Institutional Bias: Campus Newspapers and Israel

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Executive Summary

Israel is a constant topic in American college campus newspapers. Since 2017, the select 75 campuses reviewed published almost 2,000 articles on Israel and Jewish issues.

Of the 1,450 articles that address Israel, over a third – 532 – present the Jewish State in a negative way. Only 17% provided a positive view of the country. Over half of Op-Eds addressing Israel on all college campuses – 307 out of 585 – were negative. Pro-Israel students, alumni, and others produced 210 positive Op-Eds about the country across all 75 campuses.

Though the Liberal Arts Colleges were the least prolific of the universities – publishing only 246 articles, compared to the 766 of the Public Universities and the 946 of the Private Schools – they were also the most negative. All top five of the most negative campuses by percentage were Liberal Arts Colleges.

Trends

Most Op-Eds supportive of Israel include caveats from the student that s/he does not agree with all Israel's decisions. A 2020 University of Michigan article emphasized, "There is no issue to be had with a protest of the Israeli government's actions; many can agree that the state's politics are deeply flawed." Students will go as far as to defend their attackers to appear fair-minded. In 2018, a USC student wrote, "[a]s an Israeli-born American citizen, I condemn SJP for skewing facts about how my home country handles policy toward Palestinians. I condemn their refusal to acknowledge the terrorist acts Palestinians in Gaza engage in, especially when Hamas fired over 400 rockets in less than a day at Israeli citizens last week. But I cannot take away this group's right to speak". In 2019, a Yale undergrad defended Congresswoman Ilhan Omar's antisemitic tweets, claiming her criticisms were of Israel, not of Jews.

Many universities publish articles from students who take this differentiation still further, attempting to decouple Judaism from Israel, leading to articles that insist that anti-Zionism is rarely antisemitism. A 2019 Stanford Op-Ed written by the campus's Jewish Voice for Peace (JVP) co-presidents "implore[d] the greater Stanford community to pay attention to opportunistic accusations of antisemitism against students of color" and emphasized they "reject[ed] the idea that the historical suffering of our communities be leveraged to defend an ethnostate that murders human rights journalists, detains Palestinian children, and deflects these conversations at all costs with perilously false accusations of antisemitism".

This attempt to separate bias against Jews from bias against Israel leaks into what is presumably meant to be neutral journalism. A 2020 Columbia article reporting on the campus's fourth incident of antisemitic graffiti that year claimed, "[t]here is no data to support the relationship between the passage of BDS resolutions at universities and anti-Semitic hate crimes," without citing a source.

Some campuses do not mention antisemitism as a prejudice against the Jewish people. Syracuse University saw a spate of incidents involving antisemitic graffiti on campus throughout the end of 2019 and into 2020 but the reporting never mentioned Jews or Judaism.

Other news reports, meant to describe events on campus dispassionately, present bias by either adopting the language of anti-Israel activists in their reporting or failing to provide context or

counterpoints. While reporting on a JVP event in 2021, Northwestern's then-Assistant Campus Editor described Israel's declaration of independence as, "the Nakba, when the newly-created Israeli state displaced over 750,000 Palestinians in 1948, and connected them to violence by Israeli forces in the West Bank and Gaza today."

Methodology

Bullpen Strategy Group, on behalf of Alums for Campus Fairness, undertook an investigation of articles related to Israel and Jewish issues published by the primary campus newspaper at 75 colleges and universities. Researchers reviewed 1,958 pertinent articles and categorized them as Op-Eds, editorials, or news reports. Researchers then determined bias – whether the article presented Israel and/or Jewish issues in a positive, negative, or neutral way. For more detail on how they identified bias, including examples of specific scenarios, please see the "Identifying Bias" section in the Release Notes subchapter below.

LIST OF UNIVERSITIES

Private Schools

1. American University
2. Boston College
3. Boston University
4. Brown University
5. University of Chicago
6. Columbia University
7. Cornell University
8. Dartmouth College
9. Duke University
10. Emory University
11. Georgetown University
12. The George Washington University
13. Harvard University
14. Johns Hopkins University
15. Northwestern Uni
16. New York University
17. University of Pennsylvania
18. Princeton University
19. University of Southern California
20. Stanford University
21. Syracuse University
22. Tufts University
23. Vanderbilt University
24. Washington University in St. Louis
25. Yale University

Public Universities

1. Binghamton University
2. Florida State University
3. The Ohio State University
4. Michigan State University
5. University of Minnesota
6. Penn State University
7. Rutgers University
8. University of California- Los Angeles
9. University of California- Berkeley
10. University of California- Davis
11. University of California- Irvine
12. University of California- Santa Barbara
13. University of California- San Diego
14. University of Connecticut
15. University of Florida
16. University of Indiana
17. University of Illinois
18. University of Maryland
19. University of Massachusetts
20. University of Michigan
21. University of North Carolina
22. University of Texas
23. University of Virginia
24. University of Wisconsin
25. Virginia Tech

Liberal Arts Colleges

1. Amherst College
2. Bowdoin College
3. Bryn Mawr College
4. Claremont McKenna College

5. Colby College
6. Colgate University
7. Davidson College
8. Dickinson College
9. Grinnell College
10. Hamilton College
11. Haverford College
12. Lafayette College

13. Lehigh University
14. Middlebury College
15. Mount Holyoke College
16. Oberlin College
17. Pitzer College
18. Pomona College
19. Swarthmore College
20. Smith College

21. Washington & Lee University
22. Wellesley College
23. Wesleyan University
24. Williams College
25. Vassar College

NOTE: Davidson College's main newspaper's website was down since at least mid-June 2022. No articles from the college were found archived or cached. The Claremont Colleges – Claremont McKenna College, Pitzer College, Pomona College, Scripps College, and Harvey Mudd College – all have the same main campus newspaper – The Student Life. The articles associated with the paper are counted only once in this report.

LIST OF TERMS

- Israel/Israeli
- Palestine/Palestinian
- Jew/Jews/Jewish/Judaism
- Zionism/Zionist

- Anti-Semitism/antisemitism/Anti-Semitic/ antisemitic
- Apartheid (only in reference to Israel, not South Africa or the impact of climate change)

RELEASE NOTES

Tagging Articles

Some articles that may include the key terms were not included if they did not fit within the purview of the review, including articles that mentioned Israel as an individual's first name or as an ancillary, not-central part of the article. Further, in cases in which the only mention of "Palestine" in the article was reference to the campus Students for Justice in Palestine group, researchers did not apply the "Palestinian" tag to the article but did tag the article with appropriate key terms. Articles focused on the movement against South African apartheid were also not included.

Identifying Bias

Researchers held these articles up to basic journalistic scrutiny. For example, in cases in which an article presented only one side of an argument or the student journalist did not note that s/he had attempted to contact an opposing party, the article was tagged "negative" for source bias.

Examples of such bias occurred in a 2021 Stanford Daily article titled, "Stanford students rally in solidarity with Palestine," available here. There is no evidence the journalist attempted to reach out to the campus pro-Israel or Jewish community for comment, instead choosing to provide column inches exclusively to anti-Israel activists.

Stanford Daily journalists had previously reported on contentious campus issues in a neutral way. In 2019, in "Eli Valley condemns SCR, Zionist support of 'white supremacists,'" a different student journalist did reach out to campus groups on both sides of the issue, resulting in a "neutral" tag.

In general, researchers analyzed articles through the lens of whether a Jewish or Israeli student would read such an article and feel as though the information was presented fairly (neutral) or provided to present Judaism or Israel in a specific light (positive or negative).

There was a consistent and constant decoupling of students' Jewish identity from their perspectives on Israel, to the point that some students expressed frustration that they were expected to have an opinion on the Jewish State at all. Many campuses showed a penchant for moving away from using the phrase, "antisemitic" or any of its iterations, choosing to describe campus prejudice as "anti-Jewish." In these cases, in which Israel may have received negative coverage but Judaism was presented in a neutral or positive way, researchers tagged such articles as "negative."

Further, many student journalists wrote news articles referring to the Gaza Strip as "occupied" by Israel. Israel withdrew from the Gaza Strip in 2005, a move recognized and lauded by the U.S. government. Articles that overtly misrepresented the current status quo and presented factually inaccurate information were marked as "negative" reporting.

NOTE: Several University of Maryland articles in The Diamondback appeared to have coding errors. Multiple articles appeared with dates listed as December 31, 0999. Since these publication dates could not be identified, those articles have not been included in the analysis.

Findings

All Articles

SCHOOL TYPE	ISRAEL	ANTISEMITISM	JEWISH	PALESTINIAN	ZIONISM	APARTHEID	# OF ARTICLES
Liberal Arts	187	125	189	169	55	38	246
Private	733	512	681	621	222	160	946
Public	530	486	495	466	167	85	766
Total	1450	1123	1365	1256	444	283	1958

ALL SCHOOLS

Negative Articles, By Campus

SCHOOL	% AGE	NEGATIVE	TOTAL
Haverford	100%	3	3
Wesleyan	71%	10	14
Swarthmore	68%	21	31
Bowdoin	67%	2	3
Oberlin	61%	11	18
Chicago	56%	18	32
Claremont/Pitzer/Pomona	52%	16	31
NYU	47%	33	70
Binghamton	47%	14	30
Brown	43%	19	44
Middlebury	43%	3	7
WashU	42%	8	19
Grinnell	40%	2	5
Wellesley	40%	2	5
Northwestern	40%	17	43
Harvard	39%	22	57
Williams	38%	6	16
Boston University	37%	7	19
UCSD	36%	8	22
Dickinson	36%	5	14
U-Mass Amherst	35%	13	37
UConn	35%	17	49
VA Tech	33%	1	3
Vassar	32%	7	22
Dartmouth	31%	5	16
Tufts	31%	15	49
Georgetown	30%	10	33
UI Bloomington	30%	3	10
Rutgers	29%	9	31
Princeton	28%	9	32
Duke	27%	6	22
Michigan	27%	21	77
Amherst	27%	4	15
UC Berkeley	27%	24	90
Cornell	26%	15	58
UCSB	26%	8	31
Boston College	25%	5	20
Colgate	25%	2	8
Florida	25%	3	12
UNC	25%	1	4

SCHOOL	% AGE	NEGATIVE	TOTAL
USC	25%	4	16
Stanford	25%	22	89
Emory	24%	9	37
Penn State	24%	4	17
Minnesota	23%	9	40
UCLA	22%	19	85
Johns Hopkins	22%	6	27
Ohio State	19%	3	16
Penn	19%	6	32
Columbia	18%	6	33
UCI	18%	2	11
Maryland	18%	5	28
UC Davis	18%	10	57
Yale	17%	11	63
Hamilton	17%	1	6
Lafayette	17%	1	6
Lehigh	15%	2	13
Mount Holyoke	15%	2	13
Vanderbilt	15%	2	13
Texas	15%	3	20
Washington & Lee	14%	1	7
American	13%	3	23
Wisconsin	12%	5	41
GW	9%	5	57
Syracuse	5%	2	42
Illinois	4%	1	25
Bryn Mawr	0%	0	1
Colby	0%	0	5
Florida State	0%	0	13
Michigan State	0%	0	7
Smith	0%	0	3
Virginia	0%	0	10
Total	28%	549	1958

Article Count, By Publication Date

Coverage spiked during periods of conflict between Israel and Hamas in Gaza, including clashes in November 2018, May 2019, November 2019, and Operation Guardian of the Walls in May 2021.

Notwithstanding current events, articles were most likely to be published in Q2, corresponding to the end of the school year, and Q4.

NOTE: Qtr1 refers to articles published between January and March, Qtr2 to articles published between April and June, Qtr3 to articles published between July and September, and Qtr4 to those published between October and December.

YEAR	# OF ARTICLES
2016/17 School Year	**5**
'17 Q1	3
'17 Q2	2
2017/18 School Year	**366**
'17 Q3	31
'17 Q4	119
'18 Q1	86
'18 Q2	130
2018/19 School Year	**539**
'18 Q3	31
'18 Q4	192
'19 Q1	123
'19 Q2	193
2019/20 School Year	**307**
'19 Q3	37
'19 Q4	130
'20 Q1	108
'20 Q2	32

YEAR	# OF ARTICLES
2020/21 School Year	**345**
'20 Q3	37
'20 Q4	57
'21 Q1	74
'21 Q2	177
2021/22 School Year	**387**
'21 Q3	47
'21 Q4	130
'22 Q1	112
'22 Q2	98
2022/23 School Year	**4**
'22 Q3	4
Total	**1953**

Bias By Key Term

Israel

TYPE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTAL
News Report	546	14	181	741
Op-Ed	68	210	307	585
Editorial	50	30	44	124
Total	664	254	532	1450

Palestinian

TYPE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTAL
News Report	625	18	104	747
Op-Ed	69	241	203	513
Editorial	30	53	22	105
Total	724	312	329	1365

Antisemitism

TYPE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTAL
News Report	529	17	60	606
Op-Ed	52	222	148	422
Editorial	21	56	18	95
Total	602	295	226	1123

Zionism

TYPE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTAL
News Report	458	11	175	644
Op-Ed	57	155	299	511
Editorial	43	15	43	101
Total	558	181	517	1256

Jewish

TYPE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTAL
News Report	136	7	47	190
Op-Ed	22	84	119	225
Editorial	9	9	11	29
Total	167	100	177	444

Apartheid

TYPE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTAL
News Report	75	0	45	120
Op-Ed	11	30	106	147
Editorial	7	0	9	16
Total	93	30	160	283

LIBERAL ARTS SCHOOLS

Article publication peaked in 2019. The Claremont Colleges (Claremont, Pitzer, and Pomona) and Swarthmore produced the most articles, publishing 31 over the five-year period. Though the least prolific, these universities were the most negative. All of Haverford's articles (100%) were negative, followed by Wesleyan (71%), Swarthmore (68%), Bowdoin (67%), and Oberlin (61%).

Most Published:

TOPIC	SCHOOL (# OF ARTICLES)
Israel	Swarthmore (30)
Antisemitism	Vassar (18)
Jewish	Swarthmore (26)
Palestinian	Swarthmore (29)
Zionism	Vassar (13)
Apartheid	Swarthmore (11)

Articles By Year

YEAR	ISRAEL	ANTISEMITISM	JEWISH	PALESTINIAN	ZIONISM	APARTHEID	TOTAL
2017	16	8	12	13	4	1	19
2018	37	30	45	34	12	6	51
2019	68	44	67	59	19	16	82
2020	20	9	16	16	3	1	24
2021	38	23	36	36	15	12	50
2022	8	11	13	11	2	2	20
Total	187	125	189	169	55	38	246

Articles By School

SCHOOL	ISRAEL	ANTISEMITISM	JEWISH	PALESTINIAN	ZIONISM	APARTHEID	TOTAL
Amherst	7	7	9	7	1	0	15
Bowdoin	3	2	3	3	2	1	3
Bryn Mawr	1	1	1	0	0	0	1
Claremont/Pitzer/Pomona	28	14	18	27	3	5	31
Colby	3	4	5	0	0	0	5
Colgate	3	3	5	3	0	0	8
Dickinson	11	7	13	9	5	0	14
Grinnell	3	1	4	1	0	0	5
Hamilton	4	3	4	2	0	0	6
Haverford	3	0	2	3	0	0	3
Lafayette	4	3	5	2	1	0	6
Lehigh	7	5	11	6	1	1	13
Middlebury	7	6	6	7	4	3	7
Mount Holyoke	8	8	11	5	4	1	13
Oberlin	13	10	13	15	4	1	18
Smith	0	3	3	0	0	0	3
Swarthmore	30	16	26	29	8	11	31
Vassar	18	18	21	19	13	7	22
Washington & Lee	2	2	7	2	0	0	7
Wellesley	4	2	3	4	2	0	5
Wesleyan	13	4	10	13	5	6	14
Williams	15	6	9	12	2	2	16
Total	187	125	189	169	55	38	246

Bias By Key Term

Israel

TYPE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTAL
News Report	50	0	44	94
Op-Ed	30	7	53	90
Editorial	2	0	1	3
Total	82	7	98	187

Palestinian

TYPE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTAL
News Report	42	0	45	87
Op-Ed	24	5	50	79
Editorial	1	0	2	3
Total	67	5	97	169

Antisemitism

TYPE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTAL
News Report	55	0	12	67
Op-Ed	24	6	24	54
Editorial	3	0	1	4
Total	82	6	37	125

Zionism

TYPE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTAL
News Report	17	0	7	24
Op-Ed	9	2	19	30
Editorial	0	0	1	1
Total	67	5	97	169

Jewish

TYPE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTAL
News Report	78	0	28	106
Op-Ed	31	8	39	78
Editorial	4	0	1	5
Total	82	6	37	125

Apartheid

TYPE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTAL
News Report	4	0	9	13
Op-Ed	5	1	18	24
Editorial	0	0	1	1
Total	9	1	28	38

PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES

Student journalists were most prolific in 2021, publishing 180 articles. UC Berkeley published the most of any university, producing 91 articles over the time period.

Most Published:

TOPIC	SCHOOL (# OF ARTICLES)
Israel	Michigan (77)
Antisemitism	UC Berkeley (60)
Jewish	UC Berkeley (65)
Palestinian	Michigan (64)
Zionism	UC Berkeley (27)
Apartheid	Michigan (17)

Articles By Year

YEAR	ISRAEL	ANTISEMITISM	JEWISH	PALESTINIAN	ZIONISM	APARTHEID	TOTAL
2017	53	48	49	44	20	5	70
2018	115	99	118	96	39	20	166
2019	112	103	101	100	33	16	163
2020	62	69	65	57	21	4	98
2021	130	111	111	113	40	27	180
2022	58	56	51	56	14	13	89
Total	530	486	495	466	167	85	766

Articles By School

SCHOOL	ISRAEL	ANTISEMITISM	JEWISH	PALESTINIAN	ZIONISM	APARTHEID	TOTAL
Binghamton	29	18	22	24	11	3	30
Florida State	8	9	10	7	2	1	13
Michigan State	6	6	6	3	1	1	7
Minnesota	27	27	18	23	4	2	40
Ohio State	12	7	11	14	1	2	16
Penn State	7	12	8	7	1	0	17
Rutgers	26	19	18	22	8	10	31
Florida	8	7	8	9	5	4	12
UC Berkeley	61	60	65	57	27	8	91
UC Davis	38	40	40	31	19	6	56
UCI	4	7	8	4	0	0	11
UCLA	58	52	49	43	20	7	85
Connecticut	32	28	28	29	6	7	49
UCSB	23	16	18	23	7	1	31
UCSD	15	14	13	15	8	1	22
Indiana	3	8	9	3	0	2	10
Illinois	15	18	12	14	5	3	25
Maryland	16	10	22	15	3	2	28
Massachusetts	33	29	32	31	16	0	37
Michigan	77	38	42	64	15	17	77
UNC	2	4	2	2	2	0	4
Texas	9	15	16	8	2	3	20
Virginia	3	9	6	2	1	0	10
Wisconsin	16	32	29	14	2	5	41
VA Tech	2	1	3	2	1	0	3
Total	530	486	495	466	167	85	766

Bias By Key Term

Israel

TYPE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTAL
News Report	202	9	38	249
Op-Ed	15	79	108	202
Editorial	25	25	29	79
Total	242	113	175	530

Palestinian

TYPE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTAL
News Report	188	7	36	231
Op-Ed	12	55	105	172
Editorial	21	14	28	63
Total	221	76	169	466

Antisemitism

TYPE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTAL
News Report	227	13	19	259
Op-Ed	8	100	58	166
Editorial	8	43	10	61
Total	243	156	87	486

Zionism

TYPE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTAL
News Report	48	5	15	68
Op-Ed	4	30	47	81
Editorial	3	8	7	18
Total	55	43	69	167

Jewish

TYPE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTAL
News Report	228	11	23	262
Op-Ed	13	96	62	171
Editorial	11	38	13	62
Total	252	145	98	495

Apartheid

TYPE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTAL
News Report	34	0	5	39
Op-Ed	0	6	34	40
Editorial	1	0	5	6
Total	35	6	44	85

PRIVATE SCHOOLS

Private school publications saw a significant uptick in 2021, when campus papers published 199 pertinent articles. **Syracuse** published the most pertinent articles (89), but almost all – 85% – were neutral. 56% of **Chicago's** 32 articles were negative.

Most Published:

TOPIC	SCHOOL (# OF ARTICLES)
Israel	Penn (68)
Antisemitism	Syracuse (56)
Jewish	Syracuse (68)
Palestinian	Penn (61)
Zionism	Penn (27)
Apartheid	Johns Hopkins (26)

Articles By Year

YEAR	ISRAEL	ANTISEMITISM	JEWISH	PALESTINIAN	ZIONISM	APARTHEID	TOTAL
2017	50	29	47	40	15	6	64
2018	169	107	165	142	53	32	221
2019	196	125	178	162	48	40	239
2020	74	68	74	61	24	9	109
2021	143	119	145	128	46	41	199
2022	101	64	72	88	36	32	114
Total	733	512	681	621	222	160	946

Articles By School

SCHOOL	ISRAEL	ANTISEMITISM	JEWISH	PALESTINIAN	ZIONISM	APARTHEID	TOTAL
American	17	16	16	11	4	1	23
Boston College	10	9	13	8	2	0	20
Boston University	16	8	14	14	3	4	19
Brown	43	20	32	42	14	10	44
Chicago	30	10	24	30	7	5	32
Columbia	21	20	19	18	8	8	33
Cornell	47	32	47	42	17	12	58
Dartmouth	13	9	10	9	1	3	16
Duke	21	16	14	15	9	1	22
Emory	27	19	30	19	9	5	37
Georgetown	31	16	24	21	5	10	33
GW	33	38	46	29	4	3	57
Harvard	52	32	34	52	15	26	57
Johns Hopkins	20	15	21	14	7	3	27
Northwestern	42	20	26	33	14	8	43
NYU	68	31	42	61	27	18	70
Penn	27	19	25	21	6	7	32
Princeton	31	15	21	29	4	5	32
Stanford	57	56	68	50	23	8	89
Syracuse	10	26	27	10	3	1	42
Tufts	46	18	34	42	17	15	49
USC	14	13	14	12	10	1	16
Vanderbilt	8	10	12	7	5	3	13
WashU	18	10	16	13	6	2	19
Yale	31	34	52	19	2	1	63
Total	733	512	681	621	222	160	946

Bias By Key Term

Israel

TYPE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTAL
News Report	294	5	99	398
Op-Ed	23	124	146	293
Editorial	23	5	14	42
Total	340	134	259	733

Palestinian

TYPE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTAL
News Report	228	4	94	326
Op-Ed	21	95	144	260
Editorial	21	1	13	35
Total	270	100	251	621

Antisemitism

TYPE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTAL
News Report	247	4	29	280
Op-Ed	20	116	66	202
Editorial	10	13	7	30
Total	277	133	102	512

Zionism

TYPE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTAL
News Report	71	2	25	98
Op-Ed	9	52	53	114
Editorial	6	1	3	10
Total	86	55	81	222

Jewish

TYPE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTAL
News Report	319	7	53	379
Op-Ed	25	137	102	264
Editorial	15	15	8	38
Total	359	159	163	681

Apartheid

TYPE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTAL
News Report	37	0	31	68
Op-Ed	6	23	54	83
Editorial	6	0	3	9
Total	49	23	88	160

REGIONAL BREAKDOWN

COVERAGE MAP 2022-23
- Southeastern Region
- Central Region
- Mid-Atlantic Region
- New England Region
- West Coast Region
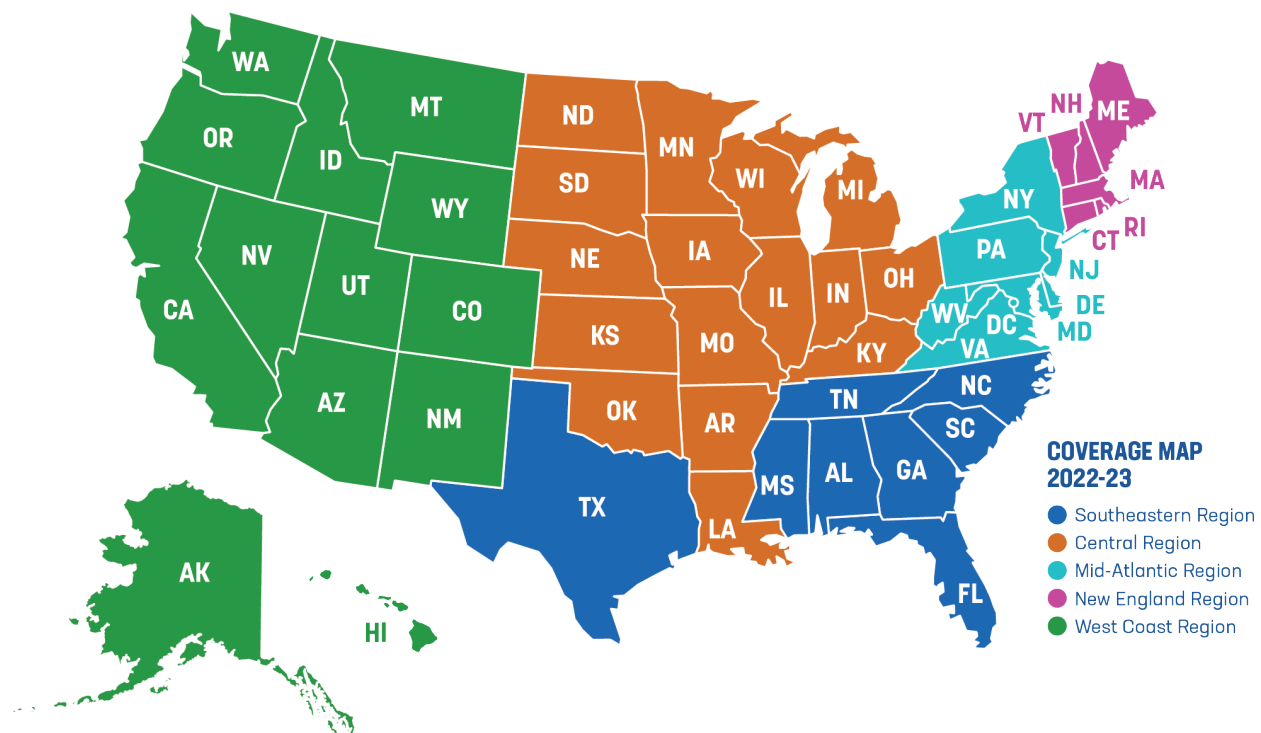
Percentage of Negative Articles

REGION	ALL	ISRAEL	ANTISEMITISM	JEWISH	PALESTINIAN	ZIONISM	APARTHEID
Central	29%	37%	21%	27%	39%	46%	44%
Mid-Atlantic	25%	34%	16%	21%	40%	40%	60%
New England	35%	44%	28%	31%	47%	48%	58%
Southeast	20%	29%	19%	23%	33%	35%	47%
West Coast	26%	35%	17%	19%	39%	30%	65%
Total	28%	37%	20%	24%	41%	40%	57%

All Articles

TYPE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTAL
Central	178	57	98	333
Mid-Atlantic	359	112	157	628
New England	216	71	157	444
Southeast	72	25	24	121
West Coast	204	115	113	432
Total	1029	380	549	1958

Israel

TYPE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTAL
Central	133	32	97	262
Mid-Atlantic	219	81	153	453
New England	147	53	154	354
Southeast	43	16	24	83
West Coast	122	72	104	298
Total	664	254	532	1450

Palestinian

TYPE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTAL
Central	120	18	89	227
Mid-Atlantic	175	54	152	381
New England	121	47	151	319
Southeast	30	15	22	67
West Coast	112	47	103	262
Total	558	181	517	1256

Antisemitism

TYPE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTAL
Central	100	48	39	187
Mid-Atlantic	200	84	56	340
New England	124	51	69	244
Southeast	45	20	15	80
West Coast	133	92	47	272
Total	602	295	226	1123

Zionism

TYPE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTAL
Central	25	7	27	59
Mid-Atlantic	43	31	50	124
New England	38	19	53	110
Southeast	13	9	12	34
West Coast	48	34	35	117
Total	167	100	177	444

Jewish

TYPE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTAL
Central	115	39	56	210
Mid-Atlantic	254	97	94	445
New England	166	58	101	325
Southeast	49	22	21	92
West Coast	140	96	57	293
Total	724	312	329	1365

Apartheid

TYPE	NEUTRAL	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	TOTAL
Central	23	4	21	48
Mid-Atlantic	24	11	53	88
New England	29	10	54	93
Southeast	6	3	8	17
West Coast	11	2	24	37
Total	93	30	160	283

TRI-STATE AREA

The tri-state area consists of all schools in New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut.

BIAS	ALL	ISRAEL	ANTISEMITISM	JEWISH	PALESTINIAN	ZIONISM	APARTHEID
Neutral	233	139	132	159	114	33	22
Positive	89	62	66	76	46	22	6
Negative	136	132	53	81	131	49	50
% Negative	30%	40%	21%	26%	45%	47%	64%
Total	458	333	251	316	291	104	78

Schools in this region include:
- Binghamton (Public)
- Colgate (Liberal Arts)
- Columbia (Private)
- Cornell (Private)
- Hamilton (Liberal Arts)
- NYU (Private)
- Princeton (Private)
- Rutgers (Public)
- Syracuse (Private)
- Connecticut (Public)
- Vassar (Liberal Arts)
- Wesleyan (Liberal Arts)
- Yale (Private)

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