

## J Street 2022 National Election Survey

November 2022

- Conducted November 1-8, 2022
- 800 self-identified Jews who voted in the 2022 election, including voters who cast their vote on Election Day and before Election Day
  - Survey sample drawn from a national voter file, consisting of all registered voters in the United States
  - Voters contacted via text, and then took survey on their phone or computer
  - Respondents were asked whether they consider themselves Jewish, using the same question wording used by Pew Research Center
  - All respondents self-reported that they had already voted
- Margin of error: +/- 3.5 percentage points at the 95 percent confidence level

# Key Findings

- In a very polarized and evenly divided political environment, Jewish voters remain firmly entrenched in the Democratic camp and voted for the Democratic Congressional candidate by a 74 to 25 percent margin.
- The state of democracy (55 percent) and abortion (40 percent) were the dominant issues for Jewish voters in the election, and they share Biden's and the Democratic Party's worldview.
  - Biden has a 70 percent job approval.
  - The Democratic Party has a 66 percent favorable/32 percent unfavorable rating.
- Trump and Republicans are deeply unpopular with Jewish voters.
  - Trump has a 20 percent favorable/79 percent unfavorable rating.
  - The GOP has a 22 percent favorable/76 percent unfavorable rating.
  - McConnell has an 11 percent favorable/85 percent unfavorable rating.

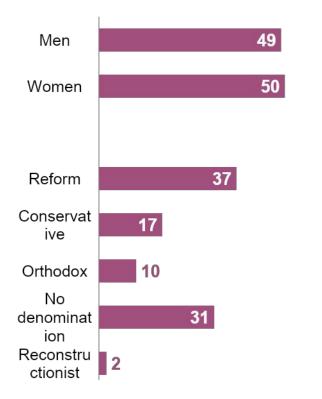
- Jewish voters express major concerns about antisemitism in the United States (85 percent very concerned; 12 percent somewhat concerned), and 76 percent view Trump and his Republican allies as responsible for the rise in antisemitism.
- Trump and the MAGA movement are viewed by 74 percent as a threat to Jews in America.
- In this environment where Jews' top issue concern is the state of democracy and they link Trump and Republicans with antisemitic forces, support for Israel does not provide cover for Members of Congress who deny Biden's 2020 victory.
  - 72 percent disapprove of AIPAC's endorsement of pro-Israel Members of Congress who voted against the certification of the 2020 Presidential election.

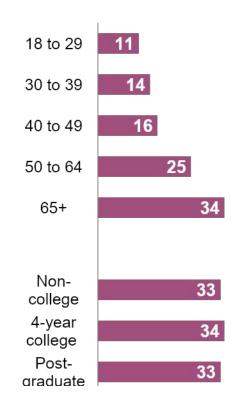
- Numerous measures demonstrate that Jewish voters have concerns over certain Israeli government policies, and they overwhelmingly support American efforts to help resolve the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.
  - 89 percent say that someone can be both "pro-Israel" and critical of Israeli government policy.
  - 73 percent support the U.S. exerting pressure on both Israelis and Palestinians to make compromises to achieve peace.
  - 69 percent support a comprehensive 2-state peace agreement that is based on the 1967 borders, makes Palestinian neighborhoods in Jerusalem part of the Palestinian state while Israel retains control of Jerusalem's Jewish neighborhoods, and allows some Palestinian refugees to return to Israel.
  - 68 percent support restricting U.S. assistance, so it is not spent on activities that expand West Bank occupation.
  - A majority believe Israel should suspend all settlement construction (37 percent) or build only in areas that are already developed (39 percent).
  - Benjamin Netanyahu is very unpopular (33 percent favorable/59 percent unfavorable).

- Jewish voters strongly support the U.S. re-entering the Iran nuclear agreement (71 percent).
- Trump is seen by 83 percent as more responsible for America's withdrawal from the agreement, compared to only 17 percent who think the Iranian regime is more responsible.

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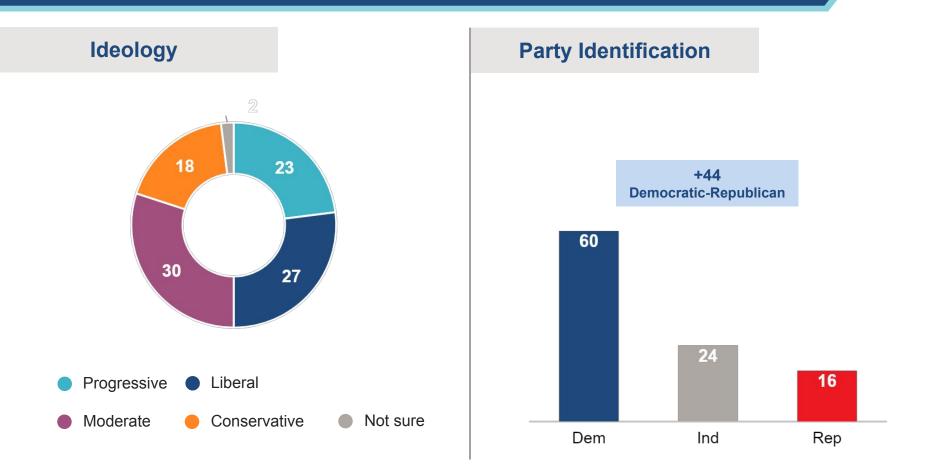
#### **Demographic Overview**





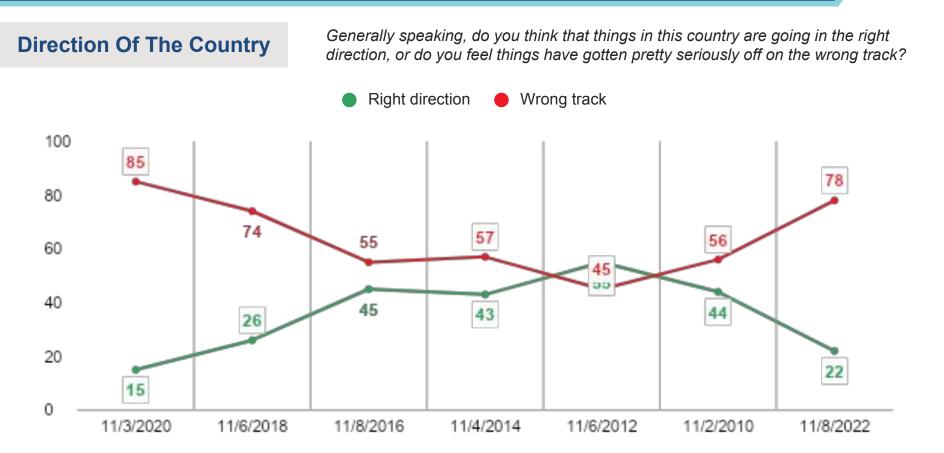
## Jewish Electorate: Highly Identifies As Democratic & Liberal/Progressive

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## **Political Landscape**

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# State Of Democracy Dominates As Driver Of The Vote, Followed By Abortion

Iran

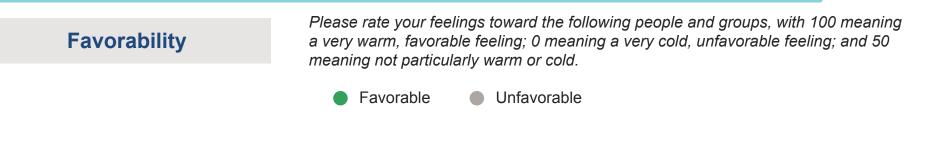
<b>Issue Priorities</b>		Below is a list of issues facing our country today. Please mark which TWO of these issues were most important to you in deciding your vote for Congress.					
	Total Jewish Voters	Reform	Conservative	Orthodox	No Denomination		
The state of democracy	55	62	49	15	61		
Abortion	40	50	36	6	41		
Inflation and the economy	27	18	27	66	26		
Climate change	19	19	15	4	26		
Crime	16	16	13	52	9		
Social Security and Medicare	9	11	15	3	7		
Health care	7	7	7	4	8		
Immigration	6	5	9	6	7		
National security	5	5	10	2	5		
Israel	4	1	9	11	3		
Education	3	1	4	18	2		
Taxes	3	3	4	10	2		

# State Of Democracy And Abortion Are More Pressing For Women, Older Voters

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	Men	Women	Under 40	40-64	65+
The state of democracy	50	61	46	55	62
Abortion	23	58	39	42	39
Inflation and the economy	38	17	31	29	22
Climate change	20	18	26	18	16
Crime	22	11	15	18	16
Social Security and Medicare	11	8	3	6	18
Health care	6	8	10	7	5
Immigration	8	5	3	9	5
National security	7	4	2	5	8
Israel	5	3	8	3	1
Education	4	3	6	3	2
Taxes	5	2	6	3	2
Iran	0	0	0	0	1

## **Republican Party & Political Leaders Are Extraordinarily Unpopular**





# Very Negative Views Toward Netanyahu; Lapid Is Less Known & Receives Mixed Views

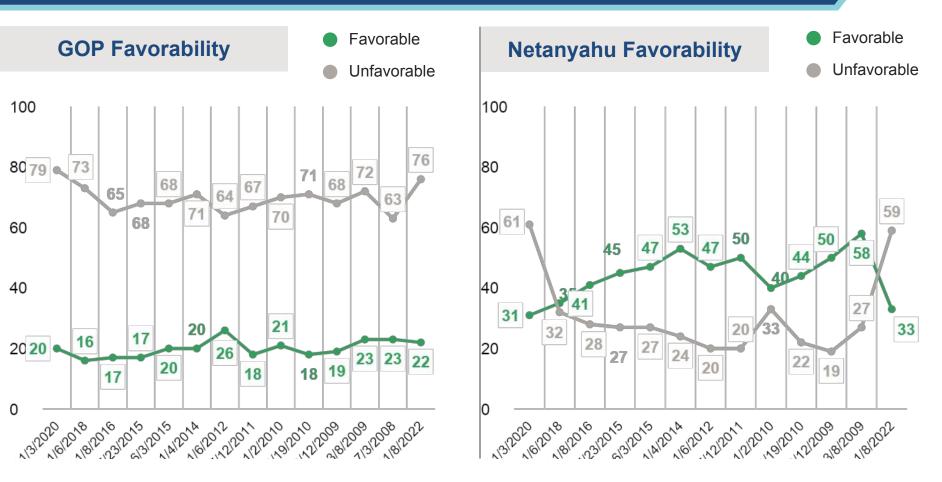


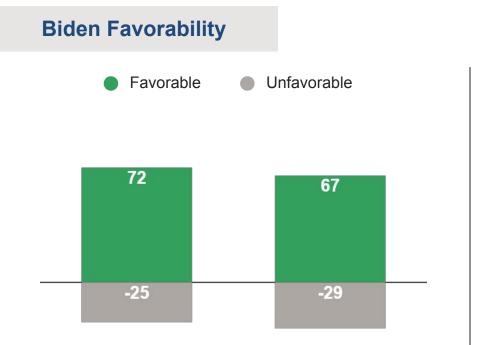
Please rate your feelings toward the following people, with 100 meaning a very warm, favorable feeling; 0 meaning a very cold, unfavorable feeling; and 50 meaning not particularly warm or cold.

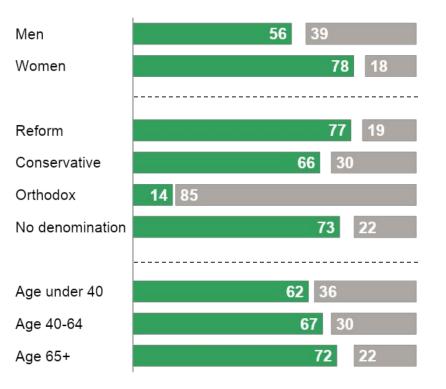




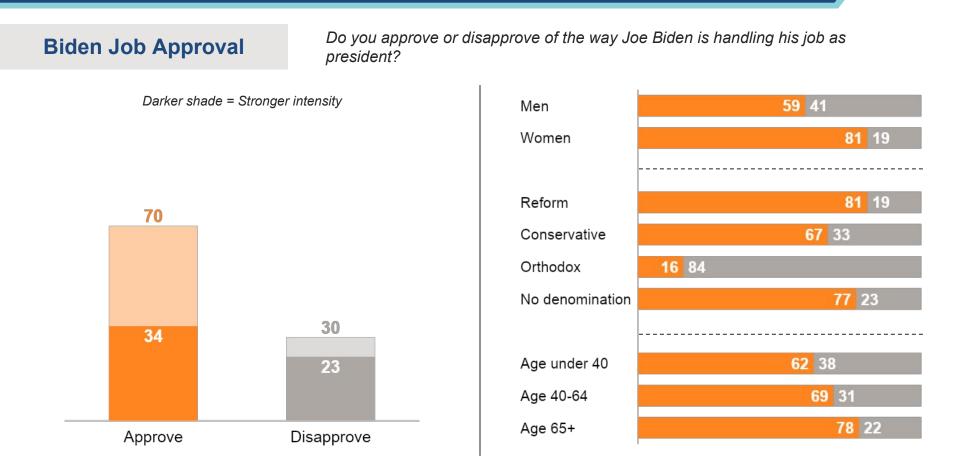
## Increased Negativity Toward GOP & Netanyahu Holds



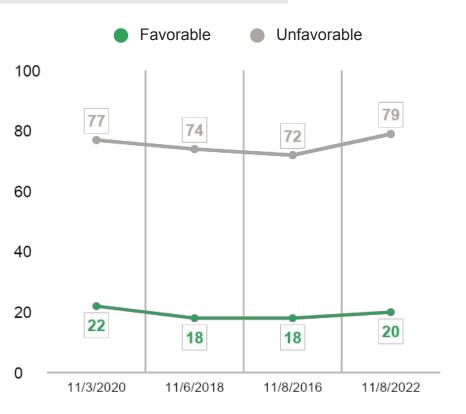




### **Biden Receives High Marks On Job Performance**



### **Trump Favorability**



Men	26 73
Women	<b>14</b> 85
Reform	<b>13</b> 87
Conservative	18 80
Orthodox	66 32
No denomination	<b>14</b> 85
Age under 40	23 76
Age 40-64	20 79
Age 65+	17 82

## Jewish Vote

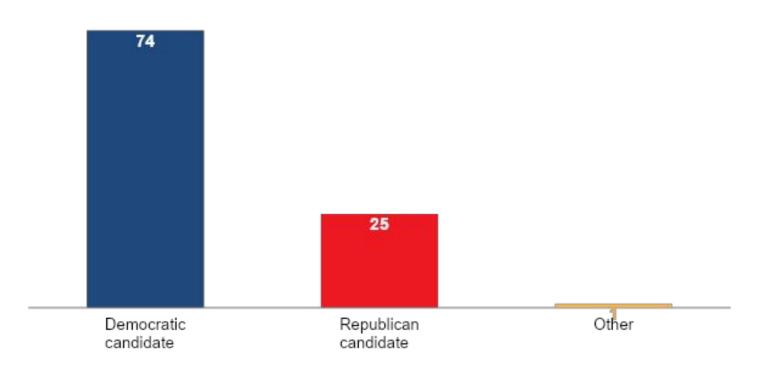
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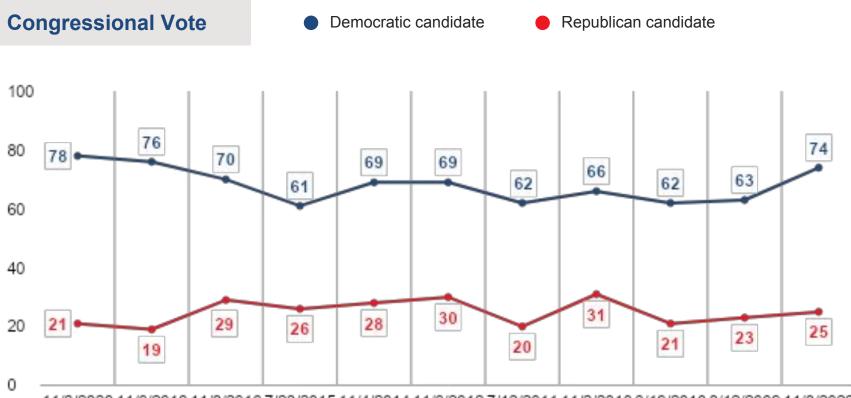
### Jews Remain Firmly Entrenched In The Democratic Coalition

#### **Congressional Vote**

Thinking about the upcoming election/today's election for the United States Congress, for whom did you vote?

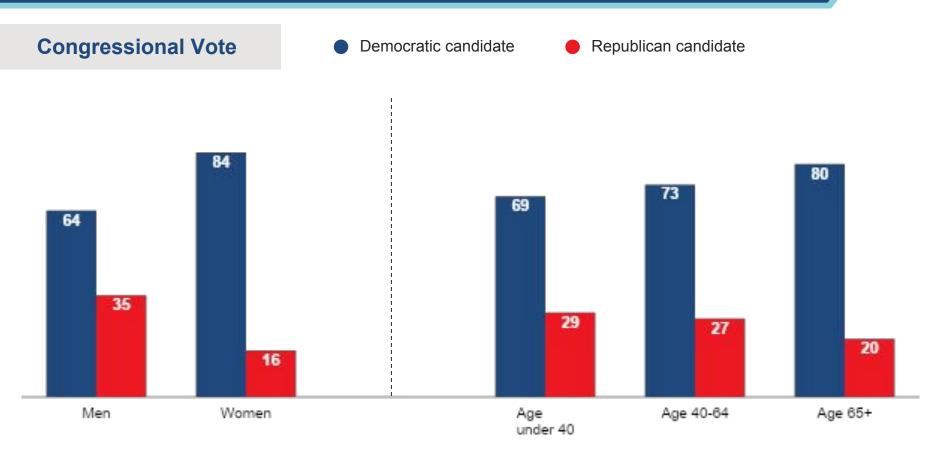


# Democrats Retain Jewish Bump After Trump Became Leading GOP Figure

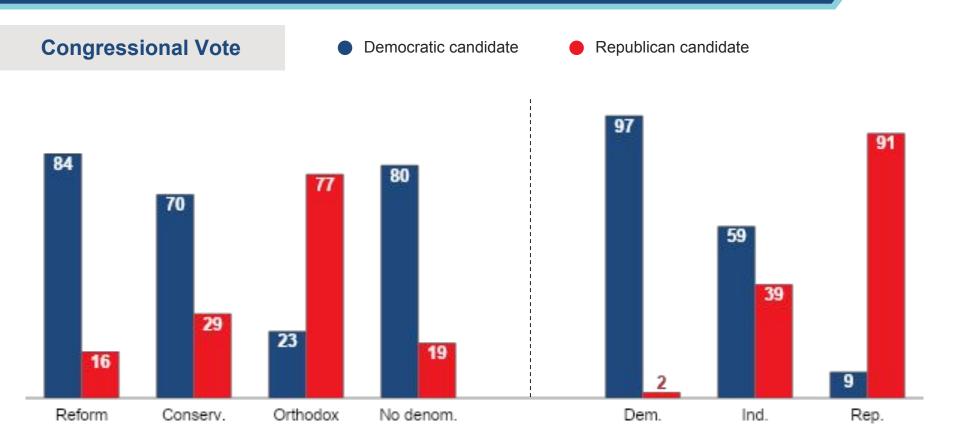


11/3/2020 11/6/2018 11/8/2016 7/23/2015 11/4/2014 11/6/2012 7/12/2011 11/2/2010 3/19/2010 8/12/2009 11/8/2022

## Democrats Win Across Gender & Age; Particularly Dominant Among Women & Older Voters



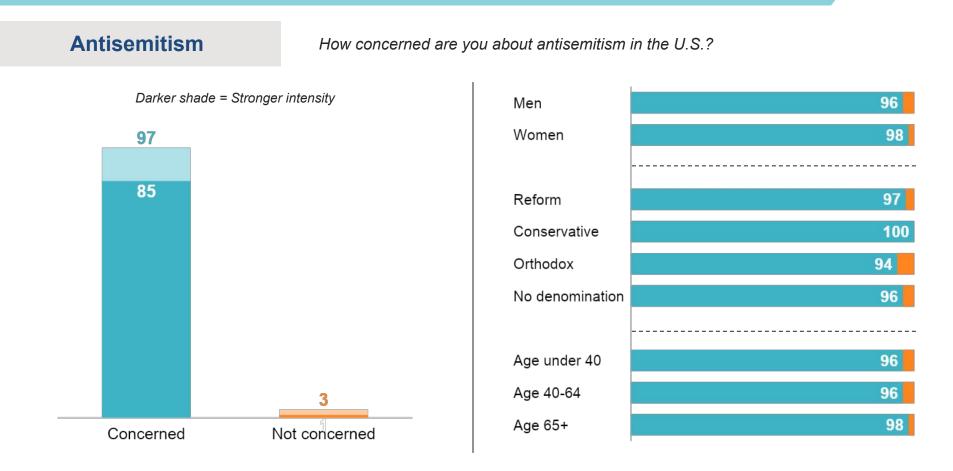
## Democratic Strength Spans Denomination, Except Among Orthodox



# Antisemitism

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## Jews Unified In Overwhelming Concern About Antisemitism



## Jewish Voters Blame Trump, Republicans For Rise In Both Antisemitism And White Supremacy

#### Figure 27

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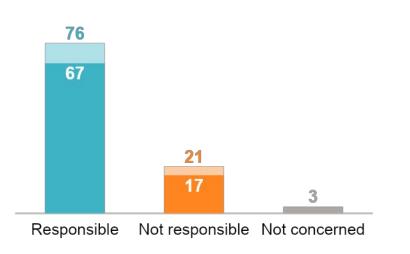
#### Responsibility: Rise in Antisemitism

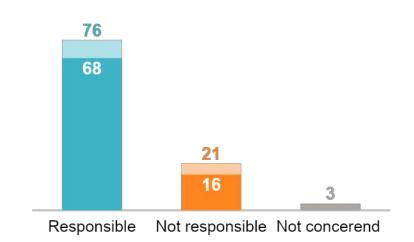
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### Responsibility: Rise in White Supremacy

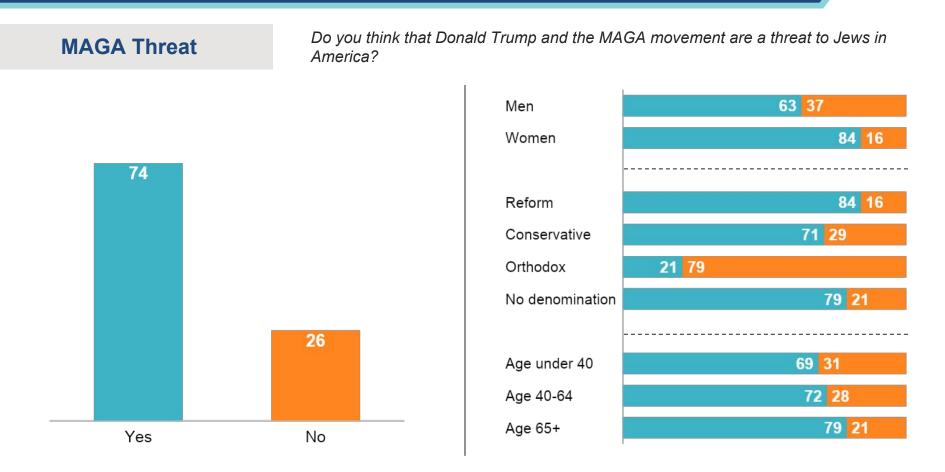
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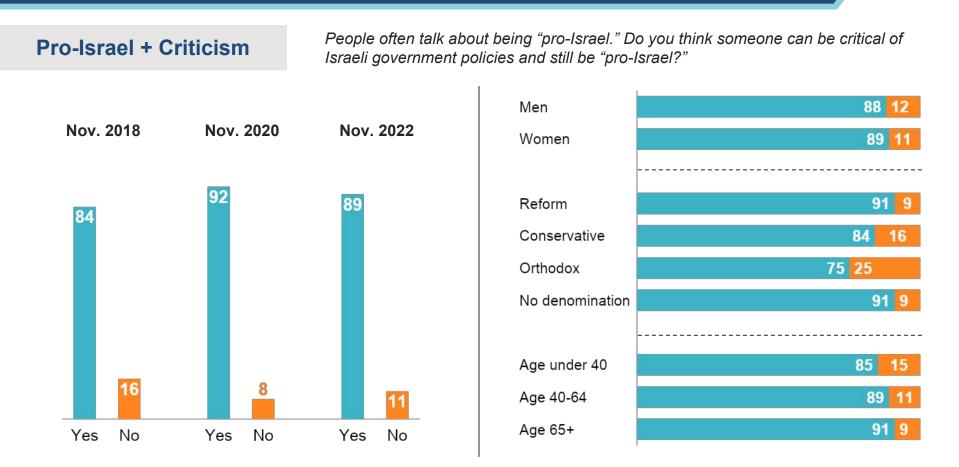


### **Trump & MAGA Movement Seen As Clear Threat To Jews**



# Israel

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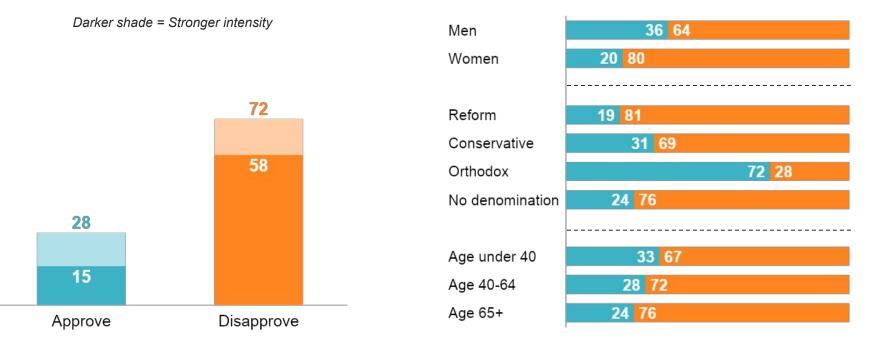


## Broad Disapproval Of AIPAC's Support For Members Of Congress Who Opposed 2020 Presidential Certification

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#### **AIPAC Endorsement Policy**

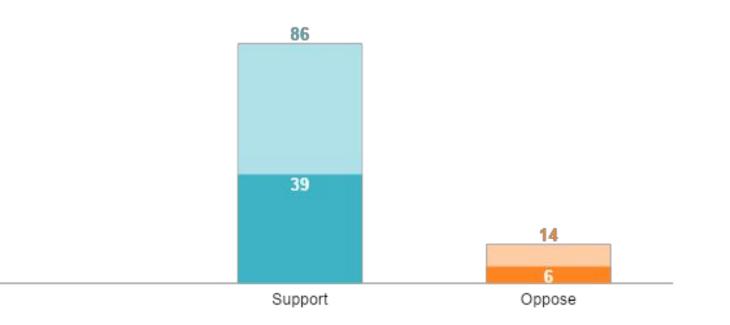
As you may know, AIPAC, a pro-Israel organization, endorsed and raised money for Members of Congress who support Israel, but voted against certifying the 2020 Presidential election on January 6, 2021. Do you approve or disapprove of AIPAC endorsing and raising money for these Members of Congress who support Israel, but voted against certifying the 2020 Presidential election?



**U.S. Role To Resolve Conflict** 

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

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## Support For U.S. Active Role Is Very Consistent

**U.S. Role To Resolve Conflict** 

Support

Oppose



# U.S. Pressure Is Welcomed, But Support Drops When Israel Is Singled Out

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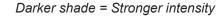
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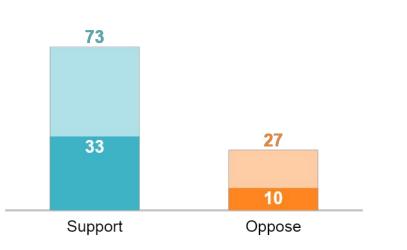
# Pressure On Israelis & Palestinians

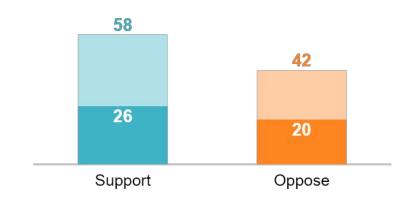
(IF SUPPORT US ROLE) Would you support or oppose the United States playing an active role in helping the parties to resolve the Israeli-Palestinian conflict if it meant the United States exerting pressure on **both the Israelis and Palestinians** to make the compromises necessary to achieve peace?\*

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## **Israeli-Palestinian Conflict**

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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?

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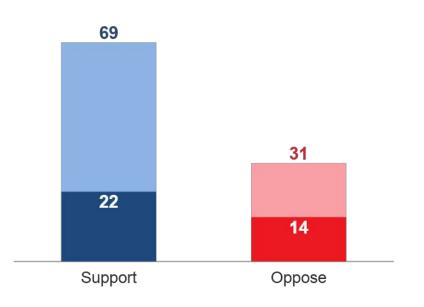
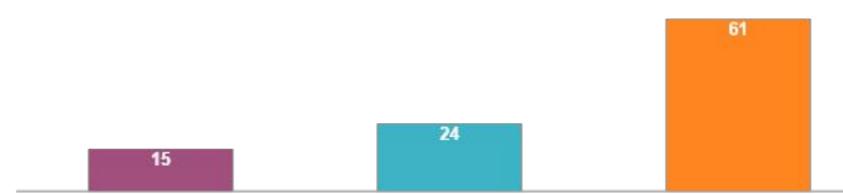


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2-State vs. 1-State Options

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

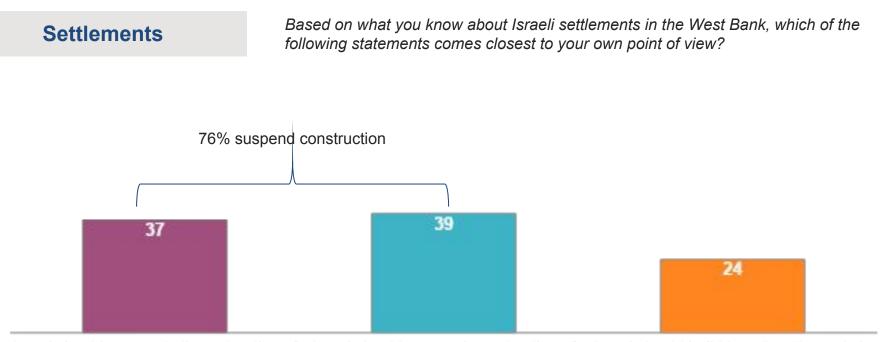


Establishing one state that is neither Jewish nor Palestinian, and includes Israel, the West Bank, and Gaza under a single government elected by Israelis and Palestinians

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

Establishing two separate states with their own separate governments – a Jewish State of Israel alongside an Arab State of Palestine

## Large Majority Oppose Expanding Settlements

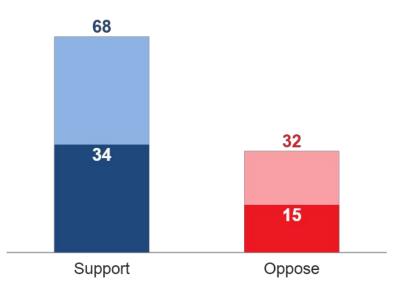


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#### **U.S. Assistance**

As you may know, the United States government provides \$3.8 billion each year in security assistance to the Israeli government. Would you support or oppose the U.S. continuing to provide the same level of assistance, but restricting it so that no U.S. aid or military equipment can be used to expand Israel's occupation of the West Bank? Darker shade = Stronger intensity



## Iran Nuclear Agreement

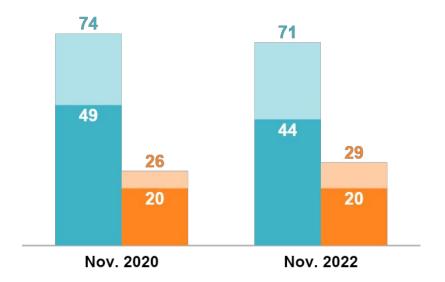
#### **Iran Agreement**

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, and some people think we should not re-enter this agreement. Do you support or oppose the United States re-entering this agreement?

Support

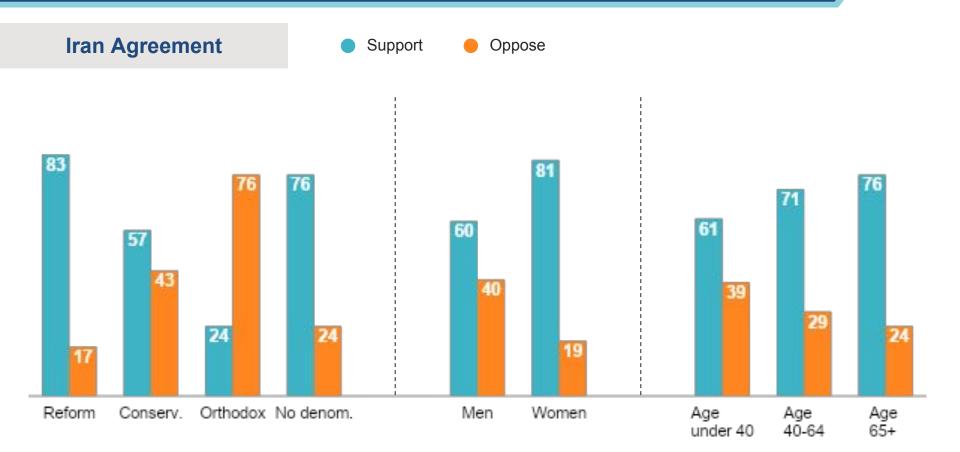


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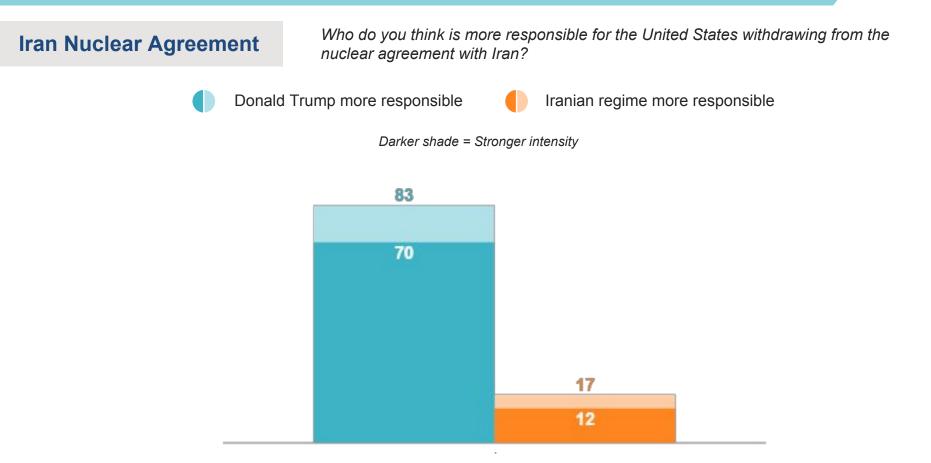


## **Broad Support For Re-Entering Agreement**

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# Trump Seen As More Responsible Than Iranian Regime For Breaking Agreement





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