

WorldPublicOpinion.org Poll of Afghanistan

Questionnaire

Dates of Survey: November 27-December 4, 2005

Margin of Error: +/- 2.2 %

Sample Size: 2,089

Q1. Generally speaking, do you think things in Afghanistan today are going in the right direction, or do you think they are going in the wrong direction?

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|--------------------------|-----|
| Right direction | 83% |
| Wrong direction | 11 |
| Refused/Don't know | 6 |

Q2. How would you rate the security situation in your area? Would you say excellent, good, fair, or poor?

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|--------------------------|-----|
| Excellent | 21% |
| Good..... | 49 |
| Fair | 25 |
| Poor | 5 |
| Refused/Don't know | 1 |

Q3. For each of the following please tell me if your opinion of them is very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable?

Q3a. The United States

| | |
|---------------------------|-----|
| Very favorable | 40% |
| Somewhat favorable..... | 41 |
| Somewhat unfavorable..... | 12 |
| Very unfavorable | 4 |
| Refused/Don't know | 3 |

Q3b. The US military forces in Afghanistan

| | |
|---------------------------|-----|
| Very favorable | 39% |
| Somewhat favorable..... | 44 |
| Somewhat unfavorable..... | 10 |
| Very unfavorable | 7 |

Refused/Don't know2

Q3c. President Hamid Karzai

Very favorable 68%
 Somewhat favorable.....25
 Somewhat unfavorable.....4
 Very unfavorable2
 Refused/Don't know*

Q3d. The Taliban

Very favorable 2%
 Somewhat favorable.....6
 Somewhat unfavorable.....26
 Very unfavorable62
 Refused/Don't know4

Q3e. Osama Bin Laden

Very favorable 2%
 Somewhat favorable.....3
 Somewhat unfavorable.....15
 Very unfavorable75
 Refused/Don't know5

Q3f. The United Nations

Very favorable 57%
 Somewhat favorable.....36
 Somewhat unfavorable.....4
 Very unfavorable1
 Refused/Don't know1

Q4. Please tell me if you think each of the following are having a mainly positive or mainly negative influence in the world:

Q4a. al Qaeda

Mainly positive influence 6%
 Mainly negative influence.....81
 Depends (volunteer).....6
 Refused/Don't know6

Q4b. Pakistan

| | |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| Mainly positive influence | 13% |
| Mainly negative influence..... | 63 |
| Depends (volunteer)..... | 17 |
| Refused/Don't know | 6 |

Q4c. Iran

| | |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| Mainly positive influence | 30% |
| Mainly negative influence..... | 36 |
| Depends (volunteer)..... | 25 |
| Refused/Don't know | 9 |

Q5. Please tell me whether each of the following is being very effective, somewhat effective, not very effective or not at all effective.

Q5a. The central Afghan government

| | |
|---------------------------|-----|
| Very effective..... | 55% |
| Somewhat effective..... | 36 |
| Not very effective | 6 |
| Not at all effective..... | 2 |
| Refused/Don't know | 1 |

Q5b. Local leaders

| | |
|---------------------------|-----|
| Very effective..... | 21% |
| Somewhat effective..... | 43 |
| Not very effective | 20 |
| Not at all effective..... | 12 |
| Refused/Don't know | 4 |

Q5c. International agencies providing aid for reconstruction

| | |
|---------------------------|-----|
| Very effective..... | 38% |
| Somewhat effective..... | 41 |
| Not very effective | 13 |
| Not at all effective..... | 6 |
| Refused/Don't know | 3 |

Q5d. The ISAF force of NATO troops providing peacekeeping and reconstruction

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|--------------------------|-----|
| Very effective..... | 46% |
| Somewhat effective..... | 36 |
| Not very effective | 10 |

Not at all effective.....5
 Refused/Don't know4

Q6. Do you think the Pakistan government is allowing the Taliban to operate in Pakistan, or is seriously trying to stop the Taliban from operating in Pakistan?

Allowing the Taliban to operate in Pakistan..... 66%
 Seriously trying to stop the Taliban from
 operating in Pakistan.....21
 Refused/Don't know13

Q7. Overall, do you think that overthrowing the Taliban government was a good thing or a bad thing for Afghanistan?

Good thing 82%
 Bad thing.....11
 Refused/Don't know7

Q8. As you may know US military forces are conducting operations to capture or kill al Qaeda fighters in Afghanistan. Do you approve of disapprove of this effort?

Approve..... 79%
 Disapprove13
 Refused/Don't know8

Q9a. As you may know the NATO peacekeeping forces known as ISAF have recently expanded their presence beyond Kabul to several other areas. Do you approve or disapprove of this expansion?

Approve..... 66%
 Disapprove18
 Refused/Don't know16

[IF ANSWER "APPROVE" IN ABOVE]

Q9b. Would you favor or oppose expanding the ISAF presence to more areas?

Favor expanding ISAF presence to more areas 59%
 Oppose expanding ISAF presence to more areas5
 Refused/Don't know2

Q10. Do you approve or disapprove of international military forces efforts to stop the growing of opium poppies in Afghanistan?

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|--------------------------|-----|
| Approve..... | 78% |
| Disapprove | 15 |
| Refused/Don't know | 7 |

Q11. As you may know, some seats in parliament are reserved for women representatives. Do you think this is a good idea or not a good idea?

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|--------------------------|-----|
| Good idea..... | 82% |
| Bad idea | 13 |
| Refused/Don't know | 5 |

DEMOGRAPHICS

D1. ETHNICITY

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|----------------|-------|
| Pashtun..... | 36.8% |
| Tajik | 38.8 |
| Uzbek | 8.8 |
| Turkmen..... | 2.3 |
| Hazara | 8.9 |
| Baloch | 0.3 |
| Nuristani..... | 0.3 |
| Aimak..... | 0.4 |
| Arab..... | 0.8 |
| Other | 2.6 |

D2. GENDER

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|-------------|-----|
| Male | 50% |
| Female..... | 50 |

D3. AGE

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|-------------|-----|
| 18-29 | 41% |
| 30-39 | 24 |
| 40-49 | 20 |
| 50+ | 15 |

D4. EDUCATION

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|-----------------------|-----|
| Illiterate..... | 50% |
| Primary..... | 20 |
| Secondary..... | 26 |
| Higher education..... | 5 |

D5. MONTHLY HOUSEHOLD INCOME

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|--------------------------------|----|
| Less than 2,000 Afghanis..... | 9% |
| 2,001 – 4,000 Afghanis..... | 23 |
| 4,001 – 6,000 Afghanis..... | 29 |
| 6,001 – 10,000 Afghanis..... | 26 |
| More than 10,001 Afghanis..... | 9 |
| (Don't know)..... | 4 |

METHODOLOGY

The survey was designed by the Program on International Policy Attitudes for the WorldPublicOpinion.org website. Field work was conducted through D3 Systems and its partner the Afghan Center for Social and Opinion Research in Kabul. Face-to-face interviews were conducted among a national random sample of 2,089 Afghan adults from November 27 to December 4, 2005.

The sample design was a multi-stage area probability sample conducted in 30 of Afghanistan's 34 provinces. At the final stage, the sample was further stratified into male and female sub-samples to enable gender matching of respondents and interviewers. Urban and rural areas were proportionally represented in the sample.

Of the sampled cases, 4.9% resulted in non-contacts and an additional 2.7% were non-cooperative; the net response rate was 92.4%. Distributions by gender and ethnicity were reviewed and considered close to population figures; the data were not weighted.