

The Peace Index - June 2018

(N=600)

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1. What is your position on conducting peace negotiations between Israel and the Palestinian Authority?

	% Jews	% Arabs	% General Public
Strongly in favor	22.4	39.9	25.3
Moderately in favor	34.0	26.0	32.7
Moderately opposed	18.9	9.2	17.3
Strongly opposed	17.8	20.5	18.2
Don't know/Decline to answer	6.9	4.4	6.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

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

	% Jews	% Arabs	% General Public
Strongly believe	4.6	4.3	4.6
Moderately believe	14.8	5.5	13.2
Moderately do not believe	35.3	20.8	32.9
Do not believe at all	41.8	60.5	44.9
Don't know/Decline to answer	3.5	9.0	4.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

3. Which grade would you give the IDF for how it has dealt with the Palestinians' ongoing struggle along the border with Gaza?

	% Jews	% Arabs	% General Public
Excellent	38.3	7.2	33.1
Good	37.6	2.9	31.8
Not so good	15.3	10.1	14.4
Not good at all	5.8	68.5	16.2
Don't know/Decline to answer	3.1	11.3	4.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

4. Which grade would you give the government for how it has dealt with the Palestinians' ongoing struggle along the border with Gaza?

	% Jews	% Arabs	% General Public
Excellent	11.0	4.1	9.9
Good	28.6	4.3	24.6
Not so good	36.5	20.9	33.9
Not good at all	20.3	58.4	26.6
Don't know/Decline to answer	3.6	12.3	5.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

5. At present, in the ongoing struggle of recent months along the Gaza border, which side - the Israeli or the Palestinian - has scored greater achievements?

	% Jews	% Arabs	% General Public
Neither side has scored achievements	22.5	38.8	25.3
The Israeli side has scored more achievements	29.6	28.6	29.4
The Palestinian side has scored more achievements	26.8	20.8	25.8
The two sides have scored similar achievements	8.5	3.3	7.6
Neither side has scored achievements	12.6	8.5	11.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

6. So far, who has shown greater resilience in the fighting along the border between Israel and Gaza - the Gaza residents or the Israeli residents of the communities near the border?

	% Jews	% Arabs	% General Public
The Gaza residents	15.9	64.3	24.0
The Israeli residents of the communities near the border	46.5	8.9	40.2
Both of them to the same extent	22.9	13.1	21.3
Don't know/Decline to answer	14.7	13.7	14.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

7. Do you agree or disagree with the claim that the IDF should directly target those who are launching the incendiary kites and balloons from Gaza?

	% Jews	% Arabs	% General Public
Strongly agree	59.1	3.1	49.8
Moderately agree	23.6	-----	19.6
Don't agree so much	9.9	4.8	9.1
Don't agree at all	3.3	82.7	16.5
Don't know/Decline to answer	4.1	9.4	5.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

8. Recently U.S. president Donald Trump and his team are said to be preparing a new American plan for Israeli-Palestinian peace. What, in your opinion, are the chances that such a plan, under Trump's stewardship, will succeed?

	% Jews	% Arabs	% General Public
Very low chances	20.3	63.3	27.5
Moderately low chances	51.1	21.9	46.3
Moderately high chances	12.9	3.0	11.2
Very high chances	4.3	5.3	4.4
Don't know/Decline to answer	11.4	6.6	10.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

9. To what extent are Israel's interests important or unimportant to President Trump?

	% Jews	% Arabs	% General Public
Very important	21.5	91.6	33.2
Moderately important	52.3	2.9	44.1
Not so important	17.5	2.2	15.0
Not important at all	2.0	0.4	1.7
Don't know/Decline to answer	6.7	2.9	6.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

10. To what extent are the Palestinians' interests important or unimportant to President Trump?

	% Jews	% Arabs	% General Public
Very important	2.6	2.6	2.6
Moderately important	27.0	0.9	22.6
Not so important	42.5	5.5	36.3
Not important at all	16.4	87.4	28.2
Don't know/Decline to answer	11.6	3.6	10.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

11. Does calling the IDF "the people's army" currently describe the IDF accurately or not describe it accurately?

	% Jews	% Arabs	% General Public
Describes it accurately	31.8	12.9	28.6
Moderately accurately	35.6	4.0	30.2
Not so accurately	21.0	15.8	20.1
Not accurately at all	4.3	53.5	12.6
Don't know/Decline to answer	7.3	13.8	8.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

12. With which of the following two claims do you agree more?

	% Jews	% Arabs	% General Public
The Palestinians are refusing to meet with Trump's envoys because they believe he is acting only on behalf of Israel's interests	32.2	78.3	39.9
The Palestinians are refusing to meet with Trump's envoys because they are not interested in reaching a peace agreement with Israel	58.3	13.1	50.8
Don't know/Decline to answer	9.5	8.5	9.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

13. What is your opinion on the proposal, raised repeatedly in recent years, to put an end to compulsory conscription and turn the IDF into a professional army, with those who serve in it regarding the service as their professional life-choice and being compensated accordingly?

	% Jews	% Arabs	% General Public
Strongly support	19.1	24.4	20.0
Moderately support	20.3	11.2	18.8
Don't support so much	21.7	0.3	18.1
Don't support at all	27.4	15.5	25.5
Don't know/Decline to answer	11.4	48.5	17.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

14. Do you support or not support compulsory conscription into the IDF for young haredim?

	% Jews	% Arabs	% General Public
Strongly support	41.0	23.9	38.1
Moderately support	29.4	3.0	25.0
Don't support so much	13.3	7.4	12.3
Don't support at all	12.6	17.5	13.5
Don't know/Decline to answer	3.6	48.2	11.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

15. Although much is said about equalizing the burden, it is well known that many young people do not serve in the IDF because they get an exemption for health or other reasons. In light of this, to what extent is it important or not important to fight to ensure that haredi young people are inducted into the army?

	% Jews
Not important at all	12.0
Not so important	16.6
Moderately important	31.1
Very important	34.8
Don't know/Decline to answer	5.4
Total	100.0

16. With regard to the drafting of haredim into the IDF, with which of the following three solutions do you agree more?

	% Jews
The solution whereby the present situation remains as it is, meaning that the large majority of haredim will not be drafted into the IDF and only a small minority of them will be drafted into haredi units	18.4
The solution whereby a limited number of young people who excel at Torah studies will keep studying in yeshivas and all the rest will be drafted into the IDF at the age of 23 after completing several years of yeshiva study	22.6
The solution whereby a limited number of young people who excel at Torah studies will keep studying in yeshivas and all the other yeshiva students will be drafted into the IDF at the age of 18	45.4
Don't know	10.0
Decline to answer	3.6
Total	100.0

17. In your opinion, is the attorney-general's decision to file an indictment against Sarah Netanyahu a proper decision or does it constitute persecution of the prime minister and his family?

	% Jews	% Arabs	% General Public
I think it is a proper decision	42.3	74.4	47.7
I think it constitutes persecution of the prime minister and his family members	37.0	9.2	32.4
Don't know/Decline to answer	20.7	16.4	19.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

18. Do you believe or not believe the prime minister's claim that he did not know about the ordering of meals to his home in violation of the rules?

	% Jews	% Arabs	% General Public
Strongly believe	14.2	5.2	12.7
Moderately believe	18.0	2.1	15.3
Don't believe so much	23.3	11.2	21.3
Don't believe at all	27.1	65.7	33.5
Don't know/Decline to answer	17.3	15.8	17.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0