Public Opinion Survey: Residents of Jordan

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Detailed Methodology

• The survey was conducted on behalf of the International Republican Institute's (IRI) <u>Center for Insights in Survey Research</u> by <u>NAMA Strategic Intelligence Solutions</u>.

• The sample consists of n=1,502 face-to-face interviews with Jordanians aged 18 and above conducted nationwide between November 14 and 22, 2019. The sample excludes Jordanians living in student housing, prisons, nursing homes and factory accommodations.

• The 2015 National Census was used to design and draw the sample. The sample was designed to cover the 12 governorates, using a stratified cluster proportional to size sampling method with three levels:

- 1. Governorates divided into rural and urban areas;
- 2. Administrative divisions within each urban and rural area; and
- 3. Clusters within each administrative division: 152 census blocks served as the primary sampling units (PSU).
- Within each PSU, 10 households were selected through equal probability systematic selection based on a household listing exercise. The "next-birthday" method was used to select the respondent. The response rate was 78 percent.
- The data was weighted to reflect the actual distribution of the population.
- The margin of error is plus or minus 2.5 percent at the midrange of the 95 percent confidence level.
- Figures in charts and tables may not add up to 100 percent due to rounding.
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In general, would you say that our country is heading in the right direction or in the wrong direction?



- Things are going in the right directionThings are going in the wrong direction
- Don't know/Refused to answer

What is the most important problem facing our country today? (Spontaneous)



Of these problems, what is the single biggest problem facing Jordan today?



Economy



How would you describe the current economic situation in Jordan?



Who holds the most responsibility for the current economic situation in Jordan?



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Would you choose a job in private or public sector for you or family members that are looking for a job?



Why did you not choose the private sector?

(Spontaneous, among those who would choose a public sector job, n= 968)



Why did you not choose the public sector?

(Spontaneous, among those who would choose a private sector job, n=521)



Have you considered emigrating from your country in the past few years?



Have you taken any action toward that, such as applying for a visa?

(Among those who have considered emigrating n=634)



What country did you think of emigrating to?



Note: Only countries named by at least 2 percent of respondents are displayed.

Of the following, what is the main reason that makes you want to emigrate



Which one of the following statements best describes the income of your family?



How many income sources does your family have?



Which of the following costs constitutes the heaviest burden on your household budget?



Do you support imposing new taxes or not in order to improve the following government services?



Where, in your opinion, is corruption most present in Jordan?

(Spontaneous)



The Parliament



Did the current Parliament have any accomplishments in the past 12 months for which you feel it should be commended?



Elections



How likely or unlikely are ordinary people able to influence decisions made in our country?



How can ordinary people influence decisions made in our country?

(Multiple Choice)

(Spontaneous, among those who think ordinary people are likely to able to influence decisions n=533)



*Note: Community-based organization, civil society organization, nongovernmental organization

Suppose that there are parliamentary elections tomorrow. Would you...



Which of the following is the primary reason for you not vote or likely not to vote?

(Among those who probably or definitely will not vote, n = 1,124)



Do you believe elections accurately reflect the will of the Jordanian people?



Government and Reform



To what degree do you care about political reform in Jordan?



Do you think the following options could improve political reforms in Jordan?



To what degree do you have confidence in the following [state] institutions?



To what degree do you have confidence in the following [community] institutions?



To what degree do you feel you [citizens] have a say in governmental decision-making on issues that directly affect you?



In the past 12 months, have you done any of the following in order to advocate for personal or public interests?



*Note: Community-based organization, civil society organization, nongovernmental organization
Trust and Confidence



Generally speaking, would you say that most people can be trusted or that you need to be very careful in dealing with people?



In your opinion, is the Jordanian mass media free to express various political views or not?



Which source do you the most trust for political news?



Thinking about how you are treated in interactions with government authorities, which of the following statements comes closest to your opinion?



Inclusion and Civic Engagement



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?



Corruption



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?



In the past 12 months, how often, if at all, have you had to do a favor, give a gift or pay a bribe?





- Weekly
- Monthly
- Less frequently
- Not at all
- Other
- Don't know/Refused to answer

Municipalities



In general, are things in your municipality going mostly or somewhat in the right direction or going somewhat or mostly in the wrong direction?



To what degree are you satisfied with the following services in your municipality?



*Note: Wasta is an Arabic word that loosely translates into "clout" or "who you know." It refers to using one's connections and/or influence to get things done.

Compared to last year, do you feel you've had more, fewer or the same number of opportunities to contribute to your municipality's priorities?



Syrian Refugees



Do you think the following has improved, remained the same or deteriorated as a result of the Syrian refugee influx?

The quality of education in public schools	3%	33%	62%	2%
The quality of health services in public clinics and hospitals	3%	34%	62%	1%
The quality of municipal services (garbage collection in particular)	3%	39%	57%	2%
Employment opportunities	1% 12%		86%	1%
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Improved Remained the same Deteriorated Don't know/Refused to answer

Demographic Data



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