

**2024 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL
WAVE 143 RELIGION, ISRAEL AND GEOPOLITICS
February 13-25, 2024
N=12,693**

OTHER QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED OR HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

DISPLAY FOR ALL:

The next few questions are a little different. For each, please answer as best as you can. We want to measure what you already know. Please do not look it up or ask someone for the answers. If you don't know the answer, select "Not sure" or just move on to the next one.

ASK ALL:

ID_NETAN Who is the current prime minister of Israel? **[RANDOMIZE OPTIONS, WITH "NOT SURE" ALWAYS LAST]**

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62	Benjamin Netanyahu [correct]
1	Rishi Sunak
1	Benny Gantz
1	Abdel Fattah el-Sisi
35	Not sure
<1	No answer

ASK ALL:

ISRGZ_STARTED Which group attacked Israel on Oct. 7 to set off the current war? **[RANDOMIZE OPTIONS, WITH "NOT SURE" ALWAYS LAST]**

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80	Hamas [correct]
2	Hezbollah
1	Al Qaeda
2	Taliban
15	Not sure
1	No answer

ASK ALL:

DEATHS_ISRGZ Has the number of deaths in the current Israel-Hamas war been... **[RANDOMIZE OPTIONS, WITH "ABOUT THE SAME" AND "NOT SURE" ALWAYS LAST]**

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52	Higher among Palestinians [correct]
7	Higher among Israelis
7	About the same
34	Not sure
1	No answer

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ASK ALL:

FOL_TOPICS How closely have you been following news about each of these topics?
[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; RANDOMIZE RESPONSE CATEGORIES "EXTREMELY CLOSELY" TO "NOT AT ALL CLOSELY" AND "NOT AT ALL CLOSELY" TO "EXTREMELY CLOSELY"]

	<u>Extremely closely</u>	<u>Very closely</u>	<u>Somewhat closely</u>	<u>Not too closely</u>	<u>Not at all closely</u>	<u>No answer</u>
a. Russia's invasion of Ukraine						
Feb 13-25, 2024	6	14	35	29	16	<1
Nov 27-Dec 3, 2023	6	14	40	27	13	<1
June 5-11, 2023	9	15	35	24	17	1
Jan 18-24, 2023	9	18	38	23	12	<1
Sep 13-18, 2022	9	16	37	23	14	<1
April 25-May 1, 2022	15	21	38	19	7	<1
b. The Israel-Hamas war						
Feb 13-25, 2024	8	14	35	26	18	<1
Nov 27-Dec 3, 2023	9	17	37	21	15	<1
c. The 2024 U.S. presidential election						
Feb 13-25, 2024	14	19	33	21	14	<1

ASK ALL:

FEEL_ISRZGZ Does hearing or reading news about the Israel-Hamas war make you feel...
[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>No answer</u>
a. Angry			
Feb 13-25, 2024	65	33	2
b. Sad			
Feb 13-25, 2024	83	16	1
c. Exhausted			
Feb 13-25, 2024	51	46	2
d. Afraid			
Feb 13-25, 2024	37	61	2

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ASK ALL:

ME_SPPRT

Thinking about the situation with Israelis and Palestinians these days, do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of each of the following? **[RANDOMIZE ORDER OF SCREEN 1 AND SCREEN 2; RANDOMIZE A AND C ON SCREEN 1; WHEN A IS FIRST, D IS FIRST ON SCREEN TWO (AND VICE VERSA WHEN SCREEN 2 APPEARS FIRST). ANCHOR ITEM B IN THE MIDDLE]**

		-----Favorable-----			-----Unfavorable-----			No
		NET	<i>Very</i>	<i>Somewhat</i>	NET	<i>Very</i>	<i>Somewhat</i>	answer
[SCREEN 1]								
a.	The Israeli government							
	Feb 13-25, 2024	41	13	28	51	21	30	8
	March 7-13, 2022 ¹	47	11	36	43	12	31	10
	April 1-14, 2019	41	14	27	51	17	33	9
b.	The Palestinian Authority, which controls the West Bank							
	Feb 13-25, 2024	23	3	20	68	25	43	9
c.	Hamas, which has controlled Gaza							
	Feb 13-25, 2024	8	2	6	84	60	24	8
[SCREEN 2]								
d.	The Israeli people							
	Feb 13-25, 2024	64	23	41	28	7	20	8
	March 7-13, 2022 ¹	67	20	47	25	5	20	8
	April 1-14, 2019	64	20	44	28	6	22	8
e.	The Palestinian people							
	Feb 13-25, 2024	50	12	38	41	11	30	8
	March 7-13, 2022 ¹	53	10	43	39	8	31	8
	April 1-14, 2019	46	7	39	45	12	34	8

ASK ALL:

SYMP Would you say your sympathies lie ... **[RANDOMIZE ORDER "ENTIRELY WITH THE ISRAELI PEOPLE" TO "ENIRELY WITH THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE" AND "ENIRELY WITH THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE" TO "ENTIRELY WITH THE ISRAELI PEOPLE", WITH "EQUALLY WITH BOTH OF THEM", "WITH NEITHER OF THEM", AND "NOT SURE" ALWAYS LAST]**

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11	Entirely with the Israeli people
20	Mostly with the Israeli people but also somewhat with the Palestinian people
11	Mostly with the Palestinian people but also somewhat with the Israeli people
5	Entirely with the Palestinian people
26	Equally with both of them
8	With neither of them
18	Not sure
1	No answer

¹ The 2022 questions were previously reported on using the portion of respondents who received those questions first.

RANDOMIZE SCREENS FOR HMSACC/HMSVAL AND ISRACC/ISRVAL. SHOW HMSACC AND HMSVAL ON SAME SCREEN. SHOW ISRACC AND ISRVAL ON SAME SCREEN

ASK ALL:

HMSACC

Do you think the way Hamas carried out its attack on Israel on Oct. 7 was...
[RANDOMIZE ORDER "COMPLETELY ACCEPTABLE" TO "COMPLETELY UNACCEPTABLE" AND "COMPLETELY UNACCEPTABLE" TO "COMPLETELY ACCEPTABLE", WITH "NOT SURE" ALWAYS LAST]

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2	Completely acceptable
2	Somewhat acceptable
7	Somewhat unacceptable
66	Completely unacceptable
21	Not sure
1	No answer

ASK ALL:

HMSVAL

Regardless of how acceptable you find the way Hamas carried out the Oct. 7 attack, do you think Hamas' reasons for fighting Israel are... **[RANDOMIZE ORDER "COMPLETELY VALID" TO "NOT AT ALL VALID" AND "NOT AT ALL VALID" TO "COMPLETELY VALID" IN SAME ORDER AS HMSACC, WITH "NOT SURE" ALWAYS LAST]**

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2024

6	Completely valid
16	Somewhat valid
15	Not too valid
34	Not at all valid
28	Not sure
1	No answer

ASK ALL:

ISRACC

Do you think the way Israel is carrying out its response to Hamas' Oct. 7 attack is...
[RANDOMIZE ORDER "COMPLETELY ACCEPTABLE" TO "COMPLETELY UNACCEPTABLE" AND "COMPLETELY UNACCEPTABLE" TO "COMPLETELY ACCEPTABLE" IN SAME ORDER AS HMSACC, WITH "NOT SURE" ALWAYS LAST;]

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21	Completely acceptable
17	Somewhat acceptable
14	Somewhat unacceptable
20	Completely unacceptable
26	Not sure
1	No answer

ASK ALL:

ISRVAL

Regardless of how acceptable you find the way Israel is carrying out the war in Gaza, do you think Israel's reasons for fighting Hamas are... **[RANDOMIZE ORDER "COMPLETELY VALID" TO "NOT AT ALL VALID" AND "NOT AT ALL VALID" TO "COMPLETELY VALID" IN SAME ORDER AS HMSACC, WITH "NOT SURE" ALWAYS LAST]**

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2024

35	Completely valid
23	Somewhat valid
7	Not too valid
8	Not at all valid
26	Not sure
1	No answer

ASK ALL:

BIDEN_FAVORISRPAL

Do you think Joe Biden is...**[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS "FAVORING THE ISRAELIS TOO MUCH" AND "FAVORING THE PALESTINIANS TOO MUCH", "STRIKING ABOUT THE RIGHT BALANCE" AND "NOT SURE" ALWAYS LAST]**

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2024

22	Favoring the Israelis too much
16	Favoring the Palestinians too much
21	Striking about the right balance
40	Not sure
1	No answer

Nov 27-Dec 3
2023

21
16
25
38
1

March 21-27,
2022

8
13
16
62
1

TREND FOR COMPARISON:

Do you think Donald Trump is...

April 1-14
2019

Favoring the Israelis too much	34
Favoring the Palestinians too much	6
Striking about the right balances	50
No answer	10

RANDOMIZE FUNDISR AND AIDGZ. SHOW FUNDISR AND AIDGZ ON SAME SCREEN**ASK ALL:**

FUNDISR

Do you favor or oppose the U.S. providing military aid to Israel to help in its war against Hamas? [**RANDOMIZE ORDER "STRONGLY FAVOR" TO "STRONGLY OPPOSE" AND "STRONGLY OPPOSE" TO "STRONGLY FAVOR" IN SAME ORDER AS AIDGZ WITH "NOT SURE" ALWAYS LAST**]

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2024

17	Strongly favor
19	Somewhat favor
14	Neither favor nor oppose
16	Somewhat oppose
19	Strongly oppose
15	Not sure
1	No answer

ASK ALL:

AIDGZ

Do you favor or oppose the U.S. providing humanitarian aid to help Palestinian civilians in Gaza? [**RANDOMIZE ORDER "STRONGLY FAVOR" TO "STRONGLY OPPOSE" AND "STRONGLY OPPOSE" TO "STRONGLY FAVOR" IN SAME ORDER AS FUNDISR WITH "NOT SURE" ALWAYS LAST**]

Feb 13-25,

2024

28	Strongly favor
22	Somewhat favor
16	Neither favor nor oppose
10	Somewhat oppose
10	Strongly oppose
15	Not sure
1	No answer

RANDOMIZE ISRSEC AND PALSTATE**DISPLAY TO ALL, BUT ONLY ON QUESTION APPEARING FIRST, ISRSEC OR PALSTATE:**

Think now about the long-term consequences of the current war...

ASK ALL:

ISRSEC

Overall, do you think the way the Israeli government is carrying out the war against Hamas will make the Israeli people... [**RANDOMIZE OPTIONS "MORE SECURE THAN THEY WERE BEFORE THE WAR" AND "LESS SECURE THAN THEY WERE BEFORE THE WAR" WITH OPTIONS "NOT REALLY HAVE MUCH EFFECT" AND "NOT SURE" ALWAYS LAST**]

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22	More secure than they were before the war
27	Less secure than they were before the war
15	Not really have much effect
35	Not sure
1	No answer

ASK ALL:

PALSTATE

Overall, do you think Hamas' Oct. 7 attack against Israel and the subsequent war will make the creation of an independent Palestinian state... **[RANDOMIZE OPTIONS "MORE LIKELY THAN BEFORE THE WAR" AND "LESS LIKELY THAN BEFORE THE WAR" IN SAME ORDER AS ISRSEC WITH OPTIONS "NOT REALLY HAVE MUCH EFFECT" AND "NOT SURE" ALWAYS LAST]**

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10	More likely than before the war
32	Less likely than before the war
15	Not really have much effect
41	Not sure
1	No answer

ASK ALL:

LIKELYPEACE

How likely do you think it is that there will eventually be lasting peace between Israelis and Palestinians? **[RANDOMIZE ORDER "EXTREMELY LIKELY" TO "NOT AT ALL LIKELY" and "NOT AT ALL LIKELY" TO "EXTREMELY LIKELY" IN SAME ORDER AS RESPONSE OPTIONS FOR FOL_TOPICS, OPTION "NOT SURE" ALWAYS LAST]**

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2024

1	Extremely likely
2	Very likely
9	Somewhat likely
36	Not too likely
32	Not at all likely
20	Not sure
1	No answer

ASK ALL:

LAND_RSLV

What do you think would be the best possible outcome of the conflict between Israel and the Palestinians? **[RANDOMIZE ORDER "THE LAND IS SPLIT INTO TWO COUNTRIES, ONE COUNTRY WITH AN ISRAELI GOVERNMENT AND ONE COUNTRY WITH A PALESTINIAN GOVERNMENT" TO "ALL OF THE LAND IS ONE COUNTRY, WITH A PALESTINIAN GOVERNMENT" AND "ALL OF THE LAND IS ONE COUNTRY, WITH A PALESTINIAN GOVERNMENT" TO "THE LAND IS SPLIT INTO TWO COUNTRIES, ONE COUNTRY WITH AN ISRAELI GOVERNMENT AND ONE COUNTRY WITH A PALESTINIAN GOVERNMENT" WITH OPTION "NOT SURE" ALWAYS LAST]**

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40	The land is split into two countries, one country with an Israeli government and one country with a Palestinian government
13	All of the land is one country, governed jointly by Israelis and Palestinians together
14	All of the land is one country, with an Israeli government
2	All of the land is one country, with a Palestinian government
30	Not sure
1	No answer

March 7-13,
2022

35
16
10
2
37
1

ASK ALL:

RESOLV_ISRGZ

Should the U.S. play a major role, a minor role or no role at all in diplomatically resolving the Israel-Hamas war?

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20	A major role
35	A minor role
27	No role
18	Not sure
1	No answer

OTHER QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED OR HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**ASK ALL:**

PARTY In politics today, do you consider yourself a:

ASK IF INDEP/SOMETHING ELSE OR REFUSED (PARTY=3,4 OR Refused):PARTYLN As of today do you lean more to...²

<u>Republican</u>	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Independent</u>	<u>Something else</u>	<u>No answer</u>	<i>Lean Rep</i>	<i>Lean Dem</i>
28	30	27	13	2	17	18

² PARTY and PARTYLN asked of ATP panelists in a prior wave. Jewish and Muslim respondents from the Ipsos KnowledgePanel, NORC Amerispeak panel and SSRS opinion panel were asked PARTY and PARTYLN on this survey.