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Population of Israel on the Eve of 2014 - 8 Million

- **75.2% of the Israeli population are Jews, 20.6% are Arabs and 4.2% are classified as "others".¹**
- **The population in Israel grew during 2013 by 1.8%.**
- **Approximately 175,000 infants were born over the course of the year.**
- **Approximately 16,600 new immigrants arrived in Israel during 2013.**

On the 31st of December, 2013, the population in Israel is estimated to be about 8.132 million residents.² Of these, 6.102 million are Jews (75.2% of the total population), 1.682 million are Arabs (20.6%) and 348,000 are classified as "others"¹ (4.2%). This is according to preliminary estimates that were prepared by the Central Bureau of Statistics.

During 2013, about 147,000 persons were added to the Israeli population, a growth rate of 1.8%, the same as the growth rate in the previous decade.

¹ Others – includes non-Arab Christians and those persons not classified by religion in the Ministry of Interior.

² Population estimates do not include the population of foreign workers residing in Israel. This population was estimated at about 202,000 persons at the end of 2012. Moreover, the population estimate does not include persons who entered Israel without a visa or by the way of recognized borders.