

Table No. (1)

**RESULTS OF SURVEYS AMONG PALESTINIAN REFUGEES
(and non-refugees) IN THE WEST
BANK/GAZA STRIP, JORDAN AND LEBANON**

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Part (1)				
<i>Questions in part (1) have been asked to all Palestinian refugees and non refugees in the sample</i>				
	WBGs Refugees		Jordan Refugees	Lebanon Refugees
	Refugees	Non refugees		
1) There are many proposed solutions to the Palestinian question. One of the solutions proposes the creation of a Palestinian state, with Jerusalem as its capital, the withdrawal of Israel to the 1967 borders and the evacuation of settlements, but negotiations over the issue of the Palestinian refugees' right of return would be postponed for several years. Would you support or oppose this solution?				
1) Support	52.7	48.4	35.9	27.9
2) Oppose	45.8	48.5	47.2	66.1
3) No opinion/Do not know	1.5	3.1	16.9	6.0

2) After the creation of the Palestinian state, the withdrawal of Israel and the evacuation of settlements, what do you think the Palestinian state should do with the already-built houses inside the settlements?				
1) Destroy them	18.4	14.7	12.9	15.5
2) Sell them to the Palestinians who can afford to buy them	0.8	3.9	1.9	0.4
3) Give them to the refugees for free	25.4	25.2	29.3	40.6
4) Give them to the poor for free whether they are refugees or not	51.3	47.8	39.2	29.5
5) Give them only to the poor who are not refugees	1.7	4.3	3.3	3.6
6) No opinion/Do not know	2.4	4.0	13.5	10.3

3) There is a second proposed solution to the Palestinian question, which is similar to the above solution, i.e. the creation of a Palestinian state, with Jerusalem as its capital, the withdrawal of Israel to the 1967 borders and the evacuation of settlements, but negotiations over the issue of the Palestinian refugees' right of return would be postponed for several years. However, it proposes the moving of the population of the refugee camps to new housing developments without waiving their right of return. Do you Support or oppose this proposal?				
1) I Support	56.9	---	45.4	35.1
2) I oppose	40.5	---	36.9	59.3
3) No opinion/Do not know	2.5	---	17.8	5.6

4) Suppose these housing projects and developments will be located in the evacuated settlements. Do you support or oppose this solution?				
1) I Support	62.5	---	66.6	62.5
2) I oppose	28.1	---	25.7	31.8
3) No opinion/Do not know	3.5	---	7.7	5.7

5) There is a third proposed solution to the Palestinian question, which is similar to the second one outlined above. But instead of moving the population of the refugee camps to new housing developments, the solution proposes the improvement and restoration of houses and facilities inside the camps. Would you Support or oppose this solution?				
1) I Support	68.5	---	---	---
2) I oppose	29.8	---	---	---
3) No opinion/Do not know	1.7	---	---	---

6) In the event an agreement is reached to end the occupation but the refugees issue had been postponed, would you then agree to stay where you are, or would you prefer to move temporarily to the Palestinian State?				
1) Prefer to stay where I live now	---	---	66.2	59.7
2) Prefer moving temporarily to the Palestinian State waiting for the refugees issue to be resolved	---	---	24.6	31.2
3) Other (Specify _____)	---	---	0.9	3.3
4) No Opinion/Don't know	---	---	8.4	5.8

7) There is talk about municipal council and local elections this year, do you Support or oppose the participation of refugee camps located inside Palestinian cities and towns in the municipal elections of these cities and towns?				
1) I Support	88.3	---	---	---
2) I oppose	9.7	---	---	---
3) No opinion/Do not know	2.0	---	---	---

8) What about municipal council and local elections inside the camps that are not located inside Palestinian cities and towns? Do you Support or oppose local elections inside these camps?				
1) I Support	75.5	---	---	---
2) I oppose	20.5	---	---	---
3) No opinion/Do not know	4.0	---	---	---

9) What about camps in the vicinity of cities and towns?				
1) I support the expansion of municipal borders of cities and towns to include the neighbouring camps for the purpose of municipal elections.	55.0	---	---	---
2) I Support independent municipal elections for camps	33.6	---	---	---

3) I oppose the participation of camps in municipal elections	6.5	---	---	---
4) No opinion/Do not know	4.9	---	---	---

10) Are there any circumstances under which you may accept to live in peace, security and reconciliation with Israeli Jews?				
1) Yes	20.3	---	9.7	18.7
2) No	79.1	---	85.5	77.8
3) No opinion/Do not know	0.7	---	4.7	3.5

11) After the settlement of the Palestinian question and the refugee problem, some people propose the immediate and simultaneous return of hundreds of thousands of refugees, even a million, from the Diaspora/outside the Palestinian state; whereas some believe that the absorption process should be gradual, and only tens of thousands of refugees should return to the Palestinian state gradually. What's your opinion?				
1) I prefer the simultaneous return of hundreds of thousands [of refugees]	35.3	33.0	35.0	57.6
2) I prefer the gradual return of tens of thousands [of refugees]	60.2	61.2	50.9	25.6
3) Other (specify _____)	3.2	3.2	1.6	1.1
4) No opinion/Do not know	1.3	2.6	12.4	15.6

12) After the creation of a Palestinian state and the settlement of the refugee problem, do you think that the West Bank and Gaza Strip can absorb the return of hundreds of thousands, or even millions, of refugees from the Diaspora/outside, in addition to the refugee population they have now?				
1) They can absorb the refugee population they have now in addition to a half million refugees from the Diaspora/outside.	18.6	17.6	12.6	7.1
2) They can absorb the refugee population they have now in addition to one million refugees from the Diaspora/outside.	15.5	13.5	12.1	4.9
3) They can absorb the refugee population they have now in addition to several millions of refugees from the Diaspora.	30.3	38.4	25.9	6.5
4) The West Bank and Gaza Strip cannot absorb any refugee from the Diaspora.	26.6	19.5	25.8	56.7
5) No opinion/Do not know	8.9	11.0	23.6	24.8

13) If a Palestinian state is created, do you expect that the socio-economic conditions will allow the absorption of these large numbers of refugees?				
1) Yes	42.0	48.4	38.7	31.8
2) No	51.0	47.5	34.5	33.8
3) No opinion/Do not know	6.9	4.1	26.8	34.2

14) After the creation of a Palestinian state and the settlement of the refugee problem, do you see any need for the continuation of the work done by UNRWA?				
1) Yes	58.0	---	25.5	35.7
2) No	38.8	---	58.8	54.4
3) No opinion/Do not know	3.2	---	15.7	9.9

15) After the creation of a Palestinian state and the settlement of the refugee problem, some people propose the dismantlement of camps, others think that they should remain as they area now while others propose the expansion and improvement of camps so that they can accommodate the refugees who wish to stay in the Palestinian state. What's your opinion?				
1) Dismantlement	11.6	15.1	---	---
2) Keep them as they are now	7.2	9.7	---	---
3) Expanding and improving them	80.3	73.6	---	---
4) No opinion/Do not know	0.9	1.6	---	---

16) After the creation of a Palestinian state and the settlement of the refugee problem, some propose the building of new cities in the West Bank and Gaza to accommodate the refugees who wish to stay in the Palestinian state and the refugees returning from the Diaspora, while others propose the expansion of the existing cities to absorb the refugees. What's your opinion?				
1) I Support the building of new cities	25.3	23.4	19.1	14.3
2) I Support the expansion of existing cities	16.0	19.7	24.1	17.9
3) I Support both solutions	56.8	54.5	46.2	45.2
4) No opinion/Do not know	1.9	2.4	10.5	22.1

17) The text of the Road Map plan, presented to the Palestinians and the Israelis by the Quartet, provides that a permanent solution to the refugee problem in the final talks should be "realistic and just and agreed upon by both the Palestinians and the Israelis". Do you support or oppose this as a basis for solving the refugee problem?				
1) I support	68.2	78.5	45.5	44.5
2) I oppose	26.3	17.2	36.6	47.3
3) No opinion/Do not know	5.4	4.3	17.9	8.2

18) After the creation of a Palestinian state and the settlement of the refugee problem, do you want to play a role in building this state and shaping its political and socio-economic future?				
1) Yes	84.0	---	52.4	61.2
2) No	13.6	---	29.9	28.3
3) No opinion/Do not know	2.3	---	17.8	10.5

19) Who do you want to represent you and your interests in the negotiations on refugees?				
1) Palestine Liberation Organization	72.7	---	40.0	86.3
2) United Nations	8.7	---	9.5	4.8

3) Lebanese/ Jordanian Government	---	---	28.0	1.0
4) Other (specify _____)	13.9	---	6.3	3.8
5) No opinion/ Do not know	4.7	---	16.4	4.1

20) If you have to choose one of the following description of yourself, which one would you choose?				
1) I am a Palestinian	76.0	---	89.0	29.0
2) I am a refugee	11.0	---	2.0	3.0
3) I am (Jordanian/Lebanese) of Palestinian origin	---	---	1.0	46.0
4) I am an Arab	13.0	---	8.0	22.0

21) If you have to choose only between the following descriptions, which one would you choose?				
1) I am a Palestinian	71.0	---	76.1	22.9
2) I am a Jordanian/ Lebanese from Palestinian origin	-	---	0.5	31.3
2) I am a refugee	10.3	---	1.4	3.5
3) I am an Arab	18.2	---	19.6	40.2
4) No opinion/ Don't know	0.5	---	2.4	2.1

22) And what if the choice is between the following descriptions only, which one would you choose?				
1) I am a Palestinian	80.8	---	93.2	27.7
2) I am a Jordanian/ Lebanese from Palestinian origin	-	---	5.5	52.6
3) I am a refugee	18.1	---	0.0	13.9
4) No opinion/ Don't know	1.1	---	1.4	5.8

Now we will read to you a proposed solution to the refugee problem published in some Palestinian newspapers in the light of the Palestinian-Israeli negotiations in Taba in early 2001. Then we will ask you some questions about the proposed solution.

The creation of a Palestinian state in the West Bank and Gaza Strip and Israel's recognition of U.N. Resolution 194 or the right of return; however, the Palestinian and Israeli parties would agree to the limited return of a small number of refugees to Israel according to a timetable that extends for several years. Each refugee family may choose one option that it sees fit among the following four options:

- a. Returning to Israel (areas of 1948) in accordance with an annual quota and obtaining the Israeli citizenship*
- b. Remaining in the Palestinian state created in the West Bank and Gaza and receiving equitable compensation for the property seized by Israel and for the losses and suffering*
- c. receiving equitable compensation for the property, losses and suffering and staying in the current host country and obtaining citizenship of that country or Palestinian citizenship (for refugees living in Lebanon and Jordan only).*
- d. Obtaining the Palestinian citizenship and returning to specific areas in Israel (areas of*

1948), which will later on be annexed to the Palestinian state in the context of the exchange of territories with Israel while receiving any due compensation.

e. Receiving equitable compensation for the property, losses and suffering and immigrating to one of the European and American countries or Australia or Canada, and obtaining the citizenship of that country or the Palestinian citizenship.

23) Do you think that Israel would accept or reject such a solution?				
1) Would accept	11.6	13.7	17.5	16.3
2) Would reject	83.5	68.8	73.9	77.9
3) No opinion/Do not know	4.9	17.6	11.5	5.8

24) Do you think that the leadership of the PLO would accept or reject such a solution?				
1) Would accept	62.5	54.9	67.1	68.1
2) Would reject	29.4	20.6	19.4	25.6
3) No opinion/Do not know	8.1	24.6	13.5	6.3

25) Do you think that most refugees would accept or reject such a solution?				
1) Would accept	46.4	42.2	39.4	54.7
2) Would reject	46.4	37.7	47.7	38.5
3) No opinion/ Do not know	7.2	20.1	12.9	6.7

26) What about you? Would you accept or reject this solution				
1) Accept	49.7	49.7	46.5	55.3
2) Reject	49.0	36.7	47.4	39.1
3) No opinion/ Do not know	1.2	13.5	6.1	5.7

27) In the event the Palestinians and the Israelis both agreed on that solution, what would be your reaction?				
1) I will accept the agreement	25.0	34.1	21.8	31.8
2) I will be obliged to accept it due to lack of better alternatives	45.8	33.4	47.0	38.7
3) I will reject it	11.6	11.6	18.5	13.9
4) I will reject it and resist it	15.3	7.8	9.1	12.3
5) No opinion/ Do not know	2.3	13.0	3.7	3.2

28) In the event the above solution is agreed upon and you have the opportunity to chose from among these options, which one would be your first choice, and which one would be your second choice, third choice, fourth, and fifth choice? [Interviewer: read all the options to the respondent and assign each option a number in the appropriate box according to the respondent's order of preference. If there is an option that the respondent never accepts, leave the box blank. If more than one option has the same order of preference, write the same number for the different options].

Refugees first Choice:			
	Refugees in WBGS	Refugees in Jordan	Refugees in Lebanon
1) Returning to Israel (areas of 1948) and	12.6	5.2	23.2

obtaining the Israeli citizenship.			
2) Remaining in the Palestinian state and accepting equitable compensation for the property, losses and suffering.	37.9	26.6	18.6
3) Obtaining Palestinian citizenship and returning to specific areas in Israel (areas of 1948), which will later on be annexed to the Palestinian state in the context of the exchange of territories while receiving any due compensation.	36.5	10.4	20.5
4) staying in the host country (Jordan/Lebanon)	---	32.9	11.0
5) Immigrating to a European or American county or another country and accepting equitable compensation for the property, losses and suffering.	1.0	1.7	9.3
6) Refuse all political solutions	8.7	15.7	17.4
7) No Opinion /Don't know	3.3	7.5	0.0

Part (2)

Questions in part (2) have been asked to all refugees who have included the option of return to Israel among their preferred choices

	Refugees in WBGS	Refugees in Jordan	Refugees in Lebanon
1) If you decide to return to Israel (areas of 1948) and obtain [interviewer: or not obtain] the Israeli citizenship, do you accept to live in peace in the Jewish state and respect the applicable Israeli laws?			
1) Yes	45.5	36.4	50.7
2) No	37.5	58.7	40.7
3) No opinion/Do not know	0.7	4.9	8.6
4) Not stated	16.3	---	---

2) If you decide to return to Israel (areas of 1948) and you are allowed to choose the citizenship you want to have, which citizenship would you prefer after your return?			
1) Palestinian citizenship from the Palestinian state	58.9	57.5	76.7
2) Israeli citizenship	2.1	3.2	1.4
3) Palestinian and Israeli citizenships	22.6	6.2	18.1
4) Jordanian/Lebanese citizenships	---	6.6	0.0
5) Jordanian and Palestinian or Lebanese and Palestinian	---	24.6	3.6
6) Other, specify ----	16.4	1.9	10.3

3) What if the agreement stipulates that the refugees returning to Israel should

only have the Israeli citizenship?			
1) I accept the Israeli citizenship only	21.4	32.5	25.6
2) I refuse to return to Israel; I stay where I am now as a refugee	38.5	56.4	50.2
3) I refuse to return to Israel and I accept equitable compensation while considering other options	9.1	7.7	14.2
4) No opinion/Do not know	13.1	3.4	10.0
5) Not stated	17.9	---	---

4) When a permanent peace settlement is reached between Israel and the Arabs, a form of national service may be imposed on the Arabs, including those who will return. What would you do in this case?			
1) I accept national service in the case of a permanent peace settlement between Israel and the Arabs	14.3	34.8	16.3
2) I refuse to return to Israel; I stay where I am now as a refugee	50.2	27.9	13.5
3) I insist on returning and refuse the national service	not asked	36.6	67.1
4) I refuse national service and I refuse to return to Israel and I accept equitable compensation while considering other options	14.3	0.7	1.6
5) Not stated	21.2	---	1.5

5) What if you realize that the area of your original place of residence and your home were destroyed and your land was confiscated and Jewish homes were built on it?			
1) I accept to live wherever Israel wants me to inside Israel (areas of 1948)	23.7	51.2	54.7
2) I refuse to return; I stay where I am now as a refugee	43.8	43.3	39.2
3) I refuse to return and I accept compensation while considering other options	4.0	5.6	6.1
4) Not stated	28.5	---	---

6) What if, for any reason, you cannot return to the area of your original residence and you are offered compensation for the loss of your home and property and you are allowed to live elsewhere in Israel (areas of 1948)?			
1) I accept the offer	24.5	51.4	57.6
2) I refuse to return; I remain a refugee	42.3	48.6	39.7
3) I refuse to return and I accept compensation while considering other options	1.7	0.0	2.8

4) Not stated	31.5	51.4	---
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7) What if this other place is located in the area to be annexed to the Palestinian state in the context of the exchange of territories between the two parties?			
1) I accept the offer	37.4	59.6	54.3
2) I refuse to return; I remain a refugee	29.4	40.4	39.4
3) I refuse to return and I accept compensation while considering other options	0.4	---	6.4
4) Not stated	32.8	---	---

8) If you decide to return to Israel (areas of 1948) and if your return is determined according to a quota that extends for ten years, when do you wish to return?			
1) Immediately	48.3	65.0	79.5
2) At a later point	17.1	15.0	15.5
3) No opinion/Do not know	0.9	20.0	4.9
4) Not Stated	33.8	65.0	---

9) If you are unable to return to Israel (1948 areas) in accordance with the quota during the period of your choice, would you in this case prefer to:			
1) wait where you are now for as long as needed even if for the last year allowed before returning to Israel	Not applicable	75.5	69.8
2) temporarily return to the Palestinian state to wait for your turn to return to Israel	Not applicable	20.4	29
3) Do not know/ others	Not applicable	4.2	1.2

10) If you decide to return to Israel (areas of 1948) but cannot because your return will exceed the quota; however, you will be allowed to recover your property in Israel and visit Israel any time you wish provided that you accept to live outside Israel, would you accept that?			
1) Yes	27.1	43.5	23.4
2) No	37.7	53.6	69.3
3) Do not know/ not stated	35.2	2.9	7.3

11) Suppose that some family members have agreed to accept compensation for the loss of joint property, so the property that the family lost in 1948 will become the property of the state of Israel. What would you do in this case?			
1) I will insist on returning even if I have no property to return to	31.3	53.2	86.1
2) I will stay where I am now as a refugee if I am not allowed to return	20.6	40.7	9.8
3) I will accept equitable compensation and	6.4	6.1	4.1

will accept one of the other options			
4) Not Stated	41.6	---	---

Part (3)

Questions in part (3) have been asked to all refugees who have included the acceptance of compensation in their preferred choices

1) If you accept an option that includes equitable compensation for your property and losses in Israel, would you prefer the compensation to be in the real value of the property and losses or as a flat-sum compensation to be paid to every family expelled in 1948? The expression "the family expelled in 1948" includes the larger family and its children or smaller families.

	Refugees in WBGS	Refugees inJordan	Refugees inLebanon
1) I prefer compensation in the real value of my property	48.4	48.4	19.4
2) I prefer flat-sum compensation to every family expelled in 1948	46.1	41.7	64.3
3) No opinion/ Do not know	5.5	9.8	16.3

2) If every family expelled in 1948 receives equal compensation [the expression "the family expelled in 1948" includes the larger family and its children or smaller families], what is the amount that you think will be paid for compensation regardless whether you think that amount is just or not?

1) Less than US\$ 100,000	66.0	47.0	60.0
2) US\$ 101,000 – 200,000	9.0	18.0	16.0
3) US\$ 201,000 – 500,000	9.0	8.0	16.0
4) More than US\$ 500,000	16.0	27.0	8.0

3) If every family expelled in 1948 receives equal compensation [the expression "the family expelled in 1948" includes the larger family and its children or smaller families], what do you think would be a just amount for compensation?

1) Less than US\$ 100,000	35.0	29.0	35.0
2) US\$ 101,000 – 200,000	15.0	25.0	31.0
3) US\$ 201,000 – 500,000	14.0	11.0	22.0
4) More than US\$ 500,000	36.0	25.0	12.0

4) If you are offered compensation in kind (land or houses) instead of cash, would you accept it?

1) Yes	72.6	59.6	53.2
2) No	25.1	26.2	37.3
3) No opinion/Do not know	2.3	14.2	9.5

5) If the land or the house with which you will be compensated is located inside an evacuated settlement, would you accept it?

1) Yes	47.6	36.4	36.4
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2) No	50.3	53.9	55.8
3) No opinion/Do not know	2.1	9.8	7.7

6) Who do you think should distribute these compensations to refugees?			
1) PLO	22.4	21.6	45.4
2) United Nations or another international organization	16.6	15.3	27.1
3) Representatives of refugee camps	15.8	9.3	2.3
4) Lebanese/ Jordanian Governments	---	22.9	0.3
5) A joint body made up of all the above parties	41.7	27.6	23.2
6) Other (specify _____)	3.5	3.3	1.7

Part (4)

Questions in part (4) have been asked to all refugees who have included immigration to other countries among their preferred choices

	Refugees in WBGS	Refugees inJordan	Refugees inLebanon
1) If you accept to immigrate to another country, which of the following countries would you prefer? (Rank these countries according to your order of preference, number 1 being your first choice and 4 your last choice) [You can assign the same number to different choices]:			
Countries of <i>first</i> choice:			
1) Any European country	34.0	39.0	60.0
2) Australia	32.0	29.0	11.0
3) United States	12.0	57.0	29.0
4) Canada	28.0	32.0	28.0
2) If you are able to immigrate to the country of your first choice, which citizenship would you prefer to have?			
1) The citizenship of the host country	7.1	10.7	11.1
2) Palestinian citizenship	17.9	12.5	3.1
3) Both citizenships	75.0	30.4	82.8
4) Jordanian/ Lebanese citizenship only	---	3.6	0.0
5) Both Jordanian/Lebanese citizenship and The citizenship of the host country	---	41.1	2.7
6) Other (specify _____)	---	1.8	0.0

Part (5)

Questions in part (5) have been asked to all refugees who have included among their preferred choices staying in or returning to the Palestinian state or those areas in Israel (areas of 1948) that will later become part of the Palestinian state as part of a territorial exchange

	Refugees in WBGS	Refugees inJordan	Refugees inLebanon
1) If you accept to stay in the Palestinian state (for those living in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip) or to return to the Palestinian state (for those wishing to move to the Palestinian state from Lebanon and Jordan), which areas in the state would you like to live in?			

1) Gaza Strip	62.6	6.0	13.2
2) West Bank	36.8	87.3	54.2
3) No opinion/Do not know	0.6	6.7	32.6

2) If you have chosen the West Bank, which area would you prefer to reside in?			
1. Jenin	8.0	8.5	8.6
2. Tubas	0.5	0.4	0.3
3. Tulkarm	8.2	3.6	2.4
4. Qalqilya	6.4	1.3	0.1
5. Salfeet	0.0	0.0	0.6
6. Nablus	19.5	11.7	4.5
7. Ramallah	26.8	11.0	14.2
8. Jerusalem	15.7	27.7	21.8
9. Jericho	2.3	2.7	1.8
10. Bethlehem	4.8	2.5	1.0
11. Hebron	8.0	15.8	1.0
12. No Opinion/ Don't know	---	9.3	41.3

3) If you had a choice between living in an existing town or village in the West Bank or Gaza Strip and living in a town or village to be built specifically for refugees, what would you choose?			
1) Living in an existing town or village	49.2	47.6	26.6
2) Living in a town or village to be built specifically for the returning refugees	7.6	15.7	22.1
3) It makes no difference	42.7	31.8	38.0
4) No opinion/do not know	0.6	5.0	13.4

4) Do you expect that the Palestinian state will give you free housing if you wish to stay in the Palestinian state?			
1) Yes	34.3	28.3	71.6
2) No	58.5	49.7	17.0
3) No opinion/do not know	7.2	22.1	11.4

5) If you are allowed to live in a house that has been evacuated by settlers, would you accept that?			
1) Yes	44.4	42.6	51.9
2) No	54.6	51.3	44.0
3) No opinion/do not know	1.0	6.1	4.1

6) If you are allowed to own a piece of land and take up farming in the event you stay in the Palestinian state, would you accept that?			
1) Yes	84.7	71.8	71.6
2) No	14.2	21.5	21.2
3) No opinion/do not know	1.0	6.7	7.2

7) When making a decision regarding the location of your residency in the Palestinian state, how important for you to live near the same neighbors you have now in the refugee camp or neighborhood where you currently live?			
1) Very important	19.9	11.5	24.3
2) Important	33.4	24.8	30.8
3) Somehow important	12.8	12.6	5.6
4) Not important	27.3	35.9	18.7
5) Not important at all	6.1	11.1	19.3
6) No opinion/do not know	0.5	4.1	1.3

8) When making a decision regarding the location of your residency in the Palestinian state, how important for you to live with or near relatives from the same family?			
1) Very important	31.5	37.2	62.7
2) Important	34.3	34.9	23.3
3) Somehow important	9.9	7.8	3.3
4) Not important	19.1	15.9	5.6
5) Not important at all	4.7	3.7	4.4
6) No opinion/do not know	0.4	0.6	0.7

9) Do you expect that the Palestinian state will provide a job for you upon returning to the Palestinian state?			
1) Yes	---	40.4	62.8
2) No	---	32.3	20.1
3) No opinion/do not know	---	27.3	17.0

10) What kind of work career you wish to have upon returning to the Palestinian state?			
1) Agriculture	---	13.4	15.4
2) Industry	---	6.1	2.4
3) Construction	---	2.2	2.2
4) Profession (Medicine, engineering, ... etc)	---	20.2	21.3
5) Crafts (Carpenter, mechanic....etc)	---	5.7	4.4
6) Private business (Services, trade...etc)	---	14.5	17.2
7) Do not work/ Incapable	---	22.1	15.6
8) No Opinion/ Don't know	---	13.9	15.3
9) Others (specify_____)	---	1.8	6.2

11) Would you seek to work inside Israel upon returning to the Palestinian State?			
1) Yes	---	16.6	7.7
2) No	---	73.0	82.7
3) No opinion/ Don't know	---	10.4	9.6

Part (6)

Questions in part (6) have been asked to all refugees who have included among their preferred choices staying in host countries, Lebanon and Jordan.

	Refugees in Jordan	Refugees in Lebanon
1) If you decide to stay in the current host country, and the host country allowed you to do so, which citizenship would you prefer to have?		
1) Citizenship of the country where you currently reside	43.0	10.5
2) Palestinian citizenship	6.5	15.6
3) Both citizenships	50.0	72.5
4) other	0.5	1.5

2) What If the host country required you to carry only its citizenship?		
1) I would accept citizenship of that country only	79.2	57.1
2) I Refuse	10.9	10.9
3) No Opinion /Don't know	9.9	32.0

3) Do you now carry the citizenship of your host country?		
1) Yes	99.1	6.2
2) No	0.9	88.0
3) Not sure	0.1	5.8

4) If the host country allowed you to stay permanently in it but without granting you its citizenship, would you in this case wish to have Palestinian citizenship and to carry a Palestinian passport?		
1) Yes	50.7	67.4
2) No	26.7	23.0
3) Not sure	22.7	9.6

5) If you are granted a Palestinian citizenship and a passport, do you think that in such a case, and after a period of time, you might relocate your place of permanent residence to the Palestinian state?		
1) Yes	32.7	27.2
2) No	55.8	50.7
3) Not sure	11.5	22.1

Table No. (2)

**RESULTS OF SURVEYS AMONG PALESTINIAN REFUGEES
IN THE WEST BANK/GAZA STRIP**

according to place of residence

January – June 2003

Part (1)			
<i>Questions in part (1) have been asked to all Palestinian refugees and non refugees in the sample</i>			
	Total %	Refugees in Camps	Refugees in Cities & villages
1) There are many proposed solutions to the Palestinian question. One of the solutions proposes the creation of a Palestinian state, with Jerusalem as its capital, the withdrawal of Israel to the 1967 borders and the evacuation of settlements, but negotiations over the issue of the Palestinian refugees' right of return would be postponed for several years. Would you support or oppose this solution?			
1) Support	52.7	51.9	53.2
2) Oppose	45.8	46.3	45.5
3) No opinion/Do not know	1.5	1.8	1.3
2) After the creation of the Palestinian state, the withdrawal of Israel and the evacuation of settlements, what do you think the Palestinian state should do with the already-built houses inside the settlements?			
1) Destroy them	18.4	21.2	16.5
2) Sell them to the Palestinians who can afford to buy them	0.8	1.4	0.4
3) Give them to the refugees for free	25.4	26.6	24.7
4) Give them to the poor for free whether they are refugees or not	51.3	46.8	54.3
5) Give them only to the poor who are not refugees	1.7	1.7	1.6
6) No opinion/Do not know	2.4	2.3	2.6
3) There is a second proposed solution to the Palestinian question, which is similar to the above solution, i.e. the creation of a Palestinian state, with Jerusalem as its capital, the withdrawal of Israel to the 1967 borders and the evacuation of settlements, but negotiations over the issue of the Palestinian refugees' right of return would be postponed for several years. However, it proposes the moving of the population of the refugee camps to new housing developments without waiving their right of return. Do you Support or oppose this proposal?			
1) I Support	56.9	48.5	62.5
2) I oppose	40.5	50.0	34.2
3) No opinion/Do not know	2.5	1.5	3.2
4) Suppose these housing projects and developments will be located in the evacuated			

settlements. Do you support or oppose this solution?			
1) I Support	68.5	66.3	69.6
2) I oppose	28.1	30.8	26.8
3) No opinion/Do not know	3.5	2.9	3.8

5) There is a third proposed solution to the Palestinian question, which is similar to the second one outlined on question # 3 above. But instead of moving the population of the refugee camps to new housing developments, the solution proposes the improvement and restoration of houses and facilities inside the camps. Would you Support or oppose this solution?			
1) I Support	68.5	70.8	67.0
2) I oppose	29.8	28.3	30.8
3) No opinion/Do not know	1.7	0.9	2.2

6) There is talk about municipal council and local elections this year, do you Support or oppose the participation of refugee camps located inside Palestinian cities and towns in the municipal elections of these cities and towns?			
1) I Support	88.3	86.1	89.7
2) I oppose	9.7	12.1	8.1
3) No opinion/Do not know	2.0	1.8	2.2

7) What about municipal council and local elections inside the camps that are not located inside Palestinian cities and towns? Do you Support or oppose local elections inside these camps?			
1) I Support	75.5	75.4	75.5
2) I oppose	20.5	21.2	20.0
3) No opinion/Do not know	4.0	3.4	4.5

8) What about camps in the vicinity of cities and towns?			
1) I support the expansion of municipal borders of cities and towns to include the neighbouring camps for the purpose of municipal elections.	55.0	48.9	59.1
2) I Support independent municipal elections for camps	33.6	38.5	30.3
3) I oppose the participation of camps in municipal elections	6.5	8.9	5.0
4) No opinion/Do not know	4.9	3.7	5.7

9) Are there any circumstances under which you may accept to live in peace, security and reconciliation with Israeli Jews?			
1) Yes	20.3	19.7	20.6
2) No	79.1	79.3	79.0
3) No opinion/Do not know	0.7	1.0	0.4

10) After the settlement of the Palestinian question and the refugee problem, some people propose the immediate and simultaneous return of hundreds of thousands of refugees, even a million, from the Diaspora/outside the Palestinian state; whereas some believe that the absorption process should be gradual, and only tens			
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of thousands of refugees should return to the Palestinian state gradually. What's your opinion?			
1) I prefer the simultaneous return of hundreds of thousands [of refugees]	35.3	36.0	34.9
2) I prefer the gradual return of tens of thousands [of refugees]	60.2	59.2	60.8
3) Other (specify _____)	3.2	3.4	3.1
4) No opinion/Do not know	1.3	1.4	1.1

11) After the creation of a Palestinian state and the settlement of the refugee problem, do you think that the West Bank and Gaza Strip can absorb the return of hundreds of thousands, or even millions, of refugees from the Diaspora/outside, in addition to the refugee population they have now?			
1) They can absorb the refugee population they have now in addition to a half million refugees from the Diaspora/outside.	18.6	16.5	20.0
2) They can absorb the refugee population they have now in addition to one million refugees from the Diaspora/outside.	15.5	14.3	16.3
3) They can absorb the refugee population they have now in addition to several millions of refugees from the Diaspora.	30.3	31.3	29.6
4) The West Bank and Gaza Strip cannot absorb any refugee from the Diaspora.	26.6	32.1	22.9
5) No opinion/Do not know	8.9	5.7	11.1

12) If a Palestinian state is created, do you expect that the socio-economic conditions will allow the absorption of these large numbers of refugees?			
1) Yes	42.0	44.3	40.6
2) No	51.0	49.3	52.1
3) No opinion/Do not know	6.9	6.4	7.3

13) After the creation of a Palestinian state and the settlement of the refugee problem, do you see any need for the continuation of the work done by UNRWA?			
1) Yes	58.0	60.7	56.2
2) No	38.8	36.7	40.2
3) No opinion/Do not know	3.2	2.6	3.6

14) After the creation of a Palestinian state and the settlement of the refugee problem, some people propose the dismantlement of camps, others think that they should remain as they area now while others propose the expansion and improvement of camps so that they can accommodate the refugees who wish to stay in the Palestinian state. What's your opinion?			
1) Dismantlement	11.6	10.1	12.5
2) Keep them as they are now	7.2	9.3	5.8
3) Expanding and improving them	80.3	79.5	80.9
4) No opinion/Do not know	0.9	1.1	0.8

15) After the creation of a Palestinian state and the settlement of the refugee problem, some propose the building of new cities in the West Bank and Gaza to accommodate the refugees who wish to stay in the Palestinian state and the refugees returning from the Diaspora, while others propose the expansion of the existing cities to absorb the refugees. What's your opinion?			
1) I Support the building of new cities	25.3	26.6	24.4
2) I Support the expansion of existing cities	16.0	15.3	16.5
3) I Support both solutions	56.8	56.0	57.3
4) No opinion/Do not know	1.9	2.1	1.8

16) The text of the Road Map plan, presented to the Palestinians and the Israelis by the Quartet, provides that a permanent solution to the refugee problem in the final talks should be "realistic and just and agreed upon by both the Palestinians and the Israelis". Do you support or oppose this as a basis for solving the refugee problem?			
1) I support	68.2	66.8	69.2
2) I oppose	26.3	29.0	24.6
3) No opinion/Do not know	5.4	4.3	6.2

17) After the creation of a Palestinian state and the settlement of the refugee problem, do you want to play a role in building this state and shaping its political and socio-economic future?			
1) Yes	84.0	87.2	81.9
2) No	13.6	11.5	15.1
3) No opinion/Do not know	2.3	1.3	3.0

18) Who do you want to represent you and your interests in the negotiations on refugees?			
1) Palestine Liberation Organization	72.7	74.9	71.3
2) United Nations	8.7	7.2	9.7
3) Other (specify _____)	13.9	14.0	13.8
4) No opinion/ Do not know	4.7	3.9	5.2

19) If you have to choose between the following options?			
1) I am a Palestinian	32.8	30.1	34.7
2) I am a refugee	4.5	4.5	4.6
3) I am an Arab	2.7	1.7	3.4
3) I am a Muslim/ Christian	59.9	63.8	57.3

20) If you have to choose only between the following descriptions, which one would you choose?			
1) I am a Palestinian	71.0	73.7	69.0
2) I am a refugee	10.3	7.9	12.0
3) I am an Arab	18.2	18.4	18.1
4) No opinion/ Don't know	0.5	0.0	0.9

21) And what if the choice is between the following descriptions only, which one would you choose?			
1) I am a Palestinian	80.8	81.8	80.2
2) I am a refugee	18.1	17.2	18.6
3) No opinion/ Don't know	1.1	1.0	1.1

Now we will read to you a proposed solution to the refugee problem published in some Palestinian newspapers in the light of the Palestinian-Israeli negotiations in Taba in early 2001. Then we will ask you some questions about the proposed solution.

The creation of a Palestinian state in the West Bank and Gaza Strip and Israel's recognition of U.N. Resolution 194 or the right of return; however, the Palestinian and Israeli parties would agree to the limited return of a small number of refugees to Israel according to a timetable that extends for several years. Each refugee family may choose one option that it sees fit among the following four options:

- a. Returning to Israel (areas of 1948) in accordance with an annual quota and obtaining the Israeli citizenship*
- b. Remaining in the Palestinian state created in the West Bank and Gaza and receiving equitable compensation for the property seized by Israel and for the losses and suffering*
- c. receiving equitable compensation for the property, losses and suffering and staying in the current host country and obtaining citizenship of that country or Palestinian citizenship (for refugees living in Lebanon and Jordan only).*
- d. Obtaining the Palestinian citizenship and returning to specific areas in Israel (areas of 1948), which will later on be annexed to the Palestinian state in the context of the exchange of territories with Israel while receiving any due compensation.*
- e. Receiving equitable compensation for the property, losses and suffering and immigrating to one of the European and American countries or Australia or Canada, and obtaining the citizenship of that country or the Palestinian citizenship.*

22) Do you think that Israel would accept or reject such a solution?			
1) Would accept	11.6	12.8	10.8
2) Would reject	83.5	84.2	83.1
3) No opinion/Do not know	4.9	3.0	6.1

23) Do you think that the leadership of the PLO would accept or reject such a solution?			
1) Would accept	62.5	63.6	61.9
2) Would reject	29.4	30.4	28.7
3) No opinion/Do not know	8.1	6.0	9.4

24) Do you think that most refugees would accept or reject such a solution?			
1) Would accept	46.4	46.6	46.3
2) Would reject	46.4	47.1	45.9
3) No opinion/ Do not know	7.2	6.4	7.8

25) What about you? Would you accept or reject this solution			
1) Accept	49.7	48.0	50.9

2) Reject	49.0	51.0	47.7
3) No opinion/ Do not know	1.2	1.0	1.3

26) In the event the Palestinians and the Israelis both agreed on that solution, what would be your reaction?			
1) I will accept the agreement	25.0	26.3	24.1
2) I will be obliged to accept it due to lack of better alternatives	45.8	44.0	47.0
3) I will reject it	11.6	11.9	11.4
4) I will reject it and resist it	15.3	16.2	14.6
5) No opinion/ Do not know	2.3	1.6	2.8

27) In the event the above solution is agreed upon and you have the opportunity to chose from among these options, which one would be your first choice, and which one would be your second choice, third choice, fourth, and fifth choice? [Interviewer: read all the options to the respondent and assign each option a number in the appropriate box according to the respondent's order of preference. If there is an option that the respondent never accepts, leave the box blank. If more than one option has the same order of preference, write the same number for the different options].			
Refugees first Choice:			
1) Refuse all political solutions	8.7	10.6	7.4
2) Returning to Israel (areas of 1948) and obtaining the Israeli citizenship.	12.6	10.6	14.0
2) Remaining in the Palestinian state and accepting equitable compensation for the property, losses and suffering.	37.9	33.7	40.7
3) Obtaining Palestinian citizenship and returning to specific areas in Israel (areas of 1948), which will later on be annexed to the Palestinian state in the context of the exchange of territories while receiving any due compensation.	36.5	40.3	34.0
5) Immigrating to a European or American county or another country and accepting equitable compensation for the property, losses and suffering.	1.0	1.5	0.6
6) No Opinion /Don't know	3.3	3.3	3.3

Part (2)

Questions in part (2) have been asked to all refugees who have included the option of return to Israel among their preferred choices

1) If you decide to return to Israel (areas of 1948) and obtain [interviewer: or not obtain] the Israeli citizenship, do you accept to live in peace in the Jewish state and respect the applicable Israeli laws?			
1) Yes	45.5	37.5	49.5
2) No	37.5	43.8	34.4
3) No opinion/Do not know	0.7	2.1	0.0

4) Not stated	16.3	16.7	16.1
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2) If you decide to return to Israel (areas of 1948) and you are allowed to choose the citizenship you want to have, which citizenship would you prefer after your return?			
1) Palestinian citizenship from the Palestinian state	58.9	63.2	56.8
2) Israeli citizenship	2.1	1.1	2.6
3) Palestinian and Israeli citizenships	22.6	18.9	24.5
5) Not Stated	16.4	16.8	16.1

3) What if the agreement stipulates that the refugees returning to Israel should only have the Israeli citizenship?			
1) I accept the Israeli citizenship only	21.4	23.8	20.2
2) I refuse to return to Israel; I stay where I am now as a refugee	38.5	40.5	37.5
3) I refuse to return to Israel and I accept equitable compensation while considering other options	9.1	8.3	9.5
4) No opinion/Do not know	13.1	9.5	14.9
5) Not stated	17.9	17.9	17.9

4) When a permanent peace settlement is reached between Israel and the Arabs, a form of national service may be imposed on the Arabs, including those who will return. What would you do in this case?			
1) I accept national service in the case of a permanent peace settlement between Israel and the Arabs	14.3	15.4	13.7
2) I refuse to return to Israel; I stay where I am now as a refugee	50.2	50.5	50.0
3) I refuse national service and I refuse to return to Israel and I accept equitable compensation while considering other options	14.3	14.3	14.3
4) Not stated	21.2	19.8	22.0

5) What if you realize that the area of your original place of residence and your home were destroyed and your land was confiscated and Jewish homes were built on it?			
1) I accept to live wherever Israel wants me to inside Israel (areas of 1948)	23.7	24.1	23.5
2) I refuse to return; I stay where I am now as a refugee	43.8	42.2	44.6
3) I refuse to return and I accept compensation while considering other options	4.0	4.8	3.6
4) Not stated	28.5	28.9	28.3

6) What if, for any reason, you cannot return to the area of your original residence and you are offered compensation for the loss of your home and property and you are allowed to live elsewhere in Israel (areas of 1948)?			
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1) I accept the offer	24.5	22.2	25.6
2) I refuse to return; I remain a refugee	42.3	40.7	43.1
3) I refuse to return and I accept compensation while considering other options	1.7	3.7	0.6
4) Not stated	31.5	33.3	30.6

7) What if this other place is located in the area to be annexed to the Palestinian state in the context of the exchange of territories between the two parties?			
1) I accept the offer	37.4	35.4	38.5
2) I refuse to return; I remain a refugee	29.4	27.8	30.1
3) I refuse to return and I accept compensation while considering other options	0.4	1.3	0.0
4) Not stated	32.8	35.4	31.4

8) If you decide to return to Israel (areas of 1948) and if your return is determined according to a quota that extends for ten years, when do you wish to return?			
1) Immediately	48.3	50.0	47.4
2) At a later point	17.1	9.0	21.2
3) No opinion/Do not know	0.9	2.6	0.0
4) Not Stated	33.8	38.5	31.4

9) If you decide to return to Israel (areas of 1948) but cannot because your return will exceed the quota; however, you will be allowed to recover your property in Israel and visit Israel any time you wish provided that you accept to live outside Israel, would you accept that?			
1) Yes	27.1	25.3	28.0
2) No	37.7	35.4	38.9
3) No Opinion/ Do not know	1.3	1.3	1.3
4) Not stated	33.9	38.0	31.8

10) Suppose that some family members have agreed to accept compensation for the loss of joint property, so the property that the family lost in 1948 will become the property of the state of Israel. What would you do in this case?			
1) I will insist on returning even if I have no property to return to	31.3	33.8	30.1
2) I will stay where I am now as a refugee if I am not allowed to return	20.6	16.9	22.4
3) I will accept equitable compensation and will accept one of the other options	6.4	5.2	7.1
3) Not Stated	41.6	44.2	40.4

Part (3)

Questions in part (3) have been asked to all refugees who have included the acceptance of compensation in their preferred choices

1) If you accept an option that includes equitable compensation for your property
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and losses in Israel, would you prefer the compensation to be in the real value of the property and losses or as a flat-sum compensation to be paid to every family expelled in 1948? The expression "the family expelled in 1948" includes the larger family and its children or smaller families.

1) I prefer compensation in the real value of my property	48.4	50.6	46.9
2) I prefer flat-sum compensation to every family expelled in 1948	46.1	43.5	47.9
3) No opinion/ Do not know	5.5	5.8	5.2

2) If every family expelled in 1948 receives equal compensation [the expression "the family expelled in 1948" includes the larger family and its children or smaller families], what is the amount that you think will be paid for compensation regardless whether you think that amount is just or not?

1) Less than US\$ 100,000	66.0	47.0	62.0
2) US\$ 101,000 – 200,000	9.0	8.0	10.0
3) US\$ 201,000 – 500,000	9.0	9.0	9.0
4) More than US\$ 500,000	16.0	9.0	19.0

3) If every family expelled in 1948 receives equal compensation [the expression "the family expelled in 1948" includes the larger family and its children or smaller families], what do you think would be a just amount for compensation?

1) Less than US\$ 100,000	35.0	38.0	32.0
2) US\$ 101,000 – 200,000	15.0	12.0	17.0
3) US\$ 201,000 – 500,000	14.0	64.0	13.0
4) More than US\$ 500,000	36.0	36.0	38.0

4) If you are offered compensation in kind (land or houses) instead of cash, would you accept it?

1) Yes	72.6	72.3	72.8
2) No	25.1	26.2	24.4
3) No opinion/Do not know	2.3	1.5	2.7

5) If the land or the house with which you will be compensated is located inside an evacuated settlement, would you accept it?

1) Yes	47.6	47.3	47.8
2) No	50.3	51.0	49.9
3) No opinion/Do not know	2.1	1.7	2.3

6) Who do you think should distribute these compensations to refugees?

1) PLO	22.4	24.3	21.1
2) United Nations or another international organization	16.6	18.3	15.6
3) Representatives of refugee camps	15.8	15.4	16.0
4) A joint body made up of all the above parties	41.7	38.5	43.9
5) Other (specify _____)	3.5	3.5	3.5

Part (4)

Questions in part (4) have been asked to all refugees who have included immigration to other countries among their preferred choices

- 1) If you accept to immigrate to another country, which of the following countries would you prefer? (Rank these countries according to your order of preference, number 1 being your first choice and 4 your last choice) [You can assign the same number to different choices]:

Countries of first choice:

1) Any European country	34.0	33.0	34.0
2) Australia	32.0	7.0	42.0
3) United States	12.0	12.5	11.0
4) Canada	28.0	44.0	22.0

- 2) If you are able to immigrate to the country of your first choice, which citizenship would you prefer to have?

1) The citizenship of the host country	7.1	12.5	5.0
2) Palestinian citizenship	17.9	25.0	15.0
3) Both citizenships	75.0	62.0	80.0

Part (5)

Questions in part (5) have been asked to all refugees who have included among their preferred choices staying in or returning to the Palestinian state or those areas in Israel (areas of 1948) that will later become part of the Palestinian state as part of a territorial exchange

- 1) Which areas in the state would you like to live in?

1) Gaza Strip	62.6	71.2	56.8
2) West Bank	36.8	28.3	42.5
3) No opinion/Do not know	0.6	0.4	0.7

- 2) If you have chosen the West Bank, which area would you prefer to reside in?

1. Jenin	8.0	1.5	10.9
2. Tubas	0.5	0.0	0.7
3. Tulkarm	8.2	5.9	9.2
4. Qalqilya	6.4	0.0	9.2
5. Nablus	19.5	11.8	23.0
6. Ramallah	26.8	30.9	25.0
7. Jerusalem	15.7	23.5	12.2
8. Jericho	2.3	6.6	0.3
9. Bethlehem	4.8	8.1	3.3
10. Hebron	8.0	11.8	6.3

- 3) If you had a choice between living in an existing town or village in the West Bank or Gaza Strip and living in a town or village to be built specifically for refugees, what would you choose?

1) Living in an existing town or village	49.2	42.7	53.5
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2) Living in a town or village to be built specifically for the returning refugees	7.6	10.9	5.3
3) It makes no difference	42.7	45.7	40.6
4) No opinion/do not know	0.6	0.6	0.6

4) Do you expect that the Palestinian state will give you free housing if you wish to stay in the Palestinian state?			
1) Yes	34.3	35.3	33.6
2) No	58.5	59.5	57.8
3) No opinion/do not know	7.2	5.1	8.6

5) If you are allowed to live in a house that has been evacuated by settlers, would you accept that?			
1) Yes	44.4	44.3	44.4
2) No	54.6	54.8	54.4
3) No opinion/do not know	1.0	0.9	1.1

6) If you are allowed to own a piece of land and take up farming in the event you stay in the Palestinian state, would you accept that?			
1) Yes	84.7	85.7	84.1
2) No	14.2	13.9	14.4
3) No opinion/do not know	1.0	0.4	1.4

7) When making a decision regarding the location of your residency in the Palestinian state, how important for you to live near the same neighbors you have now in the refugee camp or neighborhood where you currently live?			
1) Very important	19.9	19.7	20.0
2) Important	33.4	34.9	32.4
3) Somehow important	12.8	14.3	11.7
4) Not important	27.3	26.1	28.1
5) Not important at all	6.1	4.9	6.9
6) No opinion/do not know	0.5	0.0	0.9

8) When making a decision regarding the location of your residency in the Palestinian state, how important for you to live with or near relatives from the same family?			
1) Very important	31.5	31.7	31.3
2) Important	34.3	33.2	35.1
3) Somehow important	9.9	11.3	9.0
4) Not important	19.1	18.8	19.3
5) Not important at all	4.7	4.9	4.6
6) No opinion/do not know	0.4	0.0	0.7

Table No. (3)
RESULTS OF SURVEYS AMONG PALESTINIAN REFUGEES
IN JORDAN

according to place of residence
 January – June 2003

Part (1)			
<i>Questions in part (1) have been asked to all Palestinian refugees and non refugees in the sample</i>			
	Total %	Refugees in Camps	Refugees in Cities & villages
1) There are many proposed solutions to the Palestinian question. One of the solutions proposes the creation of a Palestinian state, with Jerusalem as its capital, the withdrawal of Israel to the 1967 borders and the evacuation of settlements, but negotiations over the issue of the Palestinian refugees' right of return would be postponed for several years. Would you support or oppose this solution?			
1) Support	35.9	26.9	38.2
2) Oppose	47.2	55.1	45.2
3) No opinion/Do not know	16.9	18.0	16.6
2) After the creation of the Palestinian state, the withdrawal of Israel and the evacuation of settlements, what do you think the Palestinian state should do with the already-built houses inside the settlements?			
1) Destroy them	12.9	14.5	12.5
2) Sell them to the Palestinians who can afford to buy them	1.9	0.9	2.1
3) Give them to the refugees for free	29.3	35.1	27.9
4) Give them to the poor for free whether they are refugees or not	39.2	32.1	41.0
5) Give them only to the poor who are not refugees	3.3	3.7	3.2
6) No opinion/Do not know	13.5	13.7	13.4
3) There is a second proposed solution to the Palestinian question, which is similar to the above solution, i.e. the creation of a Palestinian state, with Jerusalem as its capital, the withdrawal of Israel to the 1967 borders and the evacuation of settlements, but negotiations over the issue of the Palestinian refugees' right of return would be postponed for several years. However, it proposes the moving of the population of the refugee camps to new housing developments without waiving their right of return. Do you support or oppose this proposal?			
1) I Support	45.4	44.2	45.7
2) I oppose	36.9	36.5	36.9
3) No opinion/Do not know	17.8	19.3	17.4
4) Suppose these housing projects and developments will be located in the evacuated settlements. Do you support or oppose this solution?			
1) I Support	66.6	67.0	66.5

2) I oppose	25.7	27.5	25.2
3) No opinion/Do not know	7.7	5.5	8.3

5) In the event an agreement is reached to end the occupation but the refugees issue had been postponed, would you then agree to stay where you are, or would you prefer to move temporarily to the Palestinian State?			
1) Prefer to stay where I live now	66.2	59.5	67.9
2) Prefer moving temporarily to the Palestinian State waiting for the refugees issue to be resolved	24.6	32.5	22.6
3) Other (Specify _____)	0.9	0.5	1.0
4) No Opinion/Don't know	8.4	7.6	8.6

6) Are there any circumstances under which you may accept to live in peace, security and reconciliation with Israeli Jews?			
1) Yes	9.7	7.9	10.2
2) No	85.5	85.6	85.5
3) No opinion/Do not know	4.7	6.5	4.3

7) After the settlement of the Palestinian question and the refugee problem, some people propose the immediate and simultaneous return of hundreds of thousands of refugees, even a million, from the Diaspora/outside the Palestinian state; whereas some believe that the absorption process should be gradual, and only tens of thousands of refugees should return to the Palestinian state gradually. What's your opinion?			
1) I prefer the simultaneous return of hundreds of thousands [of refugees]	35.0	38.3	34.1
2) I prefer the gradual return of tens of thousands [of refugees]	50.9	49.7	51.3
3) Other (specify _____)	1.6	0.2	2.0
4) No opinion/Do not know	12.4	11.8	12.6

8) After the creation of a Palestinian state and the settlement of the refugee problem, do you think that the West Bank and Gaza Strip can absorb the return of hundreds of thousands, or even millions, of refugees from the Diaspora/outside, in addition to the refugee population they have now?			
1) They can absorb the refugee population they have now in addition to a half million refugees from the Diaspora/outside.	12.6	8.7	13.6
2) They can absorb the refugee population they have now in addition to one million refugees from the Diaspora/outside.	12.1	14.1	11.5
3) They can absorb the refugee population they have now in addition to several millions of refugees from the Diaspora.	25.9	31.2	24.6
4) The West Bank and Gaza Strip cannot absorb any refugee from the Diaspora.	25.8	26.8	25.5

5) No opinion/Do not know	23.6	19.3	24.7
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9) If a Palestinian state is created, do you expect that the socio-economic conditions will allow the absorption of these large numbers of refugees?			
1) Yes	38.7	41.9	37.9
2) No	34.5	27.6	36.2
3) No opinion/Do not know	26.8	30.4	25.9

10) After the creation of a Palestinian state and the settlement of the refugee problem, do you see any need for the continuation of the work done by UNRWA?			
1) Yes	25.5	25.3	25.6
2) No	58.8	55.3	59.6
3) No opinion/Do not know	15.7	19.3	14.8

11) After the creation of a Palestinian state and the settlement of the refugee problem, some propose the building of new cities in the West Bank and Gaza to accommodate the refugees who wish to stay in the Palestinian state and the refugees returning from the Diaspora, while others propose the expansion of the existing cities to absorb the refugees. What's your opinion?			
1) I Support the building of new cities	19.1	18.5	19.3
2) I Support the expansion of existing cities	24.1	26.5	23.5
3) I Support both solutions	46.2	45.8	46.3
4) No opinion/Do not know	10.5	9.1	10.9

12) The text of the Road Map plan, presented to the Palestinians and the Israelis by the Quartet, provides that a permanent solution to the refugee problem in the final talks should be "realistic and just and agreed upon by both the Palestinians and the Israelis". Do you support or oppose this as a basis for solving the refugee problem?			
1) I support	45.5	48.9	44.6
2) I oppose	36.6	35.6	36.9
3) No opinion/Do not know	17.9	15.4	18.5

13) After the creation of a Palestinian state and the settlement of the refugee problem, do you want to play a role in building this state and shaping its political and socio-economic future?			
1) Yes	52.4	44.8	54.3
2) No	29.9	25.6	28.4
3) No opinion/Do not know	17.8	19.7	17.3

14) Who do you want to represent you and your interests in the negotiations on refugees?			
1) Palestine Liberation Organization	40.0	46.6	38.3
2) United Nations	9.5	5.6	10.4
3) Jordanian Government	28.0	20.4	29.9
3) Other (specify _____)	6.3	7.5	5.9
4) No opinion/ Do not know	16.3	19.9	15.4

15) If you have to choose one of the following descriptions of yourself, which one would you choose?			
1) I am a Palestinian	19.4	21.9	18.7
2) I am a Jordanian from Palestinian origin	31.8	28.8	32.5
3) I am a refugee	1.6	2.1	1.5
4) I am an Arab	5.3	3.1	5.8
5) I am a Muslim/ Christian	41.5	43.8	40.9
6) No opinion/ Don't know	0.5	0.3	0.6

16) If you have to choose only between the following descriptions of yourself, which one would you choose?			
1) I am a Palestinian	22.9	33.3	20.3
2) I am a Jordanian from Palestinian origin	31.3	25.6	32.8
3) I am a refugee	3.5	2.3	3.8
4) I am an Arab	40.2	37.2	41.0
5) No opinion/ Don't know	2.1	1.6	2.2

17) And what if the choice is between the following descriptions only, which one would you choose?			
1) I am a Palestinian	27.7	32.7	26.6
2) I am a Jordanian from Palestinian origin	52.6	44.2	54.5
3) I am a refugee	13.9	17.3	13.1
4) No opinion/ Don't know	5.8	5.8	5.9

Now we will read to you a proposed solution to the refugee problem published in some Palestinian newspapers in the light of the Palestinian-Israeli negotiations in Taba in early 2001. Then we will ask you some questions about the proposed solution.

The creation of a Palestinian state in the West Bank and Gaza Strip and Israel's recognition of U.N. Resolution 194 or the right of return; however, the Palestinian and Israeli parties would agree to the limited return of a small number of refugees to Israel according to a timetable that extends for several years. Each refugee family may choose one option that it sees fit among the following four options:

- a. Returning to Israel (areas of 1948) in accordance with an annual quota and obtaining the Israeli citizenship*
- b. Remaining in the Palestinian state created in the West Bank and Gaza and receiving equitable compensation for the property seized by Israel and for the losses and suffering*
- c. receiving equitable compensation for the property, losses and suffering and staying in the current host country and obtaining citizenship of that country or Palestinian citizenship (for refugees living in Lebanon and Jordan only).*
- d. Obtaining the Palestinian citizenship and returning to specific areas in Israel (areas of 1948), which will later on be annexed to the Palestinian state in the context of the exchange of territories with Israel while receiving any due compensation.*
- e. Receiving equitable compensation for the property, losses and suffering and immigrating to one of the European and American countries or Australia or Canada, and obtaining the citizenship of that country or the Palestinian citizenship.*

18) Do you think that Israel would accept or reject such a solution?			
1) Would accept	13.7	11.2	14.3
2) Would reject	68.8	72.2	67.9
3) No opinion/Do not know	17.6	16.6	17.8

19) Do you think that the leadership of the PLO would accept or reject such a solution?			
1) Would accept	54.9	47.9	56.6
2) Would reject	20.6	24.6	19.5
3) No opinion/Do not know	24.6	27.5	23.8

20) Do you think that most refugees would accept or reject such a solution?			
1) Would accept	42.2	37.3	43.4
2) Would reject	37.7	43.3	36.3
3) No opinion/ Do not know	20.1	19.3	20.3

21) What about you? Would you accept or reject this solution			
1) Accept	49.7	45.4	50.8
2) Reject	36.7	40.9	35.7
3) No opinion/ Do not know	13.5	13.7	13.5

22) In the event the Palestinians and the Israelis both agreed on that solution, what would be your reaction?			
1) I will accept the agreement	34.1	36.8	33.5
2) I will be obliged to accept it due to lack of better alternatives	33.4	34.2	33.1
3) I will reject it	11.6	15.2	10.7
4) I will reject it and resist it	7.8	6.7	8.1
5) No opinion/ Do not know	13.0	7.0	14.6

23) In the event the above solution is agreed upon and you have the opportunity to chose from among these options, which one would be your first choice, and which one would be your second choice, third choice, fourth, and fifth choice?[Interviewer: read all the options to the respondent and assign each option a number in the appropriate box according to the respondent's order of preference. If there is an option that the respondent never accepts, leave the box blank. If more than one option has the same order of preference, write the same number for the different options].			
Refugees first Choice:			
1) Returning to Israel (areas of 1948) and obtaining the Israeli citizenship	5.2	5.1	5.6
2) Returning to a Palestinian State and accepting equitable compensation for the property, losses and suffering	26.6	32.1	25.1
2) Remaining in Jordan and accepting equitable compensation for the property, losses and suffering.	32.9	25.3	34.7

3) Obtaining Palestinian citizenship and returning to specific areas in Israel (areas of 1948), which will later on be annexed to the Palestinian state in the context of the exchange of territories while receiving any due compensation.	10.4	8.9	10.8
5) Immigrating to a European or American country or another country and accepting equitable compensation for the property, losses and suffering	1.7	1.0	1.8
6) Refuse all political solutions	15.7	20.5	14.6
7) No Opinion /Don't know	7.5	7.1	7.6

Part (2)

Questions in part (2) have been asked to all refugees who have included the option of return to Israel among their preferred choices

	Total %	Refugees in Camps	Refugees in Cities & villages
1) If you decide to return to Israel (areas of 1948) and obtain [interviewer: or not obtain] the Israeli citizenship, do you accept to live in peace in the Jewish state and respect the applicable Israeli laws?			
1) Yes	37.0	37.5	36.9
2) No	58.0	62.5	56.9
3) No opinion/Do not know	4.9	0.0	6.2

2) If you decide to return to Israel (areas of 1948) and you are allowed to choose the citizenship you want to have, which citizenship would you prefer after your return?			
1) Palestinian citizenship from the Palestinian state	58.8	75.0	54.7
2) Israeli citizenship	2.5	6.3	1.6
3) Palestinian and Israeli citizenships	6.3	6.3	6.3
4) Jordanian Citizenship only	6.3	0.0	7.8
5) Both Jordanian and Palestinian Citizenships	25.0	12.5	28.1
6) Other (Specify _____)	1.3	0.0	1.6

3) What if the agreement stipulates that the refugees returning to Israel should only have the Israeli citizenship?			
1) I accept the Israeli citizenship only	34.2	50.0	30.5
2) I refuse to return to Israel; I stay where I am now as a refugee	53.4	21.4	61.0
3) I refuse to return to Israel and I accept equitable compensation while considering other options	8.2	14.3	6.8
4) No opinion/Do not know	4.1	14.3	1.7

4) When a permanent peace settlement is reached between Israel and the Arabs, a

form of national service may be imposed on the Arabs, including those who will return. What would you do in this case?

1) I accept national service in the case of a permanent peace settlement between Israel and the Arabs	33.8	35.7	33.3
2) I refuse to return to Israel; I stay where I am now as a refugee	25.7	7.1	30.0
3) I insist on return and refuse the national service	39.2	57.1	35.0
4) I refuse national service and I refuse to return to Israel and I accept equitable compensation while considering other options	1.4	0.0	1.7

5) What if you realize that the area of your original place of residence and your home were destroyed and your land was confiscated and Jewish homes were built on it?

1) I accept to live wherever Israel wants me to inside Israel (areas of 1948)	52.1	78.6	45.8
2) I refuse to return; I stay where I am now as a refugee	42.5	21.4	47.5
3) I refuse to return and I accept compensation while considering other options	5.5	0.0	6.8

6) What if, for any reason, you cannot return to the area of your original residence and you are offered compensation for the loss of your home and property and you are allowed to live elsewhere in Israel (areas of 1948)?

1) I accept the offer	52.5	64.3	49.1
2) I refuse to return; I remain a refugee	47.8	35.7	50.9
3) I refuse to return and I accept compensation while considering other options	0.0	0.0	0.0

7) What if this other place is located in the area to be annexed to the Palestinian state in the context of the exchange of territories between the two parties?

1) I accept the offer	59.4	64.3	58.2
2) I refuse to return; I remain a refugee	40.6	35.7	41.8
3) I refuse to return and I accept compensation while considering other options	0.0	0.0	0.0

8) If you decide to return to Israel (areas of 1948) and if your return is determined according to a quota that extends for ten years, when do you wish to return?

1) Immediately	65.2	78.6	61.8
2) At a later point	17.4	14.3	18.2
3) No opinion/Do not know	17.4	7.1	20.0

9) If you are unable to return to Israel (1948 areas) in accordance with the

quota during the period of your choice, would you in this case prefer to:			
1) wait where you are now for as long as needed even if for the last year allowed before returning to Israel	71.0	57.1	74.5
2) temporarily return to the Palestinian state to wait for your turn to return to Israel	24.6	35.7	21.8
3) Do not know/ others	4.3	7.1	3.6

10) If you decide to return to Israel (areas of 1948) but cannot because your return will exceed the quota; however, you will be allowed to recover your property in Israel and visit Israel any time you wish provided that you accept to live outside Israel, would you accept that?			
1) Yes	43.5	28.6	47.3
2) No	53.6	64.3	50.9
3) Do not know/ not stated	2.9	7.1	1.8

11) Suppose that some family members have agreed to accept compensation for the loss of joint property, so the property that the family lost in 1948 will become the property of the state of Israel. What would you do in this case?			
1) I will insist on returning even if I have no property to return to	56.5	42.9	60.0
2) I will stay where I am now as a refugee if I am not allowed to return	34.8	50.0	30.9
3) I will accept equitable compensation and will accept one of the other options	8.7	7.1	9.1

Part (3)

Questions in part (3) have been asked to all refugees who have included the acceptance of compensation in their preferred choices

	Total %	Refugees in Camps	Refugees in Cities & villages
1) If you accept an option that includes equitable compensation for your property and losses in Israel, would you prefer the compensation to be in the real value of the property and losses or as a flat-sum compensation to be paid to every family expelled in 1948? The expression "the family expelled in 1948" includes the larger family and its children or smaller families.			
1) I prefer compensation in the real value of my property	47.0	48.4	46.6
2) I prefer flat-sum compensation to every family expelled in 1948	42.4	43.6	42.1
3) No opinion/ Do not know	10.6	8.0	11.2

2) If every family expelled in 1948 receives equal compensation [the expression "the family expelled in 1948" includes the larger family and its children or smaller families], what is the amount that you think will be paid for compensation regardless whether you think that amount is just or not?			
1) Less than US\$ 100,000	47.0	50.0	46.0
2) US\$ 101,000 – 200,000	18.0	21.0	16.0

3) US\$ 201,000 – 500,000	8.0	4.0	10.0
4) More than US\$ 500,000	27.0	25.0	28.0

3) If every family expelled in 1948 receives equal compensation [the expression "the family expelled in 1948" includes the larger family and its children or smaller families], what do you think would be a just amount for compensation?			
1) Less than US\$ 100,000	39.0	41.0	38.0
2) US\$ 101,000 – 200,000	25.0	32.0	23.0
3) US\$ 201,000 – 500,000	11.0	14.0	11.0
4) More than US\$ 500,000	25.0	13.0	28.0

4) If you are offered compensation in kind (land or houses) instead of cash, would you accept it?			
1) Yes	57.9	63.8	56.5
2) No	28.6	22.9	29.8
3) No opinion/Do not know	13.5	13.3	13.5

5) If the land or the house with which you will be compensated is located inside an evacuated settlement, would you accept it?			
1) Yes	33.7	35.1	33.4
2) No	56.6	54.3	57.1
3) No opinion/Do not know	9.7	10.6	9.5

6) Who do you think should distribute these compensations to refugees?			
1) PLO	22.1	30.3	20.3
2) United Nations or another international organization	16.7	15.4	17.0
3) Representatives of refugee camps	6.5	5.9	6.6
4) Jordanian Governments	23.7	23.4	23.7
4) A joint body made up of all the above parties	27.6	22.9	28.6
5) Other (specify _____)	3.5	2.1	3.8

Part (4)

Questions in part (4) have been asked to all refugees who have included immigration to other countries among their preferred choices

	Total %	Refugees in Camps	Refugees in Cities & villages
1) If you accept to immigrate to another country, which of the following countries would you prefer? (Rank these countries according to your order of preference, number 1 being your first choice and 4 your last choice) [You can assign the same number to different choices]:			
Countries of first choice:			
1) Any European country	31.3	44.4	28.2
2) Australia	31.7	28.6	32.4
3) United States	59.6	42.9	62.5
4) Canada	29.8	42.9	27.5

2) If you are able to immigrate to the country of your first choice, which citizenship would you prefer to have?			
1) The citizenship of the host country	10.7	22.2	8.5
2) Palestinian citizenship	12.5	11.1	12.8
3) Both citizenships	30.4	33.3	29.8
4) Jordanian citizenship only	3.6	0.0	4.3
5) Both Jordanian citizenship and The citizenship of the host country	41.1	33.3	42.6
4) Other (specify _____)	1.8	0.0	2.1

Part (5)

Questions in part (5) have been asked to all refugees who have included among their preferred choices staying in or returning to the Palestinian state or those areas in Israel (areas of 1948) that will later become part of the Palestinian state as part of a territorial exchange

	Total %	Refugees in Camps	Refugees in Cities & villages
1) If you accept to return to the Palestinian state, which areas in the state would you like to live in?			
1) Gaza Strip	6.0	7.6	5.6
2) West Bank	87.3	86.8	87.4
3) No opinion/Do not know	6.7	5.6	7.0

2) If you have chosen the West Bank, which area would you prefer to reside in?			
1. Jenin	8.0	7.7	8.1
2. Tubas	0.4	0.7	0.4
3. Tulkarm	4.3	7.7	3.4
4. Qalqilya	1.2	0.7	1.3
5. Nablus	11.9	9.8	12.5
6. Ramallah	15.3	11.2	16.4
7. Jerusalem	26.0	19.6	27.8
8. Jericho	2.8	3.5	2.6
9. Bethlehem	2.2	2.8	2.1
10. Hebron	14.4	22.4	12.3
11. No Opinion/ Don't know	7.9	4.9	8.7

3) If you had a choice between living in an existing town or village in the West Bank or Gaza Strip and living in a town or village to be built specifically for refugees, what would you choose?			
1) Living in an existing town or village	50.8	46.5	52.0
2) Living in a town or village to be built specifically for the returning refugees	14.0	16.7	13.2
3) It makes no difference	30.8	29.2	31.3
4) No opinion/do not know	4.4	7.6	3.5

4) Do you expect that the Palestinian state will give you free housing if you

wish to stay in the Palestinian state?			
1) Yes	31.7	38.2	30.0
2) No	46.0	40.3	47.5
3) No opinion/do not know	22.3	21.5	22.5

5) If you are allowed to live in a house that has been evacuated by settlers, would you accept that?			
1) Yes	41.6	44.4	40.9
2) No	51.9	47.2	53.2
3) No opinion/do not know	6.5	8.3	6.0

6) If you are allowed to own a piece of land and take up farming in the event you stay in the Palestinian state, would you accept that?			
1) Yes	74.4	80.6	72.8
2) No	20.0	16.7	21.0
3) No opinion/do not know	5.4	2.8	6.1

7) When making a decision regarding the location of your residency in the Palestinian state, how important for you to live near the same neighbors you have now in the refugee camp or neighborhood where you currently live?			
1) Very important	13.1	13.9	12.8
2) Important	22.0	27.1	20.7
3) Somehow important	11.9	9.7	12.5
4) Not important	37.9	34.0	38.9
5) Not important at all	12.6	12.5	12.7
6) No opinion/do not know	2.5	2.8	2.4

8) When making a decision regarding the location of your residency in the Palestinian state, how important for you to live with or near relatives from the same family?			
1) Very important	38.6	40.3	38.2
2) Important	33.2	38.2	31.8
3) Somehow important	6.3	3.5	7.1
4) Not important	16.6	11.8	17.9
5) Not important at all	4.6	5.6	4.3
6) No opinion/do not know	0.7	0.7	0.7

9) Do you expect that the Palestinian state will provide a job for you upon returning to the Palestinian state?			
1) Yes	43.2	47.2	42.1
2) No	30.8	27.8	31.7
3) No opinion/do not know	26.0	25.0	26.3

10) What kind of work career you wish to have upon returning to the Palestinian state?			
1) Agriculture	16.1	17.4	15.7

2) Industry	5.7	4.2	6.2
3) Construction	1.5	2.1	1.3
4) Profession (Medicine, engineering, ... etc)	15.8	12.5	16.6
5) Crafts (Carpenter, mechanic....etc)	7.7	7.6	7.7
6) Private business (Services, trade... etc)	16.2	11.8	17.4
7) Do not work/ Incapable	21.4	26.4	20.0
8) No Opinion/ Don't know	14.4	16.0	14.0
9) Others (specify _____)	1.3	2.1	1.1

11) Would you seek to work inside Israel upon returning to the Palestinian State?			
1) Yes	15.8	14.0	16.3
2) No	75.7	72.9	76.4
3) No opinion/ Don't know	8.5	13.1	7.3

Part (6)

Questions in part (6) have been asked to all refugees who have included among their preferred choices staying in host countries, Lebanon and Jordan.

	Total %	Refugees in Camps	Refugees in Cities & villages
1) If you decide to stay in the current host country, and the host country allowed you to do so, which citizenship would you prefer to have?			
1) Citizenship of the country where you currently reside	45.5	44.0	45.8
2) Palestinian citizenship	4.2	6.0	3.9
3) Both citizenships	49.6	50.0	49.5
4) other	0.7	0.0	0.8

2) What If the host country required you to carry only its citizenship?			
1) I would accept citizenship of that country only	82.0	76.1	83.0
2) I Refuse	7.8	13.0	6.9
3) No Opinion /Don't know	10.2	10.9	10.1

3) Do you now carry the citizenship of your host country (Jordan)?			
1) Yes	98.8	100.0	98.6
2) No	1.0	0.0	1.2
3) Not sure	0.2	0.0	0.2

4) If the host country allowed you to stay permanently in it but without granting you its citizenship, would you in this case wish to have Palestinian citizenship and to carry a Palestinian passport?			
1) Yes	55.6	0.0	55.6
2) No	22.2	0.0	22.2
3) Not sure	22.2	0.0	22.2

5) If you are granted a Palestinian citizenship and a passport, do you think that in such a case, and after a period of time, you might relocate your place of permanent residence to the Palestinian state?

1) Yes	31.5	32.1	31.3
2) No	57.4	60.5	56.9
3) Not sure	11.1	7.4	11.7

Table No. (4)
RESULTS OF SURVEYS AMONG PALESTINIAN
REFUGEES IN LEBANON,

according to place of residence
 January – June 2003

Part (1)			
<i>Questions in part (1) have been asked to all Palestinian refugees and non refugees in the sample</i>			
	Total %	Refugees in Camps	Refugees in Cities & villages
1) There are many proposed solutions to the Palestinian question. One of the solutions proposes the creation of a Palestinian state, with Jerusalem as its capital, the withdrawal of Israel to the 1967 borders and the evacuation of settlements, but negotiations over the issue of the Palestinian refugees' right of return would be postponed for several years. Would you support or oppose this solution?			
1) Support	27.9	25.6	30.1
2) Oppose	66.1	69.2	63.1
3) No opinion/Do not know	6.0	5.2	6.8
2) After the creation of the Palestinian state, the withdrawal of Israel and the evacuation of settlements, what do you think the Palestinian state should do with the already-built houses inside the settlements?			
1) Destroy them	15.5	19.7	11.3
2) Sell them to the Palestinians who can afford to buy them	0.4	0.4	0.4
3) Give them to the refugees for free	40.6	39.0	42.3
4) Give them to the poor for free whether they are refugees or not	29.5	30.0	29.1
5) Give them only to the poor who are not refugees	3.6	3.5	3.7
6) No opinion/Do not know	10.3	7.3	13.2
3) There is a second proposed solution to the Palestinian question, which is similar to the above solution, i.e. the creation of a Palestinian state, with Jerusalem as its capital, the withdrawal of Israel to the 1967 borders and the evacuation of settlements, but negotiations over the issue of the Palestinian refugees' right of return would be postponed for several years. However, it proposes the moving of the population of the refugee camps to new housing developments without waiving their right of return. Do you Support or oppose this proposal?			
1) I Support	35.1	36.3	33.9
2) I oppose	59.3	60.3	58.4
3) No opinion/Do not know	5.6	3.4	7.7
4) Suppose these housing projects and developments will be located in the evacuated settlements. Do you support or oppose this solution?			
1) I Support	62.5	66.1	58.7

2) I oppose	31.8	30.3	33.5
3) No opinion/Do not know	5.7	3.7	7.9

5) In the event an agreement is reached to end the occupation but the refugees issue had been postponed, would you then agree to stay where you are, or would you prefer to move temporarily to the Palestinian State?

1) Prefer to stay where I live now	59.7	50.9	68.5
2) Prefer moving temporarily to the Palestinian State waiting for the refugees issue to be resolved	31.2	39.2	23.1
3) Other (Specify _____)	3.3	5.8	0.8
4) No Opinion/Don't know	5.8	4.0	7.5

6) Are there any circumstances under which you may accept to live in peace, security and reconciliation with Israeli Jews?

1) Yes	18.7	20.5	16.9
2) No	77.8	75.6	80.0
3) No opinion/Do not know	3.5	3.9	3.1

7) After the settlement of the Palestinian question and the refugee problem, some people propose the immediate and simultaneous return of hundreds of thousands of refugees, even a million, from the Diaspora/outside the Palestinian state; whereas some believe that the absorption process should be gradual, and only tens of thousands of refugees should return to the Palestinian state gradually. What's your opinion?

1) I prefer the simultaneous return of hundreds of thousands [of refugees]	57.6	68.2	47.0
2) I prefer the gradual return of tens of thousands [of refugees]	25.6	23.1	28.1
3) Other (specify _____)	1.1	0.7	1.5
4) No opinion/Do not know	15.6	8.0	23.4

8) After the creation of a Palestinian state and the settlement of the refugee problem, do you think that the West Bank and Gaza Strip can absorb the return of hundreds of thousands, or even millions, of refugees from the Diaspora/outside, in addition to the refugee population they have now?

1) They can absorb the refugee population they have now in addition to a half million refugees from the Diaspora/outside.	7.1	4.4	9.7
2) They can absorb the refugee population they have now in addition to one million refugees from the Diaspora/outside.	4.9	6.4	3.5
3) They can absorb the refugee population they have now in addition to several millions of refugees from the Diaspora.	6.5	9.6	3.3
4) The West Bank and Gaza Strip cannot absorb any refugee from the Diaspora.	56.7	58.3	55.1
5) No opinion/Do not know	24.8	21.2	28.4

9) If a Palestinian state is created, do you expect that the socio-economic conditions will allow the absorption of these large numbers of refugees?			
1) Yes	31.9	36.5	27.8
2) No	33.8	29.4	37.9
3) No opinion/Do not know	34.3	34.2	34.3

10) After the creation of a Palestinian state and the settlement of the refugee problem, do you see any need for the continuation of the work done by UNRWA?			
1) Yes	35.7	37.7	33.6
2) No	54.4	54.9	53.9
3) No opinion/Do not know	9.9	7.3	12.5

11) After the creation of a Palestinian state and the settlement of the refugee problem, some propose the building of new cities in the West Bank and Gaza to accommodate the refugees who wish to stay in the Palestinian state and the refugees returning from the Diaspora, while others propose the expansion of the existing cities to absorb the refugees. What's your opinion?			
1) I Support the building of new cities	14.3	19.7	8.9
2) I Support the expansion of existing cities	17.9	15.3	20.5
3) I Support both solutions	45.7	42.8	48.5
4) No opinion/Do not know	22.1	22.1	22.0

12) The text of the Road Map plan, presented to the Palestinians and the Israelis by the Quartet, provides that a permanent solution to the refugee problem in the final talks should be "realistic and just and agreed upon by both the Palestinians and the Israelis". Do you support or oppose this as a basis for solving the refugee problem?			
1) I support	44.5	45.9	43.1
2) I oppose	47.3	47.9	46.8
3) No opinion/Do not know	8.2	6.2	10.1

13) After the creation of a Palestinian state and the settlement of the refugee problem, do you want to play a role in building this state and shaping its political and socio-economic future?			
1) Yes	61.2	66.5	55.9
2) No	28.3	23.6	33.1
3) No opinion/Do not know	10.5	9.9	11.1

14) Who do you want to represent you and your interests in the negotiations on refugees?			
1) Palestine Liberation Organization	86.3	84.3	88.3
2) United Nations	4.8	4.5	5.1
3) Lebanese Government	1.1	1.3	0.8
3) Other (specify _____)	3.8	5.1	2.5
4) No opinion/ Do not know	4.1	4.8	3.3

15) If you have to choose one of the following descriptions of yourself, which one would you choose?			
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1) I am a Palestinian	69.1	69.9	68.3
2) I am a Lebanese from Palestinian origin	1.6	1.1	2.1
3) I am a refugee	1.7	1.7	1.6
4) I am an Arab	2.9	2.4	3.3
5) I am a Muslim/ Christian	24.5	24.4	24.5
6) No opinion/ Don't know	0.3	0.5	0.1

16) If you have to choose only between the following descriptions of yourself, which one would you choose?			
1) I am a Palestinian	76.1	77.0	75.1
2) I am a Lebanese from Palestinian origin	0.5	0.5	0.5
3) I am a refugee	1.4	2.2	0.5
4) I am an Arab	19.6	16.9	22.2
5) No opinion/ Don't know	2.4	3.3	1.6

17) And what if the choice is between the following descriptions only, which one would you choose?			
1) I am a Palestinian	93.2	93.5	92.9
2) I am a Lebanese from Palestinian origin	5.5	6.5	4.8
3) I am a refugee	0.0	0.0	0.0
4) No opinion/ Don't know	1.4	0.0	2.4

<p>Now we will read to you a proposed solution to the refugee problem published in some Palestinian newspapers in the light of the Palestinian-Israeli negotiations in Taba in early 2001. Then we will ask you some questions about the proposed solution.</p> <p><i>The creation of a Palestinian state in the West Bank and Gaza Strip and Israel's recognition of U.N. Resolution 194 or the right of return; however, the Palestinian and Israeli parties would agree to the limited return of a small number of refugees to Israel according to a timetable that extends for several years. Each refugee family may choose one option that it sees fit among the following four options:</i></p> <p><i>a. Returning to Israel (areas of 1948) in accordance with an annual quota and obtaining the Israeli citizenship</i></p> <p><i>b. Remaining in the Palestinian state created in the West Bank and Gaza and receiving equitable compensation for the property seized by Israel and for the losses and suffering</i></p> <p><i>c. receiving equitable compensation for the property, losses and suffering and staying in the current host country and obtaining citizenship of that country or Palestinian citizenship (for refugees living in Lebanon and Jordan only).</i></p> <p><i>d. Obtaining the Palestinian citizenship and returning to specific areas in Israel (areas of 1948), which will later on be annexed to the Palestinian state in the context of the exchange of territories with Israel while receiving any due compensation.</i></p> <p><i>e. Receiving equitable compensation for the property, losses and suffering and immigrating to one of the European and American countries or Australia or Canada, and obtaining the citizenship of that country or the Palestinian citizenship.</i></p>			
18) Do you think that Israel would accept or reject such a solution?			
1) Would accept	17.5	14.7	20.4
2) Would reject	71.1	73.9	68.3

3) No opinion/Do not know	11.4	11.5	11.3
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19) Do you think that the leadership of the PLO would accept or reject such a solution?			
1) Would accept	67.1	65.6	68.7
2) Would reject	19.4	22.7	16.1
3) No opinion/Do not know	13.5	11.7	15.2

20) Do you think that most refugees would accept or reject such a solution?			
1) Would accept	39.4	37.2	41.6
2) Would reject	47.7	48.8	46.7
3) No opinion/ Do not know	12.9	14.0	11.7

21) What about you? Would you accept or reject this solution			
1) Accept	46.5	44.8	48.1
2) Reject	47.4	48.5	46.3
3) No opinion/ Do not know	6.1	6.7	5.6

22) In the event the Palestinians and the Israelis both agreed on that solution, what would be your reaction?			
1) I will accept the agreement	21.8	18.7	24.9
2) I will be obliged to accept it due to lack of better alternatives	47.0	52.4	41.6
3) I will reject it	18.5	15.6	21.3
4) I will reject it and resist it	9.1	9.9	8.3
5) No opinion/ Do not know	3.7	3.5	3.9

23) In the event the above solution is agreed upon and you have the opportunity to chose from among these options, which one would be your first choice, and which one would be your second choice, third choice, fourth, and fifth choice? [Interviewer: read all the options to the respondent and assign each option a number in the appropriate box according to the respondent's order of preference. If there is an option that the respondent never accepts, leave the box blank. If more than one option has the same order of preference, write the same number for the different options].

Refugees first Choice:			
1) Returning to Israel (areas of 1948)	23.2	21.8	24.6
2) Returning to a Palestinian State and accepting equitable compensation for the property, losses and suffering	18.6	19.2	17.9
2) Remaining in Lebanon and accepting equitable compensation for the property, losses and suffering.	11.1	8.1	13.9
3) Obtaining Palestinian citizenship and returning to specific areas in Israel (areas of 1948), which will later on be annexed to the Palestinian state in the context of the exchange of territories while receiving any due compensation.	20.5	25.5	15.6
5) Immigrating	9.3	7.0	11.7

6) Refuse all political solutions	17.4	18.5	16.3
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Part (2)

Questions in part (2) have been asked to all refugees who have included the option of return to Israel among their preferred choices

	Total %	Refugees in Camps	Refugees in Cities & villages
1) If you decide to return to Israel (areas of 1948) and obtain [interviewer: or not obtain] the Israeli citizenship, do you accept to live in peace in the Jewish state and respect the applicable Israeli laws?			
1) Yes	50.7	43.3	56.9
2) No	40.7	48.8	33.8
3) No opinion/Do not know	8.6	7.9	9.2

2) If you decide to return to Israel (areas of 1948) and you are allowed to choose the citizenship you want to have, which citizenship would you prefer after your return?			
1) Palestinian citizenship from the Palestinian state	76.7	78.2	75.4
2) Israeli citizenship	1.4	0.6	2.1
3) Palestinian and Israeli citizenships	18.1	15.8	20.0
4) Lebanese Citizenship only	0.0	0.0	0.0
5) Both Lebanese and Palestinian Citizenships	3.6	4.8	2.6
6) Other (Specify _____)	0.3	0.6	0.0

3) What if the agreement stipulates that the refugees returning to Israel should only have the Israeli citizenship?			
1) I accept the Israeli citizenship only	25.6	27.7	23.7
2) I refuse to return to Israel; I stay where I am now as a refugee	50.2	49.6	50.7
3) I refuse to return to Israel and I accept equitable compensation while considering other options	14.2	13.1	15.1
4) No opinion/Do not know	10.0	9.5	10.5

4) When a permanent peace settlement is reached between Israel and the Arabs, a form of national service may be imposed on the Arabs, including those who will return. What would you do in this case?			
1) I accept national service in the case of a permanent peace settlement between Israel and the Arabs	16.3	17.7	15.1
2) I refuse to return to Israel; I stay where I am now as a refugee	13.5	14.3	12.8
3) I insist on return and refuse the national service	67.1	67.3	66.9
4) I refuse national service and I refuse to return to Israel and I accept equitable compensation while considering other options	1.6	0.7	2.3
5) No opinion/ Don't know	1.6	0.0	2.9

5) What if you realize that the area of your original place of residence and your home were destroyed and your land was confiscated and Jewish homes were built on it?			
1) I accept to live wherever Israel wants me to inside Israel(areas of 1948)	54.7	60.3	49.7
2) I refuse to return; I stay where I am now as a refugee	39.2	35.6	42.3
3) I refuse to return and I accept compensation while considering other options	6.1	4.1	8.0

6) What if, for any reason, you cannot return to the area of your original residence and you are offered compensation for the loss of your home and property and you are allowed to live elsewhere in Israel (areas of 1948)?			
1) I accept the offer	57.6	62.9	52.7
2) I refuse to return; I remain a refugee	39.7	33.6	45.3
3) I refuse to return and I accept compensation while considering other options	2.8	3.6	2.0

7) What if this other place is located in the area to be annexed to the Palestinian state in the context of the exchange of territories between the two parties?			
1) I accept the offer	54.3	62.2	46.9
2) I refuse to return; I remain a refugee	39.4	34.1	44.2
3) I refuse to return and I accept compensation while considering other options	6.4	3.7	8.8

8) If you decide to return to Israel (areas of 1948) and if your return is determined according to a quota that extends for ten years, when do you wish to return?			
1) Immediately	79.5	80.0	79.1
2) At a later point	15.5	15.4	15.7
3) No opinion/Do not know	4.9	4.6	5.2

9) If you are unable to return to Israel (1948 areas) in accordance with the quota during the period of your choice, would you in this case prefer to:			
1) wait where you are now for as long as needed even if for the last year allowed before returning to Israel	69.8	62.0	77.4
2) temporarily return to the Palestinian state to wait for your turn to return to Israel	29.0	37.2	21.1
3) Do not know/ others	1.2	0.8	1.5

10) If you decide to return to Israel (areas of 1948) but cannot because your return will exceed the quota; however, you will be allowed to recover your property in Israel and visit Israel any time you wish provided that you accept to live outside Israel, would you accept that?			
1) Yes	23.4	22.0	24.6
2) No	69.3	72.4	66.4
3) Do not know/ not stated	7.3	5.5	9.0

11) Suppose that some family members have agreed to accept compensation for the loss of joint property, so the property that the family lost in 1948 will become the property of the state of Israel. What would you do in this case?			
1) I will insist on returning even if I have no property to return to	86.1	88.6	83.6
2) I will stay where I am now as a refugee if I am not allowed to return	9.8	7.3	12.3
3) I will accept equitable compensation and will accept one of the other options	4.1	4.1	4.1

Part (3)

Questions in part (3) have been asked to all refugees who have included the acceptance of compensation in their preferred choices

	Total %	Refugees in Camps	Refugees in Cities & villages
1) If you accept an option that includes equitable compensation for your property and losses in Israel, would you prefer the compensation to be in the real value of the property and losses or as a flat-sum compensation to be paid to every family expelled in 1948? The expression "the family expelled in 1948" includes the larger family and its children or smaller families.			
1) I prefer compensation in the real value of my property	19.4	26.6	12.4
2) I prefer flat-sum compensation to every family expelled in 1948	64.3	65.2	63.5
3) No opinion/ Do not know	16.3	8.2	24.1

2) If every family expelled in 1948 receives equal compensation [the expression "the family expelled in 1948" includes the larger family and its children or smaller families], what is the amount that you think will be paid for compensation regardless whether you think that amount is just or not?			
1) Less than US\$ 100,000	60.0	57.1	63.0
2) US\$ 101,000 – 200,000	15.7	17.1	14.8
3) US\$ 201,000 – 500,000	16.3	15.7	16.7
4) More than US\$ 500,000	7.3	10.0	5.6

3) If every family expelled in 1948 receives equal compensation [the expression "the family expelled in 1948" includes the larger family and its children or smaller families], what do you think would be a just amount for compensation?			
1) Less than US\$ 100,000	35.8	39.7	33.8
2) US\$ 101,000 – 200,000	31.2	21.9	35.9
3) US\$ 201,000 – 500,000	21.9	19.2	23.2
4) More than US\$ 500,000	11.2	19.2	7.0

4) If you are offered compensation in kind (land or houses) instead of cash, would you accept it?			
1) Yes	53.2	61.9	44.8
2) No	37.3	31.3	43.2
3) No opinion/Do not know	9.5	6.8	12.0

5) If the land or the house with which you will be compensated is located inside an evacuated settlement, would you accept it?			
1) Yes	36.4	43.3	29.7
2) No	55.8	50.1	61.4
3) No opinion/Do not know	7.7	6.6	8.8

6) Who do you think should distribute these compensations to refugees?			
1) PLO	45.4	55.5	35.5
2) United Nations or another international organization	27.1	17.5	36.3
3) Representatives of refugee camps	2.3	4.3	0.4
4) Lebanese Governments	0.3	0.6	0.0
4) A joint body made up of all the above parties	23.2	19.8	26.5
5) Other (specify _____)	1.7	2.2	1.2

Part (4)

Questions in part (4) have been asked to all refugees who have included immigration to other countries among their preferred choices

	Total %	Refugees in Camps	Refugees in Cities & villages
1) If you accept to immigrate to another country, which of the following countries would you prefer? (Rank these countries according to your order of preference, number 1 being your first choice and 4 your last choice) [You can assign the same number to different choices]:			
Countries of first choice:			
1) Any European Country	60.2	72.3	55.6
2) Australia	10.5	23.3	6.8
3) United States	28.9	21.6	30.8
4) Canada	27.5	36.4	24.4

2) If you are able to immigrate to the country of your first choice, which citizenship would you prefer to have?			
1) The citizenship of the host country	11.8	8.6	12.2
2) Palestinian citizenship	3.1	3.7	2.8
3) The Palestinian citizenship and the citizenship of the host country	82.8	84.0	82.3
4) Lebanese citizenship only	0.0	0.0	0.0
3) Both Lebanese citizenship and the citizenship of the host country	3.1	3.7	2.8
4) Other (specify _____)			

Part (5)

Questions in part (5) have been asked to all refugees who have included among their preferred choices staying in or returning to the Palestinian state or those areas in Israel (areas of 1948) that will later become part of the Palestinian state as part of a territorial exchange

	Total %	Refugees in	Refugees in
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		Camps	Cities & villages
1) If you accept to return to the Palestinian state, which areas in the state would you like to live in?			
1) Gaza Strip	13.2	14.1	11.9
2) West Bank	54.2	51.0	85.6
3) No opinion/Do not know	32.5	34.9	29.5

2) If you have chosen the West Bank, which area would you prefer to reside in?			
1. Jenin	8.6	9.0	8.1
2. Tubas	0.3	0.3	0.4
3. Tulkarm	2.4	2.8	1.8
4. Qalqilya	0.1	0.3	0.0
7. Salfit	0.6	0.3	1.1
6. Nablus	4.5	2.1	7.7
7. Ramallah	14.2	12.6	16.5
8. Jerusalem	21.8	25.7	16.5
9. Jericho	1.8	2.3	1.1
10. Bethlehem	1.0	1.0	1.1
11. Hebron	1.0	0.8	1.4
12. No Opinion/ Don't know	41.3	42.2	41.4

3) If you had a choice between living in an existing town or village in the West Bank or Gaza Strip and living in a town or village to be built specifically for refugees, what would you choose?			
1) Living in an existing town or village	26.6	26.7	26.3
2) Living in a town or village to be built specifically for the returning refugees	22.1	25.4	17.5
3) It makes no difference	38.0	35.2	41.8
4) No opinion/do not know	13.4	12.6	14.4

4) Do you expect that the Palestinian state will give you free housing if you wish to stay in the Palestinian state?			
1) Yes	71.6	69.5	74.4
2) No	17.0	17.7	16.1
3) No opinion/do not know	11.4	12.8	9.5

5) If you are allowed to live in a house that has been evacuated by settlers, would you accept that?			
1) Yes	51.9	50.0	54.4
2) No	44.0	44.6	43.2
3) No opinion/do not know	4.1	5.4	2.5

6) If you are allowed to own a piece of land and take up farming in the event you stay in the Palestinian state, would you accept that?			
1) Yes	71.6	73.3	69.1
2) No	21.2	17.9	25.6

3) No opinion/do not know	7.2	8.8	5.3
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7) When making a decision regarding the location of your residency in the Palestinian state, how important for you to live near the same neighbors you have now in the refugee camp or neighborhood where you currently live?			
1) Very important	24.3	21.5	28.1
2) Important	30.8	38.7	20.0
3) Somehow important	5.6	5.9	5.3
4) Not important	18.7	21.0	15.4
5) Not important at all	19.3	11.8	29.5
6) No opinion/do not know	1.3	1.0	1.8

8) When making a decision regarding the location of your residency in the Palestinian state, how important for you to live with or near relatives from the same family?			
1) Very important	62.7	61.5	64.2
2) Important	23.3	23.1	23.5
3) Somehow important	3.3	2.6	4.2
4) Not important	5.6	6.7	4.2
5) Not important at all	4.4	5.1	3.5
6) No opinion/do not know	0.7	1.0	0.4

9) Do you expect that the Palestinian state will provide a job for you upon returning to the Palestinian state?			
1) Yes	62.8	59.0	68.1
2) No	20.1	19.5	21.1
3) No opinion/do not know	17.0	21.5	10.9

10) What kind of work career you wish to have upon returning to the Palestinian state?			
1) Agriculture	15.4	17.7	12.3
2) Industry	2.4	3.1	1.4
3) Construction	2.2	2.6	1.8
4) Profession (Medicine, engineering, ... etc)	21.3	16.2	28.4
5) Crafts (Carpenter, mechanic....etc)	4.4	3.1	6.3
6) Private business (Services, trade...etc)	17.2	17.7	16.5
7) Do not work/ Incapable	15.6	16.7	14.0
8) No Opinion/ Don't know	15.3	15.5	14.7
9) Others (specify _____)	6.2	7.4	4.6

11) Would you seek to work inside Israel upon returning to the Palestinian State?			
1) Yes	7.7	8.2	7.0
2) No	82.7	81.3	84.6
3) No opinion/ Don't know	9.6	10.5	8.4

Part (6)

Questions in part (6) have been asked to all refugees who have included among their preferred choices staying in host countries, Lebanon and Jordan.

	Total %	Refugees in Camps	Refugees in Cities & villages
1) If you decide to stay in the current host country, and the host country allowed you to do so, which citizenship would you prefer to have?			
1) Citizenship of the country where you currently reside (Lebanon)	10.5	2.2	14.8
2) Palestinian citizenship	15.6	22.6	12.0
3) Both citizenships	72.5	73.1	72.1
4) other	1.5	2.2	1.1

2) What If the host country required you to carry only its citizenship?			
1) I would accept citizenship of that country only	57.1	61.3	54.9
2) I Refuse	10.9	17.2	7.7
3) No Opinion /Don't know	32.0	21.5	37.4

3) Do you now carry the citizenship of your host country (Lebanon)?			
1) Yes	6.2	8.6	4.9
2) No	88.0	84.9	89.6
3) Not sure	5.8	6.5	5.4

4) If the host country allowed you to stay permanently in it but without granting you its citizenship, would you in this case wish to have Palestinian citizenship and to carry a Palestinian passport?			
1) Yes	67.4	77.6	62.5
2) No	23.0	9.4	29.5
3) Not sure	9.6	12.9	8.0

5) If you are granted a Palestinian citizenship and a passport, do you think that in such a case, and after a period of time, you might relocate your place of permanent residence to the Palestinian state?			
1) Yes	27.2	40.9	20.2
2) No	50.7	35.5	58.5
3) Not sure	22.1	23.6	21.4