
**Profile of Singapore Male Travelers to the
Riau-islands: Demographic,
Travel Behavior & Safer sex practices**



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General Profile of Target Group

<u>Race</u>	%
Chinese	54.2
Malay	24.6
Indian	18.0
Others	1.9
No reply	1.3
<u>Marital status</u>	
Married	45.6
Single	29.7
Divorce/Separated	15.0
Widowed	8.0
No reply	1.7
<u>Age group</u>	
31-40	34.6
41-50	25.3
20-30	17.9
51-60	15.6
> 60	3.9
<20	1.4
No reply	1.3
<u>Occupation</u>	
Self-employed	24.9
Driver/Transport	11.6
Labourer	11.5
Service/Sales	10.1
Retired	7.9
Technician	6.7
Manager/Professional	6.4
Production Mfg	4.9
Clerical/Admin	3.7
Security	3.7
Logistic/shipping	3.0
Unemployed	2.0
Others	1.9
No reply	1.7

- More than half of the target group were Chinese;
- Close to half of this group interviewed were married & more than one quarter were single;
- 44.8% were in the age group of >41 years of age while 34.6% were 31-40 years old;
- 51.5% were blue-collar workers, 24.9% were self-employed, 10.1% were white-collar workers, 7.9% were retired, 3.9% were Unemployed/others



Travel Behavior

<u>Number of people travelling</u>	
With one friend	37.0
Alone	27.8
With 2-5 friends	27.2
More than 5 friends	7.6
No response	0.4
<u>Frequency of visit last 6 months</u>	
1-2 times	37.4
3-4 times	23.9
> 4 times	23.0
First time	15.6
No response	0.1
<u>Duration of stay</u>	
2 days	52.7
1 day	26.6
3-4 days	16.0
More than 4 days	4.0
No reply	0.7

- 37% were likely to travel with one other friend while more than one quarter were likely to be travelling alone;
- 37.4% visited 1-2 times over the last six months;
- 52.7% stayed 2 days; while more than one quarter stayed only 1 day



Risk Behavior

<u>Sex with?</u>	
Girlfriend & Prostitutes	36.2
Prostitutes only	33.9
Wife	22.8
Others	4.9
No reply	2.2
<u>Condom Usage</u>	
< 50% of the time	35.3
Never use	33.6
>50% of the time	19.0
All the time	10.0
<u>Reason not using condom</u>	
Dislike using	44.6
Regular Partner	26.0
No condoms available	11.2
No reply	11.0
Others	7.2

- 70.1% had sex with girlfriend and sex workers
- 68.9% never use or use less than 50% of the time when having sex in the Riau-island
- 44.6% cited as dislike using condom while more than one quarter said they had sex with regular partner and it was not necessary

