

### The Peace Index – July 2013

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

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Strongly in favor	35.8	29.5	71.6
2. Somewhat in favor	29.9	31.8	19.3
3. Somewhat opposed	9.2	10.4	2.6
4. Strongly opposed	19.9	22.7	3.6
5. Don't know / No answer	5.2	5.6	2.9

**2. Do you 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?**

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Strongly believe	6.6	4.5	18.4
2. Somewhat believe	23.7	21.2	38.3
3. Somewhat don't believe	23.0	22.9	23.7
4. Don't believe at all	42.6	47.5	14.9
5. Don't know / No answer	4.0	3.9	4.7

**3. If a peace agreement is reached with the Palestinians that includes an Israeli withdrawal from Judea and Samaria and an evacuation of settlements, in your opinion, would there or would there not be a need for a national referendum to approve the agreement, or should the decision be left in the hands of the government and the Knesset?**

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. There is a need for a referendum	63.5	62.0	71.9
2. There is no need for a referendum. The decision should be left in the hands of the government and the Knesset	31.9	33.9	20.0
3. Don't know / No answer	4.7	4.1	8.1

- 4. If a referendum is held, do you think that all Israeli citizens without distinction, both Jews and Arabs, should have the right to vote in the referendum? Or should this right be limited to Jewish citizens only?**

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. All citizens, Jews and Arabs, should have the right to vote in the referendum	52.1	45.8	87.8
2. Only Jewish citizens should have the right to vote in the referendum	41.9	48.6	3.9
3. Don't know / No answer	6.0	5.6	8.3

- 5. If a referendum were to be held today among all Israeli citizens, Jews and Arabs, in your assessment would there or would there not be majority support of a peace agreement with the Palestinians that would include an Israeli withdrawal from Judea and Samaria and an evacuation of settlements?**

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. There would be majority support of the agreement	33.7	29.4	58.2
2. There would not be majority support of the agreement	54.3	58.0	33.0
3. Don't know / No answer	12.0	12.5	8.8

- 6. U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry recently achieved a breakthrough and convinced the Israelis and the Palestinians to begin a negotiation process in Washington under US sponsorship. What, in your opinion, are the chances that the renewed negotiations will lead to a peace agreement between the two sides?**

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Very high chances	4.7	2.7	16.3
2. Moderately high chances	17.6	15.4	30.3
3. Moderately low chances	37.2	39.4	24.3
4. Very low chances	36.2	39.7	16.3
5. Don't know / No answer	4.3	2.8	12.8

**7. Does the Palestinian Authority truly want to resume peace negotiations or not truly want to resume peace negotiations?**

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. I'm sure it wants to	13.7	6.2	56.0
2. I think it wants to	23.9	23.0	29.2
3. I think it doesn't want to	24.1	27.6	4.1
4. I'm sure it doesn't want to	31.8	36.4	5.8
5. Don't know / No answer	6.4	6.7	4.9

**8. Does the Israeli government truly want to resume peace negotiations or not truly want to resume peace negotiations?**

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. I'm sure it wants to	25.0	22.9	36.8
2. I think it wants to	37.5	40.3	21.5
3. I think it doesn't want to	20.1	20.3	19.2
4. I'm sure it doesn't want to	11.6	11.2	14.2
5. Don't know / No answer	5.8	5.3	8.3

**9. To what extent do you trust or not trust Prime Minister Netanyahu to conduct the negotiations with the Palestinian Authority in such a way that Israel's security will be ensured?**

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Strongly trust	19.3	21.6	6.0
2. Moderately trust	36.2	38.5	23.2
3. Don't trust so much	22.8	20.5	36.1
4. Don't trust at all	18.4	16.8	27.4
5. Don't know / No answer	3.3	2.6	7.2

**10. To what extent do you trust or not trust Prime Minister Netanyahu to conduct the negotiations with the Palestinian Authority in such a way that, to the extent that it depends on Israel, a peace treaty will be signed?**

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Strongly trust	13.9	15.6	4.0
2. Moderately trust	31.6	32.2	27.8
3. Don't trust so much	27.4	26.7	31.3
4. Don't trust at all	21.8	20.7	28.1
5. Don't know / No answer	5.4	4.8	8.8

**11. If Israel and the Palestinians reach an understanding and a permanent peace agreement that includes security arrangements for Israel, a demilitarized Palestinian state, international guarantees, and declaration of the end of the conflict by the Palestinians, in return for this peace agreement, would you support or not support each of the following?**

**11.1 Withdrawal to the 1967 borders with territorial swaps**

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Would support	38.4	32.4	72.1
2. Would not support	55.5	62.5	15.4
3. Don't know / No answer	6.2	5.1	12.5

**11.2 Transfer of the Arab neighborhoods of Jerusalem to the Palestinian Authority, and a special arrangement for the holy places**

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Would support	43.9	42.1	54.6
2. Would not support	47.6	50.3	32.2
3. Don't know / No answer	8.5	7.6	13.2

**11.3 An evacuation of settlements, except for Ariel, Maaleh Adumim, and the settlement blocs**

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Would support	44.3	40.0	68.7
2. Would not support	51.8	57.6	19.2
3. Don't know / No answer	3.9	2.4	12.1

**11.4 Israeli recognition in principle of the right of return, permitting the return of a small number of Palestinian refugees and financial compensation for others**

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Would support	28.4	18.8	82.8
2. Would not support	66.7	76.7	9.6
3. Don't know / No answer	4.9	4.5	7.6

**12. If Israeli-Palestinian peace talks indeed begin, in your opinion should or should not the Labor Party join the Netanyahu government immediately to support the process from within?**

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. I'm sure it should	25.9	20.6	56.2
2. I think it should	25.4	27.3	14.9
3. I think it should not	17.9	19.7	7.9
4. I'm sure it should not	13.8	16.1	1.0
5. Don't know / No answer	16.9	16.3	20.0

**13. If Israeli-Palestinian peace talks indeed begin, in your opinion should or should not the Habayit Hayehudi party headed by Naftali Bennett leave the government immediately so as not to participate in a process that, if successful, will undoubtedly entail the evacuation of settlements?**

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. I'm sure it should	20.1	19.7	22.1
2. I think it should	14.0	13.2	18.9
3. I think it should not	23.2	23.5	21.6
4. I'm sure it should not	24.4	27.3	8.3
5. Don't know / No answer	18.2	16.3	29.1

**14. When you think about the recent elections for the Chief Rabbinate, how would you characterize them on a scale of 1 to 5, with 1 being "very clean" and 5 being "very corrupt"?**

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Very clean	6.2	6.8	2.7
2.	5.1	5.0	5.6
3. Medium	24.2	23.2	29.9
4.	14.9	14.0	20.1
5. Very corrupt	25.9	27.6	16.6
6. Don't know / No answer	23.7	23.5	25.2

**15. What effect will the results of the Chief Rabbinate elections have on the status of the Chief Rabbinate in eyes of the Jewish population as a whole?**

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. It will not have an effect	29.2	31.3	17.2
2. The Chief Rabbinate's status will increase	19.3	19.1	20.6
3. The Chief Rabbinate's status will decrease	25.4	26.9	16.8
4. Don't know / No answer	26.1	22.7	45.4