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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	10.5	7.3	10.0
Quite optimistic	29.3	24.0	28.4
Quite pessimistic	32.5	31.3	32.3
Very pessimistic	23.7	35.3	25.6
Don't know	4.0	2.1	3.7
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	5.5	5.3	5.5
Quite optimistic	35.3	14.7	31.8
Quite pessimistic	31.7	28.7	31.2
Very pessimistic	25.7	50.7	29.9
Don't know	1.8	0.6	1.6
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	7.2	2.0	6.3
Quite optimistic	23.5	22.7	23.4
Quite pessimistic	32.5	28.0	31.7
Very pessimistic	35.2	44.7	36.8
Don't know	1.6	2.6	1.8
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	3.7	2.7	3.5
Quite optimistic	18.3	21.3	18.8
Quite pessimistic	33.0	28.0	32.1
Very pessimistic	42.0	45.3	42.6
Don't know	3.0	2.7	3.0
Total	100	100	100

5. Recently, the security cabinet approved the expansion of military operations in Gaza, including taking and holding territory. Do you support or oppose this decision?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Strongly support it	26.3	2.0	22.2
Somewhat support it	22.5	7.3	19.9
Somewhat oppose it	16.0	16.7	16.1
Strongly oppose it	26.5	64.7	33.0
Don't know	8.7	9.3	8.8
Total	100	100	100

6. In your estimation, for how much longer will Israeli society be able to bear the burden of continued fighting in Gaza and the confrontation in the north?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
A few months	33.8	36.7	34.3
Six months to a year	17.2	13.3	16.5
A year or more	9.0	12.0	9.5
As long as it takes to achieve the goals of the war	28.3	6.0	24.5
Don't know	11.7	32.0	15.2
Total	100	100	100

7. According to media reports, the release of all the Israeli hostages may be a possibility as part of a deal that includes the cessation of hostilities and the complete withdrawal of the IDF from the Gaza Strip. In your opinion, should Israel agree to a deal on this basis?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Certain it should	33.5	56.0	37.3
Think it should	28.2	24.7	27.6
Think it should not	15.5	12.0	14.9
Certain it should not	15.8	3.3	13.7
Don't know	7.0	4.0	6.5
Total	100	100	100

8. Do you support or oppose establishing Jewish settlements in the Gaza Strip?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Strongly support	24.0	0.7	20.0
Somewhat support	16.2	8.0	14.8
Somewhat oppose	15.0	22.0	16.2
Strongly oppose	37.8	64.7	42.4
Don't know	7.0	4.6	6.6
Total	100	100	100

9. In your opinion, who should control the Gaza Strip after the end of the war? [Responses presented in a random order]

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Israel	33.7	6.0	29.0
A multinational force	44.0	22.0	40.3
The Palestinian Authority	6.3	23.3	9.2
A weakened Hamas	0.5	8.7	1.9
Egypt	7.2	12.7	8.1
Other	2.5	0.7	2.2
Don't know	5.8	26.6	9.3
Total	100	100	100

10. In your opinion, given the current circumstances, is Israel's leadership doing its utmost to secure the release of the hostages?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Certain it is	22.5	5.3	19.6
Think it is	22.5	24.0	22.8
Think it is not	25.2	34.7	26.8
Certain it is not	26.3	28.0	26.6
Don't know	3.5	8.0	4.2
Total	100	100	100

11. Five years ago, Israel signed the Abraham Accords with the United Arab Emirates and Bahrain. Since then, in your opinion, have these agreements met the expectations for them?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Certain they have	9.5	12.7	10.0
Think they have	36.7	28.7	35.3

Think they have not	19.5	21.3	19.8
Certain they have not	7.5	9.3	7.8
Don't know	26.8	28.0	27.1
Total	100	100	100

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