

# Israeli Success Story

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## Why Israel?



Literature: 1  
Peace: 4  
Economics: (zero)  
Physics: (zero)  
Medicine: 2

**TOTAL: 7**

The global Jewish population is approximately 14,000,000 - or about 0.02% of the world's population. To year 2000, they have received the following Nobel Prizes:

Literature: 10  
Peace: 8  
Physics: 53  
Economics: 13  
Medicine: 43

**TOTAL: 129!**

The Jews are NOT promoting brain washing children in military training camps, teaching them how to blow themselves up and cause maximum deaths of Jews and other non-Muslims!

The Jews don't hijack planes, nor kill athletes at the Olympics, nor blow themselves up in German restaurants. There is NOT one single Jew that has destroyed a church. There is NOT a single Jew that protests by killing people.

The Jews don't traffic slaves, nor have leaders calling for Jihad and death to all the Infidels.

Perhaps the world's Muslims should consider investing more in standard education and less in

blaming the Jews and the rest of the world for all their problems.

Muslims must ask 'what can they do for humankind' before they demand that humankind respects them!!

Regardless of your feelings about the crisis between Israel and the Palestinians and Arab neighbours, even if you believe there is more culpability on Israel's part, the following two sentences really say it all:

"If the Arabs put down their weapons today, there would be no more violence. If the Jews put down their weapons today, there would be no more Israel" - Benjamin Netanyahu



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Israel is considered to be one of the most technologically advanced countries in the world. Many of the global leading technology companies like **IBM, Motorola, Intel, Microsoft, Cisco, HP, Applied Materials** and many more, have established R&D centers in the country. What makes Israel such an attractive place for the global technology companies?

There are a number of factors, which contributed to this phenomenon:

**Highly educated workforce** - 135 professionals with engineering degrees per 10,000 population; 24% of the workforce holds university degrees; Israel has world class universities and research institutions - the Technion, Weizman Institute, Tel Aviv University, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Ben Gurion University and many more.

**Israel Defense Forces** - Highly trained graduates of the Israel Defense Forces as well as the defense industries have spearheaded the high-tech boom; adapting cutting edge defense technologies to civilian applications.

**Immigration** - During the early 90s, Israel enjoyed a major influx of immigration of close to one million people from the former Soviet Union, increasing the overall population by 20%. Nearly 40% of these immigrants hold academic degrees, many of whom are scientists, engineers and specialized technicians.

**The Economy** - Israel has a stable and mature economy with an annual inflation rate of about 2%, a growth rate of 4%, \$19K GDP per capita, and a modern infrastructure suitable for technological developments.

**Ongoing Government Support** - Recognizing the importance of the technology sector to the economic growth and welfare of the country, the Israeli Government has, over the years, established many incentives to encourage and support investment in technology oriented companies and projects. These included tax relief, Government grants (through the Office of the Chief Scientist), the establishment of technological incubators, the Yozma Program and others.

**The Israeli Culture** enjoys many of the traits that contribute to a successful VC community:

- Entrepreneurial spirit
- Informal yet multi-faceted cultural values
- Intimate social networking
- Easy access to the highest levels of decision makers
- Close geographic proximity within the country
- Risk-taking is widespread
- Extensive international academic and business ties
- Modern business climate and values

**Israeli Computer Technology and the World**

Israeli developed technology has acquired a leading position globally and is intrinsic to many of the applications used daily by millions such as:

- PC-Pentium developed by **Intel Israel**
- Enterprise network security - **Checkpoint**
- Chips developed for cell phones and cordless phones by **DSP Group**
- World leader in generic drugs - **Teva**
- Advanced voice mail systems, based on **Comverse's** technology
- Billing systems for telephone companies designed by **Amdocs**
- Establishment of call centers by **Nice** and **Verint**
- Pioneering instant messaging - **ICQ**
- Flash data storage - **M-Systems**
- Medical devices and biotech (**Given Imaging, Medinol, Proneuron**)
- Internet telephony, VOIP by **Audiocodes** and **Vocaltec**

**Consider this:**

The global Islamic population is approximately 1,200,000,000 or 20% of the world's population. To year 2000, they have received the following Nobel Prizes: