Dependence on Government: Comparison of Filipinos with Spaniards, Americans and Japanese

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ISSP Questions on Role of Government: 1996, 2006 and 2016 (1/2)

Here are some things the government might do for the economy. Please show which actions you are in favor of and which you are against. (Strongly in favor, In favor of, Neither in favor of nor against, Against, Strongly against, Can’t choose)

a. Cuts in government spending
b. Government financing of projects to create new jobs
c. Less government regulation of business
d. Support for industry to develop new products and technology
e. Support for declining industries to protect jobs
f. Reducing the working week to create more jobs
ISSP Questions on Role of Government: 1996, 2006 and 2016 (2/2)

On the whole, do you think it should or should not be the government’s responsibility to ... (Definitely should be, Probably should be, Probably should not be, Definitely should not be, Can’t choose)

a. Provide a job for everyone who wants one
b. Keep prices under control
c. Provide health care for the sick
d. Provide a decent standard of living for the old
e. Provide industry with the help it needs to grow
f. Provide a decent standard of living for the unemployed
g. Reduce income differences between the rich and the poor
# Data Sources: ISSP 1996, 2006 and 2016 Role of Government

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## Role of Government: Delivery of Social Services

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Thank you!

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