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1. How do you feel about Israel's economic situation in the foreseeable future?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very optimistic	6.7	5.7	6.5
Quite optimistic	27.9	20.5	26.7
Quite pessimistic	39.8	28.9	38.0
Very pessimistic	21.9	43.6	25.6
Don't know	3.7	1.3	3.2
Total	100	100	100

2. And how do you feel about the state of social cohesion in Israel in the foreseeable future?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very optimistic	4.7	2.5	4.3
Quite optimistic	26.8	18.8	25.4
Quite pessimistic	38.8	33.9	38.0
Very pessimistic	26.6	42.3	29.2
Don't know	3.1	2.5	3.1
Total	100	100	100

3. In light of recent events, in your opinion, should Israel continue with the second stage of negotiations with Hamas, to include a complete cessation of hostilities, withdrawal from Gaza, and release of Palestinian prisoners in exchange for the release of all the hostages?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Certain it should	41.4	58.2	44.2
Think it should	28.1	31.9	28.7
Think it should not	14.1	4.1	12.4
Certain it should not	10.4	0.6	8.7
Don't know	6.0	5.2	6.0
Total	100	100	100

4. Until now, Prime Minister Netanyahu has not accepted any responsibility for the events of October 7, and has not resigned. What do you think the prime minister should do?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Accept responsibility and resign immediately	45.4	59.1	47.8
Accept responsibility, but resign only after the end of the war	25.7	19.5	24.7

Accept responsibility, but not resign	16.6	4.7	14.6
Not accept responsibility and not resign	9.9	8.5	9.7
Don't know	2.4	8.2	3.2
Total	100	100	100

To what extent have each of the following contributed or not contributed to the implementation of the deal for the release of the hostages until now?

5. Prime Minister Netanyahu

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Strongly contributed	22.7	10.3	20.6
Somewhat contributed	21.5	18.5	21.0
Not so much contributed	23.0	29.5	24.1
Not at all contributed	29.2	36.0	30.4
Don't know	3.6	5.7	3.9
Total	100	100	100

6. US President Trump

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Strongly contributed	72.3	22.7	63.9
Somewhat contributed	20.8	24.0	21.4
Not so much contributed	3.3	20.3	6.2
Not at all contributed	2.7	27.9	7.0
Don't know	0.9	5.1	1.5
Total	100	100	100

7. The negotiating team led by the heads of the Mossad and the Shin Bet (Barnea and Bar)

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Strongly contributed	29.9	20.0	28.2
Somewhat contributed	37.7	33.2	36.9
Not so much contributed	18.2	16.9	18.0
Not at all contributed	7.9	15.2	9.2
Don't know	6.3	14.7	7.7
Total	100	100	100

8. IDF pressure in the Gaza Strip

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Strongly contributed	40.2	16.6	36.2
Somewhat contributed	33.2	30.3	32.7
Not so much contributed	16.5	17.9	16.7



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Not at all contributed	8.2	27.8	11.6
Don't know	1.9	7.4	2.8
Total	100	100	100

9. Demonstrations and pressure from the hostages' families

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Strongly contributed	25.1	49.5	29.3
Somewhat contributed	32.7	22.8	31.0
Not so much contributed	17.3	13.6	16.7
Not at all contributed	22.9	11.8	21.0
Don't know	2.0	2.3	2.0
Total	100	100	100

10. Some people argue that, regardless of its practicability, President Trump's plan for voluntary emigration by the population of Gaza has started a more relevant discussion of possible solutions for ending the war. Do you agree or disagree with this claim?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Strongly agree	26.6	6.7	23.2
Somewhat agree	46.2	16.4	41.1
Somewhat disagree	13.1	33.3	16.5
Strongly disagree	6.8	37.3	12.0
Don't know	7.3	6.3	7.2
Total	100	100	100

11. If the Otzma Yehudit party rejoins the government, would it be appropriate or inappropriate for Itamar Ben-Gvir to return to office as minister of national security?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very appropriate	14.5	3.5	12.6
Somewhat appropriate	12.1	8.2	11.4
Somewhat inappropriate	12.0	21.5	13.6
Very inappropriate	55.8	56.8	56.0
Don't know	5.6	10.0	6.4
Total	100	100	100

12. Did Prime Minister Netanyahu, Justice Minister Levin, and Speaker of the Knesset Ohana make the right decision or the wrong decision in not attending the swearing-in ceremony for Justice Yitzhak Amit as the new president of the Supreme Court, despite the fact that they are expected to attend this event?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Certain they made the right decision	17.4	1.8	14.8
Think they made the right decision	15.8	6.4	14.2
Think they made the wrong decision	15.6	27.3	17.6
Certain they made the wrong decision	40.8	32.2	39.4
Don't know	10.4	32.3	14.0
Total	100	100	100

The new IDF Chief of Staff, Lieutenant General Eyal Zamir, is due to take office at the beginning of March. In your estimation, what is the likelihood that the new chief of staff will be successful in the following?

13. Restoring the IDF's military capabilities

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very high likelihood	28.5	11.1	25.6
Fairly high likelihood	38.6	17.7	35.0
Fairly low likelihood	10.4	22.9	12.6
Very low likelihood	3.8	25.8	7.6
Don't know	18.7	22.5	19.2
Total	100	100	100

14. Mending the relationship between the military and political leaderships

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very high likelihood	17.8	9.6	16.4
Fairly high likelihood	37.1	17.9	33.8
Fairly low likelihood	18.3	23.6	19.2
Very low likelihood	6.3	22.6	9.1
Don't know	20.5	26.3	21.5
Total	100	100	100

15. Recently, US President Trump has turned away from Ukraine and moved closer to Russia. In your opinion, what is the likelihood that he will also turn away from Israel, if he thinks that its policies are not aligned with the interests of the United States?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very high likelihood	10.9	12.7	11.2
Fairly high likelihood	29.7	17.2	27.6
Fairly low likelihood	33.9	37.8	34.5
Very low likelihood/no likelihood at all	15.9	21.9	16.9
Don't know	9.6	10.4	9.8
Total	100	100	100

16. After the exposure of the working relations between Prime Minister Netanyahu's advisors and Qatar, what do you think should be done?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Keep them at arm's length from the prime	56.9	49.3	55.6
Leave them in their posts as long as they	25.7	21.2	25.0
Don't know	17.4	29.5	19.4
Total	100	100	100

The Israeli Voice Index for February 2025 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) 25-28 February, 2025, 605 men and women were interviewed in Hebrew and 154 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 $\pm 3.56\%$ at a confidence level of 95%. The fieldwork was done by the Shihuv-i2r Research and Polling Institute. For the full data file see: <https://dataisrael.idi.org.il>