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- Most Palestinians (74.9%) say parties should hold regular leadership elections
- Over 90% cite UNRWA as important source of education, health and environment services
- Little interest in Israeli elections
- Mixed reviews on government's first 100 days

Palestinians wish for more democracy within parties

A public opinion poll conducted by the Jerusalem Media and Communication Centre (JMCC) in partnership with Friedrich–Ebert–Stiftung (FES) showed that a large majority of respondents, 74.9%, said it was important that members of political parties elect their party leadership on a regular basis, while 25.1% said it was unimportant. At the same time, Palestinians continue to express low levels of trust in political parties and factions. A total of 44.7% of respondents said they do not trust any faction, with mistrust in the West Bank (52.9%) considerably higher than in the Gaza Strip (32.6%). Despite the overall lack of confidence, Palestinians still express the highest levels of trust in Fatah with 28.2% saying they trust them the most (23.4% in the West Bank and 35.3% in the Gaza Strip), followed by Hamas at 11.5% (7.4% in the West Bank and 17.5% in the Gaza Strip).

UNRWA services are deemed necessary by large majority of Palestinian

There is a strong consensus among Palestinians that the services provided by UNRWA are important for Palestinians. UNRWA's education services are cited as very important by 85% of Palestinians, with an additional 12.5% saying they are at least somewhat important. UNRWA's health services are viewed similarly, with 86.6% saying they are very important and 11.7% saying they are somewhat important. Environmental services, such as garbage collection (85.3% and 12.2% respectively) are viewed similarly.

Perspectives on negotiations and solutions to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict

A plurality of 39.3% of respondents still see the two-state solution as the best method to end the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, with the percentage of those who prefer the two-state solution in the Gaza Strip considerably higher (46.4%) than in the West Bank (34.5%). Furthermore, 28.8% said they preferred a bi-national state over all of historical Palestine (26.2% in Gaza and 30.5% in the West Bank).

The greater proportion of those polled (40.6%) said peaceful negotiations were the way to achieve the Palestinian people's goals of ending the occupation and establishing a state. In the Gaza Strip, this percentage was higher, at 46.8%, compared to 36.4% in the West Bank. Meanwhile, 26.8% of respondents said they preferred armed resistance and 21.3% preferred popular nonviolent resistance as the best means of achieving goals.

The majority of respondents (54.5%) said they opposed the idea of a confederation between Jordan and Palestine compared to 45.5% who said they supported it. The percentage of those who support this confederation with Jordan was split between 53.3% who support it only after the establishment of a Palestinian state and 43.6% who support it in any event. There was clear opposition to the idea of a confederation with Israel (84.5%) compared to 15.5% who support it.

Mixed reviews of Ishtayeh government in first 100 days

A plurality of 41.6% of respondents were unsatisfied with the performance of the new government of Prime Minister Dr. Mohammed Ishtayeh 100 days after its formation, as opposed to 37.4% who said they were satisfied with its performance. Half of the respondents, 50.2%, said the most recent government change was neither positive nor negative while 20.8% said it was positive and 13.6% said it was negative.

Around half of the respondents, 53.3%, said they did not know who the current prime minister was, while 45% correctly answered Dr. Mohamad Ishtayeh. Regarding his performance as prime minister, the poll showed that 15.6% of Palestinians said he is doing a good job, while 21.5% argue he is doing a bad job and 38.9% said he is doing an average job.

The performance of the PNA and its institutions

The poll reflected disparities in the public's assessment of the performance of the various PNA agencies and institutions. The Palestinian Education system, with 53% saying its performance was good and 12.6% of respondents saying it was bad, was the institution viewed most positively. At the same time, the Council of Ministers, with 23.5% saying its performance was good, as well as the Ministry of Social Affairs (25.3%) were not viewed positively by the majority.

There was also a discrepancy in the public's assessment of PNA agencies in the Gaza Strip and the West Bank. While 55.9% of respondents in the West Bank said the performance of the police was good, only 19.8% said the same in Gaza. Also for the Interior Ministry, 64.2% of respondents in the West Bank said its performance was good in comparison to 30.5% who said the same in the Gaza Strip. Regarding the health system, 47.3% of those in the West Bank said its performance was good in comparison to 29.1% in the Gaza Strip.

Meanwhile, the majority of those polled, 71.8%, said they believed there was corruption in the PNA while 17.5% said there was no corruption. Regarding the future of the PNA, the majority of 69.2% said it should be maintained while 23.2% said it should be dissolved. The difference between the Gaza Strip and West Bank in this regard should be noted, whereby 28.7% said they supported the dissolution of the PNA in Gaza with only 19.4% supporting it in the West Bank.

Palestinian elections and the balance of powers

If elections for the Palestinian Legislative Council (PLC) were held today, 35.6% of respondents said they would vote for Fatah, 12.3% for Hamas and 2% for PFLP, while 34.5% said they would not vote at all. The difference in electoral tendencies is noticeable between the West Bank and Gaza Strip, with 32.9% of respondents in the West Bank saying they would vote for Fatah compared to 39.6% in the Gaza Strip. On the other hand, 8% of respondents in the West Bank said they would vote for Hamas compared

to 18.6% in the Gaza Strip. Likewise, the percentage of those who said they would vote for the PFLP in the West Bank was 1.1% compared to 3.3% in the Gaza Strip. A total of 41.7% in the West Bank and 23.9% in the Gaza Strip said they would not vote at all.

Little interest in Israeli elections

The poll showed that the Palestinian public has little interest in and is not optimistic about the upcoming Israeli elections on 17 September. A majority of 69% of respondents said they were not interested, while 26.5% said they were interested in the elections. When asked what impact these elections may have, 41.1% of respondents said they would have a negative impact on the Palestinian cause, while 7.5% said they would have a positive impact, and 18.8% said their impact depends on the election results.

The Palestinians support the PNA's position on the Bahrain economic conference

The majority of those polled, 73.8% said they believe the PNA's position on the Bahrain economic conference was right, while 11.3% said it was wrong. Furthermore, the majority of respondents, 61.3% supported accepting American financial assistance if the United States decided to resume financial assistance to the Palestinian people, compared to 34% who rejected this.

Majority among men and women against marriage for girls under age 18

In response to a direct question about whether they support girls under 18 marrying, the majority of respondents, 81.8% said they did not; that is, 82.4% in the West Bank and 81% in the Gaza Strip. Meanwhile, 18.2% said they supported girls under 18 marrying; that is, 17.6% in the West Bank and 19% in the Gaza Strip.

It is noteworthy that females were more opposed to early marriage than males, whereby the percentage of females who are opposed to marriage before 18 years of age was 84.5% compared to 78% of males.

Methodology:

A random sample of 1200 people over the age of 18 was interviewed face-to-face throughout the West Bank and Gaza Strip between 31st July and 5th of August 2019. The interviews were conducted in randomly selected homes, and the respondents inside each home were also selected randomly according to Kish tables. The interviews were conducted in 134 sampling points chosen randomly according to population.

In the West Bank 715 people were surveyed from the following areas:

Hebron: Hebron, Yatta, Idhna, Bani Na'im, Sa'ir, Dura, Surif, Khursa, Imreish, Al-Arrub refugee camp. **Jenin:** Ya'bad, Jenin, Kafr Ra'l, Silat al-Harithiya, Qabatiya, Deir Abu Deif, Ajja, Umm Al-Tut, Jenin refugee camp. **Tubas:** Tamun, Tayasir. **Ramallah & al-Bireh:** Ramallah, Al-Bireh, Beit Liqya, Ni'lin, A'rrura, Ein 'Arik, Kharbathal Al-Misbah, Beit Reema, Deir Ammar refugee camp. **Jericho:** Al-Auja, Al- Jiftlik, Ein al-Sultan refugee camp. **Jerusalem:** Anata, Bir Nabala, Qalandia refugee camp, Beit Anan, Beit Hanina, Shu'fat, Old City, Ras al-Amoud, Kufr Aqab, Al-Sawahra al-Gharbiyeh and Jabal al Mukaber, Al-Ezariyeh. **Bethlehem:** Bethlehem, Beit Sahour ,Al-Doha, Al-Ubeidiya, Al-Shawawreh, Al-Duheisheh refugee camp. **Nablus:** Nablus, Beita, Beit Furik, As-Sawiya, Qaryut, Zeita Jama'in, Asira Al-Qilbliya, Balata refugee camp. **Salfit:** Az-Zawyeh, Kifl Haris. **Tulkarem:** Beit Lid, Deir al-Ghusun, Bal'a, An-Nazala al -Gharbiyeh, Tulkarem refugee camp. **Qalqilya:** Qalqilya, Kafr Qadum.

In the Gaza Strip 485 people were surveyed from the following areas:

Gaza: Al-Jdaideh, Al-Tufah, Al-Shekh Radwan, Al-Zaytoun, Al-Rimal South, Tal Al-Hawa, Sabra, Al-Rimal North, Al-Shekh Ajleen, Old City, Al-Durj, Al-Naser, Al-Turkuman, Al-Shati refugee camp, Al-Mughraqa (Aub Middein). **Khan Younis:** Khan Younis, Bani Suheila, Al-Qarara, Abasan al-Kabira, Abasan al-Saghira, Khan Younis refugee camp. **Rafah:** Rafah, Rafah refugee camp. **Gaza North:** Jabalya, Beit Lahiya, Beit Hanoun, Jabalya refugee camp. **Deir al-Balah:** Deir al Balah, Al-Zawaydeh, Al-Maghazi refugee camp, Al-Nusseirat refugee camp.

The margin of error is ± 3 percent, with a confidence level of 95%.

Sample Distribution

50.4% of the respondents were from the West Bank , 9.2% from Jerusalem, 40.4% from the Gaza Strip.

15.4% said they live in villages, 8.8% in refugee camps, and 75.8% in towns/cities.

41.3% were male, 58.7%, female.

68.3% were married, 23.8%, single, 6.6% widowed, 1.2% divorced, 0.1% no answer.

The average age of the respondents was 39 years.

Occupation of Respondents

- Students 8.8%
- Laborers 12.9%
- Housewives 45.2%
- Farmers/fishermen 1.3%
- Craftsmen 1.2%
- Businessmen/private business 4.3%
- Public Sector Employees 7.3%
- Private Sector Employees 5.7%
- Professionals (e.g. doctors/lawyers/ pharmacists/engineers) 0.8%
- Unemployed 9.3%
- Retired 3.2%,
- No answer 0.0%.

Results:

Q1- To what extent do you feel optimistic or pessimistic regarding the future in general? Would you say that you are very optimistic, optimistic, pessimistic or very pessimistic?

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n= 715	Gaza n= 485	Male n= 495	Female n= 705
Very Optimistic	8.1	11.3	3.3	5.7	9.8
Optimistic	59.2	59.7	58.4	53.9	62.8
Pessimistic	23.6	20.4	28.2	29.3	19.6
Very pessimistic	9.0	8.3	10.1	10.9	7.7
No answer	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.1

Q2- How often do you use social media (Facebook, Twitter, etc.) to communicate with your family and your friends?

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n= 715	Gaza n= 485	Male n= 495	Female n= 705
Very often	19.9	23.1	15.3	22.8	17.9
Often	27.2	24.5	31.1	28.3	26.4
Every now and then	29.2	29.5	28.7	27.3	30.5
I don't use social media	23.7	22.9	24.9	21.6	25.2

Q3- Do you use the internet as a news source?

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n= 715	Gaza n= 485	Male n= 495	Female n= 705
Yes	62.1	60.1	64.9	65.9	59.4
No	37.9	39.9	35.1	34.1	40.6

Q4- Have you ever been harassed by anyone through social media?

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n= 715	Gaza n= 485	Male n= 495	Female n= 705
Yes	8.3	5.9	11.8	6.9	9.2
No	91.7	94.1	88.2	93.1	90.8

Q5- Currently, there are several attempts to boycotting Israeli products in Palestinian markets. Which one of the following do you support most?

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n= 715	Gaza n= 485	Male n= 495	Female n= 705
I support boycotting all Israeli products	38.3	43.8	30.1	33.9	41.3
I support boycotting settlement products only	6.8	5.0	9.5	8.7	5.5
I support boycotting products with an alternative	21.6	18.5	26.2	23.8	20.0
I support boycotting settlement products and products with an alternative	12.8	11.6	14.4	14.3	11.6
I don't support boycotting Israeli products	19.6	19.7	19.4	19.0	20.0
I Don't know /no answer	0.9	1.4	0.4	0.3	1.6

Q6- Do you think that President Abu Mazen is performing his job as President of the PNA : in a good, average, or in a bad way?

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n= 715	Gaza n= 485	Male n= 495	Female n= 705
Good	26.5	30.5	20.6	27.9	25.5
Average	38.9	39.2	38.6	38.2	39.4
Bad	27.8	19.9	39.4	28.5	27.2
No answer	6.8	10.4	1.4	5.4	7.9

Q7- Do you know who the current Palestinian Prime Minster is? *

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n= 715	Gaza n= 485	Male n= 495	Female n= 705
No	53.3	49.1	59.6	40.6	62.3
Dr. Mohamad Ishtayeh	45.0	49.1	39.0	58.0	35.9
Dr. Rami Al-Hamdallah	0.3	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.4
Isma'el Haniyeh	0.3	0.0	0.8	0.4	0.3
No answer	1.1	1.4	0.6	1.0	1.1

- *This was an open-ended question no options were read to interviewee

Q8- What do you think about the latest government change in which Dr. Mohamad Ishtayeh was appointed as Prime Minister instead of Dr. Rami Al-Hamdallah? Is this a positive change, negative change, neither a positive nor negative change with regard to the Palestinian national interests?

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n= 715	Gaza n= 485	Male n= 495	Female n= 705
Positive change	20.8	22.5	18.4	21.6	20.3
Negative change	13.6	9.8	19.2	16.4	11.6
Neither positive nor negative change	50.2	46.7	55.3	53.1	48.1
I don't know /no answer	15.4	21.0	7.1	8.9	20.0

Q9- Around 100 days after the formation of the new government, are you satisfied with its performance? Do you say that you are: very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied?

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n= 715	Gaza n= 485	Male n= 495	Female n= 705
Very satisfied	4.4	5.3	3.1	4.0	4.7
Somewhat satisfied	33.0	33.8	31.8	34.1	32.2
Somewhat dissatisfied	22.2	15.5	32.0	24.8	20.3
Very dissatisfied	19.4	16.5	23.7	22.4	17.3
I don't know/no answer	21.0	28.9	9.4	14.7	25.5

Q10- Do you think that Prime Minister Dr. Mohamad Ishtayeh is doing a good, average, or a bad job as a Prime Minister?

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n= 715	Gaza n= 485	Male n= 495	Female n= 705
Good	15.6	19.7	9.5	14.5	16.3
Average	38.9	35.2	44.3	42.6	36.3
Bad	21.5	14.0	32.6	25.7	18.6
I don't know/no answer	24.0	31.1	13.6	17.2	28.8

Agencies? Would you say they are: Good – average – or bad?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza	Male	Female
11- Security agencies	n= 1200	n= 715	n= 485	n= 495	n= 705
Good	39.3	40.4	37.7	40.4	38.6
Average	37.2	37.5	36.7	38.2	36.5
Bad	16.1	13.1	20.4	16.2	16.0
No answer	7.4	9.0	5.2	5.2	8.9

	Total	West Bank	Gaza	Male	Female
12- Council of Ministers (Executive Authority)	n= 1200	n= 715	n= 485	n= 495	n= 705
Good	23.5	24.5	22.1	23.6	23.4
Average	42.3	39.2	46.8	44.6	40.6
Bad	17.7	13.7	23.5	19.4	16.5
No answer	16.5	22.6	7.6	12.4	19.5

	Total	West Bank	Gaza	Male	Female
13- Palestinian Education System	n= 1200	n= 715	n= 485	n= 495	n= 705
Good	53.0	54.8	50.3	49.9	55.2
Average	32.9	28.8	39.0	35.2	31.3
Bad	12.6	14.0	10.5	13.7	11.8
No answer	1.5	2.4	0.2	1.2	1.7

	Total	West Bank	Gaza	Male	Female
14- Palestinian Health System	n= 1200	n= 715	n= 485	n= 495	n= 705
Good	39.9	47.3	29.1	34.9	43.4
Average	34.7	31.2	39.8	37.0	33.0
Bad	23.8	19.2	30.5	27.1	21.4
No answer	1.6	2.3	0.6	1.0	2.2

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n= 715	Gaza n= 485	Male n= 495	Female n= 705
15- Palestinian Television					
Good	40.6	46.2	32.4	36.0	43.8
Average	34.8	24.8	49.7	39.4	31.6
Bad	13.5	13.6	13.4	15.4	12.2
No answer	11.1	15.4	4.5	9.2	12.4

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n= 715	Gaza n= 485	Male n= 495	Female n= 705
16- Palestinian Radio					
Good	36.8	38.3	34.4	32.5	39.7
Average	31.4	21.7	45.8	36.4	27.9
Bad	12.7	11.6	14.2	14.5	11.3
No answer	19.1	28.4	5.6	16.6	21.1

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n= 715	Gaza n= 485	Male n= 495	Female n= 705
17- Ministry of Interior (passports, ID cards, other documents)					
Good		50.6	64.2	30.5	49.3
Average		31.5	20.7	47.4	32.1
Bad		11.2	6.3	18.4	13.5
No answer		6.7	8.8	3.7	5.1

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n= 715	Gaza n= 485	Male n= 495	Female n= 705
18- Ministry of Social affairs					
Good	25.3	29.4	19.2	22.2	27.4
Average	31.1	27.1	36.9	36.0	27.7
Bad	28.2	19.3	41.2	27.9	28.4
No answer	15.4	24.2	2.7	13.9	16.5

	Total	West Bank	Gaza	Male	Female
19- Vehicle and traffic department	n= 1200	n= 715	n= 485	n= 495	n= 705
Good	26.1	38.9	7.2	24.2	27.4
Average	34.8	26.4	47.0	38.8	31.9
Bad	20.4	9.9	35.9	23.8	18.0
No answer	18.7	24.8	9.9	13.2	22.7

	Total	West Bank	Gaza	Male	Female
20- Police	n= 1200	n= 715	n= 485	n= 495	n= 705
Good	41.3	55.9	19.8	38.8	43.1
Average	35.9	27.1	48.9	38.0	34.5
Bad	15.9	9.8	24.9	17.2	15.0
No answer	6.9	7.2	6.4	6.0	7.4

Q21- There is a debate on the future of the PNA whereby some people believe that dissolving the PNA is necessary now while others believe that the PNA should be maintained. What do you think?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza	Male	Female
	n= 1200	n= 715	n= 485	n= 495	n= 705
Dissolving the PNA is necessary	23.2	19.4	28.7	22.6	23.5
Maintain the PNA is necessity	69.2	70.6	67.0	71.3	67.7
I don't know\ no answer	7.6	10.0	4.3	6.1	8.8

Q22- Do you think that there is corruption in the PNA?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza	Male	Female
	n= 1200	n= 715	n= 485	n= 495	n= 705
Yes	71.8	71.0	72.8	76.2	68.7
No	17.5	13.6	23.3	16.0	18.6
I don't know \ no answer	10.7	15.4	3.9	7.8	12.7

Q23- If Legislative council elections were held today, which party would you vote for?

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n= 715	Gaza n= 485	Male n= 495	Female n= 705
Fatah	35.6	32.9	39.6	37.6	34.2
Hamas	12.3	8.0	18.6	10.5	13.5
PFLP	2.0	1.1	3.3	2.4	1.7
DFLP	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.1
PNI	0.2	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.1
PPP	1.3	0.1	3.1	1.6	1.1
Independents	7.5	7.1	8.0	8.9	6.5
Others	0.6	0.3	1.0	0.4	0.7
Won't vote	34.5	41.7	23.9	32.5	35.9
I don't know \ no answer	5.7	8.2	2.1	5.3	6.2

Q24- How important do you think it is for members of political parties to elect their party leadership regularly?

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n= 715	Gaza n= 485	Male n= 495	Female n= 705
Very important	39.0	38.6	39.6	42.2	36.7
Somewhat important	35.9	32.6	40.8	33.7	37.4
Somewhat not important	13.1	12.6	13.8	12.7	13.3
Not important at all	12.0	16.2	5.8	11.4	12.6

Q25- Could an improvement in the Palestinian economic conditions increase the chances of a lasting solution to the conflict ("Economic Peace")?

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n= 715	Gaza n= 485	Male n= 495	Female n= 705
Yes	74.8	75.4	74.0	74.5	75.0
No	20.8	17.9	24.9	22.6	19.4
I don't know\ No answer	4.4	6.7	1.1	2.9	5.6

Q26- The PNA was against the Bahrain economic conference. Do you think that was a right or a wrong position?

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n= 715	Gaza n= 485	Male n= 495	Female n= 705
Right position	73.8	68.3	82.1	79.8	69.6
Wrong position	11.3	10.8	12.2	11.1	11.5
I don't know \ no answer	14.9	20.9	5.7	9.1	18.9

Q27- Soon elections will be held in Israel. How interested are you in these elections?

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n= 715	Gaza n= 485	Male n= 495	Female n= 705
Very interested	5.4	7.6	2.3	6.3	4.8
Somewhat interested	21.1	14.1	31.3	24.2	18.9
Somewhat uninterested	17.7	10.3	28.5	19.6	16.3
Not interested at all	51.3	60.7	37.3	46.9	54.3
I don't know	4.0	6.3	0.6	2.6	5.0
No answer	0.5	1.0	0.0	0.4	0.7

Q28- What do you think the impact of the Israeli election results on the Palestinian cause will be?

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n= 715	Gaza n= 485	Male n= 495	Female n= 705
The impact on the Palestinian cause depends on the outcome of the elections	18.8	17.2	21.2	19.8	18.2
Positive impact	7.5	5.7	10.1	7.5	7.5
Negative impact	41.1	41.3	40.8	43.6	39.3
No impact at all	25.2	25.2	25.2	24.6	25.5
I don't know/no answer	7.4	10.6	2.7	4.5	9.5

Q29- Some believe that the two state formula is the most preferred solution for the Palestinian-Israeli conflict; others believe that Historical Palestine cannot be divided into two states, so the best solution would be to have a bi-national state in all of Palestine where Palestinians and Israelis enjoy equal rights. Which solution do you prefer?

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n= 715	Gaza n= 485	Male n= 495	Female n= 705
I prefer the two state solution: Palestinian and an Israeli	39.3	34.5	46.4	42.2	37.3
I prefer the bi-national state in all of Palestine	28.8	30.5	26.2	28.7	28.8
Historic Palestine *	17.1	19.2	14.0	15.4	18.3
Palestinian state *	0.2	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.1
There is no solution for the problem	8.8	8.5	9.1	9.7	8.1
I don't know \no answer	5.8	7.0	4.3	3.8	7.4

* These answers were not included as part of the options read to the interviewee

Q30- In general, what is the best method to achieve the Palestinian people's goals of ending the Occupation and establishing a state?

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n= 715	Gaza n= 485	Male n= 495	Female n= 705
Peaceful negotiations	40.6	36.4	46.8	37.0	43.1
Armed resistance (armed intifada)	26.8	22.8	32.8	29.9	24.7
Non-violent resistance (peaceful popular intifada)	21.3	25.9	14.4	23.2	19.9
Others	3.6	3.1	4.3	4.8	2.7
I don't know \no answer	7.7	11.8	1.7	5.1	9.6

Q31- Under the current conditions, some believe that the peace process has died and that negotiations cannot be resumed while others believe that the peace process faces difficult conditions with an unclear future. Again others believe that the peace process is still alive and that it is possible resume negotiations. What do you think?

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n= 715	Gaza n= 485	Male n= 495	Female n= 705
The peace process is dead and negotiations cannot be resumed	33.3	31.6	35.7	35.2	31.9
The peace process faces difficult conditions with unclear future	37.1	36.5	37.9	38.0	36.5
The peace process is still alive and negotiations can be resumed	24.3	23.2	25.8	23.6	24.7
I don't know \no answer	5.3	8.7	0.6	3.2	6.9

Q32- If negotiations between Israel and the Palestinians were to be resumed, who would you prefer to act as mediator between the two sides?

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n= 715	Gaza n= 485	Male n= 495	Female n= 705
The United States	3.1	3.2	2.9	2.8	3.3
The European Union	30.4	32.3	27.6	32.1	29.2
The Mideast Quartet	18.3	22.4	12.2	18.6	18.0
The United Nations	12.2	15.7	7.0	11.7	12.5
Egypt	36.0	26.4	50.3	34.8	37.0

Q33- If the United States decides to resume financial assistance to improve the Palestinian's living conditions, do you support accepting this assistance or rejecting it?

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n= 715	Gaza n= 485	Male n= 495	Female n= 705
I support accepting the assistance	61.3	57.5	67.0	61.2	61.4
I reject accepting the assistance	34.0	35.2	32.2	35.6	32.9
I don't know \no answer	4.7	7.3	0.8	3.2	5.7

Q34- In principle, would you support or oppose the idea of a confederation between Jordan and Palestine?

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n= 715	Gaza n= 485	Male n= 495	Female n= 705
Support	45.5	45.2	46.0	42.4	47.7
Oppose	54.5	54.8	54.0	57.6	52.3

Q35- Do you support the confederation in any event or only after the establishment of the Palestinian state?*

	Total n= 546	West Bank n=323	Gaza n=223	Male n=210	Female n=336
I support the confederation in any event	43.6	42.1	45.7	46.2	42.0
I support the confederation after the establishment of the Palestinian state	53.3	53.9	52.5	52.4	53.9
I don't know \no answer	3.1	4.0	1.8	1.4	4.1

- This question was asked to those who answered they support the confederation in the previous question

Q36- In principle, would you support or oppose the idea of a confederation between Israel and Palestine?

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n= 715	Gaza n= 485	Male n= 495	Female n= 705
Support	15.5	10.8	22.5	16.8	14.6
Oppose	84.5	89.2	77.5	83.2	85.4

Q37- How important or unimportant do you think it is for UNRWA to provide education to Palestinians?

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n= 715	Gaza n= 485	Male n= 495	Female n= 705
Very important	85.0	88.8	79.4	82.8	86.5
Somewhat important	12.5	9.0	17.7	14.7	10.9
Somewhat unimportant	1.8	1.4	2.3	1.4	2.0
Not important at all	0.7	0.8	0.6	1.1	0.6

Q38- How important or unimportant do you think it is for UNRWA to provide health services to Palestinians?

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n= 715	Gaza n= 485	Male n= 495	Female n= 705
Very important	86.8	91.2	80.2	85.1	87.9
Somewhat important	11.7	7.3	18.1	13.3	10.5
Somewhat unimportant	0.9	0.7	1.2	1.0	0.9
Not important at all	0.6	0.8	0.5	0.6	0.7

Q39- How important or unimportant do you think it is for UNRWA to provide environmental services (e.g. garbage collection) to Palestinians?

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n= 715	Gaza n= 485	Male n= 495	Female n= 705
Very important	85.3	89.5	79.0	84.2	86.0
Somewhat important	12.2	8.0	18.4	12.5	11.9
Somewhat unimportant	1.8	1.4	2.3	2.2	1.4
Not important at all	0.7	1.1	0.3	1.1	0.7

Q40- Are you a member in any of the trade unions in Palestine?

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n=715	Gaza n=485	Male n=495	Female n=705
I am a member of a trade union	6.4	4.6	9.1	9.5	4.3
I am not a member of a trade union	92.2	93.1	90.7	89.9	93.8
I don't know \ no answer	1.4	2.3	0.2	0.6	1.9

**Q41- How strongly do you see your interests represented by your union?

	Total n= 77	West Bank n=33	Gaza n=44	Male n=47	Female n=30
Strongly represented	19.5	27.3	13.6	14.9	26.7
Somewhat represented	55.8	51.5	59.1	55.3	56.7
Somewhat unrepresented	20.8	18.2	22.7	23.4	16.6
Strongly unrepresented	3.9	3.0	4.6	6.4	0.0

*This question was asked to those who answered that they are a member of a trade union in question 40

**Q42- What influence do trade unions have in enforcing their positions vis
—a - vis employers and the state?***

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n=715	Gaza n=485	Male n=495	Female n=705
They have strong influence	15.8	17.6	13.0	16.6	15.2
They have somewhat influence	34.3	32.7	36.5	34.7	33.9
They have little influence	20.6	16.1	27.2	24.0	18.2
They have no influence at all	18.0	18.6	17.1	19.8	16.7
I don't know\ no answer	11.3	15.0	6.2	4.9	16.0

Q43- In general, is religion an important part of your life?

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n=715	Gaza n=485	Male n=495	Female n=705
Yes	98.7	98.5	99.0	98.6	98.7
No	1.3	1.5	1.0	1.4	1.3

Q44- Do you support marriage of young women under the age of 18?

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n=715	Gaza n=485	Male n=495	Female n=705
Yes	18.2	17.6	19.0	22.0	15.5
No	81.8	82.4	81.0	78.0	84.5

Q45- Do you support having multiple wives?

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n=715	Gaza n=485	Male n=495	Female n=705
Yes	24.1	24.9	22.9	31.9	18.6
No	75.9	75.1	77.1	68.1	81.4

Q46- Some shake hands with the other sex while others don't, how about you? Do you shake hands with the other sex, or you don't shake hands with the other sex?

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n=715	Gaza n=485	Male n=495	Female n=705
I shake hands with the other sex	23.6	26.9	18.8	28.9	19.9
I don't shake hands with the other sex	76.4	73.1	81.2	71.1	80.1

Q47- Why don't you shake hands with the other sex? Is it for religious or social reasons (traditions and habits)?*

	Total n= 917	West Bank n=523	Gaza n=485	Male n= 352	Female n=565
Religious reasons	86.9	91.2	81.2	82.7	89.6
Social reasons (traditions and habits)	13.0	8.6	18.8	17.0	10.4
No answer	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.0

*This question was asked to those who said that they don't shake hands with the other sex in the previous question

Q48- Did you fast during the month of Ramadan?

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n=715	Gaza n=485	Male n=495	Female n=705
Most of the days or all of the days	94.6	94.4	94.8	91.5	96.7
A few days	3.9	3.5	4.5	6.1	2.4
I did not fast	1.5	2.1	0.7	2.4	0.9

Q49- During the month of Ramadan, did you perform all religious prayers?

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n=715	Gaza n=485	Male n=495	Female n=705
I prayed all days	92.0	89.2	96.1	87.1	95.5
Prayed only on Fridays	4.8	5.9	3.3	9.3	1.7
I didn't pray	3.2	4.9	0.6	3.6	2.8

Q50- Have you performed Al Umra (pilgrimage to Mecca performed by Muslims that can be undertaken at any time of the year)?

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n=715	Gaza n=485	Male n=495	Female n=705
Yes	27.0	32.6	18.8	26.3	27.5
No	73.0	67.4	81.2	73.7	72.5

Q51 - Which political or religious faction do you trust the most?*

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n=715	Gaza n=485	Male n=495	Female n=705
Fatah	28.2	23.4	35.3	32.1	25.4
Hammas	11.5	7.4	17.5	10.5	12.2
Other Islamic factions	7.8	8.1	7.4	6.5	8.8
Others	2.6	1.8	3.7	3.6	1.8
Don't trust anyone	44.7	52.9	32.6	43.6	45.4
I don't know \ no answer	5.2	6.4	3.5	3.7	6.4

* This was an open-ended question; no options were read to the interviewee

Q52 - Which Palestinian personality do you trust the most?*

	Total n= 1200	West Bank n=715	Gaza n=485	Male n=495	Female n=705
Mahmoud Abbas (Abu Mazen)	12.3	7.7	19.2	16.2	9.6
Isma'el Haniyeh	8.3	4.3	14.2	6.3	9.8
Marwan Al-Barghouthi	3.3	2.5	4.3	4.0	2.7
Mohamad Dahlan	4.3	0.1	10.5	4.8	4.0
Others	11.6	12.3	10.5	12.1	11.2
Don't trust anyone	51.8	61.5	37.3	49.3	53.5
I don't know \ no answer	8.4	11.6	4.0	7.3	9.2

*This was an open-ended question no options were read to the interviewee