

PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP



MONTHLY SUMMARY OF ISRAELI VIOLATIONS

01 August 2015 – 31 August 2015

The following summary tables and overview of events survey hostile Israeli activities during the period 01 August 2015 to 31 August 2015. The report includes a summary table of events, classified by type, throughout the West Bank and Gaza Strip, in addition to a comparative table surveying events over the past three months. The survey is compiled from the Daily Situation Reports of the Palestinian Monitoring Group (PMG) of the Negotiations Affairs Department (NAD) of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO). The PMG monitors ground conditions in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, including Israeli and Palestinian violations. The information reported through the PMG process represents data available at the time of distribution only.

SAMPLE OF ISRAELI VIOLATIONS DURING THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2015

- **August 1st 2015:** A group of Israeli settlers stormed agricultural land in the area between Qusra and Jalloud villages, assaulted several farmers on agricultural land during which Israeli forces fired rubber coated steel bullets , stun and tear gas grenades towards several residents who attempted to prevent the settler assault and as a result injured 5 residents including a child: Bahjat Hassan (16 years old), Mohammad Hassan, Sa'ed Odeh, Mo'ayad Odeh Naser Mohammad and also Nassar Mohammad was injured after being assaulted by Israeli settlers and left several other suffocated from tear gas inhalation.
- **August 1st 2015:** A group of Israeli settlers stormed Jabal Darwish and Rafid areas in Al-Mughier village, set fire to agricultural land and as a result destroyed 50 Olive trees during which Israeli forces fired stun and tear gas grenades towards several residents as they attempted to prevent the settler assault and as a result injured the child Foad Abu Aliya (17 years old) after he was struck by a tear gas grenade canister to the head and also assaulted 3 residents: Ammar Abu Aliya, Musa Hamdan and Murad Abu Aliya leaving them hospitalised with contusions.
- **August 3rd 2015:** A group of Israeli settlers stormed Hizma village with their vehicle and attempted to abduct the child Qa'qour (15 years old) {A resident of Hizma} during which the child's father and several residents were able to prevent the abduction.
- **August 3rd 2015:** An Israeli settler vehicle travelling through Jaljoliya checkpoint near Wall Gate (109) at the east entrance of Qalqiliya ran over Khalaf Masa'id (A resident of Arab Abu Farda village) and as a result, left him hospitalised with contusions.
- **August 6th 2015:** Israeli forces raided Biddu village (After a resident allegedly ran over 3 Israeli soldiers near Sinjil village in Ramallah), clashed with several residents as they stormed Raed Badowan's home and as a result injured 3 residents and left several others suffocated from tear gas inhalation, detained a resident, confiscated a computer.
- **August 7th 2015:** Israeli forces positioned behind the Green Line opened fire towards several residents on agricultural land in east Beit Hanoun and as a result injured Maher Shabbat (14 years old).
- **August 8th 2015:** Sa'ed Dawabsheh , died from injuries sustained after his home was torched by Israeli settlers which killed his 18-month-old son and kept him his wife and 4 year old critically injured in Duma village in Nablus as mentioned in the report of July 31st 2015.
- **August 9th 2015:** Anas Mountasir Taha (A resident of Qutna village) was killed after Israeli forces positioned near wall gate 443 in Kharbatha Al-Misbah village for allegedly stabbing an Israeli settler.
- **August 15th 2015:** Israeli forces set up a checkpoint near the entrance of Beita, opened fire towards a resident and as a result killed Rafiq Al-Taj (A resident of Tubas) for allegedly attempting to stab an Israeli soldier during which confrontations erupted between residents and Israeli forces.
- **August 16th 2015:** An Israeli settler vehicle ran over the child Mohammad Al-Najjar (10 years old) near Yatma village and as a result, left him hospitalised with a fractured leg.
- **August 17th 2015:** Israeli forces positioned at Za'tara checkpoint opened fire towards Mohammad Al-Atrash (A resident of Kafr Ra'I in Jenin).as he allegedly attempted to stab an Israeli soldier and as a result killed him.
- **August 19th 2015:** A group of Israeli settlers assaulted an unidentified residents in Jerusalem leaving him hospitalised with contusions.
- **August 19th 2015:** Israeli forces positioned A main gate entrance leading to Al-Aqsa mosque compound) in the old city of Jerusalem temporarily detained 3 girls: Asma Abu Madi (13 years old), Nour Al-Safadi (13 years old) and Isra' Abu Wahdan (13 years old) then released them at a later time.
- **August 21st 2015:** Israeli forces positioned near the entrance "Ofar" Military base/ Prison fired stun and tear gas grenades towards several children for alleged stoning and as a result injured Ahmad Al-Kharoubi leaving him hospitalised.

- **August 21st 2015:** A group of Israeli settlers assaulted Mohammad Ghannam (A bus driver) {A resident of Al-Tur neighbourhood} in Jerusalem and threatened to kill and burn him.
- **August 28th 2015:** , Israeli forces positioned near the entrance of Silwad fired rubber coated steel bullets stun and tear gas grenades towards several residents for alleged stoning and as a result injured 3 residents including 2 children: Loia Hamdan (16 years old), Tamer Hamad (12 years old) and Hatem Ahmad.
- **August 28th 2015:** A demonstration took place in Al-Nabi Saleh village protesting against the confiscation of land for the purpose of settlement construction during which they clashed with Israeli forces who fired live ammunition, stun and tear gas grenades towards demonstrators and as a result injured the child Salam Al-Tamimi (8 years old) and assaulted and injured 4 residents including 2 children: Mohammad Al-Tamimi (11 years old), Salam Al-Tammimi (8 years old), Nariman Al-Tamimi and Isra Al-Tamimi and left several others suffocated from tear gas inhalation and also detained a resident.
- **August 28th 2015:** A demonstration took place in Kafr Qaddum against the closure of the east entrance during which they clashed with Israeli forces who tried to disrupt the demonstration who fired live ammunition, rubber coated steel bullets, stun and tear gas grenades towards demonstrators who attempted to reach they demonstration site and as a result injured 7 residents including a child: Ma'moun Ishtewi (9 years old), Nasser Darwish, Diya Ishtewi, Samah Ishtewi, Hamza Jum'a, Saharif Jum'a and Abdallah Ishtewi and also left several residents suffocating form tear gas inhalation.
- **August 29th 2015:** Israeli forces raided Tel village, clashed with several residents as they stormed and searched several homes and as a result injured 4 residents: Yahya Abdel-Azziz, Amir Hindi, Anas Hamdi and Ahmad Assaydeh and also left 2 residents: Wasifa Yusef (75 years old) and Adnan Ramadan (63 years old) suffocated from tear gas inhalation.
- **August 29th 2015:** A demonstration took place in Kafr Qaddum village protesting against the continued closure of the east entrance of the village during which Israeli forces fired rubber coated steel bullets, stun and tear gas grenades towards the demonstrators in order to prevent them from reaching the demonstration site and as a result injured the child Ahmad Obied (17 years old) and left several others suffocated from tear gas inhalation.
- **August 29th 2015:** Israeli forces raided Al-Zawiya, chased a vehicle and rammed it into the wall gate and as a result injured Suhayeb Shaqir leaving him hospitalised with contusions.

SUMMARY TABLE OF EVENTS IN THE OCCUPIED PALESTINIAN TERRITORY – AUGUST 2015

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	COMMENTS
Killing	4	0	4	<p>During the month of August 2015, Israeli forces killed 4 residents (4 in the West Bank and 0 in the Gaza Strip) which included the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) August 8th 2015: Sa'ed Dawabsheh , died from injuries sustained after his home was torched by Israeli settlers, which killed his 18-month-old son and kept him his wife and 4 year old critically injured in Duma village in Nablus as mentioned in the report of July 31st 2015. (ii) August 9th 2015: Anas Mountasir Taha (A resident of Qutna village) was killed after Israeli forces positioned near wall gate 443 in Kharbatha Al-Misbah village for allegedly stabbing an Israeli settler. (iii) August 15th 2015: Israeli forces set up a checkpoint near the entrance of Beita, opened fire towards a resident and as a result killed Rafiq Al-Taj (A resident of Tubas) for allegedly attempting to stab an Israeli soldier during which confrontations erupted between residents and Israeli forces. (iv) August 17th 2015: Israeli forces positioned at Za'tara checkpoint opened fire towards Mohammad Al-Atrash (A resident of Kafr Ra'I in Jenin).as he allegedly attempted to stab an Israeli soldier and as a result killed him.
Injuries	66	5	71	Included 11 children and 2 Journalists.
Arrests	355	25	380	During the month of August, the Israeli military arrested 380 Palestinians (355 the West Bank and 25 in the Gaza Strip). The majority of arrests took place in the districts of Jerusalem (82); Ramallah (31); Jenin (13); Tubas (5) Tulkarem (13);

				Qalqiliya (12); Nablus (42); Salfit (12); Jericho (14); Bethlehem (45); Hebron (86), North Gaza (8) , Central Gaza (8) and Khan Yunis (9). Among those arrested by the Israeli military were 31 children, 2 Women, 11 Security Force officers, 4 University students, 3 Merchants and a Journalist.
Raids	420	8	428	The Israeli military carried out 328 raids in Palestinian residential areas during the month of August {420 in the West Bank and 8 in the Gaza Strip}. The majority of Israeli military raids were reported to have taken place in the districts of Jerusalem (44); Ramallah (39); Jenin (42), Tubas (7) Tulkarem (33); Qalqiliya (23); Nablus (62); Salfit (21); Jericho (23); Bethlehem (64), Hebron (62), North Gaza (2), Gaza (2), Khan Yunis (3) and Rafah (1).
Flying Checkpoints	469	0	469	The Israeli military set up 469 flying checkpoints in August and searched Palestinian civilians and vehicles in and around Palestinian residential areas in the districts of Jerusalem (81); Ramallah (47); Jenin (7),Tubas (2) ; Tulkarem (8); Qalqiliya (51); Nablus (51); Salfit (23); Jericho (41); Bethlehem (83) and Hebron (75).
Attacks	216	52	268	268 attacks were reported to have taken place during the month of August (216 in the West Bank and 52 in the Gaza Strip). The Israeli military carried out 201 attacks during confrontations between the Israeli military and Palestinians 28 attacks from Israeli military posts on civilian homes and property. In addition, Israeli navy vessels carried out 29 attacks on Palestinian fishermen and territory, 4 from Military Checkpoint, 2 from Settler attack, 2 from Air Strike and 2 attack during raids.
Provocation of Palestinian Forces	8	0	8	Provoked or harassed National Security Force officers on 3 occasion, Police officers on 2 occasions, Civil Defence forces on 2 occasions and Customs Police on 1 occasion.
Destruction and Confiscation of Public and Private property	106	1	107	A total of 107 incidents of destruction and confiscation of Palestinian public and private property by Israeli settlers and Israeli forces were reported in August 2015 including Olive trees and demolition of Barracks.
Home Occupation	6	0	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <u>Ramallah & Al-Bireh District:</u> Al-Jalazoun Camp. ▪ <u>Jenin District:</u> Ya'bad and Jenin Camp. ▪ <u>Nablus District:</u> Huwara. ▪ <u>Bethlehem District:</u> Beit Jallah.
Home Demolition	49	0	49	<p><u>During the month of August 2015, the Israeli military demolished Palestinian homes and residential tents, which consisted of the following:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Israeli military demolished 2 homes in Al-Eizariya in Jerusalem. ▪ The Israeli military demolished 2 homes (under construction) in Al-Jabal Al-Mukabir neighbourhood in Jerusalem for allegedly being built without a licence. ▪ The Israeli military demolished a building consisting of 3 floors & 6 apartments in Wadi Al-Joz neighbourhood in Jerusalem. ▪ The Israeli military demolished several residential tents housing 20 Bedouin families in Al-Khan Al-Ahmar area in Jerusalem. ▪ The Israeli military demolished 15 barrack's and livestock dens owned by Al-Arrara family in Jaba' village for allegedly being built in area C which is under Israeli Military and Administrative control. ▪ The Israeli military demolished a home in Al-Tur neighbourhood. ▪ The Israeli military demolished 2 residential tents in Khirbeit Hums area located in the North Jordan valley in Tubas. ▪ The Israeli military demolished a barracks and 2 rooms (used as shelters) in Khirbeit Ras Al-Hamra village located in the North Jordan valley in Tubas. ▪ The Israeli military demolished a home in Deir Ballout in Salfit district. ▪ The Israeli military demolished 2 homes (under construction) in Harmala and Khirbeit Al-Dier village in Bethlehem.

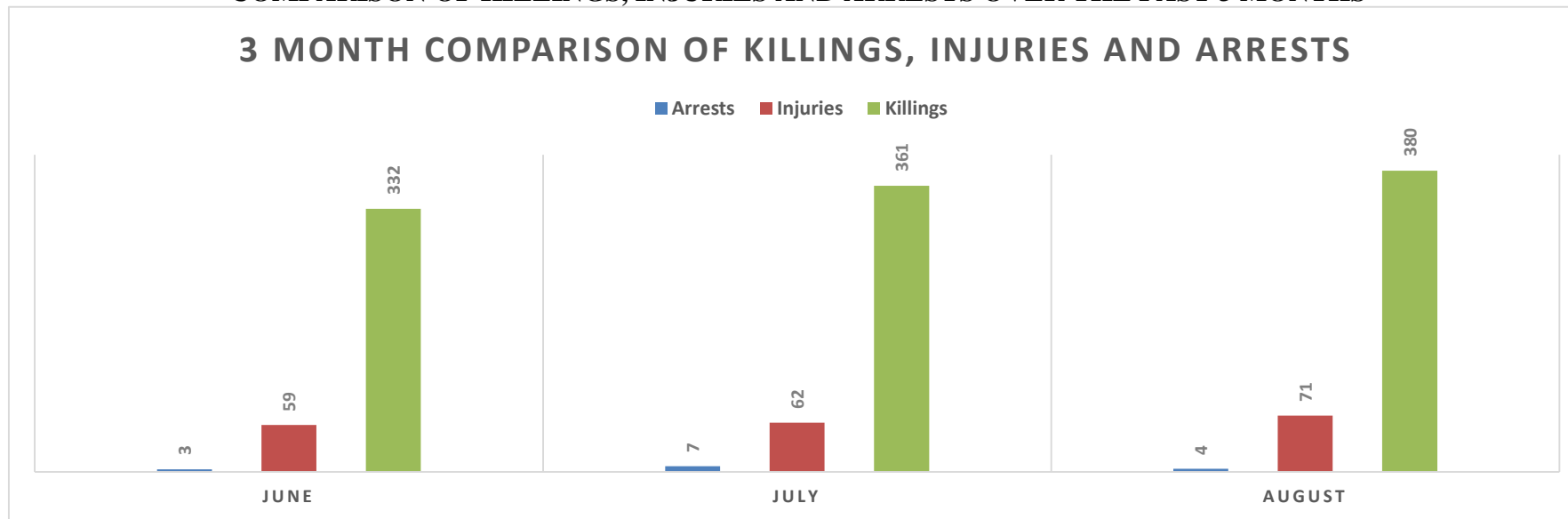
				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Israeli military demolished 9 residential tents and barracks near Aqaba and Yarza villages and in Al-Mayta area located in the North Jordan valley area in Tubas District. ▪ The Israeli military demolished a home (under construction) near Al-Urub camp and another home (consisting of one room) in Khirbeit Al-Qut area located near “Karmi Tsur” settlement in Hebron. ▪ The Israeli military demolished 2 homes in Al-Rahwat village located in south Al-Thahriya in Hebron District. ▪ The Israeli military demolished a residential barracks located in Khashem Daraj village located in east Yatta in Hebron district. ▪ <u>During the month of August 2015 the Israeli Military served the following Demolition orders:</u> ▪ Israeli forces served demolition orders for 7 residential tents located in Jabal Al-Baba area located in east Al-Eizariya in Jerusalem District. ▪ Israeli forces served military orders for eviction of 2 homes located north of Al-Hamra checkpoint in Tubas. ▪ Israeli forces served demolition orders for an apartment in Hebron.
Closure of Crossing Points	0	165	165	The Israeli military completely closed crossing points into the Gaza Strip, including access points within the Green Line, on 107 occasions during the month of August 2015 The Israeli military closed crossing points within the Green Line on 58 occasions.
Attacks on Religious Sites	24	0	24	Israeli settler raided the vicinity of Al-Aqsa mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem on several occasions and closed Al-Ibrahimi mosque in the old city of Jerusalem.
Assault on Medical Sector	1	0	1	Israeli forces temporarily seized an Ambulance at Za'tara checkpoint as it was transporting a patient to the hospital.
Settlement Activity	5	0	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A group of Israeli settlers from the Israeli Settler Association “Atarot Kohanim” under the protection of Israeli forces occupied a 5-floor building consisting of 12 apartments and were only able to take over four apartments after Palestinian families refused to leave their homes in Batn Al-Hawa area located in Silwan neighbourhood of Jerusalem. • Israeli forces levelled a plot of agricultural land in Khilat Al-Ghoul area located between Burin and “Yitsahar” settlement in Nablus and installed electricity poles. • Israeli forces levelled agricultural land in B'ir Ona area in Bethlehem for the purpose of expanding the Wall • Israeli forces confiscated approximately seven dunumes (acres) of land near Bab Al-Rahma Gate and the east walls outside Al-Aqsa mosque compound and placed barbed wire fence around the plot for the purpose of settlement activity.
Settler Violence	82	0	82	Israeli settlers opened fire towards civilians; stoned civilians and civilian vehicles, ran over residents and children with their vehicles.

COMPARISON TABLE OF EVENTS OVER THE PAST THREE MONTHS

EVENT	JUNE 2015	JULY 2015	AUGUST 2015
Killings	3	7	4
Injuries	59	62	71
Arrests	332	361	380
Raids	367	315	428
Flying Checkpoints	418	477	469

Attacks	189	181	268
Provocation of Palestinian Forces	6	3	8
Attacks on Property	67	66	107
Home Occupation	9	2	49
Home Demolition	3	8	6
Closure of Crossing Points	155	169	165
Attacks on Religious Sites	20	13	24
Settlement Activity & Settler Violence	55	56	87

COMPARISON OF KILLINGS, INJURIES AND ARRESTS OVER THE PAST 3 MONTHS



ANALYSIS OF EVENTS

■ Killings:

During the month of August 2015, Israeli forces killed four residents:

1. **August 8th 2015:** Sa'ed Dawabsheh , died from injuries sustained after his home was torched by Israeli settlers, which killed his 18-month-old son and kept him his wife and 4 year old critically injured in Duma village in Nablus as mentioned in the report of July 31st 2015.
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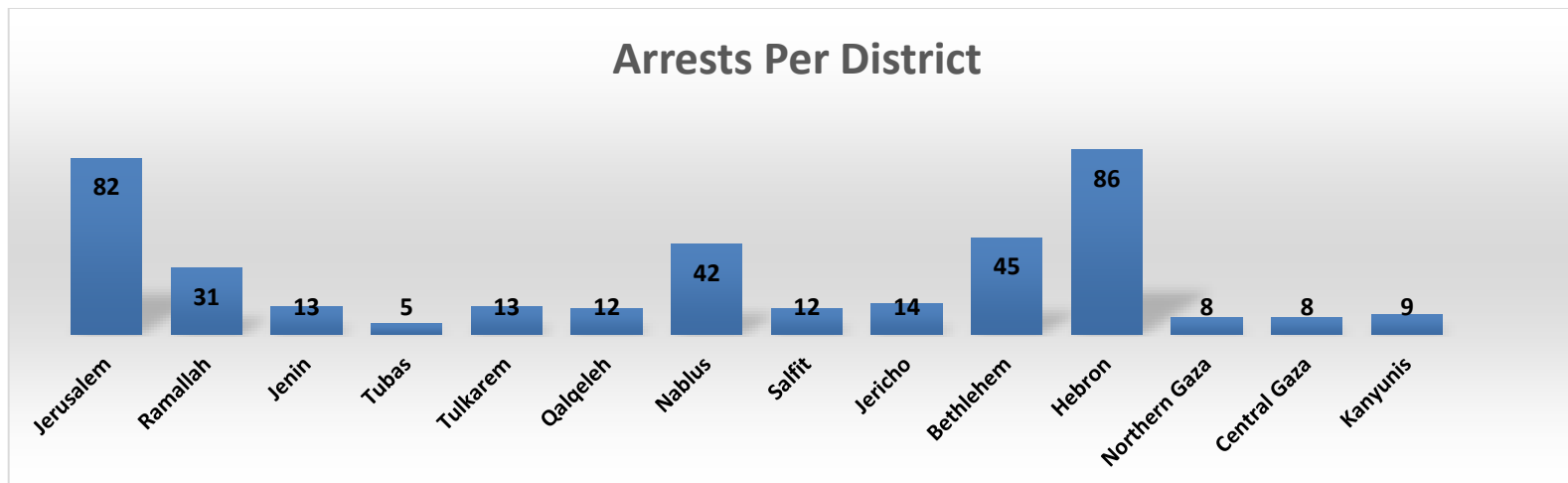
■ Injuries

71 injuries were reported in the month of August 2015 (66 Palestinians in the West Bank and 5 in the Gaza Strip). Included 11 children and 2 Journalists.

■ Arrests

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The Israeli Military temporarily detained 234 Palestinians, which included eight children, one Elderly resident, four women, two fishermen, five Security Force officers and three journalists.



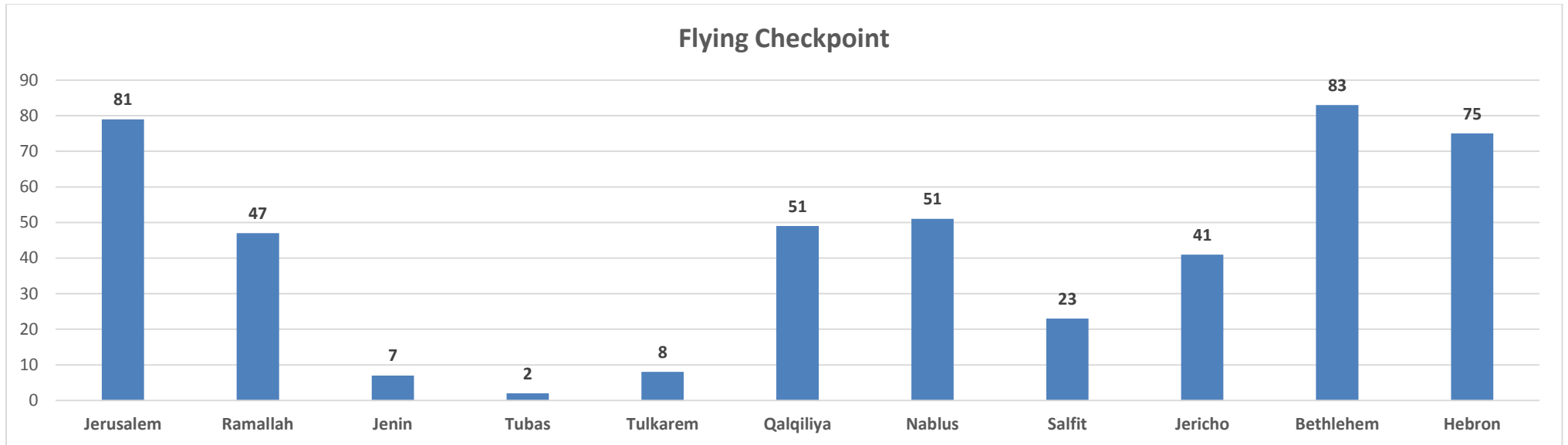
■ Closure

Especially on Fridays, the Israeli military continues to intensify restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances of Jerusalem, and to restrict entrance to the Al Aqsa Mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem, preventing worshippers from accessing the Mosque. At the *Qalandiya checkpoint north of Jerusalem*, the Israeli military continues to prevent PNA registered civilian vehicles from crossing the checkpoint towards Ar Ram and Qalandiya as well as Dahiyat al Bareed. The checkpoint is overcrowded daily, particularly during rush hours, due to intensified restrictions and search measures applied by Israeli troops. During the month of August the Israeli military also continued to intensify restrictions at the *Tayasir checkpoint* and *Al Hamra junction checkpoint* leading to the Jordan Valley area, only allowing access to civilians whose IDs indicate District of Jericho residence or others holding special access permits. In addition, restrictions were intensified and civilian access was obstructed at the *Za'tara junction checkpoint* (separating the northern and central West Bank districts) as well as at the *As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint* (separating the central and southern West Bank districts).

The Israeli military installed 469 flying checkpoints in August (compared with 477 in July and 418 in June) and as a result restricted the free access and movement of residents, merchant supplies and agricultural goods.

Distribution of flying checkpoints in the West Bank

The Israeli military set up 462 flying checkpoints in August and searched Palestinian civilians and vehicles in and around Palestinian residential areas in the districts of Jerusalem (79); Ramallah (47); Jenin (7), Tubas (2); Tulkarem (8); Qalqiliya (49); Nablus (51); Salfit (23); Jericho (41); Bethlehem (83) and Hebron (75).



- **Raids**

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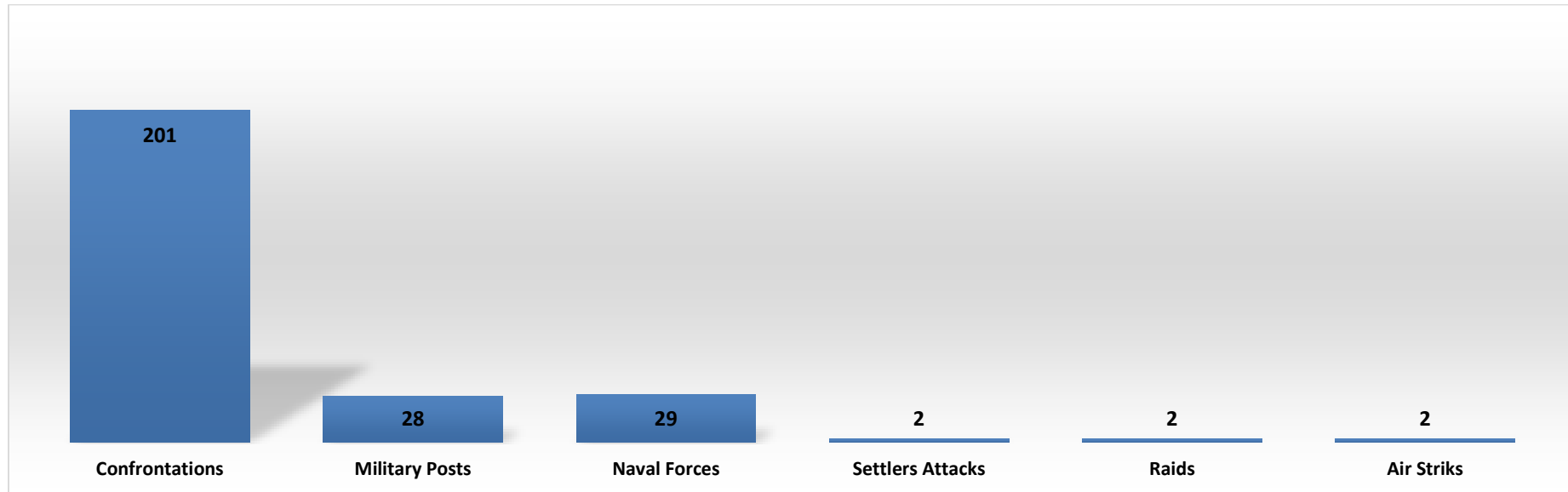
The Israeli military opened fire on 203 occasions during raids and clashes with civilians. (75.7% of attacks)

- **Attacks**

268 attacks were reported to have taken place during the month of August (216 in the West Bank and 52 in the Gaza Strip).

The Israeli military carried out 201 attacks during confrontations between the Israeli military and Palestinians 28 attacks from Israeli military posts on civilian homes and property. In addition, Israeli navy vessels carried out 29 attacks on Palestinian fishermen and territory, 4 from Military Checkpoint, 2 from Settler attack, 2 from Air Strike and 2 attack during raids.

Attacks on residential areas in West Bank districts



▪ **Home Demolition**

During the month of August 2015, the Israeli military demolished Palestinian homes and residential tents, which consisted of the following:

- The Israeli military demolished 2 homes in Al-Eizariya in Jerusalem.
- The Israeli military demolished 2 homes (under construction) in Al-Jabal Al-Mukabir neighbourhood in Jerusalem for allegedly being built without a licence.
- The Israeli military demolished a building consisting of 3 floors & 6 apartments in Wadi Al-Joz neighbourhood in Jerusalem.
- The Israeli military demolished several residential tents housing 20 Bedouin families in Al-Khan Al-Ahmar area in Jerusalem.
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- The Israeli military demolished a home in Deir Ballout in Salfit district.
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- The Israeli military demolished 9 residential tents and barracks near Aqaba and Yarza villages and in Al-Mayta area located in the North Jordan valley area in Tubas District.

- The Israeli military demolished a home (under construction) near Al-Urub camp and another home (consisting of one room) in Khirbeit Al-Qut area located near “Karmi Tsur” settlement in Hebron.
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- **During the month of August 2015 the Israeli Military served the following Demolition orders:**
- Israeli forces served demolition orders for 7 residential tents located in Jabal Al-Baba area located in east Al-Eizariya in Jerusalem District.
- Israeli forces served military orders for eviction of 2 homes located north of Al-Hamra checkpoint in Tubas.
- Israeli forces served demolition orders for an apartment in Hebron.

- **During the month of August 2015 Israeli forces occupied several homes and converted their rooftops into Military post:**
Ramallah District: Al-Jalazoun Camp. **Jenin District:** Ya’bad and Jenin Camp. **Nablus District:** Huwara. **Bethlehem District:** Beit Jalla.

- **Attacks on Public and Private Property**

A total of 107 **incidents of destruction and confiscation** of Palestinian public and private property by Israeli settlers and Israeli forces were reported in August 2015 (106 in the West Bank and 1 in The Gaza Strip).

Attack on Public and Private property occurred as follows per District:

Jerusalem: Israeli settlers damaged the windshield of a vehicle after stoning it in Jerusalem, Israeli forces demolished 7 merchant shops (Built from wood and Tin roofs) in Al-Eizariya, Israeli forces closed down several merchant shops in the old city of Jerusalem, demolished a gas station, a carwash, a plant shop and a chicken farm in Hizma village, Israeli forces demolished a building consisting of floors used as office space near “Aterot” industrial zone located in North Jerusalem , Israeli settler damaged a vehicle after opening fire towards it near the entrance of Mukhmas village and Israeli forces demolished a print shop in Beit Hanina.

Ramallah: Israeli forces damaged a computer after storming and searching a home in Silwad, Israeli forces demolished a barracks in Sateh Marhaba area in Al-Bireh city, Israeli settlers set fire to several tents in Ein Samiya, torched 50 Olive trees in Al-Mughire village, Israeli settlers damaged a vehicle after stoning it in Eiyoun Al-Haramiya junction.

Tubas: Israeli forces forcibly removed 14 families from their homes from 06:00 until 12:00 on August 30th 2015 in Khirbeit Ras Al-Hamra village located in the North Jordan valley, demolished 2 rooms used as a children’s Kindergarten in Khirbiet Abu Samra village in the North Jordan valley area, Israeli forces demolished a livestock den in Khirbiet Humsa in the North Jordan valley, demolished 4 livestock dens near Al-Aqaba and Khirbeit Yarza and Al-Mayta area in the North Jordan valley, destroyed several Olive trees after Israeli settlers set fire to agricultural land in Majdal Bani Dadil.

Jenin: Israeli forces demolished 4 barracks near Al-Jamalah crossing and set fire to several Olive trees after Israeli forces fired stun and tear gas grenades towards residents during confrontations in Ya’bad.

Qalqiliya: Israeli settlers set fire to and destroyed several Olive trees in Wadi Azzun area located in Azzun and uprooted several trees as they paved roads in Kafr Qaddum village.

Nablus: Israeli forces uprooted several Olive trees on agricultural land located in the area between Burin village and “Yitsahar” settlement and Israeli settlers set fire to and destroyed 30 Olive tree in Burin village, set fire to a residents vehicle in Duma, Israeli settlers shattered the windows of a home in Salem village, damaged a vehicle in Nablus and set fire to 35 Olive trees in Burin village.

Salfit: Israeli forces destroyed a cellular telephone after assaulting resident near Za’tara checkpoint, and demolished a livestock den in Deir Ballout.

Jericho: Israeli forces demolished several Barack’s in Al-Ma’aber area located in east Jericho, demolished 3 barracks owned by residents in Fasayil village and forced shop owners to closed down their shops located along road (90) in Al-Oja.

Bethlehem: Israeli forces uprooted 45 Olive trees in Bi’er Onah area, Israeli forces demolished a concrete fence surrounding a plot of land in Za’tara, demolished a vehicle repair and tire shop near the west entrance of Husan village and demolished a barracks located in the area between Beit Jallah and Al-Khadr.

Hebron: Israeli settlers damaged merchant goods after storming a store in the old city of Hebron, chopped off the limbs of 20 Olive trees in Halhoul, demolished a livestock barracks in Jashim Al-Daraj village located in south east Yatta, demolished an agricultural storage room in south east Beit Kahil, demolished an agricultural storage room, a water well network

and a concrete fence as well as uprooting several agricultural crops in Al-DahDah area located in south Halhoul, demolished a concrete fence surrounding a plot of land in Izbit Al-Sha'b Al-Batm located in east Yatta, Israeli settlers opened fire towards a vehicle and damaged it near Beit Anoun village junction, prevented residents from entering their agricultural land to harvest their crops on land located near "Beit Be'itar-Mezadot Yehuda" settlement located in south east Yatta and demolished 2 barracks in Al-Thahriya.

Israeli forces served military orders for the following:

- Israeli forces served military orders for the removal of 15 families from their homes in Khirbeit Ras Al-Hamra village in the North Jordan Valley at 06:00 until 12:00 on August 30th 2015 until September 1st, 2nd 8th & 9th 2015 in order to conduct military exercises in the area.
- Israeli forces served a military order for the evacuation of a park area approximately 12 dunumes of land planted with trees funded by the Palestinian Ministry of agriculture in Einoun village located in east Tubas.
- Israeli forces served military orders for the removal of several residents from their homes in Attouf village in the North Jordan Valley from August 30th 2015 until September 8th 2015 in order to conduct military exercises in the area.
- Israeli forces served a military orders to halt construction on a water well in Khirtbeit Atouf village in Tubas
- Israeli forces served a military order for the demolition of water well approximately 500 m³ in Tubas.
- Israeli forces served Israeli court orders to confiscate a plot of land which has 3 homes built on it claiming that the plot of land is owned by 3 Israeli settlers before the year 1948 and gave the owners 30 days for implementation
- Israeli forces served a military order to halt construction on a water well 1700 m³ in Hebron.
- Israeli forces served military orders to halt construction of a home in Khirtbeit Atouf village in Tubas.
- Israeli forces served military orders to demolish several merchant shops near Qalandiya checkpoint in Jerusalem.
- Israeli forces served military orders to demolish a soccer (football) stadium in Wadi Al-Hilweh area in Silwan neighbourhood of Jerusalem District.
- Israeli forces served military orders for the demolition of a mosque in Silwan neighbourhood in Jerusalem.

Confiscation and seizure of Palestinian owned property during August 2015:

- **Jerusalem:** Israeli forces confiscated a computer after storming and searching a home in Biddu, confiscated a pistol from a Police officer after storming and searching his home then detained him.
- **Ramallah:** Israeli forces confiscated several tools from Carpentry shop and surveillance camera footage from a home in Turmus'aya and confiscated a Cellular telephone from a child after detaining him in Silwad.
- **Tubas:** Israeli forces confiscated a vehicle in Tayassir village and a tractor in Deir Ibziq.
- **Jenin:** Israeli forces confiscated a computer and 2 miniature surveillance drones in Qabatiya, confiscated surveillance camera footage for a gas station in Barata village and confiscated a vehicle in Jenin.
- **Tulkarem:** Israeli forces confiscated 85000 NIS and personal Documents after storming and searching a home in Far'oun village and confiscated surveillance camera footage from a home in Far'oun village.
- **Nablus:** Israeli forces confiscated a cellular telephone and a computer in Nablus, confiscated jewellery and 21000 NIS from a home and a gold necklace and 2500 NIS from a home in Salem village.
- **Jericho:** Israeli forces confiscated 5 Identification cards from residents after detaining them in Jericho.
- **Bethlehem:** Israeli forces confiscated surveillance camera footage for a gas station in Taqou'

- **Gaza:** Israeli forces confiscated a fishing boat off the shores of Gaza city.

- **Settlement Activity:**

- A group of Israeli settlers from the Israeli Settler Association “Atarot Kohanim” under the protection of Israeli forces occupied a 5-floor building consisting of 12 apartments and were only able to take over four apartments after Palestinian families refused to leave their homes in Batn Al-Hawa area located in Silwan neighbourhood of Jerusalem.
- Israeli forces levelled a plot of agricultural land in Khilat Al-Ghoul area located between Burin and “Yitsahar” settlement in Nablus and installed electricity poles.
- Israeli forces levelled agricultural land in B’ir Ona area in Bethlehem for the purpose of expanding the Wall
- Israeli forces confiscated approximately seven dunumes (acres) of land near Bab Al-Rahma Gate and the east walls outside Al-Aqsa mosque compound and placed barbed wire fence around the plot for the purpose of settlement activity.

Settler Violence

87 incidents of Settler violence occurred during the month of August 2015 including:

Jerusalem: Israeli settlers stoned a residents vehicle while travelling along the main road connecting “Rahish Shu’fat” settlement and Ramot Shlomo” settlements located near Shu’fat neighbourhood, rammed open the emergency entrance gate of a Jewish Synagogue near the wailing wall located next to a residents home in the old city of Jerusalem and as a result knocked down a tree, assaulted a bus driver and threatened to burn him, an Israeli settler disguised as an Arab resident attempted to enter Al-Aqsa mosque compound before being discovered and removed from the area by compound guards, an Israeli settler vehicle ran over a resident in Al-Sheikh Jarrah neighbourhood, a group of Israeli settlers provokingly raised Israeli flags as they stormed Bab Al-Salasla gate (A main gate entrance leading to Al-Aqsa mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem) , stormed the entrance of Mukhmas village and provoked residents, attempted to kidnap a child near Hizma village, stoned a bus travelling near “Malee Adumim” settlement and opened fire towards a vehicle near the entrance of Mukhmas village.

Ramallah: Israeli settlers stormed the area between Al-Tireh neighbourhood in Ramallah and Ein Qinya village, stoned residents near “Ofra” settlement, chased away several residents from their agricultural land in Ein Burin area near Deir Ibzi’ village, set fire to a residential tent owned by a Bedouin family in Ein Samaya area and attempted to set fire to several Bedouin tents and threw Molotov fire bombs towards residential area in Al-Taybeh.

Tubas: Israeli settlers placed barbed wire fence around approximately 50 dunumes of land near “Shidmot Magolia” settlement in the North Jordan valley in order to confiscate and install solar panels.

Jenin: Israeli settlers stormed the area of the “Homish” settlement which was abandoned, stoned and hurled glass bottles towards residents and homes in Al-Silah Al-Harhiya.

Nablus: A group of Israeli settlers stoned residents and vehicles passing along a bypass road near “Yitsahar” settlement, stormed Nablus, stormed Joseph’s tomb in Nablus, assaulted a Sheppard in Qusra village, set fire to agricultural land in Burin village, attempted to prevent several residents from performing rehabilitation works on their land in Qusra village, ran over a child in Yatma village, installed mobile homes on land in the south area of Qura village, stoned homes in Burin village, herded their cattle on agricultural land in the area between Aqraba and Yanoun village, attempted to storm Awrta village, stormed and attempted to set fire to a public park in Qaryout village, set fire to agricultural land in Jabal Al-Sab’ area located in east Burin village, stoned residents and vehicles passing through Huwara checkpoint, set fire to agricultural land in the area between Assira Al-Qibliya and Madma villages and in the area between Burin Ein buiws villages, stoned Palestinian Civil Defence forces attempting to extinguish a fire in east Burin village, set fire to agricultural land in Majdal Bani Fadil village,

stoned residents and vehicles in Al-Labban Al-Sharqiya village, aimed guns towards a truck driver while travelling near “Yitsahar” settlement junction, attacked several residents while they were farming agricultural land in the area between Qusra and Jalloud villages, stoned residents and vehicles travelling along the main road connecting Nablus and Tulkarem, stoned homes in Duma village and attempted to attack a home in Duma village.

Qalqiliya: Israeli settlers stoned Palestinian Civil Defence forces as they were extinguishing a fire in the North West area of Al-Ramadin village, set fire to agricultural land in Azzun and an Israeli settler vehicle ran over a resident near Al-Jaljoiliya checkpoint.

Salfit: Israeli settlers closed the main road leading to Yasuf village, assaulted 2 residents near Za'tara checkpoint junction, levelled plots of land near archaeological sites in Khirbeit Al-Shajara area located between Salfit and “Ariel” settlement and installed several tents in North Salfit.

Jericho: Israeli settlers stoned residents and vehicles travelling along a road near “Yataf” settlement located in the west area of Al-Oja village and stormed Jericho and provoked residents.

Bethlehem: Israeli settlers aimed their guns towards 3 residents in Taqou'.

Hebron: Israeli settlers attacked merchant shops and assaulted a resident in the old city of Hebron, stormed the entrance of Abu Rajjab family home which is under threat of confiscation by Israeli authorities for the purpose of settlement construction in the old city of Hebron and uprooted 20 Olive trees in Halhoul

Closure of Crossing Points

The Israeli military completely closed crossing points into the Gaza Strip, including access points within the Green Line, on **165** occasions during the month of August. The Israeli military closed crossing points within the Green Line on **107** occasions. It opened ***Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing*** for 26 days for previously coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals and ***Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing*** for **22** days for transportation of food supplies, humanitarian aid, and cooking gas. In addition to allowing in animal feed, construction cargo designated for UNRWA and internationally-funded projects was transported through the Crossing. ***Sufa Crossing*** was closed throughout the month. On the other hand, the Israeli authorities have continued to unilaterally close ***Ash Shuja'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing***. Beginning on 02 March 2011, the Israeli authorities has also continued to completely close ***Al Muntar (Karnei) Commercial Crossing***.

The Israeli military closed international crossing points on **58** occasions. ***Rafah Crossing*** opened 4 days in this month. ***Yasser Arafat International Airport*** has remained closed since the outbreak of the second *Intifada*.

