

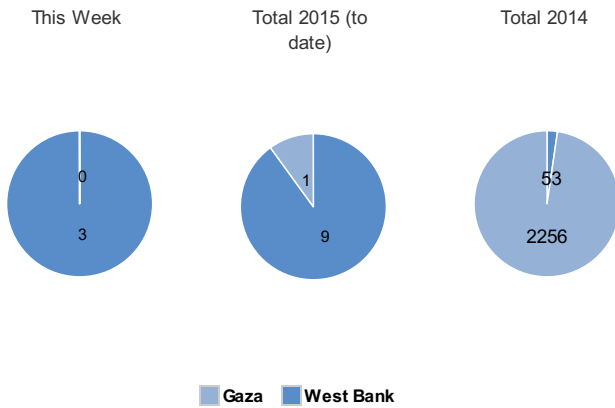
Reporting period: 21 – 27 April 2015

Weekly Highlights

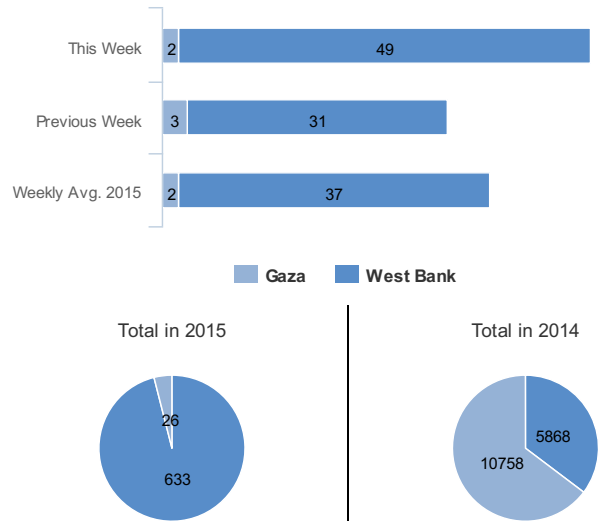
- **Israeli forces shot and killed three Palestinians in separate incidents in the West Bank.** Two of the incidents, resulting in the killing of a 20-year-old man and a 17-year-old boy, occurred on 25 April in the context of the stabbing, and alleged attempt to stab Israeli forces in Hebron city and at Az Za'ayem checkpoint (Jerusalem), respectively; a border policeman was injured during the former incident. The third case, resulting in the death of an 18-year-old youth, on 28 April, of wounds sustained the day before, occurred in unclear circumstances near the Barrier in Araqa village (Jenin). This brings the number of Palestinian fatalities by Israeli forces in West Bank so far in 2015 to nine, [compared to ten in the equivalent period of 2014](#).
- **Another 49 Palestinians, including 11 children and four women, were injured by Israeli forces in various clashes.** 84 per cent of the injuries were reported during clashes with Palestinian stone-throwers in the context of protests: in [East Jerusalem](#) against the above-mentioned killing of a Palestinian boy, as well as in weekly protests against settlement expansion in An Nabi Saleh (Ramallah) and the longstanding closure of one of the main entrances to Kafr Qaddum (Qalqiliya). On 23 April, a 16-year-old student was injured due to tear gas inhalation and over 200 other students had to be evacuated from As Sawiya Secondary Girls School (Nablus) due to heavy tear gas firing by Israeli forces at a group of youth, following claims by settlers of stone throwing at passing vehicles.
- **At least 18 incidents involving Israeli forces' opening fire at Palestinian civilians in the [Access Restricted Areas \(ARA\)](#) at land and sea were recorded in the Gaza Strip.** One of the incidents led to the injury of a farmer at approximately 300 meters from the perimeter fence. Additionally, a 17-year-old child was shot with live ammunition and injured during clashes between Israeli forces during a demonstration near the fence. On at least one occasion, Egyptian naval forces opened fired towards Palestinian boats approaching Egyptian waters, northwest of Nuseirat, causing damage to two boats.
- On 23 April, **members of the armed groups in Gaza fired two rockets from Beit Hanoun towards Israel, one of which landed in an open space in Israel** while the other fell short and landed inside Gaza. Following the incident, **Israeli air forces reportedly fired at least one missile at a Hamas military site**. No injuries or damage were reported on either side.
- **Five Palestinian children were injured by unexploded ordnance (UXO) across the oPt:** two children, five and six-years-old, from Azzun Atma (Qalqiliya) were injured when playing with an unexploded sound grenade near the Barrier; and three others, ages between 13 and 15, were injured when tampering with a UXO west of Gaza City.
- **A 17-year-old boy was physically assaulted by settlers** near Al Ibrahim Mosque (Hebron) and **165 olive trees and grapevines owned by Palestinians were vandalized**, reportedly by Israeli settlers, in two separate incidents near the settlement of Karnei Zur (Hebron) and the settlement El Azar ([Bethlehem](#)). Additionally, **two pregnant women and their husbands were injured when an Israeli-plated vehicle ran them over with his vehicle** near Al Nabi Elyas village (Qalqiliya), and fled the scene.
- **An Israeli settler was injured as a result of stone throwing by Palestinians** at a bus in At Tur area in East Jerusalem, and damage to an Israeli settler's vehicle hit by a Molotov cocktail was reported near Beit Ur al Tahta (Ramallah).
- **The Israeli authorities demolished five Palestinian residential structures** in [Abu al 'Ajj Bedouin area of Al Jiftik town](#) in the Jordan Valley (Jericho) for lack of Israeli-issued building permits in [Area C](#), displacing four families (25 people).
- **Fuel delivery for the operating of the Gaza Power Plant was halted** between 22 and 25 April due to the closure of Kerem Shalom during the Israeli holidays, which was followed by damage to the fuel pipelines on the Palestinian end, **bringing electricity outages from 12-16 hours per day to up to 20 hours per day, and eventually rendering the two functional turbines inoperable**.
- **In Gaza, two Palestinians were killed in accidents, reportedly while working in tunnels used to smuggle commercial goods from Egypt**, including an 18-year-old who died of electrocution and a 26-year-old killed due to a tunnel collapse. While smuggling activities from Egypt largely came to a halt by mid-2013, a small number of tunnels have reportedly continued to operate on an irregular basis.
- **The Rafah crossing was closed in both directions by the Egyptian authorities during the week.** The crossing has been continuously closed since 24 October 2014, following an attack in Sinai, except for 12 days, on which it was opened, but with restrictions. The crossing was last exceptionally opened on 10 March 2015.

Palestinian casualties in the occupied Palestinian territory (including East Jerusalem)

Palestinian fatalities by Israeli forces in the oPt

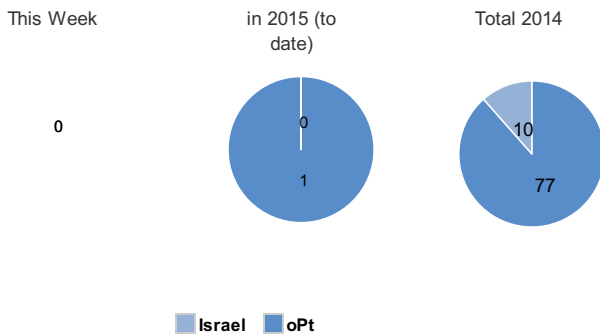


Palestinian injuries by Israeli forces in the oPt

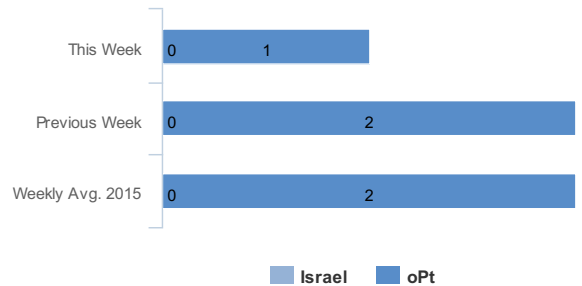


Israeli civilian casualties by Palestinians in the occupied Palestinian territory and Israel

Israeli fatalities by Palestinians in the oPt and Israel



Israeli injuries by Palestinians in the oPt and Israel

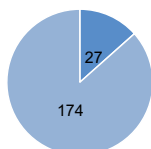


Demolitions and related displacements

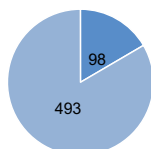
Palestinian-owned structures demolished



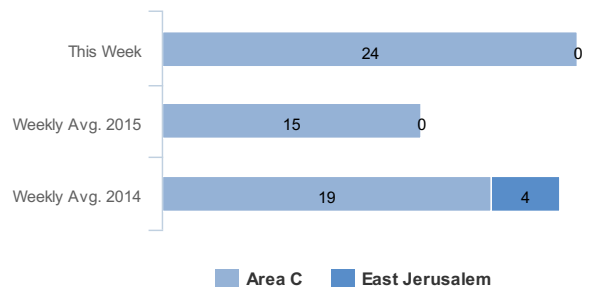
Total in 2015 (to date)



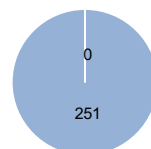
Total in 2014



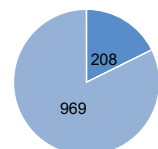
Palestinians displaced due to demolitions



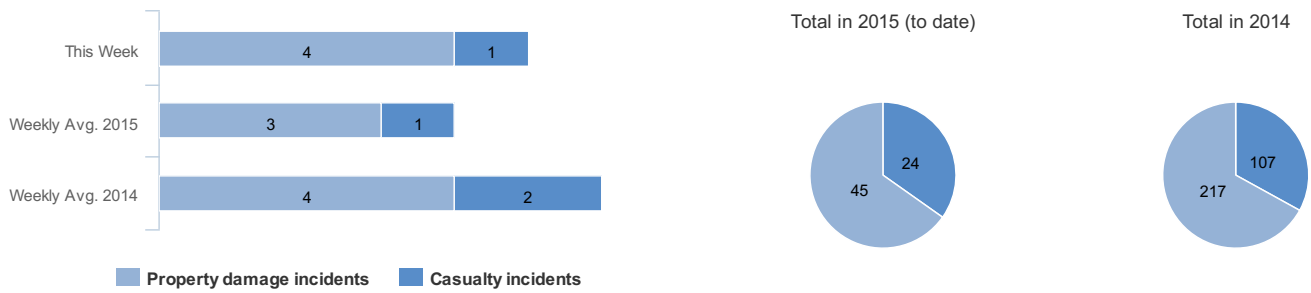
Total in 2015 (to date)



Total in 2014



Settler-related violence in the West Bank (including East Jerusalem)



Israeli military operations in the occupied Palestinian territory (including East Jerusalem)

Israeli military incursions into Gaza*

* excluding the period of hostilities (7 July- 26 August)

This week In 2015 (to date) Total 2014

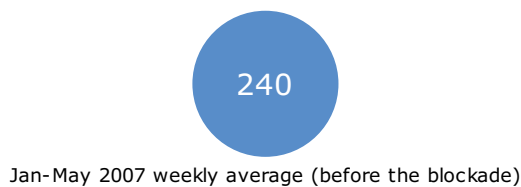
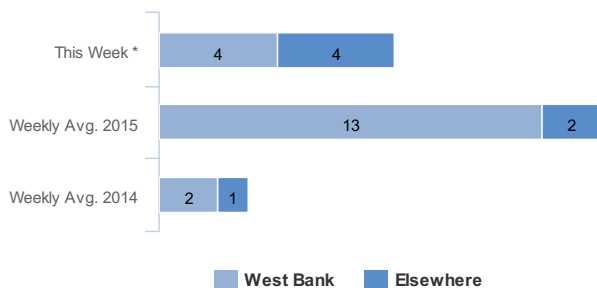


Israeli military search and arrest operations into the West Bank

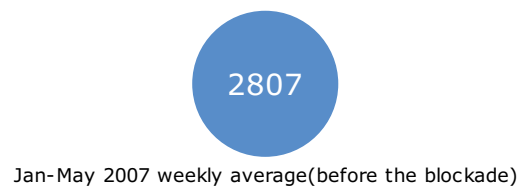
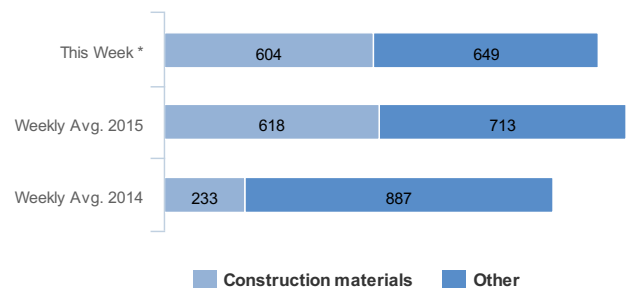


Movements of goods into and out of Gaza through Kerem Shalom Crossing

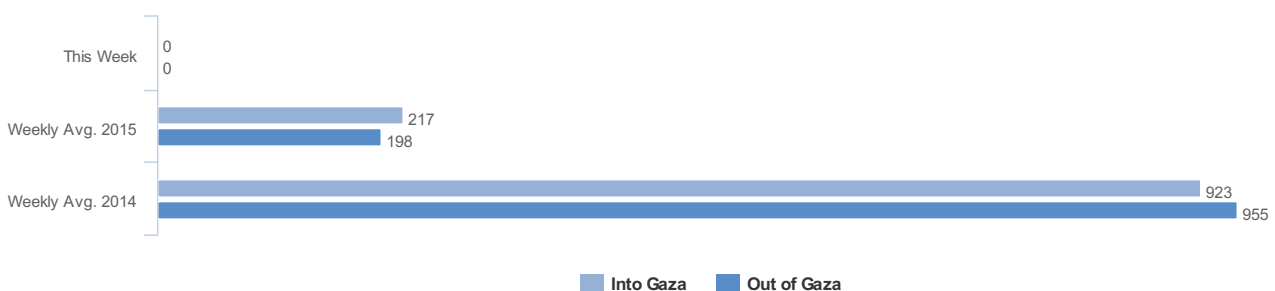
Truckloads leaving Gaza



Truckloads entering Gaza



Movement of People via Rafah crossing



Please note that the figures in this report are subject to changes upon the receipt of additional information.

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