

## **Poll: 82% of Israelis are not optimistic about the return of residents of the north**

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A survey by the Israeli National Security Studies Institute showed that more than 82% of Israeli Jews believe that the security situation does not allow for the return of residents to the northern settlements, amid the ongoing confrontation with Hezbollah.

Israel added, in September of last year, the safe return of northern residents to their homes to the war objectives in the Gaza Strip, but it has not succeeded to this day in achieving any of those objectives.

The survey results showed that 41% of Israelis believe that Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's dismissal of Defense Minister Yoav Galant will harm the war's outcomes, while 23% believe that his dismissal will improve those outcomes.

The survey also showed that 39% of Israelis believe that changing the Minister of Defense will harm the chances of recovering the captives from Gaza, while 17% believe that the change will improve the chances of their recovery.

Netanyahu dismissed Gallant on November 5 due to the "crisis of trust" that gradually developed between them, and appointed Israel Katz in his place. A combo between Netanyahu and Gallant

The survey also showed that 13% of Israeli Jews do not encourage their children to join the army, and that 30% encourage their children to join non-combat units in the army, while 29% encourage their children to join combat units.

Israeli media revealed yesterday, Monday, a noticeable decline in the enlistment of reserve soldiers for military service in the Israeli army due to the government's push for a bill that allows the continued exemption of religious Jews from the Haredi community from military service, as well as due to fatigue with the ongoing war in Gaza and Lebanon.

And after clashes with factions in Lebanon, including Hezbollah, which began following Israel's launch of a genocide war on the Gaza Strip on October 7, 2023, resulting in the martyrdom and injury of more than 146,000 Palestinians, Tel Aviv has since September 23, 2023, expanded the scope of the genocide to include most areas of Lebanon, including the capital, Beirut, through airstrikes, and has also begun a ground invasion in the south.

The aggression against Lebanon resulted in a total of 3,287 deaths and 14,222 injuries, including a large number of children and women, as well as approximately 1.4 million displaced people. Most of the casualties and displaced individuals were recorded after September 23rd.

And daily, Hezbollah responds by launching rockets, drones, and artillery shells targeting military sites, intelligence headquarters, military gatherings, and settlements, forcing tens of thousands of residents from northern Israeli settlements to flee.

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