



## Economic Survey - Israel Democracy Institute

The following survey was carried out by the Israel Democracy Institute's Guttman Center for Public Opinion and Policy Research.

### 1. Are you satisfied with your financial situation?

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Very satisfied	42	8.4%	13	13.3%	55	9.3%
Satisfied	253	50.7%	45	45.1%	298	49.8%
Not so satisfied	150	30.1%	23	23.5%	174	29.0%
Not at all satisfied	52	10.5%	18	18.1%	71	11.8%
Don't know / refuse	1	.2%	0	0%	1	.2%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

### 2. In the next few years, do you think your financial situation ...

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Will improve	181	36.3%	43	42.8%	224	37.4%
Will stay the same	212	42.4%	36	36.6%	248	41.4%
Will get worse	77	15.4%	20	19.8%	97	16.1%
Don't know / refuse	30	5.9%	1	.9%	31	5.1%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

I'm now going to ask you about various concerns you may have for the future. To what extent are you worried about each of these issues?

### 3. That I won't be able to support my children financially

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Very worried	132	26.3%	33	33.1%	165	27.5%
Somewhat worried	166	33.3%	30	29.9%	196	32.7%
Not so worried	119	23.7%	15	14.9%	133	22.3%

Not at all worried		73	14.6%		20	20.4%		93	15.5%
Don't know / refuse		11	2.1%		2	1.7%		12	2.0%
Total		500	100.0%		100	100.0%		600	100.0%

#### 4. That I won't be able to save money for the future

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Very worried	142	28.4%	34	34.4%	176	29.4%
Somewhat worried	183	36.6%	33	33.4%	216	36.1%
Not so worried	103	20.5%	12	11.9%	114	19.1%
Not at all worried	64	12.9%	20	20.3%	85	14.1%
Don't know / refuse	8	1.7%	0	0%	8	1.4%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

#### 5. That I'll be dependent financially on others

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Very worried	134	26.8%	27	26.7%	161	26.8%
Somewhat worried	111	22.2%	20	19.6%	130	21.8%
Not so worried	142	28.5%	31	30.7%	173	28.8%
Not at all worried	106	21.2%	22	22.4%	128	21.4%
Don't know / refuse	6	1.3%	1	.6%	7	1.2%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

#### 6. That I won't have a decent standard of living in my old age

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Very worried	156	31.2%	37	37.2%	193	32.2%
Somewhat worried	146	29.2%	18	17.9%	164	27.3%
Not so worried	112	22.3%	23	23.0%	135	22.4%
Not at all worried	79	15.8%	22	22.0%	101	16.8%
Don't know / refuse	7	1.5%	0	0%	7	1.2%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

#### 7. Do you manage to cover all of your monthly household expenses for food, electricity, telephone, and similar out of your regular income(s)?

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Manage without any problem	137	27.4%	29	29.3%	166	27.7%

Manage quite well		218	43.7%		41	40.8%		259	43.2%
Don't manage so well		102	20.3%		20	20.1%		122	20.3%
Don't manage at all		34	6.7%		10	9.9%		44	7.3%
Refuse to answer		9	1.8%		0	0%		9	1.5%
Total		500	100.0%		100	100.0%		600	100.0%

## 8. Are you:

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
(Working)						
Salaried employee/ career soldier	269	53.9%	20	19.9%	289	48.2%
Contract worker / manpower agency employee / outsourced employee	4	.9%	9	8.9%	13	2.2%
Freelancer / self- employed (without employees)	30	6.0%	12	12.2%	42	7.0%
Self-employed (with employees)	19	3.8%	6	5.8%	25	4.1%
(Not working)						
Job seeker / unemployed	23	4.6%	3	2.7%	25	4.2%
Retiree	92	18.5%	12	12.4%	105	17.5%
Housewife/husband	14	2.8%	33	33.1%	47	7.9%
Soldier in mandatory service	9	1.7%			9	1.5%
Other	30	6.0%	3	3.5%	34	5.6%
Don't know / refuse	9	1.8%	2	1.6%	11	1.8%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

## 9. How concerned are you that you might lose your job in the coming year? [salaried employees]

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Not at all concerned	107	39.7%	11	56.4%	118	40.8%
Just slightly concerned	107	39.8%	6	29.5%	113	39.1%
Quite concerned	41	15.1%	2	8.3%	42	14.6%
Very concerned	9	3.5%	1	5.8%	11	3.7%
Don't know / refuse	5	1.9%	0	0%	5	1.8%
Total	269	100.0%	20	100.0%	289	100.0%

10. How concerned are you that you might not have work in the coming year?  
[contract workers, freelancers, self-employed]

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Not at all concerned	17	32.5%	10	35.7%	27	33.6%
Just slightly concerned	23	43.4%	7	25.8%	30	37.5%
Quite concerned	10	18.3%	4	15.2%	14	17.3%
Very concerned	2	3.2%	6	23.3%	8	10.0%
Don't know / refuse	1	2.5%	0	0%	1	1.7%
Total	53	100.0%	27	100.0%	80	100.0%

11. If you lose your job, what are the chances that you could find another position at your current income level? [employees and contract workers]

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Very high	40	14.7%	7	18.1%	47	15.1%
Quite high	132	48.3%	7	18.6%	139	44.5%
Quite low	69	25.3%	16	40.9%	86	27.3%
None at all	25	9.0%	7	18.8%	32	10.3%
Don't know / refuse	7	2.7%	1	3.6%	9	2.8%
Total	274	100.0%	40	100.0%	313	100.0%

12. In your opinion, what are the chances that you will work continuously until you retire (that is, you will not be without work for more than three months)? [all types of workers]

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Very high	65	20.2%	10	21.9%	75	20.5%
Quite high	143	44.3%	8	17.4%	151	40.9%
Quite low	85	26.3%	19	41.4%	104	28.2%
None at all	16	5.1%	6	13.9%	23	6.2%
Don't know / refuse	13	4.1%	3	5.5%	16	4.3%
Total	322	100.0%	47	100.0%	369	100.0%

13. Do you own an apartment?

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Yes, one apartment	276	55.2%	92	92.0%	367	61.3%
Yes, more than one apartment	35	7.1%	3	3.1%	38	6.4%

No, I do not own an apartment	184	36.7%	5	5.0%	189	31.5%
Don't know / refuse	5	1.0%	0	0%	5	.9%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

14. What are the chances that you will buy an apartment during the next ten years (for those who do not own one)?

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Very high	15	8.4%	0	0%	15	8.2%
Quite high	53	29.0%	3	63.2%	56	29.9%
Quite low	68	37.2%	2	36.8%	70	37.2%
None at all	39	21.5%	0	0%	39	20.9%
Don't know / refuse	7	3.9%	0	0%	7	3.8%
Total	184	100.0%	5	100.0%	189	100.0%

15. What are the chances that your children will own an apartment by age 40?

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Very high	62	12.3%	25	24.8%	86	14.4%
Quite high	131	26.2%	33	33.2%	164	27.4%
Quite low	157	31.5%	22	21.8%	179	29.9%
None at all	50	10.0%	11	11.5%	62	10.3%
Don't know / refuse	43	8.7%	3	3.4%	47	7.8%
Not applicable / no children / children over age 40	56	11.3%	5	5.2%	62	10.3%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

16. When your children reach the age you are now, do you think their standard of living will be:

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Much higher than yours	70	14.0%	21	20.6%	91	15.1%
Slightly higher than yours	123	24.6%	34	33.7%	157	26.1%
Similar to yours	135	27.0%	14	14.1%	149	24.9%
Slightly lower than yours	49	9.8%	4	4.2%	53	8.9%
Much lower than yours	26	5.2%	4	3.8%	30	5.0%
Don't know / refuse	67	13.3%	15	15.5%	82	13.7%
Not applicable / no children	30	5.9%	8	8.1%	38	6.3%

Total		500	100.0%		100	100.0%		600	100.0%
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17. How do you think your standard of living after retirement will compare with your standard of living today? [all types of workers]

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
It will be much higher	14	4.3%	2	5.1%	16	4.4%
It will be somewhat higher	34	10.4%	5	10.2%	38	10.4%
It will stay the same	102	31.7%	6	12.5%	108	29.3%
It will be somewhat lower	107	33.1%	23	50.0%	130	35.3%
It will be much lower	51	16.0%	8	17.8%	60	16.2%
Don't know / refuse	14	4.4%	2	4.5%	16	4.4%
Total	322	100.0%	47	100.0%	369	100.0%

18. Relative to your income level, do you consider the total amount of taxes you pay to be fair or unfair? [all types of workers]

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Very fair	17	5.2%	0	0%	17	4.6%
Quite fair	90	28.0%	8	16.2%	98	26.5%
Not so fair	109	33.9%	13	27.9%	122	33.1%
Totally unfair	90	28.0%	25	53.4%	115	31.2%
Don't know / refuse	16	4.9%	1	2.6%	17	4.6%
Total	322	100.0%	47	100.0%	369	100.0%

People hold different opinions about the government's obligation to fund services for citizens. In your view, to what extent should the state finance each of these services?

19. Elementary and high school education

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Not at all	11	2.1%	1	.8%	11	1.9%
To a small extent	16	3.2%	12	12.2%	28	4.7%
To a large extent	149	29.8%	35	34.8%	184	30.6%
In full	316	63.2%	49	49.1%	365	60.8%
Don't know / refuse	9	1.7%	3	3.1%	12	1.9%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

## 20. Preservation of public order; prevention of crime

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Not at all	7	1.5%	0	0%	7	1.2%
To a small extent	15	3.0%	20	20.2%	35	5.8%
To a large extent	107	21.4%	31	31.0%	138	23.0%
In full	360	72.0%	45	45.1%	405	67.6%
Don't know / refuse	10	2.0%	4	3.7%	14	2.3%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

## 21. Comprehensive "basket" of health services

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Not at all	5	1.0%			5	.9%
To a small extent	26	5.2%	1	.8%	27	4.5%
To a large extent	205	41.1%	25	25.2%	230	38.4%
In full	254	50.7%	70	70.2%	324	54.0%
Don't know / refuse	10	1.9%	4	3.8%	13	2.2%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

## 22. Affordable housing

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Not at all	20	4.0%	1	1.4%	21	3.5%
To a small extent	104	20.9%	27	26.7%	131	21.8%
To a large extent	235	47.1%	21	20.9%	256	42.7%
In full	116	23.3%	45	44.7%	161	26.9%
Don't know / refuse	24	4.7%	6	6.3%	30	5.0%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

## 23. High standard of transportation infrastructure

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Not at all	11	2.1%	1	.7%	11	1.9%
To a small extent	49	9.8%	20	20.5%	70	11.6%

To a large extent		189	37.8%		40	40.2%		229	38.2%
In full		233	46.7%		35	34.6%		268	44.7%
Don't know / refuse		18	3.5%		4	3.9%		22	3.6%
Total		500	100.0%		100	100.0%		600	100.0%

#### 24. Income supplements for low wage earners

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Not at all	25	5.1%	0	0%	25	4.2%
To a small extent	118	23.5%	6	6.4%	124	20.7%
To a large extent	194	38.7%	20	19.8%	213	35.6%
In full	143	28.7%	72	72.3%	215	35.9%
Don't know / refuse	20	4.0%	1	1.5%	21	3.6%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

25. Would you prefer living in a country where taxes are higher but citizens receive many high-quality services for free from the state (the "Scandinavian model"), or a country where taxes are relatively low but citizens receive only a few basic services (the "American model")?

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
I prefer the Scandinavian model: higher taxes and many high-quality services from the state	300	59.9%	26	26.1%	326	54.3%
I prefer the American model: lower taxes and basic services from the state	124	24.9%	63	62.9%	187	31.2%
I have no particular preference for either of these models	49	9.8%	6	5.7%	55	9.1%
Don't know / refuse	27	5.4%	5	5.3%	32	5.4%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

I will now be asking you about the civil service, i.e., government ministries, government corporations, and local government. How would you characterize the performance of Israel's civil service?



## 26. Overall rating

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
1 - very poor	78	15.7%	16	16.4%	95	15.8%
2	130	26.0%	9	8.9%	139	23.1%
3 - average	223	44.6%	54	53.8%	276	46.1%
4	43	8.6%	6	6.2%	49	8.2%
5 - excellent	15	3.0%	5	4.6%	20	3.3%
Don't know / refuse	10	2.1%	10	10.2%	20	3.4%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

	Jews	Arabs	Total
Mean	2.56	2.71	2.59
SD	.96	1.01	.97
Frequency	490	89	579

## 27. Efficiency

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
1 - very poor	109	21.8%	17	16.9%	126	21.0%
2	156	31.2%	11	11.4%	167	27.9%
3 - average	186	37.2%	52	51.9%	238	39.6%
4	28	5.6%	3	3.1%	31	5.2%
5 - excellent	12	2.3%	5	5.5%	17	2.8%
Don't know / refuse	10	1.9%	11	11.3%	21	3.5%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

	Jews	Arabs	Total
Mean	2.34	2.65	2.39
SD	.96	1.03	.98
Frequency	490	88	578

## 28. Transparency

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
1 - very poor	157	31.5%	15	15.3%	173	28.8%
2	142	28.4%	18	18.3%	160	26.7%
3 - average	134	26.8%	45	45.6%	180	30.0%
4	32	6.3%	5	4.8%	37	6.1%

5 - excellent		13	2.7%		6	5.9%		19	3.2%
Don't know / refuse		21	4.2%		10	10.2%		31	5.2%
Total		500	100.0%		100	100.0%		600	100.0%

	Jews	Arabs	Total
Mean	2.17	2.64	2.24
SD	1.05	1.04	1.06
Frequency	479	89	568

## 29. Professionalism

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
1 - very poor	63	12.5%	15	14.9%	78	12.9%
2	156	31.2%	13	13.1%	169	28.2%
3 - average	183	36.7%	43	43.6%	227	37.8%
4	58	11.6%	10	9.8%	68	11.3%
5 - excellent	18	3.7%	8	7.9%	26	4.4%
Don't know / refuse	22	4.3%	11	10.7%	32	5.4%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

	Jews	Arabs	Total
Mean	2.61	2.81	2.64
SD	.99	1.12	1.01
Frequency	478	89	567

## 30. Equal opportunity: no cronyism or individual/sectoral favoritism

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
1 - very poor	224	44.9%	25	25.2%	249	41.6%
2	112	22.4%	17	17.5%	129	21.6%
3 - average	103	20.7%	37	36.7%	140	23.3%
4	29	5.8%	4	4.2%	33	5.6%
5 - excellent	16	3.3%	5	5.0%	21	3.6%
Don't know / refuse	15	3.0%	11	11.5%	26	4.4%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

	Jews	Arabs	Total
Mean	1.97	2.39	2.04
SD	1.11	1.12	1.12

Frequency	485	88	573

### 31. Quality of service provided to citizens

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
1 - very poor	102	20.5%	14	14.1%	116	19.4%
2	159	31.9%	8	8.1%	167	27.9%
3 - average	170	34.0%	44	44.4%	214	35.7%
4	43	8.5%	14	13.8%	56	9.4%
5 - excellent	12	2.5%	11	10.8%	23	3.9%
Don't know / refuse	13	2.7%	9	8.9%	22	3.7%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

	Jews	Arabs	Total
Mean	2.39	2.99	2.48
SD	.99	1.16	1.04
Frequency	487	91	577

### 32. Ability to advance politicians' policies, based on which they were elected

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
1 - very poor	128	25.7%	11	11.4%	140	23.3%
2	117	23.3%	13	13.3%	130	21.7%
3 - average	134	26.8%	40	39.9%	174	29.0%
4	46	9.2%	8	8.3%	54	9.1%
5 - excellent	31	6.1%	7	7.3%	38	6.3%
Don't know / refuse	44	8.8%	20	19.9%	64	10.6%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

	Jews	Arabs	Total
Mean	2.42	2.84	2.48
SD	1.19	1.09	1.18
Frequency	456	80	536

### 33. Long-term planning

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent

1 - very poor		144	28.8%		10	9.6%		153	25.6%
2		137	27.4%		12	12.3%		149	24.9%
3 - average		132	26.5%		40	40.4%		172	28.8%
4		37	7.4%		10	10.1%		47	7.8%
5 - excellent		16	3.2%		8	8.2%		24	4.0%
Don't know / refuse		34	6.8%		19	19.5%		53	8.9%
Total		500	100.0%		100	100.0%		600	100.0%

	Jews	Arabs	Total
Mean	2.23	2.94	2.34
SD	1.08	1.08	1.11
Frequency	466	80	546

34. How successful is Israel's civil service at attracting the best and most talented workers?

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Not at all successful	86	17.1%	7	6.6%	92	15.4%
Not so successful	264	52.8%	17	16.7%	281	46.8%
Quite successful	98	19.6%	57	57.3%	155	25.9%
Very successful	12	2.4%	4	4.5%	16	2.7%
Don't know / refuse	40	8.1%	15	14.9%	55	9.2%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

35. Does today's tenured civil-service model improve or detract from its performance?

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Strongly improves	37	7.5%	32	32.4%	70	11.6%
Somewhat improves	155	30.9%	44	43.7%	198	33.1%
Somewhat detracts	153	30.7%	6	5.5%	159	26.5%
Strongly detracts	87	17.4%	2	1.8%	89	14.8%
Don't know / refuse	68	13.5%	16	16.6%	84	14.0%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

36. In your opinion, should professional civil services be provided by government bodies or by extra-governmental agencies?

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Professional civil services should be provided only by government bodies	187	37.4%	60	59.8%	247	41.1%
Professional civic services should be provided partly by government bodies and partly by extra-governmental agencies via outsourcing	199	39.8%	14	14.5%	213	35.6%
Professional civic services should be provided only by extra-governmental agencies via outsourcing	73	14.6%	1	.8%	74	12.3%
Don't know / refuse	41	8.2%	25	24.9%	66	11.0%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

37. Is it better that professional experts from the private sector are brought into the civil service, or should experts be cultivated from within?

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
It is better that experts from the private sector be brought into the civil service	252	50.4%	36	35.6%	287	47.9%
It is better that experts be cultivated from within the civil service	155	31.0%	36	36.4%	191	31.9%
Either of the above / no preference	58	11.5%	8	7.6%	65	10.9%
Don't know / refuse	35	7.1%	20	20.3%	56	9.3%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

38. Does the Israeli civil service presently recruit enough experts from the private sector? [respondents who preferred this option]

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Brings in too few	164	65.1%	15	43.4%	179	62.4%

Brings in too many		11	4.3%		1	3.0%		12	4.1%
Brings in the right amount		24	9.7%		10	27.4%		34	11.9%
Don't know / refuse		53	21.0%		9	26.2%		62	21.7%
Total		252	100.0%		36	100.0%		287	100.0%

39. In your opinion, do people advance in the civil service today (government ministries, government corporations, and local government) more on the basis of their contacts with the right people or more on the basis of their professional skills?

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Much more on the basis of personal contacts	267	53.5%	42	42.1%	309	51.6%
Somewhat more on the basis of personal contacts	140	28.0%	26	25.9%	166	27.6%
Somewhat more on the basis of professional skills	36	7.1%	15	15.3%	51	8.5%
Much more on the basis of professional skills	22	4.4%	7	7.4%	29	4.9%
Don't know / refuse	35	7.1%	9	9.4%	45	7.5%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

40. Is the current level of government involvement in Israel's economy (regulation):

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Too much	86	17.3%	17	16.6%	103	17.2%
The right amount	129	25.7%	50	50.7%	179	29.9%
Too little	227	45.4%	27	27.1%	254	42.3%
Don't know / refuse	58	11.6%	6	5.6%	63	10.6%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

41. Today, roughly a quarter of employees in Israel belong to labor unions. Of the following options, which do you consider the most desirable?

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
That far more workers be unionized	295	59.1%	39	39.5%	335	55.8%
That the present level of unionization continue	97	19.4%	17	16.7%	114	19.0%

That far fewer workers be unionized		66	13.2%		3	3.0%		69	11.5%
Don't know / refuse		41	8.3%		41	40.8%		82	13.7%
Total		500	100.0%		100	100.0%		600	100.0%

#### 42. How should workers in Israel be unionized?

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
All workers should be organized into one big labor union	94	18.7%	19	19.5%	113	18.8%
Workers in each industry should be organized separately into a union specializing in their field	288	57.6%	30	30.3%	318	53.1%
Workers in each factory should form their own union	75	15.1%	12	12.1%	87	14.6%
Opposed to all unionization	11	2.2%	6	5.8%	17	2.8%
Don't know / refuse	32	6.4%	32	32.4%	64	10.7%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

Assuming that the state budget remains at a fixed level, so that increasing one item necessitates reducing others, how should each of the following expenditures be treated:

#### 43. Defense (army)

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
1 - greatly reduce	41	8.2%	29	28.8%	70	11.7%
2 - slightly reduce	107	21.5%	15	15.5%	123	20.5%
3 - leave unchanged	145	29.1%	27	26.6%	172	28.7%
4 - slightly increase	86	17.3%	9	9.0%	95	15.9%
5 - greatly increase	93	18.6%	6	6.3%	99	16.6%
Don't know / refuse	26	5.2%	14	13.8%	40	6.7%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

	Jews	Arabs	Total
Mean	3.32	2.90	3.25
SD	1.35	1.71	1.43
Frequency	500	100	599

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#### 44. Internal security (police)

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
1 - greatly reduce	7	1.4%	9	9.2%	16	2.7%
2 - slightly reduce	37	7.4%	11	11.1%	48	8.0%
3 - leave unchanged	119	23.7%	32	32.2%	151	25.1%
4 - slightly increase	168	33.7%	20	20.0%	188	31.4%
5 - greatly increase	145	29.1%	15	14.6%	160	26.7%
Don't know / refuse	23	4.7%	13	13.0%	36	6.1%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

	Jews	Arabs	Total
Mean	3.86	3.23	3.76
SD	.99	1.19	1.05
Frequency	476	87	563

#### 45. Health

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
1 - greatly reduce	2	.4%	1	.8%	3	.5%
2 - slightly reduce	8	1.6%	1	1.2%	9	1.6%
3 - leave unchanged	51	10.3%	4	4.3%	56	9.3%
4 - slightly increase	153	30.7%	15	15.3%	169	28.1%
5 - greatly increase	270	53.9%	68	68.0%	337	56.3%
Don't know / refuse	15	3.0%	10	10.3%	25	4.2%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

	Jews	Arabs	Total
Mean	4.40	4.66	4.44
SD	.78	.72	.78
Frequency	485	89	574

#### 46. Education



	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
1 - greatly reduce	7	1.4%	1	.8%	8	1.3%
2 - slightly reduce	5	1.0%	1	1.2%	6	1.0%
3 - leave unchanged	62	12.3%	3	2.8%	65	10.8%
4 - slightly increase	123	24.7%	12	11.8%	135	22.5%
5 - greatly increase	290	58.1%	73	73.2%	363	60.6%
Don't know / refuse	12	2.5%	10	10.2%	23	3.8%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

	Jews	Arabs	Total
Mean	4.40	4.73	4.46
SD	.86	.67	.84
Frequency	487	89	577

#### 47. Academia and research

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
1 - greatly reduce	11	2.3%			11	1.9%
2 - slightly reduce	38	7.6%	2	1.9%	40	6.7%
3 - leave unchanged	134	26.8%	26	25.7%	159	26.6%
4 - slightly increase	141	28.3%	21	21.4%	163	27.1%
5 - greatly increase	153	30.6%	40	39.8%	193	32.2%
Don't know / refuse	22	4.4%	11	11.2%	33	5.5%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

	Jews	Arabs	Total
Mean	3.81	4.12	3.86
SD	1.05	.91	1.03
Frequency	478	88	566

#### 48. Transportation infrastructure

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
1 - greatly reduce	5	1.0%			5	.8%
2 - slightly reduce	20	4.0%	3	3.0%	23	3.8%
3 - leave unchanged	117	23.4%	20	19.8%	137	22.8%

4 - slightly increase		177	35.3%		34	33.7%		210	35.1%
5 - greatly increase		164	32.8%		33	33.3%		197	32.9%
Don't know / refuse		17	3.5%		10	10.2%		28	4.6%
Total		500	100.0%		100	100.0%		600	100.0%

	Jews	Arabs	Total
Mean	3.98	4.08	4.00
SD	.92	.85	.91
Frequency	482	89	572

#### 49. Welfare

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
1 - greatly reduce	5	.9%	1	.8%	5	.9%
2 - slightly reduce	23	4.5%	2	2.2%	25	4.1%
3 - leave unchanged	88	17.6%	12	12.0%	100	16.7%
4 - slightly increase	142	28.4%	25	25.6%	167	27.9%
5 - greatly increase	224	44.9%	47	47.4%	272	45.3%
Don't know / refuse	18	3.6%	12	12.0%	30	5.0%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

	Jews	Arabs	Total
Mean	4.16	4.32	4.19
SD	.95	.87	.94
Frequency	482	88	569

#### 50. Culture and sport

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
1 - greatly reduce	40	8.0%	2	2.0%	42	7.0%
2 - slightly reduce	74	14.7%	4	4.2%	78	13.0%
3 - leave unchanged	181	36.3%	35	35.1%	216	36.1%
4 - slightly increase	111	22.3%	18	18.4%	130	21.6%
5 - greatly increase	69	13.7%	28	28.4%	97	16.2%
Don't know / refuse	25	5.0%	12	12.0%	37	6.2%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

	Jews	Arabs	Total
Mean	3.20	3.76	3.29
SD	1.13	1.03	1.13
Frequency	475	88	562

## 51. Assistance to small businesses and entrepreneurs

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
1 - greatly reduce	13	2.6%			13	2.2%
2 - slightly reduce	43	8.6%	7	7.1%	50	8.4%
3 - leave unchanged	178	35.6%	20	20.5%	199	33.1%
4 - slightly increase	144	28.8%	26	26.5%	170	28.4%
5 - greatly increase	92	18.4%	34	34.0%	126	21.0%
Don't know / refuse	30	5.9%	12	12.0%	41	6.9%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

	Jews	Arabs	Total
Mean	3.55	3.99	3.62
SD	1.00	.98	1.01
Frequency	470	88	558

## 52. Housing

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
1 - greatly reduce	8	1.7%	3	3.1%	11	1.9%
2 - slightly reduce	7	1.5%			7	1.2%
3 - leave unchanged	70	14.1%	14	13.7%	84	14.0%
4 - slightly increase	134	26.9%	28	28.0%	162	27.1%
5 - greatly increase	260	52.0%	43	43.1%	303	50.5%
Don't know / refuse	19	3.9%	12	12.3%	32	5.3%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

	Jews	Arabs	Total
Mean	4.31	4.23	4.30
SD	.90	.96	.91
Frequency	480	87	568

A bill was recently proposed that would allow ministers to appoint more people whom they trust to senior administrative positions in their ministry. If this bill passes, what do you think will happen to each of the following aspects of the civil service in Israel?

### 53. Overall functioning

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
It will improve	71	14.3%	44	43.8%	115	19.2%
It will remain the same	137	27.4%	16	16.0%	153	25.5%
It will decline	254	50.7%	26	26.1%	280	46.7%
Don't know / refuse	38	7.6%	14	14.0%	52	8.6%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

### 54. Professionalism and quality of service

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
It will improve	74	14.7%	40	40.5%	114	19.0%
It will remain the same	126	25.1%	21	20.6%	146	24.4%
It will decline	259	51.9%	23	23.0%	282	47.1%
Don't know / refuse	41	8.2%	16	15.9%	57	9.5%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

### 55. Equal opportunity, without cronyism or individual/sectoral favoritism

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
It will improve	41	8.2%	32	32.5%	73	12.2%
It will remain the same	121	24.2%	29	28.9%	150	25.0%
It will decline	302	60.4%	26	26.5%	328	54.7%
Don't know / refuse	36	7.2%	12	12.1%	48	8.0%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

### 56. Ability to implement the policies of the minister in charge

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
It will improve	190	38.1%	30	29.6%	220	36.7%
It will remain the same	149	29.8%	21	21.4%	170	28.4%
It will decline	105	21.1%	30	30.4%	136	22.6%
Don't know / refuse	55	11.0%	19	18.6%	74	12.3%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

57. Which of the following opinions do you agree with: (a) Ministers should be allowed to appoint more people whom they know and trust, or (b) they should not be allowed to do so because this will lead to more appointments for political reasons and fewer for professional reasons.

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
(a) Ministers should be allowed to appoint more people whom they know and trust	71	14.3%	26	26.1%	97	16.2%
(b) Ministers should not be allowed to appoint more people because this will lead to more appointments for political reasons and fewer for professional reasons	399	79.8%	50	50.7%	449	75.0%
Don't know / refuse	29	5.9%	23	23.3%	53	8.8%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

58. How would you characterize your level of understanding of economic affairs?

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
High	52	10.4%	19	19.4%	71	11.9%
Quite high	99	19.8%	18	18.5%	117	19.6%
Average	235	47.0%	37	37.0%	272	45.3%
Quite low	57	11.4%	17	17.4%	74	12.4%
Low	52	10.3%	3	2.9%	55	9.1%
Don't know / refuse	6	1.1%	5	4.8%	10	1.7%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

59. How would you rate Israel's present leadership in terms of corruption, on a scale of 1 ("very corrupt") to 5 ("not at all corrupt")?

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
1 - very corrupt	158	31.6%	23	23.5%	181	30.3%
2	143	28.5%	25	24.6%	167	27.9%
3	123	24.6%	23	22.9%	146	24.3%
4	43	8.6%	9	9.4%	52	8.7%
5 - not at all corrupt	13	2.6%	2	2.4%	15	2.6%
Don't know / refuse	20	4.1%	17	17.2%	37	6.3%

Total		500	100.0%		100	100.0%		600	100.0%
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	Jews	Arabs	Total
Mean	2.19	2.31	2.20
SD	1.07	1.09	1.08
Frequency	479	82	562

60. How many jobs do you hold? [employees, contract workers, freelancers]

	Jews	Arabs	Total
Mean	1.17	2.38	1.35
SD	.54	8.53	3.30
Frequency	272	47	319

61. How long have you been working at your present job? [employees, contract workers, freelancers]

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Less than a year	61	20.2%	10	25.0%	71	20.8%
1–5 years	123	40.5%	8	20.4%	131	38.2%
5–10 years	34	11.1%	10	24.7%	44	12.7%
More than 10 years	82	27.2%	12	30.0%	95	27.5%
Don't know / refuse	3	.9%			3	.8%
Total	303	100.0%	41	100.0%	344	100.0%

62. If you worked last week, how many hours did you work in total? [employees, contract workers, freelancers]

	Jews	Arabs	Total
Mean	57.61	53.15	57.44
SD	264.39	20.77	259.36
Frequency	256	10	266

63. What sector does your occupation belong to? [employees, contract workers, freelancers]

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Free or technical professions	95	31.4%	1	1.8%	96	27.9%
Executive	33	10.7%	2	5.1%	35	10.1%

Clerk/official		40	13.2%		15	37.0%		55	16.0%
Academic		29	9.6%					29	8.5%
Sales and services		49	16.1%		4	8.7%		53	15.3%
Agriculture (professional)		2	.7%		1	1.7%		3	.8%
Manufacturing/construction or other skilled work		32	10.6%		7	18.0%		40	11.5%
Unskilled labor		8	2.8%		11	27.7%		20	5.7%
Don't know / refuse		15	4.8%					15	4.3%
Total		303	100.0%		41	100.0%		344	100.0%

64. Do you work in civil service or the private sector? [employees, contract workers, freelancers]

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Civil service / public service / government corporation / public body / municipality / regional council	89	29.4%	19	46.9%	108	31.5%
Private sector	214	70.6%	22	53.1%	236	68.5%
Total	303	100.0%	41	100.0%	344	100.0%

65. Do you have tenure at your workplace? [salaried employees]

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Yes	100	37.1%	10	52.9%	110	38.2%
No	169	62.9%	9	47.1%	179	61.8%
Total	269	100.0%	20	100.0%	289	100.0%

66. Are you a member of labor union (e.g., the Histadrut, Teachers Association or similar)? [employees and contract workers]

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Yes	77	28.0%	7	24.5%	84	27.7%
No	195	71.2%	16	57.1%	211	69.8%
Don't know / refuse	2	.8%	5	18.4%	8	2.5%
Total	274	100.0%	29	100.0%	302	100.0%

67. Which labor union do you belong to? [employees and contract workers who are union members]

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent

Histadrut - General Federation of Labor		41	53.9%		1	19.8%		43	51.0%
Israel Teachers Union		13	17.4%		5	65.5%		18	21.4%
Association of Secondary School Teachers		3	4.4%		1	14.8%		4	5.2%
Koach La'Ovdim-Democratic Workers' Organization		2	2.1%					2	2.0%
Israeli Medical Association (IMA)		1	.7%					1	0.7%
University faculty organization		1	1.2%					1	1.1%
Israel National Labor Federation		8	11.0%					8	10.1%
Other		7	9.4%					7	8.7%
Total		77	100.0%		7	100.0%		84	100.0%

68. How satisfied are you with the functioning of the labor union at your workplace?  
[employees and contract workers who are union members]

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Very satisfied	11	14.9%	1	11.9%	12	14.7%
Quite satisfied	36	47.0%	5	73.0%	41	49.2%
Not so satisfied	17	21.6%	1	15.1%	18	21.1%
Not at all satisfied	6	8.4%			6	7.7%
Don't know / refuse	6	8.0%			6	7.4%
Total	77	100.0%	7	100.0%	84	100.0%

69. If you are not a member of a labor union, why not? [employees and contract workers]

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
There is no union at my workplace	117	60.1%	6	35.9%	123	58.2%
Union membership is not worthwhile	8	4.1%	---	---	8	3.8%
Am uneasy with joining a union	---	---	1	5.3%	1	.4%
Employer or position does not allow me to be a union member	11	5.9%	---	---	11	5.4%
Do not wish to pay union dues	6	2.9%	---	---	6	2.6%
Am unaware of the option of joining a union	12	6.4%	3	16.4%	15	7.1%
Don't know / refuse	17	8.5%	7	41.6%	24	11.1%



Other reason		24	12.2%		---	---		24	11.2%
Total		195	100.0%		16	100.0%		211	100.0%

70. Do you have a pension plan? If so, which type? [employees, contract workers, freelancers]

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Pension fund	179	58.8%	16	39.5%	195	56.5%
Executive insurance	81	26.7%	1	2.9%	82	23.9%
Non-contributory pension (in government ministries, municipalities, and large public bodies), where the employee does not contribute	37	12.1%	3	8.4%	40	11.7%
Life insurance with savings component	21	6.9%	14	34.1%	35	10.2%
Do not have any pension plan	17	5.7%	9	22.5%	26	7.7%
Refuse to answer	4	1.3%	8	20.4%	12	3.6%
Other	8	2.7%	0	0.0%	8	2.4%
Don't know	8	2.5%	0	0.0%	8	2.2%
Total	303	116.8%	41	127.9%	344	118.1%

## Background variables and demographic characteristics

### Sex

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Male	242	48.3%	50	50.1%	292	48.6%
Female	258	51.7%	50	49.9%	308	51.4%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

### Age

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
18-24	70	14.1%	20	19.7%	90	15.0%
25-34	103	20.6%	22	21.9%	125	20.8%
35-44	95	18.9%	22	22.1%	117	19.5%
45-54	73	14.5%	18	18.1%	91	15.1%
55-64	70	14.0%	10	9.6%	79	13.2%
65+	90	17.9%	9	8.6%	98	16.4%

Total		500	100.0%		100	100.0%		600	100.0%
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Jewish respondents: How would you classify yourself religiously?

	Jews	
	Frequency	Percent
Secular	222	44.4%
Traditional, not so religious	122	24.4%
Traditional religious	64	12.7%
Religious	53	10.7%
Haredi (Ultra-Orthodox)	39	7.8%
Total	500	100.0%

Arab respondents: Religion

	Arabs	
	Frequency	Percent
Muslim	80	79.9%
Christian	12	12.2%
Druze	8	7.9%
Total	100	100.0%

Jewish respondents: How do you define yourself?

	Jews	
	Frequency	Percent
Ashkenazi	237	47.5%
Mizrahi/Sephardi	165	32.9%
Mixed - both	55	10.9%
Neither - Israeli	37	7.4%
Don't know / refuse	1	.2%
Other (specify)	5	1.1%
Total	500	100.0%

Arab respondents: Are you...

	Arabs	
	Frequency	Percent
Very religious	2	1.9%
Religious	23	23.4%
Traditional	67	67.2%
Not affiliated with any religion	3	2.8%
Don't know / refuse	5	4.7%
Total	100	100.0%

Jewish respondents: Where were you born?

	Jews	
	Frequency	Percent
Israel	349	69.9%
Former Soviet Union	79	15.9%
Europe or Americas (excluding FSU)	44	8.8%
Asia or Africa	27	5.5%
Total	500	100.0%

Jews born in Israel: Where was your father born?

	Jews	
	Frequency	Percent
Israel	157	45.0%
Former Soviet Union	26	7.4%
Europe or Americas (excluding FSU)	82	23.3%
Asia or Africa	85	24.2%
Total	349	100.0%

Jews born abroad: When did you immigrate to Israel?

	Jews	
	Frequency	Percent
Before 1990	67	44.5%
1990 or later	84	55.5%
Total	151	100.0%

Which party did you vote for in the last Knesset elections (March 2015)?

	Jews		Arabs	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Likud, led by Binyamin Netanyahu	95	19.0%	4	4.1%
Zionist Union, led by Isaac Herzog	82	16.5%		
Yesh Atid, led by Yair Lapid	43	8.6%		
Bayit Yehudi, led by Naftali Bennett	52	10.3%		
Kulanu, led by Moshe Kahlon	32	6.4%	1	1.2%

Yisrael Beitenu, led by Avigdor Liberman		26	5.2%		1	1.2%
Meretz, led by Zehava Gal-On		25	5.1%			
United Torah Judaism		25	4.9%			
Shas, led by Aryeh Deri		9	1.8%		2	2.2%
Yachad, led by Eli Yishai		14	2.9%			
Joint List, led by Ayman Odeh		1	.1%		28	28.0%
Blank ballot		2	.4%		4	4.5%
I did not vote despite being eligible		24	4.7%		33	33.4%
I did not vote because I was not eligible		4	.7%		2	2.4%
Don't know / refuse		59	11.9%		21	21.0%
Other (specify)		7	1.4%		2	2.1%
Total		500	100.0%		100	100.0%

### Income

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Well below national average	110	21.9%	29	29.2%	139	23.1%
Slightly below average	84	16.7%	35	35.5%	119	19.9%
Close to average	98	19.6%	21	21.1%	119	19.8%
Slightly above average	104	20.9%	8	8.5%	113	18.8%
Well above average	47	9.5%	2	2.4%	50	8.3%
Not applicable / kibbutz member	6	1.1%		.5%	6	1.0%
Refuse to answer / don't know	52	10.3%	3	2.8%	54	9.1%
Total	500	100.0%	100	100.0%	600	100.0%

### Education

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Elementary or less	10	1.9%	18	18.5%	28	4.7%
Partial high school (without matriculation)	38	7.6%	27	27.0%	65	10.9%
Full high school (with matriculation)	104	20.9%	33	33.0%	137	22.9%
Post-secondary / teacher training college / nursing school / technical engineering school	74	14.7%	2	2.3%	76	12.6%

Post-high school yeshiva		9	1.8%		6	5.6%		15	2.4%
Partial academic studies (no degree)		39	7.8%		11	11.1%		50	8.4%
Full academic degree		127	25.3%		2	2.0%		129	21.5%
Master's degree and above		99	19.9%			.5%		100	16.7%
Total		500	100.0%		100	100.0%		600	100.0%

*Field work was conducted by the Midgam Research Institute between March 29 and April 3, 2016. The sample consisted of 600 interviewees (500 Jewish and 100 Arab respondents). The survey was conducted in Hebrew, Arabic, and Russian. Results were weighted to produce a representative national sample of adults aged 18 and over. The maximum sampling error is  $\pm 4.1\%$ .*