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Findings - The Peace Index- December 2020

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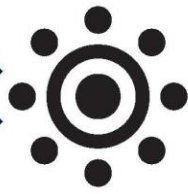
The survey was conducted by the iPanel research institute between 29 December 2020- 3 January 2021 among 608 respondents: 505 Jewish respondents and 103 Arab respondents. The survey was carried out in Hebrew and Arabic. Calculations were adjusted so that the respondents would constitute a representative 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	104	20.59	33	32.04	137	22.53
Moderately in favor	176	34.85	34	33.01	210	34.54
Moderately opposed	103	20.4	11	10.68	114	18.75
Very much opposed	75	14.85	3	2.91	78	12.83
Don't know	47	9.31	22	21.36	69	11.35
Sum total	505	100%	103	100%	608	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	24	4.75	11	10.68	35	5.76
Moderately believe	122	24.16	28	27.18	150	24.67
Moderately disbelieve	181	35.84	26	25.24	207	34.05
Very much disbelieve	148	29.31	16	15.53	164	26.97
Don't know	30	5.94	22	21.36	52	8.55
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3-4 For each of the solutions to the Israel-Palestinian conflict, indicate the extent to which you support or oppose it.

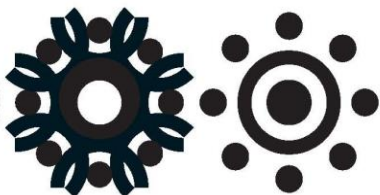
The creation of an independent Palestinian state alongside the State of Israel

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Very much support	13	11.68	26	25.24	85	13.98
Moderately support	163	32.28	31	30.1	194	31.91
Moderately oppose	78	15.45	9	8.74	87	14.31
Very much oppose	151	29.9	7	6.8	158	25.99
Don't know	54	10.69	30	29.13	84	13.82
Sum total	505	100%	103	100.01%	608	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	13	2.57	20	19.42	33	5.43
Moderately support	72	14.26	29	28.16	101	16.61
Moderately oppose	132	26.14	15	14.56	147	24.18
Very much oppose	227	44.95	7	6.8	234	38.49
Don't know	61	12.08	32	31.07	93	15.3
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Annexation of the occupied territories and the creation of one state under Israeli rule with limited rights for Palestinians.



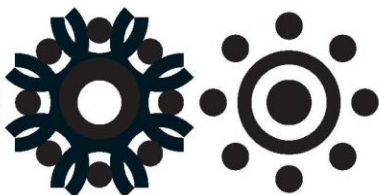
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	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Very much in favor	38	7.52	4	3.88	42	6.91
Moderately in favor	95	18.81	11	10.68	106	17.43
Moderately opposed	127	25.15	16	15.53	143	23.52
Very much opposed	188	37.23	43	41.75	231	37.99
Don't know/	57	11.29	29	28.16	86	14.14
Sum total	505	100%	103	100%	608	100.01%

Continuing the existing situation

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Very much in favor	35	6.93	5	4.85	40	6.58
Moderately in favor	141	27.92	17	16.5	158	25.99
Moderately opposed	176	34.85	29	28.16	205	33.72
Very much opposed	95	18.81	21	20.39	116	19.08
Don't know/ Refuse to answer	58	11.49	31	30.1	89	14.64
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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	96	19.01	31	30.1	127	20.89
Creation of a binational state between the Jordan and the sea with full and equal rights for Jews and Palestinians	17	3.37	10	9.71	27	4.44
Creation of an independent Palestinian state alongside Israel.	48	9.5	10	9.71	58	9.54
Annexation of the territories and the creation of one state under Israeli rule with limited rights to Palestinians	275	54.46	22	21.36	297	48.85
Don't know	69	13.66	30	29.13	99	16.28
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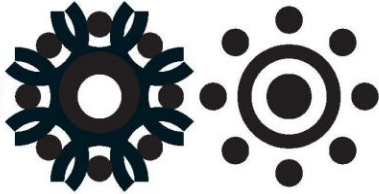
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6. In your opinion, how will the recent agreements with Arab states affect the chances for solving the conflict with the Palestinians by agreement?

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
The agreements will <u>advance</u> chances to solve the conflict with the Palestinians.	201	39.8	19	18.45	220	36.18
The agreements will <u>harm</u> the chances of solving the conflict with the Palestinians.	29	5.74	20	19.42	49	8.06
The agreements will <u>not affect</u> the chances to solve the conflict with the Palestinians.	212	41.98	25	24.27	237	38.98
Don't know	63	12.48	39	37.86	102	16.78
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7. In your opinion, how will the change in the United States government from Trump to Biden affect the chances for renewing negotiations with the Palestinians?

	Jews	Arabs	Total
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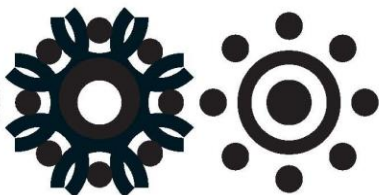
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	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
The change will <u>increase</u> chances to renew negotiations with the Palestinians.	151	29.9	21	20.39	172	28.29
The change will <u>not affect</u> the chances of renewing negotiations with the Palestinians.	140	27.72	23	22.33	163	26.81
The change will <u>decrease</u> the chances to renew negotiations with the Palestinians.	107	21.19	8	7.77	115	18.91
Don't know	107	21.19	51	49.51	158	25.99
Sum total	505	100%	103	100%	608	100%

8. The campaign to distribute the corona vaccine has recently begun in Israel. In your opinion, what actions should be taken with regard to this campaign?

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Encouraging people to take the vaccine by offering incentives, such as enabling entry to shopping centers and flights abroad.	242	47.92	32	31.07	274	45.07



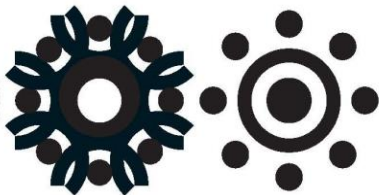
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Not to intervene in the decision with either incentives or sanctions	191	37.82	30	29.13	221	36.35
Imposing sanctions on those who refuse to be vaccinated, such as forbidding them to go out to work or to send their children to school.	40	7.92	6	5.83	46	7.57
Don't know	32	6.34	35	33.98	67	11/02
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9. In your opinion, should Israel transfer corona vaccines to the Palestinian Authority?

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Yes, transfer vaccines now.	86	17.03	51	49.51	137	22.53
Yes, transfer vaccines only after all Israeli citizens have been vaccinated	187	37.03	8	7.77	195	32.07
Not to transfer vaccines unless the Authority promises to stop the violence against Israel.	109	21.58	6	5.83	115	18.91
Under no condition to	78	15.45	2	1.94	80	13.16



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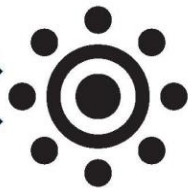
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Don't know	45	8.91	36	34.95	81	13.32
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10. Since the state budget did not pass, the Knesset has been dispersed and new elections are called for March 2021. Which government would you like to be installed after the elections?

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
A unity government of the right, center and left, with the ultra-orthodox parties.	94	18.61	5	4.85	99	16.28
A unity government of right, center and left, without the ultra-orthodox parties.	178	35.25	11	10.68	189	31.09
A center-left government with the support of Yisrael Beitenu and the Joint List	58	11.59	30	29.13	88	14.47
A rightwing government with the ultra-orthodox.	104	20.59	3	2.91	107	17.6
Don't know	71	14.06	54	52.43	125	20.56
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11. In your opinion, who should head this government?

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Netanyahu	153	30.3	11	10.68	164	26.97
Gantz	26	5.15	12	11.65	38	6.25
Saar	83	16.44	7	6.8	90	14.8



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Lapid	60	11.88	10	9.71	70	11.51
Bennett	66	13.07	3	2.91	69	11.35
Don't know	117	23.17	60	58.25	177	29.11
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12. Do you support advancing passage of the following bills before the coming elections?

A bill that would prevent someone who is accused of a criminal act from serving as prime minister.

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Very much in favor	235	46.53	45	43.69	280	46.05
Moderately in favor	101	20	13	12.62	114	18.75
Moderately oppose	56	11.09	6	5.83	62	10.2
Very much oppose	51	10.1	8	7.77	59	9.7
Don't know	62	12.28	31	30.1	93	15.3
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A bill that would limit a prime minister from serving more than two terms.

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Very much in favor	254	50.3	33	32.04	287	47.2
Moderately in favor	87	17.23	15	14.56	102	16.78
Moderately oppose	68	13.47	11	10.68	79	12.99
Very much oppose	49	9.7	9	8.74	58	9.54
Don't know	47	9.31	35	33.98	82	13.49
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