Facts & Stats to Think About

General Facts

Nearly 5 million Palestinians live in the occupied Palestinian territories, including 3 million in the West Bank and nearly 2 million in Gaza. All are under direct or indirect Israeli military control.

Source: UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs

Since 1967, Israel has uprooted 800,000 Palestinian olive trees, equal to 33 Central Parks. This has resulted in over \$12M/year in lost income to the thousands of families who relied on the olive harvest.

Source: Visualizing Palestine

As of April 2018, 315 Palestinian children were being held in Israeli prison.

Source: B'Tselem

Between 800 – 1,000 children are detained each year

Source: militarycourtwatch.org

Half of all detained children are arrested at night and report physical and psychological distress and trauma as a result of their capture and interrogation.

Source: militarycourtwatch.org

99% of all trials in military court result in conviction.

Source: militarycourtwatch.org

Gaza

In June 2007, Israel imposed a land, sea, and air blockade in the Gaza Strip, creating a massive humanitarian crisis in the region. 97% of piped water in Gaza is unfit for human consumption, and nearly half of all Gazan households suffer from severe food insecurity.

Source: UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs

Unemployment in Gaza is among the highest in the world. 40% in the general population and 60% among young people.

Source: B'Tselem

Palestinians in Gaza only receive 8-12 hours of electricity per day.

Source: Visualizing Palestine

The West Bank

As a result of the Oslo Accords of the mid-1990s, the West Bank was divided into three areas — Areas A, B, and C. Areas A and B are non-contiguous (made up of hundreds of small "islands") and are ostensibly under the civil control of the Palestinian Authority.

Source: B'Tselem

The West Bank (Cont.)

Area C (60% of the total land area of the West Bank) is under full municipal and security control of Israel, is contiguous, and contains all Israeli settlements. In reality, Israel has direct or indirect control over the entirety of the West Bank.

Source: B'tselem

71,666 Palestinians in the West Bank live in communities without running water.

Source: B'Tselem

611,000 Israeli settlers live in 250 settlements in Area C of the West Bank and East Jerusalem, in contravention of international law.

Source: UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs

Over 400 kilometers of West Bank roads are prohibited for Palestinian use and are exclusively for settlers.

Source: UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs

As of 2016, there were 96 permanent checkpoints in the West Bank, plus an average of 107 "flying," or temporary, checkpoints erected each week. These checkpoints restrict Palestinians' ability to access work and to move freely.

Source: UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs

The 700 km-long separation barrier is built almost entirely on privately owned Palestinian land, and 85% of it is in the West Bank — meaning thousands of Palestinians are separated from their own agricultural lands, families, and communities.

Source: B'Tselem

East Jerusalem

Israeli annexation of East Jerusalem is not recognized under international law. Today, 212,000 Israeli settlers live in East Jerusalem.

Source: UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs

140,000 Palestinians living in East Jerusalem live in neighborhoods encircled by the separation barrier-meaning they are totally cut off from the rest of their community.

Source: B'Tselem

Since 1967, Israel has revoked the permanent residency status of 14,500 Palestinians in East Jerusalem.

Source: B'Tselem