

State of Israel

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□ Israel's Independence Day 2024 □

- On the eve of Israel's 76th Independence Day, the population of Israel was 9.900 million:¹
 - o 7.427 million Jews (73.2%)
 - o 2.089 million Arabs² (21.1%)
 - o 564,000 Others³ (5.7%)
- Since last year's Independence Day, Israel's population has grown by 189,000 (an increase of 1.9%).⁴ During this period, about 196,000 infants were born, about 37,000 immigrants arrived, and about 60,000 persons died.⁵
- At the time of the establishment of the State of Israel, the population of Israel was 806,000. It has increased by a factor higher than 12 since then.
- Since the State's founding, over 3.4 million immigrants have arrived in Israel, about 1.6 million (47.1%) of them arrived since 1990. Since 1970, about 153,000 immigrating citizens have also settled in the country.⁶

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¹ The estimates are based on the 2008 census; the results of the 2022 census have not yet been taken into account. The data pertaining to the eve of Independence Day are preliminary and are up-to-date for the end of May 2024 (12.4 months). The data do not include the foreign worker population, which was estimated to be 222,500 at the end of 2022. In addition, the population estimate does not include persons who entered Israel without an entry visa and did not enter through recognized border crossings.

² Arabs: Moslems, Arab Christians and Druze.

³ Others: Non-Arab Christians, other religions, and those registered as not classified by religion in the Population Register, mainly immigrants who immigrated under the Law of Return or family reunification, but are not defined as Jews in the Population Register.

⁴ This is the increase since the previous Independence Day.

⁵ Additional growth components: Family reunifications, balance of Israelis staying abroad for over a year.

⁶ Immigrating citizen: A person born to an Israeli citizen during his stay abroad, who enters Israel with the intention to settle. The data of immigrating citizens are available since 1970.

- According to the current rate of growth, on the next Independence Day the population of Israel is expected to number more than ten million persons.
- In 2030, the population of Israel is expected to reach 11.1 million, in 2040 13.2 million, and on the 100th Independence Day of the State of Israel, in 2048, the population is expected to reach 15.2 million.⁷
- At the end of 2022, about 45% of the world's total Jewish population lived in Israel. About 80% of the Jews in Israel are Sabras (born in Israel).
- The population of Israel is a young population: About 28% are children aged 0-14 and about 12% are aged 65 or over.

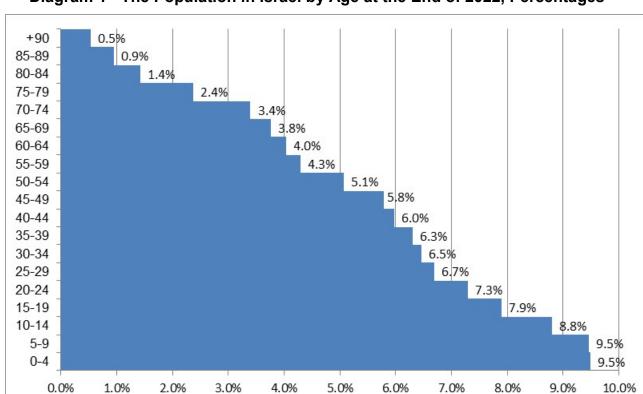


Diagram 1 - The Population in Israel by Age at the End of 2022, Percentages

⁷ According to the national population projection for 2015-2065, medium variant.