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PRESS RELEASE
The Israeli Voice Index – November 2020

41% of Arab Israelis Support Political Cooperation between Prime Minister Netanyahu and the Raám Party

Trust in Leadership Low – Over 60% of Israeli Don't Find Netanyahu or Gantz Credible

Israeli Public Divided on Whether Prime Minister Netanyahu Will Have a Fair Trial

December 7, 2020 – The **Israeli Voice Index for November 2020** published today (Monday) found that Israelis think that both Prime Minister Netanyahu and Alternate Prime Minister Benny Gantz have low or very low degrees of personal credibility. 62% of respondents say that Netanyahu has a moderately or very low degree of credibility compared to 60% who answered similarly about Gantz.

When asked about recent political cooperation between Prime Minister Netanyahu and MK Mansour Abbas from the Raám Party faction of the Joint List, 41% of Arab Israelis said they supported such action compared to 29% of Jewish Israelis said they were in favor of this new collaboration.

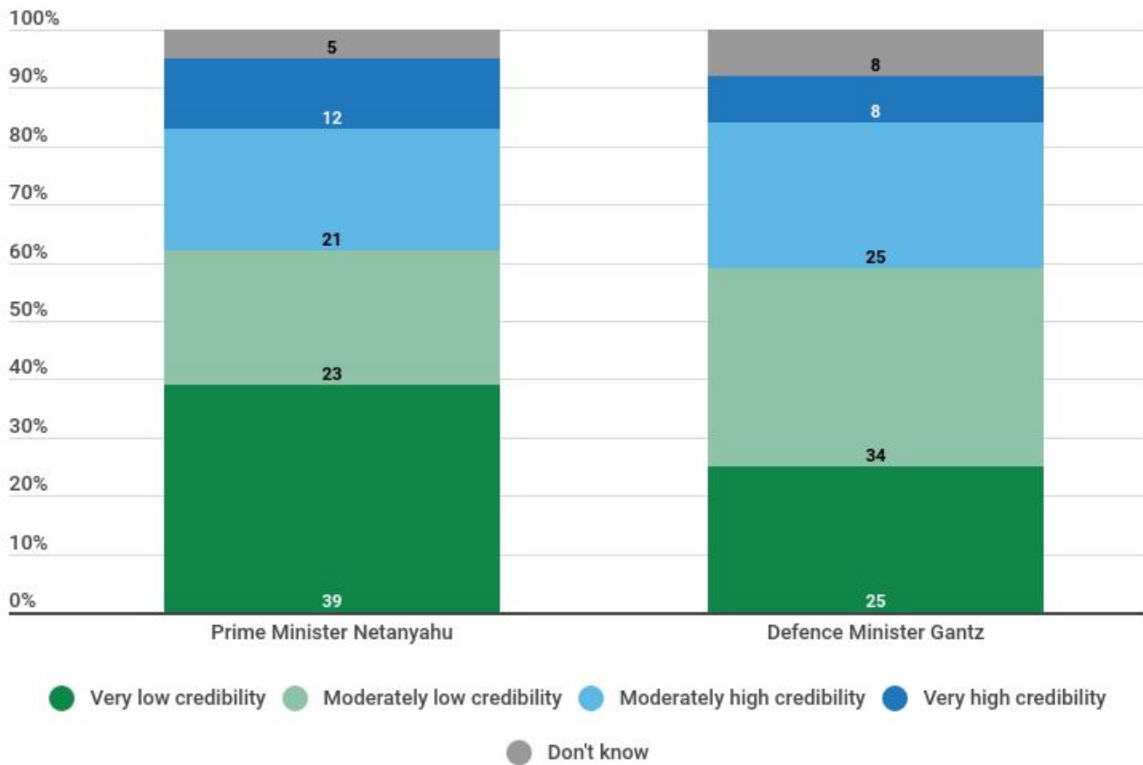
With Prime Minister Netanyahu's trial set to enter the evidentiary stage in February, Israeli public opinion is divided along political party lines as to whether or not he will receive a fair trial. Center-left voters think the trial will be fair, while voters who support right-wing parties do not.

The Israeli Voice Index is a monthly survey conducted by the Guttman Center for Public Opinion and Policy Research at the Israel Democracy Institute. [Read the full survey](#)

Main Findings

Trust in leadership – the majority of Israelis think that Prime Minister Netanyahu and Alternate Prime Benny Gantz have a low or very low personal credibility (62% and 60% respectively).

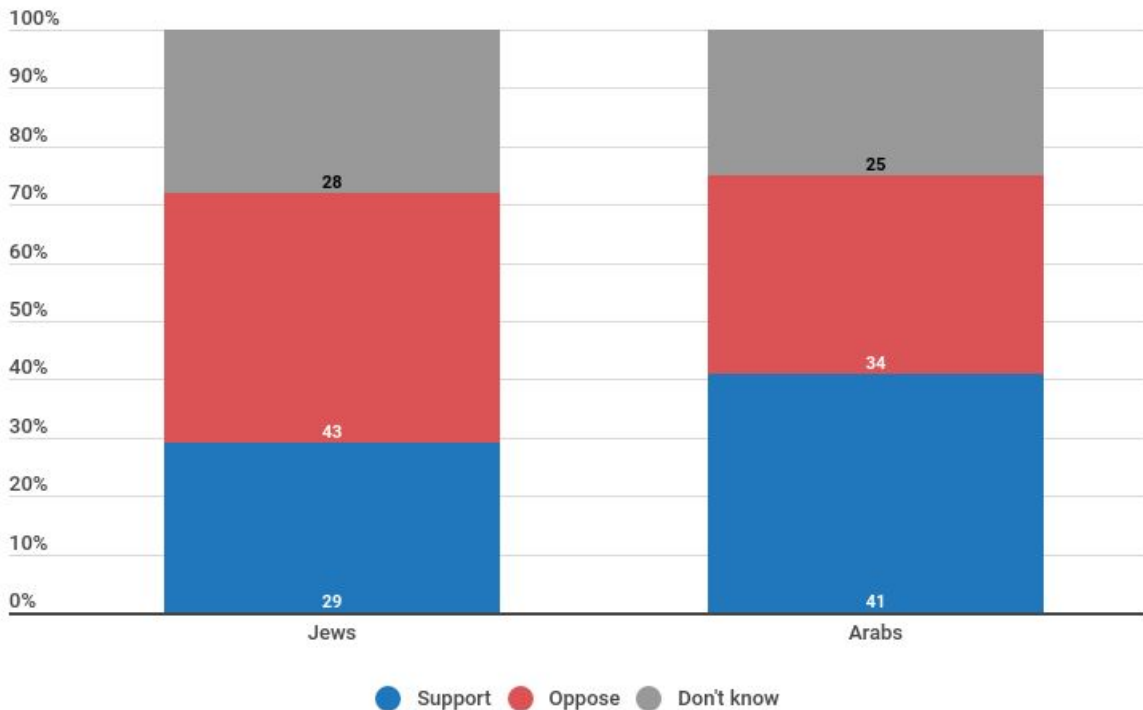
What do you think is the level of personal credibility of the following leaders? (% , entire sample)



Netanyahu’s trial – Benjamin Netanyahu’s trial is set to enter the evidentiary stage in the near future and Israelis are divided on whether they think the proceedings will be fair to the Prime Minister - 43.5% think or are sure he will not receive a fair trial and 44.5% think or are sure the proceedings will be fair.

Cooperation with Raám Party – 41% of Arab Israelis support the recent political cooperation in the Knesset between Prime Minister Netanyahu and MK Mansour Abbas of the Raám Party faction (from the Joint List) while 34% oppose it. 29% of Jewish Israelis support the cooperation compared to 43% who opposed it.

Do you support or oppose the recent cooperation in the Knesset between Prime Minister Netanyahu and Member of Knesset Mansour Abbas, who represents the Ra’am Party within the Joint List? (% , Jews and Arabs)



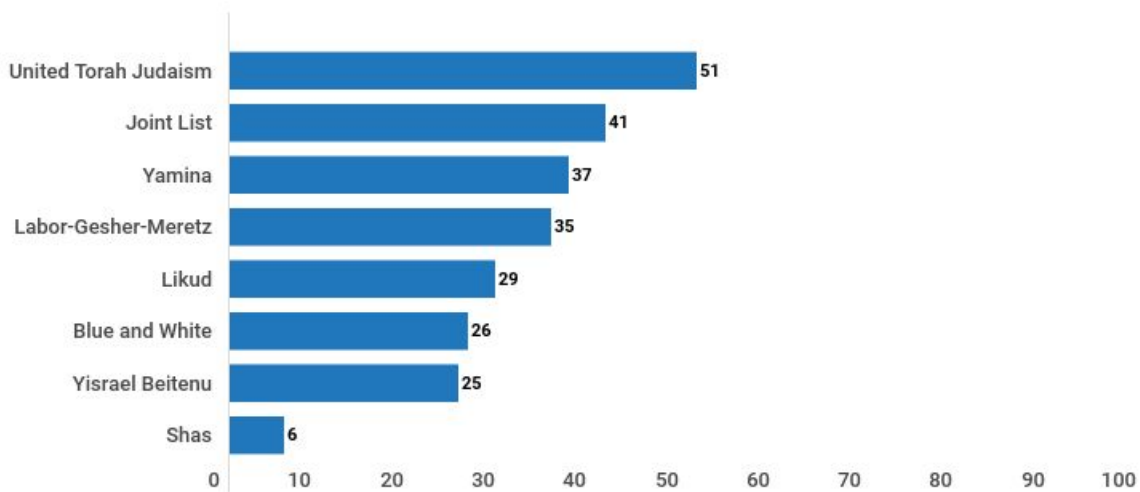
Segmentation of the Jewish population by their support for political parties (in the March elections) reveals that there is significant minorities of support for this cooperation in almost all the parties.

On the right: 29% among Likud voters, 25% of Yisrael Beitenu and 37% of Yamina

On the left and center: 35% of Labor-Gesher-Meretz voters, 26% of Blue and White; and 41% of the Joint List.

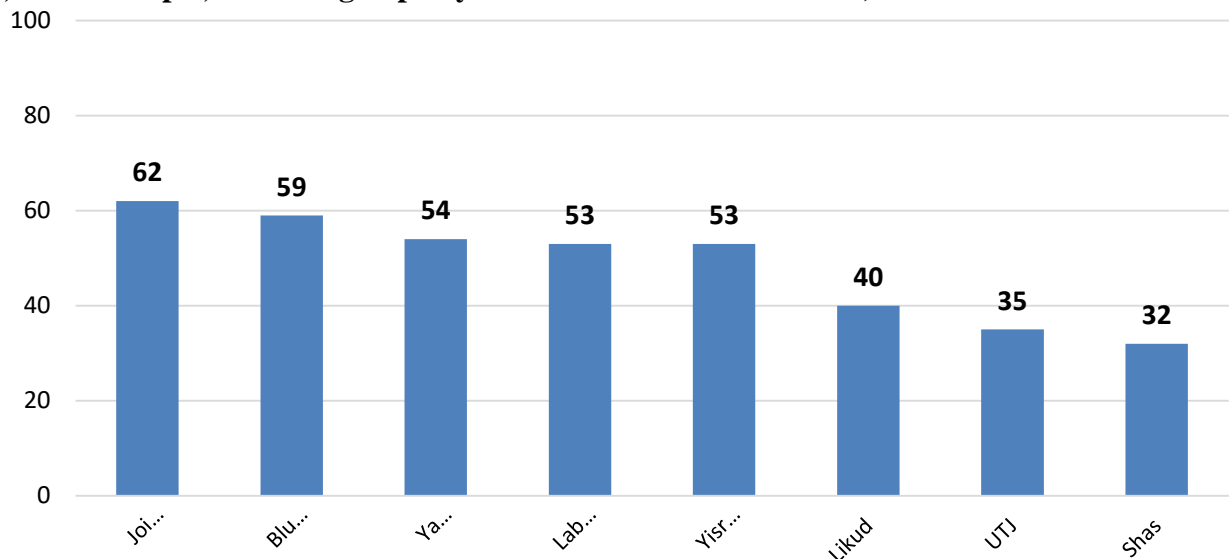
It is of particular interest to note that the ultra-Orthodox public is divided on this question. 51% of United Torah Judaism (Ashkenazi *Haredim*) voters support this political cooperation compared with only 6% of the ultra-Orthodox Shas (Sephardi *Haredim*) party supporters.

Support the recent cooperation in the Knesset between Prime Minister Netanyahu and Member of Knesset Mansour Abbas, who represents the Ra'am Party within the Joint List (% , entire sample, according to party voted for in March elections)



Elections – 83% of Israelis think that elections are imminent in the next 6 months and 12% think that the chances are low. Israelis are divided on the question whether they support new elections – 48% support and 39% oppose the expected elections.

Support dissolving the current government and going to new elections in the near future List (% , entire sample, according to party voted for in March elections)

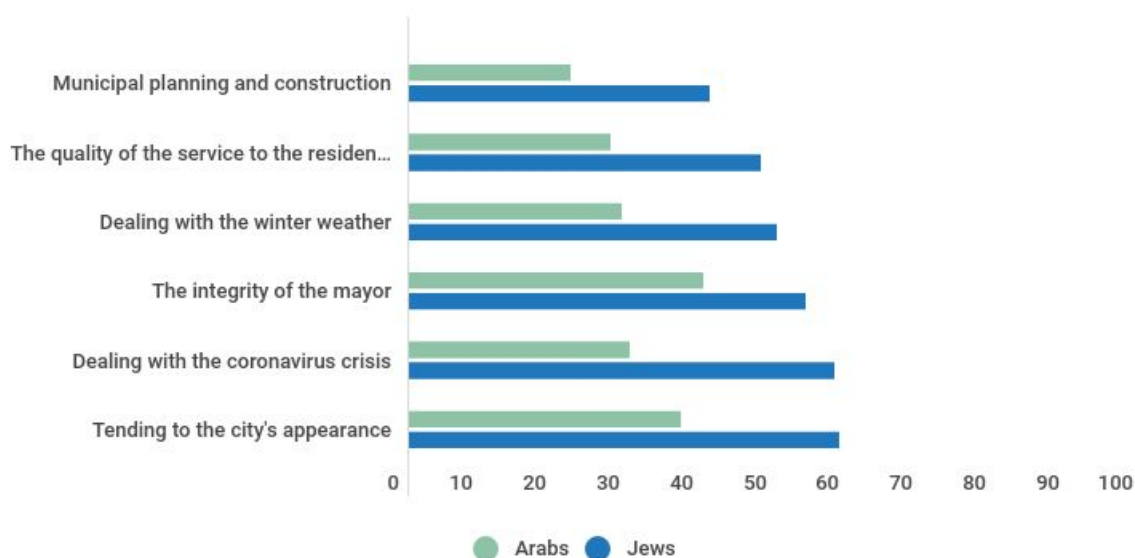


President-elect Biden –74% of Israelis think that the Biden administration will be a little or much less friendly than the Trump administration has been. Only 12.5% think that the Biden Administration will be friendlier or much friendlier. 12.5% say they don't know.

On the question whether Israel's security will be a central consideration for President-elect Biden when formulating American foreign policy, 37% responded that they think it will be to a moderate or great extent and 47% think that it will be to a moderately small or very small extent.

Local Municipalities – Two years after the local elections were held 71% of Israelis support or strongly support transferring more powers from the national government ministries to the local authorities. 15% oppose this idea. In all six areas, the grades that the Jews gave the local authorities in which they live are higher than the comparable grades that the Arabs gave. Indeed, in none of the areas did a majority of the Arabs give a good or excellent grade to the local authority in which they live.

A good or excellent grade for the local authority in the different areas (% , Jews and Arabs)



The Israeli Voice Index for November 2020 was prepared by the Guttman Center for Public Opinion and Policy Research of the Israel Democracy Institute. In the survey, which was conducted on the internet and by telephone (supplements of groups that are not sufficiently represented on the network) from November 30 to December 2, 2020, 607 men and women were interviewed in Hebrew and 150 in Arabic, constituting a representative national sample of the entire adult population of Israel aged 18 and older. The maximum sampling error for the entire sample was $\pm 3.7\%$ at a confidence level of 95%. The fieldwork was done by the Midgam Institute. For the full data file see: <https://dataisrael.idi.org.il>