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# Opinion Survey on the “Extradition Bill”

## Survey Results

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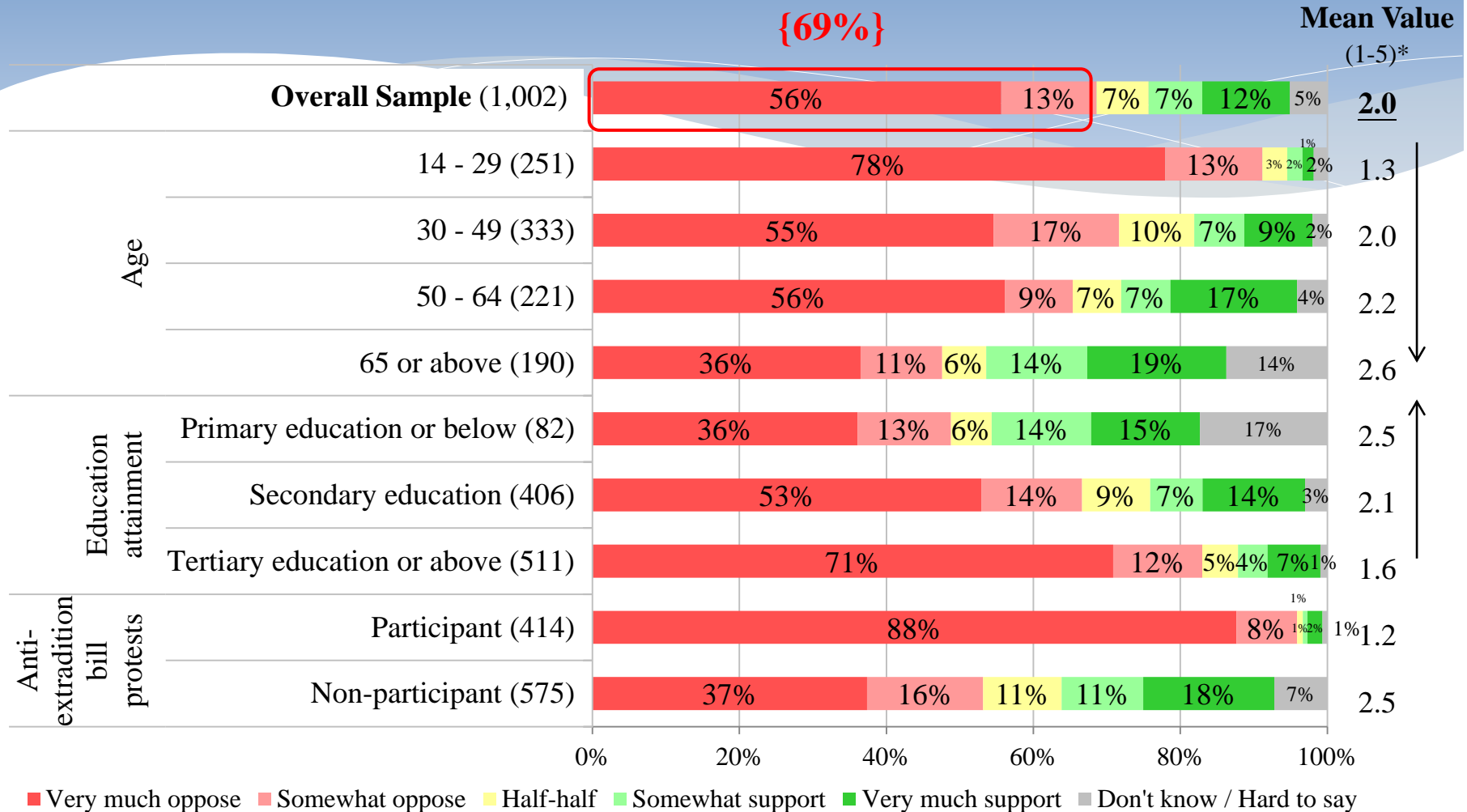
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Date of survey:	24 – 26 July 2019
Survey method:	Random telephone survey conducted by real interviewers
Target population:	Cantonese-speaking Hong Kong residents aged 14 or above
Sample size:	1,007 (including 499 landline and 508 mobile samples)
Effective response rate:	71.5%
Sampling error:	Sampling error of percentages not more than +/-3 and that of ratings not more than +/-0.2 at 95% confidence level
Weighting method:	Rim-weighted according to figures provided by the Census and Statistics Department. The gender-age distribution of the Hong Kong population was obtained from “Mid-year Population for 2018”, while the educational attainment (highest level attended) distribution and economic activity status distribution was obtained from “Women and Men in Hong Kong – Key Statistics (2018 Edition)”.

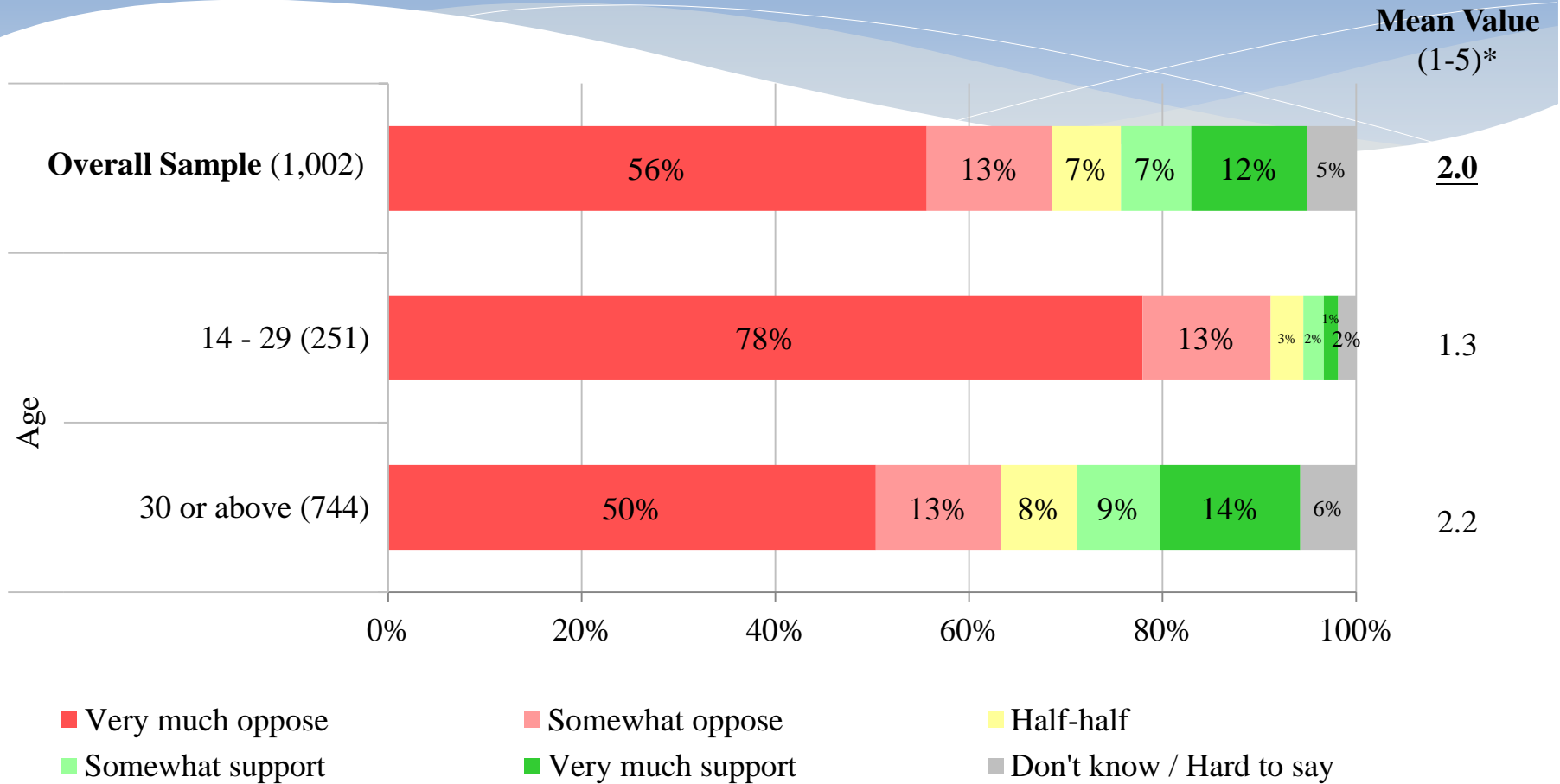
# Almost 70% of citizens opposed the extradition bill



[Q1] To what extent do you support or oppose the extradition bill proposed by the Government? (Probe for intensity)

\*Mean value is calculated by quantifying all individual responses into 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 marks according to their degree of positive level, where 1 is the lowest and 5 the highest, and then calculate the sample mean.

# Age group analysis



[Q1] To what extent do you support or oppose the extradition bill proposed by the Government? (Probe for intensity)

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# HK people think the Chief Executive, the Police and the Central Government are the most important factors contributing to the present governance crisis

	Overall Sample (943-994)	Age				Education attainment			Anti-extradition bill protests	
		14 - 29 (244-251)	30 - 49 (324-333)	50 - 64 (210-221)	65 or above (159-183)	Primary education or below (61-76)	Secondary education (383-407)	Tertiary education or above (497-509)	Participant (396-414)	Non-participant (534-568)
<b>Carrie Lam, Chief Executive</b>	7.6	8.3	7.7	7.7	6.5	6.4	7.4	8.5	8.3	7.2
<b>HK Police Force</b>	7.1	7.9	7.1	6.8	6.9	6.7	7.1	7.4	7.7	6.8
<b>Central Government</b>	7.1	8.1	7.2	6.5	6.6	6.2	7.0	7.5	7.9	6.6
<b>Liaison Office</b>	6.8	7.6	6.8	6.6	6.5	6.2	6.8	7.3	7.8	6.3
<b>John Lee, Secretary for Security</b>	6.7	7.1	6.8	6.9	5.9	5.7	6.7	7.2	7.4	6.4
<b>Teresa Cheng, Secretary for Justice</b>	6.7	7.1	7.0	6.7	6.0	6.0	6.5	7.4	7.5	6.2
<b>Executive Council</b>	6.7	7.2	6.9	6.5	6.3	5.7	6.7	7.1	7.2	6.4
<b>Pro-establishment camp</b>	6.6	7.2	6.7	6.4	6.2	5.9	6.5	7.1	7.5	6.1
<b>Youngsters</b>	6.1	5.8	6.5	6.3	5.7	5.8	6.3	6.0	5.8	6.3
<b>Pro-democracy camp</b>	5.6	5.4	5.9	5.6	5.5	5.5	5.6	5.7	5.0	6.0
<b>External forces</b>	4.7	4.0	4.8	5.1	4.7	4.9	5.0	4.2	3.4	5.5

[Q2 – Q13] According to your own judgment, please rate on a scale of 0 to 10 the importance of the following factors which may contribute to HK's present governance crisis. 0 means "not important at all", 10 means "very important" and 5 means half-half. (Read out every option, order of Q2 to Q12 to be randomized by computer.)

# Age group analysis

	Overall sample (943-994)	Age	
		14 – 29 (244-251)	30 or above (693-737)
<b>Carrie Lam, Chief Executive</b>	7.6	8.3	7.4
<b>HK Police Force</b>	7.1	7.9	7.0
<b>Central Government</b>	7.1	8.1	6.8
<b>Liaison Office</b>	6.8	7.6	6.7
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# HK citizens think the lack of universal suffrage, Central Government's intervention and institutional violence are important factors contributing to the present predicament

	Overall sample (980-992)	Age				Educational attainment			Anti-extradition bill protests	
		14 - 29 (249-250)	30 - 49 (331-334)	50 - 64 (220-222)	65 or above (172-179)	Primary education or below (70-73)	Secondary education (401-406)	Tertiary education or above (507-510)	Participant (408-414)	Non-participant (560-565)
<b>The lack of universal suffrage in HK</b>	6.8	7.8	6.7	6.5	6.6	6.3	6.7	7.3	8.4	5.9
<b>Central Government's intervention</b>	6.7	8.0	6.7	6.4	5.8	5.8	6.6	7.3	8.3	5.8
<b>Institutional violence</b>	6.5	6.8	6.5	6.2	6.8	6.4	6.5	6.7	7.7	5.8

[Q14 – Q16] Some opine that ..... is the reason leading to the present predicament. Do you think this is an important factor? Please also rate on a scale of 0 to 10. 0 means “not important at all”, 10 means “very important” and 5 means half-half.

[Q14] Institutional violence, such as the disqualification of Legislative Councilors, amending the Rules of Procedure of the Legislative Council, revoking the candidature of certain election candidates, etc.

[Q15] HK does not have universal suffrage

[Q16] Central Government's intervention

# Age group analysis

	Overall sample (980-992)	Age	
		14 - 29 (249-250)	30 or above (725-735)
<b>The lack of universal suffrage in HK</b>	6.8	7.8	6.6
<b>Central Government's intervention</b>	6.7	8.0	6.4
<b>Institutional violence</b>	6.5	6.8	6.5

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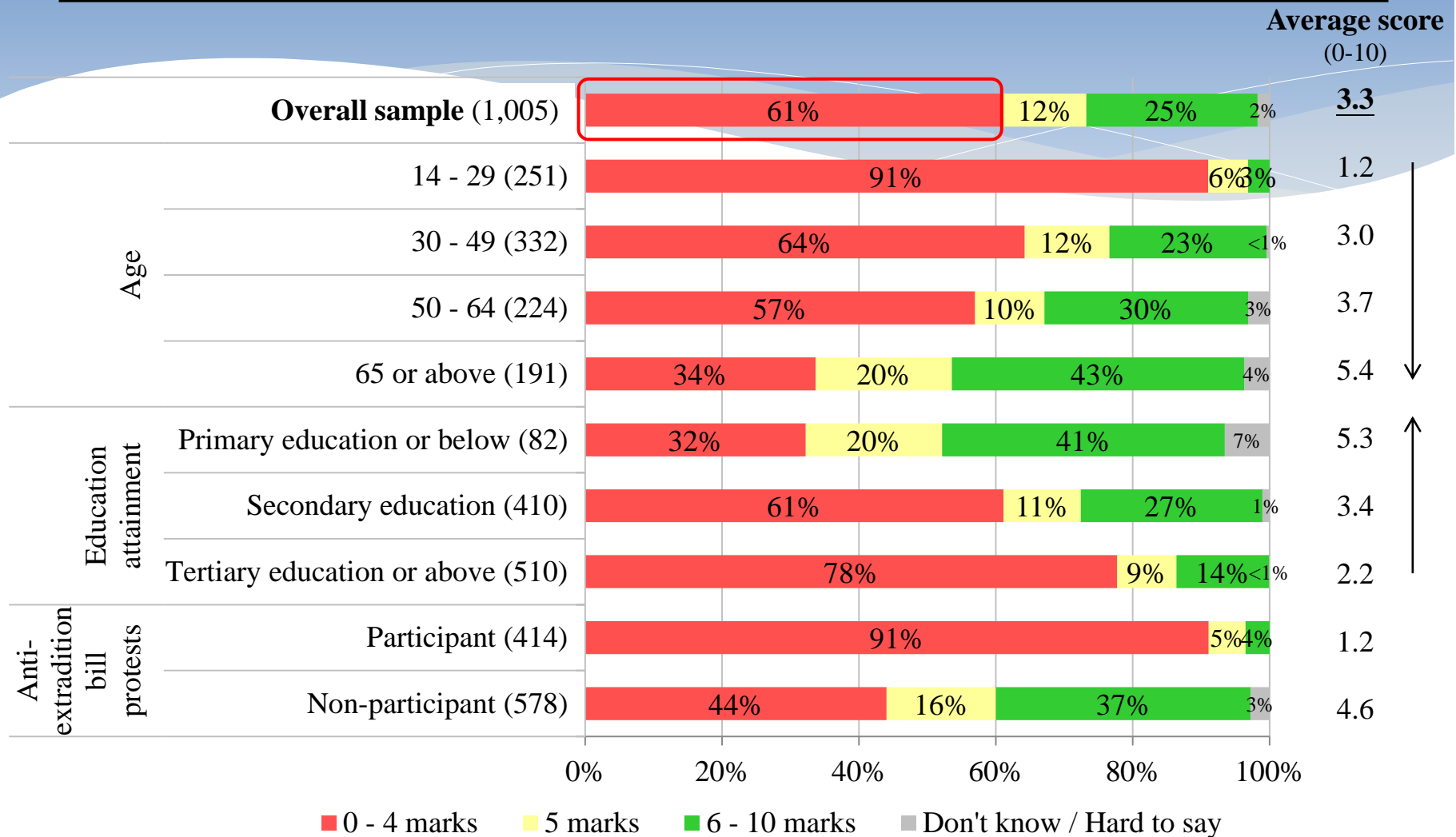
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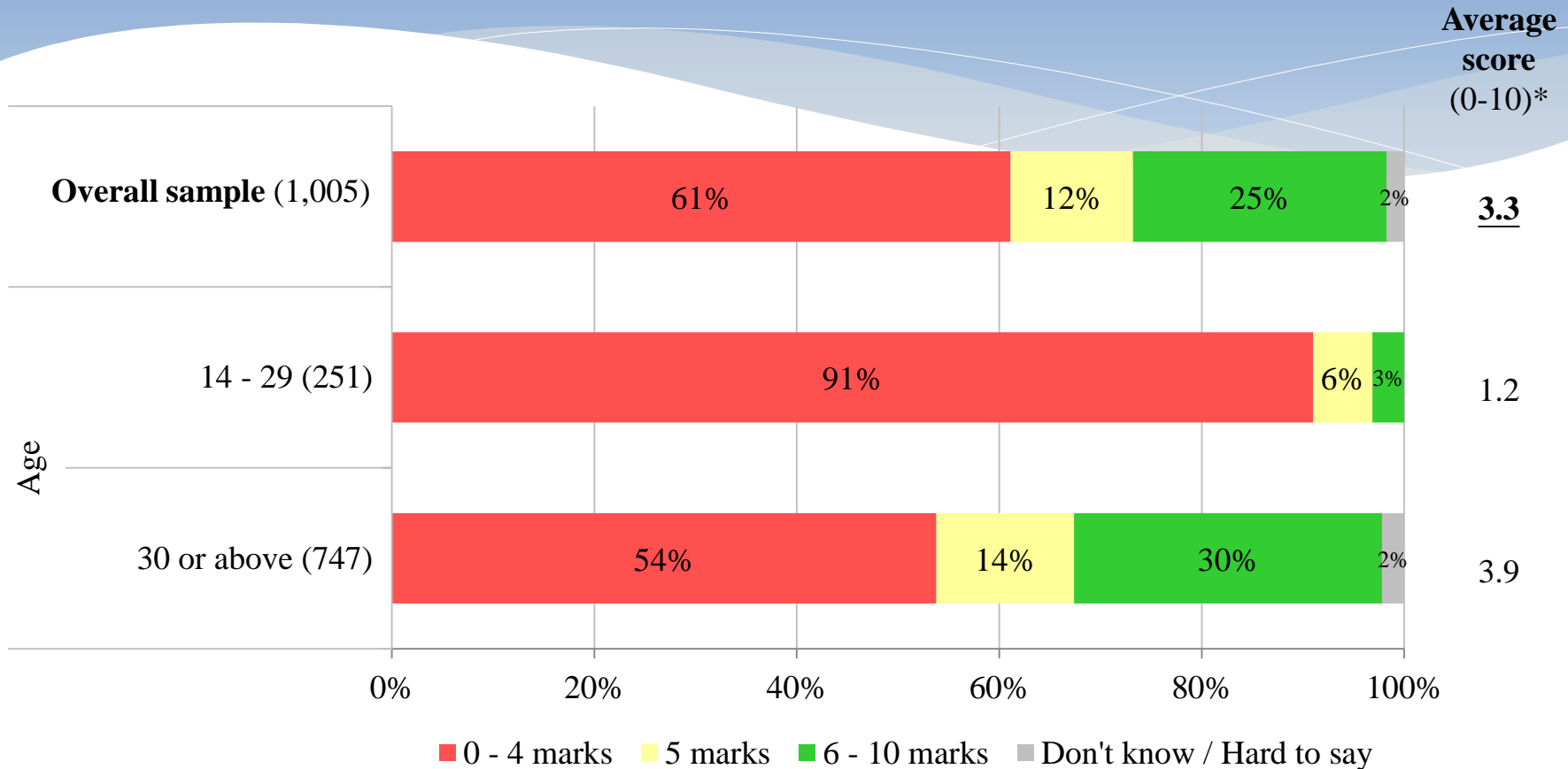


# 60% of the citizens are dissatisfied with the overall performance of the Police in the incidents



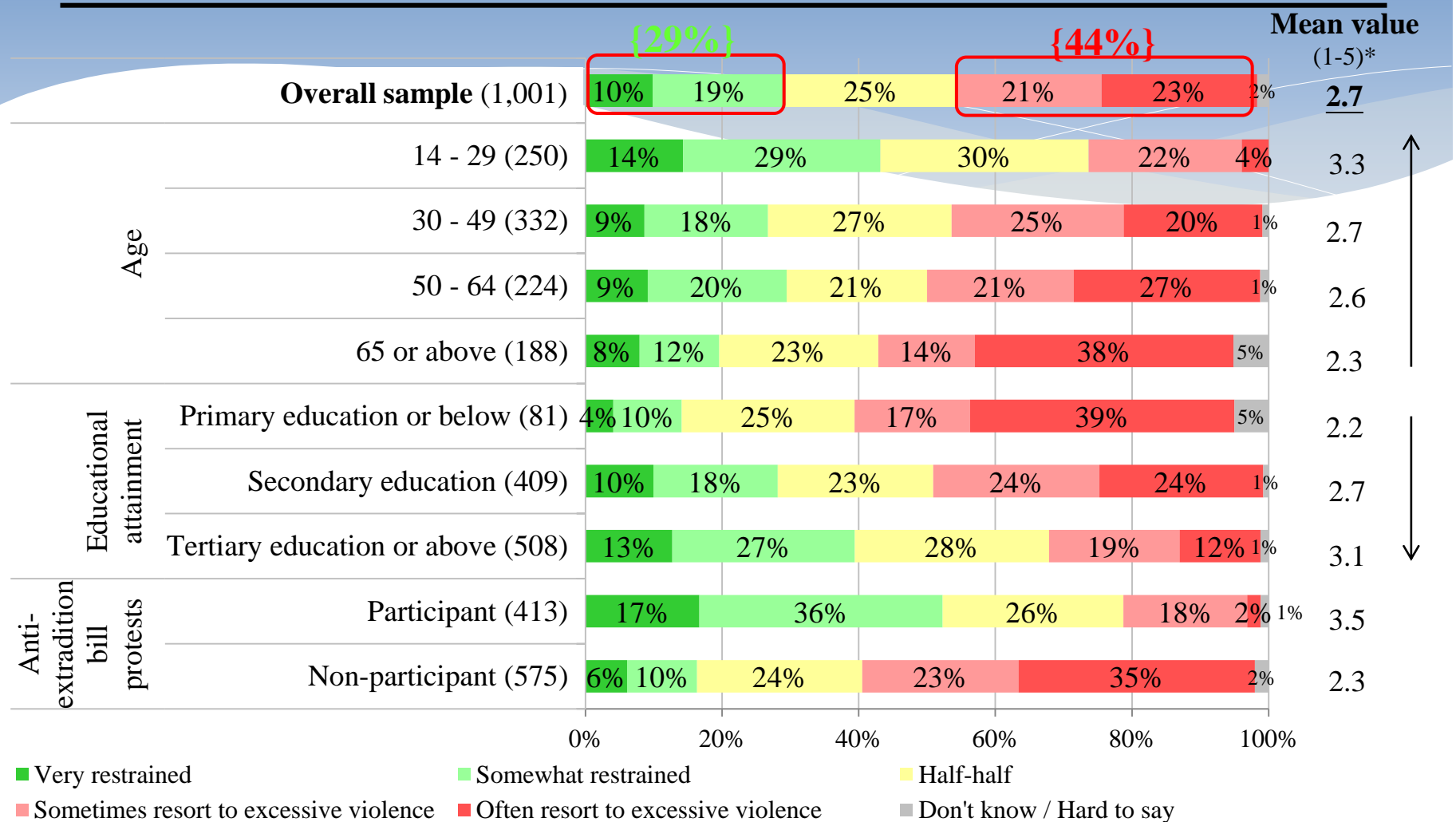
[Q17] In view of the series of mass incidents triggered by the extradition bill, how satisfied are you with the overall performance of the Police? Please also rate on a scale of 0 to 10. 0 means “very dissatisfied”, 10 means “very satisfied” and 5 means half-half.

# Age group analysis



[Q17] In view of the series of mass incidents triggered by the extradition bill, how satisfied are you with the overall performance of the Police? Please also rate on a scale of 0 to 10. 0 means “very dissatisfied”, 10 means “very satisfied” and 5 means half-half.

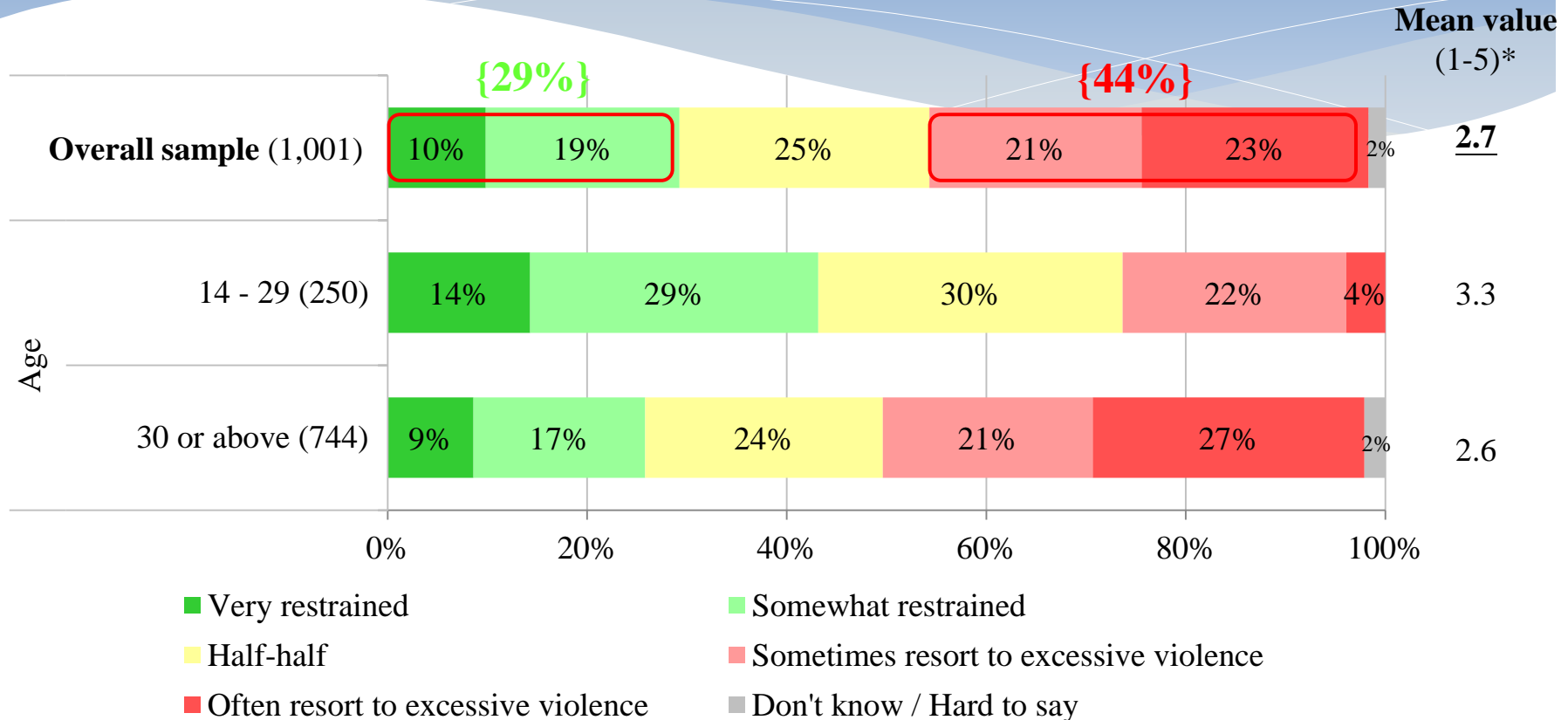
# Relatively more citizens think the protestors resort to excessive violence



[Q18] What do you think of the overall performance of protestors in these mass incidents? (Read out options 1-5, one answer only)

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# Age group analysis



[Q18] What do you think of the overall performance of protestors in these mass incidents? (Read out options 1-5, one answer only)

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# Almost 80% of HK people think the Government should set up at independent commission of inquiry. Over 70% think the extradition bill should be completely withdrawn

	Overall sample (1,006)	Age				Educational attainment			Anti-extradition bill protests	
		14 - 29 (251)	30 - 49 (333)	50 - 64 (224)	65 or above (191)	Primary education or below (82)	Secondary education (411)	Tertiary education or above (510)	Participant (415)	Non-participant (578)
<b>Set up an independent commission of inquiry</b>	79%	92%	82%	79%	63%	64%	78%	88%	97%	68%
<b>Completely withdraw the extradition bill</b>	73%	91%	75%	70%	54%	54%	72%	85%	97%	58%
<b>Restart constitutional reform</b>	63%	75%	64%	64%	49%	51%	62%	71%	85%	50%
<b>Do not label the protests as riots</b>	59%	83%	59%	58%	40%	38%	58%	74%	87%	43%
<b>The CE Carrie Lam steps down</b>	50%	65%	48%	53%	38%	40%	49%	59%	75%	37%
<b>Release the arrested protestors</b>	46%	69%	43%	41%	37%	36%	44%	56%	74%	30%

[Q19] Do you think the Government should accede to the following demands by the protesters?  
(Read out options 1-6, order to be randomized by computer, multiple answers are allowed)

# Age group analysis

	Overall sample (1,006)	Age	
		14 - 29 (251)	30 or above (748)
<b>Set up an independent commission of inquiry</b>	79%	92%	76%
<b>Completely withdraw the extradition bill</b>	73%	91%	68%
<b>Restart constitutional reform</b>	63%	75%	60%
<b>Do not label the protests as riots</b>	59%	83%	54%
<b>The CE Carrie Lam steps down</b>	50%	65%	47%
<b>Release the arrested protestors</b>	46%	69%	41%

[Q19] Do you think the Government should accede to the following demands by the protesters?  
 (Read out options 1-6, order to be randomized by computer, multiple answers are allowed)

# Distrust and the pursuit of democracy and freedom are the major reasons for youngsters' dissatisfaction

	Overall sample (1,005)	Age				Educational attainment			Anti-extradition bill protests	
		14 - 29 (251)	30 - 49 (333)	50 - 64 (223)	65 or above (191)	Primary education or below (82)	Secondary education (411)	Tertiary education or above (509)	Participant (415)	Non-participant (577)
<b>Distrust of the Central Government</b>	81%	91%	86%	81%	67%	67%	81%	90%	93%	75%
<b>Distrust of One Country, Two Systems</b>	75%	86%	74%	77%	67%	69%	73%	83%	88%	68%
<b>Distrust of the CE</b>	75%	84%	81%	75%	59%	61%	74%	86%	90%	67%
<b>Pursuit of democracy</b>	71%	87%	72%	72%	53%	62%	68%	80%	88%	61%
<b>Pursuit of freedom</b>	66%	80%	67%	65%	52%	54%	67%	70%	81%	57%
<b>Troubled by housing problems</b>	58%	58%	60%	56%	57%	58%	56%	59%	60%	56%
<b>Troubled by the economic environment</b>	48%	44%	52%	48%	47%	45%	49%	49%	48%	49%

[Q20] Which of the following do you think are the major reasons for youngsters' dissatisfaction?

(Read out options 1-7, order to be randomized by computer, multiple answers are allowed)

# Age group analysis

	Overall sample (1,005)	Age	
		14 - 29 (251)	30 and above (747)
<b>Distrust of the Central Government</b>	81%	91%	79%
<b>Distrust of One Country, Two Systems</b>	75%	86%	73%
<b>Distrust of the CE</b>	75%	84%	73%
<b>Pursuit of democracy</b>	71%	87%	67%
<b>Pursuit of freedom</b>	66%	80%	62%
<b>Troubled about housing problems</b>	58%	58%	58%
<b>Troubled by the economic environment</b>	48%	44%	49%

[Q20] Which of the following do you think are the major reasons for youngsters' dissatisfaction?

(Read out options 1-7, order to be randomized by computer, multiple answers are allowed)



# Conclusion

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- The survey was conducted from 24 to 26 July. As matters are evolving rapidly, public opinions may have already changed when the survey results are published. However, the results should still be helpful for understanding community views.
- Almost 70% of HK people oppose the extradition bill. Among all groups, people who oppose significantly outnumber the supporters.
- The CE, the Police and the Central Government are considered as the most important factors contributing to the present governance crisis. External forces are considered as an unimportant factor among all groups.
- 60% of the people are dissatisfied with the overall performance of the Police in handling the incidents. Views on whether the protesters have performed restrainedly or have resorted to excessive violence are divided, though more people think that the protesters have used too much violence.
- All the major demands in the anti-extradition bill protests are supported by the public to some extent. Among these demands, setting up an independent commission of inquiry and complete withdrawal of the bill receive the most support.
- The youngsters' views are clearly different from those of other groups, their dissatisfaction mainly stems from their distrust of the Government and the system, as well as their pursuit of democracy and freedom. Working solely on the housing problems or focusing on economic development cannot tackle the problem head on to resolve the current standoff.

**The End**