

Anti-Semitism

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About Anti-Semitism:

- **Anti-Semitism** refers to **any form of prejudice against the Jewish people**. However, the term itself is a misnomer as Semitic **designates a language group, not a race**.
- Though anti-Semitism can linguistically be used to describe a prejudice against speakers of the Semitic languages (including **Arabs and Ethiopians**), in practical terms, it is **commonly used specifically to pertain to Jews**.

Types of Anti-Semitism

- **Racial anti-Semitism**, most commonly associated with the Nazis, stems from a belief that **Jews are a distinct, inferior race with inherent genetic traits**. This form usually manifests in the belief that **Jews need to be exterminated altogether**.
- **Religious anti-Semitism** traces its roots to the early days of Christianity and is accompanied by a notion that **Jews should be converted to other faiths**.
- **Social anti-Semitism** is a form of **exclusion of Jews from social situations**. For example, a practice was reported in 1959 which claimed that Jews in America were routinely excluded from golf and sports clubs.

- **Economic anti-Semitism** posits that Jews have a disproportionate degree of control over global and national financial institutions, and that their stronghold over those institutions ought to be diminished.
- **Political anti-Semitism** is the attempt to **keep Jews out of power**. It is often conflated with **anti-Zionism**, a movement that denies the Jewish right to a national homeland

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