

Ashkenazi IQ: Myth or Reality?

“Jews are genuinely overrepresented in positions of authority, competence and influence. So, what’s the story? Jewish people are overrepresented in positions of competence and authority because, as a group, they have a higher mean IQ. There is no evidence whatsoever that Ashkenazi Jews are overrepresented in any occupations/interests for reasons other than intelligence and the associated effects of intelligence on personality and political belief.”

- Jordan B Peterson *Source: <http://archive.vn/w1jvl>*

Introduction

In this document, we will debunk the common claim that Jewish (specifically Ashkenazi) overrepresentation is due to their extraordinary intelligence; supposedly, they have the highest average IQ in the World, 108 to 115, averaging at 111. Ostensibly, this is a rational hypothesis, why wouldn't intelligent people be overrepresented in areas of society that select for intelligence? Unfortunately, most take this claim of ultra-IQ at face value. The unquestioning masses refuse to conduct even basic research into the validity of the claim, and whether it constitutes a suitable explanation for the colossal overrepresentation of Jews within the most powerful and influential echelons of society.

Below: Why IQ matters

WHY IQ MATTERS

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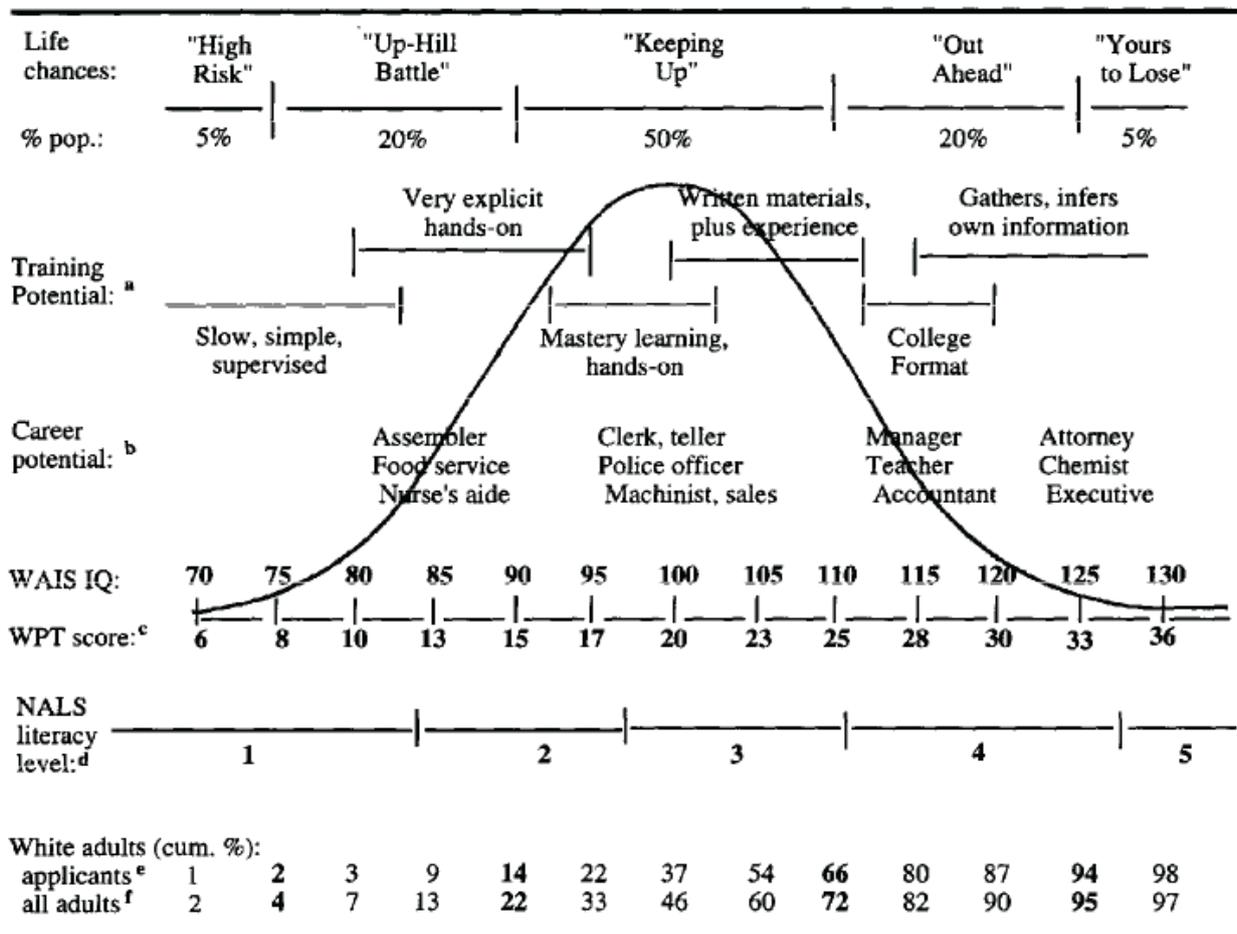


Figure 3. Overall life chances at different ranges of the IQ bell curve. ^aWonderlic (1992, p. 26). ^bFigure 1. ^cWonderlic (1992, p. 20). ^dTable 8. ^eWonderlic (1992, p. 34). Job applicants in 1992, aged 16–72. ^fBased on mean WAIS IQ for Whites of 101.4 and SD for Whites of 14.7 (Reynolds, Chastain, Kaufman, & McLean, 1987, p. 330). Percentiles for IQ scores estimated using cumulative normal probability tables.

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In this document, we will address two key questions:

- A) Is the claim that Ashkenazim have an average IQ of 111 valid?
- B) If so, does this fact sufficiently explain Ashkenazi overrepresentation?

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This is often denied by many uninformed (or dishonest) people, so we will provide a small amount of evidence proving its existence.

2. The irrelevancy of the 111 IQ claim, even if it is 100% true.

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We will explain why Ashkenazi IQ is irrelevant, even if it is 100% true, by comparing the population numbers of high IQ* Jews to high IQ Whites. *Mensa-tier, 135 IQ+

3. The validity of the origins of the 111 IQ claim.

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We will investigate the origin of this claim, examining possible and probable biases in study methodology, authors' motives, etc. We will contrast results with past and present intelligence tests, in addition to comparing them with contemporary cases of academic fraud.

4. The validity of 111 IQ origin theories.

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We will examine the most common theories used to explain the origin of Ashkenazi IQ, this will include: eugenics practiced by Ashkenazim; discrimination against Jews by non-Jews (specifically Europeans), i.e., they were "forced" to work in moneylending, exporting, etc.; persecution/oppression ("smart Jews were more likely to survive/your people made them smart by being mean to them"); and interbreeding (either with high IQ Europeans in the case of Ashkenazim or low IQ Middle Easterners and North Africans in the case of Mizrahim and Sephardim).

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Please Note:

Within this document, "Jews" or "Jewish" will refer to Ashkenazim unless specified otherwise.

Required background information:

'Jewish' is a racial group. Within this race, there are three main Jewish ethnicities: Mizrahim (Middle Eastern), Sephardim (North African), Ashkenazim (who live in Europe but are not European). See the principal component analysis and gene cluster analysis graphs below. In this document we are only addressing Ashkenazim, as non-Ashkenazi Jews have average IQs that match their fellow North Africans and Middle easterners: Sephardim and Mizrahim have an average IQ of 98 and 91, respectively.

Source: Richard Lynn, <http://archive.vn/AkvYq>

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'There is no doubt, however, that many people have and continue to view being Jewish as a racial identity'

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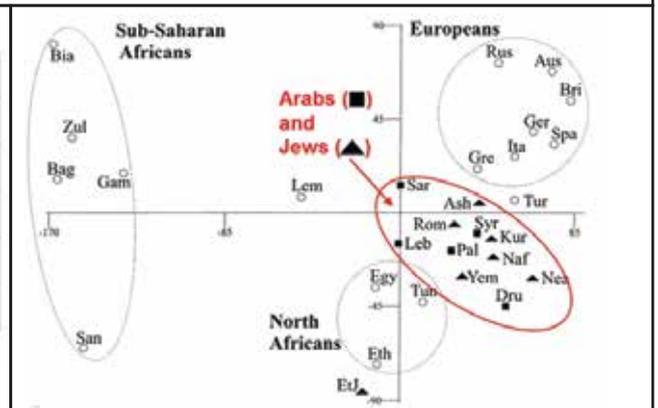
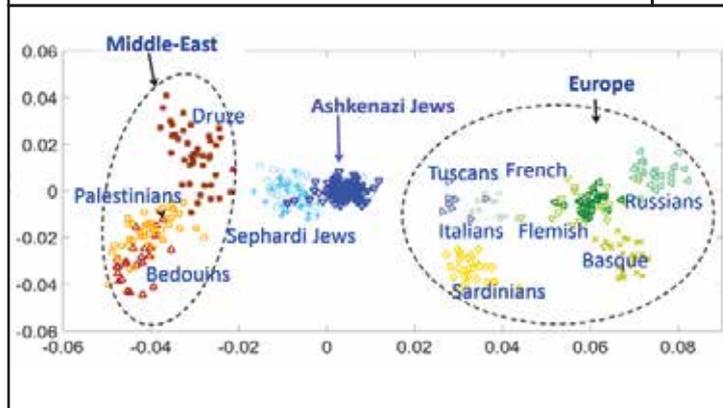
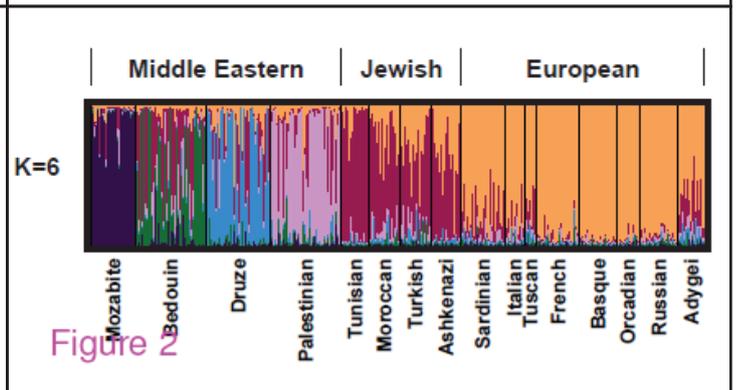
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DNA Links Prove Jews Are a 'Race,' Says Genetics Expert

Conjuring fear of Nazism and anti-Semitism, Jews recoil from the thought that Judaism might be a race, but medical geneticist Harry Ostrer insists the 'biological basis of Jewishness' cannot be ignored.



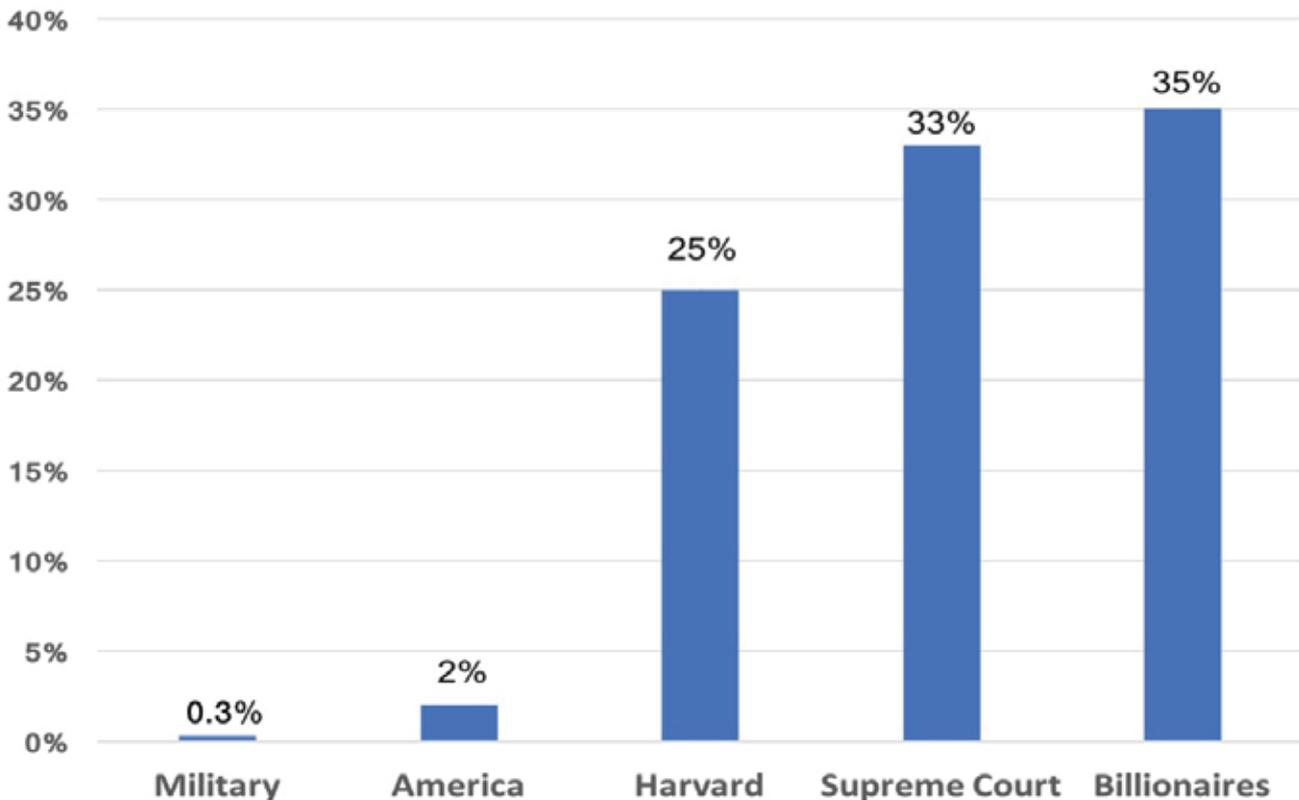
1. Jewish overrepresentation

Let's not beat around the bush, Jews are hugely overrepresented in every influential, elite aspect of society, finance, media, law, governance, etc. Despite constituting less than 2% of the US population, Jews account for 35% of billionaires, 25% of Harvard and 27% of Yale undergraduates, and 33% of the Supreme Court. This trend is found in every White country that contains a Jewish diaspora.

American Ashkenazi Jews have an average IQ of between 112 and 115 as compared with the average of 100 for gentile Europeans. This is a considerable difference and may arguably help to account for the over-representation of American Ashkenazi Jews in the professions, elite universities, and among Nobel Prize winners (Weyl &

"You're just bitter and jealous because we're smarter than you."

How Jewish is America?

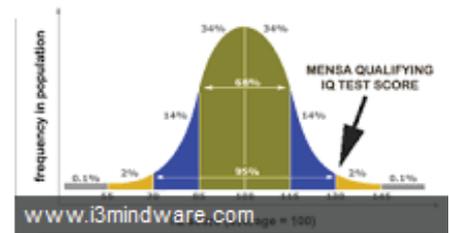


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4. Wikipedia: Demographics of the Supreme Court of the United States
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2. Even if the claim is 100% valid...

it would not account for Jews' huge overrepresentation. To demonstrate this, we'll calculate how many White and Jewish individuals of their respective populations would be allowed in Mensa, also known as the 'highly gifted' IQ bracket: 132+ or top 2%.

Mensa's requirement for membership is a score at or above the 98th percentile on certain standardised IQ or other approved intelligence tests, such as the Stanford–Binet Intelligence Scales. The minimum accepted score on the Stanford–Binet is **132**, while for the Cattell it is 148.



[Mensa International - Wikipedia](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mensa_International)
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mensa_International

We'll be generous to the Jewish and settle for 135 (due to the nature of bell curve distributions, this gives them a lenient advantage).

To calculate these populations, we'll be using this bell curve generator: http://onlinestatbook.com/2/calculators/normal_dist.html

The variables we need for this calculation are:

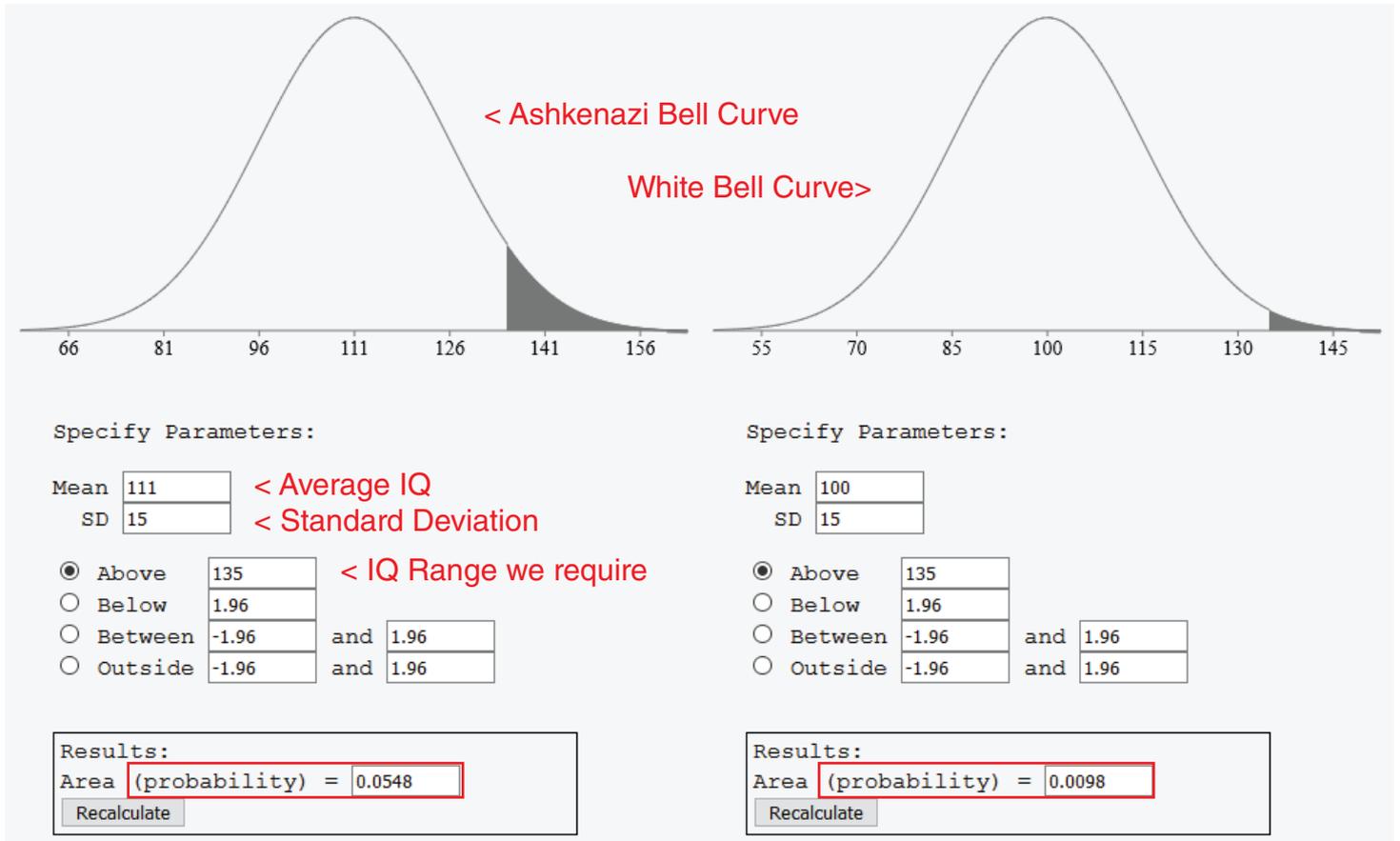
- Average Ashkenazi Jewish IQ of 111 (108-115);
- Average White IQ of 100;
- Total Ashkenazi and White populations (within the US and globally)
- The IQ standard deviation of 15.

	USA	Globally
White population	197,870,516	850,000,000
Ashkenazi population	5,425,000	11,200,000

Jewish IQ: 111 White IQ: 100 IQ Standard Deviation: 15

Note: USA contains 48% of the World's Ashkenazim and 23% of the World's Whites.

Using the variables listed above, the bell curve generator calculates the *probability* of an individual from a population group (of any size) belonging to the '135 IQ and above' percentile of said group.



By multiplying this probability by the size of the population group in question, we can calculate how many members of this population group would belong to the 135 IQ+ percentile.

IQ	Probability		Population		Pop. above 135
Ashk. (USA)	0.0548	x	5,425,000	=	297,290
Ashk. (Global)	0.0548	x	11,200,000	=	613,760
Whites (USA)	0.0098	x	197,870,516	=	1,939,131
Whites (Global)	0.0098	x	850,000,000	=	8,330,000

So, if we trust that the Jewish claims of 111 (108-115) average IQ are completely valid and honest, then there are...

652% (6.5x) more 135+ IQ Whites in the USA than 135+IQ Jews in the USA.

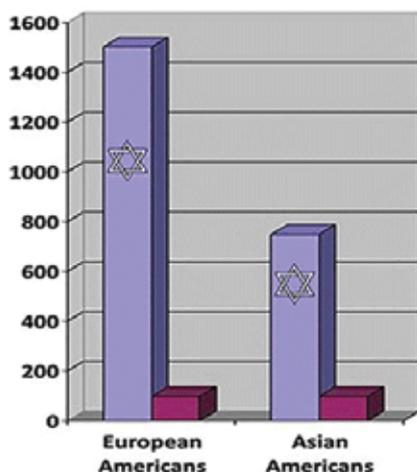
1,357% (13.6x) more 135+ IQ Whites globally than 135+IQ Jews globally.

315% (3x) more 135+ IQ Whites in the USA than 135+IQ Jews *globally*.

If IQ is truly the deciding factor in this overrepresentation, then why would Jews be so drastically overrepresented when high IQ, Mensa-tier whites outnumber Jews of the same intelligence level by such a large margin?

There are over three times more Mensa-tier Whites in the USA alone than there are Mensa-tier Ashkenazim on the planet.

The USA also contains multiple other high IQ populations, such as East Asians (5.6% of US population), who are not overrepresented in a way that is remotely comparable to Jewish overrepresentation. Clearly, “we’re colossally overrepresented because we’re successful and smarter than you :^)” is an invalid excuse, even if the 111 IQ claim is 100% true.



Jews are admitted to Harvard at 15 times (1,500%) the ratio of equal or better qualified European Americans, and 7.5 times (750%) higher than Asian Americans.

3. Origins of the 111 IQ claim

Where did the claim of 108-115 Ashkenazi IQ originate, and more importantly, is it reliable?

The most frequently cited studies on Ashkenazi IQ are: Bachman, 1970; Levin, 1977; Levinson, 1959; Seligman, 1992; Storfer, 1990; Herrnstein, 1994; Romanoff, 1976; Block, 1977. Almost all of these authors are Jewish, and all of these studies, with one exception, were conducted after the 1960s. Is it feasible that some of these individuals may have had ulterior motives that would lead them to use biased methodology and sample populations, or to report results dishonestly?

In his paper "The Intelligence of American Jews," Richard Lynn notes that the majority of the post-1960 studies on Jewish intelligence are not reliable for multiple reasons, such as tiny, non-representative sample sizes. J.G. Backman, 1970, featured a sample size of only 65 Jewish boys (112.8 average IQ), Herrnstein/Murray, 1994, featured a sample size of 59 (112.6 average IQ). M. D. Storfer took a wild guess with 112 IQ, and Kevin MacDonald came out with the ludicrous claim of 117 average IQ and 125(!) average verbal IQ (do a big think about that one).

One of the few prominent studies on Ashkenazi IQ that featured a sufficiently representative sample size was conducted by M.E. Backman in 1972 (this study was also regarded to be nationally representative by Lynn). Jews scored an average of 100.8 IQ split between six factors; verbal comprehension, English, mathematics, visual reasoning, perceptual speed and accuracy, and memory.

Sources:

- Lynn, R. "The Intelligence of American Jews." (2003, online article)
- Backman, J. G. "Youth in Tradision." vol.2 (1970)
- Backman, M. E. "Patterns of Mental Abilities." (1972)
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- MacDonald, K. "A People That Shall Dwell Alone." (1994)

In studies conducted on Ashkenazi intelligence before the 1960s, Jews performed worse than Europeans in both IQ and other intelligence tests. See, for example, A.M. Shuey (1942), in which Jews were consistently outperformed by Northern and Central Europeans (Southern Europeans, not so much). *Source: <http://archive.vn/vuSQK>.*

Conclusion

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in the other ranks with the Protestant fathers in between the Jewish and Catholic.

8. In conclusion, our study cannot be said to uphold Cohen's or Garrett's findings that the Jewish college students are superior to non-Jewish S's on intelligence tests. While we found the groups generally to rank in order of Protestants, Jews, and Catholics, the differences between their averages became noticeably smaller when the groups became somewhat equated. It is to be presumed that the differences found would be further reduced or eliminated with further equating processes.

Sample Demographics

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TABLE 8
BIRTHPLACE OF FOREIGN-BORN PARENTS OF STUDENTS INCLUDED IN TABLE 4*

	Catholic %	Protestant %	Jewish %
N-W Europe & Canada	5.6	30.5	1.9
C Europe	10.1	39.2	20.2
S Europe	69.5	8.7	0.2
E Europe	12.3	13.1	77.3
Elsewhere	2.3	8.7	0.4
Totals	99.8	100.2	100

*Northwestern Europe includes representatives from England, Ireland, Scotland, Wales, Denmark, Holland, Norway, Sweden, and Finland. Central Europe includes individuals from Austria, Czechoslovakia, France (one parent), Germany, and Hungary. Southern Europe includes representatives from Spain, Italy, Greece, and Yugoslavia. Eastern Europe includes parents from Russia, Poland, Rumania, Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania.

IQ tests conducted on American Immigrants in the 1920s routinely found that Jews scored below average (sub-100-IQ), and US military IQ tests (Alpha and Beta) conducted during the First World War saw Nordics scoring far above Jews. Also in the 1920s, C. Brigham, a Princeton professor, famously stated: "our figures would rather tend to disprove the popular belief that the Jew is highly intelligent."

Some Jews have blamed the American IQ testers, who found 80% of Ashkenazim to be “feeble-minded morons,” for increasing the Holocaust death toll, as their IQ data led to Jews being denied entry to the USA under the 1924 Immigration Act. *Source: <http://archive.vn/uhKI>*

Note: The racial data for the 1924 Immigration Act was provided by the American Zoologist Madison Grant. Grant’s lifelong opponent, the Jewish Anthropologist Franz Boas, was (almost singlehandedly) responsible for creating the myth that race is not a biological concept.

The Mismeasures of Gould

By J. Philippe Rushton

(Originally published in *The National Review*, September 15, 1997)

Gould's most inflammatory allegation is to blame IQ testers for increasing the toll of the Holocaust. His thesis is that early IQ testers claimed Jews as a group scored low on their tests. This finding was then allegedly used to support passage of the restrictive Immigration Act of 1924, under which Jewish refugees were denied entry in the 1930s. Gould even claims that Henry H. Goddard in 1917 and Carl C. Brigham in 1923 labeled four-fifths of Jewish immigrants as “feeble-minded . . . morons.”

The claim of Jewish super-IQ seemingly sprung up from nowhere, unsupported by previous studies on Jewish intelligence. It should be noted that the appearance of this spurious claim curiously coincides with other pivotal political occurrences in the 1960s, such as the 1965 Hart-Celler (Immigration and Nationality) Act, responsible for transforming the United States into an open-borders dystopia. This is purely coincidental, of course.

Lying about IQ scores, who would do such a thing?

The Chinese as a people are renowned for rampant cheating and fraud when it comes to intelligence and academic tests of all natures. This is accepted by the mainstream:

How Sophisticated Test Scams From China Are Making Their Way Into the U.S.
- *The Atlantic*, 2016 (<http://archive.vn/SVxxy>)

China “Cheats” the PISA Exams
- *The Diplomat*, 2013 (<http://archive.vn/uXaZj>)

China is Cheating the World Student Rankings System
 - Time Magazine, 2013 (<http://archive.vn/g9Au7>)

Fraud Scandals Sap China's Dream of Becoming a Science Superpower
 - New York Times, 2017 (<http://archive.vn/UllBe> - they even cheat at science)

Fake Chinese IQ studies
 - A detailed blog post (<http://archive.vn/cnpJq>)

Chinese average IQ is likely to be almost a full standard deviation lower than the Chinese claim it to be.



Israel and IQ.

A brief look at Israeli IQ statistics indicates that there is at least some degree of swindling afoot. Ashkenazim constitute 40% of Israel's population, with Mizrahim (91 IQ) and Arabs (87 IQ) making up the remaining 40% and 20%, respectively (collectively averaging at 90 IQ). Israel's national average IQ is 94. This does not compute:

$$(111 \text{ IQ} \times 40 / 100) + (90 \text{ IQ} \times 60 / 100) = 98.4 \text{ IQ}$$

Either Ashkenazi IQ is actually around 100, or both the Arabs and Mizrahim are considerably less intelligent than existing data implies:

$$(100 \text{ IQ} \times 40 / 100) + (90 \text{ IQ} \times 60 / 100) = 94 \text{ IQ}$$

$$(111 \text{ IQ} \times 40 / 100) + (83 \text{ IQ} \times 60 / 100) = 94 \text{ IQ}$$

When using the upper limit mainstream estimate of Ashkenazi uber-IQ (115), the calculation becomes even more unrealistic:

$$(115 \text{ IQ} \times 40 / 100) + (80 \text{ IQ} \times 60 / 100) = 94 \text{ IQ}$$

A study by David and Lynn shows Iraqi Jews (Mizrahi) being only marginally outperformed by Ashkenazi Jews.

Source: <http://archive.vn/PDCNI>

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H. David and R. Lynn

Table 2. Abilities of European and Oriental Jews based on means of 50 and SDs of 10 (the sample size is 80 for each row, with subjects matched for social class)

Group	Verbal	Reasoning	Number	Spatial	Mean
European	55.5	53.4	52.7	52.0	53.4
Iraqi	50.4	51.7	50.5	52.3	51.2
North African	47.5	46.5	48.9	48.8	47.9
Yemeni	46.6	48.4	47.6	46.8	47.3

The same study also claims that Mizrahim have an IQ 14 points lower than Ashkenazim, though the reliability of this claim is dubious, as it likely originated with the unreliable and biased studies mentioned earlier.

holds for European and Oriental Jews in Israel. A review of studies shows that Oriental Jews in Israel have an average IQ 14 points lower than that of European (largely Ashkenazi) Jews. It is proposed that this difference can be

A study on Israeli children from ages 9 to 15 conducted by Kaniel and Fisherman demonstrates that they have a distinctly average IQ of 100 (50th percentile).

Source: <https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/abs/10.1080/00207599108246847>
 (Test type: Raven's Progressive Matrices <http://archive.vn/NIC8t>)

TABLE 1
PMS Raw Scores and Percentile Points for Ethiopian Immigrant Adolescents and Israeli Age Groups

	<i>Israeli Age Groups</i>						<i>Ethiopian Immigrant Adolescents</i>
	9-10	10-11	11-12	12-13	13-14	14-15	15-16
Raw scores	28	32	35	39	43	45	27
Percentile	50	50	45	40	50	50	5-10

Israeli military IQ tests demonstrate similar results.

Source: <http://archive.vn/39V5C>

Table 1b. Matrices test: derivation of female IQs for adjusted percentage of females tested

1976–1984			1971–1984		
Years used (by rank)	Av. % F	Av. IQ	Years used (by rank)	Av. % F	Av. IQ
4–8	75·28	101·426	5–13	75·02	100·588
3–8	76·66	101·256	4–13	75·88	100·569
2–8	77·72	101·152	3–13	76·62	100·565
1–8	79·45	100·968	2–13	77·43	100·471
1–7	80·64	100·826	1–13	78·52	100·411
1–6	81·83	100·754	1–12	79·14	100·285
1–5	83·28	100·585	1–11	79·73	100·348
1–4	85·16	100·292	1–10	80·43	100·584
1–3	86·34	100·205	1–9	81·20	100·512
1–2	87·82	100·103	1–8	82·04	100·535
1	91·55	99·681*	1–7	83·10	100·387
			1–6	84·33	100·164

We aren't entirely sure what percentage of the Israelis tested were Ashkenazi with "111" IQ, or Mizrahi, with 91 IQ, though it is interesting to note that their average IQ is just that - distinctly average. Fundamentally, any IQ data originating in Israel should be treated with the same skepticism as studies on Ashkenazi IQ conducted by Ashkenazim outside of Israel.

Israeli PISA and TIMSS scores.

Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA) and Trends in International Mathematics and Science Study (TIMSS) are globally conducted intelligence studies. In both studies, Israel's performance ranges from substandard to distinctly average; except for one (totally legitimate) jump from 25th place in the 2007 TIMSS, to 7th place in the 2011 TIMSS, followed by a slide back down the ranks to 16th/19th place (of 39 countries) in the 2015 TIMSS.

Sources:

<https://www.oecd.org/pisa/keyfindings/pisa-2012-results-overview.pdf>

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PISA Scores:

Snapshot of performance in mathematics, reading and science

- Countries/economies with a mean performance/share of top performers above the OECD average
 Countries/economies with a share of low achievers below the OECD average
 Countries/economies with a mean performance/share of low achievers/share of top performers not statistically significantly different from the OECD average
 Countries/economies with a mean performance/share of top performers below the OECD average
 Countries/economies with a share of low achievers above the OECD average

	Mathematics				Reading		Science	
	Mean score in PISA 2012	Share of low achievers in mathematics (Below Level 2)	Share of top performers in mathematics (Level 5 or 6)	Annualised change in score points	Mean score in PISA 2012	Annualised change in score points	Mean score in PISA 2012	Annualised change in score points
OECD average	494	23.0	12.6	-0.3	496	0.3	501	0.5
Shanghai-China	613	3.8	55.4	4.2	570	4.6	580	1.8
Singapore	573	8.3	40.0	3.8	542	5.4	551	3.3
Hong Kong-China	561	8.5	33.7	1.3	545	2.3	555	2.1
Chinese Taipei	560	12.8	37.2	1.7	523	4.5	523	-1.5
Korea	554	9.1	30.9	1.1	536	0.9	538	2.6
Macao-China	538	10.8	24.3	1.0	509	0.8	521	1.6
Japan	536	11.1	23.7	0.4	538	1.5	547	2.6
Liechtenstein	535	14.1	24.8	0.3	516	1.3	525	0.4
Switzerland	531	12.4	21.4	0.6	509	1.0	515	0.6
Netherlands	523	14.8	19.3	-1.6	511	-0.1	522	-0.5
Estonia	521	10.5	14.6	0.9	516	2.4	541	1.5
Finland	519	12.3	15.3	-2.8	524	-1.7	545	-3.0
Canada	518	13.8	16.4	-1.4	523	-0.9	525	-1.5
Poland	518	14.4	16.7	2.6	518	2.8	526	4.6
Belgium	515	19.0	19.5	-1.6	509	0.1	505	-0.9
Germany	514	17.7	17.5	1.4	508	1.8	524	1.4
Viet Nam	511	14.2	13.3	m	508	m	528	m
Austria	506	18.7	14.3	0.0	490	-0.2	506	-0.8
Australia	504	19.7	14.8	-2.2	512	-1.4	521	-0.9
Ireland	501	16.9	10.7	-0.6	523	-0.9	522	2.3
Slovenia	501	20.1	13.7	-0.6	481	-2.2	514	-0.8
Denmark	500	16.8	10.0	-1.8	496	0.1	498	0.4
New Zealand	500	22.6	15.0	-2.5	512	-1.1	516	-2.5
Czech Republic	499	21.0	12.9	-2.5	493	-0.5	508	-1.0
France	495	22.4	12.9	-1.5	505	0.0	499	0.6
United Kingdom	494	21.8	11.8	-0.3	499	0.7	514	-0.1
Iceland	493	21.5	11.2	-2.2	483	-1.3	478	-2.0
Latvia	491	19.9	8.0	0.5	489	1.9	502	2.0
Luxembourg	490	24.3	11.2	-0.3	488	0.7	491	0.9
Norway	489	22.3	9.4	-0.3	504	0.1	495	1.3
Portugal	487	24.9	10.6	2.8	488	1.6	489	2.5
Italy	485	24.7	9.9	2.7	490	0.5	494	3.0
Spain	484	23.6	8.0	0.1	488	-0.3	496	1.3
Russian Federation	482	24.0	7.8	1.1	475	1.1	486	1.0
Slovak Republic	482	27.5	11.0	-1.4	463	-0.1	471	-2.7
United States	481	25.8	8.8	0.3	498	-0.3	497	1.4
Lithuania	479	26.0	8.1	-1.4	477	1.1	496	1.3
Sweden	478	27.1	8.0	-3.3	483	-2.8	485	-3.1
Hungary	477	28.1	9.3	-1.3	488	1.0	494	-1.6
Croatia	471	29.9	7.0	0.6	485	1.2	491	-0.3
Israel	466	33.5	9.4	4.2	486	3.7	470	2.8
Greece	453	35.7	3.9	1.1	477	0.5	467	-1.1
Serbia	449	38.9	4.6	2.2	446	7.6	445	1.5
Turkey	448	42.0	5.9	3.2	475	4.1	463	6.4
Romania	445	40.8	3.2	4.9	438	1.1	439	3.4
Cyprus ^{1,2}	440	42.0	3.7	m	449	m	438	m
Bulgaria	439	43.8	4.1	4.2	436	0.4	446	2.0
United Arab Emirates	434	46.3	3.5	m	442	m	448	m
Kazakhstan	432	45.2	0.9	9.0	393	0.8	425	8.1
Thailand	427	49.7	2.6	1.0	441	1.1	444	3.9
Chile	423	51.5	1.6	1.9	441	3.1	445	1.1
Malaysia	421	51.8	1.3	8.1	398	-7.8	420	-1.4
Mexico	413	54.7	0.6	3.1	424	1.1	415	0.9
Montenegro	410	56.6	1.0	1.7	422	5.0	410	-0.3
Uruguay	409	55.8	1.4	-1.4	411	-1.8	416	-2.1
Costa Rica	407	59.9	0.6	-1.2	441	-1.0	429	-0.6
Albania	394	60.7	0.8	5.6	394	4.1	397	2.2
Brazil	391	67.1	0.8	4.1	410	1.2	405	2.3
Argentina	388	66.5	0.3	1.2	396	-1.6	406	2.4
Tunisia	388	67.7	0.8	3.1	404	3.8	398	2.2
Jordan	386	68.6	0.6	0.2	399	-0.3	409	-2.1
Colombia	376	73.8	0.3	1.1	403	3.0	399	1.8
Qatar	376	69.6	2.0	9.2	388	12.0	384	5.4
Indonesia	375	75.7	0.3	0.7	396	2.3	382	-1.9
Peru	368	74.6	0.6	1.0	384	5.2	373	1.3

1. Footnote by Turkey: The information in this document with reference to "Cyprus" relates to the southern part of the Island. There is no single authority representing both Turkish and Greek Cypriot people on the Island. Turkey recognises the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC). Until a lasting and equitable solution is found within the context of the United Nations, Turkey shall preserve its position concerning the "Cyprus issue".

2. Footnote by all the European Union Member States of the OECD and the European Union: The Republic of Cyprus is recognised by all members of the United Nations with the exception of Turkey. The information in this document relates to the area under the effective control of the Government of the Republic of Cyprus.

The annualised change is the average annual change in PISA score points from a country's/economy's earliest participation in PISA to PISA 2012. It is calculated taking into account all of a country's/economy's participation in PISA.

Note: Countries/economies in which the annualised change in performance is statistically significant are marked in bold.

Countries and economies are ranked in descending order of the mean mathematics score in PISA 2012.

Source: OECD, PISA 2012 Database; Tables I.2.1a, I.2.1b, I.2.3a, I.2.3b, I.4.3a, I.4.3b, I.5.3a and I.5.3b.

TIMSS Scores:

Exhibit 1.1 TIMSS 2007 Distribution of Mathematics Achievement (Continued)

TIMSS2007 Mathematics 8th Grade

Country	Mathematics Achievement Distribution	Average Scale Score	Years of Formal Schooling*	Average Age at Time of Testing	Human Development Index**
Chinese Taipei		598 (4.5)	8	14.2	0.932
Korea, Rep. of		597 (2.7)	8	14.3	0.921
Singapore		593 (3.8)	8	14.4	0.922
[†] Hong Kong SAR		572 (5.8)	8	14.4	0.937
Japan		570 (2.4)	8	14.5	0.953
Hungary		517 (3.5)	8	14.6	0.874
[†] England		513 (4.8)	9	14.2	0.946
Russian Federation		512 (4.1)	7 or 8	14.6	0.802
² [†] United States		508 (2.8)	8	14.3	0.951
[†] Lithuania		506 (2.3)	8	14.9	0.862
Czech Republic		504 (2.4)	8	14.4	0.891
Slovenia		501 (2.1)	7 or 8	13.8	0.917
TIMSS Scale Avg.		500			
Armenia		499 (3.5)	8	14.9	0.775
Australia		496 (3.9)	8	13.9	0.962
Sweden		491 (2.3)	8	14.8	0.956
Malta		488 (1.2)	9	14.0	0.878
[†] Scotland		487 (3.7)	9	13.7	0.946
¹ ² Serbia		486 (3.3)	8	14.9	0.810
Italy		480 (3.0)	8	13.9	0.941
Malaysia		474 (5.0)	8	14.3	0.811
Norway		469 (2.0)	8	13.8	0.968
Norway		469 (2.0)	8	13.8	0.968
Cyprus		465 (1.6)	8	13.8	0.903
Bulgaria		464 (5.0)	8	14.9	0.824
³ Israel		463 (3.9)	8	14.0	0.932
Ukraine		462 (3.6)	8	14.2	0.788
Romania		461 (4.1)	8	15.0	0.813
Bosnia and Herzegovina		456 (2.7)	8 or 9	14.7	0.803
Lebanon		449 (4.0)	8	14.4	0.772
Thailand		441 (5.0)	8	14.3	0.781
Turkey		432 (4.8)	8	14.0	0.775
Jordan		427 (4.1)	8	14.0	0.773
Tunisia		420 (2.4)	8	14.5	0.766
¹ Georgia		410 (5.9)	8	14.2	0.754
Iran, Islamic Rep. of		403 (4.1)	8	14.2	0.759
Bahrain		398 (1.6)	8	14.1	0.866
Indonesia		397 (3.8)	8	14.3	0.728
Syrian Arab Republic		395 (3.8)	8	13.9	0.724
Egypt		391 (3.6)	8	14.1	0.708
Algeria		387 (2.1)	8	14.5	0.733
Colombia		380 (3.6)	8	14.5	0.791
Oman		372 (3.4)	8	14.3	0.814
Palestinian Nat'l Auth.		367 (3.5)	8	14.0	0.731
Botswana		364 (2.3)	8	14.9	0.654
^{**} Kuwait		354 (2.3)	8	14.4	0.891
El Salvador		340 (2.8)	8	15.0	0.735
Saudi Arabia		329 (2.9)	8	14.4	0.812
Ghana		309 (4.4)	8	15.8	0.553
Qatar		307 (1.4)	8	13.9	0.875
[‡] Morocco		381 (3.0)	8	14.8	0.646

0 100 200 300 400 500 600 700 800

SOURCE: IEA's Trends in International Mathematics and Science Study (TIMSS) 2007

Note that these scores place Israel below all Northern European White countries and almost all White countries on the whole.

Israel, what's going on, big guy?

4. The validity of 111 IQ origin theories

So, what happened after the Second World War, did the Ashkenazim suddenly become geniuses?

Is it feasible that one ethnic group managed to increase their average IQ by over one full standard deviation, 15+ IQ points, in the space of a few decades? In this section, we will address the most common origin myths for Ashkenazi IQ:

- A. Environmental factors.
- B. Eugenics practiced by Ashkenazim.
- C. Persecution/oppression (“smart Jews were more likely to survive pogroms/exiles”).
- D. Discrimination against Jews by non-Jews (specifically Europeans), i.e., they were “forced” to work in moneylending, exporting, etc.
- E. Interbreeding (either with high IQ Europeans in the case of Ashkenazim or low IQ Middle Easterners and North Africans in the case of non-Ashkenazi).

A. IQ heritability and environmental factors.

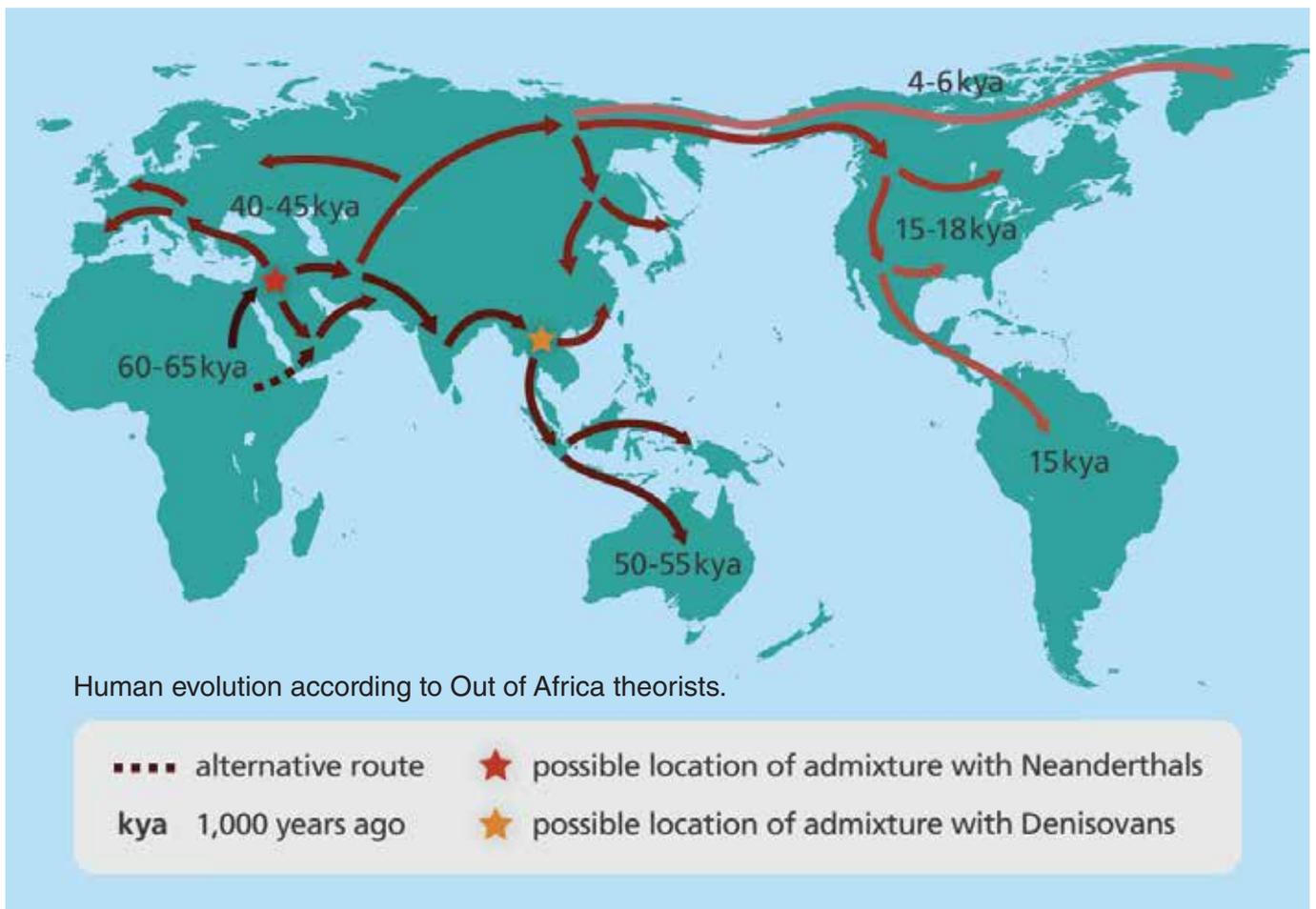
The heritability of IQ is 0.7 to 0.8, meaning that an individual’s intelligence is essentially predefined by genetics. Environmental factors (diet, lack of mental stimulation during childhood, lack of exercise and physical fitness, etc.) can effectively lower IQ levels by preventing individuals from *living up to their genetic potential*.

Extremely severe malnutrition can hamper IQ by one standard deviation but, generally speaking, adverse environmental factors hamper IQ by around half a standard deviation (7 IQ points). It’s highly unlikely that the entire US-based Ashkenazi population was malnourished and understimulated to the levels of extreme child abuse. Mass malnourishment leading to lower intelligence on a national scale is a problem almost entirely exclusive to the Third World.

B. Rapid evolution via eugenics?

According to ‘Out of Africa’ theory* (which we will use for argument’s sake, as it is accepted by the mainstream), it took Europeans over 50,000 years of divergent evolution under extremely harsh environmental conditions (such as the Ice Age) to gain a two-standard-deviation IQ advantage over Sub-Saharan Africans (70 IQ to 100 IQ).

* Note: OOA is still parroted by the mainstream despite being debunked in the 1980s (by the very scientists who discovered the prized ‘eve of Africa,’ Wilson and Cann) after new genetic data from Australia surfaced. Out of Africa vs Out of Australia vs Out of Somewhere-else is essentially moot, as these singular-origin hypotheses are in a constant state of being disproven by new data and archaeological discoveries. From an evolutionary perspective, parallel evolution from multiple ancestral species appears to be the most realistic human origin theory, though this is naturally regarded as “bigotry,” since it opposes the “One Race, Human Race” foolishness of mainstream “science.”



Let’s pretend that Ashkenazi Jews did, in fact, have an average IQ of 111 before WWII or the 1960s (despite there being no reliable evidence to support this claim and plenty of evidence to disprove it).

This theory demands that we believe Semitic peoples (Mizrahim, who currently have an average IQ of 91) interbred with Southern and Eastern Europeans (who currently have an average IQ of around 95), somehow managed to “evolve” a one-standard-deviation IQ advantage over Northern Europeans and an almost-two-standard-deviation IQ advantage over Middle Eastern Jews, their genetic ancestors, in a mere 1,000 to 2,000 years (if we’re being *very* generous).

In short, we are expected to believe that the Ashkenazim achieved the same IQ gains as Europeans in one-fiftieth of the time, while lacking the necessary evolutionary selective pressures to do so.

Now, let’s get back to reality: we’re actually expected to believe that they somehow made these gains in mere decades. Seems legit.

Numerous individuals, such as K. MacDonald, have claimed that Jewish Talmudic traditions have had a eugenic effect on the Ashkenazim, via things such as voluntary reductions in reproduction by low IQ Jews. If this hypothesis were accurate, shouldn’t the Middle Eastern Mizrahim also have experienced this intelligence boost?

Oppressed into supremacy.

One of the most common origin theories for Ashkenazi mega-IQ is that they were persecuted, discriminated against, and oppressed into geniusdom. This is a farcical attempt to retroactively construct some form of evolutionary pressure that could lead to 50,000-year-IQ-leap happening over the course of 1,000 to 2,000 years (to be *extremely* generous with the timescale).

This explanation could be succinctly summarized as: “You were mean to us and it made us super smart and now we dominate your society as a result.”

We will divide this into two parts:

1. Persecution/Oppression.

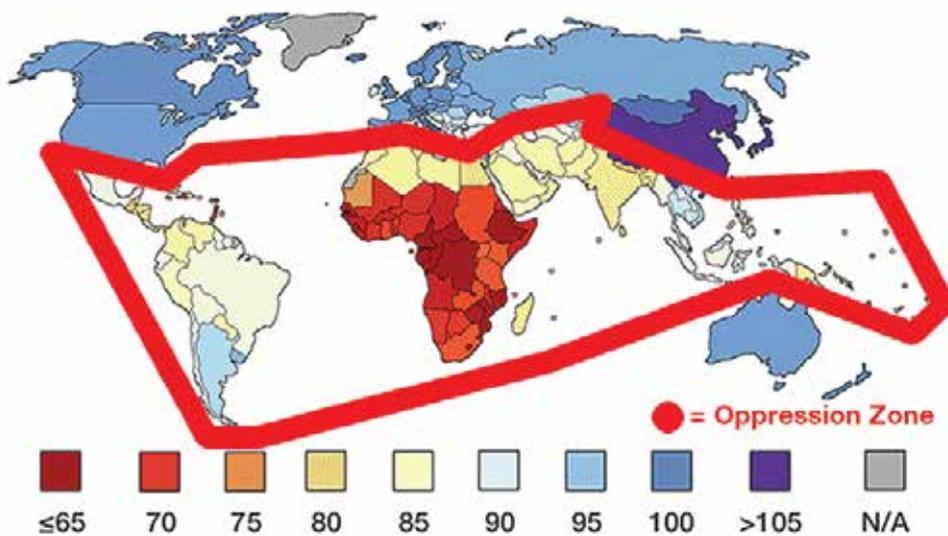
The idea that the Ashkenazim were somehow pogromed or in some other way brutalized into developing genius-tier intelligence. “Only the smart Jews survived pogroms/exiles.”

2. Discrimination.

The idea that Jews were “forced” (by evil White people, of course) into “high IQ” professions such as moneylending, exporting, trading, and so on.

C. Persecution/Oppression.

Can oppression and persecution increase the IQ of a population group? Let’s ask our friend, Global IQ Map, about the “persecuted” and “oppressed” peoples of the World.



Unfortunately, it looks like their countries’ average IQs are so low that the overwhelming majority would be collectively classified as “mentally retarded” by law in the United States.

IQ Classifications in Psychiatric Use		
<i>Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, Fourth Edition (DSM-IV)</i> American Psychiatric Association, 1994		
V62.89	Borderline Intellectual Functioning	IQ 71-84
317	Mild Mental Retardation	IQ 50-55 to approximately 70
318.0	Moderate Retardation	IQ 35-40 to 50-55
318.1	Severe Mental Retardation	IQ 20-25 to 35-40
318.2	Profound Mental Retardation	IQ below 20 or 25

It's worth noting that the definition of "retarded" was revised in 1961 (the 60s, the eternally recurring decade of subversion and trickery), presumably because *somebody* decided that it was "mean" to call *literally retarded* ethnic minorities "retarded." Before the Decade of Subversion, an individual with an IQ lower than 85 was classified as mentally retarded.

Source: <https://mn.gov/mnddc/parallels2/pdf/90s/99/99-MRI-MLW.pdf>

The definition was revised in 1961. That revision specified the meaning of the term *subaverage general intellectual functioning* in a manner that was to have considerable impact on the field of mental retardation. One standard deviation below the mean on an intelligence test was delineated as the point at which intellectual functioning should be considered *subnormal* (Heber, 1961). This specification meant that on an IQ test with a mean of 100 and a standard deviation of 15, any score below 85 would be diagnostic of mental retardation. If the total population was tested and classified on this basis, almost 16% would be diagnosed as having mental retardation. Even higher percentages would be expected to be found in subpopulations where minority status, language factors, or socioeconomic background depresses intelligence test scores.

According to the standard mainstream paradigm: collective low IQ in the Third World has been caused by mean White people "oppressing them with colonialism and segregation."



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Six Brain-Damage Scourges that Cripple IQ in Sub-Saharan Africa

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Obviously, Africans have been oppressed by colonialist imperialism, capitalist exploitation, and authoritarian regimes. One way oppression oppresses its victims is by stunting their cognitive abilities, diminishing their ability to be productive and politically engaged. Development economists and the public health community recognize this as an intrinsic part of the gloomy cycle of underdevelopment.

Does oppression impact IQ scores? Yes. The Sub-Saharan human brain is severely maimed in gestation and early childhood, due to six post-conception horrors: disease, violence, malnutrition, pollution, poverty and illiteracy. Many of the cognitive cripples that I listed in my previous essay, "Brain Damage: 83 factors that stupefy intelligence" are located in this underdeveloped region.

Whether mean White people are to blame for poor Third World living conditions or not is another question. Their own dictators are successful enough at building oppressive societies without assistance, and White colonialists constructed schools and implemented education systems wherever they settled. However, it should be noted that there is no historic record of any society, race, or civilization being persecuted or oppressed into collective supremacy; if anything, the exact opposite is true. Except for the Ashkenazim, that is.

Do oppression and persecution somehow affect the Ashkenazim differently from every other species on the planet? Are they biological wonders? Perhaps they really are “God’s Chosen People.”

D. Discrimination.

This theory implies that being “forced” (they weren’t forced) to work in fields that often require greater language and mathematical abilities, such as exporting and moneylending (usury), led to Ashkenazim developing their extraordinary IQ. The Mizrahim of the Middle east are also overrepresented in these trades and have been for many centuries, yet their average IQ is almost two standard deviations lower than the Ashkenazim. Again, we should refer to the main stream-accepted theories of European/African divergent evolution: Is working in trading and moneylending for 1,000 to 2,000 years an evolutionary pressure comparable to 50,000 years of evolution in extremely harsh environments that selected for intelligence on pain of death?

To explain these high IQs they propose the hypothesis that the demographic position of the Ashkenazim in medieval Europe selected for intelligence. The hypothesis is that the usury laws that forbade Christians from lending money with interest provided the Ashkenazim with a niche as money lenders, and that to be successful money lenders it was necessary to have the high verbal and mathematical intelligence that has several times been found in American Ashkenazim, as contrasted with their lower spatial ability. At the same time, Jews were generally prohibited from

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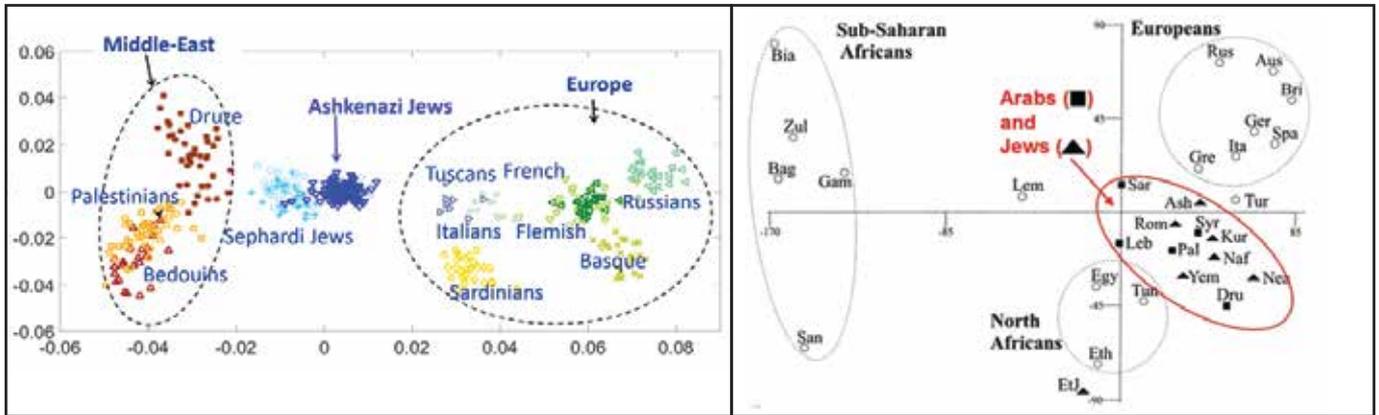
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other occupations, except second-hand dealing. The result of this was that Jews who possessed high verbal and mathematical intelligence left more surviving offspring than other Jews and gentiles and this drove up their intelligence. Most gentiles during these many centuries were agricultural serfs and peasants who did not require the same high intelligence as the Jews to survive and reproduce, or worked in craft occupations, such as masons, smiths, cartwrights, etc. for which spatial rather than verbal ability is required.

E. Interbreeding

This theory is generally employed not as an explanation for why Ashkenazim are so intelligent, but as an explanation for why Mizrahim are so unintelligent. Some claim that Mizrahim breeding with Arabs, whose average IQ ranges from around 82 to 90, lowered

their Jewish mega-IQ (111). This is possible. The Mizrahim—native to the Middle East—are almost genetically identical to the Arabs, but is it not more logical that people who are almost genetically identical shared similar IQ levels to begin with?



5. TL;DR summary

Jews are a race. Ashkenazi Jews are one ethnicity within the Jewish race.

Ashkenazim are drastically overrepresented within the elite positions of society (the ruling class, law, university, media, government, etc.)

There are three times more intelligent Whites in the USA alone than there are intelligent Ashkenazim on the planet.

There are also...

- 652% (6.5x) more 135+ IQ Whites in the USA than 135+IQ Jews in the USA.
- 1,357% (13.6x) more 135+ IQ Whites globally than 135+IQ Jews globally.
- 315% (3x) more 135+ IQ Whites in the USA than 135+IQ Jews globally.

The claim of 111 IQ Ashkenazim seemingly sprung up from nowhere, originating with possibly biased but certainly sloppy and inadequate studies conducted primarily by Ashkenazim in the 1960s, and is contradicted by previous studies on Jewish intelligence.

This aligns with other contemporaneous major political happenings, such as the 1965 Hart-Cellar (Immigration and Nationality) Act, which transformed the USA into an open-bordered dystopia. Remember: the classification for “mentally retarded” was greatly slackened shortly before this open borders act was passed (presumably to facilitate the mass influx of literal retards from the Third World into the United States).

Before the Second World War, Americans studying Jewish intelligence concluded that 80% of them were “feeble-minded morons,” which led to Jews being rejected from the

USA under the 1924 Immigration Act. Some Jews have implied that this greatly increased the death toll of the Holocaust.

One of the most renowned Jewish opponents to the 1924 Immigration Act, Franz Boas, was responsible for pioneering the myth that race is not a biological or genetic concept.

One of the only representative studies, conducted by J.G. Backman, found that Ashkenazim IQ was distinctly average: 100.8

The Chinese are renowned for rampant cheating and fraud in academic tests of all natures (as well as the field of science, and basically all other fields too).

Israel's average IQ of 94 proves that there is at least some trickery afoot; for this average IQ to work out according to the current demographics, Ashkenazi IQ must be around 100, otherwise, both the Arabs and Mizrahim are considerably less intelligent than existing data implies.

Israeli military and school IQ tests display a consistently average 100 IQ.

Israeli PISA and TIMSS scores range from sub-standard to average. Most notably, they are inferior to all White countries, including multi-racial ex-White shitholes, like the USA.

If we accept the mainstream narrative and disregard the fact that no data proves an Ashkenazi IQ of 111 existed before the Second World War / 1960s, we are expected to believe that the Ashkenazim made the same IQ gains as Europeans in one-fiftieth of the time, with a fraction of the selective environmental pressures.

We are also expected to believe that the Ashkenazim were somehow persecuted/oppressed/discriminated into geniusdom. This has never been replicated in any other race on Earth; they all react in the precise opposite manner when faced with the same stimuli.

The "oppressed" (Third World) nations of the World are so unintelligent that the overwhelming majority would be classified as "legally mentally retarded" within the USA.

Do oppression and persecution somehow affect the Ashkenazim differently from every other race on Earth?

6. Conclusion

Even in the scientifically implausible scenario that the Ashkenazim are not lying about their IQ, their overrepresentation still cannot be attributed to this factor.