

The International MA Program in Conflict Resolution and Mediation

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Findings - The Peace Index- March 2023

The Peace Index is conducted by Dr. Nimrod Rosler of The International Program in Conflict Resolution and Mediation of Tel Aviv University and Dr. Alon Yakter from the School of Political Science, Government and International Affairs, Tel Aviv University.

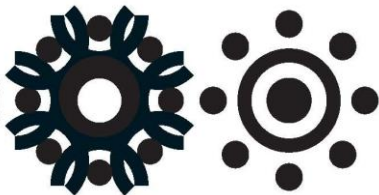
The survey was conducted in Hebrew and in Arabic by the iPanel research institute between 8 – 19 March, 2023 among 619 respondents: 513 Jewish respondents and 106 Arab respondents. Calculations were adjusted so that the respondents would constitute a representative national sample of the adult population aged 18 and above. Maximum sampling error: +/- 4.2%

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	74	14%	41	39%	115	19%
Moderately in favor	167	33%	26	25%	193	31%
Moderately opposed	122	24%	3	3%	125	20%
Very much opposed	100	19%	9	8%	109	17%
Don't know	50	10%	27	25%	77	13%
Sum total	513	100%	106	100%	619	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	14	3%	13	12%	27	5%
Moderately believe	65	13%	28	26%	93	15%
Moderately disbelieve	191	37%	16	15%	207	33%



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Very much disbelieve	218	42%	21	20%	239	38%
Don't know	25	5%	28	26%	53	9%
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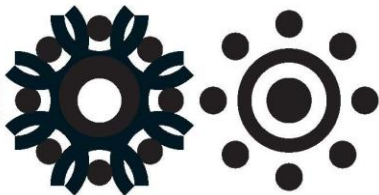
3. In your opinion, what is the position among Jews regarding peace negotiations between Israel and the Palestinian Authority?

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Very much in favor	14	3%	9	8%	23	4%
Moderately in favor	70	14%	22	21%	92	15%
Moderately opposed	136	27%	25	24%	161	26%
Very much opposed	233	45%	16	15%	249	39%
Don't know	60	12%	34	32%	94	16%
Sum total	513	100%	106	100%	619	100%

4. In your opinion, do Jews believe or 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	9	2%	3	3%	12	2%
Moderately believe	33	6%	23	22%	56	9%
Moderately disbelieve	156	30%	27	25%	183	29%
Very much disbelieve	272	53%	23	22%	295	47%
Don't know	43	8%	30	28%	73	12%
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5-6. For each of the solutions to the Israel-Palestinian conflict, indicate the extent to which you support or oppose it.



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

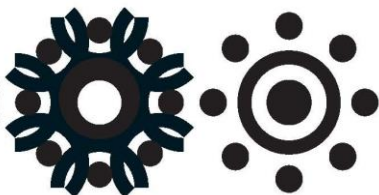
	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Very much support	46	9%	34	32%	80	14%
Moderately support	147	29%	24	23%	171	27%
Moderately oppose	67	13%	9	8%	76	12%
Very much oppose	213	42%	7	7%	220	35%
Don't know	40	8%	32	30%	72	12%
Sum total	513	100%	106	100%	619	100%

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	3%	16	15%	29	5%
Moderately support	54	11%	35	33%	89	15%
Moderately oppose	103	20%	10	9%	113	18%
Very much oppose	291	57%	14	13%	305	48%
Don't know	52	10%	31	29%	83	14%
Sum total	513	100%	106	100%	619	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	52	10%	3	3%	55	9%
Moderately in favor	93	18%	12	11%	105	17%
Moderately opposed	118	23%	19	18%	137	22%
Very much opposed	188	37%	41	39%	229	37%



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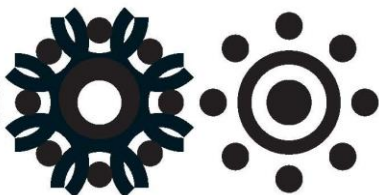
Don't know	62	12%	31	29%	93	16%
Sum total	513	100%	106	100%	619	100%

Continuing the existing situation

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Very much in favor	35	7%	4	4%	39	6%
Moderately in favor	113	22%	11	10%	124	20%
Moderately opposed	178	35%	23	22%	201	32%
Very much opposed	124	24%	37	35%	161	26%
Don't know	63	12%	31	29%	94	16%
Sum total	513	100%	106	100%	619	100%

7. 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
Creation of an independent Palestinian state alongside Israel.	62	12%	28	26%	90	15%
Creation of a binational state between the Jordan and the sea with full and equal rights for Jews and Palestinians	11	2%	9	8%	20	3%
Annexation of the territories and the creation of one state under Israeli rule	69	13%	9	8%	78	12%



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with limited rights to Palestinians						
Continuing the existing situation	315	61%	27	25%	342	54%
Don't know	56		33	31%	89	15%
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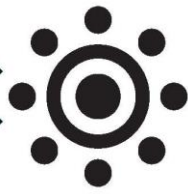
8. To what extent do you believe that continuing the conflict with the Palestinians harms or does not harm Israel?

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Very greatly harms	232	45%	39	37%	271	44%
Harms	187	36%	26	25%	213	34%
Minimally harms	58	11%	10	9%	68	11%
Does not harm at all	18	4%	5	5%	23	4%
Don't know	18	4%	26	25%	44	8%
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9-10. There have been recent reports of a worsening of violent acts by settlers in Judea and Samaria against Palestinians. To what extent do you support or oppose the following steps?

Arresting those who carry out such acts and bringing them to trial.

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Very much support	158	31%	41	39%	199	32%
Moderately support	171	33%	20	19%	191	30%
Moderately oppose	69	13%	7	7%	76	12%
Completely oppose	64	12%	8	8%	72	11%
Don't know	51	10%	30	28%	81	14%
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Arresting public figures who encourage or support these acts and bringing them to trial

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Very much support	110	21%	41	39%	151	25%
Moderately support	185	36%	25	24%	210	34%
Moderately oppose	87	17%	4	4%	91	14%
Completely oppose	68	13%	6	6%	74	12%
Don't know	63	12%	30	28%	93	15%
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Arresting IDF soldiers who stand aside or aid these activities and bringing them to trial

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Very much support	51	10%	44	42%	95	16%
Moderately support	117	23%	23	22%	140	23%
Moderately oppose	118	23%	2	2%	120	19%
Completely oppose	158	31%	5	5%	163	26%
Don't know	69	13%	32	30%	101	17%
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Increasing security for the settlers to protect them from Palestinians

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Very much support	178	35%	6	6%	184	29%
Moderately support	181	35%	15	14%	196	31%
Moderately oppose	71	14%	22	21%	93	15%
Completely oppose	34	7%	25	24%	59	10%



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Don't know	49	10%	38	36%	87	15%
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11. What is your position on the following steps with regard to the present situation in Judea and Samaria

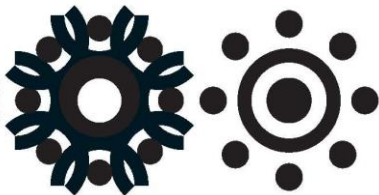
A. Advancing agreements to calm the situation, such as those proposed at the Aqaba Conference last month, including freezing construction in the outposts and settlements and renewal of the security coordination with the Palestinian Authority.

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Very much in favor	83	16%	26	25%	109	18%
Moderately in favor	162	32%	32	30%	194	31%
Moderately opposed	99	19%	6	6%	105	17%
Completely opposed	90	18%	7	7%	97	15%
Don't know	79	15%	35	33%	114	19%
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B. Initiating a comprehensive military operation, including reentry into Palestinian cities and widespread destruction of the terror infrastructure and Palestinian Authority institutions.

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Very much in favor	155	30%	4	4%	159	25%
Moderately in favor	126	25%	6	6%	132	21%
Moderately opposed	111	22%	21	20%	132	21%
Completely opposed	67	13%	44	42%	111	19%
Don't know	54	11%	31	29%	85	14%
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12-13. In your opinion, to what extent will the planned changes in the judicial system advanced by the government cause harm to the following:



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A. Protection for IDF soldiers and their officers from arrest and trial by the International Court.

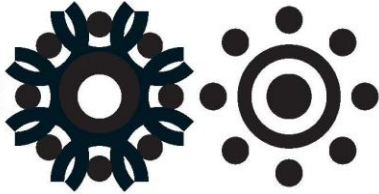
	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Will greatly harm	132	26%	4	4%	136	21%
Will moderately harm	84	16%	6	6%	90	14%
Will moderately aid	76	15%	21	20%	100	16%
Will greatly aid	123	24%	44	42%	167	27%
Don't know	95	19%	31	29%	126	21%
Sum total	513	100%	106	100%	619	100%

B. Freedom of action by the security forces against terror attacks

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Will greatly harm	66	13%	16	15%	82	13%
Will moderately harm	96	19%	19	18%	115	19%
Will moderately aid	92	18%	15	14%	107	17%
Will greatly aid	177	35%	10	9%	187	29%
Don't know	82	16%	46	43%	128	21%
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C. The ability of the IDF to mobilize the reserves and to initiate a comprehensive military operation if necessary

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Will greatly harm	100	19%	17	16%	117	19%



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Will moderately harm	101	20%	17	16%	118	19%
Will moderately aid	81	16%	13	12%	94	15%
Will greatly aid	126	25%	7	7%	133	21%
Don't know	105	20%	52	49%	157	26%
Sum total	513	100%	106	100%	619	100%

D. Safeguarding the social and political rights of minority groups in Israel, such as the Arabs, the ultra-orthodox and the LBGTs

	Jews		Arabs		Total	
	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent	Frequency	Percent
Will greatly harm	156	30%	27	25%	183	29%
Will moderately harm	97	19%	15	14%	112	18%
Will moderately aid	92	18%	11	10%	103	16%
Will greatly aid	84	16%	10	9%	94	15%
Don't know	84	16%	43	41%	127	21%
Sum total	513	100%	106	100%	619	100%