

## AMERICAN JEWISH CONGRESS

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The American Jewish Congress is organized to defend Jewish interests in America and abroad through public policy advocacy - using diplomacy, legislation and the courts.

The American Jewish Congress works on such projects as:

- Advocacy for the safety and security of Israel, including upgrading Israel's role in NATO. American Jewish Congress has been chosen out of all other American Jewish groups to partner with the Atlantic forum of Israel to lead the effort in Washington DC and overseas to enhance Israel's role in NATO.
- Leading the fight against terrorists' use of "Human Shields" and for interpretations of the Law of War allowing nations to protect themselves against terrorist attack.
- Advocacy for religious freedom in the US, including the separation of church and state - as well as opposing efforts of the Organization of the Islamic Conference to restrict "defamation of religion, especially Islam" via the Coalition to Defend Free Speech.
- Energy Independence from nations whose interests are opposed to our own.
- Furthering Women's Empowerment.

The American Jewish Congress was the first Jewish Defense Agency to:

- Support the establishment of a Jewish state.
- Boycott Nazi goods in the 1930's - over the objections of most other Jewish agencies.
- Pioneer the use of the courts in the 1940's to defend Jewish rights - at a time when others cautioned that Jews should not be outspoken. For that reason they are also called "The Attorney General for the Jewish People."

The American Jewish Congress is an outspoken advocate for the rights and interests of Jews here and abroad in the courts, the US Congress, the Executive branch, state houses and in foreign capitals throughout the world. With offices throughout the US and overseas, they are an effective voice defending Jewish interests and advancing Jewish hopes, values and aspirations.

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Gender Breakdown:

Male = 40%

Female = 28%

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