

## Israeli Voice Index – April 2024

(incorporating the War in Gaza Public Survey 16)

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

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very optimistic	9.1	4.2	8.3
Moderately optimistic	26.3	13.6	24.1
Moderately pessimistic	32.3	27.3	31.5
Very pessimistic	26.2	52.4	30.7
Don't know	6.1	2.5	5.4
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	6.4	3.3	5.9
Moderately optimistic	28.4	12.6	25.7
Moderately pessimistic	41.9	30.1	39.9
Very pessimistic	19.4	50.4	24.7
Don't know	3.9	3.6	3.8
Total	100	100	100

### 3. After the measured exchanges of fire between Israel and Iran, which of the two countries is now in a better strategic situation in the region? [Responses 1+2 to be presented in a random order]

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Israel	46.4	23.1	42.4
Iran	17.2	10.8	16.1
Their situation is identical	20.7	45.8	25.0
Don't know	15.7	20.3	16.5
Total	100	100	100

### 4. In terms of Israel's interests, which of the two candidates for the US presidency would be better? [Responses 1+2 to be presented in a random order]

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
President Biden	32.0	13.8	28.9
Former President Trump	42.5	12.7	37.4
No difference between them	15.0	67.8	24.0
Don't know	10.5	5.7	9.7



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**5. Some people claim that pursuing a military operation in Rafah is the highest priority in terms of Israel's national interests. Others argue that securing the release of the hostages is the highest priority in this regard. With which claim do you agree more?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Agree more with the claim that a military operation in Rafah is the highest priority	36.8	5.9	31.5
Agree more with the claim that a deal for the release of the hostages is the highest priority	56.3	88.5	61.7
Don't know	6.9	5.6	6.8
Total	100	100	100

**6. The pro-Palestinian protests at universities in the United States and Europe are becoming more widespread and more severe. In your opinion, do these protests reflect or not reflect the opinion of the majority of the public in these countries?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Certain they do	3.0	30.0	7.6
Think they do	15.3	32.0	18.1
Think they do not	45.1	18.8	40.6
Certain they do not	29.3	11.8	26.3
Don't know	7.3	7.4	7.4
Total	100	100	100

**7. Recently, the United States and the European Union have imposed economic sanctions against far-right organizations and activists in Israel on the basis that they have been involved in violations of human rights and in repeated violence against Palestinians in the Occupied Territories. In your opinion, do the acts of these activists and organizations justify or not justify these sanctions?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Certain they justify the sanctions	12.0	32.6	15.5
Think they do	18.0	21.8	18.7
Think they do not	19.4	19.8	19.4
Certain they do not justify the sanctions	39.2	13.0	34.7
Don't know	11.4	12.8	11.7
Total	100	100	100



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**8. And in your opinion, will the economic sanctions imposed on these organizations and activists be effective or not effective in curbing their actions against Palestinians?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Certain they will	1.7	22.5	5.2
Think they will	10.1	24.6	12.5
Think they will not	41.1	17.2	37.0
Certain they will not	36.5	28.6	35.1
Don't know	10.6	7.1	10.2
Total	100	100	100

**9. Israel's Holocaust Remembrance Day will be held shortly. Do you feel that there is or is not a basis for the comparison that many people are currently making between the events of the Holocaust and the events of October 7?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Feel that there is a basis for comparison	53.7	22.6	48.4
Feel that there is not a basis for comparison	38.7	61.6	42.6
Don't know	7.6	15.8	9.0
Total	100	100	100

**10. Recently, there have been calls for government ministers not to attend Memorial Day ceremonies in military cemeteries this year. In this context, should ministers attend or not attend these memorial ceremonies?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Certain they should attend	24.4	11.8	22.2
Think they should	21.8	10.7	20.0
Think they should not	21.7	23.5	22.0
Certain they should not attend	24.4	32.9	25.8
Don't know	7.7	21.1	10.0
Total	100	100	100

**11. In your opinion, how should local authorities celebrate this year's 76th Israel Independence Day?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Celebrate as usual	10.3	7.3	9.8
Celebrate, but in a more restrained and less prominent way	60.5	32.4	55.7
Refrain from holding Independence Day celebrations	27.4	50.8	31.4

Don't know	1.8	9.5	3.1
Total	100	100	100

**12. Several European countries are shortly expected to announce their recognition of a Palestinian state. In your opinion, has the recent conduct of the government of Israel in military and international affairs accelerated this recognition of a Palestinian state?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Certain it has	22.0	49.1	26.6
Think it has	32.6	25.9	31.5
Think it has not	19.3	10.0	17.7
Certain it has not	12.8	8.9	12.1
Don't know	13.3	6.1	12.1
Total	100	100	100

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