



## Proportion of adults (40+) who have ever been screened for colorectal cancer, HKPR district, RRFSS January – December 2008

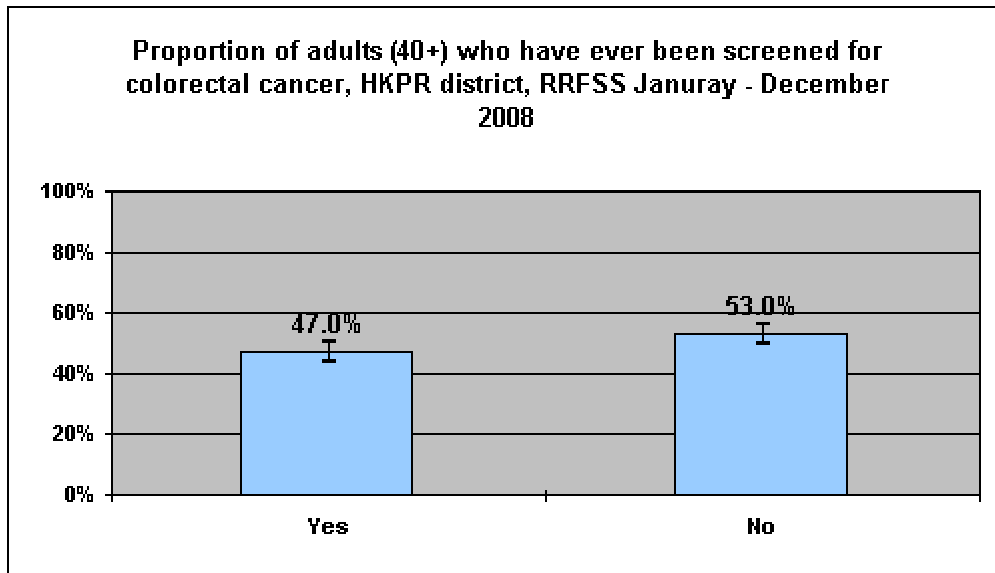
Table 1: Colorectal Cancer (overall)

Ever screened for colorectal cancer	Proportion	95% upper confidence limit	95% lower confidence limit
Yes	47.0%	50.1%	43.8%
No	53.0%	56.2%	49.9%

sample size

954

Figure 1: Colorectal Cancer (overall)



**Interpretation:**

47.0% (+/-3%) of adults (40+) reported that they have ever been screened for colorectal cancer.  
53.0% (+/-3%) of adults (40+) reported that they have never been screened for colorectal cancer.

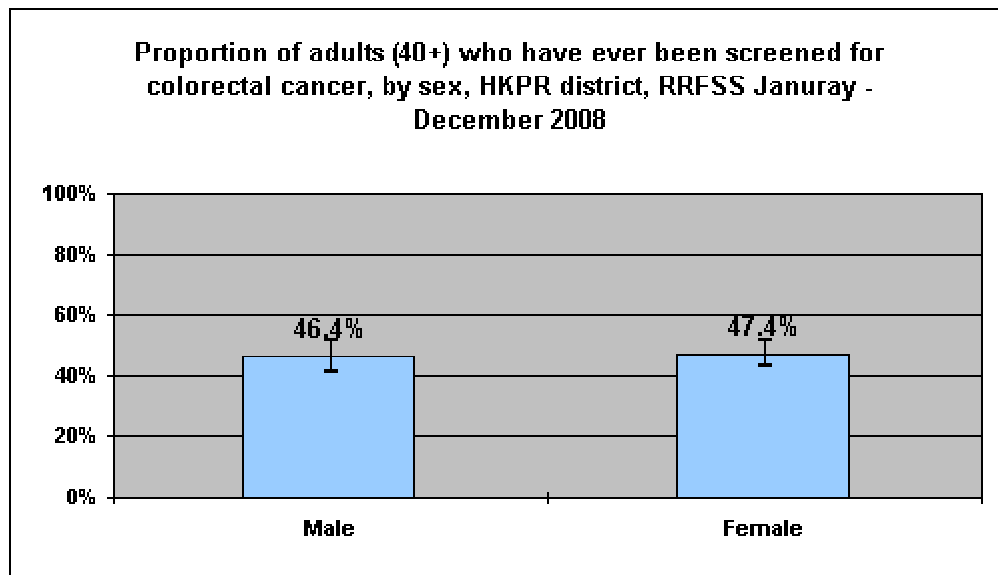
**Proportion of adults (40+) who have ever been screened for colorectal cancer, by sex, HKPR district, RRFSS January – December 2008**

**Table 2: Colorectal Cancer Screening (by sex)**

Ever been screened for colorectal cancer	Proportion	95% upper confidence limit	95% lower confidence limit
<b>Male</b>	46.4%	51.4%	41.4%
<b>Female</b>	47.4%	51.5%	43.2%

sample size 954

**Figure 2: Colorectal Cancer Screening (by sex)**



**Interpretation:**

46.4% (+/-5%) of adult males (40+) reported that they have ever been screened for colorectal cancer.

47.4% (+/-4%) of adult females (40+) reported that they have never been screened for colorectal cancer.

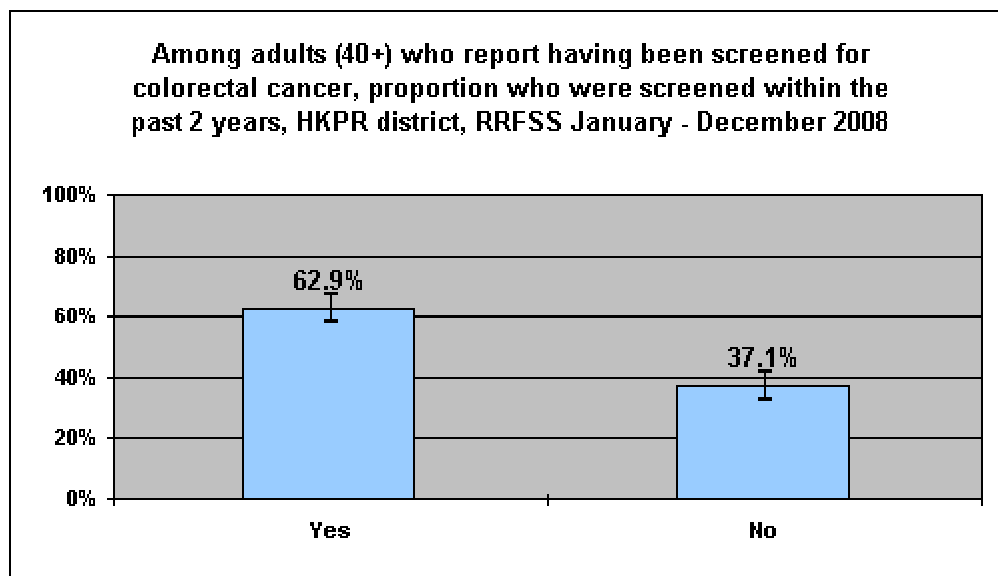
**Among adults (40+) who reported having been screened for colorectal cancer, proportion who were screened within the past 2 years, HKPR district, RRFSS January – December 2008**

**Table 3: Colorectal Cancer Screening (within the past 2 years)**

Screened for colorectal cancer within the past 2 years	Proportion	95% upper confidence limit	95% lower confidence limit
<b>Yes</b>	62.9%	67.5%	58.3%
<b>No</b>	37.1%	41.7%	32.5%

sample size 427

**Table 3: Colorectal Cancer Screening (within the past 2 years)**



**Interpretation:**

62.9% (+/-5%) of adults (40+) who have ever been screened for colorectal cancer and who reported that they have been screened within the last 2 years.

37.1% (+/-5%) of adults (40+) who have ever been screened for colorectal cancer but who have not been screened within the last 2 years.

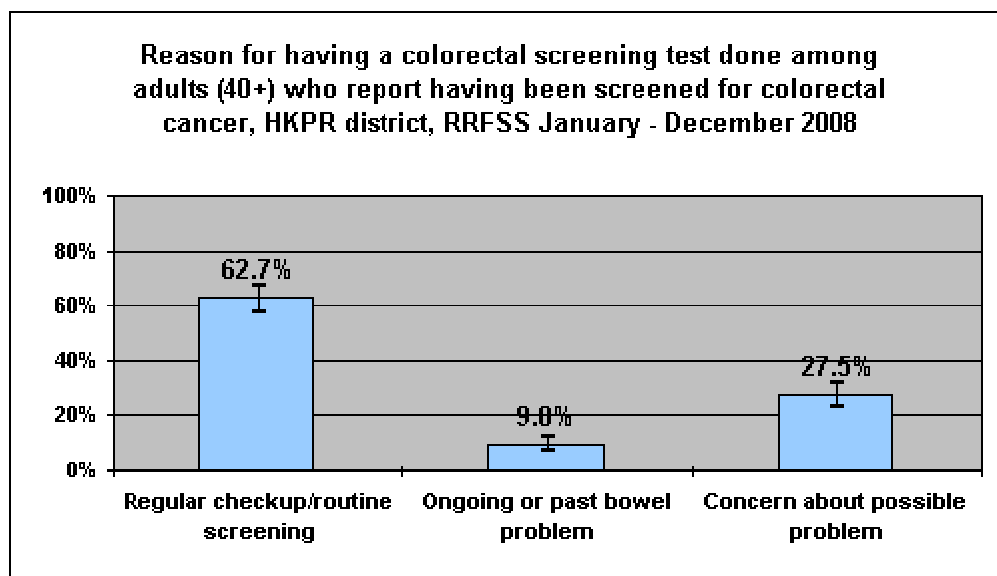
**Reason for having a colorectal screening test done among adults (40+) who reported having been screened for colorectal cancer, HKPR district, RRFSS January – December 2008**

**Table 4: Colorectal Cancer Screening (reason)**

Reason for having a colorectal screening test	Proportion	95% upper confidence limit	95% lower confidence limit
Regular checkup/routine screening	62.7%	67.4%	58.1%
Ongoing or past bowel problem	9.8%	12.6%	6.9%
Concern about possible problem	27.5%	31.8%	23.2%

sample size 417

**Figure 4: Colorectal Cancer Screening (reason)**



**Interpretation:**

62.7% (+/-5%) of adults (40+) who have ever been screened for colorectal cancer reported their reason for being screened for colorectal cancer was for a regular checkup/routine screening. 9.8% (+/-3%) of adults (40+) who have ever been screened for colorectal cancer reported their reason for being screened for colorectal cancer was due to an ongoing or past bowel problem. 27.5% (+/-4%) of adults (40+) who have ever been screened for colorectal cancer reported their reason for being screened for colorectal cancer was due to a concern about a possible problem.

**Limitations:**

1. Questions are only asked of adult residents aged 18+.
2. Telephone survey only conducted in English.
3. Results are based on self-reported behaviours.
4. (\*) indicates that results are based on small sample size, thus estimates have high variability.

**Notes:**

- 1) The numbers in the tables and graphs are weighted.
  - 2) Missing responses are not included in the analysis.
  - 3) 'Don't Know' and 'Refused' responses are analyzed according to RRFSS Analysis Guidelines.
  - 4) Release criteria of the data are according to RRFSS Analysis Guidelines.
- \* Interpret with caution, high variability.  
\*\* Data not released.
- 5) Current recommendations for colorectal screening may be found at the following website:  
[http://www.cancer.ca/Canada-wide/About%20cancer/Types%20of%20cancer/Screening%20for%20colorectal%20cancer.aspx?sc\\_lang=en](http://www.cancer.ca/Canada-wide/About%20cancer/Types%20of%20cancer/Screening%20for%20colorectal%20cancer.aspx?sc_lang=en)