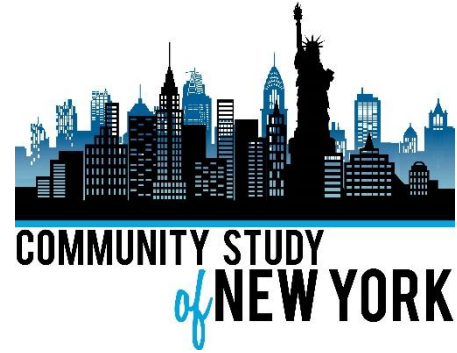


# The Community Study of New York

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



### **Why was I contacted for this study?**

You were contacted because in the spring of 2023 you, or a person living at your address, participated in a survey of adults in the New York area who are Jewish or live with someone who is Jewish. We are contacting you again in view of current events. We are interested in your opinions and experiences over the past few weeks.

### **What kind of information does this study collect?**

This study collects information about your opinions about current events and how they affect you and your household. We will also ask a few questions about you, such as your age or education.

Your answers are completely confidential and individual contact information (name, address, phone number, or email address) will NOT be shared by the survey company with the survey sponsor or any other organizations. All your answers will be combined anonymously with the answers of other New Yorkers who participate.

### **What is the purpose of this study?**

The study will allow UJA-Federation and other organizations in the New York area understand how recent events affected, if at all, the Jewish population in the New York area. The findings will be used by local nonprofit organizations in New York City, Long Island, and Westchester to address the needs of New Yorkers.

We are not asking for money or selling anything. This survey is for research purposes only.

### **Why is my participation so important?**

Your household was part of the New York Community Study that took place in the spring of 2023. This was a survey of randomly selected households in the New York area that are broadly representative of people in Jewish households. We need everyone who participated in this study to respond to the current survey to ensure the sample remains representative. We cannot achieve our goals without your help.

### **Who is conducting this study?**

This study is funded by UJA-Federation of New York ([www.ujafedny.org](http://www.ujafedny.org)), which supports hundreds of nonprofit organizations serving the New York population. As the world's largest local philanthropy, UJA can quickly mobilize its local and global network in times of crisis. It helps meet ongoing and emerging needs of New Yorkers of all backgrounds and strengthens Jewish communities in New York and around the world.

The study is being conducted by SSRS ([www.ssrs.com](http://www.ssrs.com)), a major national social science research firm. This team was assembled to make certain that the information collected meets the highest standards and provides the data needed for effective community planning.

**Will the results be available?**

Yes. The data will be made publicly accessible and survey results will be published in the spring of 2025 on UJA's website and through an interactive web tool. As a reminder, no results will be published in which individuals can be identified.

**Who is participating in this study?**

This study is collecting information from the thousands of households in New York City, Long Island, and Westchester that participated in the New York Community Study in 2023. Adults of all backgrounds participated in this study. We hope to reach different segments of the community to get an accurate picture of the population.

**How did you get my address?**

Your address was originally randomly selected from all residential addresses in New York City, Long Island, and Westchester. All addresses had a chance of being selected to ensure the survey represents all New Yorkers. Addresses were available through publicly accessible data. We are currently contacting you based on information provided to us in our earlier survey.

**What if I do not want to answer a particular question?**

Then it is fine to simply leave it blank. Please be assured your answers will be kept confidential. Individual contact information (name, address, phone number, or email address) will NOT be associated with your answers.

**How long will it take? Can I start the survey now and finish another time?**

On average, the survey takes less than 15 minutes. You may start the survey and finish it another time; the program will automatically save your work. When you sign back on, you will need the code from the letter that invited you to participate. You will be taken right to the point where you left off.

**More Information**

If you have any additional questions about this study, please contact the project team at SSRS by emailing [info@NYCommunityStudy.com](mailto:info@NYCommunityStudy.com).