

JMCC Public Opinion Poll No. 38
On Palestinian Attitudes Towards the Camp David Summit - July 2000
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Methodology

A random sample of 1200 people over the age of 18 were interviewed face-to-face throughout the West Bank and Gaza Strip on 16, 17 July 2000. The interviews were conducted in randomly selected homes, and the subjects inside each home were also selected randomly according to Kish tables. The interviews were conducted in 60 sampling points chosen randomly according to population.

In the **West Bank**, 760 people were surveyed from the following areas: **Jenin:** Jenin, Tubas, Jenin refugee camp, Kafr Rai, Arraba, Silat al-Harithiya. **Nablus:** Nablus, Salfit, Askar refugee camp, Kafr al-Deik, Burin, Rujeib, Deir Sharaf, Zawata, Huwwara. **Tulkarem:** Tulkarem, 'Anabta, 'Allar, Tulkarem refugee camp. **Qalqiliya:** Qalqiliya and Jayous. **Hebron:** Hebron, Bani Naim, Tarqumiya, Dura, Fawwar refugee camp, Beit Ula., Sair. **Bethlehem:** Bethlehem, Husan, Dom, Nahalin, Al-Azza refugee camp. **Jericho:** Jericho and Ein alSultan refugee camp. **Ramallah & Jerusalem:** al-Bireh, Ramallah, Sinjil, Jalazon refugee camp, 'Aqaba, Silwad, Nilin, Abu Dis, Ezzariya, Bir Nabala, Kafr Aqab, Qalandiya refugee camp, Jerusalem Old City, Beit Hanina, Shu'fat, Dahiyat alBareed, Ram, 'Anata

In the **Gaza Strip**, 440 people were surveyed from: **Gaza North:** Jabaliya refugee camp, Jabaliya, Beit Lahiya and Beit Hanoun. **Gaza:** Sheikh Radwan, a-Darj, a-Tufah, Sabra, al-Migharqa, Zaytoun, Nasir, a-Shuja'ia, a-Rimal north and south and Beach refugee camp. **Deir al- Balah:** Nuseirat refugee camp, Deir al Balah, refugee camp, Deir al- Balah. **Khan Younis:** Khan younis, Khan Younis refugee camp, Bani Suheila, Khza'a, al-karara. **Rafah:** Rafah, Rafah refugee camp and Tal al-Sultan refugee camp.

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

Sample Distribution

- 51.7% of the respondents were from West Bank, 11.6% from Jerusalem, 36.7% from the Gaza Strip.
 - 24.3% said they live in villages, 16.9% in refugee camps, 58.8% in towns/cities.
 - 49.3% were male, 50.7% were female.
 - The average age of the respondents was 34 years.
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Occupation respondents

- Students 12.1% laborers 14.6 % Farmers/fishermen 2.2%
- Craftsmen 1.8% Businessmen/private business 8.3%
- Employees e.g. secretaries/municipal employees/teachers/nurses 15.8%
- Professionals - e.g. doctors/lawyers/ pharmacists/engineers 2.3%
- Housewives 35.8%, unemployed and retired 5.8%
- No answer 1.3%

Results

Q1. What are your expectations regarding the results of the current negotiations in Camp David; do you expect that they would succeed in reaching an acceptable final agreement or not?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
	n= 1200	n=760	n=440
I expect that they would succeed in reaching an acceptable final agreement	37.3	34.6	42.0
I do not expect that they would succeed in reaching an acceptable final agreement	52.8	54.1	50.5
I don't know	9.0	10.7	6.1
No answer	0.9	0.6	1.4

Q2. Camp David is hosting the final status negotiations over Jerusalem, refugees, borders and settlements. Are you confident or not confident in the Palestinian negotiating delegation in Camp David?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
	n= 1200	n=760	n=440
I am confident in the Palestinian negotiating delegation	55.7	54.3	58.0
I am not confident in the Palestinian negotiating delegation	34.7	36.1	32.3
I don't know	7.8	7.9	7.5
No answer	1.8	1.7	2.2

Q3. Do you think you would support or oppose the agreement that might be reached in the ongoing Camp David negotiations?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
	n= 1200	n=760	n=440
I would support the agreement	28.2	28.6	27.5
I would oppose the agreement	18.8	19.3	17.7
I will determine my position after reviewing the agreement	49.1	48.0	50.9
I don't know	3.6	3.8	3.2
No answer	0.3	0.3	0.7

Q4. Do you expect the majority of the Palestinian people to abide by the agreement that might be reached in the Camp David negotiations, or do you expect that the majority of the Palestinian people would not abide by the agreement?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
	n= 1200	n=760	n=440
I believe that the majority of the Palestinian people would abide by the agreement	42.0	41.7	42.5

I believe that the majority of the Palestinian people would not abide by the agreement	38.2	38.2	38.2
I don't know	17.4	18.2	16.1
No answer	2.4	1.9	3.2