

**Results of an Opinion Poll**

***The Public Mood***

***Living Conditions***

***Evaluation of Government Services***

***The Hamdallah Government***

***Elections***

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***Arab Spring***

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**Sample Size: 1200 Palestinian in the West Bank and Gaza**

**Margin of error: ±3%**

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**Overall Situation**

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| In general, would you say that things in Palestine are heading in the right direction or the wrong direction? |
| Right direction | 41.3% | 32.9% | 38.1% |
| Wrong direction | 53.0% | 63.1% | 56.8% |
| Don’t know | 5.7% | 4.0% | 5.1% |

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| Are you optimistic or pessimistic about the future? |
| Optimistic | 54.2% | 53.8% | 54.0% |
| Pessimistic | 44.7% | 44.4% | 44.6% |
| Don’t know | 1.1% | 1.8% | 1.3% |

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| At the present time, how do you evaluate the overall living/economic conditions of your family? |
| Good | 13.6% | 14.0% | 13.8% |
| Fair | 50.9% | 41.1% | 47.2% |
| Poor | 34.9% | 44.7% | 38.6% |
| Don’t know | 0.5% | 0.2% | 0.4% |

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| At the present time, how do you evaluate the government’s provision of the following services?  |
| Education | Good | 34.8% | 39.1% | 36.4% |
| Fair | 38.6% | 37.1% | 38.0% |
| Poor | 25.4% | 22.0% | 24.1% |
| Don’t know | 1.2% | 1.8% | 1.4% |
| Health care | Good | 27.8% | 31.6% | 29.2% |
| Fair | 37.7% | 38.2% | 37.9% |
| Poor | 33.5% | 29.8% | 32.1% |
| Don’t know | 1.1% | 0.4% | 0.8% |
| Transportation | Good | 39.4% | 45.3% | 41.6% |
| Fair | 31.6% | 29.3% | 30.8% |
| Poor | 28.2% | 24.9% | 26.9% |
| Don’t know | 0.8% | 0.4% | 0.7% |
| Economic development | Good | 10.5% | 9.1% | 10.0% |
| Fair | 27.8% | 23.8% | 26.3% |
| Poor | 59.1% | 63.3% | 60.7% |
| Don’t know | 2.5% | 3.8% | 3.0% |
| Employment opportunities | Good | 4.4% | 6.2% | 5.1% |
| Fair | 16.0% | 14.4% | 15.4% |
| Poor | 78.0% | 78.7% | 78.2% |
| Don’t know | 1.6% | 0.7% | 1.3% |

**The Hamdallah Government**

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| Do you support or oppose Dr. Rami Hamdallah’s appointment as the head of the new government in the West Bank? |
| Support | 54.4% | 47.6% | 51.8% |
| Oppose | 20.9% | 14.4% | 18.4% |
| Don’t know | 24.7% | 38.0% | 29.7% |

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| Which of the following issues should the new Hamdallah government address first?  |
| Economy and jobs | 57.4% | 58.2% | 57.7% |
| Rule of Law | 9.6% | 10.0% | 9.8% |
| Combating corruption | 11.6% | 9.1% | 10.7% |
| Establishing trust with international donors | 5.9% | 1.6% | 4.3% |
| Health care | 4.7% | 3.1% | 4.1% |
| Education | 3.9% | 2.2% | 3.3% |

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| With the formation of the Hamdallah government, do you believe that the state of the following will improve, decline or stay the same? |
| Human Rights | Will improve | 35.0% | 36.2% | 35.5% |
| Will stay the same | 44.5% | 34.7% | 40.8% |
| Will decline | 9.5% | 6.4% | 8.3% |
| Don’t know | 11.0% | 22.7% | 15.4% |
| Government transparency | Will improve | 29.1% | 36.0% | 31.7% |
| Will stay the same | 44.9% | 34.0% | 40.8% |
| Will decline | 14.4% | 6.4% | 11.4% |
| Don’t know | 11.5% | 23.6% | 16.0% |
| Freedom of press | Will improve | 32.9% | 34.0% | 33.3% |
| Will stay the same | 43.7% | 34.7% | 40.3% |
| Will decline | 12.2% | 9.8% | 11.3% |
| Don’t know | 11.2% | 21.6% | 15.1% |
| Personal freedoms | Will improve | 31.0% | 32.0% | 31.4% |
| Will stay the same | 46.0% | 38.0% | 43.0% |
| Will decline | 12.2% | 8.7% | 10.9% |
| Don’t know | 10.8% | 21.3% | 14.8% |
| The role of the PLC | Will improve | 29.4% | 31.8% | 30.3% |
| Will stay the same | 40.5% | 32.7% | 37.6% |
| Will decline | 15.9% | 12.4% | 14.6% |
| Don’t know | 14.2% | 23.1% | 17.5% |
| Regular elections | Will improve | 29.1% | 30.7% | 29.7% |
| Will stay the same | 42.1% | 31.8% | 38.2% |
| Will decline | 13.8% | 14.7% | 14.1% |
| Don’t know | 15.0% | 22.9% | 17.9% |

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| Political arrests | Will improve | 21.7% | 24.4% | 22.7% |
| Will stay the same | 44.8% | 41.1% | 43.4% |
| Will decline | 18.9% | 12.2% | 16.4% |
| Don’t know | 14.7% | 22.2% | 17.5% |
| Personal security | Will improve | 29.9% | 36.7% | 32.5% |
| Will stay the same | 45.1% | 33.6% | 40.7% |
| Will decline | 12.2% | 8.0% | 10.6% |
| Don’t know | 12.8% | 21.8% | 16.2% |
| Economic development | Will improve | 32.8% | 33.6% | 33.1% |
| Will stay the same | 39.6% | 29.3% | 35.7% |
| Will decline | 17.1% | 12.2% | 15.3% |
| Don’t know | 10.6% | 24.9% | 15.9% |
| Reforming PA institutions | Will improve | 31.0% | 35.8% | 32.8% |
| Will stay the same | 43.2% | 30.4% | 38.4% |
| Will decline | 14.8% | 9.8% | 12.9% |
| Don’t know | 11.0% | 24.0% | 15.9% |

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| Do you believe that the newly-formed government…..? |
| Will continue the policies of the Fayyad government | 26.0% | 24.9% | 25.6% |
| Will make only some changes in policy | 35.1% | 33.8% | 34.6% |
| Will make major policy changes | 22.7% | 22.2% | 22.5% |
| Don’t know | 16.2% | 19.1% | 17.3% |

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| How do you view the Hamdallah government? |
| Independent, technocratic government | 22.1% | 35.3% | 27.0% |
| A Government of Fatah | 35.0% | 29.1% | 32.8% |
| A Government of all PLO parties | 19.4% | 10.0% | 15.9% |
| Don’t know | 23.5% | 25.6% | 24.3% |

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| Do you know the names of the ministers in the Hamdallah government? |
| All | 2.8% | 0.4% | 1.9% |
| Most | 5.6% | 2.4% | 4.4% |
| A few | 22.8% | 21.6% | 22.4% |
| None | 63.7% | 75.1% | 68.0% |
| No answer | 5.1% | 0.4% | 3.3% |

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| Among the 24 ministers in the Hamdallah government, there are three women ministers. How do you evaluate women’s representation in the new government? |
| There are too many women in the cabinet | 13.9% | 10.9% | 12.8% |
| The current number is appropriate | 42.5% | 35.6% | 39.9% |
| The current number is insufficient  | 33.5% | 28.0% | 31.4% |
| Don’t know | 10.1% | 25.6% | 15.9% |

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| If you had a choice between the two governments, the Hamdallah-led and the Haniyeh-led, which would you choose to govern in your region? |
| The Hamdallah-led government | 38.5% | 35.6% | 37.4% |
| The Haniyeh-led government | 18.4% | 15.3% | 17.3% |
| Neither of the two | 34.5% | 43.3% | 37.8% |
| Don’t know | 8.6% | 5.8% | 7.5% |

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| Do you believe the Hamdallah government will be temporary/transitional or will last for a significant period of time? |
| Temporary | 50.7% | 43.6% | 48.0% |
| Significant period of time | 32.0% | 24.2% | 29.1% |
| Don’t know | 17.3% | 32.2% | 22.9% |

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| If a unity government were agreed upon, which of the following leaders would you prefer to see as Prime Minister? |
| Mustafa Barghouthi | 18.0% | 28.4% | 21.9% |
| Ismael Haniyeh | 19.6% | 16.9% | 18.6% |
| Rami Hamdallah | 15.2% | 10.7% | 13.5% |
| Salam Fayyad | 8.3% | 14.7% | 10.7% |
| Hanan Ashrawi | 10.4% | 4.2% | 8.1% |
| Muneeb AlMasri | 9.5% | 4.9% | 7.8% |
| Jamal AlKhudary | 0.8% | 2.7% | 1.5% |
| Ziad Abu Ammar | 1.2% | 1.3% | 1.3% |
| Mohammad Mustafa | 1.7% | 0.7% | 1.3% |
| Mohammad Shtayyeh | 1.7% | 0.4% | 1.3% |
| Other | 9.9% | 12.2% | 10.8% |
| Neither | 3.6% | 2.9% | 3.3% |

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| Would you say that you approve or disapprove of the overall performance of the following leaders? |
| Mahmoud Abbas | Approve | 52.5% | 55.1% | 53.5% |
| Disapprove | 39.8% | 41.3% | 40.4% |
| Don’t know | 7.7% | 3.6% | 6.2% |
| Ismael Haniyeh | Approve | 36.0% | 33.8% | 35.2% |
| Disapprove | 47.7% | 62.0% | 53.0% |
| Don’t know | 16.3% | 4.2% | 11.8% |

**Negotiations**

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| Do you support or oppose the return to negotiations at this time? |
| Support | 47.9% | 55.3% | 50.7% |
| Oppose | 49.7% | 42.7% | 47.0% |
| Don’t know | 2.4% | 2.0% | 2.3% |

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| Would you support or oppose the return to negotiations at this time, if Israel were to stop settlement building in the West Bank? |
| Support | 68.9% | 68.2% | 68.6% |
| Oppose | 28.0% | 30.0% | 28.8% |
| Don’t know | 3.1% | 1.8% | 2.6% |

**Elections**

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| Do you support the immediate conduct of legislative election in the West Bank and Gaza? |
| Yes | 77.2% | 93.6% | 83.3% |
| No | 18.3% | 5.6% | 13.5% |
| Don’t know | 4.5% | 0.9% | 3.2% |

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| Do you support the immediate conduct of presidential elections in the West Bank and Gaza? |
| Yes | 76.4% | 94.0% | 83.0% |
| No | 20.0% | 5.3% | 14.5% |
| Don’t know | 3.6% | 0.7% | 2.5% |

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| If elections took place today and the following lists ran, which one would you vote for? |
| Fatah | 34.3% | 47.8% | 39.4% |
| Hamas | 16.2% | 16.0% | 16.1% |
| PFLP | 2.8% | 3.3% | 3.0% |
| Al Mubadara | 3.2% | 2.4% | 2.9% |
| Islamic Jihad | 1.5% | 1.1% | 1.3% |
| DFLP | 1.3% | 0.2% | 0.9% |
| Palestinian Struggle Front | 1.2% | 0.4% | 0.9% |
| PPP | 0.7% | 0.2% | 0.5% |
| Fida | 0.7% |   | 0.4% |
| HizbTahrir | 0.5% |   | 0.3% |
| Other | 3.2% | 2.0% | 2.8% |
| I didn’t decide yet | 21.6% | 15.6% | 19.3% |
| I will not vote | 12.8% | 10.9% | 12.1% |

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| If elections took place today and the following lists ran, which one would you vote for? |
| Mahmoud Abbas | 22.8% | 37.3% | 28.3% |
| Marwan Albarghouthi | 13.9% | 12.4% | 13.3% |
| Ismael Haniyeh | 14.3% | 11.8% | 13.3% |
| Mustafa Albarghouthi | 6.3% | 7.3% | 6.7% |
| Khales Mashjal | 3.7% | 5.8% | 4.5% |
| Ahmad Saadat | 3.9% | 3.1% | 3.6% |
| Salam Fayyad | 0.8% | 1.6% | 1.1% |
| None of the above | 16.4% | 11.1% | 14.4% |
| I will not vote | 17.9% | 9.6% | 14.8% |

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| If only the following two candidates ran for presidential elections, who would you vote for? |
| Mahmoud Abbas | 37.6% | 52.2% | 43.1% |
| Khaled Mashal | 20.1% | 19.6% | 19.9% |
| Don’t know | 13.6% | 9.3% | 12.0% |
| Will not vote | 28.7% | 18.9% | 25.0% |

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| If only the following two candidates ran for presidential elections, who would you vote for? |
| Mahmoud Abbas | 37.8% | 51.6% | 43.0% |
| Ismael Haniyeh | 21.1% | 19.8% | 20.6% |
| Don’t know | 11.9% | 9.8% | 11.1% |
| Will not vote | 29.2% | 18.9% | 25.4% |

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| If only the following two candidates ran for presidential elections, who would you vote for? |
| Salam Fayyad | 18.9% | 44.9% | 28.6% |
| Ismael Haniyeh | 24.1% | 20.9% | 22.9% |
| Don’t know | 16.2% | 12.9% | 14.9% |
| Will not vote | 40.9% | 21.3% | 33.6% |

**Reconciliation**

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| Do you believe that Fatah is serious about ending the division? |
| Yes | 46.1% | 54.4% | 49.2% |
| No | 45.3% | 42.7% | 44.3% |
| Don’t know | 8.7% | 2.9% | 6.5% |

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| Do you believe that Hamas is serious about ending the division? |
| Yes | 37.9% | 33.6% | 36.3% |
| No | 52.9% | 62.4% | 56.5% |
| Don’t know | 9.2% | 4.0% | 7.3% |

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| Which approach do you prefer to end the division? |
| New elections | 23.4% | 39.6% | 29.4% |
| A Fatah-Hamas unity government | 43.9% | 43.6% | 43.8% |
| None of the above | 25.4% | 10.2% | 19.7% |
| Don’t know | 7.3% | 6.7% | 7.1% |

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| Who do you think is more responsible for the delay in formation of unity government? |
| Fatah is more responsible | 13.8% | 8.2% | 11.7% |
| Hamas is more responsible | 17.4% | 21.6% | 18.9% |
| Both are equally responsible | 61.9% | 68.2% | 64.3% |
| Don’t know | 6.9% | 2.0% | 5.1% |

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| Do you believe the formation of Hamdallah government will delay or advance the formation of unity government? |
| Delay | 21.7% | 21.6% | 21.6% |
| Advance | 25.3% | 28.7% | 26.5% |
| No change | 41.0% | 42.4% | 41.6% |
| Don’t know | 12.0% | 7.3% | 10.3% |

**Arab Uprising**

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| Are you following events taking place in Syria? |
| Yes | 80.9% | 78.9% | 80.2% |
| No | 19.1% | 21.1% | 19.8% |

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| In view of the confrontations taking place in Syria, can you tell me if you support or oppose protestors' demands to change the regime? |
| Support | 65.3% | 55.6% | 61.6% |
| Oppose | 23.1% | 29.6% | 25.5% |
| Don’t know | 11.6% | 14.9% | 12.8% |

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| Are you following events taking place in Turkey? |
| Yes | 49.7% | 46.9% | 48.6% |
| No | 50.3% | 53.1% | 51.4% |

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| Do you believe that the changes taking place elsewhere in the region are positively or negatively affecting the Palestinian situation?  |
| Positively | 17.2% | 17.8% | 17.4% |
| No affect | 49.1% | 37.1% | 44.6% |
| Negatively | 26.4% | 34.0% | 29.3% |
| Don’t know | 7.2% | 11.1% | 8.7% |

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| Do you believe there is a chance that similar protests could break out against the governments in the West Bank? |
| Yes | 45.7% | 33.3% | 41.1% |
| No | 44.4% | 55.1% | 48.4% |
| Don’t know | 9.9% | 11.6% | 10.5% |

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|  | West Bank | Gaza | Total |
| Do you believe there is a chance that similar protests could break out against the governments in Gaza? |
| Yes | 47.8% | 41.8% | 45.5% |
| No | 41.5% | 46.9% | 43.5% |
| Don’t know | 10.7% | 11.3% | 10.9% |

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| **Sample Distribution (%)** |
| **District** | **Gender** |
| Jenin | 6.7 | Male | 50.4 |
| Tulkarm | 5.0 | Female | 49.6 |
| Qalqilya | 1.7 | **Age** |
| Nablus | 8.3 | 18-30 | 40.5 |
| Salfit | 1.6 | 31-40 | 24.0 |
| Tubas | 1.6 | 41+ | 35.4 |
| Ramallah &Albireh | 8.3 | **Marital Status** |
| Jerusalem | 10.0 | Single | 25.8 |
| Jericho | 1.8 | Married | 70.6 |
| Bethlehem | 4.8 | Other | 3.7 |
| Hebron | 12.8 | **Refugee status** |
| Jabalya | 7.2 | Refugee | 46.4 |
| Gaza | 14.6 | Non-refugee | 53.6 |
| DeirAlbalah | 5.3 | **Educational level** |
| Khanyounis | 5.3 | Up to 9 years | 28.9 |
| Rafah | 5.3 | Secondary (10-12) | 38.6 |
| **Residence** | More than 12 years | 32.5 |
| City | 48.8 | **Occupation** |
| Village | 27.3 | Laborer | 11.5 |
| Camp | 24.0 | Employee | 14.7 |
| **Work Sector** | Farmer | 1.8 |
| Government | 27.0 | Merchant | 5.9 |
| Private | 67.0 | Professional | 1.1 |
| NGOs | 2.0 | Craftsman | 4.4 |
| Other | 4.0 | Student | 11.7 |
| **Income** | Housewife | 36.4 |
| Above average | 11.5 | Does not work | 10.8 |
| Average | 57.2 | Retired | 1.8 |
| Below average | 31.2 | **Do you use the internet?** |
| **Region** | Yes | 48.7 |
| West Bank | 62.5 | No | 51.3 |
| Gaza | 37.5 | **Do you use Facebook** |
|  | Yes | 80.3 |
| No | 19.7 |