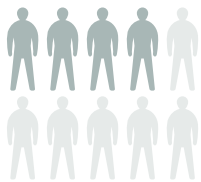


# Race relations

**There is strong support for multiracial and meritocratic values, but..**

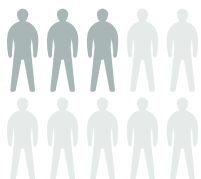
**Four in 10**

minority Singaporeans feel the majority race demands more cultural rights.



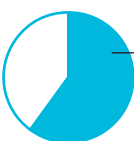
**Three in 10**

Chinese Singaporeans feel minority races demand more cultural rights.



**Nearly four in 10 Malays**

and 25% of Indians also think minority races demand more cultural rights.



**Six in 10 have heard racist comments**

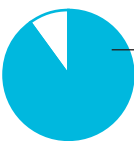
**Almost two-thirds**

say the comment was made by a friend.



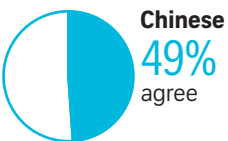
**Nearly half**

heard the comment at their workplace.

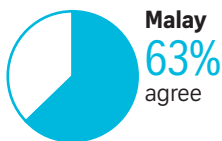


**Nine out of 10 feel that anyone who works hard can become rich, no matter the race**

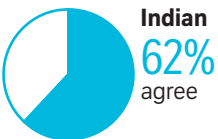
**Is being of the majority race an advantage in Singapore?**



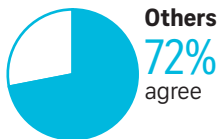
**Chinese**  
49% agree



**Malay**  
63% agree



**Indian**  
62% agree

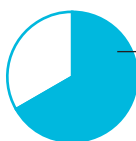


**Others**  
72% agree

**Younger Singaporeans more open to a president/prime minister of another race**

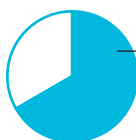
Age of Chinese Singaporean respondents (years)	Acceptability as president (%)			Acceptability as prime minister (%)		
	Chinese	Malay	Indian	Chinese	Malay	Indian
Younger than 30	95	64	75	99	63	70
30 to 39	96	63	72	98	59	65
40 to 49	95	61	70	99	50	56
50 to 59	97	51	60	99	42	50
Older than 60	97	48	50	98	42	45

While Singaporeans do not mind having a meal with people of other races, they prefer political leaders to be of their own race.



**Two-thirds of Chinese do not mind inviting Indians and Malays to their homes for a meal**

Race	Acceptability by race of person (%)		
	Chinese	Malay	Indian
Chinese	97	66	68
Malay	89	95	81
Indian	86	79	89
Others	90	86	78



**Two-thirds of Chinese do not mind Indians and Malays playing with their children or grandchildren**

Race	Acceptability by race of person (%)		
	Chinese	Malay	Indian
Chinese	97	72	68
Malay	87	96	77
Indian	87	79	88
Others	85	82	76

**Most prefer people of their own race to marry into their family**

Race	Acceptability by race of person (%)		
	Chinese	Malay	Indian
Chinese	98	24	21
Malay	63	95	41
Indian	50	30	86
Others	78	60	40

**Most prefer a prime minister of their own race**

Race	% who think it is acceptable to have as prime minister someone who is...		
	Chinese	Malay	Indian
Chinese	98	53	60
Malay	86	93	75
Indian	88	70	89
Others	87	81	68

**Most prefer a president of their own race**

Race	% who think it is acceptable to have as president someone who is...		
	Chinese	Malay	Indian
Chinese	96	59	68
Malay	84	94	75
Indian	87	73	92
Others	84	84	69