

Phone Survey of Cairo and Alexandria

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Pechter Middle East Polls

Methodology and Key Findings

These results are from the 343 randomly selected interviews landline and cell phone – enough to be representative -- completed so far in Cairo and Alexandria, from last Saturday through Tuesday. The poll was funded by The Washington Institute for Near East Policy.

Key Findings:

- •This is not an Islamic uprising. The Muslim Brotherhood is "approved" by just 15%, and its leaders get barely 1% in a presidential straw vote. Asked to pick national priorities, just 12% choose shariah over national power, democracy, or economic development. Asked to explain the uprising, economic conditions, corruption, and unemployment (30-40% each) far outpace "regime not Islamic enough" (7%).
- •Surprisingly, asked two different ways about the peace treaty with Israel, more support it (37%) than oppose it (22%). Only 18% approve of either Hamas or Iran. And a mere 5% say the uprising occurred because the regime is "too pro-Israel."
- •El Baradei has very little popular support in a presidential straw vote (4%), far outpaced by Amr Musa (29%) But Mubarak and Omar Suleiman each get 18%.
- •A narrow plurality (36% vs. 29%) say Egypt should have good relations with the U.S. And just 8% say the uprising is against a "too pro-American regime." Still, something over half disapprove of our handling of this crisis and say they don't trust the U.S. at all.

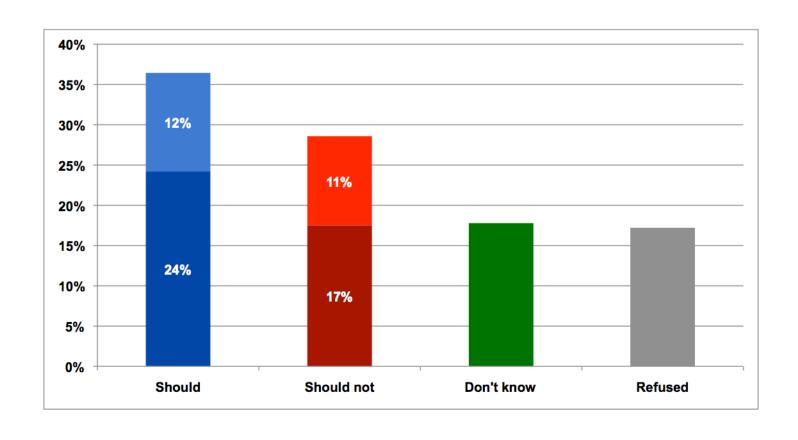
Why do you think the Egyptian people rose up now? And what's the second most important reason? (open ended)

Multiple responses allowed	The first most important reason	The second most important reason	
Poor economic conditions	22%	16%	
Corruption	21%	15%	
Unemployment/Lack of Job Opportunities	17%	16%	
Poor delivery of services like electricity and water	5%	4%	
Regime not Islamic enough	4%	3%	
Regime Too Connected to the US	4%	3%	
Regime Too Supportive of Israel	3%	4%	
Example of Tunisia	3%	5%	
Population growth	3%	1%	
Political repression/no democracy	3%	6%	
Abuses by security services/arrests/torture etc	3%	3%	
Succession issue/Gamal Mubarak/Hosni too old etc.	3%	3%	
Example of Iraq	0%	1%	
Other	0%	0%	
Don't know	4%	15%	
Refuse to Answer	3%	4%	
Total	100%	100%	

Who do you think should be the next President of Egypt? (open ended)

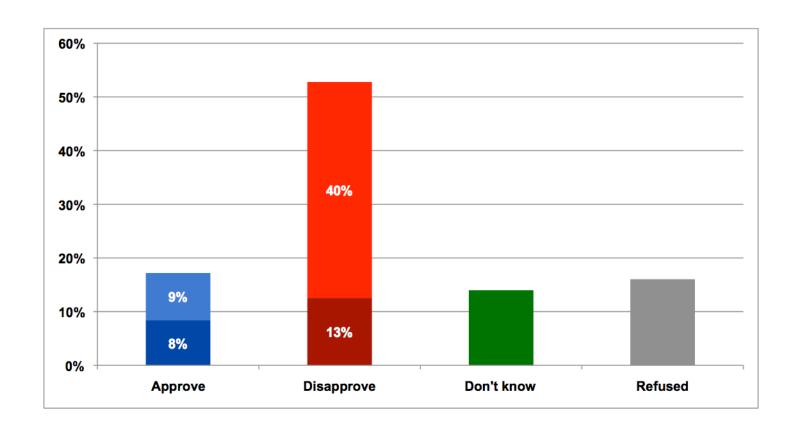
	Percentage
Hosni Mubarak	16%
Gamal Mubarak	0%
Omar Suleiman	17%
Mohammed Al Baradei	3%
Mohammed Badi	0%
Amr Moussa	26%
Ayman Nour	1%
Ahmad Shafiq	2%
Others	1%
Don't know	19%
Refused to answer	14%
Total	100%

Do you believe that Egypt should or should not have a good relationship with the United States? Do you feel that way strongly or only somewhat?



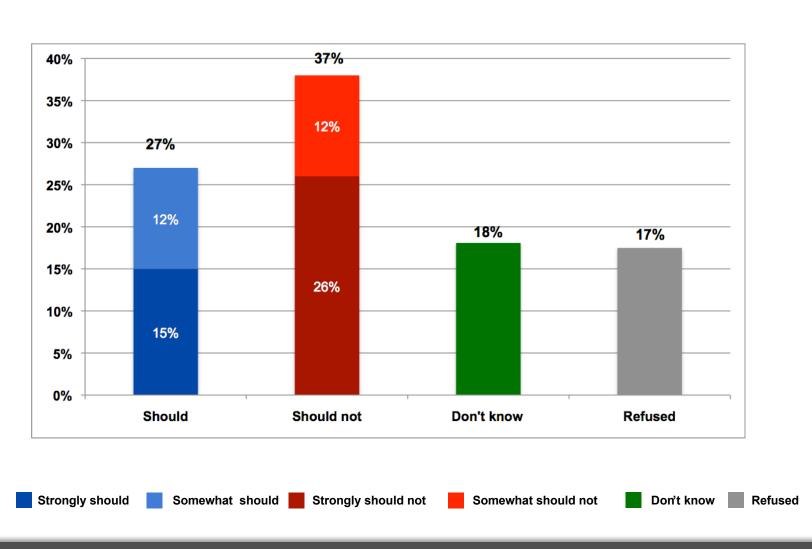


Do you approve or disapprove of how American President Barack Obama has handled the crisis in Egypt? Do you feel that way strongly or only somewhat?





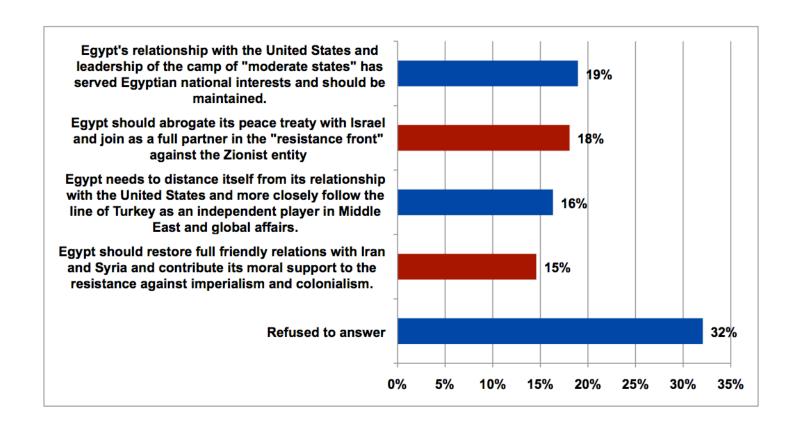
Do you think that Egypt should or should not annul its peace treaty with Israel? Do you feel that way strongly or only somewhat?



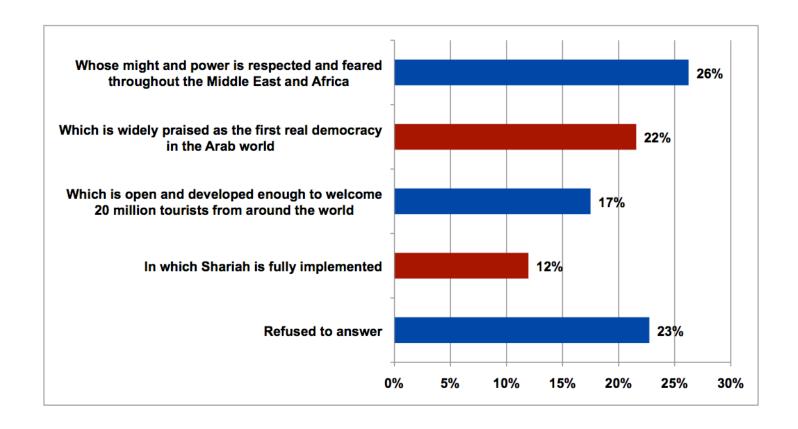
For each one of the choices below, can you tell me if you strongly approve, somewhat approve, somewhat disapprove or strongly disapprove?

	Strongly approve	Somewhat approve	Somewhat disapprove	Strongly disapprove	Don't know	Total
The uprising in Tunisia against Ben Ali	40%	15%	4%	11%	30%	100%
The Egyptian national association for change	37%	20%	8%	9%	24%	100%
The current government in Iran	5%	14%	17%	23%	42%	100%
The Muslim Brotherhood in Egypt	4%	11%	15%	37%	33%	100%
The referendum to divide Sudan	3%	4%	10%	48%	34%	100%
The Hamas government in Gaza	7%	10%	10%	30%	43%	100%

Of the answers below regarding Egyptian foreign policy, which one of the following is your first choice.



Please fill in the following sentence with your first choice. In 5-10 years, I hope to see an Egypt:



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