

Study Description Form: 'Taiwan'

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Study Title 'Taiwan Social Change Survey: 2008, Questionnaire II'
Fieldwork Dates '2008-07-20~ 2008-09-18'
Principal Investigators 'Ly-yun Chang, Institute of Sociology, Academia Sinica'
Fieldwork Institution 'Center for Survey Research, Academia Sinica'
Population 'Population registers'
Sampling method 'Three-stage Stratified PPS Sampling, (1) PSU=township, (2) village (administrative unit under township, (3) individual person'
Fieldwork Methods 'Face-to-face interview (pencil and paper)'

Way the module was fielded (Check √)

-- as an independent survey ☐

-- as part of a larger survey ☒

If the module was fielded as part of a larger survey, the survey name that the EASS module was fielded with TSCS-2008

Initial Sample Size '4601'

N. of respondents '2067'

Response Rates

Total Issue	4601
Total EASS questionnaire received (1.0)	2067
Eligible, Non-interview (2.0)	2279
Refusal and break-offs (2.10)	607
Non-contact (2.20)	1562
Other (2.30)	110
Unknown eligibility (3.0)	0
Not Eligible (4.0)	255
Valid Response Rates	44.93% (N. of R. / Initial Sample Size)

Language 'Mandarin Chinese, Fukien dialect, or Hakka dialect'
(language of the field instrument)

Weighted 'Yes'

Weighting Procedure 'Data were weighted using an iterative, proportional raking scheme. Each observation was weighted by gender, age, urbanization, and education level.'

Weights were then generated to match the population characteristics of Taiwan.'

Known systematic properties of the sample 'description of biases or other deviations of the sample'

A non-response bias comes from the use of household registration data in which some household members in fact do not live in the household

Deviation from EASS questionnaires

'ex. questions omitted, added, or asked in a format different from what the original questionnaires have prescribed'

Several questions were not included in the survey questionnaire (e.g., R's religious beliefs, spouse's and parents' year of schooling). One question (v84) was asked in a format different from what the original questionnaires have prescribed. Please refer our questionnaire for details.

Publication

'list of publications using the present data set'

Report for Taiwan Social Change Survey (2008), Institute of Sociology, Academia Sinica.

Remarks on the Survey

'other county-specific aspects of the survey that need to be known'

Values of some standard background variables are constructed from responses to two or more questions.

National Population Characteristics: 'Taiwan'

* Please provide the following information about known characteristics of national population from the relevant high-quality data sources, e. g., census or other government surveys. In case when a country doesn't possess relevant statistics, the country is strongly advised to provide whatever statistics that is closest to the national characteristics. Also, the groupings of each item below could possibly be country-specific, except for Gender and Employment Status.

SOURCE OF THE STATISTICS:

GENDER

Male	11,611,026	50.6%
Female	11,355,433	49.4%

SOURCE: Dept. of Household Registration Affairs, MOI. (End of Jan., 2008)

AGE (Groups)

-14	4,022,434	17.5%
15-19	1,622,976	7.1%
20-29	3,684,093	16.0%
30-39	3,713,298	16.2%
40-49	3,764,385	16.4%
50-59	3,017,967	13.1%
60-69	1,540,983	6.7%
70-79	1,094,950	4.8%
80-	505,373	2.2%
Total	22,966,459	100.00%

SOURCE: Dept. of Household Registration Affairs, MOI. (End of Jan., 2008)

YEARS OF SCHOOLING (15 years or older)

1-9 (elementary school or Junior high school)	5,651,983	29.5%
10-12 (Senior high school or middle school (old))	6,297,758	32.9%
13-14 (Junior college or higher professional school)	2,378,811	12.4%
13-16 (College, university or graduate course)	4,300,681	22.5%
Self-study	77,987	0.4%
Illiterate	424,608	2.2%
DK	0	0
Total	19,131,828	100.0%

SOURCE: Dept. of Household Registration Affairs, MOI. (End of Jan., 2008)

EMPLOYMENTS STATUS (15 years or older)

Status		Percentage
Regular employees(35hrs or more)	7,196,000	38.6%
Temporary employees(less than 35hrs)	707,000	3.8%
Directors	NA	NA
Self-employed, employing others	508,000	2.7%
Self-employed, not employing others	1,374,000	7.4%
unpaid family workers	619,000	3.3%
Persons doing home handicraft	NA	NA
Unemployed	450,000	2.4%
Not in Labor Force	7,770,000	41.7%
DK	0	0
Total	18,624,000	100.0%

SOURCE: Manpower survey results, 2008, Directorate General of Budget, Accounting and Statistics, Executive Yuan, R.O.C.

NATIONAL STATISTICS ON DISTRIBUTION OF INDIVIDUAL WORK INCOME

(Monthly income, Unit = NT\$)

	%
less than 15,000	2.5%
15,000 ~ 19,999	8.1%
20,000 ~ 24,999	14.2%
25,000 ~ 29,999	17.0%
30,000 ~ 34,999	16.6%
35,000 ~ 39,999	11.2%
40,000 ~ 44,999	9.1%
45,000 ~ 49,999	5.2%
50,000 ~ 59,999	7.4%
60,000 ~ 69,999	3.8%
70,000 or more	4.8%
Total	100.0%

SOURCE: Manpower survey results, 2008, Directorate General of Budget, Accounting and Statistics, Executive Yuan, R.O.C.

NATIONAL STATISTICS ON DISTRIBUTION OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME (Unit = NT\$)

Average Disposable Income per Household by
Disposable Income Quintile

Year	Average disposable income per household	Average disposable income per household of each fifth				
		1 lowest 20 percent	2 Second 20 percent	3 Third 20 percent	4 Fourth 20 percent	5 Highest 20 percent
2008 97年	913,687	303,517	564,893	796,225	1,068,804	1,834,994

SOURCE: The Survey of Family Income and Expenditure, 2008, Directorate General of Budget, Accounting and Statistics, Executive Yuan, R.O.C.

Data Archive and Contact Information

DATA ARCHIVE

Country	Data Archive	Web Site
Taiwan	Taiwan Social Change Survey (TSCS) , Institute of Sociology, Academia Sinica	http://www.ios.sinica.edu.tw/sc/

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