Detailed Methodology

• This survey was designed, coordinated and analyzed by the Middle East Marketing and Research Consultants on behalf of the International Republican Institute.

• The national representative survey was carried out from November 30 to December 6, 2013. The eligibility criteria was based on age (18 years of age or older). A sample of 1,000 individuals were interviewed face-to-face in their homes.

• The sample design was a multi-stage cluster sample:
  • Stage one: Break country into 100 clusters distributed among Jordan’s 12 governorates based on the 2004 Housing and Population Census.
  • Stage Two: Select 10 households from each cluster in a random fashion based on settlement population while ensuring representation of different parts of the cluster in the sample.

• Ten households were drawn (with replacement allowing for non-contacts) from each cluster using a random start and a systematic procedure of selection to ensure representation of different parts of the cluster in sample and to reduce intra-class correlation.

• Researchers conducted one in-person interview per household, selected using the Kish method.

• The response rate for the survey was 99 percent.

• The margin of error for the survey does not exceed ± three percent with a confidence level of 95 percent.

• Figures in charts and graphs may not add to 100 percent due to rounding.
General State of Affairs
In general, are things in Jordan going in the right direction or the wrong direction?
What is your main reason for considering things in Jordan to be going in the right direction? (Open-ended)
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What in your opinion is the single biggest problem facing Jordan as a whole? (Open-ended)
The number of rallies and sit-ins in support of reform in Amman and/or in the governorates has decreased over the past year. What is the main reason you think this has happened?

- Not Convinced of the Effectiveness of Protests: 12%
- Fear that Jordan will Follow the Path of Neighboring Countries: 12%
- Protests Produced Little Benefit and People Gave Up: 11%
- Some Reform Taking Place/Monarch’s Wise Reaction/Government Answering Some Demands: 8%
- Government Responding to Protest Demands: 7%
- Fear of Loss of Security: 7%
- Fear of Punishment: 6%
- Protest Leaders Have Personal Agendas: 3%
- Other: 8%
- Not Sure/Don’t Know: 23%
- Refused to Answer: 1%
- No Reason: 1%
Syrian Refugees
Do you approve of?

- Closing the Borders in the Face of More Syrian Refugees: 43%
- Continuing to Receive Syrian Refugees but Limit Number: 32%
- Continuing to Receive More Syrian Refugees: 23%
- Not Sure/Don't Know: 3%
Do you approve of closing the borders in the face of more Syrian refugees?

- 18-24 (n=157): 49%
- 25-34 (n=207): 55%
- 35-44 (n=232): 38%
- 45 and Older (n=404): 38%

National Average: 43%
As a result of the Syrian refugee influx, to what degree do you believe the following issues were affected...

- **Real Estate Prices (Rent or Purchase)**
  - To a Large Degree: 91%
  - Some Degree: 5%
  - Little Degree: 1%
  - Not at All: 1%
  - Not Sure/Don't Know: 2%

- **Job Opportunities for Jordanians**
  - To a Large Degree: 85%
  - Some Degree: 8%
  - Little Degree: 3%
  - Not at All: 1%
  - Not Sure/Don't Know: 4%

- **Quality of Health Services in Public Clinics & Hospitals**
  - To a Large Degree: 68%
  - Some Degree: 14%
  - Little Degree: 6%
  - Not at All: 9%
  - Not Sure/Don't Know: 3%

- **Quality of Education in Public Schools**
  - To a Large Degree: 64%
  - Some Degree: 14%
  - Little Degree: 5%
  - Not at All: 13%
  - Not Sure/Don't Know: 5%

- **Quality of Municipal Services (Garbage Collection in Particular)**
  - To a Large Degree: 59%
  - Some Degree: 11%
  - Little Degree: 9%
  - Not at All: 18%
  - Not Sure/Don't Know: 3%

- **The Views of the International Community Toward Jordan**
  - To a Large Degree: 56%
  - Some Degree: 18%
  - Little Degree: 7%
  - Not at All: 11%
  - Not Sure/Don't Know: 8%
Economy
How would you describe the current economic situation in Jordan?
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The cross tabulations above are notable because they differ from the national average.
Why in your opinion is the current economy in Jordan in bad or very bad shape? Any other reasons? (n=646)
Do you think that the general economic situation in Jordan over the next 12 months is likely to get:
How would you describe your household economic condition?

- Very Good: 5%
- Good: 61%
- Bad: 24%
- Very Bad: 10%
- Not Sure/Don't Know: 1%
Do you think your own household economic situation over the coming 12 months is likely to get:

- Much Better: 6%
- Somewhat Better: 40%
- Same: 33%
- Somewhat Worse: 12%
- Much Worse: 4%
- Not Sure: 5%
Which of these statements best describes your feeling about price increases enacted over the past year?

- I am against any price increases even if government services are reduced. 72%
- They were necessary to reduce the budget deficit and maintain government services at their current level. 17%
- Other 8%
- Not sure/Don't Know 3%
The government of Jordan has announced it is increasing prices on some commodities and services in order to reduce the budget deficit (which occurs when government expenses exceed revenue). Do you believe the price increases will reduce the deficit?
Which of the following price increases constituted the heaviest burden on your household budget?

- Automobile Fuel: 39%
- Food: 35%
- Electricity: 17%
- Clothes: 2%
- Mobile Phones: 1%
- Transportation: 1%
- None: 2%
- Other: 3%
- Not Sure/Don't Know: 1%
If prices had to be further increased, on which of the following would you most tolerate an increase?

- Mobile Phones: 24%
- Clothes: 19%
- Transportation: 8%
- Automobile Fuel: 5%
- Food: 5%
- Electricity: 3%
- None: 33%
- Other: 3%
- Not Sure/Don't Know: 1%
In order to improve basic government services (health care, education, infrastructure, etc...), are you in favor or against levying new taxes?

- Yes: 12%
- No: 87%
- Not Sure/Don't Know: 1%
Nuclear Power
In general, are you in favor or against the construction of a nuclear power plant for the generation of electricity in Jordan?
What was your most important reason for approval? (n=542)

- Reduce Electricity Prices: 40%
- Improve Economic Conditions Through Providing Energy at Lower Price: 37%
- Improve Overall Economy: 14%
- Jordan's Advancement: 5%
- Other: 2%
- No Reason: 2%
What was your most important reason for disapproval? (n=331)

- **Health Hazards**: 44%
- **Pollution**: 23%
- **High Cost**: 6%
- **Exploit Energy Sources Other Than Nuclear**: 5%
- **Not Qualified to Construct Reactor**: 4%
- **Fear of Reactions by Other Countries**: 3%
- **Fear of Use for Non-peaceful Purposes**: 3%
- **Other**: 7%
- **Not Sure/Don't Know**: 1%
- **No Reason**: 4%
The government has recently approved the construction of a nuclear power plant mainly for the generation of electricity. To which degree are you familiar with the details of this project? (18-24 year olds compared with national average)

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Nuclear Power Message Test
Please tell me whether this statement makes you more or less likely to support the nuclear power plant or whether it does not change your position?

Currently Jordan is heavily dependent on expensive energy imports to produce electricity. A domestic nuclear energy capability could significantly reduce energy imports.

- 58% More Likely
- 31% No Change
- 6% Less Likely
- 4% Not Sure
- 1% Refused to Answer
Please tell me whether this statement makes you more or less likely to support the nuclear power plant or whether it does not change your position?

*With its long hours of sunshine year around, within a few years, Jordan could potentially generate significant amounts of energy from solar energy to produce electricity.*
Please tell me whether this statement makes you more or less likely to support the nuclear power plant or whether it does not change your position?

A portion of the power generated from the nuclear power plant may be used to desalinate water to help create additional water resources for drinking and agricultural purposes.
Please tell me whether this statement makes you more or less likely to support the nuclear power plant or whether it does not change your position?

*There are concerns about the possibilities of nuclear pollution due to Jordan's location in an earthquake prone area in addition to security threats from radical elements in unstable neighboring countries that could target the nuclear reactors.*
Please tell me whether this statement makes you more or less likely to support the nuclear power plant or whether it does not change your position?

*Nuclear power is a relatively low carbon emitting form of energy production as a clean energy source that could potentially reduce the effects of pollution and climate change.*

![Bar chart showing percentages of responses to the question](chart.png)
Please tell me whether this statement makes you more or less likely to support the nuclear power plant or whether it does not change your position?

Based on the expectations of declining costs of solar and wind energy production, some projections indicate that these will be economically comparable to nuclear energy production.
Please tell me whether this statement makes you more or less likely to support the nuclear power plant or whether it does not change your position?

*Government calculations indicate that generating nuclear energy is generally cost competitive with fossil-fuel based energy production.*
Please tell me whether this statement makes you more or less likely to support the nuclear power plant or whether it does not change your position?

*Great Britain, the U.S., the former Soviet Union and most recently Japan witnessed costly and dangerous accidents at nuclear plants in the past 60 years.*
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Municipal Elections

In 2013 Jordan held elections in 94 municipalities for mayoral and municipal councilor positions.
To which degree you believe the latest municipal elections were free and fair? \( (n=982^*) \)

* No municipal elections were held in either Aqaba or Petra due to their special legal status. Hence, this question was not asked in these four blocks (three Aqaba and one Petra) which when weighted were equivalent to 18 respondents of total sample population.
Did you participate in the latest municipal elections? (n=982)
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The cross tabulations on this slide are notable because they differ from the national average.
What is the main reason you did not participate in the latest municipal elections? ($n=570$)

- Not Interested: 26%
- Not Convinced/No Trust: 18%
- No Candidate Deserves My Vote: 11%
- No trust in Candidates: 8%
- Due to Travel: 6%
- Due to Illness: 5%
- Military Personnel: 5%
- Likelihood of Rigging/Vote Purchase: 5%
The latest municipal elections were managed under the supervision of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs as opposed to the Independent Elections Commission (IEC). Would you have participated in those municipal elections if they had been conducted under the supervision of the IEC? (n=570)
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What was the main reason for giving your vote to your candidate for mayor? (n=308)
Do you support or oppose giving municipal governments in Jordan more authority, like levying taxes, determining their own budget allocations and hiring and firing workers? (n=982)

- Support: 38%
- Oppose: 52%
- Not Sure/Don't Know: 10%
Parliament
Did the current parliament accomplish anything that you feel it should be commended for?

- Yes: 5%
- No: 81%
- Not Sure/Don't Know: 14%
Election Law

In 2013 parliamentary elections, 61 lists competed for 27 national list seats out of 150 seats. These lists were composed of political party representatives and non-political party figures known at the national and local level.
Do you support (increasing, decreasing, keeping the same or abolishing) the current number of seats set aside for lists*?

*In Jordan’s Lower House of Parliament, there is a quota of 27 seats set aside for lists for which both political parties and lists of non-party candidates can compete.
Do you support (increasing, decreasing, keeping the same or abolishing) the current number of seats set aside for lists?

Abolish Responses

The cross tabulations above are notable because they differ from the national average.

- 18-24 Year Olds (n=157)
- Men (n=502)
- Women (n=499)
- Above Secondary Education (n=281)
Do you think that the seats set aside for national lists should be limited only to political parties?

- Yes: 16%
- No: 62%
- Not Sure/Don't Know: 22%
- Refused to Answer: 1%
Do you think that the seats set aside for national lists should be limited only to political parties? (Disaggregated by income level in Jordanian dinars)

- Yes: 11% (Less than 200), 20% (200-599), 23% (600-999), 33% (1000 and more)
- No: 64% (Less than 200), 63% (200-599), 62% (600-999), 33% (1000 and more)
- Not Sure/Don't Know: 15% (Less than 200), 20% (200-599), 17% (600-999), 15% (1000 and more)
- Refused to Answer: 1% (all income levels)
Which of the following statements about the allocation of seats in electoral districts is nearer to your opinion?

Number of seats in certain cases such as rural or less fortunate areas does not necessarily have to reflect proportionally the number of registered voters in every electoral district*

Number of seats in a district should reflect proportionally the number of registered voters in every electoral district (Example: One seat for every 30,000 voters)

Not sure/Don’t Know

* (Example: one seat for every 30,000 voters in some urban areas, while one seat for every 10,000 voters in some rural areas.)
Political Parties
Have you heard of any of the following political parties? If so, are you aware of the political platform of this party?

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Demographics
Jordan’s Regions

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           | Ajloun  
           | Mafraq  |
| Center  | Amman  
           | Zarqa  
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