

World Values Survey

LEBANON SURVEY - 2008

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INTRODUCTION BY INTERVIEWER:

Hello. I am from the [NAME OF ORGANIZATION]. We are carrying out a study of what people value in life. This study will interview samples of the adult population of Lebanon. Your name has been selected at random as part of a representative sample of the Lebanese public. I'd like to ask your views on a number of different subjects. You are under no obligation to respond, but your help will contribute to a better understanding of what Lebanese people believe and want out of life. There is no right or wrong answer. Your answers will be completely confidential.

For each of the following, indicate how important it is in your life. Would you say it is?

		Very important	Rather important	Not very important	Not at all important	DK
v1.	Family	1	2	3	4	9
v2.	Friends	1	2	3	4	9
v3.	Leisure time	1	2	3	4	9
v4.	Politics	1	2	3	4	9
v5.	Work	1	2	3	4	9
v6.	Religion	1	2	3	4	9

v7. Taking all things together, would you say you are: [READ OUT]

1. Very happy
2. Quite happy
3. Not very happy
4. Not at all happy
- 9 Don't know [DO NOT READ OUT]

v8. All in all, how would you describe your state of health these days? Would you say it is...? (READ OUT REVERSING ORDER FOR ALTERNATE CONTACTS)

1. Very Good
2. Good
3. Fair
4. Poor
- 9 Don't know [DO NOT READ OUT]

Here is a list of qualities that children can be encouraged to learn at home. Which, if any, do you consider to be especially important? Please choose up to five. (CODE FIVE ONLY)

		Important	Not important	Don't know
v9.	Independence	1	2	9
v10.	Hard work	1	2	9
v11.	Feeling of responsibility	1	2	9
v12.	Imagination	1	2	9
v13.	Tolerance and respect for other people	1	2	9
v14.	Thrift, saving money and things	1	2	9
v15.	Determination, perseverance	1	2	9
v16.	Religious faith	1	2	9
v17.	Unselfishness	1	2	9
v18.	Obedience	1	2	9
v19.	Among these top five important characteristics, which one is number one? ()			

Now I am going to read off a list of voluntary organizations. For each one, could you tell me whether you are an active member, an inactive member or not a member of that type of organization? (Read out and code one answer for each organization):

	Active member	Inactive member	Don't belong
v20. Religious organization	2	1	0
v21. Sport or recreational organization	2	1	0
v22. Art, music or educational organization	2	1	0
v23. Labor Union	2	1	0
v24. Political party	2	1	0
v25. Environmental organization	2	1	0
v26. Professional association	2	1	0
v27. Humanitarian or charitable organization	2	1	0
v28. Consumer organization	2	1	0

v29. Generally speaking, would you say that most people can be trusted or that you need to be very careful in dealing with people?
 1 Most people can be trusted
 2 Need to be very careful.
 9 Don't know [DO NOT READ OUT]

v30. Do you think most people would try to take advantage of you if they got a chance, or would they try to be fair? Please show your response, where 1 means that "people would try to take advantage of you," and 10 means that "people would try to be fair" (code one number):

People would try to take advantage of you										People would try to be fair
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

v31. Do you think most men would try to take advantage of women if they got a chance, or would they try to be fair? Please show your response, where 1 means that "men would try to take advantage of women," and 10 means that "men would try to be fair" (code one number):

Men would try to take advantage of women										Men would try to be fair toward women
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

v53. All things considered, how satisfied are you with your life as a whole these days? Please use the following scale from one to ten to answer.

Completely Dissatisfied Completely Satisfied
 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

v54. Some people feel they have completely free choice and control over their lives, while other people feel that what they do has no real effect on what happens to them. Please use this scale where 1 means "none at all" and 10 means "a great deal" to indicate how much freedom of choice and control you feel you have over the way your life turns out.

None at all A great deal
 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

v55. To what extent are you optimistic/pessimistic about your future?

Highly pessimistic Highly Optimistic
 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

v56. Do you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree that in Lebanon these days, life is unpredictable and dangerous?

Agree strongly	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	DK
1	2	3	4	9

v57. Are you currently (READ OUT AND CODE ONE ONLY)

- 1 Married
- 2 Living together as married
- 3 Divorced
- 4 Separated
- 5 Widowed
- 6 Single

IF not single:

v58. Where did you live during the first year after the marriage?

1. With your own parents
2. With your spouse's parents (in-laws)
3. In a separate house
4. With your brother
97. Other _____

ASK ALL RESPONDENTS:

v59. Have you had any children? How many?

- 0 No child
- 1 1 child
- 2 2 children
- 3 3 children
- 4 4 children
- 5 5 children
- 6 6 children
- 7 7 children
- 8 8 or more children
- 9 No answer

- v60. If someone says a child needs a home with both a father and a mother to grow up happily, would you tend to agree or disagree? (*Code one answer*):
1. Tend to agree
 2. Tend to disagree
- v61. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement (*read out*): “Marriage is an out-dated institution.” (*Code one answer*):
1. Agree
 2. Disagree
- v62. If a woman wants to have a child as a single parent but she doesn't want to have a stable relationship with a man, do you approve or disapprove? (*Code one answer*):
1. Approve
 2. Disapprove
 3. Depends (*do not read out, code only if volunteered*)
- v63. What do you think is the ideal size of the family - how many children, if any?
- 0 None
 - 1 1 child
 - 2 2 children
 - 3 3 children
 - 4 4 children
 - 5 5 children
 - 6 6 children
 - 7 7 children
 - 8 8 or more children
 - 9 DK, no answer
- v64. Do you think that a woman has to have children in order to be fulfilled or is this not necessary?
- 1 Needs children
 - 2 Not necessary
 - 9 Don't know [DO NOT READ OUT]

For each of the following statements I read out, can you tell me how much you agree with each. Do you agree strongly, agree, disagree, or disagree strongly?

		Agree strongly	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	DK
v65.	One of my main goals in life has been to make my parents proud	1	2	3	4	9
v66.	On the whole, men make better political leaders than women do	1	2	3	4	9
v67.	A university education is more important for a boy than for a girl	1	2	3	4	9
v68.	On the whole, men make better business executives than women do	1	2	3	4	9

- v69. In your view, which of the following is the more important basis for marriage:
1. Parental approval
 2. Love
 3. DK

In your opinion, how important are each of the following traits in a woman?

		Very important	Important	Somewhat important	Not very important	Not at all important	DK
v70.	a) (For Muslim respondents): Wearing a veil in public places b) (For Christian respondents): Dressing modestly in public	1	2	3	4	5	9
v71.	Being a good mother	1	2	3	4	5	9
v72.	Being a good wife	1	2	3	4	5	9
v73.	Being religious	1	2	3	4	5	9
v74.	Being educated	1	2	3	4	5	9
v75.	Having a job outside the home	1	2	3	4	5	9

There are different Islamic countries. And in each country people have different understanding of their religion and issues facing their faith. We would like to know how you feel about the following issue:

		Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	DK
v76.	It is up to a woman to dress whichever way she wants to	1	2	3	4	9

I would like to ask your personal opinion about the following issues related to relationships between men and women.

INTERVIEWER: This same style should be used in asking both questions.

		Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree or disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	DK
v77.	It is acceptable for a man to have more than one wife	1	2	3	4	5	9
v78.	A wife must always obey her husband.	1	2	3	4	5	9

v79. If you had to choose, which of the following statements would you say is most important?
Code one answer only

	First choice
Maintaining order in the nation	1
Giving people more say in important government decisions	2
Fighting rising prices	3
Protecting freedom of speech	4
Don't know [DO NOT READ OUT]	9

v80. And, which one is the second most important

	Second choice
Maintaining order in the nation	1
Giving people more say in important government decisions	2
Fighting rising prices	3
Protecting freedom of speech	4
Don't know [DO NOT READ OUT]	9

v81. People sometimes talk about what the aims of this country should be for the next ten years. Different people would give top priority to the following goals: Would you please say which one of these you would consider the most important? (*Code one answer only under "first choice"*)

	First choice
A high level of economic growth	1
Making sure this country has strong defense forces	2
Seeing that people have more say about how things are done at their jobs and in their communities	3
Trying to make our cities and countryside more beautiful	4

- v89. Private ownership of business and industry should be increased
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
DK=99
- Government ownership of business and industry should be increased
- v90. In the long run, hard work usually brings a better life
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
DK=99
- Hard work doesn't generally bring success—it's more a matter of luck and connections
- v91. People can only get rich at the expense of others
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
DK=99
- Wealth can grow so there's enough for everyone
- v92. Competition is good. It stimulates people to work hard and develop new ideas
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
DK=99
- Competition is harmful. It brings out the worst in people
- v93. The government should take more responsibility to ensure that everyone is provided for
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
DK=99
- People should take more responsibility to provide for themselves
- v94. Some people believe that individuals can decide their own destiny, while others think that it is impossible to escape a predetermined fate. Please tell me which comes closest to your view on this scale on which 1 means "everything in life is determined by fate," and 10 means that "people shape their fate themselves." (*Code one number*):
- Everything is determined by fate
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
- People shape their Fate themselves

I'm going to read out a list of various changes in our way of life that might take place in the near future. Please tell me for each one, if it were to happen, whether you think it would be a good thing, a bad thing, or don't you mind? (*Code one answer for each*):

		Good	Don't mind	Bad
v95.	Less importance placed on work in our lives	1	2	3
v96.	More emphasis on the development of technology	1	2	3
v97.	Greater respect for authority	1	2	3
v98.	More emphasis on family life	1	2	3

v121. Which of these problems do you consider the most serious one **in your own country**? (*Code one answer under “most serious for own country”*):

- | | <u>Most serious in Lebanon</u> |
|--|--------------------------------|
| – People living in poverty and need. | 1 |
| – Discrimination against female. | 2 |
| – Poor sanitation and infectious diseases. | 3 |
| – Inadequate education. | 4 |
| – Environmental pollution. | 5 |

v122. And which is the next most serious **for your own country**? (*Code one answer under “next most serious for own country”*):

- | | <u>Next most serious Lebanon</u> |
|--|----------------------------------|
| – People living in poverty and need. | 1 |
| – Discrimination of female. | 2 |
| – Poor sanitation and infectious diseases. | 3 |
| – Inadequate education. | 4 |
| – Environmental pollution. | 5 |

v123. Thinking at your own country’s problems, should your country’s leaders give top priority to help reducing poverty in the world or should they give top priority to solve your own country’s problems? Use this scale where 1 means “top priority to help reducing misery in the world” and 10 means “top priority to solve my own country’s problems.” (*Code one answer*):

Top priority to help reducing poverty in the world	Top priority to solve my own country’s problems
1 2 3 4 5	6 7 8 9 10

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

		Very good	Fairly good	Fairly bad	Very bad	DK
v124.	Having a strong head of government who does not have to bother with parliament and elections	1	2	3	4	9
v125.	Having technocrats, not government, make decisions according to what they think is best for the country	1	2	3	4	9
v126.	Having the army rule	1	2	3	4	9
v127.	Having a democratic political system	1	2	3	4	9
v128.	a)For Muslim respondents: Having an Islamic government, where religious authorities have absolute power b) For Christian respondents: Having a Christian government, where religious authorities have absolute power	1	2	3	4	9

Some people say that democracy may have problems but it's better than any other form of government system. Could you please tell me if you agree strongly, agree, disagree or disagree strongly, with this statement?

		Agree strongly	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	DK
v129.	Democracy may have problems but it's better than any other form of government	1	2	3	4	9

Many things may be desirable, but not all of them are essential characteristics of democracy. Please tell me for each of the following things how essential you think it is as a characteristic of democracy. Use this scale where 1 means “not at all an essential characteristic of democracy” and 10 means it definitely is “an essential characteristic of democracy” (*read out and code one answer for each*):

		Not essential								Essential	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
v130.	Governments tax the rich and subsidize the poor.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
v131.	Religious authorities interpret the laws.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
v132.	People choose their leaders in free elections.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
v133.	People receive state aid for unemployment.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
v134.	The army takes over when government is incompetent.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
v135.	Civil rights protect people’s liberty against oppression.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
v136.	The economy is prospering.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
v137.	Criminals are severely punished.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
v138.	People can change the laws in referendums.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
v139.	Women have the same rights as men.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
v140.	The political leader should stay in power only for a limited number of years	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
v141.	People should be free to recall their political leaders, if they fail to perform	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

I’m going to read out some forms of political action that people can take, and I’d like you to tell me, for each one, whether you have done any of these things, whether you might do it or would never under any circumstances do it (*read out and code one answer for each action*):

	Have done	Might do	Would never do
v142. Signing a petition	1	2	3
v143. Joining in boycotts	1	2	3
v144. Attending peaceful demonstrations	1	2	3

Now I will briefly describe some people. Using the following statements, would you please indicate for each description whether that person is very much like you, like you, somewhat like you, not like you, or not at all like you? (*Code one answer for each description*):

	Very much like me	Like me	Somewhat like me	A little like me	Not like me	Not at all like me
v145. It is important to this person to think up new ideas and be creative; to do things one’s own way.	1	2	3	4	5	6
v146. It is important to this person to be rich; to have a lot of money and expensive things.	1	2	3	4	5	6
v147. Living in secure surroundings is important to this person; to avoid anything that might be dangerous.	1	2	3	4	5	6
v148. It is important to this person to have a good time; to “spoil” oneself.	1	2	3	4	5	6
v149. It is important to this person to help the people nearby; to care for their well-being.	1	2	3	4	5	6
v150. Being very successful is important to this person; to have people recognize one’s achievements.	1	2	3	4	5	6
v151. Adventure and taking risks are important to this person; to have an exciting life.	1	2	3	4	5	6

v152.	It is important to this person to always behave properly; to avoid doing anything people would say is wrong.	1	2	3	4	5	6
v153.	Looking after the environment is important to this person; to care for nature.	1	2	3	4	5	6
v154.	Tradition is important to this person; to follow the customs handed down by one's religion or family.	1	2	3	4	5	6

v155. Generally speaking, would you say that this country's economy is run by a few big influential people and organizations that are looking out for themselves only or that it is run for the benefit of all the people?

- 1 Run by a few big interests
- 2 Run for all the people
- 9 Don't know [DO NOT READ OUT]

v156. How often, if at all, do you think about the meaning and purpose of life? (READ OUT IN REVERSE ORDER FOR ALTERNATE CONTACTS)

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Rarely
- 4 Never

v157. If I asked you about your religion, what do you prefer your answer to be?

1. Shi'a
2. Sunni
3. Druze
4. Maronite
5. Greek Orthodox
6. Melkite Catholic
7. Roman Catholic
8. Armenian Orthodox
9. Armenian Catholic
10. Protestant
11. Syrian Catholic
12. Syrian Orthodox
13. Chaldean
14. Assyrian
15. Copt
16. Isma'ilite
17. Alawite
18. Nusayri
19. Other

v158. Apart from funerals, about how often do you go to a mosque/church these days?

- 1 More than once a week
- 2 Once a week
- 3 Once a month
- 4 Only on special holy days
- 5 Once a year
- 6 Rarely
- 7 I do not go to mosque/church

- v159. How often do you pray?
1. five times a day
 2. every day
 3. once or twice a week
 4. once or twice a month
 5. Never

- v160. Independently of whether you go to religious services or not, would you say you are...
1. Religious
 2. Not religious
 3. Atheist

Generally speaking, do you think that the religious authorities in this country are giving adequate answers to (Read out and code one answer for each)

		Yes	No	DK
v161.	The moral problems and needs of the individual	1	2	9
v162.	The problems of family life	1	2	9
v163.	People's spiritual needs	1	2	9
v164.	The social problems facing your country today	1	2	9

Please forgive for asking these questions. I know that answers to some or all these questions may be obvious. But since we compare the results of this study with many other countries, and since some people in other countries may have much weaker religious beliefs than Lebanese, we ask these questions for the sake of comparison. Which, if any, of the following do you believe in?

(READ OUT AND CODE ONE ANSWER FOR EACH)

		Yes	No	DK
v165.	Do you believe in God?	1	2	9
v166.	Do you believe in life after death?	1	2	9
v167.	Do you believe people have a soul?	1	2	9
v168.	Do you believe in hell?	1	2	9
v169.	Do you believe in heaven?	1	2	9

- v170. How important is God in your life? Please use this scale to indicate: 10 means very important and 1 means not at all important.

Not at all important Very important

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

- v171. Do you find that you get comfort and strength from religion?
- 1 Yes
 - 2 No
 - 9 Don't know [DO NOT READ OUT]

How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

		Agree Strongly	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	DK
v172.	Politicians who do not believe in God are unfit to work for the government in high offices	1	2	3	4	5	9
v173.	Religious leaders should not interfere in politics	1	2	3	4	5	9
v174.	It would be better for Lebanon if more people with strong religious beliefs held public office	1	2	3	4	5	9

Now, I would like to know your views about a good government. How important is each of the following traits for a good government?

		Very important	Important	Somewhat important	Least important	Not important	DK
v175.	It should make laws according to the people's wishes	1	2	3	4	5	9
v176.	a) (For Muslim respondents): It should implement only the laws of the shari'a b) (For Christian respondents): It should adopt only the laws inspired by Christian values	1	2	3	4	5	9

I am going to name a number of groups. For each one, could you tell me how much trust, in general, you have in them: is it a great deal of trust, some trust, not very much trust or none at all?

		A great deal	Some	Not very much	None at all	DK
v177.	Shi'a	1	2	3	4	9
v178.	Sunni	1	2	3	4	9
v179.	Druze	1	2	3	4	9
v180.	Maronites	1	2	3	4	9
v181.	Catholics	1	2	3	4	9
v182.	Orthodox	1	2	3	4	9

Thinking about what should change to make your country a better place to live, and please tell us if you agree strongly, agree, disagree, or disagree strongly with the following:

	Lebanon will be a better society ..	Agree strongly	Agree	Disagree	Disagree strongly	DK
v183.	If religion and politics are separated	1	2	3	4	9
v184.	If its government was similar to Western (American or European) governments	1	2	3	4	9
v185.	Lebanon will be a better place if people treat one another as Lebanese rather than on the basis of their confession	1	2	3	4	9

Where would you place the following countries on a scale of morality, where "1" means that society is culturally decadent and people have a very low level of morality, and where "10" means that people in that society have a high level of morality?
99-DK

	Country	Low morality									High morality	
v186.	Lebanon	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
v187.	Saudi Arabia	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
v188.	France	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
v189.	China	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
v190.	Iran	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
v191.	The U.S.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
v192.	Syria	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

Where would you place these countries on a scale that measures individual freedom?
99-DK

	Country	Low level of freedom									High level of freedom	
v193.	Lebanon	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
v194.	Saudi Arabia	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
v195.	France	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
v196.	China	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
v197.	Iran	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
v198.	The U.S.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
v199.	Syria	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

Now we would like you to consider how developed different places in the world are. Here is a scale of development—with the least developed places in the world marked 1 at the left and the most developed places in the world marked ten at the right. And, moderately developed places marked 5 in the middle. I will read to you a list of countries that includes Lebanon, Saudi Arabia, China and the United States and ask you to rate the level of development in each country.

	Country	Least developed										Most developed									
v200.	Lebanon	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
v201.	Saudi Arabia	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
v202.	France	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
v203.	China	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
v204.	Iran	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
v205.	The U.S.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
v206.	Syria	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

Now, I would like to know your opinion about the following issues:

<i>(Interviewers should distinguish between Muslim and Christian respondents and accordingly ask questions)</i>		Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
v207.	Islam (Christianity) should be the only religion taught in our public schools.	1	2	3	4
v208.	I would <i>not</i> mind to have teachers who are not religious. *	1	2	3	4
v209.	Only good Muslims [Christians] will go to heaven. Non Muslims [Christians] will not, no matter how good they are. *	1	2	3	4
v210.	Non-Muslim [Christians] religions have a lot of weird beliefs and pagan ways. *	1	2	3	4
v211.	People who belong to different religions are probably just as nice and moral as those who belong to mine	1	2	3	4
v212.	The religion of Islam [Christianity] is closer to God than other religions.	1	2	3	4
v213.	It is more important to be a good person than to be a religious person.	1	2	3	4
v214.	Whenever there is a conflict between science and religion, religion is probably right	1	2	3	4

People have different views about themselves and how they relate to the world. Would you tell me how strongly you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about how you see yourself? (*Read out and code one answer for each statement*):

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	
v215.	I see myself as a world citizen.	1	2	3	4
v216.	I see myself as member of my local community.	1	2	3	4
v217.	I see myself as citizen of Lebanon	1	2	3	4
v218.	I see myself as citizen of the Islamic world	1	2	3	4
v219.	I see myself as an autonomous individual.	1	2	3	4
v220.	I see myself as a citizen of the Arab world	1	2	3	4

People use different sources to learn what is going on in their country and the world. For each of the following sources, please indicate whether you used it last week or did not use it last week to obtain information (*read out and code one answer for each*):

	Used it last week	Did not use it last week	
v221.	Daily newspaper	1	2
v222.	News broadcasts on radio or TV	1	2
v223.	Books	1	2
v224.	Internet, Email	1	2
v225.	Talk with friends or colleagues	1	2

v226. How often, if ever, do you use a personal computer? (*Read out and code one answer*):

- 1 Never
- 2 Occasionally
- 3 Frequently
- 4 Don't know what a computer is (do not read out, code only if volunteered!)

Now let's consider environmental problems in the world as a whole. Please, tell me how serious you consider each of the following to be for the world as a whole. Is it very serious, somewhat serious, not very serious or not serious at all? (*Read out and code one answer for each problem*):

		Very serious	Somewhat serious	Not very serious	Not serious at all
v227.	Global warming or the greenhouse effect.	1	2	3	4
v228.	Loss of plant or animal species or biodiversity.	1	2	3	4
v229.	Pollution of rivers, lakes and oceans.	1	2	3	4

To what extent, if any, do you think each of the following would be an obstacle for the formation of an independent prosperous Lebanon?

		A great deal	Quite a lot	Not very much	None at all	DK
v230.	Syrian gains too much power in Lebanon.	1	2	3	4	9
v231.	The U.S. gains too much power in Lebanon.	1	2	3	4	9
v232.	Civil war breaks out in Lebanon.	1	2	3	4	9
v233.	Iran gains too much influence in Lebanon	1	2	3	4	9
v234.	Israel gains too much influence in Lebanon	1	2	3	4	9

Please tell me for each of the following statements whether you think it can always be justified, never be justified, or something in between. (*Read out and code one answer for each statement*):

		Never Justifiable								Always Justifiable	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
v235.	Claiming government benefits to which you are not entitled	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
v236.	Cheating on taxes if you have a chance	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
v237.	Homosexuality	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
v238.	Prostitution	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
v239.	Euthanasia—ending of the life of the incurable sick	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
v240.	Suicide	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
v241.	For a man to beat his wife	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

Please tell me for each of the following statements whether you think it can always be justified, never be justified, or something in between. READ OUT STATEMENTS. CODE ONE ANSWER FOR EACH STATEMENT

- v242. Someone accepting a bribe in the course of their duties
Never Justifiable
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Always Justifiable
- v243. Abortion
Never Justifiable
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Always Justifiable
- v244. Divorce
Never Justifiable
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Always Justifiable

- v245. Drinking alcoholic beverages
- | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|-------------|
| Never | | | | | | | | | Always |
| Justifiable | | | | | | | | | Justifiable |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
- v246. Below are three types of behavior. Which of the three is the most immoral behavior?
1. Stealing other people's property
 2. Violence against other people
 3. Premarital sex between boys and girls.
- v247. How proud are you to be Lebanese?
1. Very proud
 2. Quite proud
 3. Not very proud
 4. Not at all proud
 9. Don't know [DO NOT READ OUT]
- v248. Which of the following best describes you?
1. Above all, I am a Lebanese
 2. Above all, I am a Muslim
 3. Above all, I am an Arab
 4. Above all, I am a Christian
 5. Other
- v249. What language do you normally speak at home?
1. Arabic
 2. English
 3. French
 4. Other
- v250. If there were national elections in the near future, which party on this list would you vote for?
- | | |
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| 1. Armenian Revolutionary Federation | حزب الطشق |
| 2. Democratic Left | حركة اليسار الديمقراطي |
| 3. Democratic Renewal | حركة التجدد الديمقراطي |
| 4. El Marada Movement | تيار المردة |
| 5. Free Patriotic Movement | التيار الوطني الحرّ |
| 6. Free Shiite movement | التيار الشيعي الحرّ |
| 7. Future Movement | تيار المستقبل |
| 8. Hezbollah | حزب الله |
| 9. Hope Movement or Amal Movement | حركة أمل |
| 10. Islamic Group | الجماعة الإسلامية |
| 11. Lebanese Forces | القوات اللبنانية |
| 12. National Liberal Party | حزب الوطنيين الأحرار |
| 13. North Metn Bloc (Murr Bloc) | تكتل المتن الشمالي |
| 14. Phalanges Party | حزب الكتائب اللبنانية |
| 15. Popular Bloc(Skaff Bloc) | التكتل الشعبي |
| 16. Progressive Socialist Party | التقدمي الحزب الإثنراكي |
| 17. Syrian Social Nationalist Party | الحزب القومي السوري الإجتماعي |
| 18. Tripoli Bloc | التكتل الطرابلسي |
| 19. Other | غيره |
| 20. I have not voted | لم اقتنع |
- v251. If "Other", then which party or independent person appeals to you the most? ()
- v252. And is there any party on this list that you would never vote for? ()
Use the same code from the list above

v253. Did you vote in the parliamentary elections in 2005?
Yes
No

v254. If yes, whom did you vote for? : ()
97. Other

Some people believe that Lebanon is experiencing considerable political problems and violence nowadays, and some of these problems are caused by foreign countries. In your opinion, how do you rate the role of the following countries in affecting these conditions in Lebanon? "1" means very negative and "5" means very positive.

		Very Negative			Very Positive	
v255.	Iran	1	2	3	4	5
v256.	Syria	1	2	3	4	5
v257.	Saudi Arabia	1	2	3	4	5
v258.	the U.S.	1	2	3	4	5
v259.	Israel	1	2	3	4	5
v260.	France	1	2	3	4	5

DEMOGRAPHICS

v261. Sex of respondent:
1 Male
2 Female

v262. Can you tell me your year of birth, please? 19____
[ENTER ONLY THE LAST TWO DIGITS OF THE YEAR: "19" IS ASSUMED]

v263. This means you are ____ years old.

v264. What is the highest educational level that you have attained?
1. No formal education
2. Incomplete primary school
3. Complete primary school
4. Incomplete secondary school: technical/vocational type
5. Complete secondary school: technical/vocational type
6. Incomplete secondary: university-preparatory type
7. Complete secondary: university-preparatory type
8. Some university-level education, without degree
9. University-level education, with degree

v265. [Asked in 2008] At what age *did you* complete your full time education, either at school or at an institution of higher education? Please exclude apprenticeships:
WRITE IN AGE IN YEARS _____

v266. [If student] [Asked in 2008] At what age *will you* complete your full time education, either at school or at an institution of higher education? Please exclude apprenticeships:
WRITE IN AGE IN YEARS _____

v267. Do you live with your parents?
1 Yes
2 No

- v268. Are you employed now or not?
 1 Yes
 2 No

IF YES:

- v269. About how many hours do you work per week? If you have more than one job: specify only the main job
Has paid employment
- Full time (30 hours a week or more) 1
 - Part time (less than 30 hours a week) 2
 - Self employed 3

IF NO:

- v270. Reason for unemployment
If no paid employment
- Retired/pensioned 1
 - Housewife not otherwise employed 2
 - Student 3
 - Inability to find a job 4
 - Disabled 5
 - Lack of jobs 6
 - Old age 7
 - Lost job 8
 - Other 97

- v271. Are the tasks you perform at work mostly manual or non-manual? Use this scale where 1 means “mostly manual tasks” and 10 means “mostly non-manual tasks” (*code one answer*):

Mostly manual tasks	Mostly non-manual tasks
1 2 3 4 5 6 7	8 9 10

- v272. Are the tasks you perform at work mostly routine tasks or mostly not routine? Use this scale where 1 means “mostly routine tasks” and 10 means “mostly not routine tasks” (*code one answer*):

Mostly routine tasks	Mostly not routine tasks
1 2 3 4 5 6 7	8 9 10

- v273. How much independence do you have in performing your tasks at work? Use this scale to indicate your degree of independence where 1 means “no independence at all” and 10 means “complete independence” (*code one answer*):

No independence at all	Complete independence
1 2 3 4 5 6 7	8 9 10

- v274. Are you the chief wage earner in your household?
 1- Yes (skip v275-276)
 2- No go 275

- v275. Is the chief wage earner employed now or not?
 1 Yes
 2 No

v276. In which profession/occupation does he/she work? (or did work) If more than one job, the main job? What is/was his/her job there? *CODE BELOW*

- 1 Employer/manager of establishment with 10 or more employees
- 2 Employer/manager of establishment with less than 10 employees
- 3 Professional worker lawyer, accountant, teacher, etc.
- 4 Supervisory non-manual - office worker.
- 5 Non-manual - office worker: non-supervisory
- 6 Foreman and supervisor
- 7 Skilled manual worker
- 8 Semi-skilled manual worker
- 9 Unskilled manual worker
- 10 Farmer: has own farm
- 11 Agricultural worker
- 12 Member of armed forces, security personnel
- 13 Never had a job

v277. During the past year, did your family:

1. Save money
2. Just get by
3. Spent some savings
4. Spent savings and borrowed money
9. DK, NA

v278. People sometimes describe themselves as belonging to the working class, the middle class, or the upper or lower class. Would you describe yourself as belonging to the:

1. Upper class
2. Upper middle class
3. Lower middle class
4. Working class
5. Lower class
9. Don't know [DO NOT READ OUT]

v279. On a scale of incomes on which 1 indicates the “lowest income decile” and 10 the “highest income decile” in your country. We would like to know in what group your household is. Please, specify the appropriate number, counting all wages, salaries, pensions and other incomes that come in. (*Code one number*):

Lowest deciles Highest deciles

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

v280. Lebanon is experiencing a very difficult political stalemate, which may have affected the economic conditions of some people. On the scale of 1 to 10, to what extent this current political situation affected your economic conditions—“1” being none at all and “10” being a great deal.

None at all A great deal

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

v281. Do you ever watch television? IF YES: How much time do you usually spend watching television on an average weekday (NOT WEEKENDS)?

1. Do not watch TV or do not have access to TV
2. 1 - 2 hours per day
3. 2 - 3 hours per day
4. More than 3 hours per day

v282. Total length of interview: _____ Minutes:

- v283. During the interview the respondent was
- 1 Very interested
 - 2 Somewhat interested
 - 3 Not very interested
- v284. Size of town:
- 1 Under 2,000
 - 2 2,000 - 5,000
 - 3 5 - 10,000 10 - 20,000
 - 5 20 - 50,000
 - 6 50 - 100,000
 - 7 100 - 500,000
 - 8 500,000 and more
- v285. Ethnic group [code by observation]:
1. Arab
 2. Armenian
 3. Other
- v286. Region where the interview was conducted: [use 2-digit regional code appropriate to your own society]
- v287. Language in which interview was conducted: