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Israel in Figures - Eve of Rosh Hashana 2020 Selected Annual Data 2020

- On the eve of Rosh Hashana 2020, the population of Israel was estimated at approximately 9.246 million persons.¹ The population is expected to reach 10 million residents by the end of 2024, and 15 million residents by the end of 2048. By the end of the projection period, in 2065, the population of Israel is expected to grow to 20 million.

In 2019:²

- The Jewish population numbers approximately 6.841 million residents (74.0% of the total population); the Arab population numbers approximately 1.946 million (21.0%), and the population of Others³ numbers approximately 459,000 (5.0%).
- Since Rosh Hashana last year, the population of Israel has grown by approximately 150,000. The annual population growth rate in 2019 was 1.6%.⁴
- Approximately 170,000 babies were born and approximately 44,000 persons died. Approximately 25,000 persons were added to the population of Israel in the migration balance. Of those, approximately 20,000 were new immigrants.

¹ The data on population are provisional. The estimate does not include the population of foreign residents, which was about 167,000 at the end of 2019. The sources of the data are the CBS and the Population and Immigration Authority.

² The data relate (approximately) to 11.5 months that have passed since Rosh Hashana last year.

³ Others are non-Arab Christians, members of other religions, and those not classified by religion at the Ministry of Interior (Population Register).

⁴ Since the Coronavirus pandemic erupted in March 2020 and following the closure of Israel's borders, there was a decline in international migration, particularly in the number of immigrants to Israel. Examination of the data shows that the impact of the pandemic on deaths was negligible. It may have an impact on births, but that would be expected only as of 2021. The sharp decrease in the rate of national growth derives from the decline in the number of immigrants, but is also affected by the decline in the number of births observed in recent years.

This media release presents data collected by the Central Bureau of Statistics (CBS) on a variety of topics. The data are a summary of the Statistical Abstract of Israel which will be published in the coming months (Hebrew only). To date, the annual tables for 2020 have been published on the CBS Website.

The data relate to 2019 (before the Coronavirus pandemic), unless otherwise stated.

For updated data on the period of the Coronavirus pandemic (March-August 2020), see the media release "[Social and Economic Consequences of the Coronavirus Pandemic - March-August 2020](#)".

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GEOGRAPHY

Chapter 1

Area

State of Israel area - **22,072 km²**

Land area - **98.0%**

Area of lakes - Sea of Galilee and the Dead Sea - **2.0%**

Land Use (2013)

Bare land, rock, shrubs, and excavated area - **64.7%**

Agricultural area - **20.0%**

Woodland and parks - **7.3%**

Built-up area - **5.6%**

Water⁵ - **2.4%**

Precipitation⁶

Precipitation volume in rain year 2018/2019 - **7.84 billion m³**

Multi-annual average 1981-2010 - **6.11 billion m³**

Largest annual amount of precipitation - Harashim - **1,483 mm**

Smallest annual amount of precipitation - Sodom - **25 mm**

Temperatures

Highest daily maximum temperature **49.9°C** in Sodom (17 July 2019)

Lowest daily minimum temperature **-4.7°C** in Merom Golan (22 December 2019)

POPULATION

Chapter 2

Population

At the end of 2019, the population of Israel was estimated at approximately **9.140 million**

Jews - approximately **6.773 million (74.1%** of the total population)

Arabs - approximately **1.919 million (21.0%)**

Others⁷ - approximately **448,000 (4.9%)**

Annual population growth rate - **1.9%**

⁵ Including natural water reservoirs - the Sea of Galilee and the Dead Sea, and man-made water reservoirs.

⁶ Data on climate were obtained from the Israel Meteorological Service.

⁷ Others are non-Arab Christians, members of other religions, and those not classified by religion at the Ministry of Interior.

Jews aged 20 and over by level of religiosity (self-defined)

43.1% - Not religious, secular

22.1% - Traditional not-so-religious

12.8% - Traditional-religious

11.3% - Religious

10.1% - Ultra-Orthodox

Immigration to Israel and International Migration

Immigration to Israel

Immigrants since the establishment of the state - **3.3 million**

Immigrants in 2019 - **33,200**

Migration of Israelis abroad (2018)

Departed from Israel - **14,000**

Returned to Israel - **7,900**

Work permit holders from abroad

Entered Israel - **68,400**

Departed from Israel - **61,500**

Family

Marriage and divorce (2018)

49,410 couples married

15,605 couples divorced

Live births and fertility

Live newborns - **182,016**

Total fertility rate - **3.01 children per woman**

Deaths

Total - **46,270** persons

Crude death rate - **5.1 per 1,000 residents**

Terminations of pregnancy

17,688 applications to committees for termination of pregnancy

Rate of applications to committees for termination of pregnancy - **8.4 per 1,000 women aged 15-49**

Households and families

2,667,600 private households

Average number of persons per household - **3.24**

2,135,400 nuclear families

HEALTH

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National Expenditure on Health

NIS 106.2 billion (7.6% of the GDP)

Life Expectancy

Men - **81.0 years**

Women - **84.7 years**

Infant Mortality

Rate of **3.0 per 1,000 live births**

Causes of Death (2018)

25.7% of the deaths were caused by malignant neoplasms (cancer) and **14.2%** were caused by heart disease

New Cases of Malignant Neoplasms (Cancer) (2017)

Rate of **339 per 100,000 persons**

Self-Assessed Health (Social Survey)

83.9% of all persons aged 20 and over reported that their health is very good or good

Smoking

16.4% of all persons aged 21 and over smoked at least one cigarette a day

Obesity

56.0% of all persons aged 21 and over were overweight or obese, and **17.7%** were obese

Physical Activity

29.2% of all persons aged 21 and over engaged in physical activity in accordance with recommendations

General Care Hospital Beds

Rate of **1.8 per 1,000 residents**

Physicians Employed in Health Services (2018)

Rate of **3.2 per 1,000 residents**

Nurses Employed in Health Services

Rate of **4.1 per 1,000 residents**

Supplementary Health Insurance (2018)

83.6% of all households had an expenditure for supplementary health insurance

EDUCATION

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National Expenditure on Education

NIS 112.6 billion (8.0% of the GDP)

The Education System

Schools (2018/19)

1.795 million students in schools

In primary education - **1.050 million**

In secondary education - **745,300**

Teaching staff - **161,300**

Day care centres and pre-primary education (2018/19)

Children aged 0-7 - **864,100**

Teaching staff in pre-primary education - **18,700**

Examinees entitled to a matriculation certificate

Entitled to a matriculation certificate - **75.7%** of the matriculation examinees

Projection of number of students

In 2020/21, the total number of students in the education system is expected to reach **2.398 million**, compared to 2.348 million in the previous school year (about **50,000** more students, an increase of **2.1%**).

The number of students in pre-primary education is expected to reach **543,000**, compared to 521,000 in the previous school year.

The number of students in schools is expected to reach **1.861 million**, compared to 1.827 million in the previous school year.

The total number of students in the education system is expected to reach **2.835 million** in 2030, an increase of about 487,000 students, compared to 2020 (increase of **20.7%**).

Dropping out of the education system (2018/19) of students in grades 7-12 (excluding Jerusalem Arabs)

11,600 (1.4%) dropped out of the educational system and did not enroll in an alternative educational framework.

Teaching Staff

Teaching staff in the education system (2019/20)

There were about **182,000** teaching staff in the entire education system, compared to 179,000 in the school year of 2018/19 (an increase of **1.6%**).

Weekly work hours - about **5.6 million**, compared to 5.4 million hours in 2018/19 (an increase of **2.4%**).

During 2010/11-2019/20, there has been a rapid increase in the extent of teaching in the entire system, with about **43,000** teaching staff added and more than **2.0 million** weekly work hours.

The average monthly wages among teaching staff were **NIS 12,000** in 2019, compared to NIS 6,900 in 2005 (an increase of approximately **75%**).

The average number of students per teacher in the system is trending downward. Between 1996/97 and 2019/20, this figure decreased from 12.6 to **10.8** students per teacher.

In Arab education, the trend was especially salient (from 18.3 to **11.8** students per teacher, respectively).

Teaching staff in short-cycle tertiary education (2018/19)

Total - **5,300**

Courses for practical engineers - **3,600**

Teacher training courses - **1,800**

Holders of second or more advanced degrees - approximately **26%** (about 33% in practical engineering, and about 11% in teacher training)

Academic staff at universities, budgeted academic colleges, and non-budgeted academic colleges (2019/20)

Total - **30,400**

Universities - **21,500**

Budgeted academic colleges - **7,400**

Non-budgeted academic colleges - **3,200**

Academic staff at academic colleges of education (2019/20)

Total - **3,800**

Average monthly wages of academic staff (2018/19)

Total - **NIS 15,300**

Universities - **NIS 17,517**

Budgeted academic colleges - **NIS 11,187**

Non-budgeted academic colleges - **NIS 11,965**

Academic colleges of Education - **NIS 10,500**

Pre-Academic Preparatory Courses (2017/18)

11,900 students

In the specialization track - **9,100**

In the track for completion of matriculation
or for improvement of matriculation scores - **2,200**

In the pre-specialization track - **511**

In the track for completion of 12 years of education - **37**

Higher Education, Short-Cycle Tertiary Education (Non-Academic), and Vocational Training Courses

Students at universities, academic colleges, and academic colleges of education (2018/19)

268,600 students

Thereof: **194,300** first degree students

61,000 second degree students

12,000 third degree students

Students at the Open University (2018/19)

48,000 students

Thereof: **45,100** first degree students

2,400 second degree students

Recipients of degrees from all institutions of higher education (2018/19)

82,900 recipients of degrees

Thereof: First degrees - **51,200**

Second degrees - **25,700**

Third degrees - **1,600**

Students in short-cycle tertiary education (non-academic) (2018/19)

57,300

Students in vocational training courses supervised by the Ministry of Labor, Social Affairs and Social Services (2018)

51,600

Thereof: **33,900** entitled to a certificate

CULTURE, ENTERTAINMENT, AND SPORTS

Chapter 5

National Expenditure on Culture, Entertainment, and Sports

NIS 66.8 billion (4.7% of the GDP)

Students in Cultural Fields

15.9% of all students at universities

46.4% of all students at academic colleges of education

Publishers⁸ and Titles (2018)

1,581 publishers

8,571 titles (books and pamphlets)

Newspapers (2018)

5.4% of households purchased daily papers (following a decline of 5.8% in 2017).

Use of Computers and Internet (Social Survey)

71.3% of persons aged 20 and over used a computer.

86.8% of persons aged 20 and over used the Internet.

Subscriptions to Cable or Satellite Television (2018)

62.3% of the households had subscriptions to cable or satellite television.

Movies

17.7 million tickets were sold at movie theaters.

54 Cinemas

411 Screens

64,188 Seats

Active Athletes

Total - **122,794**

In individual sports - **46,551**

In team sports - **76,243**

Medals (2016-2019)

Total - **146**

European championships - **77**

World championships - **60**

Olympic games - **2**

World games - **7**

⁸ A publisher is an organization (public, governmental, or commercial) or nonprofit organization responsible for publication of books or pamphlets.

WELFARE

Chapter 6

General Government Expenditure on Welfare

About **NIS 156.8 billion** (27.9% of the total expenditure in the general government sector)

Recipients of Social Services

Persons registered at Social Service Departments

Total registered persons - about **1.13 million persons**, a rate of about **124 registered persons per 1,000 persons**.

Rate among Jews and Others - about **108 per 1,000 persons**

Rate among Arabs - about **180 per 1,000 persons**

The highest rate of registered persons was in localities that belong to the lowest socio-economic clusters (1-2): about **161 per 1,000 persons**

Persons with defined need of intervention at Social Service Departments

Total persons with defined need of intervention - about **770,000**, a rate of about **84 per 1,000 persons**

The most prevalent need was “dysfunctional parents or children/adolescents” - a rate of about **28 persons with defined need of intervention per 1,000 persons**

Persons placed in welfare settings

About **271,000** persons were placed in welfare frameworks, a rate of about **30 per 1,000 persons**.

Rate of persons placed in community settings - about **24 per 1,000 persons**

Rate of persons in out-of-home placement - about **6 per 1,000 persons**

Persons With Disabilities

13.9% of all persons aged 20 and over were defined as having severe functional disabilities⁹ (Social Survey)

Holders of Certificates of Blindness/Vision Loss - about **24,000**

Hearing-impaired persons with full entitlement to communication assistance services - about **6,500**

Disabled IDF veterans (status 06 and special status) - approximately **66,000**

⁹ The actual percentage of people with disabilities is higher, because the data do not include residents of therapeutic institutions who could not be interviewed because of the disability, as well as nursing care patients who were not included in the survey.

Assistance to a family member with a disability (Social Survey)

21.3% of all persons aged 20 and over (**1.2 million people**) provide assistance to a family member with a physical, intellectual or mental disability that has persisted for six months or longer. The assistance is provided without monetary compensation.

47.6% provide assistance to a parent; **15.1%** - to a brother or sister; **8.5%** - to a son or daughter; **6.8%** - to a grandparent; and **5.9%** provide assistance to their spouse.

STANDARD OF LIVING (2018)

Chapter 7

Household Income

Gross monthly money income - **NIS 21,063**

Net monthly money income - **NIS 17,276**

Housing

66.5% of the households lived in owned dwellings.

39.0% of those living in owned dwellings paid mortgages.

Household Expenditures

Monthly money consumption expenditure - **NIS 13,324**

Monthly consumption expenditure (including housing services) - **NIS 16,475**

Thereof: **24.8%** for housing

20.4% for transportation and communications

17.2% for food

Ownership of Durable Goods

97.9% of households had at least one mobile phone.

76.9% of households had a computer.

Income of Individuals

The gross income of self-employed women was **55.9%** of the gross income of self-employed men.

The gross income of female employees was **68.4%** of the gross income of male employees.

Households of Persons Aged 65 and Over¹⁰

Households of two or more persons

Average gross monthly money income - **NIS 17,356**

Average monthly money expenditure - **NIS 10,793**

Households of one person

Average gross monthly money income - **NIS 8,115**

Average monthly money expenditure - **NIS 5,799**

CRIME AND JUSTICE

Chapter 8

General Government Expenditure on Public Order

NIS 22.9 billion (4.1% of the total expenditure)

Personnel Responsible for Maintaining Public Order

Lawyers - rate of **776.8 per 100,000 residents**

Entire police force - rate of **348.9 per 100,000 residents**

Criminal Investigation Files Opened by the Police

301,100 files

Thereof: **40.8%** - crimes against property

38.7% - crimes against public order

19.3% - crimes causing bodily harm

10.0% - crimes against morality

Murder Cases (2017)

Rate (age standardized) of **1.6 cases per 100,000 residents**

Persons Judged in Criminal Trials (2018)

33,700

Convicted Persons (2018)

88.2%

¹⁰ Households whose members are all aged 65 and over.

Victims of Crime (Crime Victimization Survey)

651,100 (11.5% of all persons aged 20 and over)

Victims of cyber-crime - **225,500 (4.0%)**

Victims of theft - **194,200 (3.4%)**

Victims of violence or threat of violence - **191,500 (3.4%)**

Victims of sexual harassment - **137,500 (2.4%)**

Victims of sexual offences - **8,500 (0.2%)**

Reported the offence to the police - **177,400 (27.2%)**

Criminal Files Opened for Youth (2017/18)

Criminal files were opened for **9,207 youth** aged 12-18.

91.6% of the persons with criminal files were boys.

The rate of youth aged 12-18 with criminal files was **9 per 1,000 youth**.

Among boys - the rate was **16 per 1,000 youth** - 8 times the rate among girls (2 per 1,000).

Among Arabs - the rate was **12 per 1,000 youth** - 1.5 times the rate among Jews and Others (8 per 1,000).

Among youth attending schools under the supervision of the Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Social Services - the rate was **11.0 times** higher than the rate of students in Ministry of Education Schools, **4.7 times** higher than the rate among Yeshiva students, and **2.0 times** higher than the rate of youth who are not in formal educational settings.

Sense of Personal Security (Crime Victimization Survey)

85.7% of all persons aged 20 and over felt safe walking alone in the neighborhood after dark.

LABOUR MARKET

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Participants in the Labour Force (aged 15 and over)

4.124 million

Thereof: Employed persons

2.070 million men

1.897 million women

Unemployed Persons in the Labour Force

3.8%

Single Mothers

106,200, thereof **83.4%** participated in the labour force

Households

2.668 million, thereof **79.4%** had employed persons

Employment Rate (percentage of employed persons, of those aged 15 and over)

61.1%

65.1% among men

57.2% among women

43.4% among Arabs

Average Weekly Work Hours per Employed Person

35.8

Largest Number of Employed Persons

By Industry:

About **491,000** employed persons in Education

About **439,000** employed persons in Human Health and social work activities

By Occupation:

Professionals - about **1,111,000**

Service and sales workers - about **729,000**

Employee Jobs of Israeli Workers

3.742 million (**94.0%** of all employee jobs)

Employee Jobs of Workers From Abroad

134,700 (**3.4%** of all employee jobs)

Average Gross Monthly Wages per Employee Job

Israeli workers - **NIS 10,782**

Workers from abroad - **NIS 6,586**

Employee Jobs and Average Monthly Wages per Employee Job, by Sector

The largest number of employee jobs was in the sector of non-financial corporations - **2.412 million** (average monthly wages per employee job - **NIS 11,525**)

The highest average monthly wages per employee job were in the sector of financial corporations - **NIS 19,524** (employee jobs - **104,800**)

PRICE INDICES

Chapter 10

Consumer Price Index

During 2017-2019, the annual percentage change in the Consumer Price Index trended upward (after a decrease in 2014-2016). In 2019, the index **increased by 0.6%**.

Producer Price Indices

The manufacturing producer price index for the domestic market **decreased by 1.2%**. Excluding fuels, the index **decreased by 0.7%**.

The mining and quarrying producer price index for the domestic market **decreased by 3.0%**.

The manufacturing ,mining and quarrying producer price index for exports **decreased by 7.4%**.

The price index for legal services **decreased by 5.8%**.

The price index for administrative consultation **decreased by 3.3%**.

The price index for publishing activities **increased by 3.3%**.

Input Indices

The price index of input in residential building **increased by 1.1%**, the index without wages **increased by 0.4%**.

The price index of input in construction of commercial buildings and offices **remained unchanged**.

The price index of input in road construction and bridging **remained unchanged**.

The price index of input in buses for the general population **increased by 1.0%**.

The price index of input in agriculture **decreased by 0.6%**.

NATIONAL ACCOUNTS

Chapter 11

The Gross Domestic Product and its Components

	NIS billions (at current prices)	2019 vs. 2018 percentage of quantitative change (at constant prices)	1995-2019 Average percentage of quantitative change (at constant prices)
GDP	1,406.7	3.4	3.7
GDP per capita (NIS thousands)	155.4	1.5	1.6
Gross national income	1,400.1	2.9	3.8
Private consumption expenditure	762.2	3.8	4.1
Private consumption expenditure per capita (NIS thousands)	84.2	1.8	2.0
General government final consumption expenditure	317.8	2.8	2.5
Gross capital formation	300.4	3.5	3.0
Exports of goods and services	412.4	4.0	4.9
Total uses of resources	1,792.9	3.6	3.8
Imports of goods and services	386.1	4.1	4.4
GDP of the business sector	1,040.4	4.0	4.0

Net National Disposable Income

NIS 1,243.3 billion

Net National Saving

NIS 163.3 billion (13.1% of net national disposable income)

Compensation of Employed Persons Out of the Net Domestic Product

58.2%

Net Domestic Product per Work Hour

increased by an annual average of **1.3%** in 1995-2019

National Wealth (the difference between financial assets and liabilities of the all entire economy) (2018)

NIS 3,482.5 billion

Average Financial Assets per Household (2018)

NIS 1.2 million

National Expenditure as a Percentage of the GDP - International Comparison (2018)

The national expenditure on education and on civilian research and development **was higher** than the average in OECD countries.

The national expenditure on health **was lower** than the average in OECD countries.

INTERNATIONAL ACCOUNTS

Chapter 12

Balance of Payments

Current Account

Surplus in the current account - **13.4 billion dollars** (3.4% of the GDP)

Financial Account

Investments of Israelis abroad increased by **26.2 billion dollars**

Foreign investments in Israel increased by **23.0 billion dollars**

International Investment Position (IIP)

External assets position of Israelis - **498.0 billion dollars**

External liabilities position - **336.7 billion dollars**

Net international investment position - **161.2 billion dollars**

Foreign direct investment position of Israelis - **112.3 billion dollars**

Foreign direct investment position in Israel - **164.8 billion dollars**

Gross external debt - **105.0 billion dollars**

Negative net external debt - **170.1 billion dollars**

Activities of Multinational Companies (Globalization) (2015)

Israeli multinational companies ("OUT" companies)

306,000 workers

Output - **100.5 billion dollars**

Israeli companies under foreign control ("IN" companies)

269,500 workers

Output - **52.2 billion dollars**

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OF GOODS AND SERVICES

Chapter 13

Balance of Trade in Goods and Services

Total imports of goods and services¹¹ - **108.4 billion dollars**

Total exports of goods and services¹² - **115.8 billion dollars**

Trade surplus¹³ - **7.4 billion dollars**

Value of Imports and Exports of Goods and Services

Goods (according to foreign trade statistics)

Total exports (gross) - **58.5 billion dollars:**

Exports of Manufacturing, mining and quarrying - **55.8 billion dollars**

Exports of Agriculture, forestry and fishing - **1.1 billion dollars**

Other exports - **1.6 billion dollars**

Total imports (gross) - **76.7 billion dollars:**

Imports of production inputs - **46.0 billion dollars**

Imports of consumer goods - **15.5 billion dollars**

Imports of investment goods - **14.6 billion dollars**

Other imports - **0.6 billion dollars**

Services

Total exports - **55.5 billion dollars**

Thereof: Exports of Computer services - **31.7%**

Exports of Research and development services - **16.8%**

Exports of Travel services - **13.7%**

Total imports - **32.2 billion dollars**

Thereof: Imports of Other business services (excluding travel, transportation, insurance, and government services) - **46.8%**

Imports of Travel services - **25.3%**

Imports of Transportation services - **24.9%**

¹¹ Data on imports and exports of goods are adjusted to the definitions of the balance of payments.

¹² Data on imports and exports of goods are adjusted to the definitions of the balance of payments.

¹³ Data on imports and exports of goods are adjusted to the definitions of the balance of payments.

FINANCE AND CAPITAL MARKET

Chapter 14

Financial Market

Total financial assets held by the public - approximately **NIS 4,081 billion**

The percentage of index-linked assets, out of the total financial assets held by the public, has been trending downward over the years, from 52.6% in 1995 to **28.2%** in 2019.

Total credit to the public provided by commercial banks - approximately **NIS 1,596 billion**

Output of banking corporations - approximately **NIS 39 billion**

Capital Market

Total capital raised on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange - approximately **NIS 91 billion**

Market value of bonds registered on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange, excluding Makam securities (treasury bills) - approximately **NIS 897 billion**

Market value of shares and convertible securities registered on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange - approximately **NIS 820 billion**

BUSINESS¹⁴

Chapter 15

Active Businesses

614,108 active businesses in Israel, **52%** of them do not employ employees

Employee jobs of Israeli and foreign workers - about **4.0 million**

Of all active businesses:

68% are those of self-employed persons ("single dealer" as defined by the Tax Authority)

27% are companies

5% of the remaining active businesses are of other types (partnerships, cooperative societies, etc.)

Businesses that were opened¹⁵ - about **58,950**

Businesses that were closed¹⁶ - about **44,900**

Business births¹⁷ - about **51,300 (8.4%** of all active businesses)

88.2% of the businesses born in 2017 survived in 2018.

28.5% of the businesses born in 2005 survived in 2018.

¹⁴ Data from the Business Register (including the Survey of Revenue Indices According to VAT Sources).

¹⁵ According to administrative records of openings of files in the VAT authorities.

¹⁶ According to administrative records of closings of files in the VAT authorities.

¹⁷ According to a quantitative report of revenue and/or of employee jobs.

Business deaths (2017)

The highest percentage of business deaths was in Accommodation and food services activities - **12.1%**

Revenue

Total revenue of dealers in the economy (excluding diamonds) - approximately **NIS 2,144 billion**

Chain Stores

An increase of 0.5% in revenue (sales) of chain stores

Credit Card Purchases

An increase of 7.9% in total purchases

Distribution of purchases:

44% - Other goods and services

23% - Services

18% - Industrial goods

15% - Food and beverages

The Production Account of the Business Sector (2017)

Jobs in the business sector - about **3,088,000**

Gross value added - about **NIS 684 billion**

Compensation for jobs - about **NIS 413 billion**

Balance Sheet Account of the Business Sector (2017)

The total assets in industries amounted to approximately **NIS 2,775 billion** (a **0.1% increase** compared to 2016)

MANUFACTURING

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About **21,000** manufacturing establishments (2017)

About **373,000** jobs are in Manufacturing (**12.1%** of all jobs in the business sector) (2017)

Jobs in Manufacturing, by Technological Intensity (2017)

25.1% - high technology

17.2% - medium-high technology

23.0% - medium-low technology

34.7% - low technology

Compensation for jobs - about **NIS 72 billion**

Gross output - about **NIS 334 billion**

Gross value added - about **NIS 118 billion**

Total assets of manufacturing establishments - about **NIS 534 billion**

Manufacturing Indices, by Technological Intensity

The Index of Industrial Production **rose by 4.0%** compared to 2018.

Work hours per job in Manufacturing (monthly average) - **174.5**

Average labour cost per work hour in Manufacturing - **NIS 97.2**

Labour cost per work hour in high-technology was **44.8% higher** than average.

Labour cost per work hour in low technology was **29.9% lower** than average.

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, AND COMMUNICATIONS

Chapter 17

National Expenditure on Civilian R&D

National expenditure on civilian R&D - **NIS 69.4 billion**

(**4.9%** of the GDP - more than the average percentage of the other OECD countries)

Expenditure on civilian R&D in the business sector - **88.9%** of the total expenditure

Separately Budgeted Research (2018/19)

NIS 2.58 billion - an increase of **4.3%** compared to the previous year

Startup Companies

Active companies - **4,658**

 Thereof: **473** companies that opened

Employee jobs - **32,800**

High-Tech

Employee jobs in high tech - about **323,400** (**8.6%** of all employee jobs in the economy), an **increase of 19.4%** between 2011 and 2019

Average monthly wages per employee job in high-tech - **NIS 23,545**, an **increase of 36.7%** during 2011-2019

Information and Communications Technologies (ICT)

Gross value added of ICT industries - **NIS 89.4 billion** at 2011 prices (**11.5%** of the business sector GDP)

Exports of ICT - **NIS 100.6 billion** at 2011 prices (**27.7%** of all exports of goods and services in the economy)

Usage of Information and Communications Technologies

86.8% of all persons aged 20 and over used the Internet (Social Survey)

Average monthly expenditure of households on communications (2018) - **about NIS 552**

TOURISM AND ACCOMMODATION SERVICES

Chapter 18

The Economic Contribution of Tourism

Total tourism consumption in the Israeli economy - **NIS 54.8 billion**

Expenditures of tourists from abroad in Israel - **NIS 25.9 billion**

Expenditures of Israelis on trips in Israel and abroad - **NIS 28.9 billion**

Incoming Tourism

Arrivals of tourists and day visitors - **4.9 million**

83.3% by air

14.8% by land

1.9% by sea

Average duration of stay of a tourist who stayed in Israel for up to a month - **7.0 days**

Outbound Tourism

Departures of Israelis abroad - **9.2 million**

90.5% by air

8.5% by land

1.0% by sea

Domestic Tourism

Average expenditure per person for a trip (2018)

Without lodging - **NIS 119.0**

With lodging - **NIS 917.7**

8.2 million trips of Israelis in Israel which included overnight lodging in accommodation services

13.7 million person-nights of Israelis in tourist hotels, **45.3%** in Elat

Accommodation Services

426 tourist hotels, containing **55,400** rooms (**81.4%** of all accommodation rooms)

Room occupancy in tourist hotels - **69.5%**

Total person-nights in tourist hotels - **25.8 million**

Person-nights of tourists - **12.1 million**

Person-nights of Israelis - **13.7 million**

Revenue of tourist hotels - **NIS 12.7 billion**

Profit of tourist hotels - **NIS 2.6 billion**

Person-nights in rural tourism - **2.1 million**

Thereof: **21.6%** person-nights of tourists

Tourist Attractions (2018)

Income (museums, nature sites, etc.) - **NIS 2.3 billion**

Travel Abroad (Social Survey)

81.7% of the Israelis aged 20 and over have ever travelled abroad, and the rates were similar for men and women.

86.4% of the Jews and **61.0%** of the Arabs have ever travelled abroad.

Almost half (49.1%) of the Israelis aged 20 and over travelled abroad over the past year¹⁸ - **24.4%** travelled once, and **24.6%** travelled twice or more.

37.9% of the travellers stayed abroad up to nine days; and **about half of them (49.0%)** stayed abroad two weeks or longer.

TRANSPORT AND ROAD SAFETY

Chapter 19

Land Transport

Buses

Revenue of bus services - **NIS 3.7 billion**

Employee jobs - **20,264**

Railways

69.0 million passengers

Revenue of railway services - **NIS 1.1 billion**

Employee jobs - **3,805**

Water Transport

Passed through commercial ports in Israel - **280,400** passengers

38.1 million tons of freight were unloaded

19.6 million tons of freight were loaded

Israel merchant fleet - **33** ships

¹⁸ In the 12 months preceding the interview.

Air Transport

24.4 million passengers passed through Israeli international airports

Israel aircraft fleet - **57** passenger aircraft

3 freight aircraft

Motor Vehicles

3.6 million

Thereof: Private cars - **85.7%**

Trucks - **8.5%**

Motorcycles - **4.0%**

Licensed to Drive

4.5 million

Rate of **494 per 1,000 residents**

Length of Roads

Length of roads in Israel - **19,900 km**

Vehicle Kilometers Travelled

Average kilometers travelled by private cars per year - **16,200 km**

Road Accidents With Casualties (expanded R.A., including the Judea and Samaria Area)

Road accidents - **12,670**

67.7% of the accidents occurred during the day

24.0% of the accidents involved hitting a pedestrian

Casualties in road accidents

355 killed, **an increase of 12.3%** compared to 2018

2,394 seriously injured, **an increase of 10.5%** compared to 2018

Killed in road accidents, 1949-2019

31,613

Victimization by Road Rage (Crime Victimization Survey)

50.9% of all persons aged 20 and over were victimized by road rage

Chapter 20

Gross Capital Formation in Construction

NIS 160.7 billion (at current prices)

In residential construction - **56.7%**

In non-residential construction - **24.1%**

In civil engineering works - **19.2%**

Dwellings, Construction Begun

51,300

Residential construction area - **9.6 million m²**

Dwellings Under Active Construction

119,600

New Dwellings Sold

33,000

Dwellings, Construction Completed

51,700

Residential construction area - **9.0 million m²**

Construction time per building (weighted average, according to the number of dwellings in the building) - **29.4 months**

Prices of Dwellings

The index of prices of dwellings **increased by 4.2%**

The index of prices of new dwellings **decreased by 2.4%**

Average price of a dwelling - **NIS 1,544,300**

Rent

The rent index increased by **1.5%**

Average rent - **NIS 3,948.6** per month

Purchase of a Dwelling (Social Survey)

47.7% of all persons aged 20 and over purchased a dwelling in Israel at some point in time

Of them:

58.3% purchased the dwelling from a private individual (second-hand)

31.9% purchased the dwelling from a contractor, construction company, or housing and development company.

AGRICULTURE

Chapter 21

Agricultural Output

Total - **NIS 30.9 billion**

Plant crops - **59.7%**

Animals and animal products - **40.3%**

Agricultural Input

Total (including depreciation) - **NIS 19.1 billion**

Fodder - **33.8%**

Depreciation - **14.5%**

Miscellaneous - **10.1%**

Fuel, lubricants, and electricity - **10.0%**

Pesticides, fertilizers, and manure - **8.5%**

Chicks, seeds, and seedlings - **8.4%**

Water - **8.4%**

Packing materials and hired transport - **6.3%**

Domestic Product in Agriculture

Gross Domestic Product - **NIS 14.2 billion**

Net domestic product - **NIS 11.8 billion**

Agricultural Area

Total - **2.9 million dunams**

Field crops - **1.2 million dunams**

Plantations, excl. citrus - **826,000 dunams**

Vegetables - **702,000 dunams**

Citrus - **178,000 dunams**

Fish ponds - **22,000 dunams**

Planted Forest Area and Pasture Area

Planted forest - **1.2 million dunams**

Pasture - **1.6 million dunams**

Value of Agricultural Exports

NIS 4.9 billion

Agricultural Produce

Main plant crops

Vegetables

Potatoes - **524,000 tons**

Tomatoes - **299,000 tons**

Carrots - **253,000 tons**

Peppers - **166,000 tons**

Fruit

Bananas - **144,000 tons**

Avocados - **139,000 tons**

Apples - **104,000 tons**

Table grapes - **57,000 tons**

Main animal products

Cows' milk - **1.5 billion liters**

Table eggs - **2.3 billion units**

Broilers - **517,000 tons**

Turkeys - **94,000 tons**

Food Balance Sheet (2018)

The caloric value per capita of food available for human consumption - **3,783 kilocalories (Kcal) per day**

Bread and cereal - **29%**

Oils and fats - **18%**

Sugar, sweets, and honey - **13%**

Vegetables, fruit, and potatoes - **11%**

ENVIRONMENT

Chapter 22

Expenditure on Environmental Protection

In the public sector (2018) - **NIS 14.7 billion**

In the Manufacturing and Electricity industries (2017) - **NIS 3.7 billion**

Air Pollutant Emissions to the Environment

Carbon monoxide (CO) - **137,200 tons**

Sulfur dioxide (SO₂) - **53,000 tons**

Nitrogen oxides (NO_x) - **93,700 tons**

Suspended particulate matter (SPM) - **6,800 tons**

Greenhouse Gas Emissions to the Environment (2018)

78.4 million tons CO₂ equivalent

Emissions per capita - **8.8 tons**

Waste and Recycling

Waste in the local authorities - **5.8 million tons**

 Thereof: Sent to recycling - **1.4 million tons**

 Waste per day per capita - **1.76 kg**

Waste in the Manufacturing and Electricity industries (2017) - **3.9 million tons**

 Thereof: Sent to recycling - **2.9 million tons**

Hazardous waste - **346,100 tons**

 Thereof: Treated in Israel - **341,000 tons**

Residential Environment (Social Survey)

86.0% of all persons aged 20 and over were satisfied with their area of residence

56.5% were satisfied with the cleanliness in their area of residence

59.0% were satisfied with the number of parks and open areas in their area of residence

70.6% were satisfied with the garbage collection services in their area of residence

67.4% were not bothered by air pollution (e.g., smoke emissions from cars or from industries, smells of sewage or waste) in their area of residence

71.4% indicated that in their dwelling they were not bothered by noise from outside

WATER AND SEWAGE

Chapter 23

Water Sources

Precipitation volume in rain year 2018/2019 - **7.84 billion m³**

Desalination of sea water - **609 million m³**

Dead Sea water level **-434.31 m** (below sea level) in December, **1.16 m less** than in 2018

The Sea of Galilee water level **-211.85 m** (below sea level) in November, **2.80 m more** than in 2018

Water Quality

Tests for the presence of coliforms in drinking water showed exceedances in **0.6%** of the cases. In the beaches of the Mediterranean Sea - the average percentage of exceedances in tests for faecal enterococci bacteria was **3.9%** (compared to 6.0% in the previous year).

Average salinity in the Sea of Galilee - **296 mg/l**

Water Use (2018)

Total - **2.2 billion m³**

Household, public and industrial consumption - **45.8%**

Agricultural consumption - **53.2%**

Reclaimed to the environment - **1.0%**

Raw Sewage

Raw sewage in treatment plants - **538 million m³**

Reclaimed sewage (effluents) (2018) - **514 million m³**

ENERGY (2018)

Chapter 24

Total Primary Energy Supply (TPES)

23,766,000 t.o.e. (Ton of Oil Equivalent)

Thereof: **40.5%** from indigenous production

Final Consumption of Energy

15,704,000 t.o.e.

Petroleum products - **57.1%**

Electricity - **32.1%**

Natural gas - **7.8%**

Renewable energy - **2.9%**

Coal and oil shales - **0.2%**

Final consumption of energy per capita

1.77 t.o.e.

Thereof: Petroleum products - **1.01 t.o.e.**

Electricity - **0.57 t.o.e.**

Natural gas - **0.14 t.o.e.**

Petroleum Products

Sources

16,922,000 t.o.e.

From local refining (based on import of crude oil) - **87.1%**

From direct imports - **12.9%**

Uses (excluding intermediate consumption)

16,484,000 t.o.e.

For final consumption - **54.4%**

For exports - **36.7%**

For international marine and aviation bunkers - **8.9%**

Final consumption of petroleum products in transport

Gasoline - **4.039 billion liters (3.224 million t.o.e.)**

Thereof: Gasoline 95 octane - **4.021 billion liters**

Gas oil/Diesel oil - **3.186 billion liters (2.746 million t.o.e.)**

Electricity (2019)

Electricity Production - **72.524 billion kwh (6.237 million t.o.e.)**, an increase of **4.6%** compared to 2018

Final consumption of electricity - **60.945 billion kwh (5.241 million t.o.e.)**, an increase of **4.0%** compared to 2018

Fuel mix for production of electricity

Natural gas - **63.5%**

Coal - **30.2%**

Renewable energy - **4.8%**

Other fossil fuels - **1.5%**

Fuel consumption for production of electricity

Between 2018 and 2019, coal consumption increased by **5.6%**, concomitantly, consumption of natural gas decreased by **4.2%**.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT SECTOR

Chapter 25

General Government Expenditures

NIS 561.7 billion (39.9% of the GDP)

Thereof: **NIS 317.8 billion** for general government consumption expenditure

General Government Revenue

NIS 506.3 billion (36.0% of the GDP)

Thereof: **84.6%** from tax revenue

General Government Overall Deficit

NIS 55.4 billion (3.9% of the GDP)

Government Debt

NIS 839.0 billion

Debt-Product Ratio

59.6% of the GDP

LOCAL AUTHORITIES (2018)

Chapter 26

Local Authorities in Israel

255

74.1% of the population lived within municipalities

14.8% lived within local councils

10.4% lived within regional councils

0.7% lived in localities with no municipal status

Municipal Services

Education

Entitled to a matriculation certificate, out of all 12th graders

Nationwide - **66.0%**

Municipalities - **63.2%**

Local councils - **70.0%**

Regional councils - **78.1%**

Holders of academic degrees out of all persons aged 35-55, by socio-economic cluster of the local authority (2019)

Nationwide - **26.2%**

In Cluster 1 - **6.4%**

In Cluster 9 - **57.7%**

Sanitation

Waste per day per capita

Nationwide - **1.8 kg**

Municipalities - **1.8 kg**

Local councils - **1.5 kg**

Regional councils - **2.2 kg**

Commuting

Employed persons working outside their locality of residence

Nationwide - **53.9%**

In cities with 50,000 or more residents:

The lowest percentage: Elat - **6.4%**

The highest percentage: Giv'atayim - **81.8%**

Budget

Receipts (municipal tax fees, etc.) - **NIS 86.0 billion**

Payments - **NIS 88.2 billion**

ELECTIONS, THE KNESSET, AND GOVERNMENT

Chapter 27

Elections to the 22th Knesset (September 17, 2019)

Eligible voters - about **6.39 million**

Voter turnout - about **4.47 million**

Percentage voting - **69.8%**

Elections to the 23th Knesset (March 2, 2020)

Eligible voters - about **6.45 million**

Voter turnout - about **4.62 million**

Percentage voting - **71.5%**

Work of the 23th Knesset (March 16, 2020-June 9, 2020)

8 laws were passed

128 motions for the agenda discussed in the plenum and fast-track motions transferred to committee discussion

25 parliamentary questions answered

Ombudsman

Complaints resolved - **5,548**

Thereof: **1,951 (35.2%)** were found to be justified

Chapter 28

Satisfaction With Life and Economic Situation

88.8% were satisfied with their lives

92.0% of the Jews

76.5% of the Arabs

62.6% were satisfied with their economic situation

66.3% of the Jews

50.8% of the Arabs

36.9% (about **2.1 million persons**) were unsatisfied with their economic situation

Over the past year,¹⁹ **13.4%** of the participants aged 20 and over had considered moving abroad for at least 5 years.

Satisfaction With One's Dwelling and Area of Residence

87.3% were satisfied with the dwelling they resided in

86.0% were satisfied overall with their area of residence

56.5% were satisfied with the cleanliness in their area of residence

41.3% were satisfied with the public transportation in their area of residence

Attitudes about Living Near Special Populations

69.1% were not willing to live near persons undergoing rehabilitation for drug or alcohol addiction

60.5% were not willing to live near juvenile offenders undergoing rehabilitation

Perceived Poverty and Economic Difficulties

11.5% felt poor during the past year²⁰

6.9% of the Jews

30.9% of the Arabs

29.9% (approximately **1.7 million persons**) have difficulty covering the monthly expenses of the household

Sense of Stress, Loneliness, and Discrimination

20.2% always or frequently feel stressed

19.6% frequently or occasionally feel lonely

24.9% felt some level of discrimination during the past year²¹

¹⁹ In the 12 months preceding the interview.

²⁰ In the 12 months preceding the interview.

²¹ In the 12 months preceding the interview.

Annual Topic - Family Connection

37.9% of the participants aged 20 and over are not satisfied with the balance between the time they devote to work and the time they devote to other areas of their life. The percentages are similar for men and women.

35.5% of the working parents report that they do not devote enough time to their children.

Of the married couples who are both working:

74.9% agree that working couples should share the burden of household tasks equally.

The findings indicate that women are responsible for a large share of household tasks such as laundry, cooking, and cleaning, in addition to contributing to the family income. However, most of the couples mention that in their household the men are solely responsible for minor repairs.

41.9% of the participants aged 20-44 receive financial assistance from their parents.