

Highlights

- The Logistics Cluster de-escalation plan is to shift to cost recovery service provision by the end of October whilst continuing coordination and information management support until the end of 2014.
- Kerem Shalom crossing was closed on 16 October due to Jewish holidays.

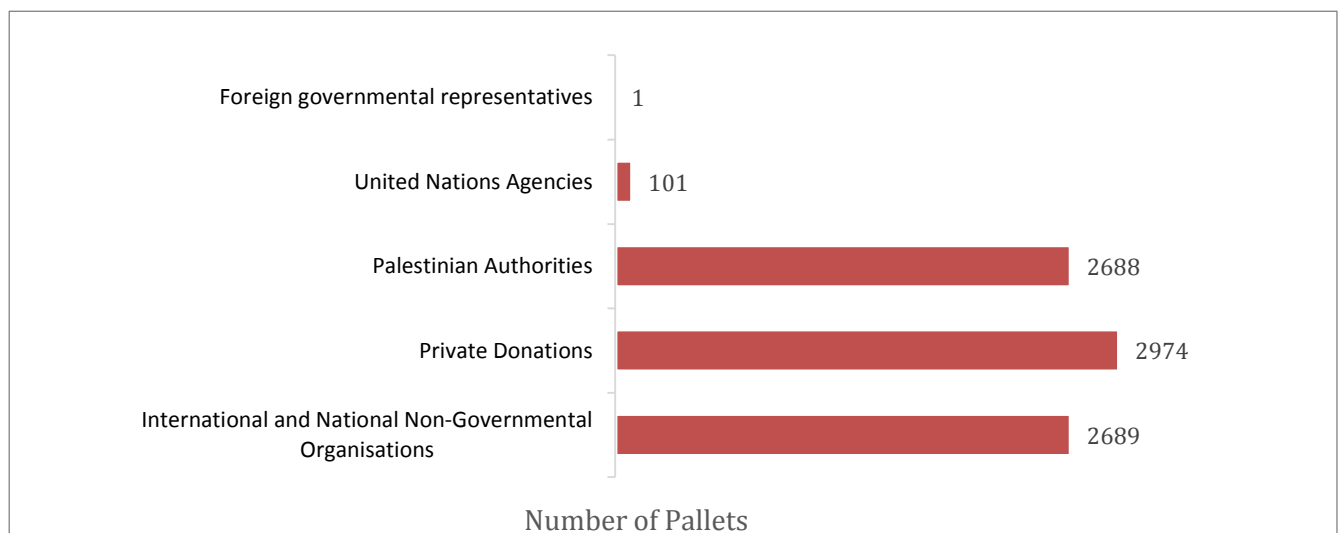
Transport Services

Since activation on 30 July, the Logistics Cluster has:

- Facilitated the transportation of 8,453 pallets of humanitarian relief supplies via 319 trucks on behalf of humanitarian organisations for distribution within the Gaza Strip
- Facilitated the transportation of over 2231 (out of a total of 8453) pallets with the Palestinian Authority for distribution within the Gaza Strip

Total from 10 October- 23 October	
Trucks crossed into the Gaza Strip	7
Pallets delivered within the Gaza Strip	154
Number of Organizations Supported	8

Graph 1: Total Number of Pallets transported on behalf of organisation type since activation of the Logistics Cluster (30 July – 23 October)



(Source: Logistics Cluster)

Common Storage

- Five staging areas for cargo consolidation, palletisation and loading prior to transport have been made available by the Logistics Cluster for use by the humanitarian community. The staging areas are located in Jerusalem, Hebron, Ramallah, Nablus and Ashqelon.

Coordination/Information Management/GIS

Since activation on 30 July, the Logistics Cluster:

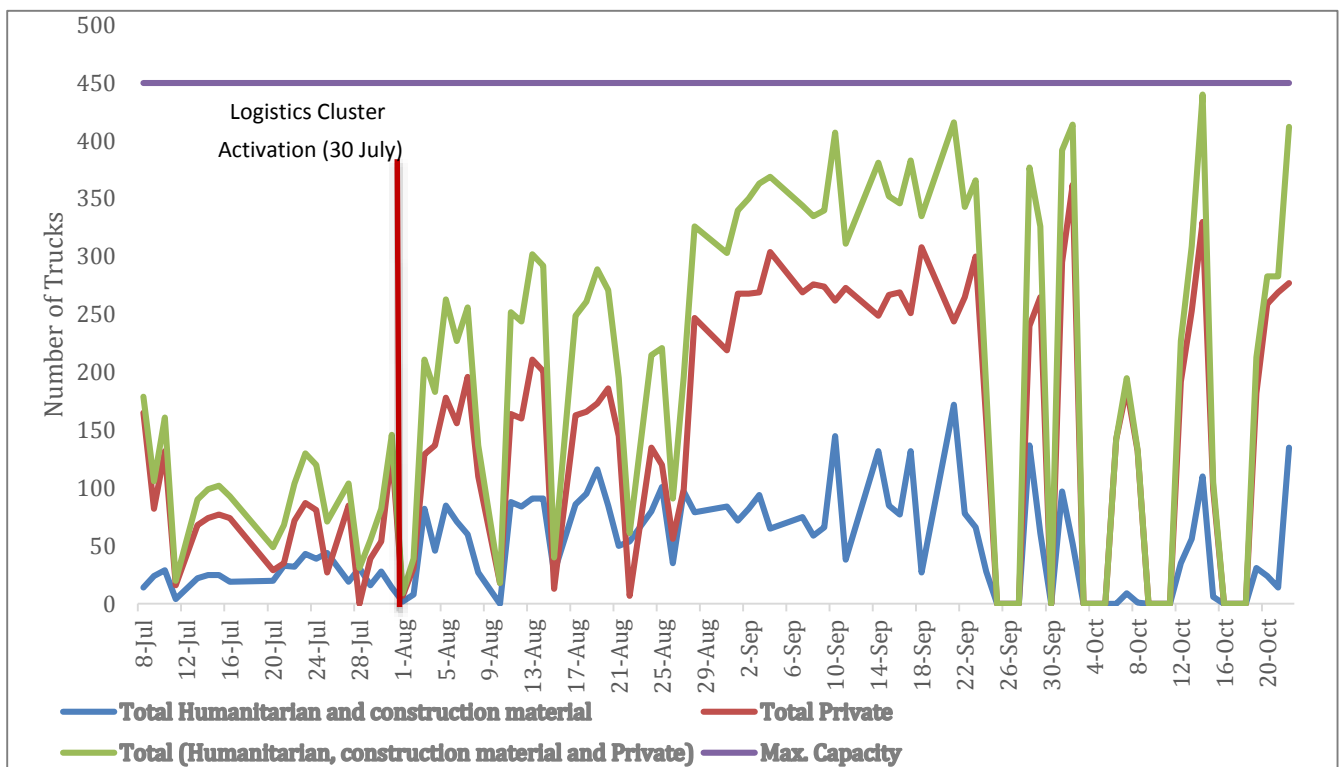
- Held nine weekly Logistics Cluster Coordination meetings with partners attending in Jerusalem, Ramallah and Gaza City, all linked via video teleconference.
- Shared a total of 49 information products, including meeting minutes, daily and weekly Situation Updates, Service Request Guidance and Logistics Cluster Concept of Operations (ConOps) via the dedicated Logistics Cluster mailing list and Gaza Operations page on the Logistics Cluster website: <http://logcluster.org/ops/gaza14a>.

- Provided GIS mapping support, including publication of ConOps, Access Constraints maps and maps upon request for the humanitarian community.
- Coordinated the movement of 319 trucks with Coordination of Government Activities in the Territories (COGAT) from the West Bank and Israel into the Gaza Strip.
- Consolidated information on crossing points and liaised with relevant authorities to ease bottlenecks and investigate possible solutions to delays.

Other Logistics Gaps or Bottlenecks

- Due to limited capacity, opening hours and security equipment at Betunia* crossing from the West Bank into Israel, a number of trucks continue to be redirected via Share Ephraim, a northern alternative to Betunia, which is the most suitable crossing point for trucks loaded in Ramallah. During the reporting period (10 October – 23 October), all trucks loaded in Ramallah were redirected to cross at Share Ephraim.

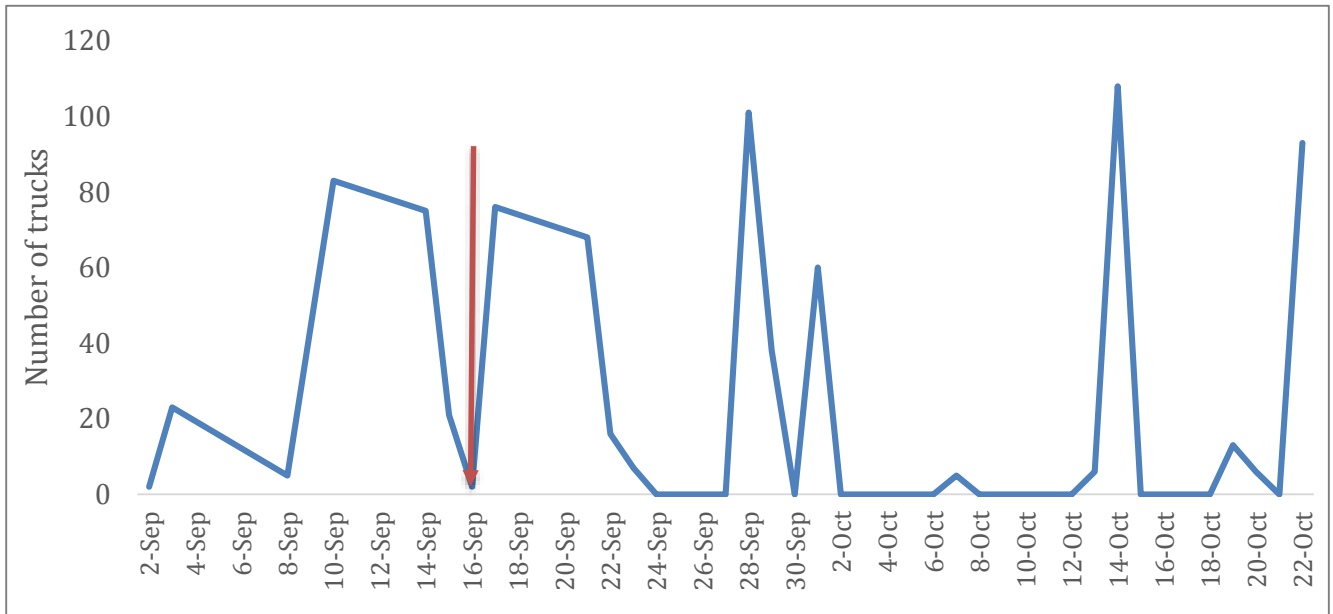
* Betunia is the most suitable crossing point for trucks loaded in Ramallah travelling from The West Bank to Israel.

Graph 2: Total Truck Movements Entering Gaza through Kerem Shalom per Day (08 July – 23 Oct)


(Source: OCHA 2014, ACU 2014)

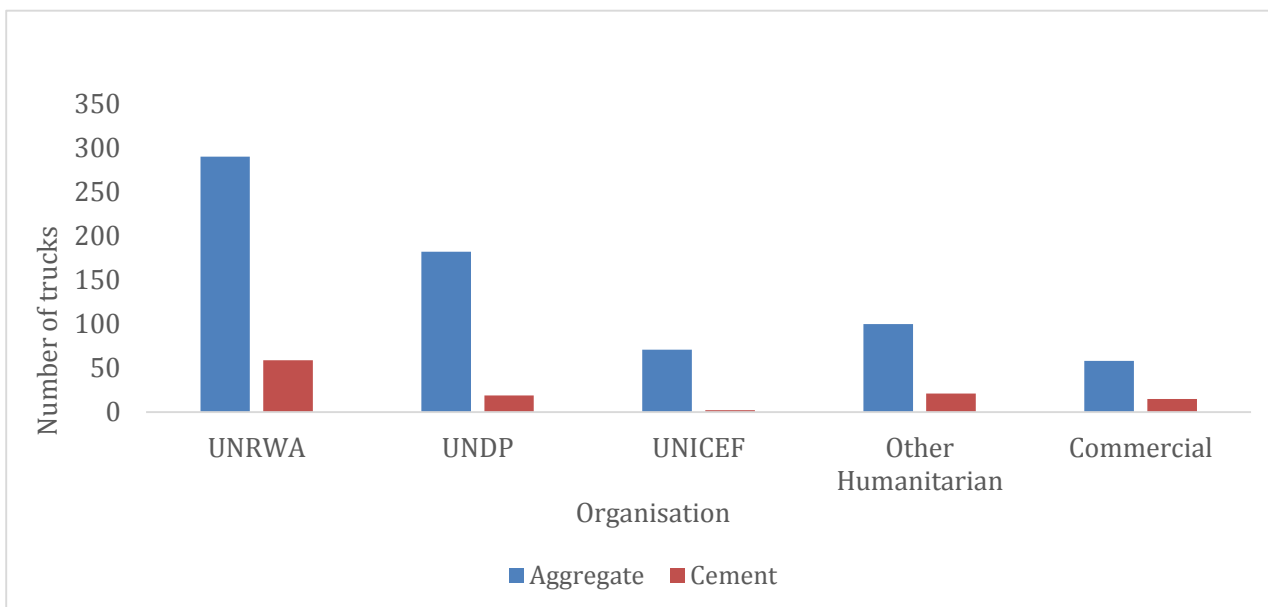
*Please note, the data provided has been collected from various sources and may be subject to inaccuracy

Graph 3: Total Trucks of Aggregate and Cement transported via Kerem Shalom (02 Sep – 23 Oct)



(Source: UNRWA 2014)

Graph 4: Total trucks of Aggregate and Cement via Kerem Shalom by Transporting Organization (02 Sep – 23 Oct)



(Source: UNRWA 2014)

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