

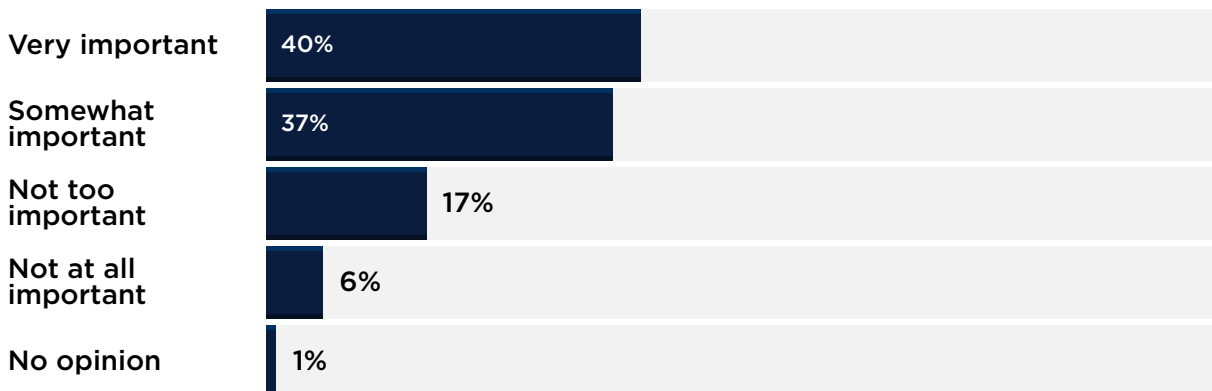
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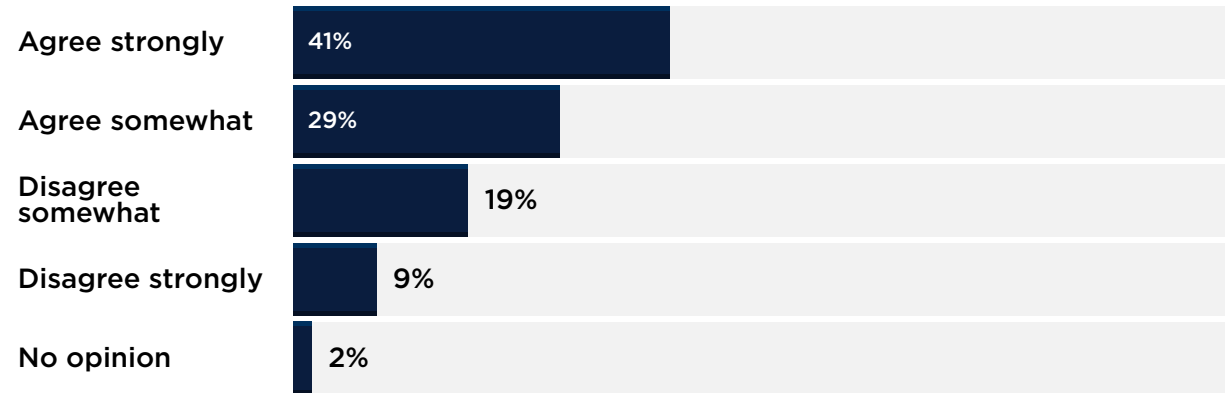
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AJC's 2018 Survey of American Jewish Opinion, conducted by the research company SSRS, is based on telephone interviews carried out April 18-May 10 with a national sample of 1,001 Jews over age 18. The margin of error is plus or minus 3.9%.

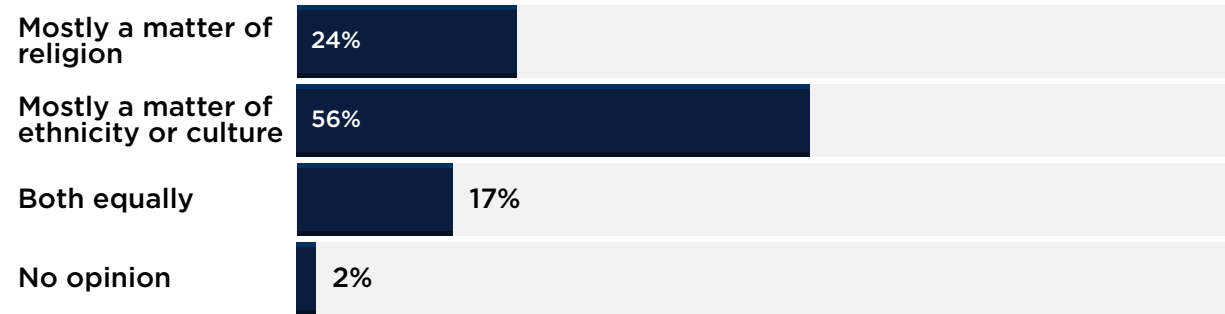
1. How important is being Jewish in your life?



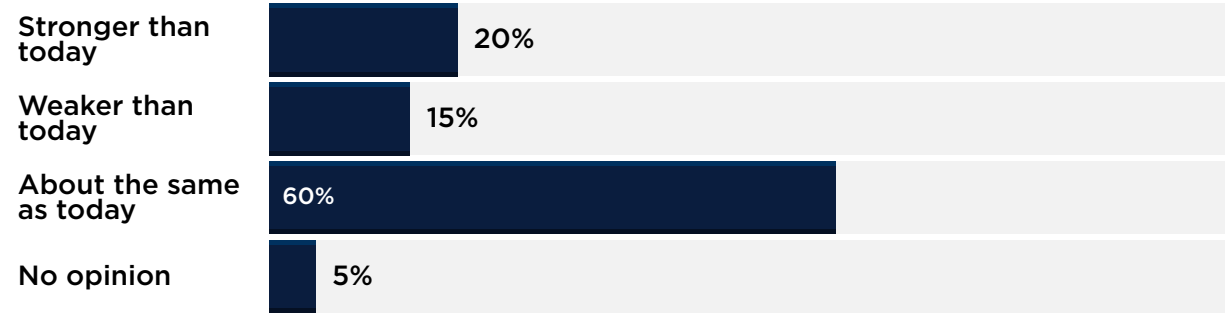
2. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: “Caring about Israel is a very important part of my being a Jew.”



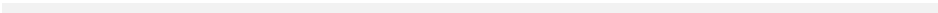
3. Do you consider being Jewish mostly a matter of religion, or more a matter of ethnicity and culture?

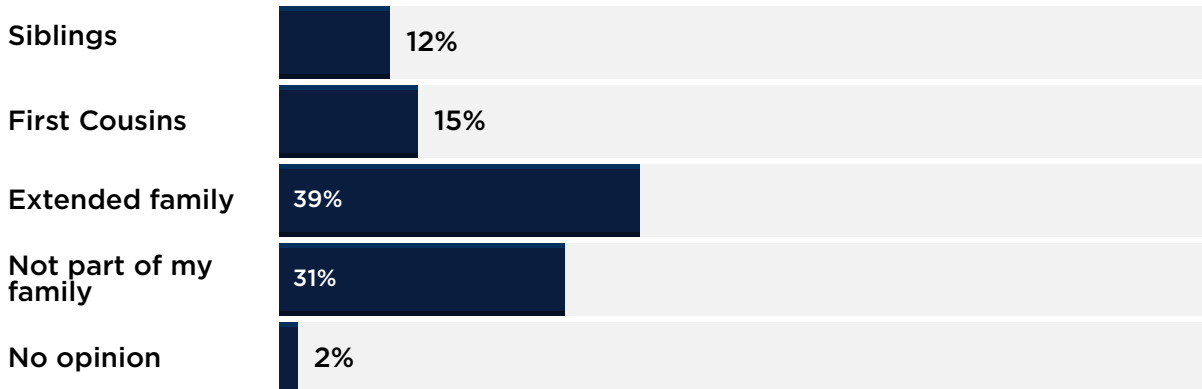


4. Looking ahead five years, do you think that the ties between American and Israeli Jews will be...

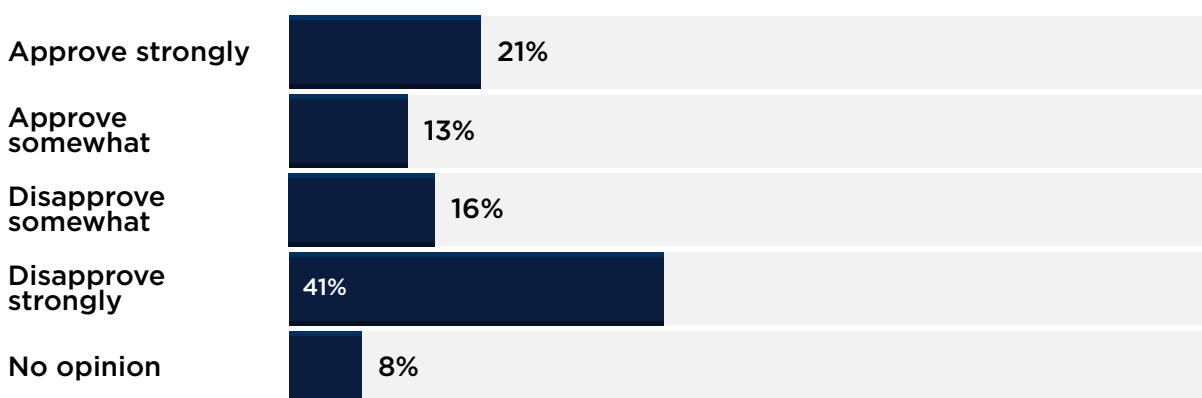


5. Using the metaphor of a family, do you consider Israeli Jews as your...?



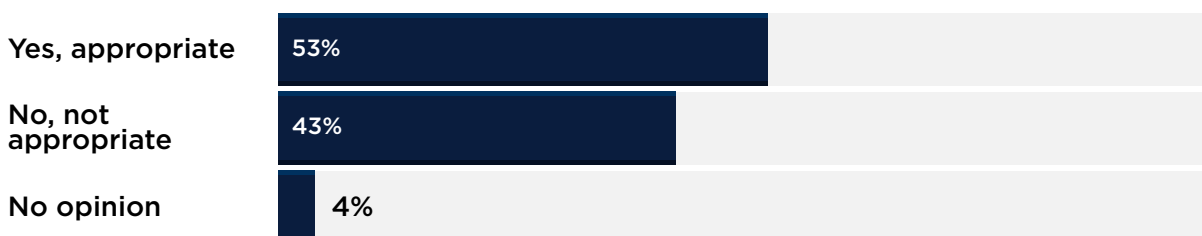


6. Do you approve or disapprove of the way President Trump is handling U.S.-Israel relations?

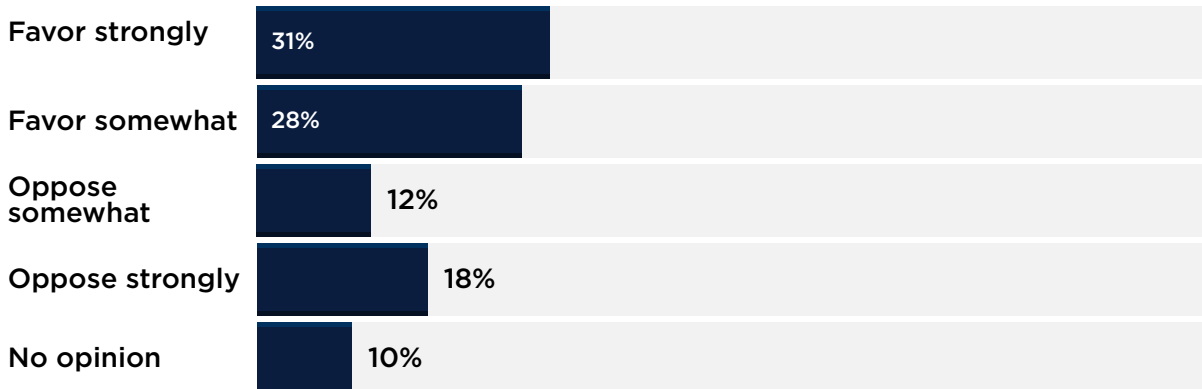


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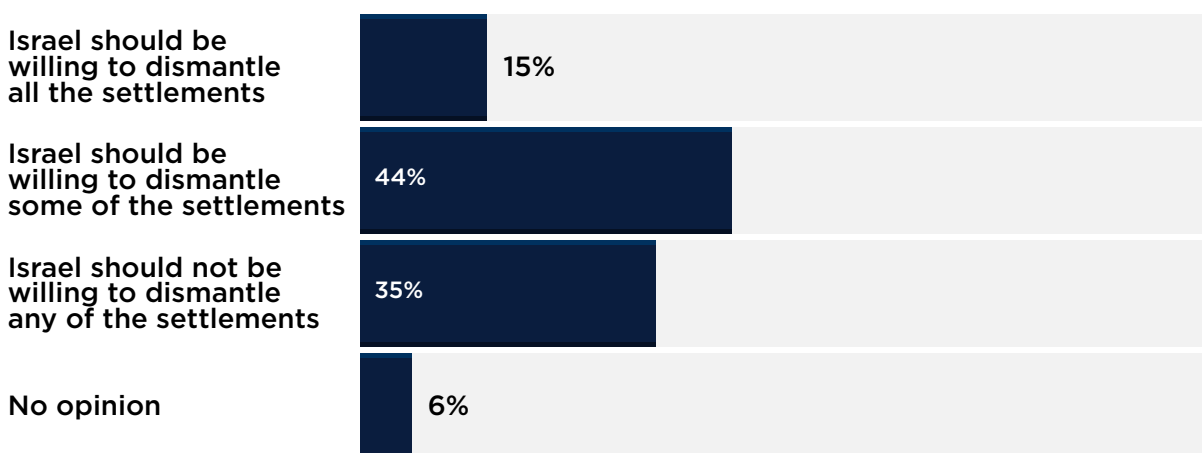
7. Do you think it appropriate for American Jews to attempt to influence Israeli policy on such issues as national security and peace negotiations with the Palestinians?



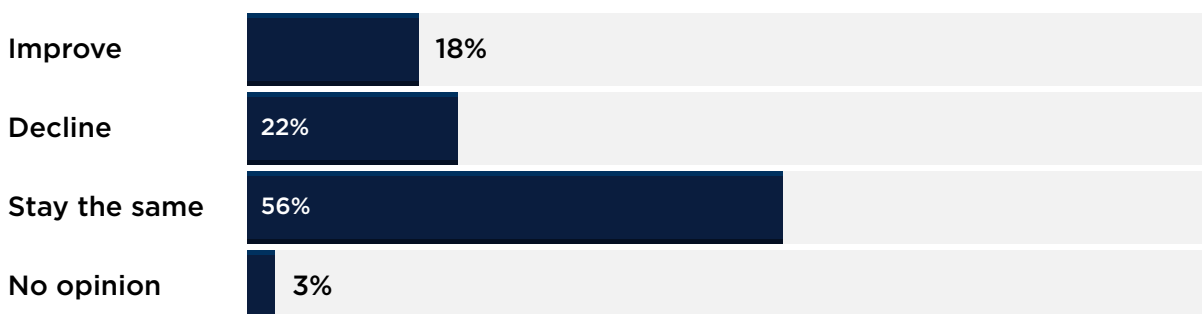
8. In the current situation, do you favor or oppose a two-state solution through the establishment of a demilitarized Palestinian state on the West Bank?



8a. As part of a peace agreement with the Palestinians, should Israel be willing to dismantle all, some, or none of the Jewish settlements in the West Bank?

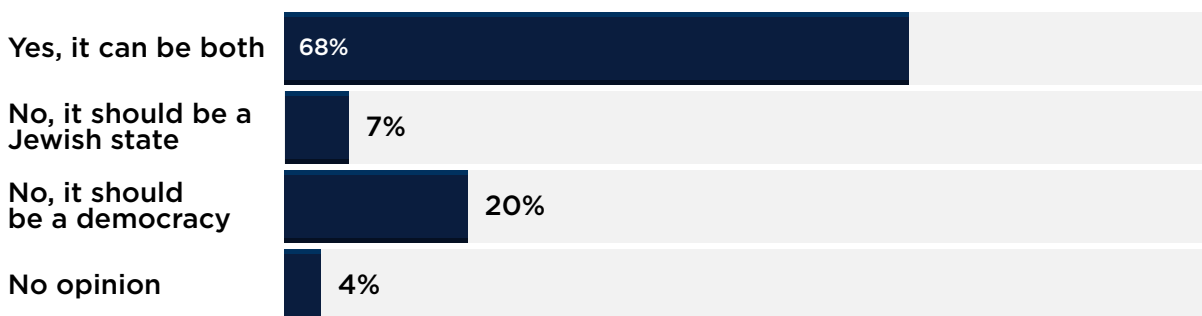


9. Looking ahead five years, do you think that the chances for peaceful coexistence between Israel and a Palestinian state will...?

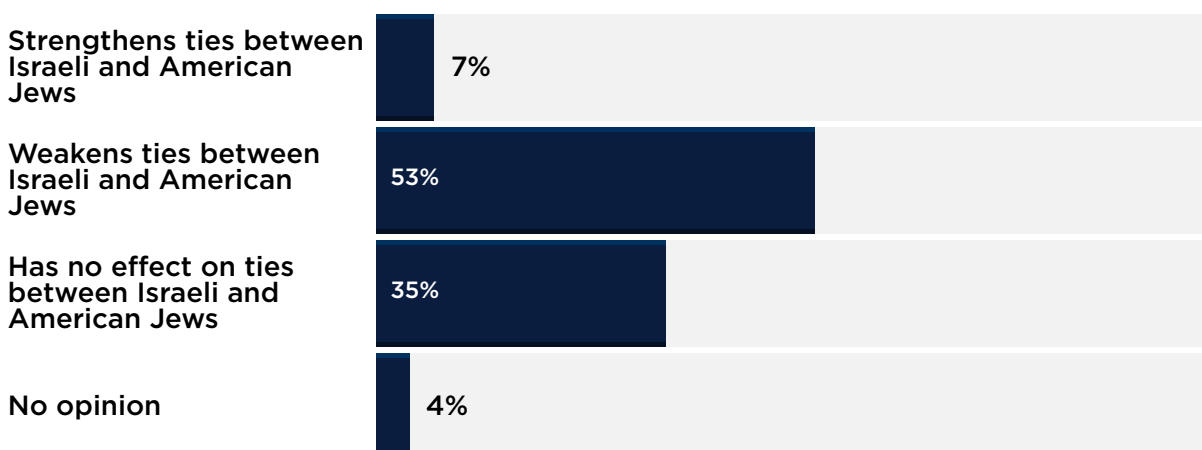


10. In your opinion, can the State of Israel be both a Jewish state

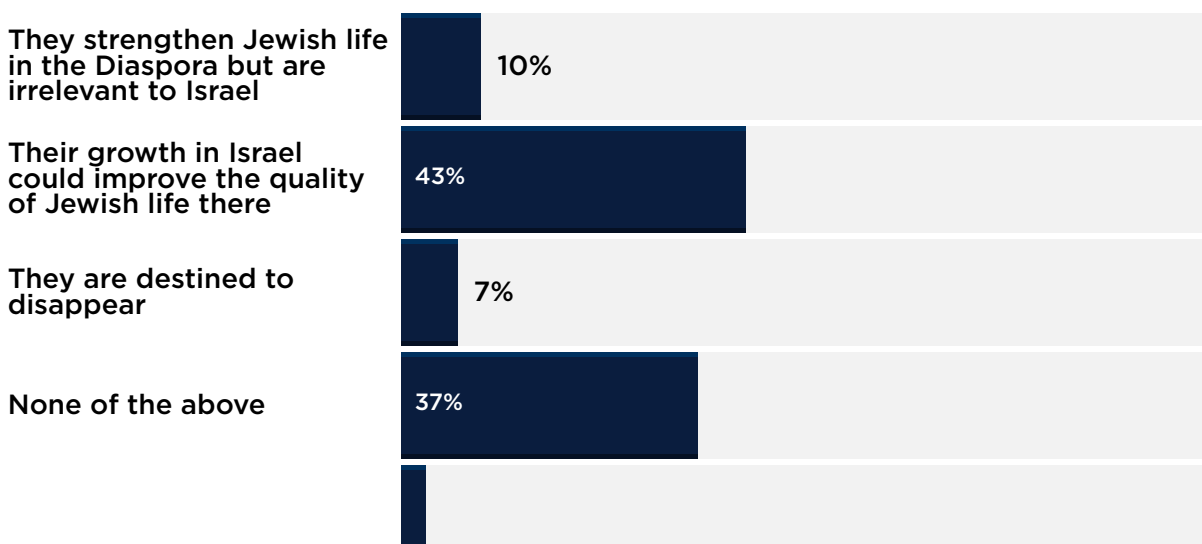
and a democracy, and if not, which should it be?



11. Do you think the fact that Orthodox Judaism is the only denomination recognized by Israel as an official form of Judaism...?



12. Which of the following statements about non-Orthodox forms of Judaism is closest to your view:



No opinion

3%

13. Currently, Jewish weddings, divorces, and conversions to Judaism in Israel are recognized only if Orthodox rabbis officiate. Should non-Orthodox rabbis also be permitted to officiate?

Yes

80%

No

17%

No opinion

3%

14. Currently, Israeli law does not allow for civil [secular] marriage and divorce. Should the law be changed, and civil marriage and divorce allowed?

Yes

81%

No

13%

No opinion

5%

15. Currently, prayer services at the Western Wall in Jerusalem—a site holy to Jews—are conducted according to Orthodox tradition, with men and women separated by a barrier. Do you support or oppose a mixed-gender prayer area adjacent to the Western Wall administered on an equal basis with the services at the Wall itself?

Support

73%

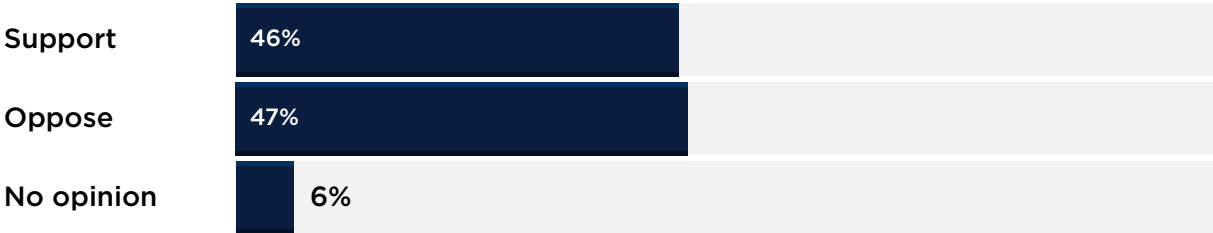
Oppose

21%

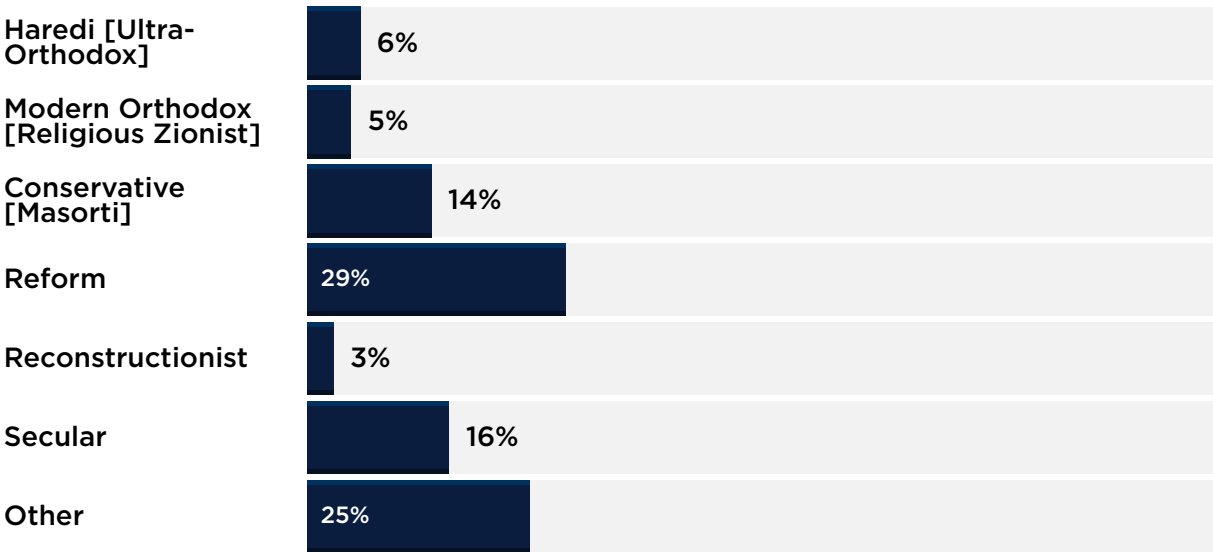
No opinion

6%

16. Do you support or oppose the recent U.S. decision to recognize Jerusalem as Israel’s capital and to relocate the U.S. embassy there?



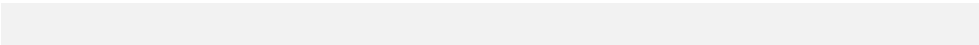
17. Do you identify as...?



18. Do you have family in Israel to whom you feel close?

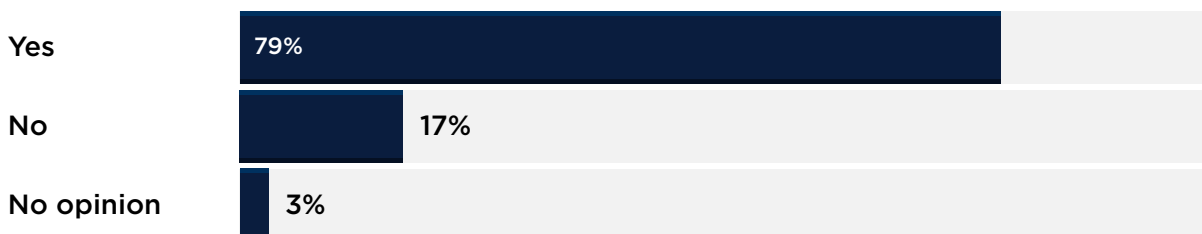


19. Do you think that a thriving Diaspora is vital for the long-term future of the Jewish people?

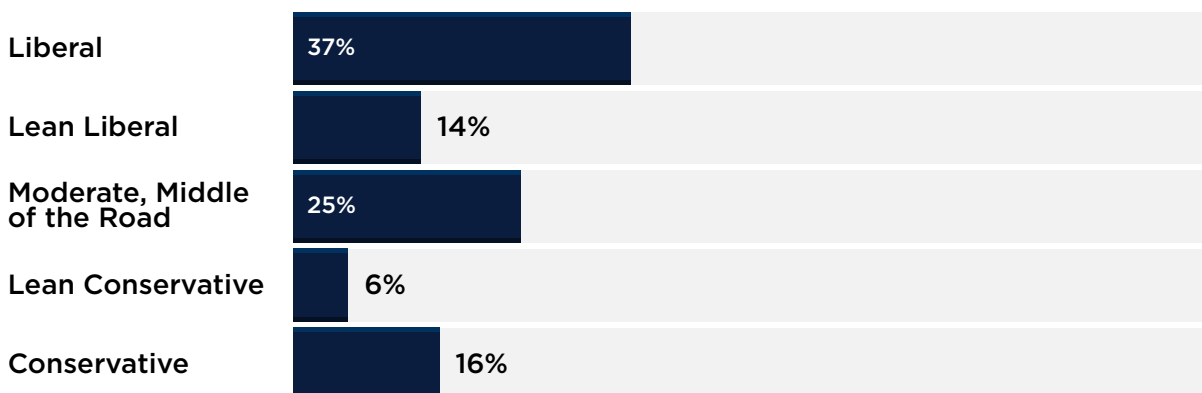




20. Do you think that a thriving State of Israel is vital for the long-term future of the Jewish people?

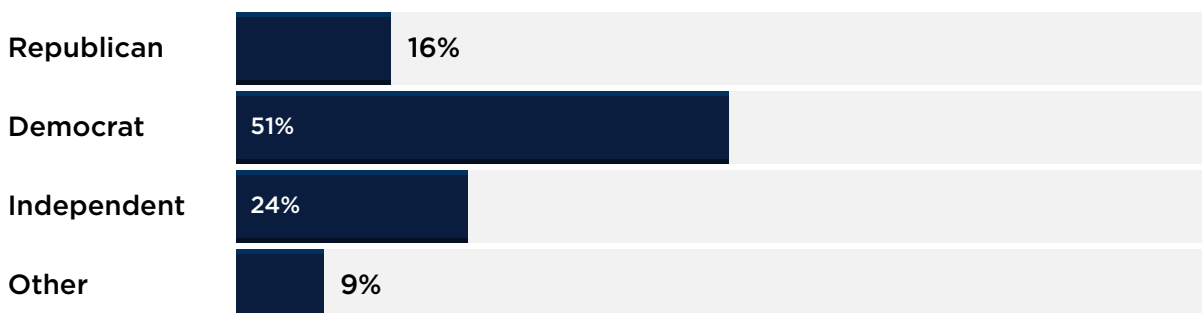


21. Where would you place yourself on this scale?



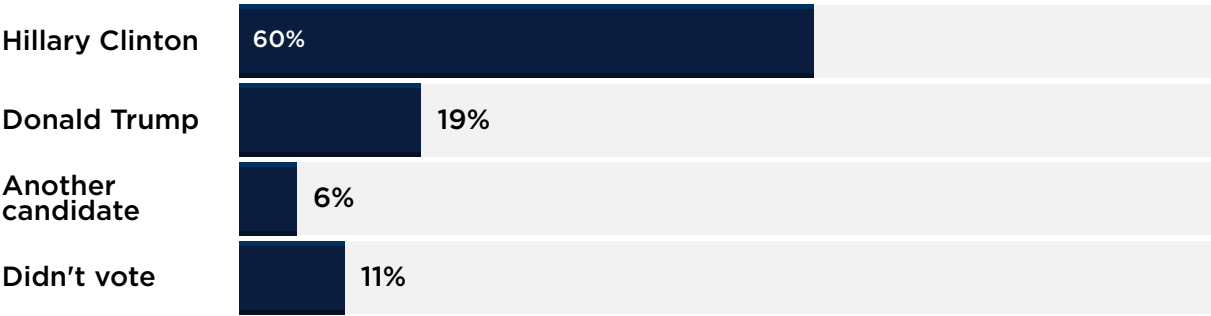
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22. In politics today, do you consider yourself...



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23. In the presidential election of 2016, whom did you vote for?



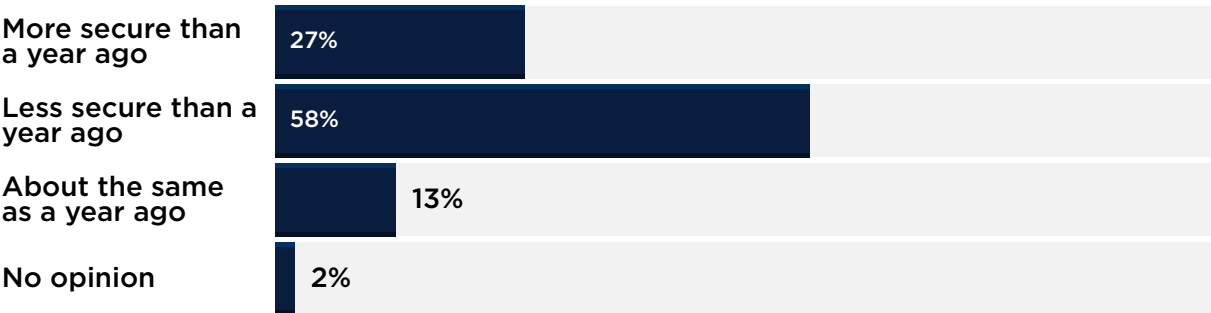
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24. Is your opinion of the job President Trump is doing favorable or unfavorable?

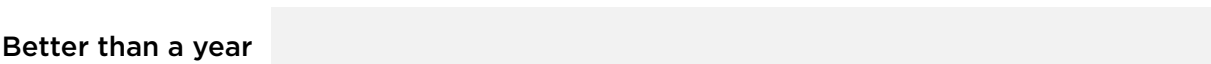


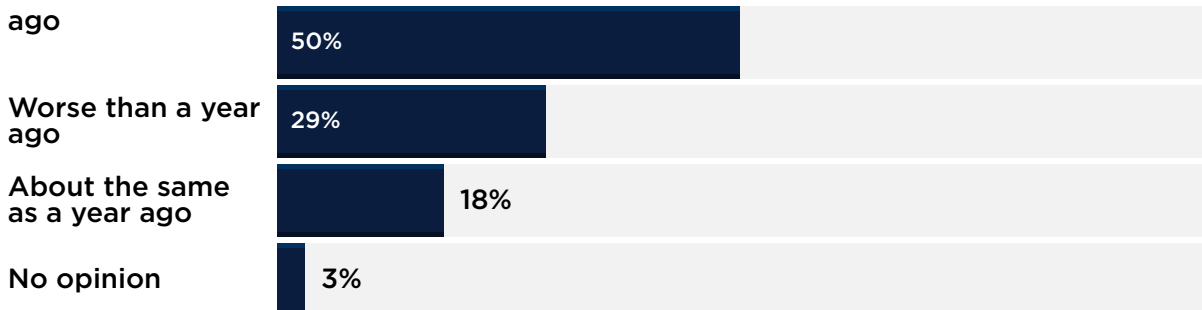
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25. From the standpoint of national security, compared to a year ago, is the United States more secure or less secure?



26. Compared to a year ago, is the American economy doing better or worse?

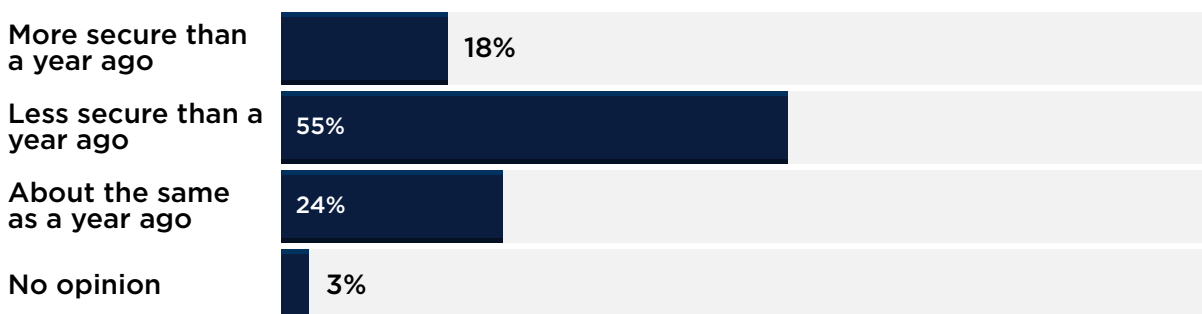




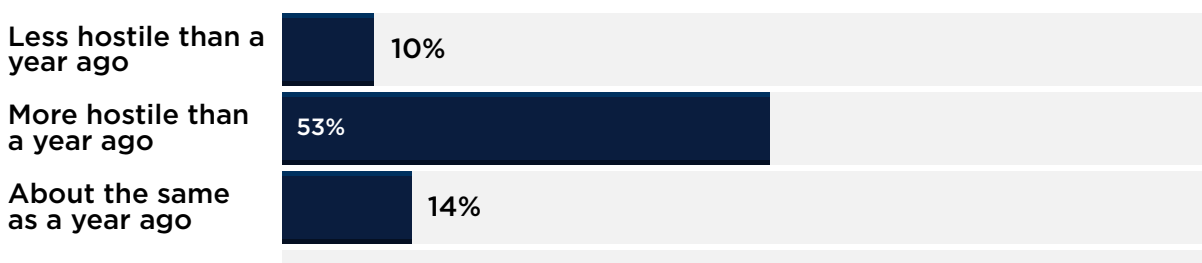
27. Compared to a year ago, do you think Americans are more united or more divided over their most important values?



28. Compared to a year ago, is the status of Jews in the United States more secure or less secure?



29. Compared to a year ago, is the climate on college campuses less hostile or more hostile toward pro-Israel students?



No opinion

22%

30. In your opinion, do Jews in Europe have a future, or should they leave now?

Jews in Europe have a future

75%

Jews in Europe should leave now

17%

No opinion

8%

31. If the election for U.S. Congress were held today, would you vote for the Republican or the Democratic candidate in your district?

Republican

20%

Democrat

67%

Other

3%

Other

9%

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32. Does the involvement of the United States in global affairs make our country more safe or less safe?

More safe

64%

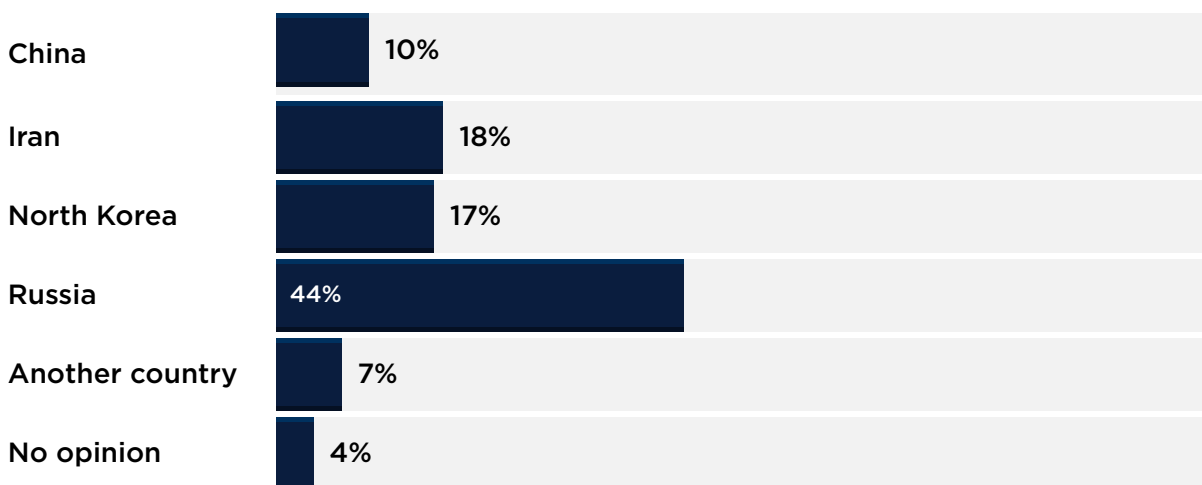
Less safe

29%

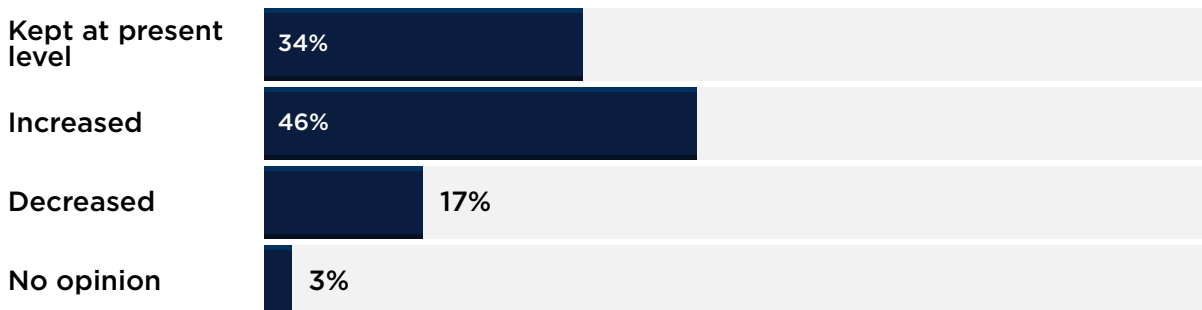
No opinion

8%

33. In your opinion, which foreign nation poses the single greatest danger to the United States?



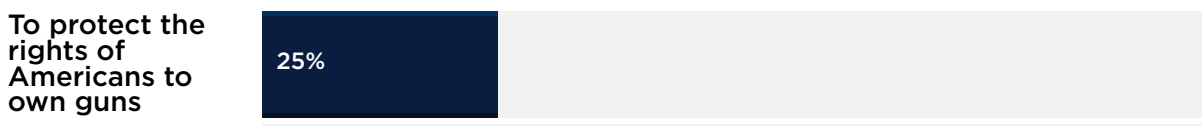
34. In your opinion, should immigration be kept at its present level, increased, or decreased?



35. Do you support or oppose DACA, a program that allows undocumented immigrants to stay in the United States if they arrived here as children, completed high school or military service, and have not been convicted of a serious crime?



36. What do you think is more important—to protect the rights of Americans to own guns, or to control gun ownership?



To control gun ownership

70%

No opinion

4%

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