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National Jewish Voters Survey

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 800 Jewish Voters

Q.2 Are you currently registered to vote?

	Total
Yes.....	100
No.....	-
Not sure.....	-

Q.4 (PRE-ELECTION DAY) What are the chances of your voting in the upcoming general election for President, U.S. Congress, and other offices - have you already voted, are you almost certain to vote, will you probably vote, are the chances fifty-fifty, or don't you think you will vote?

(ELECTION DAY) As you may know, there was an election today for President of the United States, Congress, and other offices. Many people weren't able to vote. How about you? Were you able to vote or for some reason were you unable to vote?

	Total
Already voted/Voted.....	100
Almost certain.....	-
Probably.....	-
Fifty-fifty.....	-
Will not vote/Did not vote.....	-

Q.6 What is your present religion, if any?

	Total
Jewish (Judaism).....	86
Atheist.....	6
Agnostic.....	4
Something else.....	1
Nothing in particular.....	3
Not sure.....	2

Q.8 (IF ATHEIST, AGNOSTIC, SOMETHING ELSE, NOTHING IN Q.6/7)¹ Even though you do not consider your religion to be Jewish, do you consider yourself Jewish?

	Total
Yes.....	100
No.....	-
Not sure.....	-

¹
 114 respondents answered Q.8.



Q.9 How would you describe your Jewish denomination?

	Total
Reform.....	36
No particular denomination.....	30
Conservative.....	20
Orthodox.....	10
Reconstructionist.....	2
Other.....	1
Not sure.....	1

Q.10 Generally speaking, do you think that things in this country are going in the right direction, or do you feel things have gotten pretty seriously off on the wrong track?

	Total
Right direction.....	15
Wrong track.....	85
Right direction - Wrong track.....	-70

Q.11 Below is a list of issues facing our country today. Please mark which TWO of these issues were the most important for you in deciding your vote in the Presidential election between Joe Biden and Donald Trump.

	Total
The coronavirus pandemic.....	54
Climate change.....	26
Health care.....	25
The economy.....	23
The Supreme Court.....	17
Police reform and racial justice.....	14
National security.....	10
Social Security and Medicare.....	7
Israel.....	5
Immigration.....	5
Taxes.....	4
Education.....	3
Iran.....	1
Other.....	6

Q.12 Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as president?

	Total
Strongly approve.....	18
Somewhat approve.....	5
Somewhat disapprove.....	3
Strongly disapprove.....	74
Total Approve.....	23
Total Disapprove.....	77
Approve - Disapprove.....	-54

Now, please rate your feelings toward some people and organizations, with 100 meaning a very warm, favorable feeling; 0 meaning a very cold, unfavorable feeling; and 50 meaning not particularly warm or cold. You can use any number from 0 to 100, the higher the number the more favorable your feelings are toward that person or organization.

	Mean	Fav	Unfav	ID
13 Donald Trump.....	22	22	77	
.....	99			
14 Barack Obama.....	70	75	23	
.....	100			
15 The Democratic Party.....	58	67	31	
.....	99			
16 The Republican Party.....	24	20	79	
.....	100			
17 Joe Biden.....	64	72	25	
.....	99			
18 Mitch McConnell.....	19	17	78	
.....	96			
19 Benjamin Netanyahu.....	37	31	61	
.....	95			

Q.20 (PRE-ELECTION DAY) Thinking about the upcoming election for President, for whom did you vote?

(ELECTION DAY) Thinking about today's election for President, for whom did you vote?

	Total
Democrat Joe Biden.....	77
Republican Donald Trump.....	21
Someone else.....	2

Democrat Joe Biden - Republican Donald Trump.....55

Q.21 (PRE-ELECTION DAY) Thinking about the upcoming election for the United States Congress, for whom did you vote?

(ELECTION DAY ONLY) Thinking about today's election for the United States Congress, for whom did you vote?

	Total
The Democratic candidate for Congress.....	78
The Republican candidate for Congress.....	21
Someone else.....	1

Democratic candidate - Republican candidate.....57

Q.22 Now, something different. People often talk about being "pro-Israel." Do you think someone can be critical of Israeli government policies and still be "pro-Israel"?

	Total
Yes.....	92
No.....	8

Q.23 As you may know, President Trump withdrew the United States from the nuclear agreement that the United States made with Iran and five other countries. This agreement lifts economic sanctions against Iran in exchange for Iran dismantling its nuclear weapons program and allowing international inspectors to monitor Iran's facilities. Some people think that we should re-enter the agreement.

Do you support or oppose the United States re-entering this agreement?

	Total
Strongly support.....	49
Somewhat support.....	25
Somewhat oppose.....	6
Strongly oppose.....	20
Total Support.....	74
Total Oppose.....	26
Support - Oppose.....	48

Q.24 Do you support or oppose the United States playing an active role in helping the parties to resolve the Israeli-Palestinian conflict?

	Total
Strongly support.....	49
Somewhat support.....	42
Somewhat oppose.....	7
Strongly oppose.....	2
Total Support.....	91
Total Oppose.....	9
Support - Oppose.....	82

Q.25 (SPLIT A)² Would you support or oppose the United States playing an active role in helping the parties to resolve the Israeli-Palestinian conflict if it meant the United States publicly stating its disagreements with both the Israelis and the Palestinians?

	Total
Strongly support.....	37
Somewhat support.....	44
Somewhat oppose.....	14
Strongly oppose.....	6
Total Support.....	80
Total Oppose.....	20
Support - Oppose.....	61

Q.26 (SPLIT B) Would you support or oppose the United States playing an active role in helping the parties to resolve the Israeli-Palestinian conflict if it meant the United States publicly stating its disagreements with Israel?

	Total
Strongly support.....	31
Somewhat support.....	39
Somewhat oppose.....	17
Strongly oppose.....	13
Total Support.....	70
Total Oppose.....	30
Support - Oppose.....	40

²

Half of all respondents answered questions marked as SPLIT A while the other half answered questions marked as SPLIT B.

Q.27 (SPLIT A) Would you support or oppose the United States playing an active role in helping the parties to resolve the Israeli-Palestinian conflict if it meant the United States exerting pressure on both the Israelis and Palestinians to make the compromises necessary to achieve peace?

	Total
Strongly support.....	37
Somewhat support.....	39
Somewhat oppose.....	16
Strongly oppose.....	7
Total Support.....	77
Total Oppose.....	23
Support - Oppose.....	53

Q.28 (SPLIT B) Would you support or oppose the United States playing an active role in helping the parties to resolve the Israeli-Palestinian conflict if it meant the United States exerting pressure on Israel to make the compromises necessary to achieve peace?

	Total
Strongly support.....	29
Somewhat support.....	38
Somewhat oppose.....	20
Strongly oppose.....	13
Total Support.....	67
Total Oppose.....	33
Support - Oppose.....	33

Q.29 As you may know, on a few occasions during the past several years, Israeli, Palestinian, and American negotiators came close to reaching a final status peace agreement but ultimately fell short.

The details of that agreement include:

- A demilitarized Palestinian state in the West Bank and Gaza
- Internationally recognized borders based on the borders that existed in 1967, with mutually agreed land swaps that allow for most Jewish settlers in the West Bank to be inside Israel while the Palestinians get comparable land areas in return
- Palestinian neighborhoods in Jerusalem become part of the new Palestinian state while Israel retains control of Jewish neighborhoods and the Western Wall in Jerusalem
- International forces to monitor the new Palestinian state and border crossings
- Financial compensation for Palestinian refugees while allowing some refugees to return to Israel if they meet specific family reunification criteria and the Israeli government approves

Overall, do you support or oppose such an agreement?

	Total
Strongly support.....	22
Somewhat support.....	53
Somewhat oppose.....	14
Strongly oppose.....	12
Total Support.....	75
Total Oppose.....	25
Support - Oppose.....	49

Q.30 In your opinion, which of the following would be the best resolution of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict?

	Total
Establishing two separate states with their own separate governments - a Jewish State of Israel alongside an Arab State of Palestine.....	72
Israeli annexation of the West Bank that establishes one state as the national homeland of the Jewish people, and allows Palestinians to vote for their municipal leaders but not vote for Israel's national government.....	15
Establishing one state that is neither Jewish nor Palestinian, and includes Israel, the West Bank, and Gaza under a single government elected by Israelis and Palestinians.....	13

Q.31 Based on what you know about Israeli settlements in the West Bank, which of the following statements comes closest to your own point of view?

	Total
Israel should suspend all construction of Israeli settlements in the West Bank.....	42
Israel should suspend construction of Israeli settlements that are outside the core settlement blocs, but continue construction in areas that are already developed.....	40
Israel should build Israeli settlements in any area of the West Bank that it wants.....	17

Q.32 Thinking about negotiations between Israelis and Palestinians to resolve their conflict, do you think the U.S. should act as a fair and even-handed broker between Israelis and Palestinians or do you think the U.S. should side with Israel?

	Total
Fair and even-handed broker.....	71
Side with Israel.....	29

Q.33 As you may know, there is an international campaign that calls for economic and political pressure on Israel to withdraw from the West Bank and end its control of Palestinian territories. This campaign is known as Boycotts, Divestment, and Sanctions. It is also known as the BDS movement. How much have you heard about BDS?

	Total
A great deal of information.....	31
Some information.....	30
Not much information.....	22
No information at all.....	18
Great deal/Some information.....	60
Not much/No information.....	40

Q.34 (SPLIT A) For you personally, would you support or oppose a campaign that calls on people to boycott products that are made in Israel?

	Total
Strongly support.....	3
Somewhat support.....	8
Somewhat oppose.....	15
Strongly oppose.....	74
Total Support.....	11
Total Oppose.....	89
Support - Oppose.....	-78

Q.35 (SPLIT B) For you personally, would you support or oppose a campaign that calls on people to boycott products that are made in Israel because of its policies in the West Bank?

	Total
Strongly support.....	4
Somewhat support.....	11
Somewhat oppose.....	22
Strongly oppose.....	63
Total Support.....	16
Total Oppose.....	84
Support - Oppose.....	-68

Below are some different policy initiatives that have been discussed recently for the next Congress and President to consider. For each initiative, please indicate whether you favor or oppose this initiative.

	Strg Fav	Smwt Fav	Smwt Opp	Strg Opp	Total Fav	Total Opp	Fav - Opp
36 Provide the same amount of money the U.S. gives to Israel in military assistance but restrict it so that no U.S. aid can be spent on annexation.....	23	34	24				
.....	19	57	43				
.....	14						
37 Provide financial and humanitarian aid to the Palestinians that had been cut by the Trump administration.....	30	37	15				
.....	19	66	34				
.....	33						

Finally, a few more questions for statistical purposes.

Q.38 What is your gender?

	Total
Male.....	48
Female.....	52
Other.....	1

Q.39 In what year were you born?

	Total
18 - 24.....	10
25 - 29.....	9
30 - 34.....	6
35 - 39.....	9
40 - 44.....	7
45 - 49.....	6
50 - 54.....	9
55 - 59.....	8
60 - 64.....	11
Over 64.....	26

Q.40 What is the last year of schooling that you have completed?

	Total
1 - 11th grade.....	1
High school graduate.....	8
Vocational or technical school.....	0
Associate degree.....	17
Some college, but no degree.....	7
4-year college graduate or bachelor's degree.....	34
Graduate school or advanced degree.....	32
Prefer not to answer.....	1

Q.41 Are you currently a member of a synagogue or temple?

	Total
Yes.....	35
No.....	65

Q.42 Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a...

	Total
Strong Democrat.....	49
Weak Democrat.....	11
Independent-lean Democrat.....	13
Independent.....	8
Independent-lean Republican.....	5
Weak Republican.....	3
Strong Republican.....	11

Q.45 Thinking in political terms, would you say you that you are...?

	Total
Progressive.....	22
Liberal.....	30
Moderate.....	30
Conservative.....	17
Not sure.....	1

Q.46 In the 2016 presidential election, for whom did you vote?

	Total
Hillary Clinton.....	70
Donald Trump.....	18
Gary Johnson.....	3
Jill Stein.....	1
Other.....	0
Did not vote/too young to vote.....	6
Not sure.....	1
Hillary Clinton - Donald Trump.....	53