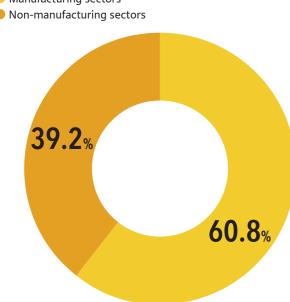
100 Company Survey on Economic Security 2024

Survey Results

Total number of respondents:74 companies (inclusive of research institutions) Survey period: November 2023- January 2024

Industry-sector classification of surveyed companies and institutions [74 responses]

Industry-sector classificationManufacturing sectorsNon-manufacturing sectors



Industry classifications

Other manufacturing(11)

Transportation equipment and machinery(6)

Petroleum and petrochemistry(5)

Semiconductors(5)

Trading(4)

Information and telecommunications (4)

Iron, steel, and non-ferrous metals(4)

Transport & storage(4)

High-precision machines (2)

Industry and manufacturing production machinery(2)

Information Technology(IT)(2)

Food and beverages (2)

Building materials, textiles, and paper(2)

Construction and real estate(2)

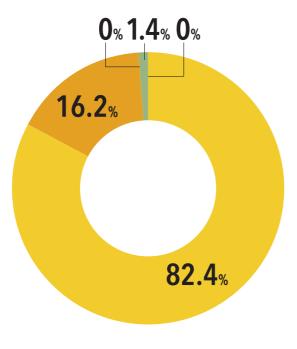
Electricity and gas(2)

Other service industries(2) Heavy industry(1)

Retail(1)

Others(6)





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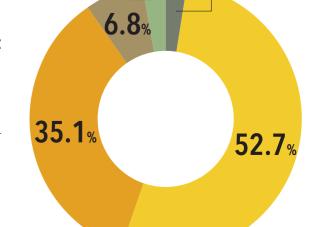
Is economic security ever on the agenda when discussing management policies (such as at board of directors and executive meetings)?

[74 responses]

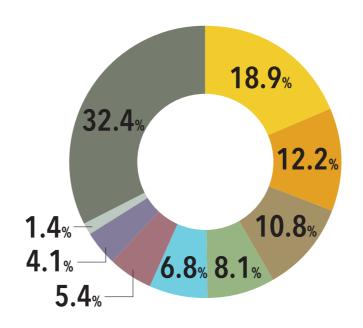
OftenSometimes

Rarely

Every timeNot at allNo answer



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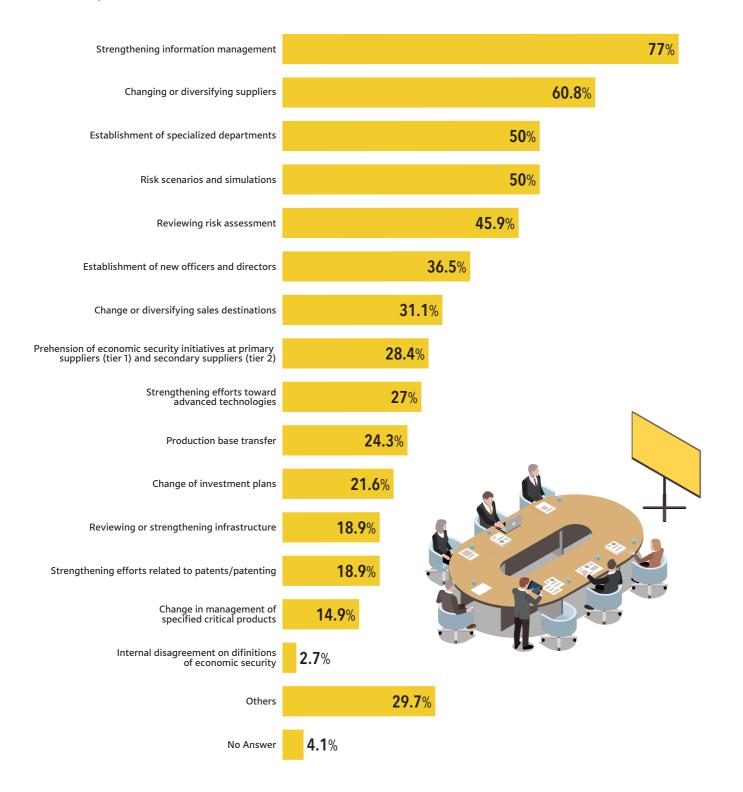
When did you start your economic security initiatives?

[74 responses]

- Export Control Reform Act (ECRA), Foreign Investment Risk Review Modernization Act (FIRRMA) by the U.S. (2018, 2019)
- The National Security Service (NSS) established an "Economy Group" specializing in the economic field (Apr, 2020)
- Economic security promotion act passed into law (May, 2022)
- Russia's invasion of Ukraine (Feb, 2022)
- Export regulation by China regarding rare earth elements (2010)
- Have not started
- Tighter U.S. restrictions on semiconductors to China (Oct, 2022)
- Deteriorating situation in the Middle East (Oct, 2023)
- Others

What specific initiative have you taken in your firm? Select all that apply.

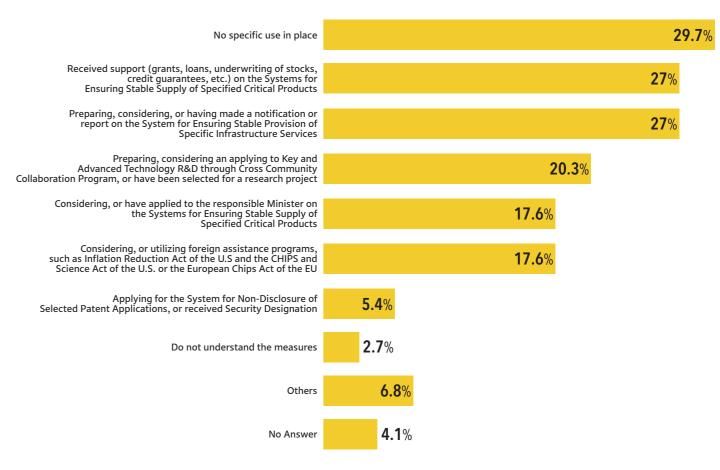
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How does your company utilize the support measures under the Economic Security Promotion Act? Select all that apply.

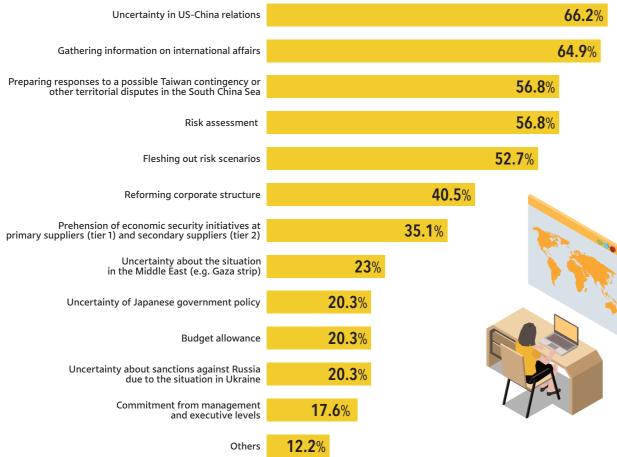
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What are the biggest challenges in addressing economic security? Select all that apply.

[74 responses]



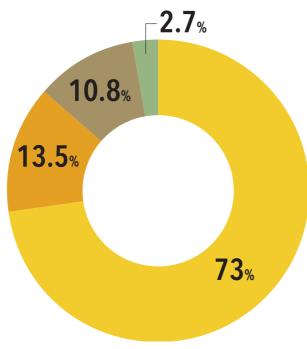
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Has the current conflict between the US and China had an impact on your business in any way?

[74 responses]

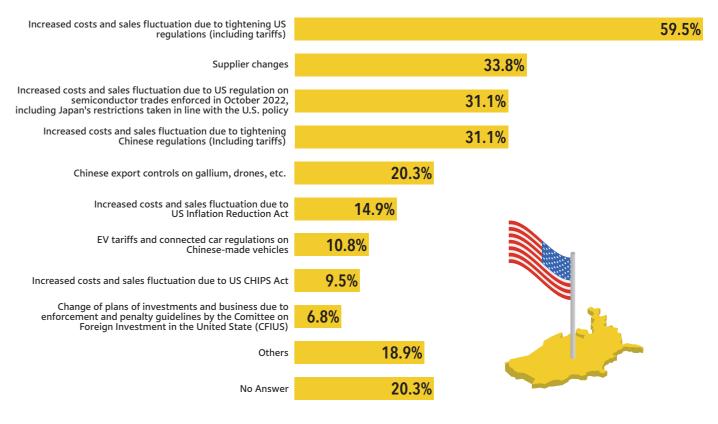
Yes, impactedCan't say either

No, not impactedNo Answer

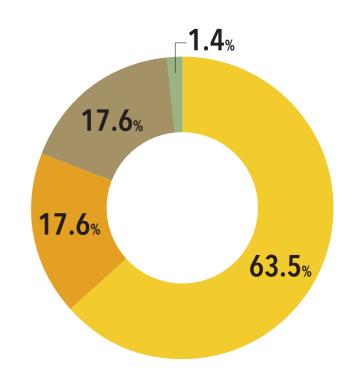


For those who answered that there were impacts, what were the specific impacts? For those who have no impact, are there any expected impacts in the future? Select all that apply.

[74 responses]







If you had to choose between US and Chinese business, what would be the criteria to make that decision?

[74 responses]

Has Russia's invasion of Ukraine

and the resulting sanctions

business in any way?

[74 responses]

Impacted, but diminished

Impacted, and increased

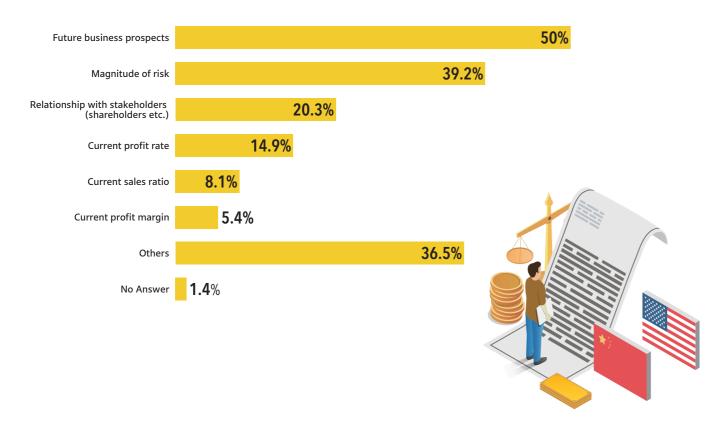
Not impacted yet, but expected

Impacted

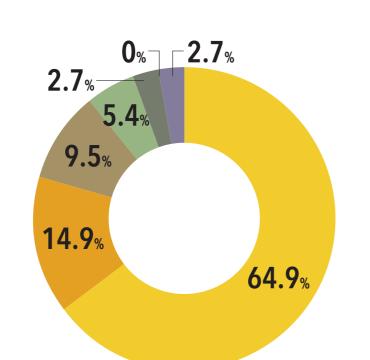
Not impactedCan't say either

No Answer

against Russia impacted your

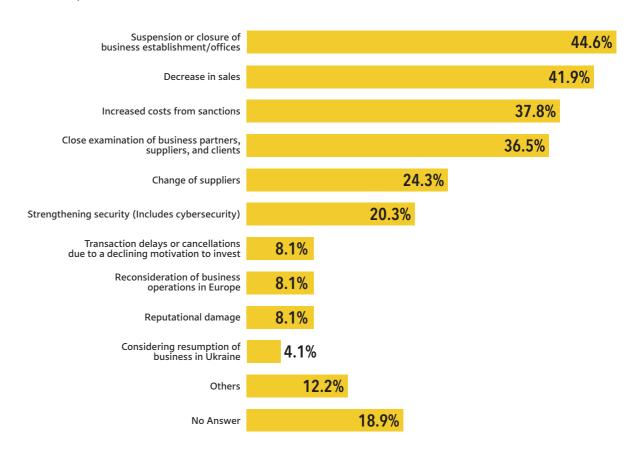


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For those "impacted", how have you specifically been impacted? For those who were "not impacted", are there any specific impacts expected for the future? Select all that apply.

[74 responses]

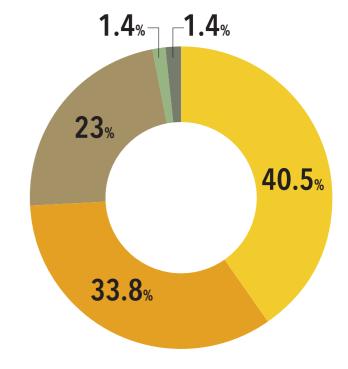




Has the worsening situation in the Middle East over the Gaza strip affected your company's business in any way?

[74 responses]





To what extent have overall costs increased due to the cost required to handle economic security?

[74 responses]

Increased by under 5%

No increase

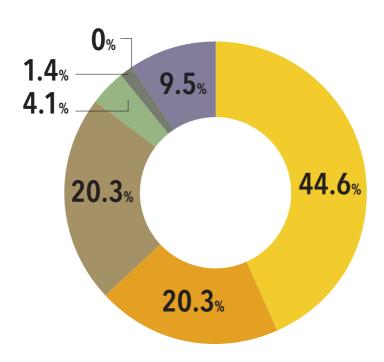
Not clear

Increased by at least 10%

Increased by 5% to less than 10%

Decreased

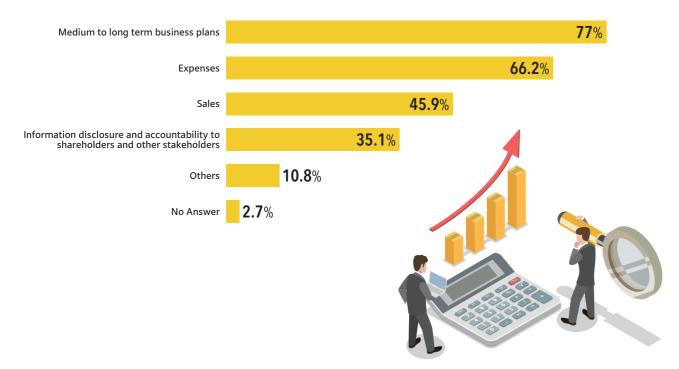
No Answer



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In the event that further enforcement of Japan's economic security policies proceed, where do you expect to find the biggest impact on your business? Select all that apply.

[74 responses]

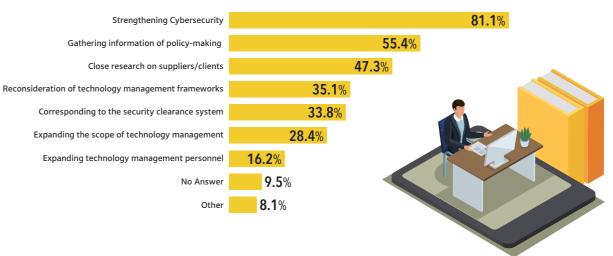


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In additiion to conventional technology management and export control, what efforts have you made to prevent technology leaks? Select all that apply.

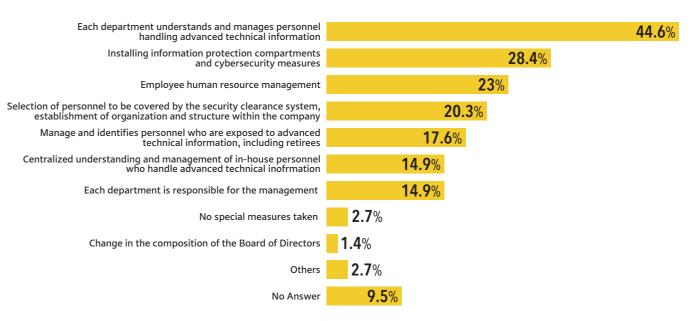
[74 responses]



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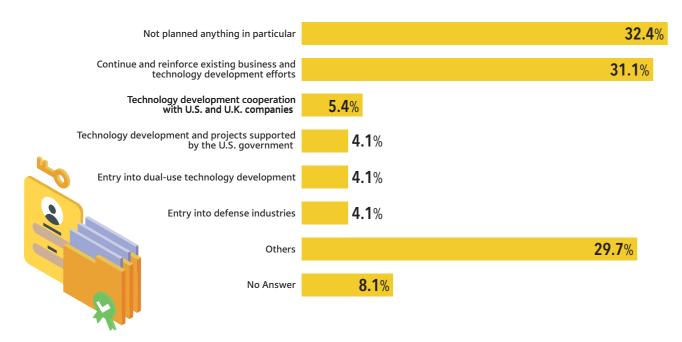
Regarding sensitive information and technology in your company, to what extent do you manage such information, employees who handle such information, and personnel who have access to highly technical information (e.g., manage such information as trade secrets, limit and control employees who have access to such information)? Select all that apply.

[74 responses]



How do you plan to utilize the security clearance system? Select all that apply.

[74 responses]



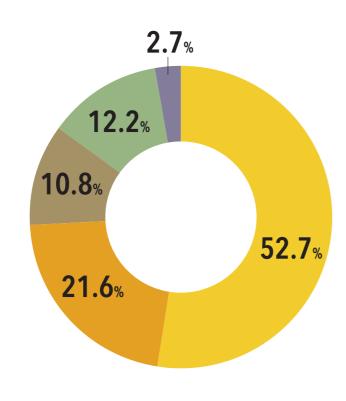
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Is there a compliance system in place in anticipation of extraterritorial applications of US and Chinese economic sanctions or secondary sanctions?

[74 responses]

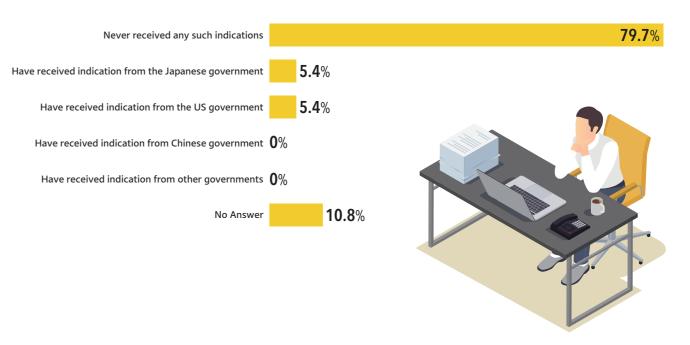
- Yes, such compliance system is in place
- Currently working towards putting such compliance system in place
- No plans to start
- others
- No Answer



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In the past, have you ever received signals or attestations by Japanese, US, Chinese, or other governments regarding imports, exports, or transacton with sanctioned companies?

[74 responses]

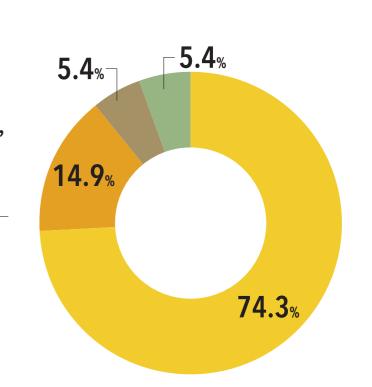


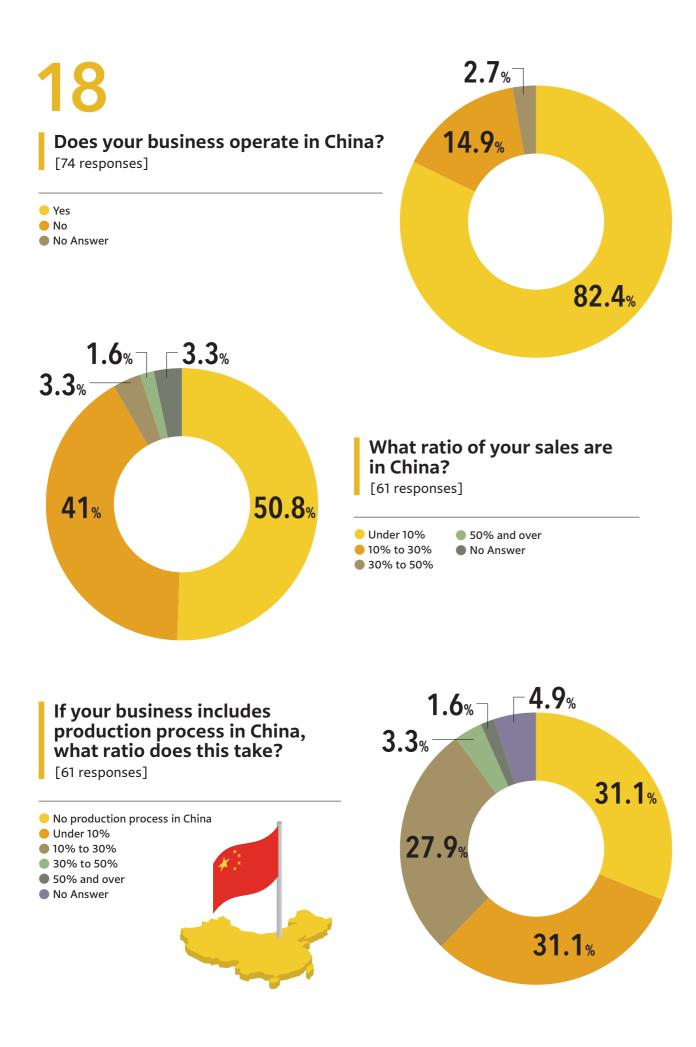
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Have you ever been subject to fines, transaction suspensions, or import/export suspensions in your business?

[74 responses]

- One of the subject in the future
- No but can foresee a possibility of being subject in the future
- Yes
- No Answer



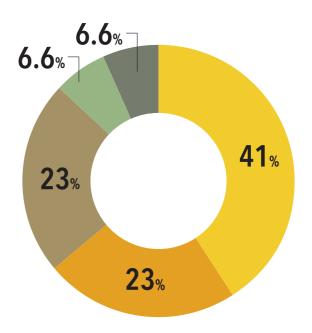




[61 responses]



- Aiming to increase the sales ratio in China
- Maintaining the current ratio
- Aiming to reduce the sales ration in China
- No Answer



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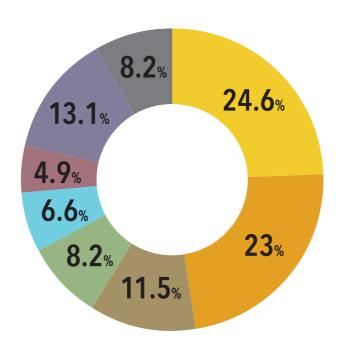
What are important topics to be attentive to for developing business in China? Select all that apply.

[61 responses] 91.8% Geopolitical risks **85.2**% Economic climate in China Anti-episonage law, detention of Japanese nationals, or safety of Japanese staffs and their families, etc. 83.6% 80.3% Responses assuming the possibility of a Taiwan contingency 80.3% Information leaks, including technical information Business survival risks regarding potential changes in Chinese policy **75.4**% **73.8**% **Growth of Chinese competitors** 67.2% Supply chain disruptions **59**% Cyber-attacks Impacts on performance due to Chinese policies restricting foreign investments **52.5**% Requests for technology transfer (discretionary approval processes by administrations, joint venture requirements, foreign equity restrictions, government procurement etc.) **52.5**% 50.8% Supply chain risks of human rights issue of business partners Diversification of raw materials supply chain including rare earth elements 42.6% 37.7% Labor and other costs 36.1% Trend of rival companies on Chinese business Chinese VISA suspension or delay 31.1% Others **9.8**% No Answer 1.6%

Is your company prepared for a possible Taiwan contingency and how far?

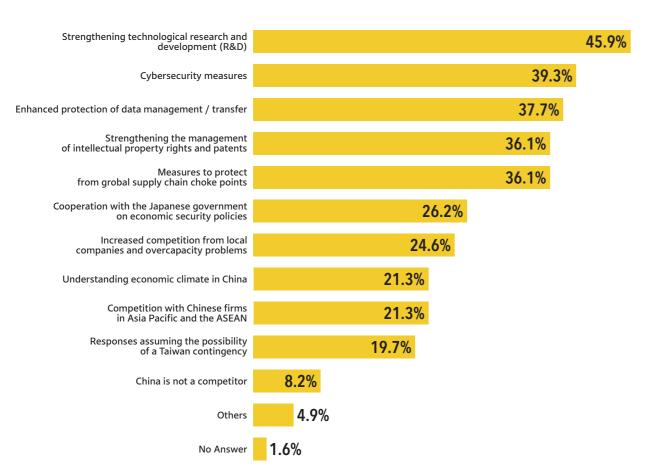
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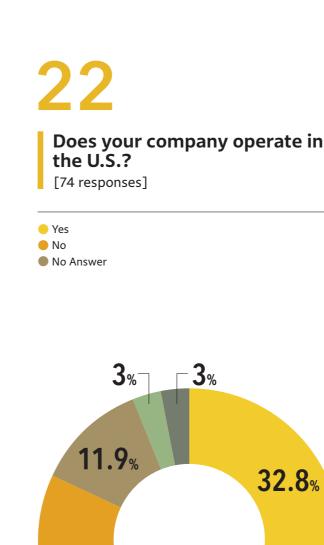
- Finished simulations and preparing a BCP (Business Continuity Plan)
- Planning Taiwan contingency simulation drills
- No simulations planned
- Finished simulations and prepared a BCP
- Conducted multiple simulations, and company-wide preparations are in place based on BCP
- Conducted multiple simulations, and reviewed existing BCP
- Others
- No Answer

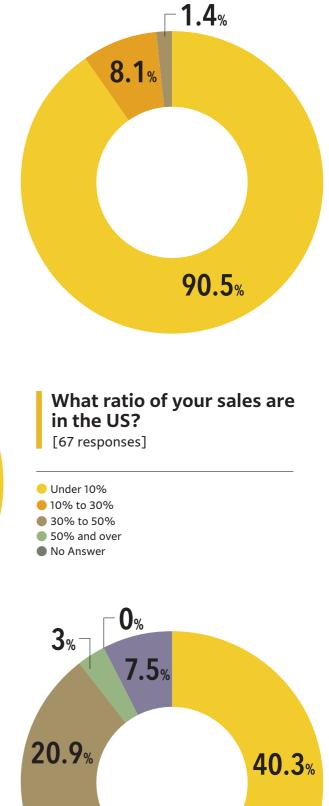


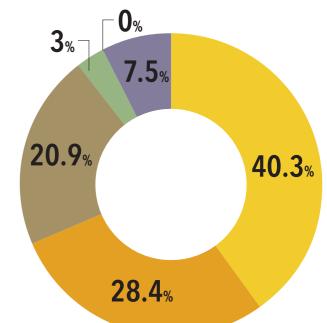
To maintain a competitive edge in regard to China, where do you place the most value?

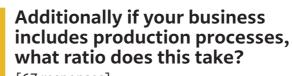
[61 responses]











49.3%

[67 responses]

Under 10% No production process included

10% to 30%

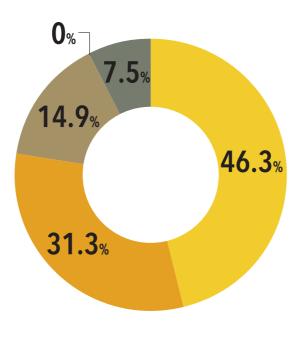
30% to 50% ● 50% and over No Answer

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Do you have any medium to long term aims to change the sales ratio in the US?

[67 responses]

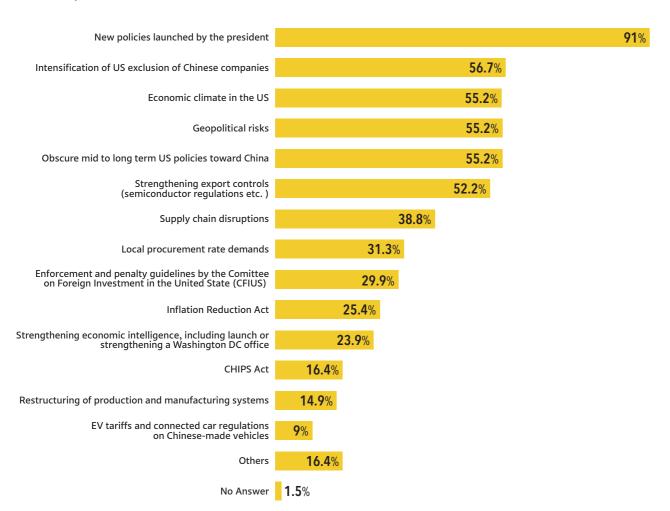
- Aiming to increase the sales ratio in the US
- Not especially
- Maintaining the current ratio
- Aiming to reduce the sales ratio in the US
- No Answer



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What are important topics to be attentive to for developing business in the US? Select all that apply.

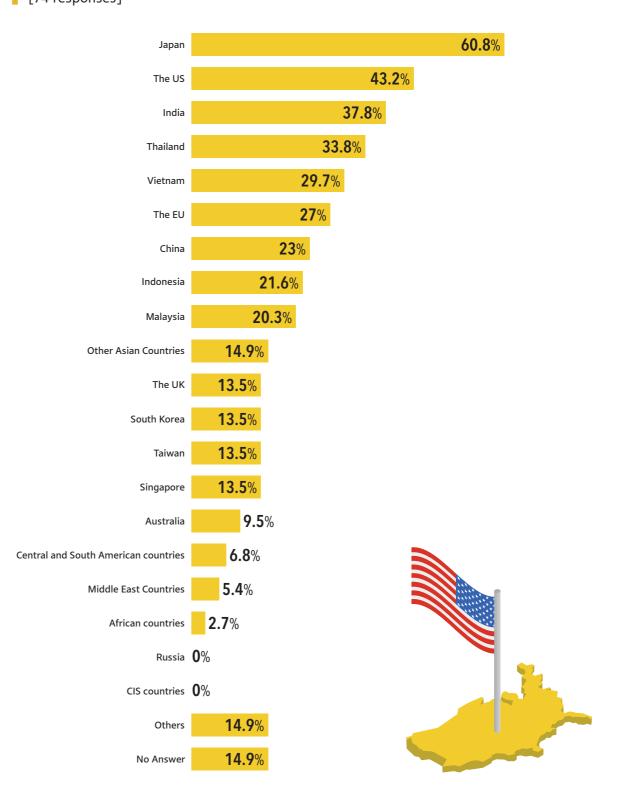
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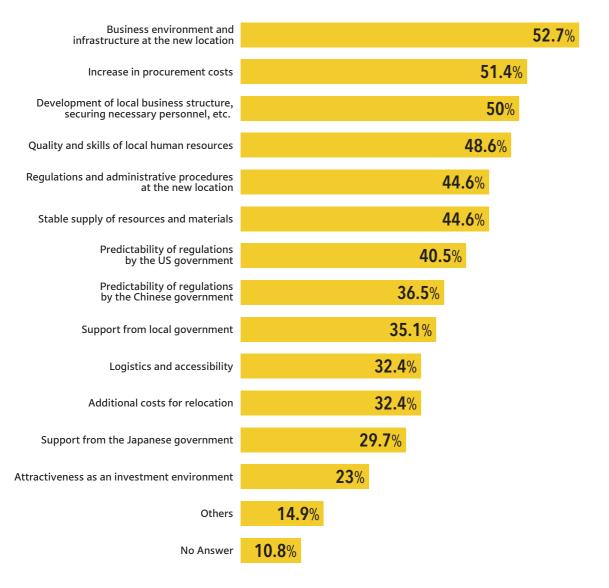
Select a country/region planned or designated for diversifying suppliers, changing or diversifying sales destinations, transferring production sites, or changing investment plans. Select all that apply.

[74 responses]



What are the important topics to be attentive to for supply chain diversification? Select all that apply.

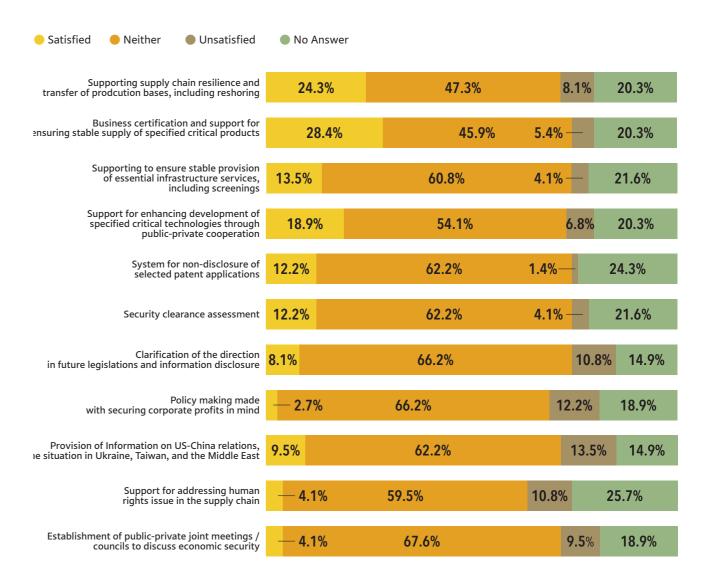
[74 responses]





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Regarding the future economic security policy, plaese indicate your satisfaction with the Japanese Government's efforts in each of the following topics below. Of the items related, please put " \circ " to satisfied topics, " \times " to unsatisfied topics, and " \wedge " to neither topic.





In promoting Japan's economic security strategy, what should be done to maximize and make the most of Japan's strengths? Select all that apply.

[74 responses]



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Which of the following frameworks / region do you think Japan should strengthen relations with in advancing economic security strategy? Select all that apply.

[74 responses]

