

## Israeli Voice Index – January 2023



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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	13.0	10.3	12.5
Moderately optimistic	27.4	16.9	25.6
Moderately pessimistic	29.5	23.5	28.5
Very pessimistic	23.8	34.4	25.6
Don't know	6.3	14.9	7.8
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	10.4	7.1	9.8
Moderately optimistic	41.0	13.0	36.2
Moderately pessimistic	29.7	24.0	28.8
Very pessimistic	11.2	34.3	15.2
Don't know	7.7	21.6	10.0
Total	100	100	100

### 3. In your opinion, which of the following groups have the highest level of tension between them today?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Mizrahim and Ashkenazim	4.8	3.5	4.6
Religious and secular Jews	19.8	9.0	18.0
Right and Left	48.0	16.1	42.5
Rich and poor	2.4	4.8	2.8
Jews and Arabs	19.1	36.6	22.1
Don't know	5.9	30.0	10.0
Total	100	100	100

### 4a. [half of the sample] How do you feel about the state of internal security in Israel in the foreseeable future?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very optimistic	11.3	2.1	10.0
Quite optimistic	28.2	17.9	26.9
Quite pessimistic	34.0	29.8	33.4
Very pessimistic	16.0	31.4	18.1
Don't know	10.5	18.8	11.6

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Total	100	100	100
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**4b. [half of the sample] How do you feel about the state of external (military) security in Israel in the foreseeable future?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very optimistic	11.0	1.8	9.8
Quite optimistic	42.3	9.8	38.1
Quite pessimistic	25.7	17.3	24.6
Very pessimistic	9.0	18.5	10.3
Don't know	12.0	52.6	17.2
Total	100	100	100

**5. What is your opinion of the reform to the justice system proposed by Minister of Justice Levin?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very good	19.3	4.8	16.8
Quite good	14.4	13.8	14.3
Quite bad	12.1	11.9	12.0
Very bad	32.0	28.5	31.4
Don't know	22.2	41.0	25.5
Total	100	100	100

**6. Have you participated in one of the protest activities against the reform to the justice system (demonstrations, signing petitions, etc.)?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Yes	14.7	6.6	13.3
No	85.3	93.4	86.7
Total	100	100	100

**7. In your opinion, can broad public protests influence the government, and if so, how?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Can cancel the reform	7.2	13.2	8.3
Can moderate the reform	31.7	16.7	29.2
Can delay the reform	18.4	12.3	17.3
Cannot influence the reform	26.0	11.6	23.5
Don't know	16.7	46.2	21.7
Total	100	100	100

Recently, it has been suggested that Israel is on the brink of civil war due to deep political disagreements between different parts of Israeli society. In your opinion, what is the likelihood of a civil war that includes violence breaking out soon?

**8. Between the different sides:**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very high likelihood	7.5	11.4	8.2
Fairly high likelihood	23.5	18.6	22.7
Fairly low likelihood	30.9	20.5	29.1
Very low likelihood	27.1	21.4	26.1
Don't know	11.0	28.1	13.9
Total	100	100	100

**9. Between one of the sides and the security forces:**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very high likelihood	5.3	10.4	6.2
Fairly high likelihood	23.2	14.7	21.7
Fairly low likelihood	30.4	20.8	28.7
Very low likelihood	29.5	22.8	28.3
Don't know	11.6	31.3	15.1
Total	100	100	100

For each of the following actions, do you think it is allowed or forbidden to perform it in the context of public protests against the government on a matter of supreme national importance?

**10. Demonstrate:**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Allowed	88.1	50.7	81.7
Forbidden	6.2	24.8	9.4
Don't know	5.7	24.5	8.9
Total	100	100	100

**11. Block roads for several hours:**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Allowed	35.8	33.5	35.4
Forbidden	55.8	42.8	53.6
Don't know	8.4	23.7	11.0
Total	100	100	100

**12. Go on strike and cease engaging in commerce:**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Allowed	52.5	45.7	51.3
Forbidden	36.6	30.4	35.6
Don't know	10.9	23.9	13.1
Total	100	100	100

**13. Block entrances to public and government buildings:**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Allowed	35.7	31.1	34.9
Forbidden	54.4	42.9	52.4
Don't know	9.9	26.0	12.7
Total	100	100	100

**14. Not pay taxes:**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Allowed	18.6	36.9	21.7
Forbidden	73.1	37.7	67.1
Don't know	8.3	25.4	11.2
Total	100	100	100

**15. Not show up for IDF reserve duty:**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Allowed	14.6	32.0	17.6
Forbidden	76.4	32.9	69.0
Don't know	9.0	35.1	13.4
Total	100	100	100

**16. If elections were held today, would you vote for the same party you voted for at the recent elections in November?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Certain I would	51.7	32.8	48.5
Think I would	24.6	8.4	21.8
Think I would not	6.4	6.7	6.5
Certain I would not	3.1	8.9	4.1
I didn't vote at the last elections and I would vote now	2.3	5.2	2.8
I didn't vote at the last elections and I would not vote now	3.6	16.9	5.9
Don't know	8.3	21.1	10.4

Total	100	100	100
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**17. Do you agree or disagree that in order to bridge the divide between the political camps, there should be dialogue about the proposed legislative changes and an attempt to reach compromise?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Strongly agree	33.1	13.8	29.8
Somewhat agree	36.1	23.7	34.0
Somewhat disagree	12.8	17.5	13.6
Strongly disagree	7.6	3.1	6.8
Don't know/Refuse to answer	10.4	41.9	15.8
Total	100	100	100

*The Israeli Voice Index for January 2023 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 January 23 to 26 2023, 600 men and women were interviewed in Hebrew and 118 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  $.359\pm\%$  at a confidence level of 95%. The fieldwork was done by the dialogue Institute. For the full data file see: <https://dataisrael.idi.org.il>*

