Analysis of Poll Results: Thai Politics Today

Survey conducted between August 7 - 9, 2024 with a sample size of 1,147 respondents

Key Findings:



Increased interest in political news

43,42%



Be interested in the dissolution of the Move Forward Party

75.65%



Believed that politics had worsened today

67.57%



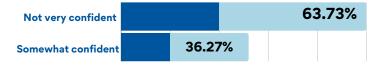
The Cabinet should have been reshuffled

55.62%

Thais had shown increased interest in political news

43.42% had become more interested in political news, likely due to significant events occurring at this time, particularly the dissolution of the Move Forward Party, which had become a hot topic. This had indicated the public's concern and the importance they placed on changes within the political party system. Meanwhile, other issues, such as the digital wallet initiative (66.49%) and economic policies (54.71%), had also attracted significant attention.

Confidence in Srettha's Government



Thai Politics worsened, Confidence in Srettha's Government Declined

67.57% had believed that the current political situation had worsened, and 68.44% had anticipated that the future political direction would also deteriorate. This had reflected dissatisfaction with the administration and its handling of various issues in the country. Additionally, 63.73% had not been very confident in Srettha's Government, likely due to the lack of clear outcomes from key policies or their inability to meet the public's needs. Meanwhile, 55.62% had thought that the Cabinet should have been reshuffled for better performance.

The poll results had reflected the people's anxiety about the current and future political situation, particularly following the dissolution of the Move Forward Party, which had sparked increased interest in political news. The view that politics had worsened had indicated dissatisfaction with the administration, especially in economic management. The low confidence in the government and support for a the cabinet reshuffle had shown a desire for tangible changes, posing a significant challenge that the government had needed to address promptly to restore public trust.

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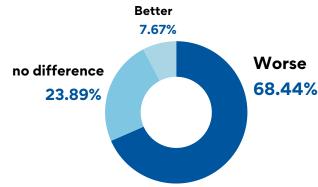
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What do you think the direction of Thai politics will be?



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The survey had revealed that the respondents had increasingly focused on political news, particularly on the dissolution of the Move Forward Party. This heightened interest had coincided with the Constitutional Court's unanimous decision on August 7, 2024, to dissolve the party and revoke the political rights of its executive committee members for 10 years. As a result, the remaining 143 MPs from the Move Forward Party had been required to find new affiliations within 60 days to retain their parliamentary status. Additionally, new elections in Phitsanulok constituency had needed to be organized, and a new Deputy Speaker had to be elected to replace Padipat Suntiphada, a former executive of the dissolved party. Moreover, a new opposition leader had to be appointed to replace Chaithawat Tulathon, the former leader of the Move Forward Party. The survey had reflected the public's perception that the political situation had deteriorated and the future of Thai politics had seemed bleak. Additionally, there had been a loss of public confidence in the government's administration, which might have been a reflection of the ongoing political turbulence.

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