

Israeli Voice Index – February 2026



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1. Regardless of the method, whether a commission or any other form of inquiry, how important is it in your opinion to investigate what led to October 7 and what happened on October 7, in order to draw conclusions for the future?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Very important	79.1	41.4	72.7
Fairly important	15.8	35.0	19.1
Not so important	3.0	11.5	4.4
Not at all important	1.2	3.2	1.5
Don't know	0.9	8.9	2.3
Total	100	100	100

2. In the event of an American attack against Iran, what do you think should be the extent of Israel's involvement?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Direct military involvement from the outset, coordinated with the United States	53.3	28.7	49.1
Refrain from direct involvement, and respond militarily only in the event of an Iranian attack against Israel	40.6	58.6	43.7
Don't know	6.1	12.7	7.2
Total	100	100	100

3. On a personal level, to what extent do you feel protected in the event of an attack by Iran?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
To very large extent	17.3	0.6	14.4
To a fairly large extent	48.4	23.6	44.1
To a fairly small extent	21.1	44.6	25.1
To a very small extent/Not at all	9.2	26.1	12.1
Don't know	4.0	5.1	4.3
Total	100	100	100

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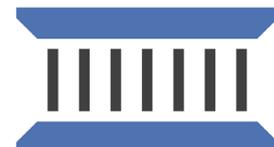
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4. And to what extent do you think that the state has made preparations to defend vital infrastructure (electricity, water, communications, etc.) in the event of an attack by Iran?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
To very large extent	14.1	3.8	12.4
To a fairly large extent	44.1	33.8	42.3
To a fairly small extent	21.4	36.3	23.9
To a very small extent/Not at all	9.9	10.2	9.9
Don't know	10.5	15.9	11.5
Total	100	100	100

5. Recently, US President Trump said that Israeli President Herzog should be ashamed of his refusal to grant a pardon to Prime Minister Netanyahu. In your opinion, is this intervention in Israeli affairs legitimate or not legitimate?

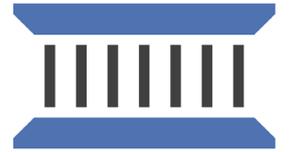
	Jews	Arabs	General Public
Certain it is legitimate	17.8	7.6	16.0
Think it is legitimate	16.9	22.3	17.9
Think it is not legitimate	19.9	20.4	20.0
Certain it is not legitimate	36.5	28.7	35.2
Don't know	8.9	21.0	10.9
Total	100	100	100

6. In your opinion, what is the main reason for the high level of crime in Arab society in Israel? [Responses 1–3 presented in a random order] Do you have a “mamad” (reinforced safe room in your home) or a public shelter nearby?

	Jews	Arabs	General Public
I have a safe room in my home	56.1	45.9	54.3
I have a public shelter nearby	33.6	25.5	32.2
I do not have a safe room in my home or a public shelter nearby	10.3	28.6	13.5
Total	100	100	100

The Israeli Voice Index for February 2026 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) between February 23 to March 1, 2026, 608 men and women were interviewed in Hebrew and 157 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 $\pm 3.54\%$ at a confidence level of 95%. The

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