

Flash Poll: Religion and State

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1. Of the following topics, which is the most important to you when deciding which party to vote for in the next Knesset election (%)?

	Total sample	Left	Center	Right
Social and economic issues	36.7	42.7	52.4	30.5
Foreign affairs and security	36.2	7.9	20.0	47.7
Religion and state	15.5	11.2	15.3	16.5
Strengthening democracy	7.0	37.1	8.8	1.0
Don't know	4.6	1.1	3.5	4.3
Total	100	100	100	100

2. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following sentence: Public transportation on Shabbat should be instituted throughout the country, except for in areas with a majority religious or ultra-Orthodox population (%)

	Total sample	Left	Center	Right
Strongly Agree	37.0	81.0	62.1	20.8
Agree	23.0	11.2	19.4	26.5
Don't agree so much	14.3	5.6	5.9	18.7
Don't agree at all	22.8	2.2	11.8	30.2
Don't know	2.9	--	1.7	3.8
Total	100	100	100	100

3. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following sentences: Civil marriage should be allowed for all Israeli citizens who want it (%)

	Total sample	Left	Center	Right
Strongly Agree	40.3	84.3	65.3	23.7
Agree	19.2	10.1	15.9	22.0
Don't agree so much	13.0	2.2	5.9	17.1
Don't agree at all	24.3	2.2	11.8	33.1
Don't know	3.2	1.2	1.1	4.1
Total	100	100	100	100

4. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following sentences: The Chief Rabbinate's monopoly on Kashrut certification should be done away with (%)

	Total sample	Left	Center	Right
Strongly Agree	42.8	77.5	64.7	29.4
Agree	20.5	13.5	12.4	24.1
Don't agree so much	10.5	5.6	6.5	13.0
Don't agree at all	21.7	2.2	14.1	27.8
Don't know	4.5	1.2	2.3	5.7
Total	100	100	100	100

5. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following sentences: A separate plaza should be allowed for women and non-Orthodox movements to pray at the Kotel (%)

	Total sample	Left	Center	Right
Strongly Agree	29.2	71.9	48.8	14.8
Agree	22.4	12.4	25.9	23.3
Don't agree so much	14.7	7.9	4.1	19.1
Don't agree at all	26.2	3.4	17.6	36.8
Don't know	5.5	4.4	3.6	6.0
Total	100	100	100	100

6. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following sentences: Supermarkets should be allowed to open on Shabbat throughout the country except in areas with a majority religious or ultra-Orthodox population (%)

	Total sample	Left	Center	Right
Strongly Agree	35.3	78.6	57.1	20.0
Agree	24.6	10.1	20.6	29.0
Don't agree so much	12.2	7.9	6.5	14.6
Don't agree at all	25.4	3.4	13.5	33.5
Don't know	2.5	--	2.3	2.9
Total	100	100	100	100

7. Do you support or oppose drafting ultra-Orthodox young men into the IDF, except for a small number of exceptional students who will be exempted and continue learning in a Yeshiva? (%)

	Total sample	Left	Center	Right
Strongly support	35.1	52.8	45.9	28.4
Support	33.4	28.1	34.1	34.0
Somewhat oppose	9.3	7.9	5.9	11.1
Strongly oppose	12.0	3.4	6.5	15.4
Don't know	10.2	7.8	7.6	11.1
Total	100	100	100	100

On the secular-ultra-Orthodox spectrum

1. Of the following topics, which is the most important to you when deciding which party to vote for in the next Knesset election? (%)

	Secular	Traditional non-religious	Traditional religious	National Religious	Ultra-Orthodox
Society and Economics	45.5	40.8	33.0	18.6	16.9
Foreign affairs and security	28.3	47.1	44.3	52.9	11.3
Religion and state	10.8	4.0	11.4	17.6	67.6
Strengthening democracy	12.0	4.6	4.5	2.0	--
Don't Know	3.4	3.5	6.8	8.9	4.2
Total	100	100	100	100	100

2. **Public transportation on Shabbat should be instituted throughout the country, except in areas with a majority religious or ultra-Orthodox population (%)**

	Secular	Traditional non-religious	Traditional religious	National Religious	Ultra-Orthodox
Strongly Agree	61.2	33.3	19.3	4.9	2.8
Agree	24.9	33.9	20.5	16.7	--
Don't agree so much	9.2	16.7	20.5	28.4	4.2
Don't agree at all	1.8	14.9	31.8	46.1	93.0
Don't know	2.9	1.2	7.9	3.9	--
Total	100	100	100	100	100

3. **Civil marriage should be allowed for all Israeli citizens who want it (%)**

	Secular	Traditional non-religious	Traditional religious	National Religious	Ultra-Orthodox
Strongly Agree	67.1	36.2	21.6	5.9	--
Agree	17.5	31.6	19.3	16.7	--
Don't agree so much	8.6	16.1	21.6	19.6	5.6
Don't agree at all	4.6	14.9	30.7	52.0	90.1
Don't know	2.2	1.2	6.8	5.8	4.3
Total	100	100	100	100	100

4. **The Chief Rabbinate's monopoly on Kashrut certification should be done away with (%)**

	Secular	Traditional non-religious	Traditional religious	National Religious	Ultra-Orthodox
Strongly Agree	67.1	42.5	22.7	12.7	--
Agree	21.8	27.6	22.7	15.7	1.4
Don't agree so much	5.2	12.6	22.7	15.7	7.0
Don't agree at all	2.8	13.2	25.0	47.1	88.7
Don't know	3.1	4.1	6.9	8.8	2.9
Total	100	100	100	100	100

5. **A separate plaza for prayer should be allowed for women and non-Orthodox movements at the Kotel (%)**

	Secular	Traditional non-religious	Traditional religious	National Religious	Ultra-Orthodox
Strongly Agree	51.4	21.3	13.6	5.9	--
Agree	26.5	28.8	19.3	16.7	1.4
Don't agree so much	11.1	21.8	21.6	14.7	5.6
Don't agree at all	4.6	23.0	38.6	57.8	93.0
Don't know	6.4	5.7	6.9	4.9	--
Total	100	100	100	100	100

6. **Supermarkets should be allowed to open on Shabbat throughout the country, except for in areas with a majority religious or ultra-Orthodox population (%)**

	Secular	Traditional non-religious	Traditional religious	National Religious	Ultra-Orthodox
Strongly Agree	59.1	32.8	15.9	3.9	1.4
Agree	27.1	33.9	25.0	16.7	1.4
Don't agree so much	7.7	16.7	18.2	20.6	2.8
Don't agree at all	3.9	14.4	35.2	56.9	94.4
Don't know	2.4	2.2	5.7	1.9	--
Total	100	100	100	100	100

7. Do you support or oppose drafting ultra-Orthodox young men into the IDF, except for a small number of exceptional students who will be exempted and continue learning in a Yeshiva? (%)

	Secular	Traditional non-religious	Traditional religious	National Religious	Ultra-Orthodox
Strongly support	47.7	37.9	33.0	14.7	2.8
Support	31.1	41.4	37.5	44.1	4.2
Somewhat oppose	5.2	7.5	18.2	13.7	15.5
Strongly oppose	2.5	3.4	5.7	17.6	76.1
Don't know	13.5	9.8	5.6	9.9	1.4
Total	100	100	100	100	100

The survey was conducted between August 7-8, 2019 through the PanelsLTD Online Survey to examine the attitudes of the Jewish public in Israel on matters of religion and state. The survey included 760 respondents, representing a representative sample of the Jewish population in Israel. The maximum sampling error for the entire sample was 4%± at a confidence level of 95%.