

PREFACE

This publication presents data on Arab households, based on the Household Expenditure Survey and the Combined Income Survey for 2006. It is the first publication that presents a comparative analysis of data on the standard of living in Arab and Jewish households.

The publication responds to the demand in governmental institutions, research institutes, government ministries, and other organizations for updated data on income and expenditures of Arab households in Israel.

Several units of the Central Bureau of Statistics participated in planning the survey: the Survey Unit staff prepared the survey questionnaires and collected the data from households; the staff of the Statistical Methods Unit prepared the samples and the weighting methods; and the staff of the Consumption and Finance Sector entered, edited, and processed the data for publication.

The Central Bureau of Statistics is especially grateful to the thousands of households that participated in the survey, displayed patience and responsibility, and helped substantially to enhance Israel's matrix of statistical data.

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