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EUROPEAN JEWISH COMMUNITY LEADERS AND PROFESSIONALS

JDC, THE FOURTH SURVEY, 2018

Future Priorities

Top five community priorities

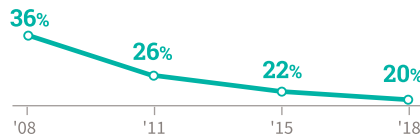
Avg. score ■ 2011 ■ 2018



Security & Safety

Feeling of safety has eroded since 2008

"I feel **very safe** as a Jew in my city"



— Feeling of Safety, East vs. West —



73%

of all respondents consider their national governments' response as adequate to the Jewish communities' security needs.

Intermarriage

86%

believe that the community should put suitable spaces or programs in place to **better integrate intermarried families.**

80%

of the respondents believe that including intermarried families is **critical for the survival of the Jewish community.**

37%

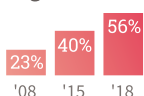
expect status issues to become **more problematic in the future.**

15%

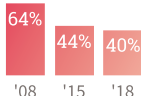
think that status issues will pose a **danger to the existence of Jewish community continuity.**

Future Threats

Concern about **anti-Semitism** shows the largest increase



Concern about **intermarriage** has decreased

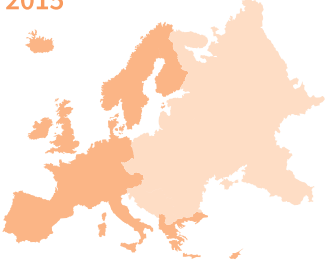


The Top 10 Identified Threats:

- Alienation from community life
- Demographic decline
- Lack of engagement
- Weakness of organizations
- Ignorance about Judaism
- Anti-Semitism
- Lack of effective leadership
- Lack of econ. sustainability
- Internal Jewish conflicts
- Terror & violence against Jews

Anti-Semitism

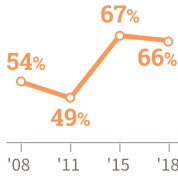
A worrisome trend since 2015



Western Europeans consider anti-Semitism more of a threat than Eastern Europeans.

66%

expect increased anti-Semitic prejudice over the next 5-10 years (vs. 67% in 2015)



Europe's Future



60%

feel that it is very important to **strengthen relationships** between Jews living in different parts of Europe.

Younger generation is more optimistic about the future



49% Optimistic 51% Pessimistic

10% gap in optimism:



55%

believe it is important that the **community belongs to European Jewish organizations.**

Israel

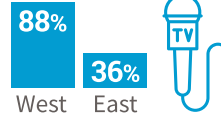
"I fully support Israel, regardless of its gov't's behavior.



85%

"Jewish communities should provide **opportunities for members to share different opinions** and points of view on Israel and its policies.

"The media in my country regularly **portrays Israel in a negative light.**

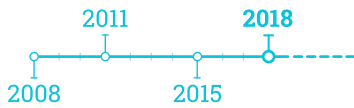


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"Events in Israel sometimes **lead to an increase of anti-Semitism** in my country.

About the Survey and Respondents

The European Jewish Community Leaders Survey is conducted every three / four years using the same format, in order to identify trends and their evolution.



893

Respondents

Conducted Online

29

Countries

10

Languages

Leaders, representatives and professionals from 8 main fields:



Umbrella orgs. / feds.



Private foundations



City level communities



Young activists



Influential media entrepreneurs



Social welfare



Education



Significant donors



89% University Graduates

Over age 55 **65%**
Under age 40 **13%**

Denomination: **41%** Cultural

33% Orthodox **26%** Traditional

Self outlook:

Religious **55%**
Secular **45%**