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\* The survey showed that the Palestinian people, by the end of the first year of the Intifada, became sterner in political positions towards Israel, the peace process and negotiations. The percentage of those who support the continuation of the Intifada increased from 80.2 percent last April to 85.3 percent this September. Also, support for the Oslo Agreement declined from 38.1 percent in last June to 29.2 percent this September.

Of those interviewed, 41.9 percent consider the peace process dead and there is no possibility of resuming negotiations rising from 27.4 percent who supported this view last June.

The survey showed that there is a rise in hard-line goals of the Intifada, where the percentage of those considering the goals are to end the occupation based on UN Security Council resolution 242 and 338 dropped from 45.2 percent to 40.1 percent, while those who consider the goal of the Intifada is liberating all Palestinian soil increased from 41.2 percent last June to 48.6 percent this September.

\* One of the most noticeable results was that the Palestinian people, after one year of the Intifada, with their staunch support of its continuation, is divided on the feasibility of achieving the goals of the Intifada. Fifty-three percent of those surveyed said they are optimistic or very optimistic that the Intifada will achieve its goals.

There is a noticeable change in the political positions of Palestinians. Palestinian support for a two-state solution as the ideal solution dropped from 47.2 percent in June to 42.9 percent this September, but Palestinian support for an ideal solution embodied in a bi-national state in all of historic Palestine increased from 22.2 percent last June to 31.8 percent this September.

\* Palestinian support for factions has also changed slightly where Palestinian trust in Fateh more than any other faction dropped from 34.9 percent in June to 29.2 percent this September while trust in Hamas Movement increased from 18.6 percent in June to 20.7 percent this September.

Palestinian President Yasser Arafat maintained being the most trusted personality of those interviewed despite a decrease in this trust from 27.8 percent last June to 23.5 percent this September.

\* The survey showed that the Palestinian people, after one year on the Intifada, increased its support to violence and decreased trust in negotiations and the peace process. For instance, those who consider armed operations a suitable response in these circumstances increased from 70.6 percent last June to 84.6 percent this September. Those who oppose armed operations and see it unsuitable and unbeneficial within the current circumstances decreased from 19.8 percent to 9.9 percent for the same period.

On the question of favoring the peaceful popular characteristics of the Intifada as opposed to the military characteristics, those supporting a military intifada increased from 14.9 percent to 19.1 percent while those supporting both peaceful and military characteristics remained almost steady.

When interviewees were asked which path is the best to achieve the Palestinian people's aims: Intifada or negotiations? Those supporting the Intifada increased from 28.8 percent last June to 35.9 percent this September.

\* On the reasons for negotiations failure and the eruption of the Intifada a year ago, the majority of Palestinians, 47 percent, said that Sharon's visit to al-Aqsa Mosque was the reason, while 26.5 percent said that the continuation of the occupation is the reason, and only 13.4 percent considered the failure of negotiations the reason.

The majority of Palestinians, 58.3 percent, believe that the failure of Camp David negotiations was because of the Jerusalem issue, followed by the Jewish settlement issue, 19.6 percent and then the refugee issue, 15.7 percent.

\* The Israeli assassination policy is the most harmful to the Palestinian people according to 34.3 percent of those interviewed, followed by the policy of closures and checkpoints, 26 percent.

\* The majority of Palestinians, 50 percent, considers and evaluate the Israeli peace camp role and behavior as bad, 36 percent said it is unacceptable while 11 percent considered it acceptable and only 2 percent considered it good.

## Methodology:

A random sample of 1198 people over the age of 18 were interviewed face-to-face throughout the West Bank and Gaza Strip between 11-17 September 2001. 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, 758 people were surveyed from the following areas: **Jenin:** Jenin, Jenin Refugee Camp (RC), Kufr Rai', Silat al-Harthia, Tubas and Arrabeh . **Nablus:** Nablus, Bidia, Hiwara, Azmout, Zawata, kufr al- Deik , Urief, Askar RC and Deir sharaf . **Tulkarem & Qalqilya :** Tulkarem, Tulkarem RC, Beit Leed, Qalqilia, 'Illar and Azzoun . **Hebron:** Hebron, Halhoul, al-Fawwar RC, Dura , Bani N'iem , Sa'eer, Beit-Ula and Tarqoumia. **Bethlehem:** Bethlehem, al-Khader, Bateer, Husan and Deiheishe RC. **Jericho:** Jericho, Ain al-Sultan RC . **Ramallah & al-Bireh :** al-Bireh, Ramallah, al- Jalazon, Birzeit, Sinjil, Nilin, Silwad and Shuqba . **Jerusalem:** a-Dahia, A-ram, Shufat, Beit Hanaia, Old City, Ras al-Amoud, Qalandia RC, al-'Isawia, Silwan, Biddu, Kufr 'Aqab, Qattannah and a-Sheikh Jarah .

In the Gaza Strip, 440 people were surveyed from: **Gaza North:** Jabalia refugee camp, Jabalia, Beit Lahia and Beit Hanoun. **Gaza:** Sheikh Radwan, al-Nasser, a-Durj, al-Tuffah, Sabra, a-Zeitoun, a-Shajai'a, Shati RC, al-Rimal south and al-Rimal north. **Deir al- Balah:** al-Nusseirat RC, al-Maghazi RC, Deir al- Balah and al-Bureij RC . **Khan Younis:** Khan Younis RC, Khan Younis, Bani Suheila, al-khuza' and al-Qararah . **Rafah:** Rafah, Rafah RC and Tal al-Sultan RC . The margin of error is 3 percent, with a confidence level of 95.

## Sample distribution

51.8% of the respondents were from West Bank, 11.4% from Jerusalem, 36.8% from the Gaza Strip.  
30.0% said they live in villages, 16.4% in refugee camps, 53.6% in towns/cities.  
51.2% were male, 48.8% were female.  
65.8% were married, 24.3%, single, 4.8% widowed, 1.8% divorced, 3.3% no answer.  
The average age of the respondents was 34 years.

## Occupation of respondents

Students 11.1% laborers 11.0% Farmers/fishermen 3.9%  
Craftsmen 1.7% Businessmen/private business 6.7%  
Employees e.g. secretaries/municipal employees/teachers/nurses 18.1  
Professionals - e.g. doctors/lawyers/ pharmacists/engineers 1.8  
Housewives 33.5% , unemployed 9.8% and retired 0.4% , no answer 2.0%

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**1. In general how optimistic or pessimistic do you feel towards the future?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
Very optimistic	3.8	4.1	3.2
Optimistic	41.1	41.4	40.5
Pessimistic	34.6	35.6	32.7
Very Pessimistic	19.9	18.5	22.5
No answer	0.6	0.4	1.1

**Q2. Do you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose the continuation of the al-Aqsa Intifada?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
Strongly support	51.2	52.2	49.3
Somewhat support	34.1	32.2	37.5
Somewhat oppose	8.6	8.4	8.9
Strongly oppose	4.1	5.0	2.5
No answer	2.0	2.2	1.8

**Q3. In your opinion what is the main reason for the eruption of the current Intifada?**

**Is it the failure of the negotiations, the continuation of the settlement construction, Sharon's visit to al-Aqsa, the continuation of occupation or other specify?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
The failure of the negotiations	13.4	16.0	9.1
The continuation of the settlement construction	9.3	9.4	9.1
Sharon's visit to al-Aqsa	47.0	43.7	52.7
The continuation of occupation	26.5	26.8	26.1
The failure of the negotiations and the continuation of the settlement construction	0.2	0.3	0.0
The continuation of the settlement construction and the continuation of occupation	0.1	0.1	0.0
The continuation of the settlement construction and Sharon's visit to al-Aqsa	0.2	0.3	0.0
All the above	2.2	2.0	2.5
No answer	1.1	1.4	0.5

**Q4. The current Intifada includes popular characteristics such as the demonstrations and military characteristics . in your opinion, do you support the continuation of a popular or military Intifada or both of them together?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
I am with the continuation of a popular Intifada	19.0	23.5	11.4
I am with the military Intifada	19.1	18.7	19.8
I am with both of them	55.8	50.3	65.5
I don't know	4.7	5.5	3.2
No answer	1.4	2.0	0.1

**Q. 5 In your opinion what should be the final goal for the current Intifada. Is it the improvement of the Palestinians negotiations situation, end the occupation based on resolution 242, formation of a Palestinian State, or the liberation of all Palestine or other?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
The improvement of the Palestinians negotiations situation	7.9	9.8	4.8
End the occupation based on resolution 242 formation of a Palestinian State	40.9	41.7	39.5
The liberation of all Palestine	48.6	45.5	53.9
The improvement of the Palestinians negotiations situation and end the occupation based on resolution 242 formation of a Palestinian State	0.3	0.4	0.0
End the occupation based on resolution 242 formation of a Palestinian State and the freedom of all Palestine	0.1	0.1	0.0
The improvement of the Palestinians negotiations situation , end the occupation based on resolution 242 formation of a Palestinian State and the freedom of all Palestine	0.1	0.1	0.0
Don't know	1.6	1.6	1.6
Other reasons	0.3	0.3	0.2
No answer	0.2	0.5	0.0

**Q. 6 After one year of the Intifada are you very optimistic, somewhat optimistic, somewhat pessimistic or very pessimistic towards achieving it's object ( the one that you chose in the previous question)b- Legislative Council :**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
Very optimistic	8.3	7.4	10.0
Optimistic	44.7	42.9	47.7
Pessimistic	26.0	25.5	26.8
Very Pessimistic	17.6	19.8	13.9
No answer	3.4	4.4	1.6

**Q.7 Some believe, that the Intifada is the best path to achieve our national goals and end the occupation, others believe that the negotiations are the best way to do so. There are some who believe that the continuation of the Intifada and the negotiations together is the method to achieve Palestinian national goals, so in your perspective what is the best way to achieve our national goals?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
Only the Intifada	34.9	33.1	38.0
Only negotiations	9.7	11.1	7.3
Intifada and negotiations together	51.2	51.2	51.1
I don't know	2.7	2.8	2.5
No answer	1.5	1.8	1.1

**Q.8 From your point of view list the following Israeli violation from the most harmful to the least harmful; closure and check points, assassination, invasion of the PNA areas, settler's attacks, killing or shelling.**

**a. First rank**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
Closure and check points	26.0	25.1	27.7
Assassination	34.3	35.2	32.7
Invasion of the PNA areas	9.1	9.1	9.1
settler's attacks	4.7	4.5	5.0
Killing	9.2	9.9	8.0
Shelling	14.4	12.8	17.3
No answer	2.3	3.4	0.2

**b. Second rank**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
Closure and check points	16.1	14.5	18.9
Assassination	26.7	27.7	25.0
Invasion of the PNA areas	16.1	16.4	15.7
settler's attacks	8.8	10.9	5.2
Killing	16.9	15.8	18.6
Shelling	13.3	11.3	16.6
No answer	2.1	3.4	0.0

**c. Third rank :**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
Closure and check points	10.9	10.2	12.3
Assassination	15.9	15.7	16.1
Invasion of the PNA areas	17.3	17.7	16.6
settler's attacks	17.5	20.2	13.0
Killing	17.4	16.8	18.6
Shelling	18.8	16.1	23.4
No answer	2.2	3.3	0.0

**d. Fourth rank :**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
Closure and check points	10.4	10.6	10.2
Assassination	9.6	8.6	11.4
Invasion of the PNA areas	16.9	14.9	20.5
settler's attacks	21.0	20.4	21.8
Killing	22.5	24.7	18.6
Shelling	17.4	17.3	17.5
No answer	2.2	3.5	0.0

**e. Fifth rank**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
Closure and check points	13.0	13.9	11.6
Assassination	6.3	5.5	7.7
Invasion of the PNA areas	20.0	17.8	23.9
settler's attacks	22.8	20.2	27.3
Killing	17.0	18.1	15.2
Shelling	18.4	20.8	14.3
No answer	2.5	3.7	0.0

**f. Sixth rank**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
Closure and check points	21.9	22.8	20.2
Assassination	4.8	3.4	7.2
Invasion of the PNA areas	18.3	20.7	14.1
settler's attacks	22.8	20.1	27.5
Killing	14.5	11.2	20.2
Shelling	15.1	17.7	10.7
No answer	2.6	4.1	0.1

**Q.9 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?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
A suitable response within the current political conditions	84.6	82.5	88.2
I reject it and find it harmful to Palestinian national interests	9.9	10.3	9.3
I don't know	4.6	5.9	2.3
No answer	0.9	1.3	0.2



**Q.10 Are you with the resumption of the military operations inside Israel only, inside the occupied territories or inside Israel and the occupied territories?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
Inside Israel only	32.0	32.8	30.5
Inside the occupied territories	7.6	8.6	5.9
Inside Israel and the occupied territories	49.7	46.0	55.9
I am not with the resumption of the military operations	7.1	7.7	6.1
No answer	3.6	4.9	1.6

**Q11 What is your opinion of how the Israeli peace camp behave and deal with the recent event of the current uprising? Good, acceptable, not acceptable, bad?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
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Good	2.0	2.4	1.4
Acceptable	11.0	10.3	12.3
Not acceptable	30.6	33.8	25.0
Bad	50.2	47.8	54.3
No answer	6.2	5.7	7.0

**Q.12 How satisfied are you with Arab solidarity with the Intifada. Would you say you are very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or totally dissatisfied?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
Very satisfied	1.8	2.4	0.9
Somewhat satisfied	14.4	11.6	19.1
Somewhat dissatisfied	23.5	23.9	23.0
Totally dissatisfied	59.5	61.1	56.8
I don't know	0.6	0.8	0.2
No answer	0.2	0.2	0.0

**Q.13 How satisfied are you with Palestinian living inside Israel solidarity with the Intifada. Would you say you are satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or totally dissatisfied?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
Very satisfied	15.4	12.5	20.5
Somewhat satisfied	44.2	43.5	45.5
Somewhat dissatisfied	24.0	25.9	20.7
Totally dissatisfied	13.9	14.9	12.0
I don't know	2.3	2.8	1.3
No answer	0.2	0.4	0.0

**Q14. What do you think of the Oslo agreement? Would you say you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose it?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
Strongly support	1.6	1.7	1.4
Somewhat support	28.1	27.0	30.0
Somewhat oppose	36.4	37.7	34.1
Strongly oppose	26.5	24.9	29.1
No answer	7.4	8.7	5.4

**Q15 In principle do you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose peace negotiations between Palestinians and Israel?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
Strongly support	5.0	4.7	5.5
Somewhat support	41.9	41.7	42.3
Somewhat oppose	26.5	28.9	22.5
Strongly oppose	22.5	19.8	27.0
No answer	4.1	4.9	2.7

**Q.16 Under the current conditions, some believe that the peace process is dead and there is no chance of resuming the negotiations, while others see that the peace process is passing through difficult conditions with an unclear future and there is another group that believes that the peace process is still alive and there is a possibility of resuming negotiations?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
The peace process is dead and there is no chance of resuming the negotiations	41.9	43.7	38.9
The peace process is passing through difficult conditions with an unclear future	40.6	37.9	45.2
The peace process is still alive and there is a possibility of resuming negotiations	13.9	13.6	14.3
Don't know	2.9	3.8	1.4
No answer	0.7	1.0	0.2

**Q17 In your opinion who is more responsible for the failure of the Camp David negotiations a year ago? Is it the Palestinian Side, Israeli side or both sides?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
Palestinian Side	1.8	2.2	1.1
Israeli side	82.6	82.5	83.0
both sides	13.2	13.5	12.7
No answer	2.4	1.8	3.2

**Q.18 From your point of view what is the issue that was more responsible for the failure of Camp David negotiations; Jerusalem, Refugees, settlements and borders.**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
Refugees	15.7	14.6	17.5
Settlements	19.6	22.4	14.8
Jerusalem	58.3	57.0	60.7
Borders	2.2	2.4	1.8
No answer	4.2	3.6	5.2

**Q19 If the case of the two sides Palestinian & Israeli reach a peaceful agreement you are satisfied with. Do you support or oppose normal relationship between Israel and Palestine or it doesn't make any difference?.**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
Support	20.1	18.3	23.2
Oppose	48.4	47.0	50.9
It doesn't make any difference	23.4	23.9	22.5
Don't know	6.1	8.4	2.0
No answer	2.0	2.4	1.4

**Q20 I n general are you willing to negotiate with Israeli people or groups.**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
Yes I have a will	11.9	11.1	13.2
No I don't have a will	61.2	60.8	61.8
The situation is not suitable	20.5	20.4	20.5
Don't know	4.3	5.1	2.7
No answer	2.1	2.6	1.8

**Q.21 Some believe that the "Two - State Formula" is the best solution for the Israeli - Palestinian conflict while others believe that the historical Palestine cannot be divided into two states and therefore the best solution would be a "Bi-National State" in all of Palestine where Palestinians and Israelis enjoy equal rights, which of these two solutions would you prefer?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
"Two - State Formula" is the best solution for the Israeli - Palestinian	42.9	44.5	40.2
the best solution would be a "Bi-National State" in all of Palestine	31.8	31.1	33.0
A Palestinian State	13.7	10.4	19.3
An Islamic Palestinian State	2.9	3.6	1.8
Don't know	6.2	8.3	2.5
No answer	2.5	2.1	3.2

**Q22. Do you agree or disagree with the idea of establishing a Palestinian State with 1967 borders (including East Jerusalem) as a part of the final solution to the Palestinian – Israeli conflict?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
I agree	35.4	33.8	38.2
In between	32.3	34.4	28.6
I disagree	29.1	28.9	29.5
No answer	3.2	2.9	3.7

**Q23. Do you accept giving up the “1948 lands” in return for a final solution in which the Palestinians will have their own state in the West Bank and Gaza, with Jerusalem as its capital (1967 borders)?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
Yes	16.4	12.7	23.0
No	72.7	74.7	69.3
I have no idea	10.9	12.6	7.7

**Q.24 There is a debate among international circles as to whether the Palestinian president is in control of the internal Palestinian situation, or whether he is in control up to a certain degree or whether he is not in control up to a certain degree, or whether he is not in control at all, what is your opinion?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
The president Yassir Arafat is in control of the internal Palestinian situation	21.6	19.9	24.5
The president Yassir Arafat is in control up to a certain degree	45.7	47.5	42.7
The president Yassir Arafat is not in control up to a certain degree	19.4	18.1	21.6
The president Yassir Arafat is not in control at all	9.7	10.0	9.1
No answer	3.6	4.5	2.1

**Q.25 When you say Jerusalem what of the following you mean:**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
The old city	11.0	10.4	12.0
East Jerusalem before 6 June 1967	17.7	18.2	16.8
East & West Jerusalem before 9 June 1967 expansion	38.6	34.2	46.4
The Israeli municipality borders in 1999	1.8	1.1	3.0
Israeli greater Jerusalem	5.0	5.8	3.6
Palestinian Jerusalem governance	21.5	26.5	13.0
Don't know	3.6	3.0	4.5
No answer	0.8	0.8	0.7

**Q26. What in your opinion, the best and final solution to the Jerusalem problem?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
Unified Jerusalem (East and West) as capital of Israel	0.2	0.3	0.0
Unified Jerusalem (East and West) as the capital of Palestine	42.6	35.2	55.2
East Jerusalem as the capital of the Palestinian State and West Jerusalem as the capital of the State of Israel.	17.9	19.0	15.9
Jerusalem as an open city and capital of the two states.	2.4	3.0	1.4
International Jerusalem	4.8	5.8	3.0
West Jerusalem is the capital of Israel, The Old City is under a joint sovereignty, and East Jerusalem is under Palestinian sovereignty	2.3	3.0	0.9
Capital of Muslims	28.2	31.4	22.7
No answer	1.6	2.3	0.9

**Q27. In your opinion what is the importance of Jerusalem to the Palestinians? Is it, Religious, political, economical or other specify?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
Religious	82.6	78.8	89.3
Political	9.2	13.1	2.5
Economical	0.8	1.1	0.2
Religious and political	1.5	2.0	0.7
All the above	4.9	4.0	6.6
Religious and Economical	0.2	0.3	0.0
No answer	0.8	0.7	0.7

**Q28. In your opinion what is the importance of Jerusalem to the Israelis? Is it, Religious political, economical or other specify?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
Religious	36.8	36.7	37.0
Political	40.2	44.1	33.6
Economical	14.8	10.8	21.6
Religious and political	1.3	2.1	0.0
All the above	1.2	1.1	1.4
Political and Economical	0.5	0.8	0.0
Historical	0.1	0.1	0.0
Touristic	0.3	0.3	0.2
No answer	4.8	4.0	6.2

**Q29 From your point of views how important is Jerusalem to the Palestinians would you say , it is very important, somewhat important, somewhat not important, not Important at all ?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
It is very important	96.5	95.3	98.6
Somewhat important	2.3	3.2	0.7
Somewhat not important	0.0	0.0	0.0
Very little important	0.5	0.8	0.0
No answer	0.7	0.7	0.7

**Q. 30 From your point of views how important is Jerusalem to the Israelis would you say , it is very important, somewhat important, somewhat not important, not Important at all ?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
It is very important	51.6	57.5	41.4
Somewhat important	23	17.8	31.8
Somewhat not important	11.4	9.5	14.8
Very little important	9.1	10.7	6.4
No answer	4.9	4.5	5.6

**Q31. In general, how do you evaluate the performance of the Palestinian National authority? Very good, good, bad or very bad?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
Very good	5.7	5.3	6.4
Good	56.3	59.5	50.7
Bad	25.3	23.1	29.1
Very bad	8.3	5.7	12.7
No answer	4.4	6.4	1.1

**Q32. Which Palestinian personality do you trust the most ?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
Yasser Arafat	23.5	21.4	27.3
Ahmed Yassin	10.6	7.8	15.5
Marwan Bargouti	3.9	4.0	3.9
Abd al-Aziz al-Rantisi	2.5	1.8	3.6
Sa'eb Erekat	2.4	3.0	1.4
Haidar Abdul Shafi	2.4	1.3	4.3
Hanan Ashrawi	2.2	2.1	2.3
George Habash	1.3	0.8	2.0
Yasser Abed Rabbu	1.3	1.7	0.5
'Abdallah al-Shami	1.3	0.4	2.7
Ahmad abd al-Rahman	1.0	1.3	0.5
Faisal al-Husseini	1.0	1.1	0.9
Others	11.1	12.6	8.6
I Don't trust anyone	26.0	29.8	19.5
No answer	9.5	10.9	7.0



**Q33. Which Palestinian political or religious faction do you trust most?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza</b>
	<b>N=1198</b>	<b>N=758</b>	<b>N=440</b>
Fateh	29.2	24.9	36.6
Hamas	20.7	18.7	24.1
Islamic Jihad	5.7	5.3	6.4
PFLP	4.3	3.8	5.0
DFLP	1.1	1.1	1.1
Other Islamic faction	1.7	0.9	0.2
Other factions	2.3	3.8	3.0
Don't trust anyone	22.7	26.5	16.1
No answer	12.3	15.0	7.5