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## **Results of Palestinian Public Opinion Polls**

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#### **Background**

The period prior to this poll witnessed many developments on the Palestinian political arena. Among these were the Cairo dialogue among Palestinian factions which did not lead to an agreed-upon work program shared by all, the declaration made by the Palestinian Prime Minister concerning a possible intention of Palestinians to call for a bi-national state (for both Israelis and Palestinians) if Israel continues to pursue its current political policy, and the declaration made by Ahmed Yasin that Hamas agrees on the creation of a Palestinian State within 1967 borders without a recognition of an Israeli state.

The political activities on the Palestinian arena witnessed a visible stagnation as relates to either the Quartet Committee's role, the role of the European Union or the role of other international mediators in pushing forward the implementation of the Road Map. Further, negotiations among Palestinian factions concerning the cessation of military operations inside Israel still go through a vacuum for several internal and external reasons.

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\* The Opinions represented in the results reflect those of the study; they do not represent by any means the opinion of An-Najah National University.



## **The Results:**

Following are the results of the fourth public opinion poll conducted by the Center for Opinion Polls and Survey Studies at An-Najah National University from 15-17 January 2004. **The University took full sponsorship of the whole poll.**

This poll undertakes several issues such as the declaration of Mr. Ahmed Qurai concerning a bi-national state, Sheik Ahmed Yassin's opinion on a Palestinian State within the 1967 borders, the Road Map destiny, the possibility of declaring a new ceasefire, the evaluation of the performance of Palestinian institutions and Mr. Qurai's government, the PLC and local council elections, and the political affiliation.

The Sample included 1630 persons whose age group is 18 year and above and who have the right to vote. The Sample forms one per thousand from among the total number of Palestinian people of this age group. The enclosed questionnaire was distributed on 860 persons from the West Bank and 500 persons from Gaza Strip.

The sample was chosen randomly and the margin of error of the sample is about  $\pm 3$  per cent; 2.5% of the members of the sample, however, refused to answer the questionnaire.

## **The Major Results:**

- As for Mr. Qurai's declaration in which he expressed the possibility that Palestinians may call for a bi-national state shared by both Palestinians and Israelis with the same rights and privileges enjoyed by Israelis if Israel continues to execute its policy which aims at confiscating large areas of the West Bank, 21.1% say that they support Qurai's declaration because it scares the Israelis and serves the purpose of creating a Palestinian state within the 1967 borders; 19.4%, however, say that they reject the declaration because it confuses Palestinian endeavors to establish a Palestinian State within the 1967 borders. 33.6% see that the declaration was only a political tactic which has no realistic value. 15.6% see that the declaration reflects the failure of the Palestinian Government to propose a realistic political project to lead them out of the current crisis. While 5.4% see the declaration an implicit threat to dissolve the Palestinian Authority.
- As for Sheik Ahmed Yassin's declaration concerning accepting a Palestinian State within the 1967 borders without recognizing an Israeli state, 46.2% see that the declaration is realistic and in harmony with the highest Palestinian interest. While 24.0% believe that the declaration is not realistic and that it does not serve the purpose of creating a



Palestinian State within the 1967 borders, 22.4% see that the Israelis may use it to promote the notion that Palestinians do not want to recognize an Israeli state even if Israel approves a Palestinian one.

- 14.7% from among the respondents see that the reason Palestinian factions have not reached an agreement on a political program through the different dialogues (the Cairo dialogue was the latest) is related to advancing the private interest of individual parties on the national one. While 12.2% of the respondents believe that the participants in these dialogues are not serious in their endeavors to reach an agreement, 26.3% believe that failure to reach an agreement is related to the adherence of each party to its own political program. 20.3% believe that participants in such dialogues are incapable of setting a unified political program to serve the Palestinian people, and 19.8% attribute lack of agreement to outside pressures.
- 55.9% from among the respondent call for a clear separation between the responsibilities of the Head of the Palestinian Authority and those of the Prime Minister.
- 36.0% of the respondents believe that Ahmed Quari is incapable of performing fully as a prime minister.
- 46.4% believe that Ahmed Qurai will work in favor of implementing the items of the Road Map.
- 33.4% believe that the Prime Minister and his government will not succeed in the implementation of their obligations as stated in the Road Map.
- 48.9% support the commitment of the Palestinian Authority to the Road Map after the declaration made by the American Administration that the American Administration is still committed to the Road Map.
- 43.5% believe that the Palestinian Authority is incapable of meeting its obligations as stated in the Road Map.
- 77.2% believe that the Road Map will not lead to the creation of an independent Palestinian state with sovereign borders in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.
- 82.2% believe that the US Administration is not serious in its endeavors to implement the Road Map.
- While 46.8% believe that the US Administration will impose its conditions in the implementation of the Road Map on Palestinians only, 41.5% believe that the US Administration will impose its conditions more on Palestinians.
- 50.7% believe that the Road Map is doomed to fail and 39.9% believe that it is a temporary solution.
- 70.6% assert that there is a need for international forces in the West Bank and Gaza Strip to supervise the implementation of the Road Map or any others future Palestinian – Israeli agreement.
- 66.3% believe that the Road Map as an agreement is not any longer viable.



- 71.0% Support a new ceasefire (hodna) between Palestinians and Israelis on the basis of not targeting Palestinian and Israeli civilians.
- 67.3% Support a new ceasefire (hodna) if Israel commits itself to one.
- 60.2% assert that the Palestinian National and Islamic factions should agree on a new ceasefire.
- 49.9% see the necessity of holding a ceasefire between the Palestinian Authority and Israel under an international supervision.
- 56.7% from among the respondents support procedures made by the Palestinian Authority leading to limiting Palestinian operations inside Israel if a new truce is declared.
- 91.7% support the idea that Palestinian armed operations come as a natural reaction to the Israeli provocations.
- 34.2% from among respondents believe that Ahmed Qurai's government is capable of fighting corruption, 29.9% believe that it is capable of achieving a ceasefire, 42.4% believe that it is capable of imposing order over the interior affairs, and 37.9% believe that it is capable of improving the economic situation.
- As for the evaluation of the performance of Palestinian institutions in the present time.
  - 72.4% expressed satisfaction with the performance of the Palestinian Presidency.
  - 60.3% expressed satisfaction with the Legislative Council.
  - 61.6% expressed satisfaction with the performance of the Palestinian judicious system.
  - 89.9% expressed satisfaction with the performance of the Palestinian universities.
  - 84.6% expressed satisfaction with the performance of Palestinian local societies and organizations.
  - 57.7% expressed satisfaction with the performance of the security apparatuses.
- 94.0% from among respondents assert that there is a need for the formation of a united Palestinian leadership.
- 77.8% believe that there is a need for restoring respect to the Palestinian Liberation Organization in view of the present realities of the Palestinian Authority.
- As for the priorities of the respondents in the present, they come according to the following condescending order.
  - An average of 94.3% favor freeing prisoners from Israeli Jails.
  - An average of 92.1% favor the uplifting of road blocks and check points placed between Palestinian cities and villages.
  - An average of 91.1% favor creating job opportunities.
  - An average of 90.0% favor the improvement of the economic situation.
  - An average of 88.3% favor the improvement of public education.



- An average of 88.1% favor the improvement of the public health services.
- An average of 87.1% favor reinforcing Palestinian local security.
- 63.9% support the on-going peace process between the Palestinians and the Israelis.
- Only 4.1% of the respondents assert that they will reelect the same members of the PLC that they elected before, and 9.0% assert that they will reelect only some of the old members. While 19.0% assert that they will not reelect any of the previous members, 43.0% assert that they will decide on whom to vote for at the Polls. Further, 22.3% assert that they will not participate in the elections.
- As for the characteristics they desire to see in future candidates running for the PLC, they favor the following in a descending order.
  - 1- An average of 88.2% favor the educational qualifications.
  - 2- An average of 78.8%, favor the patriotic record of the candidate.
  - 3- An average of 52.9% favor male gender.
  - 4- An average of 51.4% favor the political affiliation of the candidate.
  - 5- An average of 40.4% care for the economic situation of the candidate.
  - 6- An average of 36.8% care for the family belongness of the candidate.
  - 7- An average of 33.4% care for place of dwelling.
  - 8- An Average of 33.1% favor the female gender.
  - 9- An average of 32.1% favor previous PLC members.
  - 10- An average of 31.9% care for kinship.
- 62.8% assert that there is a need for conducting elections for local councils in the coming period.
- 45.6% believe that the PA is serious in its call for elections in June, 2004.
- 51.8% see that the outlaw situation can be rectified through the enforcement of law on all without exception. While 3.2% see that aggressors must be nationally and socially isolated, 10.1% see that they must be tried before the courts of law. 11.8% say that arms which are only used to provoke troubles must be collected. 19.1%, however, believe that this chaotic situation can be eradicated by ending all forms of nepotism, mediation and protection of aggressors by people with influence in the society.
- 66.5% said that they have health insurance.
- 74.4% from among those who said that they have medical insurance say that they have a public health insurance (government insurance), 5.6% say that they have private insurance and 12.4% say that they are insured through the UNRWA.



- As for those who have public insurance 13.9% say that it is very good; 21.6% say that the private insurance is very good. and 11.6% say that the UNRAW insurance is very good.
- 75.1% from among the respondents assert that the current Intifada influenced their economic situation negatively.
- As for those who say that the Intifada influenced their economic situation negatively, they assert that they were able to cope up with their economic situations according to the following priorities.
  - An average of 89.5% say that they concentrate on necessities only without caring for other commodities.
  - An average of 38.0% say that they rely on aids.
  - An average of 32.5% say that they resort to work in agriculture and home economy.
  - An average of 32.4% say that they depend on increasing work hours.
  - An average of 1.0% say that they depend on child labor.
- Generally speaking the performance of Arab TV space channels is seen excellent by respondents in covering the political developments of the latest period on the Palestinian arena. The surveyed channels and the results of their evaluations were as follows: Aljazeera 45.4%, Abu Dhabi 34.2%, Al Arabyia 33.8%, and Palestine Space Channel 22.3%.
- As for Political affiliations they were distributed as follows:
 

- People's Party	1.0%
- Democratic Front	1.1%
- Islamic Jihad	4.7%
- Fateh	25.4%
- Hamas	17.4%
- Fida	0.1%
- Public Front	4.0%
- Independent Nationalist	7.4%
- Independent Islamist	6.5%
- None of the above	31.1%
- Other	1.5%



## General Results of the Poll

The Palestinian Prime Minister declared that Palestinians may opt for a bi-national state in which Palestinians and Israelis live together and in which Palestinians will demand equal rights with the Israelis if Israel continues to execute its plan which aims at confiscating large areas of the West Bank. What is your opinion of the Prime Minister's declaration?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
I Support the declaration because it scares the Israelis and it serves the Palestinian aim of creating a Palestinian state within the 1967 borders.	21.1	23.1	17.6
I reject the declaration because it confuses the Palestinian endeavors to establish a Palestinian state within the 1967 borders.	19.4	21.0	16.6
This declaration is only a political tactic without any realistic value.	33.6	32.9	34.8
This declaration reflects failure of the Palestinian Government to offer a realistic political project.	15.6	13.0	20.0
The declaration is an implicit threat to dissolve the Palestinian Authority.	5.4	5.8	4.8
No opinion; I don't know.	4.9	4.1	6.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Sheik Ahmed Yassin made a declaration in which he said that Hamas accepts the creation of a Palestinian State within the 1967 borders without recognizing the state of Israel. How do you see Yassin's declaration?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
A realistic declaration which is in harmony with the highest Palestinian interest.	46.2	48.6	42.0
An unrealistic declaration which does not serve the Palestinian aim of creating a state within the 1967 borders.	24.0	24.8	22.6
A declaration that Israelis may take advantage of in supporting the notion that Palestinians do not want to recognize the state of Israel even if Israel recognizes a state for Palestinians.	22.4	21.0	24.8
No opinion; I don't know.	7.4	5.6	10.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>



Several dialogues went on among Palestinian factions, the latest were in Cairo. These dialogues did not lead to an agreed-upon political program for all factions. In your opinion what is the reason for this lack of agreement.

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Favoring the private interest of the political party instead of the general national interest.	14.7	14.7	14.8
The participants were not serious in their endeavors to reach to an agreement.	12.2	12.9	11.0
The adherence of each political party (faction) to its own political program.	26.3	25.3	27.8
The inability of participants to set forth a unified political program which serves the Palestinian people.	20.3	19.3	22.0
Outside pressures.	19.8	21.4	17.0
No opinion; I don't know.	6.8	6.4	7.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Do you call for a separation in responsibilities between those of the head of the Palestinian Authority and those of the Prime Minister?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
I strongly do	23.2	19.2	30.2
I do	32.7	35.2	28.4
I do not	29.0	34.3	19.8
I strongly do not	8.8	6.4	12.8
I do not know, no opinion	6.3	4.9	8.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Do you believe that Ahmad Qurai is fully capable of performing his duties as a Prime Minister?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
I strongly do	5.6	3.1	9.8
I do	30.4	34.3	23.6
I do not	43.2	45.6	39.0
I strongly do not	12.1	7.6	20.0
I do not know, no opinion	8.8	9.4	7.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Do you believe that Prime Minister Ahmad Qurai will go ahead with executing the items of the Road Map?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
I strongly do	8.4	5.3	13.6
I do	38.0	40.2	34.2
I do not	33.8	37.9	26.6
I strongly do not	10.1	7.6	14.4
I do not know, no opinion	9.8	9.0	11.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>





**Do you believe that the Prime Minister and his government will succeed in executing their obligations as stated in the Road Map?**

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
I strongly do	4.2	2.9	6.4
I do	29.2	33.6	21.6
I do not	44.8	46.4	42.0
I strongly do not	12.8	9.0	19.4
I do not know, no opinion	9.0	8.1	10.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**After American Administration declared that it is still committed to the Road Map, do you support or oppose a Palestinian Authority commitment to it?**

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
I strongly support	4.9	4.2	6.2
I support	44.0	48.7	36.0
I oppose	32.1	34.2	28.6
I strongly oppose	14.5	7.8	26.0
I do not know, no opinion	4.4	5.1	3.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Do you believe that the Palestinian Authority is capable of fulfilling its obligations as stated in the Road Map?**

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Capable to a large extent	4.0	3.3	5.4
Capable	39.5	42.0	35.2
Incapable	41.6	43.4	38.6
Incapable to a great extent	8.8	5.1	15.0
I do not know, no opinion	6.1	6.3	5.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Do you believe that the Road Map will lead to the creation of an independent Palestinian state with sovereign power over its borders in the West Bank and Gaza Strip?**

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Yes, it will	15.7	18.4	11.2
No, it will not	77.2	75.6	80.0
I do not know; no opinion	7.1	6.0	8.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Do you believe that the present American Administration is serious in its endeavors to implement the Road Map?**

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Yes	13.5	14.0	12.6
No	82.2	82.7	81.4
I do not know; no opinion	4.3	3.4	6.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>



**On which side do you believe that the US Administration will impose its conditions in implementing the Road Map?**

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
On Palestinians only	41.5	43.6	37.8
On Israelis only	1.5	1.0	2.2
On both sides equally	6.0	4.7	8.2
More on Palestinians	46.8	47.1	46.4
More on Israelis	1.9	2.1	1.6
I do not know; no opinion	2.4	1.5	3.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**The destiny of the Road Map is:**

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Success	6.3	7.4	4.2
A temporary solution	39.9	40.2	39.4
Failure	50.7	49.5	52.6
I do not know; no opinion	3.2	2.8	3.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Do you see a necessity for the presence of international forces in the West Bank and Gaza Strip to supervise the implementation of the Road Map or any future Palestinian–Israeli agreement?**

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
I strongly do	28.1	26.0	31.6
I do	42.5	46.9	35.0
I do not	19.0	20.7	16.0
I strongly do not	7.6	4.3	13.2
I do not know; no opinion	2.9	2.1	4.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Do you believe that the Road Map agreement is still viable?**

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
I strongly do	3.0	2.6	3.8
I do	24.1	28.0	17.4
I do not	46.1	50.0	39.4
I strongly do not	20.2	13.4	32.0
I do not know; no opinion	6.5	6.0	7.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Do you support or reject a new ceasefire between Palestinian and Israelis on the basis of not targeting civilians from both sides?**

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
I strongly support	20.0	15.7	27.4
I support	51.0	57.7	39.4
I oppose	18.6	19.4	17.2
I strongly oppose	8.5	5.5	13.6
I do not know; no opinion	2.0	1.7	2.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>



**If Israel is committed to a ceasefire, do you support or oppose a new ceasefire (Hodna) between the Palestinian Authority and Palestinian factions on the one hand and Israel on the other?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza Strip</b>
<b>I strongly support</b>	<b>11.6</b>	<b>9.7</b>	<b>15.0</b>
<b>I support</b>	<b>55.7</b>	<b>66.5</b>	<b>37.0</b>
<b>I oppose</b>	<b>19.8</b>	<b>17.6</b>	<b>23.6</b>
<b>I strongly oppose</b>	<b>10.2</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>21.4</b>
<b>I do not know; no opinion</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>3.0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Do you believe that Palestinian and Islamic national factions have to agree on a new ceasefire (Hodna)?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza Strip</b>
<b>I strongly do</b>	<b>10.1</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>13.8</b>
<b>I do</b>	<b>50.1</b>	<b>57.7</b>	<b>37.2</b>
<b>I do not</b>	<b>27.9</b>	<b>27.2</b>	<b>29.2</b>
<b>I strongly do not</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>12.0</b>
<b>I do not know, no opinion</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>7.8</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Do you see a necessity that a ceasefire be held between the Palestinian Authority and Israel under ...?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza Strip</b>
<b>American auspices</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>6.0</b>
<b>International auspices</b>	<b>49.9</b>	<b>51.0</b>	<b>48.0</b>
<b>European auspices</b>	<b>7.9</b>	<b>7.8</b>	<b>8.2</b>
<b>Arab auspices</b>	<b>9.6</b>	<b>10.5</b>	<b>8.2</b>
<b>The two parties without any intervention</b>	<b>19.3</b>	<b>20.9</b>	<b>16.6</b>
<b>I do not know; no opinion</b>	<b>8.1</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>13.0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**If a new ceasefire (Hodna) is declared , do you support procedures made by the Palestinian National Authority leading to the prevention of military operations against Israeli targets inside Israel?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>West Bank</b>	<b>Gaza Strip</b>
<b>I strongly do</b>	<b>9.7</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>15.4</b>
<b>I do</b>	<b>47.0</b>	<b>52.7</b>	<b>37.2</b>
<b>I do not</b>	<b>28.5</b>	<b>30.6</b>	<b>25.0</b>
<b>I strongly do not</b>	<b>9.7</b>	<b>6.0</b>	<b>16.0</b>
<b>I do not know; no opinion</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>6.4</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>



**Do you believe that the military operations that the Palestinian factions execute come as a natural reaction to the Israeli atrocities?**

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
<b>I strongly do</b>	<b>57.3</b>	<b>49.5</b>	<b>70.6</b>
<b>I do</b>	<b>34.4</b>	<b>42.0</b>	<b>21.4</b>
<b>I do not</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>5.6</b>	<b>2.4</b>
<b>I strongly do not</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>3.6</b>
<b>I do not know, no opinion</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>2.0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Do you believe that Qurai's government is capable of**

<b>1- Fighting corruption?</b>	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
<b>I strongly believe that it is capable.</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>7.4</b>
<b>I believe so.</b>	<b>29.5</b>	<b>32.9</b>	<b>23.6</b>
<b>I believe that it is incapable.</b>	<b>42.6</b>	<b>45.9</b>	<b>37.0</b>
<b>I strongly believe that it is incapable.</b>	<b>17.2</b>	<b>12.2</b>	<b>25.8</b>
<b>No opinion; I don't know.</b>	<b>6.0</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>6.2</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

<b>2- Achieving a ceasefire?</b>	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
<b>I strongly believe that it is capable.</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>5.4</b>
<b>I believe so.</b>	<b>27.0</b>	<b>29.0</b>	<b>23.6</b>
<b>I believe that it is incapable.</b>	<b>53.0</b>	<b>58.5</b>	<b>43.6</b>
<b>I strongly believe that it is incapable.</b>	<b>13.5</b>	<b>7.2</b>	<b>24.4</b>
<b>No opinion; I don't know.</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>3.0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

<b>3- Imposing order on the interior situation?</b>	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
<b>I strongly believe that it is capable.</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>7.2</b>
<b>I believe so.</b>	<b>38.4</b>	<b>41.2</b>	<b>33.6</b>
<b>I believe that it is incapable.</b>	<b>43.4</b>	<b>47.2</b>	<b>36.8</b>
<b>I strongly believe that it is incapable.</b>	<b>10.2</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>19.0</b>
<b>No opinion; I don't know.</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>3.4</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

<b>4- Improving the economic situation?</b>	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
<b>I strongly believe that it is capable.</b>	<b>5.8</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>11.8</b>
<b>I believe so.</b>	<b>32.1</b>	<b>33.1</b>	<b>30.4</b>
<b>I believe that it is incapable.</b>	<b>43.5</b>	<b>50.0</b>	<b>32.2</b>
<b>I strongly believe that it is incapable.</b>	<b>13.8</b>	<b>8.7</b>	<b>22.6</b>
<b>No opinion; I don't know.</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>5.8</b>	<b>3.0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>



How do you assess the performance of the following Palestinian institutions in the present time?

1- The Palestinian Presidency	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Excellent	14.0	11.7	17.8
Good	30.7	32.2	28.2
Fair	27.7	29.7	24.4
Poor	24.0	22.7	26.2
I do not know; no opinion	3.6	3.7	3.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

2-The Palestinian Legislative Council	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Excellent	6.0	5.6	6.6
Good	21.1	23.6	16.8
Fair	33.2	36.7	27.0
Poor	34.0	26.6	46.8
I do not know; no opinion	5.7	7.3	2.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

3- The Judicious System	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Excellent	7.3	6.2	9.2
Good	23.8	23.0	25.0
Fair	30.5	31.6	28.6
Poor	30.5	29.7	32.0
I do not know; no opinion	7.9	9.4	5.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

4- Palestinian Universities	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Excellent	30.4	32.9	26.2
Good	38.7	38.8	38.4
Fair	20.8	18.8	24.2
Poor	7.4	5.6	10.4
I do not know; no opinion	2.7	3.8	0.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

5- Civil Societies	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Excellent	17.5	18.7	15.4
Good	40.3	41.2	38.8
Fair	26.8	24.3	31.2
Poor	11.0	10.3	12.2
I do not know; no opinion	4.3	5.5	2.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>



Security System	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Excellent	8.7	7.1	11.4
Good	21.0	20.3	22.2
Fair	28.0	29.4	25.6
Poor	39.3	39.1	39.6
I do not know; no opinion	2.9	4.0	1.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Do you support a united Palestinian leadership?**

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
I strongly do	52.3	45.9	63.2
I do	41.7	48.7	29.6
I do not	3.8	3.7	3.8
I strongly do not	1.3	0.7	2.4
I do not know; no opinion	1.0	0.9	1.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**In view of the current situation that the Palestinian Authority goes through, do you believe that restoring respect to the Palestinian Liberation Organization is ...?**

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
very necessary	38.3	35.7	42.8
necessary	39.5	45.2	29.6
not Necessary	11.3	11.5	11.0
absolutely not necessary	3.8	2.4	6.0
I do not know; no opinion	7.1	5.1	10.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**What are your priorities at the present stage?**

	Rank 0-10 (Average)		
	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Maintaining the Palestinian internal security	8.7081	8.7163	8.6940
Creating job opportunities	9.1059	9.0721	9.1640
Improving the economic situation	9.0029	8.9698	9.0600
Improving education at public school	8.8331	8.9419	8.6460
Improving public health services	8.8088	8.9116	8.6320
Lifting check points and road blocks between villages and cities	9.2096	9.2942	9.0640
Freeing prisoners from Israeli jails	9.4324	9.3988	9.4900



**Do you support the on-going peace process between Palestinians and Israelis?**

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
I strongly support it	13.5	2.7	15.0
I support it	50.4	55.6	41.6
I oppose it	21.4	22.4	19.6
I strongly oppose it	12.3	6.9	21.6
I do not know; no opinion	2.4	2.4	22.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**If an new Palestinian parliamentary elections are to be made (for the Legislative Council), who do you vote for?**

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
The same members I voted for in the past	4.1	5.0	2.6
Some of the members I voted for in the past	9.0	9.0	9.0
I will not vote for any from among the members I voted for in the past	19.0	15.2	25.6
I will decide on the time of elections	43.0	45.1	39.4
I do not participate in the elections	22.3	24.0	19.4
I do not know; no opinion	2.6	1.7	4.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**What qualities do you seek in the person that you intend to vote for in the coming legislative elections?**

	Rank 0-10 (Average)		
	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Kinship	3.1917	3.0128	3.5000
Educational qualifications	8.8167	8.9093	8.6600
Political affiliation	5.1441	4.8256	5.6920
Family relations	3.6787	3.4826	4.0160
Record of resistance	7.8809	7.7744	8.0640
Place of habitation	3.3353	2.9872	3.9340
Economic situation	4.0382	3.5430	4.8900
Being an ex-council member	3.2088	3.4860	2.7320
Gender, male	5.2941	4.9465	5.8920
Gender, female	3.3147	3.5140	2.9720

**Do you see a necessity for local councils elections in the near future?**

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
There is a need for conducting local council elections	62.8	64.5	59.8
I do not see any need for conducting local elections in the near future	18.8	19.9	17.0
I absolutely do not see any need for such elections	10.0	10.2	9.6
I do not know; no opinion	8.4	5.3	13.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>



**Do you believe that the Palestinian Authority is serious in its call for legislative and presidential elections in June 2004?**

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
<b>I strongly believe so</b>	<b>9.7</b>	<b>7.6</b>	<b>13.4</b>
<b>I believe so</b>	<b>35.9</b>	<b>38.5</b>	<b>31.4</b>
<b>I don't believe so</b>	<b>32.8</b>	<b>34.3</b>	<b>30.2</b>
<b>I strongly don't believe so</b>	<b>9.7</b>	<b>6.3</b>	<b>15.6</b>
<b>I do not know; no opinion</b>	<b>11.9</b>	<b>13.4</b>	<b>9.4</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**There are people who say that there is a chaotic security situation inside the Palestinian territories; several innocent people became victims of this chaos and some private and public properties were evaded. In your opinion how could these phenomena be encountered?**

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
<b>By the enforcement of law on all without exception.</b>	<b>51.8</b>	<b>53.1</b>	<b>49.6</b>
<b>By isolating aggressors socially and nationally.</b>	<b>3.2</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>4.4</b>
<b>By trying aggressors before the courts of law.</b>	<b>10.1</b>	<b>11.4</b>	<b>8.0</b>
<b>By collecting arms which are only used to stir problems.</b>	<b>11.8</b>	<b>11.2</b>	<b>11.8</b>
<b>By eradicating all forms of nepotism, mediation and protection of aggressors by people with influence in the Palestinian society.</b>	<b>19.1</b>	<b>18.6</b>	<b>20.0</b>
<b>Other.</b>	<b>3.9</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>5.2</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Do you have health insurance?**

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
<b>Yes</b>	<b>66.5</b>	<b>61.3</b>	<b>75.4</b>
<b>No</b>	<b>33.5</b>	<b>38.7</b>	<b>24.6</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**If you have health insurance, what type it?**

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
<b>Public.</b>	<b>74.4</b>	<b>77.3</b>	<b>70.4</b>
<b>Private.</b>	<b>5.6</b>	<b>7.2</b>	<b>3.4</b>
<b>UNRWA insurance.</b>	<b>12.4</b>	<b>9.1</b>	<b>16.9</b>
<b>Other.</b>	<b>7.6</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>9.3</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>





**How do you evaluate the health insurance services offered to you?**

Total WB & GS	Very good	Good	Fair	Bad	Very Bad	Total
Public	13.9	38.9	33.7	10.8	2.7	100.0
Private	21.6	39.2	27.5	9.8	2.0	100.0
UNRWA	11.6	37.5	35.7	12.5	2.7	100.0
Other	13.7	39.2	33.6	10.6	3.0	100.0

West Bank	Very good	Good	Fair	Bad	Very Bad	Total
Public	12.3	36.0	36.8	12.0	2.9	100.0
Private	21.1	39.5	28.9	10.5	0.0	100.0
UNRWA	6.3	43.8	33.3	16.7	0.0	100.0
Other	8.8	44.1	29.4	11.8	5.9	100.0

Gaza Strip	Very good	Good	Fair	Bad	Very Bad	Total
Public	16.5	43.2	28.9	9.0	2.3	100.0
Private	23.1	38.5	23.1	7.7	7.7	100.0
UNRWA	15.6	32.8	37.5	9.4	4.7	100.0
Other	8.6	45.7	37.1	0.0	8.6	100.0

**How did the current Intifada influence yours economic situation?**

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
My economic situation improved very much	1.4	0.8	2.4
My economic situation improved	2.0	1.3	3.2
My economic situation remained as it is	21.5	18.6	26.6
My economic situation worsened	34.9	36.3	32.4
My economic situation worsened very much	40.2	43.0	35.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**If your economic situation was worsened, how did you manage?**

	Rank 0-10 (Average)		
	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
I concentrated on the necessities only	8.9494	8.8511	9.1462
I depended on aids from others	3.7973	2.7398	5.9123
I increased the work hours	3.2417	2.6301	4.4649
I depended on child labor	0.9883	0.7028	1.5585
I resorted to work in agriculture and home economics	3.2493	3.3416	3.0643



**How do you evaluate the performance of Arab TV space channels in covering the political issues on the Palestinian area during the last period?**

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Bad	I don't know; No Opinion	Total
<b>Palestine S.Channel</b>	22.3	27.6	22.5	14.6	13.0	100.0
<b>Aljazeera</b>	45.4	33.3	11.8	3.8	5.8	100.0
<b>Abu Dhabi</b>	34.2	37.4	14.6	3.7	10.1	100.0
<b>Al Arabyia</b>	33.8	33.5	15.1	6.9	10.7	100.0

**What of the following parties and political affiliations do you support?**

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
<b>People's Party</b>	1.0	1.0	0.8
<b>Democratic Front</b>	1.1	1.0	1.2
<b>Islamic Jihad</b>	4.7	4.5	5.0
<b>Fateh</b>	25.4	21.0	32.8
<b>Hamas</b>	17.4	16.3	19.4
<b>Fida</b>	0.1	0.1	0.0
<b>Public Front</b>	4.0	2.9	5.8
<b>I am an independent nationalist</b>	7.4	7.8	6.6
<b>I am an independent Islamist</b>	6.5	5.8	7.6
<b>I do not support any of the above</b>	31.1	38.7	18.0
<b>Others, specify</b>	1.5	0.8	2.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>