

# AFRO BAROMETER

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The Afrobarometer is an independent, non-partisan research instrument that measures the social, political and economic atmosphere in Africa. From June 15 to July 3, 2005, the Afrobarometer surveyed a nationally representative, random, stratified probability sample of 1200 Malawians. Face-to-face interviews were conducted by the Institute for Economic and Social Research (IfESOR) in three languages across 26 districts in the country. The sample was drawn by taking the smallest geographic units, census Enumeration Areas (EA's) and stratifying all EA's across the country into separate lists according to region and urban or rural status. One hundred and fifty EA's were then randomly selected from these lists with the probability proportionate to their sizes in the overall population as represented in the 1998 census. This ensured that every eligible adult had an equal and known chance of being selected. Eight households were then randomly selected within each EA, and a respondent of 18 years of age or older was randomly selected from each household. A gender quota ensured that every other interview must be with a female. A sample of this size is sufficient to yield an overall margin of error of +/- 3 percent at a confidence level of 95 percent

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Note: All figures in the following tables are percentages, rounded to whole numbers. Due to rounding, columns may not add up to exactly 100%. For response options that received less than 1% of all responses, we use the following notations: 0.5% to 1% are reported as “1”; at least one response, but less than 0.5% are reported as “0”; and no response in a category is recorded as a blank.

### Sample Demographics

<b>Gender</b>		
	Male	50.0
	Female	50.0
<b>Location</b>		
	Urban	14.0
	Rural	86.0
<b>Region</b>		
	Central	40.7
	North	12.7
	South	
<b>District</b>		
	Balaka	3.3
	Blantyre	8.0
	Chikwawa	3.3
	Chiradzulu	2.7
	Chitipa	1.3
	Dedza	4.7
	Dowa	4.0
	Karonga	2.0
	Kasungu	5.3
	Lilongwe	14.0
	Machinga	3.3
	Mangochi	6.0
	Mchinji	3.3
	Mulanje	4.0
	Mwanza	2.0
	Mzimba	6.0
	Nkhata Bay	2.0
	Nkhatokota	2.0
	Nsanje	2.0
	Ntcheu	3.3
	Ntchisi	1.3
	Phalombe	2.0
	Rumphi	1.3
	Salima	2.7
	Thyolo	4.7
	Zomba	5.3

**Let us begin by recording a few facts about yourself.**

**1. How old are you?**

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
18-24	44	28	29	32	30
25-34	32	28	26	31	29
35-44	11	15	14	15	15
45-54	7	10	12	7	10
55-64	2	8	11	4	7
65-74	2	4	5	2	4
75 and older		1	2	0	1
Don't know	2	6	2	9	5

**2. Are you the head of the household?**

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No	49	34	20	53	36
Yes	51	66	80	48	64

**3. Which Malawian language is your home language?**

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
English	1	0	0		0
Kiswahili		0	0		0
Tumbuka	9	10	10	10	10
Nkhonde	0	2	1	1	1
Lambya	0	1	1	1	1
Chewa	60	59	59	59	59
Yao	8	12	11	12	12
Ngoni	8	3	4	3	4
Lomwe	7	7	7	7	7
Manga'nja	3	4	3	4	4
Sena	3	3	2	3	3
Sukwa		0	0		0
Tonga	1	0	1	0	1
Other	0	0	0	0	0

**Let us turn to economic conditions.**

**4a. In general, how would you describe the present economic conditions of this country?**

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very Bad	57	61	58	63	60
Fairly Bad	16	19	20	17	18
Neither good nor bad	7	2	3	3	3
Fairly Good	12	10	11	9	10
Very good	7	6	7	5	6
Don't know	2	3	2	3	23

4b. *In general, how would you describe your own present living conditions?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very Bad	56	61	59	61	60
Fairly Bad	14	20	21	18	20
Neither good nor bad	5	2	3	3	3
Fairly Good	21	10	12	12	12
Very good	5	5	5	5	5
Don't know		1	0	1	1

5. *In general, how do you rate your living conditions compared to those of other Malawians?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Much Worse	39	38	36	40	38
Worse	24	32	30	32	31
Same	14	14	15	13	14
Better	23	15	18	14	16
Don't know	1	1	0	1	1

6a. *Looking back, how do you rate the following compared to twelve months ago: economic conditions in this country?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Much worse	30	28	25	30	28
Worse	18	18	17	18	18
Same	13	11	12	10	11
Better	27	31	32	30	31
Much better	11	10	12	8	10
Don't know	1	3	2	3	3

6b. *Looking back, how do you rate the following compared to twelve months ago: your own living conditions?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Much worse	30	25	24	28	26
Worse	12	19	17	19	18
Same	17	15	15	15	15
Better	28	29	31	27	29
Much better	12	11	12	10	11
Don't know	1	1	1	1	1

7a. *Looking ahead, do you expect the following to be better or worse: economic conditions in this country in twelve months time?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Much worse	24	28	28	27	27
Worse	17	19	12	11	11
Same	15	15	4	5	4
Better	31	27	22	20	21
Much better	12	10	16	12	14
Don't know	1	1	18	26	22

7b. *Looking ahead, do you expect the following to be better or worse: your living conditions in twelve months time?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Much worse	24	24	22	25	24
Worse	8	13	14	12	13
Same	9	7	8	7	7
Better	20	24	26	21	23
Much better	19	11	14	10	12
Don't know	20	22	17	26	21

8a. *Over the past year, how often, if ever, have you or anyone in your family gone without enough food to eat?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	45	26	30	27	29
Just once or twice	10	12	11	12	11
Several times	22	19	20	20	20
Many times	12	30	27	27	27
Always	11	13	12	14	13
Don't know		0	0		0

8b. *Over the past year, how often, if ever, have you or anyone in your family gone without enough clean water for home use?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	62	52	52	54	53
Just once or twice	5	7	8	6	7
Several times	12	12	13	11	12
Many times	11	18	17	16	17
Always	9	12	11	12	11
Don't know		0	1	1	0

8c. *Over the past year, how often, if ever, have you or anyone in your family gone without enough medicines or medical treatment?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	62	40	43	43	43
Just once or twice	8	8	8	8	8
Several times	10	17	18	15	16
Many times	11	22	21	20	20
Always	7	13	11	14	12
Don't know	0	1			1

8d. *Over the past year, how often, if ever, have you or anyone in your family gone without enough fuel to cook your food?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	57	55	57	54	56
Just once or twice	8	7	9	5	7
Several times	8	12	10	13	11
Many times	14	17	15	18	16
Always	12	9	9	10	9
Don't know					

8e. *Over the past year, how often, if ever, have you or anyone in your family gone without a cash income?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	21	11	12	13	12
Just once or twice	9	5	6	5	6
Several times	26	21	22	21	21
Many times	28	41	40	40	40
Always	15	22	20	22	21
Don't know		0	0		0

8f. *Over the past year, how often, if ever, have you or anyone in your family gone without school expenses for your children (e.g. fees, uniforms or books)?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	21	17	19	16	18
Just once or twice	10	8	10	6	8
Several times	16	16	14	18	16
Many times	20	27	24	29	26
Always	14	20	19	19	19
No children	18	12	14	12	13
Don't know	0	0	0	0	0

9a. *Over the past year, how often, if ever, have you or anyone in your family feared crime in your own home?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	74	80	79	80	80
Just once or twice	15	9	11	9	10
Several times	5	5	5	5	5
Many times	4	3	3	4	3
Always	2	2	2	2	2
Don't know	0	0	0	0	0

9b. *Over the past year, how often, if ever, have you or anyone in your family had something stolen from your house?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	68	72	67	76	72
Just once or twice	23	20	25	16	21
Several times	6	4	5	3	4
Many times	2	2	2	3	2
Always	1	1	0	2	1
Don't know					

- 9c. *Over the past year, how often, if ever, have you or anyone in your family been physically attacked?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	93	95	94	96	95
Just once or twice	6	4	5	3	4
Several times	1	1	1	1	1
Many times	0	0	0	0	0
Always	1	0	0	0	0
Don't know					

10. *Which of the following statements is closest to your view. Choose statement A or statement B.*

*A. It is better to have free schooling for our children, even if the quality of education is low.*

*B. It is better to raise educational standards, even if we have to pay school fees.*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with A	32	49	43	51	47
Agree with A	2	2	2	3	2
Agree with B	2	3	3	2	2
Agree very strongly with B	60	44	50	43	46
Agree with neither	3	1	2	2	2
Don't know		1	1	0	1

11. *Which of the following statements is closest to your view. Choose statement A or statement B.*

*A. All civil servants should keep their jobs, even if paying their salaries is costly to the country.*

*B. The government cannot afford so many public employees and should lay some of them off.*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with A	67	63	63	64	63
Agree with A	7	8	6	10	8
Agree with B	1	5	5	5	5
Agree very strongly with B	20	20	22	18	20
Agree with neither	4	1	2	2	2
Don't know	1	2	2	3	2



12. Which of the following statements is closest to your view. Choose statement A or statement B.

A. The costs of reforming the economy are too high; the government should therefore abandon its current economic policies.

B. In order for the economy to get better in the future, it is necessary for us to accept some hardships now.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with A	26	30	32	27	30
Agree with A	2	6	5	6	5
Agree with B	13	9	9	10	10
Agree very strongly with B	55	51	51	52	52
Agree with neither	3	1	2	2	2
Don't know	2	3	2	3	3

13. Which of the following statements is closest to your view. Choose statement A or statement B.

A. The government's economic policies have helped most people; only a few have suffered.

B. The government's economic policies have hurt most people and only benefited a few.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with A	26	22	23	21	22
Agree with A	2	3	2	3	2
Agree with B	7	9	8	10	9
Agree very strongly with B	61	64	64	63	63
Neither	3	1	2	1	2
Don't know	2	2	2	3	2

- 14a. Please tell me whether each of the following aspects of our economic situation in this country is better or worse than it was a few years ago, or whether it has remained the same: the availability of goods?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Much worse	45	56	52	56	54
Worse	18	13	14	13	13
Same	13	7	8	8	8
Better	14	14	14	13	14
Much better	10	9	11	8	10
Don't know	1	2	1	3	2

- 14b. Please tell me whether each of the following aspects of our economic situation in this country is better or worse than it was a few years ago, or whether it has remained the same: the availability of job opportunities?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Much worse	71	68	70	68	69
Worse	8	16	15	15	15
Same	13	5	6	6	6
Better	5	5	4	6	5
Much better	2	4	3	4	3
Don't know	1	2	2	3	2

- 14c. *Please tell me whether each of the following aspects of our economic situation in this country is better or worse than it was a few years ago, or whether it has remained the same: the gap between the rich and the poor?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Much worse	67	68	68	67	68
Worse	10	17	16	16	16
Same	11	6	7	7	7
Better	8	5	6	5	5
Much better	2	2	3	2	2
Don't know	2	2	1	2	2

- 15a. *How often do you get news from the following sources: radio?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	6	10	6	14	10
Less than once a month	1	4	3	6	4
A few times a month	4	7	5	9	7
A few times a week	11	19	17	19	18
Every day	78	59	70	53	61
Don't know					

- 15b. *How often do you get news from the following sources: television?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	44	86	75	85	80
Less than once a month	8	4	7	3	5
A few times a month	7	3	5	2	3
A few times a week	11	3	5	3	4
Every day	30	3	8	6	7
Don't know	0	1	1	1	1

- 15c. *How often do you get news from the following sources: newspapers?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	36	74	60	76	68
Less than once a month	4	9	12	5	8
A few times a month	15	6	9	6	8
A few times a week	20	7	12	6	9
Every day	24	4	7	6	6
Don't know	0	0	0	1	0

16. *How interested would you say you are in public affairs? (You know, in politics and government).*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all interested	15	16	12	21	16
Not very interested	6	8	8	8	8
Somewhat interested	17	15	14	17	15
Very interested	61	58	66	52	59
Don't know	1	2	2	3	2

17. *When you get together with your friends and family, would you say you discuss political matters?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	34	48	36	56	46
Occasionally	40	28	33	26	30
Frequently	24	23	30	16	23
Don't know	2	1	1	1	1

- 18a. *Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: Politics and government sometimes seem so complicated that you can't really understand what's going on?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly agree	73	65	70	62	66
Agree	8	9	9	9	9
Neither agree nor disagree	2	3	2	4	3
Disagree	4	6	6	5	5
Strongly disagree	9	12	11	13	12
Don't know	4	5	3	7	5

- 18b. *Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: As far as politics are concerned, friends and neighbors do not listen to you?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly agree	56	50	52	49	50
Agree	8	11	10	11	10
Neither agree nor disagree	9	7	7	7	7
Disagree	8	10	11	8	10
Strongly disagree	13	18	17	17	17
Don't know	7	5	3	8	6

19. *Which of the following statements is closest to your view. Choose statement A or statement B.*

*A. People should look after themselves and be responsible for their own success in life.*

*B. The government should bear the main responsibility for the well-being of people.*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with A	60	43	48	43	46
Agree with A	2	4	4	4	4
Agree with B	2	5	4	5	5
Agree very strongly with B	33	46	42	46	44
Agree with neither	1	2	2	2	2
Don't know	1	0	1	1	1

20. Which of the following statements is closest to your view. Choose statement A or statement B.

A. As citizens, we should be more active in questioning the actions of our leaders.

B. In our country these days, we should show more respect for authority.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with A	71	64	67	63	65
Agree with A	8	6	5	7	6
Agree with B	3	3	3	3	3
Agree very strongly with B	14	25	23	25	24
Agree with neither	3	1	1	1	1
Don't know	1	1	1	1	1

21. Which of the following statements is closest to your view. Choose statement A or statement B.

A. Since leaders represent everyone, they should not favour their own family or group.

B. Once in office, leaders are obliged to help their home community.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with A	83	87	88	85	87
Agree with A	5	5	5	5	5
Agree with B	2	1	1	1	1
Agree very strongly with B	9	6	6	8	7
Agree with neither	1	0	0	0	0
Don't know	0	0	0	0	0

22. Which of the following statements is closest to your view. Choose statement A or statement B.

A. All people should be permitted to vote, even if they do not fully understand all the issues in an election.

B. Only those who are sufficiently well educated should be allowed to choose our leaders.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with A	79	79	80	79	79
Agree with A	7	5	5	6	5
Agree with B	1	1	1	2	1
Agree very strongly with B	11	13	13	12	12
Agree with neither	2	1	2	1	1
Don't know	1	1	1	0	1

23. *Which of the following statements is closest to your view. Choose statement A or statement B.*

*A. In our country, women should have equal rights and receive the same treatment as men do.*

*B. Women have always been subject to traditional laws and customs, and should remain so.*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with A	58	52	55	51	53
Agree with A	5	4	5	3	4
Agree with B	1	3	3	3	3
Agree very strongly with B	33	39	36	41	39
Agree with neither	2	1	1	1	1
Don't know	1	1	1	1	1

24. *Which of the following statements is closest to your view. Choose statement A or statement B.*

*A. Women should have the same chance of being elected to political office as men.*

*B. Men make better political leaders than women, and should be elected rather than women.*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with A	76	76	79	73	76
Agree with A	8	4	4	4	4
Agree with B	2	3	3	4	3
Agree very strongly with B	13	16	13	18	16
Agree with neither	0	0	1	0	0
Don't know	1	1	0	1	1

25. *Which of the following statements is closest to your view. Choose statement A or statement B.*

*A. Government should be able to ban any organization that goes against its policies.*

*B. We should be able to join any organization, whether or not the government approves of it.*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with A	46	47	45	48	47
Agree with A	7	8	7	9	8
Agree with B	4	7	8	6	7
Agree very strongly with B	39	34	37	32	35
Agree with neither	2	2	2	2	2
Don't know	2	2	2	3	2

26. Which of the following statements is closest to your view. Choose statement A or statement B.

A. Government should close newspapers that print false stories or misinformation.

B. The news media should be free to publish any story that they see fit without fear of being shut down.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with A	42	41	43	40	41
Agree with A	5	6	3	8	6
Agree with B	5	10	10	9	9
Agree very strongly with B	45	41	42	40	41
Agree with neither	2	1	1	1	1
Don't know	1	2	1	3	2

27. Which of the following statements is closest to your view. Choose statement A or statement B.

A. Government should not allow the expression of political views that are fundamentally different from the views of the majority.

B. People should be able to speak their minds about politics free of government influence, no matter how unpopular their views may be.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with A	23	23	23	23	23
Agree with A	7	6	5	7	6
Agree with B	5	7	8	6	7
Agree very strongly with B	64	62	62	61	62
Agree with neither	0	1	1	0	1
Don't know	1	2	1	3	2

28a. Now I am going to read out a list of groups that people join or attend. For each one could you tell me whether you are an official leader or an active member, or not a member: a religious group (e.g. church, mosque)?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not a Member	17	16	15	17	16
Inactive Member	10	13	13	11	12
Active Member	67	56	55	60	58
Official Leader	7	15	17	11	14
Don't Know	0	0	0	1	0

28b. Now I am going to read out a list of groups that people join or attend. For each one could you tell me whether you are an official leader or an active member, or not a member: a trade union or farmer's association?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not a Member	86	68	64	78	71
Inactive Member	2	4	4	3	3
Active Member	10	22	25	16	21
Official Leader	1	4	6	3	4
Don't Know	1	1	1	1	1

- 28c. *Now I am going to read out a list of groups that people join or attend. For each one could you tell me whether you are an official leader or an active member, or not a member: professional or business association.*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not a Member	83	80	77	84	80
Inactive Member	2	3	3	3	3
Active Member	12	15	18	11	14
Official Leader	2	1	1	2	2
Don't Know	1	1	2	1	1

- 28d. *Now I am going to read out a list of groups that people join or attend. For each one could you tell me whether you are an official leader or an active member, or not a member: community development self-help association.*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not a Member	73	52	50	60	55
Inactive Member	5	5	5	5	5
Active Member	22	38	39	33	36
Official Leader	0	4	5	2	3
Don't know	0	1	1	1	1

29. *Understanding that some Malawians were not able to register as voters for the 2004 elections, which statement is true for you?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
You were registered to vote	67	85	83	82	82
You did not want to register	10	4	4	5	4
You could not find a place to register	0	0	0	0	0
You were prevented from registering	5	0	1	1	1
You were too young to register	7	2	3	3	3
Did not register for some other reason	11	9	9	10	9
Don't know/Can't remember		0		0	0

30. *With regard to the most recent, 2004 national elections, which statement is true for you?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
You voted in the elections	63	82	80	79	79
You decided not to vote	0	0	1	0	0
You could not find the polling station	0	0	0	0	0
You were prevented from voting	1	1	1	1	1
You did not have time to vote	1	0		1	0
Did not vote for some other reason	4	2	2	2	2
You were not registered	33	15	17	18	18
Don't know/Cant remember		0		0	0

31a. *Here is a list of actions that people sometimes take as citizens. For each of these, please tell me whether you personally have done any of these during the past year: attended a community meeting?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No - Would never do this	6	2	2	3	2
No – but would if had the chance	19	17	16	19	18
Yes - Once or twice	15	19	19	18	19
Yes - Several times	29	36	35	35	35
Yes - Often	31	26	28	25	26
Don't know	0	0	0	0	0

31b. *Here is a list of actions that people sometimes take as citizens. For each of these, please tell me whether you personally have done any of these during the past year: got together with others to raise an issue?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No - Would never do this	8	6	5	7	6
No – but would if had the chance	57	57	54	60	57
Yes - Once or twice	13	12	13	11	12
Yes - Several times	16	18	19	16	18
Yes - Often	6	7	8	5	7
Don't know	1	0	0	1	0

31c. *Here is a list of actions that people sometimes take as citizens. For each of these, please tell me whether you personally have done any of these during the past year: attended a demonstration or a protest march?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No – Would never do this	5	6	31	30	30
No – but would if had the chance	79	79	59	63	61
Yes – Once or twice	9	6	6	3	5
Yes - Several times	3	4	2	2	2
Yes – Often	4	4	1	1	1
Don't know	0	1	1	1	1

31d. *Here is a list of actions that people sometimes take as citizens. For each of these, please tell me whether you personally have done any of these during the past year: Attend a local budget meeting?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No, would never do this	5	6	5	6	6
No, but would do if had the chance	79	79	77	82	79
Yes, once or twice	9	6	7	6	7
Yes, several times	3	4	5	3	4
Yes, often	4	4	6	2	4
Don't know	0	1	1	1	1



- 31e. *Here is a list of actions that people sometimes take as citizens. For each of these, please tell me whether you personally have done any of these during the past year: Wrote a letter or a newspaper article?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No, would never do this	6	11	8	13	10
No, but would do if had the chance	83	84	84	84	84
Yes, once or twice	5	3	4	2	3
Yes, several times	2	1	2	0	1
Yes, often	4	1	2	1	1
Don't know	0	1	1	1	1

- 31f. *Here is a list of actions that people sometimes take as citizens. For each of these, please tell me whether you personally have done any of these during the past year: Reported an important matter to an Official e.g. a crime you witnessed?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No, would never do this	5	9	6	11	8
No, but would do if had the chance	83	83	81	86	83
Yes, once or twice	7	5	8	2	5
Yes, several times	3	2	4	0	2
Yes, often	2	1	2	0	1
Don't know		0		0	0

- 32a. *During the past year, how often have you contacted any of the following people about some important problem or to give them your views: a local government councilor?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	91	80	75	88	82
Only Once	4	7	8	5	6
A few times	3	8	10	5	7
Often	2	5	7	2	5
Don't know	0	0	0	0	0

- 32b. *During the past year, how often have you contacted any of the following people about some important problem or to give them your views: A Member of Parliament?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	92	88	86	91	88
Only once	3	4	5	3	4
A few times	5	4	5	3	4
Often	0	4	4	2	3
Don't know					

- 32c. *During the past year, how often have you contacted any of the following people about some important problem or to give them your views: an official of a government ministry?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	91	91	86	96	91
Only once	3	2	4	1	2
A few times	5	3	5	2	3
Often	1	4	5	1	3
Don't know					

- 32d. *During the past year, how often have you contacted any of the following people about some important problem or to give them your views: a political party official?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	90	85	82	91	86
Only once	3	5	5	4	4
A few times	6	5	8	4	6
Often	1	4	6	3	4
Don't know					

- 32e. *During the past year, how often have you contacted any of the following people about some important problem or to give them your views: a religious leader?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	69	64	59	70	65
Only once	9	8	8	8	8
A few times	12	11	13	10	11
Often	10	17	21	12	16
Don't know					

- 32f. *During the past year, how often have you contacted any of the following people about some important problem or to give them your views: a traditional ruler?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	83	62	56	74	65
Only once	5	7	7	7	7
A few times	7	10	12	6	9
Often	5	21	25	13	19
Don't know	0	0	0	0	0

- 32g. *During the past year, how often have you contacted any of the following people about some important problem or to give them your views: some other influential person?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	90	88	85	92	89
Only once	5	3	4	3	3
A few times	1	3	4	2	3
Often	4	5	7	3	5
Don't know					

33. *Think of the last time you contacted any of the above leaders. Was the main reason to:*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Tell them about your own personal problems?	85	92		0	0
Tell them about a community or public problem?	4	3	15	16	15
Give them your view on some political issue?	4	2	39	25	32
Something else?	7	3	2	1	2
Not applicable	85	92	5	4	4
Don't know	4	3	39	54	47

34. *What, if anything, does “democracy” mean to you?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Understood democracy in English	78	80	85	76	80
Required local language translation	18	12	12	14	13
Did not understand the word or question, even in local language	4	7	3	11	7

- 35a. *What, if anything, does “democracy” mean to you? (first response)*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Nothing/ democracy has no meaning	1	1	1	1	1
<b>Positive meanings</b>					
Civil liberties/ personal freedoms	63	50	64	41	52
Government by, for, of the people	2	1	2	1	1
Voting/elections/ multiparty competition	15	11	10	14	12
Peace/ unity/ power sharing	1	5	5	4	4
Social/ economic development	1	1	1	2	1
Equality/ justice	1	1	0	1	1
Majority rule	1		0		0
Governance/ accountability/ rule of law	1	0		1	1
National independence/ self-determination		0	0	0	0
Working together	1	1	1	1	1
Other positive meanings	1	0	0	1	0
<b>Negative meanings</b>					
Conflict/ confusion	1	2	1	2	1
Corruption/ abuse of power		0	0	0	0
Social/ economic hardship		0		0	0
Other negative meanings	1	0	0	1	1
<b>Null / neutral meanings</b>					
Change of government/ leadership/ laws	2	6	4	7	5
Other neutral/ null meanings	1	2	2	3	2
Don't know	10	17	9	23	16

35b. What, if anything, does “democracy” mean to you? (second response)

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
<b>Positive meanings</b>					
Civil liberties/ personal freedoms	12	10	12	9	10
Government by, for, of the people	1	0	1		0
Voting/elections/ multiparty competition	2	4	5	3	4
Peace/ unity/ power sharing	3	3	4	2	3
Social/ economic development	1	1	1	1	1
Equality/ justice	2	2	2	2	2
Majority rule	1	0	1	0	0
Governance/ accountability/ rule of law	1	1	1		1
National independence/ self-determination		0	0	0	0
Working together	1	1	1	1	1
Other positive meanings		1	1	1	1
<b>Negative meanings</b>					
Conflict/ confusion		1	1	1	1
Corruption / abuse of power					
Social/ economic hardship		0		0	0
Other negative meanings		0		0	0
<b>Null / neutral meanings</b>					
Change of government/ leadership/ laws	4	1	2	1	1
Other neutral/ null meanings	1	1	1	1	1
No further answer	74	74	69	79	74

35. What, if anything, does “democracy” mean to you? (third response)

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
<b>Positive meanings</b>					
Civil liberties/ personal freedoms	1	1	1	1	1
Government by, for, of the people		0	0		0
Voting/elections/ multiparty competition	1	0	1	0	1
Peace/ unity/ power sharing		0	0		0
Social/ economic development		1	1	0	1
Equality/ justice		1	1	0	1
Majority rule	1	0	0		0
Governance/ accountability/ rule of law		0	0		0
National independence/ self-determination		0	0		0
Working together		0	0	1	0
Other positive meanings		0	0	1	0
<b>Negative meanings</b>					
Conflict/ confusion		0	0		0
Corruption / abuse of power					
Social/ economic hardship		0	0	0	0
Other negative meanings		0	0	0	0
<b>Null / neutral meanings</b>					
Change of government/ leadership/ laws					
Other neutral/ null meanings		0	1		0
No further answer	98	95	94	97	95

36a. *There are many ways to govern a country. Would you disapprove or approve of the following alternative: only one political party is allowed to stand for election and hold office?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly Disapprove	53	51	59	43	51
Disapprove	5	5	3	7	5
Neither Approve Nor disapprove	1	2	1	2	1
Approve	3	8	6	9	8
Strongly Approve	37	32	29	37	33
Don't know	2	3	2	4	3

36b. *There are many ways to govern a country. Would you disapprove or approve of the following alternative: the army comes in to govern the country?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly Disapprove	52	45	45	46	46
Disapprove	3	5	4	6	5
Neither Approve Nor Disapprove	3	3	2	4	3
Approve	8	12	13	10	11
Strongly Approve	33	29	33	26	30
Don't know	2	7	3	9	6

36c. *There are many ways to govern a country. Would you disapprove or approve of the following alternative: elections and the Parliament are abolished so that the President can decide everything?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly Disapprove	65	58	65	54	59
Disapprove	7	7	7	7	7
Neither Approve Nor Disapprove	2	2	2	2	2
Approve	4	5	4	5	5
Strongly Approve	18	18	17	20	18
Don't know	4	9	5	12	9

37. *Which of these three statements is closest to your own opinion?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
STATEMENT A: Democracy is preferable to any other kind of government.	60	55	66	46	56
STATEMENT B: In some circumstances, a non-democratic government can be preferable.	20	19	15	23	19
STATEMENT C: For someone like me, it doesn't matter what kind of government we have.	17	22	17	26	21
Don't know	2	4	2	5	4

38. *Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement A or Statement B.*

*A: We should choose our leaders in this country through regular, open and honest elections.*

*B: Since elections sometimes produce bad results, we should adopt other methods for choosing this country's leaders.*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with A	61	58	58	59	59
Agree with A	1	4	3	4	3
Agree with B	2	3	3	3	3
Agree very strongly with B	34	33	35	31	33
Agree with neither	1	0	0	1	1
Don't know	1	1	1	2	1

39. *Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement A or Statement B.*

*A: Political parties create division and confusion; it is therefore unnecessary to have many political parties in Malawi.*

*B: Many political parties are needed to make sure that Malawians have real choices in who governs them.*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with A	26	27	24	31	27
Agree with A	2	3	3	3	3
Agree with B	6	5	6	5	6
Agree very strongly with B	65	62	66	60	63
Agree with neither	1	1	1	1	1
Don't know	1	1	1	1	1

40. *Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement A or Statement B.*

*A: The members of the National Assembly represent the people; therefore they should make laws for this country, even if the President does not agree.*

*B: Since the President represents all of us; he should pass laws without worrying about what the National Assembly thinks.*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with A	46	43	48	38	43
Agree with A	8	8	8	9	8
Agree with B	5	7	6	8	7
Agree very strongly with B	36	34	32	38	35
Agree with neither	4	4	4	4	4
Don't know	1	3	2	3	3

41. Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement A or Statement B.

A: Since the President was elected to lead the country; laws or court decisions that he thinks are wrong should not bind him.

B: The President must always obey the laws and the courts, even if he thinks they are wrong.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with A	24	25	23	27	25
Agree with A	6	6	5	6	6
Agree with B	3	8	7	7	7
Agree very strongly with B	62	56	60	54	57
Agree with neither	5	2	3	2	3
Don't know	1	3	1	4	2

42. Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement A or Statement B.

A: Our present system of elected government should be given more time to deal with inherited problems.

B: If our present system cannot produce results soon, we should try another form of government.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with A	41	39	43	36	39
Agree with A	5	7	7	7	7
Agree with B	6	7	6	8	7
Agree very strongly with B	47	43	42	45	43
Agree with neither	1	1	1	1	1
Don't know		3	2	4	3

Now let us speak about the political system in this country.

- 43a. Can you tell me the name of: your Member of Parliament?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Know But Can't Remember	4	4	4	5	4
Incorrect Guess	11	4	5	5	5
Correct Name	62	76	82	66	74
Don't Know	24	16	9	24	17

- 43b. Can you tell me the name of: your Local Government Councilor?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Know But Can't Remember	9	11	10	12	11
Incorrect Guess	11	9	9	10	9
Correct Name	30	45	51	35	43
Don't Know	50	35	30	44	37

43c. *Can you tell me the name of: the Vice President?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Know But Can't Remember	11	14	15	12	13
Incorrect Guess	7	10	9	11	10
Correct Name	64	39	60	26	43
Don't Know	18	37	17	51	34

44a. *Do you happen to know: Which Political Party has the most seats in Parliament?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Know But Can't Remember	1	0	0	0	0
Incorrect Guess	35	28	29	30	29
Correct Name	46	31	44	22	33
Don't Know	18	40	27	48	37

44b. *Do you happen to know: how many times someone can be elected President?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Know But Can't Remember	1	0	0	0	0
Incorrect Guess	24	32	30	32	31
Correct Name	65	45	58	38	48
Don't Know	11	23	11	31	21

44c. *Do you happen to know: whose responsibility it is to determine whether or not a law is constitutional?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Know But Can't Remember	1	0	1	0	1
Incorrect Guess	55	49	56	44	50
Correct Name	13	3	7	2	5
Don't Know	31	47	36	53	45

45. *On the whole, how would you rate the freeness and fairness of the last national election, held in 2004?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Completely free and fair	25	29	28	29	28
Free and fair, but with minor problems	14	14	15	14	14
Free and fair, with major problems	18	18	20	16	18
Not free and fair	40	32	33	34	33
Do not understand question	1	1	0	1	1
Don't know	2	6	4	7	5



46. *In your opinion, how much of a democracy is Malawi today?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not a democracy	7	7	7	7	7
A democracy, with major problems	63	61	62	60	61
A democracy, but with minor problems	15	16	16	16	16
A full democracy	15	12	14	11	12
Do not understand question/democracy		0		1	0
Don't know		4	2	6	4

47. *Overall, how satisfied are you with the way democracy works in Malawi? Are you:*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Malawi is not a democracy	1	2	2	2	2
Not at all satisfied	36	37	37	38	37
Not very satisfied	31	30	32	29	30
Fairly satisfied	12	11	10	13	11
Very satisfied	18	14	17	13	15
Don't know	2	5	2	6	4

48. *In your opinion, how likely is it that Malawi will remain a democratic country?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Malawi is not a democracy		2	1	2	1
Not at all likely	26	22	20	25	22
Not very likely	13	18	19	16	18
Likely	26	18	21	17	19
Very likely	24	23	27	19	23
Don't know	11	18	13	22	17

49. *Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement A or Statement B.*

*A. It is important to obey the government in power no matter who you voted for.*

*B. It is not necessary to obey the laws of a government that I did not vote for.*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with A	79	74	78	71	75
Agree with A	5	5	5	6	5
Agree with B	1	2	2	2	2
Agree very strongly with B	13	16	13	18	16
Agree with neither	1	1	1	2	1
Don't know	2	1	1	2	1

50. Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement A or Statement B.

A. It is better to find lawful solutions to problems even if it takes longer.

B. It is sometimes better to ignore the law and solve problems immediately using other means.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with A	66	64	67	62	64
Agree with A	10	8	8	8	8
Agree with B	2	3	3	4	3
Agree very strongly with B	22	22	21	24	22
Agree with neither	0	1	1	2	1
Don't know	0	1	0	2	1

51. Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement A or Statement B.

A. The use of violence is never justified in Malawian politics today.

B. In this country, it is sometimes necessary to use violence in support of a just cause.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with A	77	79	79	78	79
Agree with A	6	6	7	6	6
Agree with B	2	2	2	3	2
Agree very strongly with B	12	12	12	12	12
Agree with neither	1	0	0	1	1
Don't know	1	1	1	1	1

52a. For each of the following statements, please tell me whether you disagree or agree: Our constitution expresses the values and hopes of the Malawian people?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly Disagree	29	23	23	25	24
Disagree	8	8	8	8	8
Neither Agree Nor Disagree	4	3	4	3	3
Agree	11	17	17	16	16
Strongly Agree	45	42	45	40	42
Don't know	2	6	4	8	6

52b. For each of the following statements, can you tell me whether you agree or disagree: The courts have the right to make decisions that people always have to abide by?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly Disagree	25	23	26	22	24
Disagree	6	5	6	4	5
Neither Agree Nor Disagree	2	2	2	3	2
Agree	14	20	19	19	19
Strongly Agree	52	43	45	44	44
Don't know	2	7	4	9	6

52c. *For each of the following statements, can you tell me whether you agree or disagree: The police always have the right to make people obey the law?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly Disagree	16	13	13	14	14
Disagree	4	6	6	5	6
Neither Agree Nor Disagree	3	3	2	3	3
Agree	14	20	19	19	19
Strongly Agree	63	54	58	52	55
Don't know	1	5	2	8	5

52d. *For each of the following statements, can you tell me whether you agree or disagree: The tax department always has the right to make people pay taxes?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly Disagree	33	41	39	41	40
Disagree	5	7	7	6	6
Neither Agree Nor Disagree	1	3	3	3	3
Agree	13	12	13	11	12
Strongly Agree	45	26	32	25	29
Don't know	3	11	7	14	10

53a. *In this country, how often: do people have to be careful of what they say about politics?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	70	56	62	54	58
Rarely	13	17	14	18	16
Often	5	12	12	10	11
Always	11	9	8	11	9
Don't know	2	6	4	7	6

53b. *In this country, how often: does competition between political parties lead to violent conflict?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	16	21	18	22	20
Rarely	30	28	30	26	28
Often	33	32	34	30	32
Always	20	15	16	16	16
Don't know	1	4	3	5	4

53c. *In this country, how often: does the President ignore the Constitution?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	45	39	41	39	40
Rarely	32	27	29	27	28
Often	13	14	15	13	14
Always	5	6	6	6	6
Don't know	5	14	9	16	13

53d. *In this country, how often: are people treated unequally under the law?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	26	25	23	28	25
Rarely	27	22	23	22	22
Often	29	29	31	28	29
Always	13	14	17	10	14
Don't know	5	11	7	13	10

54a. *Please tell me if the following things are worse or better now than they were a few years ago, or are they about the same: Freedom to say what you think?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Much Worse	18	17	15	19	17
Worse	9	9	8	10	9
Same	5	5	4	6	5
Better	21	19	20	18	19
Much Better	46	49	53	44	48
Don't know	1	2	1	3	2

54b. *Please tell me if the following things are worse or better now than they were a few years ago, or are they about the same: Freedom to join any political organization you want?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Much worse	7	11	9	13	11
Worse	6	4	3	7	5
Same	4	4	4	5	4
Better	22	19	20	19	20
Much Better	61	59	64	54	59
Don't know	1	2	1	3	2

54c. *Please tell me if the following things are worse or better now than they were a few years ago, or are they about the same: Freedom from being arrested when you are innocent?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Much worse	25	19	20	21	20
Worse	11	8	7	9	8
Same	8	6	7	7	7
Better	17	20	20	20	20
Much Better	38	42	44	38	41
Don't know	1	4	2	5	4

54d. *Please tell me if the following things are worse or better now than they were a few years ago, or are they about the same: Freedom to choose whom to vote for without feeling pressured?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Much worse	10	7	5	10	7
Worse	5	3	3	4	3
Same	4	4	4	4	4
Better	16	17	16	17	17
Much Better	64	67	72	62	67
Don't know	1	2	1	4	2

54e. *Please tell me if the following things are worse or better now than they were a few years ago, or are they about the same: The ability of ordinary people to influence what government does?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Much worse	14	15	16	15	15
Worse	11	9	9	11	10
Same	7	8	9	8	8
Better	20	19	19	19	19
Much Better	45	42	45	40	42
Don't know	3	6	3	8	5

54f. *Please tell me if the following things are worse or better now than they were a few years ago, or are they about the same: Safety from crime and violence?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Much worse	35	29	31	29	30
Worse	13	13	14	12	13
Same	10	7	9	7	8
Better	20	23	22	23	23
Much Better	21	25	24	25	24
Don't know	1	3	1	4	3

54g. *Please tell me if the following things are worse or better now than they were a few years ago, or are they about the same: Equal and fair treatment of all groups by government?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Much worse	20	20	19	21	20
Worse	14	10	12	10	11
Same	8	8	9	8	8
Better	18	22	21	23	22
Much Better	38	35	37	34	35
Don't know	2	4	3	6	4

55a. *How much do you trust each of the following, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: the President?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	21	16	16	18	17
Just a little	22	16	18	15	17
Somewhat	9	9	9	9	9
A lot	43	52	53	49	51
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	4	7	4	9	6

55b. *How much do you trust each of the following, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: Member of Parliament?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	29	27	27	27	27
Just a little	24	16	20	14	17
Somewhat	10	8	8	9	8
A lot	33	44	43	43	43
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	4	6	3	7	5

55c. *How much do you trust each of the following, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: the Independent Electoral Commission?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	33	27	29	27	28
Just a little	16	13	15	13	14
Somewhat	13	8	9	9	9
A lot	31	42	43	38	41
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	7	9	5	13	9

55d. *How much do you trust each of the following, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: your Elected Local Government Council?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	29	23	25	22	24
Just a little	20	12	13	12	13
Somewhat	11	10	10	11	10
A lot	31	46	44	44	44
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	10	10	8	12	10

55e. *How much do you trust each of the following, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: the Ruling Party?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	31	22	21	26	23
Just a little	20	13	14	13	14
Somewhat	10	8	8	8	8
A lot	35	50	50	46	48
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	5	7	7	7	7

55f. *How much do you trust each of the following, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: opposition Political Parties*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	38	37	36	39	37
Just a little	24	15	17	15	16
Somewhat	5	8	7	7	7
A lot	30	35	37	32	35
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	4	5	3	7	5

55g. *How much do you trust each of the following, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: the Army?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	10	6	5	9	7
Just a little	7	6	5	6	6
Somewhat	10	5	6	6	6
A lot	71	79	82	74	78
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	2	4	1	6	3

55h. *How much do you trust each of the following, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: the Police?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	15	8	10	9	9
Just a little	14	9	12	7	9
Somewhat	9	7	6	8	7
A lot	61	74	72	72	72
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	1	3	1	4	3

55i. *How much do you trust each of the following, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: courts of law?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	14	7	8	8	8
Just a little	13	10	12	8	10
Somewhat	7	7	7	7	7
A lot	64	73	72	71	71
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	1	4	1	6	4

- 55j. *How much do you trust each of the following, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: government broadcasting services (MBC Radio1&2 and TVM)?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	12	6	7	7	7
Just a little	14	8	10	8	9
Somewhat	13	9	9	9	9
A lot	61	72	72	69	71
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	1	5	2	7	4

- 55k. *How much do you trust each of the following, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: independent broadcasting services (e.g. Capital FM, Radio Maria, Trans-world radio, etc.)?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	11	13	13	12	12
Just a little	10	8	8	8	8
Somewhat	11	7	8	8	8
A lot	65	59	64	56	60
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	2	13	8	16	12

- 55l. *How much do you trust each of the following, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: government newspapers?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
<b>Not applicable in Malawi</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>

- 55m. *How much do you trust each of the following, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: independent newspapers (e.g. The Nation, Daily Times etc.)?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	12	11	11	11	11
Just a little	14	13	14	12	13
Somewhat	12	8	11	7	9
A lot	60	53	56	51	54
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	2	15	8	18	13

- 56a. *How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: the President and Officials in his office?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
None	15	22	22	21	21
Some of them	35	26	32	23	28
Most of them	10	12	12	11	12
All of them	9	7	9	6	7
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	30	33	26	39	32



56b. *How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: Members of Parliament?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
None	13	20	20	18	19
Some of them	34	28	32	26	29
Most of them	17	16	18	13	16
All of them	5	6	7	6	6
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	31	30	23	38	30

56c. *How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: elected local government councilors?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
None	23	25	27	21	24
Some of them	27	27	30	24	27
Most of them	15	11	13	9	11
All of them	3	4	4	4	4
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	32	33	25	42	33

56d. *How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: national government officials?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
None	11	16	15	16	15
Some of them	38	28	34	26	30
Most of them	22	20	22	18	20
All of them	2	5	6	4	5
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	27	31	24	37	30

56e. *How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: local government officials?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
None	10	17	16	15	16
Some of them	40	29	35	27	31
Most of them	20	17	20	16	18
All of them	3	6	7	4	5
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	27	31	23	38	30

56f. *How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: police?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
None	10	17	16	17	16
Some of them	34	28	31	27	29
Most of them	26	20	24	18	21
All of them	5	7	9	5	7
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	26	27	20	34	27

56g. *How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: tax officials (e.g. MRA officials)?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
None	15	19	18	19	19
Some of them	34	26	30	24	27
Most of them	21	16	19	15	17
All of them	4	6	8	4	6
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	26	33	26	38	32

56h. *How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: judges and magistrates?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
None	28	21	22	22	22
Some of them	27	30	35	24	29
Most of them	13	15	15	14	14
All of them	7	5	7	4	5
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	26	29	22	36	29

56i. *How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: health workers?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
None	25	20	20	21	21
Some of them	30	33	36	28	32
Most of them	18	18	20	16	18
All of them	3	6	7	5	6
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	24	23	17	30	23

56j. *How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: teachers and school administrators?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
None	33	29	32	28	30
Some of them	29	32	35	28	31
Most of them	12	12	13	12	12
All of them	2	3	4	3	3
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	24	23	17	30	24

57a. *In the past year how often, if ever, have you had to pay a bribe, give a gift, or do a favor to government officials in order to: get a document or permit?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	76	72	73	73	73
Once or Twice	1	2	2	1	2
A Few Times	2	0	1	1	1
Often	1	0	1		0
No experience with this in past year	20	25	24	25	24
Don't Know	0	0	0	1	0

57b. *In the past year how often, if ever, have you had to pay a bribe, give a gift, or do a favor to government officials in order to: get a child into school?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	76	76	76	76	76
Once or Twice	3	2	2	2	2
A Few Times	1	1	0	1	1
Often	1	0	0	0	0
No experience with this in past year	19	21	21	21	21
Don't Know	1	0	0	0	0

57c. *In the past year how often, if ever, have you had to pay a bribe, give a gift, or do a favor to government officials in order to: get a household service (piped water, electricity or phone)?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	75	74	75	75	75
Once or Twice	3	1	2	1	2
A Few Times	2	0	1	0	1
Often	1	0	1	0	0
No experience with this in past year	20	23	22	23	23
Don't Know	0	0	0	1	0

57d. *In the past year how often, if ever, have you had to pay a bribe, give a gift, or do a favor to government officials in order to: get medicine or medical attention.*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	77	79	79	78	79
Once or Twice	4	2	2	3	2
A Few Times	1	1	2	1	1
Often	1	1	1	2	1
No experience with this in past year	18	16	16	16	16
Don't Know	0	0	0	0	0

57e. *In the past year how often, if ever, have you had to pay a bribe, give a gift, or do a favor to government officials in order to: avoid a problem with the police (like passing a check point or avoiding a fine or arrest)?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	77	75	75	76	75
Once or Twice	1	1	2	1	1
A Few Times	1	0	1	0	1
Often	1	0	1	0	0
No experience with this in past year	20	23	22	23	22
Don't Know	0	0	0	1	0

57f. *And during the 2004 election, how often, if ever, did a candidate or someone from a political party offer you something, like food or a gift, in return for your vote?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	75	76	77	75	76
Once or Twice	2	1	3	4	4
A Few Times	1	0	2	2	2
Often	1	0	4	4	4
No experience with this in past year	22	23	14	16	15
Don't Know	0	1	0	1	0

58a. *Please indicate whether you think the following act is not wrong at all, wrong but understandable, or wrong and punishable: a government official gives a job to someone from his family who does not have adequate qualifications*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not wrong at all	2	4	4	4	4
Wrong but understandable	6	9	9	8	8
Wrong and punishable	92	86	87	87	87
Don't know	0	1	0	1	1

- 58b. *Please indicate whether you think the following act is not wrong at all, wrong but understandable, or wrong and punishable: a government official demands a favor or an additional payment for some service that is part of his job*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not wrong at all	4	6	5	6	6
Wrong but understandable	7	5	4	7	5
Wrong and punishable	89	87	90	85	88
Don't know	1	2	1	2	2

- 58c. *Please indicate whether you think the following act is not wrong at all, but understandable or wrong and punishable: a public official decides to locate a development project in an area where his friends and supporters live?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not wrong at all	2	3	1	4	3
Wrong but understandable	8	9	8	10	9
Wrong and punishable	90	88	91	86	88
Don't know	1	1	1	1	1

59. *Which of the following statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement A or Statement B.*

*A. Our elected officials should listen to constituents' views and do what they demand.*

*B. Our elected leaders should follow their own ideas in deciding what is best for the country.*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with A	67	76	78	71	75
Agree with A	13	7	7	8	8
Agree with B	7	3	4	4	4
Agree very strongly with B	13	13	11	14	13
Agree with neither	0	1	0	1	1
Don't know	0	1	1	1	1

60. *How much time should the Member of Parliament for this area spend in this constituency to visit the community and its citizens?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never / It is not necessary	3	1	2	1	2
At least once a year	1	3	2	3	3
At least once a month	24	43	40	41	41
At least weekly	32	26	28	26	27
Should stay here all of the time	38	24	27	24	26
Don't know	3	3	2	5	3

61. *How much time does the member of Parliament for this area spend in this constituency?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	51	57	54	58	56
At least once a year	8	12	11	12	12
At least once a month	20	18	21	15	18
At least weekly	4	5	5	4	5
He / She is here almost all of the time	8	4	5	4	5
Don't know	10	51	5	6	5

62a. *How much of the time do you think the following try their best to listen to what people like you have to say: Members of Parliament?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	54	55	55	55	55
Only Sometimes	23	17	19	16	17
Often	10	13	11	15	13
Always	9	11	13	9	11
Don't know	5	4	3	6	4

62b. *How much of the time do you think the following try their best to listen to what people like you have to say: elected local government councilors?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	49	48	46	51	48
Only Sometimes	24	16	19	15	17
Often	10	15	14	15	14
Always	10	14	16	11	13
Don't know	8	7	5	9	7

63a. *In your opinion, what are the most important problems facing this country that government should address? (first response)*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Nothing/no problems	2	0	0	0	0
<b>Economics</b>					
Management of economy	5	3	4	2	3
Wages, incomes and salaries	2	1	1	1	1
Unemployment	11	1	4	2	3
Poverty/ destitution	4	4	4	4	4
Rates and taxes	1	2	3	1	2
Loans/ credit	6	3	3	4	3
<b>Food / Agriculture</b>					
Farming/ agriculture	5	14	14	11	12
Food shortage/ famine	41	50	46	52	49
Drought		1	0	1	1
Land		0	0		0
<b>Infrastructure</b>					
Transportation		1	1	1	1
Communications		0	0		0
Infrastructure/ roads	2	3	3	2	2

<b>Government Services</b>					
Education	8	3	3	4	4
Housing	1	0	0	0	0
Electricity		0	0		0
Water supply	2	7	6	7	6
Orphans/ street children/ homeless		0	0	1	0
Services (other)		0	0	0	0
<b>Health</b>					
Health	4	3	3	3	3
AIDS		0	0	0	0
Sickness/ disease		0		0	0
<b>Governance</b>					
Crime and security	3	1	2	0	1
Corruption	1	1	1	1	1
Political violence		0	0		0
Political instability/ ethnic tensions	1	0	0	0	0
Discrimination/ inequality	1	0	0	0	0
Gender issues/ women's rights	1			0	0
Democracy/ political rights		0	0	0	0
Civil war					
<b>Other</b>		0	1	0	0
<b>Don't know</b>	1	2	1	3	2

63b. *In your opinion, what are the most important problems facing this country that government should address? (second response)*

	<b>Urban</b>	<b>Rural</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Economics</b>					
Management of economy	4	2	2	3	3
Wages, incomes and salaries	6	2	3	2	2
Unemployment	6	2	4	2	3
Poverty/ destitution	11	7	7	9	8
Rates and taxes	2	3	3	4	3
Loans/ credit	7	7	5	9	7
<b>Food / Agriculture</b>					
Farming/ agriculture	8	16	17	13	15
Food shortage/ famine	13	15	17	12	14
Drought	1	1	1	1	1
Land		0	0	0	0
<b>Infrastructure</b>					
Transportation	1	0	1	0	0
Communications	1	0	1		0
Infrastructure/ roads	4	4	5	3	4
<b>Government Services</b>					
Education	11	4	5	5	5
Housing	1	0	0	0	0
Electricity		0	0	0	0
Water supply	4	16	14	16	15
Orphans/ street children/ homeless	1	1	1	2	1

Services (other)	1	0	0	1	0
<b>Health</b>					
Health	3	6	5	6	5
AIDS		0	0	0	0
Sickness/ disease	1	1	2	1	1
<b>Governance</b>					
Crime and security	3	2	1	2	2
Corruption	1	0	1	1	1
Political instability/ ethnic tensions	2	0	1	0	1
Discrimination/ inequality		0	0	0	0
Gender issues/ women's rights		0	0		0
Democracy/ political rights	1		0		0
Civil war					
<b>Other</b>		1	1	1	1
<b>No further response</b>	8	6	5	8	6

63c. *In your opinion, what are the most important problems facing this country that government should address? (third response)*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
<b>Economics</b>					
Management of economy	2	3	3	3	3
Wages, incomes and salaries	2	1	2	1	2
Unemployment	7	3	4	3	3
Poverty/ destitution	5	5	5	5	5
Rates and taxes	2	2	2	3	2
Loans/ credit	2	7	7	6	6
<b>Food / Agriculture</b>					
Farming/ agriculture	6	7	7	6	7
Food shortage/ famine	7	6	6	7	6
Drought		0	0	0	0
Land	1	0	0	0	0
<b>Infrastructure</b>					
Transportation		1	1	1	1
Communications		0	0	0	0
Infrastructure/ roads	4	5	5	6	5
<b>Government Services</b>					
Education	7	8	8	8	8
Housing	1	0		1	0
Electricity		0	0		0
Water supply	3	12	10	11	10
Orphans/ street children/ homeless	2	2	2	3	2
Services (other)	1	1	1	1	1
<b>Health</b>					
Health	8	8	7	8	8
AIDS		0	1	0	0
Sickness/ disease	2	1	1	2	1
<b>Governance</b>					
Crime and security	7	3	5	3	4
Corruption	4	1	2	1	2



Political violence	1	0	0	0	0
Political instability/ ethnic tensions	2	0	1	1	1
Discrimination/ inequality	1	0	1		0
Gender issues/ women's rights	1	0	1	0	0
Democracy/ political rights	1	0	1		0
Civil war		0		0	0
<b>Other</b>	1	1	2	1	1
<b>No further response</b>	21	19	17	21	19

64. *Taking the problem you mentioned first, how likely is it that the government will solve your most important problem within the next five years?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all likely	21	17	19	17	18
Not very likely	23	25	26	24	25
Likely	24	19	19	20	19
Very likely	20	22	24	19	22
Not applicable	3	2	1	3	2
Don't know	10	15	12	18	15

Now let's speak about the performance of the present government of this country.

65a. *How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matter, or haven't you heard enough to say: managing the economy?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very badly	39	41	37	45	41
Fairly badly	7	9	9	9	9
Fairly well	26	25	28	23	26
Very well	22	12	17	10	13
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	6	12	10	13	11

65b. *How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matter, or haven't you heard enough to say: creating jobs?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very badly	64	59	60	59	60
Fairly badly	13	13	14	12	13
Fairly well	14	14	15	13	14
Very well	5	5	6	5	5
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	4	9	7	11	9

65c. *How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matter, or haven't you heard enough to say: keeping prices stable?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very badly	67	68	68	68	68
Fairly badly	11	13	12	13	13
Fairly well	13	11	12	11	11
Very well	7	5	6	4	5
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	2	4	3	5	4

65d. *How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matter, or haven't you heard enough to say: narrowing gaps between rich and poor?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very badly	67	66	66	66	66
Fairly badly	12	11	10	12	11
Fairly well	11	13	14	11	13
Very well	5	6	7	5	6
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	4	5	3	7	5

65e. *How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matter, or haven't you heard enough to say: reducing crime?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very badly	37	38	34	42	38
Fairly badly	11	8	8	8	8
Fairly well	33	33	37	29	33
Very well	17	17	19	15	17
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	2	5	3	6	4

65f. *How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matter, or haven't you heard enough to say: improving basic health services?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very badly	34	35	33	38	35
Fairly badly	7	7	7	8	7
Fairly well	33	33	36	31	33
Very well	23	19	22	17	19
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	3	5	3	6	5

65g. *How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matter, or haven't you heard enough to say: addressing educational needs?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very badly	39	38	38	39	39
Fairly badly	14	10	12	10	11
Fairly well	27	30	31	28	29
Very well	17	16	16	17	16
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	3	5	3	7	5

65h. *How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matter, or haven't you heard enough to say: delivering household water?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very badly	38	44	40	46	43
Fairly badly	14	12	14	11	12
Fairly well	23	25	26	24	25
Very well	23	17	18	17	18
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	2	3	2	3	3

65i. *How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matter, or haven't you heard enough to say: ensuring everyone has enough to eat?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very badly	58	66	64	65	65
Fairly badly	12	12	12	12	12
Fairly well	18	12	15	11	13
Very well	10	7	7	8	7
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	2	3	2	4	3

65j. *How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matter, or haven't you heard enough to say: fighting corruption in government?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very badly	27	34	29	36	33
Fairly badly	7	6	5	7	6
Fairly well	29	26	30	23	26
Very well	35	26	32	23	27
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	2	9	4	11	8

65k. *How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matter, or haven't you heard enough to say: combating HIV/AIDS?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very badly	28	31	27	34	31
Fairly badly	9	6	6	6	6
Fairly well	35	33	36	31	34
Very well	26	25	29	22	25
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	2	5	3	6	4

66. *Which of these statements is closest to your view? Choose Statement A or Statement B.*

*A. The government should devote many more resources to combating AIDS, even if this means that less money is spent on things like education.*

*B. There are many other problems facing this country besides AIDS; even if people are dying in large numbers, the government needs to keep its focus on solving other problems.*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with A	30	36	36	35	35
Agree with A	6	5	5	6	5
Agree with B	5	7	7	6	7
Agree very strongly with B	58	49	51	49	50
Agree with neither	1	1	1	2	1
Don't know	1	2	1	3	2

67a. *What about local government? How well or badly would you say your local government is handling the following matter, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: maintaining roads?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very badly	36	38	38	37	37
Fairly badly	8	9	8	9	8
Fairly well	24	29	29	27	28
Very well	24	20	21	21	21
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	8	5	4	7	5

67b. *How well or badly would you say your local government is handling the following matter, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: keeping our community clean?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very badly	42	41	45	38	42
Fairly badly	9	13	13	12	13
Fairly well	17	23	22	22	22
Very well	24	14	14	17	15
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	8	9	6	11	9

67c. *What about local government? How well or badly would you say your local government is handling the following matter, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: collecting local taxes?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very badly	20	24	24	24	24
Fairly badly	3	7	7	7	7
Fairly well	21	20	24	17	20
Very well	34	17	23	17	20
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	23	31	23	37	30

67d. *How well or badly would you say your local government is handling the following matter, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: deciding how to spend local revenues?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very badly	31	37	38	34	36
Fairly badly	7	8	9	7	8
Fairly well	14	11	12	12	12
Very well	16	10	12	9	11
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	32	34	29	39	34

68a. *Do you approve or disapprove of the way that the following person has performed his job over the past twelve months or haven't you heard enough about him to say: President Mutharika*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly Disapprove	20	26	23	26	25
Disapprove	6	6	7	6	6
Approve	14	17	17	17	17
Strongly Approve	47	38	44	34	39
Don't know/ Haven't heard enough	13	13	9	18	13

68b. *Do you approve or disapprove of the way that the following people have performed their jobs over the past twelve months or haven't you heard enough about them to say: Members of Parliament?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly Disapprove	33	37	40	34	37
Disapprove	10	9	9	8	9
Approve	14	15	15	15	15
Strongly Approve	26	27	28	27	27
Don't know/ Haven't heard enough	17	12	9	16	12

68c. *Do you approve or disapprove of the way that the following person has performed his job over the past twelve months or haven't you had enough about him to say: your elected local government councilor?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly Disapprove	31	33	34	31	33
Disapprove	11	9	9	9	9
Approve	15	16	17	15	16
Strongly Approve	21	26	26	25	25
Don't know/ Haven't heard enough	22	16	14	20	17

69a. *Can you tell me whether the Malawian government has a policy to provide: free primary education, that is, parents do not have to pay school fees?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Incorrect answer	9	5	6	5	6
Correct answer	87	91	91	90	90
Don't know	4	4	3	5	4

69b. *Can you tell me whether the Malawian government has a policy to provide: free health care at public clinics, that is, no fees for visits or medicine?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Incorrect answer	9	8	7	9	8
Correct answer	90	88	90	87	88
Don't know	1	4	3	4	3

70a. *How likely do you think it would be that the authorities could enforce the law if: a top official committed a serious crime?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all likely	15	17	17	16	17
Not very likely	14	15	15	15	15
Likely	10	15	13	15	14
Very likely	58	50	53	48	51
Don't know	2	4	2	6	4

70b. *How likely do you think it would be that the authorities could enforce the law if: a person like you committed a serious crime?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all likely	5	5	5	6	5
Not very likely	1	4	3	4	3
Likely	13	19	17	19	18
Very likely	80	70	75	68	71
Don't know	1	2	1	3	2

70c. *How likely do you think it would be that the authorities could enforce the law if: a top official did not pay a tax on some of the income they earned?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all likely	19	18	19	18	18
Not very likely	17	16	17	14	16
Likely	11	16	13	17	15
Very likely	50	47	49	45	47
Don't know	3	4	2	6	4

70d. *How likely do you think it would be that the authorities could enforce the law if: a person like you did not pay tax on some of the income they earned?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all likely	7	8	7	8	8
Not very likely	2	4	4	4	4
Likely	11	17	14	18	16
Very likely	79	67	73	64	69
Don't know	1	4	2	6	4

71a. *Based on your experience, how easy or difficult is it to obtain the following service? Or do you never try and get this service from government: an identity document (such as a birth certificate, driver's license, passport or voter's card)?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very difficult	33	31	33	29	31
Difficult	9	5	7	5	6
Easy	10	6	7	6	6
Very easy	16	9	13	8	10
Never try	32	47	40	50	45
Don't know	0	1	0	2	1

71b. *Based on your experience, how easy or difficult is it to obtain the following service? Or do you never try and get this service from government: household services*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very difficult	21	27	28	25	26
Difficult	6	7	8	7	7
Easy	18	12	15	11	13
Very easy	26	18	19	19	19
Never try	28	34	30	37	33
Don't know	1	1	1	2	1

71c. *Based on your experience, how easy or difficult is it to obtain the following services? Or do you never try and get these services from government: help from the police when you need it?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very difficult	13	17	17	16	17
Difficult	10	5	7	5	6
Easy	20	19	20	18	19
Very easy	32	27	31	24	27
Never try	25	31	25	36	31
Don't know	0	1	0	1	1

71d. *Based on your experience, how easy or difficult is it to obtain the following service? Or do you never try and get this service from government: a place in primary school for a child?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very difficult	7	6	6	6	6
Difficult	6	3	2	4	3
Easy	19	22	21	23	22
Very easy	54	54	57	51	54
Never try	14	15	14	15	15
Don't know	1	1	1	1	1

71e. *Based on your experience how easy or difficult is it to obtain the following service? Or do you never try and get this service from government: medical treatment at a nearby clinic?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very difficult	17	24	23	23	23
Difficult	8	11	9	12	10
Easy	23	24	25	23	24
Very easy	45	33	37	33	35
Never try	7	7	7	7	7
Don't know	1	1	1	1	1

72a. *Why do you never try to get: an identity document?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
I don't need / use it	9	19	16	20	18
I don't know how	17	19	17	21	19
Government does not provide it	1	2	2	2	2
No personal connections in right places	2	2	2	3	2
Other	3	4	4	3	4
Not Applicable	68	53	60	50	55
Don't know	0	2	1	2	1



**72b. Why do you never try to get: household services?**

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
I don't need / use it	3	8	7	8	7
I don't know how	17	16	14	18	16
Government does not provide it	1	2	2	3	2
No personal connections in right places	1	1	1	2	1
Other	7	5	6	5	6
Not Applicable	72	66	70	64	67
Don't know	0	1	1	1	1

**72c. Why do you never try to get: help from the police when you need it?**

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
I don't need / use it	8	14	11	15	13
I don't know how	10	9	7	10	9
Government does not provide it		1	0	2	1
No personal connections in right places	0	1	1	2	1
Other	7	5	5	6	5
Not Applicable	75	69	75	64	70
Don't know	0	2	1	2	1

**73a. Have you encountered any of these problems with your local public schools during the past 12 months: too expensive**

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	33	38	36	38	37
Once or Twice	5	6	7	6	6
A Few Times	14	9	10	9	10
Often	17	19	21	17	19
No experience with public schools in past twelve months	31	26	25	28	27
Don't know	1	2	1	2	2

**73b. Have you encountered any of these problems with your local public schools during the past 12 months: textbooks and supplies**

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	21	28	27	28	27
Once or Twice	5	5	6	4	5
A Few Times	15	12	10	15	12
Often	26	28	31	24	27
No experience with public schools in past twelve months	31	26	25	29	27
Don't know	1	2	1	2	2

73c. *Have you encountered any of these problems with your local public schools during the past 12 months: poor teaching?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	28	30	27	32	30
Once or Twice	4	4	4	4	4
A Few Times	13	13	13	13	13
Often	24	25	30	20	25
No experience with public schools in past twelve months	31	26	25	29	27
Don't know	1	3	2	3	2

73d. *Have you encountered any of these problems with your local public schools during the past 12 months: absent teachers?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	35	32	31	34	32
Once or Twice	6	5	5	5	5
A Few Times	8	11	12	10	11
Often	15	23	25	20	22
No experience with public schools in past twelve months	31	26	25	29	27
Don't know	4	3	2	3	3

73e. *Have you encountered any of these problems with your local public schools during the past 12 months: overcrowded classrooms?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	21	28	26	28	27
Once or Twice	3	3	3	3	3
A Few Times	9	7	9	6	8
Often	35	34	36	32	34
No experience with public schools in past twelve months	31	26	25	29	27
Don't know	1	2	2	2	2

73f. *Have you encountered any of these problems with your local public schools during the past 12 months: poor facilities*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	25	26	26	26	26
Once or Twice	3	3	3	3	3
A Few Times	9	10	11	9	10
Often	26	30	32	28	30
No experience with public schools in past twelve months	31	26	25	29	27
Don't know	6	4	3	6	4

73g. *Have you encountered any of these problems with your local public schools during the past 12 months: demands for illegal payments?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	39	49	49	46	48
Once or Twice	4	3	4	3	3
A Few Times	5	5	5	5	5
Often	13	12	13	10	12
No experience with public schools in past twelve months	31	26	25	29	27
Don't know	9	5	4	7	6

74a. *Have you encountered any of these problems with your local public clinic or hospital during the past 12 months: too expensive?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	33	42	41	41	41
Once or Twice	6	6	7	6	6
A Few Times	15	11	12	11	11
Often	31	29	29	30	29
No experience with clinics in past twelve months	14	11	12	11	11
Don't know	1	1	1	1	1

74b. *Have you encountered any of these problems with your local public clinic or hospital during the past 12 months: lack of medicine/supplies?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	17	18	16	19	18
Once or Twice	13	7	9	8	8
A Few Times	21	18	19	18	18
Often	36	45	45	44	44
No experience with clinics in past twelve months	14	11	12	11	11
Don't know	0	1	1	1	1

74c. *Have you encountered any of these problems with your local public clinic or hospital during the past 12 months: lack of attention/respect?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	23	28	25	29	27
Once or Twice	11	6	8	6	7
A Few Times	20	16	16	17	17
Often	32	39	39	37	38
No experience with clinics in past twelve months	14	11	12	11	11
Don't know	0	0	0	0	0

74d. *Have you encountered any of these problems with your local public clinic or hospital during the past 12 months: absent doctors?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	40	41	39	43	41
Once or Twice	7	7	7	7	7
A Few Times	11	11	11	11	11
Often	22	25	26	24	25
No experience with clinics in past twelve months	14	11	12	11	11
Don't know	7	5	6	4	5

74e. *Have you encountered any of these problems with your local public clinic or hospital during the past 12 months: long waiting time*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	13	17	15	18	17
Once or Twice	10	5	6	6	6
A Few Times	18	16	17	16	17
Often	45	50	51	48	50
No experience with clinics in past twelve months	14	11	12	11	11
Don't know	1	0		1	0

74f. *Have you encountered any of these problems with your local public clinic or hospital during the past 12 months: dirty facilities?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	50	51	49	53	51
Once or Twice	2	5	6	4	5
A Few Times	8	7	8	7	7
Often	20	22	22	22	22
No experience with clinics in past twelve months	14	11	12	11	11
Don't know	6	4	5	4	4

74g. *Have you encountered any of these problems with your local public schools during the past 12 months: demands for illegal payments?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	52	55	53	56	54
Once or Twice	4	4	4	5	4
A Few Times	6	6	6	6	6
Often	17	17	19	15	17
No experience with clinics in past twelve months	14	11	12	11	11
Don't know	7	7	6	8	7

75a. *What, if anything, would you do to try and resolve each of the following situations: you were waiting for a government permit or license, but kept encountering delays?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Don't worry, things will resolve	3	8	7	7	7
Lodge complaint through proper channels	63	55	62	50	56
Use connections with influential	5	2	3	2	2
Offer tip or bribe	3	2	3	1	2
Other	8	7	8	7	7
Nothing, because nothing can be done	12	14	12	15	14
Don't know	7	3	6	18	12

75b. *What, if anything, would you do to try and resolve each of the following situations: election officials left your name off the voters roll?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Don't worry, things will resolve	2	1	1	2	2
Lodge complaint through proper channels	70	69	76	62	69
Use connections with influential	4	2	3	3	3
Offer tip or bribe	1	0	1		0
Join in public protest	1			0	0
Other	10	8	8	8	8
Nothing, because nothing can be done	12	14	9	18	13
Don't know	2	5	2	8	5

75c. *What, if anything, would you do to try and resolve each of the following situations: suspected a school or clinic official of stealing?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Don't worry, things will resolve	1	1	0	1	1
Lodge complaint through proper channels	86	79	85	75	80
Use connections with influential	4	3	3	3	3
Join in public protest	1	0	0		0
Other	4	6	7	6	6
Nothing, because nothing can be done	4	8	5	10	7
Don't know	2	4	1	6	3

75d. *What, if anything, would you do to try and resolve each of the following situations: the police wrongly arrested someone in your family?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Don't worry, things will resolve	1	1	1	1	1
Lodge complaint through proper channels	82	82	85	80	82
Use connections with influential	5	3	3	3	3
Offer tip or bribe		0	0	0	0
Join in public protest	2	0	1	1	1
Other	4	5	5	5	5
Nothing, because nothing can be done	4	5	4	6	5
Don't know	2	4	1	6	3

75e. *What, if anything, would you do to try and resolve each of the following situations: someone wrongly seized your family's land?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Don't worry, things will resolve	0	0	0	1	0
Lodge complaint through proper channels	90	91	91	91	91
Use connections with influential	2	2	2	1	2
Join in public protest	1	0	0		0
Other	4	5	5	4	5
Nothing, because nothing can be done	2	1	1	2	1
Don't know	1	1	1	2	1

76a. *Who should be responsible for: making sure that, once elected, Members of Parliament do their jobs?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
The President / Executive	9	12	10	14	12
The Parliament	7	5	5	6	5
Their Political Party	4	4	4	4	4
The Voters	78	73	79	69	74
Don't know	2	6	3	7	5

76b. *Who should be responsible for: making sure that, once elected, local government councilors do their jobs?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
The President / Executive	8	10	8	12	10
The Local Council	4	6	5	6	6
Their Political Party	4	3	3	3	3
The Voters	82	75	82	71	76
Don't know	3	6	3	8	6

77a. *Think about how elections work in practice in this country. How well do elections: ensure that the members of Parliament reflect the views of voters?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all well	46	38	41	37	39
Not very well	21	24	24	23	24
Well	11	13	14	11	13
Very well	17	17	17	18	17
Don't know	4	8	4	11	7

77b. *Think about how elections work in practice in this country. How well do elections: enable voters to remove from office leaders who do not do what the people want?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all well	37	24	27	26	26
Not very well	17	10	11	12	11
Well	9	14	13	13	13
Very well	33	45	46	40	43
Don't know	4	7	4	9	7

78a. *In your opinion, how often do politicians do each of the following: Make promises simply to get elected?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	8	9	6	12	9
Rarely	5	9	7	11	9
Often	26	32	32	30	31
Always	60	47	54	45	49
Don't know	1	2	1	3	2

78b. *In your opinion, how often do politicians do each of the following: offer gifts to voter during election campaigns?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	9	14	12	15	13
Rarely	8	17	14	18	16
Often	32	31	32	30	31
Always	51	36	41	36	38
Don't know	1	2	1	2	2

78c. *In your opinion, how often do politicians do each of the following: keep their campaign promises after elections?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	70	71	72	70	71
Rarely	26	20	21	21	21
Often	2	5	4	5	4
Always	2	3	3	3	3
Don't know	0	2	1	2	2

78d. *In your opinion, how often do politicians do each of the following: do their best to deliver development after elections?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	62	63	61	64	63
Rarely	32	27	29	27	28
Often	4	5	6	5	5
Always	2	2	3	2	2
Don't know	0	0	1	3	2

79. *What is your tribe? (You know, your ethnic or cultural group.)*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Tumbuka	10	9	9	9	9
Nkhonde	0	1	1	2	1
Lambya	0	1	1	1	1
Chewa	31	38	36	38	37
Yao	11	15	15	15	15
Ngoni	20	9	12	9	11
Lomwe	15	15	15	14	15
Manga'nja	7	6	6	6	6
Sena	4	3	3	4	3
Sukwa		0	0		0
Senga		0	0	0	0
Tonga	2	1	2	1	1
Malawian only or doesn't think of self in those terms		0		0	0
Other		1	1	1	1
Don't know	0	0	0	1	0

80a. *Think about the condition of your ethnic group: Are their economic conditions worse, the same as, or better than other groups in this country?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Much better	7	4	4	5	4
Better	15	10	13	10	11
Same	31	21	23	22	22
Worse	19	22	22	21	21
Much worse	25	39	36	38	37
Not applicable	0	0	0	1	0
Don't Know	4	3	3	4	3



- 80b. *Think about the condition of your ethnic group: Do they have less, the same, or more influence in politics than other groups in this country?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Much more	31	22	26	20	23
More	7	11	11	10	11
Same	34	27	29	26	28
Less	13	17	16	18	17
Much less	12	17	15	17	16
Not applicable		0		1	0
Don't know	3	6	2	8	5

81. *How often are people from your ethnic group treated unfairly by the government?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	30	30	30	29	30
Sometimes	26	21	23	19	21
Often	22	21	22	21	21
Always	15	22	21	21	21
Not applicable		0		1	0
Don't know	6	7	4	9	7

82. *Let us suppose that you had to choose between being a Malawian and being your ethnic group. Which of the following statements best expresses your feelings?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
I feel only Malawian	29	22	24	22	23
I feel more Malawian than my ethnic group	5	4	4	5	5
I feel equally Malawian and my ethnic group	49	47	48	48	48
I feel more of my ethnic group than Malawian	3	4	4	4	4
I feel only my ethnic group	12	19	19	17	18
Not applicable		0		1	0
Don't Know	2	3	1	5	3

83. *Generally speaking, would you say that most people can be trusted or that you must be very careful in dealing with people?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
You must be very careful	94	92	91	93	92
Most people can be trusted	6	7	8	6	7
Don't know	0	1	1	2	1

84a. *How much do you trust each of the following types of people: your relatives?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	8	5	5	6	6
Just a little	14	9	11	9	10
Somewhat	17	15	16	15	15
A lot	61	71	68	70	69
Don't know	0	0	0	0	0

84b. *How much do you trust each of the following types of people: your neighbours?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	18	7	8	10	9
Just a little	20	16	18	14	16
Somewhat	19	19	19	18	19
A lot	43	58	55	58	56
Don't know	0	0	0	0	0

84c. *How much do you trust each of the following types of people: people from your own ethnic group (tribe)?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	12	6	6	8	7
Just a little	23	19	21	18	19
Somewhat	21	17	18	17	18
A lot	42	57	55	55	55
Don't know	1	1	0	1	1

84d. *How much do you trust each of the following types of people: Malawians from other ethnic groups (tribes)?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	21	18	16	21	18
Just a little	32	24	27	24	25
Somewhat	19	17	19	16	17
A lot	26	40	38	38	38
Don't know	2	1	1	2	1

85. *Do you feel close to any political party?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No (does NOT feel close to ANY party)	45	36	34	40	37
Yes (feels close to a party)	54	62	65	57	61
Refused to answer		1	1	1	1
Don't know	2	1	1	2	1

86. *Which party is that?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Alliance For Democracy (AFORD)	1	2	1	2	2
Democratic Progressive Party (DPP)	17	21	22	19	21

Malawi Congress Party (MCP)	17	13	16	12	14
Movement For Genuine Democracy (Mgode)		0	0	0	0
National Congress Party (NCP)		0	0		0
National Democratic Alliance (NDA)		0	0	0	0
Peoples Progressive Movement (PPM)	1	1	1	0	1
Republican Party (RP)	1	1	1	1	1
United Democratic Front (UDF)	18	23	22	23	22
Not applicable	46	38	35	43	39
Refused	1	1	1	1	1
Don't know		0		0	0

87. *Do you feel very close to this party, somewhat close, or not very close?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not very close	4	3	4	3	3
Somewhat close	5	8	8	7	8
Very close	43	50	52	46	49
Not applicable	46	38	35	43	39
Don't know	1	1	1	0	1

88a. *In your experience, how often do violent conflicts arise between different social groups in this country : Between people of different ethnic groups?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	27	29	30	29	29
Rarely	28	24	30	20	25
Sometimes	22	19	16	23	19
Often	13	15	15	15	15
Always	8	8	8	8	8
Don't Know	2	4	3	6	4

88b. *In your experience, how often do violent conflicts arise between different social groups in this country: Between people belonging to different religious groups?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	24	35	34	33	33
Rarely	30	22	26	21	23
Sometimes	24	19	18	21	20
Often	15	15	15	14	15
Always	7	5	5	6	6
Don't Know	1	4	2	5	4

88c. *In your experience, how often do violent conflicts arise between different social groups in this country: Between people of different social groups?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	22	35	34	33	33
Rarely	27	20	23	19	21
Sometimes	25	20	20	22	21
Often	18	15	15	16	15
Always	7	6	7	5	6
Don't Know	1	4	2	6	4

88d. *In your experience, how often do violent conflicts arise between different social groups in this country: Between people of different political affiliations?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	10	18	17	18	17
Rarely	17	14	17	12	14
Sometimes	21	22	18	25	22
Often	30	26	28	25	27
Always	21	17	19	16	17
Don't Know	1	4	2	5	3

88e. *In your experience, how often do violent conflicts arise between different social groups in this country: Between Christians and Moslems?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	20	34	32	32	32
Rarely	26	18	20	18	19
Sometimes	26	18	18	21	19
Often	16	15	17	13	15
Always	11	9	9	9	9
Don't Know	2	6	4	7	5

88f. *In your experience, how often do violent conflicts arise between different social groups in this country: Within your family*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	49	46	49	44	46
Rarely	25	23	24	22	23
Sometimes	11	16	13	17	15
Often	8	8	7	10	8
Always	7	6	6	6	6
Don't Know		2	1	2	1

88g. *In your experience, how often do violent conflicts arise between different social groups in this country: Within the community where you live*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	30	32	34	30	32
Rarely	26	21	22	22	22
Sometimes	19	22	20	24	22
Often	14	15	15	14	15
Always	10	7	7	8	8
Don't Know	2	3	2	3	3

Q88a1. *Looking ahead, do you expect conflicts between different social groups in this country to get better or worse: Between people of different ethnic groups?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Much Worse	25	24	22	26	24
Worse	15	15	15	16	15
Same	23	24	26	22	24
Better	17	14	15	14	14
Much Better	10	11	12	10	11
Don't Know	10	12	10	14	12

Q88b1. *Looking ahead, do you expect conflicts between different social groups in this country to get better or worse: Between people belonging to different religious groups?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Much Worse	24	19	20	20	20
Worse	14	15	14	16	15
Same	24	26	28	24	26
Better	18	14	14	15	14
Much Better	11	13	14	12	13
Don't Know	9	13	10	14	12

Q88c1. *In your experience, how often do violent conflicts arise between different social groups in this country: Between people of different social groups?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Much Worse	23	19	20	18	19
Worse	15	15	13	17	15
Same	24	30	33	26	29
Better	17	13	13	14	13
Much Better	11	10	11	10	10
Don't Know	11	13	10	16	13

**Q88d1.** *Looking ahead, do you expect conflicts between different social groups in this country to get better or worse: Between people of different political affiliations?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Much Worse	39	36	39	33	36
Worse	14	14	12	15	14
Same	15	16	18	15	16
Better	13	11	12	11	12
Much Better	10	10	9	11	10
Don't Know	10	13	11	15	13

**Q88e1.** *Looking ahead, do you expect conflicts between different social groups in this country to get better or worse: Between Christians and Moslems*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Much Worse	27	23	25	22	23
Worse	17	14	14	16	15
Same	20	27	27	25	26
Better	15	11	12	12	12
Much Better	7	10	11	9	10
Don't Know	13	15	11	18	14

**Q88f1.** *Looking ahead, do you expect conflicts between different social groups in this country to get better or worse: Within your family*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Much Worse	12	10	10	11	10
Worse	6	7	5	9	7
Same	38	36	38	34	36
Better	19	15	17	15	16
Much Better	14	20	20	19	19
Don't Know	11	12	11	13	12

**Q88g1.** *Looking ahead, do you expect conflicts between different social groups in this country to get better or worse: Within the community where you live*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Much Worse	15	15	17	14	15
Worse	13	11	10	12	11
Same	34	31	33	30	32
Better	17	14	15	15	15
Much Better	9	15	15	13	14
Don't Know	13	13	11	15	13

89a. *How much would you trust the following to solve a dispute for you or haven't you heard enough about them to say: Family/friends/neighbours?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	11	11	11	11	11
Just a little	11	7	8	8	8
Somewhat	14	10	12	10	11
A lot	62	69	68	68	68
Don't know/Haven't heard	3	3	2	3	3

89b. *How much would you trust the following to solve a dispute for you or haven't you heard enough about them to say: Traditional chiefs/ Traditional courts/elders?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	7	8	8	8	8
Just a little	13	8	9	9	9
Somewhat	15	8	9	9	9
A lot	63	73	73	71	72
Don't know/Haven't heard	2	2	2	3	2

89c. *How much would you trust the following to solve a dispute for you or haven't you heard enough about them to say: Religious organizations or leaders?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	11	7	9	7	8
Just a little	8	8	9	7	8
Somewhat	14	9	9	10	9
A lot	65	74	72	73	73
Don't know/Haven't heard	2	2	1	3	2

89d. *How much would you trust the following to solve a dispute for you or haven't you heard enough about them to say: Non-Governmental organizations (including community based)?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	1	0	0	0	0
Just a little	18	22	20	24	22
Somewhat	15	14	15	14	14
A lot	17	11	11	13	12
Don't know/Haven't heard	43	46	51	41	46

89e. *How much would you trust the following to solve a dispute for you or haven't you heard enough about them to say: A vigilante group?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	17	15	16	15	15
Just a little	17	12	13	12	13
Somewhat	20	9	10	11	11
A lot	44	57	56	55	55
Don't know/Haven't heard	2	7	5	8	6

89f. *How much would you trust the following to solve a dispute for you or haven't you heard enough about them to say: Paralegals?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	10	12	12	12	12
Just a little	14	10	11	11	11
Somewhat	21	12	13	13	13
A lot	52	57	58	55	57
Don't know/Haven't heard	2	8	6	9	7

89g. *How much would you trust the following to solve a dispute for you or haven't you heard enough about them to say: Local courts?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	10	10	9	10	10
Just a little	17	10	13	10	11
Somewhat	17	10	10	13	11
A lot	56	65	65	63	64
Don't know/Haven't heard	1	4	3	5	4

89b. *How much would you trust the following to solve a dispute for you or haven't you heard enough about them to say: National courts?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	6	7	6	8	7
Just a little	12	8	10	6	8
Somewhat	13	9	9	10	9
A lot	68	72	73	71	72
Don't know/Haven't heard	2	4	3	5	4

89i. *How much would you trust the following to solve a dispute for you or haven't you heard enough about them to say: The armed forces/police?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	7	8	7	8	8
Just a little	8	6	7	6	6
Somewhat	17	9	9	10	10
A lot	67	75	75	72	73
Don't know/Haven't heard	1	3	2	4	3

89j. *How much would you trust the following to solve a dispute for you or haven't you heard enough about them to say: Other government agencies?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	12	13	13	13	13
Just a little	18	13	16	12	14
Somewhat	23	12	14	14	14
A lot	44	54	53	53	53
Don't know/Haven't heard	3	7	4	9	6



89k. *How much would you trust the following to solve a dispute for you or haven't you heard enough about them to say: The armed forces of other countries?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	27	26	27	26	26
Just a little	17	11	13	11	12
Somewhat	14	7	10	7	8
A lot	35	45	43	44	44
Don't know/Haven't heard	7	10	6	13	10

89l. *How much would you trust the following to solve a dispute for you or haven't you heard enough about them to say: International mediators?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	15	18	17	18	17
Just a little	7	7	8	6	7
Somewhat	14	7	8	7	8
A lot	57	57	61	54	57
Don't know/Haven't heard	7	12	7	16	11

89m. *How much would you trust the following to solve a dispute for you or haven't you heard enough about them to say: The people involved in the conflict?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	20	21	21	20	21
Just a little	13	7	9	8	8
Somewhat	9	7	7	8	8
A lot	57	60	61	59	60
Don't know/Haven't heard	1	4	3	5	4

90. *What is the highest level of education you have completed?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No formal schooling	5	21	13	25	19
Informal schooling only	0	1	0	1	1
Some primary schooling	29	45	43	43	43
Primary school completed	16	16	17	15	16
Some secondary school/high school	20	11	17	8	12
Secondary school completed/high school	22	5	8	7	7
Post-secondary qualifications, not university	5	0	2	0	1
Some university	1	0	0	0	0
University completed	1	0	0	0	0
Post-graduate	1	0	0	0	0

91. *What is your religion, if any?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
None	2	2	3	1	2
Catholic	19	24	19	27	23

Protestant (Mainstream)	31	22	25	22	24
Protestant (Evangelical/Pentecostal)	24	20	23	18	21
African Independent Church	0	4	3	4	3
Traditional religion	1	1	1	1	1
Atheist (Do not believe in a God)	0	0	0		0
Christian (general)	1	2	2	1	2
Muslim, Sunni	10	13	12	13	13
Muslim, Shiite		0	0	1	0
Jehovah's Witness	2	2	2	2	2
Seventh Day Adventist	8	4	4	5	4
Other	3	5	5	5	5
Don't know		0		0	0

92. *Excluding weddings and funerals, how often do you attend religious services?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	4	6	7	4	5
About once a year or less	1	2	2	2	2
About once every several months	4	5	6	3	5
About once a month	17	10	10	12	11
About once a week	48	50	48	51	49
More than once a week	26	27	27	27	27
Don't know	1	1	0	2	1

93a. *Which of these things do you personally own: a book, you know, a reading book?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No (Don't own)	23	44	32	49	41
Yes (Do own)	77	56	68	51	59

93b. *Which of these things do you personally own: a radio?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No (Don't own)	17	26	18	32	25
Yes (Do own)	83	74	82	68	75

93c. *Which of these things do you personally own: a television?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No (Don't own)	70	96	92	93	92
Yes (Do own)	30	4	8	7	8

93d. *Which of these things do you personally own: a bicycle?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No (Don't own)	61	48	47	53	50
Yes (Do own)	39	52	53	48	50

93e. *Which of these things do you personally own: a motorcycle?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No (Don't own)	96	99	98	99	98
Yes (Do own)	4	1	2	1	2

93f. *Which of these things do you personally own: a motor vehicle /car?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No (Don't own)	86	98	96	97	97
Yes (Do own)	14	2	4	3	3

94. *Do you have a job that pays cash income? Is it full-time or part-time? Are you presently looking for a job (even if you are presently working)?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No (not looking)	52	70	58	77	68
No (looking)	26	23	28	19	24
Yes, part time (not looking)	2	1	1	1	1
Yes, part time (looking)	4	1	3	1	2
Yes, full time (not looking)	11	3	7	2	5
Yes, full time (looking)	5	1	3	0	1

95. *What is your main occupation? (If unemployed, retired, or disabled, what was your last main occupation?)*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never had a job	6	3	3	3	3
Subsistence farmer (own consumption only)	5	34	23	37	30
Peasant farmer (own consumption and sale)	4	26	25	21	23
Commercial farmer (mainly for sale)	1	5	4	4	4
Farm worker		2	2	1	1
Fisherman		1	2	0	1
Trader/Hawker/Vendor	10	4	4	5	5
Miner		0	0		0
Domestic worker/ maid	2	1	2	0	1
Police/ Security/ Military	1	1	2		1
Artisan/skilled, formal sector	4	1	2	1	1
Artisan/skilled, informal sector	2	3	4	1	2
Clerical Worker	3	0	1	1	1
Unskilled manual, formal sector		1	1	0	1
Unskilled manual, informal sector	4	2	4	1	2
Businessperson (works for others)	2	0	1	0	1
Businessperson (own business, less than 10)	13	6	6	7	7
Businessperson (own business, 10 or more)	1	0	0	0	0
Professional worker	4	0	2	0	1
Supervisor/ Foreman	1	0	1		0

Teacher	2	1	2	1	1
Government worker	3	1	2	0	1
Retail worker	2	0	1		0
Student	12	3	6	3	4
Housewife/ work in household	18	6	1	14	7
Other	1	1	1	0	1
Don't know		0		0	0

96a. *In the last month, how much of the time: has your physical health reduced that amount of the work you normally do inside or outside your home?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	62	52	56	51	54
Just once or twice	29	31	30	32	31
Many times	8	13	11	14	13
Always	1	3	3	3	3
Don't know		0		0	0

96b. *In the last month, how much of the time: have you been so worried or anxious that you have felt tired worn out or exhausted?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	62	52	54	52	53
Just once or twice	18	22	21	22	22
Many times	16	19	19	19	19
Always	4	7	6	7	6
Don't know		0		0	0

97. *Do you know of a close friend or relative who has died of AIDS?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No	37	43	39	46	42
Yes	61	55	59	53	56
Refused to answer	1	0	0	0	0
Don't know	1	2	2	2	2

98. *How many friends or relatives is that?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
1	13	15	16	14	15
2	15	10	12	11	11
3	8	8	9	8	8
4	4	4	4	4	4
5	4	4	4	4	4
6	1	2	2	1	2
7	2	1	1	0	1
8	2	0	1	1	1
9	1	0	0	0	0
10	2	2	2	2	2
11-20	3	2	2	2	2
21-50		1	1	1	1
51-100		0	0	1	0
More than 100		0	0		0

Not applicable	39	45	41	47	44
Refused	2	3	3	3	3
Don't know	3	3	2	4	3

99. *Which party's candidate would you vote for if a presidential election were held tomorrow?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Alliance For Democracy(AFORD)	1	1	1	1	1
Democratic Progressive Party (DPP)	32	35	36	33	35
Malawi Congress Party(MCP)	17	16	19	14	16
Movement For Genuine Democracy (Mgode)	0	0	0	0	0
National Democratic Alliance(NDA)	0	0	0	0	0
Peoples Progressive Movement(PPM)	1	1	1	0	1
Republican Party(RP)	1	0	1	0	1
United Democratic Front (UDF)	20	25	23	26	24
Other		0	1	0	0
Would not vote	11	5	7	5	6
Refused	10	5	5	6	6
Don't know	8	11	8	14	11

Q100. *Just one more question: Who do you think sent us to do this interview?*

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No one	1	0	0	0	0
Government (general)	35	38	39	37	38
National/ federal government	1	0	0	0	0
Local government	0	0	0	0	0
President/PM's office	5	11	9	12	10
Parliament/ National assembly	1	1	1	1	1
Government census/ statistics office	2	0	1	0	1
National Intelligence/ Secret Service	0	0	0	0	0
Education or Social Affairs Dept./Ministry	0	0	1	0	0
Tax or Finance Dept./Ministry	0	0	0	0	0
Health Dept./Ministry	1	0		1	0
Other government dept./ministry	0	0	0	0	0
Constitutional Commission	1	0	1		1

Electoral Commission	1	1	1	1	1
National Planning Commission	0	0	0	0	0
NGO	15	6	9	5	7
Political party/ politicians	2	3	4	2	3
Research company/org. (AB natl. partner)	10	8	11	6	8
Newspapers/ Media	1	0	0	0	0
University/ School/ College	1	0	0	0	0
Private company		0	0		0
International Organization	1	0	0	0	0
God or a religious organization	1	1	1	1	1
Other	2	1	1	1	1
Refused	2	0	0	1	0
Don't know	19	28	21	32	27