

Part I Calculation of Response Rate and Detailed Breakdown of Contact Information of the Survey

Table 1 Calculation of response rate

Response rate =	$\frac{\text{Successful cases}}{\text{Successful cases} + \text{Incomplete cases} + \text{Refusal cases}}$
=	$\frac{1,005}{1,005 + 644 + 10}$
=	60.6%

Table 2 Detailed breakdown of contact information of the survey

	Frequency	Percentage
Respondents' ineligibility confirmed	2,627	33.0
Fax/ data line	392	4.9
Invalid number	1,585	19.9
Call-forwarding/ mobile/ pager number	38	0.5
Non-residential number	373	4.7
Special technological difficulties	161	2.0
No eligible respondents	78	1.0
Respondents' eligibility not confirmed	2,795	35.1
Line busy	192	2.4
No answer	1,534	19.3
Answering device	45	0.6
Call-blocking	202	2.5
Language problem	218	2.7
Interview terminated before the screening question	593	7.5
Others	11	0.1
Respondents' eligibility confirmed, but failed to complete the interview	1,530	19.2
Household-level refusal	6	0.1
Known respondent refusal	4	0.1
Appointment date beyond the end of the fieldwork	1,459	18.3
Partial interview	51	0.7
Miscellaneous	10	0.1
Successful cases	1,005	12.6
Total	7,957	100.0

Part II Election System & Role of Media

Table 3 Do you think the proportional representation system, with “party-list system” as its other name, is suitable for Hong Kong?

	Frequency	Percentage
Yes	288	29.3
No	184	18.7
Don't know / Hard to say	510	51.9
Total	983	100.0
Missing case(s)	22	

Table 4 Do you know the number of directly-elected seats in Hong Kong in this year's Legislative Council Election? (The correct answer is 30 seats. If the respondent's answer is wrong, interviewer can read out the answer.)

	Frequency	Percentage
Yes - correct	132	13.2
Yes - wrong	104	10.3
No	767	76.5
Total	1,004	100.0
Missing case(s)	1	

Table 5 Do you know the number of directly-elected seats in your geographical constituency? [Input exact number] (The correct answers are: 6 seats in the Hong Kong Island Constituency / 4 seats in the Kowloon West Constituency / 5 seats in the Kowloon East Constituency / 8 seats in the New Territories West Constituency / 7 seats in the New Territories East Constituency)

	Frequency	Percentage
Yes – correct	67	6.7
Yes – wrong	145	14.5
No	791	78.8
Total	1,004	100.0
Missing case(s)	1	

Table 6 All in all, do you think party politics are more beneficial or harmful to the democratic development in Hong Kong?

	Frequency	Percentage
More beneficial	444	44.5
Half-half	210	21.0
More harmful	152	15.3
Don't know / Hard to say	191	19.1
Total	998	100.0
Missing case(s)	7	

Table 7 Do you think that your interest has been represented by some political parties in Hong Kong?

	Frequency	Percentage
Yes	250	25.2
No	584	58.7
Don't know/ Hard to say	161	16.1
Total	995	100.0
Missing case(s)	10	

Table 8 In the coming Legislative Council Election, what role do you want the local media to play most? (Interviewers to read out the first 4 answers; only one answer is allowed)

	Frequency	Percentage
To report the election-related news factually	483	48.9
To balance and report on both the positive and negative materials and arguments	355	35.9
To focus on reporting the materials and arguments <u>favourable</u> to some candidates	23	2.4
To focus on reporting the materials and arguments <u>unfavourable</u> to some candidates	10	1.0
Don't know / Hard to say	117	11.9
Total	988	100.0
Missing case(s)	17	

Table 9 How much do you accept or resist the candidates' names being blackened?
(Interviewers to probe degree)

	Frequency	Percentage
Very much accept	6)	0.6)
Somewhat accept	58) 64	5.8) 6.4
Half-half	105	10.6
Somewhat resist	302)	30.5)
Very much resist	420) 721	42.4) 72.9
Don't know / Hard to say	100	10.1
Total	990	100.0
Missing case(s)	15	

Table 10 How much do you accept or resist the candidates' publicity materials being damaged? (Interviewers to probe degree)

	Frequency	Percentage
Very much accept	1)	0.1)
Somewhat accept	15) 16	1.5) 1.6
Half-half	48	4.9
Somewhat resist	301)	30.4)
Very much resist	561) 862	56.6) 86.9
Don't know / Hard to say	66	6.6
Total	992	100.0
Missing case(s)	13	

Part III Voting and Political Inclination

Table 11 Are you a registered voter?

	Frequency	Percentage
Yes (including those who have just registered)	747	74.5
No	255	25.5
Total	1,003	100.0
Missing case(s)	2	

Table 12 [Only for registered voters] When did you register as a voter? [Deduced from the year, input exact number]

	Frequency	Percentage of total respondents (Base=747)	Percentage of total sample (Base=1,005)
This year, 2004, which means no more than 1 year	59	8.0	5.9
Last year, 2003, which means no more than 2 years	69	9.3	6.9
No more than 3 years	31	4.1	3.1
No more than 4 years	41	5.5	4.1
4 years or above	195	26.1	19.4
Forgotten	352	47.1	35.0
Total	747	100.0	

Table 13 [Only for registered voters] Did you vote in the District Council Election last November?

	Frequency	Percentage of total respondents (Base=746)	Percentage of total sample (Base=1,005)
Yes	425	56.9	42.2
No: because the councillors were automatically elected	41)	5.5)	4.1)
No: can vote but has not voted	201)	26.9)	20.0)
No: not yet registered at that time	71) 313	9.6) 42.0	7.1) 31.2
Forgotten	8	1.1	0.8
Total	746	100.0	
Missing case(s)	1		

Table 14 [Only for registered voters] Have you ever voted in the past Council elections in all tiers?

	Frequency	Percentage of total respondents (Base=747)	Percentage of total sample (Base=1,005)
Yes	536	71.7	53.3
No: not yet registered	132)	17.7)	13.2)
No: already registered	64) 196	8.5) 26.2	6.3) 19.5
Forgotten	15	2.0	1.5
Total	747	100.0	

Table 15 [Only for registered voters] Will you vote in the coming Legislative Council Election in September? (Interviewers to inquire propensity)

	Frequency	Percentage of total respondents (Base=744)	Percentage of total sample (Base=1,005)
Definitely will	409)	55.0)	40.7)
Most likely will	167) 576	22.4) 77.4	16.6) 57.3
Most likely won't	33)	4.5)	3.3)
Definitely won't	30) 63	4.1) 8.5	3.0) 6.3
Not yet decide / Don't know / Hard to say	105	14.0	10.4
Total	744	100.0	
Missing case(s)	3		

Table 16 [Only for old voters who registered before the last LegCo election in 2000] Compared to the Legislative Council Election in September 2000, has your intention to vote in this year's Legislative Council Election increased, decreased, or remained the same?

	Frequency	Percentage of total respondents (Base=194)	Percentage of total sample (Base=1,005)
Increased	64	33.0	6.4
Decreased	37	19.1	3.7
Remained the same	88	45.4	8.8
Don't know / Hard to say	5	2.6	0.5
Total	194	100.0	
Missing case(s)	1		

Table 17 [Only for registered voters] No matter you have participated or not, have the July 1 rallies in these 2 years increased or decreased your intention to vote in this year's Legislative Council Election?

	Frequency	Percentage of total respondents (Base=745)	Percentage of total sample (Base=1,005)
Increased	178	23.9	17.7
Decreased	27	3.7	2.7
No change	513	68.8	51.0
Don't know / Hard to say	26	3.5	2.6
Total	745	100.0	
Missing case(s)	2		

Table 18 [Only for registered voters] Recently there have been more communication between the Central Government and the democrats, has this increased or decreased your intention to vote in this year's Legislative Council Election?

	Frequency	Percentage of total respondents (Base=743)	Percentage of total sample (Base=1,005)
Increased	164	22.0	16.3
Decreased	8	1.1	0.8
No change	545	73.4	54.3
Don't know / Hard to say	26	3.5	2.6
Total	743	100.0	
Missing case(s)	4		

Table 19 [Only for registered voters] Has such development changed your vote preference in this year's Legislative Council Election? If yes, has it strengthened your support towards the pro-democracy, pro-China or moderate camps?

	Frequency	Percentage of total respondents (Base=734)	Percentage of total sample (Base=1,005)
More supportive to the pro-democracy camp	115	15.7	11.5
More supportive to the moderate camp	101	13.7	10.0
More supportive to the pro-China camp	20	2.7	2.0
No change	448	61.1	44.6
Others (please specify)	2	0.2	0.2
Don't know / Hard to say	48	6.6	4.8
Total	734	100.0	
Missing case(s)	13		

Table 20 Based on your own political inclination, which camp do you tend to support? (Interviewers to read out the first 3 answers; only one answer is allowed.)

	Frequency	Percentage
Moderate camp	356	36.3
Pro-democracy camp	282	28.7
Pro-China camp	53	5.4
No political inclination / Not belong to any camp	230	23.4
Don't know / Hard to say	60	6.1
Total	981	100.0
Missing case(s)	24	

Table 21 Did you participate in the July 1 rally last year?

	Frequency	Percentage
Yes	159	16.0
No	836	83.8
Don't know / Forgotten	2	0.2
Total	997	100.0
Missing case(s)	8	

Table 22 Did you participate in the July 1 rally this year?

	Frequency	Percentage
Yes	99	9.9
No	897	90.0
Don't know / Forgotten	1	0.1
Total	997	100.0
Missing case(s)	8	