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## 1. In your opinion, does the government currently have a clear plan of action for the day after the end of the fighting in Gaza?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Certain it does	5.2	3.4	4.9
Think it does	25.2	14.7	23.4
Think it does not	38.2	37.0	38.0
Certain it does not	25.6	27.0	25.9
Don't know	5.8	17.9	7.8
Total	100	100	100

## 2. To what extent should Israel take into consideration the suffering of the civilian population in Gaza when planning the continuation of the fighting there?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Not at all	40.4	3.4	34.2
To a fairly small extent	40.7	6.9	35.1
To a fairly large extent	11.4	22.7	13.3
To a very large extent	4.5	59.6	13.8
Don't know	3	7.4	3.6
Total	100	100	100

What do you think is the likelihood that Israel will achieve each of the two main goals of the war as defined by the government?

## 3. Destroying Hamas's military and political infrastructure:

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very high likelihood	24.8	8.1	22.0
Fairly high likelihood	46.7	24.9	43
Fairly low likelihood	20.3	29.8	21.9
Very low likelihood	4.0	24.9	7.5
Don't know	4.2	12.3	5.6
Total	100	100	100

## 4. Bringing all the hostages home:

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very high likelihood	9.0	16.0	10.2
Fairly high likelihood	23.9	32.1	25.3
Fairly low likelihood	43.8	26.0	40.8

Very low likelihood	14.8	12.0	14.3
Don't know	8.5	13.9	9.4
Total	100	100	100



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**5. Some people have predicted that after the war, a wave of mass civil protests will break out in Israel calling for the political and military leaders responsible for the failure of October 7 to be held to account. Do you think that you personally will participate in such protests?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Certain I will	25.0	19.8	24.1
Think I will	18.9	26.4	20.2
Think I won't	20.0	18.8	19.8
Certain I won't	26.8	4.4	23.1
Don't know	9.3	30.6	12.8
Total	100	100	100

**6. In your opinion, to what extent is the IDF endeavoring to ensure that its military actions in Gaza obey international law and the rules of war?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
To a very large extent	52.7	4.7	44.7
To a fairly large extent	38.8	18.9	35.5
To a fairly small extent	3.6	33.9	8.6
To a very small extent/Not at all	0.7	32.6	6.0
Don't know	4.2	9.9	5.2
Total	100	100	100

**7. In many Western countries there have been mass demonstrations and loud public criticism against Israel for its conduct during the war in Gaza. What do you think is the main reason for this?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
The civilian casualties and destruction inflicted during the war against Hamas in Gaza	7.5	52.0	15.0
Antisemitism and hatred of Israel	62.1	10.5	53.4
Both reasons equally	22.4	10.4	20.4
Other:	6.6	17.8	8.5
Don't know	1.4	9.3	2.7
Total	100	100	100

**8. On a scale from 1 = very poor to 5 = excellent, what grade would you give today to Israel's public relations efforts abroad regarding the events of October 7 and the subsequent war against Hamas?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
1 = very poor	18.1	24.4	19.2
2	20.9	29.0	22.2
3	32.7	25.5	31.5
4	16.7	7.2	15.1
5 = excellent	7.8	0.0	6.5
Don't know	3.8	13.9	5.5
Total	100	100	100

**9. In your opinion, should Knesset elections be held immediately after the end of the war or not?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Certain that elections should be held	44.5	49.5	45.4
Think that elections should be held	21.5	34.6	23.7
Think that elections should not be held	13.0	4.0	11.5
Certain that elections should not be held	12.1	1.0	10.2
Don't know	8.9	10.9	9.2
Total	100	100	100

**10. And if Knesset elections are held, how will you vote?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
For the same party I voted for in the November 2022 elections	38.5	51.4	40.6
For a different party in the same political "bloc"	18.5	5.8	16.4
For a different party not in the same political "bloc"	8.4	3.1	7.5
Not decided yet	29.1	22.4	28.0
Don't intend to vote	3.5	4.4	3.7
Didn't vote in the last elections	2.0	12.9	3.8
Total	100	100	100

**11. Have you participated or not participated in any form of volunteering activity related to the war, and if so, in what field of activity? [More than one response may be selected]**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Not participated	26.0	70.8	32.0
Participated in collecting/packing/transporting equipment and food for soldiers	22.0	7.0	20.0
Participated in collecting/packing/transporting equipment and food for evacuees	11.0	8.9	10.7
Participated in agricultural work (picking/sorting/packing produce) due to the lack of agricultural laborers	6.5	3.1	6.0
Donated money to buy equipment for soldiers or evacuees	26.5	9.7	24.3
Participated in another form of volunteering activity. Details: _____	8.0	0.5	7.0
Total	100	100	100

**12. Compared to the period before the outbreak of the war, do you now feel closer to or further from religion?**

	Jews
No change	53.4
Much closer	18.2
Slightly closer	15.8
Slightly further	3.9
Much further	6.1
Don't know	2.6
Total	100

**13. To what extent has your personal life (such as work, media consumption, get-togethers with family and friends, etc.) returned to normal, or close to normal, recently?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Not at all	10.8	15.2	11.5
To a fairly small extent	35.9	34.3	35.6
To a fairly large extent	40.4	22.9	37.5
To a very large extent	10.5	16.9	11.6
Don't know	2.4	10.7	3.8
Total	100	100	100

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*War in Gaza Public Opinion Survey (7) 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) between 11-13 December 2023, 503 men and women were interviewed in Hebrew and 101 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 4.06% ± at a confidence level of 95%. The fieldwork was done by the Menachem Lazar Research. For the full data file see: <https://dataisrael.idi.org.il>*

