

Joint Palestinian-Israeli Poll on Drivers of Distrust

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1) To what extent are you concerned about the Israeli-Palestinian conflict?

1) None 2) To a small extent 3) Neither small nor large extent 4) To some extent 5) To a Large extent

2) To what extent do you think the peace or normalization agreement with the Emirates and with Bahrain contributes to reach an agreement with the Palestinians

1) None 2) To a small extent 3) Neither small nor large extent 4) To some extent 5) To a Large extent

3) Tell us to what extent you agree or disagree with the following statements:

1) Certainly disagree 2) Disagree 3) Neither disagree nor agree 4) Agree 5) Certainly agree

		1	2	3	4	5
3.1)	<p>(Israeli Jews only) - The antisemitism remains strong among the nations of today.</p> <p>(Palestinians only) - Western government harbor anti Palestinian sentiments that help to ensure continued Israeli occupation.</p>					
3.2)	<p>(Israeli Jews only) - Holocaust cannot be forgotten and should serve as a lesson for Jews.</p> <p>(Palestinians only) - The Palestinian Nakba cannot be forgotten and should serve as a reminder for Palestinians.</p>					
3.3)	<p>(Israeli Jews only) - Only powerful military Israel can assure the existence of Israel among surrounding hostile nations.</p> <p>(Palestinians only) - Only armed struggle can assure the end of Israeli occupation.</p>					
3.4)	<p>(Israeli Jews only) - The ongoing Palestinian violence shows clearly that the Palestinians desire to exterminate Israel and not to stop the occupation.</p> <p>(Palestinians only) - Continued Israeli settlement construction in the occupied Palestinian territories shows clearly that Israel desire to subjugate the Palestinians and never end its occupation.</p>					
3.5)	<p>(Palestinians only) - Time after time Israel rejected the Palestinian offer of the peace of the brave because their ultimate desire is to expel the Palestinians and take away their land.</p>					

4) Tell us if you agree or disagree with the following statements:

1) Certainly disagree 2) Disagree 3) Neither disagree nor agree 4) Agree 5) Certainly agree

		1	2	3	4	5
4.1)	Despite Palestinians'/Israelis' will for peace, the Jews/Palestinians forced on them again and again violence.					
4.2)	The Israelis/Palestinians are just as much victims of the conflict as Palestinians/Jews are.					
4.3)	<i>(Israeli Jews only)</i> - The need for a state for the Jews, which results from the fact that they were living in their homeland two thousand years ago, does not contradict the right of the Palestinian for their own state in part of this country <i>(Palestinians only)</i> - The need for a state for the Palestinians, which results from the fact that they were living in their homeland for hundreds of years, does not contradict the right of the Jews for their own state in part of this country.					
4.4)	It is possible to find among the Jews/Palestinians a moderate segment that wants to end the conflict.					

5) The following questions try to assess your view regarding Palestinians / Israelis education:

1) Very negatively 2) Little Negatively 3) Neither negatively nor positively 4) little positively 5) very positively

		1	2	3	4	5
5.1)	When thinking about the education at school how in your view the Israeli/Palestinian the teachers present the Israelis/Palestinians.					
5.2)	Based on your best knowledge of Israeli/Jewish/Palestinian [other side] education system, how in your view the Israeli/Palestinian curriculum and schoolbooks present the Israelis/Palestinians.					
5.3)	Based on your best knowledge of Israeli/Jewish/Palestinian [other side] education system, how in your view the Israeli/Palestinian teachers present the Israelis/Palestinians.					

6) When thinking about the education you or your children receive(d) at school, you would say it calls more for (one response only):

1. Definitely seeing Israelis/Jews/Palestinians [other side] positively as fellow human beings with legitimate needs and rights.
2. Somewhat seeing Israelis/Jews/Palestinians [other side] positively as fellow human beings with legitimate needs and rights.
3. Seeing Israelis/Jews/Palestinians indifferently.
4. Seeing Israelis/Jews/Palestinians through negative stereotypes and labels.
5. Definitely seeing Israelis/Jews/Palestinians through negative stereotypes and labels.
6. DK/NA

7) Based on your best knowledge of Israeli/Jewish/Palestinian [other side] education system, you would say it calls more for (one response only):

1. Definitely seeing Israelis/Jews/Palestinians [other side] positively as fellow human beings with legitimate needs and rights.
2. Seeing Israelis/Jews/Palestinians [other side] positively as fellow human beings with legitimate needs and rights.
3. Seeing Israelis/Jews/Palestinians indifferently.
4. Seeing Israelis/Jews/Palestinians through negative stereotypes and labels.
5. Definitely seeing Israelis/Jews/Palestinians through negative stereotypes and labels.
6. DK/NA

8)) To what extent did any of the following influence your views about Palestinians/ Israeli

Jews:

- 1) None 2) To a small extent 3) Neither small nor large extent 4) To some extent 5) To a Large extent

	1	2	3	4	5
8.1) Members of your family					
8.2) Teachers at school or university					
8.3) Textbooks you read at school or university					
8.4) Friends					
8.5) Newspapers and TV					
8.6) Social Media and Internet					
8.7) Political Leaders					
8.8) Religious leaders					

9) How true is this of Israelis/Palestinians (the other side)?

- 1)Not true at all 2) Not true 3) Neither true nor untrue 4) Somewhat true 5)Very true

	1	2	3	4	5

9.1) ...are peaceful.					
9.2) ...are violent.					

10) Israeli Jews only: Psychological studies show that individuals tend to attribute different levels of humaneness to people of different groups. The following scale represents the level of humaneness of the Palestinians/Israeli Jews. **0 represents lack of humanness and 100 represents very high level of humanness. Please choose one number that in your opinion represents the level of humanness of Palestinians / Israeli Jews:**

100 90 80-----30 20 10 0
Much **not at all**

11) To what extent each of the following emotions expresses your feeling towards Palestinians/ Israeli Jews:

- 1) None 2) To a small extent 3) Neither small nor large extent 4) To some extent 5) To a Large extent

		1	2	3	4	5
11.1)	Anger					
11.2)	Hatred					
11.3)	Fear					
11.4)	Empathy					
11.5)	Compassion					

129) Tell us if you agree or disagree with the following statements:

- 1) Certainly disagree 2) Disagree 3) Neither disagree nor agree 4) Agree 5) Certainly agree

		1	2	3	4	5
129.1)	Groups that are characterized by violent tendencies will never change their ways.					
12.2)	Every group or nation has basic moral values and beliefs that can't be changed.					

13) Israeli Jews only: The following questions try to assess your feelings and concerns or fear regarding relations with Palestinians.

1) Never worried 2) Little worried 3) Neither little nor much worried 4) Much worried 5) Very much worried

		1	2	3	4	5
13.1)	I am worried of being harmed by Palestinians.					
13.2)	I am worried about the future of the Jewish character of the state.					

13) Palestinians only: The following questions try to assess your feelings and concerns or fear regarding relations with Israelis.

1) Never worried 2) Little worried 3) Neither little nor much worried 4) Much worried 5) Very much worried

		1	2	3	4	5
13.1)	I am worried about my and my family's safety, or being expelled, or lose land or have my home demolished, or being prevented from reaching my land beyond the wall or separation barrier.					
13.2)	I am worried about the future of the Palestinian people.					

14) Please tell us if you agree or disagree with the following statement: It is possible to trust Palestinians/Israeli Jews:

1) Certainly disagree 2) Disagree 3) Neither disagree nor agree 4) Agree 5) Certainly agree

15) If you think Palestinians/Israeli Jews are not trustworthy, why? Because [Select the most important factor]

1. I have had bad personal experiences with them
2. I do not trust their political aims in the conflict
3. Their religion and culture
4. Their leaders cannot be trusted
5. Their education incites against Israel and Jews / Palestinians

- 6. Their personality
- 7. Other: _____

63) Please tell us if you agree or disagree with the following statements:

- 1) Certainly disagree 2) Disagree 3) Neither disagree nor agree 4) Agree 5) Certainly agree

		1	2	3	4	5
16.1)	It is possible to trust Palestinian leaders /Israeli leaders					
16.2)	I think that Palestinian and Israeli Jews can build trustful relationship in principle					

17)To what extent would you say each one of the following foster or diminish trust among the two peoples:

- 1) Greatly diminish trust 2) Somewhat diminish trust 3) Neither diminish nor foster trust 4) Somewhat foster trust 5) Greatly foster trust

		1	2	3	4	5
17.1)	Israeli current government leadership					
17.2)	Palestinian current political leadership in the West Bank					
17.3)	Israeli press					
17.4)	Palestinian press					
17.5)	Israeli school curriculum					
17.6)	Palestinian school curriculum					
17.7)	Israeli social media					
17.8)	Palestinian social media					

18) If Israel and the PA reached a peace agreement, do you think the Palestinian/Israeli leadership would honor their commitment in that agreement?

- 1) Definitely no 2) No 3) Neither no nor yes 4) Yes 5) Definitely yes

19) Tell us if you agree or disagree with the following sentences:

1) Certainly disagree 2) Disagree 3) Neither disagree nor agree 4) Agree 5) Certainly agree

		1	2	3	4	5
19.1)	I believe in the peaceful intentions of Palestinians/Israeli Jews.					
19.2)	It is impossible to reach a peace agreement with Palestinians/Israelis because there is no partner on the other side.					
19.3)	Palestinians/ Israelis will never accept the existence (of the state of Israel/of the Palestinian people) and will strive to annihilate it if they can.					

20) How strongly do you support or oppose the solution based on the establishment of a Palestinian state alongside Israel, known as the two-state solution?

1) Strongly oppose it 2) Somewhat oppose it 3) Neither support nor oppose it 4) Somewhat support 5) Strongly support it

21) *Israeli Jews only*) What in your opinion are the long run aspirations of the Palestinian Authority and the PLO?

- 1) Regain some of the territories conquered in the 1967 war
- 2) Regain all the territories conquered in the 1967 war
- 3) Conquer the State of Israel and regain control over the pre 1948 Palestine
- 4) Conquer the State of Israel and destroy much of the Jewish population in Israel
- 5) DK/NA

21) (*Palestinians and Israeli Arabs only*) What do you think are the aspirations of Israel for the long run?

- 1) Withdrawal from the territories it occupied in 1967 after guaranteeing its security
- 2) Withdrawal form part of the occupied territories after guaranteeing its security
- 3) Annexation of the West Bank while denying political rights of Palestinian citizens
- 4) Extending the borders of the state of Israel to cover all the area between the Jordan River and the Mediterranean Sea and expelling its Arab citizens
- 5) DK/NA

22) (*Israeli Jews only*) And What do you think is the long run aspiration of Israel?

- 1) Withdrawal from the territories it occupied in 1967 after guaranteeing its security
- 2) Withdrawal form part of the territories it occupied after guaranteeing its security
- 3) Annexation of the West Bank while denying political rights of Palestinian citizens
- 4) Extending the borders of the state of Israel to cover all the area between the Jordan River and the Mediterranean Sea and expelling its Arab citizens
- 5) DK/NA

22) (*Palestinians and Israeli Arabs only*) **And what do you think are the aspirations of the Palestinian Authority and the PLO for the long run?**

- 1) Regain some of the territories conquered in the 1967 war Withdrawal from the territories it conquered in the 1967 war
- 2) Regain all the territories conquered in the 1967 war
- 3) Conquer the State of Israel and regain control over the pre 1948 Palestine
- 4) Conquer the State of Israel and destroy much of the Jewish population in Israel
- 5) DK/NA

23) **Tell us if you agree or disagree with the following statement:**

Israeli Jews only: **Israel will have to choose between Apartheid state or to lose its Jewish nature if it will not choose the solution of two states to two nations.**

- 1) Certainly disagree 2) Disagree 3) Neither disagree nor agree 4) Agree 5) Certainly agree

Palestinians only: **If Palestinians reject the two-state solution, they risk coming under Israeli sovereignty but without having equal rights to Israeli Jews.**

- 1) Certainly disagree 2) Disagree 3) Neither disagree nor agree 4) Agree 5) Certainly agree

24) **When you think about your life as a Palestinian/Israeli, how many times do you feel that you lose hope for the better future?**

- 1) Never 2) Rarely 3) Sometimes 4) Often 5) Always

25) (JEWISH RESPONDENTS ONLY) **The following four possibilities refer to your views about what to do now about Israeli-Palestinian relations, which one is the most preferred to you:**

- 1) Maintain the status quo
- 2) Annex the territories or parts of the territories
- 3) Wage a definitive war against the Palestinians in which Israel destroys their military capability
- 4) Reach a peace agreement with the Palestinians
- 5) Other
- 6) DK/NA

25) (*Palestinians only*) **The following four possibilities refer to your views about what to do now about Israeli-Palestinian relations, which one is the most preferred to you:**

- 1) Maintain the status quo
- 2) Wage an armed struggle against the Israeli occupation
- 3) Wage an unarmed struggle against the Israeli occupation
- 4) Reach a peace agreement with Israel
- 5) Other

6) DK/NA

26) (JEWISH RESPONDENTS ONLY) Of the following four possibilities about what to do now about Israeli-Palestinian relations, which one you think is preferred most by the majority of the Palestinians?

- 1) Maintain the status quo
- 2) Wage an armed struggle against the Israeli occupation
- 3) Wage an unarmed struggle against the Israeli occupation
- 4) Reach a peace agreement with Israel
- 5) Other
- 6) DK/NA

26) (Palestinians only) Of the following four possibilities about Israeli-Palestinian relations, which one you think is preferred most by the majority of the Israelis?

- 1) maintain the status quo
- 2) Annex the territories or parts of the territories
- 3) Wage a definitive war against the Palestinians in which Israel destroys their military capability
- 4) Reach a peace agreement with the Palestinians
- 5) Other
- 6) DK/NA

27) (Israeli Jews only) During the last few year, how many times have you faced the following situation?

- 1) Never 2) Very few times 3) A few times 4) Many times 5) Frequently

		1	2	3	4	5
27.1)	I heard about anti-Israeli taking action against Israel in international forums such as the ICC, UN, lobbying individual foreign governments against Israel or delegitimizing Israel in the media and colleges abroad.					
27.2)	I heard about a Palestinian terrorist harming Israeli soldiers or civilians, either in the media or from personal contacts and experience.					
	My family home came under rocket attack, or incendiary balloons landed in our land, or you were asked to stay in a bomb shelter					

27) (Palestinians only) During the last year, how many times have you faced the following situation?

- 1) Never 2) Very few times 3) A few times 4) Many times 5) Frequently

		1	2	3	4	5
27.1)	you have been detained for a long time on an Israeli checkpoint.					
27.2)	You could not reach my land beyond the separation wall or barrier.					
27.3)	You have been denied from leaving Palestine, or your land was confiscated					

28) How many people in your family, friends, or acquaintances have been killed in violence of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict:

1) No one 2) One 3) Two 4) 3-5 people 5) More than 5 people

29) How often did the following happen to you?

1) Never 2) Once 3) Twice 4) 3-5 times 5) More than 5 times

		1	2	3	4	5
29.1)	(Israeli Jews only) - How often have you taken part during your army service (compulsory, career military personnel, reserve) in violent incident(s) related to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict? (Palestinians only) - How often have you taken part in a violent political incidents or demonstrations?					
29.2)	(Israeli Jews only) - How often have any of your close family members taken part during their army service (compulsory, career military personnel, reserve) in violent incident(s) related to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict? (Palestinians only) - How often have any of your close family members taken part in violent incident(s) related to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict?					
29.3)	How often have you seen in the TV reports of a harm carried by the Israeli Jews/Palestinians?					
29.4)	How often have you witnessed injuries or deaths related to the conflict?					
29.5)	How often have you witnessed personally a harm carried by the Israeli Jews/Palestinians?					

30) To what extent are you willing to exchange views and information with Palestinian / Israeli sources regarding the conflict?

1) None extent 2) To a small extent 3) Neither small nor large extent 4) To some extent 5) To a Large extent

31) To what extent are you ready to hear Palestinian/Israeli sources and receive new information about the conflict?

1) None extent 2) To a small extent 3) Neither small nor large extent 4) To some extent 5) To a Large extent

32) Have you ever had an [Israeli / Palestinian] friend or personal acquaintance (חבר, מכר, ידיד) now or in the past?

- 1) Yes
- 2) No

33) Would you like to have an [Israeli/Palestinian] friend or personal acquaintance that you could meet in person or by phone/zoom to explain your positions and hear their ideas?

- 1) Very much want to
- 2) Somewhat want to
- 3) Neither want nor do not want to
- 4) Do not really want to
- 5) Strongly do not want to

34) I will read you some statements related to your household income. Which of these statements comes closest to describing your household income?

- 1) Our household income covers our expenses well and we are able to save.
- 2) Our household income covers our expenses without notable difficulties.
- 3) Our household income does not cover our expenses and we face some difficulties in meeting our needs.
- 4) Our household income does not cover our expenses and we face significant difficulties in meeting our needs.
- 5) DK/NA

35) *Israelis only*: In terms of political opinions, which of the following describes you best

- 1) Left
- 2) Moderate left
- 3) Center
- 4) Moderate right
- 5) Right

35) *Palestinians only*: In terms of political opinions, which of the following describes you best

- 1) Islamism
- 2) Mainstream nationalism
- 3) Left
- 4) Traditional opinion
- 5) None

36) How interested are you in politics?

- 1) Very interested
- 2) Interested
- 3) Quite interested
- 4) Not quite interested
- 5) Not interested

37) To what extent do you trust information stemming from the Israeli/Palestinian media regarding the Israeli-Palestinian conflict (Asked about own media)?

1) None 2) To a small extent 3) Neither small nor large extent 4) To some extent 5) To a Large extent

38) How important is religion in your life?

- 1) Very important
- 2) Important
- 3) Not important
- 4) Not important at all
- 5) DK/NA

39) Generally, do you see yourself as:

- 1) Religious
- 2) Somewhat religious
- 3) Not religious
- 4) DK/NA

40) (*Israeli Arabs only*): Are You?

- 1) Moslem
- 2) Druze
- 3) Christian
- 4) Other

(*Israeli Jews Only*): Are You?

- 1) Haredi (ultra-orthodox)
- 2) Religious
- 3) Traditional
- 4) Secular
- 5) DK/NA

Gender

Age

Place of Residence

Education