



# Bermuda Omnibus Survey

Fourth Quarter 2006 - Contra Research

## Final Results for **Bermuda Sun**

Field Dates:	December 6 <sup>th</sup> - 14 <sup>th</sup> , 2006
Population:	Bermuda Residents (18+)
Sample:	407
Sampling Error:	+/-4.9% (19 in 20 Samples)

*All results are expressed as a percentage*

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## *Summary Report on Bermuda Sun's Contra Research*

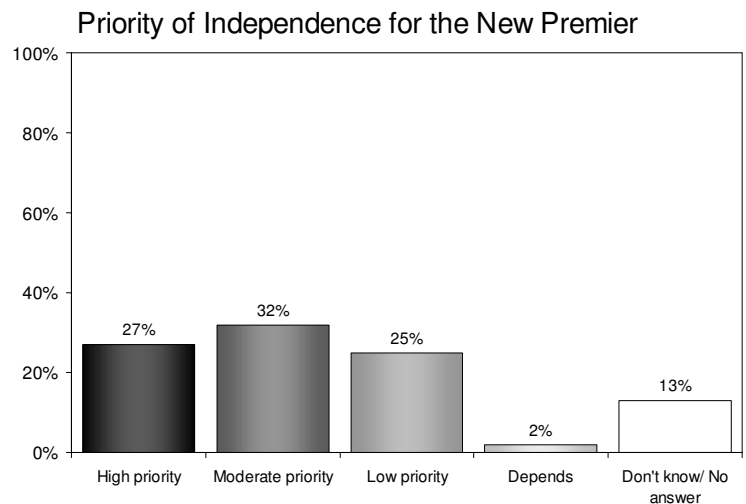
The following are summary results for Bermuda Sun's contra questions from the latest *Bermuda Omnibus Survey*, a syndicated quarterly survey of Bermuda residents. The survey consisted of telephone interviews with a representative sample of 407 Bermuda residents conducted between December 6<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>, 2006. A sample of this size drawn from the population provides results accurate to within plus or minus 4.9 percent in 19 out of 20 samples.

### Independence as a Priority for the New Premier

Residents believe Independence will be of at least a moderate priority for the Government given the introduction of the new Premier.

- More than half (59%) of residents believe that Independence will be of at least a moderate priority of the Government with the introduction of the Premier, while one-quarter believes it will be of only a low priority. It should be noted that more than one-in-ten is unable to provide a response. (Table 39)

Those most likely to believe that Independence will be a *high* or *moderate* priority of the Government, under the leadership of Dr. Brown, include female residents, those with a household income of more than \$50,000, residents younger than 35 years of age, and white residents. Residents living in Warwick and Paget parishes are more likely to be unable to provide a response.



## Support or Opposition for Abandoning the Six-Year Work Term Limit

**There is moderate support for the Government to abandon the current six-year work term limit.**

- As the six-year work term limit policy currently in place comes into full effect in April 2007, residents who have been working in Bermuda for six years will be forced to leave the Island. To provide some insight into residents' perceptions of this rule and assess their support for potential changes, residents were asked the extent to which they support or oppose the Government abandoning this limit.

Currently more than one-half of residents support the Government abandoning the six-year work term limit, while four-in-ten oppose the abolition of this rule.

Those most likely to **support** the Government in abandoning this limit include residents with a household income of at least \$50,000, younger residents, and white residents. On the

other hand, those most likely to **oppose** the Government canceling this policy include residents living in Sandy's and Southampton parishes and those with a household income of less than \$50,000. It should be noted that support and opposition of the Government abandoning this rule does not vary by Bermudian status. (Table 40)

