



Situation Report #52: Occupied Palestine

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The Government Communication Center at the Prime Minister's Office issues the Situation Report once a week in English, Arabic, Spanish, and French. The next Situation Report will be issued on 15 September 2025.

Key Developments

DAY 703: ISRAEL'S ONGOING GENOCIDE, STARVATION, AND FORCED DISPLACEMENT OF PALESTINIANS IN GAZA

The occupying Power has intensified its air and ground operations in the Gaza Strip, especially in Gaza City, issuing widespread [evacuation orders](#) and targeting [prominent residential towers](#). During the past week, the Israeli occupation army announced its [control over 40% of Gaza City](#), with military operations continuing to control the entire city. [UNOCHA](#) warned that "further intensification of the continued offensive on Gaza City, amid ongoing famine, will push civilians – already battered and bereaved – into an even deeper catastrophe (...)." [UNOCHA weekly report](#) noted that the occupation continues to target tents, schools, residential buildings, health facilities, and people seeking aid throughout the Gaza Strip. Regarding the severity of the situation in Gaza City, which has gone beyond a catastrophe, [UNRWA media advisor Adnan Abu Hasna](#) said that the humanitarian system there is almost completely collapsed. He explained that ongoing bombings and destruction continuously restrict humanitarian efforts, and hundreds of thousands of civilians are crowded into overcrowded areas without access to basic necessities of life. Until yesterday, [medical sources](#) confirmed the death of 387 Palestinians from starvation, including 138 children. At the aid distribution centers of the Gaza "Humanitarian" Foundation, the Israeli occupation forces (IOF) have continued to target starved Palestinians seeking aid, killing 2,416 Palestinians and wounding around 17,709 others since 27 May 2025.

ISRAEL-MADE FAMINE IN GAZA: "NOT ENOUGH INTERNATIONAL PRESSURE"

Since the Integrated Food Security Phase Classification (IPC) declared famine in Gaza, [109 deaths have been recorded, including 23 children](#). Speaking from Gaza yesterday, [UNICEF spokesperson Tess Ingram](#) warned that famine could worsen in Gaza City and spread to the center of the Strip within weeks if urgent action isn't taken. Ingram noted that Palestinian families live in despair because they know the worst is yet to come, and that "there is not enough international pressure to change this reality." [WFP](#) emphasized that "[w]omen and persons with disabilities in particular are struggling to feed their children," adding that "[o]nly a ceasefire will ensure the necessary conditions to allow a massive, large-scale response to prevent famine from spreading further."



SMOTRICH PROPOSES ANNEXING 82% OF THE OCCUPIED WEST BANK

On 3 September, Israeli Minister Smotrich presented a [comprehensive plan to annex 82% of the occupied West Bank](#), displaying a map, with the state emblem of Israel on it, drawn up by the "Defense" Ministry's Settlements Administration, which shows the areas targeted for annexation. Smotrich said at a press conference, "[I]t is time to state this clearly and act accordingly. It is time to apply Israeli sovereignty in Judea and Samaria [West Bank] and remove once and for all the idea of dividing our small land and establishing a terrorist state in its heart." As per the plan, Israel would implement "sovereignty" following the guiding principle of "[maximum land, minimum Arabs](#)." Smotrich added, "[t]here will never, and can never be, a Palestinian state in our land." The [Palestinian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Expatriates](#) considered these statements "an extension of a series of provocative calls made by more than one Israeli official, and fall within the framework of committing further crimes of colonialism, annexation, genocide, and displacement of our people."

US IMPOSES SANCTIONS ON THREE PALESTINIAN HUMAN RIGHTS GROUPS

The [US Treasury Department](#) imposed sanctions on three Palestinian human rights organizations last Thursday for "directly engag[ing] in efforts by the International Criminal Court (ICC) to investigate, arrest, detain, or prosecute Israeli nationals, without Israel's consent." Data from the Treasury Department's website showed that the US administration sanctioned the Palestinian Center for Human Rights and Al Mezan Center for Human Rights—both based in Gaza—and Al-Haq, based in Ramallah. In [response](#), the three Palestinian organizations condemned the US sanctions and called for global solidarity to end the genocide in Gaza and the oppression of Palestinians.

NEW REPORT – IR AMIM: EAST JERUSALEM EDUCATION REPORT [2024-2025]

The [new report](#) by the Israeli organization [Ir Amim](#) highlights a significant escalation in Israel's "draconian education policy" in occupied Jerusalem. The report highlights the Israeli occupation authorities' decision not to build any new classrooms or schools that don't operate exclusively under the Israeli curriculum. The report also documents the "harmful legislation blitz" targeting the Palestinian education system in the city, including "a bill to bar the employment of teachers with degrees from Palestinian universities, legislation restricting teachers' freedom of expression, and laws mandating the closure of all UNRWA-operated schools in Jerusalem."

ISRAEL'S CONTINUED AGGRESSION AGAINST THE NORTHERN WEST BANK

The occupation's aggression has persisted for 231 days against Jenin and its refugee camp, 225 days against Tulkarem and its refugee camp, and 212 days against Nour Shams refugee camp. [MSF](#) warned, "Palestinians are facing forced mass displacement across the West Bank, Palestine, by Israeli forces and settlers, significantly heightening the risk of ethnic cleansing (...)."



Summary

Figure 1: Gaza Strip (Since 7 October 2023)

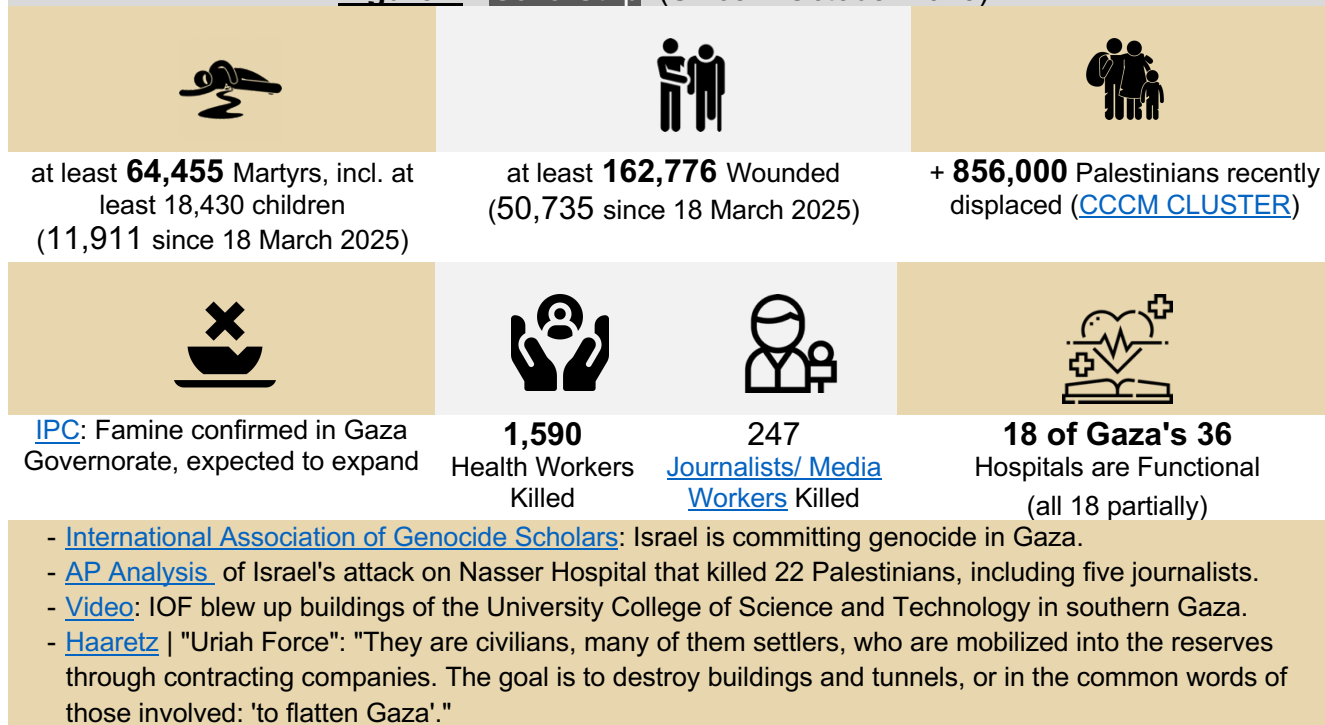
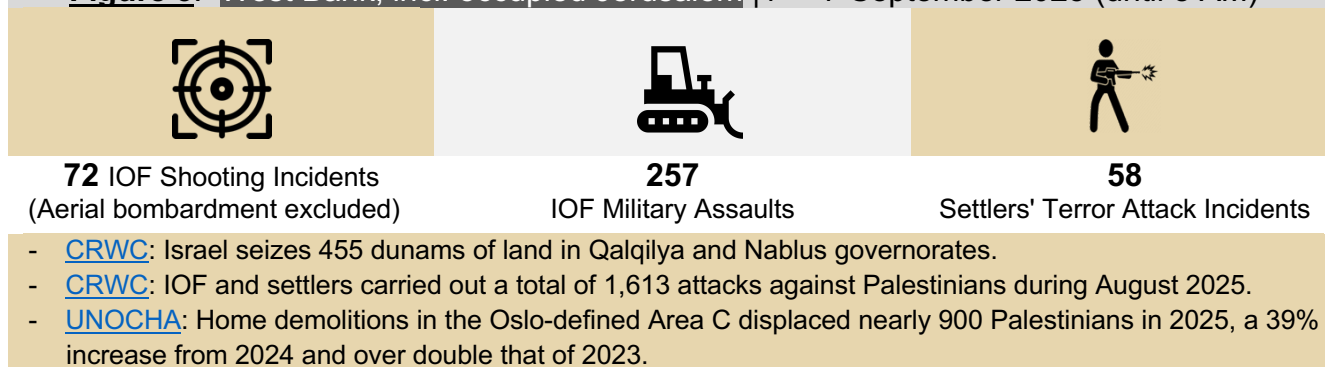


Figure 2: West Bank, incl. occupied Jerusalem (Since 7 October 2023)



Figure 3: West Bank, incl. occupied Jerusalem | 1 – 7 September 2025 (until 8 AM)



Sources: Ministry of Health, [Wafa](#), [UNOCHA](#), [NAD's Palestinian Monitoring Group](#), [Palestinian Prisoners' Society](#) | [PJS](#): 15 Palestinian journalists were killed during [August 2025](#), including 3 female journalists.



In Focus

In a briefing marking 700 days of the Israeli occupation's genocide in the Gaza Strip, the [Palestinian Prisoner's Society](#) (PPS) reported that the total number of arrests recorded in the occupied West Bank and Jerusalem exceeded 19,000. The figure includes individuals still in detention and those who have been released. It excludes Gaza's detainees, who are estimated to number in the thousands. There is no clear estimate of how many Palestinians from Gaza are detained in the occupation's prisons and military camps. Since the beginning of the genocide, the IOF has arrested at least 585 Palestinian women (including women detained within Israel and those from Gaza arrested in the occupied West Bank) and at least 1,550 children in the occupied West Bank. In Israeli custody, 77 Palestinian prisoners have been killed, including 46 who were arrested from Gaza. Dozens of others have been killed or subjected to enforced disappearances, particularly from Gaza. The bodies of 74 of the 77 identified martyred prisoners are still held by the occupation, part of a total of 85 identified martyred prisoners whose bodies are withheld. Moreover, [PPS](#) warned that the occupation's recent introduction of a new set of weapons to be used against Palestinian political prisoners clearly indicates a systematic policy and intention to kill /harm them.

Government Updates

- In a [meeting](#) on Sunday in Ramallah, Prime Minister Dr. Mohammad Mustafa discussed with Denmark's Foreign Minister Lars Løkke Rasmussen intensifying international efforts to end the Israeli genocidal war on Gaza and halt ongoing violations by Israeli occupation forces and settlers in the West Bank, including Jerusalem. The meeting was also attended by Foreign Minister Varsen Aghabekian Shaheen. Dr. Mustafa praised Denmark's consistent support for the two-state solution, its endorsement of the New York Conference Declaration, and its continued support for Palestine. For his part, Foreign Minister Rasmussen affirmed Denmark's firm support for the two-State solution, ending the war on Gaza, the reopening of crossings, and the unimpeded entry of humanitarian aid.
- Prime Minister Dr. Mohammad Mustafa received a [phone call](#) on Sunday from the new British Foreign Secretary, Yvette Cooper, during which they discussed efforts to ensure the success of the upcoming international conference in New York, as well as joint efforts to implement the outcomes of the document issued by the UN International Conference on the Two-State Solution. Prime Minister Mustafa congratulated Foreign Secretary Cooper on her appointment, affirming his readiness for joint cooperation to advance peace and support stability efforts in the region. Cooper, in turn, reaffirmed the strategic partnership between the United Kingdom and Palestine, highlighting the British government's commitment to ending the war in Gaza, facilitating humanitarian aid, supporting efforts to realize the Palestinian state, and promoting international recognition of the State of Palestine as a means to achieve regional stability.