

Israeli Voice Index -December 2020

1. How do you feel about the state of democratic governance in Israel in the foreseeable future?

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
Very optimistic	6.5	5.9	9.6
Moderately optimistic	29.1	30.2	23.3
Moderately pessimistic	37.1	40.3	20.6
Very pessimistic	18.8	17.5	25.6
Don't know/Refuse to answer	8.5	6.1	20.9
Total	100	100	100

2. And how do you feel about Israel's security situation in the foreseeable future?

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
Very optimistic	12.9	14.0	7.4
Moderately optimistic	50.9	56.3	23.5
Moderately pessimistic	21.5	20.4	27.2
Very pessimistic	6.9	4.0	21.5
Don't know/Refuse to answer	7.8	5.3	20.3
Total	100	100	100

3. Assuming that Knesset elections will be held soon, to you intend to go and vote?

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
I'm sure I will go and vote	63.8	68.8	38.9
I think I will go and vote	16.9	16.8	17.7
I think I will not go and vote	7.1	6.6	9.1
I'm sure I will not go and vote	4.8	2.8	14.7
Don't know/Refuse to answer	7.4	5.0	19.6
Total	100	100	100

4. And if you vote, what are the chances you will vote for the party you voted for in the previous elections in March 2020?

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
I'm sure I will vote for the same party	26.9	25.5	34.1
I think I will vote for the same party	19.7	20.5	15.6
I think I will vote for a different party	20.9	22.0	14.9
I'm sure I will vote for a different party	22.1	25.1	6.7



I don't intend to vote in the upcoming	3.8	2.3	11.2
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I didn't vote in the previous elections	6.7	4.6	17.5
Total	100	100	100

5. What, in your opinion, are the chances that in the upcoming elections the right-wing camp or the center-left camp will come out clearly on top?

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
Very high chances	6.1	6.1	5.7
Moderately high chances	19.1	20.5	12.0
Moderately low chances	38.7	40.7	28.2
Very low chances	16.7	17.0	15.0
Don't know/Refuse to answer	19.5	15.7	39.1
Total	100	100	100

6. In your assessment, what are the chances that Prime Minister Netanyahu's trial will begin as planned at the beginning of February?

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
Very high chances	6.4	6.0	8.6
Moderately high chances	19.8	21.1	13.6
Moderately low chances	34.6	35.6	29.4
Very low chances	22.0	21.8	22.9
Don't know/Refuse to answer	17.2	15.5	25.6
Total	100	100	100

7. In your opinion, who among the following individuals is best suited to be the next Israeli prime minister:

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
Benjamin Netanyahu	27.9	31.6	9.2
Gideon Saar	16.8	18.5	7.9
Benny Gantz	3.4	2.5	7.9
Yair Lapid	9.9	9.6	11.3
Gadi Eizenkot	1.2	1.2	1.3
Naftali Bennett	12.9	15.0	2.0
None of them	21.9	18.8	37.9
All of them to the same extent	6.0	2.7	22.6
Total	100	100	100



Do you agree or disagree with the following sentences:

8. "It doesn't matter whom you vote for, it doesn't change the situation":

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
Strongly agree	10.0	9.3	13.4
Moderately agree	24.5	24.5	24.6
Don't agree so much	26.2	25.7	28.7
Don't agree at all	33.7	37.3	15.0
Don't know/Refuse to answer	5.6	3.1	18.3
Total	100	100	100

9. "President Rivlin is working for conciliation between the different groups in the Israeli public":

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
Strongly agree	19.4	20.5	13.5
Moderately agree	32.5	33.4	28.3
Don't agree so much	22.3	21.7	25.7
Don't agree at all	13.7	15.3	5.5
Don't know/Refuse to answer	12.1	9.2	27.0
Total	100	100	100

10. "Dealing with Israel's special problems requires a strong leader who will not worry about the Knesset, the media, or public opinion":

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
Strongly agree	26.5	27.6	20.9
Moderately agree	26.3	26.3	26.2
Don't agree so much	23.2	23.1	24.0
Don't agree at all	18.3	19.9	10.2
Don't know/Refuse to answer	5.6	3.0	18.9
Total	100	100	100

11. With the end of the civil year of 2020, on a scale of 1=poor to 5=excellent, what grade would you give the Israeli government for its performance during the past year in the following areas: Dealing with the Covid-19 crisis

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1=Poor	28.8	29.0	28.1
2	20.7	21.5	16.9
3	22.2	23.0	18.1



4	16.5	16.7	15.3
5=Excellent	7.8	8.8	2.7
Don't know/Refuse to answer	4.0	1.0	19.0
Total	100	100	100

12. Running the national economy

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1=Poor	31.4	32.3	26.8
2	17.4	18.6	11.4
3	24.2	24.7	21.9
4	12.9	12.4	15.6
5=Excellent	8.3	8.7	6.3
Don't know/Refuse to answer	5.7	3.3	18.2
Total	100	100	100

13. Running Israel's security policy

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1=Poor	10.1	8.0	20.3
2	9.4	8.8	12.7
3	26.9	28.2	20.5
4	29.2	31.3	18.6
5=Excellent	18.9	20.7	9.6
Don't know/Refuse to answer	5.4	2.9	18.2
Total	100	100	100

14. Strengthening the people's trust in their leaders

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1=Poor	48.7	51.6	33.8
2	17.2	17.5	15.4
3	16.4	17.5	10.8
4	7.9	6.1	16.8
5=Excellent	4.2	4.3	3.9
Don't know/Refuse to answer	5.7	2.9	19.4
Total	100	100	100



15. Bringing the different groups in the Israeli public closer together

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1=Poor	46.3	49.1	32.2
2	18.6	18.3	20.2
3	18.2	19.1	13.3
4	7.9	7.0	12.6
5=Excellent	3.0	2.9	3.5
Don't know/Refuse to answer	6.0	3.6	18.2
Total	100	100	100

16. Running Israel's foreign policy

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1=Poor	8.9	7.2	17.5
2	8.4	7.6	12.9
3	19.3	19.1	20.6
4	26.7	28.2	19.4
5=Excellent	30.0	34.3	8.5
Don't know/Refuse to answer	6.6	3.7	21.2
Total	100	100	100

17. Among the following, which is the most important to you when deciding which party to vote for:

	General	Jews	Arabs
	Public		
Its positions on military and security issues	21.7	24.5	7.9
Its positions on environmental issues	1.6	0.9	4.9
Its positions on economic issues	29.5	30.7	23.2
In positions on social issues	26.6	25.5	32.1
None of them	3.4	2.9	6.1
Don't know	9.1	6.1	24.2
All of the above	2.1	2.2	1.6
Religious considerations/Rabbis' opinions	2.8	3.3	
Other	3.3	3.9	
Total	100	100	100



The Israeli Voice Index for December 2020 was prepared by the Viterbi Family 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 29-30/12/2020, 612 men and women were interviewed in Hebrew and 151 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