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Latest Tracking Poll Results

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- Date of survey: 31/5-5/6/2022
- Survey method: Random telephone survey conducted by real interviewers
- Target population: Cantonese-speaking Hong Kong residents aged 18 or above
- Sample size: 1,000 (including 500 landline and 500 mobile samples)
- Effective response rate: 39.8%
- Sampling error: Sampling error of percentages not more than +/-4% and that of ratings not more than +/-3.0 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 2021”, while the educational attainment (highest level attended) distribution and economic activity status distribution came from “Women and Men in Hong Kong - Key Statistics (2021 Edition)”.

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• Independent ratings and identity index

- Results of independent rating questions that do not involve choosing one among identities show that whether in terms of strength rating, importance rating or identity index, **the identity of “Hongkongers” continues to rank first**, followed by “Asians”, “members of the Chinese race”, “global citizens”, “Chinese” and “citizens of the PRC”.
- Compared with half a year ago, the strength rating and identity index of “members of the Chinese race” as well as the importance ratings and identity indices of “Chinese” and “citizens of the PRC” have all **increased significantly**. Meanwhile, all three indicators of “members of the Chinese race” and “Chinese” have registered **new highs** since December 2018 while all those of “citizens of the PRC” have also reached **new record highs** since December 2016.
- On the other hand, the strength rating, importance rating and identity index of “Hongkongers” have registered **record lows** since June 2017 again while the identity index of “global citizens” has registered an **all-time record low** since December 2008.

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• Independent ratings - Strength rating

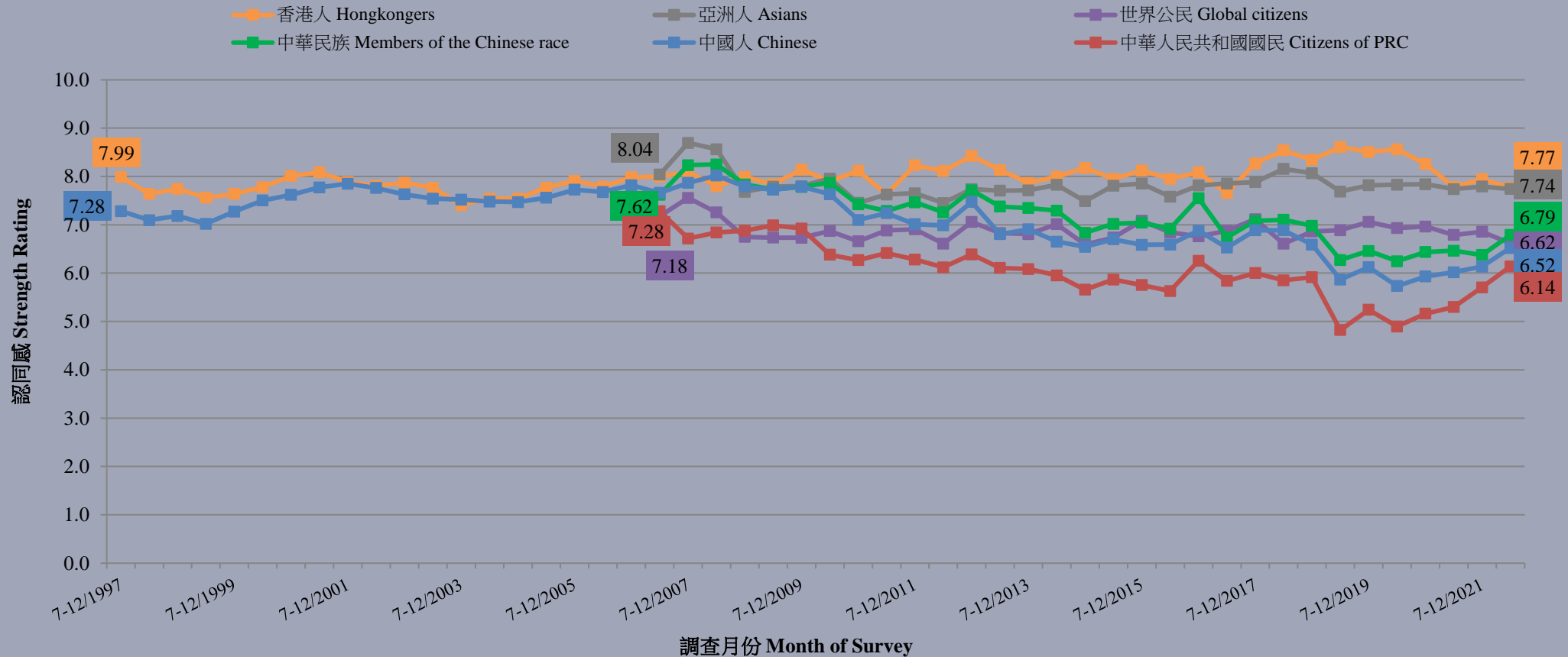
	29/11- 3/12/2021	31/5-5/6/2022	Change	Record
Hongkongers	7.94	7.77	▼0.17	Record low since Jun. 2017
Asians	7.79	7.74	▼0.05	Record low since Jun. 2021
Global citizens	6.38	6.79	▲0.41*	Record high since Dec. 2018
Members of the Chinese race	6.86	6.62	▼0.24	Record low since Jun. 2018
Chinese	6.13	6.52	▲0.38	Record high since Dec. 2018
Citizens of the PRC	5.71	6.14	▲0.43*	Record high since Dec. 2016

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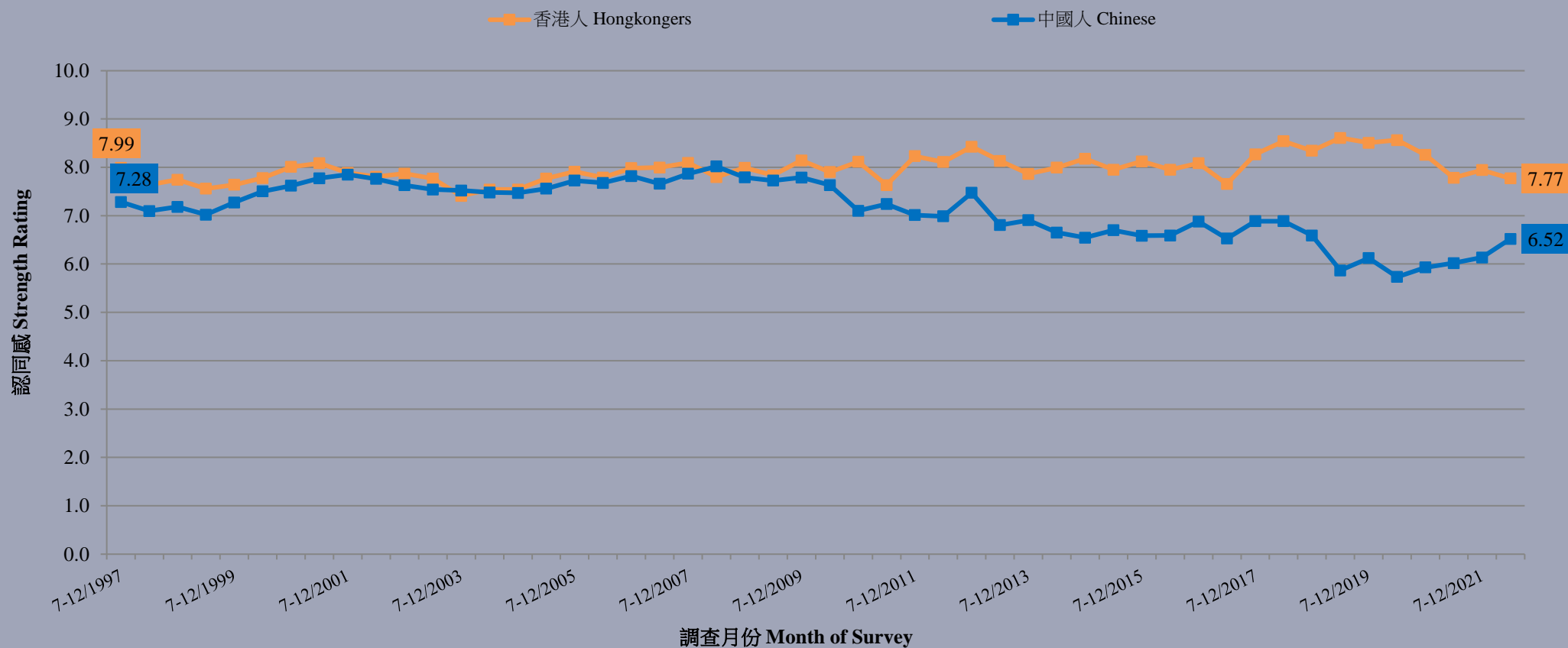
香港市民身分認同感（半年結）
Strength of identity of Hong Kong People (Half-yearly average)
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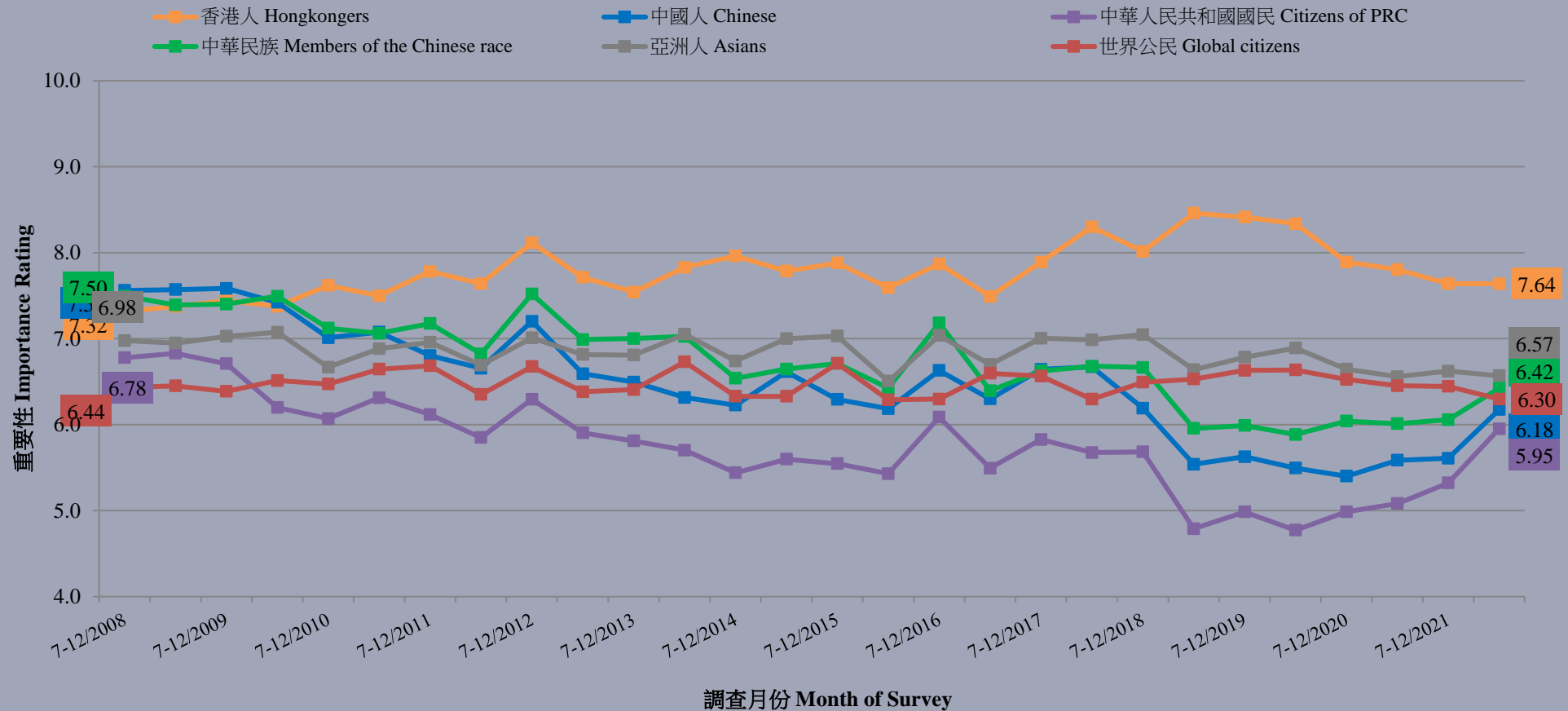
- Independent ratings - Importance rating

	29/11-3/12/2021	31/5-5/6/2022	Change	Record
Hongkongers	7.64	7.64	--	Record low since Jun. 2017
Asians	6.62	6.57	▼0.05	Record low since Jun. 2021
Global citizens	6.06	6.42	▲0.37	Record high since Dec. 2018
Members of the Chinese race	6.45	6.30	▼0.15	Record low since Jun. 2018
Chinese	5.61	6.18	▲0.57*	Record high since Dec. 2018
Citizens of the PRC	5.32	5.95	▲0.63*	Record high since Dec. 2016

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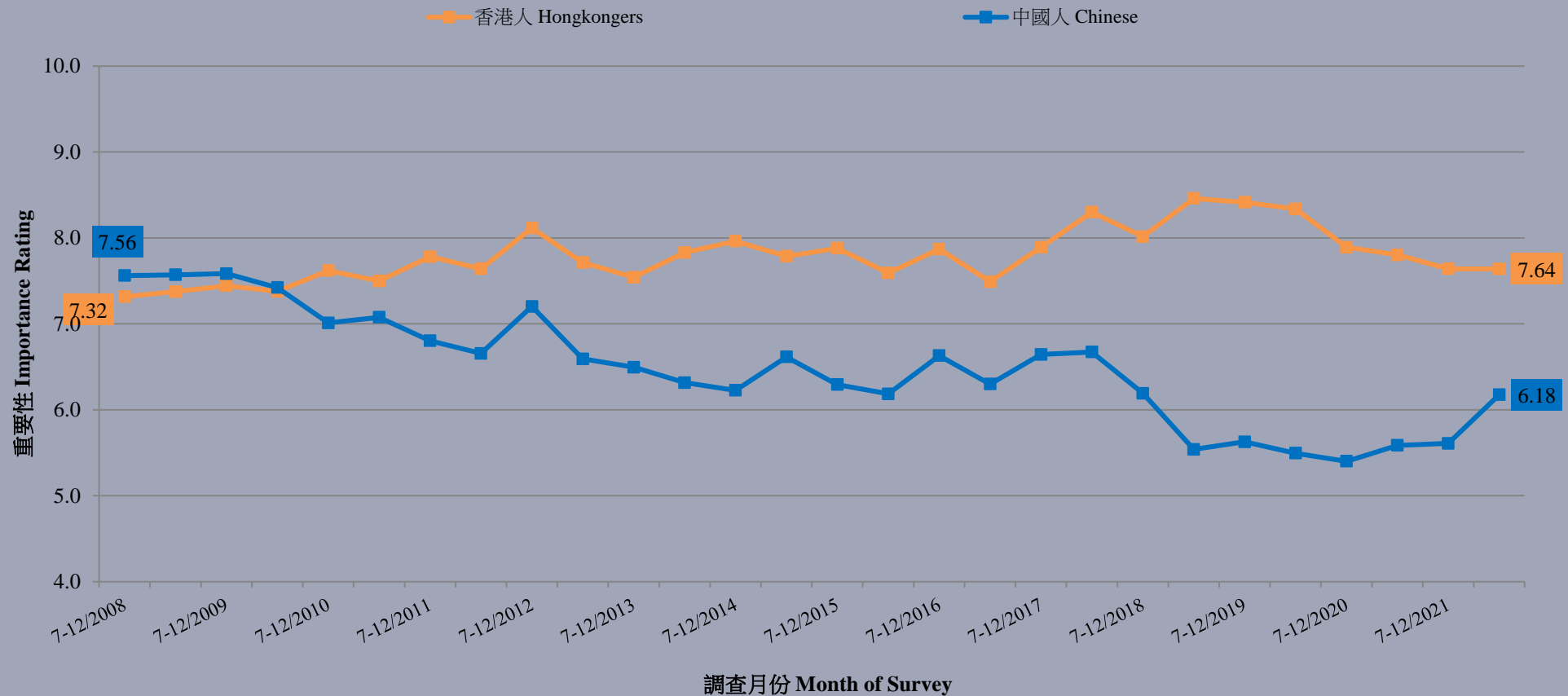
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香港市民身分重要性 (半年結)
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• Independent ratings - Identity Index

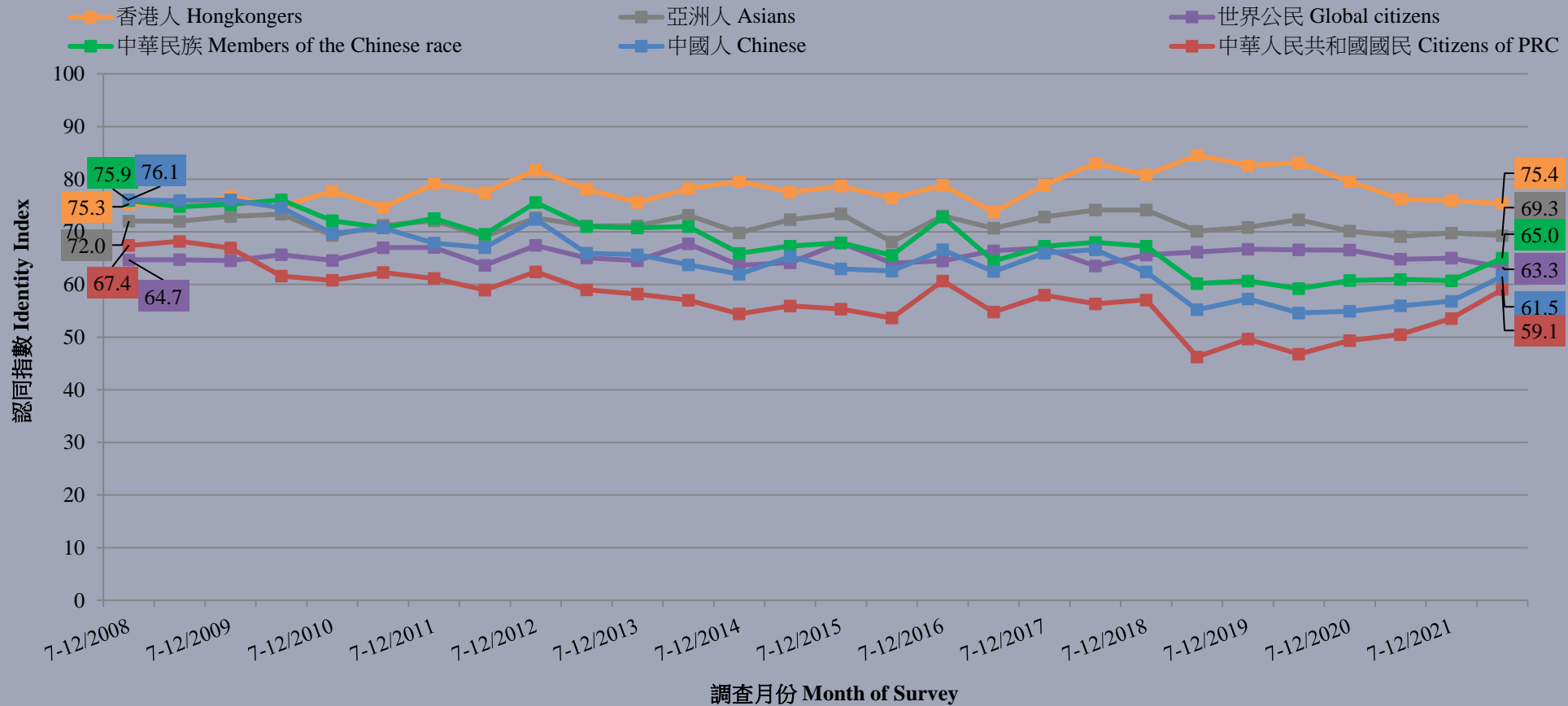
	29/11- 3/12/2021	31/5-5/6/2022	Change	Record
Hongkongers	75.9	75.4	▼0.6	Record low since Jun. 2017
Asians	69.8	69.3	▼0.5	Record low since Jun. 2021
Global citizens	60.7	65.0	▲4.3*	Record high since Dec. 2018
Members of the Chinese race	65.0	63.3	▼1.7	All-time record low since Dec. 2008
Chinese	56.8	61.5	▲4.7*	Record high since Dec. 2018
Citizens of the PRC	53.6	59.1	▲5.5*	Record high since Dec. 2016

- Taking the geometric mean of the strength and importance ratings of each respondent and then multiply it by 10, we have an “identity index” between 0 and 100, with 0 meaning no feeling and 100 meaning extremely strong feeling.

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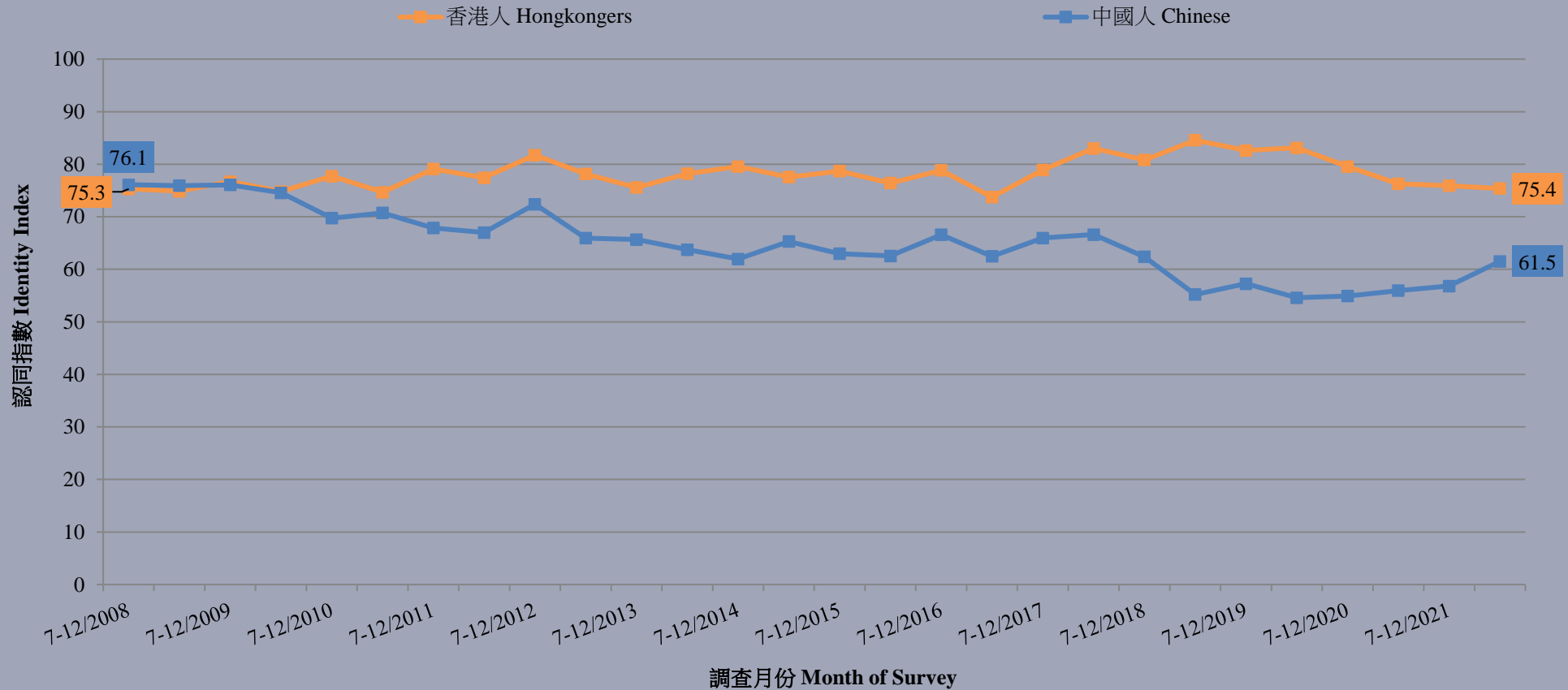
香港市民「身分認同指數」(半年結)
Identity Indices of Hong Kong People (Half-yearly average)
 (8/2008 – 6/2022)



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「香港人」、「中國人」身分認同指數（半年結）
Identity Indices of “Hongkongers” & “Chinese” (Half-yearly average)
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• The dichotomy of “Hongkonger” versus “Chinese” identity

	29/11-3/12/2021	31/5-5/6/2022	Change	Record
Identified as “Hongkongers”	39%	39%	--	Record high since Jun. 2021
Identified as “Chinese”	18%	18%	--	Record low since Jun. 2021
Identified as “Hong Kong Chinese”	11%	11%	--	Record high since Jun. 2021
Identified as “Chinese Hongkonger”	31%	31%	--	Record low since Jun. 2021
Identified as “Hongkongers” in broad sense [#]	70%	70%	--	Record high since Dec. 2018
Identified as “Chinese” in broad sense [#]	28%	29%	--	Record high since Jun. 2021
Identified with a mixed identity of “Hongkongers” and “Chinese” [@]	42%	42%	--	Record high since Dec. 2020

- Whether in their narrow and broad senses, the proportions of people identifying themselves as “Hongkongers” outnumber those of “Chinese”.

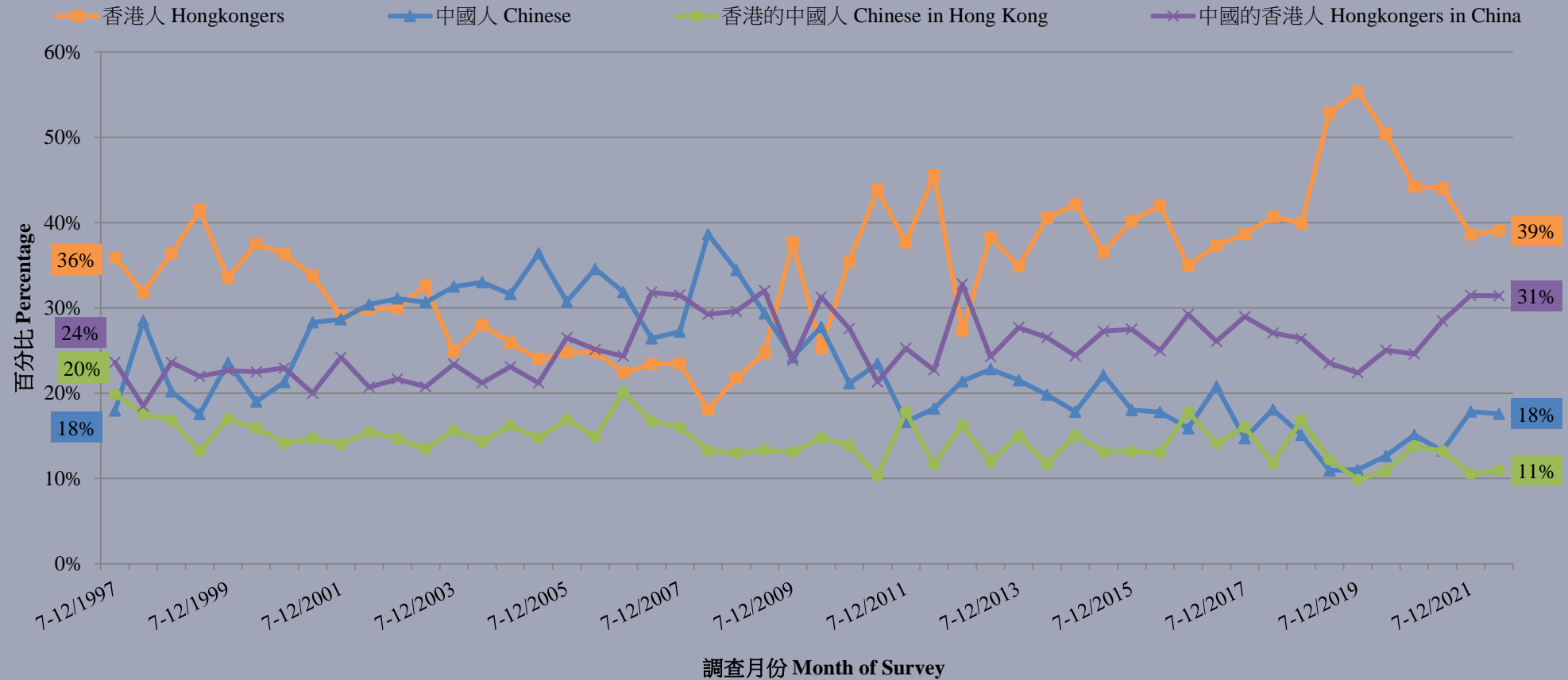
[#] “Hongkongers” in broad sense, namely answer “Hongkongers” or “Chinese Hongkongers”; “Chinese” in broad sense, namely answer “Chinese” or “Hong Kong Chinese”.

[@] The mixed identity of “Hongkongers” and “Chinese”, namely answer “Hong Kong Chinese” or “Chinese Hongkongers”.

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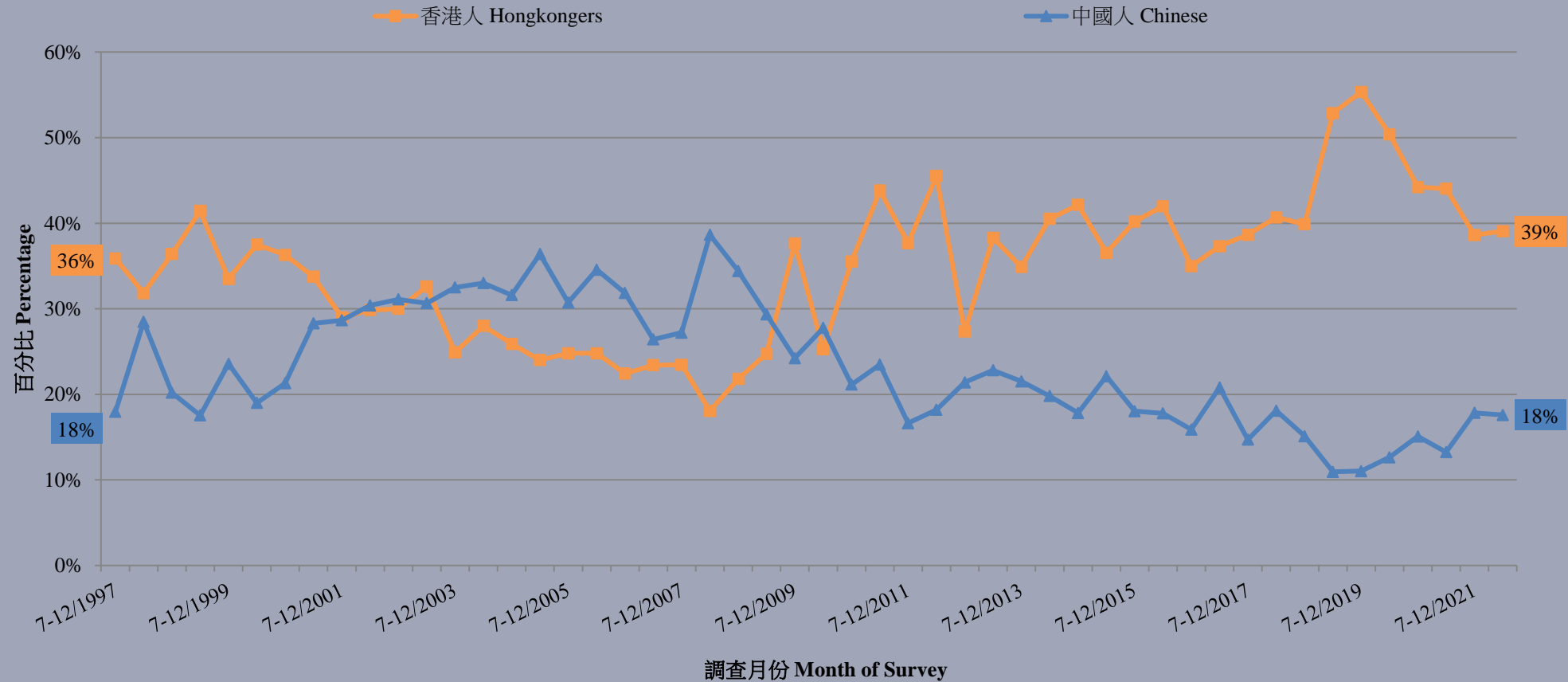
身分類別認同 (半年結)
Ethnic Identity (Half-yearly average)
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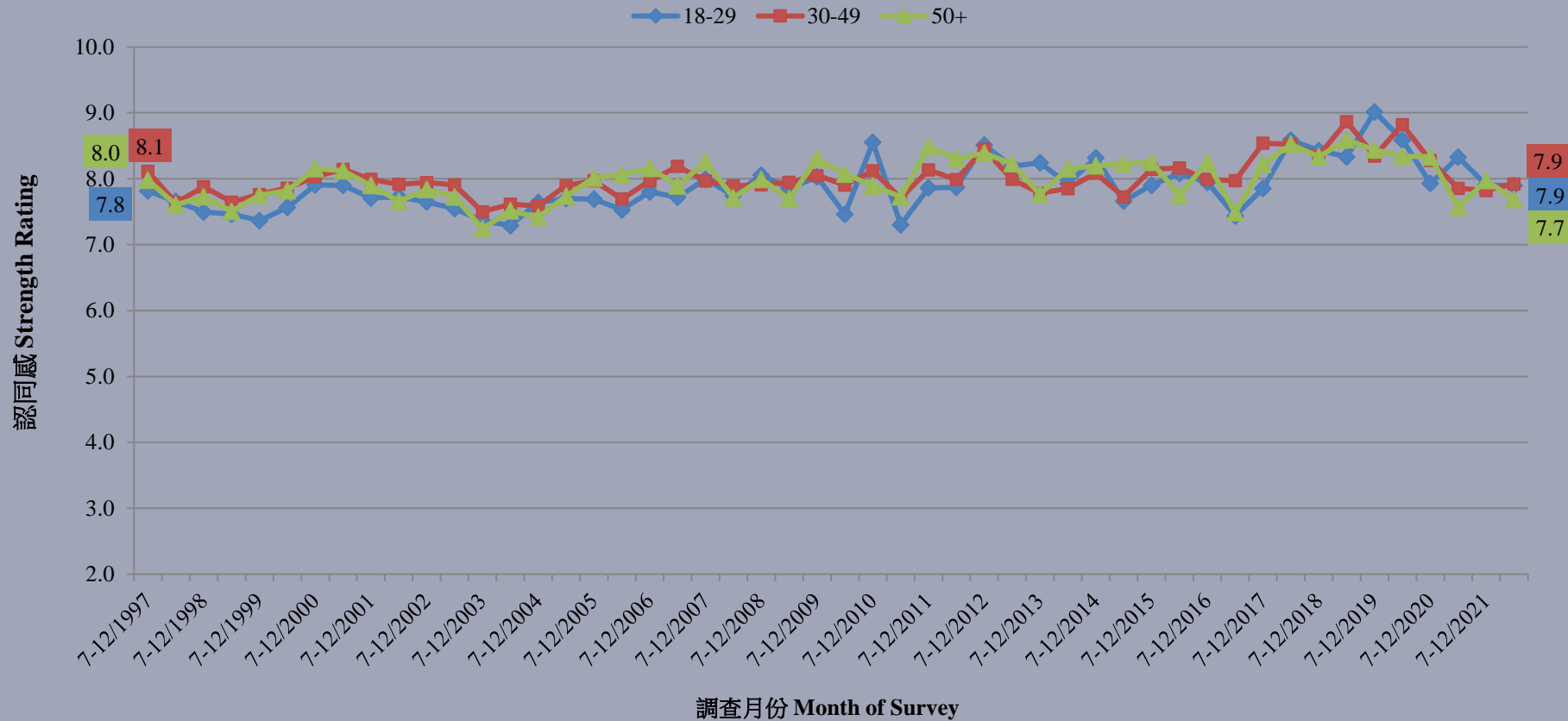
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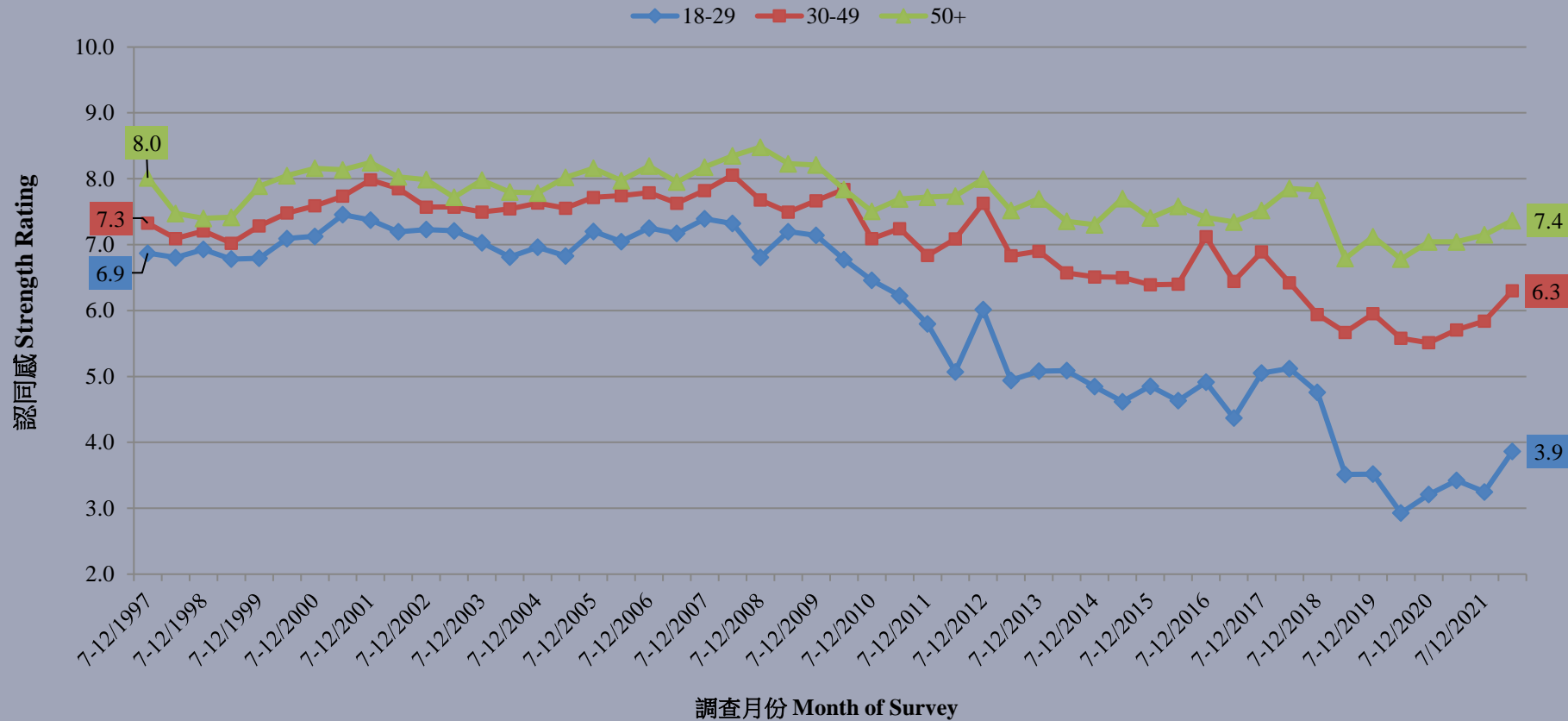
「香港人」身分認同程度評分（半年結及按年齡組別）
Strength of “Hong Kong citizen” identity (Half-yearly average, by age group)
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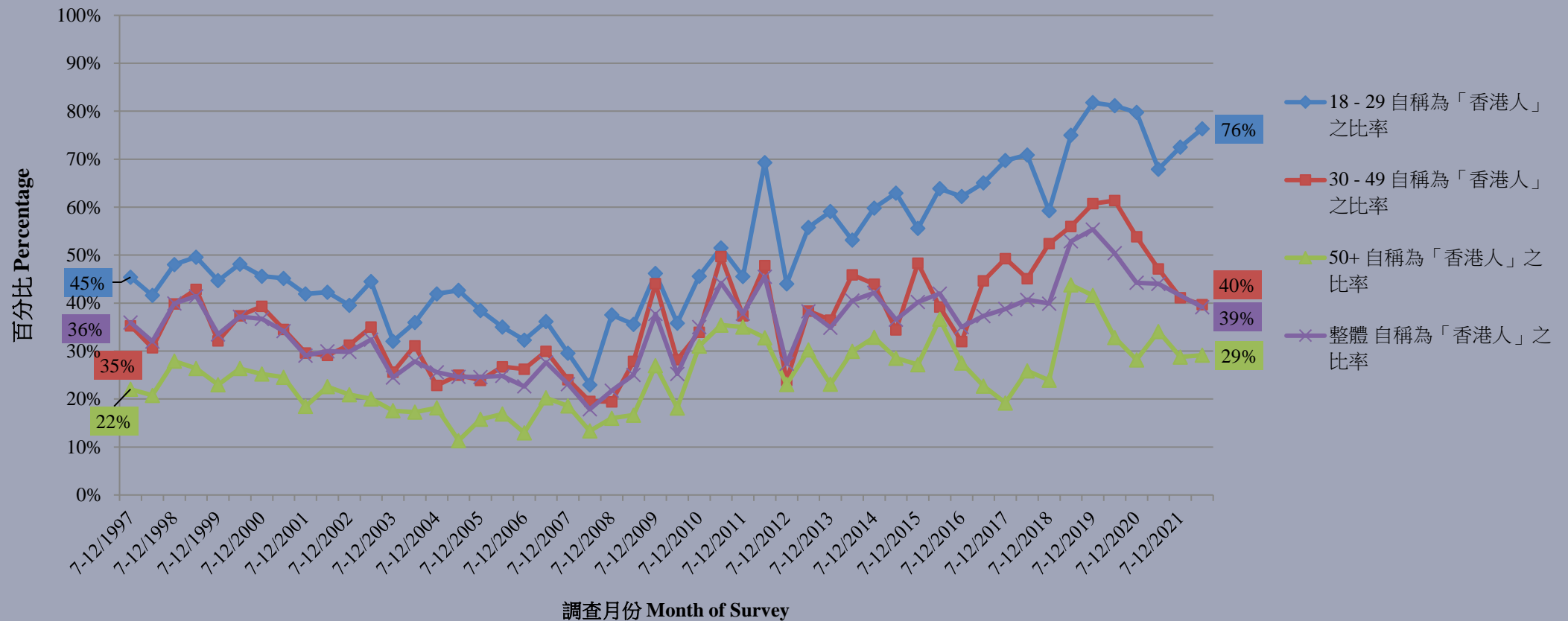
「中國人」身分認同程度評分（半年結及按年齡組別）
Strength of "Chinese" identity (Half-yearly average, by age group)
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身分類別認同 – 自稱為「香港人」(半年結及按年齡組別)
Ethnic Identity – Identified as “HongKongers” (Half-yearly average, by age group)
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身分類別認同 – 自稱為「中國人」(半年結及按年齡組別)
Ethnic Identity – Identified as “Chinese” (Half-yearly average, by age group)
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