
Poll no. 71_September 2010

A public opinion poll conducted by Jerusalem Media & Communications Center

- *A majority of Palestinians supports the negotiations and believes that the negotiations serve the national interests, although they think that the Palestinians accepted entering negotiations because of external pressure.*
- *Slight improvement in the view towards the US after the resumption of the peace efforts*
 - *Rise in rate of confidence in President Abbas and Fatah Movement*
 - *A majority says security and safety have improved in the West Bank.*
- *MBC TV Station is the most watched during the month of Ramadan; Al-Jazeera TV is the main source of news and local Ajyal Radio Station got highest rating among listeners.*
 - *A majority of 63% does not shake hands with the other sex.*

Peace & Negotiations

The results of the public opinion poll conducted by Jerusalem Media & Communications Center, which were published today, showed that a majority of the Palestinians (54.3%) believes that the Palestinian acceptance to resume the peace negotiations serves the Palestinian interests, although at the same time a majority of Palestinians (58.8%) said the Palestinian acceptance of the Quartet Committee's request to resume the negotiations came because of external pressure. A ratio of 34.2% said the Palestinian acceptance to resume negotiations was due to the belief that there is a possibility to make these negotiations succeed.

The poll, which was conducted during the period September 11-15, 2010 in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, included a random sample of 1,200 respondents. A majority of the respondents (55.7%) said no major changes will occur on the current status quo as a result of the negotiations compared with a ratio of 38.3%, who believe that the negotiations will result in major changes.

Confidence in the US Administration

It seems that the resumption of the US diplomatic efforts has not led to a major improvement in the view towards the US among the Palestinian people as the ratio of Palestinians, who note improvement in the US diplomatic performance towards the Middle East issues, rose from 10.1% in April 2010 to 13.9% in this poll.

Negotiations & Resistance

In general, a majority of Palestinians (52.9%) believes that the negotiations are the most effective strategy for the Palestinians in order to achieve their national goals compared with a ratio of 25.7% who said that violent resistance is the best method while a ratio of 15.7% said non-violent resistance is the most effective strategy.

Within the same context, a majority of the Palestinians (52%) said the recent military operation that led to the killing of four settlers near Hebron harms the Palestinian national interests while a ratio of 25.6% said the operation serves the Palestinian national interests.

Political Parties and Leaders

The poll shows that the ratio of confidence in President Abbas went up from 14.8% last April to 19% this September while Ismail Haniyeh maintained his second rank with Marwan Barghouti coming in third. They are followed by Salam Fayyad, Muhammad Dahlan and Mustafa Barghouti.

With regard to the political factions, the rate of confidence in Fatah Movement rose from 36.2% last April to 40.7% this September. Hamas came in second place with a confidence ratio of 13.2%. The Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP) obtained the third place with a ratio of 2.9%, followed by the Palestinian National Initiative (Al-Mubadarah) with 2.0%. A ratio of 30.8% of the Palestinians said they do not trust any faction.

Mass Media and Source of News

The poll, which was conducted immediately after the Holy Month of Ramadan, showed that the majority of Palestinians (33.9%) watched MBC TV Station followed by Palestine TV Station with a ratio of 9.8% and Al-Jazeera TV Station came in third place with a ratio of 9%. Abu Dhabi TV Station came in fourth place and Al-Aqsa TV Station came in fifth place. When asked about the TV Station that people watch to get news, a majority of Palestinians (54.2%) said they watch Al-Jazeera TV Station for news while a ratio of 15.7% watch Al-Arabeyah TV Station while a ratio of 7.8% watch Palestine TV Station.

With regard to the radio stations, a slight majority (10.8%) said they listen to Ajyal Radio Station more than any other station while a ratio of 5.8% listens to Al-Quds Radio Station and a ratio of 5.2% listens to Al-Aqsa Radio Station. A ratio of 4.4% listens to Marah Radio Station and 4.3% listen to Voice of Palestine. With regard to the source of news, Ajyal Radio Station came in first place as the main source of news with a ratio of 10.2% followed by Al-Aqsa Radio Station. Voice of Israel came in third place followed by Voice of Palestine.

Performance of the Government and the President

With regard to the performance of Mahmoud Abbas as PA President, the poll results showed that the ratio of Palestinians who are satisfied with the way he is running the PA affairs rose from 48.6% last April to reach 53.9% in this poll.

The poll shows increase in views of Palestinians who feel that security and safety have improved under the Palestinian government headed by PM Salam Fayyad to reach 50.7% this September compared with 43.7% last April. At the same time, the poll noted that less Palestinians believe that security and safety have improved in the Gaza Strip from 32.4% last April to reach 30.2% this September.

A ratio of 38.9% believes that the status of freedom of expression and the right to association and other rights have improved compared with a ratio of 23.2% who said these rights have deteriorated. A ratio of 17.5% of the respondents in Gaza said the status of freedom of expression and right to association and other rights have improved compared with 40.8% who said these rights have witnessed deterioration.

With regard to the party responsible for the escalating water crisis in the Palestinian territories, a majority of Palestinians (68.5%) blamed Israel for the crisis while a ratio of 14.9% held the PNA responsible for the crisis and 14.1% said the local councils are to blame.

On the issue of canceling the Local Council elections which were scheduled for July 17, 2010, a majority of Palestinians (31%) blamed the PA for canceling the elections at the last moment while a ratio of 23.1% blamed Fatah Movement and 30.7% held the foreign governments responsible for the decision.

Regarding the decision to the early shift to winter timing on the first day of Ramadan, which spurred some debate, a majority of the Palestinians (67.5%) said the decision was a positive one while a ratio of 28.7% said it was a negative decision.

Pedantism in the society

With regard to the debate on increasing signs of pedantism in the society, a majority of 62.5% of the respondents said they don't shake hands with the other sex compared with 36.7% who do. When asked about the reason behind not shaking hands with the other sex, a majority (85.9%) said they do it for religious reasons compared with 13.9% who said they follow social habits and traditions.

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 11-15 September 2010. 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 130 sampling points chosen randomly according to population.

In the **West Bank** 750 people were surveyed from the following areas: **Hebron:** Yatta, Hebron, Surif, Kharas, Halhul, Al-Thahiriya, Dura, Karmil, Khursa, Arrub Refugee Camp. **Jenin:** Jenin, Qabatiya, Ya'bad, Silat Al-Harithiya, Fandaqumiya, Deir Abu Daif, Jalqamus, Jenin Refugee Camp. **Tubas:** Tubas, Tayaseer. **Ramallah & Al-Bireh:** Bani Zeid, Al-Bireh, Beit Liqya, Kufr Ni'meh, Kaubar, Shuqba, Khirbet Abu Falah, Jalazon Refugee Camp. **Jericho:** Jericho, Jiftlik. **Jerusalem:** Al-Ram, Al- Dahyeh, Biddo, Beit Ikssa, Beit Hanina, Shu'fat, Old City, Silwan, Ras Al-Amoud, Shu'fat Refugee Camp. **Bethlehem:** Nahalin, Beit Fajjar, Beit Jala, Shawawra, Dheisheh Refugee Camp. **Nablus:** Qabalan, Azmut, Nablus, Beit Furik, Salem, as-sawyeh, Taluza, Madama, Ijnisinya, Ein Beit Al-Ma' Refugee Camp. **Salfit:** Bidiya, Der Istiya. **Tulkarem:** Tulkarem, Bal'a, Iktaba, An-nazala Al-gharbiya. **Qalqiliya:** Qalqiliya, Jinsafout.

In the **Gaza Strip** 450 people were surveyed from: **Gaza:** Al-Rimal a-Shamali, a-Rimal a-Janoubi, a-Zeitoun, a-Shuja'ia, a-Tufah, a-Daraj, a-Naser, a-Sheikh Radwan, a-Sheikh Ejleen, Tal Al-Hawa, Al-Mughraga, Shati RC. **Khan Younis:** Khan Younis, Absan Al-Kabira, Bani Suheila, Al-Qarara, Khuza', Khan Younis Refugee Camp. **Rafah:** Rafah, Shouket a-Soufi, Rafah Refugee Camp. **Gaza North:** Jabalia, Beit Lahia, Beit Hanoun, Jabalia Refugee Camp. **Deir Al-Balah:** Deir Al-Balah, Al-Brej, Al-Zawaydeh, Al-Nusseirat, Al-Maghazi Refugee Camp, Al-Brej Refugee Camp, Der al -Balah Refugee Camp.

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

Sample Distribution

52.5% of the respondents were from the West Bank, 10.0 % from Jerusalem, 37.5% from the Gaza Strip.

16.7% said they live in villages, 8.8% in refugee camps and 74.5% in towns/cities.

52.3% were male, 47.7% were female.

65.5% were married, 25.8%, single, 4.3% widowed, 0.9 % divorced, 3.5% no answer.

The average age of the respondents was 36 years.

Occupation of Respondents

- Students 14.4 %
- Laborers 11.2%
- Housewives 32.7 %
- Farmers/fishermen 3.1%
- Craftsmen 1.3%
- Businessmen/private business 7.1 %
- Public Sector Employees 11.3%
- Private Sector Employees 5.9 %
- Professionals (e.g. doctors/lawyers/ pharmacists/engineers) 1.1%
- Unemployed 8.8 %
- Retired 2.2%,
- No answer 0.9 %.

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 | West Bank | Gaza |
|------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|
| | n= 1200 | n= 750 | n= 450 |
| Very optimistic | 9.3 | 10.8 | 6.9 |
| Optimistic | 61.1 | 61.3 | 60.7 |
| Pessimistic | 24.3 | 23.9 | 24.9 |
| Very pessimistic | 5.1 | 4.0 | 6.9 |
| No answer | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.6 |

Q2. Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way President Mahmoud Abbas (Abu Mazen) is performing his job as president of the PNA?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|----------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|
| | n= 1200 | n= 750 | n= 450 |
| Very satisfied | 23.1 | 21.5 | 25.8 |
| Somewhat satisfied | 30.8 | 33.6 | 26.2 |
| Somewhat unsatisfied | 14.1 | 13.7 | 14.7 |
| Very unsatisfied | 28.8 | 27.3 | 31.3 |
| No answer | 3.2 | 3.9 | 2.0 |

Q3. In general, under the current government headed by Salam Fayyad, do you believe that security and internal security conditions in the West Bank have improved or regressed or have not changed?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|--|----------------|------------------|---------------|
| | n= 1200 | n= 750 | n= 450 |
| Security and internal security have improved | 50.7 | 58.3 | 38.0 |
| Security and internal security have regressed | 17.2 | 12.0 | 25.8 |
| There has been no change in security and internal security | 27.8 | 26.7 | 29.8 |
| No answer | 4.3 | 3.0 | 6.4 |

Q4. In general, under the Caretaker government headed by Ismail Haniyeh, do you believe that security and internal security conditions in the Gaza Strip have improved or regressed or have not changed?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|--|----------------|------------------|---------------|
| | n= 1200 | n= 750 | n= 450 |
| Security and internal security have improved | 30.2 | 21.1 | 45.3 |
| Security and internal security have regressed | 35.7 | 37.1 | 33.3 |
| There has been no change in security and internal security | 26.3 | 30.4 | 19.3 |
| No answer | 7.8 | 11.4 | 2.1 |

Q5. In general, under the current government headed by Salam Fayyad, do you believe that the level of freedom (freedom of expression, freedom of association etc.) in the West Bank has improved or deteriorated or that there has been no change?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|--------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|
| | n= 1200 | n= 750 | n= 450 |
| Improved | 38.9 | 42.4 | 33.1 |
| Deteriorated | 23.2 | 22.1 | 24.9 |
| Has been no change | 32.9 | 32.0 | 34.4 |
| No answer | 5.0 | 3.5 | 7.6 |

Q6. In general, under the caretaker government headed by Ismail Haniyeh, do you believe that the level of freedom (freedom of expression, freedom of association etc.) in the Gaza Strip has improved or deteriorated or that there has been no change?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|--------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|
| | n= 1200 | n= 750 | n= 450 |
| Improved | 17.5 | 13.6 | 24.0 |
| Deteriorated | 40.8 | 39.5 | 43.1 |
| Has been no change | 33.7 | 36.0 | 29.8 |
| No answer | 8.0 | 10.9 | 3.1 |

Q7. Who do you think bears responsibility for the escalating water crisis in the Palestinian territories? Is it Israel, the PNA, the municipalities, or the local councils?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|---|----------------|------------------|---------------|
| | n= 1200 | n= 750 | n= 450 |
| Israel | 68.5 | 71.5 | 63.6 |
| The PNA | 14.9 | 14.4 | 15.8 |
| The municipalities and the local councils | 14.1 | 11.1 | 19.1 |
| No answer | 2.5 | 3.0 | 1.5 |

Q8. Have you ever visited Jerusalem?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|-----------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|
| | n= 1200 | n= 750 | n= 450 |
| No | 39.4 | 25.1 | 63.3 |
| Yes : once | 24.3 | 26.5 | 20.7 |
| Yes: many times | 36.0 | 48.0 | 16.0 |
| No answer | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.0 |

Q9. Some believe that a two-state formula is the favored solution for the Arab-Israeli conflict, while others believe that historic Palestine cannot be divided and thus the favored solution is a bi-national state on all of Palestine, where Palestinians and Israelis enjoy equal representation and rights. Which of these solutions do you prefer?

| | Total n= 1200 | West Bank n= 750 | Gaza n= 450 |
|---|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Two-state solution : an Israeli and a Palestinian State | 53.4 | 54.7 | 51.3 |
| Bi-national state on all of historic Palestine | 30.7 | 30.8 | 30.4 |
| Palestinian State * | 6.2 | 4.2 | 9.6 |
| Islamic State * | 1.8 | 0.9 | 3.3 |
| Others | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.2 |
| No solution | 4.9 | 5.7 | 3.6 |
| I don't know / No answer | 2.7 | 3.3 | 1.6 |

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

Q10. Local Council elections were supposed to be held on July 17th but were cancelled on short notice. Who do you think is responsible for that?

| | Total n= 1200 | West Bank n= 750 | Gaza n= 450 |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| The Palestinian Authority | 31.0 | 30.4 | 32.0 |
| Fatah | 23.1 | 27.5 | 15.8 |
| Foreign governments (USA, Europe) | 30.7 | 28.0 | 35.1 |
| Hamas* | 1.7 | 1.3 | 2.2 |
| Internal Split* | 1.4 | 0.8 | 2.9 |
| Others | 1.8 | 2.1 | 1.1 |
| No answer | 10.3 | 9.9 | 10.9 |

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Q 11. Which of the following parties / factions would you have voted for in the Local Council elections?

| | Total n= 1200 | West Bank n= 750 | Gaza n= 450 |
|---|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Fatah | 43.8 | 44.3 | 43.1 |
| Hamas | 13.5 | 8.7 | 21.6 |
| PFLP | 3.7 | 4.7 | 2.0 |
| Palestinian National Initiative (Al -Mubadarah) | 2.4 | 3.5 | 0.7 |
| Islamic Jihad | 1.8 | 1.1 | 3.1 |
| PPP (Palestinians People's Party) | 0.9 | 1.5 | 0.0 |
| DFLP | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.9 |
| FIDA | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.0 |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| Others | 1.2 | 1.1 | 1.3 |
| Won't vote | 26.4 | 27.3 | 24.9 |
| No answer | 5.5 | 7.1 | 2.4 |

Q12. Recently, a Palestinian military operation was executed and it led to the killing of four settlers in the Hebron area. Do you think that such an operation would serve or harm the Palestinian national interests or that it would have no impact at all?

| | Total n= 1200 | West Bank n= 750 | Gaza n= 450 |
|--|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| It serves the Palestinian national interests | 25.6 | 18.9 | 36.7 |
| It harms the Palestinian national interests | 52.0 | 55.3 | 46.4 |
| It has no impact at all | 18.7 | 21.3 | 14.2 |
| I don't know / No answer | 3.7 | 4.5 | 2.7 |

Q13. Do you support the resumption of the military operations against Israeli targets as a suitable response within the current political conditions, or do you reject it and find it harmful to Palestinian national interests?

| | Total n= 1200 | West Bank n= 750 | Gaza n= 450 |
|---|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| A suitable response within the current political conditions | 30.3 | 23.1 | 42.2 |
| I reject it and find it harmful to Palestinian national interests | 59.4 | 64.0 | 51.8 |
| Others | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.9 |
| I don't know | 7.6 | 9.6 | 4.2 |
| No answer | 1.8 | 2.4 | 0.9 |

Q14. In general, what do you think is the most effective strategy for the Palestinians in order to obtain their national goals?

| | Total n= 1200 | West Bank n= 750 | Gaza n= 450 |
|------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Negotiations | 52.9 | 55.2 | 49.1 |
| Violent resistance | 25.7 | 19.6 | 35.8 |
| Non-violent resistance | 15.7 | 19.3 | 9.6 |
| Others | 1.4 | 0.4 | 3.1 |
| No answer | 4.3 | 5.5 | 2.4 |

Q15. The PLO Executive Committee accepted the call from the Quartet Committee to resume direct negotiations at the start of September. Do you think that this decision serves or harms the interests of the Palestinian people?

| | Total n= 1200 | West Bank n= 750 | Gaza n= 450 |
|---|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| It serves the interests of the Palestinian people | 54.3 | 57.5 | 49.1 |
| It harms the interests of the Palestinian people | 34.0 | 29.1 | 42.2 |
| It does not have any impact * | 2.0 | 1.4 | 2.9 |
| Others | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.7 |
| No answer | 9.2 | 11.6 | 5.1 |

* This answer was not included as part of the options read to the interviewee

Q16. Why do you think the PLO Executive Committee agreed on entering direct negotiations with Israel?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|--|----------------|------------------|---------------|
| | n= 1200 | n= 750 | n= 450 |
| Due to external pressure | 58.8 | 57.5 | 61.1 |
| Because of belief in the success of the negotiations | 34.2 | 35.6 | 31.8 |
| Others | 1.4 | 1.2 | 1.8 |
| Don't know | 3.8 | 3.9 | 3.8 |
| No answer | 1.8 | 1.8 | 1.5 |

Q17. Do you believe that there will be a significant change in the status quo as a result of the negotiations?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|-----------|----------------|------------------|---------------|
| | n= 1200 | n= 750 | n= 450 |
| Yes | 38.3 | 36.3 | 41.6 |
| No | 55.7 | 56.8 | 53.8 |
| No answer | 6.0 | 6.9 | 4.6 |

Q18. What is your opinion about the performance of the new US Administration headed by President Barack Obama one year after his inauguration regarding the Middle East? Do you think the United States has improved its dealings with the Middle East problems, or have you noticed regression or no change?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|--|----------------|------------------|---------------|
| | n= 1200 | n= 750 | n= 450 |
| There has been improvement in the dealings of the United States with Middle East problems | 13.9 | 14.5 | 12.9 |
| There has been a regression in the dealings of the United States with Middle East problems | 22.1 | 22.1 | 22.0 |
| There has been no change in the United States dealing with Middle East problems | 60.4 | 59.7 | 61.6 |
| I don't know / No answer | 3.6 | 3.7 | 3.5 |

Q19. Do you think that changing to wintertime at the start of the month of Ramadan was a good or bad decision?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|---------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|
| | n= 1200 | n= 750 | n= 450 |
| Good decision | 67.5 | 59.5 | 80.9 |
| Bad decision | 28.7 | 35.9 | 16.7 |
| Others | 2.3 | 3.2 | 0.9 |
| No answer | 1.5 | 1.4 | 1.5 |

Q20. Is religion an important part of your life?

| | Total n= 1200 | West Bank n= 750 | Gaza n= 450 |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Yes | 93.8 | 91.6 | 97.3 |
| No | 4.8 | 6.1 | 2.4 |
| I don't know / No answer | 1.4 | 2.3 | 0.3 |

Q21. Have you performed Al-Umra (a pilgrimage to Mecca performed by Muslims that can be undertaken at any time of the year)?*

| | Total n= 1178 | West Bank n= 735 | Gaza n= 443 |
|-----------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Yes | 24.4 | 27.8 | 19.0 |
| No | 75.0 | 71.4 | 80.8 |
| No answer | 0.6 | 0.8 | 0.2 |

* This question was asked only to Muslims

Q22. Do you agree or disagree with coeducation in schools?

| | Total n= 1200 | West Bank n= 750 | Gaza n= 450 |
|--|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| I agree till elementary | 38.3 | 35.9 | 42.4 |
| I agree till secondary | 10.8 | 15.2 | 3.3 |
| I disagree with coeducation in schools | 50.2 | 48.0 | 53.8 |
| I don't know / No answer | 0.7 | 0.9 | 0.5 |

Q23. From your point of view, is it useful for women to work outside the house (be employed) or is it better for women not to work outside the house in our country?

| | Total n= 1200 | West Bank n= 750 | Gaza n= 450 |
|--|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| It is useful for women to work (be employed) outside the house | 72.8 | 68.3 | 80.4 |
| It is preferable for women not to work (be employed) outside the house | 25.6 | 29.5 | 19.1 |
| I don't know / No answer | 1.6 | 2.2 | 0.5 |

Q24. Do you think that the Palestinian Personal Law must be based on the principals of Islamic Sharia or on the Civil Law?

| | Total n= 1200 | West Bank n= 750 | Gaza n= 450 |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| The Islamic Sharia | 53.3 | 51.6 | 56.2 |
| The Civil Law | 13.0 | 14.7 | 10.2 |
| Both | 33.1 | 33.1 | 33.1 |
| I don't know / No answer | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.5 |

Q25. Some shake hands with the other sex while others don't, how about you? Do you shake hands with the other sex?*

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|--|----------------|------------------|---------------|
| | n= 1178 | n= 735 | n= 443 |
| I shake hands with the other sex | 36.7 | 43.0 | 26.2 |
| I don't shake hands with the other sex | 62.5 | 56.5 | 72.5 |
| No answer | 0.8 | 0.5 | 1.3 |

*** This question was asked only to Muslims**

Q26. Why don't you shake hands with the other sex? Is it for religious or social reasons (traditions and habits)?*

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|---|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | n= 736 | n= 415 | n=327 |
| Religious reasons | 85.9 | 83.1 | 89.4 |
| Social reasons (traditions and habits) | 13.9 | 16.6 | 10.3 |
| No answer | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.3 |

*** This question was asked to Muslims who answered that they don't shake hands**

Q27. Some women wear the Niqab face cover (full face cover with or without eyes showing). How do you view this phenomenon, would you say it is a positive or negative phenomenon?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|---------------------|----------------|------------------|--------------|
| | n= 1200 | n= 750 | n=450 |
| Positive phenomenon | 45.3 | 42.1 | 50.7 |
| Negative phenomenon | 45.3 | 47.2 | 42.0 |
| I don't know | 7.2 | 8.5 | 4.9 |
| No answer | 2.2 | 2.2 | 2.4 |

Q28. Did you fast during the month of Ramadan? *

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|------------------|--------------|
| | n= 1178 | n= 735 | n=443 |
| Most of the days or all of the days | 95.2 | 93.9 | 97.5 |
| A few days | 3.2 | 4.4 | 1.4 |
| I did not fast | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.1 |
| No answer | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.0 |

*** this question was asked only to Muslims**

Q29. During the month of Ramadan, did you perform all religious prayers?*

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|--------------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|
| | n= 1178 | n= 735 | n= 443 |
| I prayed all days | 86.9 | 84.2 | 91.4 |
| I prayed only on Fridays | 7.6 | 8.4 | 6.1 |
| I didn't pray | 4.8 | 6.4 | 2.0 |
| No answer | 0.7 | 1.0 | 0.5 |

*** This question was asked only to Muslims**

Q30. With regard to the monthly home expenditure during the month of Ramadan, did it increase or decrease?*

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|--------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|
| | n= 1178 | n= 735 | n= 443 |
| It increased | 80.1 | 79.7 | 80.6 |
| It decreased | 5.3 | 4.4 | 6.8 |
| No change | 14.4 | 15.6 | 12.4 |
| No answer | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.2 |

* This question was asked only to Muslims

Q31. Were you forced to borrow money during the month of Ramadan?*

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|-----------|----------------|------------------|---------------|
| | n= 1178 | n= 735 | n= 443 |
| Yes | 34.8 | 30.7 | 41.5 |
| No | 58.9 | 62.7 | 52.6 |
| No answer | 6.3 | 6.6 | 5.9 |

* This question was asked only to Muslims

32. In general, which radio station do you listen to the most?*

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|-----------------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|
| | n= 1200 | n= 750 | n= 450 |
| Ajyal | 10.8 | 17.2 | 0.0 |
| Al-Quds | 5.8 | 0.7 | 14.4 |
| Al-Aqsa | 5.2 | 0.1 | 13.6 |
| Marah | 4.4 | 4.8 | 3.8 |
| Voice of Palestine | 4.3 | 4.4 | 4.2 |
| Al-Hureyah | 4.2 | 5.1 | 2.7 |
| Al-Qur'an Al-Kareem | 3.8 | 3.3 | 4.4 |
| Voice of Israel | 3.5 | 5.2 | 0.7 |
| Angham | 2.1 | 3.3 | 0.0 |
| Al-Sha'b | 1.8 | 0.0 | 4.9 |
| Voice of Al-Najah | 1.7 | 2.7 | 0.0 |
| Alwan | 1.7 | 0.0 | 4.4 |
| Amwaj | 1.5 | 1.7 | 1.1 |
| Gaza FM | 1.2 | 0.0 | 3.1 |
| Al-Ahlam | 1.1 | 1.7 | 0.0 |
| Don't listen to any station | 19.3 | 22.7 | 13.6 |
| Others | 15.4 | 20.7 | 6.7 |
| Don't know | 2.4 | 1.5 | 4.0 |
| No answer | 9.8 | 4.9 | 18.4 |

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

Q33. In general, the news programs of which radio station do you listen to the most? *

| | Total n= 1200 | West Bank n= 750 | Gaza n= 450 |
|------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| Ajyal | 10.2 | 16.3 | 0.0 |
| Al-Quds | 7.8 | 1.2 | 18.9 |
| Al-Aqsa | 6.5 | 0.0 | 17.3 |
| Voice of Israel | 6.4 | 9.2 | 1.8 |
| Voice of Palestine | 4.9 | 6.0 | 3.1 |
| Al-Hureyah | 3.8 | 4.4 | 2.7 |
| Marah | 3.4 | 4.3 | 2.0 |
| Al-Sha'b | 2.2 | 0.0 | 5.8 |
| Voice of Al-Najah | 2.1 | 3.3 | 0.0 |
| BBC | 1.8 | 1.5 | 2.2 |
| Al-Ahlam | 1.4 | 2.3 | 0.0 |
| Al-Balad | 1.2 | 1.9 | 0.0 |
| Al-Jazeera FM | 1.0 | 0.0 | 2.7 |
| Angham | 1.0 | 1.3 | 0.4 |
| Don't hear any station | 18.8 | 24.3 | 9.8 |
| Others | 13.0 | 15.5 | 8.9 |
| Don't know | 2.3 | 1.6 | 3.6 |
| No answer | 12.2 | 6.9 | 20.8 |

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

Q34. In general, which TV station do you watch the most?*

| | Total n= 1200 | West Bank n= 750 | Gaza n= 450 |
|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| MBC 1 | 33.9 | 42.8 | 19.1 |
| Voice of Palestine | 9.8 | 10.5 | 8.4 |
| Al-Jazeera | 9.0 | 6.8 | 12.7 |
| Abu Dhabi | 4.4 | 4.7 | 4.0 |
| Al-Aqsa | 3.8 | 1.1 | 8.2 |
| Panorama Drama | 2.8 | 1.3 | 5.3 |
| MBC action | 1.5 | 1.3 | 1.8 |
| Iqra' | 1.0 | 0.7 | 1.6 |
| Al-Manar | 1.0 | 1.3 | 0.4 |
| Don't watch TV | 1.4 | 1.2 | 1.8 |
| Others | 28.2 | 26.7 | 30.7 |
| No answer | 3.2 | 1.6 | 6.0 |

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

Q35. In general, the news programs of which TV station do you watch to the most?*

| | Total n= 1200 | West Bank n= 750 | Gaza n= 450 |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Al-Jazeera | 54.2 | 54.9 | 52.9 |
| Al-Arabeyah | 15.7 | 13.7 | 18.9 |
| Voice of Palestine | 7.8 | 9.1 | 5.8 |
| Al-Manar | 3.8 | 5.5 | 0.9 |
| MBC 1 | 3.3 | 3.6 | 2.9 |
| Al-Aqsa | 2.6 | 0.9 | 5.3 |
| Abu Dhabi | 1.3 | 1.6 | 0.7 |
| Don't watch any channel | 3.7 | 4.1 | 2.9 |
| Others | 3.6 | 3.2 | 4.2 |
| Don't know | 0.8 | 0.7 | 1.1 |
| No answer | 3.2 | 2.7 | 4.4 |

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

36. Which soap opera series did you watch the most during the month of Ramadan?*

| | Total n= 1200 | West Bank n= 750 | Gaza n= 450 |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Bab Al-Harah | 57.8 | 56.1 | 60.7 |
| Zuhra w azwajha Al-khamsah | 6.3 | 6.8 | 5.3 |
| Al-A'ar | 3.3 | 2.9 | 3.8 |
| Oush al Dabour | 2.1 | 2.9 | 0.7 |
| Ahel al Rayeh | 1.9 | 2.7 | 0.7 |
| A'yza atjawaz | 1.6 | 1.5 | 1.8 |
| Abu Jantee | 1.5 | 2.4 | 0.0 |
| Wara' Al-Shams | 1.2 | 1.7 | 0.2 |
| Didn't watch any series | 7.0 | 6.9 | 7.1 |
| Others | 9.9 | 12.3 | 6.0 |
| Don't know | 1.9 | 0.7 | 4.0 |
| No answer | 5.5 | 3.1 | 9.7 |

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

Q37. Did you watch the program "Watan Ala Watar" which was shown on Palestine TV during the month of Ramadan?

| | Total n= 1200 | West Bank n= 750 | Gaza n= 450 |
|-----------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Yes | 41.0 | 47.1 | 30.9 |
| No | 57.8 | 52.5 | 66.7 |
| No answer | 1.2 | 0.4 | 2.4 |

Q38. What do you think of the program?*

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|----------------------|---------------|------------------|---------------|
| | n= 492 | n= 353 | n= 139 |
| Good | 59.6 | 59.8 | 59.0 |
| Neither good nor bad | 30.9 | 31.4 | 29.5 |
| Bad | 9.1 | 8.8 | 10.1 |
| No answer | 0.4 | 0.0 | 1.4 |

* This question was only asked to those who answered yes in question 37

Q39. Which political or religious faction do you trust the most?*

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|--|----------------|------------------|---------------|
| | n= 1200 | n= 750 | n= 450 |
| Fatah | 40.7 | 41.5 | 39.3 |
| Hamass | 13.2 | 8.3 | 21.3 |
| PFLP | 2.9 | 3.5 | 2.0 |
| Palestinian National Initiative (Al-Mubadarah) | 2.0 | 3.1 | 0.2 |
| Islamic Jihad | 1.7 | 0.5 | 3.6 |
| PPP | 1.1 | 1.6 | 0.2 |
| DFLP | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.7 |
| FIDA | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| Others Islamic factions | 1.7 | 0.3 | 4.0 |
| I don't trust any faction | 30.8 | 34.5 | 24.7 |
| No answer | 5.4 | 6.3 | 4.0 |

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

Q40. Which Palestinian personality do you trust the most?*

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|---------------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|
| | n= 1200 | n= 750 | n= 450 |
| Mahmoud Abbas (Abu Mazen) | 19.0 | 20.1 | 17.1 |
| Ismail Haniyeh | 10.8 | 5.5 | 19.8 |
| Marwan Barghouthi | 7.5 | 9.3 | 4.4 |
| Salam Fayyad | 4.8 | 5.5 | 3.8 |
| Mohamad Dahlan | 3.2 | 0.3 | 8.0 |
| Mustafa Barghouthi | 2.7 | 3.5 | 1.3 |
| Abu Ammar | 2.5 | 1.1 | 4.9 |
| Ahmad Sa'adat | 1.8 | 2.1 | 1.1 |
| Khaled Mish'al | 1.0 | 0.7 | 1.6 |
| Others | 6.9 | 6.1 | 8.2 |
| Don't trust any one | 33.1 | 37.6 | 25.6 |
| No answer | 6.7 | 8.2 | 4.2 |

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