## **Online Appendix**

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Table 1: Candidates for office in each national election

year	Percent that support	Percent	Percent that oppose
	foreign labor	neutral	foreign labor
2019	49.88	33.09	17.03
2017	35.90	50.98	13.12
2016	42.12	41.30	16.58
2014	24.96	50.18	24.87
2013	41.06	41.30	17.63
2012	32.57	44.26	23.17
2010	39.95	44.02	16.03
2009	50.54	33.36	16.10

Table 2: Regressions on 2019 candidate data

Dependent variable: Opposition to foreign labor (5-point scale) Model 1 Model 2 Model 3 2.343\*\*\* Constant 2.297\*\*\* 2.462\*\*\* (0.127)(0.285)(0.125)Age 0.0002 (0.004)0.281\*\* Candidate in 2019?  $0.337^{**}$  $0.323^{**}$ (0.137)(0.135)(0.137) $0.207^*$ Female 0.136 (0.112)(0.113)-0.568\*\*\* LDP (0.122)Observations 411 411 411  $R^2$ 0.015 0.023 0.073 Adjusted R<sup>2</sup> 0.012 0.018 0.063 1.025 (df = 409)1.022 (df = 408)0.998 (df = 406)Residual Std. Error  $6.057^{**}$  (df = 1; 409)  $4.741^{***}$  (df = 2; 408)  $7.938^{***}$  (df = 4; 406) F Statistic \*p<0.1; \*\*p<0.05; \*\*\*p<0.01 Note:

Table 3: Candidates that supported each issue in 2019

Party	Admitting foreign labor	Permitting married couples with different surnames	Permitting gay marriage	Having a female emperor	Number of candidates
LDP	72.46%	19.12%	8.96%	33.87%	82
CDP	50.00%	100%	95.12%	90.24%	42
PDP	44.44%	85.19%	62.96%	70.37%	28
Komeito	86.96%	91.67%	58.33%	34.78%	24
JCP	2.56%	100%	97.50%	100%	40
Ishin	57.14%	80.95%	28.57%	40%	22
SDP	57.14%	100	100%	85.71%	7
Reiwa	0.00%	100%	88.89%	88.89%	10
Happiness	83.33%	0%	0%	25%	12
Minor parties	100%	100%	100%	100%	1
Unaffiliated	48.28%	92.86%	68.97%	89.29%	31
NHK	22.22%	34.29%	37.14%	34.29%	41
Olive tree	11.11%	44.44%	55.56%	88.89%	10
Workers	60%	100%	100%	90%	10
Euthanasia	10%	0%	10%	10%	10

Table 4: Regressions on 2019 prefecture data

	Dependent variable: mean candidate's opposition to foreign labor (5-point scale)
Constant	2.359***
	(0.123)
% with no position	0.008**
	(0.003)
Observations	45
R <sup>2</sup>	0.118
Adjusted R <sup>2</sup>	0.098
Residual Std. Error	0.537 (df = 43)
F Statistic	5.776** (df = 1; 43)
Note:	*p<0.1; **p<0.05; ***p<0.01

Table 5: Correlations between 2019 prefectural candidate opinion on foreign labor and other prefectural characteristics

Prefectural characteristic	Pearson's R	P-value
% of candidates with no position	0.344123	0.020631
job seeker's ratio	-0.13783	0.366585
population change	-0.00753	0.96085
foreign population change	0.129772	0.395526
public opinion	0.215302	0.155501

Table generated by author with data from Taniguchi 2019 and other sources as specified in chapter and replication code