

The Peace Index – December 2012

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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	36.8	31.5	67.8
2. Somewhat in favor	32.3	36.6	6.9
3. Somewhat opposed	12.2	13.1	6.9
4. Strongly opposed	14.2	14.1	14.9
5. Don't know / Refuse to answer	4.6	4.8	3.4

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	7.5	4.5	25.3
2. Somewhat believe	25.3	26.7	17.2
3. Somewhat don't believe	22.8	24.5	12.6
4. Don't believe at all	42.2	42.1	42.5
5. Don't know / Refuse to answer	2.1	2.1	2.3

3. Do you support or oppose a peace agreement with the Palestinians based on the principle of two states for two peoples?

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Strongly oppose	19.4	17.6	29.9
2. Somewhat oppose	17.3	18.1	12.6
3. Somewhat support	31.4	35.9	4.6
4. Strongly support	27.8	23.9	50.6
5. Don't know / Refuse to answer	4.1	4.4	2.3

4. In your opinion, what are the chances that if the upcoming elections result in a new government headed by Netanyahu, the government will work to renew the negotiations with the Palestinian Authority?

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Very high chances	5.7	3.9	16.1
2. Moderately high chances	24.7	25.9	17.2
3. Moderately low chances	40.7	44.5	18.4
4. Very low chances	22.2	19.6	37.9
5. Don't know / Refuse to answer	6.7	6.1	9.2

5. Please indicate the extent to which each of the following leaders is suitable or unsuitable for dealing with the political-security domain:

5.1 Binyamin Netanyahu

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Suitable	46.9	52.8	12.6
2. So-so	28.7	30.3	19.5
3. Unsuitable	20.5	13.8	59.8
4. Don't know / Refuse to answer	3.9	3.1	8.0

5.2 Tzipi Livni

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Suitable	18.0	18.7	13.8
2. So-so	23.6	24.1	20.7
3. Unsuitable	53.8	53.0	58.6
4. Don't know / Refuse to answer	4.6	4.1	6.8

5.3 Yair Lapid

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Suitable	7.9	7.7	9.2
2. So-so	15.9	16.7	11.5
3. Unsuitable	65.7	66.9	58.6
4. Don't know / Refuse to answer	10.5	8.7	20.6

5.4 Shaul Mofaz

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Suitable	20.6	21.9	12.6
2. So-so	25.9	28.1	12.6
3. Unsuitable	45.6	43.2	59.8
4. Don't know / Refuse to answer	7.9	6.8	14.9

5.5 Shelley Yachimovich

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Suitable	13.4	14.1	9.2
2. So-so	22.5	24.6	10.3
3. Unsuitable	55.8	54.7	62.1
4. Don't know / Refuse to answer	8.4	6.7	18.3

5.6 Naftali Bennett

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Suitable	22.2	25.4	3.4
2. So-so	13.4	14.7	5.7
3. Unsuitable	46.4	43.3	64.4
4. Don't know / Refuse to answer	18.0	16.6	26.4

5.7 Avigdor Lieberman

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Suitable	25.0	28.4	4.6
2. So-so	16.3	18.1	5.7
3. Unsuitable	53.7	49.5	78.2
4. Don't know / Refuse to answer	5.0	3.9	11.4

6. To what extent is each of the following leaders suitable or unsuitable for dealing with the socioeconomic domain:

6.1 Binyamin Netanyahu

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Suitable	32.5	35.9	12.6
2. So-so	25.8	27.4	16.1
3. Unsuitable	37.8	33.9	60.9
4. Don't know / Refuse to answer	3.8	2.8	10.3

6.2 Tzipi Livni

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Suitable	17.5	19.2	8.0
2. So-so	32.4	32.8	29.9
3. Unsuitable	42.6	42.0	46.0
4. Don't know / Refuse to answer	7.5	6.0	16.1

6.3 Yair Lapid

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Suitable	23.0	25.0	11.5
2. So-so	24.8	25.4	20.7
3. Unsuitable	39.6	38.9	43.7
4. Don't know / Refuse to answer	12.6	10.7	24.1

6.4 Shaul Mofaz

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Suitable	12.4	12.2	13.8
2. So-so	23.0	25.2	10.3
3. Unsuitable	53.2	53.3	52.9
4. Don't know / Refuse to answer	11.3	9.4	22.9

6.5 Shelley Yachimovich

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Suitable	42.5	45.4	25.3
2. So-so	20.5	22.1	11.5
3. Unsuitable	26.8	24.4	41.4
4. Don't know / Refuse to answer	10.2	8.2	21.8

6.6 Naftali Bennett

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Suitable	17.4	20.2	1.1
2. So-so	23.4	25.8	9.2
3. Unsuitable	36.6	32.3	62.1
4. Don't know / Refuse to answer	22.6	21.7	27.5

6.7 Avigdor Lieberman

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Suitable	15.6	17.0	6.9
2. So-so	17.8	19.5	8.0
3. Unsuitable	56.5	54.8	66.7
4. Don't know / Refuse to answer	10.2	8.7	18.3

7. **Some claim that no matter which of the large parties wins in the upcoming elections, the peace process with the Palestinians is at a standstill for reasons that have nothing to do with Israel and there is no chance of progress in the foreseeable future. Do you agree or disagree with this claim?**

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Strongly agree	31.8	33.4	21.8
2. Moderately agree	29.5	33.3	6.9
3. Moderately disagree	17.2	18.2	11.5
4. Strongly disagree?	15.9	12.2	37.9
5. Don't know / Refuse to answer	5.6	2.9	21.8

8. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements:

8.1 Settlements in Judea and Samaria should not be dismantled under any circumstances

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Strongly agree	28.6	28.2	31.0
2. Moderately agree	21.1	22.4	13.8
3. Moderately disagree	18.3	20.2	6.9
4. Don't agree at all	28.9	26.2	44.8
5. Don't know / Refuse to answer	3.1	3.0	3.4

8.2 In the framework of a peace agreement that includes appropriate security arrangements, the Arab neighborhoods in East Jerusalem could be transferred to the Palestinians

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Strongly agree	18.9	13.0	54.0
2. Moderately agree	25.1	25.9	20.7
3. Moderately disagree	16.8	17.8	11.5
4. Don't agree at all	35.8	40.3	9.2
5. Don't know / Refuse to answer	3.4	3.1	4.6

8.3 Israel should follow the policy of the present government, even at the cost of a clash with the U.S. administration if the administration strongly opposes the policy

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Strongly agree	20.6	21.1	17.2
1. Moderately agree	28.7	29.2	25.3
2. Moderately disagree	21.2	22.8	11.5
3. Don't agree at all	21.4	19.8	31.0
4. Don't know / Refuse to answer	8.2	7.1	14.9

8.4 In the framework of a peace agreement that includes appropriate security arrangements, the Golan Heights could be returned to Syria

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Strongly agree	7.6	2.6	36.8
2. Moderately agree	10.5	8.2	24.1
3. Moderately disagree	13.7	13.7	13.8
4. Don't agree at all	63.9	71.7	18.4
5. Don't know / Refuse to answer	4.2	3.7	6.9

8.5 In the framework of a peace agreement that includes appropriate security arrangements, one should agree to the establishment of an independent Palestinian state

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. Strongly agree	25.2	20.0	56.3
2. Moderately agree	34.6	37.5	17.2
3. Moderately disagree	13.8	14.2	11.5
4. Don't agree at all	21.6	24.0	6.9
5. Don't know / Refuse to answer	4.8	4.3	8.0

9. What is more important to you – that Israel be a country with a Jewish majority or that it include all the Land of Israel west of the Jordan?

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. That Israel be a country with a Jewish majority	70.5	70.5	
2. That Israel include all the Land of Israel west of the Jordan	11.1	11.1	
3. Both to the same extent	10.2	10.2	
4. Neither	2.6	2.6	
5. Don't know / Refuse to answer	5.6	5.6	

10. Do you think left-wing soldiers have a right to refuse to serve in the territories because of their opposition to the occupation?

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. I'm sure they do	12.5	4.5	59.8
2. I think they do	6.6	6.2	9.2
3. I think they don't	18.4	20.8	4.6
4. I'm sure they don't	58.2	65.3	16.1
5. Don't know / Refuse to answer	4.2	3.2	10.3

11. Do you think right-wing soldiers have a right to refuse to take part in dismantling Jewish settlements in the territories if the government decides to do so?

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. I'm sure they do	16.9	14.5	31.0
2. I think they do	9.6	9.3	11.5
3. I think they don't	19.3	20.7	11.5
4. I'm sure they don't	49.6	52.4	33.3
1. Don't know / Refuse to answer	4.5	3.1	12.6

12. In your opinion, what should a religious soldier obey if there is a contradiction between an order from the army and a rabbinical ruling on the issue of dismantling settlements?

	General Public	Jews	Arabs
1. The order from the army	68.3	75.6	25.3
2. The rabbinical ruling	17.9	18.0	17.2
3. Can't decide/each one according to his conscience	5.5	3.3	18.4
4. Don't know / Refuse to answer	8.3	3.1	39.0