



# “SANT MARAL” Foundation

POLITBAROMETER #33, December 2007

The “Sant Maral” foundation presents the results of the December 2007 survey. The representative sample of 710 respondents from the capital Ulan Bator was collected in December 15 - 16. Tabulations are band by October – December only for capital population.

## Voting intention

### 1. “If elections were held tomorrow, would you participate?”

	October	December
• “yes”	64,9	62.1
• “no”	18,5	21.5
• DK <sup>1</sup>	16,2	16.3
• Missing	,4	-

### 2a. “If Parliament Elections were held tomorrow, which party would you vote for?”

	October	December
▪ MPRP	25,3	23.8
▪ Democratic Party	29,1	20.0
▪ Motherland	,4	1.1
▪ CWP	3,3	3.8
▪ Republican Party	2,0	2.3
▪ Peoples' Party	3,7	3.1
▪ New National Party	1,2	1.4
▪ Green Party	-	1.3
▪ Other party	4,1	3.7
▪ Independent	12,2	9.7
▪ Missing/DK	18,8	29.9

### 2b. “If minor political parties will form a coalition, which party would you vote for?”

	October	December
▪ MPRP		29.2
▪ Democratic Party		25.1
▪ Coalition		11.5
▪ Other party		13.5
▪ Independent		13.1
▪ Missing / DK		7.6

<sup>1</sup> DK –don't know

### 3. Best Party

- MPRP
- Democratic Party
- Motherland
- CW Party
- Republican Party
- People's Party
- New National Party
- other parties
- Parties Coalition
- no parties
- missing/DK

October

December

26,2  
26,4  
1,0  
4,9  
2,6  
2,4  
,7  
,5  
2,4  
14,7  
18.2

26.2  
24.4  
1.7  
5.5  
2.3  
3.5  
.3  
2.2  
1.0  
18.2  
14.6

### 4. Which political institution could solve following problems?

	None	President	MPRP	Democratic Party	Other party	Civil movement	Coalition of parties	DK
<b>1. Poverty</b>	30.8	5.4	14.2	13.4	3.0	4.1	7.5	21.7
<b>2. Unemployment</b>	22.3	4.2	15.9	13.0	4.5	5.8	9.9	24.6
<b>3. Corruption</b>	28.6	4.4	10.8	12.5	2.1	8.0	8.9	24.7
<b>4. Economy</b>	15.6	5.4	17.2	11.7	4.5	3.8	12.1	29.7
<b>5. Administration reform</b>	13.8	9.4	14.1	13.0	4.2	6.9	11.8	26.7
<b>6. Mining and land</b>	14.6	6.5	15.2	11.4	3.2	9.7	10.1	29
<b>7. Social justice</b>	20.0	4.6	12.4	11.3	3.2	9.7	10.6	28.1
<b>8. Alcoholism</b>	34.5	4.5	11.3	7.9	2.4	3.5	7.0	28.9

### 5. "Was the decision of new PM to take Tavan Tolgoy project under state control right step or wrong?"

- "right"
- "wrong"
- missing / DK

December

79.3  
14.6  
5.9

**6. How do you approve or disapprove the following statement: “In principal you can trust that government is doing right things for citizens”?**

	October	December
• Fully approve	5,3	8.2
• Rather approve	33,7	34.9
• Rather disapprove	34,9	37.7
• Totally disapprove	21,6	17.3
• Non response	4,5	1.8

**7. Satisfaction with present political system**

	October	December
• very satisfied	5,4	6.1
• fairly satisfied	27,9	25.1
• rather not satisfied	48,2	48.2
• totally unsatisfied	16,3	17.9
• missing	2,2	2.8

**8. Confidence in state institutions**

	<i>President</i>	<i>Parliament</i>	<i>Judiciary system</i>	<i>State org-s</i>	<i>Political parties</i>	<i>Civil society</i>
very confident	11.1	3.9	2.1	1.8	1.4	4.2
rather confident	35.5	27.6	21.1	28.2	22.5	25.9
rather not confident	29.3	41.0	42.7	42.0	42.7	35.8
totally not confident	18.0	19.9	25.5	19.4	23.8	26.5
no answer	6	7.6	8.6	8.6	9.6	7.6

**9. Are political parties representing public opinion?**

	October	December
• Yes	11,7	15.4
• No	66,0	58.5
• DK	20,8	22.5
• Missing	1,5	3.6

<b>10. How much are you interested in politics?</b>		
	<b>October</b>	<b>December</b>
• very much interested	4,8	8.3
• interested	21,7	18.2
• somehow interested	41,0	41.5
• rather not interested	22,0	21.3
• not interested	9,2	10.0
• Missing	1,2	0,5

<b>11. How much influence have voters on political decision making?</b>		
	<b>October</b>	<b>December</b>
• very strong	9,9	12.0
• rather strong	33,4	33.0
• rather small	36,1	36.8
• very small	15,5	15.6
• Missing	5,0	2.6

<b>12. Which form of state is more suitable for Mongolia?</b>		
	<b>January 2006</b>	<b>December 2007</b>
Current semi-parliamentarian with influential president	23.8	28.5
Parliamentarian	15.9	19.6
Presidential	38.5	23.4
DK	21.6	28.6

<b>13. Thinking about parties...</b>		
	<b>Jan 06</b>	<b>December</b>
There should be many parties representing variety of opinions	33.6	27.3
In principal, we don't need any third force – two parties are sufficient	13.7	20.8
In principal we don't need parties – to have a strong president is a right thing	31.3	26.1
DK	21.5	25.6

<b>14. Present personal and family's life level situation</b>		
	<b>October</b>	<b>December</b>
• very good	,7	1.5
• good	16,7	20.7
• partly good/partly bad	49,9	42.8
• rather bad	25,0	27.6
• bad	6,7	6.9
• missing	1,1	.4

<b>15. Life level development comparing to last year</b>		
	<b>October</b>	<b>December</b>
• better	18,6	21.5
• the same	59,1	56.5
• worsened	21,5	21.3
• Missing	,8	,6

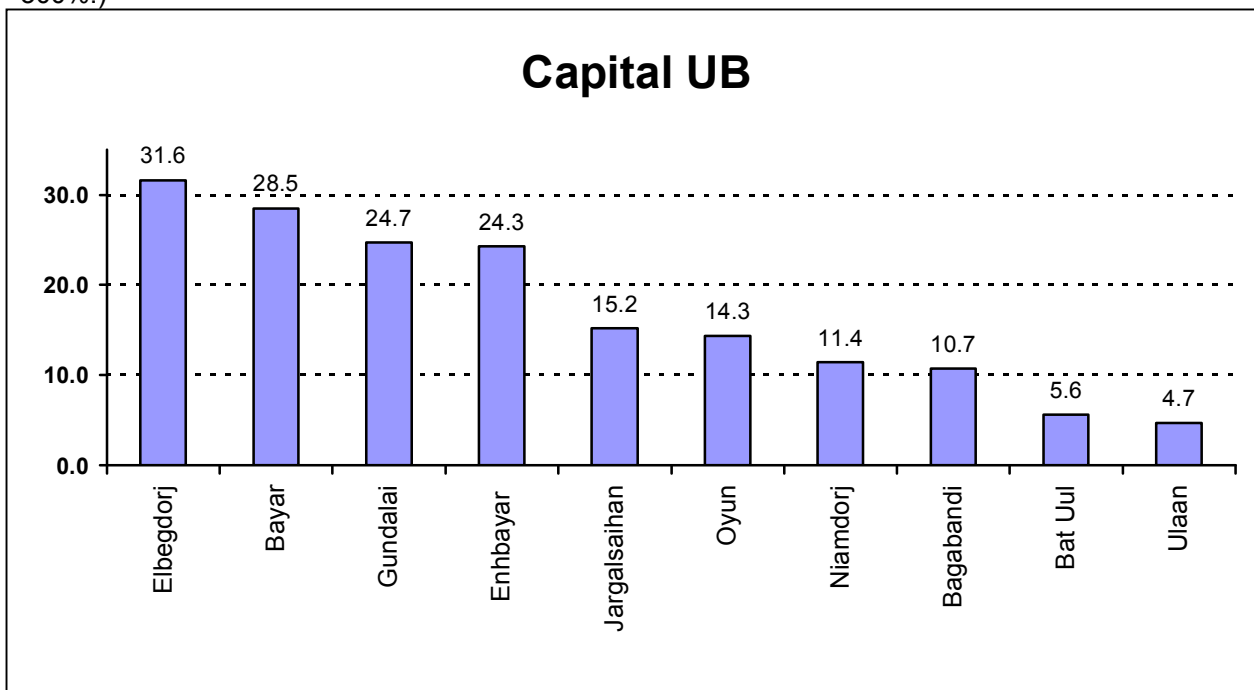
<b>16. How you evaluate your nearest future?</b>		
	<b>October</b>	<b>December</b>
• Optimistic	76,3	75.8
• Pessimistic	14,5	15.2
• Missing	9,2	9

<b>17. Which country is the best partner for Mongolia?</b>		
No names were suggested, each respondent could mention up to two countries. Responses are listed by percentage of cases. Cumulative percentage could be up to 200%.		
	<b>October</b>	<b>December</b>
• Russia	54,4%	54.2%
• China	16,2%	15.0%
• USA	44,4%	54.7%
• European Union <sup>2</sup>	11,4%	16.6%
• Japan	25,7%	29.4%
• South Korea	12,7%	12.0%
• Others	3,5%	4.4%

<sup>2</sup> Includes all mentioned EU countries. The rise from October is caused by the UK that should be connected to OT project

**18. “Whom of the prominent persons in the country would you like to name; who, in your opinion, should play an important role in politics?”**

(No names were suggested, each respondent could mention up to three persons. Responses are listed here in a ranking order by percentage of cases. The cumulative percentage could be up to 300%.)



**Top 3 politicians**

By MPRP supporters		By DP supporters		By nonpartisans	
Enhbayar	45.6	Elbegdorj	68	Bayar	34.1
Bayar	42.4	Gundalai	27.2	Gundalai	28.3
Niamdorj	20.3	Bayar	16.3	Elbegdorj	26.8

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