

Percentage Distribution of the Questionnaire for the Snap Survey on "Public Views on cross-Strait Issues" ¹

Survey Date: July 31 to August 2, 2017

Number of Effective Samples: 1,079

Sampling Error: Approximately 2.98% with a 95% confidence level

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1. Some people say that, "the main cause of imbalance in cross-Strait exchanges over the past year has been mainland China's unilateral reduction of Mainland tourist visits to Taiwan, limitation of Mainland students studying in Taiwan, and delayed implementation and operation of cross-Strait agreements." Do you agree or disagree with this statement?

Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know / no opinion
8.8%	30.2%	31.3%	12.3%	17.4%
39.0%		43.6%		17.4%

2. Mainland China suppresses Taiwan and unilaterally sets political preconditions to cross-Strait exchanges. Do you agree or disagree with mainland China's methods?

Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know / no opinion
1.9%	6.3%	39.1%	36.1%	16.5%

¹ Percentage calculations are rounded to the last decimal place. The sum of the individual percentages may therefore not equal 100%.

8.2%	75.2%	16.5%
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3. The government advocates stronger laws, regulations, and management actions related to cross-Strait exchanges to maintain the order of exchanges between the two sides and safeguard the nation's sovereignty, dignity, rights, and interests. Do you support or not support this approach?

Strongly support	Support	Not support	Strongly not support	Don't know / no opinion
20.3%	43.8%	9.7%	5.3%	20.9%
64.1%		15.0%		20.9%

Background:

The Executive Yuan recently passed a draft amendment of the Act Governing Relations between the People of the Taiwan Area and the Mainland Area, strengthening management of travel to mainland China by retired high-level officials and military officers (including retired officers ranked lieutenant general or higher and political appointees who have served at sensitive agencies, such as the Minister of National Defense, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Minister of the Mainland Affairs Council, and Director-General of the National Security Bureau). In the future, those found in violation of regulations on participating in celebration or political activities in mainland China could be penalized. Please answer the following questions:

4. Do you think it is appropriate or inappropriate for retired high-level officials and military officers in Taiwan to participate in official celebrations or military reviews in mainland China?

Very appropriate	Appropriate	Inappropriate	Very inappropriate	Don't know / no opinion
2.4%	13.6%	31.2%	44.2%	8.6%
16.0%		75.4%		8.6%

5. To safeguard national security and dignity, the government requires retired high-level officials and military officers to obtain consent before participating in political activities in mainland China and prohibits singing the Mainland national anthem or saluting the Mainland national flag while participating in such activities. Do you approve or disapprove this approach?

Strongly approve	Approve	Disapprove	Strongly disapprove	Don't know / no opinion
30.2%	31.4%	19.2%	7.0%	12.2%
61.6%		26.2%		12.2%

6. The government may penalize retired high-level officials and military officers who illegally participate in political activities in mainland China. Depending on the severity of the offense, the penalties can range from a fine or reduction in monthly pension payments to termination of all monthly pension payments. Do you think that this approach is reasonable or unreasonable?

Very reasonable	Reasonable	Unreasonable	Very unreasonable	Don't know / no opinion
37.7%	28.1%	16.8%	10.3%	7.0%
65.8%		27.1%		7.0%

7. Former regulations prohibited travel to mainland China for three years by retired or discharged political appointees or civil servants who had access to classified information, while allowing the period of restriction to be increased or reduced. To protect national security, the government will change the regulations to require "a minimum of three years, allowing increases but not reductions." Do you think that this approach is appropriate or inappropriate?

Very appropriate	Appropriate	Inappropriate	Very inappropriate	Don't know / no opinion
28.9%	37.1%	14.1%	7.0%	13.0%
66.0%		21.1%		13.0%

8. Do you think that the political united front tactics used by the Mainland authorities against the people of Taiwan in the name of exchanges is conducive or not conducive to the development of cross-Strait relations?

Very conducive	Conducive	Unconducive	Entirely unconducive	Don't know / no opinion
2.3%	12.2%	40.3%	29.8%	15.4%
14.5%		70.1%		15.4%

9. The government's position is that maintaining peace and stability across the Taiwan Strait is the joint responsibility of both sides and that the two sides should engage in healthy and normal contact and exchanges. Do you support or not support this position?

Strongly support	Support	Not support	Strongly not support	Don't know / no opinion
40.3%	47.5%	3.2%	2.6%	6.4%

87.8%	5.8%	6.4%
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10. Do you believe that ongoing contact and exchanges between the people of both sides is conducive or unconducive to promoting positive interaction between the two sides?

Very conducive	Conducive	Unconducive	Entirely unconducive	Don't know / no opinion
34.2%	50.6%	7.0%	2.9%	5.2%
84.8%		9.9%		5.2%

Basic Information

11. Age (Five Categories)

20-29 years old	30-39 years old	40-49 years old	50-59 years old	60 years old and above	Declined to answer
16.2%	19.2%	18.8%	18.6%	24.8%	2.4%

12. Education Level

Illiterate /No schooling	Elementary School	Middle School / Jr. High School	High School / Vocational High School	College	University	Graduate School of Higher	Declined to answer
3.3%	10.9%	12.5%	27.8%	12.2%	26.7%	6.2%	0.3%

13. There are several major political parties in Taiwan, including the Chinese Nationalist Party (KMT), Democratic Progressive Party

(DPP), People First Party (PFP), New Party, and Taiwan Solidarity Union (TSU). Which political party do you usually lean towards?

KMT	DPP	PFP	New Party	TSU	New Power Party	Green party	No political party tendency/preference	Don't know / no opinion
14.3%	17.9%	2.3%	0.2%	0.4%	3.1%	0.2%	60.4%	1.3%

14. County/City of Residence

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Taipei City	11.4%
New Taipei City	17.1%
Taichung City	8.9%
Tainan City	11.4%
Kaohsiung City	8.1%
Keelung City	11.9%
Hsinchu City	1.6%
Chiayi City	1.7%
Yilan County	1.1%
Taoyuan City	2.0%
Hsinchu County	2.2%
Miaoli County	2.3%
Changhua County	5.4%
Nantou County	2.2%
Yunlin County	3.0%
Chiayi County	2.3%
Pingtung County	3.6%
Taitung County	0.9%
Hualien County	1.4%
Penghu County	0.4%
Declined to answer	1.2%

15. Gender

Male	Female
49.1%	50.9%