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Latest Tracking Poll Results
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- Date of survey: 17-19/2/2020
- Survey method: Random telephone survey conducted by real interviewers
- Target population: Cantonese-speaking Hong Kong residents aged 18+
- Sample size: 1,008 (including 504 landline and 504 mobile samples)
- Effective response rate: 64.6%
- Sampling error: Sampling error of percentages not more than +/-4%, that of net values not more than +/-8% and that of ratings not more than +/-1.8 at 95% conf. level
- Weighting method: Rim-weighted according to figures provided by the Census and Statistics Department. The gender-age distribution of the Hong Kong population came from "Mid-year population for 2018", while the educational attainment (highest level attended) distribution and economic activity status distribution came from "Women and Men in Hong Kong Key Statistics (2018 Edition)".

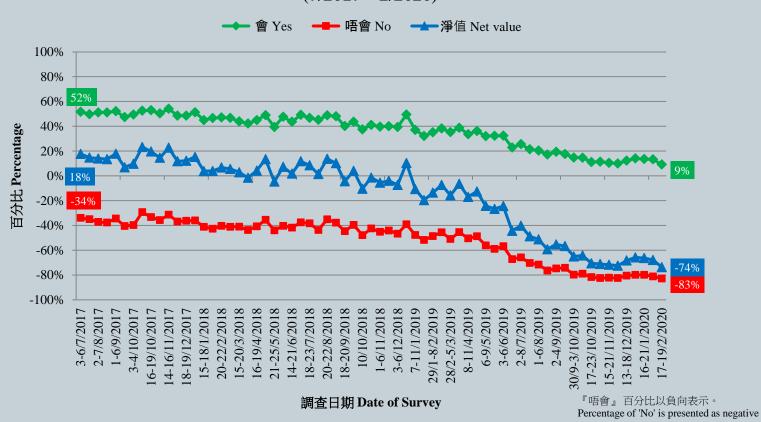
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Popularity of Chief Executive

		3-6/2/2020	17-19/2/2020	Change	Record
	Rating	20.3	18.2	▼2.0	All time record low since Jul. 2017
CE	Vote of confidence	13%	9%	▼4 % *	All time record low since Jul. 2017
Carrie Lam	Vote of no confidence	81%	83%	▲2 %	All time record high since Jul. 2017
	Net approval rate	-68%	-74%	▼ 6% *	All time record low since Jul. 2017

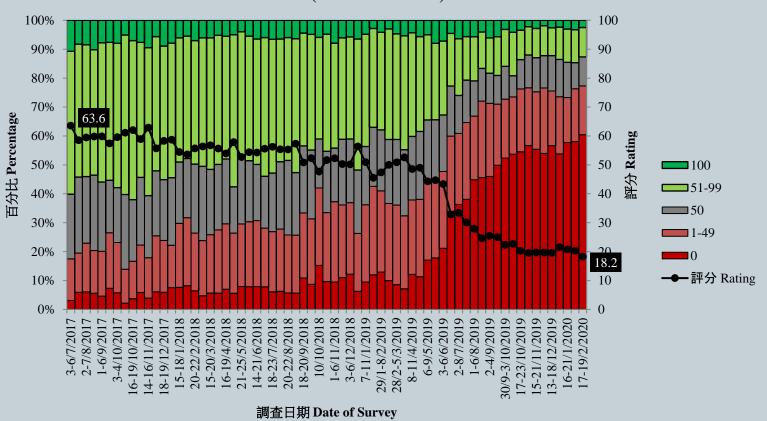
Our latest survey shows that the popularity rating of CE Carrie Lam now stands at 18.2 marks. 60% participants give 0 rating. Her approval rate is 9%, disapproval rate 83%, giving a net popularity of negative 74 percentage points, registering a significant drop of 6 percentage points compared to two weeks ago. All popularity figures are again at their worst since she became CE.

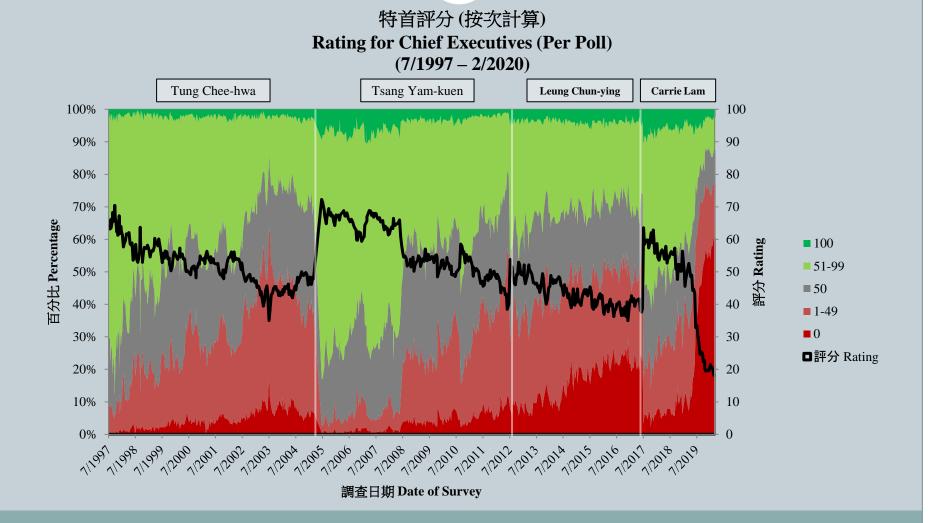
市民對林鄭月娥出任特首的假設投票結果 (按次計算) Hypothetical Voting for Carrie Lam as the Chief Executive (Per Poll) (7/2017 – 2/2020)





特首林鄭月娥評分 (按次計算) Rating for Chief Executive Carrie Lam (Per Poll) (7/2017 – 2/2020)





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Survey Result - Popularity of HKSAR Government

• People's satisfaction in the HKSAR Government

	16-21/1/2020	17-19/2/2020	Change	Record
Satisfaction rate	15%	9%	▼ 6% *	All-time record low since Jul. 1997
Dissatisfaction rate	75%	83%	▲7 % *	All-time record high since Jul. 1997
Net satisfaction rate	-60%	-74%	▼14% *	All-time record low since Jul. 1997
Mean value	1.8	1.6	▼ 0.2 *	All-time record low since Jul. 1997

• Regarding the HKSAR Government, the latest satisfaction rate is 9%, whereas 83% were dissatisfied, thus net satisfaction stands at negative 74 percentage points. The mean score is 1.6, meaning between "quite dissatisfied" and "very dissatisfied" in general. All of these figures have worsened dramatically compared to last month and are at their worst since records began in 1997.

Survey Result - Popularity of HKSAR Government

People's trust in the HKSAR Government

	16-21/1/2020	17-19/2/2020	Change	Record
Trust	19%	14%	▼ 5% *	All-time record low since Dec. 1992
Distrust	69%	76%	▲7 % *	All-time record high since Dec. 1992
Net trust	-50%	-62%	▼12% *	All-time record low since Dec. 1992
Mean value	2.0	1.8	▼ 0.2 *	All-time record low since Dec. 1992

Regarding people's trust in the HKSAR Government, 14% of the respondents expressed trust, 76% expressed distrust. The net trust value is negative 62 percentage points. The mean score is 1.8, meaning close to "quite distrust" in general. All of these figures have worsened dramatically compared to last month and are at their worst since records began in 1992.

Survey Result - Popularity of HKSAR Government

People's Appraisals of society's conditions

	16-21/1/2020	17-19/2/2020	Change	Record
Economic condition	-47%	-64%	▼17 % *	Record low since Jul. 2003
Livelihood condition	-52%	-69%	▼18% *	All-time record low since Dec. 1992
Political condition	-79%	-83%	▼ 4%	Record low since Dec. 2019

• People's net satisfaction with the current economic condition has registered a new record low since 2003, while that of the current livelihood condition has registered a new low since records began in 1992. People's feelings toward both of them have worsened dramatically compared to last month.



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People's trust in the HKSAR, Beijing Central and Taiwan Governments

	15-20/8/2019	17-19/2/2020	Change	Record
Net trust in HKSAR Government (Repeated listing) Last survey: 16-21/1/2020	-50%	-62%	▼12% *	All-time record low since Dec. 1992
Net trust in Beijing Government	-40%	-43%	▼ 3%	All-time record low since Dec. 1992
Net trust in Taiwan Government	-12%	10%	▲23 % *	Record high since Mar. 1996

• Net trust in the HKSAR Government and the Beijing Central Government have registered new lows since records began in 1992, while net trust in the Taiwan Government has increased dramatically compared to half a year ago and registered new high since 1996.

Survey Result - Trust and Confidence Indicators

 People's confidence in the future and in "one country, two systems"

	15-20/8/2019	17-19/2/2020	Change	Record
Net confidence in HK's future	-12%	-44%	▼32% *	All-time record low since Jan. 1994
Net confidence in China's future	-8%	-13%	▼5%	All-time record low since Jul. 1997
Net confidence in "one country, two systems"	-28%	-41%	▼13% *	All-time record low since Jun. 1993

Net confidence in the future of China stands at negative 13 percentage points, registering a new low since records began in 1997. On the other hand, net confidence in the future of Hong Kong and in "one country, two systems" dropped dramatically compared to half a year ago to negative 44 and negative 41 percentage points, registering new lows since records began in 1994 and 1993 respectively.



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Public Sentiment Index (PSI)

	6/2/2020	19/2/2020	Change	Record
Public Sentiment Index (PSI)	51.9	38.5	▼13.4	All-time record low since Jul. 1992
Government Appraisal (GA)	50.6	42.1	▼8.5	All-time record low since Jul. 1992
Society Appraisal (SA)	56.1	40.5	▼15. 6	All-time record low since Jul. 1992

- All PSI, GA and SA scores range between 0 to 200, with 100 meaning normal.
- The latest PSI and two component scores can be considered as among the worst 1% across the past 20 years or so. The PSI, GA and SA have all registered new lows since records began in 1992.

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民情指數(按月計算)

Public Sentiment Index (monthly average) (7/1992 - 2/2020)



Survey Result – Multiple all-time record lows

Topic	Result	Change	Record
Rating of CE Carrie Lam	18.2	▼2.0	All-time record low since Jul. 2017
Vote of confidence in CE Carrie Lam	9%	▼4% *	All-time record low since Jul. 2017
Net approval rate	-74%	▼6% *	All-time record low since Jul. 2017
Satisfaction rate of SARG performance	9%	▼ 6% *	All-time record low since Jul. 1997
Net satisfaction rate	-74%	▼14% *	All-time record low since Jul. 1997
Trust in HKSAR Government	14%	▼5% *	All-time record low since Dec. 1992
Net trust in HKSAR Government	-62%	▼12% *	All-time record low since Dec. 1992
Current livelihood condition: Net satisfaction rate	-69%	▼18% *	All-time record low since Dec. 1992
Net confidence in HK's future	-44%	▼32% *	All-time record low since Jan. 1994
Net confidence in "one country, two systems"	-41%	▼13% *	All-time record low since Jun. 1993
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