

# THE STATE OF ANTISEMITISM IN AMERICA 2023

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The following is a breakdown of key findings from the Survey of American Jews within AJC’s *State of Antisemitism in America 2023 Report*, shown for various audiences in comparison to the national average. The below demographic breakdown from the Survey of American Jews consists of the responses from 125 Orthodox Jews, 915 all-other religious Jews, and 431 secular Jews. The margin of

error for the Survey of American Jews is +/- 3.2% at the 95% confidence level; the margin of error for the below disaggregated groups will be larger.

The format of this document compares an individual denomination of Orthodox, non-Orthodox, and secular, and compares an individual denomination to the other two, depicted as Denomination (Others).

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## ORTHODOX

**How much of a problem is antisemitism in America today?**

NATIONAL AVERAGE

A problem: 93%

Not a problem: 6%

ORTHODOX (OTHERS)

A problem: 99% (97%)

Not a problem: 1% (7%)

**Over the past five years, has antisemitism increased, decreased, or stayed the same?**

NATIONAL AVERAGE

Increased: 86%

Stayed the same: 12%

Decreased: 2%

ORTHODOX (OTHERS)

Increased: 88% (90%)

Stayed the same: 11% (13%)

Decreased: 3% (2%)

**Compared to a year ago, is the status of Jews more secure, the same, or less secure?**

NATIONAL AVERAGE

More secure: 3%

About the same: 34%

Less secure: 63%

ORTHODOX (OTHERS)

More secure: 1% (3%)

About the same: 41% (35%)

Less secure: 58% (67%)

**Over the past 12 months, have you, yourself, been the target of an antisemitic remark in person?**

NATIONAL AVERAGE

Yes: 22%

No: 78%

ORTHODOX (OTHERS)

Yes: 36% (21%)

No: 64% (84%)

**Over the past 12 months, have you, yourself, been the target of antisemitic vandalism to, or messaging (such as flyers or pamphlets) left on your personal property?**

NATIONAL AVERAGE

Yes: 7%

No: 93%

ORTHODOX (OTHERS)

Yes: 12% (7%)

No: 88% (98%)

**Been target of any incident in the past 12 months:**

NATIONAL AVERAGE

Target: 25%

Not a target: 75%

ORTHODOX (OTHERS)

Target: 39% (25%)

Not a target: 61% (80%)

**Over the past 12 months, have you seen or heard any antisemitic content (such as comments or posts) online or on social media?**

NATIONAL AVERAGE

Yes: 62%

No: 38%

ORTHODOX (OTHERS)

Yes: 64% (65%)

No: 36% (40%)

**In the past 12 months, have you avoided publicly wearing, carrying, or displaying things that might help people identify you as a Jew out of fear of antisemitism?**

NATIONAL AVERAGE

Yes: 26%

No: 73%

ORTHODOX (OTHERS)

Yes: 24% (28%)

No: 76% (77%)

**In the past 12 months, have you avoided certain places, events, or situations out of concern for your safety or comfort as a Jew?**

NATIONAL AVERAGE

Yes: 26%

No: 74%

ORTHODOX (OTHERS)

Yes: 41% (26%)

No: 59% (79%)

**In the past 12 months, have you avoided posting content online that would identify you as a Jew or reveal your views on Jewish issues?**

NATIONAL AVERAGE

Yes: 30%

No: 69%

ORTHODOX (OTHERS)

Yes: 28% (32%)

No: 71% (73%)

**Over the past five years, have any Jewish institutions with which you are affiliated been the target of antisemitic graffiti, attacks, and/or threats?**

**NATIONAL AVERAGE**

Yes: 25%  
None of these: 21%  
Not affiliated with institutions: 38%  
Not sure: 16%

**ORTHODOX (OTHERS)**

Yes: 46% (25%)  
None of these: 23% (21%)  
Not affiliated with institutions: 14% (42%)  
Not sure: 16% (17%)

**In the past five years, to the best of your knowledge, have any local businesses where you live been targets of antisemitism, such as graffiti or broken windows?**

**NATIONAL AVERAGE**

Yes: 19%  
No: 44%  
Don't know: 37%

**ORTHODOX (OTHERS)**

Yes: 33% (19%)  
No: 42% (46%)  
Don't know: 25% (40%)

**How effective do you think law enforcement is in responding to the security needs of Jews?**

**NATIONAL AVERAGE**

Effective: 65%  
Not effective: 34%

**ORTHODOX (OTHERS)**

Effective: 73% (68%)  
Not effective: 24% (36%)

**In the past five years, have any of the Jewish institutions you are affiliated with increased security measures or is security about the same?**

**NATIONAL AVERAGE**

Yes: 64%  
About the same: 22%  
Not affiliated: 6%  
Don't know: 8%

**ORTHODOX (OTHERS)**

Yes: 82% (63%)  
About the same: 11% (24%)  
Not affiliated: 1% (7%)  
Don't know: 2% (8%)

## ALL OTHER NON-ORTHODOX

**How much of a problem is antisemitism in America today?**

NATIONAL AVERAGE

A problem: 93%

Not a problem: 6%

NON-ORTHODOX (OTHERS)

A problem: 94% (102%)

Not a problem: 6% (8%)

**Over the past five years, has antisemitism increased, decreased, or stayed the same?**

NATIONAL AVERAGE

Increased: 86%

Stayed the same: 12%

Decreased: 2%

NON-ORTHODOX (OTHERS)

Increased: 87% (94%)

Stayed the same: 11% (14%)

Decreased: 1% (2%)

**Compared to a year ago, is the status of Jews more secure, the same, or less secure?**

NATIONAL AVERAGE

More secure: 3%

About the same: 34%

Less secure: 63%

NON-ORTHODOX (OTHERS)

More secure: 4% (1%)

About the same: 28% (46%)

Less secure: 68% (63%)

**Over the past 12 months, have you, yourself, been the target of an antisemitic remark in person?**

NATIONAL AVERAGE

Yes: 22%

No: 78%

NON-ORTHODOX (OTHERS)

Yes: 22% (24%)

No: 78% (87%)

**Over the past 12 months, have you, yourself, been the target of antisemitic vandalism to, or messaging (such as flyers or pamphlets) left on your personal property?**

NATIONAL AVERAGE

Yes: 7%

No: 93%

NON-ORTHODOX (OTHERS)

Yes: 8% (6%)

No: 92% (104%)

**Been target of any incident in the past 12 months:**

NATIONAL AVERAGE

Target: 25%

Not a target: 75%

NON-ORTHODOX (OTHERS)

Target: 26% (26%)

Not a target: 74% (84%)

**Over the past 12 months, have you seen or heard any antisemitic content (such as comments or posts) online or on social media?**

NATIONAL AVERAGE

Yes: 62%

No: 38%

NON-ORTHODOX (OTHERS)

Yes: 61% (70%)

No: 39% (40%)

**In the past 12 months, have you avoided publicly wearing, carrying, or displaying things that might help people identify you as a Jew out of fear of antisemitism?**

NATIONAL AVERAGE

Yes: 26%

No: 73%

NON-ORTHODOX (OTHERS)

Yes: 31% (23%)

No: 69% (87%)

**In the past 12 months, have you avoided certain places, events, or situations out of concern for your safety or comfort as a Jew?**

NATIONAL AVERAGE

Yes: 26%

No: 74%

NON-ORTHODOX (OTHERS)

Yes: 32% (23%)

No: 68% (88%)

**In the past 12 months, have you avoided posting content online that would identify you as a Jew or reveal your views on Jewish issues?**

NATIONAL AVERAGE

Yes: 30%

No: 69%

NON-ORTHODOX (OTHERS)

Yes: 34% (28%)

No: 65% (82%)

**Over the past five years, have any Jewish institutions with which you are affiliated been the target of antisemitic graffiti, attacks, and/or threats?**

**NATIONAL AVERAGE**

Yes: 25%  
None of these: 21%  
Not affiliated with institutions: 38%  
Not sure: 16%

**NON-ORTHODOX (OTHERS)**

Yes: 32% (20%)  
None of these: 20% (24%)  
Not affiliated with institutions: 29% (54%)  
Not sure: 20% (13%)

**In the past five years, to the best of your knowledge, have any local businesses where you live been targets of antisemitism, such as graffiti or broken windows?**

**NATIONAL AVERAGE**

Yes: 19%  
No: 44%  
Don't know: 37%

**NON-ORTHODOX (OTHERS)**

Yes: 20% (21%)  
No: 42% (50%)  
Don't know: 38% (39%)

**How effective do you think law enforcement is in responding to the security needs of Jews?**

**NATIONAL AVERAGE**

Effective: 65%  
Not effective: 34%

**NON-ORTHODOX (OTHERS)**

Effective: 66% (71%)  
Not effective: 33% (38%)

**In the past five years, have any of the Jewish institutions you are affiliated with increased security measures or is security about the same?**

**NATIONAL AVERAGE**

Yes: 64%  
About the same: 22%  
Not affiliated: 6%  
Don't know: 8%

**NON-ORTHODOX (OTHERS)**

Yes: 69% (60%)  
About the same: 19% (26%)  
Not affiliated: 4% (10%)  
Don't know: 7% (7%)

## SECULAR

**How much of a problem is antisemitism in America today?**

NATIONAL AVERAGE

A problem: 93%

Not a problem: 6%

SECULAR (OTHERS)

A problem: 92% (101%)

Not a problem: 8% (6%)

**Over the past five years, has antisemitism increased, decreased, or stayed the same?**

NATIONAL AVERAGE

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Decreased: 2%

SECULAR (OTHERS)

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Stayed the same: 11% (13%)

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SECULAR (OTHERS)

More secure: 1% (3%)

About the same: 39% (34%)

Less secure: 59% (69%)

**Over the past 12 months, have you, yourself, been the target of an antisemitic remark in person?**

NATIONAL AVERAGE

Yes: 22%

No: 78%

SECULAR (OTHERS)

Yes: 18% (25%)

No: 82% (82%)

**Over the past 12 months, have you, yourself, been the target of antisemitic vandalism to, or messaging (such as flyers or pamphlets) left on your personal property?**

NATIONAL AVERAGE

Yes: 7%

No: 93%

SECULAR (OTHERS)

Yes: 4% (9%)

No: 96% (98%)

**Been target of any incident in the past 12 months:**

NATIONAL AVERAGE

Target: 25%

Not a target: 75%

SECULAR (OTHERS)

Target: 19% (30%)

Not a target: 81% (77%)

**Over the past 12 months, have you seen or heard any antisemitic content (such as comments or posts) online or on social media?**

NATIONAL AVERAGE

Yes: 62%

No: 38%

SECULAR (OTHERS)

Yes: 66% (65%)

No: 34% (42%)

**In the past 12 months, have you avoided publicly wearing, carrying, or displaying things that might help people identify you as a Jew out of fear of antisemitism?**

NATIONAL AVERAGE

Yes: 26%

No: 73%

SECULAR (OTHERS)

Yes: 21% (31%)

No: 79% (76%)

**In the past 12 months, have you avoided certain places, events, or situations out of concern for your safety or comfort as a Jew?**

NATIONAL AVERAGE

Yes: 26%

No: 74%

SECULAR (OTHERS)

Yes: 16% (34%)

No: 84% (73%)

**In the past 12 months, have you avoided posting content online that would identify you as a Jew or reveal your views on Jewish issues?**

NATIONAL AVERAGE

Yes: 30%

No: 69%

SECULAR (OTHERS)

Yes: 27% (34%)

No: 72% (72%)

**Over the past five years, have any Jewish institutions with which you are affiliated been the target of antisemitic graffiti, attacks, and/or threats?**

**NATIONAL AVERAGE**

Yes: 25%  
None of these: 21%  
Not affiliated with institutions: 38%  
Not sure: 16%

**SECULAR (OTHERS)**

Yes: 12% (34%)  
None of these: 22% (21%)  
Not affiliated with institutions: 57% (31%)  
Not sure: 9% (21%)

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**NATIONAL AVERAGE**

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No: 44%  
Don't know: 37%

**SECULAR (OTHERS)**

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No: 46% (46%)  
Don't know: 37% (59%)

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**NATIONAL AVERAGE**

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About the same: 22%  
Not affiliated: 6%  
Don't know: 8%

**SECULAR (OTHERS)**

Yes: 45% (72%)  
About the same: 32% (18%)  
Not affiliated: 13% (4%)  
Don't know: 9% (7%)