

CHAPTER 12

ANTI-SEMITISM

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A new king arose over Egypt who did not know Joseph. And he said to his people, "Look, the Israelite people are much too numerous for us. Let us deal shrewdly with them. "

(EXODUS 1:8-10)

PERSONALLY EXPERIENCED ANTI-SEMITISM IN BROWARD IN THE PAST YEAR

Respondents in Jewish households in Broward were asked whether they personally experienced anti-Semitism in Broward in the past year. The respondent defined “anti-Semitism” for himself/herself. The nature of the anti-Semitic incident was not queried. Respondents who perceive no anti-Semitism in Broward (see the “Perception of Anti-Semitism in Broward” section below) were assumed not to have personally experienced anti-Semitism in Broward in the past year.

Table 12-1 shows that 12% (8,800 households) of respondents personally experienced anti-Semitism in Broward in the past year.

Community Comparisons. **Table 12-2** shows that the 12% who personally experienced anti-Semitism in the local community in the past year is about average among about 35 comparison Jewish communities and compares to 18% in Las Vegas, 15% in Houston, 12% in Miami, 9% in West Palm Beach, and 7% in South Palm Beach. The 12% compares to 11% in 1997.

Comparisons Among Population Subgroups. **Table 12-1** shows that, overall, 12% of respondents personally experienced anti-Semitism in Broward in the past year. The percentage is much higher for respondents (in):

- under age 35 (29%)
- households who donated \$500-\$1,000 to the Jewish Federation in the past year (23%)

The percentage is much lower (in):

- age 75 and over (5%)
- Reform households (1%)

TABLE 12-1 PERSONALLY EXPERIENCED ANTI-SEMITISM IN BROWARD IN THE PAST YEAR	
BASE: RESPONDENTS	
Population Subgroup	Experienced Anti-Semitism in Broward in the Past Year
All	12.2%
GEOGRAPHIC AREA	
Northwest	21.2%
North Central	13.8%
East	12.4%
West Central	8.3%
Southeast	15.4%
Southwest	8.1%
LENGTH OF RESIDENCE IN BROWARD	
0 - 4 years	7.9%
5 - 9 years	6.5%
10 - 19 years	9.6%
20 or more years	14.4%
AGE OF RESPONDENT	
Under 35	28.5%
35 - 49	10.1%
50 - 64	11.4%
65 - 74	16.4%
75 and over	4.5%
→ 65 and over	10.2%
SEX OF RESPONDENT	
Male	12.7%
Female	11.9%

TABLE 12-1 PERSONALLY EXPERIENCED ANTI-SEMITISM IN BROWARD IN THE PAST YEAR	
BASE: RESPONDENTS	
Population Subgroup	Experienced Anti-Semitism in Broward in the Past Year
All	12.2%
HOUSEHOLD STRUCTURE	
Household with Children	6.9%
Household with Only Adult Children	21.4%
Non-Elderly Couple	14.9%
Non-Elderly Single	20.2%
Elderly Couple	9.9%
Elderly Single	5.6%
HOUSEHOLD INCOME	
Under \$25,000	4.8%
\$25 - \$50,000	15.2%
\$50 - \$100,000	12.0%
\$100 - \$200,000	16.3%
\$200,000 and over	14.1%
JEWISH IDENTIFICATION	
Orthodox	9.6%
Conservative	9.4%
Reform	0.8%
Just Jewish	11.6%
TYPE OF MARRIAGE	
In-married	13.7%
Conversionary	18.8%
Intermarried	7.6%

TABLE 12-1 PERSONALLY EXPERIENCED ANTI-SEMITISM IN BROWARD IN THE PAST YEAR	
BASE: RESPONDENTS	
Population Subgroup	Experienced Anti-Semitism in Broward in the Past Year
All	12.2%
SYNAGOGUE MEMBERSHIP	
Member	11.8%
Non-Member	12.5%
ATTENDED CHABAD IN THE PAST YEAR	
Attended	17.4%
Did Not Attend	10.7%
JCC MEMBERSHIP	
Member	21.3%
Non-Member	11.0%
JEWISH ORGANIZATION MEMBERSHIP	
Member	11.7%
Non-Member	12.4%
JEWISH FEDERATION MARKET SEGMENTS IN THE PAST YEAR	
Donated to Federation	13.5%
Asked, Did Not Donate	8.7%
Not Asked	12.4%
DONATED TO JEWISH FEDERATION IN THE PAST YEAR	
Nothing	12.0%
Under \$100	15.1%
\$100 - \$500	10.6%
\$500 - \$1,000	22.6%
\$1,000 and over	6.5%
Note: Respondents who replied "don't know" to this question are omitted from the analysis.	

TABLE 12-2 PERSONALLY EXPERIENCED ANTI-SEMITISM IN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY IN THE PAST YEAR COMMUNITY COMPARISONS						
BASE: JEWISH RESPONDENTS						
Community	Year	%		Community	Year	%
Orlando	1993	31%		Portland (ME)	2007	16%
Denver	2007	24%		Minneapolis	2004	16%
York	1999	24%		Houston	2016	15%
Milwaukee	1996	24%		Detroit	2005	15%
Richmond	1994	23%		New Haven	2010	14%
Charlotte	1997	22%		San Antonio	2007	14%
St. Petersburg	1994	22%		Hartford	2000	13%
Jacksonville	2002	21%		Westport	2000	13%
Harrisburg	1994	21%		Monmouth	1997	13%
San Diego	2003	19%		BROWARD	2016	12%
Rochester	1999	19%		Miami	2014	12%
Las Vegas	2005	18%		Washington	2003	12%
St. Paul	2004	18%		Bergen	2001	12%
Tucson	2002	18%		Atlantic County	2004	11%
Tidewater	2001	18%		Sarasota	2001	11%
Rhode Island	2002	17%		Broward	1997	11%
Lehigh Valley	2007	16%		W Palm Beach	2005	9%
				Middlesex	2008	8%
				S Palm Beach	2005	7%

JEWISH CHILDREN EXPERIENCED ANTI-SEMITISM IN BROWARD IN THE PAST YEAR

Table 12-3 shows that 13% (1,500 households) of households with Jewish children age 6-17 in Broward contain a Jewish child age 6-17 who experienced anti-Semitism in Broward.

Community Comparisons. Table 12-4 shows that the 13% with a Jewish child age 6-17 who **experienced anti-Semitism** in the local community in the past year is about average among about 30 comparison Jewish communities and compares to 28% in both Houston and West Palm Beach, 20% in Las Vegas, 9% in South Palm Beach, and 6% in Miami. The 18% compares to 16% in 1997.

TABLE 12-3 HOUSEHOLDS IN WHICH A JEWISH CHILD AGE 6-17 EXPERIENCED ANTI-SEMITISM IN BROWARD IN THE PAST YEAR	
BASE: HOUSEHOLDS WITH JEWISH CHILDREN AGE 6-17	
Experience with Anti-Semitism	Percentage
Child Experienced Anti-Semitism	13.8%
Child Did Not Experience Anti-Semitism	86.2
Total	100.0%

TABLE 12-4				
HOUSEHOLDS IN WHICH A JEWISH CHILD AGE 6-17				
EXPERIENCED ANTI-SEMITISM IN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY IN THE PAST YEAR				
COMMUNITY COMPARISONS				
BASE: HOUSEHOLDS WITH JEWISH CHILDREN AGE 6-17				
		Experienced Anti-Semitism:		
Community	Year	At School	Elsewhere	Total
San Antonio	2007	31%	3	34%
York	1999	NA	NA	30%
St. Petersburg	1994	NA	NA	30%
Sarasota	2001	22%	6	29%
Houston	2016	NA	NA	28%
W Palm Beach	2005	26%	2	28%
Tidewater	2001	22%	1	23%
Las Vegas	2005	17%	3	20%
Jacksonville	2002	18%	1	20%
Harrisburg	1994	NA	NA	19%
Lehigh Valley	2007	15%	3	18%
Detroit	2005	8%	10	18%
Minneapolis	2004	16%	2	18%
Rhode Island	2002	15%	3	18%
Charlotte	1997	NA	NA	18%
New Haven	2010	14%	3	17%
Milwaukee	1996	NA	NA	17%
Rochester	1999	13%	3	16%
Broward	1997	NA	NA	16%
Atlantic County	2004	14%	1	15%
BROWARD	2016	NA	NA	13%
Middlesex	2008	9%	4	13%
Portland (ME)	2007	11%	2	13%

TABLE 12-4				
HOUSEHOLDS IN WHICH A JEWISH CHILD AGE 6-17				
EXPERIENCED ANTI-SEMITISM IN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY IN THE PAST YEAR				
COMMUNITY COMPARISONS				
BASE: HOUSEHOLDS WITH JEWISH CHILDREN AGE 6-17				
		Experienced Anti-Semitism:		
Community	Year	At School	Elsewhere	Total
Hartford	2000	12%	1	13%
Westport	2000	10%	2	12%
Bergen	2001	7%	3	11%
St. Paul	2004	9%	1	10%
Monmouth	1997	NA	NA	10%
S Palm Beach	2005	7%	2	9%
Tucson	2002	9%	0	9%
Washington	2003	5%	3	8%
Miami	2014	NA	NA	6%

PERCEPTION OF ANTI-SEMITISM IN BROWARD

Table 12-5 shows that 7% of respondents in Jewish households in Broward perceive a great deal of anti-Semitism in Broward; 34%, a moderate amount; 44%, a little; and 15%, none at all. In total, 38% of respondents perceive a great deal/moderate amount of anti-Semitism in Broward.

✓ Omitted from this analysis are the 10% of respondents who responded “don't know” to this question.

Community Comparisons. Table 12-6 shows that the 41% who perceive a **great deal/moderate amount** of anti-Semitism in the local community is about average among about 35 comparison Jewish communities and compares to 45% in Las Vegas, 43% in Houston, 41% in South Palm Beach, and 38% in Miami. The 41% compares to 54% in 1997.

The 7% who perceive a **great deal** of anti-Semitism in the local community is about average among about 35 comparison Jewish communities and compares to 11% in Las Vegas, 9% in both Miami and South Palm Beach, 5% in Houston, and 3% in Washington. The 7% compares to 15% in 1997.

The 15% who perceive **no anti-Semitism at all** in the local community is about average among about 35 comparison Jewish communities and compares to 26% in South Palm Beach, 20% in Miami, and 15% in Houston, 13% in Las Vegas. The 15% compares to 14% in 1997.

Comparisons Among Population Subgroups. Table 12-5 shows that, overall, 41% of respondents perceive a great deal/moderate amount of anti-Semitism in Broward. The percentage is much higher for respondents (in):

- who personally experienced anti-Semitism in Broward in the past year (62%)
- age 75 and over (60%)
- elderly couple households (49%) and elderly single households (55%)
- households earning an annual income under \$25,000 (55%)
- households who donated under \$100 to the Jewish Federation in the past year (54%)

The percentage is much lower for respondents (in):

- households in the East (22%)
- households in residence in Broward for 0-4 years (21%) and 5-9 years (21%)
- under age 35 (21%) and age 35-49 (28%)
- households with children (26%)
- households earning an annual income of \$200,000 and over (27%)
- households who donated \$1,000 and over to the Jewish Federation in the past year (27%)

TABLE 12-5					
PERCEPTION OF ANTI-SEMITISM IN BROWARD					
BASE: RESPONDENTS					
Population Subgroup	Great Deal + Moderate Amount	A Great Deal	A Moderate Amount	A Little	None at All
All	41.0%	6.7%	34.3	43.6	15.4
EXPERIENCED ANTI-SEMITISM IN BROWARD IN THE PAST YEAR					
Experienced	62.1%	15.6%	46.5	37.9	0.0
No	37.6%	5.3%	32.3	44.5	17.9
GEOGRAPHIC AREA					
Northwest	42.9%	2.5%	40.4	46.2	10.9
North Central	49.1%	6.3%	42.8	29.6	21.3
East	22.1%	3.4%	18.7	51.3	26.6
West Central	47.3%	8.8%	38.5	38.6	14.1
Southeast	41.4%	8.2%	33.2	48.6	10.0
Southwest	37.2%	7.6%	29.6	46.6	16.2
LENGTH OF RESIDENCE IN BROWARD					
0 - 4 years	21.0%	8.1%	12.9	61.9	17.1
5 - 9 years	21.4%	2.0%	19.4	49.8	28.8
10 - 19 years	37.3%	2.9%	34.4	41.1	21.6
20 or more years	46.7%	8.5%	38.2	42.0	11.3
AGE OF RESPONDENT					
Under 35	20.9%	0.5%	20.4	66.0	13.1
35 - 49	27.9%	4.2%	23.7	50.4	21.7
50 - 64	43.7%	4.0%	39.7	43.6	12.7
65 - 74	40.7%	9.9%	30.8	46.5	12.8
75 and over	59.6%	13.6%	46.0	22.5	17.9
→ 65 and over	49.8%	11.6%	38.2	34.9	15.3
SEX OF RESPONDENT					
Male	38.8%	6.5%	32.3	48.0	13.2
Female	42.7%	6.9%	35.8	40.3	17.0

TABLE 12-5					
PERCEPTION OF ANTI-SEMITISM IN BROWARD					
BASE: RESPONDENTS					
Population Subgroup	Great Deal + Moderate Amount	A Great Deal	A Moderate Amount	A Little	None at All
All	41.0%	6.7%	34.3	43.6	15.4
HOUSEHOLD STRUCTURE					
Household with Children	25.5%	3.9%	21.6	55.3	19.2
Household with Only Adult Children	41.1%	8.0%	33.1	42.3	16.6
Non-Elderly Couple	42.5%	1.6%	40.9	44.2	13.3
Non-Elderly Single	49.1%	1.3%	47.8	44.2	6.7
Elderly Couple	49.4%	9.8%	39.6	34.9	15.7
Elderly Single	50.2%	13.7%	36.5	30.6	19.2
HOUSEHOLD INCOME					
Under \$25,000	54.7%	20.7%	34.0	25.7	19.6
\$25 - \$50,000	43.4%	2.1%	41.3	37.5	19.1
\$50 - \$100,000	42.8%	5.9%	36.9	46.9	10.3
\$100 - \$200,000	32.0%	3.6%	28.4	58.3	9.7
\$200,000 and over	27.3%	0.6%	26.7	50.7	22.0
JEWISH IDENTIFICATION					
Orthodox	41.3%	9.0%	32.3	32.5	26.2
Conservative	42.0%	7.7%	34.3	34.6	23.4
Reform	43.6%	2.2%	41.4	46.1	10.3
Just Jewish	38.0%	8.8%	29.2	50.0	12.0
TYPE OF MARRIAGE					
In-married	44.4%	6.3%	38.1	41.0	14.6
Conversionary	30.2%	11.7%	18.5	58.7	11.1
Intermarried	29.7%	2.5%	27.2	52.3	18.0
SYNAGOGUE MEMBERSHIP					
Member	43.4%	2.5%	40.9	41.7	14.9
Non-Member	39.8%	9.0%	30.8	44.6	15.6

TABLE 12-5 PERCEPTION OF ANTI-SEMITISM IN BROWARD					
BASE: RESPONDENTS					
Population Subgroup	Great Deal + Moderate Amount	A Great Deal	A Moderate Amount	A Little	None at All
All	41.0%	6.7%	34.3	43.6	15.4
ATTENDED CHABAD IN THE PAST YEAR					
Attended	34.9%	4.9%	30.0	40.0	25.1
Did Not Attend	42.9%	7.2%	35.7	44.7	12.4
JCC MEMBERSHIP					
Member	39.3%	1.2%	38.1	49.3	11.4
Non-Member	41.3%	7.5%	33.8	42.8	15.9
JEWISH ORGANIZATION MEMBERSHIP					
Member	46.4%	8.1%	38.3	33.7	19.9
Non-Member	39.8%	6.4%	33.4	45.9	14.3
JEWISH FEDERATION MARKET SEGMENTS IN THE PAST YEAR					
Donated to Federation	42.7%	4.7%	38.0	42.7	14.6
Asked, Did Not Donate	40.1%	4.7%	35.4	54.4	5.5
Not Asked	40.3%	7.8%	32.5	42.7	17.0
DONATED TO JEWISH FEDERATION IN THE PAST YEAR					
Nothing	40.3%	7.5%	32.8	43.9	15.8
Under \$100	53.6%	3.5%	50.1	29.8	16.6
\$100 - \$500	35.0%	9.4%	25.6	49.3	15.7
\$500 - \$1,000	39.3%	0.8%	38.5	56.2	4.5
\$1,000 and over	27.0%	0.5%	26.5	58.0	15.0
<p>¹ Respondents who perceive no anti-Semitism in Broward were assumed not to have experienced anti-Semitism in Broward in the past year. Note: Respondents who replied "don't know" to this question are omitted from the analysis.</p>					

**TABLE 12-6
PERCEPTION OF ANTI-SEMITISM IN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY
COMMUNITY COMPARISONS**

BASE: RESPONDENTS

Community	Year	Great Deal/ Moderate Amount	A Great Deal	A Moderate Amount	A Little	None at All
York	1999	69%	26%	43	25	6
Orlando	1993	63%	18%	45	29	8
Detroit	2005	61%	13%	48	35	5
Milwaukee	1996	58%	18%	40	37	5
Harrisburg	1994	57%	10%	47	38	6
St. Petersburg	1994	55%	16%	40	30	15
Broward	1997	54%	15%	39	32	14
Richmond	1994	50%	10%	40	42	7
Jacksonville	2002	48%	12%	37	43	9
Hartford	2000	48%	6%	42	45	7
Minneapolis	2004	46%	12%	34	50	5
Las Vegas	2005	45%	11%	34	42	13
Charlotte	1997	45%	10%	35	43	12
St. Paul	2004	45%	7%	38	49	6
Lehigh Valley	2007	45%	7%	38	45	10
Tidewater	2001	45%	7%	38	45	10
Rhode Island	2002	43%	8%	34	51	6
Rochester	1999	43%	6%	37	50	7
Houston	2016	43%	5%	38	42	15
S Palm Beach	2005	41%	9%	31	33	26
Monmouth	1997	41%	8%	33	47	13
BROWARD	2016	41%	7%	34	44	15
Miami	2014	38%	9%	29	42	20
Sarasota	2001	37%	8%	30	42	21

**TABLE 12-6
PERCEPTION OF ANTI-SEMITISM IN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY
COMMUNITY COMPARISONS**

BASE: RESPONDENTS

Community	Year	Great Deal/ Moderate Amount	A Great Deal	A Moderate Amount	A Little	None at All
Bergen	2001	37%	6%	31	49	15
New Haven	2010	36%	7%	29	48	16
Atlantic County	2004	34%	7%	28	43	23
Portland (ME)	2007	34%	4%	30	56	10
Westport	2000	33%	4%	29	56	11
Middlesex	2008	31%	5%	26	48	21
Washington	2003	29%	3%	26	60	12
San Francisco	2004	28%	6%	22	64	7
San Antonio	2007	26%	4%	23	57	16
Tucson	2002	24%	3%	21	60	16
Essex-Morris	1998	NA	8%	92		
NJPS ¹	2000	82%	34%	48	17	1

¹ NJPS 2000 queried the perception of anti-Semitism *in the United States*, not in the local community.

Note: Respondents who responded "don't know" to this question are omitted from the analysis.

HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS AND CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN OF SURVIVORS

Respondents in Jewish households in Broward were asked whether each born or raised Jewish adult in the household considered himself/herself to be a Holocaust survivor or *someone who between 1933 and 1945 fled an area that came under NAZI rule or influence (survivor)*, a child of a survivor, or a grandchild of a survivor. The question about being a survivor was only asked of and about adults who are at least 68 years old and foreign born.

The definition of survivor is similar to that used in NJPS 2000-01, the 2011 New York study, the 2011 Cleveland study, and the Miami 2014 study. It is also consistent with the definition used by the Claims Conference (The Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany). Note that in all the other communities included in **Table 12-8** respondents were asked whether each born or raised Jewish adult in the household considered himself/herself to be a Holocaust survivor.

Table 12-7 shows that 4% (3,100 households) of *households* contain a survivor, 13% (9,600 households) contain a child of a survivor, and 21% (15,000 households) contain a grandchild of a survivor. Overall, 27% (19,200 households) of households contain either a survivor, a child of a survivor, or a grandchild of a survivor.

3% (3,300 adults) of *Jewish adults* consider themselves to be survivors, 9% (11,600 adults) consider themselves to be children of survivors, and 16% (20,500 adults) consider themselves to be grandchildren of survivors.

Community Comparisons. **Table 12-8** shows the results in comparison with other Jewish communities. The number of survivors in Broward decreased from 7,400 in 1997 to 3,300 in 2016 (55%). The number of children of survivors increased from 7,600 in 1007 to 11,000 in 2016 (45%).

Of studies completed since 2000, Broward has the second largest number of survivors and the largest number of children of survivors.

Note that estimates of the percentage and number of survivors should be treated as minimum estimates for the following reasons. First, some survivors live in nursing homes without their own telephone numbers and are therefore excluded from the Telephone Survey. Second, survivors are probably over-represented among respondents who refused to admit being Jewish when called "out of the blue" and asked if they are Jewish by the Telephone Survey. Third, survivors, who are age 68 and over, are probably also more likely to be over-represented among "ineligible respondents," that is, among respondents who were unable to complete the Telephone Survey due to health reasons (such as hearing and mental impairments).

TABLE 12-7 HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS AND CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN OF SURVIVORS	
Status	Percentage
BASE: JEWISH HOUSEHOLDS	
Household Contains a Survivor	4.3%
Household Contains a Child of a Survivor	13.4%
Household Contains a Grandchild of a Survivor	20.9%
Household Contains a Survivor or a Child of a Survivor	14.6%
Household Contains a Survivor or a Child or Grandchild of a Survivor	26.7%
BASE: JEWISH ADULTS	
Survivor	2.6%
Child of a Survivor	9.1%
Grandchild of a Survivor	16.1%

**TABLE 12-8
HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS AND CHILDREN OF SURVIVORS
COMMUNITY COMPARISONS**

		Jewish Adults				House- holds with a Survivor or Child of a Survivor
		Survivors		Children of Survivors		
Community	Year	Percentage	Number	Percentage	Number	
Los Angeles	1997	3.3%	14,000	NA	NA	NA
Broward	1997	3.5%	7,360	3.6%	7,569	7.5%
S Palm Beach	2005	2.2%	2,637	1.3%	1,559	5.4%
W Palm Beach	2005	1.9%	2,197	2.0%	2,313	6.3%
Bergen	2001	3.4%	1,777	9.0%	4,704	15.6%
Washington	2003	0.6%	1,010	6.2%	10,437	8.7%
Monmouth	1997	0.9%	455	4.4%	2,224	8.1%
Las Vegas	2005	0.5%	305	5.5%	3,360	6.6%
Columbus	2001	1.3%	226	4.6%	774	NA
Seattle	2000	0.5%	150	19.6%	5,500	NA
BROWARD *	2016	4.3%	3,300	9.1%	11,000	26.7%
Miami *	2014	2.1%	2,076	5.8%	5,734	10.9%
New York *	2011	2.6%	31,000	NA	NA	NA
Cleveland *	2011	1.4%	839	NA	NA	NA
NJPS *	2000	2.3%	122,000	NA	NA	NA

* Includes flight cases.