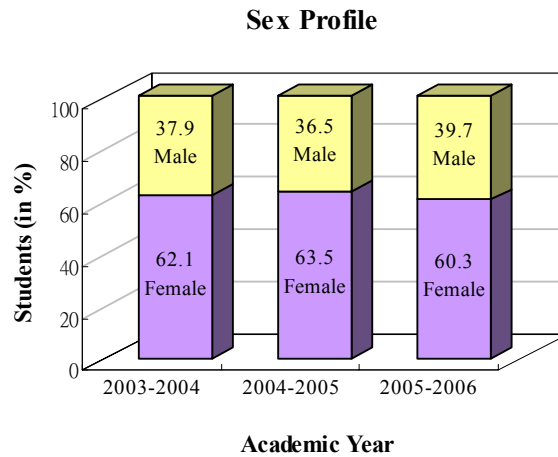


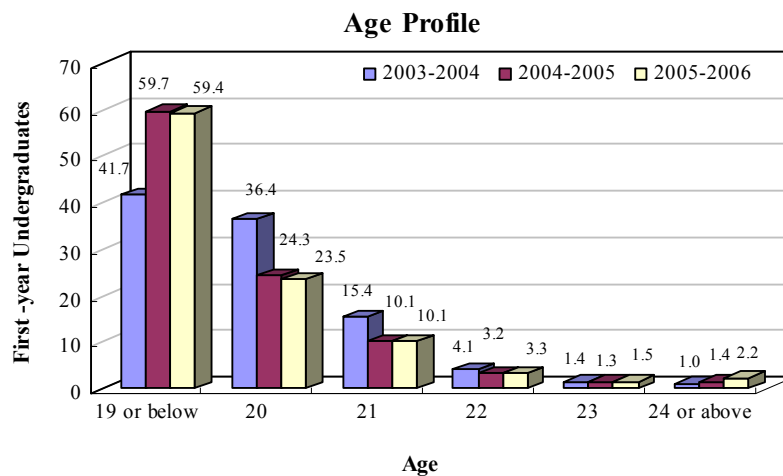
First-Year Student Survey in Capsule 2005-2006

This survey is conducted through web interface every year during the University-Life Workshop. First-year students are asked to complete the questionnaire when they attend one of the Workshop sessions.

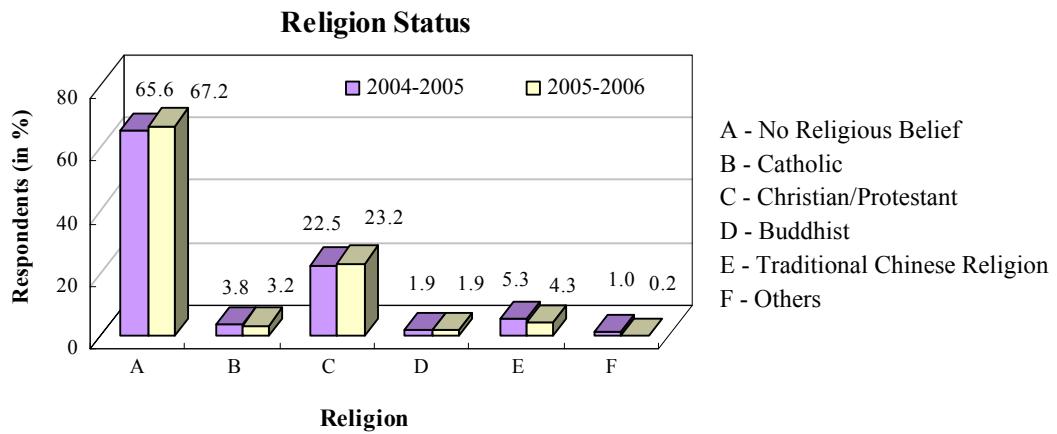
A total of 1,203 first-year students responded to the Survey, representing a response rate of 77.1% (1,203 out of 1,560), compared with 84.6% of last year. Below is the summary of the data collected.



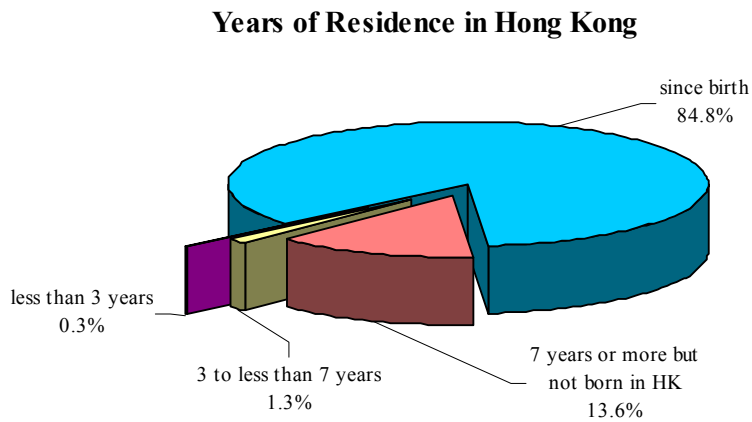
Like the past few years, the 2005-06 FYFD cohort has more female than male. The ratio of male to female is 1:1.52 (1:1.74 in 2004-05)



The majority of the respondents (82.9%) are aged 20 or below (84% in 2004-05).

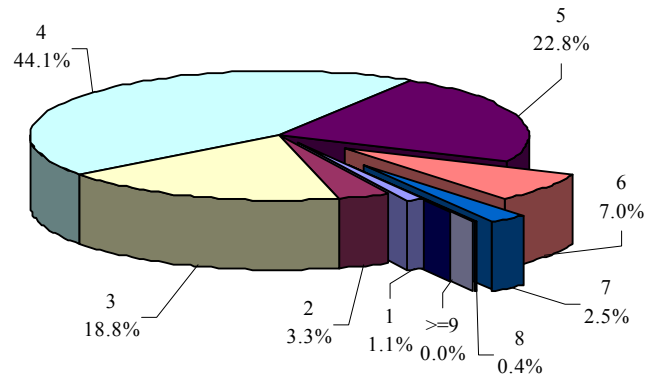


Same as previous years, over 65% of the respondents have no religious belief. Among those who have, 23.2% of them are Christian/Protestant.



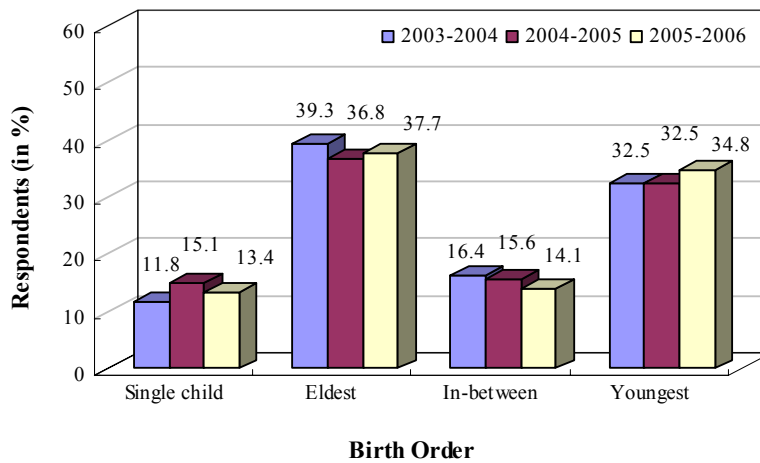
An overwhelming majority (84.8%) of the respondents were born in Hong Kong. Less than 2% of the first-year students have lived in Hong Kong for less than 7 years.

Number of Family Members



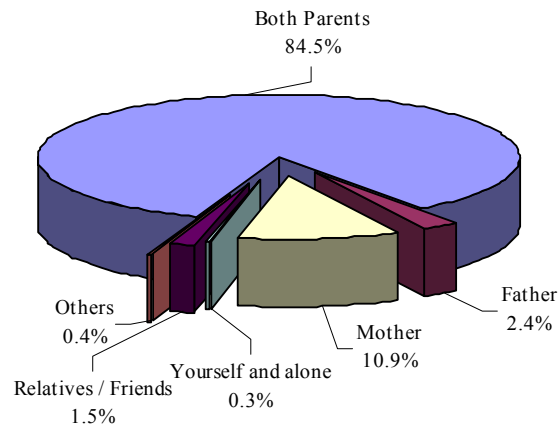
85.7% of the first-year students come from a family with three to five members.

Birth Order in Family



37.7% of the respondents are the eldest child while 34.8% of them are the youngest in the family.

Sharing Accommodation with Family Members



The majority of the respondents (84.5%) live with both parents.

Highest Education Attainment of Parents

Education Level	Father	Mother
No Formal Education	7.3%	7.3%
Primary Education	39.3%	41.8%
Secondary Education/ Matriculation (F.6, F.7)	44.5%	46.0%
Post-secondary/ University	8.9%	4.9%
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.0%</i>	<i>100.0%</i>

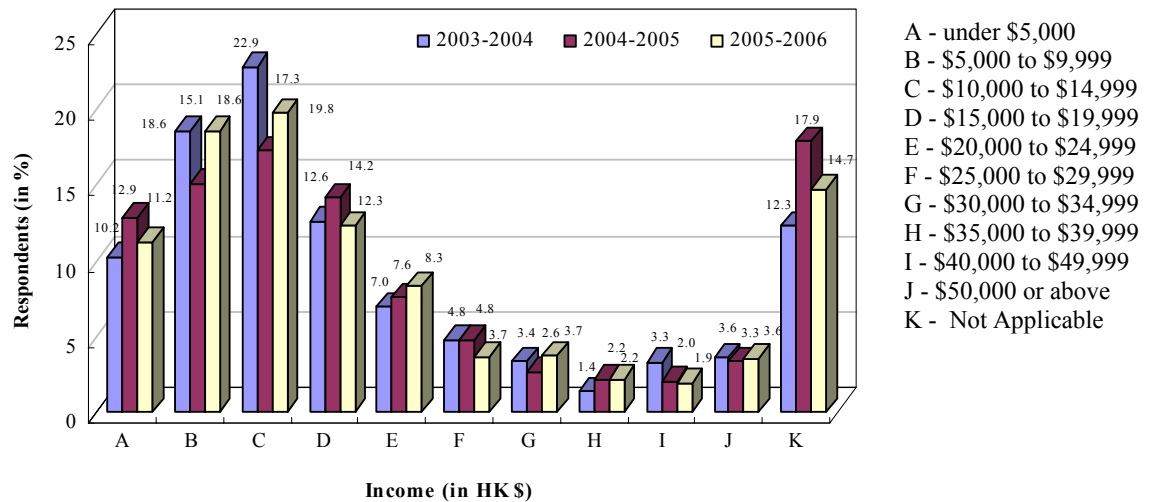
Only 8.9% of fathers and 4.9% of mothers have attained post-secondary/ University education.

Parents' Occupation

Occupation	Father	Mother
Professional	6.6%	4.0%
Service worker	19.8%	10.7%
Skilled/ semi-skilled worker	21.5%	5.2%
Business proprietor/ shop owner	9.3%	3.0%
Administrator/ executive	2.5%	1.8%
Labourer	3.7%	3.7%
Hawker	0.7%	0.3%
Clerical & other support staff	3.7%	6.5%
Salesman	2.3%	3.5%
Retired/ unemployed/ housekeeper	12.1%	43.2%
Others	17.8%	18.1%
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.0%</i>	<i>100.0%</i>

Most fathers are skilled/semi-skilled workers (21.5%) or work in the service sector (19.8%) while 43.2% of their mothers are either retired, unemployed or housekeeper. Around 10% of the fathers and 3% of the mothers are business proprietors or shop owners.

Household Income

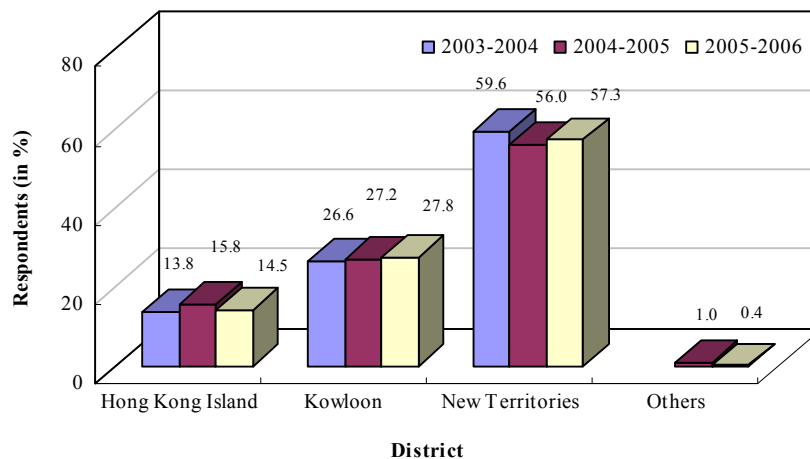


61.9% of the first-year students have a monthly household income below HK\$20,000.

Distribution of Residence and Average Travelling Time

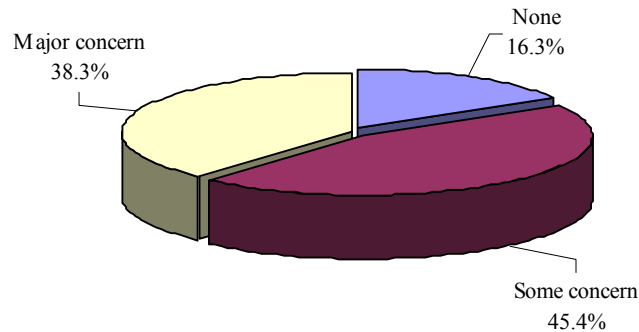
Area	District	Survey	Average Travelling Time (min.)
Hong Kong Island	Eastern	7.9%	63.0
	Wanchai	1.0%	50.0
	Central & Western	2.5%	49.0
	Southern	3.1%	74.2
	<i>Total/ Average</i>	14.5%	62.1
Kowloon	Kwun Tong	8.6%	45.3
	Wong Tai Sin	6.3%	24.1
	Kowloon City	5.4%	31.6
	Shamshuipo	5.5%	31.4
	Yaumatei/Tsimshatsui	2.0%	31.3
	<i>Total/ Average</i>	27.8%	34.0
	New Territories	Northern	6.0%
Shatin		11.4%	40.6
Tai Po		6.2%	50.6
Sai Kung		5.5%	51.4
Tsuen Wan		3.3%	55.5
Kwai Tsing		8.0%	50.0
Yuen Long		6.7%	78.7
Tuen Mun		9.1%	87.7
Outlying Islands		1.1%	85.7
<i>Total/ Average</i>		57.3%	60.0
Others		Marine	0.0%
	Not applicable	0.4%	69.0
	<i>Total/ Average</i>	0.4%	69.0
<i>Total/ Average</i>		100.0%	56.3

Resident District



Over half of the first-year students (57.3%) live in the New Territories, with a higher portion living in Shatin. The average travelling time (single journey from home to University) for all students is around 56.3 minutes.

Concern about Financing University Education

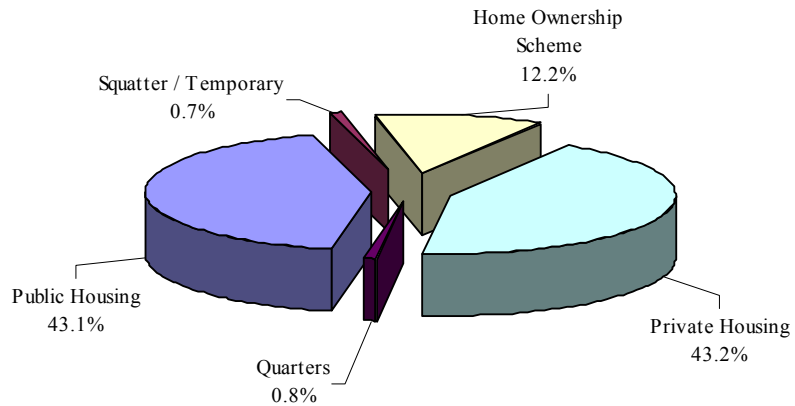


Type of Financial Support by Importance of Support

Importance of Support	Type of Financial Support					
	Family Support	Personal Savings	Part-time Job	Financial Aids	Scholarship/ Prizes	Others
20% or under	28.0%	97.8%	95.0%	55.4%	97.9%	98.1%
21-40%	11.3%	1.5%	3.2%	7.1%	0.7%	0.6%
41-60%	15.5%	0.7%	1.2%	15.1%	0.8%	0.9%
61-80%	12.6%	0.0%	0.2%	11.9%	0.3%	0.1%
81-100%	32.6%	0.0%	0.4%	10.5%	0.3%	0.3%
<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>

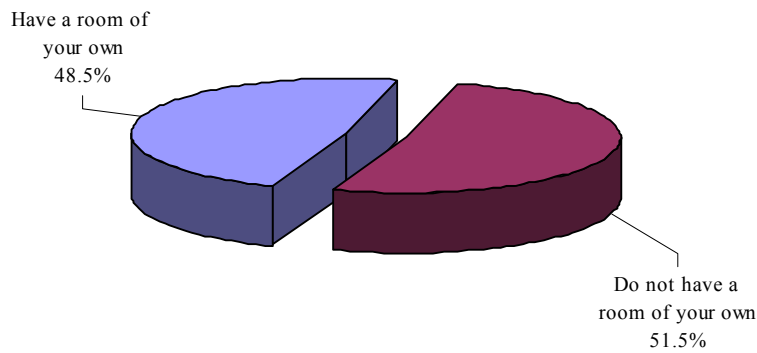
Only 16.3% of the first-year students do not have concern about financing their university education. The most important source of finance for university education still comes from the family, same as previous years.

Type of Residence



55.3% of our students live in Government housing schemed flats (Government housing estates and properties purchased through Government Home Ownership Scheme). This year, 61.6% of their residence has a size ranging from 200 to 599 sq.ft.

Study Place at Home



Only 48.5% of the first-year students have their own room.