

Claims Conference Netherlands Holocaust Poll
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Screening Questions

- {Age}

Under 18	--
18-24	12%
25-29	8%
30-34	9%
35-39	11%
40-49	15%
50-64	18%
65+	27%

- {Region} In what region of the Netherlands do you live?

South Holland	21%
North Holland	16%
North Brabant	14%
Gelderland	12%
Overijssel	7%
Utrecht	7%
Limburg	6%
Drenthe	4%
Friesland	4%
Groningen	4%
Zeeland	3%
Flevoland	2%

- {COLLEGE STUDENT} Are you currently enrolled in university?

Yes	16%
No	84%

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General Awareness

Intro: Thank you for your participation in this survey. The next questions in the survey are going to ask you about a particular historical topic that you may or may not know much about – the Holocaust. These questions don't have right or wrong answers, so please be as honest and open as you can.

1. Have you ever seen or heard the word Holocaust before?¹

Yes I have definitely heard about the Holocaust	81%
Yes I think I've heard about the Holocaust	11%
No I don't think I have heard about the Holocaust	4%
No I definitely have not heard about the Holocaust	4%

IF NO, SKIP TO Q11

2. In your own words, what does the term Holocaust refer to? OPEN ENDED WITH PRECODES (MULTIPLE ANSWERS ACCEPTED)

World War II	36%
Extermination of the Jews/Jewish people	35%
Antisemitism	17%
Genocide generally	8%
Concentration camps	6%
The Nazis	5%
Adolf Hitler	4%
Germany	2%
A bad time for Jews	2%
Auschwitz	--
Other	9%
Not sure	5%

3. Who or what do you think is most responsible for the Holocaust? OPEN ENDED WITH PRECODES (MULTIPLE ANSWERS ACCEPTED)²

Adolf Hitler	54%
The Nazis	20%
Germany	16%
Humanity generally	2%

¹ UCL Study <https://www.holocausteducation.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/What-do-students-know-and-understand-about-the-Holocaust1.pdf>

² *ibid*

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Dictators	2%
Waffen-SS	2%
Jews	1%
World War II	1%
Adolf Eichmann	1%
Heinrich Himmler	1%
The rich and elite	1%
Other	2%
Not sure	12%

4. Who were victims during the Holocaust? OPEN ENDED WITH PRECODES (MULTIPLE ANSWERS ACCEPTED) ³

The Jewish People	87%
Roma-Sinti (Gypsies)	23%
Homosexuals	9%
The disabled/ People with disabilities	6%
Non-aryan ethnic minorities	4%
Resistance Workers	3%
Slavic nations / ethnic Slavs	1%
Jehovah's Witnesses	1%
Communists	1%
Ethnic Poles	--
Rescuers	--
Other	4%
Not sure	9%

5. In which of the below country, countries, or regions generally did the Holocaust take place? [MULTIPLE ANSWERS ALLOWED]

Germany	57%
Poland	49%
The Netherlands (Holland)	47%
Europe (Generally)	34%
Belgium	24%
Austria	21%
France	21%
Czech Republic/Slovakia (Former Czechoslovakia)	21%
Hungary	18%
Romania	17%
Former Yugoslavia	14%
Italy	14%

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Former Soviet Union	13%
Ukraine	13%
Latvia	11%
Denmark	10%
Lithuania	10%
Estonia	9%
Greece	9%
The United Kingdom	4%
North Africa	4%
Australia	3%
China	3%
United States	2%
Canada	2%
All of the above	2%
Other	1%
Not sure	5%

6. From what you know or have heard, what was Auschwitz-Birkenau? OPEN ENDED WITH PRECODES (MULTIPLE ANSWERS ACCEPTED)

Concentration camp	50%
Death/extermination camp	30%
Forced labor camp	5%
A camp for Jews	3%
Other	6%
Not sure	12%

7. Okay, and have you heard of “The Final Solution” before?

Yes, I have definitely heard of the Final Solution	36%
Yes, I think I have heard of the Final Solution	20%
No, I do not think I have heard of the Final Solution	28%
No, I definitely have not heard of the Final Solution	16%

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8. [IF HEARD OF THE FINAL SOLUTION] And in your own words, what was the “Final Solution”? OPEN ENDED WITH PRECODES (MULTIPLE ANSWERS ACCEPTED)

The Nazi plan to murder the Jews	54%
Genocide	14%
Aryan domination	10%
The Holocaust	2%
Adolf Hitler	4%
Other	3%
Not sure	19%

9. Which war or wars is the Holocaust associated with?

World War II	90%
Warsaw ghetto uprising	3%
Februaristaking	2%
World War I	1%
Cold War	1%
Gulf War	--
Napoleonic Wars	--
Other	--
Not sure	3%

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Familiarity with Key Holocaust Figures

INTRO: The term “Holocaust” refers to the systematic, bureaucratic, state-sponsored persecution and murder of Jewish people by the Nazi regime and its collaborators during World War II and the pursuit of destroying the so-called Jewish spirit. I am now going to ask you some questions about the Holocaust.

- 10.** First, when you think about the Holocaust which individuals or groups are the FIRST to come to mind for you? **OPEN ENDED WITH PRECODES (MULTIPLE ANSWERS ACCEPTED)**

Jews	69%
Adolf Hitler	16%
The Nazis	11%
Gypsies	5%
Germans	5%
Nazi Germany	2%
Anne Frank	2%
The Schutzstaffel (SS)	2%
Homosexuals	1%
Disabled people	1%
Heinrich Himmler	1%
Nationaal Socialistische Beweging (NSB)	1%
Other	1%
Not sure	8%

- 11.** You will now see the names of some historical figures that are associated with a particular point in history. For each, please indicate the role that the individual played during the Holocaust. If you are not familiar with the individual or individuals, please select “not familiar” **[MULTIPLE ANSWERS ALLOWED]**

- Adolf Hitler

Perpetrator	95%
Collaborator	4%
Rescuers / Righteous Among the nations	2%
Bystander	1%
Victim	1%
Not familiar with this individual(s)	1%

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- Anne Frank

Perpetrator	4%
Collaborator	2%
Rescuers / Righteous Among the nations	5%
Bystander	1%
Victim	89%
Not familiar with this individual(s)	3%

- Oskar Schindler

Perpetrator	18%
Collaborator	8%
Rescuers / Righteous Among the nations	45%
Bystander	4%
Victim	5%
Not familiar with this individual(s)	28%

- Heinrich Himmler

Perpetrator	62%
Collaborator	9%
Rescuers / Righteous Among the nations	3%
Bystander	1%
Victim	1%
Not familiar with this individual(s)	26%

- Adolf Eichmann

Perpetrator	44%
Collaborator	21%
Rescuers / Righteous Among the nations	3%
Bystander	3%
Victim	1%
Not familiar with this individual(s)	32%

- Arthur Seyss-Inquart

Perpetrator	32%
Collaborator	16%
Rescuers / Righteous Among the nations	4%
Bystander	2%
Victim	2%
Not familiar with this individual(s)	47%

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- Fritz Schmidt

Perpetrator	15%
Collaborator	9%
Rescuers / Righteous Among the nations	4%
Bystander	2%
Victim	2%
Not familiar with this individual(s)	69%

- Hanns Rauter

Perpetrator	20%
Collaborator	11%
Rescuers / Righteous Among the nations	6%
Bystander	3%
Victim	2%
Not familiar with this individual(s)	61%

- Otto Frank

Perpetrator	5%
Collaborator	4%
Rescuers / Righteous Among the nations	11%
Bystander	4%
Victim	66%
Not familiar with this individual(s)	16%

- Victor Kugler

Perpetrator	14%
Collaborator	5%
Rescuers / Righteous Among the nations	13%
Bystander	4%
Victim	3%
Not familiar with this individual(s)	65%

- van Pels family

Perpetrator	2%
Collaborator	5%
Rescuers / Righteous Among the nations	10%
Bystander	5%
Victim	21%
Not familiar with this individual(s)	59%

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- Etty Hillesum

Perpetrator	6%
Collaborator	6%
Rescuers / Righteous Among the nations	11%
Bystander	5%
Victim	15%
Not familiar with this individual(s)	61%

- Miep Gies

Perpetrator	4%
Collaborator	4%
Rescuers / Righteous Among the nations	29%
Bystander	16%
Victim	24%
Not familiar with this individual(s)	31%

- Joop Westerweel

Perpetrator	2%
Collaborator	7%
Rescuers / Righteous Among the nations	18%
Bystander	4%
Victim	4%
Not familiar with this individual(s)	67%

- Corrie Ten Boom

Perpetrator	2%
Collaborator	5%
Rescuers / Righteous Among the nations	22%
Bystander	4%
Victim	10%
Not familiar with this individual(s)	60%

- Walter Süskind

Perpetrator	7%
Collaborator	6%
Rescuers / Righteous Among the nations	20%
Bystander	6%
Victim	10%
Not familiar with this individual(s)	55%

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12. Approximately how many Jews were killed during the Holocaust?⁴ Please select from the following list:

Approximately:

25,000	1%
100,000	5%
1 million	10%
2 million	13%
6 million	46%
20 million	11%
Not sure	14%

13. Okay and how was the Holocaust carried out*? OPEN ENDED WITH PRECODES (MULTIPLE ANSWERS ACCEPTED)

Gassing	63%
Concentration camps	17%
Shooting	9%
Death Camps	5%
Starvation	5%
Slave labor camps	5%
Medical Experiments	2%
Ghettos	2%
Mobile killing units or Einsatzgruppen	1%
All of the above	1%
Other	3%
Not sure	13%

**Carried out refers to the specific actions that were implemented to persecute and murder Jewish people during the Holocaust.*

14. During the Holocaust, many were sent to concentration camps, death camps, transit camps, and ghettos. Can you name any concentration camps, death camps, transit camps, or ghettos you have heard of? OPEN ENDED WITH PRECODES (MULTIPLE ANSWERS ACCEPTED)

Auschwitz-Birkenau	60%
Westerbork	20%
Bergen-Belsen	19%
Sobibór	10%
Dachau	9%
Vught	9%

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Amersfoort	5%
Treblinka	4%
Buchenwald	4%
Theresienstadt	3%
Bełżec	2%
Majdanek	2%
Mauthausen	2%
Warsaw ghetto	2%
Chełmno	1%
Ravensbruck	1%
Sachsenhausen	1%
Ommen (Kamp Erika)	1%
Kraków ghetto	1%
Gross Rosen	--
Stutthof	--
Łódź ghetto	--
Lviv ghetto	--
Vilna ghetto	--
Minsk Ghetto	--
Other	1%
Incorrect response	2%
None	22%
Don't know	7%

INTRO: Now I am going to ask you some more questions about the Holocaust, life under the Nazis, and their collaborators.

15. In which country did the Nazis first come to power? **[OPEN ENDED WITH PRECODES]**

Germany	73%
Poland	8%
Austria	4%
The Netherlands	4%
Other	1%
Not sure	10%

16. Who was the leader of Nazi Germany during the Holocaust? **[OPEN ENDED WITH PRECODES]**

Adolf Hitler	91%
Other	2%
Not sure	7%

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17. As far as you know, other than the Jewish people, which groups, if any were persecuted by the Nazis? OPEN ENDED WITH PRECODES (MULTIPLE ANSWERS ACCEPTED)

Roma-Sinti	48%
Homosexuals	26%
The disabled/ People with disabilities	17%
Ethnic minorities	14%
Political opponents of the Nazis	5%
Jehovah's Witnesses	3%
Communists	3%
Resistance fighters	3%
Ethnic Poles	2%
Resistance Workers	2%
Soviet Prisoners of War	1%
Catholics	1%
Muslims	1%
Other SPECIFY	3%
Not sure	25%

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The Netherlands During the Holocaust

Intro: Now you will be asked some questions about the Netherlands during the time of the Holocaust and World War II.

18. In what year did the Nazi occupation of the Netherlands begin?

1937	1%
1938	3%
1939	9%
1940	65%
1941	8%
1942	5%
1943	2%
1944	2%
1945	2%
Not sure	3%

19. In your opinion, was the Netherlands a victim or perpetrator of the Holocaust?

Victim	63%
Perpetrator	3%
Both	28%
Not sure	6%

20. In your opinion were Dutch people victims, bystanders, collaborators or perpetrators of the Holocaust? **[MULTIPLE ANSWERS ALLOWED]**

Victims	51%
Perpetrators	9%
Collaborators	17%
Bystanders	24%
All of the above	30%
None of the above	6%

21. From what you know, or if you had to guess, approximately how many Jews were living in the Netherlands before the Nazi occupation? **OPEN ENDED WITH PRECODED RANGES**

Less than 110,000	14%
110,000 – 125,000	1%
125,000 – 135,000	1%
135,000 – 145,000	6%
145,000 – 155,000	3%

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155,000 – 165,000	1%
165,000 – 195,000	1%
195,000 – 450,000	4%
450,000 – 950,000	9%
950,000 – 1,750,000	12%
1,750,000 – 6 million	14%
More than 6 million	3%
Not sure	31%

- 22.** By many estimates more than 140,000 Jews were living in the Netherlands when the country was invaded by Nazi Germany in May 1940. Approximately what percentage of Dutch Jews perished during the Holocaust?

5 percent (or approximately 7,000)	2%
10 percent (or approximately 14,000)	6%
25 percent (or approximately 35,000)	13%
50 percent (or approximately 70,000)	19%
75 percent (or approximately 105,000)	41%
100 percent (or approximately 140,000)	4%
Not sure	15%

- 23.** From what you know or heard, in which of the following Western European country were the greatest number of Jewish people killed during the Holocaust?

France	29%
Belgium	6%
The Netherlands	65%

- 24.** Approximately what percentage of the Jewish population living in the Netherlands at the time of the Holocaust went into hiding?

Fewer than 5 percent	14%
About 20 percent	44%
About 50 percent	22%
About 75 percent	16%
100 percent	4%

Persecution of the Jews in the Netherlands During the Holocaust

- 25.** What measures, if any, were taken against the Jewish population in the Netherlands immediately after the German occupation? **OPEN ENDED WITH PRECODES (MULTIPLE ANSWERS ACCEPTED)**

Forced to wear Star of David	32%
Banning Jews from public life	18%
Deportation	11%

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Removal of civil rights	4%
Forcing Jews out of the workforce	3%
Removal of economic rights	3%
General discrimination	3%
Possessions stolen	3%
Duty to report	3%
Murder	2%
Spontaneous acts of violence	1%
Other	1%
Not sure	38%

26. From what you know or have heard, were non-Jewish Dutch people subjected to the same persecution by the Nazis as the Jews were during the occupation?

Yes	33%
No	41%
not sure	26%

27. From what you know, were non-Jewish Dutch people targeted for annihilation by the Nazis during the occupation?

Yes	34%
No	39%
not sure	27%

28. During the Holocaust, the Nazis set up transit camps that were used for the systematic deportation of Jewish people to Auschwitz and other extermination camps. Can you name any transit camps that were set up in the Netherlands? **OPEN ENDED WITH PRECODES (MULTIPLE ANSWERS ACCEPTED)**

Westerbork	22%
Vught	10%
Amersfoort	6%
Kamp Erika	2%
Other	1%
Unable to name transit camp	59%

29. In your opinion, did most members of the Dutch population work together with the Nazis during the Holocaust, or did most members of the Dutch population resist** the Nazis?

Many members of the Dutch population worked with the Nazis, while very few resisted	11%
Some of the Dutch population worked with the Nazis, and some resisted	44%

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Very few of the Dutch population worked with the Nazis, and most resisted	37%
Not sure	8%

****By “resist” we mean non-violent resistance, armed resistance, helping people go into hiding, forgery of documents and publishing anti-Nazi publications.**

Intro: Do you agree or disagree with the following statements:

30. Many non-Jewish people in the Netherlands risked their lives to save Jews during the Holocaust.

TOTAL AGREE	69%
TOTAL DISAGREE	6%
Strongly agree	22%
Agree	47%
Neutral—neither agree nor disagree	21%
Disagree	5%
Strongly disagree	1%
Not sure	4%

31. Many non-Jews elsewhere in Europe risked their lives to save Jews during the Holocaust.

TOTAL AGREE	73%
TOTAL DISAGREE	6%
Strongly agree	30%
Agree	43%
Neutral—neither agree nor disagree	17%
Disagree	4%
Strongly disagree	2%
Not sure	4%

32. Many Dutch people killed or helped kill Jews during the Holocaust.

TOTAL AGREE	31%
TOTAL DISAGREE	29%
Strongly agree	6%
Agree	25%
Neutral—neither agree nor disagree	29%
Disagree	22%
Strongly disagree	7%
Not sure	11%

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33. You may have already indicated this, but prior to taking this survey, had you heard of Anne Frank?

Yes	94%
No	3%
Not sure	3%

34. Which of the following best describes Anne Frank?

A Jewish girl who kept a diary of her family's two years in hiding during the Nazi occupation of the Netherlands	95%
A Jewish girl who survived the Nazi occupation of the Netherlands and became a well-known speaker after World War II	3%
A Jewish woman who owned a business that was forced to close during the Nazi occupation of the Netherlands	1%
None of the above	--
Not sure	1%

35. How old was Anne Frank when she died?

A toddler	--
A teenager	81%
Middle aged	13%
Very old	2%
Anne Frank is still alive	1%
Not sure	3%

36. Where did Anne Frank die?

At a Nazi concentration camp	73%
In a secret annex	15%
In a hospital	2%
At her home	2%
Anne Frank is still alive	1%
Not sure	7%

37. From what you know, how did Dutch society treat Holocaust survivors when they returned to the Netherlands after World War II?

Dutch society was primarily welcoming and sympathetic to Holocaust survivors	43%
Dutch society was primarily unwelcoming and unsympathetic to Holocaust survivors	30%

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Not sure 27%

38. From what you know, what happened to Jewish property, art, and financial assets in the Netherlands during the Nazi occupation?

Jewish property, art, and financial assets were confiscated during the Nazi occupation and restitution has still not been fully completed	50%
Jewish property, art, and financial assets were confiscated during the Nazi occupation and it took decades until restitution was made	22%
Jewish property, art, and financial assets were confiscated during the Nazi occupation but returned to their rightful owners promptly after World War II	13%
Jewish property, art, and financial assets were protected during the Nazi occupation	3%
Other SPECIFY	--
Not sure	12%

39. From what you know, which of the following best describes how some Dutch cities including Amsterdam treated Jewish Holocaust survivors when they returned home after World War II?

Some city administrations fined Holocaust survivors for being late paying the rent on the land their houses were built on	32%
Some city administrations provided financial assistance to help Holocaust survivors get back on their feet	30%
Not sure	38%

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Holocaust Denial

INTRO: Thank you for your answers so far. You will now be asked some questions regarding your opinion about the Holocaust. After each, please select the answer choice that best represents what you think.

40. Some believe that the Holocaust did not happen. Do you believe the Holocaust happened?

Yes, I believe the Holocaust happened	90%
No, I do not believe the Holocaust happened	5%
Not sure	5%

41. Okay, and do you know people who think that the Holocaust did not happen?

A great deal	3%
Many	5%
A few	16%
None	63%
Not sure	13%

42. Which of the following statements comes closest to your views about the Holocaust in Europe during World War II? ⁵

The Holocaust is a myth and did not happen	3%
The Holocaust happened, but the number of Jews who died in it has been greatly exaggerated	9%
The Holocaust happened, and the number of Jews who died in it have been fairly described	79%
Not sure	9%

43. Which of the following comes closest to your view about Anne Frank's diary?

Anne Frank's diary is authentic	89%
Anne Frank's diary is a forgery	4%
I've never heard of Anne Frank's diary prior to taking this survey	2%
Not sure	5%

⁵ https://global100.adl.org/public/ADL_GLOBAL_100_SURVEY_QUESTIONNAIRE.pdf

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Perceptions/Misperceptions

INTRO: Switching gears slightly, you will now see a list of statements that have been made about the Holocaust. For each, please indicate if you agree or disagree.

44. Fewer people seem to care about the Holocaust today than they used to.

TOTAL AGREE	49%
TOTAL DISAGREE	14%
Strongly agree	10%
Agree	39%
Neutral—neither agree nor disagree	29%
Disagree	11%
Strongly disagree	3%
Not sure	8%

45. People talk too much about the Holocaust.

TOTAL AGREE	12%
TOTAL DISAGREE	53%
Strongly agree	3%
Agree	9%
Neutral—neither agree nor disagree	32%
Disagree	32%
Strongly disagree	21%
Not sure	3%

46. Something like the Holocaust could happen again today.⁶

TOTAL AGREE	53%
TOTAL DISAGREE	20%
Strongly agree	17%
Agree	36%
Neutral—neither agree nor disagree	22%
Disagree	13%
Strongly disagree	7%
Not sure	5%

⁶ From ADL Global 100 <http://global100.adl.org/public/ADL-Global-100-Executive-Summary.pdf>

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47. Educators in the Netherlands should be given more professional development opportunities and resources to teach students about the Holocaust

TOTAL AGREE	64%
TOTAL DISAGREE	4%
Strongly agree	30%
Agree	34%
Neutral—neither agree nor disagree	28%
Disagree	3%
Strongly disagree	1%
Not sure	4%

48. It is important to continue teaching people about the Holocaust, in part, so it doesn't happen again.

TOTAL AGREE	77%
TOTAL DISAGREE	6%
Strongly agree	49%
Agree	28%
Neutral—neither agree nor disagree	13%
Disagree	4%
Strongly disagree	2%
Not sure	4%

49. The Jewish people could face another genocide.

TOTAL AGREE	31%
TOTAL DISAGREE	24%
Strongly agree	7%
Agree	24%
Neutral—neither agree nor disagree	33%
Disagree	16%
Strongly disagree	8%
Not sure	12%

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HOLOCAUST EDUCATION

INTRO: You will now be asked some questions about how you learned about the Holocaust, as well as questions on Holocaust education in the Netherlands today.

50. Where did you first hear about the Holocaust?

At elementary school	36%
At secondary school	19%
From a friend or relative	9%
Television	6%
Annual World War II ceremonies (May 4)	4%
Books	3%
Movies	2%
Public commemorations	2%
International Holocaust Remembrance Day broadcast (January 27)	2%
Social Media	1%
Online, not on social media	1%
At a house of worship (church/synagogue/mosque/temple)	1%
Museums	1%
Political/communal leaders	1%
Heritage of War related events	1%
Other	4%
Never heard about the Holocaust before today	2%
Not sure	5%

51. [If respondents answer “Books,” “Television,” “Movies,” or “Social Media,”] Which?

Anne Frank: Diary of a Young Girl	15%
Television (unspecified)	6%
Book (unspecified)	5%
Documentary (unspecified)	5%
Movie (unspecified)	4%
Facebook	4%
Schindler’s List	3%
Youtube	2%
13 In The War	2%
The Boy in the Striped Pajamas	2%
Lou de Jong	1%
Netflix	1%
Tales from the Secret Annex	1%
The Winter War	1%
Remembrance Day	1%

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Other	2%
Not sure	45%

52. At what level(s) of school did you learn about the Holocaust? [MULTIPLE ANSWERS ALLOWED]

Basisschool	57%
Voortgezet onderwijs	58%
Higher/University: BA degree	12%
MA degree	5%
PhD	2%
Did not learn about the Holocaust at school	6%
Not sure	5%

53. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: Holocaust education should be compulsory in school.

TOTAL AGREE	66%
TOTAL DISAGREE	8%

Strongly agree	35%
Agree	31%
Neutral—neither agree nor disagree	23%
Disagree	6%
Strongly disagree	2%
Not sure	3%

54. Who do you think should be responsible for providing education about the Holocaust? [MULTIPLE ANSWERS ALLOWED]

Schools/teachers	63%
Ministry of Education	41%
The government	37%
Parents	36%
Religious institutions	15%
Non-profit organizations	10%
The private sector	6%
It is no one's responsibility	5%
Other SPECIFY	1%
Not sure	7%

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55. Thinking back to your time in school, how would you rate the education about the Holocaust that you received? Please rate the education about the Holocaust you received on a 5-point scale with a “5” being excellent and a 1 being “very poor”

5 – Excellent	11%
4 – Very good	22%
3 – Satisfactory	37%
2 – Poor	14%
1 – Very poor	4%
Did not receive education about the Holocaust at school	6%
Not sure	6%

56. Have you ever met a Jewish person?

Yes, I have personally met a Jewish person	53%
No, but someone I know has met a Jewish person	9%
No, and I do not know anyone who has met a Jewish person	22%
Not sure	16%

57. Have you personally or has anyone you know visited a Holocaust memorial, museum or historical site in the Netherlands or elsewhere in the world?

I have personally visited a Holocaust memorial, museum, or historical site in the Netherlands or elsewhere in the world	52%
I have not visited, but someone I know has visited	20%
I have not visited a Holocaust memorial, museum or historical site and do not know anyone who has visited one	16%
Not sure	12%

**58. In what country did you visit a Holocaust memorial, museum or historical site?
[MULTIPLE ANSWERS ALLOWED]**

Netherlands (Holland)	77%
Germany	32%
Poland	15%
France	7%
Belgium	7%
Austria	5%
Israel	4%
United Kingdom	2%

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United States of America	2%
Hungary	2%
Switzerland	1%
Croatia	1%
Armenia	1%
Australia	1%
Canada	1%
Spain	--
Albania	--
Not sure	2%

59. Have you personally or has anyone you know visited the Anne Frank house in Amsterdam?

I have personally visited the Anne Frank House	32%
I have not visited, but someone I know has visited	33%
I have not visited the Anne Frank House and do not know anyone who has visited it	27%
Not sure	8%

60. Have you personally or has anyone you know visited a former Nazi camp or death camp?

I have personally visited a former Nazi camp or death camp	32%
I have not visited, but someone I know has visited	30%
I have not visited a former Nazi camp or death camp and do not know anyone who has visited one	28%
Not sure	10%

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61. Do you personally know or know of a survivor of the Holocaust, or have you ever heard a survivor of the Holocaust speak? MULTI-SELECT FOR CHOICES 1-4

I personally know a survivor of the Holocaust	9%
I personally knew a survivor of the Holocaust who has passed away	13%
I know of a survivor of the Holocaust but do not know him/her personally	10%
I have heard a survivor of the Holocaust speak in public (e.g., at school, on TV, etc.)	18%
I do not know a survivor of the Holocaust	50%
Not sure	8%

62. Do you know of any places, in the vicinity of the place you live, in which local Jews lived before 1940 and were murdered during the Holocaust?

Yes	33%
No	49%
Not sure	18%

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Antisemitism & Neo-Nazism

INTRO: Now you will be asked some questions about antisemitism in the Netherlands today.

63. From what you know or have heard, what does antisemitism mean?

Prejudice against Jews	56%
Prejudice against Muslims	7%
Prejudice against poor people	4%
Prejudice against Hindus	3%
Prejudice against Africans/African-Americans/African-Caribbeans	3%
Prejudice against homeless people	1%
Prejudice against Roma	1%
Not sure	25%

INTRO: According to the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA), antisemitism is “a certain perception of Jews, which may be expressed as hatred toward Jews. Rhetorical and physical manifestations of antisemitism are directed toward Jewish or non-Jewish individuals and/or their property, toward Jewish community institutions and religious facilities.”⁷

64. From what you have heard, was there antisemitism in the Netherlands at the time of the Holocaust?

Yes, antisemitism was widespread in the Netherlands at the time of the Holocaust	24%
Yes, there was some antisemitism in the Netherlands at the time of the Holocaust	34%
No, there was hardly any antisemitism in the Netherlands at the time of the Holocaust	9%
No, there wasn't antisemitism in the Netherlands at the time of the Holocaust	3%
Not sure	30%

⁷ <https://www.holocaustremembrance.com/resources/working-definitions-charters/working-definition-antisemitism>

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65. Okay, and in your opinion, is there antisemitism in the Netherlands today?

Yes, antisemitism is widespread in the Netherlands	19%
Yes, there is some antisemitism in the Netherlands	46%
No, there is hardly any antisemitism in the Netherlands	14%
No, there is not antisemitism in the Netherlands today	5%
Not sure	16%

66. Generally speaking, how many antisemitic people do you think are living in the Netherlands today?

A great deal	10%
Many	25%
A few	45%
None at all	4%
Not sure	16%

67. What expressions of antisemitism have you encountered personally or observed?
[MULTIPLE ANSWERS ALLOWED]

Vandalism	27%
Political discourse (including speeches, lectures, sermons, radio programs, television programs, etc)	26%
Social media posts	23%
Violence	22%
Cartoons	16%
Articles	12%
Songs	11%
Other	2%
None	16%
Not sure	18%

68. In your opinion, is antisemitism among the **general population** in the Netherlands more widespread or less widespread than 10 years ago, or would you say that there has been no change?

More widespread	30%
Less widespread	25%
There has been no change	23%
Not sure	22%

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69. In your opinion, is antisemitism among **politicians** in the Netherlands more widespread or less widespread than 10 years ago, or would you say that there has been no change?

More widespread	29%
Less widespread	20%
There has been no change	24%
Not sure	27%

70. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: A political party running on an antisemitic set of policies or values is likely to come to power in the Netherlands, in Europe, or another democratic nation.

TOTAL AGREE	11%
TOTAL DISAGREE	43%
Strongly agree	3%
Agree	8%
Neutral—neither agree nor disagree	30%
Disagree	23%
Strongly disagree	20%
Not sure	16%

71. In your opinion, how big of a problem is Holocaust **denial** in the Netherlands today?

It is a very big problem	19%
It is somewhat of a problem	43%
It is not a problem at all	21%
Not sure	17%

72. In your opinion, how big of a problem is Holocaust **distortion** in the Netherlands today?

It is a very big problem	18%
It is somewhat of a problem	42%
It is not a problem at all	18%
Not sure	22%

*According to the IHRA, **Holocaust denial** is discourse and propaganda that deny the historical reality and the extent of the extermination of the Jews by the Nazis and their accomplices during World War II, known as the Holocaust or the Shoah. Holocaust denial refers specifically to any attempt to claim that the Holocaust/Shoah did not take place.*

Holocaust distortion can include:

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1. *Intentional efforts to excuse or minimize the impact of the Holocaust or its principal elements, including collaborators and allies of Nazi Germany;*
2. *Gross minimization of the number of the victims of the Holocaust in contradiction to reliable sources;*
3. *Attempts to blame the Jews for causing their own genocide;*
4. *Statements that cast the Holocaust as a positive historical event. Those statements are not Holocaust denial but are closely connected to it as a radical form of antisemitism. They may suggest that the Holocaust did not go far enough in accomplishing its goal of “the Final Solution of the Jewish Question”;*
5. *Attempts to blur the responsibility for the establishment of concentration and death camps devised and operated by Nazi Germany by putting blame on other nations or ethnic groups.*

73. Do you think that it is acceptable for an individual to support neo-Nazi views?⁸

TOTAL ACCEPTABLE	12%
TOTAL UNACCEPTABLE	77%
Strongly acceptable	4%
Somewhat acceptable	8%
Somewhat unacceptable	11%
Strongly unacceptable	66%
Not sure	11%

74. Have you personally seen Nazi symbols on the social media platforms you frequent in the past 5 years?

Yes—in my community	3%
Yes—on social media	19%
Yes—both in my community and on social media	7%
No	57%
Not sure	14%

75. In your opinion, should it be legal or illegal to use Nazi slogans or symbols in the Netherlands today?

It should be legal to use Nazi slogans or symbols in the Netherlands today	8%
It should be illegal to use Nazi slogans or symbols in the Netherlands today	79%
Not sure	13%

⁸ <http://apps.washingtonpost.com/g/page/politics/washington-post-abc-news-poll-aug-16-20-2017/2235/>

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76. From what you know, or have heard, how many, if any neo-Nazis are there in the Netherlands today?

A great deal	7%
Many	13%
A few	54%
None at all	5%
Not sure	21%

77. Now in thinking about the United States, from what you know or have heard, how many if any, neo-Nazis are there in the United States today?

A great deal	14%
Many	30%
A few	27%
None at all	3%
Not sure	26%

78. Do you think it is likely or unlikely that something like the Holocaust could happen in the Netherlands today? It is...

TOTAL LIKELY	34%
TOTAL UNLIKELY	54%
Very likely	8%
Somewhat likely	26%
Somewhat unlikely	24%
Very unlikely	30%
Not sure	12%

79. Do you think it is likely or unlikely that something like the Holocaust could happen in another European country today?

TOTAL LIKELY	55%
TOTAL UNLIKELY	31%
Very likely	18%
Somewhat likely	37%
Somewhat unlikely	19%
Very unlikely	12%
Not sure	14%

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Social Media Questions

INTRO: Switching gears slightly, you will now be asked some questions about information you may or may not have seen about the Holocaust on social media.

80. Have you seen or heard anything about the Holocaust on social media?

Yes	41%
No	44%
Not sure	15%

81. Okay and on which social media platforms have you seen anything about the Holocaust? **[MULTIPLE ANSWERS ALLOWED]**

Facebook	40%
YouTube	36%
Instagram	20%
TikTok	15%
Twitter	14%
Google+	12%
WhatsApp	10%
Messenger (Facebook)	7%
Telegram	6%
LinkedIn	5%
Reddit	5%
Snapchat	4%
Pinterest	4%
Twitch	3%
Darkweb media	3%
Clubhouse	2%
Wechat	2%
Viber	2%
VK	2%
Gab	2%
Signal	2%
Other SPECIFY	5%
None	2%
Not sure	7%

82. Have you seen Holocaust denial or distortion on social media or elsewhere online?

Yes, often	7%
Yes, occasionally	12%
Yes, but only once or twice	19%
No	50%

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Not sure 12%

83. Where have you seen Holocaust denial or distortion on social media or elsewhere online? [MULTIPLE ANSWERS ALLOWED]

Facebook	29%
YouTube	18%
Instagram	12%
Twitter	11%
TikTok	9%
Google+	8%
WhatsApp	5%
Messenger (Facebook)	4%
Reddit	4%
Viber	4%
VK	4%
Telegram	4%
Signal	4%
Clubhouse	3%
Snapchat	3%
LinkedIn	3%
Wechat	3%
Pinterest	2%
Twitch	2%
Darkweb	2%
Gab	1%
Other SPECIFY	3%
None	2%
Not sure	16%

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Recent Political Events

84. Prior to taking this survey, were you aware of the following recent efforts by Dutch public figures to acknowledge the Netherlands' failure to protect Dutch Jews during the Holocaust?

- King Willem-Alexander acknowledgement during a 2020 Dutch National Remembrance Day speech that Dutch Jews "felt abandoned, insufficiently heard, and insufficiently supported" by his great-grandmother Queen Wilhelmina during the Holocaust

Yes, I was aware of this acknowledgement	49%
No, I was not aware	35%
Not sure	16%

- Prime Minister Mark Rutte's public apology in January 2020 for the Netherlands' complicity with the Nazis

Yes, I was aware of this acknowledgement	39%
No, I was not aware	43%
Not sure	18%

85. Do you support or oppose recent efforts by Dutch public figures to acknowledge and apologize for the Netherlands' failure to protect the Jews during the Holocaust?

TOTAL SUPPORT	50%
TOTAL OPPOSE	31%

Strongly support	21%
Somewhat support	29%
Somewhat oppose	20%
Strongly oppose	11%
Not sure	19%

86. As you may have heard, in late 2021, a Dutch politician came under fire for posting several social media posts in which he compared the government's coronavirus measures to the Holocaust. Do you think that comparing coronavirus regulations to the Holocaust is an example of Holocaust distortion?

Yes, it is an example of Holocaust distortion	45%
No, it is not an example of Holocaust distortion	35%
Not sure	20%

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Demographics

INTRO: We're just about finished...

87. {Gender}

Male	51%
Female	47%
Non-binary	2%
Other	--

88. [RELIGION] What is your religion or worldview?

Roman Catholic	19%
Protestant	13%
Atheist	7%
Muslim	5%
Jewish	1%
Agnostic	1%
Other [specify]	5%
None/Not affiliated	44%
Not sure	5%

89. How religious are you?

VERY/SOMEWHAT RELIGIOUS	29%
NOT VERY/NOT AT ALL RELIGIOUS	67%
Very religious	9%
Somewhat religious	20%
Not very religious	19%
Not at all religious	48%
Not sure	4%

90. [EDUCATION] What is the highest level of education you have completed?

Basisschool (Primary School)	2%
Voortgezet onderwijs (High school / Secondary school)	46%
Higher/University: BA degree	38%
MA degree	12%
PhD	2%

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91. [INCOME]

You and your family earn less 20,000€ annually	16%
20,000€ - 39,999€	34%
40,000€ - 59,999€	25%
60,000€ - 79,999€	15%
80,000€ - 99,999€	5%
100,000€ - 149,999€	3%
More than 150,000€	2%