

PERCEPTIONS AND EXPERIENCES OF ANTISEMITISM AMONG JEWS IN SELECTED EU MEMBER STATES

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Who commissioned the survey, and why?

The survey has been commissioned by the [European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights \(FRA\)](#), based in Vienna, Austria. FRA's purpose is to provide evidence-based advice to EU institutions and the Member States on issues related to fundamental rights. One important way of collecting evidence is by asking people in Europe, through survey research, about their experiences and perceptions – how people's rights are realised in everyday life.

This particular survey is concerned with Jewish people's fundamental rights, and the data will be used to provide important evidence to European Union and national policy makers, as well as organisations working within Jewish and wider civil society. In this way, the survey will contribute to ensuring that the rights of Jewish people are respected, protected and fulfilled across the EU.

Who is conducting the survey?

The survey is being conducted by the [Institute for Jewish Policy Research \(JPR\)](#) and Ipsos. JPR is an independent research institute based in the UK that specialises in contemporary Jewish affairs, and supplies research data to a wide range of agencies both within and beyond the Jewish community. Its academic team for this project includes Professor Eliezer Ben-Rafael (Tel Aviv University, Israel), Professor Michal Bilewicz (University of Warsaw, Poland), Professor Chantal Bordes-Benayoun (National Centre for Scientific Research, France), Dr Jonathan Boyd (Institute for Jewish Policy Research, UK), Professor Sergio DellaPergola (Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel), Professor Lars Dencik (Roskilde University, Denmark), Dr Olaf Glöckner (Moses Mendelssohn Zentrum, Germany), Dr Erich Griessler (Institute for Advanced Studies, Austria), Professor András Kovács (Central European University, Hungary), Dr Hannah van Solinge (Netherlands Interdisciplinary Demographic Institute), Dr Daniel Staetsky (Institute for Jewish Policy Research, UK), Dr Mark Tolts (Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel) and Dr Martina Weisz (Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel). Ipsos is one of the world's leading research companies that supplies social research to governments, police forces, educational institutions, regulators, agencies and the third sector.

Why is there a need for a survey about antisemitism?

Antisemitism remains an issue of concern today, not only to Jews, but to all concerned with combating hate crime and discrimination. The way in which it manifests itself varies according to time and place, and it affects different Jews in different ways and to different extents. In order to understand its nature today, this survey seeks to hear directly from Jewish people living in Europe, irrespective of whether or not they perceive antisemitism to be a major problem, or have directly witnessed or experienced an antisemitic incident. In this way, the research team

aims to paint a detailed and sophisticated portrait of contemporary antisemitism across Europe, as it is both perceived and experienced by European Jews.

Will the survey make any difference?

This is the second time this survey has been run. The results of the first survey, run in 2012, played a key role in the decision of the European Commission to appoint a Coordinator on Combating Antisemitism, and informed the development of the definition of antisemitism by the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance. The data have also been used on an ongoing basis to present evidence about antisemitism to officials working at the European, national and local levels across the continent. Our expectation is that this new survey will be equally impactful, if not more so.

Who is eligible to participate?

There are three eligibility criteria. First, you must consider yourself to be Jewish, whether that is on the grounds of your religion, culture, upbringing, ethnicity, parentage or any other basis. Second, you must be aged 16 or older on the date you take the survey. Third, you must be currently living in one of the thirteen EU Member States participating in the survey: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Latvia, the Netherlands, Poland, Spain, Sweden or the United Kingdom. If you do not fulfil all three of these criteria, you are not eligible to participate. If you are uncertain of your eligibility and would like to check, please contact eurojews@ipsos.com or call 0808 141 3079.

When will the results be published, and how will they be used?

The European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA) will publish the results in 2018 and onwards through a variety of channels – involving both print reports and online tools. All publications on the results will be available at the FRA's website – www.fra.europa.eu. The results will be communicated to all relevant stakeholders, which include the European Union institutions, the Member States and civil society organisations.

How can I be sure that my personal details and survey responses will remain confidential?

Ipsos, a specialist research agency, will be administering the survey. Ipsos is also a member of the Market Research Society. As such we abide by the Market Research Society Code of Conduct and associated regulations and guidelines.

Your responses to this survey will be used solely for survey purposes only. Your participation in this survey, together with your individual responses to the questions, will be treated as confidential. It will not allow anyone to identify you. The European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA) ensures that the EC regulation No. 45/2001 on personal data protection is respected. You can read more about this in the FRA Information Note on the protection of personal data [here](#).

The results of this survey will be anonymous, statistical information only, and we can assure you that you will NOT be identifiable in any published results.

We can assure you that any information you provide during this survey will NOT be used for marketing, nor will we sell or pass on your information to any third party.

How do we ensure your personal information is held securely?

Ipsos takes their responsibilities to keep your personal information secure very seriously. As such Ipsos takes every reasonable precaution to ensure your information is protected from loss, theft or misuse. These precautions include appropriate physical security of our offices, controlled access to computer systems, and use of secure, encrypted internet connections when collecting personal information.

As part of our commitment to the security of your information, Ipsos MORI has regular internal and external audits of its information security, and is registered to the International Standard for Information Security, ISO 27001:2005.

Cookies:

This online survey collects information through the use of 'cookies'. These are small files stored on your computer. These files are used as sparingly as possible and only for quality control and validation. It is possible for you to delete 'cookies' or to prevent their use by adjusting the browser settings on your computer.

Ipsos also automatically captures information about your operating system, display settings and browser type in order to ensure that the survey questionnaire is delivered in a form suited to the software your computer is using. Ipsos does not capture any other information from your computer.

Can I invite other people to take part in the survey?

In addition to completing the survey yourself, please forward on the email you received on to Jewish friends, family members and colleagues to encourage them to participate too. If you are involved in a Jewish organisation or group and can promote the survey among its members, we would also appreciate your help – simply forward the email you received on. Just note that in order to participate, people need to be Jewish, at least 16 years-old, and currently living in one of the thirteen participating countries – Austria, Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Latvia, the Netherlands, Poland, Spain, Sweden and the United Kingdom.