

Quantitative Research

Survey Overview

Sample/Methodology

Global Research utilised Computer Assisted Telephone Interview (CATI) to interview 404 registered voters aged 18 years and older.

The survey was conducted between July 12 to July 19 2014.

Each interview was approximately 12 minutes.

Weighting

The results were weighted to be representative of Bermuda's population on the following factors: age, race and gender.

Margin of Error

The margin of error for the study is +/- 5% at the 95% confidence level.



True or False: PRC Holders Can Buy Homes In Bermuda

Sixty-five percent believed that PRC holders can buy homes in Bermuda.

Twenty-three percent believed that they cannot.

	TOTAL	Male	Female	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Black	White
True	65%	65%	64%	60%	75%	66%	64%	55%	67%	68%
False	23%	22%	25%	27%	16%	25%	19%	31%	24%	22%
Don't Know	12%	13%	11%	12%	9%	9%	17%	14%	9%	10%

True or False: PRC Holders Can Work Without A Work Permit

Fifty-eight percent believed that PRC holders can work without a work permit.

Twenty-nine percent believed that they cannot.

	TOTAL	Male	Female	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Black	White
True	58%	58%	59%	58%	65%	49%	68%	50%	59%	64%
False	29%	27%	30%	30%	26%	38%	17%	32%	31%	25%
Don't Know	13%	15%	11%	12%	9%	13%	14%	18%	11%	11%

True or False: PRC Holders Can Vote

Seventy-two percent believed that PRC holders cannot vote.

Seventeen percent believed that PRC holders can vote.

	TOTAL	Male	Female	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Black	White
True	17%	19%	17%	19%	23%	22%	13%	6%	19%	8%
False	72%	71%	73%	71%	69%	66%	78%	81%	71%	79%
Don't Know	10%	10%	11%	10%	8%	13%	9%	13%	10%	13%

Should PRC Holders Who Have Resided In Bermuda Since 1989 Be Granted Bermudian Status?

Fifty-seven percent believed that individuals in Bermuda who have had a PRC since July 31 1989 should be granted Bermudian status.

One-third believed that they should not be granted Bermudian status.

	TOTAL	Male	Female	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Black	White
Yes	57%	59%	56%	59%	61%	54%	47%	64%	51%	68%
No	33%	31%	35%	31%	32%	30%	49%	27%	39%	22%
Don't Know	9%	9%	10%	9%	8%	16%	4%	9%	9%	10%

Reasons Support / Oppose Granting PRC Holders Status

The top reasons for supporting or opposing giving individuals who have had a PRC since 1989 Bermudian status are shown below.

Top Reasons Support

Many have been contributing to Bermuda in a positive way for many years. They therefore should be granted status.

After 20 or more years they are a part of the community and should be granted status.

25 years is a long time to live in a country without being granted status.

Top Reasons Oppose

They have other rights and should not have a right to vote.

Bermuda is too small to give these individuals status.

They take jobs away from Bermudians.

Bermudians should not be in competition with PRC holders for land/jobs etc.



Tenure For Bermudian Status Entitlement

The majority felt that individuals should have to reside in Bermuda for either 10-19 years (29%) or 20-29 years (28%) before being entitled to Bermudian status.

	TOTAL	Male	Female	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Black	White
1-4 years	<.5%	1%	-	1%	-	-	-	-	<.5%	-
5-9 years	6%	3%	9%	4%	5%	7%	4%	10%	6%	6%
10-19 years	29%	27%	31%	27%	23%	23%	23%	52%	21%	47%
20-29 years	28%	31%	26%	32%	39%	33%	28%	5%	30%	24%
30-39 years	6%	9%	3%	5%	8%	6%	6%	4%	8%	-
40+ years	6%	5%	7%	7%	2%	2%	12%	9%	7%	4%
Never	20%	20%	19%	19%	17%	28%	25%	13%	22%	16%
Don't Know	5%	5%	5%	4%	7%	1%	3%	6%	5%	3%

Advice To Minister Fahy Regarding Granting PRC Holders Status

The most popular advice offered is shown below.

Messages/Advice to Minister Fahy On Granting PRC Holders Bermudian Status

View PRC holders on a case by case basis and perform proper background checks before granting status.

Automatically grant PRC holders status after 25 years.

Really consider the best interest of Bermudians and future generations when implementing immigration policies.

Do not give PRC holders Bermudian status.