

THE PIPA/KNOWLEDGE NETWORKS POLL

THE AMERICAN PUBLIC ON INTERNATIONAL ISSUES

PIPA-Knowledge Networks Poll: Americans on the Crisis in Sudan

Questionnaire

Dates of Survey: July 9–15, 2004
Sample Size: 892

Margin of Error: +/- 3.3% [full sample]
+/- 4.0% [2/3 sample]
+/- 6.7% [1/4 sample]

Q1-Q30. *Held for future release.*

[FULL SAMPLE]

Q31. As you may know, in a province of Sudan called Darfur there is a conflict between the local black African Darfuris and the central government, dominated by Arabs. How much have you heard about this situation?

A lot	3%
Some	11
Not very much.....	28
Nothing at all.....	56
(No answer).....	3

Q32. Currently there is a debate about whether the UN should get more deeply involved in trying to resolve this situation in Darfur. Which of the following positions is closer to yours?

[ALTERNATE-REVERSE THE ORDER OF ARGUMENTS]

Militias, with government support, have been driving large numbers of Darfuris from their homes, many of them out of the country, with tens of thousands dying. Clearly the UN must try to step in. 53%

The UN was founded primarily to deal with international conflicts. The UN should not infringe on Sudan's sovereignty by getting involved in this type of complex internal conflict29

(No answer).....18

[2/3 SAMPLE - E,F,G,H,I,J,K,L]

Q33. Do you think the UN should put pressure on the Sudanese government to stop the militias, by deciding that all UN members should freeze the assets of Sudanese officials and ban them from traveling to other countries, or do you think the UN should not get involved in this way?

Should	68%
Should not	18
(No answer).....	14

[2/3 SAMPLE A,B,C,D,I,J,K,L]

Q34. Currently there is a debate about whether what is happening in Darfur is genocide. Here are two positions on this issue. Which one is closer to yours?

[ARO ARGUMENTS]

While the situation in Darfur may be turning into a humanitarian disaster, it is not really genocide. It is just a civil war between the government and people in a resistant region that happen to be of a different ethnic group..... 24%

Nearly a million black African Darfuris have been driven into the desert by Arab militias who have destroyed their farms and prevented them from receiving relief. Unless this is stopped hundreds of thousands will die. Clearly this is genocide.....56

(No answer).....20

Q35. If the UN were to determine that genocide is occurring in Darfur, do you think that then the UN, including the US, should or should not decide to act to stop the genocide even if it requires military force?

Should	69%
Should not	19
(No answer).....	12

[FULL SAMPLE]

Q36. The Darfur rebels and the Sudan government recently signed a ceasefire agreement that is supposed to allow relief organizations full access to the people who have been driven from their homes, but this agreement has largely broken down and many of them are dying. Some UN officials have proposed sending in a UN military force to enforce this agreement. If the government and the rebel forces were to accept this, do you think it would or would not be a good idea for the UN to send in such a military force to enforce the agreement?

Good idea	65%
Not a good idea	22
(No answer).....	13

Q37. If other countries--African, European and others--were willing to contribute three quarters of the troops for a UN military force to enforce the ceasefire agreement in Darfur, do you think the United States should be willing to contribute one quarter?

Should be willing	57%
Should not be willing.....	32
(No answer).....	11

Q38. If the upcoming election for president were held today for whom would you vote:

George W. Bush.....	40%
John F. Kerry	44
Ralph Nader	4
(No answer).....	12

[ONLY TO THOSE RESPONDENTS WHO ANSWER THE ABOVE QUESTION]

Q38a. How sure are you that you will vote this way?

Very sure Bush.....	31%
Somewhat sure Bush.....	6
Not very sure Bush.....	3
Very sure Kerry.....	32%
Somewhat sure Kerry.....	8
Not very sure Kerry	3
Very sure Nader	2%
Somewhat sure Nader	2
Not very sure Nader	1
(No answer).....	12

[TO NADER VOTERS ONLY]

Q38b. If Nader does not run or is not on the ballot would you:

Vote for Bush	1%
Vote for Kerry	2

Write-in Nader2

DEMOGRAPHIC DATA:

D1. In politics today, do you think of yourself as:

Strongly Republican 13%
Leaning toward Republican13
Independent.....27
Leaning toward Democrat15
Strongly Democrat.....20
Other9

D2. Did you vote for a candidate for the House of Representatives or the Senate in the election in November 2002?

Yes 58%
No.....39
(No Answer).....3

D3. Education level (categorical)

Less than High School 16%
High School Graduate.....32
Some College28
College Graduate24

D4. Gender

Male 48%
Female.....52

D5. Region

Northeast..... 19%
Midwest.....23
South36
West23