Survey Specifications

- International Republican Institute (IRI) conducted.
- Field data collection by Kabul Group (Kabul, Afghanistan).
- Supervision of fieldwork by Mia Bonarski (Lapis, Ltd., Kabul, Afghanistan).
- Oversight and analysis by David Williams (Lapis Ltd. and Williams & Associates of Salem, Massachusetts).
- The national survey was conducted from May 3-16, 2009.
- The sample was 3,200 adult Afghans (18+).
- The overall margin of error is ±1.76 percent at the midrange of the 95 percent confidence level.
- Interviews collected using in-person, face-to-face methodology by trained professional interviewers using a multistage stratification proportionate to population sample distribution, with random selection of households and respondents in 34 provinces of Afghanistan.
- Men interviewed men and women interviewed women.
- All 34 provinces were selected at the first level of stratification, and approximately five districts within each province were selected, including the provincial capital district and four other randomly selected districts. The clusters, which were the primary sampling unit, each contain between four and ten villages exhibiting similar characteristics.
- The information in this report has been compiled in accordance with international standards for market and social research methodologies.
- All data shown is from the May 3-16, 2009, national survey or a face-to-face survey conducted in March/April 2004 (n=2,500, +/-2 percent margin of error at 95 percent confidence level).
- Figures in charts and tables may not sum to 100 percent due to rounding error.
Survey Statistics

- 60 percent male to 40 percent female ratio of respondents

Ethnic Distribution of Respondents
- Pashtun: 46%
- Tajik: 34%
- Uzbek: 8%
- Hazara: 6%
- Other: 3%
- Turkmen: 2%

Age Distribution of Respondents
- 18-29: 39%
- 30-39: 29%
- 40-49: 20%
- 50-59: 8%
- 60+: 4%
### Regional Breakdown by Province

**Southwest Region**
- Daikundi
- Helmand
- Kandahar
- Nimroz
- Urozgan
- Zabul

**Central Region**
- Kabul
- Kapisa
- Logar
- Panjsher
- Parwan
- Wardak

**Northwest Region**
- Balkh
- Faryab
- Jowzjan
- Samangan
- Sar-e-Pul

**Southeast Region**
- Ghazni
- Khost
- Paktia
- Paktika

**Northeast Region**
- Badakhshan
- Baghlan
- Kunduz
- Takhar

**West Region**
- Badghis
- Bamiyan
- Farah
- Ghor
- Herat

**East Region**
- Kunar
- Laghman
- Nangarhar
- Nuristan
Afghanistan Environment
Do you think Afghanistan is moving in the right direction or the wrong direction?

- Right Direction: 30%
- Wrong Direction: 37%
- Neither: 7%
- DK/REF: 26%
How is your family’s economic situation compared to five years ago?

- Much worse: 6%
- Worse: 14%
- The same: 21%
- Better: 43%
- Much better: 10%
- DK/REF: 5%
Is Afghanistan more stable today than it was one year ago?

- 52% More stable
- 22% Less stable
- 14% The same
- 12% DK/REF
In the next year, do you think the economy in Afghanistan will get better, get worse or stay the same?

- DK/REF: 33%
- Get worse: 20%
- Stay the same: 18%
- Get better: 29%
What are the two most important problems facing Afghanistan today?

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How would you describe the political and security situation in the region?

- Intense and uncertain: 35%
- Critical and unstable: 25%
- Peaceful and stable: 21%
- DK/REF: 19%
In your opinion which of the following countries have good relations with Afghanistan?

- Pakistan: 11%
- Iran: 21%
- Turkmenistan: 26%
- Uzbekistan: 20%
- Tajikistan: 39%
- China: 33%
- None: 47%
- DK: 3%
Performance of Government
Using a scale from one to five where one is lowest and five is highest, what grade would you give the overall performance of...

- Health and social services: 3.06
- Afghan National Army: 3.24
- The police: 2.82
- The media: 3.21
- International Security Assistance Force (ISAF): 2.49
- The parliament: 2.8
- The president: 2.8
- The opposition: 2.59
- The government: 2.69
How would you rate Hamid Karzai’s performance as president?

- Very poor: 9%
- Poor: 21%
- Fair: 28%
- Good: 27%
- Very good: 12%
- DK/REF: 4%
What issue do politicians talk too much about? (open-ended question; responses of more than two percent)
What issue do politicians talk too little about?
(open-ended question; responses of more than two percent)

- Economy, employment, quality of life: 20%
- Education: 12%
- Reconstruction, infrastructure dev't: 10%
- Social assistance: 8%
- DK: 8%
- Security: 7%
- Corruption, abuse of power: 6%
- International relations, foreign troops: 5%
- Agriculture: 5%
- REF: 4%
- Human rights: 4%
- Government, elections, rule of law: 3%
- Religion, culture: 2%
Do you think the number of elected women in Afghanistan is adequate, or should Afghanistan have more women in elected office?

- Too few: 27%
- About the right amount: 34%
- Too many: 15%
- DK/REF: 24%
Would you vote for a woman for...?

- **President**: 57% for Yes, 50% for No, 9% for DK/REF
- **Municipal council**: 47% for Yes, 33% for No, 12% for DK/REF
- **Parliament**: 42% for Yes, 33% for No, 10% for DK/REF
What about young people: do you think that young people are adequately represented in elected government in Afghanistan?

- Too few: 30%
- About the right amount: 36%
- Too many: 11%
- DK/REF: 22%
In general, whom do you think is better in elected office: someone younger than 35 or someone older than 35?

- Younger than 35: 38%
- Older than 35: 27%
- It depends: 19%
- No difference: 6%
- DK/REF: 10%
In your opinion how serious is corruption in Afghanistan?

- 3% Not serious at all
- 6% Not very serious
- 26% Somewhat serious
- 55% Very serious
- 11% DK/REF
In general, how has the current government performed in controlling corruption compared to the previous government?

- Very good: 16%
- Good: 47%
- Poor: 11%
- Very poor: 4%
- DK/REF: 7%
Have you or a friend or relative had to pay a bribe or offer a gift to a government employee or official in the following situations?

- To a local official for a license, permit or service:
  - Yes: 39%
  - DK/REF: 23%
  - No: 36%

- To politician for job consideration:
  - Yes: 38%
  - DK/REF: 27%
  - No: 35%

- To a municipality official for a license, permit or service:
  - Yes: 46%
  - DK/REF: 20%
  - No: 35%

- Police officer for traffic violation:
  - Yes: 48%
  - DK/REF: 21%
  - No: 31%

- For health services in a public clinic or hospital:
  - Yes: 56%
  - DK/REF: 16%
  - No: 28%
Elections
Did you register to vote for the upcoming elections?

- Yes: 74%
- No: 22%
- DK/REF: 4%
What is the main reason you have for not registering and obtaining a voter card? (open-ended question; top responses; n = 790)

- Security: 22%
- Access to voting offices: 21%
- Corruption, abuse of power: 12%
- Lack of trust: 10%
- Government opposition: 6%
- Internal conflicts, Afghan unity: 4%
- Economics: 4%
- Fear of the Taliban: 4%
- DK/REF: 4%
- Terrorism, acts of violence: 3%
Did your family members register to vote?

- Yes: 75%
- No: 22%
- DK/REF: 4%
Do you know why they didn’t register to vote?
(open-ended question; top responses; n = 792)

- Security: 20%
- Economics: 16%
- Fear of the Taliban: 8%
- Terrorism, acts of violence: 8%
- DK/REF: 8%
- Government opposition: 5%
- Access to voting offices: 5%
- Internal conflicts, tribal unity: 4%
- Corruption, abuse of power: 4%
- Reconstruction, infrastructure: 4%
If the presidential election was held today how likely is it that you would vote?

- Very likely: 26%
- Likely: 33%
- Unlikely: 17%
- Very unlikely: 16%
- DK/REF: 7%

Likely to vote – 59%
Unlikely to vote – 33%
If the presidential election was held today, how likely would you be to vote?

(likelihood of voting by region)

- **Very likely**
- **Likely**
- **Unlikely**
- **Won't vote**
- **DK/REF**
What is your personal motivation to vote in the upcoming presidential elections? (open-ended question; likely voters; n = 1,832)

- Security: 17%
- Reconstruction, development: 14%
- The election: 14%
- DK: 11%
- Strengthen politics: 7%
- For human rights: 6%
- Economy, economic development, quality of life: 6%
- For leadership: 5%
- Social assistance: 5%
- Eliminate corruption: 4%
- REF: 3%
- For education: 2%
- End terrorism: 2%
What do you consider yourself first?

- Afghan: 78%
- Pashtun: 10%
- Tajik: 10%
- Uzbek: 3%
- Hazara: 1%
- DK/REF: 1%
Would you be willing to vote for someone for president who is not from your ethnic group?
Has President Karzai done his job well enough to deserve re-election?

- Yes: 40% (All), 43% (Likely voters)
- No: 32% (All), 28% (Likely voters)
- DK: 13% (All), 14% (Likely voters)
- REF: 15% (All), 15% (Likely voters)
Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the following people?

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Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the following people?
What is your opinion of national parties?

- Strongly favorable: 8%
- Favorable: 25%
- Unfavorable: 12%
- Strongly unfavorable: 38%
- DK/REF: 17%
Did you vote in the 2004 presidential election?

Yes 79%

No 18%

DK/REF 3%

If yes, for whom did you vote? (n=2,528)

Hamid Karzai 51%

Yonus Qanoni 14%

Abdul Rashid Dostum 4%

Mohammed Mohaqiq 2%

Latif Pedram 1%

Masooda Jalal 2%

None 2%

Other 3%
When you think about people in political life, who is the one person in Afghanistan that you view most favorably?

(open-ended question)

- Hamid Karzai: 24%
- DK: 14%
- Other: 12%
- Yonus Qanoni: 9%
- Abdullah Abdullah: 6%
- Ramazan Bashardost: 5%
- Anvar-ul-Haq Ahadi: 4%
- Abdul Rashid Dostum: 3%
- Burhanuddin Rabbani: 3%
- Gulbuddin Hekmatyar: 3%
- Zalmay Khalilzad: 2%
- Mullah Mohammad: 2%
- Ashraf Ghani: 2%
- Abdul Jabbar Sabet: 2%
- Sigbatullah Mojadeddi: 1%
- 1%
If the presidential election was held today, for whom would you vote?
(open-ended question; likely voters; n = 1,677)
If the presidential election was held today, for whom would you vote? (those who said they voted for Karzai in 2004 and would vote for him again in 2009; n=1,632)

- Still Voting for Karzai in 2009: 34%
- DK/REF in 2009: 24%
- No one in 2009: 1%
- Other 2009: 40%

Breakdown of other vote (n = 838):
- Abdullah Abdullah 2009: 2%
- Ashraf Ghani 2009: 3%
- Ali Ahmed Jalali 2009: 12%
- Others 2009: 23%
If the presidential election was held today, for whom would you vote? (comparison by demographic group; n=1,632)

- Respondents who said they voted for Karzai in 2004
- Respondents who said they would vote for Karzai in 2009
If the presidential election was held today, for whom would you vote? (comparison of Karzai support by region)

- **West**: 18% Karzai, 82% others
- **Southwest**: 25% Karzai, 75% others
- **Southeast**: 27% Karzai, 73% others
- **Central**: 14% Karzai, 86% others
- **East**: 25% Karzai, 75% others
- **Northwest**: 18% Karzai, 82% others
- **Northeast**: 18% Karzai, 82% others

- **IEC reported voting percentage in 2004**
- **Karzai support in May 2009**
If the presidential election was held today, for whom would you vote?

(comparison of Karzai support by province in the central region)
If the presidential election was held today, for whom would you vote?
(comparison of Karzai support by province in the northeast region)

- **Karzai support in May 2009**
- **IEC reported voting percentage in 2004**

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<td>Badakhshan</td>
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If the presidential election was held today, for whom would you vote? (comparison of Karzai support by province in the northwest region)

- **Karzai support in May 2009**
- **IEC reported voting percentage in 2004**

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If the presidential election was held today, for whom would you vote? (comparison of Karzai support by province in the west region)

- **Karzai support in May 2009**
  - Herat: 35%
  - Ghor: 31%
  - Farah: 12%
  - Bamyan: 4%
  - Badghis: 29%

- **IEC reported voting percentage in 2004**
  - Herat: 58%
  - Ghor: 28%
  - Farah: 75%
  - Bamyan: 9%
  - Badghis: 61%
If the presidential election was held today, for whom would you vote? (comparison of Karzai support by province in the southwest region)

- Karzai support in May 2009
- IEC reported voting percentage in 2004

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If the presidential election was held today, for whom would you vote? (comparison of Karzai support by province in the southeast region)

- **Paktika**: 88% Karzai support in May 2009, 42% IEC reported voting percentage in 2004
- **Paktia**: 96% Karzai support in May 2009, 13% IEC reported voting percentage in 2004
- **Khost**: 96% Karzai support in May 2009, 72% IEC reported voting percentage in 2004
- **Ghazni**: 52% Karzai support in May 2009, 3% IEC reported voting percentage in 2004
If the presidential election was held today, for whom would you vote? (comparison of Karzai support by province in the east region)
What should be the first priority of the president after the election? (open-ended question)

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<td>Rule of law</td>
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Security & International Forces
Do you think the government should hold talks and reconcile with the Taliban?

- Yes: 68%
- No: 14%
- DK/REF: 18%
How important to you are each of the following uses of foreign assistance?

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<td>Building roads, sewer and water</td>
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Which of these same issues would you say is the most important?

- Strengthening democracy: 4%
- Building roads, sewer and water: 28%
- Increasing troops: 18%
- Education and health care: 40%
- Securing basic human rights: 7%
- DK/REF: 4%
When ISAF troops are in your community, which community representative positions should they speak with to achieve security and stability? (open-ended question)

- Elders: 31%
- Head of tribe: 29%
- Local representative: 16%
- DK/REF: 7%
- Governor: 7%
- Mullah: 3%
- Provincial council head: 2%
- Police: 2%
- Chief of police: 2%
- Public: 1%
- District governor: 1%
- Provincial council: 1%
Are you satisfied with the rehabilitation/development projects that are being implemented by the international community?

- Yes: 57%
- No: 30%
- DK/REF: 13%

If no, why are you dissatisfied? (n = 930)

- Too much corruption; abuse of power: 13%
- Social assistance lacking: 4%
- No benefits to economy/quality of life: 3%
- Not enough reconstruction activity: 2%
- Other: 8%
Do you have more personal freedom during or after Taliban rule?

- 67% After
- 19% During
- 10% Same
- 5% DK/REF
What is your primary source of political news?

- Radio: 41%
- Television: 40%
- Mosque: 4%
- Family and friends: 3%
- Social organization: 1%
- Print media: 1%
- Other: 1%
- REF: 5%
- DK: 4%
Which television station do you watch most often for political news?
(responses of more than one percent)
To which radio station do you listen most often for political news? (responses of more than one percent)

- **BBC**: 34%
- **Azadi**: 29%
- **Ashna**: 5%
- **Arman**: 6%
- **Ariyana**: 2%
- **Other**: 4%
- **Do not listen**: 13%
- **REF/DK**: 6%
The Ten Percent
Who are the Ten Percent?

• 10% percent of respondents (n = 302) cited Pashtun ethnicity first, and demonstrated a number of more extreme opinions than the overall population, many of them politically conservative or isolationist
  • 77 percent are located in Central or Southern Afghanistan
  • 60 percent have less than a primary level education
  • 1/3 are in their 20s
  • 55 percent are male
  • 15 percent earn less than $20/month
  • Less than one percent categorize themselves as professional
  • Twice as likely as others to get news from family/friends/mosque
Do you have more personal freedom during or after the Taliban rule?

- After Taliban: 69%
  - All others (outside the Ten Percent): 29%
  - Females within the Ten Percent: 7%
  - Males within the Ten Percent: 12%
- During Taliban: 21%
- Same: 18%
Would you be willing to vote for someone for president who is not from your ethnic group?

- Yes: 71%
- No: 24%
- REF/DK: 14%

The Ten Percent
All others
Prevailing attitudes among the Ten Percent

- 57% wouldn't vote for a woman for president
- 75% want talks with the Taliban
- 60% rate the government negatively
- 21% refuse to discuss corruption
- 39% are very negative toward foreign troops

For comparison:
- 49% wouldn't vote for a woman for president
- 68% want talks with the Taliban
- 34% rate the government negatively
- 9% refuse to discuss corruption
- 23% are very negative toward foreign troops
What is your personal motivation to vote in the upcoming presidential election? (open-ended question; top responses)

- Government, rule of law: 13%
- Prevent terrorism, acts of violence: 9%
- Economic, employment: 6%
- Rehabilitation, infrastructure: 10%
- Security: 12%
- Prevent abuses of power: 9%
- Political reasons: 5%
- All others: 5%
Did you register to vote?  
(comparison of The Ten Percent to the full sample)

The Ten Percent

- Yes: 66%
- No: 27%
- DK/REF: 6%

All others

- Yes: 75%
- No: 21%
- DK/REF: 3%
If presidential election was held today, for whom would you vote? (open-ended question)

- **The Ten Percent**
- **All others**

### In 2004, who did you vote for?

- **Karzai**: 61%
- **Other**: 49%
- **Didn't Vote**: 26%

#### 2004 Vote Options:
- Karzai
- Other
- Didn't Vote