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CAPE TOWN. - The

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win a referendum 01'

election among White:

with a comfortable

margin. although the

Contenative Patty

could pull in excess of

30 percent of the votes.

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rnlhlim Imelday by

the Human Sciences

Research Council

(HSRC).

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ovetttll White support for

Ptestdent De Klerlt -

musng trout SI to 57 per-

cent during 19" - con-

tradicted media speculat-

ion alter the V'ttgt'nia by-

etecction that he did not in

fut have White majority

However. the ANC re-

mains the country's lat;-

est single political otpni.

nation. and would win In

eIl-tttce gettenl election.

but not neuIIII'ily with I

, majority over all other

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parties combined.

The results of 2m

fwe-to-lnee interviews

conducted in September

and October last year

show that Mr De Klerk's

credibility tote steadily

throughout lut year

union; all tectionsof the

muletion.

Pemnnl support for

Mr Nelson Mandela.

ANC president, rose

sharply after the ANC':

mid-yeat congress. with

Black suppott lot the

ANC fuming at the end

of the year.

Nmow load

In the whole popula-

tion. the ANC was the

dominant organisation.

but by a surprisingly nat-

tow majority. Suppon for

the ANC amounted to

36.14 percent of the total

population. the National

Party second with 28.76

percent. and the CP third

with 3.10 percent.

But the HSRC warned

yesterday that last year's

surveys were based on the

1985 census. These ft;-

ures would change "un-
 predictably" when sur-
 veys were made later this
 year. using the more ac-
 curate statistics of the
 1991 census as a base.
 It was also proposed to
 expand the survey to in-
 clude the "deep rural
 areas" and the TBVC
 states. to provide infor-
 mation that better reflec-
 ted the reality of the
 country as a whole.
 Political analyst Protes-
 test Lawrence Schlemmer
 said it was likely that
 when rural Zululand.
 north of the Tugela Riv-
 er. was included in future
 surveys. it would be
 found that the Inkatha
 Freedom Party was in
 third place after the ANC
 and IFP. the first metro-
 politan survey. Inkatha
 received 1.55 percent sup-
 - ANC support. by
 percentage of the total,
 was: 66.1) among
 63" among Coloureds.
 7.57 among Indians
 3.08 among Whites; This
 gave it 36.14 percent sup-
 port of the population
 at a whole.
 The SA Communist
 Party received Support
 from only 0.14 percent at
 least. and negligible
 support elsewhere.
 The NP support. by per-
 centage. was: 5.70 among
 Blacks. 53.37 among
 . 51.74 among
 Indians 49.01 among
 Whites. of an overall of
 28.76 percent of the total
 population.
 The CP support was
 from 20.22 percent of
 Whites. and negligible
 among others. giving it In
 Men" of 30 percent of
 the population.
 The PAC and An.
 may appear to be among
 the smaller political
 groups in the country,
 although Prof Schlemmer
 said the PAC: support
 among 3.33 percent of
 Blacks: will increase
 when the entire area of
 Northern Transvaal were
 included in a survey.
 Mr De Klerk
 Mr De Klerk's credibil-
 ity among all sections of
 the population rose dur-
 ing the year. to All over

high 0! 62 percent of the same canvases. ile in Mly um only 35 percent at Black: be4 lieved Mr De Klerk was sincere in attempts to bring shout I new todety tree of discrimination and racism. this figure pasted the half-way mark and climbed to 52 peteent at the last survey. His credibility climbed from 65 percent to 79 percent among Whites. 69 to T1 peteent among Culouteda. and So to 77 percent among Indians. Ngunhspealting respondents (Xhosa and Zulu) showed the least faith in Mt De Kletklt sincerity. with 46 percent. The upon said 55 percent of South Africans believed that Mr De Kletlt't policies would bn't'tg lasting pence to the country. with 23 percent neutral, 1'! percent disagreeing with his position and ftye percent undecided. Ol the wt Whites polo led in the taoe-to-tace survey. SI peteent said they would choose Mr De Kletk as the person to lead 50th Attica todny. Academic interest only, says HSRC THE HSRC yesterday admitted that its latest survey on political any port in South Africa was ol academic interest only and could not predict the scum! support of the different political groupings in the cumtlyr. The manager of market data at the HSRC. Mr Deon Hettvst. said the survey was only done in cities and larger towns and that rural areas were not included. This excluded most Conservative Putty sup-pottent among Whites. most of the lnltatha supporters amongst Blacks and put the ANC and the National Party __ both te- _____._____garded as having mostly utbnn support - at an advantage. At most the survey could only represent about 60 percent of the South African population

based on the 1935 census
figurest

"We ate working to-
wards accurate surveys
and have come a long way
in doing so. The results
we are releasing at this
stage can be regarded as
interim results and once
we 'have perfected the
method of getting rep.
resentlttve samples from
the population our sut-
veys will be totally accu-
rate and will carry the
necessaty weight." he
said.

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