

The Peace Index – August 2010

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1. What is your attitude towards the peace negotiations between Israel and the Palestinian authority?

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Strongly in favor	36.5	35.1	44.4
2. Somewhat in favor	35.3	37.0	25.6
3. Somewhat opposed	12.7	13.3	8.9
4. Strongly opposed	12.5	11.4	18.9
5. I don't know	2.4	2.6	1.1
6. Refuse to answer	0.6	0.6	1.1

2. To what extent do you believe that negotiations between Israel and the Palestinian Authority will lead to peace between Israel and the Palestinians in the coming years?

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Strongly in favor	9.9	8.3	18.9
2. Somewhat in favor	24.4	24.0	26.7
3. Somewhat opposed	27.8	30.9	10.0
4. Strongly opposed	36.3	34.9	44.4
5. I don't know	1.6	1.9	
6. Refuse to answer			

3. To what extent do you agree with the well known saying "the whole world is against us"?

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Totally agree	18.8	19.4	15.6
2. Somewhat agree	32.9	36.8	11.1
3. Somewhat disagree	31.7	31.4	33.3
4. Strongly disagree	14.9	11.1	36.7
5. I don't know	1.5	1.2	3.3
6. Refuse to answer	0.1	0.2	

4. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the statement that no matter what Israel does or how far it goes towards resolving the conflict with the Palestinians, the world will continue to criticize Israel?

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Totally agree	38.1	41.0	22.2
2. Somewhat agree	34.2	36.3	22.2
3. Somewhat disagree	13.4	13.0	15.6
4. Strongly disagree	12.5	8.1	37.8
5. I don't know	1.4	1.3	2.2
6. Refuse to answer	0.3	0.3	

5. In your opinion, to what extent should the Israeli government consider world opinion when making foreign policy decisions?

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Not at all	19.2	20.9	10.0
2. Barely	25.9	29.9	3.3
3. Somewhat	36.4	38.3	25.6
4. Very much so	16.8	9.3	58.9
5. I don't know	1.5	1.5	1.1
6. Refuse to answer	0.2		1.1

6. And in your opinion, to what extent the Israeli government should consider the opinion of the United States when making foreign policy decisions?

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Not at all	8.1	8.6	5.6
2. Barely	16.2	18.5	3.3
3. Somewhat	47.3	52.0	21.1
4. Very much so	26.7	19.4	67.8
5. I don't know	1.5	1.4	2.2
6. Refuse to answer	0.1	0.2	

7. Studies have shown that many Jews in the Diaspora, particularly young people, are becoming distanced from Israel for a variety of reasons. Following are four possible reasons. Please indicate the extent to which you think each contributes to the distancing of young Jews in the Diaspora from Israel, if at all. Base your answers on a scale of 1-5, with 1 indicating no impact whatsoever and 5 indicating very strong impact.

7.1 Israel's conduct with regard to the conflict with the Palestinians

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. No impact whatsoever	30.7	30.7	
2.	15.6	15.6	
3.	28.6	28.6	
4.	12.6	12.6	
5. Very strong impact	9.8	9.8	
6. Refuse to answer	2.7	2.7	

7.2 The fact that Israel does not grant equal status to non-Orthodox denominations (Conservative and Reform)

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. No impact whatsoever	26.1	26.1	
2.	16.0	16.0	
3.	26.3	26.3	
4.	11.0	11.0	
5. Very strong impact	16.9	16.9	
6. Refuse to answer	3.7	3.7	

7.3 Fading memory of the Holocaust

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. No impact whatsoever	30.4	30.4	
2.	18.6	18.6	
3.	21.4	21.4	
4.	12.9	12.9	
5. Very strong impact	13.9	13.9	
6. Refuse to answer	2.8	2.8	

7.4 The weakening of Jewish identity in the Diaspora, particularly among young Jews

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. No impact whatsoever	12.6	12.6	
2.	10.4	10.4	
3.	25.0	25.0	
4.	22.8	22.8	
5. Very strong impact	26.5	26.5	
6. Refuse to answer	2.9	2.9	

8. How would you describe Israel's standing in the world today?

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Totally isolated	3.7	3.1	6.7
2. Somewhat isolated	49.2	50.7	41.1
3. Fairly unisolated	28.8	30.9	16.7
4. Not isolated at all	18.0	14.9	35.6
5. I don't know	0.3	0.4	
6. Refuse to answer			

9. How would you evaluate the functioning of the Israeli government in the realm of foreign relations?

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Very good	6.7	5.5	13.3
2. Fairly good	29.0	28.2	33.3
3. Fairly bad	38.1	39.6	30.0
4. Very bad	21.8	22.5	17.8
5. I don't know	4.0	3.7	5.6
6. Refuse to answer	0.4	0.5	

10. Do you think that Israel's Foreign Minister Avigdor Lieberman contributes to or damages Israel's relations with the countries of the world?

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Contributes greatly	7.4	7.9	4.4
2. Somewhat contributes	25.6	28.6	8.9
3. Somewhat damaging to Israel's foreign relations	31.5	32.3	26.7
4. Very damaging	24.4	18.9	55.6
5. I don't know	10.9	12.0	4.4
6. Refuse to answer	0.3	0.3	

11. To what extent do you justify or do not justify the Israeli government's decision to allow 800 children of foreign workers to stay in Israel and to deport the remaining 400 children of foreign workers?

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. I agree with the decision as taken by the government in its entirety	16.2	16.5	14.4
2. I only agree with the decision to allow 800 children to remain, but not with the decision to deport the remaining 400 children	42.9	46.0	25.6
3. I do not agree with the decision to allow 800 children to remain	33.7	30.8	50.0
4. I don't know	7.0	6.5	10.0
5. Refuse to answer	0.2	0.2	