## Study reveals 40% of Israeli settlers consider leaving the occupied Palestinian territories



Passengers are seen at Ben Gurion Airport near Tel Aviv on May 4, 2025. (Photo by Flash90)

Tel Aviv, May 15 (RHC)-- A new study has revealed that 40% of Israelis are considering leaving the occupied territories, amid a grim picture for the future driven by growing insecurity following Hamas's Operation al-Aqsa Flood, political instability as well as economic hardship.

According to a new research from Ci Marketing published on Wednesday, around 40% of "Israelis" still living in the occupied territories are actively considering leaving, citing fear and insecurity following the October 7 surprise attack by the Palestinian resistance movement Hamas and the occupying regime's subsequent genocidal war on the Gaza Strip as the reasons behind this trend.

The Hebrew-language Maariv daily newspaper also reported that nearly 60,000 "Israelis" left Zionist entity in 2023 and never returned, more than double the number the year before.

According to latest figures released by the Central Bureau of Statistics (CBS), the overwhelming majority — 81% — were young people and families, mostly aged between 25 and 44. This is a significant increase compared to 2024, during which approximately 40,000 Israeli settlers left the occupied territories permanently.

Figures showed that the number of illegal settlers, who left the Zionist entity last year, had a dramatic surge following Operation Al-Aqsa Flood and the Israeli regime's genocidal war on Gaza.

Israel launched its brutal war on Gaza on October 7, 2023, but it failed to achieve its declared objectives despite killing over 52,900 Palestinians, mostly women and children. The usurping entity accepted longstanding negotiation terms by Hamas under the Gaza ceasefire, which began on January 19.

On March 18th, however, Israel unilaterally broke the truce and resumed its relentless bombing of Gaza.

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