

Table—Personal Religiosity and Support for Democracy

Agree that despite drawbacks, democracy is the best system of government		Reads Quran everyday	Reads Quran several times a week	Reads Quran sometimes	Reads Quran rarely	Reads Quran never
	All Countries	86%	86%	86%	85%	90%
	Jordan	87%	85%	85%	84%	83%
	Palestine	85%	83%	80%	78%	93%
	Algeria	80%	82%	85%	80%	90%
	Morocco	90%	94%	95%	93%	90%
Kuwait	87%	89%	90%	86%	86%	

**Table—Binary Logistic Regression Models Estimating Support for
Secularism among Respondents Who Support Democracy**

	All Countries	Jordan	Palestine	Algeria	Morocco	Kuwait
Reads Quran more often	.030 (.029)	-.107 (.072)	.034 (.061)	-.074 (.076)	-.021 (.057)	-.027 (.107)
Higher trust in prime minister	.190 (.032)***	.212 (.084)***	.334 (.064)***	.152 (.085)	-.092 (.069)	.318 (.102)***
Citizens have power to influence government	-.106 (.038)***	-.471 (.093)***	-.350 (.088)***	-.146 (.084)	-.017 (.081)	.635 (.144)***
Democracies not good at maintaining order	-.135 (.042)***	-.340 (.100)***	-.264 (.090)***	-.248 (.099)***	.244 (.104)***	-.330 (.129)***
Higher Education	.051 (.033)	.070 (.091)	.015 (.077)	-.037 (.100)	.026 (.081)	.065 (.099)
Older age	.058 (.029)*	.142 (.068)*	-.011 (.059)	.062 (.081)	.107 (.067)	-.031 (.072)
Less favorable family economic situation	-.074 (.046)	-.112 (.068)	.036 (.087)	.014 (.131)	-.217 (.114)*	.707 (.195)***
Constant	-.328 (.240)	-2.267 (.568)***	-.853 (.525)	-1.100 (.672)	.094 (.594)	.334 (.754)

Note: Dependent Variable is coded 0=Favors Islamic Democracy, 1=Favors Secular Democracy; Table presents logit coefficients (B) with standard errors in parentheses.

*p<.05, **p<.02, ***p>.01

Table—Binary Logistic Regression Models Estimating Opposition to a Strong Undemocratic Leader among Respondents Who Support Democracy

	All Countries	Jordan	Palestine	Algeria	Morocco	Kuwait
Reads Quran more often	-.017 (.040)	-.045 (.085)	-.046 (.087)	-.019 (.137)	.004 (.079)	.028 (.180)
Higher trust in prime minister	-.089 (.046)*	-.078 (.103)	-.110 (.090)	-.111 (.157)	-.002 (.095)	-.077 (.170)
Citizens have power to influence government	-.227 (.056)***	-.470 (.112)***	.091 (.121)	.055 (.157)	-.615 (.113)***	-.314 (.216)
Democracies not good at maintaining order	-.406 (.058)***	-.975 (.123)***	-.368 (.124)***	-.591 (.178)***	.311 (.146)*	-.193 (.211)
Higher Education	.240 (.048)***	.178 (.110)	.093 (.108)	.343 (.177)	.252 (.127)*	.201 (.171)
Older age	.037 (.040)	.091 (.084)	-.103 (.080)	.056 (.147)	.340 (.103)***	-.073 (.119)
Less favorable family economic situation	-.124 (.064)*	-.228 (.136)	-.052 (.121)	-.393 (.238)	.215 (.162)	-.904 (.328)***
Constant	-.483 (.333)	-2.927 (.661)***	.954 (.732)	.557 (1.175)	-.490 (.851)	2.592 (1.252)*

Note: Dependent Variable is coded 0=Supports Strong Undemocratic Leader, 1=Not Support Strong Undemocratic Leader; Table presents logit coefficients (B) with standard errors in parentheses.

*p<.05, **p<.02, ***p>.01

Survey Questions Used in the Analysis

1. To what extent do you agree/ disagree with the following statements?

In a democracy, the economy runs badly.

- A) Strongly Agree B) Agree C) Disagree D) Strongly Disagree
E) Can't Choose F) Decline to Answer

Democracies are indecisive and have too much quibbling.

- A) Strongly Agree B) Agree C) Disagree D) Strongly Disagree
E) Can't Choose F) Decline to Answer

Democracies are not good at maintaining order.

- A) Strongly Agree B) Agree C) Disagree D) Strongly Disagree
E) Can't Choose F) Decline to Answer

Democracy may have its problems but is better than any other form of government.

- A) Strongly Agree B) Agree C) Disagree D) Strongly Disagree
E) Can't Choose F) Decline to Answer

Political reform should be introduced little by little instead of all at once.

- A) Strongly Agree B) Agree C) Disagree D) Strongly Disagree
E) Can't Choose F) Decline to Answer

2. How would you rate the economic situation of your family today?

- A) Very Good
B) Good
C) Bad
D) Very Bad
E) Don't know
F) Decline to Answer

3. Did you participate in the last elections?

- Yes No

4. On the whole, how would you rate the freeness and fairness of the last national election?

Was it:

- A) Completely free and fair
B) Free and fair, but with minor problems
C) Free and fair, but with major problems
D) Not free or fair
E) Can't choose
F) Decline to answer

5. Generally speaking, how would you describe the present political situation in your country?

- A) Very Good
B) Good
C) Bad
D) Very Bad
E) Can't choose
F) Decline to answer

6. How often do you follow news about politics and government in Jordan?

- A) Very often
- B) Often
- C) Sometimes/rarely
- D) Never
- E) Can't choose
- F) Decline to answer

7. People often differ in their views on the characteristics that are essential to democracy. If you have to choose only one thing, what would you choose as the most important characteristic, and what would be the second most important?

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| Opportunity to change the government through elections | 1 st | 2 nd |
| Freedom to criticize the government / those in power | 1 st | 2 nd |
| A small income gap between rich and poor | 1 st | 2 nd |
| Basic necessities like food, clothing, shelter for everyone | 1 st | 2 nd |
| Other: _____ | 1 st | 2 nd |

8. I'm going to describe various types of political systems and ask what you think about each as a way of governing Jordan. For each one, would you say it is a very good, fairly good, fairly bad or very bad way of governing Jordan?

Democratic political system (public freedom, equal political and civil rights, balance of power, accountability and transparency)

- A) Very good
- B) Fairly good
- C) Good
- D) Fairly bad
- E) Very Bad
- F) I don't know

A strong non-democratic leader that does not bother with parliament and elections

- A) Very good
- B) Fairly good
- C) Good
- D) Fairly bad
- E) Very Bad
- F) I don't know

9. Now let's speak about the present government in this country. How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters:

Managing the economy

- A) Very good
- B) Good
- C) Bad
- D) Very Bad
- E) This is not the responsibility of the government
- F) I don't know

Creating jobs

- A) Very good
- B) Good
- C) Bad
- D) Very Bad
- E) This is not the responsibility of the government
- F) I don't know

Narrowing the gap between rich and poor

- A) Very good
- B) Good
- C) Bad
- D) Very Bad

- E) This is not the responsibility of the government
- F) I don't know

10. In your opinion which of the following is the most important problem facing Jordan today?

- A) Economic situation (poverty, unemployment, inflation)
- B) Corruption
- C) Authoritarianism
- D) Ending the US occupation of Iraq
- E) The Arab-Israeli conflict
- F) Do not know
- E) Decline to answer

11. Now I am going to read to you a list of statements that describe how people often feel about the state of affairs in Jordan. Please tell me whether you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with each of these statements.

Citizens have the power to influence the policies and activities of the government.

- A) Strongly Agree B) Agree C) Disagree D) Strongly Disagree
- E) Can't Choose F) Decline to Answer

Our current courts always punish the guilty even if they are high-ranking officials

- A) Strongly Agree B) Agree C) Disagree D) Strongly Disagree
- E) Can't Choose F) Decline to Answer

People are free to criticize government without fear

- A) Strongly Agree B) Agree C) Disagree D) Strongly Disagree
- E) Can't Choose F) Decline to Answer

People can join political organizations like political parties without fear

- A) Strongly Agree B) Agree C) Disagree D) Strongly Disagree
- E) Can't Choose F) Decline to Answer

12. People sometimes talk about the factors that make a person qualified for national leadership. Here are listed some of the qualifications to which different people would give priority. Please state which one of these you, yourself, consider the most important.

Openness to diverse political ideas

- A) Very important B) Important C) Unimportant
- D) Not important at all E) I don't know F) Decline to Answer

13. Which of the following groups you do wish to have as neighbors?

People of Different Race or Color

- A) I don't mind
- B) I don't wish

14. The following questions are your personal opinions about the principles that should determine the behavior and situation of women in our society. For each of the statements listed below, please indicate whether you agree strongly, agree, disagree, or disagree strongly.

Men and women should have equal job opportunities and wages

- A) Strongly Agree B) Agree C) Disagree D) Strongly Disagree
- E) Can't Choose F) Decline to Answer