**Online Appendix**

**Table 1: Candidates for office in each national election**

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| year | Percent that support foreign labor | Percent neutral | Percent that oppose 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 |

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**Table 2: Regressions on 2019 candidate data**

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|  | *Dependent variable: Opposition to foreign labor (5-point scale)* | | |
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|  | Model 1 | Model 2 | Model 3 |
| Constant | 2.343\*\*\* | 2.297\*\*\* | 2.462\*\*\* |
|  | (0.125) | (0.127) | (0.285) |
|  |  |  |  |
| Age |  |  | 0.0002 |
|  |  |  | (0.004) |
|  |  |  |  |
| Candidate in 2019? | 0.337\*\* | 0.323\*\* | 0.281\*\* |
|  | (0.137) | (0.137) | (0.135) |
|  |  |  |  |
| Female |  | 0.207\* | 0.136 |
|  |  | (0.112) | (0.113) |
|  |  |  |  |
| LDP |  |  | -0.568\*\*\* |
|  |  |  | (0.122) |
|  |  |  |  |
|  | | | |
| Observations | 411 | 411 | 411 |
| R2 | 0.015 | 0.023 | 0.073 |
| Adjusted R2 | 0.012 | 0.018 | 0.063 |
| Residual Std. Error | 1.025 (df = 409) | 1.022 (df = 408) | 0.998 (df = 406) |
| F Statistic | 6.057\*\* (df = 1; 409) | 4.741\*\*\* (df = 2; 408) | 7.938\*\*\* (df = 4; 406) |
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| *Note:* | \*p<0.1; \*\*p<0.05; \*\*\*p<0.01 | | |

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| **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 generated by author with data from Taniguchi 2019* | | | | | |

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| **Table 4: Regressions on 2019 prefecture data** | |
|  | *Dependent variable:*  *mean candidate's*  *opposition to foreign labor*  *(5-point scale)* |
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| Constant | 2.359\*\*\* |
|  | (0.123) |
|  |  |
| % with no position | 0.008\*\* |
|  | (0.003) |
|  |  |
|  | |
| Observations | 45 |
| R2 | 0.118 |
| Adjusted R2 | 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 generated by author with data from Taniguchi 2019* | |

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| --- | --- | --- |
| **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* | | |

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