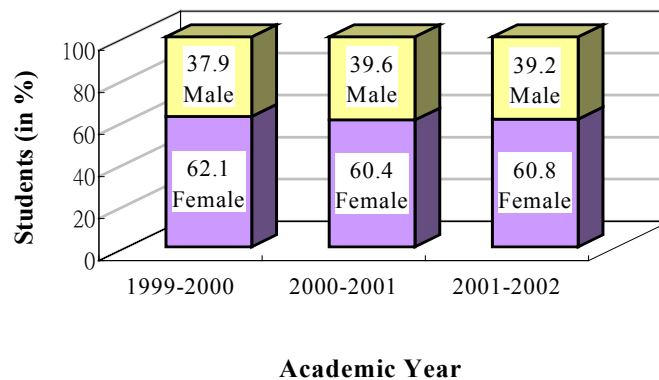


First-Year Student Survey in Capsule

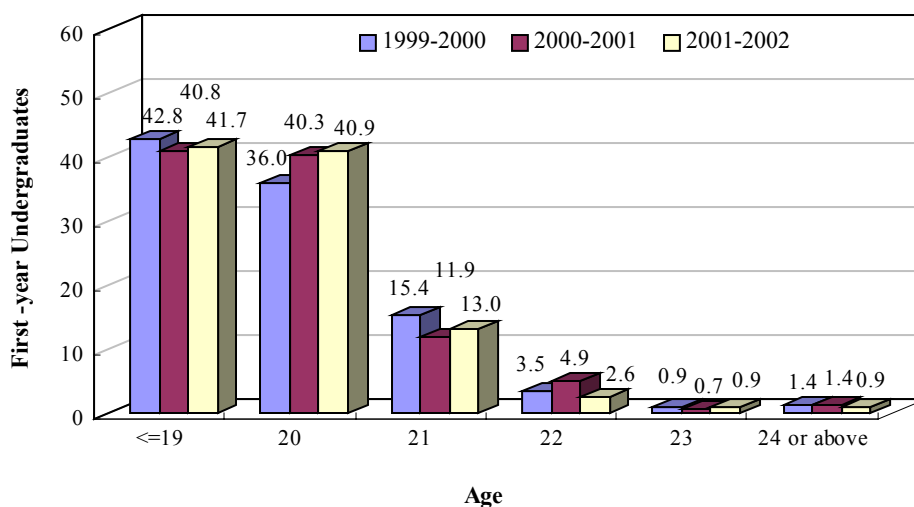
A total of 1,209 first-year students responded to the Survey, representing a response rate of 87.7% (87.6% last year). Below is a summary of the data collected.

Sex Profile



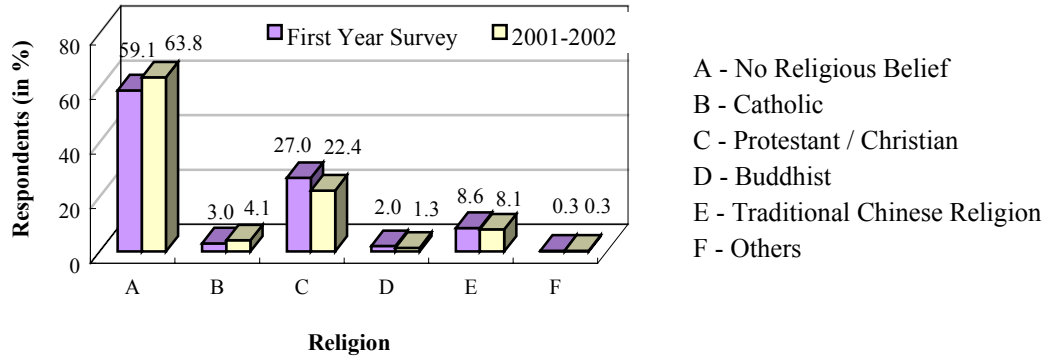
Like the previous two years, the 2001-02 FYFD cohort has more female than male. The ratio of male to female is 1:1.55 (1:1.52 in 2000-01)

Age Profile



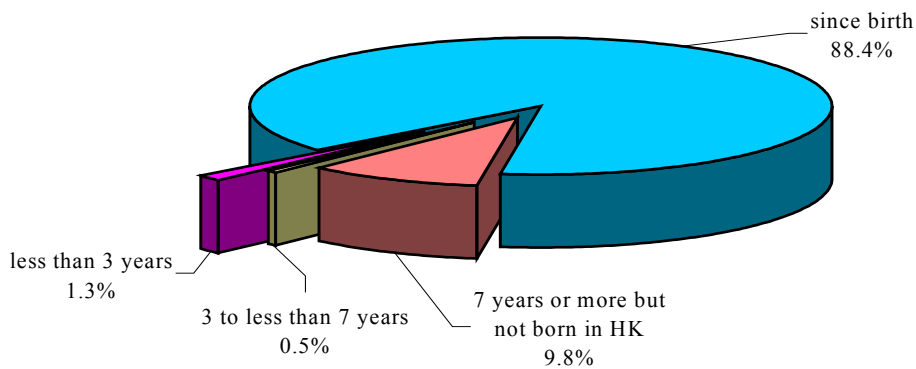
The majority of the respondents (82.6%) are aged below 20 (81.1% in 2000-01).

Religion Status



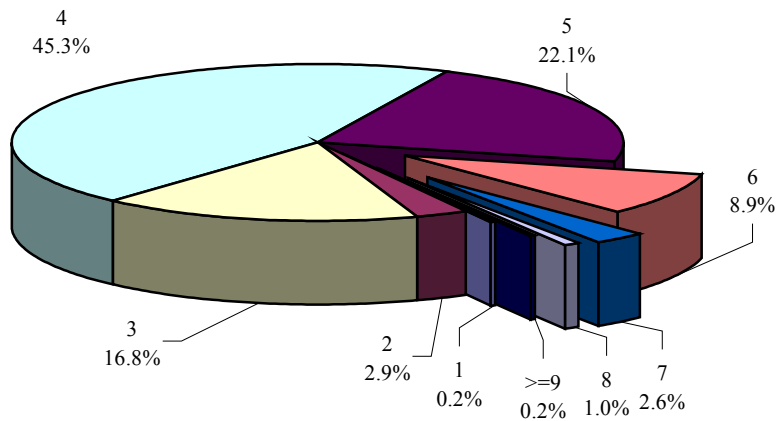
Over half of the respondents have no religious belief. Among those who have, 22.4% of them are Christian/Protestant.

Years of Residence in Hong Kong



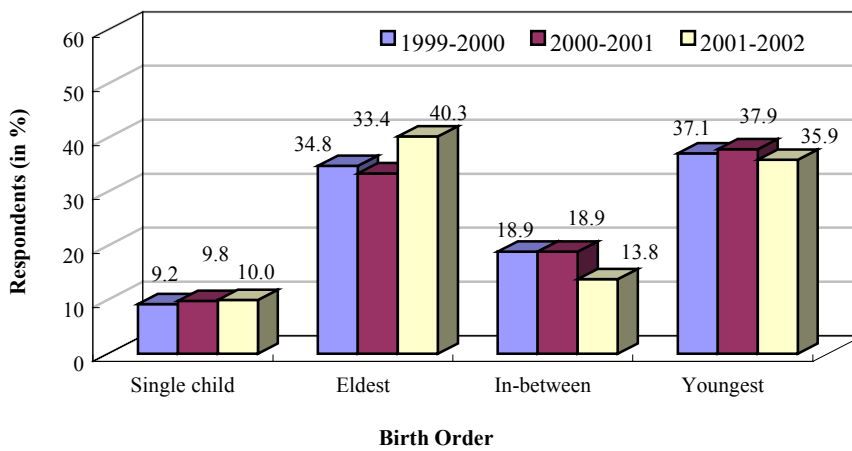
An overwhelming majority (88.4%) of the respondents were born in Hong Kong. Less than 2% of the first-year students have lived in Hong Kong for less than 3 years.

Number of Family Members



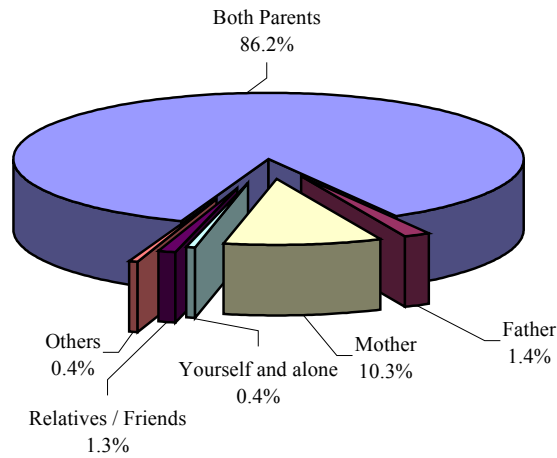
84.2% of the first-year students come from a family with three to five members.

Birth Order in Family



40.3% of the respondents are the eldest while 35.9% of them are the youngest child in the family.

Sharing Accommodation with Family Members



The majority of the respondents (86.2%) live with both parents.

Highest Education Attainment of Parents

Education Level	Father	Mother
No Formal Education	4.9%	7.6%
Primary Education	36.8%	42.1%
Secondary Education	43.9%	42.4%
Matriculation	8.0%	5.4%
Post-secondary / University	6.4%	2.5%
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.0%</i>	<i>100.0%</i>

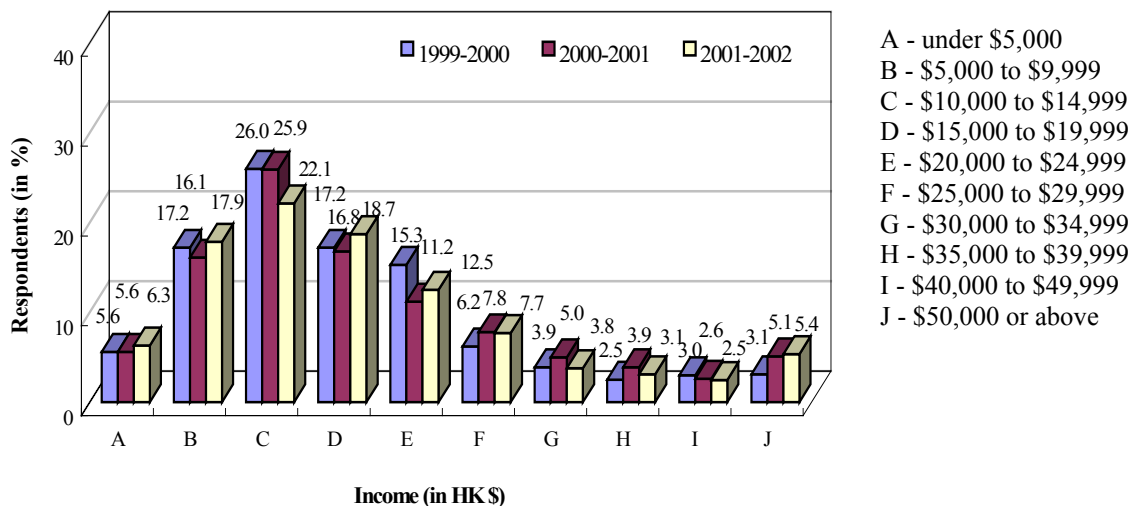
Only 14.4% of fathers and 7.9% of mothers of first-year students have attained post-secondary-five education.

Parents' Occupation

Occupation	Father	Mother
Professional	4.5%	3.7%
Service worker	22.8%	13.0%
Skilled/ semi-skilled worker	24.4%	7.4%
Business proprietor/ shop owner	10.4%	2.4%
Administrator/ executive	4.5%	2.1%
Labourer	4.2%	4.6%
Hawker	0.5%	0.4%
Clerical & other support staff	4.0%	7.1%
Salesman	1.3%	2.4%
Retired/ unemployed/ housekeeper	13.0%	48.8%
Others	10.4%	8.1%
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.0%</i>	<i>100.0%</i>

Most parents of first-year students work in the service sector or are skilled/semi-skilled workers. Around 10% of the fathers and 2% of the mothers are business proprietors or shop owners.

Household Income

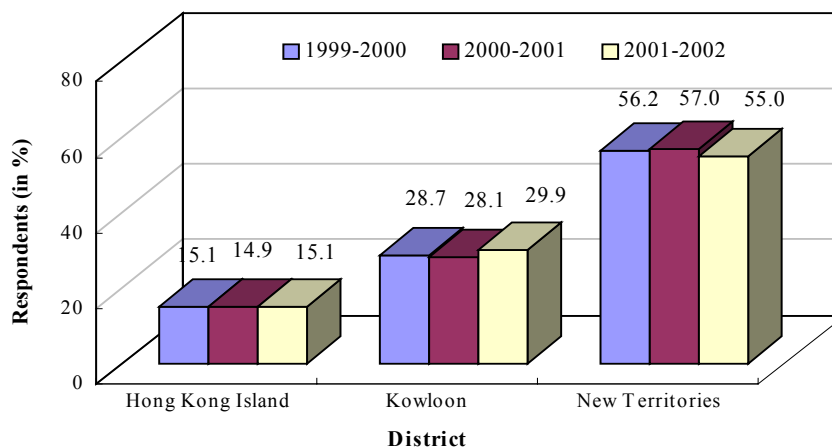


40.8% of the first-year students have a household income between \$10,000 to \$19,999.

Distribution of Residence and Average Travelling Time

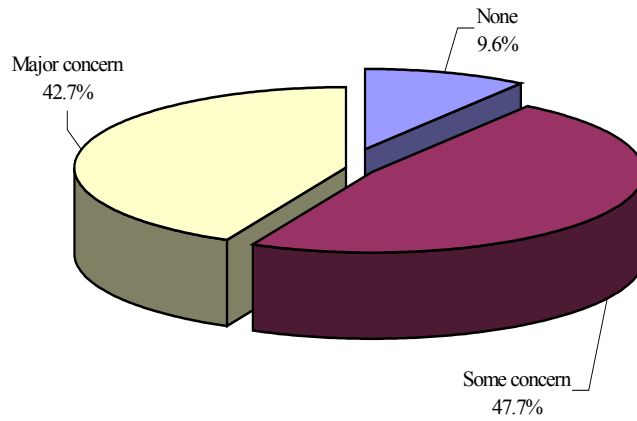
Area	District	Survey	Average Travelling Time (min.)
Hong Kong Island	Eastern	7.83%	58.4
	Wanchai	1.08%	47.3
	Central & Western	3.00%	60.8
	Southern	3.17%	74.2
	<i>Total/ Average</i>	<i>15.1%</i>	<i>61.4</i>
Kowloon	Kwun Tong	10.0%	43.3
	Wong Tai Sin	6.5%	24.2
	Kowloon City	5.7%	29.6
	Shamshuipo	4.6%	31.4
	Mongkok	2.2%	31.2
	Yaumatei/Tsimshatsui	1.0%	35.0
	<i>Total/ Average</i>	<i>29.9%</i>	<i>33.6</i>
New Territories	Northern	5.0%	65.5
	Shatin	14.0%	37.5
	Tai Po	6.5%	51.2
	Sai Kung	4.5%	56.7
	Tsuen Wan	3.7%	53.9
	Kwai Chung/Tsing Yi	6.5%	54.6
	Yuen Long	5.8%	91.3
	Tuen Mun	8.7%	89.4
	Outlying Islands	0.3%	67.5
	<i>Total/ Average</i>	<i>55.0%</i>	<i>60.4</i>
	<i>Total/ Average</i>		<i>100.0%</i>

Resident District



Over half of the first-year students (55%) live in the New Territories, with a higher portion living in Shatin. The average travelling time (single journey from home to University) is 52 minutes.

Concern about Financing University Education

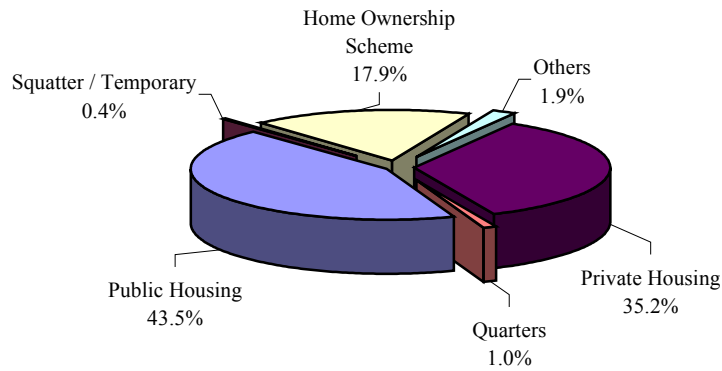


Type of Financial Support by Importance of Support

Importance of Support	Type of Financial Support					
	Family Support	Personal Savings	Part-time Job	Financial Aids	Scholarship/ Prizes	Others
20% or under	24.1%	95.4%	91.4%	43.1%	93.8%	98.6%
21-40%	17.6%	2.6%	5.6%	16.9%	2.4%	0.5%
41-60%	17.3%	1.5%	2.0%	22.3%	1.5%	0.4%
61-80%	13.8%	0.2%	0.4%	11.3%	0.2%	0.3%
81-100%	27.3%	0.2%	0.6%	6.5%	2.1%	0.2%
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.0%</i>	<i>100.0%</i>	<i>100.0%</i>	<i>100.0%</i>	<i>100.0%</i>	<i>100.0%</i>

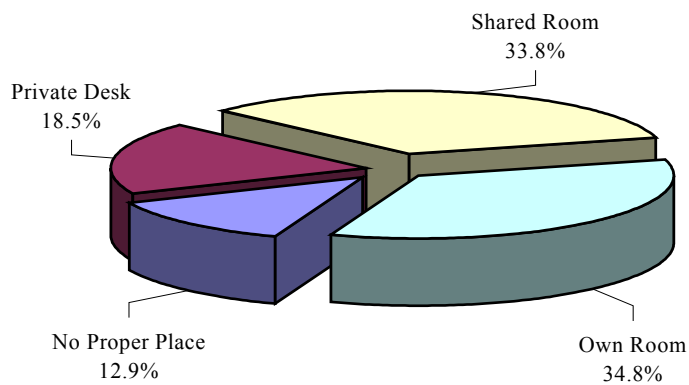
Only 9.6% of the first-year students don't have concern about financing their university education. The most important source of finance for university education comes from the family.

Type of Residence



61.8% of our students live in Government housing (Government housing estates and properties purchased through Government Home Ownership Scheme). About 40% of their residence has a size ranging from 400 to 599 sq.ft.

Study Place at Home



Only 34.8% of the first-year students have their own room.