

Table 3 [Q1] Have you and/or your family member(s) purchased any drugs from pharmacy (excluding the pharmacy of hospital and private clinic) before?

	Frequency	Percentage (base=1,013)
Yes	911	90.0
No	98	9.7
Don't know/hard to say/don't remember	3	0.3
Total	1,013	100.0

Table 4 [Q2] If there is a need, how important do you think are the following factors in affecting your decision to purchase drugs from pharmacy?

	Authenticity of the drugs		Qualification and quality of the on-site pharmacist(s)		Confidence towards the pharmacy	
	Freq.	Percentage (base=1,012)	Freq.	Percentage (base=1,011)	Freq.	Percentage (base=1,013)
Very important	895	88.4	650	64.3	557	55.0
Quite Important	58	5.8	235	23.2	288	28.4
Half-half	26	2.6	56	5.5	120	11.9
Quite unimportant	5	0.5	27	2.7	24	2.3
Very unimportant	6	0.6	17	1.7	8	0.8
Don't know/hard to say/no comment	21	2.1	26	2.6	16	1.6
Total	1,012	100.0	1,011	100.0	1,013	100.0
Missing	1		2		0	

Table 5 [Q3] Are you concerned with the problem of drug counterfeiting?

	Freq.	Percentage (base=1,013)
Yes	926	91.4
Now	67	6.7
Don't know/hard to say	19	1.9
Total	1,013	100.0

Table 6 [Q4] Have you ever purchased or suspected to have purchased counterfeit drugs?

	Freq.	Percentage (base=1,013)
Yes	187	18.4
No	801	79.1
Don't know/hard to say/don't remember	25	2.5
Total	1,013	100.0

Table 7 [Q5] (Only ask those who said 'Yes' in Q4, sub-sample=187) So what kinds of drugs were involved (Multiple answers allowed)?

	Freq.	Percentage of responses (base=231)	Percentage of sub-sample (base=181)
Cough & cold remedies	54	23.2	29.6
Herbal oils	38	16.4	20.9
Other proprietary Chinese medicines	36	15.8	20.1
Skincare	31	13.2	16.9
Indigestion	20	8.7	11.1
Analgesic	17	7.3	9.3
Health products	4	1.7	2.2
Antibiotics	4	1.6	2.0
Allergy	3	1.4	1.8
Blood pressure/cardiovascular	3	1.3	1.7
Drugs for arthritis and orthopaedic related	2	1.0	1.3
Drugs for sore throat	2	0.9	1.2
Weight-losing drugs	2	0.8	1.1
Others (See Table 8)	4	1.7	2.1
Don't know/hard to say/don't remember	12	5.1	6.5
Total	231	100.0	
Missing	6		

Table 8 [Q5\_others] So what kinds of drugs were involved (Others)?

	Freq.
Hair re-growth	1
Serotonin	1
Aphrodisiacs	1
Diabetes	1
Total	4

Table 9 [Q6] In your opinion, what causes the problem of drug counterfeiting in Hong Kong? (Multiple answers allowed)

	Freq.	Percentage of responses (base=1,284)	Percentage of sample (base=1,009)
Lacking in government regulations	302	23.5	30.0
Ineffective prosecution	171	13.3	17.0
Light sentence	168	13.1	16.6
Agree with all of the above 3 factors	501	39.0	49.7
Other answers:			
The ethical problem of pharmacies' owners	68	5.3	6.7
Inadequate knowledge on drugs of consumers and they only look for cheap products	20	1.5	1.9
Operation cost of pharmacy is too high, and it is needed to sell drug counterfeits in order to reduce operation cost	13	1.0	1.3
The ethical problem of producers	9	0.7	0.9
Don't think there is problem of drug counterfeit	3	0.2	0.3
Don't know/hard to say	29	2.2	2.9
Total	1,284	100.0	
Missing	4		

Table 10 [Q7] How important are the following ways in combating the problems of drug counterfeiting?

	Increase of penalty		Reinforcement of prosecution		More promotion and education of anti-drug counterfeiting	
	Freq.	Percentage (base=1,013)	Freq.	Percentage (base=1,013)	Freq.	Percentage (base=1,013)
Very important	736	72.7	666	65.7	529	52.2
Quite important	238	23.5	261	25.7	311	30.7
Half-half	19	1.9	52	5.1	87	8.6
Quite unimportant	9	0.9	21	2.0	60	5.9
Very unimportant	4	0.4	7	0.7	18	1.7
Don't know/hard to say/ no comment	7	0.6	7	0.7	10	1.0
Total	1,013	100.0	1,013	100.0	1,013	100.0
Missing	0		0		0	

Table 11 [Q8] Right now the prosecution and sentence of drug counterfeiting equals to the ways of handling other pirate goods such as pirate handbags, CDs, etc. Do you agree that the prosecution and sentence of drug counterfeiting executed by the government should be raised to level of threatening the public health, or it should remain unchanged?

	Freq.	Percentage (base=1,013)
Raise to the level of threatening public health	959	94.7
Remain unchanged	39	3.9
Don't know/hard to say/no comment	14	1.4
Total	1,013	100.0

Table 12 [Q9] Do you agree that the government should legislate for regulating the safety of drugs independently, especially for the situation of combating the drug counterfeiting or inconsistent ingredients?

	Freq.	Percentage (base=1,012)
Agree	974	96.2
Disagree	15	1.5
Don't know/hard to say/no comment	23	2.3
Total	1,012	100.0
<i>Missing</i>	<i>1</i>	