

TRENDS IN THE JEWISH DIASPORA IN 2020

The Jewish Diaspora, the oldest in recorded history, began more than two millennia ago and has continued to date, due to religious and ethnic persecution, hardship, and political upheaval. This study examines the global demographic patterns of the Core Jewish Population, which includes people who identify as Jews by religion, as well as those who identify as Jews by ethnicity or another cultural criteria (DellaPergola, 2020). After multiple millennia of relocation and repatriation, where are Jewish communities and individuals living, and what are their main migration patterns as of 2020?

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Jewish Migration Trends

Two in ten Jews will repatriate during their life, more than any other religious group. In the last 50 years, Jews have largely left Eastern Europe and Arab countries, moving to Israel or the US.

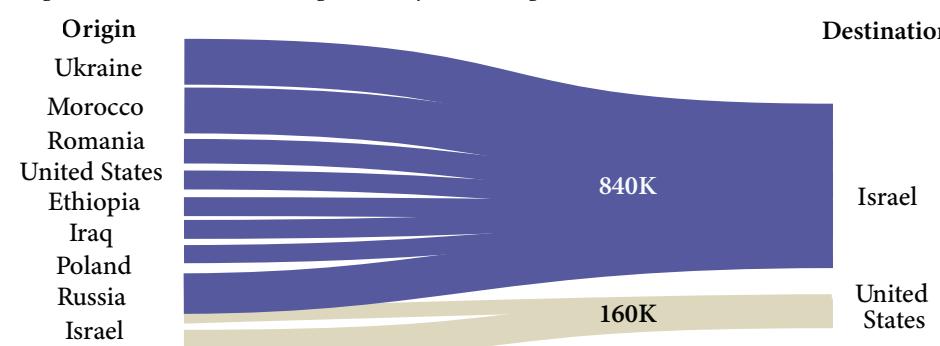
Largest Jewish Population Changes 1970 to 2020

Changes as of 2020 in countries with at least 20,000 Jews in 1970

Country	Total Change	% Change
Israel	4.2M	162.4
USA	185K	3.4
Canada	107K	37.4
Germany	88K	293.3
Australia	53K	81.5
Uzbekistan	-100K	-97.2
Argentina	-103K	-36.3
Belarus	-140K	-94.3
Russia	-653K	-80.8
Ukraine	-732K	-94.2

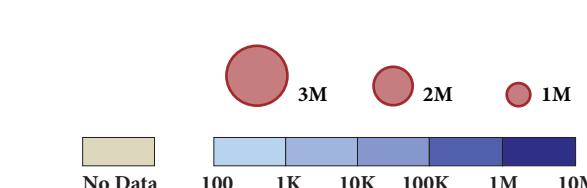
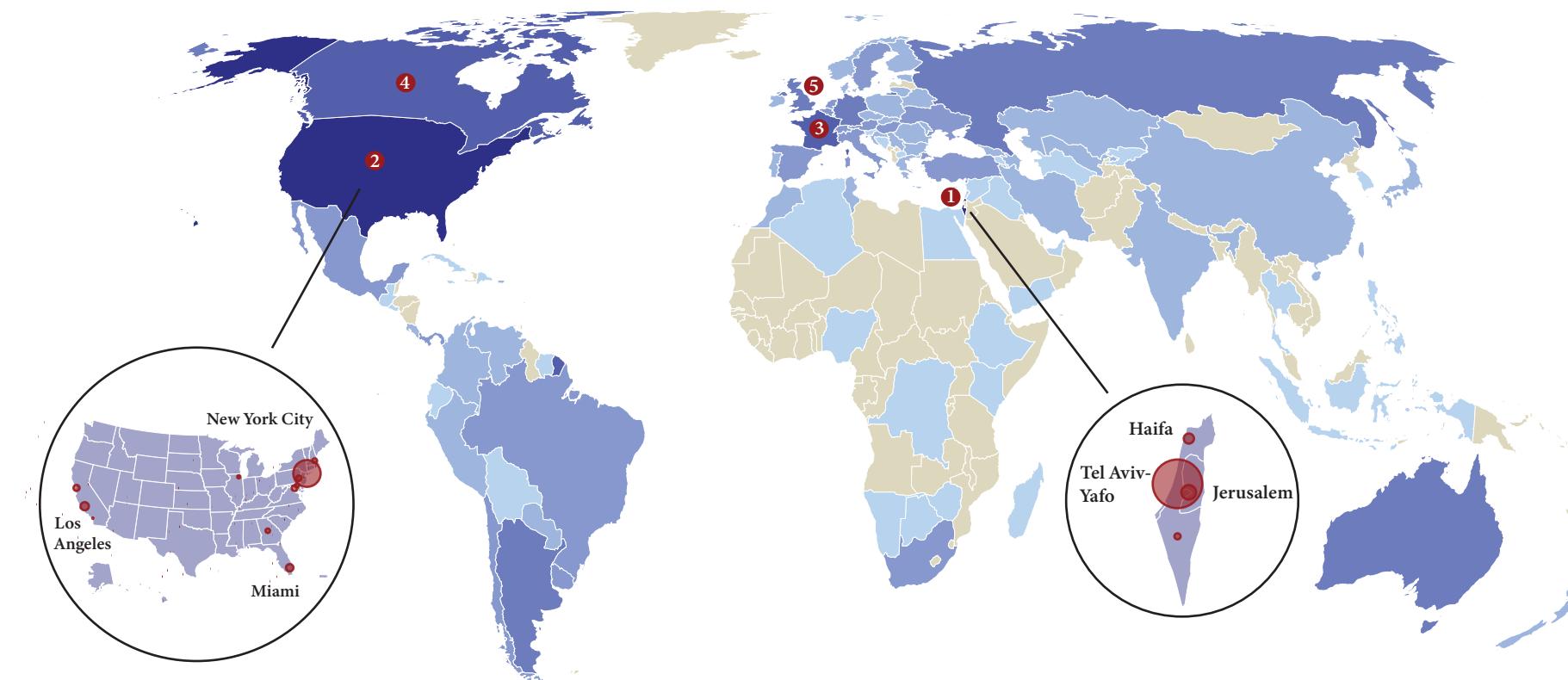
Main Jewish Migration Routes 2020

Migrant data recorded in 2020, regardless of year of immigration



Global Distribution of Jewish Population

The Jewish population mainly resides in the United States and in Israel, with smaller communities throughout Europe and the Americas. Country-level population data is displayed on a log10 scale, to better visualize communities outside just the United States and Israel, and city-level population data is not scaled.



Country	% Global Jews	Total	% Populace	City	% Global Jews	Total	% Populace
1 Israel	45.8%	6,773,400	74.1%	1 Tel Aviv	21.3%	3,845,300	94.9%
2 United States	38.5%	5,700,000	1.7%	2 New York City	11.7%	2,109,300	11.0%
3 France	3.0%	448,000	0.7%	3 Jerusalem	5.4%	973,300	72.3%
4 Canada	2.7%	393,000	1.1%	4 Haifa	3.5%	630,000	73.2%
5 United Kingdom	2.0%	292,000	0.4%	5 Los Angeles	3.5%	622,480	4.7%
				6 Miami	3.0%	535,500	8.3%

Jewish Mass Migration Events in 20th and 21st Century

Jewish migration in the 20th century came in waves, propelled by violence and the promise of new freedoms.

