

# Preliminary report on the survey on the Taiwan population's view of the anti-secession law

- 1. Planning:** Institute for National Policy Research
- 2. Planning and administration:** Berkeley Opinion Research Ltd.
- 3. Survey period:** March 9 to 12 2005
- 4. Number of samples:** 1067
- 5. Error margin:** -/+3.00%
- 6. Respondent profile:** Residents between 20 and 69 years in all counties including Penghu
- 7. Sample method:** Telephone, with quota control according to gender and age in each area
- 8. Checks:** This research consultancy does not use weight. The samples were taken according to area, gender, and age from the main population with out gender bias.
- 9. Results of questionnaire:**

1. Do you think the Chinese government is friendly or unfriendly towards our government?					
very friendly	friendly	unfriendly	very unfriendly	no response	total
0.4	8.5	50.2	28.9	12.0	100.0
8.9		79.1			

2. Do you think the Chinese government is friendly or unfriendly to Taiwan people?					
very friendly	friendly	unfriendly	very unfriendly	no response	total
0.6	24.5	45.6	17.2	12.2	100.0
25.0		62.8			

3. The status quo is that 'the Republic of China is a totally independent country, and does not belong to the People's Republic of China.' Do you agree with this statement?

totally agree	agree	disagree	totally disagree	no response	total
24.6	44.1	16.6	4.2	10.5	100.0
68.7		20.8			

4. The rights of determination of the Republic of China belong to its 23 million people, any change in those rights should be after approval by its people. Do you agree with this statement?

totally agree	agree	disagree,	totally disagree	no response	total
40.8	50.2	4.6	0.9	3.5	100.0
91.0		5.5			

5. With regard to development of the cross straits relationship, China moots 'one country, two systems', so that Taiwan would be a local government, accepting China's rule, and the Republic of China's government would not exist. Do you support this 'one country-two systems' proposition?

totally support	support	not support	totally not support	no response	total
1.8	10.0	37.8	42.9	7.5	100.0
11.8		80.7			

6. The anti-secession law uses language from China's constitution, 'Taiwan is part of the territory of the People's Republic of China, therefore, the Republic of China is not an independent country. Do you agree with this?

totally agree	agree	disagree	totally disagree	no response	total
0.7	8.9	46.4	37.5	6.6	100.0
9.6		83.9			

7. The anti-secession law proposes that with regard to the dispute over rights between the People's Republic of China and Taiwan, China can use non-peaceful means, for example, military means to solve the dispute, do you agree with this?

totally agree	agree	disagree	totally disagree	no response	total
1.7	2.8	32.4	61.0	2.1	100.0
4.5		93.4			

8. The anti-secession law proposes that with regard to the dispute over rights between the People's Republic of China and Taiwan, this is an internal matter for the People's Republic of China, which may not be interfered with by any other nations, do you agree with this?

totally agree	agree	disagree	totally disagree	no response	total
1.8	18.0	41.0	29.9	9.4	100.0
19.8		70.9			

9. China says that its anti-secession law does not infringe on Taiwan people's rights. Do you believe this?

strongly believe	believe	disbelieve	strongly disbelieve	no response	total
1.2	8.6	42.5	42.0	5.6	100.0
9.8		84.5			

10. With regard to the anti-secession law, do you think that the government should slow down or speed up or maintained as is the speed of cross straits exchange?

slow down	speed up	remain the same	no response	total
20.6	30.5	39.6	9.4	100.0

11. With regard to China setting up the anti-secession law as a legal precedent as an excuse to use force on Taiwan, some think that the government should raise the budget to procure arms from abroad and strengthen Taiwan's defenses. Do you agree with this?

totally agree	agree	disagree	totally disagree	no response	total
18.7	36.9	24.3	14.1	6.0	100.0
55.7		38.3			

12. With regard to China setting up the anti-secession law as a legal precedent as an excuse to use force on Taiwan, some think that the government should hold a national referendum to show opposition. Do you agree with this?

totally agree	agree	disagree	totally disagree	no response	total
18.7	39.3	24.3	9.4	8.4	100.0
57.9		33.6			

13. Some say that as China has passed the anti-secession law planning to use force on Taiwan, the European Union may seriously compromise cross-straits safety if it lifts the embargo on selling arms to China. Do you agree?

totally agree	agree	disagree	totally disagree	no response	total
22.2	36.9	24.9	5.5	10.4	100.0
59.1		30.5			

Gender		
Male	Female	total
50.4	49.6	100.0

Age					
20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	total
24.3	24.4	24.9	16.5	9.9	100.0

Highest educational level							
primary school	middle school	high school,	college	university	research institute	refusal	total
11.2	11.2	31.1	19.6	21.7	4.9	0.4	100.0

Political bias								
KMT	DPP	NP	PPF	TSU	independents	none	not know or refuse	total
14.2	14.5	0.3	1.8	1.5	65.0	0.6	2.1	100.0

Ethnicity					
Taiwan Hakka	Taiwan Minnan	Chinese	Native tribes	Other	total
14.0	73.9	11.0	0.9	0.2	100.0

Area							
Greater metropolitan Taipei	Taipei county, Keelung city	Taoyuan, Hsinchu, Miaoli	Taichung, Changhua, Nantou	Yunlin, Chiayi, Tainan	Kaohsiung, Pingdong, Penghu	Ilan Hualien Taidong	total
26.1	4.1	14.1	18.9	15.3	17.0	4.6	100.0

During the past five years, have you or your family been to China to visit relatives, study, invest, work, or conduct business or for any other reason?		
Yes	No	total
37.1	62.9	100.0