

Findings - The Peace Index- September 2020

The Peace Index is conducted by Dr. Nimrod Rosler and Prof. Ephraim Yaar from the International Program in Conflict Resolution and Mediation of Tel Aviv University.

The survey was conducted by the iPanel research institute between 6-8 September, among 614 respondents: 504 Jewish respondents and 110 Arab respondents. The survey was carried out in Hebrew and Arabic. 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		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Very much in favor	87	17.26	40	36.36	127	20.68
Moderately in favor	204	40.48	34	30.91	238	38.76
Moderately opposed	117	23.21	15	13.64	132	21.50
Very much opposed	59	11.71	5	4.55	64	10,42
Don't know	37	7.34	16	14.55	53	8.63
Sum total	504	100%	110	100%	614	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		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Very much believe	23	4.56	12	10.91	35	5.7
Moderately believe	89	17.66	24	21.82	113	18,4
Moderately disbelieve	217	43.06	27	24.55	244	39.74
Very much disbelieve	156	30.95	27	24.55	183	29.8
Don't know	19	3.77	20	18.18	39	6.35
Sum total	504	100%	110	100.01%	614	99.99%

- 3-4 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		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Very much support	55	10.91	34	30.91	89	14.5
Moderately support	135	26.79	40	36.36	175	28.5
Moderately oppose	105	20.83	6	5.45	111	18.08
Very much oppose	12	32.14	12	10.91	174	28.34
Don't know	47	9.33	18	16.36	65	10.59
Sum total	504	100%	110	99.99%	614	100.01%

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

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Very much support	12	2.38	27	24.55	39	6.35
Moderately support	77	15.28	29	26.36	106	17.26
Moderately oppose	125	24.8	20	18.18	145	23.62
Very much oppose	230	45.63	13	11.82	243	39.58
Don't know	60	11.9	21	19.09	81	13.19
Sum total	504	99.99%	110	100%	614	100%

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

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Very much in favor	56	11.11	4	3.64	60	9.77
Moderately in favor	132	26.19	18	16,36	150	24.43

Moderately opposed	117	23.21	13	11.82	130	21.17
Very much opposed	151	29.96	51	46.36	202	32.9
Don't know/	48	9.52	24	21.82	72	11.73
Sum total	504	99.99%	110	100%	614	100%

Continuing the existing situation

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Very much in favor	38	7.54	9	8.18	47	7.65
Moderately in favor	148	29.37	11	10	159	25.9
Moderately opposed	149	29.56	34	30.91	183	29.8
Very much opposed	106	21.03	35	31.82	141	22.96
Don't know/ Refuse to answer	63	12.5	21	19.09	84	13.68
Sum total	504	100%	110	100%	614	99.99%

5. Which of these solutions do you believe has the best chance of being achieved in the foreseeable future?

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Continuing the existing situation	254	49.9	28	26.92	282	46
Creation of a binational state	22	4.32	10	9.62	32	5.22

between the Jordan and the sea with full and equal rights for Jews and Palestinians						
Creation of an independent Palestinian state alongside Israel.	99	19.45	28	26.92	127	20.72
Annexation of the territories and the creation of one state under Israeli rule with limited rights to Palestinians	83	16.31	12	11.54	95	15.5
Don't know	51	10.02	26	25	77	12.56
Sum total	509	100	104	100	613	100

6. According to media reports, the normalization agreement with the United Arab Emirates was made possible after Israel gave up its plans to annex territories in Judea and Samaria. Do you support or oppose this concession in return for the agreement?

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Support the concession on annexation in return for the agreement.	237	47.02	51	46.36	288	46.91
Oppose the concession on annexation in return for the agreement.	136	26.98	19	17.27	155	25.24
Don't know	131	25.99	40	36.36	171	27.85
Sum total	504	99.99	110	99.99%	614	100

7. In your opinion, how will the agreement with the Emirates affect the chances for solving the conflict with the Palestinians by agreement?

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
The agreement will advance chances to solve the conflict with the Palestinians.	173	34.33	19	17.27	192	31.27
The agreement will harm the chances of solving the conflict with the Palestinians.	30	5.95	22	20	52	8.47
The agreement will not affect the chances to solve the conflict with the Palestinians.	226	44.84	37	33.64	263	42.83
Don't know	75	14.88	32	29.09	107	17.43
Sum total	504	100	110	100	614	100

8. In your opinion, will other Arab countries, like Saudi Arabia, follow the United Arab Emirates and agree to normalization with Israel, even without a solution to the conflict with the Palestinians, or will they agree to normalization only on condition of a solution to the conflict?

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
They will agree to normalization with Israel even without a solution to the conflict with the Palestinians.	276	54.76	55	50	331	53.97
They will agree to	90	17.86	17	15.45	107	17.43

normalization with Israel only on condition of a solution to the conflict with the Palestinians.						
Other Arab states will not agree to normalization under no condition.	54	10.71	9	8.18	63	10.26
Don't know	84	16.67	29	26.36	113	18.4
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9.-10. How would you rate the functioning of each of the following in relation to various aspects of dealing with the coronavirus?

The Ministry of Education and the opening of the school year

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Good	91	18.06	9	8.18	100	16.29
So-so, fair	216	42.86	28	25.45	244	39.74
Not good	190	37.7	55	50	245	39.9
Don't know	7	1.39	18	16.36	25	4.07
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The Ministry of Health and corona testing/ epidemiological investigation

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Good	52	10.32	25	22.73	77	12.54
So-so, fair	189	37.5	28	25.45	217	35.34
Not good	245	48.61	42	38.18	287	46.74
Don't know	18	3.57	15	13.64	33	5.37
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The Finance Ministry and support for citizens and businesses

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Too high	269	52.85	37	35.58	306	49.92
Fair	153	30.06	26	25	179	29.2
Too low	40	7.86	18	17.31	58	9.46
Don't know	47	9.23	23	22.12	70	11.42
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The corona cabinet and limitations on the public

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Good	44	8.73	10	9.09	54	8.79
So-so, fair	152	30.16	28	25.45	180	29.32
Not good	300	59.52	55	50	355	57.82
Don't know	8	1.59	17	15.45	25	4.07
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11. in your opinion, what percentage of the population behaves according to the instructions for dealing with the coronavirus?

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
A minority of the population	130	25.79	53	48.18	183	28.8
About half the population	233	46.23	33	30	266	43.32
Most of the population	134	26.59	7	6.36	141	22.96
Don't know	7	1.39	17	15.45	24	3.91
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12. Considering the recent coalition crisis, what, in your opinion, should happen now?

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
The government should continue in its present format	127	25.2	13	11.82	140	22.8
Netanyahu should resign and give up his place to Ganz	124	24.6	22	20	146	23.78
Netanyahu should set up a government without Ganz	89	17.66	6	5.45	95	15.47
Ganz should set up a	26	5,16	12	10.91	38	6.19

government without Netanyahu						
The Knesset should be dissolved and new elections should take place	74	14.68	24	22.73	99	16.12
Don't know	64	12.7	32	29.09	96	15.64
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13. To what extent does each of the following act professionally and without political bias?

The Israeli police force

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Behaves with bias favoring Netanyahu	108	21.43	41	37.27	149	24.27
Behaves professionally and without political bias	184	36.51	22	20	206	33.55
Behaves with bias against Netanyahu	83	16.47	5	4.55	88	14.33
Don't know	129	25.6	42	38.18	171	27.85
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The legal system

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Behaves with bias favoring Netanyahu	56	11.11	32	29.09	88	14.33
Behaves professionally and without political bias	169	33.53	27	24.55	196	31.92
Behaves with bias against Netanyahu	196	38.89	4	5.45	202	32.9
Don't know	83	16.47	45	40.91	128	20.85
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14. Do you support or oppose the demonstrations taking place at present against Netanyahu?

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Support	179	35.52	57	51.82	236	38.44
Oppose	246	48.81	20	18.18	266	43.32
Don't know	79	15.67	33	30	112	18.24
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15. In your opinion, will these demonstrations lead to a change in Netanyahu's status in the near future?

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
The demonstrations will strengthen Netanyahu	76	15.08	9	8.18	85	13.84
The demonstrations will not affect Netanyahu's status	274	54.37	43	39.09	317	51.63
The demonstrations will weaken Netanyahu	85	16.87	31	28.18	116	18.89
Don't know	69	13.69	27	24.55	96	15.64
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16. What is your opinion about the behavior of the police vis-à-vis the demonstrations?

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
The police relate to them too aggressively	149	29.56	37	33.64	186	30.29
The police relate to them fairly	147	29.17	18	16.36	165	26.87
The police relate to them too leniently	150	29.76	19	17.27	169	27.52
Don't know	58	11.51	36	32.73	94	15.31

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