

Central Bureau of Statistics

Consumer Confidence Survey

1. How has the financial situation of you and your family changed over the last 12 months? It has...

1. Got a lot better
2. Got a little better
3. Stayed the same
4. Got a little worse
5. Got a lot worse
7. Don't know
8. Refuse to answer

2. In the next 12 months, how do you expect the financial position of you and your family to change? It will...

1. Get a lot better
2. Get a little better
3. Stay the same
4. Get a little worse
5. Get a lot worse
7. Don't know
8. Refuse to answer

3. How do you think the general economic situation in Israel has changed over the past 12 months? It has...

1. Got a lot better
2. Got a little better
3. Stayed the same
4. Got a little worse
5. Got a lot worse
7. Don't know
8. Refuse to answer

4. How do you expect the general economic situation in Israel to develop over the next 12 months? It will...

1. Get a lot better
2. Get a little better
3. Stay the same
4. Get a little worse
5. Get a lot worse
7. Don't know
8. Refuse to answer

The version of questions 5.2, 5.3, 5.4 was changed as of January 2012. See the previous version of those questions at the end of this questionnaire.

5.2 How do you expect consumer prices will develop in the next 12 months?

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|-------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. The prices will increase | <i>Go to Question 5.3</i> |
| 2. The prices will decrease | <i>Go to Question 5.4</i> |
| 3. The prices will not change | } <i>Go to Question 6</i> |
| 7. Don't know | |
| 8. Refuse to answer | |

5.3 In your estimation, what do you expect would be the accumulative increase in the Consumer Price Index over the next 12 months?

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7. Don't know

Go to Question 6

5.4 In your estimation, what do you expect would be the accumulative decrease in the Consumer Price Index over the next 12 months?

— — . —

7. Don't know

6. Over the next 12 months, do you think the number of unemployed in Israel will increase or decrease?

1. Increase sharply
2. Increase slightly
3. Remain the same
4. Decrease slightly
5. Decrease sharply
7. Don't know
8. Refuse to answer

7. In view of the general economic situation in Israel, do you think that now is the right time for people to make major purchases such as furniture or electrical/electronic devices?

1. Yes, it is the right moment now
2. It is neither the right moment nor the wrong moment now
3. No, it is not the right moment now
7. Don't know
8. Refuse to answer

8. Compared to the past 12 months, do you and your family expect to spend more or less money on major purchases such as furniture, electric/electronic devices, over the next 12 months? I will spend...

1. Much more
2. A little more
3. About the same
4. A little less
5. Much less
7. Don't know
8. Refuse to answer

9. In view of the general economic situation in Israel, do you think that now is...?

1. A very good moment to save
2. A fairly good moment to save
3. Not a good moment to save
4. A very bad moment to save
7. Don't know
8. Refuse to answer

10. Over the next 12 months, how likely is it that you or your family save any money?

1. Very likely
2. Fairly likely
3. Not likely
4. Not at all likely
7. Don't know
8. Refuse to answer

11. Which of these statements best describes the current financial situation of you and your family?

1. We are saving a lot
2. We are saving a little
3. We are just managing to make ends meet on our income
4. We have to draw on our savings
5. We are running into debt
7. Don't know
8. Refuse to answer

12. How likely are you to buy a car over the next 12 months?

1. Very likely
2. Fairly likely
3. Not likely
4. Not at all likely
5. [Not relevant]
7. Don't know
8. Refuse to answer

13. Over the next 12 months, how likely is it that you and your family will buy or build a house or apartment (to live in yourself, for vacations, or for rental)?

1. Very likely
2. Fairly likely
3. Not likely
4. Not at all likely
7. Don't know
8. Refuse to answer

14. Over the next 12 months, how likely is it that you and your family will spend large sums of money on home improvements or renovations?

1. Very likely
2. Fairly likely
3. Not likely
4. Not at all likely
5. [Not relevant]
7. Don't know
8. Refuse to answer

Background questions:

15. What is the highest certificate or degree that you have received?

1. Certificate of completing high school (not a matriculation certificate)
2. Matriculation certificate
3. Certificate of completing tertiary non-academic school
4. Academic degree
5. Has not received any of the certificates mentioned
6. Has not studied in any educational institution at all
7. Don't know
8. Refuse to answer

16. Did you work in the past week? Absence from work due to illness, reserve duty, etc. is considered as working.

1. Yes, has worked in the past week
 2. Was in permanent army service
 3. Was in obligatory army service
 4. Did not work in the past week
 8. Refuse to answer
- Go to Question 18*

17. Do you work part-time or full-time?

1. Part-time
2. Full-time
7. Don't know
8. Refuse to answer

17.1 At this workplace are you:

1. An employee
2. Self-employed: Business owner or you receive payment from customers
3. Other
7. Don't know
8. Refuse to answer

18. The following questions are designed to determine in which income group your family belongs.

Was your family's total net income, after deductions such as income tax, retirement insurance, and savings plans in <February> higher than NIS 10,000?

- 1. Yes *Go to Question 18.1*
- 2. No *Go to Question 18.2*
- 7. Don't know }
- 8. Refuse to answer } *Go to the end of the Questionnaire*

18.1 Was your income more than NIS 13,000?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- 7. Don't know }
- 8. Refuse to answer } *Go to the end of the Questionnaire*

18.2 Was your income up to NIS 5,000?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- 7. Don't know
- 8. Refuse to answer

The version of questions 5.2, 5.3, 5.4 as they were asked on March-December 2011:

5.2 How do you expect consumer prices will develop in 2011?

- 1. The prices will increase *Go to Question 5.3*
- 2. The prices will decrease *Go to Question 5.4*
- 3. The prices will not change }
- 7. Don't know }
- 8. Refuse to answer } *Go to Question 6*

5.3 In 2010 the Consumer Price Index rose by 2.7%. By how many percentage points do you think prices will rise in 2011?

- — . —
- 7. Don't know
- Go to Question 6*

5.4 In 2010 the Consumer Price Index rose by 2.7%. By how many percentage points do you think prices will decrease in 2011?

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7. Don't know

Thank you <Name of person being interviewed> for your cooperation.

Example