

# Israel Facts – Israel is an AMAZING PLACE!

- Only country in the world entering 21st century with a net gain in trees!
- 4th largest air force in the world (after US, Russia, and China).
- Glue on Israeli stamps is kosher!
- Israel spends more money for security than any other country in the world.
- All Israelis must go through mandatory military service after high school. 3 yrs for boys, 2 yrs for girls. It is the only country in the world to draft women.
- In many Israeli bus stops you'll find a tzedakah box (for charitable gifts)
- In past 25 yrs, agricultural output increased 7-fold with the same water usage.
- Einstein was offered and declined the presidency of Israel.
- Underweight models are banned in Israel to fight against anorexia.
- Every year, 1000 letters arrive in Jerusalem addressed to God.
- 2,000 yr old seeds were discovered in 1963 in an ancient jar in Israel. In 2005 they were planted and a tree that had been extinct for 1800 yrs now lives.