



## WARD RESEARCH

### **HAWAIIAN ISSUES 2007: CROSS SECTIONAL TOTAL DATA, n=380 margin of error +/-5% at 95% confidence level**

Q1. Have you heard of the Hawaiian Federal Recognition Bill, also known as the Akaka bill?

Yes.....	84%
No .....	16
Don't know/refused .....	<1

Q2. The Akaka bill proposes a process for Hawaiians to be formally recognized as the indigenous people of Hawaii, giving them equal federal status with American Indians and Alaska Natives, including 560 groups already recognized by the U.S. government. Do you think that Hawaiians should be recognized by the U.S. as a distinct indigenous group, similar to the recognition given to American Indians and Alaska Natives?

Yes.....	70%
No .....	18
Don't know .....	12

Q3. Hawaiian governance means the right of Hawaiians to make decisions about their land, education, health, cultural and traditional practices, and social policies. Do you believe that Hawaiians have a right to make these decisions?

Yes.....	67%
No .....	22
Don't know/refused .....	11

Q4. There are over 100 federally-funded programs for Hawaiians in the fields of health, education, employment, economic development and housing. Do you believe that these programs should continue?

Yes..... 83%  
No ..... 11  
Don't know/refused ..... 7

Q5. Have you heard of recent lawsuits against the Kamehameha Schools challenging its Hawaiians-only policy of admissions --- and against the state, seeking to declare the Department of Hawaiian Homelands and the Office of Hawaiian Affairs illegal?

Yes, heard or read about it..... 79%  
No, not aware of it..... 19  
Don't know/refused ..... 2

Q6. Some people say that federal recognition of Hawaiians as an indigenous people is needed so that organizations like Kamehameha Schools, Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, and OHA can continue serving the needs of Hawaiians. They say that without Federal recognition, such organizations will continue to face lawsuits that hamper their ability to serve the Hawaiian people. Do you agree or disagree that programs such as these should be protected through federal recognition of Hawaiians as an indigenous people?

Agree ..... 65%  
Disagree..... 23  
Don't know/refused ..... 12

Q7. Critics of the Akaka bill say Native Hawaiians are a race, rather than an indigenous group, and therefore should not receive federal recognition. Do you believe that Native Hawaiians should NOT be given federal recognition because of race?

Yes..... 20%  
No ..... 64  
Don't know/refused ..... 16

Q8. There has been talk about creating a Hawaiian governing entity that would represent the Hawaiian people in their dealings with the state and the federal government. Do you agree or disagree that an entity of some kind should be formed?

Agree ..... 51%  
Disagree..... 34  
Don't know/refused ..... 16

Q9. What is your ethnic identification?

Caucasian .....	24%
Chinese .....	5
Filipino.....	17
Hawaiian .....	21
Japanese .....	17
Mixed .....	9
Other .....	6
Refused.....	<1

Q10. What was your age on your last birthday?

18-24 .....	13%
25-34 .....	19
35-44 .....	21
45-54 .....	23
55-64 .....	12
65+ .....	13
Refused.....	<1
<b>Mean .....</b>	<b>44.37</b>

Q11. Do you have children under 18 in your household?

Yes .....	48%
No .....	52
Don't know/refused .....	<1

Q12. Did you vote in the 2006 general elections?

Yes .....	62%
No .....	37
Don't know/refused .....	1

Q13. What is the highest level of education you've had an opportunity to complete?

Less than high school .....	6%
High school graduate .....	26
Business/trade school .....	6
Some college .....	22
College graduated/post graduate .....	40
Refused.....	<1

Q14. And was your household income for 2006, before taxes:

Under \$25,000 .....	15%
\$25,000 - but under \$35,000 .....	12
\$35,000 - but under \$50,000 .....	17
\$50,000 - but under \$75,000 .....	9
\$75,000 and above .....	16
Don't know/refused .....	14

Q15. Gender:

Male .....	46%
Female .....	54