NATIONAL SURVEY OF MONGOLIAN YOUTH

A NATIONWIDE PUBLIC OPINION POLL

May 14 - June 15, 2020
The survey was conducted on behalf of the International Republican Institute’s Center for Insights in Survey Research (CISR) by the Independent Research Institute of Mongolia (IRIM).

Data collection was conducted between May 14 - June 15, 2020 through interviews administered face-to-face in respondents’ homes.

The sample consisted of n=2,494 residents of Mongolia, aged 18 to 40.

A multi-stage probability sampling method was used to design a nationally representative sample according to population estimates from the National Statistical Office. The sample was stratified by region and by urban/rural residency, followed by random selection of primary sampling units (PSUs) within each stratum. Households were selected by randomly walking in each of the 250 PSUs, and respondents were selected by the last birthday method.

The data was weighted by gender and age groups according to 2019 estimates from the National Statistical Office.

The response rate was 20 percent.

The margin of error at the mid-range of the full sample does not exceed ±2.0 points at the 95% confidence level.

Charts and graphs may not add up to 100 percent due to rounding.
## Frequently Cited Disaggregate Bases

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Geographical key: Regions of Mongolia

- Central Region
- Khangai Region
- Eastern Region
- Ulaanbaatar
- Western Region
## Previous IRI Mongolia polls

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Research and qualitative and quantitative public opinion data is a cornerstone of IRI’s approach to programming. Our data helps put citizens’ need at the center of the political debate and guide our projects’ goals. To date, IRI has conducted more than 900 polls in over 100 countries, surveying more than 1.5 million people and measuring community attitudes on a wide range of issues.

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Youth Perspectives on Issues Facing Mongolia
In general, would you say that our country is heading in the right direction or the wrong direction?

**All Respondents**
- In the right direction: 53%
- In the wrong direction: 36%
- Don't know/Refused to answer: 11%

**Gender**
- Female
  - In the right direction: 55%
  - In the wrong direction: 34%
  - Don't know/Refused to answer: 12%
- Male
  - In the right direction: 52%
  - In the wrong direction: 38%
  - Don't know/Refused to answer: 10%

**Age Groups**
- Age 36-40
  - In the right direction: 52%
  - In the wrong direction: 37%
  - Don't know/Refused to answer: 11%
- Age 31-35
  - In the right direction: 61%
  - In the wrong direction: 29%
  - Don't know/Refused to answer: 10%
- Age 26-30
  - In the right direction: 48%
  - In the wrong direction: 40%
  - Don't know/Refused to answer: 12%
- Age 18-25
  - In the right direction: 52%
  - In the wrong direction: 36%
  - Don’t know/Refused to answer: 12%
How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the way democracy is developing in our country?

### Gender

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### Age Groups

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To what extent do civil society organizations (CSOs) impact government policy in our country?

**Gender**

- **Female**
  - Very impactful: 13%
  - Somewhat impactful: 52%
  - Somewhat unimpactful: 16%
  - Very unimpactful: 10%
  - Don't know/Refused to answer: 8%

- **Male**
  - Very impactful: 14%
  - Somewhat impactful: 47%
  - Somewhat unimpactful: 17%
  - Very unimpactful: 16%
  - Don't know/Refused to answer: 7%

**Age Groups**

- **Age 36-40**
  - Very impactful: 13%
  - Somewhat impactful: 46%
  - Somewhat unimpactful: 19%
  - Very unimpactful: 15%
  - Don't know/Refused to answer: 7%

- **Age 31-35**
  - Very impactful: 14%
  - Somewhat impactful: 48%
  - Somewhat unimpactful: 17%
  - Very unimpactful: 15%
  - Don't know/Refused to answer: 6%

- **Age 26-30**
  - Very impactful: 12%
  - Somewhat impactful: 47%
  - Somewhat unimpactful: 17%
  - Very unimpactful: 17%
  - Don't know/Refused to answer: 8%

- **Age 18-25**
  - Very impactful: 13%
  - Somewhat impactful: 56%
  - Somewhat unimpactful: 15%
  - Very unimpactful: 7%
  - Don't know/Refused to answer: 9%
Do you think that today’s generation of young people has a good future in our country or not?

**Gender**

- **Female**
  - Good future: 51%
  - Not a good future: 45%
  - Don't know/Refused to answer: 4%

- **Male**
  - Good future: 49%
  - Not a good future: 47%
  - Don't know/Refused to answer: 4%

**Age Groups**

- **Age 18-25**
  - Good future: 52%
  - Not a good future: 44%
  - Don't know/Refused to answer: 4%

- **Age 26-30**
  - Good future: 45%
  - Not a good future: 50%
  - Don't know/Refused to answer: 5%

- **Age 31-35**
  - Good future: 51%
  - Not a good future: 45%
  - Don't know/Refused to answer: 4%

- **Age 36-40**
  - Good future: 52%
  - Not a good future: 46%
  - Don't know/Refused to answer: 3%
Do you think that today’s generation of young people has a good future in our country or not?

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<td>Male</td>
<td>52%</td>
<td>43%</td>
<td>49%</td>
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- Female (n=525)
- Male (n=509)

- Female (n=313)
- Male (n=243)

- Female (n=262)
- Male (n=207)

- Female (n=253)
- Male (n=182)

- Good future
- Not a good future
- Don't know/Refused to answer
Do you think that today’s generation of young people has a good future in our country or not?

**Region**

- **Ulaanbaatar**: 50% Good future, 46% Not a good future, 4% Don't know/Refused to answer
- **Eastern**: 47% Good future, 49% Not a good future, 3% Don't know/Refused to answer
- **Central**: 46% Good future, 52% Not a good future, 2% Don't know/Refused to answer
- **Khangai**: 47% Good future, 46% Not a good future, 7% Don't know/Refused to answer
- **Western**: 62% Good future, 37% Not a good future, 2% Don't know/Refused to answer

**All Respondents**: 50% Good future, 46% Not a good future, 4% Don't know/Refused to answer
What is the most important problem facing our country today?

(Spontaneous response, up to three responses permitted)

Top 10 Responses

- **Unemployment**
  - First response: 35%
  - Second response: 12%
  - Third response: 7%

- **Corruption**
  - First response: 8%
  - Second response: 10%
  - Third response: 5%

- **Education**
  - First response: 5%
  - Second response: 6%
  - Third response: 7%

- **Poverty**
  - First response: 4%
  - Second response: 7%
  - Third response: 6%

- **Economy, other/general**
  - First response: 6%
  - Second response: 5%
  - Third response: 4%

- **Cost of living, high prices**
  - First response: 4%
  - Second response: 5%
  - Third response: 3%

- **Politicization**
  - First response: 4%
  - Second response: 4%
  - Third response: 4%

- **Alcoholism**
  - First response: 2%
  - Second response: 4%
  - Third response: 4%

- **Healthcare, general**
  - First response: 2%
  - Second response: 3%
  - Third response: 5%

- **Infrastructure**
  - First response: 2%
  - Second response: 3%
  - Third response: 3%
What is the most important problem facing our country today?

(Spontaneous response, up to three responses permitted; **top ten responses**)

**All Respondents**
- Unemployment: 54%
- Corruption: 22%
- Education: 18%
- Poverty: 18%
- Economy, other/general: 15%
- Cost of living, high prices: 13%
- Politicization: 12%
- Alcoholism: 10%
- Healthcare, general: 10%
- Infrastructure: 8%

**Western Region**
- Unemployment: 65%
- Poverty: 18%
- Corruption: 17%
- Alcoholism: 15%
- Education: 14%
- Politicization: 13%
- Small business opportunities: 10%
- Cost of living, high prices: 9%
- Domestic violence: 7%
- Infrastructure: 7%

**Khangai Mongolia**
- Unemployment: 59%
- Corruption: 21%
- Economy, other/general: 19%
- Poverty: 16%
- Cost of living, high prices: 13%
- Education: 12%
- Healthcare, general: 9%
- Alcoholism: 8%
- Healthcare, COVID-19: 8%
- Politicization: 8%

**Central Region**
- Unemployment: 49%
- Cost of living, high prices: 21%
- Poverty: 17%
- Education: 16%
- Alcoholism: 13%
- Politicization: 13%
- Healthcare, COVID-19: 12%
- Economy, other/general: 12%
- Domestic violence: 11%
- Small business opportunities: 11%
What is the most important problem facing our country today?

(Spontaneous response, up to three responses permitted; top ten responses)

**All Respondents**
- Unemployment: 54%
- Corruption: 22%
- Education: 18%
- Poverty: 18%
- Economy, other/general: 15%
- Cost of living, high prices: 13%
- Politicization: 12%
- Alcoholism: 10%
- Healthcare, general: 10%
- Infrastructure: 8%

**Eastern Region**
- Unemployment: 46%
- Economy, other/general: 29%
- Poverty: 17%
- Politicization: 13%
- Alcoholism: 12%
- Agriculture: 12%
- Corruption: 11%
- Education: 11%
- Healthcare, general: 11%
- Environment, Soil pollution: 7%

**Ulaanbaatar**
- Unemployment: 53%
- Corruption: 31%
- Education: 23%
- Poverty: 18%
- Economy, other/general: 14%
- Politicization: 13%
- Cost of living, high prices: 12%
- Infrastructure: 12%
- Healthcare, general: 11%
- Alcoholism: 8%
What is the biggest problem for our country?

(Spontaneous response, up to three responses permitted; top ten responses)

- Unemployment: 53% (Women 55%)
- Corruption: 25% (Men 20%)
- Poverty: 17% (Women 18%)
- Education: 20% (Men 16%)
- Politicization: 16% (Men 8%)
- Economy, other/general: 15% (Women 14%)
- Cost of living, high prices: 13% (Women 13%)
- Alcoholism: 11% (Women 10%)
- Infrastructure: 10% (Women 8%)
- Healthcare, general: 10% (Women 9%)
- Domestic violence: 4% (Women 11%)

Women

Men
Political Institutions and Governance
### What is your opinion of each of the following institutions?

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Legend: Very positive, Somewhat positive, Somewhat negative, Very negative, Don’t know/Refused to answer.
What is your opinion of each of the following institutions?

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*Top 3 most positive ratings are highlighted.

*Index is the average of ratings: 1 = Very positive, 2 = Somewhat positive, 3 = Somewhat negative, 4 = Very negative.

*Respondents answering Don’t know/Refused to answer are excluded from the index calculation.
For the following issues, is the national government doing a very good, somewhat good, somewhat bad or very bad job?

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<td>Providing childcare (through pre-schools)</td>
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<td>36%</td>
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Issue rating...
For the following issues, is the national government doing a very good, somewhat good, somewhat bad or very bad job?

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*Top 3 most positive ratings are highlighted.
*Index is the average of ratings: 1 = Very positive, 2 = Somewhat positive, 3 = Somewhat negative, 4 = Very negative.
*Respondents answering Don’t know/Refused to answer are excluded from the index calculation.
Youth and Women’s Political Participation
How important or unimportant is it that all members of our country’s adult population are included in political decision-making?

- Very important: 68%
- Somewhat important: 26%
- Somewhat unimportant: 4%
- Very unimportant: 2%
- Don’t know/Refused to answer: 1%
How important or unimportant is it that all members of our country’s adult population are included in political decision-making? How important is it that the following are included?

- **Young adults**: 78% Very important, 19% Somewhat important, 2% Somewhat unimportant, 1% Very unimportant, <1% Don’t know/Refused to answer

- **People with disabilities**: 58% Very important, 33% Somewhat important, 4% Somewhat unimportant, 2% Very unimportant, 3% Don’t know/Refused to answer

- **Women**: 56% Very important, 35% Somewhat important, 5% Somewhat unimportant, 2% Very unimportant, 2% Don’t know/Refused to answer
Why are there not more youth aged 40 and younger politically engaged in our country? For each potential reason I read you, please tell me if it plays a major role or not.

- Youth lack the support network: 81% (Major role), 16% (Not a major role), 3% (Don't know/Refused to answer)
- Even when youth run for office, they do not get elected: 78% (Major role), 18% (Not a major role), 4% (Don't know/Refused to answer)
- Youth lack the resources to mount a campaign: 77% (Major role), 19% (Not a major role), 4% (Don't know/Refused to answer)
- Youth lack political experience: 76% (Major role), 21% (Not a major role), 3% (Don't know/Refused to answer)
- Youth are preoccupied with finding jobs or advancing their career: 75% (Major role), 20% (Not a major role), 5% (Don't know/Refused to answer)
- Youth lack the confidence to run: 69% (Major role), 27% (Not a major role), 4% (Don't know/Refused to answer)
- Youth lack support from the political parties they belong to: 69% (Major role), 23% (Not a major role), 9% (Don't know/Refused to answer)
- Youth are not respected by society: 67% (Major role), 29% (Not a major role), 5% (Don't know/Refused to answer)
- Youth lack familial support: 64% (Major role), 31% (Not a major role), 5% (Don't know/Refused to answer)
- Youth are afraid of stigma or threats or a bad reputation if they run: 62% (Major role), 30% (Not a major role), 8% (Don't know/Refused to answer)
- Youth lack the support network: 58% (Major role), 36% (Not a major role), 6% (Don't know/Refused to answer)
Why are there not more women running for office in our country? For each potential reason I read you, please tell me if it plays a major role or not.

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Women’s participation...
Why are there not more women running for office in our country? For each potential reason I read you, please tell me if it plays a major role or not.

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Election and Political Parties
Did you vote in the most recent elections?*

*At the time of fieldwork, *most recent elections* referred to the 2017 Presidential Elections or the 2016 Parliamentary Elections.
What is the primary reason you did not vote in the most recent elections?*

(Among those who did not vote in the most recent elections, n=681; spontaneous response)

Did you vote in the most recent elections?*

- Yes: 73%
- No: 27%
- Don't know/Refused to answer: <1%

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Not eligible to vote: 55%
Lack of time: 12%
Unable to get leave time from work: 7%
Lack of knowledge on how to vote: 6%
Lack of trust in the privacy of my vote: 4%
Incorrect voter registration: 1%
My vote does not matter: 1%
Lack of confidence in the electoral process: 1%
Unable to vote due to my disability: <1%
Lack of trust in the privacy of my vote: <1%
Lack of knowledge on how to vote: <1%
Voting process too cumbersome: <1%
Other: 11%
Don't know/Refused to answer: 2%
Have you or your family encountered any of the following during the election campaign or on election day?

- Voters being threatened: 91%, Yes, personally experienced; 2%, Yes, heard about it from others; 4%, No; 1%, Don't know/Refused to answer
- Voters being discriminated against: 84%, Yes, personally experienced; 4%, Yes, heard about it from others; 6%, No; 4%, Don't know/Refused to answer
- Voters being promised a job or position: 73%, Yes, personally experienced; 11%, Yes, heard about it from others; 6%, No; 5%, Don't know/Refused to answer
- Inability to cast a vote on election day: 82%, Yes, personally experienced; 2%, Yes, heard about it from others; 2%, No; 2%, Don't know/Refused to answer
- Voters being given disinformation, misinformation or rumors: 63%, Yes, personally experienced; 15%, Yes, heard about it from others; 5%, No; 7%, Don't know/Refused to answer
- Voters being given unrealistic promises and campaign commitments: 63%, Yes, personally experienced; 13%, Yes, heard about it from others; 4%, No; 8%, Don't know/Refused to answer

- Yes, personally experienced
- Yes, heard about it from others
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Should the upcoming elections be postponed due to COVID-19?

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Which factor will be most important in determining your vote?

(Spontaneous response; among likely and decided voters, n=1,172)

- Candidate's past performance/track record: 26%
- Candidate's platform or program promises: 18%
- Candidate's education and professional experience: 12%
- Candidate's character: 7%
- Candidate's young age: 6%
- Candidate's party affiliation: 5%
- Candidate's independence: 3%
- Candidate's name recognition: 1%
- Someone I trust or respect recommends voting for this candidate (endorsement): 1%
- Candidate's performance in debates: 1%
- Other: 3%
- Don't know/Refused to answer: 18%

*Decided voters are those who are likely to vote and who also expressed a party/candidate preference for upcoming elections.*
Why are you very unlikely to vote in the upcoming elections?

(Among very unlikely voters, n=459; spontaneous response)

- I am afraid of contracting the coronavirus: 31%
- None of the parties or candidates inspire me: 15%
- I will not have the time to do it: 11%
- The election is not important for me: 10%
- I do not have confidence in the electoral process: 5%
- None of the parties or candidates represent my view: 5%
- I am boycotting the election: 3%
- My vote will not matter anyway: 2%
- The voting station is too far away: 2%
- I am confused by the process: 2%
- I am afraid to vote: 1%
- I don’t trust that my vote is anonymous: 1%
- Other: 7%
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Do you agree or disagree that political parties are doing enough to address the needs of young people like you?

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Democracy and its Elements

Do you believe that democracy is the best possible form of government for our country or not?

- **Yes, it is the best possible form of government for our country**
- **Yes, it is the best possible form of government for our country but needs further advancement and improvement**
- **No, there are other forms of government that could be equally good for our country**
- **No, there are other forms of government that are better than democracy**
- **Don't know/Refused to answer**

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Thinking about our country’s current political system, do you believe it is a democracy?

**Region**
- Ulaanbaatar: 16% Full democracy, 18% Nearly full democracy, 55% Flawed democracy, 7% Not a democracy at all, 4% Don’t know/Refused to answer
- Eastern: 15% Full democracy, 14% Nearly full democracy, 64% Flawed democracy, 3% Not a democracy at all, 4% Don’t know/Refused to answer
- Central: 17% Full democracy, 20% Nearly full democracy, 55% Flawed democracy, 6% Not a democracy at all, 2% Don’t know/Refused to answer
- Khangai: 19% Full democracy, 20% Nearly full democracy, 49% Flawed democracy, 3% Not a democracy at all, 9% Don’t know/Refused to answer
- Western: 30% Full democracy, 22% Nearly full democracy, 41% Flawed democracy, 5% Not a democracy at all, 2% Don’t know/Refused to answer

**Gender**
- Women: 19% Full democracy, 20% Nearly full democracy, 53% Flawed democracy, 4% Not a democracy at all, 4% Don’t know/Refused to answer
- Men: 18% Full democracy, 18% Nearly full democracy, 53% Flawed democracy, 7% Not a democracy at all, 4% Don’t know/Refused to answer

**Age Groups**
- Age 36-40: 13% Full democracy, 11% Nearly full democracy, 64% Flawed democracy, 8% Not a democracy at all, 5% Don’t know/Refused to answer
- Age 31-35: 21% Full democracy, 14% Nearly full democracy, 55% Flawed democracy, 6% Not a democracy at all, 4% Don’t know/Refused to answer
- Age 26-30: 17% Full democracy, 17% Nearly full democracy, 56% Flawed democracy, 7% Not a democracy at all, 4% Don’t know/Refused to answer
- Age 18-25: 21% Full democracy, 30% Nearly full democracy, 42% Flawed democracy, 4% Not a democracy at all, 4% Don’t know/Refused to answer
### How important or unimportant are each of these elements in making any country a democracy?

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Have you ever engaged in any of the following activities?

Are you interested in engaging in any of the following activities within the next several years?

**Percentage of “Yes” Responses**

- Post on social media about political issues: 31%, 45%
- Sign a petition: 25%, 39%
- Join a political party: 18%, 19%
- Attend a political meeting: 16%, 27%
- Contact an elected official: 15%, 33%
- Participate in a protest: 9%, 26%
- Join or support a formal or informal organization with a political agenda: 9%, 20%
- Participate in a boycott: 4%, 16%
- Run for political office: 1%, 10%

■ Have you ever engaged in any of the following...?  ■ Are you interested in engaging in any of the following...?
Have you ever engaged in any of the following activities?

Age 18-25, “Yes” Responses
- Post on social media about political issues: 29% (43%)
- Sign a petition: 16% (39%)
- Contact an elected official: 11% (29%)
- Attend a political meeting: 8% (26%)
- Join or support a formal or informal organization with a political agenda: 8% (22%)
- Join a political party: 7% (19%)
- Participate in a protest: 3% (23%)
- Participate in a boycott: 2% (14%)
- Run for political office: 10% (10%)

Age 26-30, “Yes” Responses
- Post on social media about political issues: 28% (33%)
- Sign a petition: 16% (23%)
- Join a political party: 18% (18%)
- Attend an event: 12% (17%)
- Contact an elected official: 10% (12%)
- Participate in a protest: 9% (10%)
- Join or support a formal or informal organization with a political agenda: 4% (9%)
- Participate in a boycott: 1% (15%)
- Run for political office: 10% (10%)

Age 31-35, “Yes” Responses
- Post on social media about political issues: 26% (34%)
- Sign a petition: 18% (23%)
- Join a political party: 18% (23%)
- Attend an event: 18% (27%)
- Contact an elected official: 10% (18%)
- Participate in a protest: 9% (10%)
- Join or support a formal or informal organization with a political agenda: 5% (19%)
- Participate in a boycott: 2% (18%)
- Run for political office: 9% (9%)

Age 36-40, “Yes” Responses
- Post on social media about political issues: 23% (30%)
- Sign a petition: 17% (17%)
- Join a political party: 17% (17%)
- Attend an event: 15% (21%)
- Contact an elected official: 15% (15%)
- Participate in a protest: 9% (11%)
- Join or support a formal or informal organization with a political agenda: 4% (9%)
- Participate in a boycott: 1% (4%)
- Run for political office: 9% (9%)

Are you interested in engaging in any of the following activities within the next several years?
Why have you never engaged in any of these activities?

(Spontaneous response, multiple responses permitted; among respondents who did not engage in any activities, n=928)

Main reasons

- I was not interested: 80%
- I did not have time: 58%
- I did not know about them: 57%
- These activities won't change anything: 53%
- I did not know how to engage in these activities: 53%
- I was afraid of repercussions: 38%
- I was concerned I would be considered partisan or affiliated with a specific party: 31%
- Other: <1%
Why have you never engaged in any of these activities?

(Spontaneous response, multiple responses permitted; among respondents who did not engage in any activities, n=928)

Main reasons

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- Other

Age 36-40 (n=169)
Age 31-35 (n=204)
Age 26-30 (n=210)
Age 18-25 (n=345)
Corruption
To what extent, if any, has corruption had a negative impact on you?

**Region**
- **Ulaanbaatar**: 23% (It has had a lot of negative impact), 28% (It has had some negative impact), 13% (It has had little negative impact), 29% (It has not had any negative impact), 7% (Don't know/Refused to answer)
- **Eastern**: 30% (It has had a lot of negative impact), 18% (It has had some negative impact), 6% (It has had little negative impact), 36% (It has not had any negative impact), 10% (Don't know/Refused to answer)
- **Central**: 14% (It has had a lot of negative impact), 21% (It has had some negative impact), 14% (It has had little negative impact), 46% (It has not had any negative impact), 5% (Don't know/Refused to answer)
- **Khangai**: 11% (It has had a lot of negative impact), 17% (It has had some negative impact), 6% (It has had little negative impact), 58% (It has not had any negative impact), 8% (Don't know/Refused to answer)
- **Western**: 21% (It has had a lot of negative impact), 15% (It has had some negative impact), 11% (It has had little negative impact), 52% (It has not had any negative impact), 1% (Don't know/Refused to answer)

**Gender**
- **Women**: 17% (It has had a lot of negative impact), 23% (It has had some negative impact), 12% (It has had little negative impact), 40% (It has not had any negative impact), 8% (Don't know/Refused to answer)
- **Men**: 22% (It has had a lot of negative impact), 22% (It has had some negative impact), 10% (It has had little negative impact), 41% (It has not had any negative impact), 5% (Don't know/Refused to answer)

**Age Groups**
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- **Age 26-30**: 18% (It has had a lot of negative impact), 22% (It has had some negative impact), 13% (It has had little negative impact), 41% (It has not had any negative impact), 6% (Don't know/Refused to answer)
- **Age 18-25**: 15% (It has had a lot of negative impact), 23% (It has had some negative impact), 11% (It has had little negative impact), 45% (It has not had any negative impact), 5% (Don't know/Refused to answer)
In the past 12 months, how often, if at all, have you had to do a favor, give a gift or pay a bribe?

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To whom did you have to pay a bribe, make a gift or do a favor?

(Among those who had to provide a bribe, gift or favor in the last 12 months, n=561; multiple responses permitted)

In the past 12 months, how often, if at all, have you had to do a favor, give a gift, or pay a bribe?

- Often, occasionally, or rarely
- Not at all
- Don’t know/Refused to answer

Percentage of “Yes” Responses:

- Doctors, nurses and hospital officials: 40%
- Teachers and school or preschool officials: 38%
- Other (not local) government officials: 21%
- Civil servants: 20%
- Business people: 14%
- Police: 13%
- Local government officials: 9%
- Political party officials: 4%
- Media: 2%
- Other: 2%
To whom did you have to pay a bribe, make a gift or do a favor?

(Among those who paid a bribe in the last 12 months; multiple responses permitted)
To whom did you have to pay a bribe, make a gift or do a favor?

(Among those who paid a bribe in the last 12 months; multiple responses permitted)

Percentage of “Yes” Responses

- Doctors, nurses and hospital officials: 39% (Women) to 41% (Men)
- Teachers and school or preschool officials: 34% (Women) to 43% (Men)
- Other (not local) government officials: 17% (Women) to 25% (Men)
- Civil servants: 16% (Women) to 24% (Men)
- Business people: 9% (Women) to 18% (Men)
- Police: 5% (Women) to 20% (Men)
- Local government officials: 5% (Women) to 12% (Men)
- Political party officials: 4% (Women) to 5% (Men)
- Media: 1% (Women) to 2% (Men)
- Other: 17% (Women) to 25% (Men)

Legend:
- Women (n=271)
- Men (n=290)
Foreign Policy
Please tell me your opinion of each of the following countries:

- **Japan**: 39% Highly favorable, 44% Somewhat favorable, 5% Somewhat unfavorable, 3% Very unfavorable, 10% Don't know/Refused to answer
- **Russia**: 35% Highly favorable, 47% Somewhat favorable, 8% Somewhat unfavorable, 2% Very unfavorable, 8% Don't know/Refused to answer
- **South Korea**: 26% Highly favorable, 49% Somewhat favorable, 10% Somewhat unfavorable, 4% Very unfavorable, 12% Don't know/Refused to answer
- **United States**: 27% Highly favorable, 45% Somewhat favorable, 11% Somewhat unfavorable, 3% Very unfavorable, 15% Don't know/Refused to answer
- **Australia**: 24% Highly favorable, 37% Somewhat favorable, 5% Somewhat unfavorable, 2% Very unfavorable, 31% Don't know/Refused to answer
- **United Kingdom**: 18% Highly favorable, 42% Somewhat favorable, 6% Somewhat unfavorable, 2% Very unfavorable, 31% Don't know/Refused to answer
- **Canada**: 19% Highly favorable, 38% Somewhat favorable, 6% Somewhat unfavorable, 3% Very unfavorable, 34% Don't know/Refused to answer
- **China**: 12% Highly favorable, 39% Somewhat favorable, 23% Somewhat unfavorable, 17% Very unfavorable, 8% Don't know/Refused to answer
- **North Korea**: 9% Highly favorable, 30% Somewhat favorable, 23% Somewhat unfavorable, 15% Very unfavorable, 23% Don't know/Refused to answer
What should our country’s foreign policy course be?

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Media and Disinformation
How interested or uninterested are you in political news and information?

- **All Respondents**: 17% Very interested, 53% Somewhat interested, 14% Somewhat uninterested, 16% Very uninterested, 1% Don't know/Refused to answer.

- **Region**:
  - Ulaanbaatar: 14% Very interested, 54% Somewhat interested, 15% Somewhat uninterested, 16% Very uninterested, 1% Don't know/Refused to answer.
  - Eastern: 23% Very interested, 56% Somewhat interested, 7% Somewhat uninterested, 14% Very uninterested, 1% Don't know/Refused to answer.
  - Central: 18% Very interested, 54% Somewhat interested, 15% Somewhat uninterested, 14% Very uninterested, 1% Don't know/Refused to answer.
  - Khangai: 13% Very interested, 50% Somewhat interested, 14% Somewhat uninterested, 22% Very uninterested, 1% Don't know/Refused to answer.
  - Western: 26% Very interested, 46% Somewhat interested, 17% Somewhat uninterested, 12% Very uninterested, 1% Don't know/Refused to answer.

- **Gender**:
  - Women: 13% Very interested, 56% Somewhat interested, 14% Somewhat uninterested, 16% Very uninterested, 1% Don't know/Refused to answer.
  - Men: 20% Very interested, 49% Somewhat interested, 14% Somewhat uninterested, 15% Very uninterested, 1% Don't know/Refused to answer.

- **Age Groups**:
  - Age 36-40: 19% Very interested, 55% Somewhat interested, 13% Somewhat uninterested, 13% Very uninterested, 1% Don't know/Refused to answer.
  - Age 31-35: 19% Very interested, 54% Somewhat interested, 12% Somewhat uninterested, 14% Very uninterested, 1% Don't know/Refused to answer.
  - Age 26-30: 16% Very interested, 51% Somewhat interested, 16% Somewhat uninterested, 16% Very uninterested, 1% Don't know/Refused to answer.
  - Age 18-25: 14% Very interested, 51% Somewhat interested, 16% Somewhat uninterested, 19% Very uninterested, 1% Don't know/Refused to answer.
Which media platform do you use most frequently to gain political news and information?
(Up to three responses permitted)

- **Television**
  - First response: 63%
  - Second response: 22%
  - Third response: 8%
  - Total: 93%

- **Social media**
  - First response: 20%
  - Second response: 35%
  - Third response: 17%
  - Total: 72%

- **Internet/Online news sites (other than social media)**
  - First response: 13%
  - Second response: 20%
  - Third response: 27%
  - Total: 60%

- **Print media**
  - First response: 2%
  - Second response: 12%
  - Third response: 21%
  - Total: 21%

- **Radio and FM**
  - First response: 1%
  - Second response: 5%
  - Third response: 5%
  - Total: 11%

- **Other**
  - First response: 3%
  - Second response: 3%
  - Total: 3%

- **No other source**
  - First response: 1%
  - Second response: 10%
  - Total: 11%

- **Don't know/Refused to answer**
  - First response: 1%
  - Second response: 9%
  - Third response: 18%
  - Total: 28%
Which media platform do you use most frequently to gain political news and information?

(Up to three responses permitted)
Which media platform do you use most frequently to gain political news and information?
(Up to three responses permitted)

- Television: 94% (Women), 92% (Men)
- Social media: 75% (Women), 70% (Men)
- Internet/Online news sites (other than social media): 62% (Women), 59% (Men)
- Print media: 21% (Women), 20% (Men)
- Radio and FM: 9% (Women), 14% (Men)
Which media platform do you use most frequently to gain political news and information?

(Up to three responses permitted)

**All Respondents**

- Television: 93%
- Social media: 72%
- Internet/Online news sites (other than social media): 60%
- Print media: 21%
- Radio and FM: 11%

**Western Region**

- Television: 93%
- Social media: 64%
- Internet/Online news sites (other than social media): 23%
- Print media: 18%
- Radio and FM: 9%

**Khangai Mongolia**

- Television: 90%
- Social media: 65%
- Internet/Online news sites (other than social media): 55%
- Print media: 13%
- Radio and FM: 4%

**Central Region**

- Television: 97%
- Social media: 89%
- Internet/Online news sites (other than social media): 72%
- Print media: 12%
- Radio and FM: 8%
Which media platform do you use most frequently to gain political news and information?

(Up to three responses permitted)

**All Respondents**
- Television: 93%
- Social media: 72%
- Internet/Online news sites (other than social media): 60%
- Print media: 21%
- Radio and FM: 11%

**Eastern Region**
- Television: 92%
- Social media: 83%
- Internet/Online news sites (other than social media): 61%
- Print media: 13%
- Radio and FM: 10%

**Ulaanbaatar**
- Television: 93%
- Social media: 70%
- Internet/Online news sites (other than social media): 68%
- Print media: 29%
- Radio and FM: 16%
Which specific media outlets, such as a specific TV channel, radio FM station, newspaper, website, social media platform, etc. do you consider most trustworthy for political information?

(Spontaneous response; up to three responses permitted)

Top 20 Responses

- Mongolian national broadcaster: 96%
- TV9 television: 39%
- Eagle television: 14%
- IKON.mn: 11%
- Zarig.mn: 10%
- Facebook.com: 10%
- Mongol HD television: 9%
- TV5 television: 9%
- Education television: 4%
- NTV television: 3%
- TV25 television: 3%
- TV8 television: 3%
- Gogo.mn: 3%
- UBS television: 2%
- C1 television: 2%
- News.mn: 2%
- Bloomberg TV, Mongolia: 2%
- TV4 television: 1%
How often, if ever, do you use the internet or social media?

### Region
- **Ulaanbaatar**: 75% daily or almost daily, 57% several times a week, 65% weekly, 70% monthly, 63% less often, 14% rarely, 12% never, 4% don’t know/refused to answer.
- **Eastern**: 65% daily or almost daily, 63% several times a week, 72% weekly, 76% monthly, 65% less often, 13% rarely, 11% never, 4% don’t know/refused to answer.
- **Central**: 65% daily or almost daily, 63% several times a week, 70% weekly, 65% monthly, 67% less often, 13% rarely, 12% never, 3% don’t know/refused to answer.
- **Khangai**: 70% daily or almost daily, 65% several times a week, 72% weekly, 70% monthly, 65% less often, 14% rarely, 12% never, 4% don’t know/refused to answer.
- **Western**: 63% daily or almost daily, 63% several times a week, 70% weekly, 63% monthly, 67% less often, 15% rarely, 12% never, 4% don’t know/refused to answer.

### Gender
- **Women**: 72% daily or almost daily, 66% several times a week, 72% weekly, 66% monthly, 72% less often, 13% rarely, 13% never, 3% don’t know/refused to answer.
- **Men**: 67% daily or almost daily, 67% several times a week, 70% weekly, 67% monthly, 67% less often, 14% rarely, 14% never, 3% don’t know/refused to answer.

### Age Groups
- **Age 36-40**: 49% daily or almost daily, 49% several times a week, 49% weekly, 49% monthly, 49% less often, 49% rarely, 49% never, 1% don’t know/refused to answer.
- **Age 31-35**: 66% daily or almost daily, 66% several times a week, 66% weekly, 66% monthly, 66% less often, 66% rarely, 66% never, 1% don’t know/refused to answer.
- **Age 26-30**: 76% daily or almost daily, 76% several times a week, 76% weekly, 76% monthly, 76% less often, 76% rarely, 76% never, 1% don’t know/refused to answer.
- **Age 18-25**: 81% daily or almost daily, 81% several times a week, 81% weekly, 81% monthly, 81% less often, 81% rarely, 81% never, 1% don’t know/refused to answer.
How frequently do you encounter information in the media, including social media, that you believe is misleading or false?

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- Eastern: 29% Daily or almost daily, 26% Several times a week, 6% Weekly, 8% Less often, 20% Never
- Central: 37% Daily or almost daily, 24% Several times a week, 14% Weekly, 7% Less often, 16% Never
- Khangai: 45% Daily or almost daily, 17% Several times a week, 6% Weekly, 4% Less often, 19% Never
- Western: 36% Daily or almost daily, 15% Several times a week, 12% Weekly, 9% Less often, 17% Never

Gender:
- Women: 38% Daily or almost daily, 22% Several times a week, 9% Weekly, 6% Less often, 18% Never
- Men: 44% Daily or almost daily, 19% Several times a week, 9% Weekly, 6% Less often, 15% Never

Age Groups:
- Daily or almost daily
- Several times a week
- Weekly
- Less often
- Never

Region:
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- Eastern: 29% Daily or almost daily, 26% Several times a week, 6% Weekly, 8% Less often, 20% Never
- Central: 37% Daily or almost daily, 24% Several times a week, 14% Weekly, 7% Less often, 16% Never
- Khangai: 45% Daily or almost daily, 17% Several times a week, 6% Weekly, 4% Less often, 19% Never
- Western: 36% Daily or almost daily, 15% Several times a week, 12% Weekly, 9% Less often, 17% Never

Gender:
- Women: 38% Daily or almost daily, 22% Several times a week, 9% Weekly, 6% Less often, 18% Never
- Men: 44% Daily or almost daily, 19% Several times a week, 9% Weekly, 6% Less often, 15% Never

Age Groups:
- Daily or almost daily
- Several times a week
- Weekly
- Less often
- Never
Where do you encounter disinformation or false news most frequently?

(Among those who reported encountering information that they believe is misleading or false, n=2,320)

- Facebook: 91%
- Television: 3%
- Internet (other than social media): 2%
- Print Media: 1%
- Radio, FM: <1%
- Twitter: <1%
- Instagram: <1%
- YouTube: <1%
- Other social media platforms: <1%
- Don't know/Refused to answer: 2%
Which statement comes closest to your personal opinion regarding news and reporting from Chinese media outlets?

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**Which statement comes closest to your personal opinion regarding news and reporting from Russian media outlets?**

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Have you ever been tricked into believing fake news/disinformation was true?

**Region**
- Ulaanbaatar: 44% Yes, 53% No, 2% Don't know/Refused to answer
- Eastern: 25% Yes, 74% No, 1% Don't know/Refused to answer
- Central: 29% Yes, 71% No, 1% Don't know/Refused to answer
- Khangai: 26% Yes, 72% No, 2% Don't know/Refused to answer
- Western: 25% Yes, 75% No, 1% Don't know/Refused to answer

**Gender**
- Women: 31% Yes, 67% No, 2% Don't know/Refused to answer
- Men: 39% Yes, 60% No, 1% Don't know/Refused to answer

**Age Groups**
- Age 36-40: 29% Yes, 70% No, 1% Don't know/Refused to answer
- Age 31-35: 33% Yes, 65% No, 2% Don't know/Refused to answer
- Age 26-30: 34% Yes, 64% No, 2% Don't know/Refused to answer
- Age 18-25: 41% Yes, 58% No, 1% Don't know/Refused to answer
Do you regularly take action to verify information you receive?

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If so, what action did you take?

(Among those who regularly verify information, n=1,104; spontaneous response)

- Check against alternatives sources: 34%
- Check the source of the information: 28%
- Check from other sources: 11%
- Check against TV news: 10%
- Check from the Internet: 10%
- Read the relevant comments: 6%
- Approach the primary source, giving a call or having face-to-face meeting: 1%
- Check the date: <1%

Do you regularly take action to verify information you receive?

- Yes: 55%
- No: 44%
- Don't know/Refused to answer: 1%
Which of the following is the biggest threat to a free and open information space in Mongolia?

- Political influence on media outlets: 28%
- Low media literacy rate among public: 24%
- Journalist intimidation: 19%
- Strict libel laws: 12%
- Low capacity of journalists: 6%
- Don't know/Refused to answer: 11%
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**Educational Attainment**
- Primary School or Less: 3%
- Incomplete Secondary: 5%
- Secondary School: 47%
- Vocational School: 1%
- Incomplete University: 3%
- University or Higher: 40%
- Don't know/Refused to answer: <1%

**Occupation**
- Employed in a paid job full-time: 33%
- Employed in a paid job part-time: 4%
- Self-employed full-time: 12%
- Self-employed part-time: 4%
- Homemaker: 6%
- Retired: <1%
- Unemployed, looking for a job: 10%
- Unemployed, not looking for a job: 6%
- Student/pupil: 17%
- Herder: 5%
- Other: 2%
- Don't know/Refused to answer: <1%

**Employment Sector**
- Private: 55%
- State: 38%
- Non-Governmental Organization: 5%
- None: 1%
- Other: 1%
- Don't know/Refused to answer: <1%

*Employment Sector (n=938)*
Demographics

Economic Situation

- I have trouble feeding myself and my family and buying even the most essential things for survival: 16%
- I have enough means for survival, but I do not have enough money for extra things: 43%
- I am able to afford a few extra things: 27%
- I am able to afford most things I want: 12%
- Don't know/Refused to answer: 2%

Are you a member of a political party?

- Yes: 13%
- No: 86%
- Don't know/Refused to answer: <1%

*Employment Sector refers to those employed in a paid job full/part-time.