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中大香港亞太研究所民調: 逾半市民贊成公務員延期退休

特區政府四月初就延長公務員退休年齡展開諮詢,香港中文大學香港亞太研究所就此 進行了一項電話調查,結果發現,逾半市民贊成現時擔任文職的公務員,可按部門需要延長 退休年齡至 65 歲;同時,若可自由選擇,約七成人不介意甚或希望延遲退休。不過,當被 問到若延期退休能否找到合適工作時,則有約六成市民表示有些困難或非常困難。

是次調查在 2014 年 4 月 22 日至 24 日晚進行,共成功訪問了 803 位 18 歲或以上的市民, 結果顯示,對政府建議現時擔任文職的公務員,可按部門工作需要,將退休年齡最多延長至 65 歲,56.0%的受訪者表示贊成,不贊成的只有 18.0%,24.3%則表示「一半半」(見附表一)。 至於政府以外機構員工的退休年齡,相對稍多受訪者主張為 65 歲,佔 40.5%,認為應該保持 為 60 歲的亦有 37.5% (見附表二)。

若可以選擇的話,26.6%的受訪者表示希望延遲退休,42.7%表示沒有所謂,25.8%的受訪者則表示不願意延遲(見附表三)。不過,若果真的要延遲退休,60.4%的受訪者表示,要找到合適的工作有些困難或非常困難,感到不太困難或非常容易的則有30.5%(見附表四)。

對於有人認為,延長退休年齡會減少年輕一代晉升的機會,相對較多受訪者不同意這 說法,百分比為 42.1%,同意的有 32.5%。此外,對於有人指出,延長退休年齡將增加機構 的支出,如勞工保險、退休金等,故實質弊多於利,約一半的受訪者(50.2%)對此並不同 意,同意的只有 17.8%。相反地,相對較多受訪者(46.7%)同意,延長退休年齡有助紓緩 未來數年勞動力不足的問題,不同意的只有 22.1%。至於對延長退休年齡可減少政府對長者 福利開支的說法,受訪者的意見則較為分歧,37.5%表示同意,34.7%不同意,感到「一半半」 的則有 24.4%(見附表五)。

此外,當受訪者被問及理想的退休年齡時,51.4%希望在 60 歲或以下,38.4%回答為 61 至 65 歲之間,只有 5.0%選擇 66 歲或以上,而受訪者的平均理想退休年齡則為 61.1 歲。

是次調查的成功回應率為 46.6%, 若以 803 個成功樣本數推算, 百分比變項的抽樣 誤差約在正或負 3.46%之內(可信度設於 95%)。

中大香港亞太研究所電話調查研究室 二零一四年五月五日

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附表一:是否贊成文職公務員退休年齡最多延長至65歲(百分比)

	百分比
不贊成	18.0
一半半	24.3
贊成	56.0
不知道/很難說	1.7
(樣本數)	(802)

題目:「政府現正就延長公務員嘅退休年齡方案進行諮詢。而其中一個建議,係將現職嘅文職公務員,可以按部門嘅工作需要,將退休年齡最多延長至65歲。你贊唔贊成呢個提議呢?係不 贊成、一半半,定係贊成呢?」

附表二:其他機構員工退休年齡

	百分比
55 歲	7.0
60 歲	37.5
65 歲	40.5
其他	8.0
不知道/很難說	7.0
(樣本數)	(802)

題目:「除咗公務員之外,你認為其他機構員工嘅退休年齡應該係幾多歲呢?係55歲、60歲、65歲,定係其他呢?」

附表三:如果可以選擇,想不想延遲退休(百分比)

	百分比
不想	25.8
想	26.6
無所謂	42.7
不知道/很難說	4.9
(樣本數)	(801)

題目:「如果可以選擇嘅話,你想唔想遲啲退休呢?係唔想、想,定係無所謂呢?」

附表四:如要延期退休,尋找適合工作有無困難(百分比)

	百分比
非常困難	20.5
有些困難	39.9
不太困難	26.1
非常容易	4.4
不知道/很難說	9.1
(樣本數)	(800)

題目:「對你嚟講,如果要遲啲退休,要揾到適合嘅工做有無困難呢?係非常困難、有啲困難、無 乜困難,定係非常容易呢?」

附表五:對延長退休年齡不同意見的看法(百分比)

	不同意	一半半	同意	不知道/ 很難說	(樣本數)
延長退休年齡會減少年輕一代 的晉升機會	42.1	23.7	32.5	1.7	(803)
由於延長退休年齡會增加機構的支出(例如勞工保險、退休金等),故延長退休年齡弊多於利。	50.2	28.5	17.8	3.5	(803)
延長退休年齡有助紓緩香港未來幾年勞動力不足問題	22.1	27.6	47.6	2.7	(802)
延長退休年齡可以減少政府對 長者福利的開支	34.7	24.4	37.5	3.4	(803)

題目:「有意見認為『延長退休年齡會減少年輕一代嘅晉升機會』。你同唔同意依個講法呢?係不同意、一半半,定係同意呢?」

題目:「有意見認為『由於延長退休年齡會增加機構嘅支出(例如勞工保險、退休金等),所以延長退休年齡弊多於利』。你同唔同意依個講法呢?係不同意、一半半、定係同意呢?」

題目:「有意見認為『延長退休年齡有助紓緩香港未來幾年嘅勞動力不足問題』。你同唔同意依個講法呢? 係不同意、一半半,定係同意呢?」

題目:有意見認為『延長退休年齡可以減少政府對長者福利嘅開支』。你同唔同意依個講法呢?係不同意、 一半半,定係同意呢?」

附表六:理想退休年齡

17.2%
34.2%
38.4%
5.0%
5.2%
(800)
61.1

題目:「對你嚟講,最理想嘅退休年齡係幾多歲呢?」

註:受訪者平均理想退休年齡的抽樣誤差為正負 0.37 歲,標準差(standard deviation)為 5.22,中位數(median)為 60 歲,眾值(mode)為 65 歲。

Press Release

Survey Findings on Views about Extension of Retirement Age Released by Hong Kong Institute of Asia-Pacific Studies at CUHK

A telephone survey was conducted from 22 to 24 April 2014 by Hong Kong Institute of Asia-Pacific Studies at The Chinese University of Hong Kong to gauge public views about extending age of retirement. 803 respondents aged 18 or above were successfully interviewed, with a response rate of 46.6%. The sampling error is + or -3.46% at a confidence level of 95%.

Major findings are summarized as follows:

In the survey, the respondents were asked if they agreed to the government proposal of raising the retirement age of civil servants of civil grade from 60 to 65 depending on the operational need of the units concerned. More than half (56.0%) of the 802 respondents agreed, 18.0% disagreed and 24.3% answered "in-between". Two-fifths (40.5%) of the respondents agreed that 65 is a suitable age of retirement for those working outside the government. 7.0% and 37.5% said that those working outside the government should retire at the ages of 55 and 60 respectively.

Being asked if they would want to postpone their retirement, 26.6% of the respondents favored and 25.8% did not favor. Over two-fifths (42.7%) did not show any preference. Three-fifths believed that it was either very difficult (20.5%) or difficult (39.9%) for them to obtain a suitable job should they extend their retirement age. 26.1% said it was not difficult to do so and 4.4% thought that was easy.

Concerning the pros and cons of extending the age of retirement, 42.1% of our respondents disagreed that raising retirement age would hinder promotion prospect of the younger generation. 32.5% agreed and 23.7% answered "in-between". Half of them (50.2%) disagreed to the statement that "as increasing expenses of enterprises (such as employee insurance and pension) will be resulted from extending the retirement age, raising the age of retirement is detrimental rather than beneficial", 17.8% agreed and 28.5% answered "in-between". 47.6% agreed that extension of retirement age would alleviate the problem of shrinking workforce faced by Hong Kong society in the next few years, 22.1% showed disagreement, and 27.6% said "in-between". 37.5% agreed that raising the age of retirement could reduce elderly welfare expenses of the government. 34.7% disagreed and 24.4% were "in-between".

Respondents were also asked about their desired age of retirement. Half of them (51.4%) preferred retiring at the age of 60 or before, 38.4% wanted to retire between 61 and 65 and 5.0% opted for the age of 66 or above. The mean of desired retirement age is 61.1.

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