

## Israeli Voice Index – October 2024



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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	12.0	1.3	10.2
Moderately optimistic	30.9	16.2	28.4
Moderately pessimistic	33.0	29.7	32.4
Very pessimistic	20.9	52.8	26.3
Don't know	3.2	0.0	2.7
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	11.6	3.4	10.2
Moderately optimistic	41.2	18.4	37.3
Moderately pessimistic	31.4	23.0	30.0
Very pessimistic	11.9	55.1	19.3
Don't know	3.9	0.1	3.2
Total	100	100	100

### 3. In the current situation, on what should Israel focus its efforts in Lebanon?

[Responses presented in a random order]

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Achieving a diplomatic agreement	38.0	88.0	46.6
Continuing the fight against Hezbollah	53.9	6.5	45.8
Don't know	8.1	5.5	7.6
Total	100	100	100

### 4. In your estimation, how long will it be before the evacuated residents of northern Israel can return to their homes?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Up to a month	3.1	18.9	5.8
1–3 months	16.4	17.5	16.6
3–6 months	23.2	17.9	22.3
6 months to a year	26.7	20.9	25.7
A year or more	14.4	11.2	13.9
Don't know	16.2	13.6	15.7
Total	100	100	100

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**5. Who should have military control of South Lebanon after the war? [Responses presented in a random order]**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Israel, on a permanent basis	30.5	4.3	26.0
A multinational military force	37.7	18.7	34.5
The Lebanese army	21.4	55.0	27.1
A weakened Hezbollah	0.8	5.7	1.7
Don't know	9.6	16.3	10.7
Total	100	100	100

**6. In your opinion, was Israel's response last week to the Iranian missile attack appropriately strong, too strong, or too weak?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Appropriately strong	42.9	30.9	40.9
Too strong	2.6	7.8	3.5
Too weak	43.1	45.6	43.5
Don't know	11.4	15.7	12.1
Total	100	100	100

**7. In your opinion, to what extent has the assassination of Yahya Sinwar brought Israel closer to achieving its goal of toppling Hamas's rule over the Gaza Strip?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
To a very large extent	21.3	8.8	19.2
To quite a large extent	41.2	12.1	36.2
To quite a small extent	24.2	25.5	24.4
Not at all	8.3	38.8	13.5
Don't know	5.0	14.8	6.7
Total	100	100	100

**8. In your opinion, can Israel allow itself at the current time to take a more flexible position toward Hamas, in order to make it easier to reach a deal for the release of the hostages?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Certain it can	20.2	32.2	22.2
Think it can	33.4	34.9	33.6
Think it cannot	18.1	11.3	17.0
Certain it cannot	20.9	11.9	19.4
Don't know	7.4	9.7	7.8

Total	100	100	100
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**9. On a scale from 1 = very poor to 5 = excellent, what grade would you give to the IDF Home Command for its functioning in managing the defense of the home front in Israel until now?**

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
1 = very poor	1.0	18.1	3.9
2	2.2	9.0	3.4
3	13.1	28.6	15.8
4	39.1	16.6	35.3
5 = Excellent	43.1	23.1	39.7
Total	100	100	100

**To what extent do you think each of the following countries is friendly or hostile toward Israel today?** [Countries presented in a random order]

#### 10. Britain

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very friendly	5.3	56.6	14.0
Quite friendly	28.6	19.5	27.1
Neither friendly nor hostile	35.0	13.9	31.4
Quite hostile	21.2	2.0	17.9
Very hostile	6.6	6.1	6.5
Total	100	100	100

#### 11. Russia

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very friendly	0.1	22.7	4.0
Quite friendly	1.2	8.0	2.3
Neither friendly nor hostile	17.8	34.9	20.7
Quite hostile	40.4	11.1	35.4
Very hostile	37.3	18.1	34.0
Total	100	100	100

#### 12. China

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very friendly	1.5	20.0	4.7
Quite friendly	4.3	8.1	5.0
Neither friendly nor hostile	27.9	40.3	30.0
Quite hostile	36.2	15.8	32.7
Very hostile	21.1	10.6	19.3
Total	100	100	100

### 13. Germany

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very friendly	22.3	62.5	29.1
Quite friendly	48.3	13.9	42.5
Neither friendly nor hostile	16.7	13.6	16.1
Quite hostile	6.8	1.3	5.9
Very hostile	3.1	4.7	3.4
Total	100	100	100

### 14. United States

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very friendly	36.8	81.2	44.3
Quite friendly	40.4	5.8	34.5
Neither friendly nor hostile	14.4	4.5	12.7
Quite hostile	6.2	1.2	5.4
Very hostile	1.8	6.7	2.6
Total	100	100	100

### 15. Jordan

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very friendly	0.8	49.2	9.1
Quite friendly	9.9	21.5	11.9
Neither friendly nor hostile	38.1	19.9	35.0
Quite hostile	32.8	2.7	27.7
Very hostile	16.0	5.5	14.2
Total	100	100	100

### 16. Egypt

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very friendly	0.6	48.4	8.8
Quite friendly	7.1	21.2	9.5
Neither friendly nor hostile	38.4	20.9	35.4
Quite hostile	33.1	2.1	27.9
Very hostile	18.6	6.7	16.6
Total	100	100	100

### 17. Saudi Arabia

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very friendly	1.5	50.2	9.8
Quite friendly	11.9	19.0	13.1
Neither friendly nor hostile	48.4	20.7	43.7

Quite hostile	20.4	3.6	17.5
Very hostile	8.5	4.6	7.8
Total	100	100	100

### 18. Qatar

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very friendly	0.3	30.4	5.4
Quite friendly	3.0	15.8	5.1
Neither friendly nor hostile	24.5	27.0	25.0
Quite hostile	34.2	13.9	30.7
Very hostile	32.9	9.4	28.9
Total	100	100	100

### 19. France

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very friendly	1.3	47.5	9.2
Quite friendly	9.5	18.1	11.0
Neither friendly nor hostile	24.6	19.8	23.8
Quite hostile	42.5	7.1	36.4
Very hostile	19.2	5.6	16.9
Total	100	100	100

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

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Vice President Kamala Harris	11.4	22.5	13.3
Former President Donald Trump	72.1	26.8	64.4
No difference between them	9.0	45.9	15.3
Don't know	7.5	4.8	7.0
Total	100	100	100

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*The Israeli Voice Index for October 2024 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 28 October to 03 November, 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 Dialogue Research and Polling Institute. For the full data file see: <https://dataisrael.idi.org.il>*