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Research Background

“We Hongkongers” is an initiative advocated by Hong Kong Public Opinion Research Institute (HKPORI), with the support of many members of the civic society. With reference to the petition website “We the People” hosted by the White House of the United States, “We Hongkongers” aims to reflect public sentiment by conducting scientific research on any issues raised by Hong Kong citizens: <https://www.pori.hk/research-reports-en/wehkers.html?lang=en>.

“We Hongkongers” Project officially started on 17 October 2019, in the form of intensive rolling surveys. A total of 12 reports were published as of 23 December 2019. In mid-May 2020, in response to the rapid changes in Hong Kong’s political and public sentiment, HKPORI redeveloped the “We Hongkongers” Project. Coupled with the rapid development of the “HKPOP Panel” established by PORI in July 2019, PORI decided to launch the “We Hongkongers Panel Survey” to further strengthen interaction with the public and as well as collect and analyze public opinion and there are 29 reports in total. In January 2021, PORI redeveloped the “We Hongkongers” Project again to strengthen the cooperation with non-governmental organizations, civil society organizations, concern groups and professional organizations, and the results will be released in the form of mini-forums to initiate policy discussions.

This report also represents Report No. 137 under HKPOP Panel survey series, as well as Report No. 96 under the “We Hongkongers” Project Series. The theme of this report is “Public Awareness on Cannabis Products”, co-organized with the Community Drug Advisory Council.

HKPORI sent out emails to all panel members at the beginning of the survey, inviting them to fill in the questionnaire at the designated online platform. Members were allowed to make repeated submissions, while only the last submission of each individual member would be used for analysis.

Contact Information

Herewith the contact information of the “We Hongkongers” Panel Survey:

Table 1: Detailed Contact Information

Survey method	Online survey
Target population	HKPOP Panel samples, namely Hong Kong People Representative Panel (Probability-based Panel) and Hong Kong People Volunteer Panel (Non-probability-based Panel)
Weighting method	Rim-weighted according to 1) gender-age distribution, educational attainment (highest level attended) distribution and economic activity status distribution of Hong Kong population from Census and Statistics Department; 2) appraisal of political condition and political inclination distribution from regular tracking surveys.
Date of survey	14 April, 3pm – 20 April, 3pm
Total sample size	4,078
Response rate	4.7%
Sampling error ^[1]	Sampling error of percentages at +/-1% at 95% confidence level

[1] All error figures in this release are calculated at 95% confidence level. “95% confidence level” means that if we were to repeat a certain survey 100 times with different random samples, we would expect 95 times having the population parameter within the respective error margins calculated. Because of sampling errors, when quoting percentages, journalists should refrain from reporting decimal places, whereas one decimal place can be used when quoting rating figures.

PopPanel Composition

Regarding data collection, survey data from both the Hong Kong People Representative Panel and Hong Kong People Volunteer Panel were collected in the form of online questionnaire.

Among them, the Hong Kong People Representative Panel comes from members of the “HKPOP Panel” recruited in regular random telephone surveys. HKPORI uses “HKPOP Panel” as a framework for conducting surveys for different research projects, any eligible family member in the household may be invited to participate in a specific research.

Meanwhile, members of the Hong Kong People Volunteer Panel are recruited online. Citizens only need to self-register in HKPORI website to participate in online questionnaires.

All panel data collected will be adjusted using rim-weighting, to minimize the effects of self-selection bias or participation bias. Details are documented in the Weighting Procedure section.

Response Rate

HKPORI adopts a set of contact definition in compliance with most international standards. Historically, the social research community in Hong Kong has developed its own set of contact rates, cooperation rates, response rates, and so on. HKPORI normally reports the "success rate" for online surveys.

The calculation of the success rates in this study refers to the following tables.

Table 2: Calculation of success rate of the HKPOP Panel (by HKPORI definition)

Success rate		
=	$\frac{\text{Successful cases}}{\text{Panel size of the HKPOP Panel}}$	x 100.0%
=	$\frac{4,078}{86,739}$	x 100.0%
=	4.7%	

Weighting Procedure

HKPORI has continuously adopted and enhanced its weighting method over the past few decades. For this survey, HKPORI adopts a "2 by 5 by 2 by 4 by 5 by 4" weighting procedure involving six variables, namely, gender, age, educational attainment, economic activity status, appraisal of political condition and political inclination. Basically, the raw data of practically all random telephone surveys conducted by HKPORI are rim-weighted by the figures obtained from the Hong Kong Census and Statistics Department so that the marginal distribution of the sample in terms of gender, age, educational attainment and economic activity status would match with that of the general population figures from the Hong Kong Census and Statistics Department. The marginal distribution of the sample in terms of appraisal of political condition and political inclination would match that of the general population in HKPORI's regular tracking surveys. This rim-weighting method (sometimes called raking) is found to be the most practicable method in processing HKPORI's survey data.

Specifically, the gender and age groupings used for weighting are as follows:

- Male 12-29
- Male 30-39
- Male 40-49
- Male 50-59
- Male 60 or above
- Female 12-29
- Female 30-39
- Female 40-49
- Female 50-59
- Female 60 or above

The educational attainments used for weighting are as follows:

- Secondary or below
- Tertiary or above

The economic activity statuses used for weighting are as follows:

- Working population / Others
- Home-makers / Housewives
- Students
- Retired person

The appraisals of political condition used for weighting are as follows:

- Very satisfied
- Quite satisfied
- Half-half // Don't know / hard to say // Refused to answer
- Quite dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

The political inclinations used for weighting are as follows:

- Pro-democracy camp
- Pro-establishment camp
- Localist
- Centrist // Other // No political inclination / politically neutral / do not belong to any camp // Don't know / hard to say // Refused to answer

Quantitative Analysis Results

Quantitative analysis results of the “We Hongkongers” Panel Survey, after applying the standard weighting procedures, are as follows, all questions listed hereby are opinion questions:

Table 3: Q1 Survey results; Survey period: 14-20/4/2022

Q1 Do you think taking small amount of marijuana is harmful to health?	Combined (Base=4,078)	
Very harmful	34%	} Harmful } 74%
Somewhat harmful	21%	
Slightly harmful	19%	
Not harmful at all		12%
Don't know / hard to say		14%

Chart 1: Q1 Combined chart

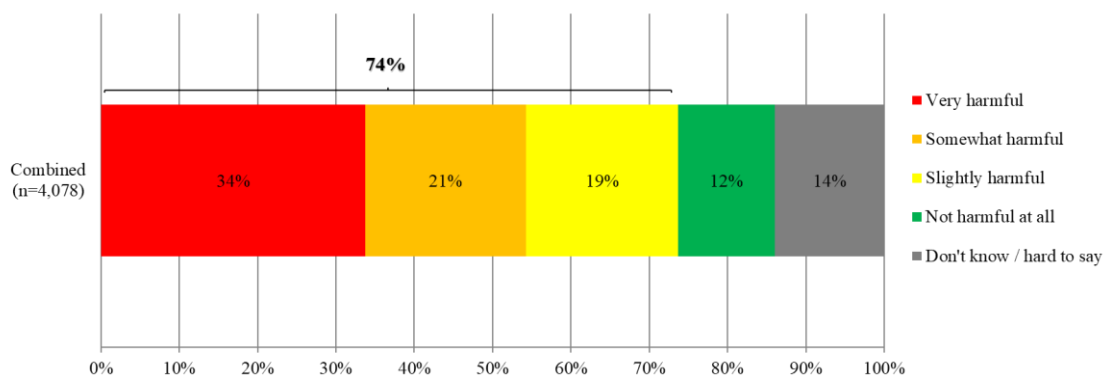


Table 4: Q2 Survey results; Survey period: 14-20/4/2022

Q2 Have you ever heard of cannabidiol (CBD) product before this survey?	Combined (Base=4,069)
Yes	52%
No / Don't remember	48%

Chart 2: Q2 Combined chart

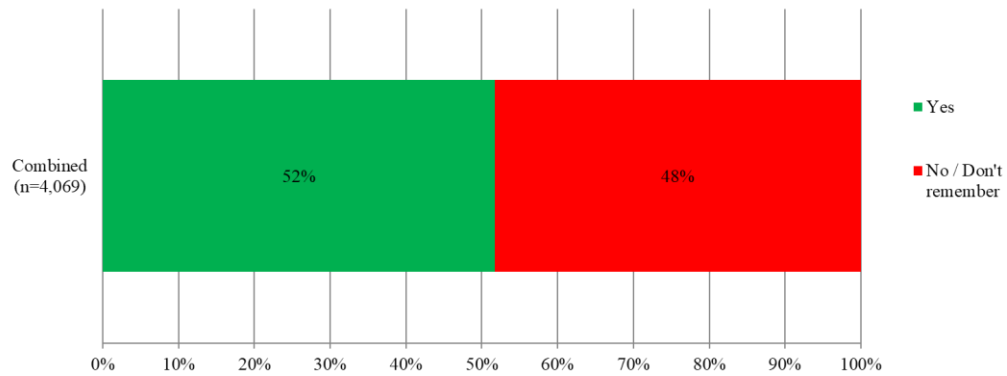


Table 5: Q3 Survey results; Survey period: 14-20/4/2022

Q3 Do you think the usage of products which contain only pure cannabidiol is harmful to health? [Only asked those have heard of cannabidiol product in Q2]	Combined (Base=2,432)		
Very harmful	22%		
Somewhat harmful } Harmful	21%	}	57%
Slightly harmful	14%		
Not harmful at all			29%
Don't know / hard to say			14%

Chart 3: Q3 Combined chart

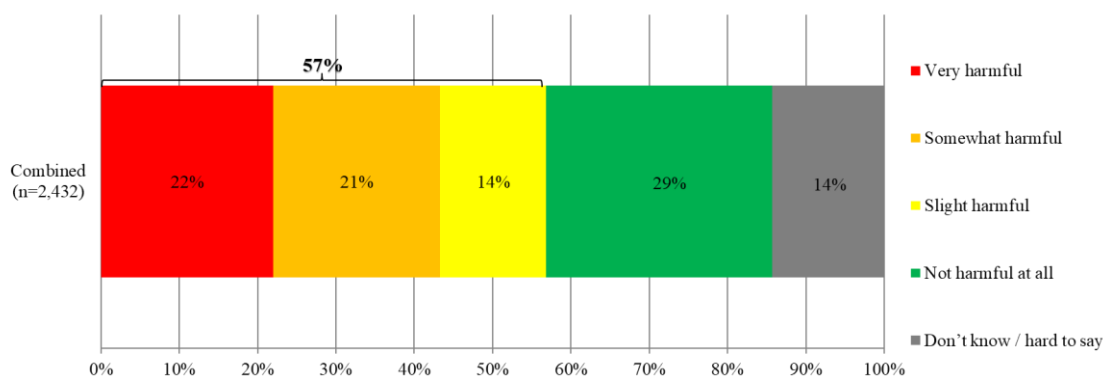


Table 6: Q4 Survey results; Survey period: 14-20/4/2022

Q4 How many of the products on the market that claim to contain only pure cannabidiol do you think meet the legal requirements? [Only asked those have heard of cannabidiol product in Q2]	Combined (Base=2,433)	
All of them are legal	4%	} Legal
Most of them are legal	17%	
Half-half		21%
Most of them are illegal	19%	} Illegal
All of them are illegal	18%	
Don't know / hard to say		21%
Mean^[2]	2.6	

[2] The mean value is calculated by quantifying all individual responses into 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 marks according to their degree of legality, where 1 is the lowest and 5 the highest, and then calculate the sample mean.

Chart 4: Q4 Combined chart

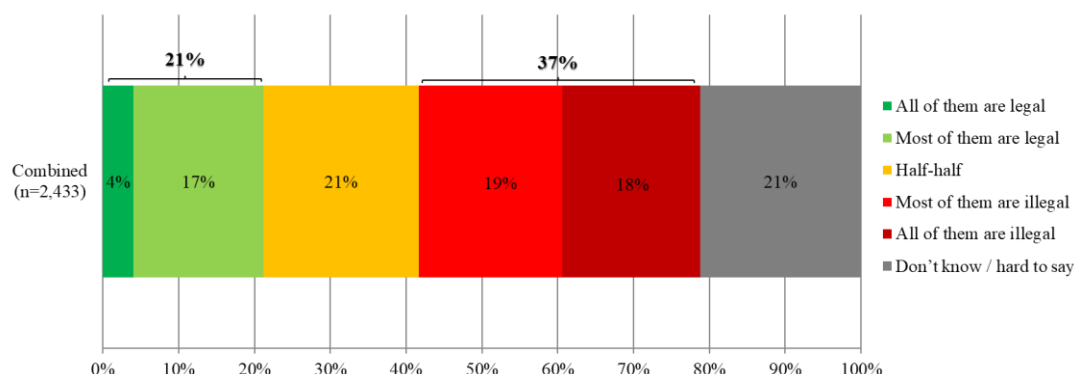


Table 7: Q5 Survey results; Survey period: 14-20/4/2022

<p>Q5 How often have you received information supporting the use of marijuana or cannabidiol products in the past three months? (Including situations in which other people mentioned it to you)</p>	<p>Combined (Base=4,063)</p>
<p>Often</p>	<p>3%</p>
<p>Sometimes</p>	<p>8%</p>
<p>Rarely</p>	<p>30%</p>
<p>Not at all</p>	<p>53%</p>
<p>Don't know / hard to say</p>	<p>5%</p>

Chart 5: Q5 Combined chart

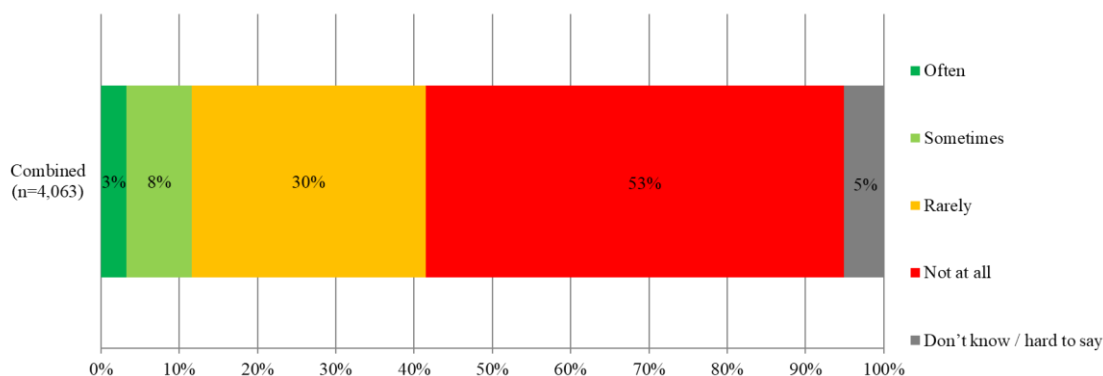


Table 8: Q6 Survey results; Survey period: 14-20/4/2022

<p>Q6 How often have you received information opposing the use of marijuana or cannabidiol products in the past three months? (Including situations in which other people mentioned it to you)</p>	<p>Combined (Base=4,066)</p>
<p>Often</p>	<p>3%</p>
<p>Sometimes</p>	<p>13%</p>
<p>Rarely</p>	<p>32%</p>
<p>Not at all</p>	<p>47%</p>
<p>Don't know / hard to say</p>	<p>4%</p>

Chart 6: Q6 Combined chart

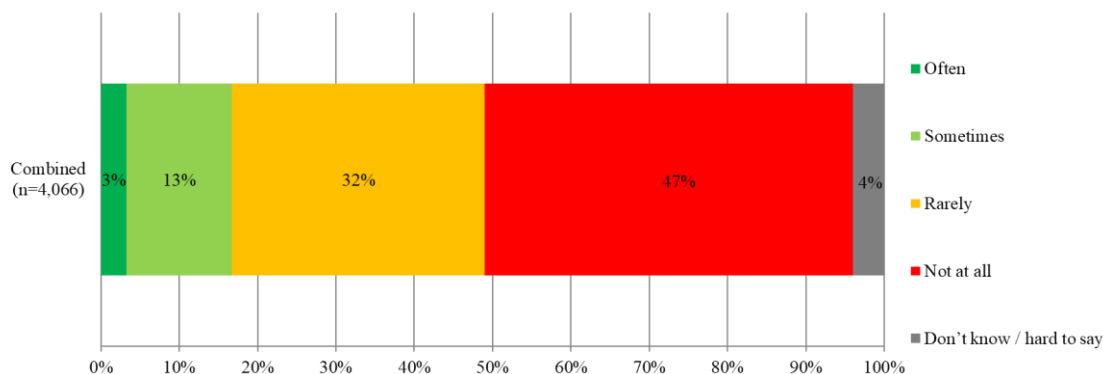


Table 9: Q7a1 Survey results; Survey period: 14-20/4/2022

Q7a1 Do you think parents have the responsibility to teach young people to stay away from drugs, such as ketamine and methamphetamine?	Combined (Base=4,005)
A lot	88%
Some	11%
Not harmful at all	<1%
Don't know / hard to say	1%

Chart 7: Q7a1 Combined chart

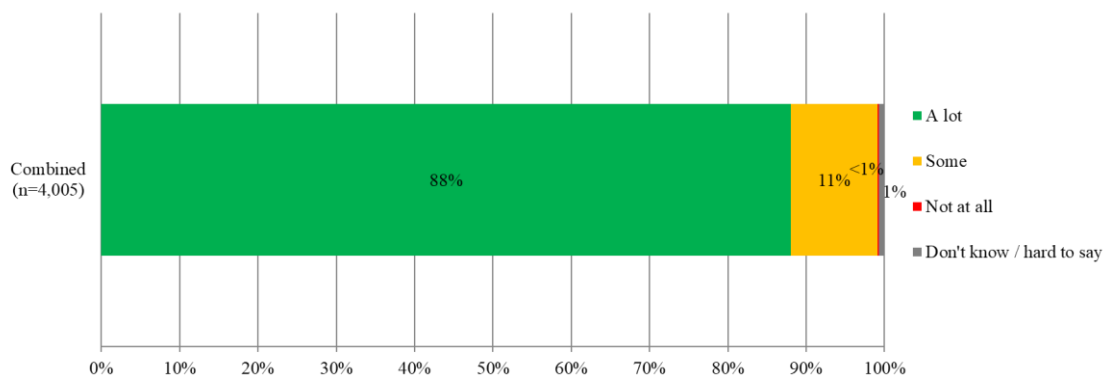


Table 10: Q7a2 Survey results; Survey period: 14-20/4/2022

Q7a2 Do you think parents have the ability to teach young people to stay away from drugs, such as ketamine and methamphetamine?	Combined (Base=3,622)
Sufficient	21%
Half-half	40%
Insufficient	33%
Don't know / hard to say	5%

Chart 8: Q7a2 Combined chart

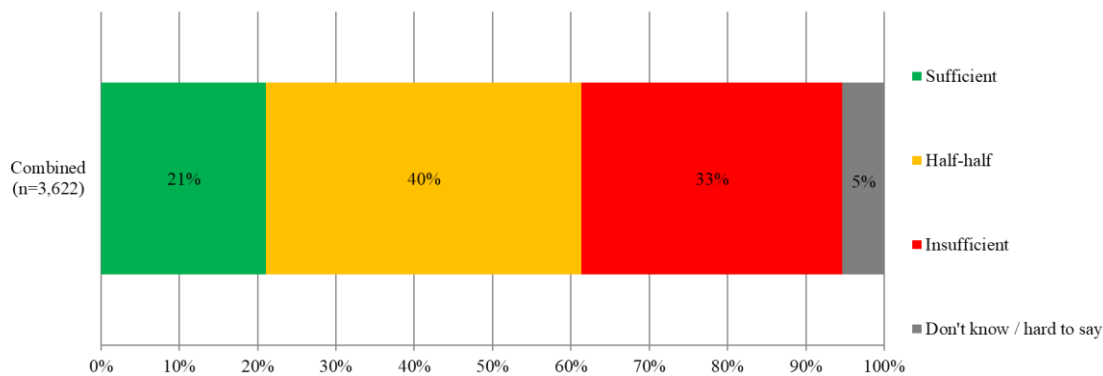


Table 11: Q7b1 Survey results; Survey period: 14-20/4/2022

Q7b1 Do you think schools have the responsibility to teach young people to stay away from drugs, such as ketamine and methamphetamine?	Combined (Base=3,998)
A lot	75%
Some	23%
Not harmful at all	1%
Don't know / hard to say	1%

Chart 9: Q7b1 Combined chart

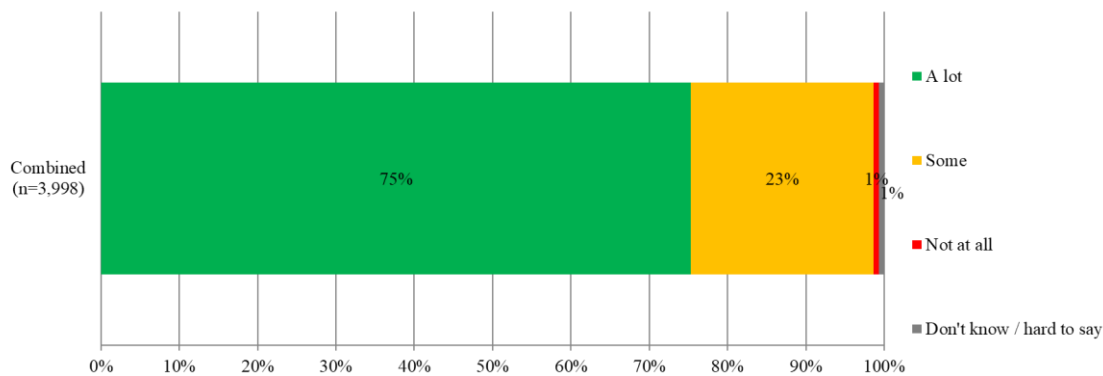
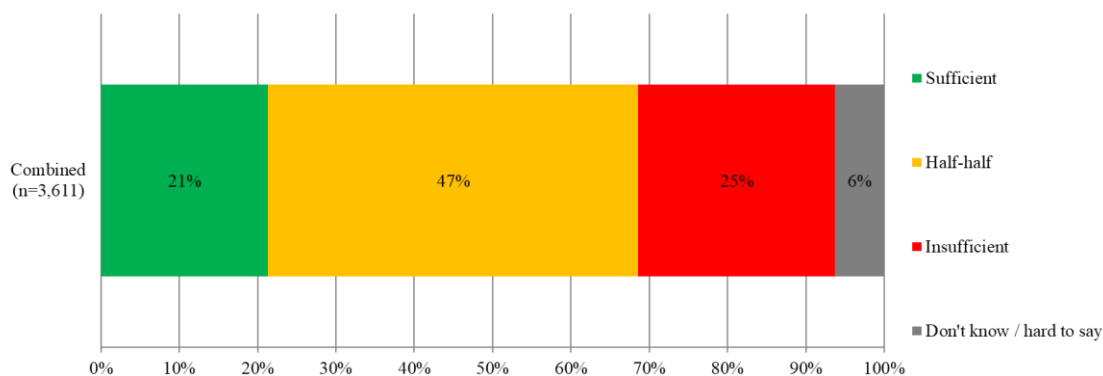


Table 12: Q7b2 Survey results; Survey period: 14-20/4/2022

Q7b2 Do you think schools have the ability to teach young people to stay away from drugs, such as ketamine and methamphetamine?	Combined (Base=3,611)
Sufficient	21%
Half-half	47%
Insufficient	25%
Don't know / hard to say	6%

Chart 10: Q7b2 Combined chart



Appendices

Appendix 1: Demographic profile of respondents

Gender:

Total

	Raw sample		Weighted sample	
	Freq	%	Freq	%
Male	2,322	56.9%	1,926	47.2%
Female	1,751	42.9%	2,146	52.6%
Other	5	0.1%	6	0.1%
Total	4,078	100.0%	4,078	100.0%
Missing case(s)	0		0	

Age:

Total

	Raw sample		Weighted sample	
	Freq	%	Freq	%
12 - 29	652	16.0%	806	19.8%
30 - 39	924	22.7%	560	13.7%
40 - 49	986	24.2%	738	18.1%
50 - 59	898	22.0%	862	21.1%
60 or above	617	15.1%	1,111	27.3%
Total	4,077	100.0%	4,078	100.0%
Missing case(s)	1		<1	

Education attainment:

Total

	Raw sample		Weighted sample	
	Freq	%	Freq	%
Primary or below	11	0.3%	82	2.1%
Secondary	661	16.6%	1,466	36.7%
Tertiary or above	3,318	83.2%	2,442	61.2%
Total	3,990	100.0%	3,990	100.0%
Missing case(s)	88		88	

Occupation:

Total

	Raw sample		Weighted sample	
	Freq	%	Freq	%
Administrators and professionals	1,472	36.9%	697	17.5%
Clerks and service workers	1,089	27.3%	1,306	32.8%
Workers	107	2.7%	84	2.1%
Students	163	4.1%	261	6.6%
Home-makers / housewives	172	4.3%	420	10.6%
Others	982	24.6%	1,216	30.5%
Total	3,985	100.0%	3,985	100.0%
Missing case(s)	93		93	

Political inclination:

Total

	Raw sample		Weighted sample		
	Freq	%	Freq	%	
Pro-democracy camp	1,883	47.2%	755	19.1%	
Pro-establishment camp	30	0.8%	664	16.8%	
Localist	1,518	38.0%	322	8.1%	
Centrist	154	3.9%	740	18.7%	
Others	51	1.3%	138	3.5%	
No political inclination / politically neutral / don't belong to any camp	271	6.8%	1,092	27.6%	
Don't know / hard to say	83	2.1%	244	6.2%	
	Total	3,990	100.0%	3,954	100.0%
	Missing case(s)	88		124	

Appendix 2: Contact Information

Total valid samples	4,078
Survey period	14-20/4/2022
Success rate	4.7%
Questionnaires sent out	86,739
Questionnaires received	4,432
Ineligible samples	27
Invalid samples	0
Incomplete samples	327
Standard error	0.8%
Sampling error	1.5%

Appendix 3: Quantitative analyses

Q1 Survey results; Survey period: 14-20/4/2022

Q1 Do you think taking small amount of marijuana is harmful to health?	Combined	
	Percentages (Base=4,078)	
Very harmful	33.7%	
Somewhat harmful } Harmful	20.5%	} 73.7%
Slightly harmful	19.5%	
Not harmful at all		12.3%
Don't know / hard to say		14.0%
Total		100.0%
<i>Refuse to answer</i>		<1

Q2 Survey results; Survey period: 14-20/4/2022

Q2 Have you ever heard of cannabidiol (CBD) product before this survey?	Combined Percentages (Base=4,069)
Yes	51.7%
No / Don't remember	48.3%
Total	100.0%
<i>Refuse to answer</i>	8

Q3 Survey results; Survey period: 14-20/4/2022

Q3 Do you think the usage of products which contain only pure cannabidiol is harmful to health?	Total	
	Percentages (Base=2,432)	
Very harmful	22.0%	
Somewhat harmful } Harmful	21.2%	} 56.9%
Slightly harmful	13.6%	
Not harmful at all		28.8%
Don't know / hard to say		14.3%
Total		100.0%
<i>Refuse to answer</i>		3

Q4 Survey results; Survey period: 14-20/4/2022

Q4 How many of the products on the market that claim to contain only pure cannabidiol do you think meet the legal requirements?	Total	
	Percentages (Base=2,433)	
All of them are legal	4.0%	}21.1%
Most of them are legal	17.1%	
Half-half		20.6%
Most of them are illegal	18.9%	}37.1%
All of them are illegal	18.2%	
Don't know / hard to say		21.2%
Total		100.0%
Mean values		2.6
Standard error of mean		<0.1
Median		3.0
Refuse to answer		3
Net value (Legal- Illegal)		-15.9%

Q5 Survey results; Survey period: 14-20/4/2022

Q5 How often have you received information supporting the use of marijuana or cannabidiol products in the past three months?	Combined
	Percentages (Base=4,063)
Often	3.2%
Sometimes	8.3%
Rarely	29.9%
Not at all	53.4%
Don't know / hard to say	5.1%
Total	100.0%
<i>Refuse to answer</i>	<i>13</i>

Q6 Survey results; Survey period: 14-20/4/2022

Q6 How often have you received information opposing the use of marijuana or cannabidiol products in the past three months?	Combined
	Percentages (Base=4,066)
Often	3.2%
Sometimes	13.5%
Rarely	32.3%
Not at all	47.0%
Don't know / hard to say	4.0%
Total	100.0%
<i>Refuse to answer</i>	<i>12</i>

Q7 a1 Survey results; Survey period: 14-20/4/2022

Q7_a1 Do you think parents have the responsibility to teach young people to stay away from drugs, such as ketamine and methamphetamine?	Combined Percentages (Base=4,005)
A lot	88.0%
Some	11.1%
Not at all	0.1%
Don't know / hard to say	0.7%
Total	100.0%
<i>Refuse to answer</i>	70

Q7_a2 Survey results; Survey period: 14-20/4/2022

Q7_a2 Do you think parents have the ability to teach young people to stay away from drugs, such as ketamine and methamphetamine?	Combined Percentages (Base=3,622)
	Sufficient
Half-half	40.3%
Insufficient	33.3%
Don't know / hard to say	5.4%
Total	100.0%
<i>Refuse to answer</i>	435

Q7_b1 Survey results; Survey period: 14-20/4/2022

Q7_b1 Do you think schools have the responsibility to teach young people to stay away from drugs, such as ketamine and methamphetamine?	Combined
	Percentages (Base=3,998)
A lot	75.3%
Some	23.4%
Not at all	0.7%
Don't know / hard to say	0.7%
Total	100.0%
<i>Refuse to answer</i>	76

Q7_b2 Survey results; Survey period: 14-20/4/2022

Q7_b2 Do you think schools have the ability to teach young people to stay away from drugs, such as ketamine and methamphetamine?	Combined
	Percentages (Base=3,611)
Sufficient	21.3%
Half-half	47.3%
Insufficient	25.1%
Don't know / hard to say	6.3%
Total	100.0%
<i>Refuse to answer</i>	445

Appendix 4: Survey questionnaire (14-20/4/2022)

We Hongkongers & Community Health Survey

Hong Kong Public Opinion Research Institute is politically neutral. We welcome different opinions. All personal data will be kept strictly confidential. You can fill in the questionnaire again to express your latest views. When we need to work on the data, your last submission will be used. For enquiries, please email us at panel@pori.hk.

Last updated: xxxx-xx-xx

Tentative next update: xxxx-xx-xx

***Required**

Eligibility Confirmation

Are you a Hong Kong resident aged 12 or above (i.e., currently residing in Hong Kong)? *

- Yes
- No

We Hongkongers Series

Do you think taking small amount of marijuana is harmful to health?

- Very harmful
- Somewhat harmful
- Slightly harmful
- Not harmful at all
- Don't know / hard to say

Have you ever heard of cannabidiol (CBD) product before this survey?

- Yes
- No / Don't remember

(If have heard of cannabidiol product)

Do you think the usage of products which contain only pure cannabidiol is harmful to health?

- Very harmful
- Somewhat harmful

- Slightly harmful
- Not harmful at all
- Don’t know / hard to say

(If have heard of cannabidiol product)

How many of the products on the market that claim to contain only pure cannabidiol do you think meet the legal requirements?

- All of them are legal
- Most of them are legal
- Half-half
- Most of them are illegal
- All of them are illegal
- Don’t know / hard to say

How often have you received information supporting the use of marijuana or cannabidiol products in the past three months?

(Including situations in which other people mentioned it to you)

- Often
- Sometimes
- Rarely
- Not at all
- Don’t know / hard to say

How often have you received information opposing the use of marijuana or cannabidiol products in the past three months?

(Including situations in which other people mentioned it to you)

- Often
- Sometimes
- Rarely
- Not at all
- Don’t know / hard to say

Do you think parents and schools have the responsibility and ability to teach young people to stay away from drugs, such as ketamine and methamphetamine?

	Responsibility				Ability (in general)			
	A lot	Some	Not at all	Don’t know / hard to say	Sufficient	Half-half	Insufficient	Don’t know / hard to say
Parents								

	Responsibility				Ability (in general)			
	A lot	Some	Not at all	Don't know / hard to say	Sufficient	Half-half	Insufficient	Don't know / hard to say
Schools								

Community Health

Have you ever contracted COVID-19?

- Yes
- No / don't know

How likely do you think it is that you will contract or re-contract COVID-19 over the next one month?

(Please select the closest answer)

- 0% chance (Certainly not)
- 0.001% chance (1 in 100,000)
- 0.01% chance (1 in 10,000)
- 0.1% chance (1 in 1,000)
- 1% chance (1 in 100)
- 5% chance (1 in 20)
- 10% chance (1 in 10)
- 15% chance
- 20% chance
- 25% chance
- 30% chance
- 35% chance
- 40% chance
- 45% chance
- 50% chance
- 60% chance
- 70% chance
- 80% chance
- 90% chance
- 100% chance (Certainly will)
- _____ % chance
- Don't know / hard to say

Do you think the regulation prohibiting gatherings of more than a specific number of people in public places should be completely lifted unconditionally in Hong Kong?

- Yes, the ban should be lifted unconditionally → [Skip questions related to this regulation](#)
- No, it should depend on the epidemic situation
- Don't know / hard to say

For reference, there are 53 newly confirmed cases on April 13, 2022

How many newly confirmed cases each day should there be before it would be appropriate to prohibit gatherings of more than 2 people?

(The pandemic should be at its worst)

- Number of newly confirmed cases each day: _____
- Don't know / hard to say

How many newly confirmed cases each day should there be before it would be appropriate to prohibit gatherings of more than 4 people?

- Number of newly confirmed cases each day: _____
- Don't know / hard to say

How many newly confirmed cases each day should there be before it would be appropriate to prohibit gatherings of more than 8 people?

- Number of newly confirmed cases each day: _____
- Don't know / hard to say

How many newly confirmed cases each day should there be before it would be appropriate to prohibit gatherings of more than 16 people?

- Number of newly confirmed cases each day: _____
- Don't know / hard to say

If necessary, please list combinations of [number of cases & number of people allowed in gatherings] that you think is appropriate in the field below:

After how many days of zero infection do you think the group gathering ban should be lifted altogether?

_____ day(s)

How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the government's performance in handling COVID-19?

- Very much satisfied
- Somewhat satisfied
- Half-half
- Somewhat dissatisfied
- Very much dissatisfied
- Don't know / hard to say

Other Opinions

Generally speaking, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the current in Hong Kong?

(Randomise the three conditions)

	Very much satisfied	Somewhat satisfied	Half-half	Somewhat dissatisfied	Very much dissatisfied	Don't know / hard to say
Political condition						

	Very much satisfied	Somewhat satisfied	Half-half	Somewhat dissatisfied	Very much dissatisfied	Don't know / hard to say
Economic condition						
Livelihood condition						

Personal Information

This section is about personal information. If you have already provided relevant information in this survey series and have nothing to add or update, you may skip these questions. We will use the past data you provided in this survey series for analysis.

- I have already provided my personal information, and has nothing to add or update ([skip questions on personal information](#))
- Provide / update personal information now

Gender

- Male
- Female
- Other

Age

- _____ years old
- 12 - 14
- 15 - 17
- 18 - 19
- 20 - 24
- 25 - 29
- 30 - 34
- 35 - 39
- 40 - 44
- 45 - 49
- 50 - 54
- 55 - 59
- 60 - 64
- 65 - 69
- 70 or above

Educational attainment

(The highest level attended, regardless of whether you have completed the course, including what you are attending)

- Primary or below
- Lower secondary ([Secondary 1 to 3](#))
- Upper secondary ([Secondary 4 to 7 / DSE / Yi Jin](#))
- Tertiary: non-degree course ([including diploma / certificate / sub-degree course](#))
- Tertiary: bachelor degree course
- Tertiary: postgraduate school or above

Occupation

(Owner / self-employed / freelance / part time / civil servant are not valid answers, please answer according to the job nature or content)

- Administrator and professional
- Clerical and service worker
- Production worker
- Student
- Home-maker / housewife
- Retired person
- Unemployed / between jobs / other non-employed
- Other: _____

Which of the following best describes your political inclination?

(Randomise the four camps)

- Localist
- Pro-democracy camp
- Centrist
- Pro-establishment camp
- Other: _____
- No political inclination / politically neutral / do not belong to any camp
- Don't know / hard to say

End of Questionnaire

Thank you for completing the survey. For enquiries, please email us at panel@pori.hk.