



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

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very optimistic	5.7	7.3	6.0
Moderately optimistic	38.2	28.6	36.5
Moderately pessimistic	29.2	30.0	29.3
Very pessimistic	18.6	25.5	19.9
Don't know/Refuse to answer	8.3	8.6	8.3
Total	100	100	100

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

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very optimistic	6.5	7.8	6.7
Moderately optimistic	44.1	26.7	41.0
Moderately pessimistic	30.3	34.5	31.0
Very pessimistic	12.9	23.3	14.7
Don't know/Refuse to answer	6.2	7.7	6.6
Total	100	100	100

**3. To what extent has the COVID-19 pandemic caused substantial changes in your daily routine?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
To a very large extent	17.0	26.2	18.6
To quite a large extent	36.7	30.5	35.6
To quite a small extent	32.3	33.3	32.5
To a very small extent	11.3	8.7	10.9
Don't know/Refuse to answer	2.7	1.3	2.4
Total	100	100	100

**4. Some claim that COVID-19 has led them to "rethink their lives" - for example, a change in career, a new balance between life at work and at home, putting an end to studies, and the like. Have you personally experienced or not experienced substantial changes because of COVID-19?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
I'm sure I have	15.5	21.8	16.7
I think I have	28.0	27.6	27.9
I think I have not	33.3	30.2	32.8

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I'm sure I have not	17.8	16.2	17.5
Don't know/Refuse to answer	5.4	4.2	5.1
Total	100	100	100

On a scale from 1=Poor to 5=Excellent, what grade would you give to each of these officials:

#### 5. Prime Minister Bennett

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
1=Poor	31.0	27.5	30.4
2	15.4	19.7	16.2
3	20.2	20.9	20.3
4	23.1	12.6	21.2
5=Excellent	4.9	2.5	4.5
Don't know/Refuse to answer	5.4	16.8	7.4
Total	100	100	100

#### 6. Foreign Minister Lapid

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
1=Poor	31.1	21.8	29.4
2	15.6	14.2	15.4
3	17.4	15.3	17.0
4	18.4	13.4	17.5
5=Excellent	8.6	11.6	9.1
Don't know/Refuse to answer	8.9	23.7	11.6
Total	100	100	100

#### 7. Finance Minister Liberman

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
1=Poor	38.8	34.2	38.0
2	13.8	18.2	14.6
3	18.2	13.2	17.3
4	15.3	8.0	14.0
5=Excellent	6.4	5.1	6.1
Don't know/Not relevant to me	7.5	21.3	10.0
Total	100	100	100

### 8. Defense Minister Gantz

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
1=Poor	17.1	27.4	18.9
2	16.2	13.4	15.7
3	25.5	20.8	24.6
4	23.3	14.9	21.8
5=Excellent	9.8	4.7	8.9
Don't know/Not relevant to me	8.1	18.8	10.1
Total	100	100	100

### 9. Education Minister Shasha-Biton

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
1=Poor	30.5	19.4	28.5
2	22.1	16.4	21.1
3	20.4	24.1	21.1
4	12.5	14.6	12.9
5=Excellent	5.0	4.6	4.9
Don't know/Not relevant to me	9.5	20.9	11.5
Total	100	100	100

### 10. Health Minister Horowitz

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
1=Poor	25.5	18.4	24.2
2	15.8	17.5	16.1
3	23.9	20.5	23.3
4	19.6	16.6	19.1
5=Excellent	4.9	5.9	5.1
Don't know/Not relevant to me	10.3	21.1	12.2
Total	100	100	100

### 11. Transportation Minister Michaeli

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
1=Poor	33.1	15.9	30.0
2	23.3	16.4	22.1
3	20.6	24.1	21.2
4	10.5	11.2	10.6
5=Excellent	4.1	8.0	4.8
Don't know/Refuse to answer	8.4	24.4	11.3
Total	100	100	100

## 12. Justice Minister Saar

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
1=Poor	25.7	21.8	25.0
2	17.1	19.1	17.5
3	23.5	19.2	22.7
4	13.8	14.4	13.9
5=Excellent	3.8	3.2	3.7
Don't know/Refuse to answer	16.1	22.3	17.2
Total	100	100	100

## 13. Minister of Religious Services Kahana

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
1=Poor	26.9	33.5	28.1
2	15.8	17.5	16.1
3	15.8	11.5	15.0
4	13.6	7.1	12.4
5=Excellent	7.8	1.1	6.6
Don't know/Refuse to answer	20.1	29.3	21.8
Total	100	100	100

## 14. Minister of Public Security Barlev

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
1=Poor	31.4	26.7	30.6
2	20.8	16.8	20.1
3	17.7	19.6	18.0
4	10.8	10.5	10.7
5=Excellent	3.6	3.6	3.6
Don't know/Refuse to answer	15.7	22.8	17.0
Total	100	100	100

## 15. Interior Minister Shaked

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
1=Poor	27.8	37.3	29.5
2	22.4	18.2	21.6
3	24.3	12.9	22.2
4	12.5	7.4	11.5
5=Excellent	2.6	2.5	2.6
Don't know/Refuse to answer	10.4	21.7	12.6
Total	100	100	100

## 16 . Minister of Communications Hendel

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
1=Poor	20.6	26.2	21.6
2	17.1	18.4	17.3
3	21.8	17.5	21.0
4	15.0	8.2	13.8
5=Excellent	5.5	2.5	5.0
Don't know/Refuse to answer	20.0	27.2	21.3
Total	100	100	100

## 17. What grade, on a scale from 1=Poor to 5=Excellent, would you give the government's performance as a whole so far?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
1=Poor	26.6	24.4	26.2
2	15.4	15.0	15.3
3	27.5	32.5	28.4
4	23.7	11.5	21.5
5=Excellent	2.8	5.7	3.3
Don't know/Refuse to answer	4.0	10.9	5.3
Total	100	100	100

## 18. To what extent do you feel sure or unsure that if you want to, you can stay at your current workplace for the foreseeable future?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very sure	16.0	21.9	17.0
Moderately sure	32.2	16.9	29.4
Not so sure	15.9	25.7	17.7
Not sure at all	8.2	5.9	7.8
Don't know/Refuse to answer	6.0	3.4	5.5
Not relevant to me, not working	21.7	26.2	22.6
Total	100	100	100

## 19. Are you considering leaving, or preparing to leave, your current workplace in the foreseeable future?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
I'm sure I am not	16.1	16.6	16.2
I think I am not	31.9	18.4	29.5
I think I am	14.1	19.8	15.1

I'm sure I am	4.3	9.8	5.3
Don't know/Refuse to answer	10.5	2.9	9.1
Not relevant to me, not working	23.1	32.5	24.8
Total	100	100	100

**20. And how do you rate your chances to find a new workplace with similar or better conditions, if you are forced or decide to leave your present workplace?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very high	4.7	6.4	5.0
Moderately high	31.7	17.1	29.0
Moderately low	17.8	23.3	18.8
Very low	12.8	16.6	13.5
Don't know/Refuse to answer	11.3	7.0	10.5
Not relevant to me, not working	21.7	29.6	23.2
Total	100	100	100

**21. How would you define your economic situation at present?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very good	7.7	7.0	7.6
Moderately good	31.0	17.3	28.5
Medium	42.5	36.9	41.5
Not so good	12.7	26.0	15.1
Not good at all	3.9	11.6	5.3
Don't know/Refuse to answer	2.2	1.2	2.0
Total	100	100	100

As 2021 draws to a close, how was this year...

**22. On the personal level?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very bad year	4.1	22.3	7.4
Moderately bad year	20.6	25.8	21.5
Moderately good year	50.9	42.6	49.4
Very good year	19.2	8.6	17.3
Don't know/Refuse to answer	5.2	0.7	4.4
Total	100	100	100

### 23. For the state of Israel

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very bad year	21.6	30.0	23.1
Moderately bad year	41.4	30.1	39.4
Moderately good year	26.9	28.8	27.2
Very good year	3.6	3.9	3.6
Don't know/Refuse to answer	6.5	7.2	6.7
Total	100	100	100

And how, in your assessment, will the now-beginning 2022 be...

### 24. On the personal level

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very bad year	2.1	9.7	3.4
Moderately bad year	8.1	11.1	8.7
Moderately good year	45.2	47.4	45.6
Very good year	30.1	19.9	28.3
Don't know/Refuse to answer	14.5	11.9	14.0
Total	100	100	100

### 25. For the state of Israel

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very bad year	14.6	18.4	15.3
Moderately bad year	23.9	22.3	23.6
Moderately good year	33.7	33.9	33.8
Very good year	10.8	8.5	10.3
Don't know/Refuse to answer	17.0	16.9	17.0
Total	100	100	100

*The Israeli Voice Index for December 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 December 30, 2021 to January 3, 2022, 612 men and women were interviewed in Hebrew and 152 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  $3.59\pm\%$  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>*