

**American Attitudes Towards**

# **Jews and Israel**

**An Anti-Defamation League Survey**

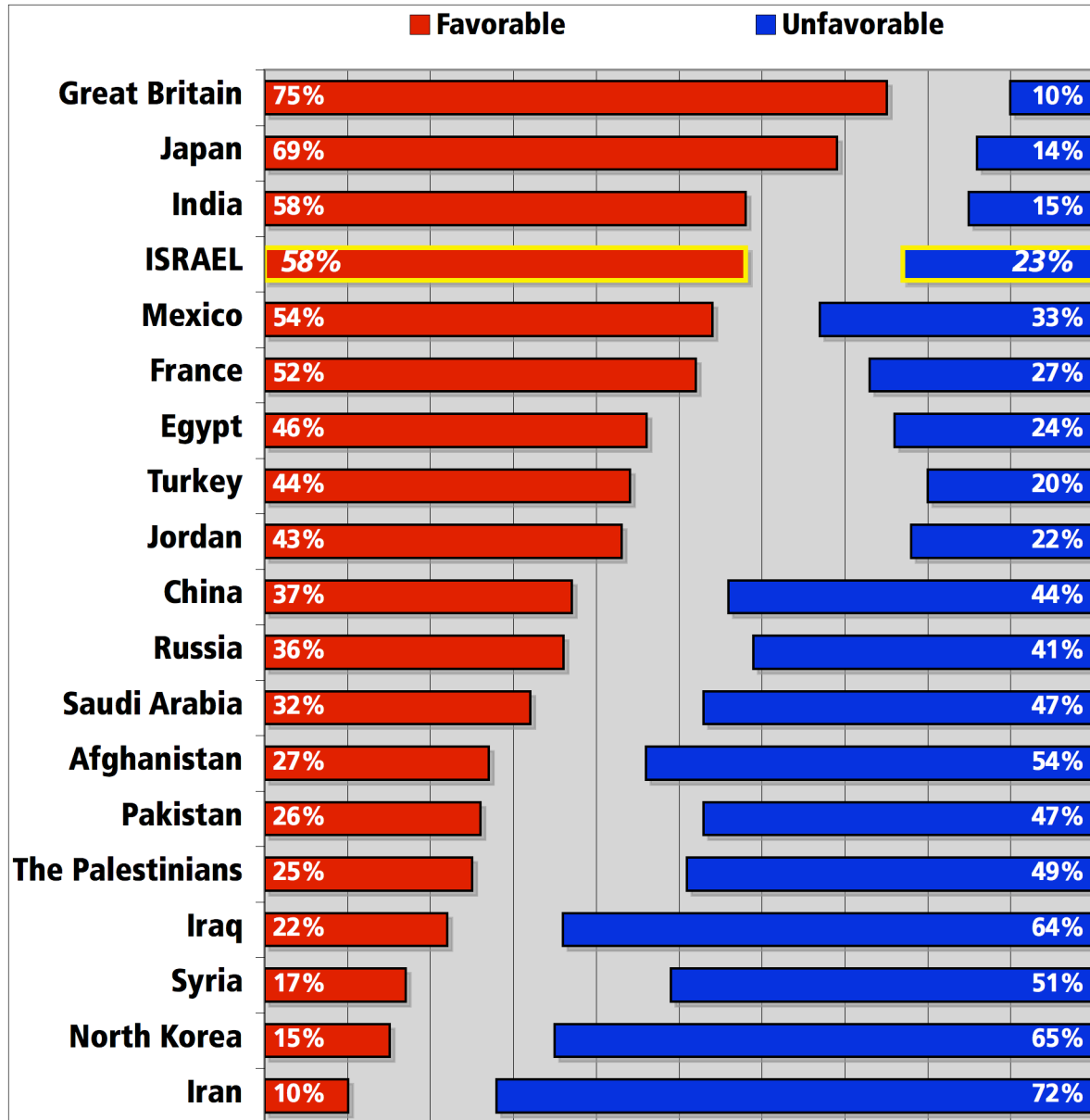


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# ISRAEL IN RELATIVE TERMS

Compared to other countries around the world, Israel is held in high regard by the American people. No other country in the Middle East held a favorable rating above 50%.

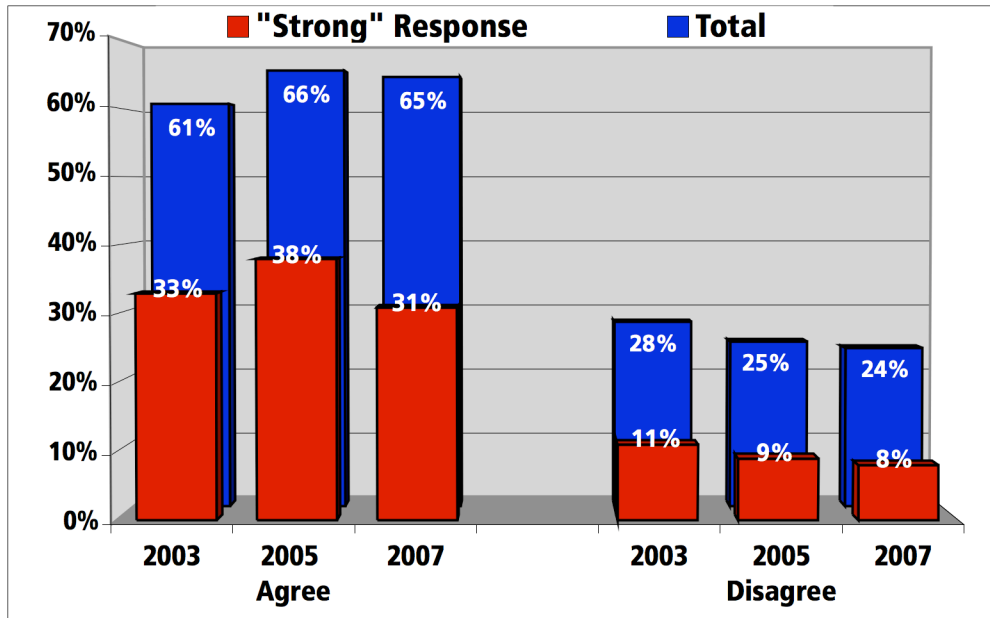
Percentage who held a "favorable" or "unfavorable" view of each country:



# STRONG & STABLE

Americans continue to strongly support Israel – a trend that has remained steady since 2003 and the start of the Iraq war.

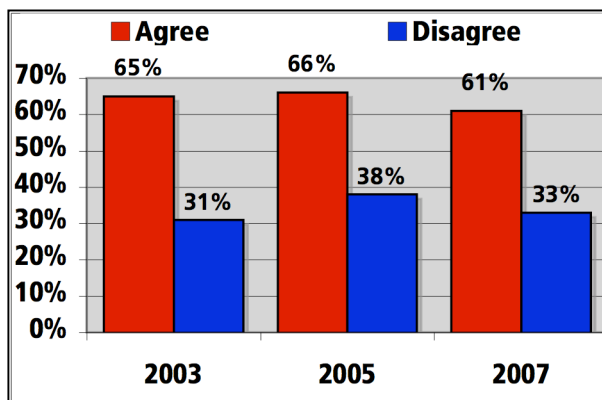
**Percentage who "agreed" or "disagreed" with the statement:  
Israel can be counted on as a strong, loyal U.S. ally.**



Even though most Americans believe the United States is more likely to be targeted for terrorist attacks because of its support for Israel, a clear majority of these individuals believe the U.S. should continue to support Israel in spite of this risk.

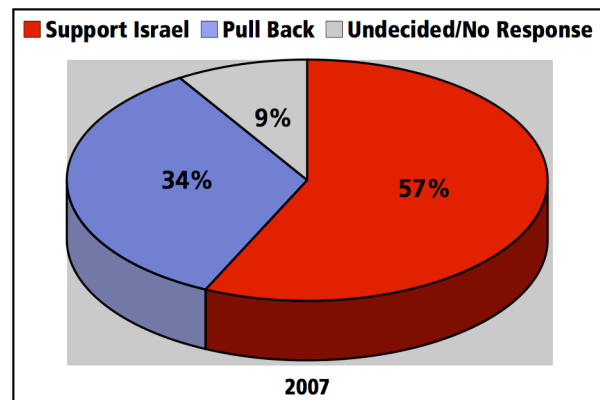
**Percentage who "agreed" or "disagreed" with the statement:**

**The U.S. is more likely to be targeted for terrorist attacks because of our support for Israel.**



**The 2007 respondents who believed that the U.S. was more likely to be targeted were then asked:**

**Should the U.S. continue to support Israel or pull back from its support?**





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