



## **Public Poll Findings: Peace with the Palestinians**

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Following are the findings of a public opinion poll taken between December 2-10, 2012 among 500 people as a representative sample of the adult Jewish population (18+) of Israel. The margin of error is 3.7%.

*Commissioned by the S. Daniel Abraham Center for Middle East Peace*

## Summary of Poll Findings

### **Israeli-Palestinian Peace Agreement**

If the government of Israel brought to a referendum a peace agreement that would end the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, and whose implementation would take place only after the Palestinians would fulfill all their commitments with an emphasis on fighting terror, and the implementation would be monitored and verified by the United States, will you support or oppose an agreement based on the following principles:

1. Two states: Israel the state of the Jewish people and Palestine the state of the Palestinian people.
2. Palestinian refugees will have a right to return only to the new state of Palestine.
3. The Palestinian state will be demilitarized, without an army.
4. Borders will be based on the 1967 lines and will include land swaps equal in size that will take into consideration Israel's security needs and will maintain the large settlement blocks under Israeli sovereignty.
5. Jewish neighborhoods of Jerusalem will come under Israeli sovereignty and Arab neighborhoods under Palestinian sovereignty.
6. The Old City within the walls will be without sovereignty and will be jointly administered by the United States, Israel and the Palestinians. The Holy Places will be under the same religious supervision as current arrangements (for example, the Kotel will be under Israeli supervision and responsibility).

	Entire Sample	By Sector	
		Jews	Arabs
Support	67%	65%	82%
Oppose	21%	22%	13%
Didn't Respond	12%	13%	5%

\*With specific security arrangements (described on the next page):

Jewish Sector	74%
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Those who opposed the original concept were asked a series of additional questions, each of which was asked only if the respondent opposed the previous question.

*Note: these questions were presented only to the Jewish population*

Those that opposed the basic question were asked:

A. And if, in addition, the United States would guarantee Israel's security as a Jewish state, would you then support or oppose the agreement?

Support	68% (+3%)
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Those that opposed question A were asked:

B. And if, in addition, a strong security fence will be built along the border, would you then support or oppose the agreement?

Support	69% (+1%)
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Those that opposed question B were asked:

C. And if, in addition, the implementation of the agreement were conditioned on the disarming of Hamas and ending its control of the Gaza Strip, would you then support or oppose the agreement?

Support	73% (+4%)
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Those that opposed question C were asked:

D. And if, in addition, the United States signed a mutual defense treaty with Israel under which – if needed – the United States would commit to defend Israel if attacked, would you then support or oppose the agreement?

Support	74% (+1%)
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Those that opposed question D were asked:

E. And if, in addition, the Arab League will endorse the Israeli-Palestinian peace agreement and the Arab countries would commit to normalize relations with Israel, would you then support or oppose the agreement?

Support	74% (--)
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**Summary of the cumulative support in each stage:**

Basic	A	B	C	D	E
65%	68%	69%	73%	74%	74%

The following is a breakdown of the support levels of the general public according to the party they would vote for if elections were held today:

		<b>Support</b>	<b>Oppose</b>	<b>Didn't Respond</b>
	General Public	67%	21%	12%
	<b>PARTY</b>			
1.	Likud-Beytenu	57%	25%	18%
2.	Labor	92%	2%	6%
3.	Tzipi Livni	92%	5%	3%
4.	Yair Lapid	88%	12%	--
5.	Shas	44%	41%	15%
6.	Meretz	77%	8%	15%
7.	Jewish Home (Settlers)	53%	43%	4%
8.	Arab Parties	44%	17%	39%
9.	Undecided	73%	17%	10%