### NATIONAL SURVEY OF MONGOLIA

February-March 2024



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#### Detailed Methodology

- The survey was conducted on behalf of the International Republican Institute's <u>Center for</u> <u>Insights in Survey Research</u> by <u>Independent Research Institute of Mongolia (IRIM)</u>.
- Data was collected between February 19 and March 28, 2024, through computer-assisted telephone interviews. Due to 2024 being an election year in Mongolia, IRI opted to publicly release the poll belatedly after the elections.
- The sample consisted of n= 2,037 residents of Mongolia aged 18 and over, with access to a mobile phone.
- A multi-stage probability sampling method was used to design a nationally representative sample. The sample frame list of mobile phone numbers was compiled from IRIM's internal database. The sample was stratified by region and by urban/rural residency, followed by simple random sampling of telephone numbers within each stratum. Initially, telephone numbers were treated as representing a household, and respondents were selected by the last birthday method within households. However, due to fieldwork difficulties, the selection protocol was changed shortly after fieldwork started to treat mobile phones as personal devices, and thereafter the interview was conducted with the person who answered the phone.
- The achieved sample was weighted by age, gender and urbanicity nested within regions, according to 2023 population statistics from the <u>National Statistics Office of Mongolia</u>.
- The response rate was 11 percent.
- The margin of error for the mid-range of the full sample does not exceed ±2.17 percentage points.
- Charts and graphs may not add up to 100 percent due to rounding.

#### Frequently Cited Disaggregate Bases

Disaggregate	Category	Base*			
	18-35	n = 913			
Age Brackets	36-55	n = 785			
	56+	n = 339			
Gender	Men	n = 984			
	Women	n = 1,053			
Educational Attainment	Primary or Less	n = 82			
	Secondary	n = 1,087			
	Vocational or University	n = 857			
Urbanicity	Urban	n = 1,406			
orbaniercy	Rural	n = 631			
	Ulaanbaatar	n = 945			
Regions of Mongolia	Western Region	n = 255			
	Khangai Region	n = 372			
	Central Region	n = 325			
	Eastern Region	n = 140			
*Cited bases are weighted. Margin of error will vary with sample size n.					

#### Geographical Key: Regions of Mongolia



#### Previous IRI National Polls of Mongolia

Poll	Fieldwork Dates	Total Sample Size
Public Opinion Poll: Residents of Mongolia	March 1 - April 26, 2022	n = 2,500
Public Opinion Poll: Residents of Mongolia	March 15 - April 25, 2021	n = 2,500
Pre-Presidential Election National Survey of Mongolian Public Opinion	April 24 - May 4, 2017	n = 3,000
Mongolian Public Opinion: Parliament After 100 Days	January 23 - February 5, 2017	n = 5,000
Post-Election National Survey of Mongolian Public Opinion	August 16 - August 26, 2016	n = 5,000
National Survey of Mongolian Public Opinion	March 1 - March 15, 2016	n = 5,000
Survey of Mongolian Public Opinion	October 12 - November 12, 2011	n = 2,413

#### About the Center for Insights In Survey Research (CISR)



Research and qualitative and quantitative public opinion data is a cornerstone of IRI's approach to programming. Our data ensures citizens' needs are at the center of the political debate and guide our projects' goals. To date, IRI has conducted more than 1000 polls in over 100 countries, surveying more than 1.5 million people and measuring community attitudes on a wide range of issues.

IRI's research approach integrates CISR's methodological polling best practices protocol and field partner in-depth knowledge of the local research environment. This close collaboration begins at project design, with carefully calibrated sampling and instrument development, and continues throughout the entire fieldwork cycle to ensure in the collection of reliable qualitative and quantitative data.

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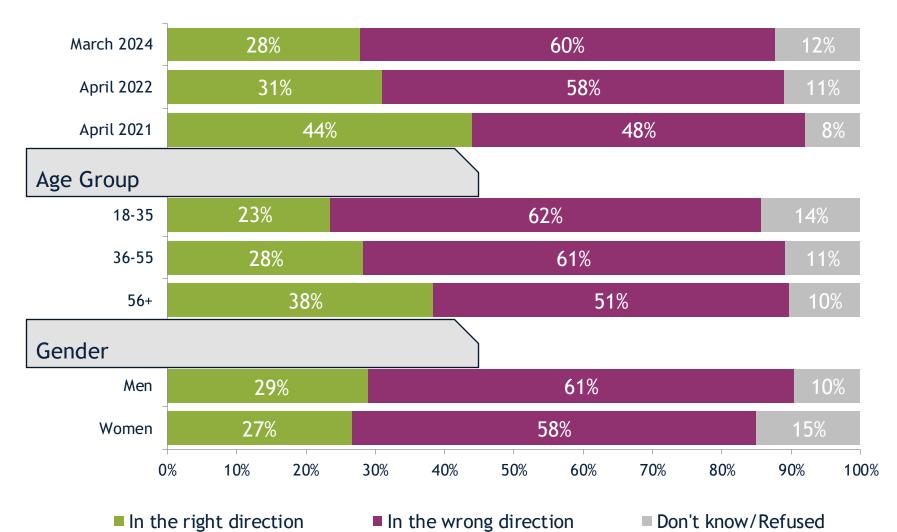
# General Outlook



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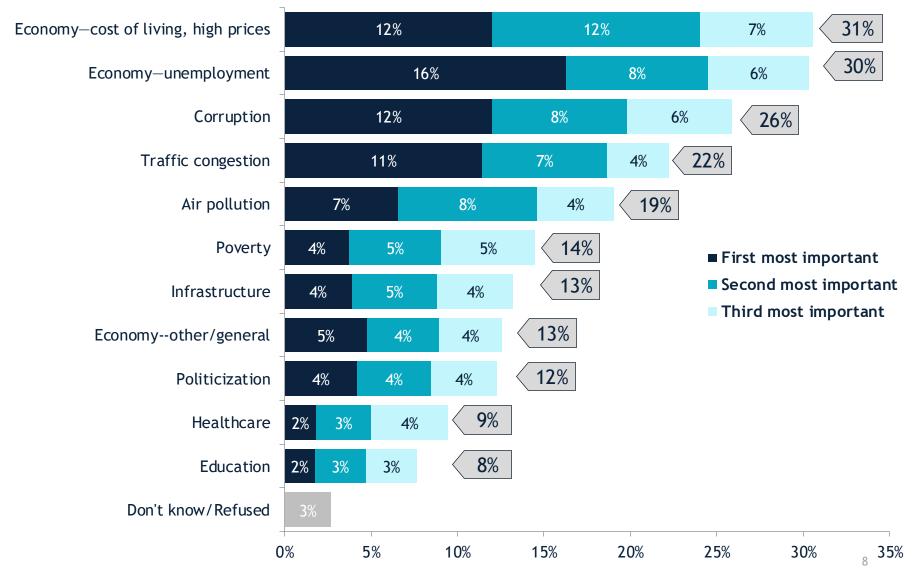


### In general, would you say that our country is heading in the right direction or the wrong direction?

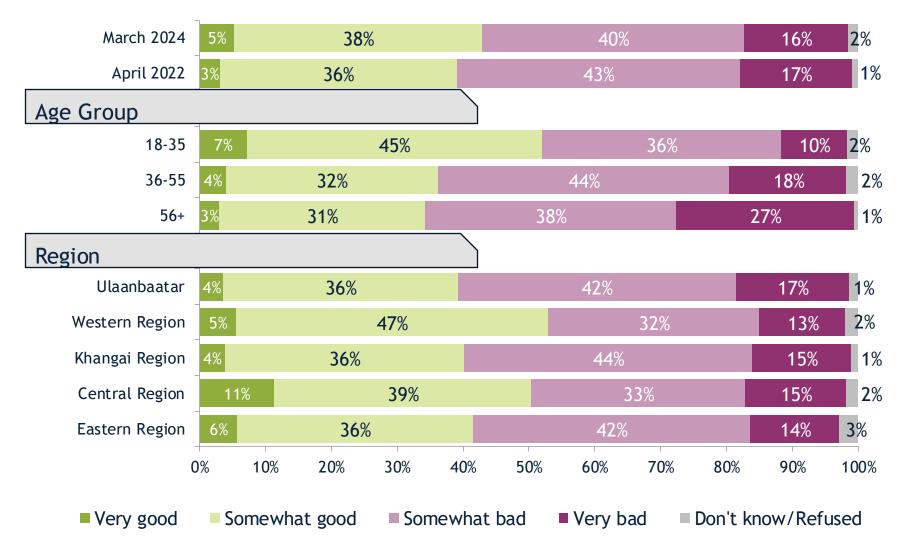


# What is the most important problem facing our country today? And what is the second most important problem? And what is the third most important problem?

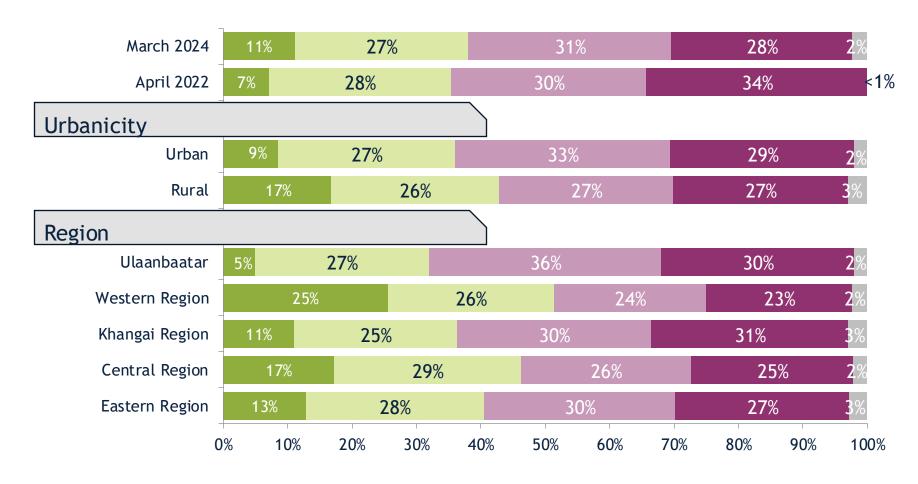
(Spontaneous response, top ten responses displayed)



## How would you describe the current economic situation of your household?



## How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the way democracy is developing in our country?



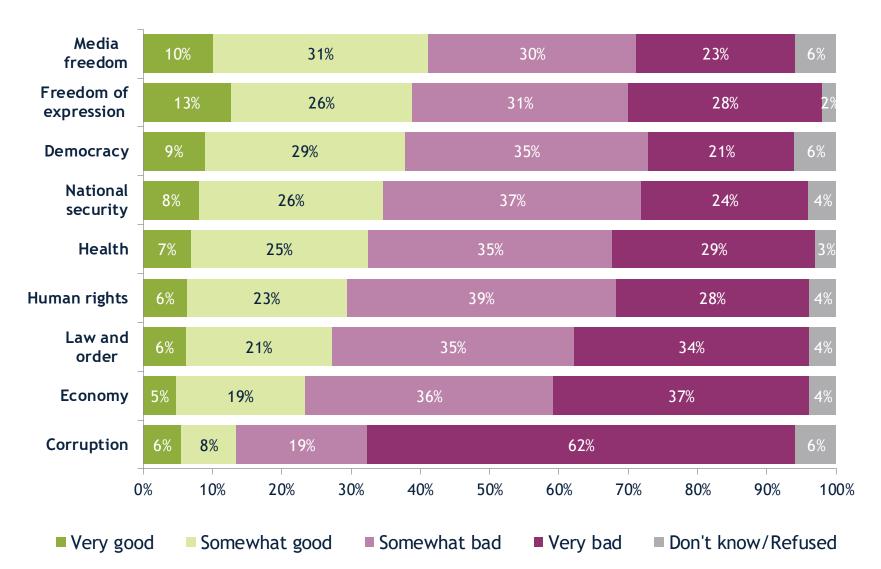
Very satisfiedVery unsatisfied

Somewhat satisfied
 Don't know/Refused

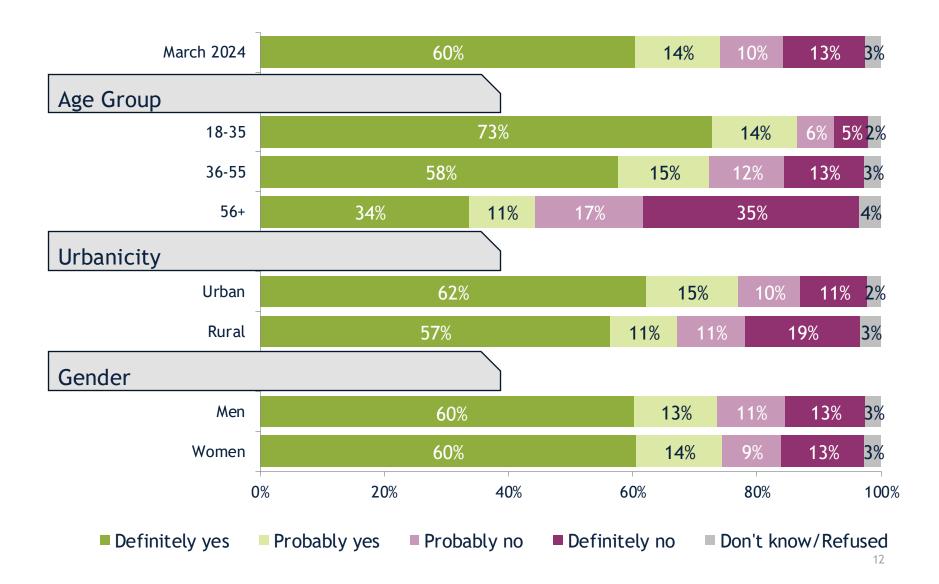
Somewhat unsatisfied

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### How would you the describe the current status of each of the following items in our country?



If you had the opportunity, would you choose to go abroad, not just for a vacation, but for a longer period?

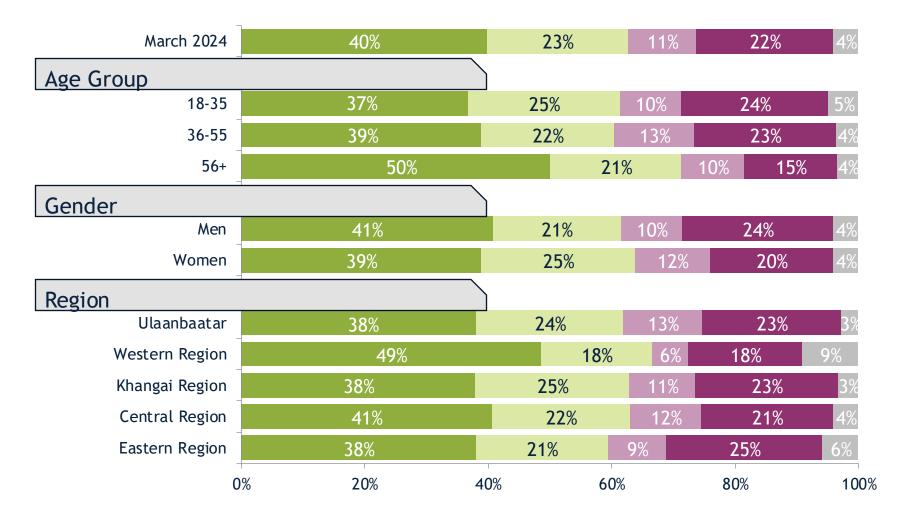


# Elections



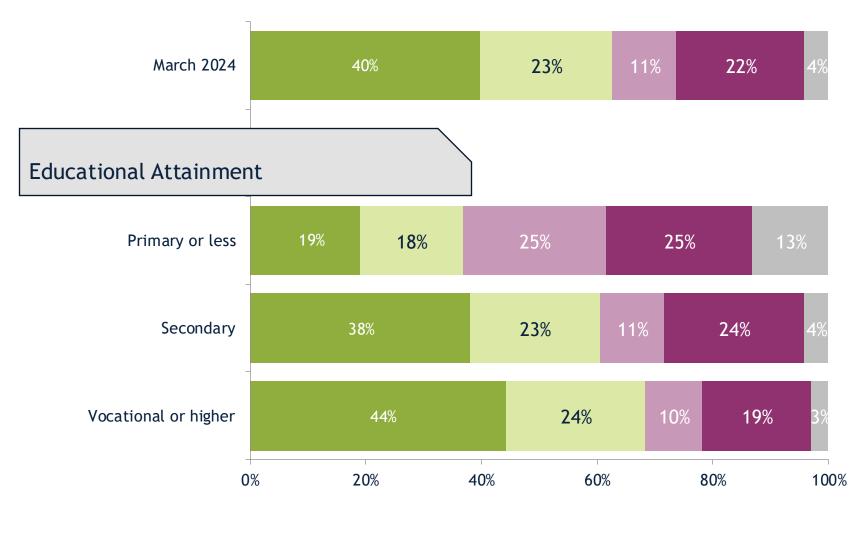
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## How likely or unlikely are you to vote in the parliamentary elections in June this year?



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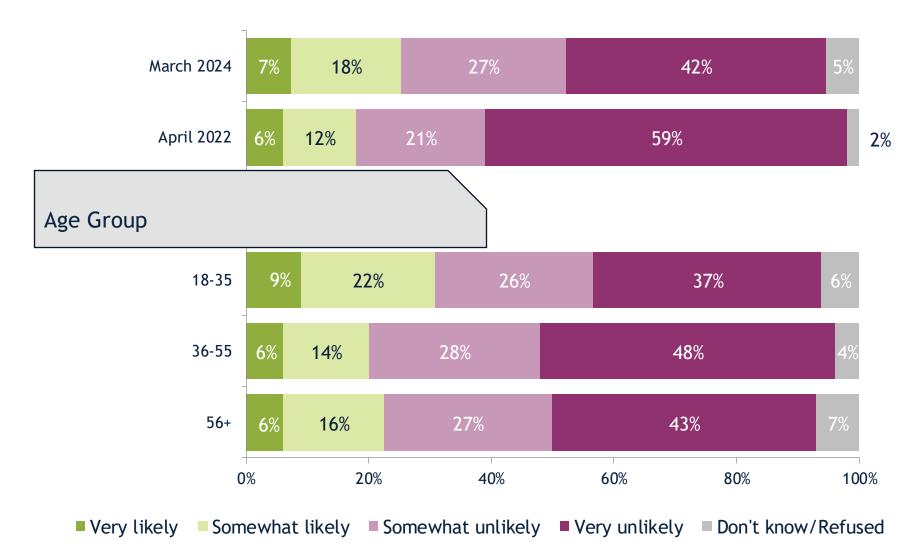


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#### Do you feel that the upcoming election will be free and fair or not?

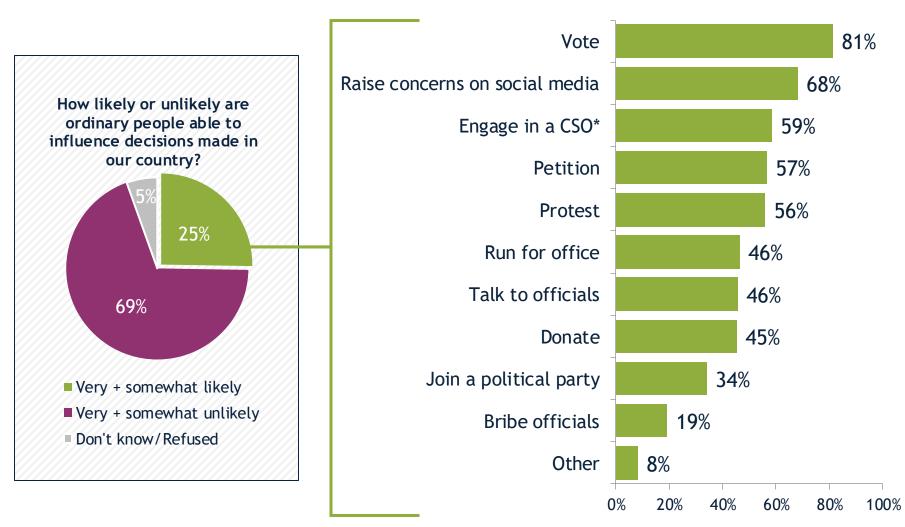


How likely or unlikely are ordinary people able to influence decisions made in our country?

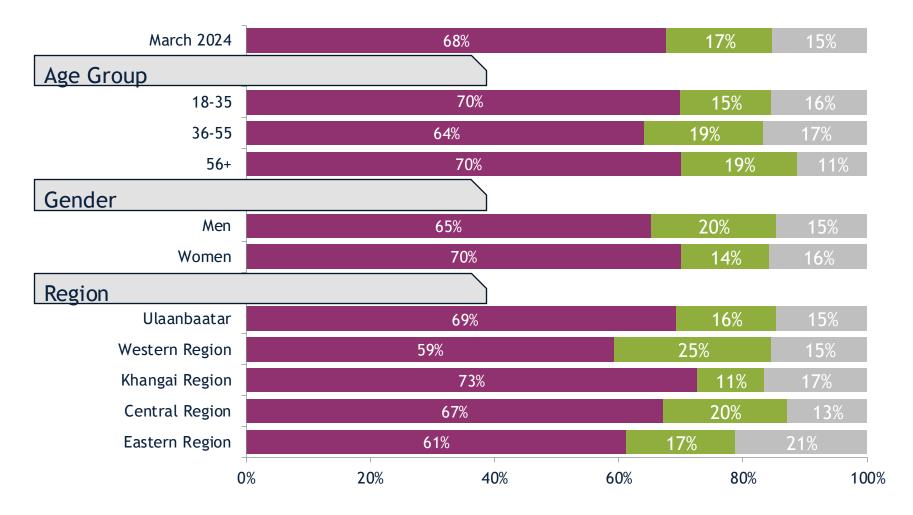


#### How can ordinary people influence decisions made in our country?

(Among those who believe ordinary people are very or somewhat likely to influence decisions in Mongolia, n=515)



### Would you like to see new political parties in future elections or are you satisfied with the current choices?

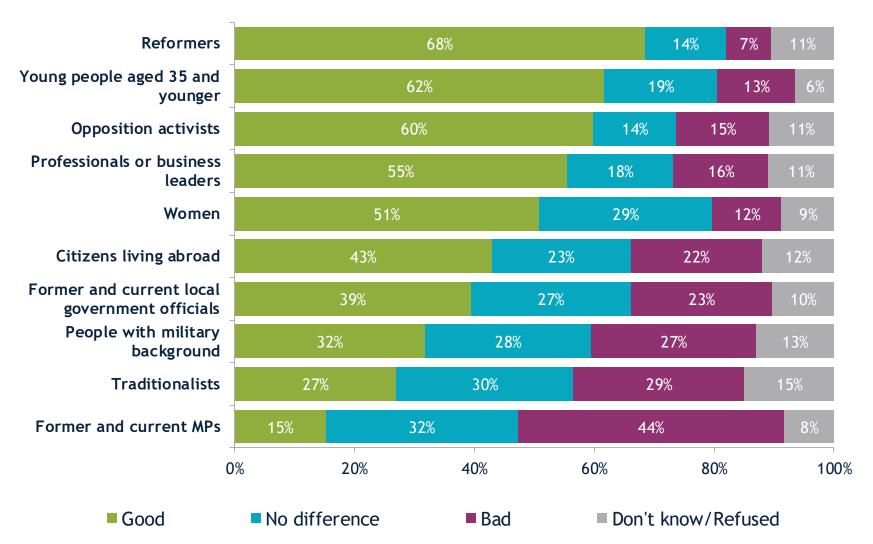


I would like to see new political parties

#### Don't know/Refused

#### I am satisfied with the current choices

If more people representing the following groups were elected to the parliament, do you think that would be good, bad or would it not make a difference?

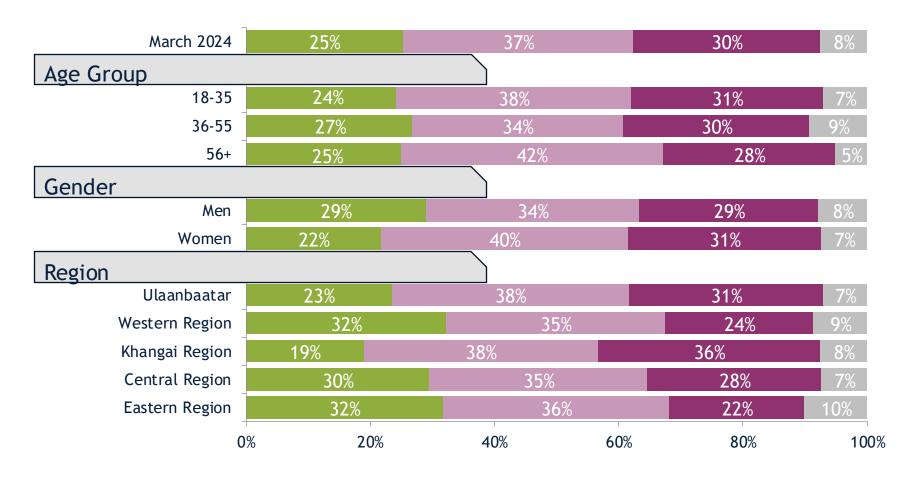


# Campaigning



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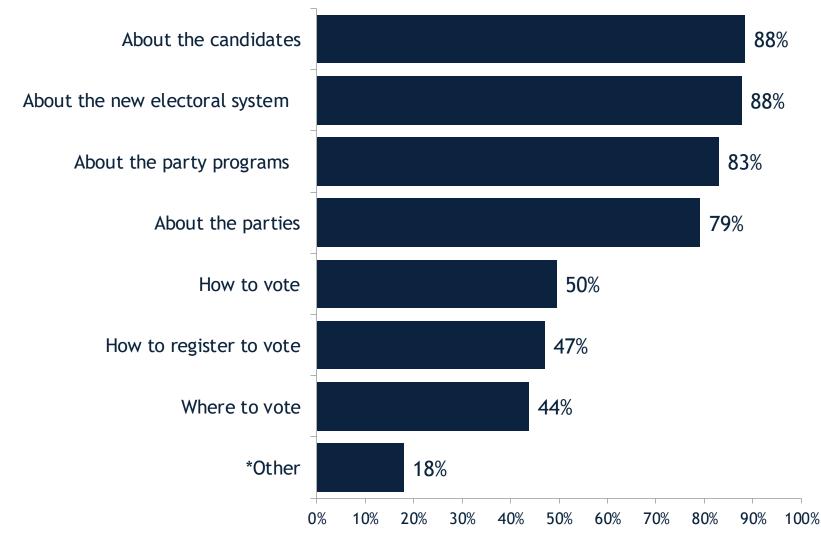


- Have enough information
- Need much more information

- Need some more information
- Don't know/Refused

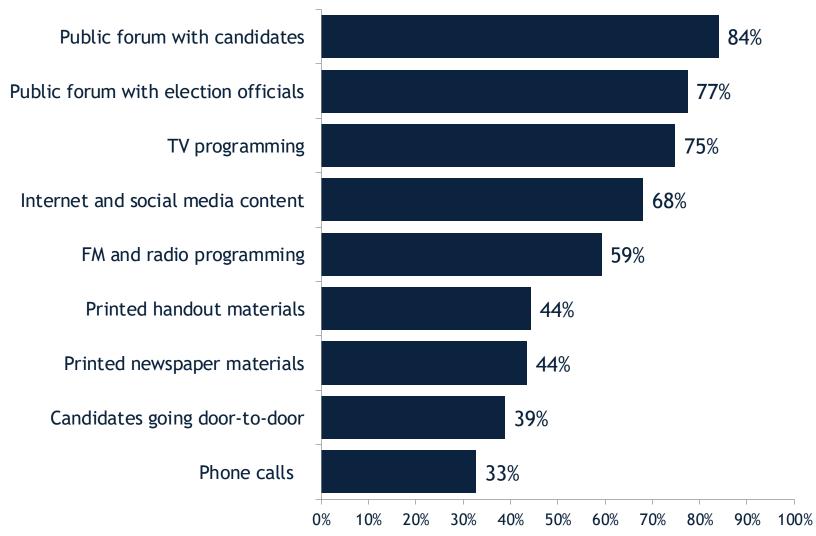
### What type of additional information would you need? For each item, please tell if you need it.

(Only 'need it' responses displayed; among those who need some or much more information about voting in upcoming elections, n=1,362)



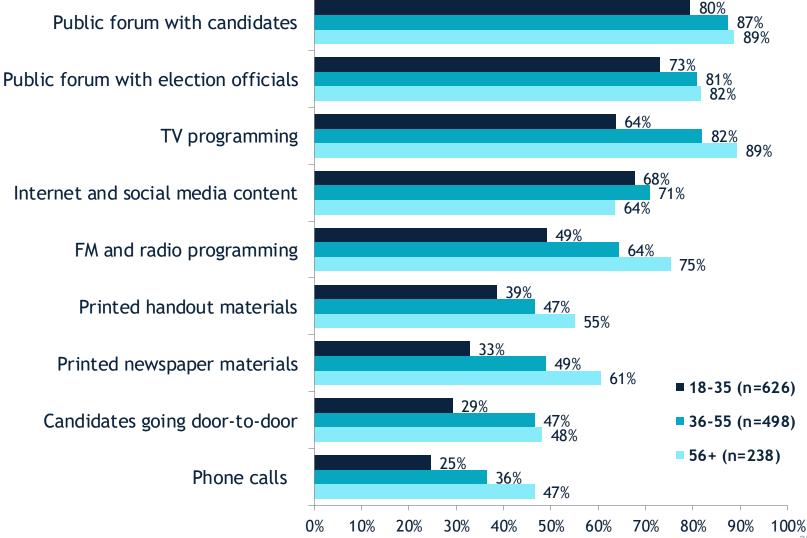
## In what formats would you like additional information? For each format, please tell me if it would be useful for you or not.

(Only 'useful' responses displayed; among those who need some or much more information about voting in upcoming elections, n=1,362)



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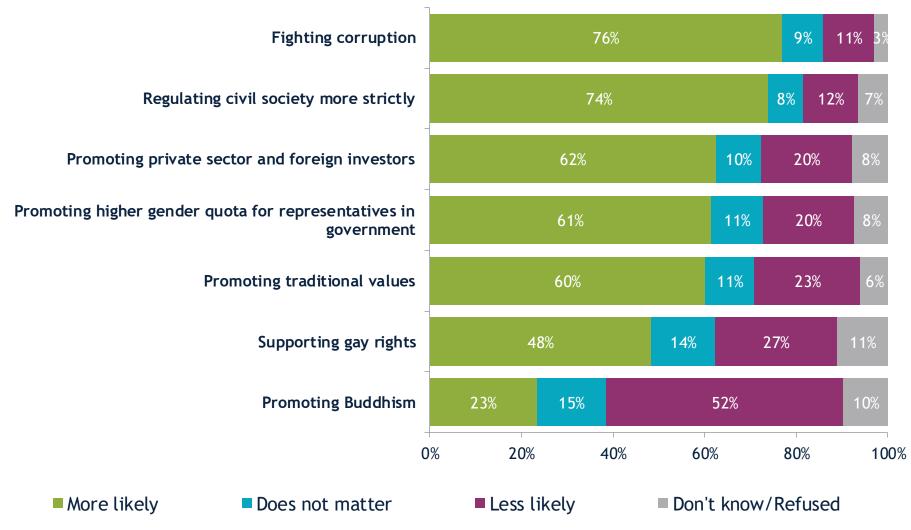
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Hypothetical candidate 1/2

Thinking about a hypothetical candidate for election, if this candidate supported the following initiatives, would it make you more likely to vote for this person?

Improving the education system	90	0%	<mark>4% 4</mark> % 3%
Protecting the environment rather than supporting mining and natural resource extraction	89	%	<mark>3%</mark> 5% 3%
Promoting economic development	87	%	<mark>4%</mark> 5%4%
Supporting fair law enforcement and judicial system	87%	%	<mark>4%</mark> 6% 3%
Developing Mongolia's own energy resources to be less dependent on foreign sources of energy	86%	6	<mark>4%</mark> 5% 5%
Supporting freedom of expression	85%	ó	<mark>6%</mark> 6% 3%
Building critical infrastructure	85%	6	<mark>5%</mark> 6% 4%
Reducing unemployment	84%	5	<mark>5%</mark> 7% 4%
Supporting pension reform	81%	6%	8% 4%
0	0% 20% 40%	60% 80%	100%
More likely Does not matter	Less likely	Don't know/Refuse	ed .

Thinking about a hypothetical candidate for election, if this candidate supported the following initiatives, would it make you more likely to vote for this person?



Ratings of Parties, Government, Personalities, and Institutions



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#### What is your opinion of each of the following institutions?

State Emergency Commission	21	1%		35%		2	2%	15%	8%
Media	17%		38%			25%		13%	7%
Police	17%		37%			26%		15%	6%
Army	1 <b>9</b> %	%	35%			23%		15%	8%
CSOs and NGOs*	12%		36%			26%		13%	12%
Local government	13%		32%			28%		17%	10%
Cabinet	8%	27%			29%		26%	%	10%
State Great Hural	7%	27%			34%			27%	5%
President's Office	8%	25%		2	7%		23%		16%
ndependent Authority Against Corruption	10%	23%	<b>23%</b> 26%		%		32%		9%
Courts	8%	24%		2	81%		29%	%	8%
General Election Commission	6%	23%		32%			28%		12%
Religious institutions	7%	21%		27%			<b>29</b> %		17%
Political parties	5%	18%		33%			34%	·	10%
C	)%	20%		40%		60%	8	80%	10

#### Very positive

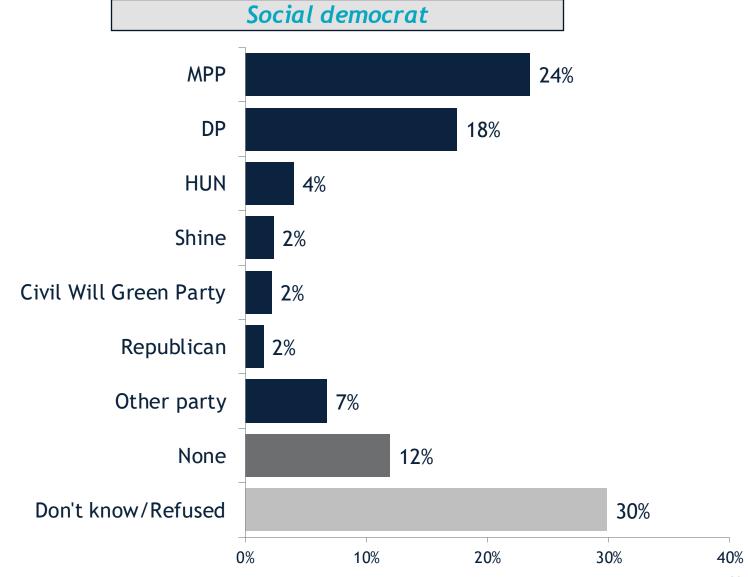
Somewhat positive

Somewhat negative Very negative

Don't know/Refused

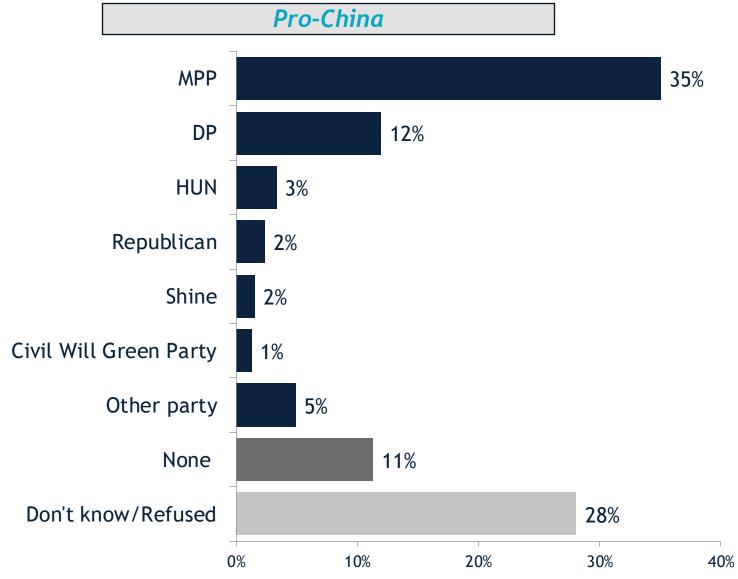
\*Full response text: Civil society organizations and non-governmental organizations.

Associate Items with Parties 1/13

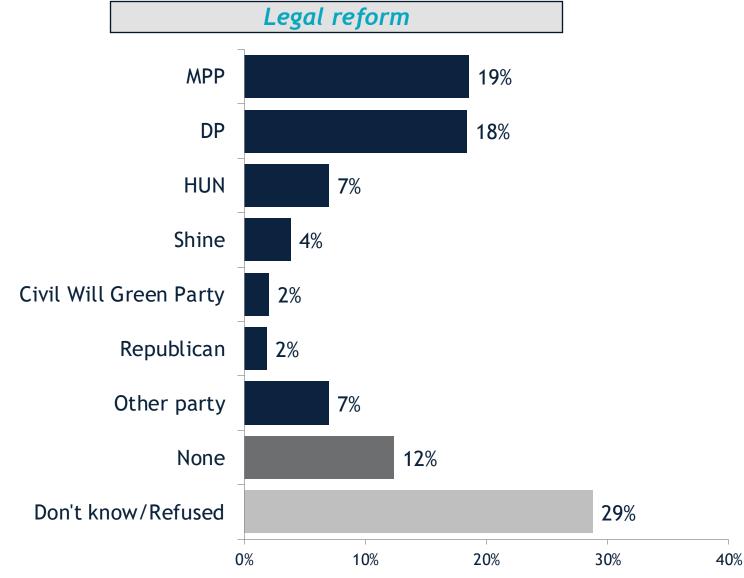


Associate Items with Parties 2/13

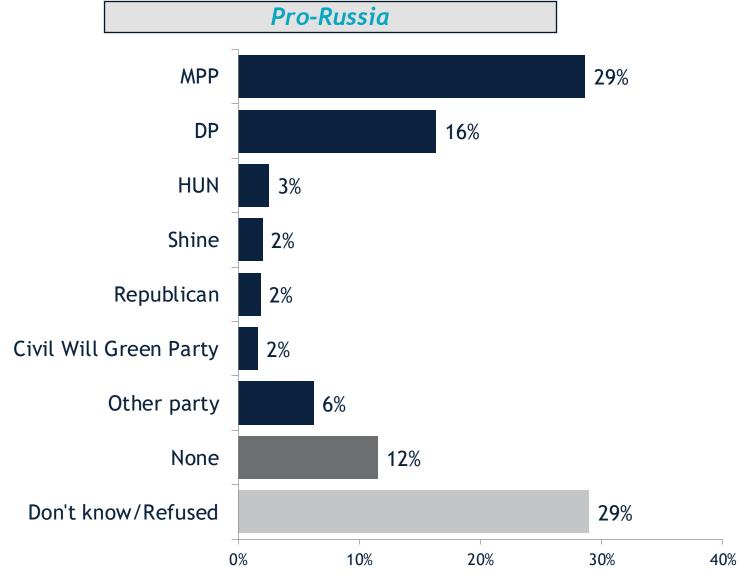
I will



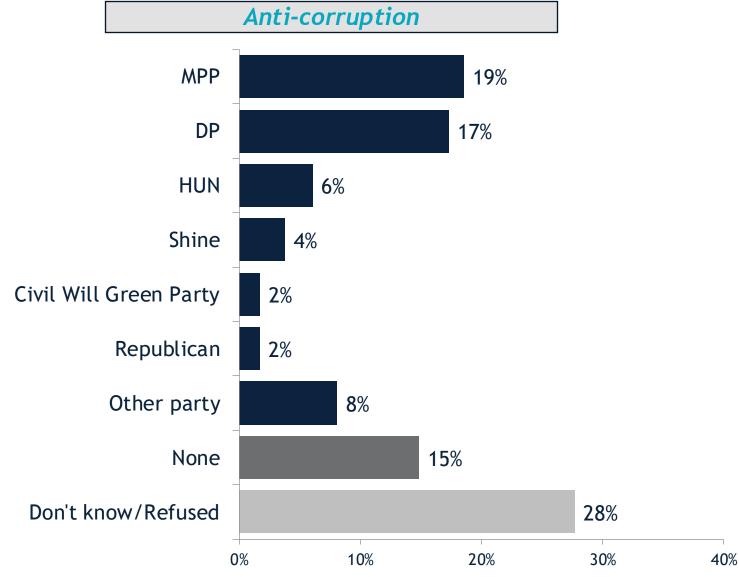
Associate Items with Parties 3/13



Associate Items with Parties 4/13



Associate Items with Parties 5/13



I will read you a list of items. For each one, please tell me which party you most associate with this term.

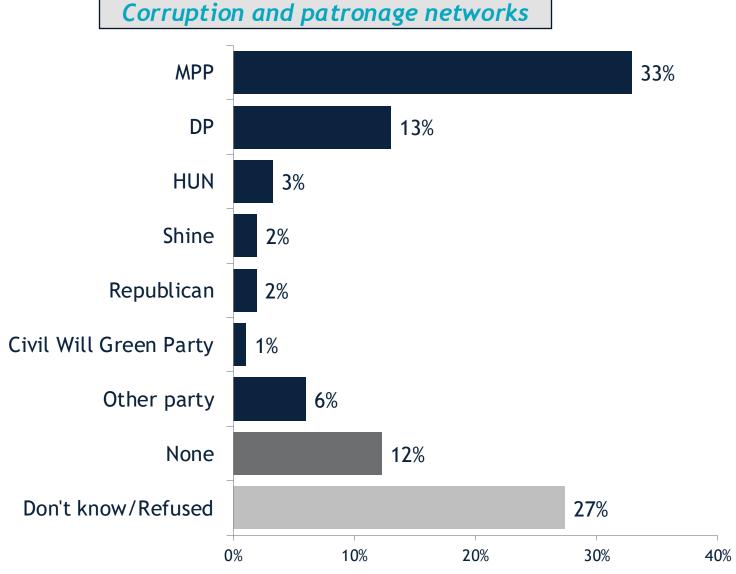
> **Pro-West and United States** DP **19**% MPP 16% HUN 5% Shine 2% Republican 2% Civil Will Green Party 2% Other party 8% None 14% Don't know/Refused 32% 0% 10% 20% 30% 40%

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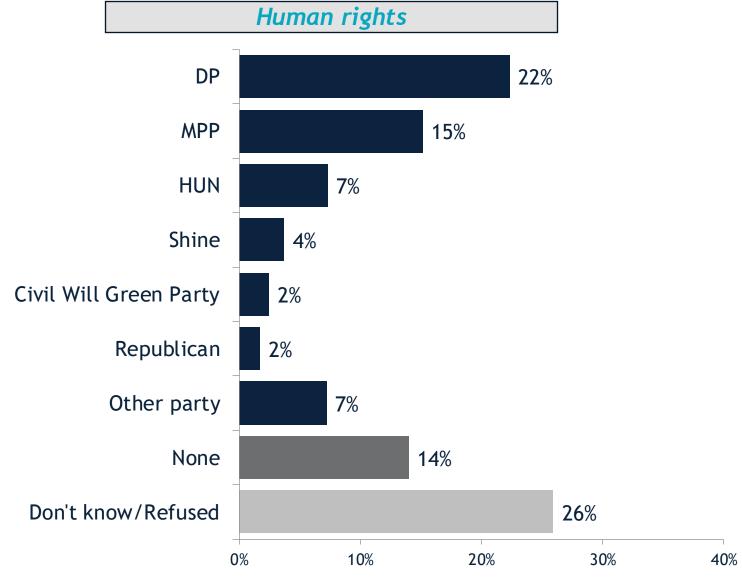
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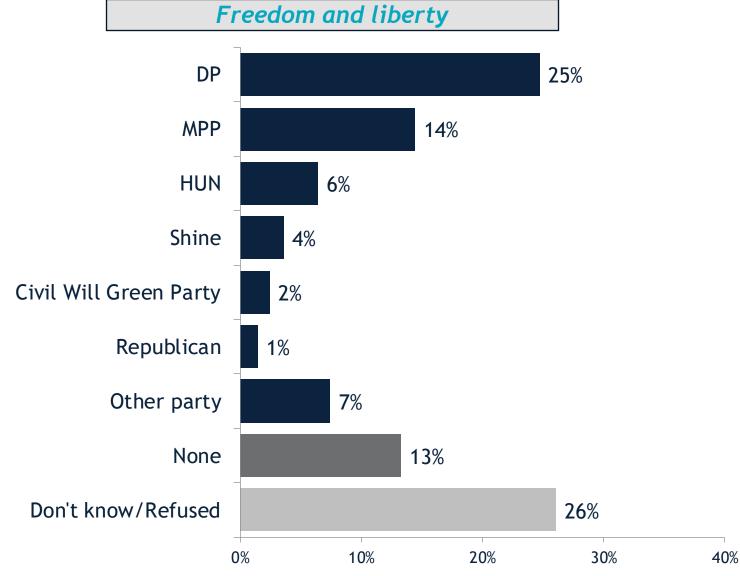
Associate Items with Parties 8/13



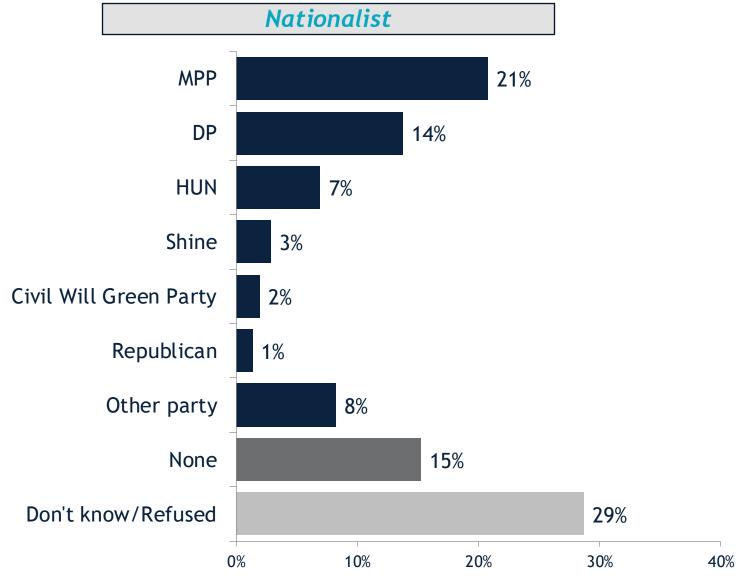
Associate Items with Parties 9/13

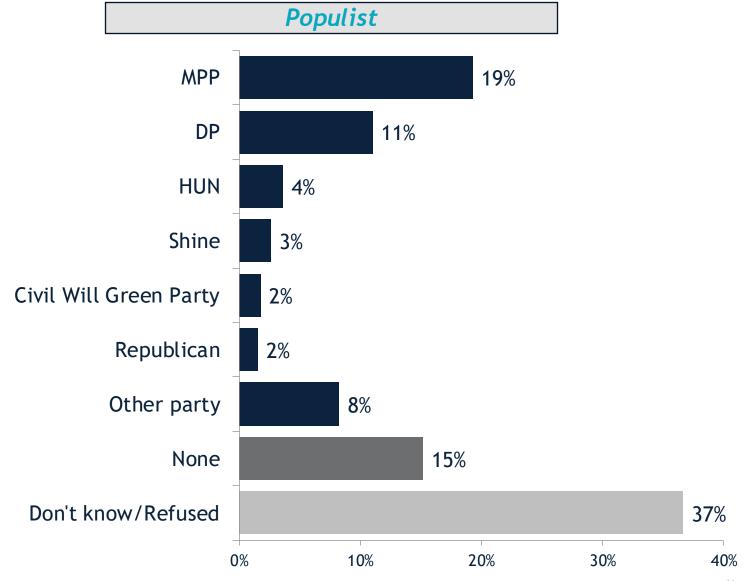


Associate Items with Parties 10/13



Associate Items with Parties 11/13





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	MPP	DP	HUN	Shine	Civil Will Green Party	Republican	Other party	None
Social democrat	24%	18%	4%	2%	2%	2%	7%	12%
Pro-China	35%	12%	3%	2%	1%	2%	5%	11%
Legal reform	<b>19</b> %	18%	7%	4%	2%	2%	7%	12%
Pro-Russia	<b>29</b> %	16%	3%	2%	2%	2%	6%	12%
Anti-corruption	<b>19</b> %	17%	6%	4%	2%	2%	8%	15%
Pro-West and United States	16%	<b>19</b> %	5%	2%	2%	2%	8%	14%
Pro-business and private sector investment	18%	20%	5%	3%	2%	2%	8%	14%
Corruption and patronage networks	33%	13%	3%	2%	1%	2%	6%	12%
Human rights	15%	22%	7%	4%	2%	2%	7%	14%
Freedom and liberty	14%	25%	6%	4%	2%	1%	7%	13%
Nationalist	21%	14%	7%	3%	2%	1%	8%	15%
Populist	1 <b>9</b> %	11%	4%	3%	2%	2%	8%	<b>15%</b>

\*Don't know/Refused response are not displayed

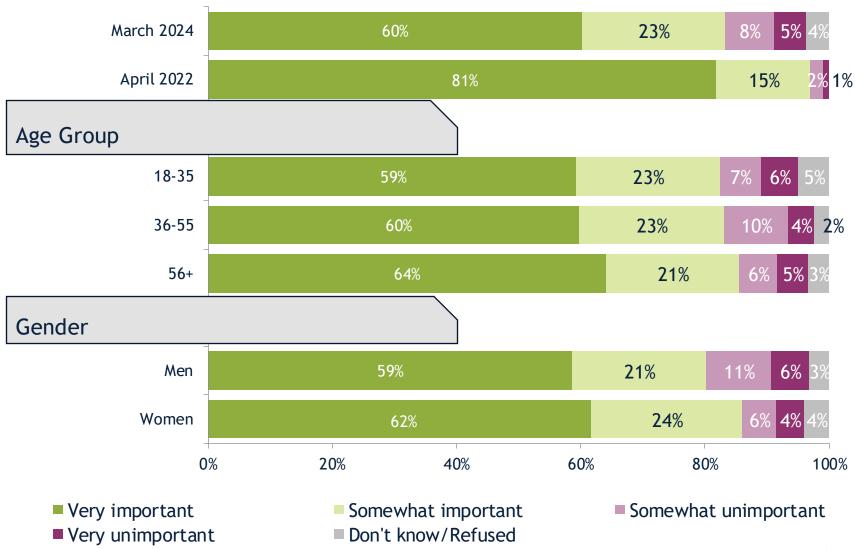
## Inclusion and Civic Engagement



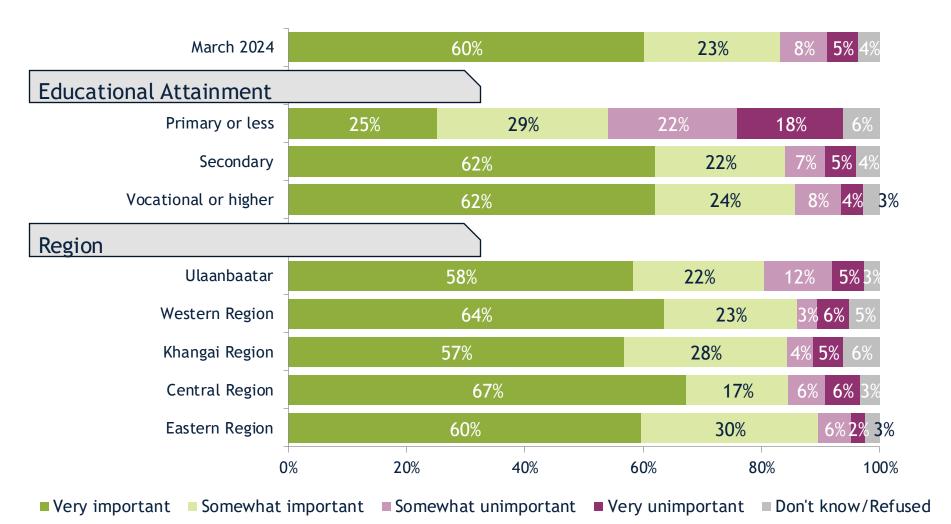
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How important or unimportant is it that all members of our country's adult population, including women, young adults, minorities, and people with disabilities are included in political decision making?



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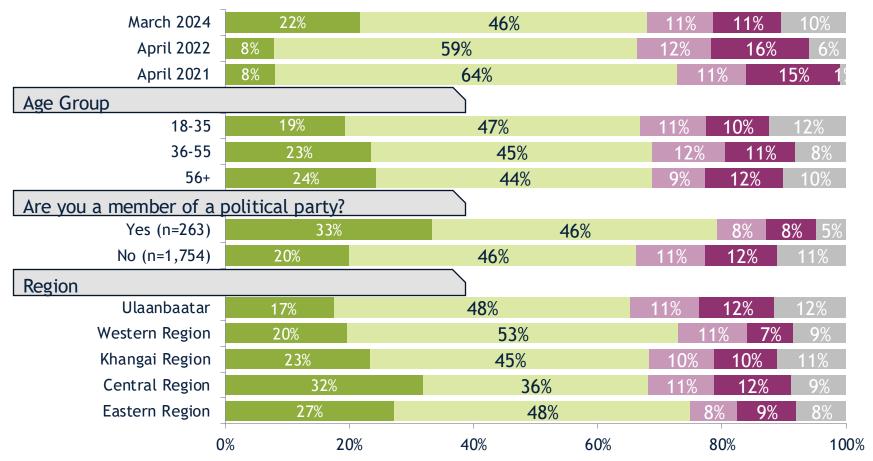
# Values, Ideology and Freedom



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### 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.

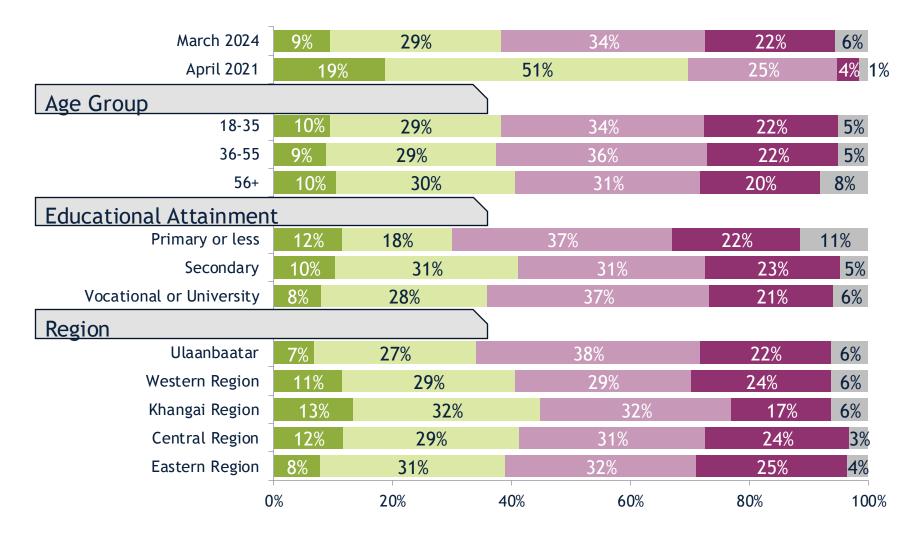
Don't know/Refused

## Do people in our country feel free to openly express their opinions or are they afraid?

March 2024	10%	23%		38%		% 5%		
Age Group								
18-35	8%	24%		40%		% 5%		
36-55	12%	<b>24</b> %	34% 40%		26%	ά 4%		
56+	10%	<b>19</b> %			28%	<b>4</b> %		
Educational Attainment								
Primary or less	7%	<b>29</b> %	36%		11%	17%		
Secondary	10%	22%	35%		30%	б <b>З</b> %		
Vocational or higher	10%	24%	41%		2	<b>0</b> % 5%		
Region								
Ulaanbaatar	6% 24%		3	38%		7%		
Western Region	16%	22%		36%		2% 4%		
Khangai Region	12%	20%	38%		27	°% 3%		
Central Region	12%	23%		35%		% <b>2</b> 9		
Eastern Region	12%	25%		39%		<b>22% 2</b> %		
0%		20%	40%	60%	80%	100%		

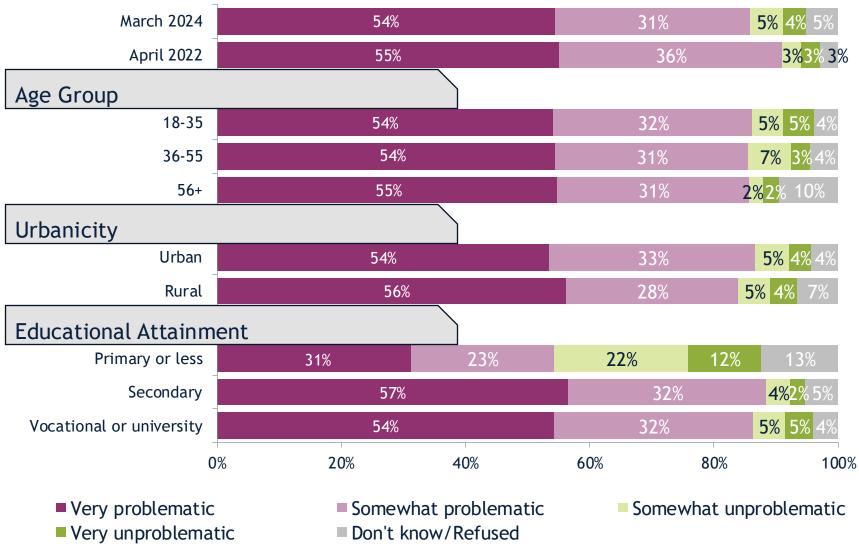
Very free Somewhat free Somewhat not free Very not free Don't know/Refused

## Are the media in our country free to independently cover any issue or not?



Very free Somewhat free Somewhat not free Very not free Don't know/Refused

### To what extent is misleading or false information in the media problematic for our country?



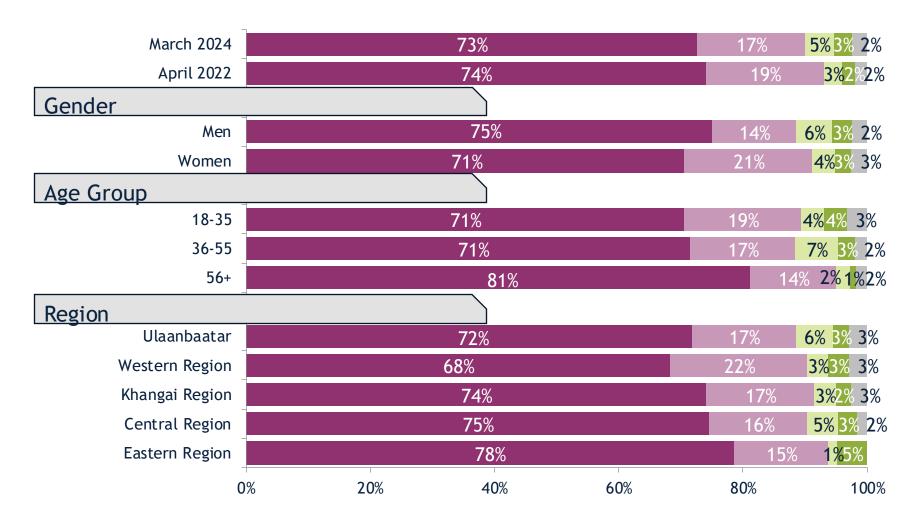
# Corruption



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Now I would like to discuss corruption with you. When I say corruption, I mean having to do a favor, give a gift or pay a bribe because someone misuses their position for personal gains. Do you believe that corruption in our country is a serious problem or not?

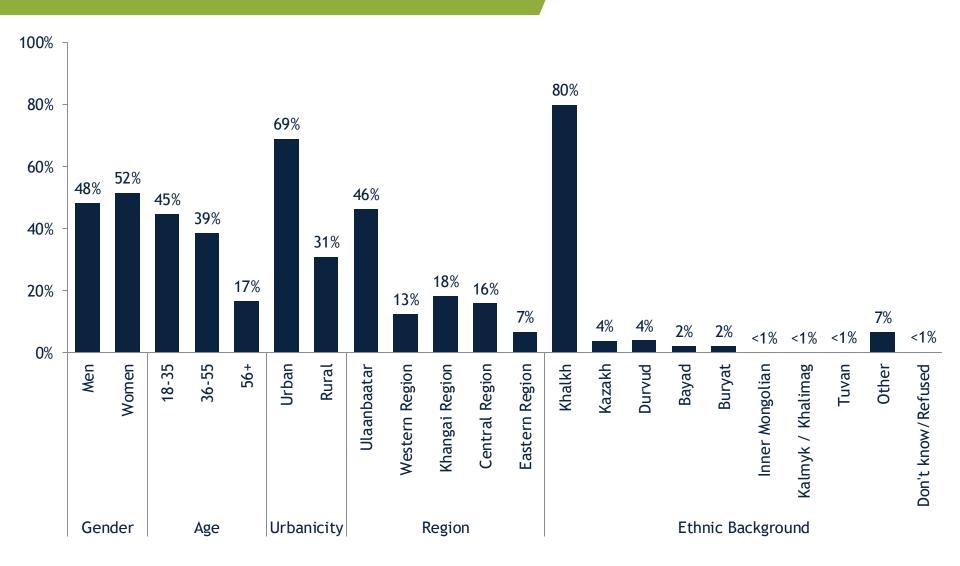


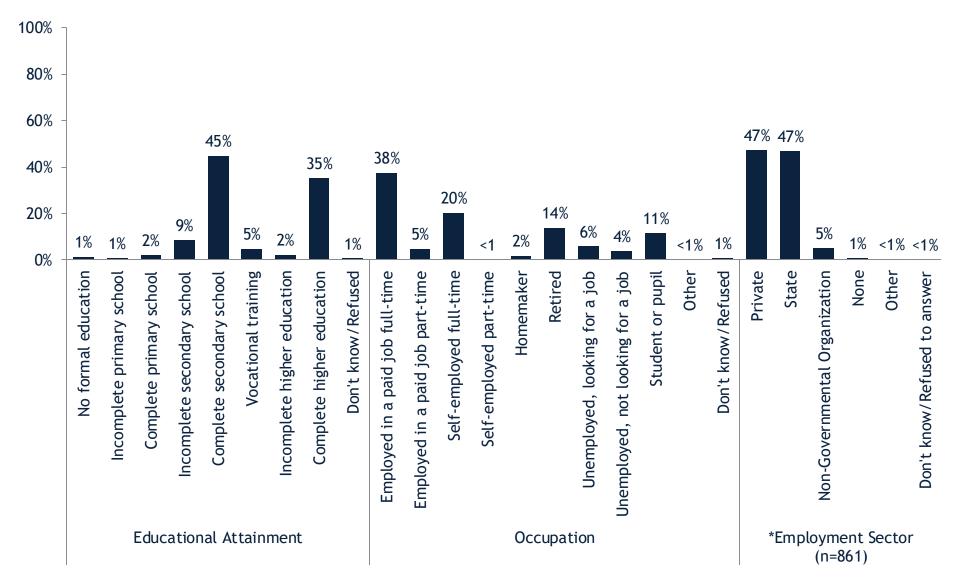
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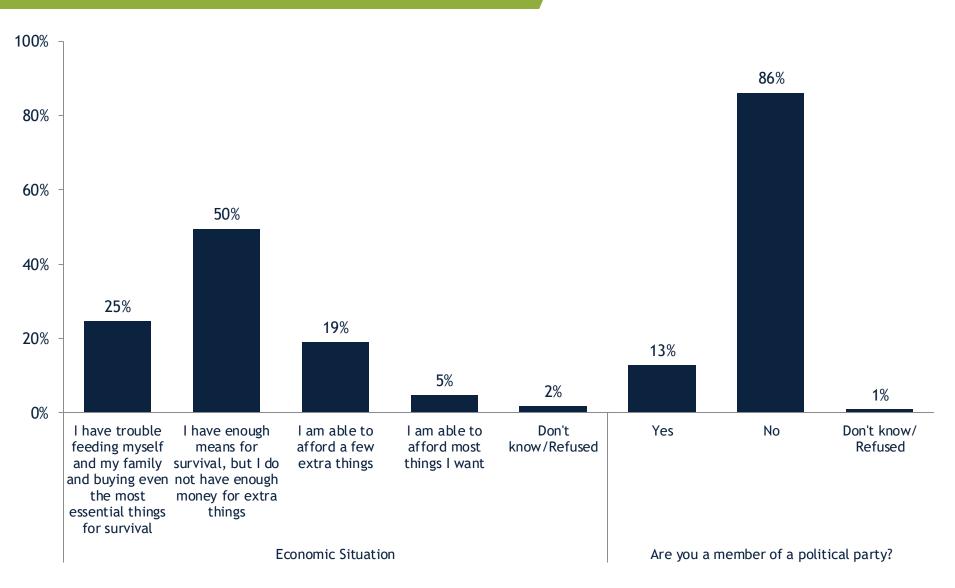


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