

Nadworna - Jews in the interwar period

Community: Nadvirna

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The degree of influence of different Zionist factions in Nadworna can be seen in the following table which shows the voting results in the elections to the Zionist Congresses between 1927-1939 ([Pinkas Hakehilot](#), 329):

	General Zionists	Mizrahi	Hitahdut -Poalei Zion	League for the workers' Eretz Israel	Revisionists	Party of the State	Radical Zionists
1927	45	32	52		1		
1931	118	48	311		102		
1933	167	16		316	79		
1935	227	57		452		1	
1939	135	60		280			

[Hebrew courses](#) of the *Tarbut* school network operated during the interwar period. Children studied there three times a week after they finished classes in the official Polish school. The first teacher was [Stoller](#), later came [Konorowsky](#) and in the end, [Schochat](#) (Giza Petranker, "The Hebrew Scholl 'Tarbut' of Nadworna," [Sefer Nadvurna](#), 50 [English part], 85 [Hebrew part]). In 1933, there were 30 students in the courses, but their number decreased by 1938 ([Pinkas Hakehilot](#), 329).

A [Jewish public library](#) existed in Nadworna before the First World War. It was reopened after the war and included about 2,000 volumes in Polish, Yiddish and Hebrew. The [Yehudiyah](#) organization operated an amateur drama group in the town ([Pinkas Hakehilot](#), 329). Almost all political bodies organized lectures and entertainment for local Jews. Likewise, two sport clubs, [Ha-koah](#) (Power) and [Maccabi](#), existed in Nadworna. "*Ha-koah*" flourished in the 1930s, especially its soccer team (Israel Grauer, "'Ha-koah' be-nadvorna," [Sefer Nadvurna](#), 86; [Pinkas Hakehilot](#), 329).

After World War I, the president of the local Jewish community was Moshe Budner, who enjoyed the support of the craftsmen association [Yad Harutsim](#). After he left political activity (ca. 1930), his place as the president was taken by his son, [Dr. Yosef Budner](#), also with the support of the [Yad Harutsim](#) (Yosef Budner, "Kehilat nadvorna," [Sefer Nadvurna](#), 16). In the elections of 1938, the "Bourgeois Bloc" of centrist Zionist parties defeated the "Democratic Bloc" of Jewish left-wing parties. As a result, [Dr. Michael Sterer](#) became the president of the Jewish community council (Budner, "Kehilat nadvorna," [Sefer Nadvurna](#), 16).

Eighteen Jews were elected to the town council in 1927 ([Pinkas Hakehilot](#), 330).

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