# PREDICTIONS 2025

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## 2024 IN RETROSPECT



### Reflecting on 2024, a majority in Jordan found the year challenging for themselves and their families



2024 was a challenging year for me and my family

#### **By Gender**

Male	<b>72</b> %	
Female	65%	

#### By Age

18-24	67%
25-34	64%
35-44	67%
45+	76%

Upper Income	58%
Middle Income	68%
Lower Income	75%

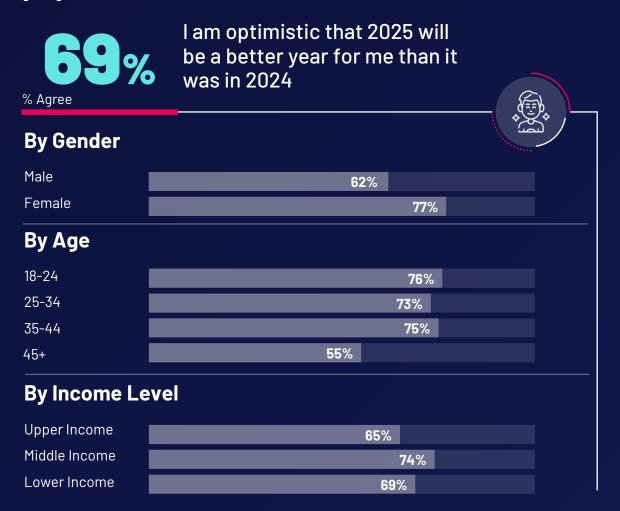


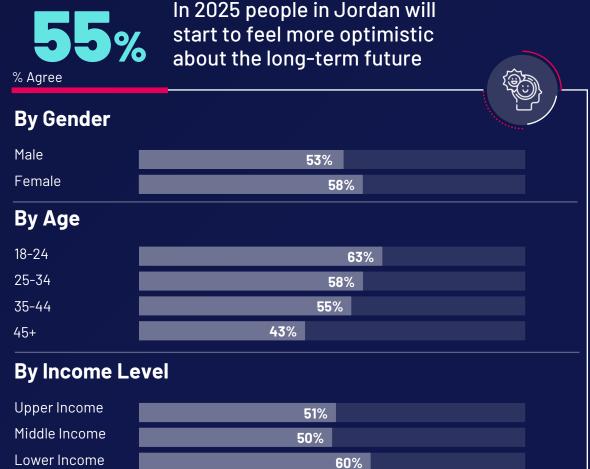


## OVERALL EXPECTATIONS FOR 2025



## Despite the challenges, optimism remains, with the majority looking forward to a better personal year in 2025, and many anticipating a more optimistic outlook among the population







## EXPECTATIONS FOR WORLD AFFAIRS IN 2025



#### Focusing on global issues, there's optimism with many expecting the ongoing wars to end in 2025



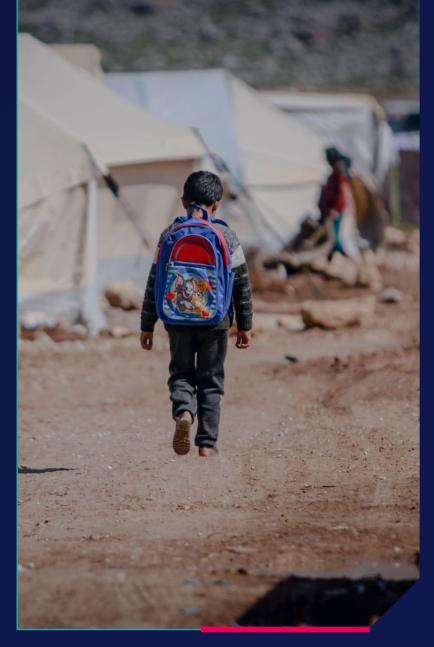
% Likely

The war in Ukraine will end in 2025



% Likely

The current wars in the Middle East will end in 2025





#### Amid optimism, worries persist as many predict possible regional and global escalations



% Likely

Nuclear weapons will be used in a conflict somewhere in the world



A large-scale armed conflict will erupt between Iran and Israel in 2025





### Following earlier worries, over half foresee regional conflicts potentially affecting Jordan's food supplies

% Likely **55%** 

Regional conflicts will disrupt food supplies to Jordan

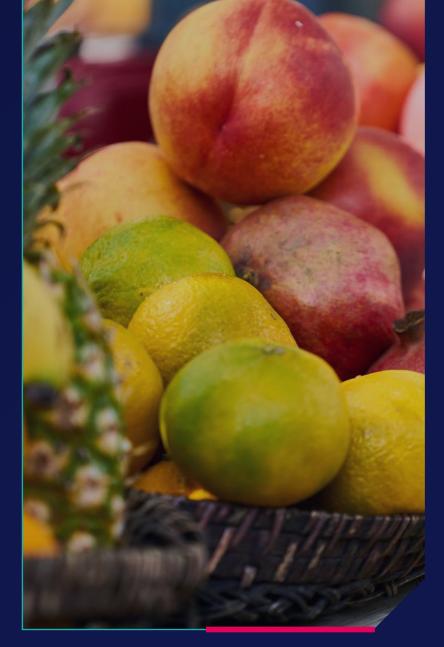
#### By Gender

Male	55%	
Female	54%	

#### By Age

18-24	51%	
25-34	53%	
35-44	53%	
45+	6	1%

Upper Income	56%	
Middle Income	53%	
Lower Income	55%	





## EXPECTATIONS FOR THE GOVERNMENT & SOCIETY IN 2025



## Focusing on the new government, 3 in 5 believe it will bring positive changes to Jordan in 2025, reflecting optimism about its future impact

% Likely **59%** 

The new government will bring positive changes to Jordan in 2025

#### By Gender

Male	60%	
Female	58%	

#### By Age

18-24	67%
25-34	61%
35-44	59%
45+	50%

Upper Income	47%
Middle Income	58%
Lower Income	67%





## Public safety is set to improve, with expectations of more traffic tickets in 2025 due to the installation of new radar cameras

% Likely **80%** 

More drivers in Jordan will receive traffic tickets in 2025 compared to 2024

#### **By Gender**

Male	83%
Female	77%

#### By Age

18-24	80%
25-34	79%
35-44	80%
45+	82%

Upper Income	83%	6
Middle Income	82%	5
Lower Income	78%	





### Another government change that is expected by the public is the reinstatement of compulsory military service

> Compulsory military service for eligible people will be reinstated in Jordan in 2025

#### By Gender

Male	62%
Female	81%

#### By Age

18-24	71%
25-34	75%
35-44	62%
45+	72%

Upper Income	66%	
Middle Income	69%	
Lower Income	75	%





## In societal outlooks, a minority foresee a decline in Jordan's population size

% Likely **26%** 

The total population size of Jordan will fall

#### **By Gender**

Male	26%	
Female	26%	

#### By Age

18-24	28%	
25-34	22%	
35-44	29%	
45+	26%	

Upper Income	23%
Middle Income	13%
Lower Income	35%





### Family dynamics come into focus next, with the majority expecting an increase in divorce rates

% Likely

74%

Divorce rates will increase in Jordan

#### **By Gender**

Male	71%
Female	77%

#### By Age

18-24	61%
25-34	78%
35-44	72%
45+	85%

Upper Income	79%	
Middle Income	75%	
Lower Income	70%	





#### Looking at societal progress, there's optimism for gender equality progress in terms of female leadership participation and equal pay



% Likely

Jordan will see an increase in the participation of women in politics and leadership roles Jordan will see an increase in



Women will be paid the same as men for the same work





#### **Expectations for gender equality and leadership**

% Likely - by demographics





Jordan will see	an increase in	the participation
of women in	politics and lea	adership roles

#### Women will be paid the same as men for the same work

Male	80%	61%
Female	84%	62%
18 - 24	79%	65%
25 - 34	82%	58%
35 - 44	76%	62%
45+	88%	62%
Upper Income	78%	53%
Middle Income	81%	65%
Lower Income	84%	66%



## As societal progress is predicted to gain momentum, consumer activism is also expected to continue

% Likely **85%** 

Jordanians will continue the boycotts in 2025

#### By Gender

Male	85%	
Female	85%	

#### By Age

18-24	83%
25-34	82%
35-44	86%
45+	89%

Upper Income	88%	
Middle Income	84%	
Lower Income	83%	





## EXPECTATIONS FOR HEALTH IN 2025



#### A hopeful health perspective takes shape, with the majority anticipating better physical and mental wellbeing than in 2024



% Agree

My physical health will be better in 2025 than it was in 2024



% Agree

My mental health will be better in 2025 than it was in 2024





In terms of large-scale health issues, feelings are mixed. While many are optimistic about finding a cancer cure, a similar number predict a new global pandemic



% Likely

59% We will find a cure for cancer



% Likely

There will be a new global pandemic caused by a new virus

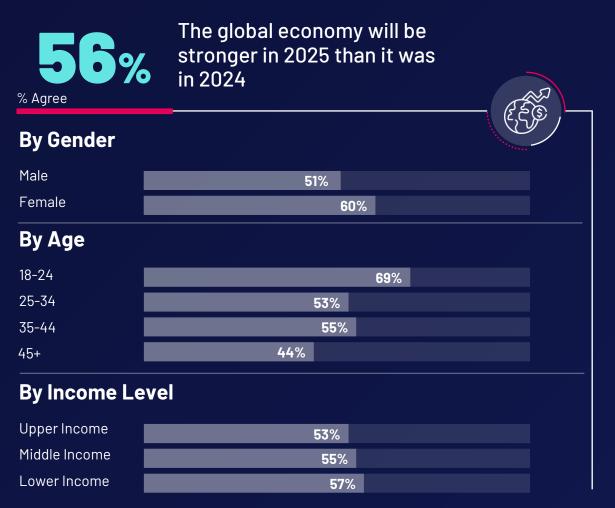


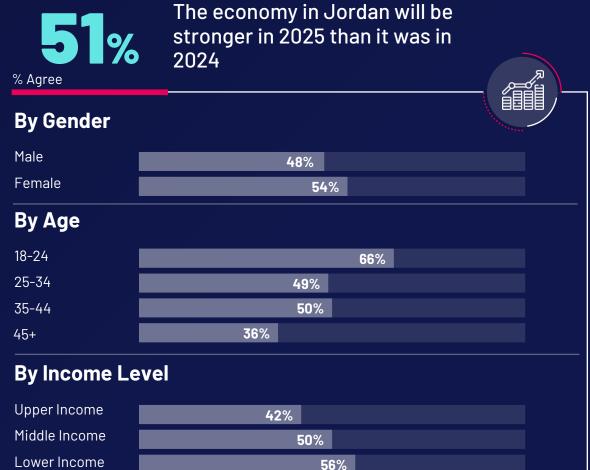


## EXPECTATIONS FOR THE ECONOMY IN 2025



## Half in Jordan are optimistic about local economic growth, with a slightly higher number of people believing in a brighter global economic future







## While there's optimism about economic growth, Jordanians expect financial challenges with prices climbing faster than incomes, and increases in inflation, taxes, as well as interest rates

% Likely

86%

**85**%

**79**%

**68**%

Prices in Jordan will increase faster than people's incomes

Inflation in Jordan will be higher in 2025 than in 2024

Taxes in Jordan will be higher in 2025 than in 2024

Interest rates in Jordan will be higher in 2025 than in 2024











#### **Economic expectations**

% Likely - by demographics



**86**%



**85%** 



**79%** 

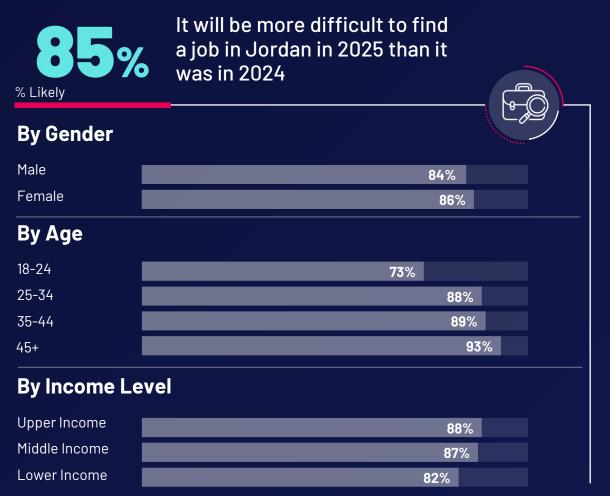


**68**%

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	Prices in Jordan will increase faster than people's incomes	Inflation in Jordan will be higher in 2025 than in 2024	Taxes in Jordan will be higher in 2025 than in 2024	Interest rates in Jordan will be higher in 2025 than in 2024
Male	86%	83%	77%	62%
Female	85%	87%	81%	75%
18 – 24	76%	74%	72%	65%
25 - 34	90%	90%	81%	74%
35 - 44	85%	86%	82%	67%
45+	92%	92%	83%	66%
Upper Income	85%	87%	77%	62%
Middle Income	90%	91%	80%	70%
Lower Income	84%	81%	79%	71%



## Predictions for the labor market highlight concerns, as the majority expect increased difficulty in securing jobs and rising unemployment rates







## About half show optimism about their personal financial prospects, predicting improvements in their financial situation

% Likely **8%** 

My personal financial situation will improve in 2025

#### By Gender

Male	45%
Female	50%

#### By Age

18-24	50%
25-34	53%
35-44	57%
45+	35%

Upper Income	50%	
Middle Income	51%	
Lower Income	45%	





#### 1 in 2 also expect a thriving investment scene, with a third planning on making major purchases



The economic environment in Jordan will be better for investment in 2025 than it was in 2024



I will make a major purchase (e.g. house, car) in 2025





#### **Outlook on investment and major purchases**

% Likely - by demographics





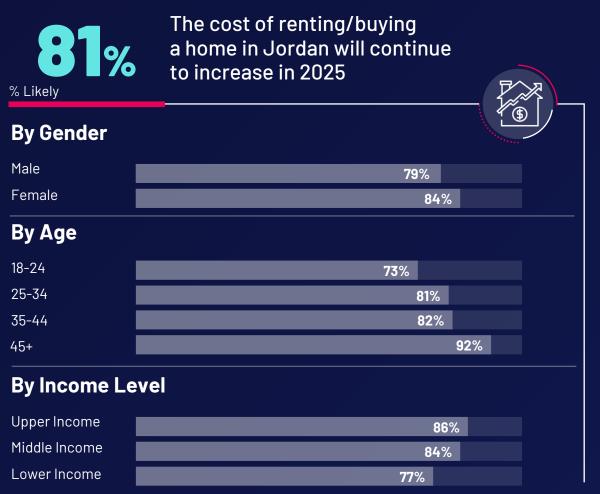
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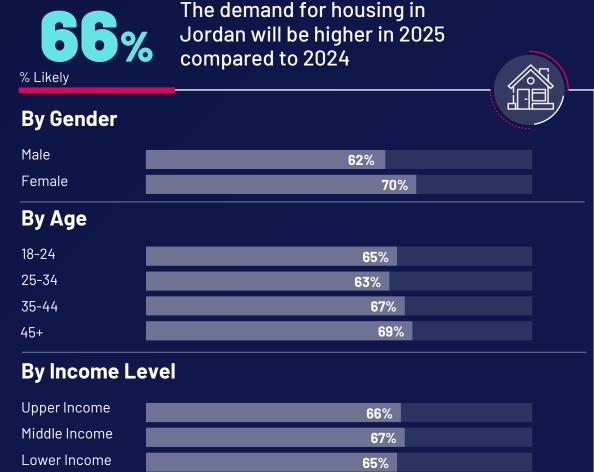
I will make a major purchase (e.g. house, car) in 2025

Male	47%	32%
Female	52%	31%
18 - 24	51%	24%
25 - 34	51%	36%
35 - 44	53%	41%
45+	43%	31%
Upper Income	44%	41%
Middle Income	46%	30%
Lower Income	54%	27%



### Even with an optimistic investment outlook, people expect housing market challenges, marked by rising demand and costs







## EXPECTATIONS FOR THE WORKPLACE IN 2025



## Workplace predictions suggest expected shifts towards flexibility, with some also expecting the normalization of a four-day work week



% Likely

53%

Businesses in Jordan will offer employees more flexibility in work arrangements compared to 2024



% Likely

36%

It will become normal for businesses in my country to implement a four-day working week





#### **Predictions for the workplace**

% Likely - by demographics

Male

Female

18 – 24

25 - 34

35 - 44

45+



Upper Income	49%	35%
Middle Income	53%	26%
Lower Income	56%	41%



## EXPECTATIONS FOR TRAVEL IN 2025



## The public expects tourism to grow, anticipating an increase in visitor numbers to Jordan next year

% Likely **63%** 

More tourists will enter Jordan in 2025 compared to 2024

#### By Gender

Male	60%	
Female	66%	6

#### By Age

18-24	65%
25-34	64%
35-44	66%
45+	57%

Upper Income	56%
Middle Income	71%
Lower Income	63%





# EXPECTATIONS FOR THE ENVIRONMENT IN 2025



### Regarding the environment, the majority foresee rising global temperatures, many predict extreme weather and intense flight turbulence, and some expect parts of Jordan to become uninhabitable due to severe conditions

% Likely

**80**%

**66**%

**63**%

**34**%

Average global temperatures will increase

There will be more extreme weather events in Jordan in 2025 than there were in 2024



Severe turbulence during flights will become more frequent and intense due to climate change



Parts of my country will become unlivable because of an extreme weather event





### However, many anticipate government initiatives, expecting tighter carbon reduction goals and new driving restrictions to tackle emissions



% Likely

57%

The Government in Jordan will introduce more demanding targets to reduce carbon emissions more quickly



% Likely

50%

There will be restrictions introduced to reduce the amount people drive in their cars in Jordan





### Building on these government initiatives, there's also optimism about addressing Jordan's water scarcity issue in 2025

% Likely **7%** 

Jordan will find a solution to its water scarcity problem in 2025

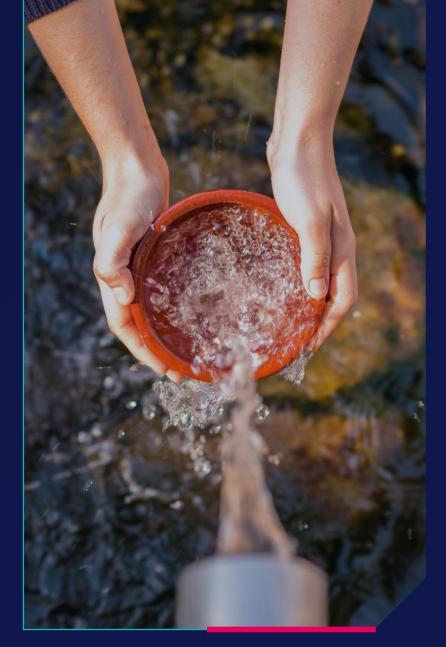
#### **By Gender**

Male	42%
Female	53%

#### By Age

18-24	53%
25-34	48%
35-44	53%
45+	35%

Upper Income	34%
Middle Income	45%
Lower Income	56%





### Aligned with efforts to address key environmental challenges, the majority in Jordan foresee a shift to sustainability



% Likely

**78**%

Electric vehicles will become the primary mode of transportation for most people in Jordan



% Likely

68%

Jordan will primarily rely on alternative energy sources for its energy needs





### While optimism for sustainability prevails, a third hold hope for innovation, anticipating a breakthrough technology that could stop climate change

% Likely **54%** 

There will be a breakthrough technology developed which will halt climate change

#### By Gender

Male	34%	
Female	35%	4

#### By Age

18-24	41%
25-34	28%
35-44	43%
45+	28%

Upper Income	30%	
Middle Income	33%	
Lower Income	38%	





### EXPECTATIONS FOR TECHNOLOGY IN 2025





Technology is expected to reshape social lives, with the majority anticipating more online interactions and virtual living. Yet, some plan to cut back on social media



88%

People in Jordan will spend more time socializing online than faceto-face



% Likely



Many more people will live their lives in virtual worlds



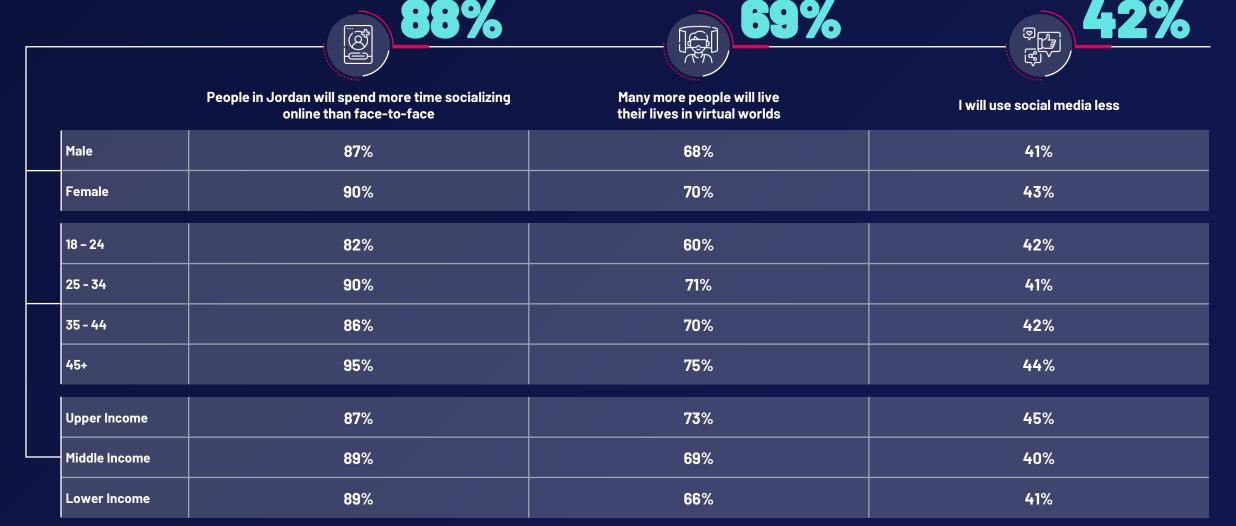
% Likely





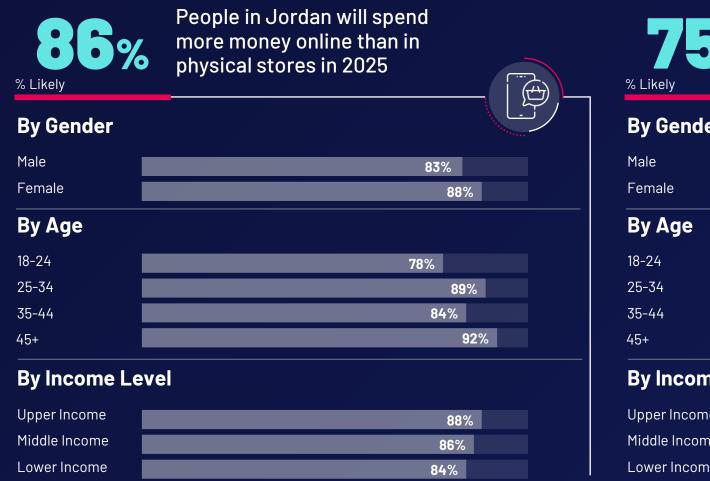
#### Predicted impact of technology on social interaction

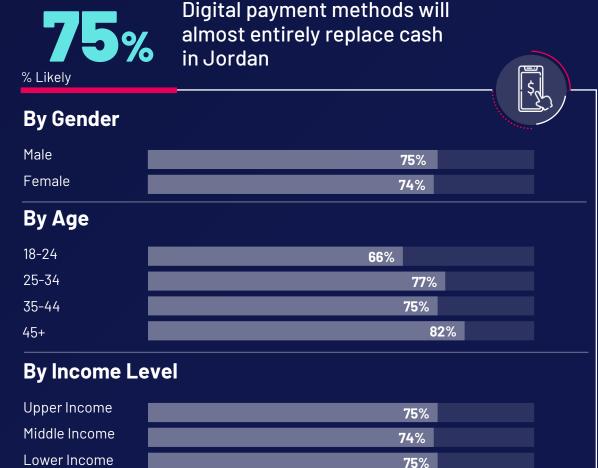
% Likely - by demographics





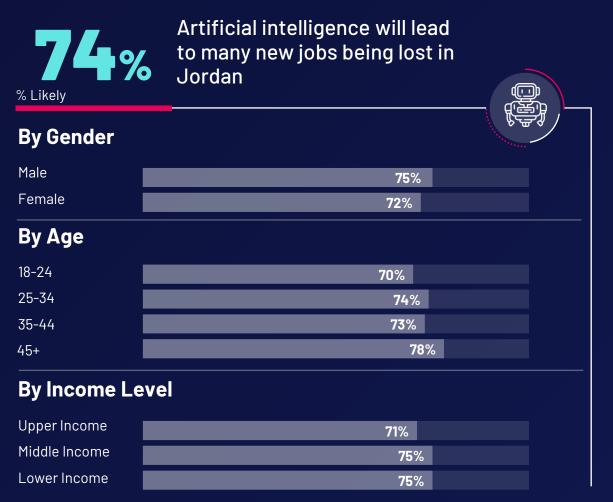
### Looking at the role of technology in future shopping and finance, there is a strong belief in the dominance of online transactions and digital payment methods

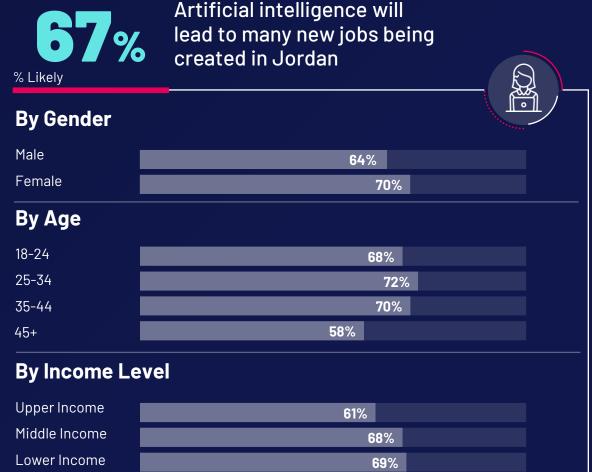






### In terms of AI and employment, predictions reflect a concern, as AI is expected to generate new jobs but also contribute to significant job losses







### When it comes to tech giants, many expect stricter government regulations to address their expanding power

% Likely **57%** 

Strict rules for large technology companies will be introduced by the Government in Jordan

#### By Gender

Male	56%	
Female	58%	

#### By Age

18-24	51%
25-34	63%
35-44	62%
45+	55%

Upper Income	53%	
Middle Income	58%	
Lower Income	59%	





# PAST & FUTURE RESOLUTIONS



### Considering past resolutions, the majority started the year with intentions to fulfill particular goals

67%

Had set resolutions for things they wanted to accomplish in 2024

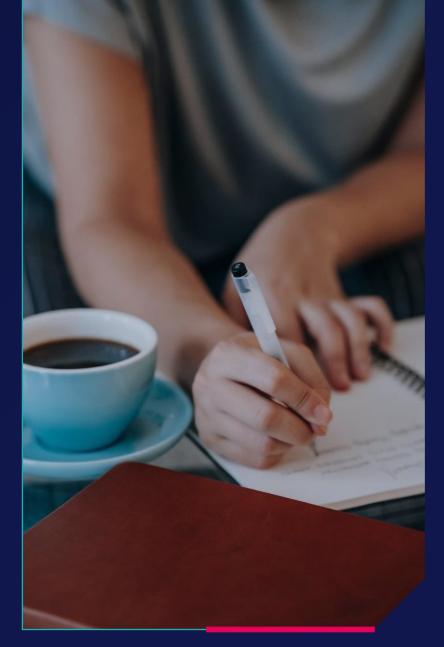
#### By Gender

Male	62%
Female	74%

#### By Age

18-24	68%
25-34	69%
35-44	62%
45+	69%

Upper Income	63%
Middle Income	69%
Lower Income	70%





### However, success in achieving goals varied, with only a small minority achieving full goals, many making some progress, and a significant portion experiencing minimal to no success

Success in achieving 2024 goals set

6%

**36**%

**38**%

20%

Completely successful: full achievement of goals

Somewhat successful: significant progress made, but goals weren't fully achieved

Somewhat unsuccessful: minimal progress made

Not at all successful: complete failure to achieve goals









### As we approach 2025, a growing number of individuals intend to set resolutions, reflecting a heightened focus on personal development compared to last year

90%

Will set personal resolutions to accomplish specific goals in 2025

#### By Gender

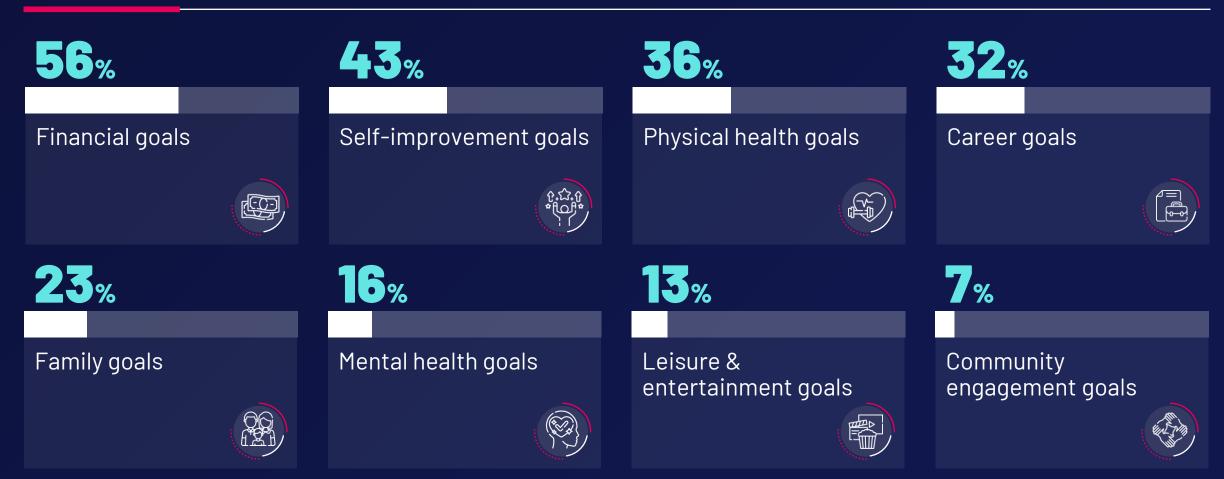
Male	85%		
Female	95%	95%	
By Age			
18-24	89%		
25-34	88%		
35-44	96%	6	
45+	89%		
By Income	Level		
Upper Income	90%		
Middle Income	96%	6	
Lower Income	87%		





### Goals for 2025 show diversity, with financial and self-improvement objectives at the forefront, alongside a notable focus on physical health and career goals

Types of personal goals for 2025



#### Sample and methodology

#### Sample size

500 respondents

#### Sample criteria

General public: representative of the population across gender, age (18+), region and SECs

#### Methodology

The survey was conducted via Ipsos online panel

#### **Geographical coverage**

Conducted in Jordan with a nationwide coverage



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