

Abd Al-Ra'uf Rawabdeh

Prime Minister of Jordan and Minister of Defence

Born in 1939, Abd Al-Ra'uf Rawabdeh earned a bachelor's degree in pharmacology from the American University of Beirut in 1962.

Mr. Rawabdeh was mayor of Amman from 1983 to 1986 and from 1987 to 1989. In 1994-95, he was Minister of State for Prime Ministry Affairs and Minister of Education. He was Deputy Prime Minister and Education Minister from 1995 to 1996. He has held several other portfolios, including Public Works and Housing, Health and Transportation, and Transportation and Communications.

On March 4, 1999, Mr. Rawabdeh was appointed Prime Minister of Jordan and Minister of Defence.

Mr. Rawabdeh is married and has 11 children.