



**Jewish  
Miami:  
A 2024  
Community  
Study  
Highlights**

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Diverse  
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**Jewish Miami Proud**



# Jewish Miami: A 2024 Community Study Highlights



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We are proud to release *Jewish Miami: A 2024 Community Study*, a comprehensive report on Miami Jewish households that includes important findings and insights about our Jewish community and how we can best serve it in the years ahead.

The important findings shared here will raise new questions, including ways to effectively support the evolving needs and interests of our dynamic, highly committed, pro-Israel Jewish community today and in the future.

As has been our tradition every 10 years, the Greater Miami Jewish Federation commissioned this essential study to inform our community regarding the planning, organizing and development of programs and services for Jewish Miami. The valuable information shared here will inspire Federation's work — as well as that of agencies, schools, synagogues and other Jewish organizations — enabling us to fulfill our philanthropic and communal responsibilities to all who live, work and play here.

This report begins on the next page with Key Findings, many of which may surprise you. Indeed, Jewish Miami surpasses national averages in many areas — including our deep commitment to Jewish education and strong connections to Israel and the Jewish people. These facts should make us truly proud and ever more driven to shaping our shared destiny.

We extend our most sincere appreciation to the many people and organizations involved in the design, implementation and analysis of this comprehensive study. These include our Community Study Committee headed by Chair and Federation Board member Robert C. Gilbert and Federation Chief Planning Officer Michelle Labgold. We also thank our partners at the Maurice and Marilyn Cohen Center for Modern Jewish Studies (CMJS) at Brandeis University and NORC (National Opinion Research Center) at the University of Chicago, whose work was integral in making this project a reality.

The successful completion of *Jewish Miami: A 2024 Community Study* tells a powerful story about Jewish Miami and all that is possible in this place we call home. We are Jewish Miami Proud!

May we all continue to go from strength to strength.

Sincerely,

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Lily Serviansky  
Chair of the Board

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Scott Kaufman  
President & CEO



# Key Findings

*Miami has a vibrant, diverse Jewish community full of wonderful people. I appreciate the great opportunities for Jewish life and growth.*

## Miami's Jewish Community Has Grown

There are **25%** more Jewish households, **31%** more individuals in Jewish households\*, **7%** more Jewish individuals and **13%** more Jewish children in Miami since 2014.

## Miami's Jewish Community Is Uniquely Internationally Diverse

**45%** of Jewish households include at least one adult born outside the US.

## Miami's Jewish Community Is Rapidly Changing Due to the Arrival of Newcomers

**25%** of Jewish adults are new to Miami in the last 10 years.

## Miami's Jewish Population Is Older Than the National Average

The median age of adults is 59, compared to 49 nationally. **31%** of Miami's Jewish population is over age 65, nearly double the national rate (**16%**).

## Miami's Jewish Adults Overwhelmingly Feel They Belong

**97%** feel a sense of belonging to the Jewish people.

## Jewish Connection in Miami Is Higher Than National Averages

**47%** of Miami Jewish adults say that being Jewish is very much part of their daily lives, compared to **27%** nationally.

## Jewish Day School Enrollment Is Nearly Four Times the National Average

**41%** of K-12 Jewish students attend Jewish day school, compared to **11%** nationally.

## Miami Jews Have an Extraordinary Connection to Israel

**71%** of Miami Jews have visited Israel, much higher than the **45%** national average. **78%** feel emotionally attached to Israel, compared to **58%** nationally.

## Financial Wellbeing Varies Across Miami's Jewish Community

**26%** of Jewish households report financial struggles, compared to **19%** nationally. **14%** struggled to afford food, housing or medical care in the past year.

## Mental Health Challenges Are a Growing Concern, Especially for Teens/Young Adults

**66%** of households with teens/young adults report social or emotional challenges.

\*For a full definition of households and other terms used in this study, please see Methodology on page 22.

# How Miami's Jewish Community Stands Out Nationally

*It's one of the strongest and largest communities I've been a part of.*

## A Strong Sense of Jewish Identity

88% of Jewish adults in Miami view being Jewish as important, compared to 76% nationally.

## Miami Places a Stronger Emphasis on Israel

77% of Miami Jewish adults consider caring about Israel essential to being Jewish. Nationally, 45% of US Jewish adults held this view in 2020.

## Local Ties Run Deep

82% of Jewish adults in Miami feel connected to the local community, compared to 72% nationally.

## Miami Enjoys Greater Ethnic Diversity

72% of Miami Jewish adults identify as white, non-Hispanic, compared to 92% nationally. 24% of Miami Jewish adults identify as white, Hispanic and another 4% identify as any other non-white racial identity, including multiracial.

## Miami Has a Higher Percentage of Jews Who Identify as Orthodox

13% of Miami Jewish adults identify as Orthodox, compared to 9% nationally.

## Miami Has a Lower Inter-marriage Rate

The percent of married Jewish adults with a non-Jewish spouse is 24%, which is significantly lower than the national average of 42%.

## Miami's Jewish Population Is More Politically Balanced

35% of Miami Jewish adults identify as liberal, compared to 50% nationally; 34% identify as moderate, compared to 32% nationally and 32% as conservative, compared to 15% nationally.

National\* Miami

### BEING JEWISH VERY/SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT



### JEWISH ADULTS CONSIDER CARING ABOUT ISRAEL ESSENTIAL TO BEING JEWISH



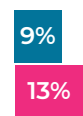
### FEEL CONNECTED TO THEIR LOCAL JEWISH COMMUNITY



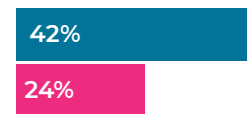
### JEWISH ADULTS IDENTIFY AS WHITE, NON-HISPANIC



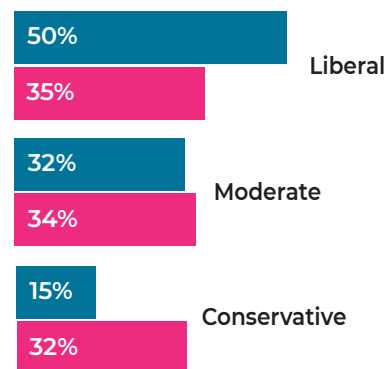
### ORTHODOX JEWISH POPULATION



### INTERMARRIAGE RATE



### POLITICAL BALANCE



\*Comparisons to national data are drawn from the Pew Research Center's 2020 study, *Jewish Americans in 2020*, or the Brandeis Combined Dataset (CDS), which compiles 25 local Jewish community studies conducted between 2015-2023.

# Demographic Snapshot

25%

increase in the number of Jewish households.

73%

of Jewish households own their home.

53%

live in a multi-family building such as an apartment, high-rise or condo.

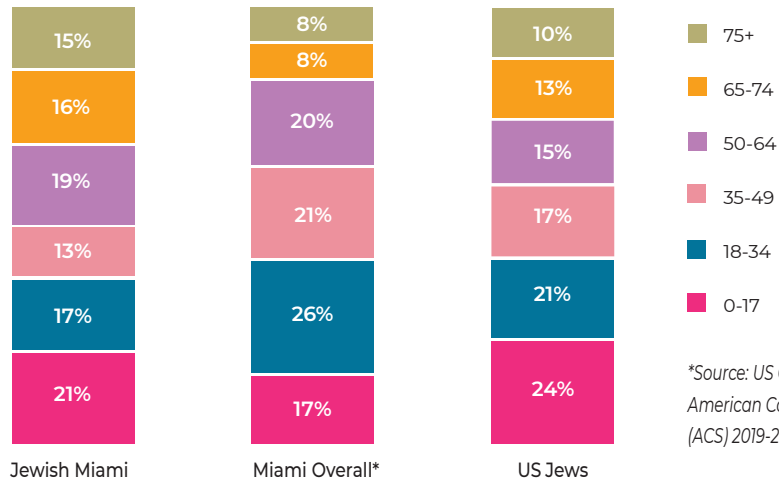
## There Are Approximately 69,700 Jewish Households in the Miami Jewish Community

They include **170,300** individuals, of whom **130,100** are Jewish. The Jewish population comprises **5%** of Miami-Dade County and Jewish households make up **8%** of all households.

### CHANGE IN COMMUNITY SIZE 2014-2024

	2024	2014	% Change
<b>Jewish households</b>	<b>69,700</b>	<b>55,700</b>	<b>25%</b>
<b>People in Jewish households</b>	<b>170,300</b>	<b>129,700</b>	<b>31%</b>
<b>Jewish individuals</b>	<b>130,100</b>	<b>122,150</b>	<b>7%</b>
<b>Jewish adults</b>	<b>103,900</b>	<b>98,900</b>	<b>5%</b>
<b>Jewish children</b>	<b>26,200</b>	<b>23,250</b>	<b>13%</b>

### AGE DISTRIBUTION OF JEWISH INDIVIDUALS AND OVERALL POPULATION %



## The Jewish Population in Miami Is Older Than Jews Nationally

The median age of Jewish adults is 59, compared to 49 nationally with **31%** over 65 versus **23%** nationally.

*Miami is a large community with many Jews who share a strong sense of identity, creating an environment that feels safe, close-knit and distinctly Jewish.*

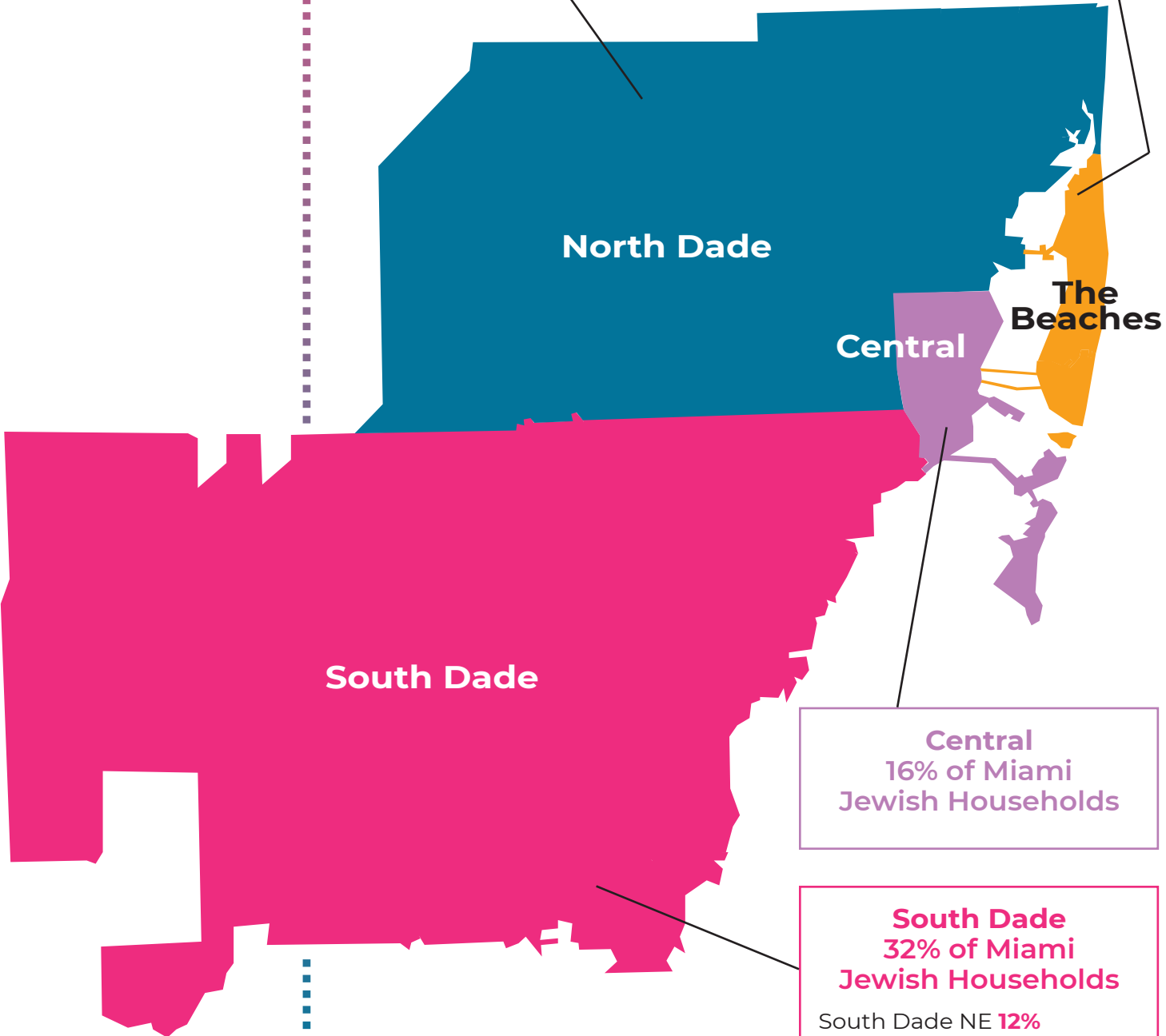
# Geographic Regions

**North Dade**  
33% of Miami Jewish Households

- North Dade Core East **21%**
- North Dade Core West **7%**
- North Dade Other **5%**

**The Beaches**  
20% of Miami Jewish Households

- North Beach **2%**
- Middle Beach **12%**
- South Beach **6%**



**Central**  
16% of Miami Jewish Households

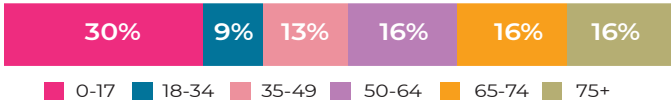
**South Dade**  
32% of Miami Jewish Households

- South Dade NE **12%**
- East Kendall **9%**
- West Kendall **11%**

## North Dade Region

**33%** of Jewish households (22,800) and **39%** of Jewish individuals (50,800) live in this region.

### JEWISH BY AGE

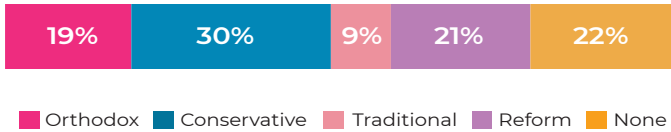


**37%** of Jewish adult newcomers live in North Dade.

**30%** of Jewish households are struggling financially and **15%** are well-off.

**82%** of Jewish adults have traveled to Israel.

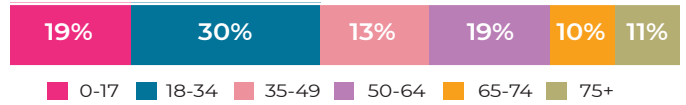
### DENOMINATION



## The Beaches Region

**20%** of Jewish households (13,700) and **18%** of Jewish individuals (23,800) live in this region.

### JEWISH BY AGE

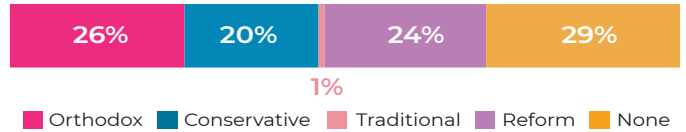


**23%** of Jewish adult newcomers live in The Beaches.

**32%** of Jewish households are struggling financially and **8%** are well-off.

**81%** of Jewish adults have traveled to Israel.

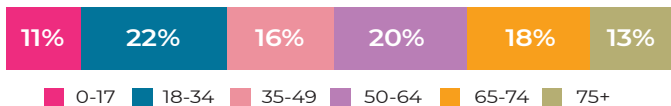
### DENOMINATION



## Central Region

**16%** of Jewish households (11,100) and **13%** of Jewish individuals (17,100) live in this region.

### JEWISH BY AGE

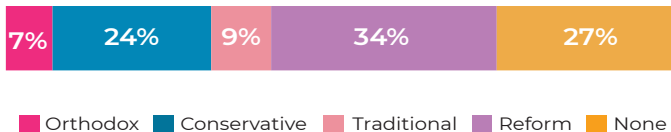


**28%** of Jewish adult newcomers live in Central.

**13%** of Jewish households are struggling financially and **26%** are well-off.

**67%** of Jewish adults have traveled to Israel.

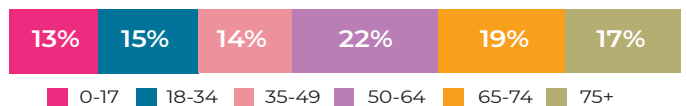
### DENOMINATION



## South Dade Region

**32%** of Jewish households (22,100) and **29%** of Jewish individuals (38,300) live in this region.

### JEWISH BY AGE

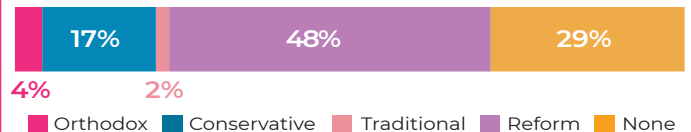


**12%** of Jewish adult newcomers live in South Dade.

**26%** of Jewish households are struggling financially and **14%** are well-off.

**57%** of Jewish adults have traveled to Israel.

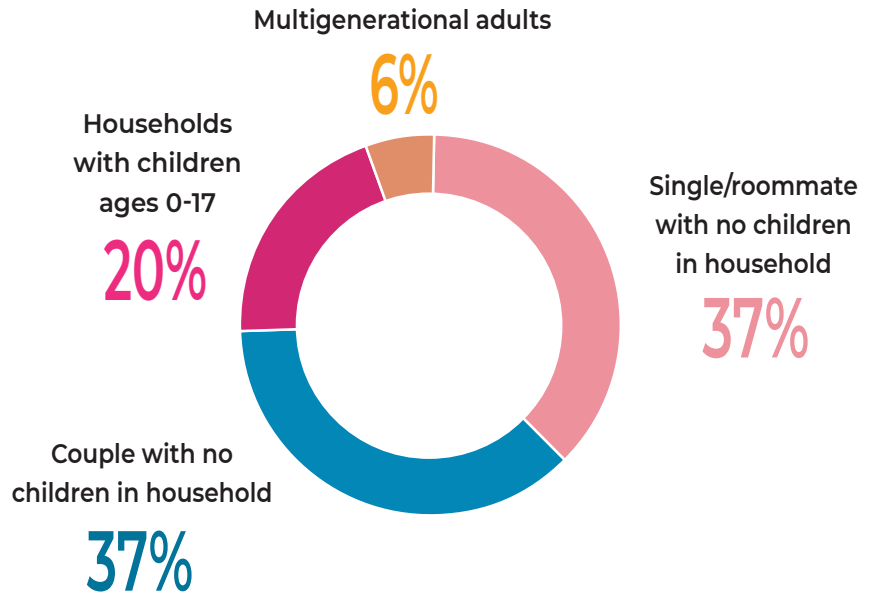
### DENOMINATION



# Miami Jewish Households

Compared to the US Jewish community, Miami has fewer households with minor children and more households with adults living alone or with roommates.

## HOUSEHOLD COMPOSITION



**1 in 5**  
Miami Jewish households include a minor child under age 18.

**11%**  
of Jewish children in Miami are living with single parents.

Miami's Jewish community is highly educated with **80%** of Jewish adults holding at least a bachelor's degree, compared to **58%** nationally. This includes **62%** with a graduate or professional degree, exceeding the **28%** national average for advanced degrees.

**27%** of Jewish adults in Miami are descendants of Holocaust Survivors.

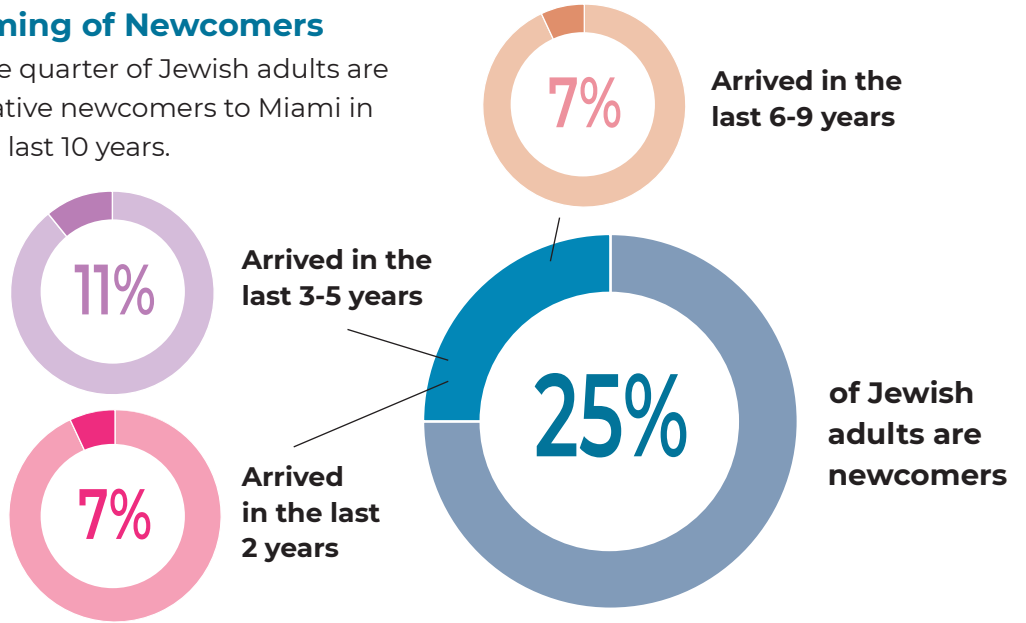
*I take pride in the fact that I live in a community with a sizable Jewish population here in Miami-Dade and that my daughters grew up in an environment where they had plenty of Jewish friends and a synagogue where they felt at home and could get involved.*



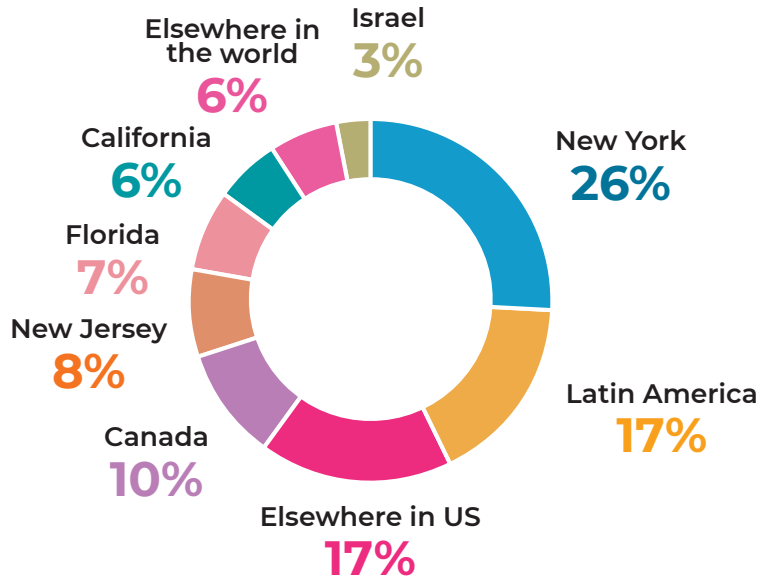
# Newcomers to Miami

## Timing of Newcomers

One quarter of Jewish adults are relative newcomers to Miami in the last 10 years.



**Newcomers are younger** — 52% are under age 40, compared to 25% of all Miami Jewish adults. **Nearly one third (31%)** of Jewish adult newcomers have minor children. **Newcomers** who have lived in Miami for less than 10 years primarily moved from:



### PRIMARY REASONS FOR MOVING TO MIAMI



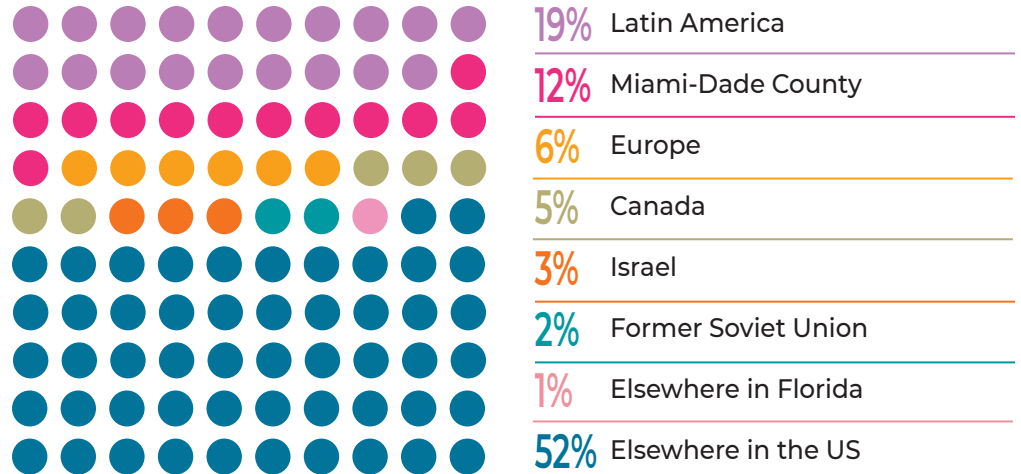
**17%**  
of Miami's Jewish newcomers are from Latin America:  
Argentina 8%  
Colombia 4%  
Venezuela 3%  
Other 2%

# Diversity

## International Diversity

Miami's Jewish community is one of the most internationally diverse in the US. **19%** of Jewish adults were born in Latin America and **3%** were born in Israel. Overall, **26%** identify as part of the Latin American Jewish community and **19%** of Jewish adults identify with the Israeli-American community, shaping Miami's distinct Jewish identity.

### BIRTHPLACE FOR ALL JEWISH ADULTS IN MIAMI



45%

of Jewish households include at least one adult born outside the US.

**A Global Community** — **36%** of Miami's Jewish adults were born outside the US, reflecting a rich international presence.

**Strong Latin American Roots** — **24%** of Miami Jewish households identify as part of the Latin American Jewish community.

**Israeli-American Influence** — **23%** of Miami Jewish households include someone who considers themselves part of the Israeli-American community.

**Russian-Speaking Jews** — **6%** of Miami Jewish households include someone who considers themselves part of the Russian-speaking Jewish community.

*Among the Miami-Dade Jewish community's strengths are the many immigrant Jews here.*

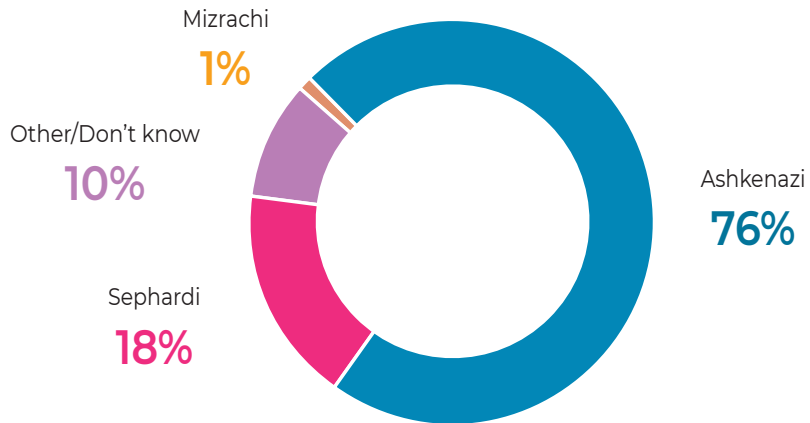
# Diversity

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Miami's Jewish population includes **18%** Sephardic Jews, compared to just 6% nationwide.

**3%** of Jewish individuals consider themselves to be a person of color.

## ETHNIC DIVERSITY



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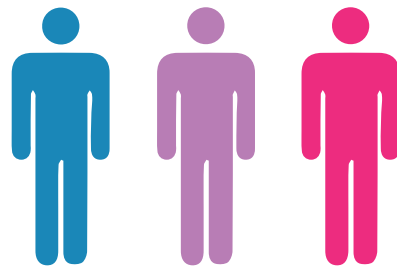
## Gender Identity and Sexual Orientation

**7%** of Miami Jewish adults identify as LGBTQ+, **12%** of households include someone who is LGBTQ+ and **7%** of households include a transgender individual.

## Political Diversity

Out of every three Miami Jews, there is one liberal, one moderate and one conservative.

## POLITICAL DIVERSITY OF MIAMI JEWISH ADULTS



**35%** identify as liberal

**34%** identify as moderate

**32%** identify as conservative

# Engagement and Ritual Life

In Miami, the category Traditional was added to recognize that this is the preferred category for many Miami Jews, particularly those born outside the US who did not grow up with the standard US Jewish denominations.

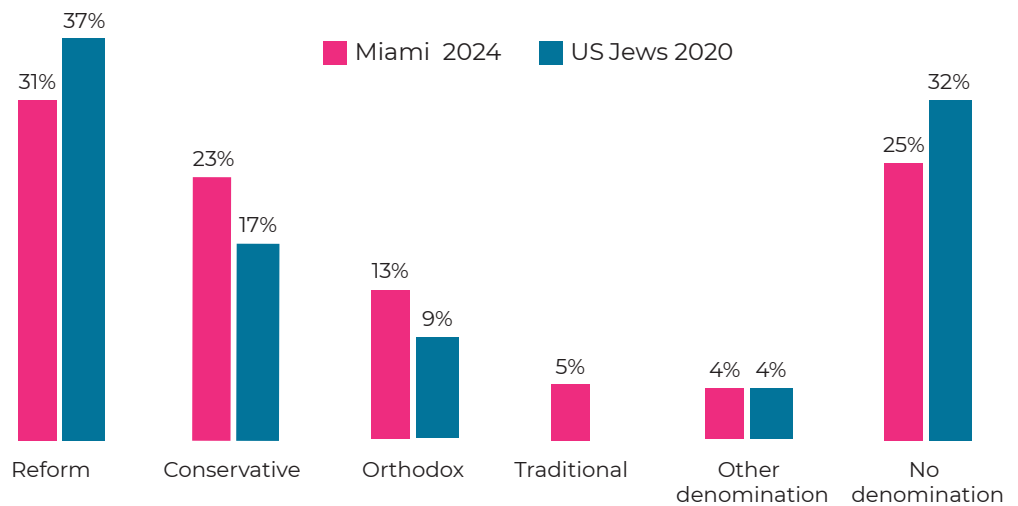
“Being a Jew is the utmost privilege, my greatest pride and joy.”

## Jewish Engagement

A significant portion of Miami’s Jewish adults engages in ritual and communal Jewish life, whether through synagogue membership, holiday celebrations or involvement in Jewish organizations. *Shabbat* and holiday observance are widespread with Miami Jews participating at higher rates than the national average.

31% of Miami Jews identify as Reform Jews, 23% as Conservative Jews and 13% as Orthodox Jews — a higher proportion than the 9% national average. A unique 5% identify as Traditional Jews.

### DENOMINATIONS OF JEWISH ADULTS IN MIAMI AND THE US

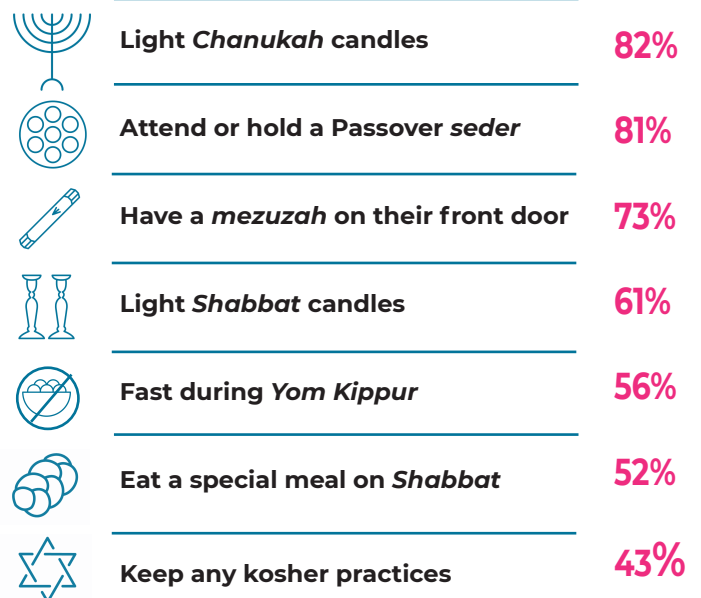


Jewish identity is deeply valued in Miami with 67% of Jewish adults saying being Jewish is very important to them, compared to 42% nationally.

Daily Jewish engagement is significantly higher in Miami as 47% feel that being Jewish is a core part of their daily life, nearly double the 27% national rate.

Synagogue membership aligns with national trends with 35% of Jewish households belonging to a congregation.

### JEWISH MIAMI BEHAVIORS



# Engagement and Ritual Life

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Understanding the types of Jewish engagement and the demographics of community members can lead to the development of strategies for connecting with diverse segments of the community based on their interests and needs.

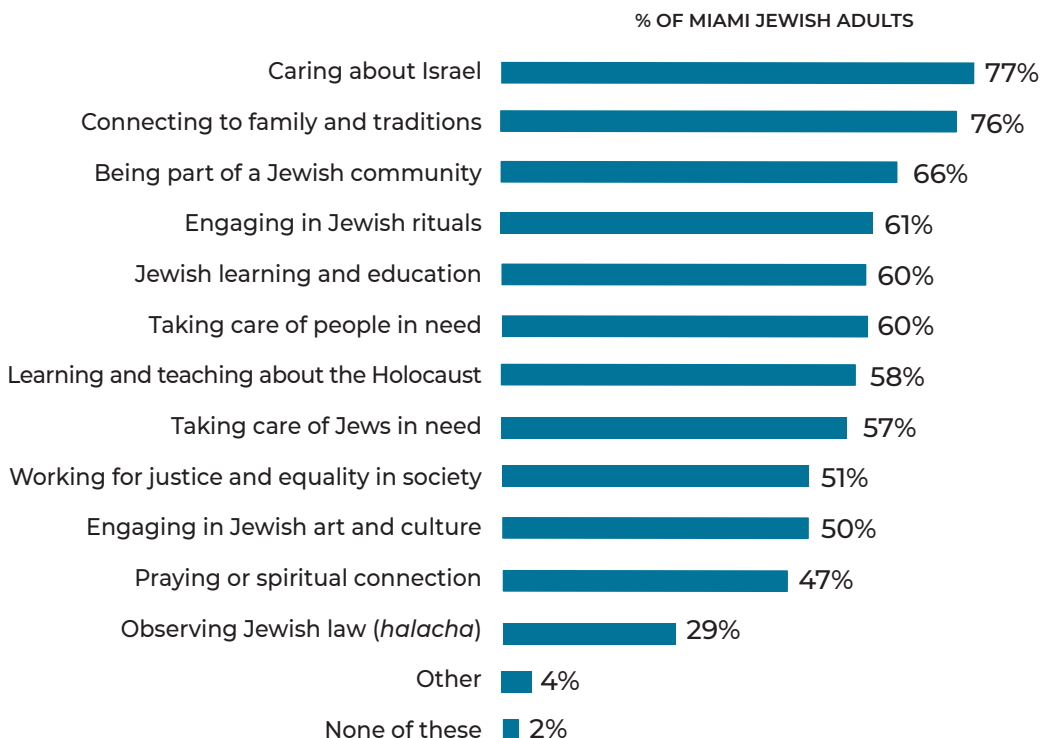
## Index of Jewish Engagement

The Index of Jewish Engagement identifies five patterns of Jewish involvement in the Miami Jewish community based on a statistical analysis of a wide range of reported Jewish behaviors, including ritual, organizational and individual activities. Because it is based on behaviors, the Index of Jewish Engagement can be more informative than using self-ascribed labels such as denomination, which vary in meaning among individuals. These patterns were labeled by the study team as Occasional, Holiday, Communal, Ritual and Personal.

### MIAMI JEWISH ENGAGEMENT GROUPS

JEWISH ENGAGEMENT		% OF MIAMI JEWISH ADULTS
 <b>OCCASIONAL</b>	Connected to some aspects of being Jewish. About half light <i>Chanukah</i> candles and have a <i>seder</i>	<b>30%</b>
 <b>HOLIDAY</b>	Celebrate most Jewish holidays such as <i>Chanukah</i> , Passover and High Holidays	<b>23%</b>
 <b>COMMUNAL</b>	Belong to and participate in organizations and congregations, celebrate <i>Shabbat</i> monthly	<b>22%</b>
 <b>RITUAL</b>	Primarily participate in ritual and religious life, observe <i>Shabbat</i> and attend services weekly, belong to congregations but not other organizations	<b>17%</b>
 <b>PERSONAL</b>	Participate primarily in <i>Shabbat</i> dinners and home-based activities, little organization activity	<b>9%</b>

### MOST ESSENTIAL ASPECTS OF BEING JEWISH



# Children and Jewish Education

**Jewish households with children** in Miami reflect diverse family structures and religious affiliations. **20%** of Jewish households include a minor child and among them, **90%** of children are considered Jewish by their parents. The majority (**75%**) are raised by two Jewish parents. Notably, **46%** of Jewish children in Miami live in Orthodox households.

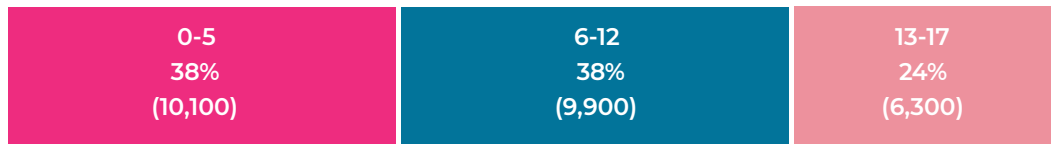
## CHILDREN IN JEWISH HOUSEHOLDS

	Number	All Children (%)
<b>Jewish children</b>	<b>26,200</b>	<b>90%</b>
Jewish	24,600	84%
Jewish and another religion	1,300	4%
Jewish unknown	400	1%
<b>Not Jewish</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>10%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>29,200</b>	<b>100%</b>

Total does not add up due to rounding.

In Miami's intermarried households, **51%** of children are raised exclusively Jewish, **24%** are raised as both Jewish and another religion, **18%** have no religious identity and **8%** are being raised exclusively in a non-Jewish religion.

## MIAMI JEWISH CHILDREN AGE DISTRIBUTION



## Education

Jewish education in Miami demonstrates strong early engagement and higher rates of full-time Jewish schooling, compared to national trends.

**Early Jewish Education Starts Strong** — **45%** of Jewish preschool-age children attend Jewish early childhood programs, more than double the **20%** national average. Of children enrolled in any early childhood program, **83%** are in Jewish early childhood programs.

**High Jewish Day School Enrollment** — **41%** of K-12 Jewish students attend Jewish day school, nearly quadruple the **11%** national average.

**Low Part-Time Jewish School Enrollment** — Only **7%** of Miami's Jewish students attend part-time Jewish school, compared to **15%** nationally.

**Strong Jewish Camp Participation** — In Miami, **41%** of Jewish K-12 students attended either Jewish day or overnight camp in summer 2023.

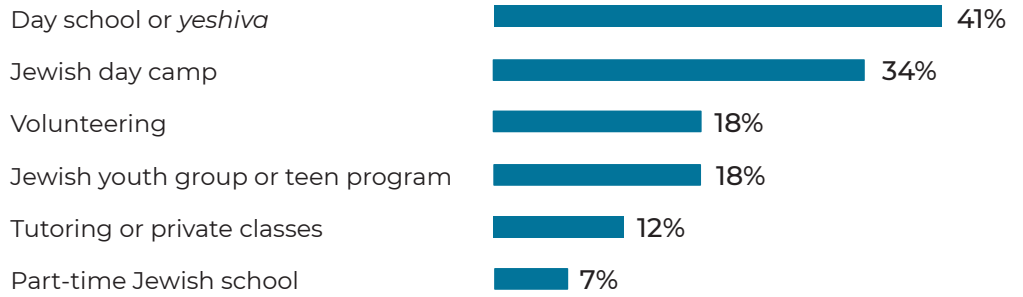
13%

growth in the number of Jewish children in Miami.

# Children and Jewish Education

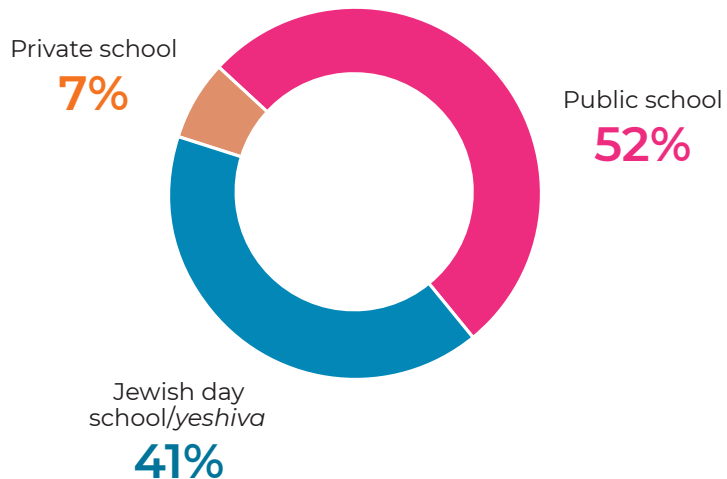
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## JEWISH ENGAGEMENT FOR JEWISH STUDENTS K-12 (%)



Among Miami Jewish parents, **59%** of those with children not yet in kindergarten plan to enroll them in a Jewish day school or *yeshiva*. This commitment strengthens as children grow older with **76%** of K-8 parents planning to send their children to Jewish high school or *yeshiva*.

## JEWISH STUDENTS K-12 (%)



46%

of Jewish teens ages 12+ have traveled to Israel.

60%

of age-eligible Jewish children have celebrated a *bar/bat mitzvah* and an additional 18% plan to have one in the future.

*Choosing a Jewish day school for our children wasn't just about academics — it was about giving them a foundation of values, tradition and community.*

# Connections and Participation

Of nearly all Jewish adults in Miami,

97%

feel a sense of belonging to the Jewish people.

82%

feel connected to the Miami Jewish community, compared to 72% nationally.

45% Jewish adults ages 22-39 are involved in Jewish organizations, showing significantly higher engagement than those ages 40-54 (25%).

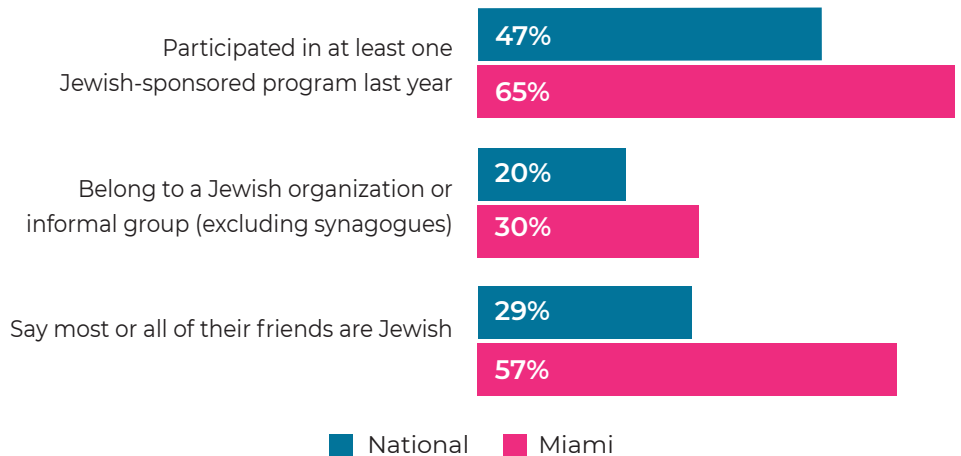
Miami's Jewish community has higher levels of connection and participation, compared to national trends with stronger Jewish social networks and higher organizational involvement. Miami also reports higher barriers to participation, particularly due to geography, cost and significant traffic and parking concerns.

**Jewish Social Circles Thrive in Miami** — 57% of Jewish adults say most or all of their friends are Jewish, nearly double the 29% national average.

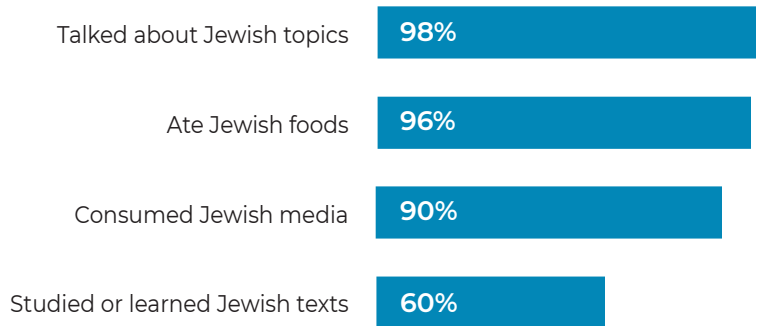
**More Miami Jewish Households Are Plugged in to Community Life** — 30% belong to a Jewish organization or informal group (excluding synagogues), compared to just 20% nationwide.

**Jewish Life in Miami Is Active and Vibrant** — 65% of Jewish adults participated in at least one Jewish-sponsored program last year, compared to just 47% nationally.

## JEWISH MIAMI ADULT PARTICIPATION



## JEWISH-FOCUSED ACTIVITIES IN THE PAST YEAR

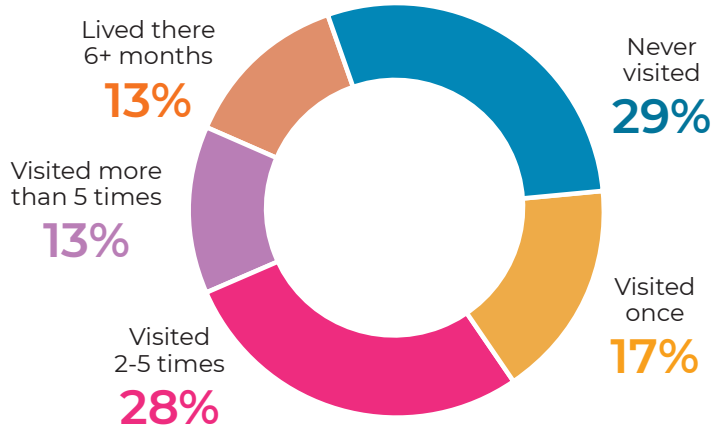




# Connection to Israel

Miami's Jewish community has the strongest connection to Israel, compared to national Jewish averages with higher travel rates, engagement and philanthropic support.

## TRAVEL TO ISRAEL AMONG MIAMI JEWISH ADULTS



**71%** of Miami Jewish adults have traveled to Israel, significantly higher than 45% nationally.

### Israel Travel Is Highest Among Young Adults

with **85%** of Jewish adults ages 22-39 having visited Israel.

### Emotional Ties to Israel Are Strong

as **78%** of Miami Jewish adults feel attached to Israel, higher than the **58%** national average.

### Caring About Israel Is Central to Jewish Identity

with **77%** of Miami Jews considering it essential, compared to **45%** nationally.

## VIEWS ABOUT ISRAEL AMONG MIAMI JEWISH ADULTS

I consider it important for Israel to exist as a refuge for the Jewish people, now and in the future.



I often see or hear criticism of Israel that I consider to be inaccurate or unfair.



I believe that American Jews have the right to criticize Israel's government or its policies.



I feel confident that I understand the current situation in Israel.



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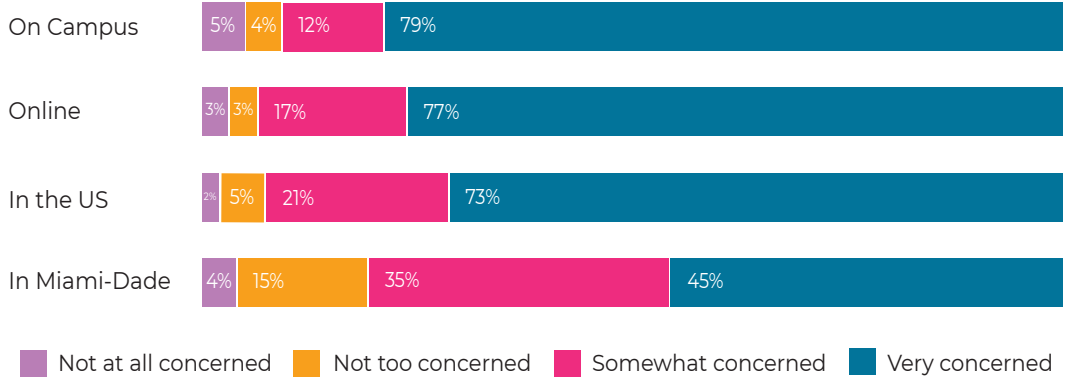
**95%** of Miami Jewish adults engaged in some Israel-related activity following October 7.

*We are a strong, diverse and Zionist Jewish community that sticks together and supports our brothers and sisters in Israel.*

# Antisemitism Concerns

Antisemitism remains a significant concern for Miami's Jewish community, impacting daily life, personal security and communal engagement.

## CONCERN ABOUT ANTISEMITISM AMONG MIAMI JEWISH ADULTS



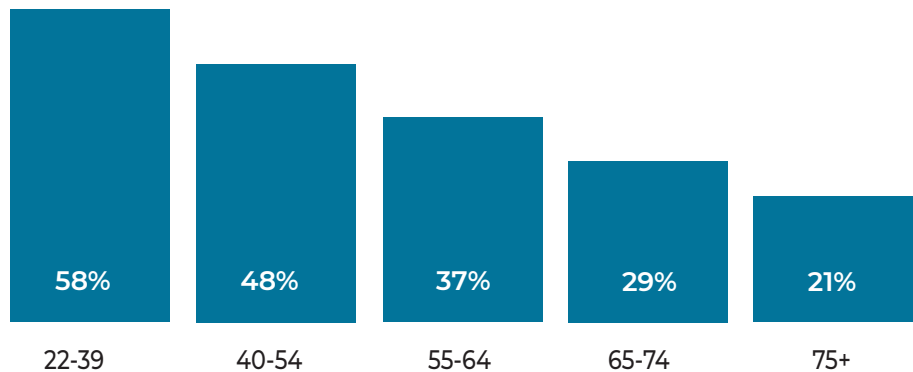
**45%** of Jewish adults are very concerned about antisemitism in Miami.

Nearly one in three Jewish adults (**29%**) has personally experienced an antisemitic incident in the past year with the vast majority being online remarks. Younger adults ages 22-39 report higher rates of antisemitic encounters and many have adjusted their behavior in response. **58%** of young adults and **48%** of those ages 40-54 have avoided certain activities, such as attending events, displaying Jewish symbols or discussing Israel due to fear of antisemitism.

Older Jewish adults are more concerned about antisemitism in Miami, compared to young Jewish adults.

As a result, combating antisemitism is a top priority for Miami Jews. More than half of Jewish adults (**57%**) prioritize it in their philanthropy and volunteering and **40%** place high importance on security in Jewish spaces.

## AVOIDED ACTIVITIES OUT OF A FEAR OF ANTISEMITISM (% BY AGE GROUP)



# Volunteerism and Philanthropy

**64%** of Jewish households that donated to a Jewish organization in the past year gave to an Israel-related cause.

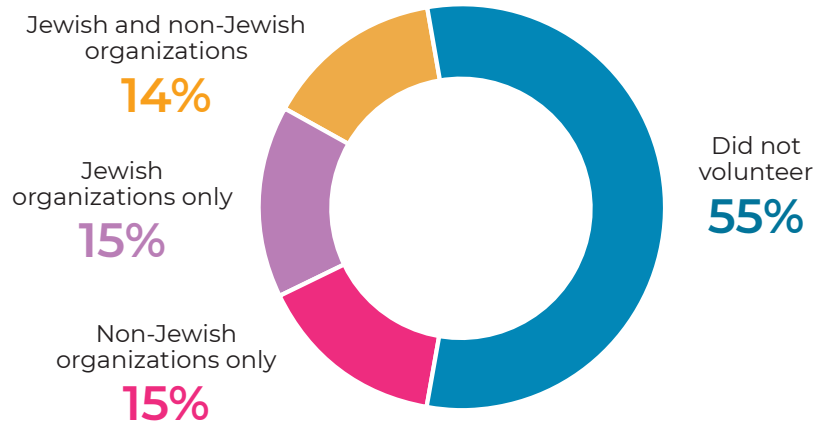
*I am proud of being part of a long tradition of looking out for the individual and the community with a sense of purpose and moral compass.*

Volunteerism is strong in Miami's Jewish community with participation in Jewish organizations exceeding national averages. While philanthropy is widely practiced, Miami's Jewish giving rates are slightly lower than national trends. Supporting Israel, combating antisemitism and Holocaust awareness are top philanthropic priorities in Miami.

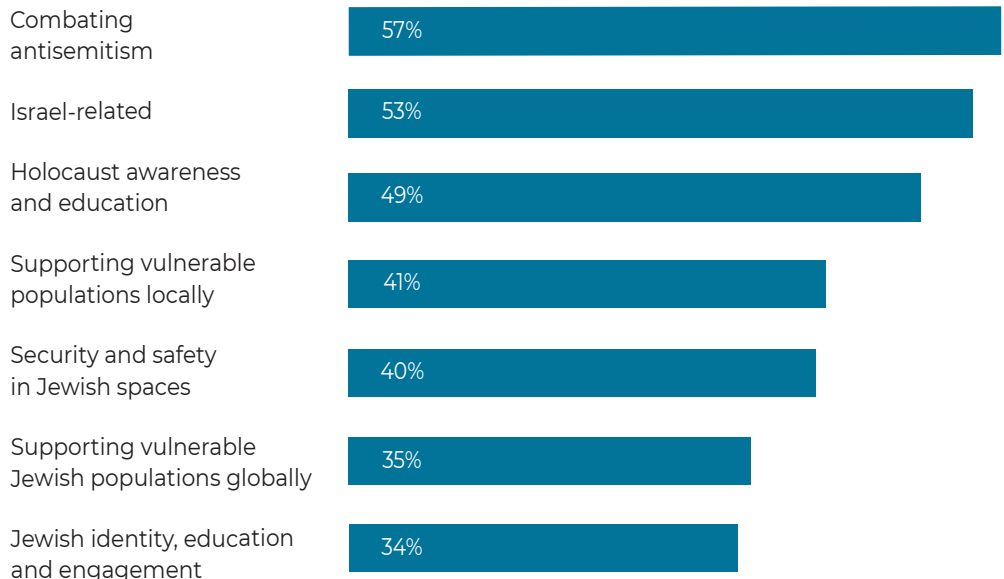
**45% of Miami Jewish Adults Volunteered in the Past Year** with **29%** volunteering for at least one Jewish organization. This is similar to the national rate.

**66% of Jewish Households Made a Charitable Donation.** This includes **49%** who have donated to at least one Jewish organization, compared to **62%** nationally.

**MIAMI JEWISH ADULTS VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES**



**TOP CAUSES FOR DONATIONS AND VOLUNTEERING AMONG MIAMI JEWISH ADULTS**



# Economic Wellbeing

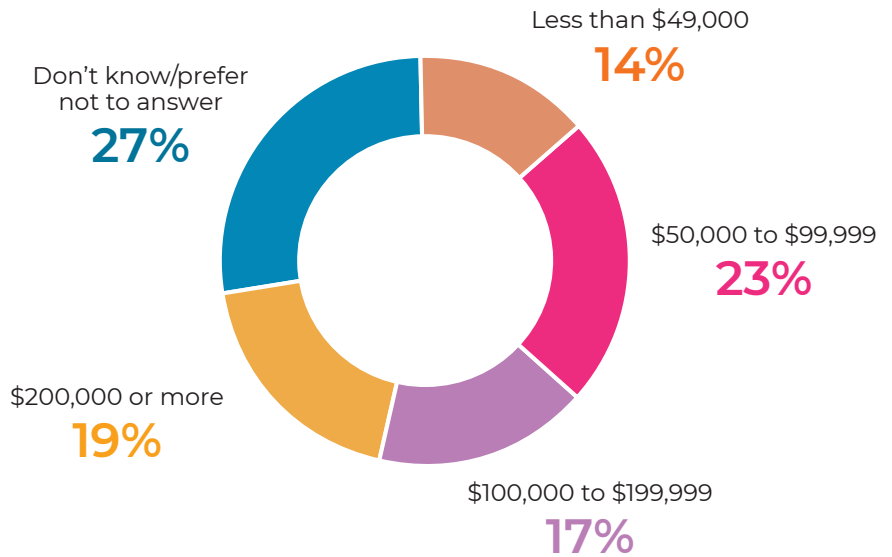
Miami's Jewish community is economically disparate with **16%** of households identifying as well-off, yet a larger share of residents experience economic insecurity, compared to other Jewish communities nationwide.

Two thirds of Miami Jewish adults are employed, similar to the national rate. **22%** are retired and **10%** are not working, including less than **1%** of Jewish adults who receive unemployment benefits.

*I think the Miami-Dade Jewish community tries to be welcoming, but many Jews feel they cannot afford to participate.*

More than **1 in 4** (26%) households face financial struggles with young and middle-aged adults most affected.

## HOUSEHOLD INCOME



**Wide Income Range** — **14%** of households earn below \$50,000, including **5%** making less than \$25,000, while **19%** of households earn \$200,000 or more with **13%** surpassing \$250,000.

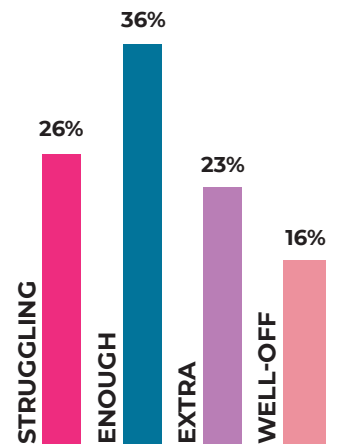
**Impact on Jewish Life** — Financial constraints shape Jewish life with 13% of households indicating limited participation in religious, educational and communal experiences.



**Home Ownership and Affordability** — **73%** of Jewish households own their home.

**68%** of struggling Jewish households report their financial situation has worsened in the past five years.

## HOUSEHOLD FINANCIAL SITUATION



# Health Needs

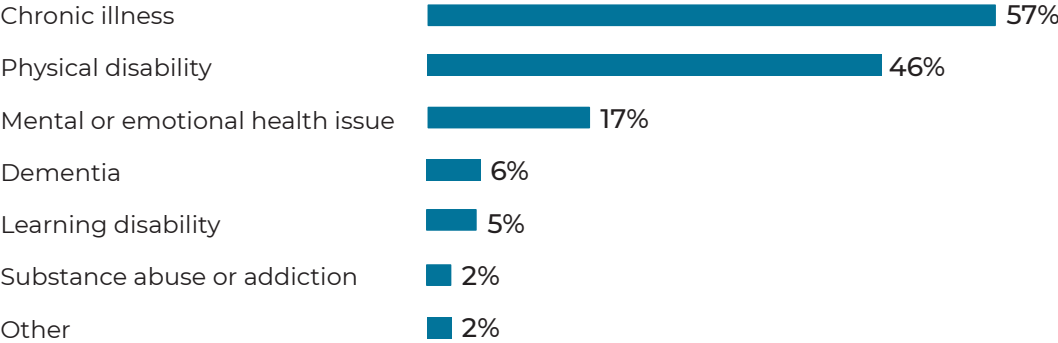
Most Jewish adults in Miami report being in good health with **70%** describing their physical health as “very good” or “excellent” and **73%** saying the same about their mental health.

**21%** of Jewish households include someone with a chronic illness, mental health issue, special need or disability that affects daily activities, similar to the national average (**22%**).

**66%**  
of households with teens/young adults report social or emotional challenges, especially anxiety (41%) and academic pressure (37%).

Health issues are more prevalent among financially struggling households.

## SPECIFIC ISSUES IN JEWISH HOUSEHOLDS WITH HEALTH CONDITIONS



## Aging and Caregiving

**19%** of Jewish households provide care for a close relative or friend, while **8%** need caregiving support.

**4%** of Jewish adults over age 80 are Holocaust Survivors.

**5%** of Jewish households ages 65+ plan to move to an assisted-living facility or nursing home in the future.

Aging in place is the preferred choice with **84%** of Jewish households ages 65-74 and **93%** of those age 75+ planning to remain in their current home as they age.

# Methodology

***Jewish Miami: A 2024 Community Study*** provides a snapshot of today's Jewish population in Miami and considers trends and developments in Jewish life and engagement. In interpreting the data, it is important to bear in mind that the study represents the characteristics and views of community members at the time of the survey. Notably, the data were collected during the Israel-Hamas war that began October 7, 2023, and during a period of rising antisemitism in the US and worldwide. It is likely that attitudes about Israel, concerns about antisemitism and other markers of Jewish identity were influenced by these events.

This study is based on an analysis of a rich set of data collected from 2,686 eligible Miami-Dade County households between February 5 and June 14, 2024. These households were contacted by mail, email and telephone and invited to complete the survey online or by telephone.

The Greater Miami Jewish Federation commissioned *Jewish Miami: A 2024 Community Study* in partnership with local Jewish organizations and congregations. It was conducted by the Maurice and Marilyn Cohen Center for Modern Jewish Studies (CMJS) at Brandeis University together with NORC (National Opinion Research Center) at the University of Chicago. The study employed state-of-the-art methods to create a portrait of the characteristics, attitudes and behaviors of the Jewish community.

Due to methodological differences and variations in question wording between the present study and prior studies of the Miami Jewish community, direct comparisons should be limited in this report. The challenge in drawing direct comparisons is not unique to this study. The Pew Research Center study *Jewish Americans in 2020* drew the same conclusion regarding comparisons to their own 2013 report (see *Pew, 2021, pages 11-13*).

Comparisons to national data are based on the Pew Research Center's 2020 study, *Jewish Americans in 2020*, and to the Brandeis Combined Dataset (CDS) of 25 local Jewish community studies conducted between 2015-23. Comparisons should be treated with caution due to different samples and timeframe.

## **Definition of Jewish Households, Adults and Children**

For purposes of this study, a Jewish household is defined as one that includes at least one Jewish adult. Jewish adults are defined as those who consider themselves Jewish in any way and either have a Jewish parent, were raised Jewish or converted to Judaism. Non-Jewish adults either do not consider themselves to be Jewish or do not have a Jewish background. Children are classified based on whether their parents consider them to be Jewish.

**You may access the full report online at [JewishMiami.org/2024communitystudy](https://JewishMiami.org/2024communitystudy)**



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