



Public Poll Findings: Positions of the Israeli Public on Leadership and Peace

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Following are the findings of a public opinion poll taken between November 1-10, 2011 among 700 people as a representative sample of the adult Jewish population (18+) of Israel. The margin of error is 3.7%.

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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 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).

Support	62%
Oppose	38%

*With specific security arrangements (described on the next page), support for this peace agreement is as follows:

Support	77%
Oppose	23%

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.

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	67% (+5%)
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Those that opposed question A were asked:

B. And if, in addition, a strong security fence were built along the borders that will be based on the 1967 line, would you then support or oppose the agreement?

Support	70% (+3%)
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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	75% (+5%)
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Those that opposed question C were asked:

D. And if, in addition, the United States signed a defense treaty with Israel under which the United States would guarantee fulfillment of all Arab obligations, would you then support or oppose the agreement?

Support	76% (+1%)
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Those that opposed question D were asked:

E. And if, in addition, the agreement specified that Israelis could continue to reside in the Palestinian state under Palestinian sovereignty while maintaining their Israeli citizenship, would you then support or oppose the agreement?

Support	77% (+1%)
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The following table summarizes the cumulative support in each stage:

Basic	A	B	C	D	E
62%	67%	70%	75%	76%	77%



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