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1. How would you rate the resilience of the Israeli public during the war until now?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very high	26.2	12.2	23.8
Quite high	62.1	46.4	59.4
Quite low	6.8	23.1	9.6
Very low	1.5	9.6	2.9
Don't know	3.4	8.7	4.3
Total	100	100	100

2. How would you rate the performance of IDF forces during the war until now?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very good	40.9	11.1	35.8
Quite good	47.5	31.9	44.9
Not so good	8.8	22.4	11.2
Not at all good	1.0	24.6	5.0
Don't know	1.8	10.0	3.1
Total	100	100	100

3. How would you rate the functioning of the war cabinet (Netanyahu, Gallant, Gantz, Eisenkot, and Dermer) until now?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very good	9.6	3.4	8.5
Quite good	36.7	10.8	32.3
Not so good	32.8	30.9	32.4
Not at all good	15.8	48.5	21.4
Don't know	5.1	6.4	5.4
Total	100	100	100

4. Against the backdrop of the severe differences of opinion in the government, mainly with the right-wing ministers Ben-Gvir and Smotrich, do you think

that the National Unity party headed by Gantz should remain in the government or leave the government?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Certain it should remain in the government	27.8	8.2	24.5
Think it should remain in the government	33.3	15.4	30.2
Think it should leave the government	16.9	21.9	17.7
Certain it should leave the government	9.6	41.2	15.0
Don't know	12.4	13.3	12.6
Total	100	100	100

5. The government recently decided to provide “returning grants” to some of those who left their homes in the south, with the aim of encouraging them to move back to their homes. In your opinion, is it right or not right at the current time to encourage residents of the south to return home?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Certain it is right	10.5	17.2	11.7
Think it is right	27.0	22.1	26.2
Think it is not right	34.9	18.5	32.1
Certain it is not right	17.0	22.6	18.0
Don't know	10.6	19.6	12.0
Total	100	100	100

6. In your opinion, is it right or not right for Israel to agree to a deal for the release of the hostages in return for releasing all Palestinian prisoners and halting the fighting in Gaza?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Certain it is right	10.4	57.8	18.5
Think it is right	21.1	20.7	21.0
Think it is not right	25.0	7.5	22.0
Certain it is not right	35.1	3.8	29.8
Don't know	8.4	10.2	8.7
Total	100	100	100

7. In your opinion, how much longer will the war against Hamas continue?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public

Up to two weeks	0.0	7.2	1.2
Between two weeks and a month	1.3	9.2	2.7
Between one and two months	11.1	10.3	11.0
Between two and four months	22.9	17.9	22.0
More than four months	49.8	26.9	45.9
Don't know	14.9	28.5	17.2
Total	100	100	100

8. In your opinion, has the time already come to officially investigate the events of October 7 in the political and military arenas?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Certain it has not	19.0	9.6	17.4
Think it has not	29.2	6.3	25.2
Think it has	23.2	26.0	23.7
Certain it has	22.7	46.2	26.7
Don't know	5.9	11.9	7.0
Total	100	100	100

9. Since the outbreak of the war, the United States and President Biden have stood beside Israel in every respect—militarily, diplomatically, and more. There are now signs that the United States also has demands of Israel which are not always acceptable to the Israeli leadership. In your opinion, what should Israel do?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Act in coordination with the Americans	37.8	60.0	41.6
Act only in accordance with the judgement of Israel's leadership	49.5	11.7	43.0
Don't know	12.7	28.3	15.4
Total	100	100	100

10. 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	7.7	5.4	7.3
To a fairly small extent	27.0	22.9	26.3
To a fairly large extent	41.8	42.1	41.8
To a very large extent	20.0	22.9	20.5
Don't know	3.5	6.7	4.1
Total	100	100	100

11. To what extent are you currently following news about the war on television and on the radio, compared to the weeks immediately after October 7?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Much less/almost not following the news	20.8	27.0	21.8
A little less	36.9	33.4	36.3
To the same extent	18.3	18.8	18.4
A little more	7.7	6.9	7.5
Much more	15.1	9.2	14.1
Don't know	1.2	4.7	1.9
Total	100	100	100

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