Findings - The Peace Index- May 2019

The survey was conducted by the Midgam Institute between 13-14 May 2019 among 600 respondents, 500 Jewish respondents and 100 Arab respondents. The survey was carried out in Hebrew, Arabic and Russian. Calculations were adjusted so that the respondents would constitute a representative national sample of the adult population aged 18 and above. Maximum sampling error: +/-4.1%.

1. What is your opinion regarding negotiations for peace between Israel and the Palestinian Authority?

	Jews			Δ	Arabs		Total			
		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent	
Very much in favor		93	18.5%		24	23.7%		116	19.4%	
Moderately in favor		206	41%		52	52.2%		258	43.0%	
Moderately opposed		86	17.2%		8	8.4%		94	15.7%	
Very much opposed		84	16.8%		5	5.4%		89	14.9%	
Don't know/ Refuse to answer		32	6.3%		10	10.3%		42	7.0%	
Sum total		500	100%		100	100%		600	100%	

2. Do you or do you not believe that negotiations between Israel and the Palestinian Authority will lead to peace between Israel and the Palestinians in the coming years?

	Jews			Α	rabs		Total			
		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent	
Very much believe		20	4.0%		11	11.2%		31	5.2%	
Moderately believe		98	19.6%		22	21.6%		119	19.9%	
Moderately disbelieve		174	34.7%		32	32.3%		206	34.3%	
Very much disbelieve		195	39.0%		24	24.5%		219	36.6%	
Don't know/ Refuse to answer		14	2.8%		10	10.5%		24	4.1%	
Sum total		500	100%		100	100%		600	100%	

3. For each of the solutions to the Israel-Palestinian conflict, indicate the extent to which you support or oppose it.

The creation of an independent Palestinian state alongside the State of Israel

	Jews			Δ	rabs		Total			
		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent	
Very much support		64	12.8%		17	17.2%		81	13.5%	
Moderately support		145	28.9%		41	41.0%		186	31.0%	
Moderately oppose		84	16.8%		19	18.7%		103	17.1%	
Very much oppose		177	35.4%		8	7.8%		185	30.8%	
Don't know/ Refuse to answer		30	6.0%		15	15.3%		45	7.6%	
Sum total		500	100%		100	100%		600	100%	

The creation of a binational state between the Jordan and the Mediterranean Sea with full and equal rights for Jews and Palestinians

	Jews			Δ	rabs		Total		
		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent
Very much		10	2.1%		22	21.8%		32	5.4%
support									
Moderately		58	11.6%		35	35.1%		93	15.5%
support									
Moderately		114	22.9%		19	18.6%		133	22.1%
oppose									
Very much		271	54.1%		7	6.7%		277	46.2%
oppose									
Don't		47	9.3%		18	17.8%		64	10.7%
know/									
Refuse to									
answer									
Sum total		500	100%		100	100%		600	100%

Annexation of the occupied territories and the creation of one state under Israeli rule with limited rights for Palestinians.

	J	ews		Δ	rabs		Total		
		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent
Very much in favor		54	10.7%		2	2.4%		56	9.3%
Moderately in favor		101	20.2%		28	28.1%		129	21.5%
Moderately opposed		124	24.8%		28	28.4%		153	25.4%
Very much opposed		172	34.4%		24	23.7%		196	32.6%
Don't know/ Refuse to answer		49	9.9%		17	17.5%		67	11.2%
Sum total		500	100%		100	100%		600	100%

Continuing the existing situation

	J	Jews			rabs		Total			
		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent	
Very much in favor		35	7.0%		2	1.5%		37	6.1%	
Moderately in favor		112	22.3%		15	15.0%		127	21.1%	
Moderately opposed		148	29.7%		30	30.1%		178	29.7%	
Very much opposed		158	31.7%		35	34.8%		193	32.2%	
Don't know/ Refuse to answer		47	9.3%		19	18.5%		65	10.9%	
Sum total		500	100%		100	100%		600	100%	

4. Which of these solutions do you believe has the best chance of being achieved in the fore seeable future?

	Jews		Α	Arabs			Total		
		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent
Creation of an independent Palestinian state alongside Israel		106	21.1%		12	12.4%		118	19.7%
Creation of a binational state between the Jordan and the sea with full and equal rights for Jews and Palestinians		24	4.8%		2	1.6%		26	4.3%
Annexation of the territories and the creation of one state under Israeli rule with limited rights to Palestinians		99	19.9%		19	18.9%		118	19.7%
Continuing the existing situation		224	44.8%		49	48.6%		273	45.4%
Don't know/ Refuse to answer		47	9.4%		19	18.5%		66	11.0%
Sum total		500	100		100	100%		600	100%

5. What grade would you give to the Prime Minister and Defense Minister (Netanyahu) for his management of this round of fighting with Hamas.

	Jews			Α	rabs		Total		
		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent
Excellent		34	6.9%		1	1.0%		35	5.9%
Good		148	29.6%		16	15.7%		164	27.3%
Not good		135	27.0%		24	24.3%		159	26.6%
Terrible		140	27.9%		39	38.7%		178	29.7%
Don't know		43	8.65%		20	20.3%		63	10.6%
Sum total		500	100%		100	100%		600	100%

6. And who, in your opinion, gained the most from this recent round of fighting, Israel or Hamas?

	Jews			Α	rabs		Total			
		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent	
Neither side gained anything		149	29.7%		49	48.8%		198	32.9%	
Both sides gained similarly.		47	9.5%		7	7.5%		55	9.1%	
Israel gained more.		106	21.1%		5	5.4%		111	18.5%	
Hamas gained more.		159	31.9%		16	15.5%		175	29.1%	
Don't know		39	7.8%		23	22.8%		62	10.3%	
Sum total		500	100%		100	100%		600	100%	

7. In your opinion, how should Israel deal with the situation in the Gaza Strip?

	Jews		Δ	Arabs			Total		
		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent
Maintain the		32	6.5%		6	5.5%		38	6.3%
existing situation									
and continue to									
transfer the									
Qatari money to									
the strip along									
with reaction.									
Act to achieve a		154	30.9%		66	66.3%		221	36.8%
long-term									
agreement with									
Hamas in Gaza									
in return for an									
improvement in									
their economic									
situation, for									
example.									
Use military		273	54.6%		10	9.7%		283	47.1%
means to make									
the Hamas									
government in									
Gaza collapse.									
Don't know		41	8.1%		18	18.4%		59	9.8%
Sum total		500	100%		100	100%		600	100%

8. Three weeks ago, Israel celebrated its 71st anniversary. In your opinion, to what extent if at all, does Israel maintain each of the following values:

Open to Jewish immigration from all countries of the world

	Jews			Α	rabs		Total		
		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent
Not at all		14	2.7%		3	3.1%		17	2.8%
To a very small extent		14	2.7%					14	2.3%
To a small extent		27	5.4%		7	6.7%		34	5.6%
To a moderate extent		84	16.7%		6	5.5%		89	14.9%
To a great extent		137	27.4%		10	10.2%		147	24.6%
To a very great extent		209	41.8%		49	49.4%		258	43.1%
Don't know		16	3.2%		25	25.0%		41	6.8%
Sum total		500	100%		100	100%		600	100%

	Jews	Arabs	Total
Average	4.95	5.24	4.99
S.D.	1.24	1.31	1.25
Frequency	484	75	559
Median	5	6	5

Based on foundations of freedom, justice and peace.

	J	ews		Δ	rabs		Т	otal	
		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent
Not at all		24	4.8%		16	16.3%		40	6.7%
To a very small extent		23	8.6%		20	20.3%		63	10.6%
To a small extent		92	18.4%		19	18.7%		111	18.4%
To a moderate extent		123	24.5%		14	13.7%		136	22.7
To a great extent		127	25.4		9	8.9%		136	22.6%
To a very great extent		79	15.8%		3	2.9%		82	13.7%
Don't know		13	2.5%		19	19.2%		32	5.3%
Sum total		500	100%		100	100%		600	100%

	Jews	Arabs	Total
Average	4.07	2.85	3.90
S.D.	1.38	1.41	1.45
Frequency	487	81	568
Median	4	3	4

Maintains completely equal social and political rights for all citizens without distinctions of religion, race and gender

	J	ews		Α	rabs		Т	otal	
		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent
Not at all		62	12.4%		21	20.6%		82	13.7%
To a very small extent		76	15.3%		28	27.9%		104	17.4%
To a small extent		94	18.7%		13	13.0%		107	17.8%
To a moderate extent		117	23.5%		14	13.7%		131	21.8%
To a great extent		89	17.7%		4	4.3%		93	15.5%
To a very great extent		47	9.3%		3	2.9%		50	8.3%
Don't know		15	3.1%		18	17.6%		33	5.5%
Sum total		500	100%		100	100%		600	100%

	Jews	Arabs	Total
Average	3.48	2.54	3.35
S.D.	1.51	1.36	1.52
Frequency	485	82	567
Median	4	2	3

Maintains freedom of religious and conscience

	J	Jews			Arabs			Total		
		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent	
Not at all		53	10.6%		21	21.4%		74	12.4%	
To a very small		60	12.6%		19	18.7%		79	13.1%	
extent										
To a small		89	17.8%		20	19.7%		109	18.1%	
extent										
To a moderate		101	20.1%		12	11.6%		113	18.7%	
extent										

To a great extent	94	18.9%	6	5.7%	100	16.6%
To a very great extent	87	17.3%	3	2.9%	90	14.9%
Don't know	16	3.3%	20	19.9%	36	6.1%
Sum total	500	100%	100	100%	600	100%

	Jews	Arabs	Total
Average	3.79	2.63	3.63
S.D.	1.59	1.40	1.62
Frequency	484	80	564
Median	4	2	4

9. The Eurovision Song Contest took place in Israel two weeks ago. To what extent did the event in Israel this year express each of the following:

Israel as part of the international community

	J	ews		Δ	rabs		Total		
		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent
Not at all		12	2.3%		3	2.8%		15	2.5%
To a very small extent		13	2.5%		7	6.8%		20	3.3%
To a small extent		28	5.6%		14	13.6%		42	6.9%
To a moderate extent		84	16.8%		18	18.5%		102	17.1%
To a great extent		155	31.0%		14	14.3%		169	28.2%
To a very great extent		194	38.9%		17	17.2%		211	35.2%
Don't know		14	2.9%		27	26.8%		41	6.9%
Sum total		500	100%		100	100%		600	100%

	Jews	Arabs	Total
Average	4.94	4.18	4.84
S.D.	1.19	1.43	1.25
Frequency	486	73	559
Median	5	4	5

Israel as an open and cultured state

	J	ews		Α	rabs		Т	otal	
		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent
Not at all		13	2.6%		4	3.7%		17	2.8%
To a very small extent		18	3.5%		3	3.2%		21	3.5%
To a small extent		25	5.1%		19	18.7%		44	7.3%
To a moderate extent		86	17.2%		20	19.7%		105	17.6%
To a great extent		150	30.0%		18	18.0%		168	28.0%
To a very great extent		195	39.0%		10	9.9%		205	34.2%
Don't know		13	2.6%		27	26.8%		40	6.6%
Sum total		500	100%		100	100%		600	100%

	Jews	Arabs	Total
Average	4.90	4.02	4.79
S.D.	1.24	1.30	1.28
Frequency	487	73	560
Median	5	4	5

Israel as a strong and flourishing state

	Jews			Arabs			Т	Total		
		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent	
Not at all		15	3.0%		13	12.6%		27	4.6%	
To a very small extent		14	2.8%		8	8.2%		22	3.7%	
To a small extent		30	5.9%		18	18.3%		48	8.0%	
To a moderate extent		90	17.9%		10	9.8%		99	16.6%	
To a great extent		134	26.8%		18	17.9%		152	25.3%	
To a very great extent		200	40.0%		8	7.9%		208	34.7%	
Don't know		18	3.6%		25	25.2%		43	7.2%	
Sum total		500	100%		100	100%		600	100%	

	Jews	Arabs	Total
Average	4.90	3.48	4.71
S.D.	1.26	1.62	1.40
Frequency	482	75	557
Median	5	3	5

National pride in Israel

	J	ews		Δ	rabs		Total		
		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent
Not at all		27	5.4%		6	6.3%		33	5.5%
To a very small extent		19	3.9%		11	10.5%		30	5.0%
To a small extent		27	5.5%		13	12.8%		40	6.7%
To a moderate extent		53	10.6%		14	14.1%		67	11.2%
To a great extent		125	24.9%		13	12.8%		137	22.9%
To a very great extent		235	47.0%		9	8.5%		243	40.6%
Don't know		14	2.7%		35	35.0%		49	8.1%
Sum total		500	100%		100	100%		600	100%

	Jews	Arabs	Total
Average	4.92	3.65	4.77
S.D.	1.44	1.53	1.50
Frequency	486	65	551
Median	5	4	5

8. To what extent did the threat of a boycott of the Israeli Eurovision or the possibility of public protests during the contest harm the event, if at all, in each of the following areas?

Israel as part of the international community

	J	Jews			Arabs			Total		
		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent	
Not at all		79	15.9%		6	5.8%		85	14.2%	
To a very small extent		70	14.1%		13	12.7%		83	13.8%	
To a small extent		53	10.7%		10	9.8%		63	10.5%	

To a moderate extent	94	18.7%	9	9.4%	103	17.2%
To a great extent	97	19.5%	12	11.7%	109	18.2%
To a very great extent	79	15.8%	17	17.2%	96	16.0%
Don't know	27	5.4%	34	33.5%	60	10.1%
Sum total	500	100%	100	100%	600	100%

	Jews	Arabs	Total
Average	3.62	3.90	3.66
S.D.	1.72	1.71	1.72
Frequency	473	66	540
Median	4	4	4

Israel as an advanced and cultured state

	J	ews		Α	rabs		Total		
		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent
Not at all		107	21.4%		6	6.2%		113	18.8%
To a very small extent		57	11.4%		7	6.5%		64	10.6%
To a small extent		69	13.7%		6	6.4%		75	12.5%
To a moderate extent		79	15.8%		16	16.4%		95	15.9%
To a great extent		86	17.2%		14	14.4%		100	16.7%
To a very great extent		77	15.5%		17	16.6%		94	15.7%
Don't know		25	5.1%		34	33.5%		59	9.8%
Sum total		500	100%		100	100%		600	100%

	Jews	Arabs	Total
Average	3.45	4.14	3.53
S.D.	1.78	1.60	1.78
Frequency	475	66	541
Median	4	4	4

Israel as a strong and flourishing state

	Jews			Arabs				Total		
		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent	
Not at all		107	21.4%		6	6.2%		113	18.8%	

To a very small extent	57	11.4%	7	6.5%	64	10.6%
To a small extent	69	13.7%	6	6.4%	75	12.5%
To a moderate extent	79	15.8%	16	16.4%	95	15.9%
To a great extent	86	17.2%	14	14.4%	100	16.7%
To a very great extent	77	15.5%	17	16.6%	94	15.7%
Don't know	25	5.1%	34	33.5%	59	9.8%
Sum total	500	100%	100	100%	600	100%

	Jews	Arabs	Total
Average	3.49	3.71	3.52
S.D.	1.81	1.75	1.81
Frequency	478	66	545
Median	4	4	4

Israeli national pride

	J	ews		Δ	Arabs			Total		
		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent	
Not at all		107	21.3%		9	8.7%		116	19.2%	
To a very small extent		54	10.7%		10	10.0%		64	10.6%	
To a small extent		55	11.0%		7	7.4%		63	10.4%	
To a moderate extent		82	16.4%		9	9.4%		91	15.2%	
To a great extent		73	14.6&		12	12.4%		85	14.2%	
To a very great extent		105	20.9%		14	14.0%		119	19.8%	
Don't know		25	5.1%		38	38.0%		63	10.6%	
Sum total		500	100%		100	100%		600	100%	

	Jews	Arabs	Total
Average	3.58	3.79	3.60
S.D.	1.86	1.77	1.85
Frequency	475	62	537
Median	4	4	4

Demographic variables

1. Gender

	Je	Jews			Arabs			Total		
		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent	
Men		245	49.0%		49	49.4%		295	49.1%	
Women		255	51.0%		51	50.6%		305	50.9%	
Sum total		500	100%		100	100%		600	100%	

2. What is your age?

	Je	Jews			Arabs			Total		
		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent	
18-24		68	13.6%		21	20.7%		88	14.7%	
25-34		104	20.8%		24	24.0%		128	21.3%	
35-44		97	19.3%		21	20.9%		118	19.6%	
45-54		74	14.8%		17	16.8%		91	15.2%	
55-64		70	14.8%		10	9.6%		80	13.3%	
65+		88	17.5%		8	8.0%		96	15.9%%	
Sum total		500	100%		100	100%		600	100%	

3. For Arabs

	Arabs	
	Frequency	Percent
Muslim	78	77.5%
Christian	11	11.3%
Druze	11	11.2%
Sum total	100	100%

For Jews

4. How would you define yourself:

	Jews	
	Frequency	Percent
Secular	219	43.7%
Traditional- Not so religious	121	24.2%
Traditional religious	61	12.2%
Religious	53	10.7%
Ultra-orthodox	46	9.1%
Sum total	600	100%

For Arabs

5. How would you define yourself?

	Arabs	
	Frequency	Percent
Very religious	2	1.6%
Religious	25	25.1%
Traditional	55	54.5%
Secular	14	14.2%
Refuse to	5	5.6%
answer		
Sum total	100	100%

For all

6. The average income for a family in Israel is 13,500 NIS net. (For a single person, 7950 NIS net). In comparison to the average, your family income is:

	Je	Jews			rabs		F	Total		
		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent	
Very much under the average		98	19.6%		41	40.8%		139	23.1%	
A bit under average		75	15.0%		23	22.6%		97	16.2%	
Equal to the average		116	23.2%		24	24.1%		140	23.4%	
A bit above average		119	23.9%		4	4.0%		123	20.6%	
Very much above average		48	9.5%		2	1.5%		49	8.2%	
Refuse to answer		44	8.8%		7	7.0%		51	8.5%	
Sum total		500	100%		100	100%		600	100%	

7. What is your level of education?

	J	Jews			abs		Total			
		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent		Frequency	Percent	
Completed middle school or less		5	0.9%		12	12.2%		17	2.8%	
Completed high school with no		46	9.2%		15	15.4%		61	10.2%	

matriculation						
certificate Completed	105	20.9%	24	23.8%	128	21.4%
high school with a						
matriculation						
certificate Post high	84	16.9%	10	9.6%	94	15.7%
school:						
Teacher's						
seminar,						
nursing						
school,						
engineering						
school						
Academic	145	29.0%	26	25.7%	171	28.4%
Bachelor's						
Degree	0.7	40.40/	0	0.40/	405	47.50/
Master's	97	19.4%	8	8.1%	105	17.5%
Degree or						
higher	9	1.9%			9	1.6%
Yeshiva	4	1	1	0.00/		
Other		0.9%	1	0.8%	5	0.9%
Refuse to	5	1.0%	5	4.5%	9	1.5%
answer	500	1000/	100	1000/	600	1000/
Sum total	500	100%	100	100%	600	100%

For Jews

8. Where were you born

	Frequency	Percent
Israel	371	74.2%
Former Soviet	78	15.6%
Union		
Asia/Africa	31	6.2%
Europe/	20	4.0%
America		
Sum total	600	100%

9. For those born in the Former Soviet Union. When did you immigrate to Israel?

	Frequency	Percent
Before 1990	1	1.1%
1990 and later	77	98.9%
Sum total	78	100%

For all

10. What is your family status?

	Jews			Α	rabs		Total		
		Frequency	Percent		Frequenc	Percen		Frequency	Percent
					У	t			
Single/ Not living with a partner		87	17.3%		23	23.1%		110	18.3%
Married/Living with a partner		350	69.9%		70	69.9%		419	69.9%
Divorced/ Separated/ Widow(er)		57	11.4%		3	2.5%		60	9.9%
Refuse to answer		7	1.4%		5	4.5%		11	1.9%
Sum total		500	100%		100	100%		600	100%