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## Coping with Conflict: Poverty and Inclusion in the West Bank and Gaza

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A new report by the World Bank reveals a precarious economic situation in Gaza, where donor aid is keeping the economy afloat, unemployment is high, and a significant portion of the population lives very close to the poverty line. This report is the first major analysis of poverty in the West Bank and Gaza since 2001. It finds that international donor aid is driving a decline in poverty, even as unemployment increases and the economic structure demonstrates no improvement. Research shows that donor aid in the region is relatively well coordinated, especially within the Palestinian Authority. Only a fifth of all beneficiaries received more than one source of aid, and only six percent of all households receive multiple sources of assistance from the PA.

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