

**Sample Design and Data Collection Report**  
**Israel- Elections 2003**

**Country (Date of election):** Israel; 28/01/2003

**Type of election:** Parliamentary

**Organization that conducted the survey field work:** Mahshov

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**Languages used in interviews:** Hebrew, Arabic, Russian.

**A. Study Design:**

Post-election study

Date post-election interviewing began: 2/2/2003

Date post-election interviewing ended: 7/2/2003

Mode of interview: Telephone

**B. Sample design and sampling procedures:**

**1. Eligibility requirements:**

a. Age: Minimum 18.

b. Citizenship: No.

**2. Sample frame:**

a. No.

b. Yes

- c. No. Military personnel while at home was included, not in military camps.
- d. -Estimated percentage of households without a phone: 8%.  
 -Unlisted telephone numbers were not included in the population sampled.  
 -No substitution methods were used.
- e. No.

### **3. Sample selection procedures:**

- a. Yes. Households.
- b. No.
- c. Respondents who answered the call and eligible.
- e. -Non-residential sample point; not supposed to be in list  
 -No answer at housing unit after 3 callbacks  
 -Disconnected phone
- f. -Non-sample replacement methods: Irrelevant  
 -For surveys conducted by telephone:  
 Random digit dial sample: No.  
 Listed sample: Yes.  
 Dual frame: No.

### **4. Compliance:**

- a. Prior to the study was:
  - Letter sent: No.
  - Payment: No;
  - Gift: No;
  - Other incentives: No.
- b. During the field period:
  - Contacts with the household before declaring it non-sample- irrelevant.
  - Contacts with the household before declaring it non-interview- 3.

-Maximum number of days: 3.

-Yes.

c. Refusal conversion:

-Effort to persuade: Yes, by interviewers.

-Sent a letter: No.

-Payment: No.

-Experienced interviewer: No.

-Maximum number of re-contacts: None.

-Other methods to persuade: No.

**5. Response rate:**

-Total number of sample lines issued: 9570.

-Number of refusals: 5007.

-Number never contacted: 2581.

-Number of lines of non-sample: 770.

-Total number of completed interviews: 1212.

-Response rate: 13%.

-Panel: irrelevant.

**6. Sample Weights:**

a. No.

b. No.

c. No.

d. No.

7. a. Most interviewers with 6 months-1 year experience; 12 years of schooling minimum; all ages.
- b. Explanation of questionnaire and each question in the questionnaire.  
Simulation of interview session with each interviewer.

## 8. Comparison of sample to population:

### Sample estimates- Unweight:

#### **Age:**

18-25- 19.2%

26-40-32.8%

41-65-38.1%

66 and over-7.6%

#### **Education:**

None-0.7%

Incomplete primary-1.9%

Primary completed-2.5%

Incomplete secondary-13.6%

Secondary completed-23.7%

Post-secondary Trade/Vocational-13%

Incomplete university-8.4%

University degree+More than basic university degree-35%

#### **Gender:**

Male-50.6%

Female-49.4%

### Population estimates:

#### **Age:**

18-25-13.5%

26-40-20.3%

41-65-23.3%

66 and over-9.2%

#### **Education:**

None-3.2%

Primary and intermediate-14%

Vocational and agricultural-16.3%

Post-secondary-14%

Academic- 23.9%

#### **Gender:**

Male-49.3%

Female-50.6%