



during the Israeli takeover, about 3,000 remained; the city's population in the late 20th century was about three-fourths Jewish.

Acre's ancient port has silted up in modern times and hence has become secondary to Haifa's across the bay. It is used only by small fishing boats. Industries in modern Acre include a steel-rolling mill and match, tile, and plastic plants. Prominent structures, aside from the citadel, include the Great Mosque, built by Al-Jazzar and named for him; the Municipal Museum, housed in the Pasha's bathhouse; the Crypt of St. John, actually a Crusader refectory; and several churches built on Crusader foundations. Just north of the city is the tomb of Baha' Allah, Iranian founder of the Baha'i Faith. To the south is a large industrial zone; paint factories are found in the east. The city remains the major trade center for Arab settlements in western Galilee and is becoming popular with tourists. Acre is the site of the Nautical College of the Israeli navy. The city was designated a UNESCO World Heritage site in 2001. Pop. (2008) 46,100; (2021 est.) 49,614..

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