
Poll no. 51– June, 2004

**Poll Results On Palestinian Attitudes Towards
The Palestinian Political Issues and the Intifada**

Significant Opinion results

- ❖ A considerable majority of Palestinians believes that Sharon's plan to withdraw from parts of the Gaza Strip and some settlements is not serious and thinks the PA must refuse the plan and not deal with it.
- ❖ A majority of Palestinians blames the occupation, Israel and Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon for the deteriorated political situation and absence of hope. The United States came second in blame, while the PA came third.
- ❖ Most Palestinians' evaluation of Prime Minister Ahmed Korei's eight-month-old government is mediocre
- ❖ Most Palestinians believe that when Israel completes the construction of the separation wall in the West Bank, it will not affect the military operations inside Israel.
- ❖ A majority of Palestinians opposes to different degrees halting all military operation types inside Israel. The majority support continuing the Intifada and military operations as a suitable response during the current political situation.
- ❖ Around one third of Palestinian use the internet.

Intifada and Resistance:

- A majority of Palestinians, 63.6 percent, strongly or somewhat oppose halting all military operation types inside Israel compared with 51.8 percent last October who believed that it is of Palestinian interest to renew and reach a ceasefire, while 29.8 percent were strongly or somewhat supportive of ending all military operations and last October 43.3 percent said it is not of Palestinian interest to renew the ceasefire.
- When asked about the influence of the separation wall on military operations, 40.3 percent of those interviewed said the wall would not affect the military operations inside Israel, while 36.4 percent said it would decrease these operations and 15.5 percent said it would increase these operations inside Israel.
- A majority of Palestinians, 69.7 percent, remained strongly or somewhat supportive of continuing al-Aqsa Intifada—dropping from 76.8 percent last October and 80.7 percent almost all through 2002 — with 45.5 percent who believe the end result of the Intifada is to liberate all of historic Palestine compared with 43 percent last October, and 47 percent in December 2002. Of those interviewed, 42.3 percent said the end result of the Intifada is to end the Israeli occupation based on UN Resolution 242 and the establishment of the Palestinian state compared with 44.6 last October. Only 7.1 percent said the end result is to improve negotiation conditions for the Palestinians.
- There is 27.2 percent who somewhat or strongly opposed the continuation of the Intifada rising from 21.7 percent last October and from 16.6 percent in December 2002. Interviewees were almost divided on being very or somewhat optimistic to achieve Intifada goals (46.7 percent) or very or somewhat pessimistic towards achieving those objectives (49.9 percent).

- Throughout the Intifada, a significant majority, now 65.4 percent, believes that Palestinian military operations against Israeli targets are a suitable response during the current political situation compared with 67.9 last October, 69.3 December 2002 and 73.6 in March 2002. Of those interviewed, 26.9 percent opposed military operations and considered them harmful to Palestinian national interests dropping from 28 percent last October. Yet, as in previous surveys, 39.5 percent do not see a difference between Palestinian military operations conducted inside Israel or in the occupied territory compared with 42.3 percent last October and 44.7 percent in December 2002. Only 21.3 percent support these operations only inside Israel and 13.4 percent support them inside the occupied territory only.
- As for suicide bombing operations against Israeli civilians, 63.1 percent of those interviewed strongly or somewhat support them compared with 61.8 percent last October, 62.7 percent in December 2002, 68.1 in June 2002 and 72 percent in March 2002. Of those surveyed, 31.5 percent somewhat or strongly opposed suicide bombings compared with 34.9 percent last October and 29.8 percent in December 2002.

Peace Process:

- A great majority of Palestinians, 70 percent, believe that Ariel Sharon's plan to withdraw from parts of the Gaza Strip and some settlements is not serious at all to somewhat not serious, while 27.9 percent believe that he is very serious to somewhat serious. Of those interviewed, 55 percent said the PA must refuse Sharon's plan and not deal with it, compared with 36.9 percent who said the PA must accept the plan and negotiate it.
- A great majority of Palestinians, 70.6 percent, have become pessimistic or very pessimistic that a peaceful settlement of the Arab-Israeli conflict would be reached, with similar results last October. Meanwhile, 28.6 percent said they were optimistic or very optimistic that a peaceful settlement would be reached compared with 26.9 percent last October.
- A majority of Palestinians, 65.8 percent, believe that the occupation, Israel and Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon's policies are responsible for the deterioration of the political situation, destruction of the peace process and the absence of hope for a solution. Only 7.8 percent said the Palestinian Authority and leadership are responsible, while 20.8 percent said the United States is the one responsible. Only 4.2 percent said "the West" is the one responsible.
- Most Palestinians, 43.3 percent, believe that it is useful to have a third party role in the Palestinian territory to contribute in solving the problem with Israel compared with 49.2 percent last October, while 17.4 percent do not believe so and 36.3 percent said a third party role will not make a difference compared with 28.9 percent last October. In addition, of those interviewed, 45.1 percent (46.3 percent last October) believe that international presence should have authorities and powers compared with 34.7 percent (27.7 percent last October) who believe that an international presence should be for monitoring purposes only, and 20.2 percent did not give an answer.
- However, Palestinians do not trust the United States to be the only international presence on Palestinian territory; the survey showed that only 3.4 percent said that it would be appropriate to have this presence limited to the United States compared with 42.5 percent who preferred the United Nations presence, and 32 percent who preferred a joint U.S.-European presence.
- When asked what is the favored solution to the Palestinian-Israeli conflict, 44.5 percent said a two-state solution compared with 45.7 percent last October and 46.5 percent in December 2002. Of those interviewed, 26.5 percent said a bi-national state in historic Palestine is the preferred solution compared with 25.3 percent last October. Meanwhile, 11.1 percent said the preferred solution is one Palestinian state with one nationality and 13.6 percent said there is no solution.

Reform and Trust in Figures and Factions:

- Palestinians were split between those who said they still feel the presence of the Palestinian Authority, 47.4 percent, after more than three years of a violent conflict with Israel and Israeli re-occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip and those who don't, 47.3 percent. Yet, 64.7 percent said it is of Palestinian national interest to maintain this authority regardless of the feasibility and efficacy of maintaining it in light of the Israeli military control over the majority of the Palestinian territory compared with 57.8 percent last October. Meanwhile, 25.3 percent said the national benefit necessitates ending the PA compared with 30 percent last October.

- When asked to evaluate the performance of the PA, 43 percent, said it is good to very good compared with 36.1 percent last October while 52.6 percent said it is bad to very bad compared with 61.4 percent last October.
- When asked to evaluate the performance of Palestinian Prime Minister Ahmed Korei' (Abu Ala) and his government after eight months, 32.5 percent said average, 40.9 percent said bad to very bad, while 20.1 percent said good to very good.
- Although most Palestinians, 46.7 percent, said they believe the PA is interested in conducting serious and effective reform compared to 40.7 percent who do not believe so, 90.3 percent think there is corruption in the Palestinian Authority compared to 3.9 percent who said there is no corruption and 3.9 percent who said there is corruption somewhat. And 55.9 percent of those who believe that there is corruption believe that it is to a large degree.
- However, 40.2 percent believe that the political situation (Israeli re-occupation, siege) obstructs the success of the recent reform efforts compared with 58.7 percent last October. Of those interviewed, 39 percent said they don't find recent PA reform efforts serious to achieve success compared with 28.5 percent last October, while 16.7 percent find PA reform efforts serious compared with 13.1 percent in December 2002.
- When asked to evaluate Yasser Arafat's performance as President of the PA, 47 percent said they were not to somewhat dissatisfied compared with 48.6 percent last October, while 45.5 percent said they were very satisfied to somewhat satisfied compared with 47.2 percent last October.
- Furthermore, 48.8 percent said President Arafat is in control or up to a certain degree of the internal Palestinian situation compared with 58.7 percent last October, while 47.8 percent said he is not in control to a certain degree or not in control at all compared with 39 percent last October.
- Despite Palestinian strong views on the Palestinian Authority and its leadership, a majority of Palestinians, 60.8 percent, expect President Arafat to be re-elected if free, democratic elections were held compared with 59.8 percent last October and 56.3 percent in December 2002. Only 28.4 percent expect otherwise compared with 30.8 percent last October and 32.7 percent in December 2002.
- Yasser Arafat and his mainstream Fateh faction are still the most popular amongst the Palestinian public with slight drop in popularity. A drop to 23.6 percent of Palestinians who said Arafat is the most trusted Palestinian figure compared with 26.1 last October and 21.1 in April 2003.
- Imprisoned Palestinian lawmaker Marwan Barghouthi ranked second, after assassinated Hamas leader Sheikh Ahmed Yassin held the second position since 1993. Of those interviewed, 6.3 percent said they trusted Barghouthi the most compared with 2.9 percent last October, 3.7 percent in April 2003 and 5.2 percent in December 2002.
- Hamas leader Mahmoud Zahhar ranked three with 3 percent saying he is the most trusted Palestinian figure. Last October, Ahmed Yassin received 11.2 percent of the public's trust ranking him second, while assassinated Hamas leader Abdul Aziz Rantisi ranked third with 4.4 percent.
- There is 29.4 percent of Palestinians who do not trust any Palestinian figure compared with 27 percent last October and 36.1 percent in April 2003 and 32.1 percent in December 2002.
- As for Palestinian factions, Fateh maintained the most trusted faction slightly dropping to 26.4 percent from 29.3 percent last October, 22.6 percent in April 2003 and 30 percent in December 2002.
- The Islamic Resistance Movement, Hamas was chosen by 21.7 percent compared with 22.6 percent last October, 22 percent in April 2003, and 19.8 percent in December 2002.
- There are 28.2 percent of Palestinians who do not trust any faction compared with 28 percent last October, 34.3 percent in April 2003 and 31.4 percent in December 2002.

Methodology

A random sample of 1200 people over the age of 18 were interviewed face-to-face throughout the West Bank and Gaza Strip between 6 and 9 June 2004. 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 59 sampling points chosen randomly according to population.

In the **West Bank** 760 people were surveyed from the following areas: **Jenin:** Jenin, Jenin Refugee Camp (RC), Tubas, Rummana, Aqqaba and al-Jalaboun. **Nablus:** Nablus, Kufr al-Deik, Beit-Wazan, al-Juneid, Deir al-Hatab, Balatah refugee camp and Jama'iin. **Tulkarem and Qalqilya:** Tulkarem, Nur- Shams refugee camp, Anabta, Ateel, Qalqilya and al-Jayyous. **Hebron:** Hebron, al-Fawwar refugee camp, Kharas, Sa'eer, Yatta, Dura, Halhul and Bani N'eim. **Bethlehem:** Bethlehem, al-Ubeidiya, Nahalin, Husan and al-Azzeh refugee camp. **Jericho:** Jericho, Aqabet Jaber RC. **Ramallah & al-Bireh:** al-Bireh, Ramallah, Kufr Neimeh, al-Am'ari refugee camp, 'Aboud and Kufr Malik **Jerusalem:** Old City, al-Ram, al-Dahieh, Beir Nabala, Qalandia refuge camp, Shufat, Beit-Hanina, al-Isawiyeh, al-Sheikh Jarrah, Silwan and Jabal al-Mukabber.

In the **Gaza Strip:** 440 people were surveyed from: **North Gaza:** Jabalia RC, Jabalia, Beit Lahia, Beit Hanoun. **Gaza City:** Sheikh Radwan, a-Naser, al-Durj, Attufah, Sabra, al-Zaytoun, al-Shaja'ieh, al-Rimal South, al-Rimal North and Shati RC **Deir al-Balah:** Deir al-Balah, Bureij RC, Maghazi RC and Nuseirat RC. **Khan Younis:** Khan Younis, Khan Younis RC, Bani Sahila, Khuza'a and al-Qararah. **Rafah:** Rafah, Rafah RC, Tal al-Sultan RC.

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

Sample Distribution

52.1% of the respondents were from West Bank, 11.3% from Jerusalem, 36.6% from the Gaza Strip.

32.8% said they live in villages, 14.6% in refugee camps, 52.6% in towns/cities.

49.7% were male, 50.3% were female.

68% were married, 25.8%, single, 3.2% widowed, 1.8% divorced, 1.2% no answer.

The average age of the respondents was 34 years.

Occupation of Respondents

| | |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Students 13.2% | Professionals - e.g. doctors/lawyers/ pharmacists/engineers 2.3% |
| laborers 8.9%, | Housewives 33.5%, |
| Farmers/fishermen 4.3% | Unemployed 8.3% |
| Craftsmen 2.3% | Retired 0.8%, |
| Businessmen/private business 7.3% | No answer 1.2%. |
| Employees e.g. secretaries/municipal employees/teachers/nurses 17.9% | |

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Results:**Q1. In general how optimistic or pessimistic do you feel towards the future?**

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| Very optimistic | 3.3 | 3.0 | 3.9 |
| Optimistic | 42.0 | 37.2 | 50.2 |
| Pessimistic | 33.8 | 38.6 | 25.5 |
| Very Pessimistic | 20.7 | 21.1 | 20.0 |
| No answer | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.4 |

Q2. How optimistic or pessimistic are you towards reaching a peaceful settlement for the Arab-Israeli conflict?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| Very optimistic | 1.8 | 2.0 | 1.6 |
| Optimistic | 26.8 | 24.9 | 30.0 |
| Pessimistic | 40.3 | 41.8 | 37.7 |
| Very Pessimistic | 30.3 | 30.5 | 29.8 |
| No answer | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.9 |

Q.3 Do you strongly support , Somewhat Support, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose the continuation of the Al Aqsa Intifada in the West Bank and Gaza?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| Strongly support | 32.2 | 29.7 | 36.4 |
| Somewhat support | 37.5 | 34.2 | 43.2 |
| Somewhat oppose | 16.8 | 19.5 | 12.0 |
| Strongly oppose | 10.4 | 12.8 | 6.4 |
| No answer | 3.1 | 3.8 | 2.0 |

Q.4 In your opinion, what is the final goal of the recent Intifada, is it to improve negotiations conditions for Palestinians, end the occupation on the basis of 242 resolution and establish a Palestinian state or others?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| Improves negotiations conditions for Palestinians | 7.1 | 8.3 | 5.0 |
| End the occupation on the basis of 242 resolution and establish a Palestinian state | 42.3 | 40.8 | 44.8 |
| Liberate all the Palestinians lands | 45.5 | 45.5 | 45.5 |
| Others | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.7 |
| I don't know | 3.8 | 3.9 | 3.6 |
| No answer | 0.8 | 1.1 | 0.4 |

Q5. After more than three years of the Intifada had passed, are you very optimistic, somewhat optimistic, somewhat pessimistic or very pessimistic against the Intifada goal achievement which you have choose in the above question?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|----------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| Very optimistic | 5.9 | 6.3 | 5.2 |
| Somewhat optimistic | 40.8 | 34.2 | 52.3 |
| Somewhat pessimistic | 29.0 | 32.1 | 23.6 |
| Very pessimistic | 20.9 | 23.6 | 16.4 |
| No answer | 3.4 | 3.8 | 2.5 |

Q.6 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 wherein Palestinians and Israelis enjoy equal representation and rights. Which of these solutions do you prefer?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|--------------------------------------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| Two-state solution: an Israeli and a Palestinian | 44.5 | 45.7 | 42.5 |
| Bi-national state on all of historic Palestine | 26.5 | 27.4 | 25.0 |
| One Palestinian State in all Palestine | 11.1 | 8.7 | 15.2 |
| There is no solution | 13.6 | 15.1 | 10.9 |
| Islamic State | 2.3 | 1.1 | 4.5 |
| Do not know | 1.4 | 1.7 | 0.9 |
| No answer | 0.6 | 0.3 | 1.0 |

Q.7 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 | West Bank | Gaza |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| A suitable response within the current political conditions | 65.4 | 62.0 | 71.4 |
| I reject it and find it harmful to Palestinian national interests | 26.9 | 29.5 | 22.5 |
| Others | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| I don't know | 6.2 | 6.7 | 5.2 |
| No answer | 1.3 | 1.7 | 0.7 |

Q.8 Are you with the resumption of the military operations only inside Israel, only inside the occupied territories or inside Israel and the occupied territories?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|---------------------------------------------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| Inside Israel only | 21.3 | 23.0 | 18.2 |
| Inside the occupied territories only | 13.4 | 15.0 | 10.7 |
| Inside Israel and the occupied territories | 39.5 | 31.8 | 52.7 |
| I am not with the resumption of the military operations | 19.9 | 22.9 | 14.8 |
| No answer | 5.9 | 7.3 | 3.6 |

Q.9 Do you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose the stopping of all military operations types inside Israel?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|---------------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| Strongly support | 11.3 | 12.4 | 9.5 |
| Somewhat support | 18.5 | 19.2 | 17.3 |
| Somewhat oppose | 27.4 | 27.4 | 27.5 |
| Strongly oppose | 36.2 | 32.6 | 42.3 |
| I don't know / No opinion | 5.2 | 6.4 | 3.0 |
| No answer | 1.4 | 2.0 | 0.4 |

Q.10 What is your feeling towards suicide bombing operations against Israeli civilians, do you strongly support it, somewhat support it, somewhat oppose it, or strongly oppose it?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|---------------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| Strongly support | 30.1 | 24.5 | 39.8 |
| Somewhat support | 32.0 | 32.8 | 30.7 |
| Somewhat oppose | 12.0 | 14.5 | 7.7 |
| Strongly oppose | 19.5 | 19.9 | 18.9 |
| I Don't Know / No opinion | 5.2 | 6.8 | 2.3 |
| No answer | 1.2 | 1.5 | 0.6 |

Q11. After eight months passed on Abu Ala' government, what is your opinion of the government performance? Is it very good, good, average, bad or very bad?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|-----------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| Very good | 1.5 | 1.8 | 0.9 |
| Good | 18.6 | 23.2 | 10.7 |
| Average | 32.5 | 29.2 | 38.2 |
| Bad | 24.6 | 19.1 | 34.1 |
| Very bad | 16.3 | 17.5 | 14.3 |
| No answer | 6.5 | 9.2 | 1.8 |

Q12. In general, how do you evaluate the performance of the Palestinian Authority, do you say it's performance is very good, good, bad or very bad?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|-----------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| Very good | 1.4 | 1.2 | 1.8 |
| Good | 41.6 | 41.7 | 41.4 |
| Bad | 34.5 | 33.3 | 36.6 |
| Very bad | 18.1 | 17.1 | 19.8 |
| No answer | 4.4 | 6.7 | 0.4 |

Q13. How do you evaluate the performance of the Legislative Council, do you say its performance is good, average, bad or very bad?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|-----------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| Good | 9.7 | 11.8 | 5.9 |
| Average | 34.5 | 35.5 | 32.7 |
| Bad | 32.0 | 28.7 | 37.7 |
| Very bad | 18.1 | 15.1 | 23.2 |
| No answer | 5.7 | 8.9 | 0.5 |

Q14. If a free and democratic elections hold in these circumstances? Do you expect the Palestinian people will re-elect the President Arafat?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|-----------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| Yes | 60.8 | 63.3 | 56.4 |
| No | 28.4 | 24.9 | 34.5 |
| No answer | 10.8 | 11.8 | 9.1 |

Q15. Are you satisfied or not satisfied regarding the way that Yasser Arafat carry out on his duty as a President of the Palestinian Authority?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|------------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| Very satisfied | 13.8 | 13.8 | 13.9 |
| Somewhat satisfied | 31.7 | 31.7 | 31.6 |
| Somewhat not satisfied | 21.3 | 21.7 | 20.7 |
| Not satisfied | 25.7 | 23.9 | 28.6 |
| No answer | 7.5 | 8.9 | 5.2 |

Q16. There is a discussion within the International political divisions whether the Palestinian president has a full control on the Palestinian internal situation or that he is somewhat on control, or somewhat does not have control, or he does not have control at all, what do you think?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| President Arafat have full control on the internal situation | 13.0 | 12.5 | 13.9 |
| President Arafat somewhat control the internal situation | 35.8 | 35.9 | 35.7 |
| President Arafat somewhat does not have control on the internal situation | 26.4 | 24.9 | 29.1 |
| President Arafat does not have control at all on the internal situation | 21.4 | 22.5 | 19.5 |
| No answer | 3.4 | 4.2 | 1.8 |

Q17. Which Palestinian personality do you trust the most ?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|---------------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| Yasser Arafat | 23.6 | 22.8 | 25.0 |
| Marwan Barghouthi | 6.3 | 5.7 | 7.5 |
| Mahmoud a-Zahar | 3.0 | 2.1 | 4.5 |
| Khaled Misha'al | 2.8 | 2.6 | 3.2 |
| Isma'eel Hania | 2.2 | 1.2 | 3.9 |
| Haider abd al-Shafi | 1.8 | 1.8 | 1.8 |
| Sa'eb Erekat | 1.5 | 1.4 | 1.6 |
| Ahmed Yassin | 1.4 | 1.6 | 1.1 |
| Hanan Ashrawi | 1.4 | 2.0 | 0.5 |
| Ahmad Sa'adat | 1.3 | 1.7 | 0.7 |
| 'Abdallah al-Shami | 1.1 | 0.9 | 1.4 |
| Abu Mazen (Mahmoud Abbas) | 1.0 | 1.2 | 0.7 |
| Other figures | 11.3 | 11.1 | 11.8 |
| I Don't trust anyone | 29.4 | 30.0 | 28.4 |
| No answer | 11.9 | 13.9 | 7.9 |

* The question was open-ended

Q18. Which Palestinian political or religious faction do you trust most?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|-----------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| Fateh | 26.4 | 25.7 | 27.7 |
| Hamas | 21.7 | 18.9 | 26.4 |
| Islamic Jihad | 5.5 | 5.0 | 6.4 |
| PFLP | 2.9 | 2.6 | 3.4 |
| PPP | 0.8 | 1.2 | 0.2 |
| Al-Aqsa Brigades | 0.8 | 0.0 | 2.0 |
| Other Islamic faction | 0.7 | 0.9 | 0.2 |
| Other PLO faction | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 |
| Fida | 0.6 | 0.9 | 0.0 |
| Other Factions | 0.1 | 0.1 | 25.2 |
| Don't trust anyone | 28.2 | 29.9 | 7.8 |
| No answer | 11.6 | 14.1 | 0.2 |

* The questions was open-ended

Q19. Do you think there is corruption in the Palestinian Authority?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|--------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| Yes | 90.3 | 88.6 | 93.2 |
| No | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.9 |
| I don't know | 5.5 | 7.2 | 2.5 |
| No answer | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.4 |

Q19a. To what extent you think there is corruption in the Palestinian Authority? *

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|----------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1038 | N=637 | N=410 |
| To a large degree | 55.9 | 56.2 | 55.4 |
| To a somewhat degree | 34.3 | 34.6 | 33.9 |
| To a few degree | 9.1 | 8.3 | 10.5 |
| No answer | 0.7 | 0.9 | 0.2 |

*Asked only to those who answered yes in Q19

Q20. Do you think the Palestinian leadership concern to hold serious/acts improvements?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|--------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| Yes | 46.7 | 44.5 | 50.5 |
| No | 40.7 | 39.6 | 42.5 |
| I don't know | 11.4 | 14.6 | 5.9 |
| No answer | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1.1 |

Q21. Recently, the Palestinian Authority are carrying out the improvements, some see it serious, others not serious, and others see the political conditions (re-occupation & checkpoints) obstacle the improvements success ,what is your opinion?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| See it serious | 16.7 | 18.0 | 14.3 |
| See it not serious | 39.0 | 38.3 | 40.2 |
| The political conditions (re-occupation & checkpoints) obstacle the improvements success | 40.2 | 38.8 | 42.5 |
| No answer | 4.1 | 4.9 | 3.0 |

Q22. Recently, forms of chaos, lack of implementation of the law and security order have increased. What is in your opinion the main cause of this state? Is it the shortcoming of the PA and security agencies in preserving law and order? Is it the Israeli re-occupation of PA-controlled areas? Or that some groups exploit the political situation to bypass law and order?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| Shortcoming of PA & security in preserving law and order | 23.3 | 22.5 | 24.8 |
| Israeli re-occupation of PA areas | 47.0 | 50.9 | 40.2 |
| Some groups exploit the situation to bypass law and order | 26.8 | 22.8 | 33.6 |
| No answer | 2.9 | 3.8 | 1.4 |

Q23. In your opinion, who holds responsibility for the political situation deterioration and the destroying of the peace process and the absence of hope of a solution, is it the occupation, Israel and Sharon policy or the PA and the Palestinian Leadership or the USA or the West?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|------------------------------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| The occupation, Israel & Sharon's policy | 65.8 | 62.6 | 71.1 |
| PA and Palestinian Leadership | 7.8 | 8.3 | 7.0 |
| USA | 20.8 | 23.0 | 17.0 |
| The West | 4.2 | 4.7 | 3.2 |
| No answer | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.7 |

Q24. There is a discussion within the Palestinian political divisions on the benefit of continuing the PA presence among the presence of Israeli military control on all the Palestinian Authority areas. Do you think for the national benefit of the Palestinian people the continuation of the PA presence or end it?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| For the National benefit the continuation of the PA presence | 64.7 | 62.9 | 67.7 |
| For the National benefit end the PA | 25.3 | 27.2 | 22.0 |
| No answer | 10.0 | 9.9 | 10.3 |

Q25. Recently, there is discussion within Israel on Sharon's plan to withdrawal from parts of Gaza Strip and some settlements. In your opinion, to what extent Sharon is serious, is he very serious, somewhat serious, somewhat not serious, or not serious at all?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|----------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| Very serious | 6.7 | 6.4 | 7.0 |
| Somewhat serious | 21.2 | 19.2 | 24.5 |
| Somewhat not serious | 24.4 | 22.9 | 27.0 |
| Not serious at all | 45.6 | 48.7 | 40.2 |
| No answer | 2.1 | 2.8 | 1.3 |

Q26. In your opinion, the Palestinian Authority must accept Sharon's plan and negotiate it or refuse it and not to deal with it?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|------------------------------------------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| PA must accept Sharon's plan and negotiate it | 36.9 | 30.9 | 47.3 |
| PA must refuse Sharon's plan and not to deal with it | 55.0 | 60.5 | 45.5 |
| No answer | 8.1 | 8.6 | 7.2 |

Q27. When Israel complete the construction of the separation wall in the West Bank. In your opinion, how this will affect the military operation inside Israel?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| Military operations inside Israel will increase | 15.5 | 17.0 | 13.0 |
| Military operations inside Israel will decrease | 36.4 | 37.0 | 35.5 |
| The Wall will not affect the military operation inside Israel | 40.3 | 36.6 | 46.6 |
| No answer | 7.8 | 9.4 | 4.9 |

Q28. What is the most important difficulties the Palestinian people suffer recently, is it political difficulties, or security or political?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|------------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| Economic difficulties | 52.1 | 46.6 | 61.6 |
| Security difficulties | 25.4 | 28.0 | 20.9 |
| Political difficulties | 21.4 | 23.8 | 17.3 |
| No answer | 1.1 | 1.6 | 0.2 |

Q29. Do you see difference between the USA and Europe policies against the Israeli-Palestinian conflict?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|-----------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| Yes | 39.8 | 41.1 | 37.7 |
| No | 55.3 | 53.2 | 58.9 |
| No answer | 4.9 | 5.7 | 3.4 |

Q30. After more than three years of violence conflict with Israel, and after Israel re-occupied most of the West Bank and Gaza Strip. Do you feel or not feel the presence of the Palestinian Authority?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|--------------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| I feel its presence | 47.4 | 42.0 | 56.8 |
| Do not feel its presence | 47.3 | 52.2 | 38.9 |
| No answer | 5.3 | 5.8 | 4.3 |

Q31. Do you see, it is worth or not worth or does not make difference to have a third part in the Palestinian lands to assist in solving the problem with Israel?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| It is worth to have a third part | 43.3 | 42.1 | 45.5 |
| It is not worth to have a third part | 17.4 | 17.8 | 16.8 |
| Make no difference | 36.3 | 37.2 | 34.8 |
| No answer | 3.0 | 2.9 | 2.9 |

Q32. Do you see, it is appropriate that the presence must be: International presence only to observe or International presence with authority and power?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|-------------------------------------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| International presence only to observe | 34.7 | 31.2 | 40.7 |
| International presence with authority and power | 45.1 | 49.9 | 36.8 |
| No answer | 20.2 | 18.9 | 22.5 |

Q33. Do you see, it is appropriate that the presence must be represented by the USA only, or the United Nations, or USA-Europe joint presence?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|---------------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| USA only | 3.4 | 4.2 | 2.0 |
| United Nations | 42.5 | 40.0 | 46.8 |
| USA-Europe joint presence | 32.0 | 34.1 | 28.4 |
| No answer | 22.1 | 21.7 | 22.8 |

Q34. Do you have a TV or more at home?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|-----------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| Yes | 97.0 | 97.1 | 96.8 |
| No | 2.4 | 2.1 | 3.0 |
| No answer | 0.6 | 0.8 | 0.2 |

Q35. Do you have a satellite at home?*

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|-----------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1164 | N=738 | N=426 |
| Yes | 83.2 | 79.7 | 89.2 |
| No | 16.2 | 19.4 | 10.6 |
| No answer | 0.6 | 0.9 | 0.2 |

* This question was asked to those who have a TV at home

Q36. How often do you read the local daily newspapers per week?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|-------------------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| Once a week | 15.7 | 15.8 | 15.5 |
| Twice a week | 10.5 | 10.3 | 10.9 |
| Three times a week | 10.7 | 11.2 | 9.8 |
| Four times a week | 8.1 | 9.1 | 6.4 |
| Five times a week | 6.8 | 7.9 | 4.8 |
| Six times a week | 5.8 | 6.2 | 5.2 |
| Seven times a week | 11.3 | 13.9 | 6.6 |
| None/ I don't read newspapers | 30.1 | 24.5 | 39.8 |
| No answer | 1.0 | 1.1 | 1.0 |

Q37. How often do you use the Internet per week?

| | Total | West Bank | Gaza |
|-----------------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|
| | N=1200 | N=760 | N=440 |
| 1-5 hours per week | 12.3 | 11.6 | 13.6 |
| 6-10 hours per week | 6.4 | 7.2 | 5.0 |
| 11-15 hours per week | 5.7 | 5.0 | 6.8 |
| 16-20 hours per week | 2.5 | 2.8 | 2.0 |
| More than 20 hours per week | 2.3 | 1.4 | 3.9 |
| I don't use it at all | 65.3 | 65.9 | 64.1 |
| No answer | 5.5 | 6.1 | 4.6 |