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1. How do you feel about Israel's situation in the following areas in the foreseeable future? Democratic rule

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very optimistic	13.4	11.3	13.0
Quite optimistic	25.9	21.4	25.2
Quite pessimistic	30.8	16.4	28.4
Very pessimistic	27.2	49.1	30.9
Don't know	2.7	1.8	2.5
Total	100	100	100

2. How do you feel about Israel's situation in the following areas in the foreseeable future? The security situation

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very optimistic	9.5	4.2	8.6
Quite optimistic	33.9	15.9	30.9
Quite pessimistic	31.3	19.3	29.3
Very pessimistic	24.0	57.4	29.7
Don't know	1.3	3.2	1.5
Total	100	100	100

3. How do you feel about Israel's situation in the following areas in the foreseeable future? The economic situation

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very optimistic	7.0	5.9	6.8
Quite optimistic	18.6	17.3	18.4
Quite pessimistic	37.5	19.4	34.4
Very pessimistic	35.3	53.5	38.3
Don't know	1.6	3.9	2.1
Total	100	100	100

4. How do you feel about Israel's situation in the following areas in the foreseeable future? Social cohesion

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very optimistic	3.6	6.0	4.0
Quite optimistic	18.4	16.1	18.0
Quite pessimistic	35.2	22.2	33.0
Very pessimistic	40.3	49.3	41.8
Don't know	2.5	6.4	3.2
Total	100	100	100

5. In your opinion, which of Israel's two declared war goals is more important today: toppling Hamas, or bringing home all the hostages? [Responses 1–2 presented in a random order]

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Toppling Hamas	27.5	10.3	24.6
Bringing home all the hostages	65.9	80.6	68.4
Don't know	6.6	9.1	7.0
Total	100	100	100

6. And in your opinion, is it possible today to achieve both these goals simultaneously?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Certain it is possible	21.7	3.8	18.7
Think it is possible	28.1	23.7	27.4
Think it is not possible	27.6	35.6	28.9
Certain it is not possible	17.9	27.9	19.6
Don't know	4.7	9.0	5.4
Total	100	100	100

7. Recently, the High Court of Justice issued an interim order preventing the dismissal of the head of the Shin Bet. Some people argue that the Court does not have the authority to intervene in such a decision, and that the government is not obligated to obey the Court's decision if it rules that the dismissal must be halted. What is your opinion?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
The government has to obey the decision of the High Court of Justice	53.6	70.7	56.5
The government does not have to obey the decision of the High Court of Justice	36.2	8.3	31.4
Don't know	10.2	21.0	12.1
Total	100	100	100

8. Some people argue that if the government does not obey the High Court of Justice's ruling, then the protest movement should shift to civil disobedience, including blocking roads for extended periods of time, strikes, non-payment of taxes, and so on. Do you support or oppose a struggle using these means?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Strongly support	22.2	26.9	23.0
Somewhat support	18.6	25.0	19.7
Somewhat oppose	13.6	20.1	14.7
Strongly oppose	41.0	12.5	36.2



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Don't know	4.6	15.5	6.4
Total	100	100	100

9. To what extent do you agree or disagree that the police maintain the correct balance between the freedom to protest and public order considerations (for example, freedom of movement)?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Strongly agree	8.0	3.8	7.3
Somewhat agree	23.3	15.4	21.9
Somewhat disagree	40.2	31.8	38.8
Strongly disagree	22.6	37.8	25.2
Don't know	5.9	11.2	6.8
Total	100	100	100

10. Recently, the Knesset passed an amendment to the Judicial Selection Committee Law, which gives a majority to the political representatives on the Committee at the expense of judges and representatives of the Israel Bar Association. Do you support or oppose the amendment that was passed?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Support, because it strengthens governance and allows the government to operate more efficiently	36.8	13.5	32.9
Oppose, because it could lead to the politicization of the judiciary and over-concentration of power in the hands of the government	50.5	61.2	52.3
Other:	2.2	0.0	1.8
Don't know	10.5	25.3	13.0
Total	100	100	100

11. In your opinion, which of the following claims about the state budget that was recently approved is more correct? [Responses 1–2 presented in a random order]

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
The budget is based more on objective, professional economic considerations	24.0	15.4	22.5
The budget is designed to a greater extent to serve the narrow interests of certain groups	65.5	64.8	65.4
Don't know	10.5	19.8	12.1

Total	100	100	100
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12. 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	6.0	19.6	8.3
To a fairly small extent	21.1	30.9	22.7
To a fairly large extent	42.2	36.3	41.2
To a very large extent	28.1	9.8	25.0
Don't know	2.6	3.4	2.8
Total	100	100	100

13. Relative to previous years, are you and your family planning to go out on trips, hikes, visits, and leisure activities during this year's Passover?

	Jews
Yes, as in previous years	36.6
Less than previously, mainly due to the security situation	29.2
Less than previously, mainly due to the economic situation	21.7
Don't know	12.5
Total	100

The Israeli Voice Index for March 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) from March 31 to April 6, 2025, 598 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 Shiluv-i2r Research and Polling Institute. For the full data file see: <https://dataisrael.idi.org.il>