Public Opinion Survey: Residents of Tunisia
September 24 - October 11, 2020
Detailed Methodology

• The survey was conducted by a Tunisian-owned and operated marketing research firm, ELKA Consulting, on behalf of the International Republican Institute’s Center for Insights in Survey Research.

• Data was collected from September 24 - October 11, 2020 through face-to-face interviews at respondents’ homes by trained interviewers in Arabic. All data was collected on CAPI Solution tablets.

• The national sample consisted of n=1,200 respondents and is representative of the population of Tunisia aged 18 and older.

• Respondents were selected using a multi-stage stratification proportionate to population size. Stratification was based on three stages: a proportional division among Tunisia’s 24 governorates; proportional division of urban and rural categories; and proportional division by gender and age group according to the most up-to-date data from Tunisia’s National Statistics Institute collected in 2014. The sample was then post-weighted to make it proportionate to national representation by governorate, as well as adjusted for gender and age.

• Each governorate was divided into territorial sections or districts. In each territorial section, at least one sampling point was selected with the overall number of points determined by population density. Sampling points were distributed proportionally between rural and urban areas in every governorate and in every geographical section of the governorate.

• Households were selected using a random route method. A left-hand rule was employed to attempt interviews at every third household encountered along the route.

• The Kish grid method was used to select respondents 18 years and older within randomly selected households.

• The overall margin of error is plus or minus 2.8 percent at the midrange of the 95 percent confidence level.

• The response rate was 70 percent.

• Figures in charts and tables may not add up to 100 percent due to rounding.

• The information in this report has been compiled in accordance with international standards for market and social research methodologies.
In general, would you say that our country is heading in the right direction or in the wrong direction?
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What is the most important problem facing our country today? (Spontaneous response)

- **COVID-19** 25%
- **Economy—unemployment** 23%
- **Economy—cost of living, high prices** 16%
- **Corruption** 7%
- **Economy—other/general** 5%
- **Healthcare** 3%
- **Insecurity** 3%
- **Internal conflicts** 2%
- **Poverty** 2%
- **Crime/Public safety** 2%
- **Education** 1%
- **Economy—small business opportunities/access to loans** 1%
- **Terrorism** 1%
- **Other (political conflicts, political parties, strikes/sit-ins etc.)** 9%
- **Don't know/Refused** 2%

*Mentions of less than 1% are merged into “Other.”*
What, among the following, should be the top priority for the government?

- Youth employment/Opportunities for youth: 20%
- Mitigating COVID-19: 16%
- Employment: 15%
- Economic development and reform: 12%
- Living standards: 11%
- Corruption and transparency: 7%
- Improve public services: 4%
- Social reforms: 4%
- Security: 4%
- Improve service delivery (trash, roads, mail, etc.): 3%
- Winning the war on terrorism: 1%
- Development of southern and interior regions: 1%
- Don't know/Refused: <1%
Which of these statements is closest to your point of view?

- Our society needs serious reforms (structural and systematic change) (42%)
- Our society needs gradual reforms which preserve the existing system (22%)
- Our society has to be protected from the forces who want to change the current order (33%)
- Don't know/Refused (4%)
Economic Indicators
How would you describe the current economic situation in Tunisia?

- Very good: <1%
- Somewhat good: 10%
- Somewhat bad: 16%
- Very bad: 72%
- Don’t know/Refused: 1%
Thinking ahead to next year, do you expect Tunisia’s national economy to...

- Get much better: 9%
- Get somewhat better: 32%
- Stay the same: 20%
- Get somewhat worse: 15%
- Get much worse: 18%
- Don’t know/Refused: 5%
How would you describe the current economic situation of your household?

- Very good: 4%
- Somewhat good: 57%
- Somewhat bad: 20%
- Very bad: 19%
- Don’t know/Refused: <1%
Thinking ahead to next year, do you expect your household’s financial situation to: get much better, get somewhat better, get somewhat worse, get much worse or stay the same?

- Much better: 12%
- Somewhat better: 38%
- Stay the same: 33%
- Somewhat worse: 7%
- Much worse: 4%
- Don’t know/Refused: 6%
Thinking ahead to next year, do you expect your household’s financial situation to: get much better, get somewhat better, get somewhat worse, get much worse or stay the same?*

*In polls before December 2019, this question was phrased as: “In the coming 12 months, how do you expect the economic situation of your household to change?”
Please tell us which answer best describes your current economic situation:

- **26%** I have trouble feeding myself and my family and buying even the most essential things for survival
- **57%** I have enough means for survival, but I do not have enough money for extra things
- **11%** I am able to afford a few extra things
- **5%** I am able to afford most things I want
- **1%** Don’t know/Refused
What expense constitutes the heaviest burden on your household budget? (Spontaneous response)

- Food: 34%
- Electricity: 27%
- Education: 13%
- Health: 8%
- Housing: 7%
- Child rearing expenses: 2%
- Fuel for heating or cooking: 1%
- Clothes: 1%
- Fuel for automobiles: 1%
- Other: 6%
- Don't know/Refused: 1%
What is your employment status?

- Employed full-time: 21%
- Employed part-time: 14%
- Unemployed and searching for a job: 19%
- Unemployed but not searching for a job: 24%
- Student: 10%
- Retired/Disabled: 12%
- Don't know/Refused: <1%
Are you seeking a job?
(Among respondents who are not retired/disabled or who are not unemployed but not searching for a job, $n=777$)

In what job sector are you interested in working?
(Spontaneous response; respondents seeking a job: $n=345$)

- Manufacturing: 15%
- Agriculture: 14%
- Public sector: 14%
- Any sector: 8%
- Entrepreneurship: 8%
- Commerce: 6%
- Banking/Financial services: 6%
- Tourism: 3%
- Education: 3%
- Healthcare: 3%
- Transportation: 3%
- Construction: 1%
- Law enforcement: 1%
- Cleaning services: 1%
- Computer science: 1%
- Architecture: 1%
- Science: 1%
- Welding: 1%
- Artisanship: <1%
- Other: 4%
- Don't know/Refused: 5%
Do you expect help from the government in finding a job? (Respondents seeking a job: n=345)

- Yes: 73%
- No: 24%
- Don't know/Refused: 3%

What kind of help? (Spontaneous response; respondents who expect help from the government in finding a job: n=84)

- Loans to open business: 27%
- Exam for the public sector: 20%
- Job creation: 16%
- Making it easier to get licenses: 11%
- Job training: 6%
- Indemnities: 5%
- Other: 5%
- Don't know/Refused: 12%
What do you think is the best way to increase jobs in Tunisia?

- Reduce corruption: 22%
- Improve education/Vocational training: 20%
- Increase foreign direct investment: 19%
- Reduce government regulation: 10%
- Expand public sector: 9%
- End strikes/Sit-ins: 8%
- Improve security: 5%
- Increase tourism: 3%
- Other: 2%
- Don't know/Refused: 2%
Government Performance
How would you rate the performance of the national government?

- Very good: 6%
- Somewhat good: 38%
- Somewhat bad: 16%
- Very bad: 33%
- Don’t know/Refused: 7%
For the following issues, is the national government doing a very good, somewhat good, somewhat bad or very bad job?

- Fighting terrorism: 30% Very Good, 41% Somewhat Good, 9% Somewhat Bad, 16% Very Bad, 4% Don’t Know/Refused
- Fighting COVID-19: 13% Very Good, 31% Somewhat Good, 21% Somewhat Bad, 34% Very Bad, 1% Don’t Know/Refused
- Providing services (health care, electricity, clean water): 7% Very Good, 27% Somewhat Good, 21% Somewhat Bad, 43% Very Bad, 1% Don’t Know/Refused
- Encouraging investment in Tunisia’s economy: 5% Very Good, 26% Somewhat Good, 22% Somewhat Bad, 41% Very Bad, 5% Don’t Know/Refused
- Fighting corruption: 9% Very Good, 19% Somewhat Good, 17% Somewhat Bad, 51% Very Bad, 3% Don’t Know/Refused
- Creating jobs: 3% Very Good, 16% Somewhat Good, 24% Somewhat Bad, 55% Very Bad, 2% Don’t Know/Refused
How would you rate the performance of the national government in communicating with the public about the projects they are working on?

- Very good: 6%
- Somewhat good: 26%
- Somewhat bad: 16%
- Very bad: 45%
- Don’t know/Refused: 7%
In general, is the national government doing a lot, enough, little or nothing to address the needs of people like you?

- A lot: 7%
- Enough: 5%
- Little: 40%
- Nothing: 45%
- Don’t know/Refused: 3%
In general, are ministries doing a lot, enough, little or nothing to address the needs of people like you?

- A lot: 4%
- Enough: 10%
- Little: 23%
- Nothing: 58%
- Don’t know/Refused: 5%
In general, are members of parliament doing a lot, enough, little or nothing to address the needs of people like you?

- A lot: 3%
- Enough: 6%
- Little: 12%
- Nothing: 76%
- Don’t know/Refused: 3%
Which of the following do you think should be the key priority of the new Parliament?

- Youth employment/Opportunities for youth: 28%
- Employment: 15%
- Economic development and reform: 13%
- Living standards: 13%
- Corruption and transparency: 7%
- Social reforms: 5%
- Winning the war on terrorism: 5%
- Development of southern and interior regions: 4%
- Improve service delivery (trash, roads, mail, etc.): 3%
- Security: 3%
- Improve public services: 2%
- Don't know/Refused: 1%
What is the most important **accomplishment** of the national government this year?  
(Spontaneous response; up to two mentions accepted)

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Do you consider the following organizations effective or not effective in addressing challenges that our country and community may face?

A civil society or community-based organization (a local, national or international group of people who organize to support a particular interest, group or issue)

- Effective: 61%
- Not effective: 31%
- Don’t know/Refused: 8%

National government

- Effective: 42%
- Not effective: 47%
- Don’t know/Refused: 10%

Local government

- Effective: 37%
- Not effective: 54%
- Don’t know/Refused: 9%

Political parties

- Effective: 20%
- Not effective: 72%
- Don’t know/Refused: 8%
Now I would like to discuss corruption with you. When I say corruption, I mean having to do a favor, give a gift or pay a bribe because someone misuses their position for personal gains. To what extent, if any, has corruption had a negative impact on you?

- It has had a lot of negative impact: 69%
- It has had some negative impact: 9%
- It has had little negative impact: 7%
- It has not had any negative impact: 13%
- Don't know/Refused: 2%
In the past 12 months, how often, if at all, have you had to do a favor, give a gift or pay a bribe?

- Daily: 2%
- Weekly: 2%
- Monthly: 3%
- Less frequently: 15%
- Not at all: 76%
- Don't know/Refused: 1%
From this list of institutions, tell me if you have personally experienced corruption with:

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Which among the following groups is the most important to effectively address corruption in our country? (Up to three mentions accepted)

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To what degree, if at all, is it the responsibility of citizens to address corruption?

- To a very large degree: 59%
- To a somewhat large degree: 14%
- To a somewhat small degree: 13%
- To a very small degree: 13%
- Don’t know/Refused: 1%
What, in your opinion, is the greatest cause of corruption in our country?

- Poverty and necessity: 34%
- Lack of government control and oversight: 31%
- The actions of business leaders and oligarchs: 21%
- Education levels of citizens: 8%
- Custom and history: 3%
- There is no corruption: 1%
- Other: 2%
- Don’t know/Refused: 1%
In your experience, what type of corruption is most common in our country?

- Acting in self-interest instead of interest of citizens: 28%
- Stealing or deliberately mismanaging funds: 27%
- Soliciting bribes or gifts: 23%
- Making decisions based on connections as opposed to merit: 8%
- Failure to investigate or prosecute wrongdoing: 5%
- Extortion: 4%
- Other: 1%
- None of these exist in our country: 2%
- Don’t know/Refused: 4%
In your dealings with the government, how important are personal contacts and/or relationships to get things done?

- Very important: 63%
- Somewhat important: 11%
- Somewhat unimportant: 4%
- Very unimportant: 20%
- Don’t know/Refused: 2%
Do you agree or disagree that political parties are doing enough to address the needs of voters like you?

- Strongly agree: 6%
- Somewhat agree: 11%
- Somewhat disagree: 8%
- Strongly disagree: 72%
- Don’t know/Refused: 3%
Would you like to see new political parties in future elections or are you satisfied with the current choices?

- I would like to see new political parties: 53%
- I am satisfied with the current choices: 30%
- Don't know/Refused: 17%
If more people representing the following groups were elected to the government, do you think that would be good, bad or would it not make a difference?

- Young people aged 35 and younger: 69% Good, 8% Bad, 21% No difference, 2% Don't know/Refused
- Women: 54% Good, 13% Bad, 31% No difference, 2% Don't know/Refused
- Opposition activists: 37% Good, 19% Bad, 38% No difference, 6% Don't know/Refused
Why are there not more women politically engaged in our country? For each potential reason I read you, please tell me if it plays a major role or not.

- Even when women run for office, they do not get elected: 66% major role, 31% not, 3% don't know/refused.
- Women lack the support network: 64% major role, 32% not, 4% don't know/refused.
- Women lack support from the political parties they belong to: 60% major role, 35% not, 5% don't know/refused.
- Women are afraid of violence if they run: 58% major role, 39% not, 2% don't know/refused.
- Women are preoccupied with child-rearing duties: 55% major role, 43% not, 1% don't know/refused.
- Women are discouraged from running by cultural norms: 55% major role, 42% not, 2% don't know/refused.
- Women lack the resources to mount a campaign: 55% major role, 42% not, 3% don't know/refused.
- Women lack familial support: 53% major role, 45% not, 2% don't know/refused.
- Women lack political experience: 52% major role, 46% not, 2% don't know/refused.
- Women lack the confidence to run: 37% major role, 60% not, 3% don't know/refused.
Would you say that our country’s politics are moving toward more consensus or more polarization?

- More consensus: 58%
- More polarization: 30%
- Don't know/Refused: 12%

Is polarization of our country’s politics a good or bad development? (Respondents who say the country’s politics are moving toward more polarization: n=695)

- Good: 15%
- Bad: 80%
- Don't know/Refused: 5%
Political Participation
Thinking about Tunisia’s current political system, do you believe Tunisia is a...?

- Full democracy: 6%
- Nearly full democracy: 13%
- Flawed democracy: 29%
- Not a democracy at all: 45%
- Don’t know/Refused: 6%
Thinking about our country’s current political system, do you believe Tunisia is a...?

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Legend:
- Full democracy
- Nearly full democracy
- Flawed democracy
- Not a democracy at all
- Don’t know/Refused
Do you believe that democracy is the best possible form of government for our country or not?

- Yes, it is the best possible form of government for our country: 41%
- No, there are other forms of government that could be equally good for our country: 28%
- No, there are other forms of government that are better: 22%
- Don't know/Refused: 9%
How likely or unlikely are ordinary people able to influence decisions made in our country?

- Very likely: 26%
- Somewhat likely: 27%
- Somewhat unlikely: 5%
- Very unlikely: 40%
- Don't know/Refused: 1%
How important or unimportant is it that all members of our country’s adult population, including women, young adults, minorities and people with disabilities, are included in political decision-making?

- Very important: 63%
- Somewhat important: 21%
- Somewhat unimportant: 5%
- Very unimportant: 9%
- Don’t know/Refused: 2%
Did you vote in the 2019 elections?

Yes: 53%
No: 46%
Don’t know/Refused: 1%

For which candidate did you vote in the 2019 presidential elections?
(Spontaneous response; Respondents who voted in the 2019 elections; n=640)

- Kais Saied: 47%
- Nabil Karoui: 13%
- Abdelfattah Mourou: 3%
- Abir Moussi: 3%
- Safi Said: 2%
- Lotfi Mraihi: 2%
- Abdelkrim Zbidi: 2%
- Youssef Chahed: 1%
- Seifeddine Makhlouf: 1%
- Spoiled ballot: 1%
- Other: 4%
- Don’t know/Refused: 21%
What was the most important factor for determining your vote? (Spontaneous response)

- Candidate’s character: 34%
- Candidate’s platform or program or promises: 18%
- Candidate’s past performance/track record: 7%
- Someone I trust or respect recommended voting for this candidate: 6%
- I didn’t like any of the other candidates: 5%
- Candidate’s constituent aid or gifts prior to the elections: 5%
- Candidate’s performance in debates: 2%
- Helps the poor: 2%
- Integrity: 1%
- Candidate’s outreach efforts: 1%
- Candidate’s gender: 1%
- Someone who is independent: 1%
- Candidate’s party affiliation: 1%
- A native of my region: 1%
- Other: 8%
- Don’t know/Refused: 7%
What is the primary reason you did not vote in the 2019 presidential elections?
(Spontaneous response; Respondents who did not vote in the 2019 elections; n=552)

- Lack of interest: 21%
- None of the parties or candidates inspired me: 17%
- Not registered to vote: 14%
- Lack of time: 13%
- Not eligible to vote: 9%
- Lack of confidence in the electoral process: 8%
- Away from the electoral zone where I vote: 3%
- Lack of trust in the privacy of my vote: 3%
- Sick: 2%
- Voting process too cumbersome: 2%
- My vote does not matter: 1%
- Lost Identity card: 1%
- Other: 3%
- Don’t know/Refused: 2%
Sources of Information
Which specific media outlets, such as a specific TV channel, radio station, newspaper, website, etc., do you consider most trustworthy for political news and information?
(Spontaneous response; Up to three mentions accepted)

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Do you own a smart phone that you use to access the internet or apps such as Facebook and WhatsApp?

- Yes: 56%
- No: 44%
How frequently do you encounter information in the media, including social media, that you believe is misleading or false?

- **Daily or almost daily**: 45%
- **Several times a week**: 15%
- **Weekly**: 7%
- **Monthly**: 2%
- **Less often**: 17%
- **Never**: 10%
- **Don’t know/Refused**: 3%
To what extent is misleading or false information in the media problematic for our country?

- Very problematic: 67%
- Somewhat problematic: 23%
- Somewhat unproblematic: 4%
- Very unproblematic: 3%
- Don’t know/Refused: 3%
Demographics

**Gender**
- Male: 49%
- Female: 51%

**Age**
- 18 - 34 years old: 40%
- 35 - 49 years old: 29%
- 50 - 64 years old: 20%
- 65 and over: 11%

**Which languages do you understand well enough to be able to follow a television or radio news program?**
- Arabic: 98%
- French: 48%
- English: 24%

**What is the highest level of school you completed?**
- No formal education: 11%
- Incomplete primary school: 13%
- Complete primary school: 11%
- Incomplete secondary school: 33%
- Complete secondary school: 7%
- Vocational training: 3%
- Incomplete higher education: 7%
- Complete higher education: 15%

**What is your monthly household income?**
- 200 dinars or less: 18%
- Between 201 and 500 dinars: 28%
- Between 501 and 1000 dinars: 25%
- Between 1001 and 1500 dinars: 13%
- Between 1501 and 2500 dinars: 5%
- More than 2500 dinars: 4%
- Don’t know/Refused: 8%
Do you have access to the internet?
- Yes: 63%
- No: 37%

When you do use the internet, from where do you access it most often?
(Respondents who have access to the internet: n=751)
- Home (Fixed or wifi connection): 47%
- Work (Fixed or wifi connection): 1%
- Mobile phone: 50%
- Other: 1%

Do you or your family own your own home?
- Yes: 78%
- No: 22%
Demographics

How often do you attend a religious service?

- Every day: 9%
- A few times a week: 6%
- Once a week: 7%
- Once a month: 1%
- A few times per year: 7%
- Never: 13%
- Other: 42%
- Don’t know/Refused: 29%

How religious would you say you are?

- Very religious: 7%
- Somewhat religious: 62%
- Not very religious: 15%
- Not religious at all: 13%
- Don’t know/Refused: 3%

Compared to other people of your religion, do you observe religious practices and rules much more strictly, somewhat more strictly, somewhat less strictly or much less strictly?

- Much more strictly: 8%
- Somewhat more strictly: 29%
- Somewhat less strictly: 42%
- Much less strictly: 13%
- Don’t know/Refused: 9%