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PRESS RELEASE

The Israeli Voice Index – July 2021

41.5% of Jewish Israelis think that the Solution to Maintain the Status Quo With the Palestinians is Acceptable– 34% Think the Same of a Two-State Solution

August 2, 2021 – The Israeli Voice Index for July 2021 published today by the Israel Democracy Institute's Viterbi Family Center for Public Opinion and Policy Research, found that when presented with three possible solutions to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict 41.5% of Jewish Israelis think that maintaining the status quo is acceptable, 34% think a two-state solution is acceptable and 14% think the same of a one-state solution. Among Arab Israelis 69% thought a two-state solution is acceptable, 56% thought a one-state solution with equality for Jews and Palestinians would be acceptable and only 15% thought that maintaining the status quo was an acceptable solution.

The Israeli Voice Index is a monthly survey conducted by the Viterbi Family Center for Public Opinion and Policy Research.

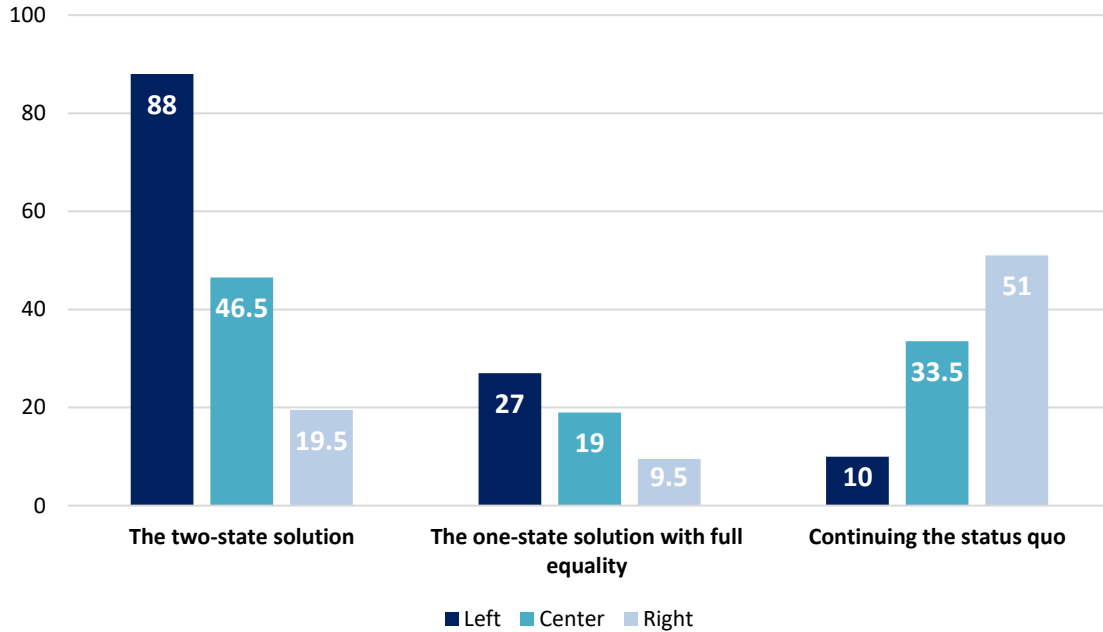
Main Findings

The Solution to the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict – when presented with three possible solutions to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict: a two-state solution (including the establishment of an independent Palestinian state in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip), a one-state solution with full equality for Israelis and Palestinians, and a continuation of the status quo – the acceptable solutions were as follows: continuing the status quo (41.5% Jewish Israelis, 15% Arab Israelis), the two-state solution (34% Jewish Israelis, 69% Arab Israelis), and the one-state solution (14% of Jewish Israelis, 56% of Arab Israelis).

A segmentation by political camp reveals large gaps in the Jewish public regarding a solution to the conflict with the Palestinians. A large majority on the left (88%) think a two-state solution acceptable, as does almost half of those who self-identify as centrists (46.5%), compared to less than a fifth of the right-wing camp (19.5%). Half of those who defined themselves as right-wing thought that maintaining the status quo

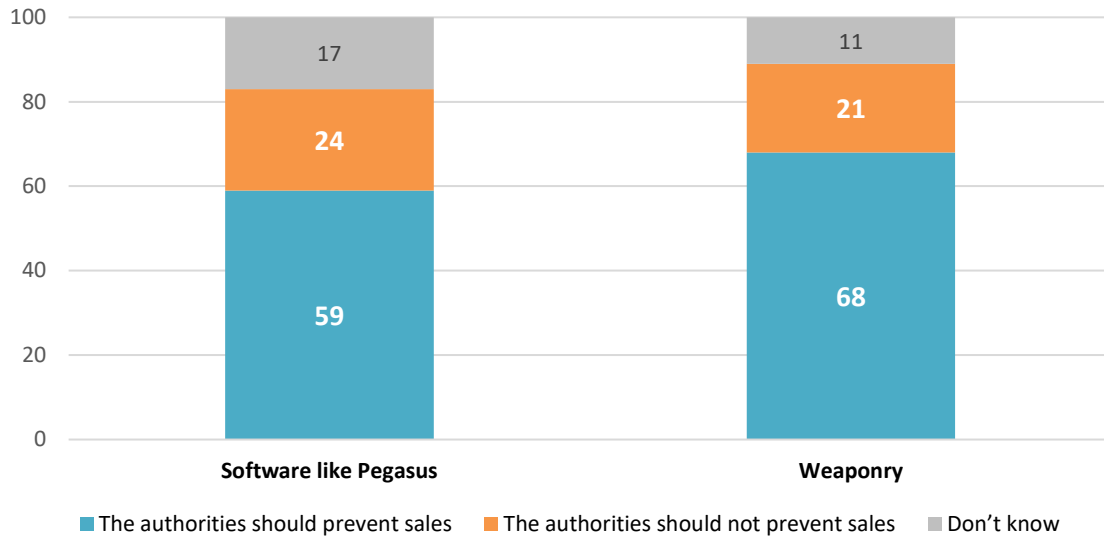
(51%) was acceptable, compared to a third of the center and a tenth of the left. A one-state solution is not accepted by supporters of any of the three political camps.

The solutions to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict (% of Jews, thinking the proposed solution acceptable)



Selling Spyware and Weaponry to Nondemocratic Regimes - the majority of Israelis (59%) think that the authorities should prevent the sale of software that could be used to monitor, or even persecute human rights activists and political opponents, to nondemocratic regimes or rulers. Additionally, 68% expressed similar sentiments regarding the sale of Israeli-manufactured weaponry to such regimes.

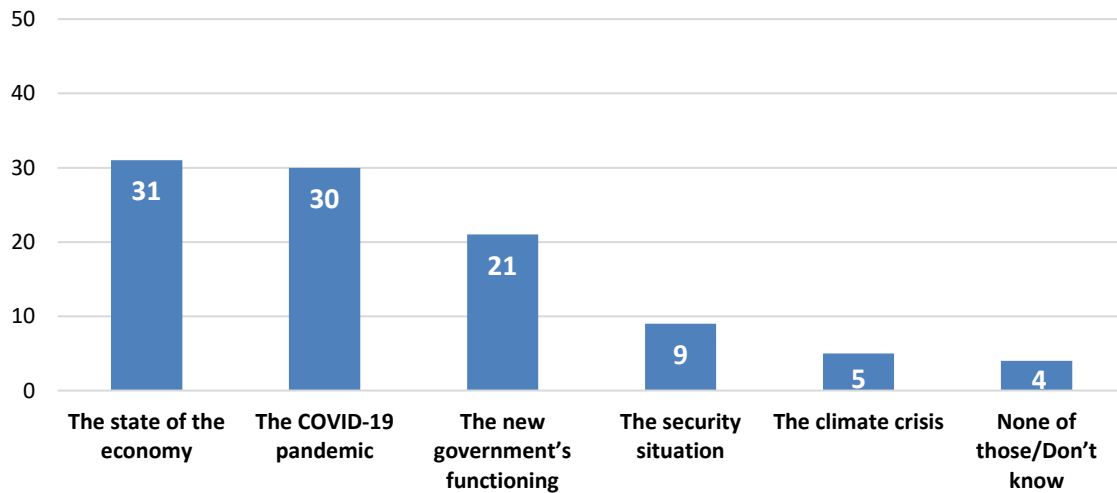
To prevent or not to prevent the sale of spyware and weaponry to nondemocratic regimes (% of entire sample)



The New Government

Expectations – When asked which issues concern them most, 31% answered the state of the economy, 30% Covid-19, 21% the new government's functioning, 9% the security risks and only 5% responded that the climate crisis is a top concern.

“At present, which of the following issues concern you the most?” (% , entire sample)

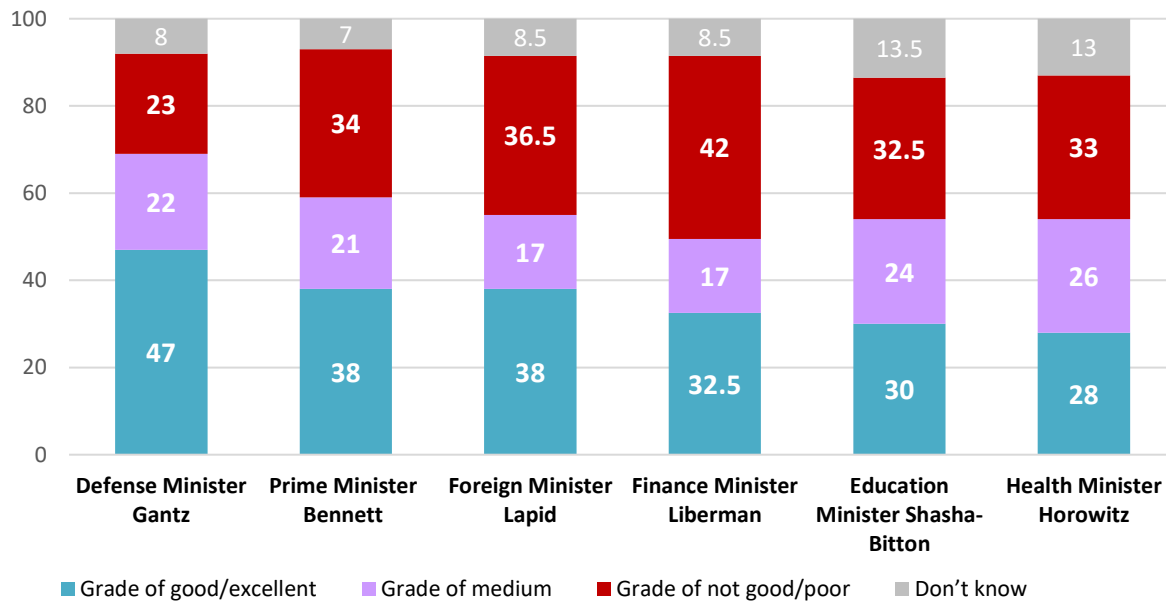


Among Jewish Israelis, there is equal concern regarding the state of the economy and the latest wave of the COVID-19 pandemic (29%). Among the Arab Israelis, however, the rate of those most concerned about the state of the economy is higher (38%), with those most concerned about the COVID-19 pandemic in second place (31%). Not surprisingly, a segmentation of the Jewish sample by income reveals that those with higher-than-average income are less concerned about the state of the economy than those with average

income or lower. The gaps, however, are small and the order of the concerning issues stays the same (most concerned about the state of the economy, respectively: 28%, 32.5%, 31%).

Report Card for Ministers - About a month and a half after the government's formation, the public was asked to grade the prime minister and the five key cabinet ministers. Defense Minister Benny Gantz was awarded the highest grade, but he received a positive grade from less than half the interviewees (47%). Tied for second place are Prime Minister Naftali Bennett and Alternate Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Yair Lapid, with 38% giving each of them a grade of good or excellent. Less than a third of the interviewees gave a good or excellent grade to Finance Minister Avigdor Liberman (32.5%), Education Minister Yifat Shasha-Bitton (30%), and Health Minister Nitzan Horowitz (28%).

What grade would you give each of these officials? (% ,entire sample)



The Israeli Voice Index for July 2021 was prepared by the Viterbi 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 July 27 to 29, 2021, 599 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 $\pm 0.359\%$ 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>