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--- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Annex 1**    **Detailed Results**    **Living Conditions**  **Conditions in the Community**  **Social Priorities**  **Reform and Elections**  **Armed Attacks**  **The American Road Map** | [**Annex 2: Sample Distribution**](http://home.birzeit.edu/cds/opinionpolls/poll9/tables.html#Annex2) |     **Annex 1**   |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | |  | Total % | West Bank % | Gaza Strip % | | **ECONOMIC SITUATION** | | | | | **1.**      **At the present time, how would you describe the economic condition of your family?** | | | | | 1) Very good | 2.3 | 1.9 | 2.9 | | 2) Good | 13.4 | 13.7 | 12.9 | | 3) Fair | 40.5 | 36.0 | 46.9 | | 4) Bad | 24.5 | 27.0 | 20.8 | | 5) Very bad | 19.3 | 21.1 | 16.5 | | 6) Don’t know/No opinion | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 | | **2.**      **During the past two years, would you say that your family has:** | | | | | 1) Completely lost its income | 28.2 | 26.5 | 30.6 | | 2) Partially lost its income | 55.9 | 61.2 | 48.1 | | 3) Maintained its income at its original level | 15.3 | 11.6 | 20.8 | | 4) Increased its income | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.4 | | **3.**      **In dealing with the current economic conditions, has your family been forced to do any of the following: sell property, sell wife's dowry, borrow money, raise animals, cultivate vegetables/food, ask others for help.** | | | | | 1) Cuts on expenditures | 86.4 | 88.4 | 83.6 | | 2) Spending all or part of savings | 78.2 | 81.0 | 73.6 | | 3) Borrowing | 56.2 | 52.5 | 61.7 | | 4) Selling wife's jewelry or part of it | 46.1 | 38.0 | 58.0 | | 5) Asking others for help | 40.2 | 36.3 | 46.0 | | 6) Resorting to domestic farming and raising livestock | 32.6 | 38.4 | 22.9 | | 7) Selling land or other property | 22.2 | 19.0 | 30.7 | | **4.**      **Are you able to secure proper education for your children (or yourself)?** | | | | | 1) Yes | 20.0 | 19.7 | 20.6 | | 2) To some extent | 26.4 | 25.5 | 27.7 | | 3) No | 53.5 | 54.8 | 51.7 | | **5.**      **Are you confident that would you be able to secure proper health services in the event a family member falls ill?** | | | | | 1) yes | 28.6 | 30.6 | 25.6 | | 2) To some extent | 24.9 | 23.7 | 26.7 | | 3) No | 45.9 | 45.0 | 47.3 | | 4) No opinion | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.4 | | **6.**      **Do you know of any family in your neighborhood that is unable to provide food for its members?** | | | | | 1) yes | 56.4 | 53.9 | 60.1 | | 2) No | 43.6 | 46.1 | 39.9 |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **7.**      **If you had the chance to immigrate, would you?** | | | | | 1) yes | 26.1 | 27.0 | 24.9 | | 2) No | 73.3 | 72.1 | 75.1 | | 3) Don’t know/No opinion | 0.6 | 1.0 | 0.0 | | **VIEWS ON INTIFADA AND PA-HAMAS RELATIONS** | | | | | **8.**      **After two years of Intifada, are you satisfied with how it is proceeding?** | | | | | 1) Yes | 16.8 | 16.3 | 17.4 | | 2) to some extent | 18.6 | 21.5 | 13.9 | | 3) No | 62.5 | 58.8 | 67.9 | | 4) Don’t know/No opinion | 2.3 | 3.4 | 0.7 | | **9.**      **Do you even feel that the Intifada is actually continuing?** | | | | | 1) Yes | 80.5 | 76.9 | 85.7 | | 2) No | 14.3 | 16.00 | 11.9 | | 3) Don’t know/No opinion | 5.2 | 7.1 | 2.3 | | **10.**    **How do you feel about the Intifada’s prospects in terms of serving the interests of the Palestinian people?** | | | | | 1) Optimistic | 46.3 | 38.8 | 57.2 | | 2) Somewhat optimistic | 18.3 | 21.4 | 13.8 | | 3) Pessimistic | 32.1 | 35.00 | 27.8 | | 4) No opinion | 3.3 | 4.8 | 1.2 | | **11.**    **Do you believe that attacks against Israeli civilians in Israeli cities will lead to** | | | | | 1) Positive results for the Palestinian cause | 45.8 | 38.9 | 56.00 | | 2) Negative results for the Palestinian cause | 29.3 | 33.8 | 22.7 | | 3) Neither a negative nor a positive result for the Palestinian cause | 18.6 | 20.1 | 16.5 | | 4) No opinion | 6.3 | 7.3 | 4.8 | | **12.**    **In Gaza, a clash took place between the Palestinian National Authority (PNA) and Islamic factions (Hamas). Who is responsible for these events:** | | | | | 1) PNA | 26.9 | 22.5 | 31.9 | | 2) Hamas | 6.5 | 7.6 | 4.8 | | 3) PNA & Hamas | 45.2 | 43.5 | 47.7 | | 4) No opinion | 22.00 | 26.3 | 15.6 | | **13.**    **Do you feel that the PNA has the right to take all necessary measures to preserve public order in PNA-controlled areas?** | | | | | 1) Yes | 75.2 | 73.9 | 77.00 | | 2) No | 17.3 | 16.2 | 18.9 | | 3) No opinion | 6.5 | 8.2 | 4.1 |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **14.**    **Do you feel that the Gaza clashes are a sign that there will be further conflict between the PNA and Hamas?** | | | | | 1) yes | 39.7 | 35.8 | 45.5 | | 2) No | 45.00 | 44.7 | 45.5 | | 3) No opinion | 15.3 | 19.6 | 9.1 | | **CONDITIONS IN THE COMMUNITY** | | | | | **15.**    **In your own community, are the following statements true?** | | | | | 1) Solidarity among people in Community | 75.0 | 73.5 | 77.3 | | 2) Problems between people tend to increase | 74.5 | 71.9 | 78.2 | | 3) I left politics to politicians | 72.3 | 75.9 | 67.1 | | 4) No one obeys/follows the laws | 71.6 | 75.4 | 66.0 | | 5) I know someone who cannot afford medical treatment for his/her family because they are poor | 69.2 | 71.2 | 67.9 | | 6) Nowadays townspeople help each other | 68.9 | 67.7 | 70.8 | | 7) No police to resolve conflicts | 54.4 | 37.6 | 66.0 | | 8) Less violence is involved in resolving conflict | 49.7 | 49.2 | 50.3 | | 9) Local council plays an efficient role in serving people | 48.7 | 51.5 | 46.8 | | **16.**    **The Palestinian people face a number of important community issues. Some people feel these issues are important while others feel they are not. In your opinion, how important is it for Palestinian leadership to address the following issues? (% saying very important or important)** | | | | | Unemployment | 96.7 | 96.3 | 97.3 | | Poverty | 95.3 | 95.6 | 95.0 | | Juvenile delinquency | 92.5 | 92.2 | 93.0 | | Corruption in PNA Institutions | 91.6 | 90.5 | 97.3 | | Commercial Cheating | 91.4 | 93.1 | 88.8 | | Doctors' carelessness about patients | 91.3 | 90.1 | 93.1 | | Uncleanness | 91.0 | 90.9 | 91.1 | | Chaos | 89.5 | 90.4 | 88.2 | | Drugs | 88.1 | 87.8 | 88.6 | | Crime rate | 87.6 | 87.1 | 88.3 | | Internal violence | 87.1 | 86.5 | 88.0 | | Inefficiency of PNA institutions | 86.5 | 86.1 | 86.9 | | Environmental pollution | 82.8 | 80.7 | 85.7 | | Smoking | 78.5 | 72.9 | 86.8 | | Migration | 73.8 | 77.8 | 68.1 | | Status of Women | 70.0 | 72.9 | 66.0 | | **17.**    **In your opinion, which is the most important Issue of those listed above?** | | | | | Poverty | 17.4 | 19.3 | 14.5 | | Corruption in PNA Institutions | 17.1 | 14.6 | 20.7 | | Unemployment | 15.3 | 14.7 | 16.0 | | Drugs | 13.8 | 13.2 | 14.6 | | Internal violence | 8.8 | 7.8 | 10.2 | | Doctors' carelessness about patients | 5.4 | 4.3 | 7.1 | | Juvenile delinquency | 5.2 | 6.2 | 3.7 | | Migration | 5.1 | 7.2 | 2.2 | | Inefficiency of PNA institutions | 3.0 | 2.3 | 3.9 | | Chaos | 2.9 | 2.9 | 3.0 | | Uncleanness | 1.5 | 2.6 | 0.0 | | Commercial Cheating | 1.3 | 1.9 | 0.4 | | Crime rate | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.2 | | Smoking | 0.9 | 0.3 | 1.7 | | Status of Women | 0.7 | 1.0 | 0.2 | | Environmental pollution | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.6 | | **Reform and Elections** | | | | | **18.**    **Do you believe that the new ministerial cabinet will make a positive contribution to the achievement of the following? (% saying Yes)** | | | | | 1) Improving the image of the Palestinians in international media | 49.1 | 46.5 | 53.0 | | 2) Improving the performance of PNA institutions | 41.9 | 38.4 | 47.1 | | 3) Reducing corruption | 40.7 | 38.8 | 43.5 | | 4) Improving the economic conditions | 38.8 | 43.2 | 35.8 | | 5) Terminating the Israeli occupation | 27.4 | 29.4 | 26.0 | | **19.**    **In the present phase, do you think that institutional reform is:** | | | | | 1) Important | 80.9 | 77.5 | 85.7 | | 2) Somewhat important | 10.0 | 10.7 | 8.9 | | 3) Not important | 7.3 | 8.7 | 5.1 | | 4) Do not know | 1.9 | 3.0 | 0.3 | | **20.**    **Do you think that the reform process (if implemented) will benefit the Palestinian Question?** | | | | | 1) Yes | 73.7 | 70.4 | 78.6 | | 2) To some extent | 15.7 | 17.0 | 13.9 | | 3) No | 7.3 | 8.0 | 5.1 | | 4) Don’t know | 3.3 | 3.9 | 2.4 |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **21.**    **Do you support or oppose the creation of a Prime Minister’s position, in addition to that of the president?** | | | | | 1) Support | 56.8 | 57.9 | 55.1 | | 2) Oppose | 30.0 | 27.6 | 33.5 | | 3) Don’t know | 13.2 | 14.5 | 11.4 | | **22.**    **Legislative elections are being considered for January 2003. Given the current situation, do you support or oppose the conduct of such elections.** | | | | | 1) Support | 58.3 | 54.1 | 64.4 | | 2) Oppose | 32.6 | 34.5 | 29.8 | | 3) Not Sure | 9.2 | 11.5 | 5.8 | | **23.**    **Local council elections are being considered for March 2003. Given the current situation, do you support or oppose the conduct of such elections.** | | | | | 1) Support | 71.6 | 69.5 | 74.6 | | 2) Oppose | 20.9 | 22.1 | 19.00 | | 3) Not Sure | 7.6 | 8.3 | 6.4 | | **24.**    **If legislative elections take place as proposed, would you participate?** | | | | | 1) Support | 64.6 | 60.6 | 70.6 | | 2) Oppose | 28.9 | 31.5 | 25.1 | | 3) Not Sure | 6.4 | 7.9 | 4.3 | | **25.**    **Which of the following electoral systems do you support for the next legislative elections:** | | | | | 1) Simple majority | 41.6 | 38.5 | 46.0 | | 2) Proportional | 36.9 | 37.2 | 36.5 | | 3) Don’t know | 21.5 | 24.2 | 17.5 | | **The American Road Map and Iraq** | | | | | **26.**    **Do you think that an attack on Iraq is imminent?** | | | | |  |  |  |  | | 1) yes | 47.8 | 48.6 | 46.6 | | 2) Maybe Yes Maybe No | 23.6 | 21.00 | 27.5 | | 3) No | 19.9 | 20.00 | 19.7 | | 4) don not know | 8.7 | 10.4 | 6.3 | | **27.**    **Do you think that the number of victims in such a war will be in the:** | | | | | 1) hundreds | 7.7 | 9.3 | 5.4 | | 2) thousands | 3.9 | 33.2 | 27.6 | | 3) 10s of thousands | 19.00 | 18.6 | 19.8 | | 4) 100s of thousands | 25.3 | 20.5 | 32.4 | | 5) other figure | 17.00 | 14.9 | 18.5 | | **28.**    **Last week the US proposed an initiative called a “road map” that calls for a final solution to the conflict on the basis of two states.  Have you heard about this initiative?** | | | | | 1) Yes | 46.80 | 51.6 | 41.8 | | 2) No | 53.2 | 48.4 | 58.2 | | **29.**    **In general, would you support or oppose the PNA’s acceptance of these initiatives?** | | | | | 1) Support | 21.7 | 20.5 | 22.9 | | 2) Support parts and oppose parts | 63.2 | 58.5 | 68.1 | | 3) Oppose | 13.7 | 19.2 | 7.9 | | 4) no opinion | 1.4 | 1.8 | 1.1 |   Annex 2: Sample distribution     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **Region** | **Percent** | **Type of locality** | **Percent** | **Refugee Status** | | **Percent** | | West Bank | 59.3 | City | 32.0 | Refugee | | 44.2 | | Gaza Strip | 40.7 | Village- town | 53.4 | Non-refugee | | 55.8 | | **Governorate** | **Percent** | Camp | 14.6 | **Sector** | | **Percent** | | Jenin, Tubas | 8.6 | **Gender** | **Percent** | Private sector | | 74.3 | | Tulkarm | 3.2 | Male | 49.3 | N.G.O.'s | | 6.1 | | Nablus | 9.8 | Female | 50.7 | Public Sector | | 19.6 | | Qalqilya | 2.6 |  |  |  | |  | | Salfit | 1.5 | **Marital status** | **Percent** | **Education** | | **Percent** | | Jericho | 1.1 | Single | 25.8 | Illiterate | | 20.3 | | Ramallah | 7.8 | Married | 70.5 | Preparatory | | 21.1 | | Jerusalem | 9.1 | Others | 3.7 | Elementary | | 31.1 | | Bethlehem | 3.8 | **Age** | **Percent** | Secondary | | 17.0 | | Hebron | 11.9 | 16-17 | 8.0 | Diploma | | 4.9 | | North Gaza | 7.4 | 18-22 | 18.2 | B.A. or above | | 5.6 | | Gaza City | 13.6 | 23-27 | 15.2 | **Place of** | | **Percent** | | Deir al-Balah | 5.9 | 28-32 | 13.1 | **Residence prior** | |  | | Khan Younis | 8.4 | 33-37 | 10.9 | **to 1994** | |  | | Rafah | 5.4 | 38-42 | 8.8 | West Bank & Gaza Strip | | 93.1 | | **Occupation** | **Percent** | 43-47 | 6.4 | Abroad | | 6.9 | | Laborers | **8.0** | 48-52 | 4.7 |  | |  | | Craftsman | 5.6 | > 52 | 14.8 |  | |  | | Housewives | 41.6 | **Income (NIS)** | **Percent** |  | |  | | Unemployed | 14.4 | Less than 700 | 41.9 |  | |  | | Merchants | 4.3 | 701-1400 | 35.8 |  | |  | | Students | 12.6 | 1401-2100 | 14.4 |  | |  | | Farmers | 1.2 | 2101-4200 | 5.7 |  |  | | | Retired | 2.8 | 4201-6200 | 1.4 |  |  | | | Professional | 1.3 | Above 6200 | 0.7 |  |  | | | Employees | 8.1 | NIS: New Israeli Shaqelim ($1=4.75) | |  |  | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |  | | | |  |
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