Direction, economic indicators and views of the political situation

Perak Voter Opinion Poll
26 January – 3 February 2010
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26 Jan – 3 Feb 10, n = 805

Methodology

- 805 randomly selected *registered voters* aged 21+ were interviewed via telephone for the survey

- Respondents were selected via random stratified sampling method along the lines of state of residence, ethnicity, gender and age

- Survey was carried out between 26th January – 3rd February 2010

- Survey margin of error estimated at ±3.45%

- Important events during survey period: church arson suspect charged in court, Blogger charged in court for allegedly insulting Sultan of Johor, 2nd GTP open day, start of DSAI 2nd sodomy trial.

Note: Total percentages presented may or may not add up to 100% due to rounding up of figures.
Respondent Profile pt.1

Ethnicity:
- Malay: 48%
- Chinese: 41%
- Indian: 12%

Age:
- 21-30: 12%
- 31-40: 17%
- 41-50: 28%
- 51-60: 24%
- Above 61: 20%

Setting:
- Urban: 47%
- Rural: 53%

Gender:
- Male: 50%
- Female: 51%

Education Level:
- No formal education: 2%
- Primary school: 30%
- Secondary school: 54%
- Diploma & equivalent: 9%
- Degree & above: 7%
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Respondent Profile pt. 2

Occupation

- Management: 4%
- Self-employed: 13%
- Professional: 6%
- Executive: 2%
- Non-executive: 2%
- Supervisor-non-office: 6%
- Non-office worker: 11%
- Not in workforce: 55%
- No response: 1%

Religion

- None: 5%
- Islam: 48%
- Buddhism: 29%
- Hinduism: 10%
- Christianity: 4%
- Taoist: 4%

Monthly household income

- <RM1500 per mth: 44%
- RM1501 - RM3000 per mth: 27%
- RM3001 - RM5000 per mth: 12%
- >RM5000 per mth: 8%
- Don't know: 6%
- No response: 4%

Internet access

- At home: 19%
- Workplace/school: 2%
- At home & workplace/school: 2%
- Other locations: 2%
- Mobile internet: 1%
- No internet access: 73%
- No response: 1%
General Overview
Considering the conditions in the state of Perak today, how strongly would you say that things are heading in the right or wrong direction?
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Moving on to the subject of the economy in Perak, can you tell me how favourable or unfavourable are things with respect to the following…?

- The economy of Perak: 4% Very favourable, 38% Somewhat favourable, 29% Somewhat unfavourable, 3% Very unfavourable, 11% Don’t know, 0% No response.

- Your ability to make ends meet: 4% Very favourable, 55% Somewhat favourable, 9% Somewhat unfavourable, 4% Very unfavourable, 9% Don’t know, 0% No response.

- Your personal income: 4% Very favourable, 25% Somewhat favourable, 47% Somewhat unfavourable, 3% Very unfavourable, 9% Don’t know, 0% No response.

- Prices of consumer goods and services: 4% Very favourable, 30% Somewhat favourable, 38% Somewhat unfavourable, 1% Very unfavourable, 14% Don’t know, 0% No response.

- Job opportunities: 4% Very favourable, 32% Somewhat favourable, 14% Somewhat unfavourable, 13% Very unfavourable, 16% Don’t know, 0% No response.

- Business opportunities: 4% Very favourable, 33% Somewhat favourable, 32% Somewhat unfavourable, 16% Very unfavourable, 14% Don’t know, 0% No response.
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How do you expect the Perak economy to be one year from now now?

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**Confident**
- Overall: 36%
- Malay: 56%
- Chinese: 58%
- Indian: 58%

**Not Confident**
- Overall: 33%
- Malay: 9%
- Chinese: 13%
- Indian: 10%

**DK/NR**
- Overall: 15%
- Malay: 11%
- Chinese: 18%
- Indian: 9%
How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the way the Perak state government is managing the Perak economy at present?

- Overall (805): 60% Satisfied, 35% Dissatisfied, 5% DK/NR
- Malay (382): 46% Satisfied, 21% Dissatisfied, 12% DK/NR
- Chinese (330): 35% Satisfied, 19% Dissatisfied, 19% DK/NR
- Indian (93): 27% Satisfied, 22% Dissatisfied, 5% DK/NR

Ethnic group

Satisfied | Dissatisfied | DK/NR
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Overall (805) | 60% | 35% | 5%
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Assessment on Perak Leaders
How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with way Dr. Zambry Abdul Kadir is performing his job as the de-facto Chief Minister of Perak?

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**Overall:**
- Satisfied: 44%
- Dissatisfied: 33%
- DK/NR: 6%

**Malay:**
- Satisfied: 22%
- Dissatisfied: 26%
- DK/NR: 11%

**Chinese:**
- Satisfied: 54%
- Dissatisfied: 41%
- DK/NR: 12%

**Indian:**
- Satisfied: 27%
- Dissatisfied: 13%
- DK/NR: 19%
How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the way Mohammad Nizar Jamaluddin is performing his job as the Pakatan’s Chief Minister of Perak?

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Current Issues in Perak
Do you agree or disagree that state-wide elections need to be held to resolve the political crisis in Perak?

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In your opinion, did the Barisan Nasional’s take over of the state government benefit the people?

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Who in your opinion is responsible for the heightened political tension in the wake of Barisan Nasional’s take over of the Perak state government?

- **Overall (805)阵地**
  - Barisan Nasional: 41%
  - Pakatan Rakyat: 18%
  - Both: 16%
  - Others: 6%
  - Don't know: 2%
  - No response: 11%

- **Malay (382阵地)**
  - Barisan Nasional: 48%
  - Pakatan Rakyat: 16%
  - Both: 23%
  - Others: 6%
  - Don't know: 2%
  - No response: 18%

- **Chinese (330阵地)**
  - Barisan Nasional: 33%
  - Pakatan Rakyat: 26%
  - Both: 6%
  - Others: 11%
  - Don't know: 2%
  - No response: 6%

- **Indian (93阵地)**
  - Barisan Nasional: 38%
  - Pakatan Rakyat: 18%
  - Both: 16%
  - Others: 6%
  - Don't know: 2%
  - No response: 6%
To what extent do you feel that the issue of the Perak political crisis is still relevant today?

- Relevant: 65%
- Irrelevant: 25%
- DK/NR: 10%

Overall (805)

- Malay (382): Relevant - 34%, Irrelevant - 12%, DK/NR - 10%
- Chinese (330): Relevant - 31%, Irrelevant - 10%, DK/NR - 6%
- Indian (93): Relevant - 19%, Irrelevant - 13%, DK/NR - 4%

Ethnic group
How far do you think that the BN state government has fulfilled promises made during the takeover of the state in February 2009?

- **A great deal**
- **A large part**
- **Moderate**
- **A little**
- **None at all**
- **Don't know**
- **No response**

Here are the results for different ethnic groups:

- **Overall (805)**
  - A great deal: 3%
  - A large part: 7%
  - Moderate: 5%
  - A little: 2%
  - None at all: 8%
  - Don't know: 9%
  - No response: 13%

- **Malay (382)**
  - A great deal: 12%
  - A large part: 22%
  - Moderate: 9%
  - A little: 4%
  - None at all: 2%
  - Don't know: 3%
  - No response: 5%

- **Chinese (330)**
  - A great deal: 15%
  - A large part: 38%
  - Moderate: 21%
  - A little: 49%
  - None at all: 17%
  - Don't know: 34%

- **Indian (93)**
  - A great deal: 3%
  - A large part: 13%
  - Moderate: 49%
  - A little: 13%
  - None at all: 8%
  - Don't know: 13%
  - No response: 5%
How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the role of the Palace in dealing with the matter of the political problems in Perak?

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Ethnic group
Since BN took over the state government nearly a year ago, have the following sectors improved or worsened?

- **The economy of Perak:**
  - Improved: 34%
  - Unchanged: 28%
  - Worsened: 26%
  - Don't know: 9%
  - No response: 2%

- **Foreign investment:**
  - Improved: 23%
  - Unchanged: 20%
  - Worsened: 23%
  - Don't know: 32%
  - No response: 2%

- **Job opportunities:**
  - Improved: 27%
  - Unchanged: 26%
  - Worsened: 35%
  - Don't know: 11%
  - No response: 1%

- **Business opportunities:**
  - Improved: 34%
  - Unchanged: 24%
  - Worsened: 28%
  - Don't know: 14%
  - No response: 2%

- **Welfare distribution:**
  - Improved: 34%
  - Unchanged: 22%
  - Worsened: 25%
  - Don't know: 19%
  - No response: 1%

- **Democracy in the state:**
  - Improved: 32%
  - Unchanged: 19%
  - Worsened: 28%
  - Don't know: 19%
  - No response: 2%

- **Performance of state government agencies:**
  - Improved: 37%
  - Unchanged: 24%
  - Worsened: 18%
  - Don't know: 19%
  - No response: 2%
Since BN took over the state government nearly a year ago, have the following sectors improved or worsened?

- The political position of Malays in the state (Malays only):
  - Improved: 45%
  - Unchanged: 15%
  - Worsened: 28%
  - Don't Know: 11%
  - No response: 1%

- The political position of non-Malays in the state (Non-Malays only):
  - Improved: 24%
  - Unchanged: 23%
  - Worsened: 28%
  - Don't Know: 3%
  - No response: 3%
How well do you understand the Perak state constitution?

Overall (805)
- Understand: 25%
- Do not understand: 28%
- DK/NR: 3%

Malay (382)
- Understand: 4%
- Do not understand: 34%
- DK/NR: 2%

Chinese (330)
- Understand: 38%
- Do not understand: 60%
- DK/NR: 1%

Indian (93)
- Understand: 46%
- Do not understand: 2%
- DK/NR: 2%

Ethnic group

Chinese (330)
- Understand: 45%
- Do not understand: 36%
- DK/NR: 3%

Indian (93)
- Understand: 29%
- Do not understand: 26%
- DK/NR: 7%

Overall (805)
- Understand: 68%
- Do not understand: 40%
- DK/NR: 4%
In evaluating the Perak state government, which is more important?

- Ability to generate economic growth
- Democratically elected by the people
- Others
- Don’t know
- No response

Overall (805):
- Ability to generate economic growth: 60%
- Democratically elected by the people: 58%
- Others: 3%
- Don’t know: 11%
- No response: 2%

Malay (382):
- Ability to generate economic growth: 58%
- Democratically elected by the people: 64%
- Others: 3%
- Don’t know: 3%
- No response: 2%

Chinese (330):
- Ability to generate economic growth: 64%
- Democratically elected by the people: 19%
- Others: 3%
- Don’t know: 11%
- No response: 2%

Indian (93):
- Ability to generate economic growth: 54%
- Democratically elected by the people: 33%
- Others: 3%
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