

The Israeli Voice Index September 2026

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

1. Democratic rule

	Total sample	Jews	Arabs
Very optimistic	12.4	14.1	4.0
Quite optimistic	33.2	36.7	16.1
Quite pessimistic	31.1	28.6	43.6
Very pessimistic	19.5	16.4	34.9
Don't know	3.8	4.2	1.4
Total	100	100	100

2. The security situation

	Total sample	Jews	Arabs
Very optimistic	10.1	11.6	2.7
Quite optimistic	32.3	36.2	13.4
Quite pessimistic	31.1	29.3	39.6
Very pessimistic	23.5	19.7	42.3
Don't know	3.0	3.2	2.0
Total	100	100	100

3. The economic situation

	Total sample	Jews	Arabs
Very optimistic	8.8	10.2	2.0
Quite optimistic	21.3	24.4	6.0
Quite pessimistic	36.3	34.5	45.0
Very pessimistic	31.0	28.1	45.0
Don't know	2.6	2.8	2.0
Total	100	100	100



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4. Social cohesion

	Total sample	Jews	Arabs
Very optimistic	5.2	5.5	3.4
Quite optimistic	18.0	19.5	10.7
Quite pessimistic	38.4	37.1	44.3
Very pessimistic	34.9	34.2	38.3
Don't know	3.5	3.7	3.3
Total	100	100	100



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5. In your opinion, how credible are the recent media reports that during the weeks leading up to October 7, Prime Minister Netanyahu was warned by several senior Arab figures about a planned Hamas attack?

	Total sample	Jews	Arabs
Very credible	23.2	25.2	13.4
Fairly credible	20.0	20.0	20.1
Not so credible	18.8	17.7	24.2
Not at all credible	27.5	30.7	12.1
Don't know	10.5	6.4	30.2
Total	100	100	100

6. In your opinion, what is the main reason for the publication of these reports specifically in recent weeks?

	Total sample	Jews	Arabs
Only now has information come to light that such warnings were given	27.2	25.9	33.6
This is an attempt to influence the results of the upcoming elections	63.2	65.3	53.0
Don't know	9.6	8.8	13.4
Total	100	100	100

After a new government is formed, would you support or oppose it carrying out the following actions?

7. Appointing a state commission of inquiry into the events of October 7

	Total sample	Jews	Arabs
Support	67.7	71.0	51.7
Oppose	24.0	21.3	36.9
Don't know	8.3	7.7	11.4
Total	100	100	100

8A. (Jews) Passing an egalitarian Conscription Law requiring young Haredim to enlist in the IDF

	Jews
Support	72.1
Oppose	20.6
Don't know	7.3
Total	100

8B. (Arabs) Passing an egalitarian Conscription Law requiring young Arabs to perform national civilian service

	Arabs
Support	16.1
Oppose	69.1
Don't know	14.8
Total	100

9. Reassessing the legislation passed as part of the judicial reforms

	Total sample	Jews	Arabs
Support	55.1	57.1	45.6
Oppose	27.7	26.6	32.9
Don't know	17.2	16.3	21.5
Total	100	100	100

10. Taking steps toward the formation of a constitution for Israel based on the principles of the Declaration of Independence

	Total sample	Jews	Arabs
Support	54.1	58.4	33.6
Oppose	20.5	17.3	36.2
Don't know	25.4	24.3	30.2
Total	100	100	100

11. Taking determined action against attacks by Jewish settlers on Palestinians in the West Bank (Judea and Samaria)

	Total sample	Jews	Arabs
Support	57.6	58.5	53.0
Oppose	32.4	31.2	38.3
Don't know	10.0	10.3	8.7
Total	100	100	100



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12. Positively exploring the possibility of negotiations with the Palestinians

	Total sample	Jews	Arabs
Support	30.7	25.1	57.7
Oppose	54.4	60.7	23.5
Don't know	14.9	14.2	18.8
Total	100	100	100



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13. Examining the possibility of changing the electoral system so that elections immediately produce a clear winner

	Total sample	Jews	Arabs
Support	56.4	59.8	39.6
Oppose	20.4	16.6	38.9
Don't know	23.2	23.6	21.5
Total	100	100	100

14. Increasing funding for activities to foster Israeli heritage, at the expense of funding for other budget items

	Total sample	Jews	Arabs
Support	37.2	40.7	20.1
Oppose	39.7	36.3	56.4
Don't know	23.1	23.0	23.5
Total	100	100	100

15. In your opinion, from today's perspective, was the policy of various Israeli governments to allow, and even encourage, the establishment of settlements in the West Bank correct or not correct?

	Total sample	Jews	Arabs
Very much correct	36.3	42.8	4.7
Somewhat correct	18.6	20.1	11.4
Not so correct	17.6	16.9	20.8
Not at all correct	14.5	11.5	28.9
Don't know	13.0	8.7	34.2
Total	100	100	100

16. Against the backdrop of the sanctions that some European countries have imposed against imports from settlements in the West Bank, with which of the following statements do you agree more?

	Total sample	Jews	Arabs
Israel should respond harshly to countries imposing a boycott and insist that products from the West Bank should be treated identically to products from other parts of Israel	62.8	69.6	29.5
Israel should recognize the right of other countries to restrict the import of products from the West Bank, in the context of their desire to support ending the occupation	21.1	15.7	47.7
Don't know	16.1	14.7	22.8
Total	100	100	100



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To what extent do you think each of the following countries is friendly or hostile toward Israel today?

17. Britain

	Total sample	Jews	Arabs
Very friendly	6.3	2.1	26.8
Quite friendly	13.1	9.8	29.5
Neither friendly nor hostile	21.1	20.3	24.8
Quite hostile	35.4	40.3	11.4
Very hostile	20.8	24.3	3.4
Don't know	3.3	3.2	4.1
Total	100	100	100

18. Germany

	Total sample	Jews	Arabs
Very friendly	17.6	13.8	36.2
Quite friendly	37.4	38.6	31.5
Neither friendly nor hostile	25.2	25.8	22.1
Quite hostile	10.4	11.4	6.0
Very hostile	6.5	7.4	2.0
Don't know	2.9	3.0	2.2
Total	100	100	100

19. United States

	Total sample	Jews	Arabs
Very friendly	46.7	42.0	69.8
Quite friendly	40.6	45.3	18.1
Neither friendly nor hostile	9.1	9.0	8.7
Quite hostile	2.3	2.3	2.7
Very hostile	1.1	1.2	0.7
Don't know	0.2	0.2	0.0
Total	100	100	100



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20. Saudi Arabia

	Total sample	Jews	Arabs
Very friendly	4.8	2.5	16.1
Quite friendly	15.0	12.2	28.2
Neither friendly nor hostile	33.7	33.0	36.9
Quite hostile	26.3	29.3	11.4
Very hostile	14.7	17.1	2.7
Don't know	5.5	5.9	4.7
Total	100	100	100

21. France

	Total sample	Jews	Arabs
Very friendly	5.8	1.0	29.5
Quite friendly	11.3	7.7	28.9
Neither friendly nor hostile	13.3	11.5	22.1
Quite hostile	33.4	38.1	10.7
Very hostile	34.3	40.2	5.4
Don't know	1.9	1.5	3.4
Total	100	100	100

22. Qatar

	Total sample	Jews	Arabs
Very friendly	3.3	1.1	14.1
Quite friendly	7.0	3.3	24.8
Neither friendly nor hostile	15.0	10.1	38.9
Quite hostile	21.7	23.8	11.4
Very hostile	47.1	55.2	7.4
Don't know	5.9	6.5	3.4
Total	100	100	100



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23. United Arab Emirates

	Total sample	Jews	Arabs
Very friendly	15.7	10.7	39.6
Quite friendly	33.6	34.7	28.2
Neither friendly nor hostile	28.3	29.9	20.1
Quite hostile	12.1	12.5	10.1
Very hostile	7.1	8.4	0.7
Don't know	3.2	3.8	1.3
Total	100	100	100

24. Netherlands

	Total sample	Jews	Arabs
Very friendly	4.5	2.6	14.1
Quite friendly	12.9	11.3	20.8
Neither friendly nor hostile	20.8	16.5	41.6
Quite hostile	32.7	36.3	15.4
Very hostile	21.9	25.6	4.0
Don't know	7.2	7.7	4.1
Total	100	100	100

*The **September 2026 Israeli Voice Index** was prepared by the Viterbi Family Center for Public Opinion and Policy Research at the Israel Democracy Institute. The survey was conducted via the internet and by telephone (to include groups that are under-represented on the internet) between October 5-8, 2026, with 602 men and women interviewed in Hebrew and 149 in Arabic, constituting a nationally representative sample of the adult population in Israel aged 18 and over. The maximum sampling error(all sample) was $\pm 3.58\%$ at a confidence level of 95%. Field work was carried out by Shiluv I²R. The full data file can be found at: <https://dataisrael.idi.org.il>.*