

Status of The Young Generation of Diaspora Jews - First Circle:



Jewish Identity

- 👁️ **Assimilation: Mixed Marriages**
- 👁️ **Numbers Down: A drop of 20,000 in 2007**
- 👁️ **Only 33% of mixed marriage couples feel Jewish identity is important, compared with 70% of Jewish married couples.**
- 👁️ **Young Jews identify with their non-Jewish peers and behave similarly.**



Status of The Young Generation of Diaspora Jews - Second Circle:



Ties To Israel

- 👁️ No memory of the 1948, 1967 wars
- 👁️ Media conveys a skewed image of Israel: Intifada, Lebanon
- 👁️ The 1990s – 15,000 visits by young Jews per year
- 👁️ No demand for subsidized trips to Israel
- 👁️ The 1990s – only 1,500 students visit Israel
- 👁️ Today – 40,000 students visit Israel annually



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Jewish Community

- 👁️ Number of unmarried Jews rising
- 👁️ Sense of alienation from the Jewish establishment
- 👁️ Being part of the Jewish establishment perceived as “uncool”
- 👁️ Membership in Jewish organizations declining
- 👁️ Rise in number of those defining themselves as “Just Jewish”
- 👁️ Jewish federations and donors seeking independent channels
- 👁️ Non-establishment enterprises are creative and flourishing



A Look Ahead - Five Years From Now



- 👁️ Are things as bad as all that?
- 👁️ Can Jewish Establishment create the needed change?
- 👁️ What can/should Israel do?
- 👁️ Jewish identity
- 👁️ Israel
- 👁️ Community

