National Survey of Timor-Leste Public Opinion

November 7 - 24, 2016
Detailed Methodology

• The survey was conducted by INSIGHT Lda., based in Dili, Timor-Leste, under the supervision of Chesapeake Beach Consulting and the International Republican Institute between November 7 and November 24, 2016. The 2013 data is from a survey conducted between September 18 and October 19, 2013. The 2008 data is from a survey conducted between November 10 and December 16, 2008.

• Data was collected through in-person, in-home interviews. The sample was stratified by the 13 districts of Timor-Leste. Interviews were conducted in both urban and rural locations.

• The sample consisted of 1,200 respondents (response rate: 99 percent) age 17 and older, and was representative of voting-age adults nationally.

• The survey was conducted according to a random multistage stratified section process. The first stage of the survey was stratified by Timor-Leste’s 13 districts. In the second stage, the survey was further stratified by suco (village). Next, aldeias (neighborhood administrative units) were chosen by random sampling, using the 2010 census information. Within each aldeia, households were selected from a random starting point and then every fifth house was chosen. Following random household selection, respondents in each household were chosen based on the Kish Grid method to select respondents 17 years and older.

• Interview teams were comprised of both men and women.

• The margin of error does not exceed plus or minus 2.9 percent at the mid-range with a confidence level of 95 percent.

• The information in this report has been compiled in accordance with international standards for market and social research methodologies. Figures in charts and tables may not add up to 100 percent due to rounding.
Are things going in the right direction or the wrong direction in Timor-Leste?

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October 2013: 55% Right direction, 26% Wrong direction, 19% Don't know/Refused
November 2016: 49% Right direction, 21% Wrong direction, 30% Don't know/Refused
Why do you think the country is moving in the right direction? (Open-ended, n=586)

- Our country is changing for the better; more economic opportunity and development: 52%
- Infrastructure development (electricity, clean water, roads), healthcare and education has improved: 16%
- We are free, at peace and live in a democracy: 6%
- Government has improved, corruption is reduced: 5%
- Other: 3%
- Don't know: 14%
Why do you think the country is moving in the wrong direction? (Open-ended, n=257)

- Lack of healthcare, education and infrastructure development (no access to clean water, electricity or roads): 65%
- Government is functioning poorly, has failed to implement promised plans, doesn’t care about the people: 12%
- Lack of economic opportunity and jobs, people still live in poverty: 9%
- Government corruption and nepotism: 6%
- Other: 9%
- Don’t know: 6%
In your opinion, do you think Timor-Leste is better off, the same or worse off than last year?

- Better off: 57%
- The same: 35%
- Worse off: 2%
- Don't know: 6%
Thinking ahead, do you think Timor-Leste will be better off, the same or worse in the coming year?

- Better off: 72%
- The same: 20%
- Worse off: 1%
- Don't know: 7%
In the last year, did you and your family’s financial situation improve, stay the same or become worse?

- Improved: 31%
- Stayed the same: 56%
- Became worse: 8%
- Don’t know: 6%
Do you think you and your family’s financial situation will improve, stay the same or become worse in the coming year?

- Improve: 50%
- Stay the same: 39%
- Become worse: 2%
- Don't know: 9%
If you could have only one or the other, which is more important to you: a democratic system of government or a prosperous economy?

- Democracy is definitely more important to me: 47%
- Democracy is somewhat more important to me: 3%
- Prosperity is somewhat more important to me: 9%
- Prosperity is definitely more important to me: 31%
- Don't know: 10%
How would you rate the job of the government of Timor-Leste?

November 2016
- Very good: 29%
- Good: 45%
- Neither good nor bad: 18%
- Bad: 6%
- Very bad: 1%
- Don't know: 1%

October 2013
- Very good: 43%
- Good: 47%
- Neither good nor bad: 8%
- Bad: 1%
- Very bad: 1%
- Don't know: 1%
Issues and Priorities
In your opinion, what is the most important issue/problem facing Timor-Leste? (Open-ended)

- Roads: 29%
- Employment: 11%
- Education: 8%
- Crime: 7%
- Electricity: 5%
- Government relations with neighboring countries: 4%
- Political violence: 4%
- Prices of goods and food: 3%
- State-related corruption: 2%
- Land ownership law: 2%
- Tourism development: 1%
- Justice system: 1%
- Healthcare system: 1%
- Veteran pension spending: 1%
- Other: 5%
- Don't know: 16%
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I’m going to read you a list of issues, and for each one, please tell me how you feel the situation has changed in the last year.

Healthcare: 79% Improved, 14% Stayed the same, 5% Became worse, 2% Don't know

Education: 78% Improved, 17% Stayed the same, 2% Became worse, 3% Don't know

Electricity: 71% Improved, 15% Stayed the same, 13% Became worse, 1% Don't know

Government relations with Indonesia: 71% Improved, 18% Stayed the same, 3% Became worse, 8% Don't know

Government relations with Australia: 57% Improved, 26% Stayed the same, 8% Became worse, 9% Don't know

Veteran pension spending: 49% Improved, 29% Stayed the same, 11% Became worse, 12% Don't know

Reducing crime: 47% Improved, 32% Stayed the same, 7% Became worse, 14% Don't know

Tourism industry: 43% Improved, 32% Stayed the same, 5% Became worse, 21% Don't know

Employment: 43% Improved, 38% Stayed the same, 7% Became worse, 12% Don't know

Land ownership law: 42% Improved, 35% Stayed the same, 11% Became worse, 12% Don't know

Judicial processes: 40% Improved, 34% Stayed the same, 4% Became worse, 22% Don't know

Political violence: 38% Improved, 39% Stayed the same, 6% Became worse, 17% Don't know

Prices of goods and food: 30% Improved, 53% Stayed the same, 15% Became worse, 3% Don't know

Roads: 29% Improved, 38% Stayed the same, 32% Became worse, 2% Don't know

State-related corruption: 24% Improved, 42% Stayed the same, 17% Became worse, 17% Don't know
In your opinion, what is the most important issue/problem in your local community? (Open-ended)

- Roads: 41%
- Electricity: 10%
- Employment: 10%
- Education: 5%
- Reducing crime: 3%
- Prices of goods and food: 3%
- Health: 2%
- Land ownership law: 2%
- Veteran pension spending: 1%
- Government relations with neighboring countries: 1%
- Political violence: 1%
- Other: 15%
- Don't know: 6%
Do you believe the districts/municipalities should have more control over local spending, taxing and administration?

- Yes: 57%
- No: 27%
- Don't know: 16%
In general, do you favor or oppose the government’s plan to create directly-elected municipal assemblies?

- Favor: 83%
- Oppose: 3%
- Don't know: 14%
Do you think the government emphasizing and encouraging tourism would be beneficial for Timor-Leste?

- Very beneficial: 55%
- Somewhat beneficial: 24%
- Not too beneficial: 6%
- Not beneficial at all: 1%
- Don't know: 15%
Which of the following do you think would do the most to develop and encourage tourists to visit Timor-Leste?

- Improved infrastructure (such as roads and airports): 35%
- Promoting Timorese tourism abroad: 19%
- Passage of Timor-Leste private property laws: 11%
- Improved public-private partnerships: 8%
- Increased foreign investment in Timor-Leste tourism industry: 8%
- Increased domestic investment in Timor-Leste tourism industry: 5%
- Don't know: 15%
Based on your prior knowledge, do you approve of how the government is spending the petroleum fund* money?

- Strongly approve: 52%
- Somewhat approve: 16%
- Somewhat disapprove: 17%
- Strongly disapprove: 8%
- Don’t know: 8%

*The petroleum fund is a wealth fund into which the revenue from exported Timorese petroleum and gas is deposited.
Do you support the government’s plan for the *Zonas Especiais de Economia Social de Mercado* (ZEESM) project in Oecusse?

*ZEESM (Special Economic Zones for Social Market Economy) is an infrastructure development project based in Oecusse.*
Do you support the *Tasi Mane* project?

- **89%** Yes
- **4%** No
- **4%** Never heard of it
- **3%** Don't know

*The *Tasi Mane* project is part of the Strategic Development Plan to build three industrial centers on the southwest coast to support Timor-Leste’s petroleum industry.*
What is your opinion of the work currently being performed by the following official, office or agency?

- The President: 33% Very good, 54% Good, 11% Neither good nor bad, 1% Bad, 2% Very bad, 1% Don't know
- STAE/Technical Secretariat for Election Administration: 33% Very good, 54% Good, 8% Neither good nor bad, 4% Bad, 1% Very bad, 1% Don't know
- The Prime Minister: 31% Very good, 55% Good, 11% Neither good nor bad, 3% Bad, 1% Very bad, 2% Don't know
- CNE/National Election Commission: 30% Very good, 56% Good, 9% Neither good nor bad, 5% Bad, 1% Very bad, 1% Don't know
- F-FDTL/The armed forces: 29% Very good, 57% Good, 11% Neither good nor bad, 2% Bad, 1% Very bad, 2% Don't know
- PNTL/The police: 28% Very good, 56% Good, 11% Neither good nor bad, 1% Bad, 1% Very bad, 2% Don't know
- Your district administrator: 24% Very good, 58% Good, 12% Neither good nor bad, 4% Bad, 1% Very bad, 1% Don't know
- The National Parliament: 24% Very good, 56% Good, 15% Neither good nor bad, 3% Bad, 1% Very bad, 3% Don't know
- The courts: 19% Very good, 55% Good, 16% Neither good nor bad, 8% Bad, 2% Very bad, 2% Don't know
- KAK/Anti-Corruption Commission: 15% Very good, 45% Good, 23% Neither good nor bad, 3% Bad, 11% Very bad, 2% Don't know
Voting and Elections
Did you vote in the last parliamentary elections in July 2012?

- Yes: 86%
- No: 14%
Which party did you vote for in the last election? (n=1,026)

- FRETILIN: 44%
- CNRT: 29%
- PD: 5%
- ASDT: 2%
- Confidential: 7%
- Other: 5%
- Don't know: 8%
How likely, if at all, are you to vote in the 2017 presidential election?

- Very likely: 98%
- Somewhat likely: 1%
- Somewhat unlikely: <1%
- Very unlikely: <1%
- Don’t know: 1%

How likely, if at all, are you to vote in the 2017 parliamentary elections?

- Very likely: 98%
- Somewhat likely: 1%
- Somewhat unlikely: <1%
- Very unlikely: <1%
- Don’t know: <1%
Regarding the 2017 presidential and parliamentary elections, how much information would you say you have about these elections?

- A great deal of information: 53%
- A fair amount of information: 22%
- Not very much information: 10%
- No information at all: 10%
- Don’t know: 5%
For each of the following aspects of the voter registration process, please indicate if you have enough information or need more information.

Where to register vote in the 2017 general election:
- Have enough information: 18%
- Need slightly more information: 11%
- Need significantly more information: 66%
- Don’t know: 5%

When to register to vote in the 2017 general election:
- Have enough information: 19%
- Need slightly more information: 12%
- Need significantly more information: 63%
- Don’t know: 6%

How to register to vote in the 2017 general election:
- Have enough information: 25%
- Need slightly more information: 9%
- Need significantly more information: 62%
- Don’t know: 4%
Which political party do you associate yourself with or belong to? (Open-ended)

- **FRETILIN**: 44% (October 2013), 21% (November 2016)
- **CNRT**: 19% (October 2013), 19% (November 2016)
- **PD**: 4% (October 2013), 3% (November 2016)
- **PLP**: <1% (October 2013), 2% (November 2016)
- **KHUNTO**: <1% (October 2013), 2% (November 2016)
- **ASDT**: <1% (October 2013), 1% (November 2016)
- **PSD**: <1% (October 2013), 1% (November 2016)
- **Frente-Mudança**: <1% (October 2013), 2% (November 2016)
- **Do not associate with a political party**: 28% (October 2013), 15% (November 2016)
- **Don't know**: 19% (October 2013), 13% (November 2016)

**Timeline**
- October 2013
- November 2016
In your opinion, who is the best political or government leader in Timor-Leste? (Open-ended)

- Xanana Gusmão: 56%
- Francisco Guterres "Lú Olo": 15%
- Taur Matan Ruak: 6%
- Dr. José Ramos Horta: 4%
- Mari Alkatiri: 4%
- Other: 2%
- Don't know: 13%
Who do you think should be the next president of Timor-Leste?
(Open-ended)

- Francisco Guterres "Lú Olo" - 21%
- Xanana Gusmão - 10%
- Taur Matan Ruak - 6%
- Mari Alkatiri - 1%
- Dr. José Ramos Horta - 1%
- Other - 2%
- Don't know - 59%
Who do you think should be the next president of Timor-Leste?

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What is the main reason that you associate yourself with or belong to this party?
(Open-ended, n=873)

- They do the best job and develop the country: 27%
- My family is associated with the party/Fought for the party: 17%
- They are founders of our nation/Helped liberate the people: 15%
- FRETILIN is a historic party/Helped develop and free our country: 5%
- Their leader: 5%
- They have the best policies: 4%
- They care about young people: 2%
- Other: 9%
- Don't know: 16%
Would you consider voting for other political parties in future elections? (n=873)

- Yes: 81%
- No: 13%
- Maybe: 4%
- Don't know: 2%
Do you favor or oppose the political party you support joining a coalition with another political party?  
(n=873)

- Strongly favor: 66%  
- Somewhat favor: 15%  
- Somewhat oppose: 5%  
- Strongly oppose: 6%  
- Don't know: 9%
How much confidence do you have in the ability of the Secretariado Técnico da Administração Eleitoral (STAE) to organize credible elections?

- A great deal of confidence: 75%
- A fair amount of confidence: 15%
- Very little confidence: 2%
- No confidence at all: 1%
- Don't know: 6%
How much confidence do you have in the ability of the Comissão Nacional de Eleições (CNE) to supervise the implementation of elections?

- A great deal of confidence: 75%
- A fair amount of confidence: 15%
- Very little confidence: 2%
- No confidence at all: 1%
- Don't know: 7%
How concerned are you that violence may take place in your district during the 2017 presidential and parliamentary elections?

- Very concerned: 66%
- Somewhat concerned: 10%
- Not too concerned: 11%
- Not at all concerned: 9%
- Don't know: 5%
Women and Youth
Which statement comes closest to your own opinion?

- Women are more capable than men to serve in elected positions in government: 9% (October 2013), 6% (November 2016)
- Women are as capable as men to serve in elected positions in government: 69% (October 2013), 82% (November 2016)
- Women are less capable than men to serve in elected positions in government: 16% (October 2013), 7% (November 2016)
- Don’t know: 5% (October 2013), 6% (November 2016)
If there are two candidates running for office and they have the same qualifications aside from the fact that one is a man and one is a woman, which candidate are you more likely to support?

- Man: 26%
- Woman: 24%
- Makes no difference to me: 47%
- Don’t know: 3%
Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? Politicians do not listen to the needs and ideas of women.

- Strongly agree: 10%
- Somewhat agree: 6%
- Somewhat disagree: 30%
- Strongly disagree: 50%
- Don't know: 5%

Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? Politicians do not listen to the needs and ideas of young people.

- Strongly agree: 10%
- Somewhat agree: 4%
- Somewhat disagree: 31%
- Strongly disagree: 51%
- Don't know: 4%
Views of Political Parties
Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the following political parties?

- FRETLIN: 75% Very favorable, 17% Somewhat favorable, 2% Somewhat unfavorable, 5% Very unfavorable, 2% Don't know
- CNRT: 57% Very favorable, 27% Somewhat favorable, 2% Somewhat unfavorable, 11% Very unfavorable, 2% Don't know
- PD: 26% Very favorable, 40% Somewhat favorable, 11% Somewhat unfavorable, 20% Very unfavorable, 3% Don't know
- PLP: 22% Very favorable, 41% Somewhat favorable, 9% Somewhat unfavorable, 22% Very unfavorable, 6% Don't know
- Frente-Mudança: 22% Very favorable, 43% Somewhat favorable, 10% Somewhat unfavorable, 23% Very unfavorable, 3% Don't know
- PSD: 19% Very favorable, 41% Somewhat favorable, 12% Somewhat unfavorable, 26% Very unfavorable, 3% Don't know
Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the following political parties?

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Which political party is most active in your neighborhood?

- FREITILIN: 52%
- CNRT: 23%
- PD: 4%
- PLP: 2%
- PSD: <1%
- Frente-Mudança: <1%
- No party is active: 13%
- Other: 2%
- Don’t know: 5%
Which of the following ways would you like political parties to reach out to you?

- Radio ads: 60%
- Television ads: 57%
- Meeting with politicians: 53%
- Meeting with respected people: 47%
- Large posters: 30%
- Newspaper articles: 26%
- Large rallies: 22%
- Brochures/Pamphlets: 22%
- Visits of candidate or party representative to your house: 20%
- Paid ads in newspapers for the candidate or political party: 16%
- Personal letters to you from the candidate: 11%
Do you have a favorable or unfavorable impression of the following people?

- **Xanana Gusmão**: 87% Strongly favorable, 11% Somewhat favorable, 1% Somewhat unfavorable, 1% Very unfavorable, 1% Don’t know
- **Francisco Guterres “Lú Olo”**: 83% Strongly favorable, 15% Somewhat favorable, 2% Somewhat unfavorable, 1% Very unfavorable, 1% Don’t know
- **José Ramos-Horta**: 75% Strongly favorable, 22% Somewhat favorable, 2% Somewhat unfavorable, 1% Very unfavorable, 1% Don’t know
- **Taur Matan Ruak**: 75% Strongly favorable, 23% Somewhat favorable, 1% Somewhat unfavorable, 1% Very unfavorable, 1% Don’t know
- **Mari Alkatiri**: 74% Strongly favorable, 21% Somewhat favorable, 3% Somewhat unfavorable, 2% Very unfavorable, 2% Don’t know
- **Lere Anan Timur**: 73% Strongly favorable, 23% Somewhat favorable, 2% Somewhat unfavorable, 1% Very unfavorable, 1% Don’t know
- **Isabel da Costa a Fereira**: 61% Strongly favorable, 28% Somewhat favorable, 5% Somewhat unfavorable, 5% Very unfavorable, 5% Don’t know
Which party best reflects each statement?

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<td>They have the best policies to help the poor</td>
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<td>They are the most committed to fighting corruption</td>
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Which party best reflects each statement?

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<th>Statement</th>
<th>FRETILIN</th>
<th>CNRT</th>
<th>PD</th>
<th>PLP</th>
<th>Frente-Mudança</th>
<th>PSD</th>
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<td>Would do the best job on the economy</td>
<td>53%</td>
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<td>32%</td>
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Do you feel free to express your political opinions in the area where you live?

- Yes: 79%
- No: 9%
- Don't know: 13%
International Relations
Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the following countries and entities?

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<th>Country</th>
<th>Very favorable</th>
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<td>78%</td>
<td>17%</td>
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<td>United States</td>
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<td>20%</td>
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Do you expect relations between Timor-Leste and Australia to improve, worsen or stay the same over the next five years?

- **Improve**: 78%
- **Worsen**: 5%
- **Stay the same**: 6%
- **Don't know**: 11%
Which of the following media sources do you think is most helpful for people like you to learn about election-related issues and procedures?

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<th>Source</th>
<th>First Mention</th>
<th>Second Mention</th>
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<tr>
<td>Talk shows or news programs on TV</td>
<td>65%</td>
<td>19%</td>
<td>25%</td>
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<td>Information from one person to another</td>
<td>13%</td>
<td>17%</td>
<td>21%</td>
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<td>Talk shows or news programs on the radio</td>
<td>12%</td>
<td>45%</td>
<td>14%</td>
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<td>Town hall meetings/workshops/discussion groups</td>
<td>2%</td>
<td>4%</td>
<td>6%</td>
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<td>Religious meetings</td>
<td>2%</td>
<td>4%</td>
<td>6%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Information on social media (Facebook, YouTube)</td>
<td>1%</td>
<td>2%</td>
<td>3%</td>
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<td>Brochures/flyers/posters/banners</td>
<td>1%</td>
<td>1%</td>
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<td>Text messaging (SMS)</td>
<td>&lt;1%</td>
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<td>Information in newspapers and magazines</td>
<td>&lt;1%</td>
<td>1%</td>
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<td>Information on the internet in general</td>
<td>&lt;1%</td>
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<td>Other</td>
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<td>Don’t know</td>
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What is your main source for political news? (Open-ended)

- Television: 59%
- Local chiefs: 15%
- Radio: 14%
- Friends, family or neighbors: 6%
- Internet: 1%
- Religious leaders: 1%
- Newspapers: 1%
- Don't know: 5%
Which TV channel/station is your main source for political news? (Open-ended, n=703)

- RTTL: 98%
- RCTI: 1%
- Other: 1%
Which radio station is your main source for political news?
(Open-ended n=173)

- RTL: 67%
- Radio Maubere: 18%
- RTK: 4%
- Radio Komunidade Lian Tatamailau: 4%
- Radio Atoni Lifau: 3%
- Other: 5%
Do you have any family members (who are over 17) living and working outside of Timor-Leste?

- Yes: 81%
- No: 19%
What country do they live in? (Open-ended, n=229)

- England: 42%
- Indonesia: 24%
- South Korea: 17%
- Australia: 9%
- Portugal: 8%
- Ireland: 6%
- Other: 10%
## Demographics

### Gender
- Female: 50%
- Male: 50%

### Age
- 18-30: 38%
- 31-40: 22%
- 41-50: 19%
- 51-60: 12%
- 61+: 10%

### Education
- Never attended school: 27%
- Primary school (incomplete): 10%
- Primary school graduate: 10%
- Junior high school: 14%
- Senior high school: 30%
- University (incomplete): 4%
- University graduate: 5%

### Employment Status
- Working full-time: 4%
- Working part-time: 5%
- Seeking work: 9%
- Housekeeping: 26%
- Retired: <1%
- Studying or in training: 11%
- Farmer: 40%
- Fisherman: 1%
- Other: 3%

### Monthly Income (per family)
- Under 100 dollars: 47%
- 101 to 300 dollars: 26%
- 301 to 500 dollars: 3%
- 501 to 700 dollars: 1%
- 701 to 900 dollars: <1%
- 901 to 999 dollars: 0%
- More than 1,000 dollars: <1%
- Don’t know: 23%

### Religious Attendance
- Daily: 4%
- Weekly: 57%
- Monthly: 8%
- Occasionally: 28%
- Never: 3%

### Family Living Outside of Timor-Leste
- Yes: 19%
- No: 81%