the more strongly democratic our country is; the closer you are to the number 1, the more strongly dictatorial our country is.

32-33 11-a. To what extent do you think our country was democratized during the Fifth Republic when Chun Doo Hwan was the president? Dictatorship Democracy | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |

34-35 11-b. To what extent did you want our country to be democratized during the Fifth Republic period? Dictatorship Democracy | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |

36-37 11-c. To what extent do you think our country was democratized during the 6th Republic period when Roh Tae Woo was the president? Dictatorship Democracy | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |

38-39 11-d. To what extent did you want our country to be democratized during the 6th Republic?

Dictatorship Democracy
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |

40-41 11-e. To what extent do you think our country is democratized at the present time?

Dictatorship Democracy
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |

42-43 11-f. To what extent do you want our country to be democratized at the present time?

Dictatorship Democracy
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |

Q12) [Shown Card 4] Next, I want you to tell me how suitable democracy was for our country during each period, with a number on this card. The closer to 10 the number is, the more suitable democracy is for our country; the closer to 1, the more unsuitable our democracy is.

44-45 12-a. How suitable do you think democracy was for our country during the 5th Republic when Chun Doo Hwan was the president?

Unsuitable suitable
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |

46-47 12-b. How suitable was democracy during the 6th Republic when Roh Tae Woo was the president?

Unsuitable suitable
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |

48-49 12-c. How suitable is democracy for our country during the current Kim Young Sam government period?

Unsuitable suitable
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |

50 13. Since the beginning of the 6th Republic when Roh Tae Woo became the president, how much better or worse do you think our political situation has become?

- 1) Much better
- 2) Somewhat better
- 3) About the same
- 4) Somewhat worse
- 5) Much worse

51 14. How do you think the political situation will change over next five years?

- 1) Much better
- 2) Somewhat better
- 3) About the same
- 4) Somewhat worse
- 5) Much worse

⁵²⁻⁶¹ Q15) [Show Card 5] Please tell me all the political activities you have been involved in since the beginning of the Sixth Republic when Roh Tae Woo became the president? You may choose from the categories listed on this card.

- ⁵² 1) Participating in election and voting
- ⁵³ 2) Discussing politics with other people
- ⁵⁴ 3) Attending political meetings or assemblies
- ⁵⁵ 4) Working for a particular party or candidate
- ⁵⁶ 5) Contributing money to political parties or groups
- ⁵⁷ 6) Working with other people to solve a community problem
- ⁵⁸ 7) Contacting civil servants or politicians for a favor
- ⁵⁹ 8) Submitting a petition
- ⁶⁰ 9) Taking part in a demonstration
- ⁶¹ 10) Taking part in a strike

⁶² 16. Compared to the Fifth Republic Period, when Chun Doo Hwan was the president, would you say that you take part in politics to a greater or lesser extent?

- 1) To a greater extent
- 2) To a lesser extent
- 3) About the same

⁶³⁻⁶⁸ Q17) [Show Card 6] Are you a member of any of the organizations listed on this card?

- ⁶³ 1) Fraternal organization
- ⁶⁴ 2) Religious organization
- ⁶⁵ 3) Interest group
- ⁶⁶ 4) Social organization
- ⁶⁷ 5) Cultural organization
- ⁶⁸ 6) Political organization

⁶⁹ 18. Compared to the 5th Republic period, when Chun Doo Hwan was the president, are you presently more active or less active in organizations or groups?

- 1) more active
- 2) less active
- 1) About the same

⁷⁰ 19-a. Compared to the Fifth Republic period, do you feel close to politicians to a greater or lesser extent?

- 1) A greater extent
- 2) A lesser extent
- 3) About the same

⁷¹ 19-b. Compared to the Fifth Republic period, do you feel close to political parties to a greater or lesser extent?

- 1) A greater extent
- 1) A lesser extent
- 2) About the same

72 Q20) There are divergent views on how to conduct state affairs. Which one of the following views comes closest to yours?

- 1) The President should always abide by laws
- 2) Under certain circumstances, the president may violate laws in conducting state affairs

73 20-b. Which one of the following views comes closer to yours?

- 1) The president should always follow public opinion
- 2) Depending on situations, the president may not have to follow public opinion.

74-79 11. Next, we would like to know how strongly you support or object to each of the following statements. Please tell me whether you "strongly support," "somewhat support," "somewhat oppose," or "strongly oppose" it.

	Strongly, Support	Support,	Object,	Strongly, Object	don't know
	1	2	3	4	8
74 a. The National security Laws should be revised	1	2	3	4	8
75 b. Civilians should be allowed to visit North Korea without a permission from the government	1	2	3	4	8
76 c. Labor unions should be allowed to engage in political activity	1	2	3	4	8
77 d. Voting age should be lowered from the current limit of 20 to 18	1	2	3	4	8
78 e. Laws should be revised so as to achieve gender inequality	1	2	3	4	8
79 f. Laws should be revised to reduce the gap between the rich and the poor	1	2	3	4	8

B10 22. Some people say that "politics in our country should be democratized much more than what it is now." How strongly do you agree or disagree with this view?

- 1) Completely agree
- 2) Strongly agree
- 3) Somewhat agree
- 4) Do not agree much

5) Do not agree at all

¹¹ 23. Other people say that "it would be better to have a strong leader like President Park Chung Hee govern than to continue a democracy in order to tackle the difficult problems facing our country.

- 1) Completely agree
- 2) Very much agree
- 3) Somewhat agree
- 4) Do not agree much
- 5) Do not agree at all

¹²⁻¹⁶ 24. Please tell me whether you yourself, family, friends, and neighbors were oppressed in any way for political reasons during the period when Park Chung Hee and Chun Doo Hwan were the presidents.

- ¹² 1) Self
- ¹³ 2) Family
- ¹⁴ 3) Relatives
- ¹⁵ 4) Friends
- ¹⁶ 5) Neighbors

25-a. [Show Card 7] Should the quality of life, e.g., the degrees of happy life, be graded into 10 steps, as shown on this ladder scale, where would you place yours? The closer to 10 the step is; the happier a person's life is; the closer to 1 the step is, the unhappier the life is.

¹⁷⁻¹⁸ 25-a) On which step of the ladder would you say you personally stood during the Chun Doo Hwan government period?

Unhappiness Happiness
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |

¹⁹⁻²⁰ 25-b. On which step do you stand at the present time?

unhappiness Happiness
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |

²¹⁻²² 25-c. On which step do you think you would stand now if the Chun Doo Hwan government continued to rule?

unhappiness Happiness
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |

²³⁻²⁴ 25-d. Where do you think you will stand in five years from now if our country's politics become far more democratized?

Unhappiness Happiness
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |

²⁵ 26. Compared to the Chun Doo Hwan government period, how much has your family's economic life improved or deteriorated?

- 1) Improved a lot
- 2) Improved somewhat
- 3) About the same
- 4) Got somewhat worse
- 5) Got much worse

²⁶ 27. How much do you think your family's economic life will improve or deteriorate five years from now?

- 1) Improve a lot
- 2) Improve somewhat
- 3) Change little
- 4) Get somewhat worse
- 5) Get much worse

²⁷ 28. Of the following two views on parental responsibility, with which one do you agree more strongly?

- 1) Parents should do the best for their children even at the expense of their own happiness.
- 2) Parents have their own lives; so they should not sacrifice their happiness for the children.

²⁸ 29. Of the following two views regarding children's orientations toward their parents, with which one do you agree more strongly?

- 1) Children should always love and respect their parents regardless of the parents' faults.
- 2) Children do not have to love and respect their parents when they think the parent's manners and behavior do not deserve their love and respect.

²⁹ 30. With which of the following two views on the divorce of parents with young children do you agree more strongly?

- 1) If both parents want a divorce, it is okay for them to get divorced.
- 2) Parents should not seek a divorce for the sake of young children, even when both of them want it.

³⁰ 31. With which of the following two views regarding the relationship between inferiors and superiors in a workplace, do you agree more strongly?

- 1) Inferiors should always follow their superiors' directives, even if they do not agree with those.
- 2) Inferiors may not follow their superiors' directives, if they do not agree with those.

Q32) [Show Card 7] Please tell me how good our country is as a place to live, with a number on this ladder scale. The closer to 10 the number is, the better the place is; the closer to 1 the number is, the worse the place is.

31-32 32-a) Where do you think our country stood during the Fifth Republic period when Chun Doo Hwan was the president (

Worst Best
 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |10 |

33-34 32-b. Where do you think our country stands at the present time?

Worst Best
 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |10 |

35-36 32-c. Where do you think our country would stand now if the Chun Doo Hwan government continued?

Worst Best
 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |10 |

37-38 32-d. Where do you expect our country to stand in five years from now if our country's politics is democratized much more than what it is now?

Worst Best
 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |10 |

39 33. Compared to the Fifth Republic period when Chun Doo Hwan was the president, how much do you think our country's economic conditions have improved or deteriorated?

- 1) Much improved
- 2) Improved
- 3) about the same
- 4) Gotten worse
- 5) Gotten far worse

40-42 34. Compared to the Fifth Republic period, how much do you think the standards of living among each of the following classes have improved or declined?

	Improved a lot	improved	same	declined	declined a lot
40 low class	1	2	3	4	5
41 middle class	1	2	3	4	5

⁴² upper class 1 2 3 4 5

⁴³ 35. How much do you think our country's economic conditions will improve or deteriorate five years from now?

- 1) Improve a lot
- 2) Improve somewhat
- 3) About the same
- 4) Deteriorate somewhat
- 5) Deteriorate a lot

⁴⁵⁻⁵⁰ 36. Of the Chun Doo Hwan, Roh Tae Woo, and Kim Young Sam governments, which do you think was most successful in dealing with each of the following problems?

	Chun Doo Hwan	Roh Tae Woo	Kim Young sam	About the same	DK
⁴⁵ a. Preventing crimes and maintaining order	1	2	3	4	8
⁴⁶ b. Economic Development	1	2	3	4	8
⁴⁷ c. Reducing Economic inequality	1	2	3	4	8
⁴⁸ d. Reflecting public opinion	1	2	3	4	8
⁴⁹ e. Fair distribution of government benefits	1	2	3	4	8
⁵⁰ f. Expanding political freedom	1	2	3	4	8

⁵¹⁻⁵⁶ 37. Which government do you think was least successful in dealing with each of these problems?

	Chun Doo Hwan	Roh Tae Woo	Kim Young Sam	About the same	DK
⁵¹ a. Preventing crimes and maintaining order	1	2	3	4	8
⁵² b. Economic development	1	2	3	4	8

53	c. Reducing Economic inequality	1	2	3	4	8
54	d. Reflecting public opinion	1	2	3	4	8
55	e. Fair distribution	1	2	3	4	8
56	g. Expanding political freedom	1	2	3	4	8

Q38) [show Card 9] On the whole, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the way the following governments handled the problems facing our society? Choose a number on this card. The closer to 10 the number is, the higher the level of satisfaction is; the closer to 1 the number is, the higher the level of dissatisfaction is.

57-58 38-a. How much would you say you were satisfied with the Chun Doo Hwan government?

Dissatisfaction	Satisfaction
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10	

59-60 38-b. How about the Roh Tae Woo government? **(59-60)**

Dissatisfaction	satisfaction
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10	

60-61 38-c. How about the Kim Young Sam government?

Dissatisfaction	Satisfaction
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10	

Demographics

62 F1. Are you married?

- 1) single
- 2) Married
- 3) Divorced
- 4) Widowed

63-64 F2. Where did you live mostly when you were growing up? Please tell me the region in which you lived most of your life until the middle school period.

- 1) Seoul
- 2) Inchon/Kyoggi
- 3) Kangwon
- 4) Choongbuk

- 5) Daejon/Choongnam
- 6) Chonbook
- 7) Kwangju/Chunnam
- 8) Daegu/Kyongbuk
- 9) Busan/Kyongnam
- 10) Cheju
- 11) North Korea
- 12) Overseas

⁶⁵ F3. Was that region a large city, a medium or small city? Or a rural town or a village?

- 1) Large city
- 2) Medium or small city
- 6) Rural town
- 7) village

⁶⁶⁻⁶⁷ F4. For how many years have you lived here in the region?

_____ years

⁶⁸ F5. Within your family, which of the following are you?

- 1) head of the household (legal head of family)
- 2) Household head's spouse
- 3) Household head's parent (including parents-in-law)
- 4) Household head's brother and sister (including brothers- and sisters-in-law)
- 5) Household's children (including Sons- and daughters-in- law)
- 6) Others

⁶⁹ F6. How much schooling have you had?

- 1) Did not attend school
- 2) Primary school
- 3) Middle school
- 4) High school
- 5) College
- 6) Graduate school and higher

⁷⁰ F7. If ordinary people are grouped into upper, upper-middle, lower-middle, and lower classes according to their standards of living, where would you place your family?

- 1) Upper
- 2) Upper-middle
- 3) Lower-middle
- 4) Lower

⁷¹ F8. What is your family's total monthly income? Include the incomes of all the family members (\$1 = 800 Korean won)

- 1) under 490,000 won

- 2) 500,000 - 990,000 won
- 3) 1,000,000 - 1,490,000 won
- 4) 1,500,000 - 1,990,000 won
- 5) 2,000,000 - 2,490,000 won
- 6) 2,500,000 - 2,990,000 won
- 7) 3,000,000 - 3,490,000 won
- 8) over 3,500,000 won

⁷²⁻⁷³ F9. What is your occupation?

- 1) Agriculture, fishery, forestry
- 2) Own business (retail)
- 3) Sales/services (department)
- 4) Technicians/skilled (mechanic)
- 5) Blue-collar
- 6) White collar-worker(company, bank, school)
- 7) Managerial (manager, principal, chief)
- 8) Professional
- 9) Housewife
- 10) Student
- 11) Out of work
- 12) Others

⁷⁴ F10. Do you belong to any religion?

- 1) Buddhism
- 2) Protestant
- 3) Catholic
- 4) Others
- 5) None

⁷⁵ F11. How often do you go to church or temple? Or how often do you read a bible or engage in prayer or other religious activities?

- 1) Everyday
- 2) Over three days a week
- 3) One or two days a week
- 4) Two or three days a month
- 5) One day a month
- 6) One day per two or three month
- 7) One or two days a year
- 8) Rarely

Thank you