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THE STATE OF ANTISEMITISM IN AMERICA 2021
| Methodology and time in field | Interviews conducted by phone and online | Interviews via the SSRS Opinion Panel  
September 9-22, 2021 |
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<td>Number of participants</td>
<td>1,433 U.S. Jewish adults</td>
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1 in 4 American Jews have been the target of antisemitism over the past year.
American Jews have changed their behavior over the past 12 months out of fear of antisemitism.

2021 survey of American Jews conducted September 1 - October 3, 2021. The margin of error is plus or minus 3.9%.
Nearly four in ten (39%) American Jews say they have avoided at least one of the three behaviors asked about:

- **17%** avoided certain places, events, or situations out of fear of antisemitism
- **22%** avoided making themselves visually identifiable as a Jew out of fear of antisemitism
- **25%** refrained from posting Jewish-related content online out of fear of antisemitism

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How much of a problem, if at all, do you think the below is for Jewish college students in the U.S. today?

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<td>Antisemitism from the far right</td>
<td>61%</td>
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<td>Antisemitism from the far left</td>
<td>45%</td>
<td>37%</td>
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<td>Anti-Israel campaigns, such as the BDS movement</td>
<td>54%</td>
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Compared to a year ago, is the status of Jews more secure, about the same, or less secure?

**2020**
- More secure: 4%
- About the same: 52%
- Less secure: 43%

**2021**
- More secure: 11%
- About the same: 57%
- Less secure: 31%

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On which platforms have American Jews been targeted by antisemitism?

*Asked of American Jews targeted online

- **Facebook**: 55%
- **Twitter**: 35%
- **YouTube**: 11%
- **Instagram**: 10%
- **Clubhouse**: 5%
- **TikTok**: 4%
- **Some other platform**: 11%

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AJC’s survey of the U.S. general public: Familiarity with the term *antisemitism*

- 65% Heard the term, and know what it means
- 18% Heard the term, but unsure what it means
- 16% Have never heard of the term

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Do you, personally, happen to know someone who is Jewish?

Yes 64%

No 36%

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How much of a problem do you think antisemitism is in the United States today?

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<td>90%</td>
<td>60%</td>
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57.5% of all religious bias crimes in America target Jews.
Anti-Jewish bias incidents comprised **8.7 of all U.S. hate crimes** in 2020.

Jews are two in every 100 Americans.

But anti-Jewish hate crimes were one out of every 11 hate crimes in America in 2020.

Taken from the 2020 Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Hate Crime Explorer
41% of Americans have witnessed an antisemitic incident in person, online, or against a Jewish institution over the past 12 months.

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Over the past five years, do you think that antisemitism in the United States has...

- Increased: 82%
- Stayed the same: 14%
- Decreased: 3%
- Don’t know: 19%

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How much have you heard about Jews being attacked in the U.S. and around the world in May 2021 during the conflict between Israel and Hamas?

A LOT/SOME

AMERICAN JEWS: 71%
U.S. GENERAL PUBLIC: 48%

NOT MUCH/ NONE AT ALL

AMERICAN JEWS: 28%
U.S. GENERAL PUBLIC: 53%

May not add up to 100% due to rounding.

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8 IN 10 Americans, both Jews and non-Jews, believe the statement ‘Israel has no right to exist’ is antisemitic.

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