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Protection of Civilians

"Protection encompasses all activities aimed at ensuring full respect for the rights of the individuals in accordance with international human rights law, international humanitarian law and refugee law."a

	Total 2005 (monthly average)	Total 2006 (monthly average)	Total 2007 (monthly average)	Nov- 07	Dec- 07	Jan- 08	Feb- 08	Mar- 08	Apr- 08	May- 08	June- 08	July- 08	Aug- 08	Sep- 08	Oct - 08
Number of Palestin	ian deaths - (direct conflict	· I												
West Bank				I	4	9	6	8	3	3	5	4	I	5	4
Gaza Strip	216	678 (57)	396 (33)	25	58	80	67	104	70	41	26	I	0	0	0
Israel	, ,			2	0	0	2	ı	3	0	0	2	0	ı	0
Number of Palest	inian injurie	es - direct co	nflict									•			
West Bank	1260	3194	1843	77	53	111	58	122	45	87	139	218	149	130	98
Gaza Strip	(105)	(266)	(153)	50	84	182	143	215	155	107	41	3	0	4	2
Number of Israeli	deaths - di	rect conflict										<u> </u>			
oPt	48	25	13	ı	2	ı	0	3	8	0	0	ı	0	0	ı
Israel	(4)	(2)	(1)	0	0	0	2	8	0	2	I	3	0	0	0
Number of Israeli injuries - direct conflict															
oPt	484	377	322	6	14	11	12	36	27	11	9	15	7	22	27
Israel	(40)	(31)	(27)	0	6	9	23	18	3	20	15	42	0	19	0
Number of Palest	inian death	s - internal	violence	2											
West Bank	12	146	490	I	3	0	2	7	I	0	3	0	5	I	I
Gaza Strip	(>1)	(12)	(41)	Ш	12	9	4	3	I	4	10	14	19	17	3
Number of Palest	inian injuri	es - internal	violence												
West Bank	130	871	2726	64	2	45	4	19	17	4	16	0	5	6	П
Gaza Strip	(11)	(76)	(227)	116	107	22	19	21	9	53	16	67	113	75	19
Average weekly II	OF searches	s, arrests an	d detent	ions in	the We	st Banl	k ³								
Search Campaigns	Ave Weekly (61)	Ave Weekly (109)	Ave Weekly (102)	89	71	94	103	113	117	105	117	121	113	84	91
Arrests and Detentions	Ave Weekly (74)	Ave Weekly (101)	Ave Weekly (96)	88	83	92	94	115	90	92	50	102	76	74	62

For more information, please contact OHCHR, (02) 2965534 or OCHA, (02) 582 9962 (Mai Yassin)

Child Protection

"Child protection includes strategies and activities aimed at the protection of children (under 18) against abuse, exploitation and violence."b

Children under 18 continue to be victims of Israeli-Palestinian violence and of conflict within the Palestinian community. UN Security Council Resolution 1612, adopted on 26 July 2005, makes explicit the need for protection of children in armed conflict. This section's indicators are used to monitor the rights of children for protection as stated in this Resolution.

	Total 2005 (monthly average)	Total 2006 (monthly average)	Total 2007 (monthly average)	Nov-07	Dec-07	Jan-08	Feb-08	Mar-08	Apr-07	May-08	June-08	July-08	Aug-08	Sep-08	Oct-08
Number	of Palestinian	children kill	ed - direct	conflict ⁴											
West Bank	52	127	43	0	0	2	0	2	0	ı	I	I	ı	2	ı
Gaza Strip	(4)	(11)	(4)	2	0	4	10	26	21	6	2	0	0	0	0
Number	of Palestinian	children inju	ıred - direc	t conflict ⁵											
West Bank	129	470	265	17	6	38	12	41	12	29	15	43	56	75	15
Gaza Strip	(11)	(39)	(22)	0	0	27	17	52	26	11	5	I	17	0	ı
Number	of Israeli chil	dren killed - d	direct confl	ict ⁶											
oPt	3 (<1)	l (<i)< td=""><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>0</td></i)<>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Israel	3 (<1)	I	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number	of Israeli chil	dren injured	- direct con	flict ⁷											
oPt	4	0	0	0	0	0	I	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
Israel	0	7 (<1)	3(<1)	0	2	0	4	I	I	I	0	0	0	0	0
Number	of Palestinian	children kill	ed - indirec	t conflict ⁸	3										
West Bank	5 (<1)	2 (<1)	1(<1)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	ı	0
Gaza Strip	3 (<1)	6 (<1)	1	0	0	0	I	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0
Number	of Palestinian	children kill	ed in Palest	inian inte	rnal viole	nce ⁹									
West Bank	0	2 (<1)	2(<1)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	I	0	0	0	0
Gaza Strip	0	II (<i)< td=""><td>36(3)</td><td>I</td><td>2</td><td>0</td><td>I</td><td>I</td><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>I</td><td>2</td><td>I</td><td>3</td><td>0</td></i)<>	36(3)	I	2	0	I	I	0	0	I	2	I	3	0
Number	of Palestinian	children hel	d in detent	ion by Isra	aeli autho	rities 10									
West Bank	n/a information,	n/a	357	324	311	327	307	324	327	337	323	324	293	304	297

For more information, please contact UNICEF, (02) 584 0400 (Christine Gale).

Violence and Private Property
"The civilian population and individual civilians shall enjoy general protection against dangers arising from military operations...The civilian population as such, as well as individual civilians, shall not be the object of attacks. Acts or threats of violence, the primary purpose of which is to spread terror among the civilian population are prohibited."c

	Total 2005 (monthly average)	Total 2006 (monthly average)	Total 2007 (monthly average)	Nov- 07	Dec- 07	Jan- 08	Feb- 08	Mar- 08	Apr- 08	May- 08	June- 08	July- 08	Aug- 08	Sep- 08	Oct- 08
Incidents involving Israeli	settlers														
Total number of incidents	n/a	235 (20)	29 I (24)	34	24	28	24	50	53	33	37	48	40	25	50
Leading to Palestinian casualties	n/a	63 (5)	76 (6)	7	3	9	I	12	12	9	2	6	13	5	13
Leading to Israeli Settler casualties	n/a	28 (2)	25 (2)	3	4	I	8	4	2	I	I	I	0	I	7
Leading to international casualties	n/a	(<)	4 (<1)	0	0	0	0	0	0	I	0	ı	2	0	1
Number of rockets fired in	nto/towa	rds Israel	12	L			ı					L			
From the Gaza Strip	1 194 (100)	I 786 (149)	133 (111)	114	155	267	207	347	149	172	99	9	10	5	14
Number of IDF artillery sh	nells								'	<u>'</u>	_	_			
Into the Gaza Strip	509 (42)	14 111 (1175)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number of IAF air strikes															
In the Gaza Strip	n/a	573 (48)	173 (14)	14	26	33	26	91	35	23	20	0	0	0	0
Number of Mortars fired f	rom the	Gaza Str	rip ¹³												
Towards Israel	n/a	n/a	1071 (97)	118	342	256	98	147	174	133	128	7	I	3	0
Towards IDF troops	n/a	n/a	178 (16)	34	55	52	145	87	443	143	71	0	0	0	0
Physical structures demoli	ished - W	est Bank	.14												
Structures demolished	n/a	201	190 (16)	7	I	69	42	42	3	2	8	7	34	36	43
Of which residential (occupied)	n/a	56 (5)	90 (7)	3	0	31	20	20	3	I	4	5	2	17	5
Physical structures demoli	ished - G	aza Strip													
Structures demolished	n/a	246 (21)	24 (2)	3	I	I	14	П	П	30	8	0	0	0	0
Of which homes demolished For more information, please conta	n/a	127 (11) (02) 582 9	7 (<1) 962 (Mai Yassi	2	I	I	7	5	9	8	3	0	0	0	0

Access

"Everyone has the right of freedom of movement and residence within the borders of each State. Everyone has the right to leave any country, including his own, and to return to his country."

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	Monthly average 2005	Monthly average 2006	Monthly average 2007	N o v - 07	Dec- 07	Jan- 08	Feb- 08	Mar- 08	Apr- 08	May- 08	June- 08	July- 08	Aug- 08	Sep- 08	Oct - 08
IDF Physical obstacles in	the West I	Bank ¹⁵					,								
Staffed	62	74	86	87	87	87	87	88	88	88	88	88	89	93	n/a
Unstaffed	410	445	467	476	476	482	493	522	519	517	514	522	545	537	n/a
Total	472	518	552	563	563	569	580	n/a	607	605	602	610	634	630	n/a
Average weekly Random or 'Flying' checkpoints	73	136	113	74	50	61	85	88	71	79	83	109	73	61	52
Curfews imposed by IDF	16														
No. incidents - West Bank	9	4	5	17	11	19	П	15	9	8	2	7	3	5	8
Total hours under curfew - West Bank	126	40	73	362	93	177	239	360	96	98	16	64	19	48	87
No. incidents - Gaza Strip	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total hours under curfew - Gaza Strip	0	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Access incidents reporte	d by huma	nitarian org	ganisations	17											
Access incidents reported in the West Bank	n/a	79	40	41	47	47	63	139	181	138	108	72	37	62	n/a
Average reported time to exit the Gaza Strip via Erez, in minutes.	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Ambulances incidents in Israel ¹⁸	the West E	Bank and ac	cess for m	edical re	eferrals f	rom th	e Gaza	Strip to	o the W	est Ba	nk and				
Ambulance access delays reported at West Bank checkpoints	n/a	10	28	28	n/a	24	25	24	13	n/a	n/a	n/a	6	13	n/a
Ambulance access denial reported at West Bank checkpoints	n/a	9	23	25	n/a	32	38	26	22	n/a	n/a	n/a	25	30	n/a
MoH medical referral requests (via Erez)	n/a	459	735	n/a	1041	776	841	1036	1077	1089	909	976	874	449	460
Actual no. of medical referrals receiving permits to cross (via Erez)	n/a	416	599	n/a	669	542	664	683	709	570	472	652	606	348	355
Actual no. of medical referrals who approached Palestinian side to cross via Erez (number reported being denied passage on Israeli side)	n/a	n/a	n/a	656 (16)	602 (6)	645 (5)	65 I (5)	664 (n/a)	622 (n/a)	517 (n/a)	452 (n/a)	65 l (n/a)	560 (n/a)	333 (n/a)	343 (n/a)
Access for Palestinians to	o East Jerus	salem and I	srael from	oPt ¹⁹											
West Bank (total closure days)	n/a	n/a	3	0	0	5	0	8	11	13	0	0	0	2	12
Gaza Strip (total closure days)	n/a	17	n/a	30	31	30	29	31	30	31	30	31	31	30	31
Movement of people from	n/to Gaza	Strip - daily	average ²⁰												
Workers to Israel - Erez	1029	378	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Traders to Israel - Erez	107	42	150	n/a	n/a	7	2	2	2	I	2	10	11	11	10
Rafah - daily crossing out	n/a	423	n/a	0	0	0	0	0	13	36	7	14	108	89	I
Rafah daily crossing in For more information, please	n/a contact OC	424 HA, (02) 582	n/a 9962	0	0	0	0	0	13	18	13	18	35	26	34



source: OCHA, November 2007

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"Everyone lawfully within the territory of a State shall, within that territory, have the right to liberty of movement and freedom to choose his residence." e

	Monthly average 2005	Monthly average 2006	Monthly average 2007	Nov- 07	Dec- 07	Jan- 08	Feb- 08	Mar- 08	Apr- 08	May- 08	June- 08	July - 08	Aug- 08	Sep- 08	Oct- 08
Functioning of the Gaza Strips	crossing po	ints - perc	entage of	days op	en/she	duled d	ays ope	en ²¹							
Rafah crossing	n/a	57%	n/a	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	6%	20%	32%
Karni crossing	n/a	71%	n/a	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Sufa crossing	n/a	60%	n/a	n/a	46%	48%	79%	23%	70.3%	73.1%	76.9%	96%	61%	38%	0%
Nahal Oz energy pipelines	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	58%	n/a	65%
Novement of goods trough Karni crossing - daily average ²²															
Karni import (Conveyer belt)	n/a	156	n/a	24	18	18	21	40	13	21	30	107	59	84	50
Karni export	n/a	17	n/a	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other imports into the Gaza St	rip - total ²	3													
Sufa import - aggregates (construction materials) truckloads	3 527	I 598	n/a	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nahal Oz import - Fuel truckloads	n/a	583	n/a	403	364	n/a	n/a	n/a	129	n/a	237	n/a	342	342	245

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Socio-economic Conditions

"Everyone has the right to work, to free choice of employment, to just and favourable conditions of work and to protection against unemployment" f

	Q1 2001	QI 2002	QI 2003	QI 2004	QI 2005	Q1 2006	Q3 2006	Q4 2006	QI 2007	Q2 2007	Q3 2007	Q4 2007	QI 2008	Q2 2008	Q3 2008
						2000	2000	2000	2007	2007	2007	2007	2000	2000	2000
Unemploym		1	I	1			<u> </u>								
West Bank	32.5%	35.0%	40.3%	31.0%	28.8%	27.2%	25.3%	23.4%	24.3%	22.6%	25.20%	25.90%	25.70%	23.2	n/a
Gaza Strip	48.8%	46.4%	37.3%	35.1%	38.0%	39.6%	41.8%	39.6%	35.4%	32.3%	37.60%	35.30%	35.50%	49.1	n/a
oPt	37.7%	38.7%	39.3%	32.3%	31.7%	31.1%	30.3%	28.4%	27.9%	25.7%	29.10%	28.80%	28.90%	31.5	32.4%
Number of I	Palestinia	ns employ	ed in Isr	ael and	in the set	ttlements	- PCBS ²	6							
West Bank	105501	57000	43281	49750	65255	59846	69478	68100	68100	63700	66800	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Gaza Strip	2580	2000	6295	5849	0	852	0	0	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
oPt	107630	59000	49576	55999	65255	60698	69478	68100	68100	63700	66800	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Economic d	ependenc	y ratio - F	CBS ²⁷												
West Bank	5.7	6	6.6	5.7	5.6	5	5	5	5.0	4.7	4.9	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Gaza Strip	9.1	8.8	7.5	7.5	8.2	8	9	8	7.3	6.9	7.4	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
oPt	6.6	6.8	6.9	6.3	6.3	6	6	6	5.7	5.3	5.6	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Evolution of	consume	r price in	dex (CP	l) - PCBS	5 ²⁸										
West Bank	26.0%	32.0%	39.7%	44.2%	49.2%	54.3%	55.3%	57.0%	57.0%	55.7%	59.3%	64.1%	70.7%	20.9%	22.8%
Gaza Strip	22.8%	23.2%	26.4%	32.0%	33.8%	38.1%	41.5%	40.7%	42.0%	41.9%	46.1%	53.0%	60.0%	24.2%	27.0%
oPt	24.2%	28.4%	36.2%	41.4%	46.1%	51.0%	53.1%	52.9%	53.5	53.1%	56.9%	62.2%	68.3%	20.1%	23.0%
Evolution of	daily wag	ges in NIS	- PCBS ²	19											
West Bank	60	57.7	60	62.8	60	70	69.2	67.3	70.0	69.2	70.0	70.0	76.9	77	n/a
Gaza Strip	60	50	50	50	55.8	65.4	65.4	61.5	66.9	57.7	57.7	60.7	57.7	58	n/a
oPt	55	53.85	55.6	57.7	57.7	69.2	69.2	65.4	69.2	65.4	67.3	69.2	70.0	70	n/a
For more infor								05.7	07.2	05.4	07.5	07.2	70.0	,,	

For more information, please contact UNRWA, (02) 589 0500 (Christine Rackwitz)

PCBS Labour Force Survey Q2 2008

Current number of P.A employees represents:

- 22.7% of the employed people in the oPt
- 14.9% of the employed people in the West Bank
- 47.5% of the employed people in the Gaza Strip

PCBS Poverty Consumption-based Yearly Figures

	West Bank	Gaza Strip	oPt
1998	14.5%	33%	20.3%
2001	16.2%	41.9%	23.6%
2004	19.8%	37.2%	25.6%
2005	22.3%	43.7%	29.5%
2006	24%	50.7%	30.8%
2007	19.1%	51.8%	30.3%

Deep Poverty in the oPt Consumption-based (PCBS)

	West Bank	Gaza Strip	oPt
1998	8.4%	21.6%	12.5%
2001	12.0%	35.4%	19.5%
2004	11.6%	26.0%	16.4%
2005	13.1%	27.9%	18.0%
2006	13.0%	34.8%	18.5%
2007	9.7%	35.0%	18.3%

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	Monthly Average 2006	Nov-07	Dec-07	Jan -08	Feb-08	Mar-08	Apr-08	May-08	June-08	July-08	Aug-08	Sep-08	Oct-08
Arable land requ	uisitoned, le	velled an	d reclain	ned in du	nums - V	est Banl	c ³⁶						
Requistioned	484	20	60	0	0	0	30	540	40	390	376	20	100
Levelled	n/a	2	6	26945	100	30	50	30	20	8	70	10	10
People affected	n/a	32	77	n/a	60	21	196	294	84	294	348	48	110
Reclaimed	n/a	150	70	71	110	98	230	100	120	200	55	1,220	115
Arable land requ	uisitioned l	evelled o	r reclaim	ed in dur	nums - G	aza Strip							
Requistioned	n/a	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Levelled	n/a	0	1300	6000	100	850	1723	1290	1136	0	0	0	0
People affected	n/a	0	1750	n/a	150	670	3192	1740	1000	0	0	0	0
Reclaimed	n/a	0	170	200	40	611	190	165	0	0	0	0	0
Greenhouses lar	nd destroye	d and reh	abilitate	d in dunu	ıms - We	st Bank ³⁷	l	l					
Destroyed	n/a	7	2	4797	7	25	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
People affected	n/a	35	14	n/a	30	84	28	n/a	0	0	0	0	0
Rehabilitated	n/a	285	30	60	39	226	12	10	15	0	10	121	25
Greenhouses lar	nd destroye	d and reh	abilitate	d in dunu	ıms - Gaz	za Strip			ı				
Destroyed	n/a	0	0	4561	0	0	23	8	14	0	0	0	0
People affected	n/a	0	0	n/a	0	0	28	18	60	0	0	0	0
Rehabilitated	n/a	50	0	0	0	0	0	5	10	0	0	0	0
Number of tree	s destroyed	38	'				'	'	'	,			
Treesdestroyed in the West Bank	n/a	140	0	2059	500	3150	700	1140	5460	300	0	0	200
People affected	n/a	28	0	n/a	180	49	714	264	258	60	0	0	18
Trees destroyed in the Gaza Strip	n/a	0	10000	n/a	400	n/a	11940	7500	22240	0	0	0	0
People affected	n/a	0	1750	n/a	150	n/a	2303	300	2000	0	0	0	0
Agricultural pro	duce tradin	g in/out	the Gaza	Strip - n	netric to	nnes ³⁹							
Import	12901	4753	13902	n/a	n/a	14049	4526	11382	17561	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Export	1370	37	238	n/a	n/a	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
For more informati		ata at EAO	(02) E22	IOFO /Dam	. Hannau	A	Calab\						

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	Benchmark	Monthly average 2006 ⁴⁵	Monthly average 2007	N o v - 07	Dec- 07	Jan- 08	Feb- 08	Mar- 08	Apr- 08	May- 08	June- 08	July-08	A u g -	Sep-08	Oct-08
Retail price of b	asic food comr	nodities - V	est Bank, i	n NIS ⁴⁰											
Wheat flour 50 kg	-	91.0	128.7	190	190	205	205	184.5	184.5	190.5	190.5	186.4	186.4	171.9	171.9
Olive oil I Kg	-	18.6	19	25	25	23.8	23.8	22.5	22.5	24	24	21.5	21.5	25.5	25.5
Rice I kg	-	3.6	4.3	4.6	4.6	4.9	4.9	5.1	6	6	6	6.5	6.5	6.6	6.6
Veg. oil 1 kg	-	5.5	6.4	7.4	7.4	8.7	8.7	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.8	9.8	9.5	9.5
Chickpeas I kg	-	4.8	4.9	5.4	5.4	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	6.3	6.3	7.3	7.3	7.5	7.5
Refined sugar I kg	-	3.7	3.3	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.1	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Milk powder I kg	-	23.2	25.5	28	28	32.1	32.1	32.6	32.6	32.4	32.4	33.5	33.5	33.7	33.7
7Basket of 7 items	-	150.5	192.1	263.6	263.6	283.I	283.I	262.7	263.6	271.5	271.5	268	268	257.7	257.7
Price of basic fo	ood commoditie	es - Gaza St	rip, in NIS	11											
Wheat flour 50 kg	-	82.9	104	130	130	135.0	135	130.75	130.5	130	126.2	121.8	116.5	110.17	104.3
Olive oil I Kg	-	23.1	24.09	27	27	27.0	27	27	27	27	27	27	27.00	27	27
Rice I kg	-	3.3	3.57	3.50	3.50	3.3	3	3.5	3.875	4	4	4.3	4.375	4.84	5.1
Veg. oil 1 kg	-	5.5	6.28	7	7	6.8	6.75	6.5	7.5	8	7	7	7	7	7
Chickpeas I kg	-	5.3	5.36	5.80	5.90	5.7	5.7	5	5	5	5	5.55	6	6	6
Refined sugar 1 kg	-	4.2	3.09	2.66	2.66	2.6	2.6	2.53	2.5	2.55	2.33	2.33	2.516	2.73	2.66
Milk powder I kg	-	33.4	35.14	31.10	28.8	29.0	31.7	29	31.5	32.75	32.6	34.6	34.72	34.92	34.61
Basket of 7 items	-	157.1	178.6	207	205	209.4	211.8	204.28	207.88	209.3	204.13	202.58	198.11	192.66	186.67
Quantities of food	l imported in the	Gaza Strip -	metric tonn	es ⁴³											
Wheat - mT	450 mt/day/pop	-	7338	18381	11473	8784	13341	12644	4478	4279	15650	9,525	9,974	12,539	5,059
Rice	72 mt/day/pop	-	1382	2422	1592	3916	2091	1200	2361	48	386	118	616	377	1,340
Veg. oil	44 mt/day/pop	-	1437	3228	1860	3054	311	2991	1302	2116	2245	920	1,431	2,374	3,547
Sugar	III mt/day/pop	-	3350	2817	5250	4984	2496	4692	6115	1423	3450	625	1,686	1,893	6,127
Total	-	-	13512	26848	20175	20738	18239	21527	14256	7866	21731	11188	10,788	17,183	16,073
Fishing catch in th	ne Gaza Strip ⁴⁴	Total													
mT	2,323 (in 2005)	1604.2	2704.7	135.2	82.4	62.7	246.0	75.0	154.0	757	429.62	490.2	302.6	173.7	250.0

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The Institutional Response to the Crisis

Humanitarian and development assistance to the oPt

FUNDED in \$ million	The UN and the CAP	ICRC	INGOs	PNGOss	ЕСНО	Other EC Commitment	USAID
2005	193.3	30.6	n/a	n/a	35	241	386
2006	273	34.5	n/a	n/a	104.4	225	176
2007	272.5	57.4 (appeal)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	29.8*
2008	312.7	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

Source: Relief web, ICRC, ECHO, USAID websites. *Available up till April

The CAP

In S million	CAP 200	7 - revised I	May 2007	CAP 20	008-revised Ma	y 2008	CAP 08	CAP 07
Sector	Requirements in \$ million	Number of Projects	Level of funding as of 18 November 2008	Requirements in \$ million	Number of Projects	Funding in \$ million	% Funded (as of 20 October 2008)	% Funded (as of 20 October 2008)
Agriculture	11.3	14	5.8	22.4	26	11.9	53%	39%
Coordination and support services	14.2	7	18.6	18.3	8	25.3	100+%	100+%
Economic Recovery and Infrastructure	198.1	17	57.4	138.4	17	74.8	54%	35%
Education	9.1	4	9.7	5.3	6	3.7	69%	100+%
Food	149.7	8	149.9	198.5	9	157.2	78%	100+%
Health & Psychosocial	35.7	30	30.0	28.8	26	23.5	82%	75%
Protection	1.7	4	0.3	8.6	15	2.7	31%	44%
Water and Sanitation	35.0	19	5.0	18.3	17	6	32%	15%
Shelter and non-food items	0.0	-	0.4	-	-	0	-	18%
Multi-Sector	0.0	-	0.1	7.2	Ţ	1.4	19%	100%
Sector not yet specified	-	-	-0.2	2	I	6.2	100+%	0%
Mine action	-	-	-	0.2	Ι	0	0%	-
Total	454.7	103	277.1	448	127	312.7	69%	65%

 $Source: OCHA, Financial \, Tracking \, \, System \, \, (FTS).$

The PA operating budget

\$ million	2005		2006		2007				2008	
	\$ million	%	\$ million	%	Q1 2007 (\$million)	%	\$ million	%	2008 (\$ million)	%
Clearance revenues collected by Gol	894	40	344	24	105	17	1318	51	1067	40
Domestic revenues	476	22	378	26	289	46	323	12	419	16
External finances for budgetary support	349	16	738	51	219	35	1012	39	1200	45
Total other financing, incl. Palestinian Investment Fund Dividend	477	22	-25	-2	15	2	-54	-2	0	0
TOTAL	2,196	100	1435	100	628	100	2599	100	2686	100

Source: Palestinian Ministry of Finance, www.pmof.ps , Monthly and annual financial reports for selected years

The PA (Palestinian Authority) fiscal situation recovered in 2007, following a significant decline in 2006, which resulted from the sanctions Israel and the international donor community imposed on the Hamas-led government in the aftermath of the January 2006 elections. The recovery took place in the second half of 2007, in response to the resumption of the clearance revenues, including VAT and customs, which the Government of Israel collects monthly on behalf of the PA. A further improvement was observed during the first quarter of 2008 following an increase in external aid income.

PEGASE

\$ million	Confirmed pledges in million \$US	Total disbursed in US\$ million as of 31 October 2008		
ESSP	78.00	65.00		
Axis I		n/a		
Axis II	682.00	407.83		
Axis III		31.83		
Total	760.00	504.66		

TIM ended as of 31 March 2008, PEGASE is the new European mechanism launched on 1 February 2008 that aims to shift from emergency assistance to a sustainable Palestinian development process

Axis II: Social Development

I) Public administration and services

Туре	Number of Beneficiaries	Number of allowances received since February 2008	Total amount received in US\$ as of 3 I October 2008		
Public service providers	70,000+	9	239.74		
Pensioners	8000+	9	22.30		

2) Aid to vulnerable Palestinian families

Туре	Number of Beneficiaries	Number of allowances received since February 2008	Total amount received in US\$ as of 31 October 2008		
Support to Social Hardship Cases	46,000+	3	114.30		

3)Provision of essential public services

Total Fuel delivered to Gaza Power Plant since February 2008	87.2
Cost in US\$	114.30

Axis III : Economic and private sector development

Number of payments since February 2008	Total amount received in US\$ as of 31 October 2008
5	31.83

Sources and Rationale

The following four factors have been identified by the United Nations Country Team as having the greatest impact on the current humanitarian situation: (1) Lack of protection for civilians and increasing violence; (2) Political, geographic, institutional and social fragmentation of the oPt; (3) Closure, lack of access, separation, restrictions and their effects on livelihoods; and (4) the impact of Israeli settlements and settlement expansion on Palestinian livelihoods, the availability of resources and a reduction in space for development.

OCHA has been monitoring and reporting monthly on protection and access concerns in the oPt since 2002. However, following a sharp deterioration in the humanitarian situation in 2006, UN agencies and NGOs participating in the 2006 Consolidated Appeal Process (CAP) have produced this monthly report monitoring developments and key humanitarian indicators in the following sectors: protection, child protection, socio-economic conditions, health including psychosocial support, food security, agriculture, education and water and sanitation. This report also includes information related to movement restrictions and humanitarian access including monitoring the 2002 Bertini Commitments.

The present Humanitarian Monitor uses UN Security Council resolutions, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and international humanitarian law (IHL), the Agreement on Movement and Access (AMA) as the standard for monitoring protection and access indicators. Sectors have also set out guiding humanitarian principles as the baseline for monitoring and developed indicators that can capture the humanitarian situation in a protracted crisis like the oPt.

The Humanitarian Monitor uses a combination of measurable humanitarian indicators, verified field observations and reports on the socio-economic and humanitarian situation in the oPt to analyse the humanitarian situation. These methods can provide different accounts of the situation. The humanitarian indicators reveal longer-term changes and trends from one month to another. Field observations illustrate signs of strain that may indicate future changes in the situation more generally. Reports provide information on specific topics or give larger overviews on the situation in the oPt.

The following sector groups and organisations contribute to the Humanitarian Monitor:

Sector	Sector Lead
Protection	OHCHR/OCHA
Socio-Economic	UNRWA
Health	WHO
Child Protection and Psychosocial	UNICEF
Food	WFP
Agriculture	FAO
Education	UNICEF
Water and Sanitation	UNICEF
Coordination and Security	OCHA

See page 2 for individual contributors.

Table Definitions

Protection of Civilians

- Number of Palestinian and Israeli casualties (fatalities and injuries) direct conflict. Source: OCHA. Casualities included within this figure relate directly to the conflict with Israel and the occupation of the oPt including in IDF military operations, artillery shelling, search and arrest campaigns, Barrier demonstrations, targeted killings, settler violence etc. The figures do not include events indirectly related to the conflict such as casualties from unexploded ordnance, etc. or events when the circumstances remain unclear or are in dispute. The figures include all reported casualties of all ages and both genders.
- 2. Number of Palestinian casualties internal violence. Source: OCHA. Casualties included within this figure are caused by factional violence, family feuding, during internal demonstrations (that are linked to the conflict/occupation) and shooting of alleged collaborators with Israel. These incidents began to be comprehensively reported from May 2006 and earlier figures will be under-reported.
- 3. Number of search and arrest campaigns and arrests and detentions. Source: OCHA. These indicators refer to operations by the Israeli security forces to search houses or other properties throughout the oPt or arrests/detentions that take place at checkpoints or during demonstrations (i.e. no search). During these operations individuals are often detained or arrested. Detentions (without arrest) typically last for a few days but can last be extended up to a period of three months or longer. Since Israel's unilateral disengagement from the Gaza Strip the vast majority of these operations occur in West Bank towns and villages.

Child Protection

- 4. Number of Palestinian children killed direct conflict. Source: OCHA. This indicator is used to monitor UN Security Council Resolution 1612, adopted on 26 July 2005 and relative to the protection of children in armed conflict. Children are killed in incidents related directly to the conflict and occupation of the oPt. These include casualties caused in IDF military operations, artillery shelling, search and arrest campaigns, demonstrations, targeted killing and Israeli settler violence.
- 5. Number of Palestinian children injured direct conflict. This indicator is used to monitor UN Security Council Resolution 1612. Children are injured in incidents directly related to the conflict and occupation of the oPt. These include injuries caused in IDF military operations, artillery shelling, search and arrest campaigns, demonstrations, targeted killing and Israeli settler violence.
- 6. Number of Israeli children killed direct conflict. Source: OCHA. This indicator is used to monitor UN Security Council Resolution 1612.
- 7. Number of Israeli children injured direct conflict. Source: OCHA. This indicator is used to monitor UN Security Council Resolution 1612.
- 8. Number of Palestinian children killed indirect conflict. These are children killed in incidents indirectly related to the conflict and occupation of the oPt such as in incidents involving unexploded ordnance (UXO), traffic incidents in the oPt with Israeli vehicles, Palestinian homemade rockets (Qassams, etc.) missing their target, deaths in prison, deaths from probable underlying medical conditions that occurred during military operations or where access to medical care was denied.
- 9. Number of Palestinian children killed in Palestinian internal violence. Source OCHA. This indicator is used to monitor UN Security Council Resolution 1612. Children are killed in incidents by factional violence or family feuding, internal demonstrations and shooting of alleged collaborators with Israel. These incidents began to be comprehensively reported from May 2006: earlier figures will be underreported. Figure does not include the number of children killed as a result of reckless handling of explosives
- 10. Number of Palestinian children held in detention by Israeli authorities. Source: Defence for Children International (DCI) from 1 January 2007. This indicator reflects the general level of tension in the West Bank. The UN Convention on the Rights of the Child states that deprivation of liberty of children should always be a last resort and for the shortest appropriate period.

Violence & Private Property

- Incidents involving Israeli settlers. Source: OCHA. This indicator shows the level of tension between Palestinians and Israeli settlers in the West Bank. An incident is any event involving an aggressive action perpetrated by either Israeli settlers or Palestinians towards each other or others in the community (such as international observers) and that may but not necessarily lead to a death or an injury. The aggressive action can be an incident involving a car, such as the stoning of a car or driving it in a dangerous manner; any type of harassment such as intimidation and physical threats, stoning people, chasing people etc. that do not cause any casualty; an incident related to property damage to a private house, land, livestock, etc; and any incident involving the entry into a private or prohibited property. This figure also included incidents when the IDF restrict Palestinian access due to Israeli settler presence or activity.
- 12. Number of Palestinian homemade (Qassam, etc.) rockets, IDF artillery shells and IAF airstrikes in and from the Gaza Strip. Source: OCHA Gaza Field Office relying on secondary sources from UNRWA reporting and the Palestinian DCL. These indicators show trends and the level of conflict existing in the Gaza Strip. This number includes rockets that detonated in the Gaza Strip.
- 13. Prior to July 07, the figure for mortars fired "in the Gaza Strip" included mortars known to be fired towards IDF troops in the Gaza Strip. In July 07, these figures were broken down
- 14. Number of physical structures demolished in the West Bank and Gaza Strip. Source: OCHA. A structure is demolished when it is completely destroyed, damaged to such an extent that it will have to be demolished before rebuilding can commence, damaged beyond use and includes structures where the owner chose to demolish his structure which was under a demolition order issued by Israeli authorities. The majority of demolitions in the West Bank occur when the Israeli authorities demolish a structure for reportedly being built without a permit although some demolitions occur in other contexts such as during military incursions or due to the construction of the Barrier. In the Gaza Strip, demolitions usually occur during IAF air strikes or ground incursions. A residential (occupied) structure is any form of inhabited shelter/residence including seasonal shelters, during the time of the olive harvest for example.

Access

- 15. IDF physical obstacles in the West Bank. Source: OCHA field monitoring. The movement of Palestinians in the West Bank is restricted by a series of physical obstacles such as checkpoints, roadblocks, trenches, earthmounds, etc. that severely restrict Palestinians' freedom of movement. Flying' or random checkpoints further disrupt Palestinian movement as they are often deployed on key transit roads during morning and evening peak travelling times. Delays of more than one hour are regularly reported at flying checkpoints and their unpredictable nature means that Palestinians are unable to make travel plans. The annual total of curfew incidents is less than the aggregate of monthly incidents for that year because some curfew incidents began at the end of one month and continued into the next month and were, thus, counted as one incident in each of the two months. In 2007, there are three such incidents.
- 16. Curfews imposed by IDF. Source: OCHA field monitoring. The duration of a curfew is counted once for each curfew incident. A single curfew affecting multiple neighbouring locations is counted as one incident. A curfew that is lifted and re-imposed in the same place on a single day is counted as two incidents. A single curfew incident may last for several days.
- 17. Access incidents reported by humanitarian organisations. Source: ACIS forms collected by OCHA and UNRWA Operations in the West Bank and Gaza Strip. The UN Security Council Resolution 1405 adopted in 2002 "emphasizes the urgency of access of medical and humanitarian organisations to the Palestinian civilian population." In addition, the Government of Israel committed to "fully facilitate the assistance activities of international organisations..." (Bertini Commitments, 2002). In discussions between UNSCO and the IDF it was agreed that internationals should not wait any longer than 20 minutes at Erez crossing.
- 18. Incidents of ambulances delays and denials in the West Bank and medical movement from the Gaza Strip. Source: Palestinian Red Crescent Society and WHO. Incidents reported by PRCS ambulance crews at IDF checkpoints throughout the West Bank. Only delays in excess of 30 minutes are reported. For medical movement, Palestinians from the Gaza Strip referred for medical treatment by the MoH in the West Bank, including East Jerusalem, and Israel must travel through Erez crossing while those seeking medical treatment abroad must cross through Rafah. Referral patients crossing Erez require a permit from the Israeli authorities. Figures for November 2007 inclusive only of the 13-30 November period.
- 19. External acces to/from the oPt closure days. Source: Ministry of Labour, closure reports, AMA bi-weekly reports and OCHA. These are the days when Palestinians from the West Bank cannot access East Jerusalem or Israel regardless of a valid permit. Normally (I) staff of international organisations, (2) medical staff, (3) humanitarian cases and (4) Palestinians with legal issues (needing to attend a court in Israel etc) are excluded from this comprehensive closure. In the Gaza Strip, these are days when Erez crossing is closed for all Palestinian access as reported in the bi-weekly AMA report.
- 20. Movement of people from/to the Gaza Strip daily average. Source: OCHA Gaza Field Office; Erez is the only crossing point for Palestinian workers and traders to enter Israel from the Gaza Strip. The Rafah crossing is the Gaza Strip's only international crossing point with Egypt.
- 21. Functioning of the Gaza Strips crossing points percentage of days open/scheduled days open. Source: AMA bi-weekly report. In terms of scheduled days open: (1) Karni is scheduled to be open six days per week; (2) Sufa is scheduled to open five days per week though at times opens on an additional day to allow the import of non-aggregates; and (3) Nahal Oz energy pipelines are scheduled to operate six days per week.



- 22. Movement of goods through Karni crossing daily average. Source: AMA bi-weekly report. The daily average number of trucks is calculated on the basis of scheduled days open at Karni crossing point. Karni crossing is the main transit point for imports/exports into/from the Gaza Strip as well as humanitarian supplies. According to the 15 November 2005 Agreement on Access and Movement (AMA) signed between the Gol and PA, a minimum of 150 truckloads should be exported every day throughout 2006, to reach 400 per day by 31 December 2006.
- 23. Other imports into the Gaza Strip total. Source: IDF, and Paltrade. This indicators reflects the total number of truckloads of aggregates (through Sufa) and fuel (through Nahal Oz energy pipelines) into the Gaza Strip each month. Sufa allwoed construction materials into Gaza previously. Now it is functioning as a crossing point for entrance of all materials, as Karni remains closed.

Socio-economic Conditions

- 24. Unemployment rate relaxed definition. Source: PCBS labour force surveys. In the context of a protracted crisis, the standard unemployment definition might be somehow deficient, as a considerable number of people are simply no longer seeking employment. A "relaxed definition" of unemployment is applied here, by adding to the total number of unemployed people according to International Labour Organization (ILO) standards the number of people currently not engaged in active job search (commonly defined as "inactive").
- 25. Households living on poverty consumption based. Source: PCBS. The poverty line is the level of income below which one cannot afford to purchase all the resources one requires to live. The official Palestinian (relative) poverty line is based on the average consumption of essential goods (food, clothing, housing, housekeeping supplies, utensils and bedding, personel and health care, transportation and education) by a six-member family. For 2006, PCBS estimates it at NIS 2,300 (\$518). The subsistence (absolute or deep) poverty line is calculated to reflect a budget for food, clothing and housing for a six-member family and stands at NIS 1,837 (\$419) in 2006 (PCBS).
- 26. The number of Palestinians employed in Israel and in the settlements. Source: PCBS labour force surveys. In 2000, around 146,000 Palestinians from the oPt were employed in Israel and Israeli settlements. This figure represents roughly 3% of the Palestinian labour force and demonstrates how vital for Palestinians' livelihoods is the ability to have acces to Israel for working opportunities.
- 27. Economic dependency ratio. Source PCBS labour force surveys. No. of population divided by No. of employed. The higher the ratio, the more the inactive population is dependent on the active one.
- 28. Evolution of Consumer Price Index (CPI). Source: PCBS. Measures changes in prices of purchased goods and services at given time intervals, providing a measure of inflation. Source: PCBS, CPI press releases, quarterly and annually, available from 1996.
- 29. Evolution of daily wages. Source: PCBS labour force survey. Total net wages paid to all employees divided by total workdays in a given period (median value would be considered). To be looked at in conjuction with changes in CPI to determine purchasing power.

Agriculture

- 30. Arable land requisitioned, levelled or reclaimed in dunums West Bank and Gaza Strip. Sources: Ministry of Agriculture, Palestinian Agriculture Relief Committees, compiled by FAO. Requisitioned land is public or private arable land either confiscated or made unavailable to Palestinian farmers by the IDF for any reason (Barrier construction, settlements, roads, military areas, etc.). Levelled land is public or private land that has been deforested or devoid of inhabitation by the IDF. It, however, remains accessible to farmers and can be re-used once the levelling is completed. Reclaimed land is that land, which is originally non-productive, and is transformed into farming land, under a private or NGO/UN-led initiative. Most of the time, this land is privately owned.
- 31. Greenhouses' land destroyed (greenhouses and land they are on) and rehabilitated or constructed in dunums West Bank and Gaza Strip. Sources: Ministry of Agriculture, Palestinian Agriculture Relief Committees, compiled by FAO.
- 32. Number of trees destroyed (uprooted, burnt or cut by Israeli authorities or settlers). Source: FAO; Ministry of Agriculture Directorates, Palestinian Agriculture Relief Committees.
- 33. Agricultural produce trading in or out of the Gaza Strip the quantities of plant or animal produce that are imported to or exported from Gaza (metric tonnes). Source: Ministry of Agriculture, Gaza Strip, Directorates of Agricultural Marketing.

Food Security

- 34. Retail price of basic food commodities West Bank, in NIS. Source: WFP, Market Monitoring System. The VAM Market Price Survey is the primary means by which WFP collects commodity prices in the local markets. The prices are collected during the first week of each month from retail shops in all governorates of the oPt.
- 35. Retail price of basic food commodities Gaza Strip, in NIS. Source: WFR, Market Monitoring System. The VAM Market Price Survey is the primary means by which WFP collects commodity prices in the local markets. The prices are collected during the first week of each month from retail shops in all governorates of the oPt.
- 36. Availability of basic commodities Gaza Strip. Source: Ministry of National Economy, collected by WFP. Basic commodities refers to commercial food only (humanitarian stocks excluded). The availability of each item is comparable to the estimated daily quantity of each item needed to cover the needs of the total population of the Gaza Strip.
- 37. Quantities of food imported in the Gaza Strip. Source: Paltrade, collected by WFP. Basic commodities refers to commercial and humanitarian food being imported every month into the Gaza Strip. Each commodity is compared to the estimated need in that specific commodity.
- 38. Fishing catch in the Gaza Strip. Source: Ministry of Agriculture, collected by WFP. Fish is the cheapest available animal protein source in the Gaza Strip. In addition, it contributes to the livelihoods of fisherfolk and their families. According to the Oslo Accords, the Palestinians are granted a fish catch area within 20 nautical miles off the Gazan coastline. The Gol agreed under the 2002 Bertini Commitments to a fishing zone of 12 nautical miles. Fisherfolk are presently able to fish up to 6 nautical miles off the Gaza Strip coastline except at a 1.5 and 1 nautical mile exclusion zone to the north and south respectively.

Sources of Sector Quotations

- a. Protection of Civilians: Inter Agency Standing Committee (IASC)
- b. Child Protection: UNICEF
- c. Violence: Protocol I Additional to the Geneva Conventions, Article 51
- d. Access: Universal Declaration of Human Rights, Article 13
- e. Access: International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, Article 12 (I)
- f. Socio Economic: Universal Declaration of Human Rights, Article 23