

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: JEWISH MAJORITY NATIONAL SURVEY OF JEWISH ADULTS

- 1. There are many widely-held pro-Israel stances among American Jews including the following.** More details about these and related items are found in the rest of this executive summary memo.

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| 85% | Think Hamas wants to commit genocide against Jews and Israel |
| 80% | Think Israel cannot be expected to negotiate with an organization like Hamas which has a goal of eliminating Israel and killing all Jews |
| 77% | Think supporting or praising the October 7th Hamas attacks on Israel is antisemitic |
| 76% | Say the Hamas attacks on October 7 th were an unjustified terrorist attack on civilians |
| 73% | Support America continuing to provide Israel with defensive weapons like the Iron Dome missile defense shield |
| 72% | Support allocating U.S. federal tax dollars to increase physical security enhancements for nonprofit organizations that are at high risk of terrorist attack |
| 70% | Think Anti-Zionist movements are antisemitic by definition |

- 2. American Jews rate Jews and Israel far higher than adversaries like Hezbollah and Hamas on a feeling thermometer scale from 0-100:**

| | %80-100 Rating | Mean Rating |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| <i>Jews</i> | 75% | 85 |
| <i>Israel</i> | 49% | 69 |
| <i>Christians</i> | 34% | 61 |
| <i>Muslims</i> | 17% | 48 |
| <i>The Palestinian Authority</i> | 5% | 26 |
| <i>Iran</i> | 4% | 21 |
| <i>Hezbollah</i> | 3% | 16 |
| <i>Hamas</i> | 3% | 15 |

- 3. Strong majorities of American Jews have favorable views of American Jewish organizations.** Even greater numbers of American Jews say they are either a member of these organizations or they are not a member but agree with the organization’s stances and policies.

| <i>Ranked by % Total Favorable</i> | Total Favorable | Total Unfavorable | Total Member/ Agree |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Jewish National Fund | 66% | 6% | 79% |
| Anti-Defamation League | 65% | 9% | 79% |
| Jewish Federations of North America | 64% | 6% | 73% |
| American Jewish Committee | 62% | 4% | 74% |

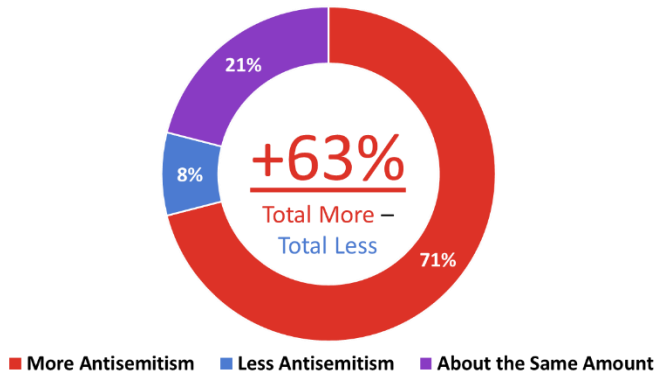
- 4. American Jews overwhelmingly reject the idea that America is too supportive of Israel.** Seventy-four percent (74%) of respondents believe American support for Israel is either about right or insufficient.



- 5. We found strong support for different proposed actions and policies.**

| <i>Ranked by % Strongly Support</i> | Strongly Support | Total Support | Total Oppose |
|--|------------------|---------------|--------------|
| <i>America continuing to provide Israel with defensive weapons</i> | 44% | 73% | 22% |
| <i>Federal tax dollars for security enhancements for nonprofit organizations that are at high risk of terrorist attack</i> | 30% | 72% | 17% |

6. **Nearly all (92%) American Jews believe there is the same or more antisemitism than two or three years ago.** A third (33%) of those who say there is more antisemitism believe this is because there are both more people holding antisemitic views and that they feel more free to express them.



| Reasons for More Antisemitism (Asked among the 71% who say there is more antisemitism) | |
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| 15% | More People Hold Antisemitic Views |
| 23% | People Feel More Free to Express Antisemitic Views |
| 33% | Both |

7. **Strong majorities of American Jews find unacceptable many of the tactics that have been reported to be used by some Jewish anti-Zionist organizations to protest Israel’s military actions in Gaza and Lebanon.**

| | Total Unacceptable |
|---|--------------------|
| <i>Blocking traffic</i> | 75% |
| <i>The use of Jewish ritual items like shofars, prayer shawls, and phylacteries by anti-Israel protesters</i> | 66% |
| <i>Demonstrating at the homes of government officials</i> | 60% |
| <i>Wearing a mask to conceal identity</i> | 55% |

8. **More than six-in-ten American Jews find much of the rhetoric regarding the Israel-Hamas conflict to be antisemitic.** We asked respondents to indicate how well each of these statements describes how they think.

| Ranked by % Describes Well | Describes Very Well | Total Describes Well | Not Too/Not At All Well |
|--|---------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
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| <i>Supporting or praising the October 7th Hamas attacks on Israel is antisemitic</i> | 51% | 77% | 23% |
| <i>The protests on college campuses in the spring of 2024 against Israel were antisemitic</i> | 44% | 76% | 24% |
| <i>Demonstrations against Israel after October 7, 2023 but before Israel entered Gaza were antisemitic</i> | 39% | 74% | 26% |
| <i>Anti-Zionist movements are antisemitic by definition</i> | 31% | 70% | 30% |
| <i>Protests against Israel's military response in Gaza are antisemitic</i> | 27% | 61% | 39% |

9. Respondents also indicated the extent to which other statements related to the conflict describe what they think.

| <i>Ranked by % Describes Very Well</i> | Describes Very Well | Total Describes Well | Not Too/ Not At All Well |
|--|----------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <i>Hamas wants to commit genocide against Jews and Israel</i> | 62% | 85% | 15% |
| <i>Israel cannot be expected to negotiate with an organization like Hamas which has a goal of eliminating Israel and killing all Jews</i> | 50% | 80% | 20% |
| <i>It is possible to be a strong supporter of Israel and also protest their attacks that lead to the harm or death of civilians in Gaza or Lebanon</i> | 33% | 74% | 26% |
| <i>Israel will only be safe if it works with others to create a two-state solution with an independent Palestinian state as its neighbor</i> | 27% | 68% | 32% |
| <i>The creation of a Palestinian state next to Israel would end the conflict</i> | 18% | 48% | 52% |
| <i>Israeli concessions would end Palestinian terror</i> | 12% | 38% | 62% |

10. Seven-in-ten (71%) American Jews believe that for an organization to credibly claim to speak for Jewish Americans it should be comprised almost entirely of Jews. This includes 25% who Strongly Agree compared to just 7% who Strongly Disagree.

11. Ninety-one percent (91%) of respondents are concerned that social media amplifies the opinions of fringe movements making them seem larger and more widespread than they actually are. This includes 48% who are Very Concerned.

METHODOLOGY: Public Opinion Strategies conducted a national online survey of N=800 Jewish Adults from December 16-24, 2024. The credibility interval is ±3.95%.