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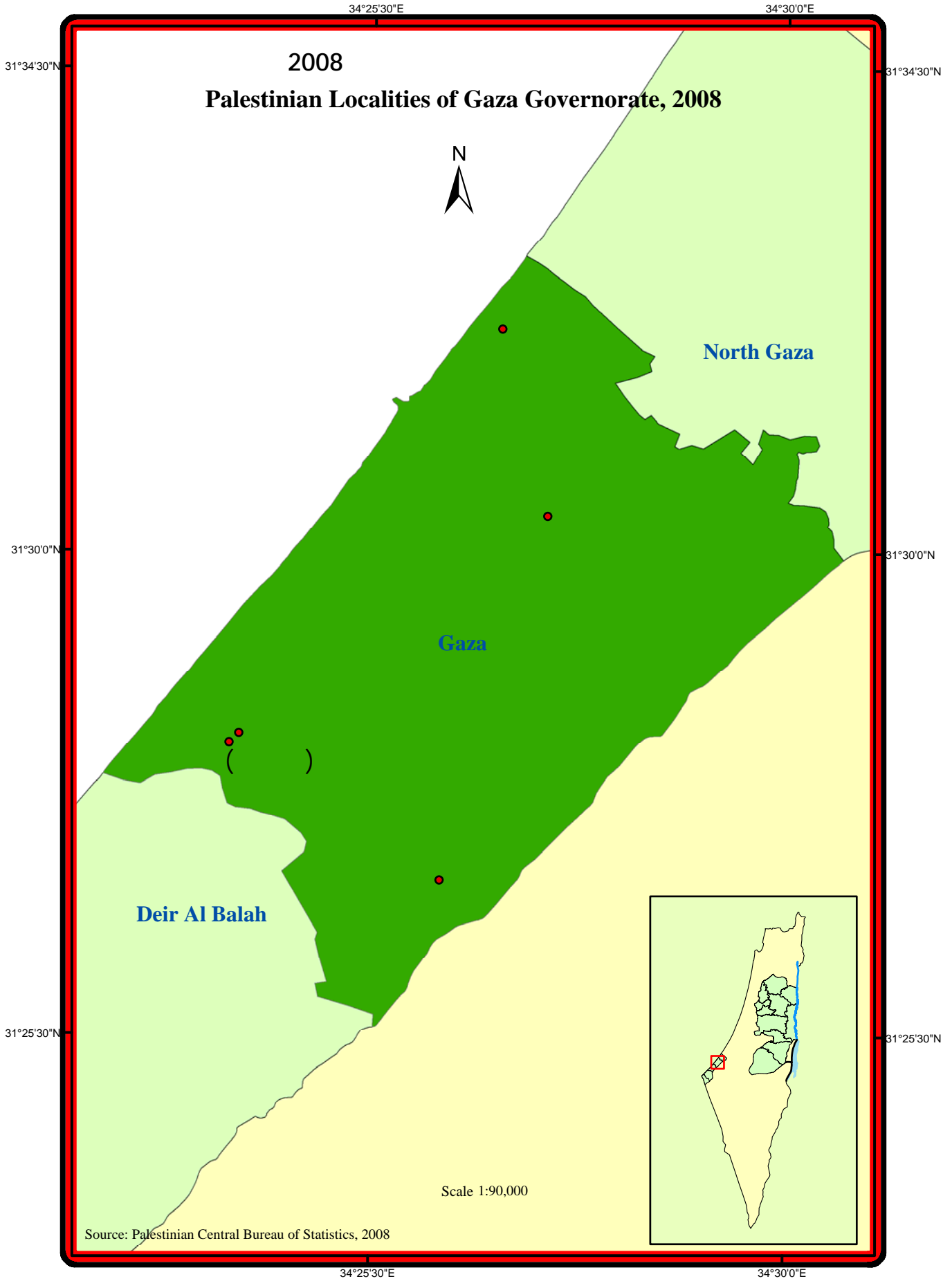
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يعتبر التعداد العام للسكان والمساكن والمنشآت ركناً أساسياً من أركان النظام الإحصائي الرسمي في أي دولة، حيث يأتي تنفيذه خلال عام 2007 استحقاقاً قانونياً وتنموياً ووطنياً وسيادياً، ويمثل تنفيذه لبنة أساسية في عملية بناء الدولة وإرساء أسس التخطيط السليم بمعايير علمية نظراً لما يوفره من إحصاءات دقيقة وتفصيلية لكافة نواحي الحياة، ويساهم في بناء الدولة الفلسطينية وإنجاز الاستقلال السياسي والاقتصادي والاجتماعي، وتحقيق التنمية.

لقد جاء تنفيذ هذا المشروع الوطني الكبير في ظل ظروف غاية في التعقيد على مختلف الأصعدة، مما جعل تنفيذ التعداد مهمة صعبة تعترضها الكثير من التحديات والأخطار، إلا أن عزيمة الشعب الفلسطيني وإصرار الفريق الوطني، واحتضان القيادة السياسية جعلت من التغلب على هذا التحدي أمراً ممكناً أدى إلى تنفيذ التعداد العام الثاني في الأراضي الفلسطينية بجودة عالية وفق المعايير الدولية، بأيد وبخبرات فلسطينية وقرار فلسطيني مستقل، واستجابة للحاجات الوطنية في شتى المجالات.

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لقد أسهم التعداد في إعادة الموضوع التنموي على الأجندة الوطنية والدولية في فلسطين، بعد أن تراجع دورها لصالح الأجندة الإغاثية، فالتنمية أهم الدعامات الضرورية لتأسيس مجتمع ديمقراطي، وبناء إنسان حر ملتزم بالمبادئ الوطنية والإنسانية. والإحصاءات الدقيقة والعلمية هي العمود الفقري لوضع خطط تنموية مبنية على أسس سليمة تشكل رافعة لقضايا التنمية وتحقيق الأهداف المعلنة عليها.

لقد أبدى المجتمع الدولي اهتماماً بالغاً بهذا المشروع التنموي وعبر عن اهتمامه من خلال الدعم المادي والفني الذي قدمته بعض الدول الصديقة والمنظمات الدولية. فقد كان لصندوق الأمم المتحدة للسكان مساهمة مادية وفنية جادة، وكذلك صندوق أوبك للتنمية الدولية، وحكومات النرويج وهولندا وسويسرا وأستراليا، والمملكة العربية السعودية ومنظمة الأمم المتحدة للطفولة "اليونيسيف".

إننا إذ نهدي هذا الإنجاز التاريخي الى كل فلسطيني، فإننا نعبر عن تقديرنا وشكرنا لأسرة الجهاز المركزي للإحصاء الفلسطيني والفريق الوطني للتعداد على إصرارهم وعطائهم وتفانيهم في تحقيق هذا الإنجاز.

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## **Tables**



**Table 1: Summary Results of the Population, Housing and Establishment Census in Gaza Governorate 1997, 2007**

Indicator	2007		1997		
	(%)	No. <sup>1</sup>	(%)	No. <sup>1</sup>	
<b>Total Population<sup>2</sup></b>					2
Males	50.9	252,654	50.9	186,970	
Females	49.1	244,038	49.1	180,418	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>496,692</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>367,388</b>	
<b>Total Households Counted</b>					
Private Households	100.0	75,023	100.0	52,499	
Institutional Households	0.0	9	0.0	16	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>75,032</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>52,515</b>	
<b>Population Distribution by Household Type</b>					
Population of Private Households	100.0	484,628	99.9	359,668	
Population of Institutional Households	0.0	143	0.1	273	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>484,771</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>359,941</b>	
<b>Distribution of Private Households by Nationality of Head of Household</b>					
Private Palestinian Households	99.3	74,525	99.8	52,411	
Private Foreign Households	0.0	34	0.2	88	
Not Stated	0.6	464	0.0	-	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>75,023</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>52,499</b>	
<b>Distribution of Population in Private Households by Nationality of Head of Household</b>					
Population of Private Palestinian Households	99.3	481,795	99.9	359,426	
Population of Private Foreign Households	0.0	126	0.1	242	
Not Stated	0.6	2,707	0.0	-	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>484,628</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>359,668</b>	
<b>Sex Ratio (Male Per 100 Female)</b>	-	<b>103.5</b>	-	<b>103.6</b>	( 100 )
<b>Average Household Size</b>	-	<b>6.5</b>	-	<b>6.9</b>	
<b>Households by Sex of Head of Household</b>					
Males	92.7	69,532	93.2	48,907	
Females	7.3	5,491	6.8	3,592	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>75,023</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>52,499</b>	
<b>Type of Private Household</b>					
One Person	2.4	1,795	2.4	1,246	
Nuclear	77.3	57,971	72.0	37,806	
Extended	19.7	14,814	25.2	13,235	
Composite	0.2	143	0.4	212	
Not Stated	0.4	300	0.0	-	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>75,023</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>52,499</b>	

<sup>1</sup> Includes population and households counted during the year 1997, 2007. Unless otherwise stated

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<sup>2</sup> Includes population counted during the year of 1997, 2007 and uncounted population estimates according to the post enumeration survey.

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Table 1(Cont.): Summary Results of the Population, Housing and Establishment Census in Gaza Governorate 1997, 2007

Indicator	2007		1997		
	(%)	No. <sup>1</sup>	(%)	No. <sup>1</sup>	
<b>Population by Nationality</b>					
Palestinians	99.4	481,669	99.9	359,419	
Not Palestinians	0.1	384	0.1	519	
Not Stated	0.6	2,718	0.0	3	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>484,771</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>359,941</b>	
<b>Refugee Status</b>					
Refugee	52.8	254,084	52.2	187,768	
Non-Refugee	47.2	227,474	47.4	170,316	
Not Stated	0.0	111	0.4	1,335	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>481,669</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>359,419</b>	
<b>Age Distribution</b>					
0 - 4	16.6	80,557	19.9	71,728	4 - 0
5 - 14	28.1	136,391	30.3	108,885	14 - 5
15 - 64	52.3	253,301	47.1	169,557	64 - 15
65+	2.4	11,592	2.7	9,667	+ 65
Not Stated	0.6	2,930	0.0	104	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>484,771</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>359,941</b>	
<b>Median Age (Years)</b>	-	<b>16.0</b>	-	<b>14.0</b>	( )
<b>Palestinians 12 Years and Over by Marital Status</b>					12
<b>Legally Married and Never Married</b>					
Males	48.3	74,829	43.5	45,256	
Females	40.4	61,244	33.6	33,969	
<b>Married</b>					
Males	50.9	78,949	55.4	57,637	
Females	53.5	81,173	58.4	59,008	
<b>Divorced</b>					
Males	0.2	316	0.3	297	
Females	1.1	1,656	1.3	1,333	
<b>Widowed</b>					
Males	0.5	760	0.6	648	
Females	4.7	7,194	6.4	6,471	
<b>Separated</b>					
Males	0.0	50	.	.	
Females	0.1	131	.	.	
<b>Not Stated</b>					
Males	0.0	72	0.1	122	
Females	0.2	237	0.2	220	
<b>Total</b>					
<b>Males</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>154,976</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>103,960</b>	
<b>Females</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>151,635</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>101,001</b>	

<sup>1</sup> Includes population and households counted during the year 1997, 2007. Unless

Table 1(Cont.): Summary Results of the Population, Housing and Establishment Census in Gaza Governorate 1997, 2007

Indicator	2007		1997		
	(%)	No. <sup>1</sup>	(%)	No. <sup>1</sup>	
<b>Median Age at First Marriage</b>					
Males	-	23.0	-	22.0	
Females	-	18.0	-	18.0	
<b>Dependency Ratio</b>	-	<b>90.2</b>	-	<b>112.2</b>	
<b>Palestinians 15 Years and Over According to Ability to Read/ Write</b>					/ 15
<b>Illiterate</b>					
Males	2.7	3,653	8.7	7,867	
Females	6.8	8,900	15.6	13,792	
<b>Literate</b>					
Males	97.2	129,708	91.0	82,459	
Females	93.1	122,110	83.8	73,961	
<b>Not stated</b>					
Males	0.1	77	0.3	259	
Females	0.1	91	0.6	495	
<b>Total</b>					
<b>Males</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>133,438</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>90,585</b>	
<b>Females</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>131,101</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>88,248</b>	
<b>Palestinians 10 Years and Over by Educational Attainment</b>					10
Illiterate	3.9	12,944	10.1	22,781	
Can Read and Write	12.7	42,267	17.2	38,581	
Secondary and below	70.8	236,197	63.7	143,037	
Associate Diploma	3.4	11,330	3.6	7,999	
Bachelor	8.1	27,141	4.5	10,136	
Higher Diploma and above	1.0	3,402	0.6	1,361	
Not stated	0.1	177	0.3	780	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>333,458</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>224,675</b>	
<b>School Attendance for Palestinians 6-18 Years</b>					18-6
Attending	92.1	158,652	88.1	110,597	
Not Attending	7.9	13,620	11.9	14,961	
Not Stated	0.0	30	0.0	15	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>172,302</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>125,573</b>	
<b>Palestinians by Disability/ Difficulty Status<sup>3</sup></b>					3 /
With Disability/ Difficulty	3.2	15,407	1.7	6,236	/
Without Disability/ Without Difficulty	96.8	466,117	98.3	353,179	/
Not stated	0.0	145	0.0	4	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>481,669</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>359,419</b>	

<sup>1</sup> Includes population and households counted during the year 1997, 2007. Unless otherwise stated

<sup>3</sup> There is a difference in the definition between two censuses

**Table 1(Cont.): Summary Results of the Population, Housing and Establishment Census in Gaza Governorate 1997, 2007**

Indicator	2007		1997		
	(%)	No. <sup>1</sup>	(%)	No. <sup>1</sup>	
<b>Disabled Palestinians by Type of Disability/ Difficulty<sup>4</sup></b>					4 /
Seeing	1.6	7,642	0.2	868	
Hearing	0.8	3,752	0.1	289	
Moving	1.3	6,054	0.5	1,955	
Cognition	0.5	2,605	.	.	
Communication	0.5	2,483	.	.	
Others	.	.	0.1	413	
<b>Palestinians by Place of Birth</b>					
Inside Palestinian Territories	93.4	449,956	90.0	323,328	
Outside Palestinian Territories	6.5	31,464	10.0	35,991	
Not stated	0.1	249	0.0	100	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>481,669</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>359,419</b>	
<b>Palestinians 10 Years and Over by Employment Status</b>					10
<b>Economically Active</b>	<b>31.3</b>	<b>104,306</b>	<b>33.6</b>	<b>75,601</b>	
Employed	65.4	68,199	80.4	60,791	
Unemployed Ever Worked	18.6	19,431	11.1	8,362	
Unemployed Never Worked	16.0	16,676	8.5	6,448	
<b>Not Economically Active</b>	<b>68.5</b>	<b>228,535</b>	<b>65.9</b>	<b>148,083</b>	
Studying/ Training	55.1	125,815	47.9	70,877	
Housekeeping	36.0	82,305	43.4	64,240	
Disability/ Aging/ Illness	6.7	15,317	4.9	7,313	/ /
Another Source of Incom/ Retire	1.1	2,575	2.5	3,644	/
Others	1.1	2,523	1.4	2,009	
<b>Not Stated</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>617</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>991</b>	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>333,458</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>224,675</b>	
<b>Palestinians 10 Years and Over Employed and Unemployed Ever Worked by Occupation</b>					10
Legislators and Managers	2.8	2,415	3.2	2,237	
Professionals	17.1	14,942	7.9	5,439	
Technicians and Associate Professionals	10.1	8,826	6.9	4,763	
Clerks	2.2	1,950	4.8	3,285	
Services and Sales Workers	26.7	23,395	21.0	14,551	
Skilled Agricultural and Fishery Workers	1.3	1,109	1.8	1,247	
Crafts and Related Workers	20.0	17,524	27.2	18,776	
Plant, Machine Operators and Assemblers	6.1	5,360	7.0	4,849	
Elementary Occupations	11.8	10,332	19.7	13,627	
Not Sated	2.0	1,777	0.5	379	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>87,630</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>69,153</b>	

<sup>1</sup> Includes population and households counted during the year 1997, 2007. Unless otherwise stated

<sup>4</sup> Percentages represents percent out of total population



**Table 1(Cont.): Summary Results of the Population, Housing and Establishment Census in Gaza Governorate 1997, 2007**

Indicator	2007		1997		
	(%)	No. <sup>1</sup>	(%)	No. <sup>1</sup>	
<b>Palestinians 10 Years and Over Employed and Unemployed Ever Worked by Economic Activity</b>					10
Agriculture, Hunting and Forestry	1.6	1,397	2.8	1,946	
Fishing	0.8	703	0.9	633	
Mining and Quarrying	0.0	6	0.0	30	
Manufacturing	11.5	10,119	18.3	12,623	
Electricity, Gas and Water Supply	0.4	322	0.1	71	
Construction	10.7	9,408	18.9	13,066	
Whole sale and Retail Trade	17.6	15,463	16.9	11,721	
Hotels and Restaurants	1.2	1,067	1.0	724	
Transport, Storage and Communication	6.1	5,322	4.9	3,360	
Financial Intermediation	1.1	922	0.9	653	
Real-estate, Renting and Business Activities	1.6	1,440	1.5	1,015	
Public Administration and Defense	27.1	23,772	18.7	12,932	
Education	9.3	8,144	7.6	5,278	
Health and Social Work	4.4	3,869	3.5	2,440	
Other Community Social and Personal service Activities	2.7	2,378	2.2	1,496	
Private Households with Employed Persons	0.1	120	0.0	13	
Extraterritorial Organizations and Bodies	1.1	1,002	0.8	585	
Not Stated	2.5	2,176	0.8	567	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>87,630</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>69,153</b>	
<b>Average Number of Persons per Room</b>	-	<b>1.8</b>	-	<b>2.0</b>	
<b>Average Number of Room in Housing Unit</b>	-	<b>3.6</b>	-	<b>3.7</b>	
<b>Occupied Housing Units by Type</b>					
Villa	1.2	896	0.7	319	
House	23.6	17,733	36.8	17,865	
Apartment	74.5	55,881	61.8	29,949	
Independent Room	0.0	27	0.3	164	
Tent	0.0	13	0.1	58	
Marginal	0.1	67	0.2	96	
Others	0.0	9	0.0	12	
Not Stated	0.5	397	0.1	26	
<b>Total<sup>5</sup></b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>75,023</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>48,489</b>	5
<b>Private Households by Tenure of Housing Unit</b>					
Owned	77.0	57,803	74.2	38,958	
Rented Unfurnished	7.5	5,644	7.8	4,073	
Rented Furnished	1.1	813	0.6	312	
Without Payment	13.1	9,794	16.6	8,701	
For Work	0.3	227	0.3	148	
Others	0.3	224	0.3	161	
Not Stated	0.7	518	0.3	146	
<b>Total<sup>5</sup></b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>75,023</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>52,499</b>	5

<sup>1</sup> Includes population and households counted during the year 1997, 2007. Unless otherwise stated

<sup>5</sup> According to the definition used in the 1997 census, the house may contain more than one household, while in 2007 census, the house contains only one household.

**Table 1(Cont.): Summary Results of the Population, Housing and Establishment Census in Gaza Governorate 1997, 2007**

Indicator	2007		1997	
	(%)	No. <sup>1</sup>	(%)	No. <sup>1</sup>
<b>Occupied Housing Units by Availability of Electricity in Housing Unit</b>				
Public Network	99.3	74,519	98.0	47,538
Private Generator	0.1	55	0.5	232
No Electricity	0.1	67	1.4	677
Not Stated	0.5	382	0.1	42
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>75,023</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>48,489</b>
<b>Occupied Housing Units by Availability of Sewage System in Housing Unit</b>				
Public Sewage System	95.4	71,593	86.1	41,771
Porous Cesspit	4.0	3,019	13.1	6,360
No Sewage System	0.0	28	0.6	302
Not Stated	0.5	383	0.1	56
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>75,023</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>48,489</b>
<b>Private Household by Availability of Durable Goods</b>				
<b>Private Car</b>				
Available	16.6	12,481	20.5	10,759
Not Available	82.5	61,878	79.1	41,517
Not Stated	0.9	664	0.4	223
<b>Refrigerator</b>				
Available	93.4	70,070	87.0	45,663
Not Available	5.8	4,378	12.7	6,665
Not Stated	0.8	575	0.3	171
<b>Solar Boiler</b>				
Available	68.9	51,697	73.3	38,490
Not Available	30.3	22,735	26.4	13,837
Not Stated	0.8	591	0.3	172
<b>Central Heating</b>				
Available	1.8	1,345	0.8	408
Not Available	97.5	73,156	98.9	51,919
Not Stated	0.7	522	0.3	172
<b>Vacuum Cleaner</b>				
Available	25.0	18,721	.	.
Not Available	74.2	55,677	.	.
Not Stated	0.8	625	.	.
<b>Gas Cooker/ Electricity</b>				
Available	99.0	74,305	97.4	51,157
Not Available	0.4	294	2.3	1,206
Not Stated	0.6	424	0.3	136
<b>Microwave</b>				
Available	20.2	15,158	.	.
Not Available	79.0	59,257	.	.
Not Stated	0.8	608	.	.

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**Table 1(Cont.): Summary Results of the Population, Housing and Establishment Census in Gaza Governorate 1997, 2007**

Indicator	2007		1997		
	(%)	No. <sup>1</sup>	(%)	No. <sup>1</sup>	
<b>Washing Machine</b>					
Available	94.3	70,760	86.2	45,251	
Not Available	4.9	3,673	13.4	7,058	
Not Stated	0.8	590	0.4	190	
<b>Home Library</b>					
Available	19.1	14,308	13.2	6,906	
Not Available	80.1	60,089	86.5	45,401	
Not Stated	0.8	626	0.4	192	
<b>Radio/ Recorder</b>					/
Available	79.8	59,876	.	.	
Not Available	19.4	14,547	.	.	
Not Stated	0.8	600	.	.	
<b>T.V.</b>					
Available	94.5	70,874	88.5	46,458	
Not Available	4.7	3,551	11.2	5,854	
Not Stated	0.8	598	0.4	187	
<b>Video/ DVD</b>					DVD /
Available	14.8	11,113	14.8	7,768	
Not Available	84.3	63,271	84.8	44,524	
Not Stated	0.9	639	0.4	207	
<b>Satellite/ Dish</b>					
Available	85.5	64,123	.	.	
Not Available	13.7	10,287	.	.	
Not Stated	0.8	613	.	.	
<b>Phone Line</b>					
Available	46.1	34,569	26.9	14,127	
Not Available	53.0	39,799	72.7	38,162	
Not Stated	0.9	655	0.4	210	
<b>Completed Buildings by Utilization</b>					
Residential	69.9	28,454	70.8	24,379	
Residential & Work	16.1	6,557	14.5	5,007	
Work	8.8	3,597	8.1	2,802	
Closed	2.4	988	3.4	1,162	
Vacant	2.2	890	3.2	1,104	
Deserted	0.6	230	0.0	.	
Not Stated	0.0	9	0.0	-	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>40,725</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>34,454</b>	

<sup>1</sup> Includes population and households counted during the year 1997, 2007. Unless otherwise stated

**Table 1(Cont.): Summary Results of the Population, Housing and Establishment Census in Gaza Governorate 1997, 2007**

Indicator	2007		1997		
	(%)	No. <sup>1</sup>	(%)	No. <sup>1</sup>	
<b>Number of Persons Engaged in the Private Sector, Non Governmental Organization Sector and Government Companies by Principal Economic Activity</b>					
Agriculture, Farming of Cattle and other Animals	1.1	152	1.9	195	( )
Mining & Quarrying	0.0	-	0.0	-	
Manufacturing	12.6	1,684	20.0	2,076	
Electricity And Water Supply	0.3	44	2.1	216	
Construction	1.1	143	1.4	148	
Wholesale, Retail Trade & Repairs	58.3	7,817	54.1	5,627	
Hotels and Restaurants	4.2	559	3.4	349	
Transport, Storage & Communications	1.3	179	1.3	139	
Financial Intermediation	1.0	133	1.0	99	
Real Estate, Renting & Business Activities	5.5	734	4.4	453	
Education	2.5	329	1.9	202	
Health & Social Work	3.9	524	3.6	377	
Other Community, Social & Personal Service	8.2	1,104	5.0	518	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>13,402</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>10,399</b>	
<b>Number of Persons Engaged in the Private Sector, Non Governmental Organization Sector and Government Companies</b>					
Males	86.1	37,292	90.1	26,076	
Females	13.9	6,000	9.9	2,874	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>43,292</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>28,950</b>	

<sup>1</sup> Includes population and households counted during the year 1997, 2007. Unless otherwise stated

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Table 2: Population in Gaza Governorate by Sex, Locality and Age Group, 2007

Locality	Sex	Total	Age Group																							
			Not Stated	+ 65	+ 95	94 - 90	89 - 85	84 - 80	79 - 75	74 - 70	69 - 65	64 - 15	64 - 60	59 - 55	54 - 50	49 - 45	44 - 40	39 - 35	34 - 30	29 - 25	24 - 20	19 - 15	14 - 0	14 - 10	9 - 5	4 - 0
Gaza Governorate	T	484,771	2,930	11,592	60	163	410	1,131	2,281	3,432	4,115	253,301	6,384	9,037	11,107	14,975	20,149	22,006	28,682	35,216	44,614	61,131	216,948	68,934	67,457	80,557
	M	246,590	1,475	4,902	27	53	165	454	906	1,577	1,720	128,556	3,117	4,633	5,651	7,843	10,673	11,240	14,466	17,582	22,389	30,962	111,657	35,297	34,817	41,543
	F	238,181	1,455	6,690	33	110	245	677	1,375	1,855	2,395	124,745	3,267	4,404	5,456	7,132	9,476	10,766	14,216	17,634	22,225	30,169	105,291	33,637	32,640	39,014
Ash Shati' Camp	T	33,832	55	997	11	17	32	103	206	291	337	17,539	381	500	679	1,164	1,624	1,556	1,990	2,214	3,037	4,394	15,241	5,045	4,740	5,456
	M	17,081	26	356	3	4	12	41	77	128	91	8,870	169	245	343	634	868	780	1,007	1,072	1,514	2,238	7,829	2,597	2,445	2,787
	F	16,751	29	641	8	13	20	62	129	163	246	8,669	212	255	336	530	756	776	983	1,142	1,523	2,156	7,412	2,448	2,295	2,669
Gaza	T	438,690	2,844	10,294	46	140	367	1,001	2,019	3,051	3,670	229,480	5,834	8,327	10,155	13,422	17,944	19,780	25,920	32,204	40,605	55,289	196,072	62,115	60,886	73,071
	M	223,323	1,431	4,407	23	45	149	403	808	1,398	1,581	116,552	2,876	4,280	5,160	7,007	9,496	10,122	13,095	16,142	20,409	27,965	100,933	31,802	31,452	37,679
	F	215,367	1,413	5,887	23	95	218	598	1,211	1,653	2,089	112,928	2,958	4,047	4,995	6,415	8,448	9,658	12,825	16,062	20,196	27,324	95,139	30,313	29,434	35,392
Madinat Ezahra	T	3,012	10	47	-	-	3	2	7	12	23	1,546	45	48	68	103	196	232	235	185	162	272	1,409	404	482	523
	M	1,525	7	25	-	-	-	2	3	7	13	766	20	24	39	67	121	117	100	77	73	128	727	200	247	280
	F	1,487	3	22	-	-	3	-	4	5	10	780	25	24	29	36	75	115	135	108	89	144	682	204	235	243
Al Mughraqa (Abu Middein)	T	6,384	6	163	3	2	2	16	31	55	54	3,257	84	107	136	189	258	304	371	439	552	817	2,958	934	960	1,064
	M	3,272	3	78	1	2	-	6	13	34	22	1,643	39	57	67	94	130	154	187	204	269	442	1,548	496	474	578
	F	3,112	3	85	2	-	2	10	18	21	32	1,614	45	50	69	95	128	150	184	235	283	375	1,410	438	486	486
Juhor ad Dik	T	2,853	15	91	-	4	6	9	18	23	31	1,479	40	55	69	97	127	134	166	174	258	359	1,268	436	389	443
	M	1,389	8	36	-	2	4	2	5	10	13	725	13	27	42	41	58	67	77	87	124	189	620	202	199	219
	F	1,464	7	55	-	2	2	7	13	13	18	754	27	28	27	56	69	67	89	87	134	170	648	234	190	224

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**Table 3: Palestinian Population (12 Years and Over) in Gaza Governorate by Locality, Sex and Marital Status, 2007**

Locality	Total		Marital Status and Sex													
			Not Stated		Separated		Widowed		Divorced		Married		Legally Engaged		Never Married	
	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males
<b>Gaza Governorate</b>	<b>151,635</b>	<b>154,976</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>7,194</b>	<b>760</b>	<b>1,656</b>	<b>316</b>	<b>81,173</b>	<b>78,949</b>	<b>1,291</b>	<b>1,558</b>	<b>59,953</b>	<b>73,271</b>
Ash Shati' Camp	<b>10,817</b>	<b>10,792</b>	15	4	16	3	672	64	176	28	5,417	5,316	139	161	4,382	5,216
Gaza	<b>136,995</b>	<b>140,360</b>	216	66	111	47	6,347	668	1,444	282	73,691	71,659	1,127	1,365	54,059	66,273
Madinat Ezahra	<b>910</b>	<b>904</b>	-	-	1	-	33	2	14	3	559	550	5	10	298	339
Al Mughraqa (Abu Middein)	<b>1,964</b>	<b>2,024</b>	2	-	2	-	82	21	10	2	1,043	988	14	14	811	999
Juhor ad Dik	<b>949</b>	<b>896</b>	4	2	1	-	60	5	12	1	463	436	6	8	403	444

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**Table 4: Palestinian Population in Gaza Governorate by Locality, Sex and Refugee Status, 2007**

Locality	Refugee Status and Sex									
	Total		غير مبين Not Stated		ليس لاجيء Non-Refugee		لاجئ غير مسجل Non-Registered Refugee		لاجئ مسجل Registered Refugee	
	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males
<b>Gaza Governorate</b>	<b>236,493</b>	<b>245,176</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>110,714</b>	<b>116,760</b>	<b>1,618</b>	<b>1,459</b>	<b>124,094</b>	<b>126,913</b>
Ash Shati' Camp	16,708	17,056	-	-	440	351	36	7	16,232	16,698
Gaza	213,742	221,944	66	43	108,930	114,942	1,442	1,315	103,304	105,644
Madinat Ezahra	1,478	1,518	-	-	210	230	50	49	1,218	1,239
Al Mughraqa (Abu Middein)	3,110	3,272	1	1	725	795	55	55	2,329	2,421
Juhor ad Dik	1,455	1,386	-	-	409	442	35	33	1,011	911

Table 5: Palestinian Population (10 Years and Over) in Gaza Governorate by Sex, Locality and Educational Attainment, 2007

Locality	Sex	Total	Educational Attainment										
			Not Stated	Ph.D	Master	Higher Diploma	Bachelor	Associate Diploma	Secondary	Preparatory	Elementary	Can Read and Write	Illiterate
Gaza Governorate	T	333,458	177	738	2,075	589	27,141	11,330	68,618	88,115	79,464	42,267	12,944
	M	168,730	84	670	1,697	392	16,103	5,748	31,780	42,423	42,576	23,384	3,873
	F	164,728	93	68	378	197	11,038	5,582	36,838	45,692	36,888	18,883	9,071
Ash Shati' Camp	T	23,567	6	19	86	18	1,396	826	4,532	6,393	5,974	3,209	1,108
	M	11,823	3	19	75	11	804	415	2,138	3,080	3,185	1,836	257
	F	11,744	3	-	11	7	592	411	2,394	3,313	2,789	1,373	851
Gaza	T	301,544	169	705	1,945	547	25,012	10,202	62,488	79,733	71,519	38,013	11,211
	M	152,736	80	638	1,587	365	14,880	5,186	28,948	38,306	38,342	20,987	3,417
	F	148,808	89	67	358	182	10,132	5,016	33,540	41,427	33,177	17,026	7,794
Madinat Ezahra	T	1,991	-	12	40	18	382	170	464	385	303	191	26
	M	991	-	11	32	11	223	79	201	188	151	89	6
	F	1,000	-	1	8	7	159	91	263	197	152	102	20
Al Mughraqa (Abu Middein)	T	4,352	-	2	4	2	268	87	818	1,088	1,095	554	434
	M	2,217	-	2	3	2	154	44	360	583	584	326	159
	F	2,135	-	-	1	-	114	43	458	505	511	228	275
Juhor ad Dik	T	2,004	2	-	-	4	83	45	316	516	573	300	165
	M	963	1	-	-	3	42	24	133	266	314	146	34
	F	1,041	1	-	-	1	41	21	183	250	259	154	131



Table 6: Palestinian Population (10 Years and Over) in Gaza Governorate by Sex , Locality and Activity Status, 2007

Locality	Sex	Total	Activity Status											
			Not Stated	Others	/ Another Source of income/Retire	/ Disability/ Aging/ Illness	House- keeping	/ Studing/ Training	Not Economically Active	Unemployed Never Worked	Unemployed Ever Worked	Employed		Economically Active
Gaza Governorate	T	333,458	617	2,523	2,575	15,317	82,305	125,815	228,535	16,676	19,431	68,199	104,306	
	M	168,730	524	1,591	2,146	8,226	179	63,200	75,342	14,147	18,814	59,903	92,864	
	F	164,728	93	932	429	7,091	82,126	62,615	153,193	2,529	617	8,296	11,442	
Ash Shati' Camp	T	23,567	14	312	119	1,448	5,346	9,137	16,362	836	1,497	4,858	7,191	
	M	11,823	11	170	104	725	7	4,527	5,533	642	1,393	4,244	6,279	
	F	11,744	3	142	15	723	5,339	4,610	10,829	194	104	614	912	
Gaza	T	301,544	591	2,023	2,420	13,487	74,911	113,552	206,393	15,303	17,458	61,799	94,560	
	M	152,736	504	1,305	2,007	7,290	169	57,109	67,880	13,016	16,955	54,381	84,352	
	F	148,808	87	718	413	6,197	74,742	56,443	138,513	2,287	503	7,418	10,208	
Madinat Ezahra	T	1,991	-	19	25	43	429	721	1,237	44	14	696	754	
	M	991	-	9	24	17	-	355	405	35	13	538	586	
	F	1,000	-	10	1	26	429	366	832	9	1	158	168	
Al Mughraqa (Abu Middein)	T	4,352	7	99	7	225	1,076	1,651	3,058	371	336	580	1,287	( )
	M	2,217	5	55	7	130	3	849	1,044	337	329	502	1,168	
	F	2,135	2	44	-	95	1,073	802	2,014	34	7	78	119	
Juhor ad Dik	T	2,004	5	70	4	114	543	754	1,485	122	126	266	514	
	M	963	4	52	4	64	-	360	480	117	124	238	479	
	F	1,041	1	18	-	50	543	394	1,005	5	2	28	35	

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**Table 7: Disabilities/Difficulties of Palestinian Population in Gaza Governorate by Type of Disability/Difficulty and Sex, 2007**

Type of Disability/ Difficulty	Percentage	Females	Percentage	Males	Percentage	Both Sexes	/
Seeing	1.6	3,749	1.6	3,893	1.6	7,642	
Hearing	0.8	1,836	0.8	1,916	0.8	3,752	
Moving	1.3	2,975	1.3	3,079	1.3	6,054	
Cognition	0.5	1,156	0.6	1,449	0.5	2,605	
Communication	0.5	1,098	0.6	1,385	0.5	2,483	
<b>Total of Persons with Disability/Difficulty *</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>7,182</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>8,225</b>	<b>3.2</b>	<b>15,407</b>	* /
Persons Without Disability/ Without Difficulty	96.9	229,230	96.6	236,887	96.8	466,117	/
Not Stated	0.1	81	0.0	64	0.0	145	
<b>Total Population</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>236,493</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>245,176</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>481,669</b>	

\*Includes those who have at least one Disability/Difficulty

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**Table 8: Private Households in Gaza Governorate by Locality and Household Size, 2007**

Locality	Total		Household Size								
			+8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	
	Population	Households									
<b>Gaza Governorate</b>	<b>484,628</b>	<b>75,023</b>	<b>25,769</b>	<b>9,379</b>	<b>9,688</b>	<b>8,873</b>	<b>7,685</b>	<b>5,869</b>	<b>5,965</b>	<b>1,795</b>	
Ash Shati' Camp	<b>33,832</b>	<b>5,082</b>	1,939	718	599	508	481	313	355	169	
Gaza	<b>438,547</b>	<b>67,997</b>	23,204	8,432	8,820	8,110	6,994	5,403	5,453	1,581	
Madinat Ezahra	<b>3,012</b>	<b>584</b>	79	77	99	101	89	58	64	17	
Al Mughraqa (Abu Middein)	<b>6,384</b>	<b>933</b>	382	104	117	103	90	64	58	15	( )
Juhor ad Dik	<b>2,853</b>	<b>427</b>	165	48	53	51	31	31	35	13	

Table 9: Percentage of Households in Gaza Governorate with Availability of Durable Goods by Locality, 2007

Locality	Total No. of Households	Availability of Durable Goods													
		Phone Line	Satellite/Dish	DVD / Video/DVD	T.V	Radio/Recorder	Home Library	Washing Machine	Microwave	Gas Cooker/ Electricity	Vacuum Cleaner	Central Heating	Solar Boiler	Refrigerator	Private Car
<b>Gaza Governorate</b>	<b>75,023</b>	<b>46.1</b>	<b>85.5</b>	<b>14.8</b>	<b>94.5</b>	<b>79.8</b>	<b>19.1</b>	<b>94.3</b>	<b>20.2</b>	<b>99.0</b>	<b>25.0</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>68.9</b>	<b>93.4</b>	<b>16.6</b>
Ash Shati' Camp	5,082	37.2	89.4	9.0	94.5	73.8	13.4	92.5	11.9	99.7	9.4	0.3	66.3	92.2	5.2
Gaza	67,997	47.2	85.6	15.3	94.6	80.3	19.5	94.7	21.0	99.1	26.2	1.9	69.3	93.9	17.5
Madinat Ezahra	584	69.3	93.8	29.8	98.1	84.8	42.0	96.2	39.6	99.0	65.4	7.2	91.1	95.2	27.1
Al Mughraqa (Abu Middein)	933	14.4	58.4	3.9	85.1	74.2	7.6	80.3	4.2	91.1	4.2	0.2	46.5	69.7	9.9
Juhor ad Dik	427	11.0	60.0	4.0	82.9	75.9	5.4	77.3	3.5	95.6	3.7	0.2	59.0	75.9	20.8

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**Table 10: Occupied Housing Units in Gaza Governorate by Locality and Type of Housing Unit, 2007**

Locality	Total	Type of Housing Unit								
		Not Stated	Others	Marginal	Tent	Independent Room	Apartment	House	Villa	
<b>Gaza Governorate</b>	<b>75,023</b>	<b>397</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>55,881</b>	<b>17,733</b>	<b>896</b>	
Ash Shati' Camp	5,082	8	-	-	-	1	2,674	2,358	41	
Gaza	67,997	385	9	47	8	25	52,428	14,285	810	
Madinat Ezahra	584	-	-	-	-	-	504	48	32	
Al Mughraqa (Abu Middein)	933	2	-	8	4	1	198	710	10	( )
Juhor ad Dik	427	2	-	12	1	-	77	332	3	

Table 11: Occupied Housing Units in Gaza Governorate by Locality and Main Source of Water in the Housing Unit, 2007

Locality	Total		Main Source of Water												
			Not Stated		Other		( ) Water Tanks		Springs		Well (to gather rain water)		Public Network		
	(%)	(No.)	(%)	(No.)	(%)	(No.)	(%)	(No.)	(%)	(No.)	(%)	(No.)	(%)	(No.)	
<b>Gaza Governorate</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>75,023</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>385</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>902</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>97.8</b>	<b>73,404</b>	
Ash Shati' Camp	100.0	5,082	0.1	5	0.1	4	0.0	-	0.0	1	0.1	6	99.7	5,066	
Gaza	100.0	67,997	0.6	377	0.9	645	0.1	55	0.0	18	0.4	244	98.0	66,658	
Madinat Ezahra	100.0	584	0.0	-	5.1	30	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.0	-	94.9	554	
Al Mughraqa (Abu Middein)	100.0	933	0.1	1	8.6	80	0.2	2	0.0	-	0.0	-	91.1	850	( )
Juhor ad Dik	100.0	427	0.5	2	33.5	143	0.2	1	0.2	1	0.9	4	64.6	276	

Table 12: Occupied Housing Units in Gaza Governorate by Locality and Availability of Electricity in the Housing Unit, 2007

Locality	Total		Availability of Electricity								
			Not Stated		No Electricity		Private Generator		Public Network		
	(%)	(No.)	(%)	(No.)	(%)	(No.)	(%)	(No.)	(%)	(No.)	
<b>Gaza Governorate</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>75,023</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>382</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>99.3</b>	<b>74,519</b>	
Ash Shati' Camp	100.0	5,082	0.1	5	0.0	1	0.0	2	99.8	5,074	
Gaza	100.0	67,997	0.6	374	0.1	44	0.0	30	99.3	67,549	
Madinat Ezahra	100.0	584	0.0	-	0.0	-	1.0	6	99.0	578	
Al Mughraqa (Abu Middein)	100.0	933	0.1	1	1.2	11	1.0	9	97.7	912	( )
Juhor ad Dik	100.0	427	0.5	2	2.6	11	1.9	8	95.1	406	

Table 13: Occupied Housing Units in Gaza Governorate by Locality and Availability of Sewage System in the Housing Unit, 2007

Locality	Total		Availability of Sewage System							
			Not Stated		No Sewage System		Cesspool		Public Sewage System	
	(%)	(No.)	(%)	(No.)	(%)	(No.)	(%)	(No.)	(%)	(No.)
<b>Gaza Governorate</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>75,023</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>3,019</b>	<b>95.4</b>	<b>71,593</b>
Ash Shati' Camp	100.0	5,082	0.1	5	0.0	-	0.1	4	99.8	5,073
Gaza	100.0	67,997	0.6	374	0.0	17	2.8	1,871	96.7	65,735
Madinat Ezahra	100.0	584	0.0	-	0.0	-	6.7	39	93.3	545
Al Mughraqa (Abu Middein)	100.0	933	0.2	2	0.6	6	76.7	716	22.4	209
Juhor ad Dik	100.0	427	0.5	2	1.2	5	91.1	389	7.3	31



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**Table 14: Completed Buildings in Gaza Governorate by Locality and Utilization, 2007**

Locality	Total	Utilization							
		Not Stated	Deserted	Vacant	Closed	Work	Habitation & Work	Habitation	
<b>Gaza Governorate</b>	<b>40,725</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>890</b>	<b>988</b>	<b>3,597</b>	<b>6,557</b>	<b>28,454</b>	
Ash Shati' Camp	<b>3,670</b>	-	4	97	51	128	438	2,952	
Gaza	<b>35,198</b>	6	218	737	763	3,154	6,073	24,247	
Madinat Ezahra	<b>221</b>	-	1	13	9	40	17	141	
Al Mughraqa (Abu Middein)	<b>1,020</b>	1	4	36	121	104	19	735	( )
Juhor ad Dik	<b>616</b>	2	3	7	44	171	10	379	

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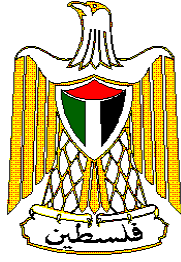
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**Table 15: Number of Establishments in Operation and Persons Engaged in the Private Sector, Non Governmental Organization Sector and Governmental Companies in Gaza Governorate by Localities, 2007**

Locality	No. of Persons Engaged			No. of Est	
	Females	Males	Total		
<b>Gaza Governorate</b>	<b>6,000</b>	<b>37,292</b>	<b>43,292</b>	<b>13,402</b>	
Ash Shati' Camp	131	1,025	1,156	652	
Gaza	5,735	35,945	41,680	12,626	
Madinat Ezahra	103	148	251	44	
Al Mughraqa (Abu Middein)	29	94	123	58	( )
Juhor ad Dik	2	80	82	22	

**Table 16: Number of Establishments and Persons in Operation Engaged in the Private Sector, Non Governmental Organization Sector and Governmental Companies in Gaza Governorate by Main Economic Activity, 2007**

ISIC	Economic Activity	No. of Persons Engaged			No. of Est		
		Females	Males	Total			
	<b>Gaza Governorate</b>	<b>6,000</b>	<b>37,292</b>	<b>43,292</b>	<b>13,402</b>		
A	Agriculture, Farming of Cattle and other Animals	8	345	353	152	(	)
C	Mining & Quarrying	-	-	-	-		
D	Manufacturing	219	6,384	6,603	1,684		
E	Electricity And Water Supply	26	979	1,005	44		
F	Construction	59	791	850	143		
G	Wholesale, Retail Trade & Repairs	554	16,136	16,690	7,817		
H	Hotels and Restaurants	60	1,759	1,819	559		
I	Transport, Storage & Communications	127	1,143	1,270	179		
J	Financial Intermediation	174	752	926	133		
K	Real Estate, Renting & Business Activities	321	1,759	2,080	734		
M	Education	1,822	2,227	4,049	329		
N	Health & Social Work	989	1,953	2,942	524		
O	Other Community, Social & Personal Service	1,641	3,064	4,705	1,104		



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## **Preface**

The PHC-2007 is an important pillar of the national development process and a primary prerequisite for socioeconomic planning. Furthermore, it helps reinforce the Palestinian sovereignty on the ground. Countries around the world usually conduct censuses every decade according to the degree of population stability, the amount of potential change in the demographic characteristics and the availability of financial resources.

Realizing the importance of filling the gap regarding society's statistical needs on the current situation in the Palestinian Territory, PCBS conducted the first national population, housing and establishment Census in 1997. PHC-2007 was conducted for legal, development and statistical considerations. Success was strongly attributed to the huge efforts exerted by the national census team and the continuous support of the Palestinian leadership.

The main objective of the PHC-2007 is to update statistical data on the Palestinian population, housing units, economic establishments and agricultural holdings, and to provide small area statistics to planners and decision makers. PHC-2007 will contribute to realizing a balanced and comprehensive development in all sectors.

PHC-2007 was designed and implemented in accordance with United Nations principles and recommendations of the Population and Housing census taking into consideration the local Palestinian needs. Special attention was given to affording complete and adequate data on the size, structure, distribution and characteristics of the demographic, economic and social components of the Palestinian population; the characteristics of housing units; the number and characteristics of the economic establishments and making an inventory of agricultural holdings. Consequently, obtained statistical data will foster and support the role and efficiency of planning both on the national and local government levels.

As part of PCBS's efforts to provide users with the census results as soon as possible, the national census team made every possible effort to fulfill that, we were able to publish the preliminary results of the census five weeks after the end of the census fieldwork events. This is considered record time compared to other countries. In addition, the final results of the buildings and establishments data for the Palestinian Territory were also disseminated. To continue this work, this report is a part of the detailed reports about the population at the governorate level.

PCBS and the national census team are pleased to present this report containing the census final results in the Gaza Governorate which has been processed. We hope that it will be a reference for all planners, decision makers and policy makers in the public and private sectors and for civil society institutions.

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## Remarks

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## Concepts and Definitions

The definitions used in the PHC-2007 are based on the de-facto concept as the United Nations standard concepts and definitions stated in order to be consistent with the 1997 census and to ensure comparability. The following concepts and definitions were used in this report

### **Population Census:**

The process of collection, classification, processing, analysis, assessment, dissemination of statistical data on the number of population and their distribution by basic demographic and socio-economic characteristics in a specific reference period within the boundaries of a specific geographic area.

### **Collective Households:**

It refers to the place constructed for the residence of a group of individuals, who live therein and benefit from the services it provides. The collective household may be comprised of one building or more or one housing unit or more. Examples of collective households include hotels, hostels, elderly and orphans' homes, psycho-therapy clinics and hospitals, collective households for university students, collective living quarters (camps), and housing units of priests and nuns in monasteries and churches (who do not have other households).

### **Household:**

One person or a group of persons with or without a household relationship, who live in the same housing unit, share meals and make joint provision of food and other essentials of living. In PHC-2007, the household includes:

1. Household members found in the housing unit on the night of 01/12/2007.
2. Visitors living outside the Palestinian Territory but who spent the night of 01/12/2007 in the housing unit of the household (relatives and non-relatives).
3. Visitors from the Palestinian Territory who, as a whole household, remained for all of the enumeration period 1-16/12/2007.
4. Servants and other workers living usually within the household who spent the night of 01/12/2007 with the household.
5. New births born prior to the night of 01/12/2007 and still alive, irrespective of whether they were within the household or in the hospital.
6. Household members who spent the night of 01/12/2007 with the household and died after that night.
7. Household members who usually live in the housing unit but were not available on the night of 01/12/2007. This category includes:
  - Household members who spent the night of 01/12/2007 with another household inside the Palestinian Territory.
  - Household members working at night 01/12/2007 in factories, hospitals, airports, etc.
  - Individuals who spent the night of 01/12/2007 traveling on public ways inside the Palestinian Territory.
  - Fishermen who spent the night fishing in regional waters.
  - Members of internal security forces and civil defense forces irrespective of where they spent the night of 01/12/2007.
  - Palestinian household members usually living within the household and who are hold an ID card, but who were abroad for less than one year for temporary reasons (tourist, visit, pilgrim, or any other reason).

- Palestinian household members usually living within the household but who were absent during the night of 01/12/2007 for urgent reasons, including hospital, detainee, etc.
- Palestinian household members usually living within the households but who were absent during the night of 01/12/2007 due to their stay in a hotel in the Palestinian Territory.
- Students studying abroad regardless of the length of their stay.
- Students studying in Palestinian universities, institutes and other educational institutions irrespective of place of existence.
- Household members detained in Israeli prisons.

**The following were excluded from households:**

- Persons who died before the night of 01/12/2007.
- Persons who were born after the night of 01/12/2007.
- Persons who stayed during the counting in elderly homes, orphans' homes, psychotherapy clinics and hospitals, and other collective households in the Palestinian Territory.

**The type of households that underwent enumeration may be divided into:**

**Private Households:** The households included in the aforementioned definition of the household.

**Collective (Institutional Households):** It refers to the households enumerated in the aforementioned collective households.

**Palestinian Household:**

It refers to the private household whose head holds Palestinian nationality. As for non-Palestinian household, it refers to the household whose head does not hold Palestinian nationality irrespective of the nationality of other household members.

**Special Types of Households:**

**A one-person household:** It refers to the household comprised of one individual.

**Nuclear Household:** It refers to the living household comprised of a couple only; a couple and a son or a daughter (not adopted son or daughter) or more; or a male head of a household with a son or a daughter or more; or a female head of a household with a son or a daughter or more. No other relatives or non-relatives live with this household.

**Extended Household:** A household of at least one nuclear household together with other relatives.

**Composite Household:** Refers to household consisting of at least one nuclear household with other non-relatives.

**Average Household Size:**

It refers to the average number of household members calculated through dividing the total number of members of a certain category by the number of households for that particular category.

**Sex:**

It is divided into male and female.

**Age in Completed Years:**

The completed age in years of the person enumerated, which is the difference between the date of birth and the survey reference period.

**Original Nationality:**

It refers to the political identity of individuals as Palestinian, Jordanian, Egyptian, Brazilian, French, etc.

**Refugee Status:**

This status relates to the Palestinians who were forced to leave their land in the Palestinian Territory occupied by Israel in 1948. It applies to their male sons and grandchildren.

1. **Registered Refugees:** It applies to registered refugees holding refugee registration cards issued by UNRWA.
2. **Non-Registered Refugees:** It applies to unregistered refugees who do not hold refugee registration cards issued by UNRWA.
3. **Non-Refugee:** It applies to any Palestinian not categorized under any of the two aforementioned status.

**Handicapped and Disabled:**

The disabled is defined as the person suffering from a clear and evident weakness in performing certain activities due to continuous difficulties emanating from a physical, mental or health state that has lasted for more than six months.

**Seeing Disability:**

It includes blind and one-eyed persons, and any person suffering from vision weakness even after using special devices, provided they do not suffer from any other disability.

**Hearing (Auditory) Disability:**

It includes deaf persons and any person suffering from clear auditory problems even after using special auditory devices, provided they do not suffer from any other disability.

**Moving Disability:**

It refers to the person suffering from evident problems in walking, climbing stairs, bending, bowing, kneeling, provided he / she does not suffer from any other disability.

**Cognition Disability:**

It refers to individuals who suffer from difficulties in concentration and memory, decision-making, understanding speech, reading, identifying persons, identifying areas and the use of a map, calculations, reading and thinking.

**Communication Disability:**

Refers to people who do not have the ability to exchange information and ideas with others and to deal with them through the use of speech, or sign or movement or to write the information they want to share with others, which may be the result of an inability of hearing or speech, or lack of the mental capacity to understand or interpret what others say, whether signals, words or movements.

**Educational Attendance:**

Attendance means registration in any formal educational stage irrespective of whether it took the form of continuous attendance or distance learning. Formal education stages include the elementary stage, preparatory stage, (both of which are referred to as the basic stage), secondary stage, and higher education stage (universities, colleges, vocational institutes, etc.).

Enrollment categories are as follows:

1. **Attending:** It applies if the person is currently enrolled in a regular educational stage.
2. **Attended and left:** It applies if the person unsuccessfully left a regular educational stage, i.e., without obtaining any degree.
3. **Attended and graduated:** It applies if the person successfully graduated from a regular educational stage and did not enroll in any stage after that.
4. **Never attended:** It applies if the person is not currently enrolled and was never enrolled in any regular educational stage.

**Years of Schooling Completed:**

For persons currently attending, attended and left, or successfully graduated, reference shall be made to the successfully completed formal educational years (completed years.) It does not include drop-out years, failure years, kindergarten years or ongoing educational years. Educational training courses are not included among the years of regular study.

**Illiterate:** It applies to persons unable to read or write in any language and who were never awarded a certificate from any formal education system.

**Can Read and Write:** It applies to persons who are able to read and write without completing any of the educational stages. Such persons are generally able to read and write simple sentences.

**Employed:**

Persons who were at work for at least one hour during the reference period, whether for their own account or for others, paid or unpaid, or in the interest of the household. Employees are classified according to the number of weekly working hours: 1-14 hours, 15-34 hours, or 35 hours or more.

**Labor Force Status:**

A person's work status in terms of being inside or outside the labor force and also classified as follows:

1. **Employed 1-14 work hours:** All persons aged 7 years and over who were at work for at least one hour during the reference week, or who were not at work during the reference week but held a job or owned a business from which they were temporarily absent and usually working 1-14 hours per week.
2. **Employed 15-34 work hours:** All persons aged 7 years and over who were at work during the reference week and held a job or owned a business from which they were temporarily absent and usually working 15-34 hours per week.
3. **Employed 35 hours or more:** All persons aged 7 years and over who were at work during the reference week and held a job or owned a business from which they were temporarily absent and usually working 35 hours or more per week.

**Does not work and seeking work - who has ever been employed:**

4. **Actively seeking a job during the reference week:** Those individuals aged 7 years and over who did not work at all during the reference week, were not absent from a job, were available for work and actively seeking a job during the reference week, and looking for a job by one method of the following: registration at employment office, or registration at a labor union, or asking friends or relatives, or a personal visit to the premises, or reading the newspaper in order to obtain jobs, or searching for a building or land or machinery or equipment in order to establish a private project or seek financial resources. Note: this category is those who worked in the previous two weeks continuously.

5. **Not seeking work because of discouragement:** Those individuals aged 7 years and over who had worked in the past but within a reference week did not work even one hour, were not looking for work and were willing to work, or need to work and sought previously but had been unable to find work.

**Does not work and wants to work – never employed:**

6. **Actively seeking a job during the reference week:** Those individuals aged 7 years and over who did not work at all during the last period, were not absent from a job, were available for work and actively seeking a job during the reference week, and looking for a job by one method of the following: registration at an employment office, or registration at a labor union, or asking friends or relatives, or a personal visit to the premises, or reading the newspaper in order to obtain jobs, or searching for a building or land or machinery or equipment in order to establish a private project or seek financial resources.
7. **Not seeking work because of discouragement:** Those individuals aged 7 years and over who have not worked throughout their life with any kind of work, have not worked even for one hour during the reference period, were not looking for work, but have desire or need to work and sought work previously but were unable to find and have no income due to this and did not continue to look for work.

**Does not work and does not want to work:**

Individuals aged 7 years or over for whom the concept of employed or unemployed does not apply, are classified outside the labor force in the sense that this individual did not work even one hour during the reference period, nor is looking for work and does not wish to work and falls under this definition:

8. **Full-time study / training:** Individuals aged 7 years or over who regularly study in order to obtain a qualified skill and not linked to work during a certain period of reference. It should be noted here that household chores and hobbies are not included in the concept of work.
9. **Full-time housekeeping:** Any person (male or female) aged 7 years and over not working but capable of work and not looking for work and not attending regular study and aims to serve the household home. This does not include the servicing of the homes of others in return for payment in kind or cash since this type of service is within the workplace.
10. **Disabled /old age / illness:** An individual aged 7 years and over who cannot do any kind of work due to chronic illness or disability. This category also includes all individuals who are unable to work because of old age.
11. **The existence of income / retiree:** If an individual is able to work but does not work and did not wish to work nor look for work because there is revenue from real estate or retirement, etc.
12. **Other:** Includes any individual for which all the previously stated did not apply, such as a prisoner, or individual capable of work but not wishing or looking for work and who has no income, such as sons and daughters who are not attending school, who do not apply to any situation mentioned previously.

**Main Occupation:**

The main job or type of work performed by the employed person or used to be performed by the unemployed ever worked person. The occupation refers to the activity in which the employee works more than half of his/her working hours or the most frequent job during the last three months prior to the enumeration night.

**Main Economic Activity:**

Is the main work of the establishment based on the (ISIC, rev3) and that contribute by the large proportion of the value added, whenever more than one activity exist in the establishment.

**Marital Status:**

The status of those aged 12 years and over in terms of marriage traditions and laws in the country.

May be one of the following cases:

1. **Never married:** It applies if the person aged 12 years and over has not been married or legally engaged (according to customs and traditions applicable in the country).
2. **Legally engaged:** It applies if the person aged 12 years and over has an official marriage document (issued by a competent court) but has not been actually married yet according to customs and traditions applicable in the country. The divorced, widowed, and married twice do not belong to this category.
3. **Married:** It applies if the person aged 12 years and over is actually and officially married (according to customs and traditions applicable in the country) irrespective of his / her past marital status as well as whether the couple were together during the reference period or not. The person married to more than one wife is classified as married.
4. **Divorced:** The person aged 12 years and over who was previously married and legally divorced but was not married again.
5. **Widowed:** The married person aged 12 years and over whose marriage was ended by the death of the spouse and was not married again.
6. **Separated:** The individual 12 years old and over who was married, but his/her marriage was revoked for some reason without any legal or official registration, and he/she did not marry again.

**Housing Unit:**

A building or part of a building constructed for one household only, with one or more independent entrances leading to the public road without passing through another housing unit.

**Housing Unit type:**

Housing unit type may refer to any of the following:

1. **Villa:** A separately established building that is usually constructed from clean stone. It is constructed for the living of one household and consists of a 2–suite, single or double or multiple storeys connected through internal stairs. One of the suites is constructed as bedrooms, while the second suite is constructed for reception and involves the kitchen and other related services. In general, the villa is surrounded by a garden, regardless of the area of this garden, which is surrounded by a border wall or fence. Villas normally have a roofed parking area (garage). Villas may also include a separate small building or extension as part of them.
2. **House:** A building usually established for the residence of one household or more; it is the typical form of residential buildings prevailing in Palestine. The house may be comprised of a single storey or more that is utilized by a single household.
3. **Apartment:** It is a part of a building or a house, consisting of one room or more and annexed with kitchen, bathroom and toilet, which are all closed by an external door leading to the road through a stairway and/or pathway. It is intended usually for one household.

4. **Independent Room:** It is a separate room with no kitchen, bathroom or toilet, but sharing these basic services with other households and it is intended for living purposes.
5. **Marginal:** It is a separate unit, usually comprised of one or more rooms. The main construction material of the ceiling and the external walls is zinc, tinsplate, etc, but it does not undergo listing unless it is occupied.
6. **Tent:** It is made of textile, wool, or hair. It is typically used in the Bedouin localities.
7. **Other:** It refers to any type of building other than the aforementioned. Examples of this type include cottages, caves, grottos, and booths occupied by a tenant during the Census.

#### **Room:**

The housing unit or part of the housing unit surrounded with walls and having a ceiling, provided that its area is not less than 4 square meters.

#### **Tenure of the House:**

This section refers to the household tenure of the housing unit that could be one of the following categories:

1. **Owned:** This category applies when the household or one of the household members usually living therein owns the housing unit.
2. **Rented Unfurnished:** If the housing unit is rented without furniture.
3. **Rented Furnished:** If the housing unit is rented with furniture.
4. **Without Payment:** If the housing unit is used without any payments.
5. **For Work:** If the housing unit is offered to the household as a result of a working relationship with one member of the household or more.
6. **Other:** If the tenure of the house is not mentioned above.

#### **Main Source of Water:**

1. **Public Water Network:** A network of pipes for the purpose of providing clean water to households. It normally belongs to a municipality, the council or to a private company.
2. **Mekorot Israeli Company:** A network of pipes for the purpose of providing clean water to households. It normally belongs to Mekorot Israeli company.
3. **Collection Water Wells:** Wells that are dug in the ground for the purpose of collecting rain water.
4. **Springs:** Water that is discharged from the ground at an intersection point between the topographic surface and the groundwater table; it could be permanent or seasonal and it is considered as one of the natural resources for irrigation.
5. **Water Tanks:** Using water from vehicles that distribute and transfer water.
6. **Others:** If the source of water was not mentioned above.

#### **Electricity:**

1. **Public Network:** Electrical wiring deployed in residential areas and covering all or most of the households in the locality, particularly through electricity companies or local authorities (municipal or village).
2. **Private Generator:** Device used for electric power generation and supply to housing and owned by the owner of the household or group of individuals.
3. **Not Available:** In the case of lack of means and therefore foregoing electricity.



**Connection to Sewage System:**

This question illustrates the house connections to sanitation, which are:

1. **Sewage Network:** System of collectors, pipelines, conduits and pumps to evacuate wastewater (rainwater, domestic and other wastewater) from any of the location places generated either to a municipal sewage treatment plant or to a location place where wastewater is discharged.
2. **Porous Cesspit:** A well or a pit in which night soil and other refuse is stored, constructed with porous walls.
3. **Tight Cesspit:** A well or a pit in which night soil and other refuse is stored, constructed of tight walls.
4. **Not Found:** In case of no provision by the methods detailed above.

**Building:**

A building is defined as any fixed construction that is temporarily or permanently erected on the surface of the earth or water. A building is surrounded by four walls or with at least one completed ceiling at the time of the visit, regardless of the construction material and the purpose of construction and utilization at the time of the Census. The building might be utilized for habitation, for work, for both, vacant, closed, deserted, under preparation or under construction at the time of the Census.

**Ownership:**

It refers to the sector or party to which the building belongs, and not to the party operating the building. Ownership could be one of the following:

1. **Private:** This means that the building is owned by an individual, group of persons, or legal personality such as institutions or a private sector company or establishments regardless of whether this sector is national or international.
2. **Governmental:** This means that the building is owned by the Palestinian National Authority (excluding Waqf properties, e.g., mosques, buildings dedicated to charitable work, etc.), taking into account that the government buildings rented from individuals are considered private. This category does not include buildings belonging to foreign governmental entities.
3. **Local Authority:** It refers to a building owned by the municipality or village council.
4. **Charitable Societies:** (Non-profit organizations) This term refers to the building owned by non-profit organizations (such as sports, clubs, etc.).
5. **Waqf:** It refers to the buildings dedicated to charitable work, e.g., mosques, etc.
6. **United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA):** This term refers to the building owned by the UNRWA including schools and hospitals belonging to UNRWA not rented from other parties.
7. **Other:** This refers to buildings to which none of the aforementioned definitions apply or to cases in which a building is possessed by more than one of those aforementioned entities, e.g., possessed by a foreign or international entity other than the UNRWA.

**Establishment**

An enterprise or part of an enterprise in which one group of goods and services is produced (with the possibility of having secondary activities).

**Number of Persons Engaged:**

This includes paid employees, unpaid owners and family members, and also all permanent and temporary staff aged 10 years and more

**Establishment Status:**

Refers to the operational status of the establishment. It could be:

- In operation: Means the establishment that works effectively
- Others: Completely closed, temporarily closed, under preparation, or an auxiliary activity unit.

**Ownership:**

This is the sector to which the establishment parent enterprise belongs. It is determined according to the majority of capital ownership or decision making rights. Ownership can be: private national, private foreign, non governmental organization sector, national government company, foreign government company, central government, local authority, foreign government, UNRWA and, lastly, international organization. It is worth mentioning that reference to national and foreign here is relevant to the residence concept as defined in the SNA-1993 and does not refer to nationality or citizenship.



## Summary of Final Results

### 2.1 Population

Findings show that the total population count of Gaza governorate on the midnight of 30/11-1/12/ 2007 was 496,692 people, including 252,654 males and 244,038 females. The sex ratio is 103.5 males/ 100 females.

#### 2.1.1 The actual count population

The findings of the actual count process show that the actually counted population in Gaza governorate was 484,771 people (97.6% of the total population), according to the findings of the post enumeration survey study. In comparison with the 1997 Census, the actually counted population in Gaza governorate was 359,941 hence, the percentage of change in the population number is 34.7%.

### 2.2 Basic demographic and social characteristics of the population

#### 2.2.1 Population age structure

Findings show that the Palestinian community in Gaza governorate consists mainly of young people. The number of the population aged 0-14 years is 216,948 people (44.8% of the total governorate population). Comparatively, the 1997 Census showed that the people of the same age group in Gaza governorate (aged 0-14 years) totaled 180,613 or 50.2% of the governorate population.

#### 2.2.2 Basic characteristics of the handicapped

According to the census findings, the population of Gaza governorate with at least one disability/ difficulty was 15,407 (3.2% of the total population).

#### 2.2.3 Basic characteristics of education

The number of the population in the age group of 10 and over with a Bachelor degree and higher totals 30,543 (9.2% of the population in the age group of 10 and over of Gaza governorate). According to 1997 Census, the number of the population in the age group of 10 and over with Bachelor degree and higher in the population of Gaza governorate totaled 11,497 (5.1% of the population in the same age group of Gaza governorate).

Findings also show that the illiterate people in the age group category of 10 and over total 12,944 (3.9% of the population in the age group of 10 and over of Gaza governorate compared to 22,781 or 10.1% of the population in the 1997 Census).

#### 2.2.4 Basic characteristics of employment

The number of unemployed people in Gaza governorate in the age group of 10 years and over is 36,107 (34.6% of the economically active population compared to 14,810 unemployed people or 19.6% in the 1997 Census).

#### 2.2.5 Basic characteristics of marriage

Findings show that married people aged 12 years and over total 160,122 (52.2% of the population 12 years and over of the Gaza governorate) compared to 116,645 or 56.9% of the Gaza governorate population of the same age group 12 years and over in the 1997 Census.

### **2.3 Households**

The findings of the population count show that the number of the actual counted households in Gaza governorate was 75,023 households. The average household size dropped from 6.9 in 1997 to 6.5 in 2007.

### **2.4 Buildings and housing units**

The number of completed buildings which were counted between 20/10 – 10/11/2007 in Gaza governorate was 40,725 compared to 34,454 in the 1997 Census. The number of occupied houses was 75,023 compared to 48,489 housing units in the 1997 Census.

### **2.5 Economic establishments**

The findings show that the number of operating establishments in Gaza governorate is 13,402 employing 43,292 people including 37,292 males and 6,000 females, working in the NGO's, private and government companies sectors.