METHODOLOGY

• The National Democratic Institute (NDI) commissioned this poll from the Lebanese research and consultancy firm, based in Beirut, Information International.

• Data was collected between December 19, 2017 and January 14, 2018, through face-to-face interviews conducted in Arabic by trained field researchers.

• The survey sample size of 2,400 Lebanese citizens, aged 21 years and older (54 percent male, 46 percent female). The response rate was 83.7 percent.

• Sample respondents were selected using the Probability Proportional to Size (PPS) methodology, based on demographic data drawn from national government registries including the 2017 voter registry.

• Data collected included opinions of eligible voters on subjects including electoral reforms and the upcoming parliamentary elections, politicians, political parties, and citizen movements, as well as government performance.

• The poll was made possible thanks to the support of the UK Government’s Foreign Commonwealth Office (FCO).

• The margin of error is ±2 percent at a 95 percent level of confidence.

• The information included in this report was gathered in accordance with international standards in market and social research.

• The total of percentages might not equal 100 percent in all graphs due to rounding.
POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC INDICATORS
In general, do you believe the situation in Lebanon is heading in the right direction or the wrong direction?
Of the list, which national issues are most important to you and your family?

- Other
- Giving more power to the regions of Lebanon
- Weapons outside the control of the state
- Public transportation
- Allowing women to pass nationality to their children
- Tax increases
- Pensions
- Parliamentary elections
- Waste management
- Gas exploration
- Syrian Refugees
- National electrical grid
- Rising prices
- Education
- Political reform
- National security
- Corruption
- Job creation
- Health care
GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE
How do you evaluate performance?

President Aoun

Prime Minister Hariri

Speaker Berri

Government

- Very Bad
- Bad
- Neither good nor bad
- Good
- Very Good
- DK
- RA
How do you think the situation has changed in Lebanon since the new government took office in December?

- Weapons outside the control of the state
- Job creation
- Tax increases
- Parliamentary elections
- Political reform
- Gas exploration
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- Corruption
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- Public transportation

Better: 0.0% 25.0% 50.0% 75.0% 100.0%
Same: 8% 28% 48% 28%
Worse: 0% 0% 0% 0% 0%
ELECTORAL REFORMS AND PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS
If parliamentary elections are held in May, how likely are you to vote?

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<td>41.2%</td>
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<td>Not very likely</td>
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<td>I won’t vote</td>
<td>13.2%</td>
<td>13.7%</td>
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If you answered “not very likely” or “I won’t vote” in question 16, what could change your mind?

- More women candidates run
- Independent candidates run
- Candidates commit to a code of conduct
- Candidates participate in district-level townhalls
- Candidates participate in nationally televised candidate debates
- I’m intimidated by a candidate to vote
- I’m influenced by my family or people close to me
To what extent do you think the following violations will occur in upcoming elections?

- Fraud during the count / tabulation
- Ballot box stuffing
- Increased confessional hate speech
- Candidate intimidation in my district
- Service provision to secure votes
- Voter intimidation in my district
- Vote buying in my district

0.0 25.0 50.0 75.0 100.0
Strongly Agree  Agree  Disagree
Strongly Disagree  DK  RA

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When you consider parliamentary elections and these institution's role, what is your view about them?

Media you read or watch
Lebanese Association for Democratic Elections (LADE)
Lebanese Transparency Association (LTA)
Supervisory Commission for Elections
Municipal Council in your area
Ministry of Justice
Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Ministry of Interior
Judiciary
General Security
Internal Security Forces
Lebanese Army Forces (LAF)
POLITICAL PARTICIPATION
How would you like to interact with candidates during upcoming elections?

- Door-to-door
- In their office
- Televised candidate debates
- Public meetings
- Social media
- Printed materials

RA
DK
Other

0.0  7.5  15.0  22.5  30.0
Different reasons are given for the fact that there are fewer women than men in elected office in Lebanon. Which, if any of the following statements do you agree with?

- Family duties don't allow women time to run for office
- Lebanese are more likely to vote for men than women
- Women have less access to resources to campaign
- Women have less visibility as politicians than men
- Women are less interested in politics than men
- Political parties are more likely to nominate men than women
- There are not enough qualified women for elected office

**Bar Chart:**
- **Agree**
- **Disagree**
- **DK**
- **RA**
If there were an equal balance of men and women in office, in your opinion, would there be...

- Fewer opportunities for men
- Less corruption
- Fewer qualified leaders
- More focus on your everyday concerns

[Bar Chart Showing Distribution of Opinions]
SOURCES OF INFORMATION
Which sources do you use to access information about politics?

- Other: 0.0%
- People you trust: 25.0%
- Social Media: 50.0%
- Websites: 75.0%
- Newspapers: 100.0%
- Radio: 100.0%
- Television: 100.0%
Which TV station do you trust the most?

- LBCI
- Al Jadeed
- MTV
- OTV
- Al Manar
- Future TV
- NBN
- Tele Liban
- Al Mayadeen
- Other Unspecified/No answer

![Bar chart showing TV station trust levels](chart.png)
Which newspaper do you trust the most?

- Annahar
- Albalad
- Aljoumhouriya
- Almustaqbal
- Addiyar
- Al Akhbar
- L'Orient-le-jour
- Alliwaa
- Al Ittihad
- Other
- Unspecified/No answer
How often do you engage with the following social media sites?

- **Instagram**
  - Daily: 0.0%
  - Several times a week: 25.0%
  - Once a week: 50.0%
  - A few times a month: 75.0%
  - Once a month: 100.0%
  - Never/do not have an account: 0.0%

- **Twitter**
  - Daily: 0.0%
  - Several times a week: 25.0%
  - Once a week: 50.0%
  - A few times a month: 75.0%
  - Once a month: 100.0%
  - Never/do not have an account: 0.0%

- **Facebook**
  - Daily: 0.0%
  - Several times a week: 25.0%
  - Once a week: 50.0%
  - A few times a month: 75.0%
  - Once a month: 100.0%
  - Never/do not have an account: 0.0%