100 days of Adel Abd Al-Mahdi’s Government

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Methodology

- 1300 Interviews, proportional random sample, CAPI F2F
- Margin of error 2.8% ±, 95% confidence
- Fieldwork between 20.01 – 30.01.2019
- For simplification, the results were split into 4 categories as follows:
  - Baghdad region to represent Baghdad
  - Arab North region to represent Ninawa, Kirkuk, Anbar, Salah Aldin and Dyala
  - South region to represent Basrah, Dhiqar, Najaf, Babil and other southern governorates
  - Kurdistan region to represent Kurdish governorates
How satisfied are you with the performance of the Iraqi President (Barham Salih)?

- **Kurdistan**: 68
- **Arab North**: 56
- **Baghdad**: 45
- **South**: 47
- **Erbil**: 48
- **Sulimaniya**: 85

**Total**: 48
How satisfied are you with the performance of the Iraqi Prime Minister (Adil Abdul Mahdi)?

Total: 45

Kurdistan: 76
Arab North: 51
Baghdad: 48
South: 53
On a scale of 1-10 where 1 represents the lowest rating and 10 the highest, can you please tell me your evaluation for each of the following: The Iraqi President

- Kurdistan: 7
- Arab North: 5
- Baghdad: 4
- South: 4

Total: 4.6
On a scale of 1-10 where 1 represents the lowest rating and 10 the highest, can you please tell me your evaluation for each of the following: The Iraqi Prime Minister

- Kurdistan: 6
- Arab North: 5
- Baghdad: 4
- South: 5

Total evaluation: 4.6
On a scale of 1-10 where 1 represents the lowest rating and 10 the highest, can you please tell me your evaluation for each of the following: The Iraqi Parliament

- Kurdistan: 4
- Arab North: 4
- Baghdad: 3
- South: 3

Total: 3.7
On a scale of 1-10 where 1 represents the lowest rating and 10 the highest, can you please tell me your evaluation for each of the following: The Speaker of the Iraqi Parliament.

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On a scale of 1-10 where 1 represents the lowest rating and 10 the highest, can you please tell me your evaluation for each of the following:

- Iraqi Ministers: 3.7
- Justice System: 4.3
- Total: 4.0
Do you think that the government of Adel Abdul Mahdi will complete its constitutional term of four years or will it be changed before that?
To what extent do you think Abdul Mahdi’s government was successful in providing the following Services:

- Higher Education
- Education
- Providing Water
- Providing Security
- Providing Electricity
- Healthcare

**Total**

- Higher Education: 28%
- Education: 29%
- Providing Water: 48%
- Providing Security: 52%
- Providing Electricity: 33%
- Healthcare: 28%

It was Successful
To what extent do you think Abdul Mahdi’s government was successful in providing the following Services:

Baghdad

- Providing Security: 49%
- Providing Water: 44%
- Providing Electricity: 29%
- Providing Education: 17%
- Providing Higher Education: 22%
- Providing Healthcare: 19%

It was Successful
To what extent do you think Abdul Mahdi’s government was successful in providing the following Services:

- Providing Security: 57%
- Providing Water: 58%
- Providing Electricity: 41%
- Providing Education: 43%
- Providing Higher Education: 44%
- Providing Healthcare: 43%

It was Successful
To what extent do you think Abdul Mahdi’s government was successful in providing the following Services:

South

- Providing Security: 52%
- Providing Water: 54%
- Providing Electricity: 41%
- Providing Education: 25%
- Providing Higher Education: 24%
- Providing Healthcare: 21%
To what extent do you think Abdul Mahdi’s government was successful in providing the following Services:

Kurdistan

- Providing Security: 45%
- Providing Water: 17%
- Providing Electricity: 10%
- Providing Education: 26%
- Providing Higher Education: 22%
- Providing Healthcare: 33%
TO WHAT EXTENT DO YOU THINK THAT THE CURRENT PRIME MINISTER HAS BEEN ABLE TO ASSUME HIS RESPONSIBILITIES SO FAR?

Kurdistan:
- 34% He was able
- 28% He wasn’t able
- 4% Refused to answer/ IDK

Arab North:
- 3% He was able
- 49% He wasn’t able
- 3% Refused to answer/ IDK

Baghdad:
- 2% He was able
- 41% He wasn’t able
- 58% Refused to answer/ IDK

South:
- 4% He was able
- 50% He wasn’t able
- 46% Refused to answer/ IDK

Total:
- 46% He was able
- 48% He wasn’t able
- 6% Refused to answer/ IDK
Do you think that the Iraqi economic situation will be better or worse in the next 12 months, than it is now?

- It will be better: 35%
- Remain the same: 34%
- It will be worse: 27%

**Region Breakdown**

- **Kurdistan**
  - It will be better: 17%
  - Remain the same: 38%
  - It will be worse: 36%

- **Arab North**
  - It will be better: 26%
  - Remain the same: 39%
  - It will be worse: 35%

- **Baghdad**
  - It will be better: 32%
  - Remain the same: 30%
  - It will be worse: 25%

- **SOUTH**
  - It will be better: 43%
  - Remain the same: 32%
  - It will be worse: 29%
Which media source would you consider the best for getting news or new information from

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How Often do you watch the following TV Channels:

- **Al Iraqia**: 39% Everyday, 21% At least once a week but not daily
- **Al Sharqia**: 38% Everyday, 19% At least once a week but not daily
- **Al Sumaria**: 34% Everyday, 20% At least once a week but not daily
- **Hona Baghdad**: 24% Everyday, 15% At least once a week but not daily
- **Al Furat**: 24% Everyday, 13% At least once a week but not daily
- **Dijlah**: 23% Everyday, 21% At least once a week but not daily
Most viewed TV Channels according to the geographical area

**ARAB NORTH**
- **Al Iraqia**: 38%
- **Al Sharqia**: 58%

**SOUTH**
- **Al Sumaria/Al Furat**: 40%
- **Al Iraqia**: 46%

Everyday

Arabic: السومرية، الفرات، العراقية الشرقية، العراقية، الرسوميات، العراقية

English: Al Sumaria, Al Furat, Al Iraqia, Al Sharqia, Al Iraqia

Graphs showing the percentage of viewers for each channel in different regions.
Most viewed TV Channels according to the geographical area

**KURDISTAN**
- NRT: 48%
- Rudaw: 54%

**BAGHDAD**
- Al Iraqia: 51%
- Al Sumaria: 38%
Most Popular Daily Political TV programs

- **Ahmad Mula Talal**: 29%
- **Sahar Abas Jameel**: 22%
- **Adnan Al Taaie**: 17%
- **Bil Harf AL Wahid**
- **Al Qarar Lakom**
- **Bisraha**
Most Popular Weekly Political TV programs

- Al Yawm Al Tali: 16%
- Ala Al Tawila: 18%
- Al Mashhad Al Akheer: 9%

Mohammed Al Ghizzi

Emad Al Abadi

Haifaa Al Hussaini
Most Popular Political satire shows in Iraq

Watermelon state

Al Basheer show

66%

44%
When asked about your identity, what do you prefer your answer to be?

I’M IRAQI ABOVE ALL

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When asked about your identity, what do you prefer your answer to be?

**ARAB NORTH**
- I’m Iraqi above all: 48%
- I’m Muslin above all: 43%
- I’m Arab above all: 6%
- I’m Sunni above all: 3%

**KURDISTAN**
- I’m Iraqi above all: 5%
- I’m Muslin above all: 25%
- I’m Arabic above all: 70%

2019
When asked about your identity, what do you prefer your answer to be?

**SOUTH**

- 72% I’m Iraqi above all
- 15% I’m Muslim above all
- 13% I’m Shie above all

**BAGHDAD**

- 55% I’m Iraqi above all
- 31% I’m Muslim above all
- 14% I’m Shie above all

*2019*
Bribery and corruption in numbers

- 93% Believe in the spread of corruption in government
- 64% Believe in the spread of corruption in local government
- 55% Believe in bribery to get better services
- 94% Believe in intermediary to get a job
To what extent do you believe that there is corruption in the Iraqi institutions and organizations?

- To a large extent: 88% (Kurdistan), 80% (Arab North), 82% (Baghdad), 80% (South), 80% (Total)
- To a medium extent: 6% (Kurdistan), 13% (Arab North), 17% (Baghdad), 15% (South), 15% (Total)
- To a low extent: 1% (Kurdistan), 4% (Arab North), 4% (Baghdad), 4% (South), 4% (Total)
In general, when comparing the government of Adel Abdul-Mahdi with the previous ones, to what degree do you think this government is giving attention towards combating corruption?
There are different views regarding federalism, please tell me which of the following is the closest to you:

- Federalism is a good system that will solve Iraq’s issues (38%)
- Federalism is unacceptable as it will lead to Iraq’s division (33%)
- Federalism is a good system but currently it’s inappropriate (13%)
- I don’t have enough information about federalism (12%)
- I don’t know/refused to answer (33%)

Total:
- Baghdad:
  - 21%
- Kurdistan:
  - 15%
- Arab North:
  - 46%
- Basrah:
  - 42%
- South (Exc. Basrah):
  - 32%

I don’t know/refused to answer (33%)
There are some provinces that have recently called for establishing their own federal region (such as the federal region of Basra) similar to the Kurdistan region. Do you agree with the idea of the following federal regions?

- Kurdistan
- Arab North
- Baghdad
- Basrah
- South (Exc. Basrah)

**Basrah federal region**

- Agree: 11.5%
- Total: 31%

**Agree**
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**Sunni Federal Region**

- **Total**: Agree 10.9%
- **South (Exc. Basrah)**: Agree 11%
- **Basra**: Agree 17%
- **Arab North**: Agree 19%
- **Baghdad**: Agree 8%
- **Kurdistan**: Agree 48%
The percentage of Iraqis who believe that the government should rely on Islamic laws (Shariaa) only for enforcing laws

Sunni, Shia, Kurd


Islam Occupation

2004: 88% Sunni, 76% Shia, 83% Kurd
2006: 46% Sunni, 75% Shia, 43% Kurd
2011: 66% Sunni, 80% Shia, 66% Kurd
2013: 85% Sunni, 82% Shia, 81% Kurd
2019: 23% Sunni, 18% Shia, 37% Kurd
The percentage of Iraqis who believe it’s better to separate religion from politics.
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Total

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But more than half do not want Bashar Assad to participate in the upcoming elections.

"Bashar al-Assad should be permitted to stand in a future Presidential election."

Agree, 41

Disagree, 59