

## “Northern Arrows” Survey – September 2024



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**1. In your opinion, was it correct or not correct for Israel to launch its offensive against Hezbollah last week while the war in Gaza has not yet finished and the hostage issue has not been solved?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Certain it was	60.5	14.1	52.6
Think it was	29.2	15.4	26.9
Think it was not	3.8	12.9	5.4
Certain it was not	1.3	34.5	7.0
Don't know	5.2	23.1	8.1
Total	100	100	100

**2. What do you think Israel should do now on the northern front?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Continue its long-range aerial offensive against Hezbollah but refrain from hitting at Lebanon's infrastructure	26.1	8.5	23.1
Increase the intensity of its long-range aerial offensive to include hitting at Lebanon's infrastructure	51.8	9.2	44.5
Seek a diplomatic agreement and the withdrawal of Hezbollah forces from South Lebanon	17.7	56.3	24.3
Don't know	4.4	26.0	8.1
Total	100	100	100

**3. Do you support or not support a ground invasion by IDF forces into Lebanon in the event that the long-range aerial offensive does not lead to Hezbollah ceasing its fire?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Certain I do	20.3	5.9	17.8
Think I do	26.9	8.8	23.8
Think I do not	27.6	20.0	26.3
Certain I do not	13.6	39.5	18.0
Don't know	11.6	25.8	14.1
Total	100	100	100

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4. In your estimation, will dealing a heavy blow to Hezbollah force it to renege on its declaration that it will continue firing on Israel until the end of the war in Gaza?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Certain it will	23.5	4.5	20.2
Think it will	34.6	17.9	31.8
Think it will not	21.2	21.0	21.1
Certain it will not	9.8	23.4	12.1
Don't know	10.9	33.2	14.8
Total	100	100	100

5. Which of the following two options will better ensure the security of the towns in the north of Israel and enable all of the evacuated residents to return to their homes?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Severely degrading Hezbollah's military capabilities and pushing it north of the Litani River	71.5	16.4	62.1
A diplomatic agreement secured with international mediation that will remove Hezbollah from the border with Israel	21.0	59.8	27.6
Don't know	7.5	23.8	10.3
Total	100	100	100

6. To what extent would firing Minister of Defense Gallant harm or not harm Israel's military capability to deal with the multiple security challenges facing it?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Strongly harm	32.9	17.7	30.3
Somewhat harm	21.4	20.0	21.2
Not harm so much	18.1	15.1	17.6
Not harm at all	13.8	7.0	12.6
Don't know	13.8	40.2	18.3
Total	100	100	100

**7. In light of the escalation on the northern front, to what extent are you worried or not worried about the lives and health of you or your loved ones?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very worried	14.8	43.9	19.8
Somewhat worried	41.3	38.9	40.9
Not so worried	33.5	9.3	29.4
Not at all worried	10.4	7.9	9.9
Total	100	100	100

**In your estimation, would each of the following be able or not able to withstand an extended war on two or more fronts?**

**8. The IDF**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Certain it would	47.0	9.5	40.6
Think it would	39.9	17.4	36.1
Think it would not	7.5	20.7	9.8
Certain it would not	1.0	21.0	4.4
Don't know	4.6	31.4	9.1
Total	100	100	100

**9. Israel's civilian population**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Certain it would	39.4	7.2	33.9
Think it would	40.0	19.7	36.5
Think it would not	13.2	23.8	15.0
Certain it would not	3.0	21.4	6.1
Don't know	4.4	27.9	8.5
Total	100	100	100

**10. We are approaching the first anniversary of the October 7 attack. Do you intend to mark this event personally, and if so, how? [Respondents may select more than one option]**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
I do not intend to mark the event personally	18.3	31.4	20.5
I intend to travel to the Gaza border region	3.8	0.0	3.2
I intend to watch the televised government ceremony	21.0	9.4	19.0
I intend to participate in or watch one of the ceremonies organized by civilian groups and families	35.8	3.5	30.3
Not yet decided / don't know	29.5	56.2	34.0

**11. (Jews) Is your mood ahead of the Rosh Hashanah festival (the Jewish New Year):**

	Jews
The same as in previous years	17.3
Much better than in previous years	2.9
A little better than in previous years	4.9
A little worse than in previous years	39.9
Much worse than in previous years	29.6
Don't know	5.4
Total	100

**12. In the coming year, do you think Israel's situation will be:**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
The same	9.4	7.9	9.1
Much better	22.4	2.0	19.0
A little better	27.3	9.9	24.3
A little worse	13.4	17.2	14.1
Much worse	13.1	41.8	17.9
Total	100	100	100

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*The "Northern Arrows" Survey 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 from 26 to 29 September 2024, 600 men and women were interviewed in Hebrew and 150 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  $\pm 3.58\%$  at a confidence level of 95%. The fieldwork was done by the iPanel Research Institute. For the full data file see: <https://dataisrael.idi.org.il>*