

The Rise of Karedi Judaism and the Judaism People

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Haredi Jews are by far the fastest growing segment of the global Jewish community and they already constitute around 25% of the British Jewish population, as well as 12% and 17% of the American and Israeli Jewish populations, respectively. As their communities continue to grow, Haredi attitudes towards religion and politics will dramatically transform the global Jewish landscape—and impact the wider societies in which Jews live—in ways that are only now beginning to come into focus.

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