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#### Results of Palestinian Public Opinion Poll No. 53 13-15 October 2016

#### Background

The Palestinian Government has issued a decree deferring the municipality and local council elections which were supposed to be held in the Palestinian territories in November, 2016. The decree was issued after the ruling made by the Palestinian Supreme Court to the effect that elections are to be conducted only in the West Bank. After the signed agreement between Fateh and Hamas to end the Palestinian split, nothing was carried out of the agreement other than the formation of a Palestinian coalition government; the other items have not been implemented.

#### The Results

Following are the results of the Palestinian Public Opinion Poll no. 53 conducted by the Center for Opinion Polls and Survey Studies at An-Najah National University during the period from 13-15 October 2016. **The University sponsors all polls conducted by its Center.** 

This poll undertakes deferring the municipality and local council elections which were supposed to be held in the Palestinian territories in November, 2016, the boycott campaign of Israeli goods and products, the possibilities of conducting presidential and legislative elections in addition to the political affiliations of Palestinian people.

The sample included 1362 persons whose age group is 18 and above and who have the right to vote. The enclosed questionnaire was distributed on 862 persons from the West Bank and 500 persons from the Gaza Strip. The sample was drawn randomly and the margin of error is about  $\pm 3\%$ ; still 1.8% of the members of the sample refused to answer the questionnaire.

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



#### The General Results:

- 35.4% of respondents supported the Palestinian Government's decision to postpone municipality and local council elections after the ruling of the Palestinian Supreme Court to conduct them only in the West Bank; 57.6% rejected
- 23.6% of respondents supported the ruling of the Palestinian Supreme Court on October 9th, 2016 to conduct municipality and local council elections only in the West Bank; 70.4% rejected.
- 26.9% of respondents supported the ruling of the Palestinian Supreme Court on October 8th, 2016 to stop the decision of the Palestinian Council of Ministers to conduct municipality and local council elections which were scheduled to take place in November, 2016; 66.4% rejected.
- Respondents attributed the Palestinian Supreme Court's decision to stop the decision made by the Palestinian Council of Ministers to stop elections to the following:
  - 13.4% The elections do not include Jerusalem.
  - 14.2% The courts and judiciary system in the Gaza Strip are not recognized and not legitimat
  - 33% Fear of internal conflicts as a result of the elections
  - 21.3% Elections will deepen the Palestinian split
- Respondents who rejected the Palestinian Supreme Court's ruling to stop the Palestinian Council of Ministers' decision to conduct municipality and local council elections to the following:
  - 47.6% The Court's ruling abolishes one of the citizens' rights (elections)
  - 16.7% Elections will lead to an end to the Palestinian split
  - 19.2% Elections will be an introduction to legislative and presidential elections.
- 55.1% of respondents believed that the current circumstances are suitable for conducting municipality and local council elections.
- According to the respondents' point of view the responsible side for postponing the municipality and local council elections is
  - 27.1% The Palestinian Authority
  - 9.7% Fateh
  - 15.2% Hamas
  - 27.6% Both Fateh and Hamas
  - 4.3% Some other Palestinian factions
  - 2.9% Some independent personalities
- 41% of respondents believed that the appeals that Hamas made on Fateh's lists of candidates in the Gaza Strip are the reason for postponing municipality and local council elections
- Had municipality and local council elections been conducted on the assigned date, respondents expected the following lists to be the winners in the West Bank.
  - 48.2% A Fatch affiliated list or lists supported by Fatch



- 19.6% A Hamas affiliated list or lists supported by Hamas
- 1.8% A Palestinian Left affiliated list or lists supported by them
- 5.4% Family affiliated lists
- 10.6% Independent lists
- Had municipality and local council elections been conducted on the assigned date, respondents expected the following lists to be the winners in the Gaza Strip:
  - 23.9% A Fatch affiliated list or lists supported by Fatch
  - 52.5% A Hamas affiliated list or lists supported by Hamas
  - 0.8% A Palestinian Left affiliated list or lists supported by them
  - 2.5% Family affiliated lists
  - 7% Independent lists
- 52.8% of respondents expected municipality and local council elections to be conducted in the near future.
- 76.2% of respondents supported submitting a proposal for a UN resolution on the Israeli settlements and the terror caused by Israeli settlers.
- 75.3% of respondents supported providing international protection for the Palestinian people who have been under occupation since 1967.
- 75% of respondents supported a call from President Mahmoud Abbas on Britain to acknowledge the historical, legal, political, material, and moral responsibilities relating to the consequences of Belfour Declaration including offering an apology to the Palestinian people for the catastrophes and injustice committed against them.
- 79% of respondents considered Britain responsible for the catastrophes that befell the Palestinian people
- 55.9% of respondents supported the French Initiative which called for holding an international conference for peace in the Middle East.
- 19.3% of respondents believed that the French Initiative to foster the possibilities of peace between Palestinians and Israelis will succeed; 63.1% believed that it will fail.
- 49.1% of respondents supported the Russian call on President Mahmoud Abbas and the Israeli Prime Minister to meet in Moscow to reactivate the peace process.
- 18.2% of respondents saw that the Palestinian Authority must commit itself to the Oslo Accord since Israel is not committed to it; 74% saw the opposite.
- 63.7% of respondents supported the security campaign that the Palestinian Security apparatuses are conducting to curb the security chaos.
- 41% of respondents said that they heard about and they supported the change of the Tawjihi (Secondary School State Exam) in the Palestinian territories; 31.5% said they have heard about it and they rejected it.
- 45.7% of respondents supported the rise of a peaceful, unarmed intifada in the Palestinian Territories; 48.7% rejected that
- 38% of respondents supported the rise of an armed intifada in the Palestinian Territories; 55.7% rejected that
- 22.5% of respondents saw that if a Palestinian intifada takes place, a peaceful and unarmed intifada will be the best form of resistance that would serve the Palestinian cause, 20.8% said that an armed intifada would serve the Palestinian



cause better, 21.7% said that both forms are useful for the Palestinian cause; 28.9% said that both forms are useless.

- 46.1% of respondents supported the creation of a confederation with Jordan on the basis of two independent states with strong institutional relations.
- 33.4% of respondents believed that there is a possibility for the creation of a Palestinian state on the 1967 borders while 61.5% said that there is no such possibility.
- 36.3% of respondents supported the creation of a Palestinian state on the entire area of the 1967 borders as a final solution for the Palestinian cause while 59.4% said that there is no such possibility.
- 22% of respondents supported the creation of a Palestinian state on the 1967 borders with some land exchange as a final solution for the Palestinian cause while 72.9% rejected.
- 18% of respondents supported the creation of a binational state for Arabs and Jews on historic Palestine as a final solution for the Palestinian cause while 78.6% rejected.
- 40.7% of respondents supported dissolving the PA and merging its institutions with the PLO institutions; 49.9% rejected.
- 90.5% of respondents saw that Fateh and Hamas must speed the implementation of the reconciliation agreement.
- 43% of respondents said that they are optimistic about the implementation of the reconciliation agreement between Fatah and Hamas in the near future while 54% said they are pessimistic.
- 14% of respondents believed that the responsible party for the lack of implementation of the national reconciliation agreement is Hamas, 8.4% said it is Fatah, and 67.3% said it is some persons in Fatah and Hamas.
- 74.9% of respondents supported boycotting Israeli goods and products.
- 41.2% of respondents expected the success and endurance of the Palestinian reconciliation; 54.1% expected its failure.
- 12.8% of the respondents said that they buy Israeli products in all cases, 37.3% said they buy Palestinian products in all cases, and 46.5% said they buy according to the quality of the item regardless of its origin.
- As for the reason why some persons are not committed to the boycott campaign of Israeli products, they attributed that to the following:
  - 64.30% The lack of trust in the quality of local products
  - 63.97% The consumer culture of some persons
  - 58.89% The lack of local substitutes of Israeli products
  - 53.60% The high prices of local products
  - 68.85% The continuous availability of the Israeli products
  - 24.40% The Israeli products are their source of income
- 63.7% of respondents assessed the performance of the National Unity Government as good.
- 65.2% of respondents assessed the performance of the Palestinian Presidency as good.



- 41.5% of respondents expected that if elections are conducted in the present time in the Palestinian Territories, they will be fair.
- 82.9% of respondents said that they will participate in the coming presidential elections. From among those who said they will participate, 34.3% said that they will give their votes to Fateh's candidate; 13.7% said they will give their votes to Hamas' candidate.
- 82.8% of respondents said that they will participate in the coming legislative elections. From among those who said they will participate, 36.5% said that they will give their votes to Fateh's candidates; 15.1% said they will give their votes to Hamas' candidates.
- If PLC elections are to be conducted, 44.3% of respondents expected the winning of Fateh movement; 17.5% expected the winning of Hamas.
- 85.8% of respondents said that they will participate in the coming municipality and local council elections. From among those who said they will participate, 34% said that they will give their votes to Fateh's candidates, 3% said they will give their votes to Hamas' candidates and 10% said they will give their votes to the representative of their family or clan.
- 31.4% of respondents said that the current political, security and economic circumstances compel them to desire to emigrate.
- 47.8% of respondents expressed fear for their lives under the present circumstances.
- 60.3% of respondents said that they are pessimistic about the general Palestinian situation at this stage.
- 76.7% of respondents said that they neither feel safe for themselves nor for their families and properties under the current circumstances.
- As for political affiliation, respondents gave the following results:

People's Party	1.0%
Democratic Front	0.6%
Islamic Jihad	1.2%
Fateh	36.7%
Hamas	12.8%
Fida	0.4%
Popular Front	2.5%
Palestinian National Initiative	1.0%
I am an independent nationalist	5.7%
I am an independent Islamist	1.7%
None of the above	35.7%
Others	0.7%



#### The General Results of the Poll

Do you support or reject the Palestinian Government's decision to postpone municipality and local council elections after the ruling of the Palestinian Supreme Court to conduct them only in the West Bank?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
I support	35.4	37.5	31.8
I reject	57.6	54.6	62.6
No opinion/I do not know	7.0	7.9	5.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Do you support or reject the ruling of the Palestinian Supreme Court on October 9th, 2016 to conduct municipality and local council elections only in the West Bank?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
I support	23.6	25.4	20.6
I reject	70.4	68.2	74.2
No opinion/I do not know	5.9	6.4	5.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Do you support or reject the ruling of the Palestinian Supreme Court on October 8th, 2016 to stop the decision of the Palestinian Council of Ministers to conduct municipality and local council elections which were scheduled to take place in November, 2016?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
I support	26.9	27.8	25.4
I reject	66.4	66.2	66.6
No opinion/I do not know	6.7	5.9	8.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0



If you are in support of the Palestinian Supreme Court's ruling to stop the decision made by the Palestinian Council of Ministers to conduct municipality and local council elections, why do you support the ruling?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
The elections do not include	13.4	13.5	13.2
Jerusalem			
The courts and judiciary	14.2	9.6	20.8
system in the Gaza Strip are			
not recognized and not			
legitimate			
Fear of internal conflicts as a	33.0	36.9	27.4
result of the elections			
Elections will deepen the	21.3	22.7	19.3
Palestinian split			
Other reasons, specify	4.4	2.8	6.6
No opinion/I do not know	13.8	14.5	12.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

If you reject the Palestinian Supreme Court's ruling to stop the Palestinian Council of Ministers' decision to conduct municipality and local council elections, why do you reject?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
The Court's ruling abolishes	47.6	51.6	41.9
one of the citizens' rights			
Elections will lead to an end	16.7	16.7	16.7
to the Palestinian split			
Elections will be an	19.2	16.6	22.8
introduction to legislative			
and presidential elections			
Other reasons, specify	4.7	4.8	4.6
No opinion/I do not know	11.9	10.3	14.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Do you believe that the current circumstances are suitable for conducting municipality and local council elections?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Yes	55.1	56.3	53.0
No	39.4	39.3	39.6
No opinion/I do not know	5.5	4.4	7.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0



### In your opinion, who is responsible for postponing the municipality and local council elections?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
The Palestinian Authority	27.1	37.9	8.4
Fateh	9.7	8.6	11.6
Hamas	15.2	5.7	31.6
Both Fateh and Hamas	27.6	25.3	31.6
Some other Palestinian factions	4.3	5.5	2.2
Some independent personalities	2.9	3.9	1.0
No opinion/I do not know	13.3	13.1	13.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

## Do you think that the appeals that Hamas made on Fateh's lists of candidates in the Gaza Strip are the reason for postponing municipality and local council elections?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Yes	41.0	35.2	51.2
No	38.4	44.8	27.4
No opinion/I do not know	20.6	20.1	21.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

## Had municipality and local council elections been conducted on the assigned date, Who do you think would have won in the West Bank?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
A Fateh affiliated list or lists	48.2	44.7	54.2
supported by Fateh			
A Hamas affiliated list or	19.6	20.8	17.69
lists supported by Hamas			
A Palestinian Left affiliated	1.8	2.1	1.2
list or lists supported by			
them			
Family affiliated lists	5.4	7.8	1.4
Independent lists	10.6	11.0	10.0
No opinion/I do not know	14.4	13.7	15.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0



Had municipality and local council elections been conducted on the assigned date, Who do you think would have won in the Gaza Strip?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
A Fateh affiliated list or lists	23.9	8.7	50.2
supported by Fateh			
A Hamas affiliated list or	52.5	70.9	20.8
lists supported by Hamas			
A Palestinian Left affiliated	0.8	0.5	1.4
list or lists supported by			
them			
Family affiliated lists	2.5	2.4	2.6
Independent lists	7.0	5.6	9.6
No opinion/I do not know	13.2	11.9	15.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

### Do you expect municipality and local council elections to be conducted in the near future?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Yes	52.8	57.8	44.2
No	40.5	36.9	46.8
No opinion/I do not know	6.7	5.3	9.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

## Do you support or reject a proposal submitted by the PA for a UN resolution on the Israeli settlements and the terror caused by Israeli settlers?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
I support	76.2	78.9	71.6
I reject	16.0	17.6	13.2
No opinion/I do not know	7.8	3.5	15.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

### Do you support or reject providing international protection for the Palestinian people who have been under occupation since 1967

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
I support	75.3	76.8	72.8
I reject	20.3	21.9	17.6
No opinion/I do not know	4.3	1.3	9.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0



Do you support or reject a call from President Mahmoud Abbas on Britain to accept the historical, legal, political, material, and moral responsibilities relating to the consequences of Belfour Declaration including offering an apology to the Palestinian people for the catastrophes and injustice committed against them?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
I support	75.0	78.7	68.8
I reject	17.5	17.3	17.8
No opinion/I do not know	7.5	4.1	13.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Do you consider Britain responsible for the catastrophes that befell the Palestinian people?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Yes	79.0	78.1	80.6
No	14.0	17.3	8.4
No opinion/I do not know	7.0	4.6	11.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Do you support or reject the French Initiative which calls for holding an international conference for peace in the Middle East?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
I support	55.9	53.8	59.6
I reject	31.6	35.5	25.0
No opinion/I do not know	12.4	10.7	15.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Do you think that the French Initiative to foster the possibilities of peace between Palestinians and Israelis will succeed or fail?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
It will succeed	19.3	17.4	22.6
It will fail	63.1	68.8	53.2
No opinion/I do not know	17.6	13.8	24.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0



Do you support or reject the Russian call on President Mahmoud Abbas and the Israeli Prime Minister to meet in Moscow to reactivate the peace process?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
I support	49.1	47.8	51.4
I reject	43.4	49.1	33.6
No opinion/I do not know	7.5	3.1	15.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Do you think that the Palestinian Authority should commit itself to the Oslo Accord while Israel is not committed to it?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Yes	18.2	20.4	14.4
No	74.0	74.9	72.4
No opinion/I do not know	7.8	4.6	13.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Do you support or reject the security campaign that the Palestinian Security apparatuses are conducting to curb the security chaos?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
I support	63.7	67.5	57.2
I reject	31.0	29.4	33.8
No opinion/I do not know	5.3	3.1	9.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Have you heard about the change in the Tawjihi (Secondary School State Exam) in the Palestinian territories? If you have heard about it what is your opinion?.

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
I have heard about it and I	41.0	34.5	52.4
support the change			
I have heard about it and I do	31.5	32.0	30.6
not support the change			
I have not heard about it	23.2	28.5	14.0
No opinion/I do not know	4.3	5.0	3.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0



### Do you support or reject the rise of an unarmed peaceful intifada in the Palestinian Territories?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
I support	45.7	48.5	41.0
I reject	48.7	49.0	48.2
No opinion/I do not know	5.6	2.6	10.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Do you support or reject the rise of an armed intifada in the Palestinian territories?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
I support	38.0	29.8	52.0
I reject	55.7	66.9	36.2
No opinion/I do not know	6.4	3.2	11.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

### From your point of view at the present time, which of the following forms of resistance will serve the Palestinian cause best?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
An unarmed peaceful intifada	22.5	26.9	15.0
An armed intifada	20.8	18.7	24.4
Both forms are useful	21.7	16.9	30.0
Both forms are useless	28.9	35.4	17.8
No opinion/I do not know	6.0	2.1	12.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

## Do you support or reject the creation of a confederation with Jordan on the basis of two independent states with strong institutional relations?

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	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
I support	46.1	52.1	35.8
I reject	41.3	44.1	36.6
No opinion/I do not know	12.6	3.8	27.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0



Under the current circumstances, do you think that there is an opportunity for the creation of a Palestinian state on the 1967 borders?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Yes	33.4	37.6	26.2
No	61.5	59.3	65.4
No opinion/I do not know	5.1	3.1	8.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Do you support or reject the creation of a Palestinian state on the 1967 borders as a final solution for the Palestinian cause?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Yes	36.3	40.4	29.4
No	59.4	58.1	61.6
No opinion/I do not know	4.3	1.5	9.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Do you support or reject the creation of a Palestinian state on the 1967 borders with some land exchange as a final solution for the Palestinian cause?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Yes	22.0	24.0	18.4
No	72.9	72.7	73.2
No opinion/I do not know	5.1	3.2	8.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Do you support or reject the creation of a binational state for both Arabs and Jews as a final solution for the Palestinian cause?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Yes	18.0	19.0	16.2
No	78.6	78.9	78.0
No opinion/I do not know	3.5	2.1	5.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Do you support or reject dissolving the PA and merging its administrative and security institutions in the PLO institutions?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
I support	40.7	42.3	38.0
I reject	49.9	51.0	47.8
No opinion/I do not know	9.4	6.6	14.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0



Under the current circumstances, do you think that Fateh and Hamas should speed up implementing the national reconciliation agreement?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Yes	90.5	93.0	86.2
No	7.4	5.6	10.6
No opinion/I do not know	2.1	1.4	3.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

## Are you optimistic or pessimistic about the implementation of the reconciliation between Fatah and Hamas in the near future?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Optimistic	43.0	45.1	39.4
Pessimistic	54.0	52.3	56.8
No opinion/I do not know	3.0	2.6	3.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

# In your point of view you, who is responsible for the lack of implementation of the national reconciliation agreement?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Hamas	14.0	8.4	23.6
Fateh	8.4	9.6	6.4
Persons from both Hamas and Fateh	67.3	72.0	59.0
No opinion/I do not know	10.4	10.0	11.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

#### Do you support or reject boycotting Israeli goods and products?

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	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
I support	74.9	77.3	70.8
I reject	21.9	21.3	22.8
No opinion/I do not know	3.2	1.4	6.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0



Do you expect the success or the failure of the campaign of boycotting Israeli goods and products in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
It will succeed	41.2	38.6	45.6
It will fail	54.1	58.1	47.2
No opinion/I do not know	4.7	3.2	7.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

## Do you personally buy Israeli products when there are Palestinian substitutes to them?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
I buy Israeli products in all	12.8	14.8	9.4
cases			
I buy Palestinian products in	37.3	42.6	28.2
all cases			
I buy products according to	45.6	41.1	55.8
quality regardless of their			
source.			
No opinion/I do not know	3.4	1.5	6.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

# In your point of view, why are many persons not committed to boycotting Israeli products?

(Give your convictions on a 0-10 scale with 10 for the highest)

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The lack of trust in the quality of local products	6.4295	6.5070	6.2960
The consumer culture of some persons	6.3972	6.3701	6.4440
The lack of local substitutes for Israeli products	5.8891	5.7981	6.0460
The high prices of local products	5.3598	5.4408	5.2200
The continuous availability of the Israeli products	6.8847	7.1067	6.5020
The Israeli products are their source of income	2.4398	2.1566	2.9280



How do you assess the performance of the National Unity Government?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Excellent	3.7	4.5	2.2
Good	60.0	62.5	55.6
Poor	29.1	23.8	38.2
No opinion/I do not know	7.3	9.2	4.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

How do you assess the performance of the Palestinian Presidency?

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	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Excellent	6.5	7.3	5.2
Good	58.7	58.7	58.6
Poor	31.9	31.0	33.6
No opinion/I do not know	2.9	3.0	2.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

If elections are to be conducted in the Palestinian Territories at the present time, do you think that they will be fair?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Yes	41.5	37.7	48.0
No	49.9	55.1	40.8
No opinion/I do not know	8.7	7.2	11.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

If presidential elections are held at the present time, to whom from among the following do you give your vote?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
An independent candidate	10.6	7.7	15.6
A candidate from the left	2.6	2.7	2.6
A candidate from Hamas	11.4	12.3	9.8
A candidate from Fateh	28.4	26.7	31.4
A national independent candidate	6.7	6.8	6.4
An Islamic independent candidate	2.3	2.4	2.2
I will not participate in the elections	17.1	20.4	11.4
I have not decided yet	20.9	21.0	20.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0



If new PLC elections are conducted, whom will you vote for?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
An independent ticket	8.0	7.3	9.2
A ticket from the left	2.8	2.7	3.0
A ticket from Hamas	12.5	12.2	13.0
A ticket from Fateh	30.2	27.1	35.4
A national independent ticket	5.7	5.7	5.6
An Islamic independent ticket	2.9	2.9	2.8
I will not participate in the elections	17.3	20.1	12.4
I have not decided yet	20.8	22.0	18.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

## If new legislative elections are to be held today, which of the following will win?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
An independent Islamists bloc	4.6	4.2	5.4
An independent Nationalist bloc	11.6	9.4	15.4
A Fateh bloc	44.3	39.9	52.0
A Hamas bloc	17.5	18.8	15.4
A bloc from leftist organizations	1.2	1.5	0.8
No opinion/I do not know	20.6	26.2	11.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

# If municipality and local council elections are to be held, who do you vote for?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
A block that represents the family or clan	8.6	13.6	0.4
An independent ticket	5.8	6.4	4.8
A ticket from the left	2.2	1.8	2.8
A ticket from Hamas	11.2	9.8	13.4
A ticket from Fateh	29.2	22.7	39.8
A national independent ticket	5.7	5.5	6.0
An Islamic independent ticket	3.0	2.3	4.0
I will not participate in the elections	14.2	17.3	9.2
I have not decided yet	20.2	20.6	19.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0



Do the current political, security and economic circumstances compel you to desire to emigrate abroad?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Yes	31.4	20.5	50.2
No	65.5	78.7	42.8
No opinion/I do not know	3.1	0.8	7.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Are you worried about your life under the present circumstances?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Yes	47.8	39.8	61.6
No	51.2	60.0	36.2
No opinion/I do not know	1.0	0.2	2.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Are you pessimistic or optimistic towards the general Palestinian situation at this stage?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Optimistic	37.2	40.6	31.2
Pessimistic	60.3	58.1	64.0
No opinion/I do not know	2.6	1.3	4.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Under the present circumstances, do you feel that you, your family and your properties are safe?

	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
Yes	22.4	26.0	16.2
Maybe	41.7	37.9	48.2
No	35.0	35.5	34.2
No opinion/I do not know	0.9	0.6	1.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0



Which of the following political affiliations do you support?

PARTY	Total	West Bank	Gaza Strip
People's Party	1.0	0.8	1.2
Democratic Front	0.6	0.3	1.0
Islamic Jihad	1.2	0.8	2.0
Fateh	36.7	31.0	46.6
Hamas	12.8	13.0	12.6
Fida	0.4	0.1	0.8
Popular Front	2.5	2.4	2.6
Palestinian National Initiative	1.0	1.2	0.8
I am an independent nationalist	5.7	4.9	7.0
I am an independent Islamist	1.7	1.2	2.6
None of the above	35.7	44.0	21.4
Others	0.7	0.3	1.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0