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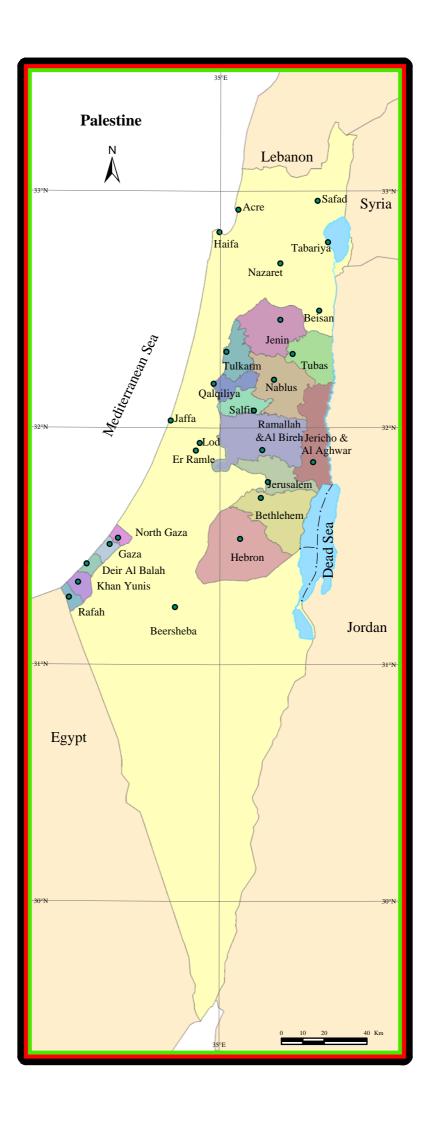
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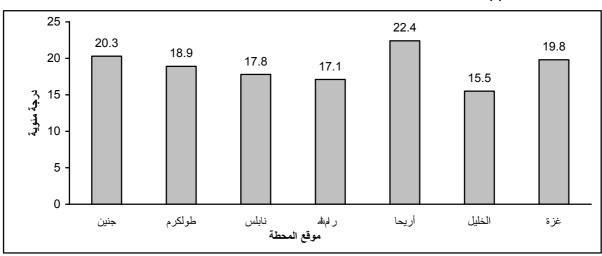
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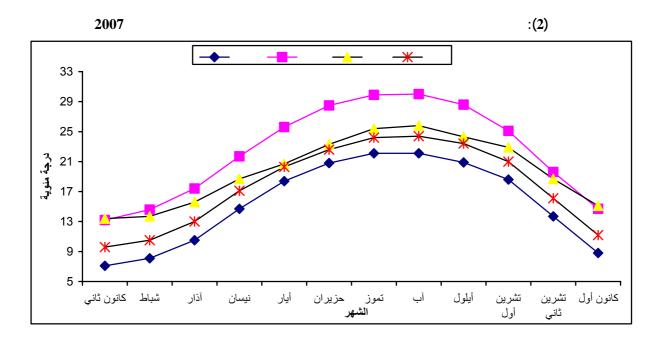
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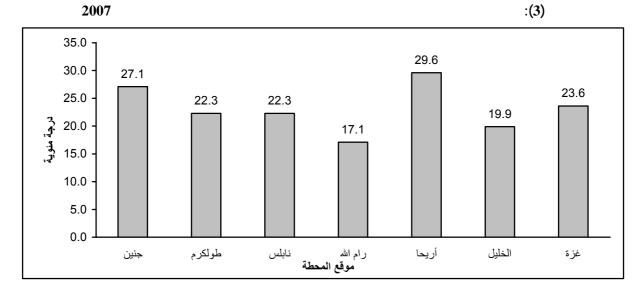


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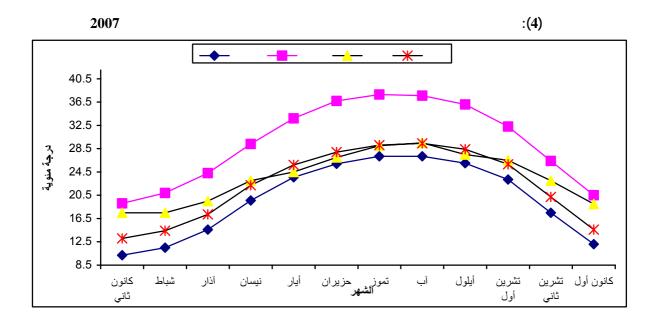
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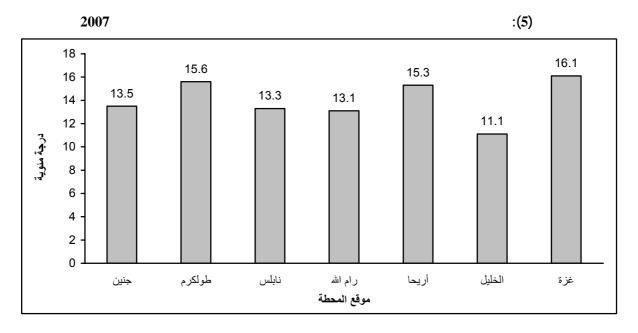
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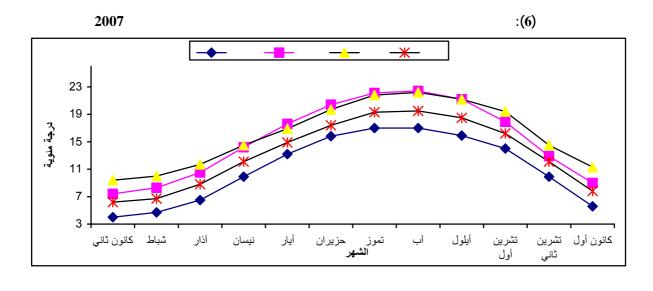
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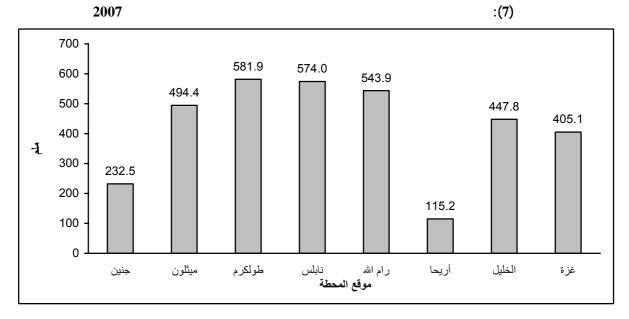


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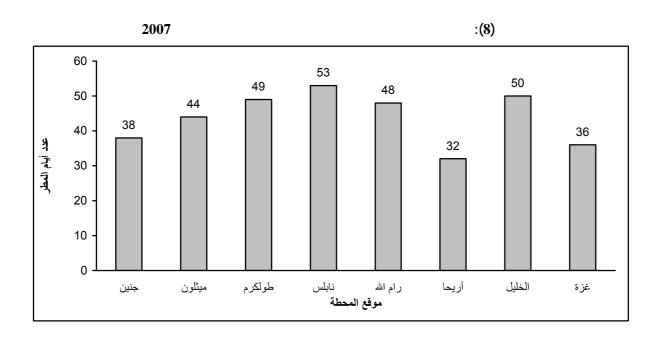


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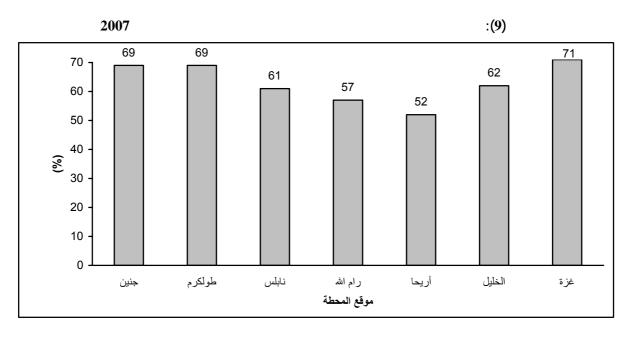
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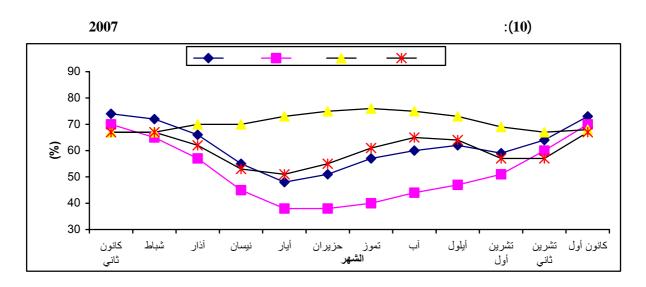
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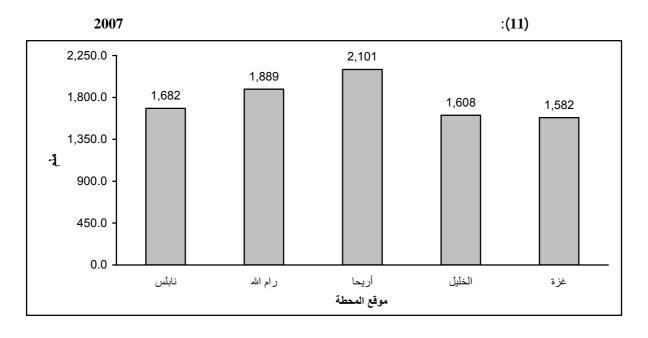


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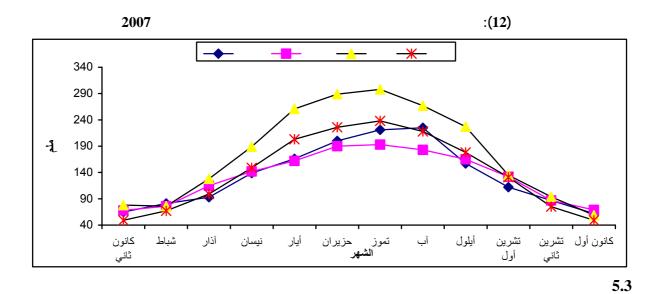
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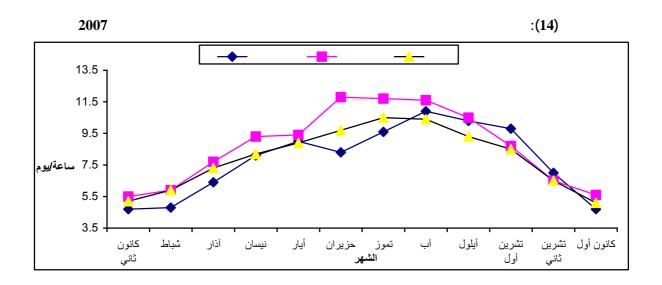
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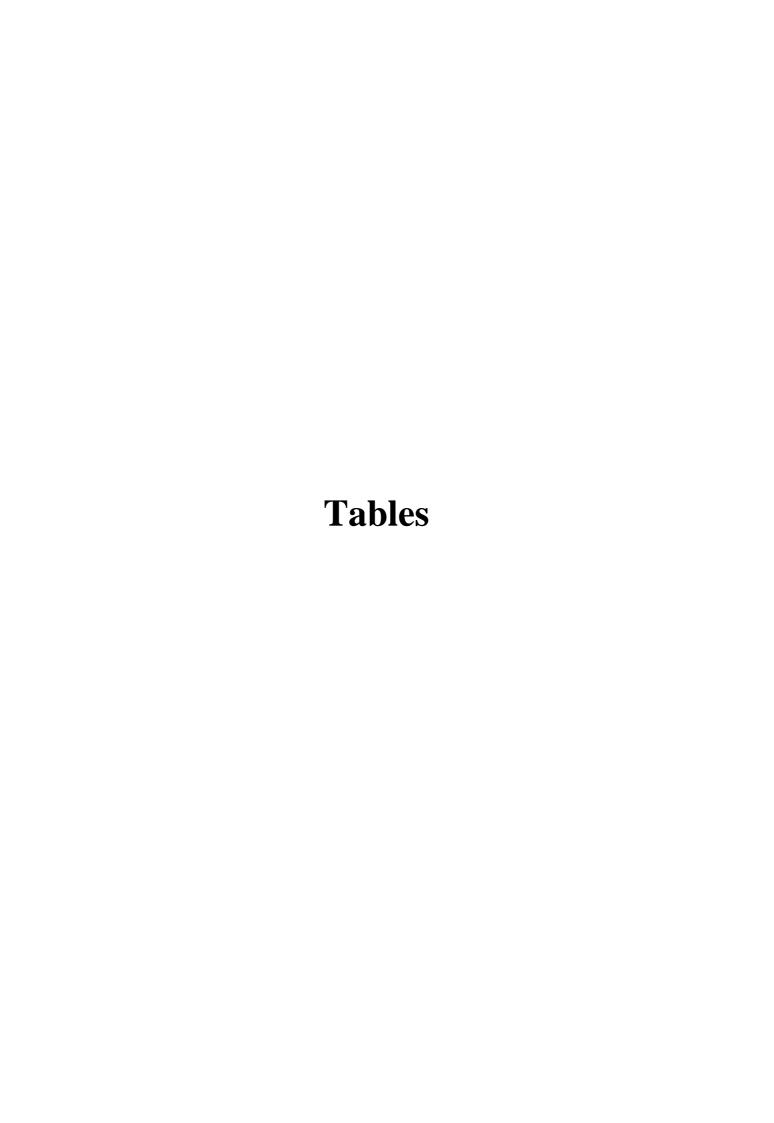
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Table 1: Mean of Air Temperatures in the Palestinian Territory by Year and Station Location, 1975-1995, 1997-2007 (C°)

| Station Location | Year | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------------|--|
| Station Location | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 | 1999 | 1998 | 1997 | 1995 -1975 | |
| Jenin | 20.3 | •• | 20.3 | 20.1 | 20.2 | | 21.7 | 20.2 | 21.0 | 21.1 | 19.1 | : | |
| Meithalun | | | 20.5 | 20.7 | 20.7 | | 18.8 | 20.3 | 19.8 | 18.5 | 16.6 | | |
| Tulkarm | 18.9 | •• | 23.1 | 22.8 | | | 21.8 | 22.3 | 21.9 | 21.3 | 18.9 | 19.8 | |
| Nablus | 17.8 | | 18.0 | 18.1 | 18.4 | | 18.7 | 17.5 | 18.5 | 19.0 | 16.8 | 17.6 | |
| Ramallah | 17.1 | | | | 17.0 | | 17.1 | | | 17.7 | 16.0 | 17.2 | |
| Jericho | 22.4 | | 23.4 | 23.5 | 23.6 | | 24.0 | 23.2 | 23.8 | 23.9 | 21.3 | 22.7 | |
| Hebron | 15.5 | | 16.7 | 16.6 | 16.3 | | 16.5 | 14.6 | 16.4 | 16.6 | 14.5 | 15.4 | |
| Gaza | 19.8 | | 21.0 | 20.8 | 20.8 | | 21.1 | 20.5 | 21.0 | 21.1 | 18.9 | 20.6 | |

(°) 2007-1997 1995-1975

Table 2: Mean of Maximum Air Temperatures in the Palestinian Territory by Year and Station Location, 1975-1995, 1997-2007 (C°)

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| Station Location | Year | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------------|--|
| Station Location | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 | 1999 | 1998 | 1997 | 1995 -1975 | |
| Jenin | 27.1 | | 25.6 | 25.8 | 26.6 | | 25.6 | 25.5 | 26.5 | 26.3 | 23.8 | | |
| Meithalun | | | 25.3 | 25.0 | 25.7 | | 25.2 | 24.5 | 25.4 | 25.0 | 22.8 | | |
| Tulkarm | 22.3 | | 26.3 | 26.3 | | | 26.9 | 25.6 | 26.7 | 26.6 | 24.1 | 25.7 | |
| Nablus | 22.3 | | 22.9 | 23.0 | 22.1 | | 23.7 | 22.8 | 23.8 | 23.4 | 21.0 | 21.6 | |
| Ramallah | 17.1 | | | | 21.8 | | 21.7 | •• | | 22.6 | 19.3 | 21.1 | |
| Jericho | 29.6 | | 30.3 | 30.3 | 30.5 | | 30.8 | 30.1 | 30.9 | 30.8 | 27.5 | 29.6 | |
| Hebron | 19.9 | | 21.0 | 20.9 | 20.8 | | 20.9 | 19.7 | 20.7 | 22.3 | 18.2 | 19.6 | |
| Gaza | 23.6 | | 23.6 | 23.6 | 23.5 | | 24.0 | 23.4 | 24.1 | 24.7 | 22.1 | 27.2 | |

(°) 2007-1997 1995-1975 :3

Table 3: Mean of Minimum Air Temperatures in the Palestinian Territory by Year and Station Location, 1975-1995, 1997-2007 (C°)

| Station Location | Year | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------------|--|
| Station Location | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 | 1999 | 1998 | 1997 | 1995 -1975 | |
| Jenin | 13.5 | | 16.0 | 15.7 | 14.1 | | 16.5 | 15.7 | 16.2 | 16.4 | 14.4 | | |
| Meithalun | | | 12.9 | 12.5 | 12.7 | | 12.3 | 11.9 | 12.1 | 12.1 | 10.4 | | |
| Tulkarm | 15.6 | | 16.0 | 15.8 | | | 16.7 | 16.0 | 16.2 | 16.1 | 14.4 | 13.9 | |
| Nablus | 13.3 | •• | 14.3 | 14.1 | 14.1 | | 14.8 | 14.0 | 14.3 | 14.6 | 13.4 | 13.6 | |
| Ramallah | 13.1 | | | | 14.4 | | 13.4 | | | 12.9 | 13.6 | 13.1 | |
| Jericho | 15.3 | | 16.2 | 16.5 | 16.9 | | 16.8 | 16.4 | 16.9 | 17.0 | 15.9 | 15.7 | |
| Hebron | 11.1 | | 12.3 | 12.3 | 12.6 | | 12.7 | 11.8 | 12.7 | 12.6 | 11.5 | 11.2 | |
| Gaza | 16.1 | | 17.7 | 17.5 | 17.4 | | 17.9 | 17.0 | 17.5 | 17.5 | 16.8 | 14.0 | |

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Table 4: Annual Rainfall Quantity in the Palestinian Territory by Year and Station Location, 1997-2007 (mm)

| Station Location | Year | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------|-------|------|-------|-------|-------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--|
| Station Location | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 | 1999 | 1998 | 1997 | |
| Jenin | 232.5 | | 431.1 | 424.8 | 649.3 | | 311.8 | 477.6 | 237.4 | 388.0 | 653.6 | |
| Meithalun | 494.4 | | 519.2 | 521.3 | 788.2 | | 451.4 | 673.3 | 273.3 | 559.3 | 741.2 | |
| Tulkarm | 581.9 | | 585.8 | 547.3 | 770.2 | | 557.9 | 784.4 | 290.0 | 531.3 | 918.4 | |
| Nablus | 574.0 | | 790.5 | 638.5 | 942.7 | | 505.0 | 835.3 | 343.2 | 556.7 | 828.3 | |
| Ramallah | 543.9 | | | | 654.2 | | 364.8 | | | 302.2 | 596.7 | |
| Jericho | 115.2 | | 117.0 | 128.5 | 194.0 | | 148.4 | 152.8 | 48.7 | 90.1 | 224.6 | |
| Hebron | 447.8 | | 475.9 | 570.8 | 538.7 | | 520.1 | 681.8 | 243.4 | 328.2 | 586.8 | |
| Gaza | 405.1 | | 260.5 | 408.3 | 524.8 | | 436.7 | 563.3 | 196.5 | 241.1 | 353.8 | |

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Table 5: Number of Rainfall Days in the Palestinian Territory by Year and Station Location, 1997-2007

| Station Location | Year | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--|
| Station Location | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 | 1999 | 1998 | 1997 | |
| Jenin | 38 | •• | 55 | 51 | 64 | | 38 | 48 | 35 | 49 | 74 | |
| Meithalun | 44 | | 50 | 45 | 56 | | 45 | 55 | 34 | 54 | 64 | |
| Tulkarm | 49 | | 51 | 50 | | | 44 | 61 | 39 | 62 | 77 | |
| Nablus | 53 | | 56 | 58 | 64 | | 49 | 61 | 42 | 68 | 62 | |
| Ramallah | 48 | | | | 48 | | 35 | | | 32 | 59 | |
| Jericho | 32 | | 36 | 35 | 41 | | 24 | 32 | 23 | 32 | 50 | |
| Hebron | 50 | | 46 | 42 | 49 | | 48 | 54 | 31 | 40 | 54 | |
| Gaza | 36 | | 38 | 46 | 51 | | | 52 | 34 | 34 | 50 | |

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Table 6: Mean Relative Humidity in the Palestinian Territory by Year and Station Location, 1969-1983, 1997-2007 (%)

| Station | Year | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------------|
| Location | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 | 1999 | 1998 | 1997 | 1983 -1969 |
| Jenin | 69 | | 65 | 65 | 65 | | 64 | 67 | 63 | 63 | 57 | |
| Meithalun | | | 59 | 64 | 64 | | 62 | 61 | 58 | 61 | 55 | 61 |
| Tulkarm | 69 | | 60 | 62 | | | 66 | 67 | 64 | 63 | 64 | 63 |
| Nablus | 61 | | 60 | 61 | 62 | | 63 | 64 | 61 | 61 | 55 | 61 |
| Ramallah | 57 | | | | 70 | | 68 | | | 59 | 51 | 57 |
| Jericho | 52 | | 53 | 53 | 55 | | 52 | 53 | 51 | 55 | 51 | 52 |
| Hebron | 62 | | 60 | 66 | 66 | | 58 | 61 | 57 | 59 | 51 | 62 |
| Gaza | 71 | | 66 | 67 | 67 | | 69 | 70 | 71 | 69 | 61 | |

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Table 7: Evaporation Quantity in the Palestinian Territory by Year and Station Location, 1973-1984, 1997-2007 (mm)

| Station Location | Year | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------|--------|------|---------|---------|---------|------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|------------|---|
| Station Location | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 | 1999 | 1998 | 1997 | 1984 -1973 | |
| Jenin | | | 1,932.2 | 1,943.9 | 1,737.0 | | | 1,983.8 | 2,049.0 | 2,006.4 | 1,987.0 | | |
| Meithalun | | | | | | | 1,558.4 | 1,654.1 | 1,646.0 | 1,433.2 | 1,499.0 | 1,753.0 | İ |
| Tulkarm | | | | | | | | 1,766.9 | 1,468.0 | 1,245.4 | | 1,633.0 | |
| Nablus | 1682.0 | | 1,991.3 | 1,981.8 | 1,808.3 | | 1,869.1 | 1,853.5 | 1,884.3 | 1,986.0 | 1,878.0 | 1,681.0 | |
| Ramallah | 1889.0 | | | | 2,093.1 | | | | | 2,077.1 | 1,976.0 | 1,874.0 | İ |
| Jericho | 2101.0 | | 2,085.3 | 2,110.7 | 2,227.0 | | 2,112.3 | 2,047.8 | 2,113.0 | 2,074.0 | 1,974.0 | 2,342.0 | |
| Hebron | 1608.0 | | 2,046.9 | 1,974.3 | 1,828.3 | | 1,865.7 | 1,788.4 | 1,970.0 | 2,077.2 | 1,673.0 | 1,681.0 | |
| Gaza | 1582.0 | | 1,542.8 | 1,697.9 | 1,582.9 | | 1,908.9 | 1,635.5 | 1,645.0 | 1,671.9 | 1,603.0 | | |

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Table 8: Mean Wind Speed in the Palestinian Territory by Year and Station Location, 1997-2007 (km\hour)

| Station Location | Year | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--|
| Station Location | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 | 1999 | 1998 | 1997 | |
| Jenin | 7.8 | ** | 3.4 | 3.8 | 5.4 | | 7.9 | 8.3 | 9.0 | 3.9 | 5.3 | |
| Meithalun | | | 1.7 | 2.2 | 4.8 | | 3.0 | 3.0 | 7.2 | 3.1 | 3.5 | |
| Tulkarm | 3.4 | | 3.5 | 3.5 | | | 3.8 | 4.0 | 7.0 | 4.0 | 6.0 | |
| Nablus | 9.9 | •• | 8.7 | 8.8 | 8.0 | | 11.2 | 10.0 | 11.2 | 5.5 | 10.7 | |
| Ramallah | 17.3 | ** | | •• | 7.8 | | | | | 5.0 | 18.0 | |
| Jericho | 12.3 | •• | 7.0 | 7.0 | 8.1 | | 7.4 | 7.5 | 6.7 | 3.3 | 8.8 | |
| Hebron | 10.1 | ** | 12.1 | 10.4 | 8.6 | | 12.5 | 12.8 | 6.4 | 5.1 | 12.0 | |
| Gaza | | ** | 8.4 | 10.4 | 10.3 | | 12.0 | 10.5 | 8.2 | 10.2 | 12.9 | |

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Table 9: Mean of Air Temperature in the Palestinian Territory by Month and Station Location, 2007 (C⁰)

| | Station | Location | | | | | | |
|-------------|---------|----------|---------|----------|--------|---------|-----------|-------|
| Month | | | | | | | | |
| | Gaza | Hebron | Jericho | Ramallah | Nablus | Tulkarm | Meithalun | Jenin |
| January | 13.4 | 7.1 | 13.2 | 8.7 | 9.6 | 10.9 | | 12.1 |
| February | 13.7 | 8.1 | 14.6 | 9.9 | 10.5 | 11.2 | | 12.6 |
| March | 15.6 | 10.5 | 17.4 | 12.3 | 13.0 | 13.7 | | 15.1 |
| April | 18.7 | 14.7 | 21.7 | 15.6 | 17.1 | 17.6 | | 19.7 |
| May | 20.7 | 18.4 | 25.6 | 20.0 | 20.3 | 20.2 | | 22.5 |
| June | 23.3 | 20.8 | 28.5 | 22.5 | 22.6 | 23.3 | | 25.1 |
| July | 25.4 | 22.1 | 29.9 | 23.6 | 24.2 | 25.5 | | 26.6 |
| August | 25.8 | 22.1 | 30.0 | 23.8 | 24.4 | 26.1 | | 27.6 |
| September | 24.3 | 20.9 | 28.6 | 22.8 | 23.4 | 24.7 | | 26.5 |
| October | 22.9 | 18.6 | 25.1 | 20.4 | 21.0 | 23.0 | | 23.3 |
| November | 18.7 | 13.7 | 19.6 | 15.5 | 16.1 | 17.5 | | 18.4 |
| December | 15.1 | 8.8 | 14.7 | 10.6 | 11.2 | 13.2 | | 13.7 |
| Annual Mean | 19.8 | 15.5 | 22.4 | 17.1 | 17.8 | 18.9 | | 20.3 |

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Table 10: Mean of Maximum Air Temperature in the Palestinian Territory by Month and Station Location, 2007 (C°)

| | Station L | ocation_ | | | | | | |
|-------------|-----------|----------|---------|----------|--------|---------|-----------|-------|
| Month | | | | | | | | |
| | Gaza | Hebron | Jericho | Ramallah | Nablus | Tulkarm | Meithalun | Jenin |
| January | 17.5 | 10.2 | 19.1 | 8.7 | 13.1 | 13.3 | | 17.4 |
| February | 17.5 | 11.5 | 20.9 | 9.9 | 14.4 | 13.8 | | 18.2 |
| March | 19.5 | 14.6 | 24.3 | 12.3 | 17.2 | 16.7 | | 21.6 |
| April | 23.0 | 19.6 | 29.3 | 15.6 | 22.2 | 21.5 | | 28.3 |
| May | 24.5 | 23.6 | 33.7 | 20.0 | 25.7 | 24.6 | | 31.0 |
| June | 27.0 | 25.9 | 36.7 | 22.5 | 27.9 | 27.2 | | 32.9 |
| July | 29.0 | 27.2 | 37.8 | 23.6 | 29.1 | 29.0 | | 33.6 |
| August | 29.5 | 27.2 | 37.6 | 23.8 | 29.4 | 29.6 | | 34.2 |
| September | 27.5 | 26.0 | 36.1 | 22.8 | 28.4 | 28.2 | | 33.2 |
| October | 26.5 | 23.2 | 32.3 | 20.4 | 25.8 | 26.8 | | 30.6 |
| November | 23.0 | 17.5 | 26.4 | 15.5 | 20.2 | 20.8 | | 25.0 |
| December | 19.0 | 12.1 | 20.5 | 10.6 | 14.6 | 15.9 | | 18.8 |
| Annual Mean | 23.6 | 19.9 | 29.6 | 17.1 | 22.3 | 22.3 | | 27.1 |

(°) 2007 :11

Table 11: Mean of Minimum Air Temperature in the Palestinian Territory by Month and Station Location, 2007 (C⁰)

| | Station L | Station Location | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|-----------|------------------|---------|----------|--------|---------|-----------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| Month | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Gaza | Hebron | Jericho | Ramallah | Nablus | Tulkarm | Meithalun | Jenin | | | | |
| January | 9.4 | 4.0 | 7.4 | 6.1 | 6.2 | 8.6 | | 6.8 | | | | |
| February | 10.0 | 4.7 | 8.3 | 6.9 | 6.7 | 8.7 | | 7.1 | | | | |
| March | 11.7 | 6.5 | 10.5 | 8.7 | 8.8 | 10.8 | | 8.6 | | | | |
| April | 14.5 | 9.9 | 14.2 | 10.3 | 12.1 | 13.8 | | 11.2 | | | | |
| May | 16.9 | 13.2 | 17.6 | 15.3 | 14.9 | 15.9 | | 14.0 | | | | |
| June | 19.7 | 15.8 | 20.4 | 17.7 | 17.4 | 19.4 | | 17.3 | | | | |
| July | 21.8 | 17.0 | 22.1 | 18.9 | 19.3 | 22.1 | | 19.6 | | | | |
| August | 22.2 | 17.0 | 22.4 | 19.0 | 19.5 | 22.7 | | 21.1 | | | | |
| September | 21.2 | 15.9 | 21.2 | 18.1 | 18.5 | 21.2 | | 19.8 | | | | |
| October | 19.4 | 14.0 | 17.9 | 16.4 | 16.2 | 19.2 | | 16.1 | | | | |
| November | 14.5 | 9.9 | 12.9 | 12.3 | 12.1 | 14.3 | | 11.8 | | | | |
| December | 11.3 | 5.6 | 9.0 | 8.0 | 7.8 | 10.6 | | 8.7 | | | | |
| Annual Mean | 16.1 | 11.1 | 15.3 | 13.1 | 13.3 | 15.6 | | 13.5 | | | | |

(°) 2007 :12

Table 12: Absolute Minimum Air Temperature in the Palestinian Territory by Month and Station Location, 2007 (C⁰)

| | Station L | ocation | | | | | | |
|-----------|-----------|---------|---------|----------|--------|---------|-----------|-------|
| Month | | | | | | | | |
| | Gaza | Hebron | Jericho | Ramallah | Nablus | Tulkarm | Meithalun | Jenin |
| January | 2.0 | -1.0 | 0.2 | -4.1 | 6.2 | 4.2 | | 2.0 |
| February | 2.6 | -3.0 | -0.4 | -3.4 | 6.7 | 4.8 | | 1.0 |
| March | 3.6 | -0.5 | 2.8 | 1.0 | 8.8 | 7.2 | | 5.0 |
| April | 7.4 | 1.0 | 2.4 | 0.2 | 12.1 | 9.6 | | 3.4 |
| May | 11.4 | 6.5 | 10.4 | 4.6 | 14.9 | 12.6 | | 12.8 |
| June | 14.8 | 10.0 | 15.4 | 9.0 | 17.4 | 16.1 | | 17.0 |
| July | 18.5 | 13.0 | 18.0 | 13.6 | 19.3 | 18.5 | | 21.4 |
| August | 19.2 | 12.0 | 19.0 | 14.4 | 19.5 | 20.3 | | 21.0 |
| September | 16.2 | 12.0 | 13.2 | 8.6 | 18.5 | 18.5 | | 17.8 |
| October | 12.2 | 9.0 | 11.4 | 8.5 | 16.2 | 14.9 | | 11.0 |
| November | 7.5 | 2.0 | 4.2 | 0.2 | 12.1 | 10.8 | | 11.0 |
| December | 3.4 | -0.4 | 2.1 | -1.0 | 7.8 | 7.3 | | 6.0 |

(°) 2007 :13

Table 13: Absolute Maximum Air Temperature in the Palestinian Territory by Month and Station Location, 2007 (C⁰)

| | Station L | ocation | | | | | | | |
|-----------|-----------|---------|---------|----------|--------|---------|-----------|-------|--|
| Month | | | | | | | | | |
| | Gaza | Hebron | Jericho | Ramallah | Nablus | Tulkarm | Meithalun | Jenin | |
| January | 31.2 | 21.4 | 25.0 | 20.2 | 22.9 | 20.0 | | 25.0 | |
| February | 34.4 | 21.0 | 27.6 | 21.8 | 28.1 | 20.7 | | 26.0 | |
| March | 34.8 | 23.6 | 33.8 | 26.3 | 30.4 | 23.0 | | 26.8 | |
| April | 41.2 | 32.6 | 41.4 | 34.5 | 35.0 | 31.0 | | 38.6 | |
| May | 43.5 | 34.0 | 46.4 | 38.0 | 38.6 | 32.0 | | 40.4 | |
| June | 40.0 | 33.5 | 45.0 | 36.8 | 38.0 | 31.0 | | 37.6 | |
| July | 36.0 | 38.0 | 44.0 | 35.6 | 38.1 | 36.9 | | 37.0 | |
| August | 32.8 | 33.4 | 45.6 | 37.3 | 38.6 | 34.0 | | 35.8 | |
| September | 38.8 | 34.6 | 43.4 | 37.2 | 38.8 | 33.2 | | 37.0 | |
| October | 37.4 | 31.6 | 40.6 | 32.7 | 35.3 | 32.5 | | 39.0 | |
| November | 35.4 | 31.6 | 34.8 | 27.2 | 30.7 | 27.7 | | 29.0 | |
| December | 31.6 | 22.0 | 28.8 | 26.5 | 28.0 | 22.3 | | 25.4 | |

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Table 14: Rainfall Quantity in the Palestinian Territory by Month and Station Location, 2007 (mm)

| | Station | Location | | | · | | | |
|-----------|---------|----------|---------|----------|--------|---------|-----------|-------|
| Month | | | | | | | | |
| | Gaza | Hebron | Jericho | Ramallah | Nablus | Tulkarm | Meithalun | Jenin |
| January | 159.5 | 153.1 | 23.5 | 81.2 | 105.6 | 102.0 | 102.0 | 30.1 |
| February | 98.8 | 109.0 | 22.5 | 130.4 | 174.9 | 162.0 | 142.4 | 53.3 |
| March | 69.7 | 103.2 | 26.4 | 146.1 | 116.6 | 74.3 | 88.7 | 51.9 |
| April | 0.5 | 9.4 | 8.2 | 5.0 | 8.2 | 3.7 | 18.1 | 4.0 |
| May | 0.8 | 5.8 | 0.0 | 16.2 | 4.9 | 8.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| June | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| July | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| August | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| September | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| October | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 1.0 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| November | 43.1 | 23.4 | 19.9 | 106.5 | 85.3 | 148.3 | 66.7 | 70.5 |
| December | 31.7 | 43.9 | 14.5 | 57.5 | 78.4 | 82.0 | 78.5 | 22.7 |
| Total | 405.1 | 447.8 | 115.2 | 543.9 | 574 | 581.9 | 494.4 | 232.5 |

2007 :15

Table 15: Number of Rainfall Days in the Palestinian Territory by Month and Station Location, 2007

| | Station L | ocation | | | | | | |
|-------------|-----------|---------|--------------|---------------|----------|------------------|-----------|------------|
| Month | C070 | Hebron | Jericho | Ramallah | Nablus | Tulkarm | Meithalun | lonin |
| January | Gaza 8 | 9 | Jericho 8 | Kamailan 6 | Nabius 7 | 1 Tulkalili 8 | 9 | Jenin 4 |
| - | | | | | | | | |
| February | 10 | 16 | 10 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 13 | 15 |
| March | 8 | 8 | 5 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 7 |
| April | 1 | 4 | 1 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 2 |
| May | 1 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| June | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| July | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| August | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| September | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| October | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| November | 3 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 4 |
| December | 4 | 7 | 4 | 8 | 9 | 6 | 8 | 6 |
| Annual Mean | 36 | 50 | 32 | 48 | 53 | 49 | 44 | 38 |

() 2007 :16
Table 16: Maximum Daily Rainfall in the Palestinian Territory by Month and

Table 16: Maximum Daily Rainfall in the Palestinian Territory by Month and Station Location, 2007 (mm)

| | Station L | ocation | | | | | | |
|-----------|-----------|---------|---------|----------|--------|---------|-----------|-------|
| Month | | | | | | | | |
| | Gaza | Hebron | Jericho | Ramallah | Nablus | Tulkarm | Meithalun | Jenin |
| January | 92.8 | 46.0 | 8.1 | 52.3 | 43.3 | | 35.5 | 20.8 |
| February | 30.9 | 32.2 | 5.7 | 28.6 | 38.0 | | 37.7 | 23.2 |
| March | 20.9 | 47.2 | 9.9 | 56.8 | 41.8 | | 37.2 | 18.8 |
| April | 0.5 | 7.2 | 8.2 | 3.1 | 5.2 | | 11.0 | 3.2 |
| May | 0.8 | 4.4 | 0.0 | 11.9 | 2.5 | | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| June | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| July | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| August | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| September | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| October | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 1.0 | 0.1 | | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| November | 32.5 | 14.8 | 14.4 | 64.3 | 31.5 | | 27.2 | 36.7 |
| December | 23.1 | 14.5 | 8.0 | 16.4 | 25.7 | | 28.6 | 17.5 |

(%) 2007 :17

Table 17: Mean Relative Humidity in the Palestinian Territory by Month and Station Location, 2007 (%)

| | Station L | ocation | | | | | | |
|-------------|-----------|---------|---------|----------|--------|---------|-----------|-------|
| Month | | | | | | | | |
| | Gaza | Hebron | Jericho | Ramallah | Nablus | Tulkarm | Meithalun | Jenin |
| January | 67 | 74 | 70 | 67 | 67 | 72 | | 80 |
| February | 67 | 72 | 65 | 66 | 67 | 76 | | 84 |
| March | 70 | 66 | 57 | 59 | 62 | 75 | | 76 |
| April | 70 | 55 | 45 | 50 | 53 | 65 | | 67 |
| May | 73 | 48 | 38 | 45 | 51 | 62 | | 60 |
| June | 75 | 51 | 39 | 48 | 55 | 69 | | 63 |
| July | 76 | 57 | 40 | 53 | 61 | 68 | | 63 |
| August | 75 | 60 | 44 | 57 | 65 | 74 | | 65 |
| September | 73 | 62 | 47 | 58 | 64 | 70 | | 64 |
| October | 69 | 59 | 51 | 56 | 57 | 67 | | 65 |
| November | 67 | 64 | 60 | 59 | 57 | 64 | | 66 |
| December | 68 | 73 | 70 | 66 | 67 | 71 | | 74 |
| Annual Mean | 71 | 62 | 52 | 57 | 61 | 69 | | 69 |

(%) 2007 :18

Table 18: Absolute Maximum Relative Humidity in the Palestinian Territory by Month and Station Location, 2007 (%)

| | Station L | ocation | | | | | | | |
|-----------|-----------|---------|---------|--------------|--------|---------|-----------|-------|---|
| Month | Gaza | Hebron | Jericho | Ramalla h | Nablus | Tulkarm | Meithalun | Jenin | |
| January | 86 | 97 | 72 | 100 | 88 | 84 | 88 | 78 | 1 |
| February | 81 | 100 | 79 | 100 | 94 | 87 | 90 | 80 | İ |
| March | 80 | 100 | 76 | 100 | 90 | 74 | 90 | 76 | ı |
| April | 84 | 98 | 61 | 100 | 90 | 76 | 83 | 76 | ı |
| May | 81 | 91 | 65 | 95 | 77 | 72 | 79 | 79 | İ |
| June | 78 | 88 | 54 | 94 | 73 | 64 | 71 | 79 | ı |
| July | 79 | 80 | 51 | 89 | 72 | 65 | 70 | 69 | İ |
| August | 76 | 82 | 54 | 92 | 74 | 67 | 67 | 72 | İ |
| September | 77 | 89 | 60 | 95 | 74 | 68 | 72 | 72 | İ |
| October | 81 | 88 | 64 | 93 | 78 | 71 | 70 | 75 | ı |
| November | 73 | 97 | 82 | 99 | 91 | 91 | 91 | 89 | ı |
| December | 70 | 100 | 82 | 100 | 88 | 75 | 89 | 89 | i |

(%) 2007 :19

Table 19: Absolute Minimum Relative Humidity in the Palestinian Territory by Month and Station Location, 2007 (%)

| | Station L | ocation | | | | | | | |
|-----------|-----------|---------|---------|----------|--------|---------|-----------|-------|--|
| Month | | | | | | | | | |
| | Gaza | Hebron | Jericho | Ramallah | Nablus | Tulkarm | Meithalun | Jenin | |
| January | 59 | 40 | 50 | 45 | 42 | 41 | 41 | 42 | |
| February | 51 | 34 | 51 | 51 | 47 | 44 | 34 | 57 | |
| March | 33 | 33 | 39 | 39 | 31 | 46 | 33 | 47 | |
| April | 39 | 29 | 27 | 33 | 35 | 29 | 31 | 40 | |
| May | 30 | 24 | 27 | 22 | 25 | 42 | 26 | 33 | |
| June | 65 | 23 | 26 | 31 | 28 | 28 | 32 | 38 | |
| July | 63 | 26 | 29 | 28 | 34 | 47 | 30 | 48 | |
| August | 60 | 27 | 32 | 33 | 33 | 54 | 44 | 49 | |
| September | 60 | 49 | 44 | 64 | 54 | 48 | 53 | 57 | |
| October | 55 | 27 | 41 | 30 | 27 | 27 | 24 | 42 | |
| November | 29 | 20 | 42 | 27 | 29 | 31 | 32 | 32 | |
| December | 43 | 36 | 46 | 40 | 35 | 35 | 38 | 51 | |

() 2007 :20

Table 20: Evaporation Quantity in the Palestinian Territory by Month and Station Location, 2007 (mm)

| | Station L | ocation. | | | | | | | |
|-----------|-----------|----------|---------|----------|--------|---------|-----------|-------|---|
| Month | | | | | | | | | ı |
| | Gaza | Hebron | Jericho | Ramallah | Nablus | Tulkarm | Meithalun | Jenin | İ |
| January | 68 | 65 | 78 | 110 | 49 | | | : | |
| February | 76 | 81 | 76 | 104 | 67 | | | | ı |
| March | 115 | 93 | 128 | 157 | 99 | | | | ı |
| April | 142 | 139 | 189 | 195 | 149 | | | | ı |
| May | 162 | 166 | 261 | 238 | 203 | | | | ı |
| June | 190 | 200 | 289 | 232 | 226 | | | | İ |
| July | 193 | 221 | 298 | 252 | 238 | | | | ı |
| August | 183 | 225 | 267 | 228 | 218 | | | | İ |
| September | 165 | 157 | 227 | 127 | 178 | | | | İ |
| October | 132 | 112 | 135 | 128 | 131 | | | | ı |
| November | 87 | 87 | 94 | 63 | 75 | | | | ı |
| December | 69 | 62 | 59 | 55 | 49 | | | | ı |
| Total | 1,582 | 1,608 | 2,101 | 1,889 | 1,682 | | | | İ |

(/) 2007 :21

Table 21: Mean Wind Speed in the Palestinian Territory by Month and Station Location, 2007 (km\hour)

| | Station Location | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|------------------|--------|---------|----------|--------|---------|-----------|-------|--|--|--|
| Month | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Gaza | Hebron | Jericho | Ramallah | Nablus | Tulkarm | Meithalun | Jenin | | | |
| January | | 12.4 | 8.9 | 16.3 | 8.7 | 4.3 | | 7.5 | | | |
| February | | 12.8 | 10.4 | 18.0 | 9.5 | 4.1 | | 7.9 | | | |
| March | | 12.6 | 13.1 | 18.4 | 10.0 | 3.8 | | 7.9 | | | |
| April | | 11.5 | 16.2 | 18.5 | 10.2 | 3.4 | | 7.9 | | | |
| May | | 9.3 | 15.8 | 18.0 | 10.7 | 3.3 | | 9.0 | | | |
| June | | 9.3 | 15.3 | 19.4 | 12.0 | 2.9 | | 9.4 | | | |
| July | | 9.2 | 16.0 | 20.4 | 12.4 | 2.9 | •• | 9.7 | | | |
| August | | 8.7 | 14.8 | 18.6 | 11.7 | 2.7 | | 8.6 | | | |
| September | | 8.1 | 12.5 | 17.0 | 10.3 | 2.6 | | 7.2 | | | |
| October | | 8.0 | 9.4 | 13.0 | 7.7 | 2.9 | | 5.4 | | | |
| November | | 8.8 | 7.9 | 14.1 | 7.8 | 3.8 | | 6.1 | | | |
| December | | 10.1 | 7.6 | 16.0 | 7.7 | 4.0 | | 7.5 | | | |
| Annual Mean | | 10.1 | 12.3 | 17.3 | 9.9 | 3.4 | | 7.8 | | | |

(/) 2007 :22

Table 22: Wind Gust Speed in the Palestinian Territory by Month and Station Location, 2007 (km\hour)

| | Station L | ocation. | | | | | | | |
|-----------|-----------|----------|---------|----------|--------|---------|-----------|-------|--|
| Month | | | | | | | | | |
| | Gaza | Hebron | Jericho | Ramallah | Nablus | Tulkarm | Meithalun | Jenin | |
| January | 25.0 | 21.0 | 18.2 | 18.5 | 12.0 | 18.0 | 2.6 | 3.8 | |
| February | 18.0 | 20.0 | 15.7 | 20.7 | 13.0 | 13.0 | 3.2 | 4.4 | |
| March | 20.0 | 17.0 | 18.0 | 20.0 | 11.0 | 9.0 | 6.8 | 3.8 | |
| April | 13.0 | 12.0 | 21.1 | 21.0 | 12.0 | 19.0 | 5.6 | 4.7 | |
| May | 12.0 | 9.0 | 17.0 | 19.0 | 10.4 | 13.0 | 6.0 | 13.0 | |
| June | 14.0 | 8.0 | 17.2 | 17.0 | 14.0 | 9.0 | 5.2 | 15.0 | |
| July | 12.0 | 8.0 | 15.5 | 18.5 | 11.0 | 9.0 | 8.8 | 18.0 | |
| August | 14.0 | 7.0 | 13.7 | 14.5 | 9.0 | 7.0 | 8.8 | 12.4 | |
| September | 14.0 | 8.0 | 13.5 | 14.5 | 13.0 | 7.0 | 10.2 | 11.5 | |
| October | 16.0 | 7.0 | 12.0 | 13.8 | 12.0 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 9.0 | |
| November | 26.0 | 9.0 | 9.4 | 15.0 | 12.0 | 9.0 | 8.8 | 16.4 | |
| December | 18.0 | 10.0 | 19.0 | 14.5 | 15.0 | 15.0 | 10.6 | 14.0 | |

(/) 2007 :23

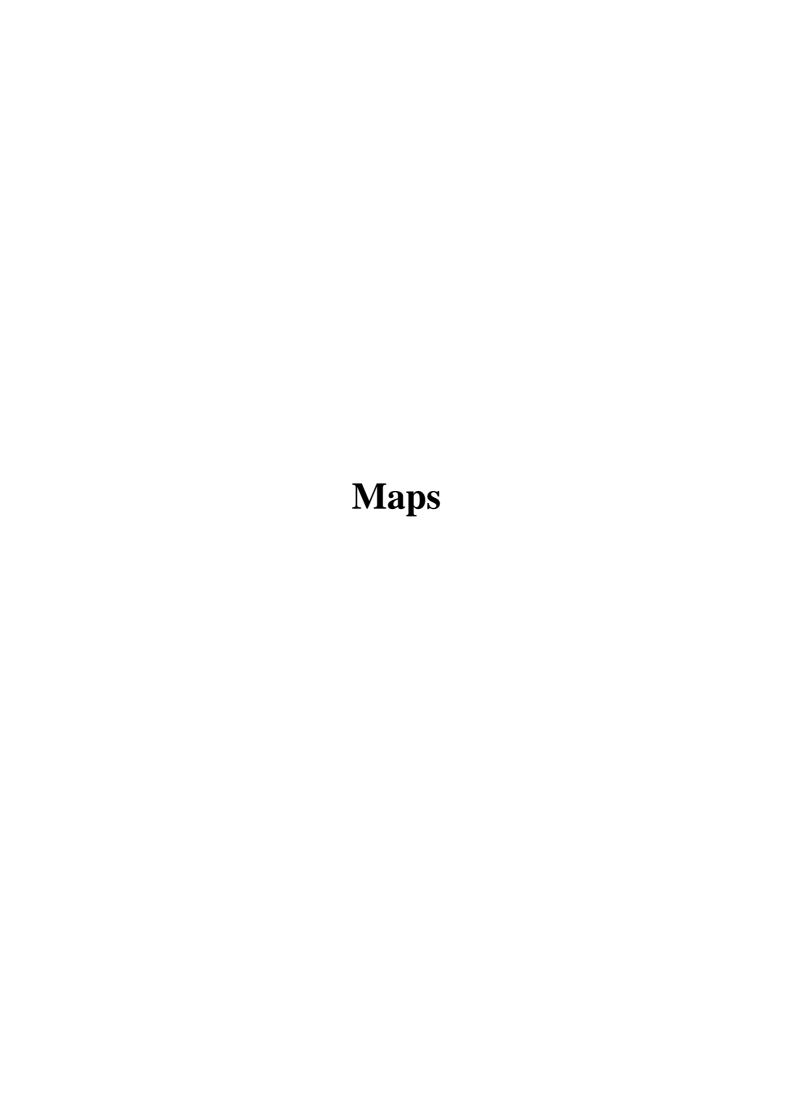
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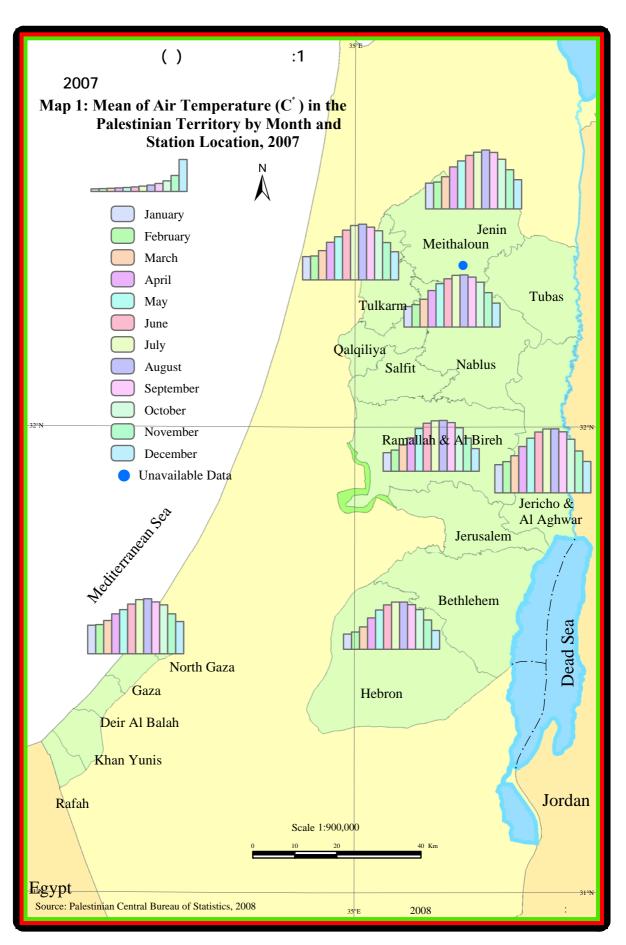
| | Station L | Station Location | | | | | | |
|-------------|-----------|------------------|---------|----------|--------|---------|-----------|-------|
| Month | | | | | | | | |
| | Gaza | Hebron | Jericho | Ramallah | Nablus | Tulkarm | Meithalun | Jenin |
| January | 5.2 | 4.7 | 5.5 | 5.4 | 4.7 | | | 5.4 |
| February | 5.9 | 4.8 | 5.9 | 7.1 | 4.8 | | | 5.6 |
| March | 7.3 | 6.4 | 7.7 | 7.4 | 6.4 | | | 6.8 |
| April | 8.2 | 8.1 | 9.3 | 9.4 | 8.2 | | | 7.8 |
| May | 8.9 | 9.0 | 9.4 | 11.4 | 8.9 | | | 9.7 |
| June | 9.7 | 8.3 | 11.8 | 12.4 | 8.4 | | | 11.3 |
| July | 10.5 | 9.6 | 11.7 | 12.1 | 9.6 | | | 11.1 |
| August | 10.4 | 10.9 | 11.6 | 11.8 | 10.9 | | | 10.0 |
| September | 9.3 | 10.3 | 10.5 | 10.1 | 10.2 | | | 9.1 |
| October | 8.5 | 9.8 | 8.7 | 7.3 | 9.8 | | | 8.1 |
| November | 6.5 | 7.0 | 6.5 | 6.5 | 7.0 | | | 6.8 |
| December | 5.1 | 4.7 | 5.6 | 5.9 | 4.5 | | | 5.4 |
| Annual Mean | 8.0 | 7.8 | 8.7 | 8.9 | 7.8 | | | 8.1 |

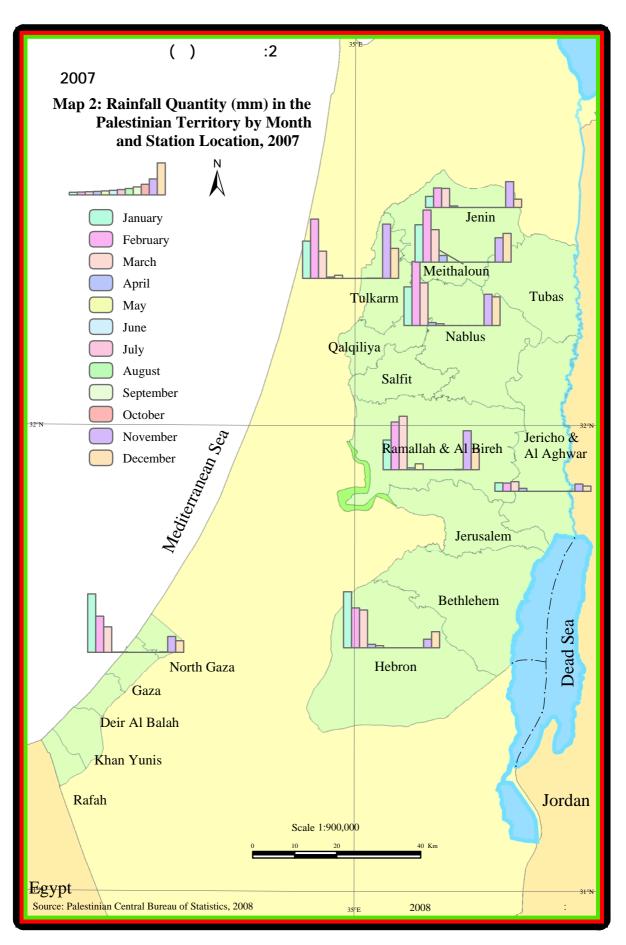
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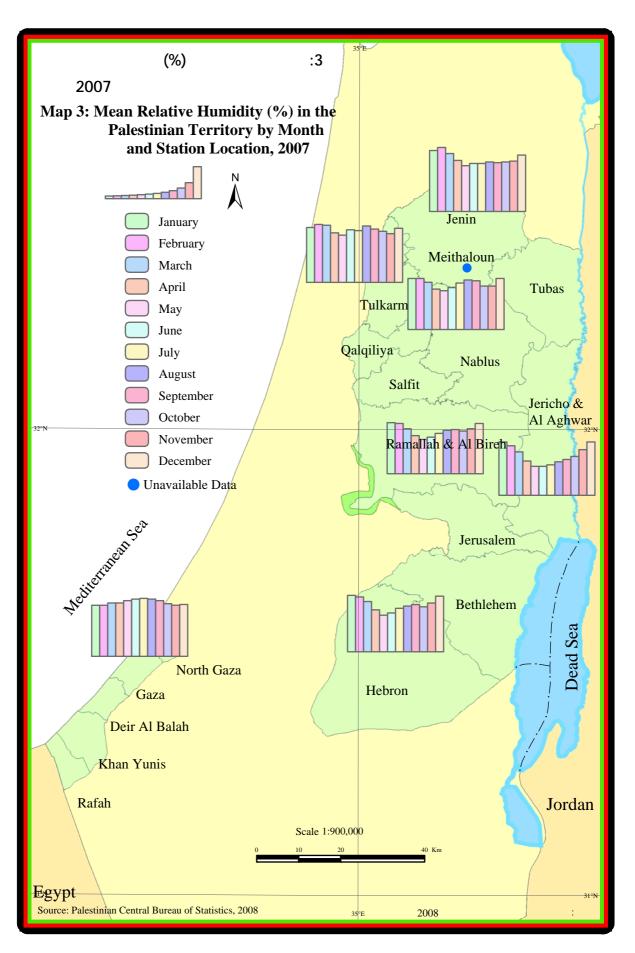
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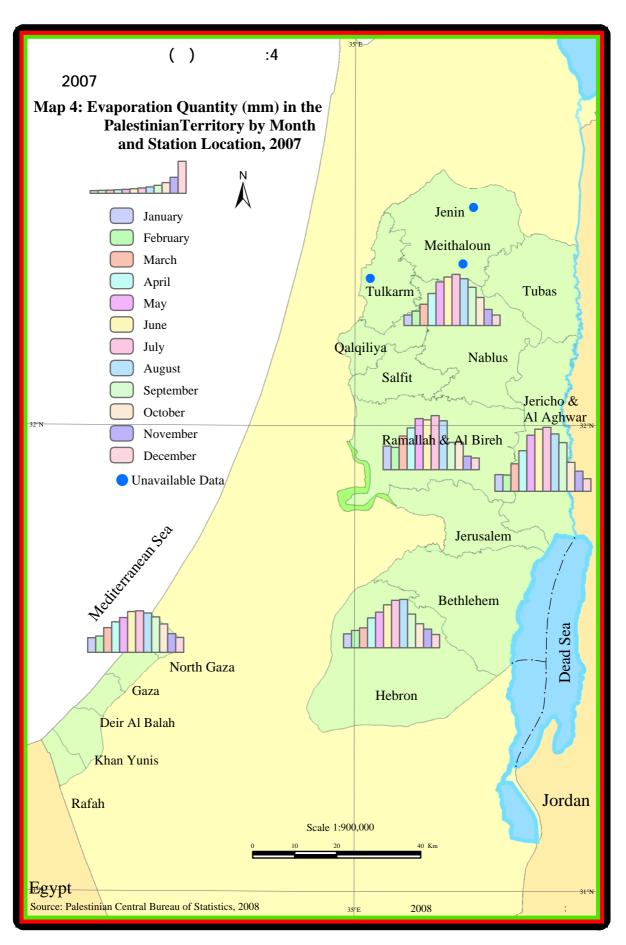
| | Station L | ocation | | | | | | | |
|-------------|-----------|---------|---------|----------|--------|---------|-----------|-------|--|
| Month | | | | | | | | | |
| | Gaza | Hebron | Jericho | Ramallah | Nablus | Tulkarm | Meithalun | Jenin | |
| January | 1,016 | 903 | 1,048 | 924 | 953 | •• | | : | |
| February | 1,016 | 902 | 1,046 | 923 | 952 | •• | | | |
| March | 1,013 | 901 | 1,044 | 922 | 951 | | | | |
| April | 1,012 | 901 | 1,041 | 921 | 949 | | | | |
| May | 1,011 | 901 | 1,040 | 922 | 948 | •• | | | |
| June | 1,009 | 900 | 1,037 | 921 | 946 | | | | |
| July | 1,006 | 899 | 1,034 | 919 | 944 | •• | | | |
| August | 1,008 | 899 | 1,035 | 919 | 945 | •• | | | |
| September | 1,011 | 902 | 1,039 | 922 | 948 | | | | |
| October | 1,013 | 903 | 1,042 | 924 | 951 | •• | | | |
| November | 1,014 | 904 | 1,046 | 925 | 953 | | | | |
| December | 1,017 | 904 | 1,048 | 925 | 953 | | | | |
| Annual Mean | 1,012 | 902 | 1,042 | 922 | 949 | ** | | | |













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Preface

Pcbs is pleased to realse this specialized satatistical report on the Meteorological Conditions in the Palestinian Territory. This report has been prepered in accordance within the framework of our official efforts for creating and establishing the National Statistical System, and providing the necessary statistics to Palestinian policy-planner and decision-makers in water, environemt and natural resources sector.

Meteorological statistics form one of the most important parts of the environmental statistics. In addition to its importance for studying and providing data on climatic changes, there is a strong relationship with the statistics of air quality and its pollution, energy statistics and water statistics. This implies availabilizing precise and comprehensive data for the climatic conditions in the Palestinian Territory.

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This report concentrates on the variables of rainfall, temperature, relative humidity, solar radiation, wind, pressure and the amount of evaporation.

PCBS hopes that the findings of this report will contribute to improve the environmental status and stop the random depletion of natural resources, as well as help the Palestinian policy-planner and decision-makers in development and planning processes.

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Executive Summary

The main findings of the time series indicate that the annual mean of air temperature over the period 1975-1996 is between 15.4 centigrade degrees in Hebron Station, and 22.7 in Jericho Station. While the annual mean for 2007 ranges between 15.5 centigrade degrees in Hebron Station and 22.4 centigrade degrees in Jericho Station.

The main findings of the time series indicate that the annual mean of rainfall was between 48.7 mm in Jericho Station in 1999, and 942.7 mm in Nablus Station in 2003. The quantities of rainfall ranges between 115.2 mm in Jericho Station and 574 mm in Nablus Station 2007.

The main findings of the time series indicate that the annual mean of relative humidity over the period 1969-1983 was 52% in Jericho Station, while it approaches 63% in Tulkarm Station. While in 2007, the annual mean of relative humidity was between 52% in Jericho Station and 71% in Gaza Station.

The main findings of the time series indicate that Tulkarm Station has the lowest annual mean of evaporation over the period 1973-1984 as it approaches 1,633 mm, while Jericho Station has the highest annual mean of evaporation as it approaches 2,342 mm for the same period. But for 2007 the quantity of evaporation was between 1,582 mm in Gaza Station and 2,101 mm in Jericho Station.

The data of 2007 indicates that the lowest annual mean of wind speed was 2.6 km/hour in Tulkarem Station at Septemper, while the highest annual mean was 20.4 km/hour in Ramallah Station at July.

The data of 2007 indicates that the highest duration mean of sunshine was 12.4 hour/day in Ramallah Station on June, while the lowest duration mean of sunshine was 4.5 hour/day in Nablus Station on December.

Chapter One

Introduction

This report provides statistical data on the main meteorological indicators in the Palestinian Territory, based on the administrative records from the Palestinian Ministry of Transport. It provides basic statistical aspects of meteorology, including rainfall, temperature, relative humidity, wind, evaporation solar radiation and pressure. A special questionnaire was designed to collect the data from the meteorological Stations through the Ministry of Transport. The questionnaire covered the following items:

- 1. Rainfall: quantities and rainfall days.
- 2. Temperature: mean, maximum, minimum and absolute values.
- 3. Relative humidity: mean and absolute values.
- 4. Total amount of evaporation, wind speed, sunshine duration and pressure.

This report consists of five chapters: the first chapter presents the report objectives and the report structure, the second chapter describes the definitions and explanations and the third chapter briefly describes the main findings, while the fourth chapter presents the methodology used in the report, consisting the form design, fieldwork operations and data processing, the last chapter includes an assessment of data quality and technical notes

Chapter Two

Concepts and Definitions

Atmospheric Pressure (Barometric Pressure):

It is defined as the weight of the air column laying on unit area at any point on the earth surface, measured in dyne/ cm 2 or Newton /m 2 . Millibar (bar: pressure of 10^6 dyne/ cm 2) is the common unit. It is measured by using barometer or barograph instruments. At sea level, the atmospheric pressure is 76 cm Hg or 1013.25 millibars.

Climate:

Conditions of the atmosphere at a particular location (microclimate) or region over a long period of time. It is the long –term summation of atmospheric elements- such as solar radiation, temperature, humidity, precipitation type (frequency and amount), atmospheric pressure, and wind (speed and direction), and their variation.

Climatological Statistics:

Statistics dealing with long – term weather conditions.

Evaporation:

Transformation of liquid water to invisible gas is known as water vapor by the effect of heat and the process is called evaporation. The rate of evaporation is defined as the size of liquid water that is evaporated from a unit area per unit time. It is expressed as the depth of water in (mm) that would be potentially lost during the time period (24-hour) from the total area.

Rain:

Water falling from the atmosphere and deposited on land or water surfaces.

mm "Rain "

1 liter of water falling on 1 m² area.

Rain day:

The day in which the quantity of rain is 0.01 inch or more.

Relative Humidity:

The percentage of the quantity of water vapor in the atmosphere to the quantity of vapor needed for saturated state.

Solar Radiation:

The energy radiated from the sun to the earth surface. It is responsible for all climatic changes in the atmosphere. The intensity of radiation is measured by the actenometer and sunshine duration is measured by the sunshine recorder instrument (Kampel Stock).

Temperature:

Is the degree of hotness or coldness of body or an environment. The temperature is measured by the thermometer; the unit is either Celsius or Fahrenheit.

Weather:

Day-to- day or sometimes even instantaneous changes of atmospheric conditions over a given place or area. In contrast, climate encompasses the statistical ensemble of all weather conditions during along period of time over that place or area. Atmospheric conditions are measured by the meteorological parameters of air temperature, barometric pressure, wind velocity, humidity, clouds and precipitation.

Wind:

The vertical movement of air between two places with different atmospheric pressures.

Symbol used in the tables:

..: Data not available

Chapter Three

Main Findings

This section presents the main findings of report, including the main indicators of the meteorological reality in the Palestinian Territory.

3.1 Temperature

The main findings of the time series indicate that the annual mean of air temperature over the period 1975-1996 is between 15.4 centigrade degrees in Hebron Station, and 22.7 in Jericho Station. While the annual mean for 2007 ranges between 15.5 centigrade degrees in Hebron Station and 22.4 centigrade degrees in Jericho Station.

25 22.4 20.3 19.8 18.9 **Sentigrade degrees** 20 17.8 17.1 15.5 15 10 5 0 Jenin Tulkarm Nablus Ramallah Jericho Hebron Gaza Station location

Figure 1: Annual Mean of Air Temperature in the Palestinian Territory by Station Location, 2007

For the year 2007, the main findings indicate that January was the coldest month of the year, in which the lowest recorded monthly mean was 7.1 centigrade degrees in Hebron Station. And August was the hottest month of the year, in which the highest recorded monthly mean was 30.0 centigrade degrees in Jericho Station.

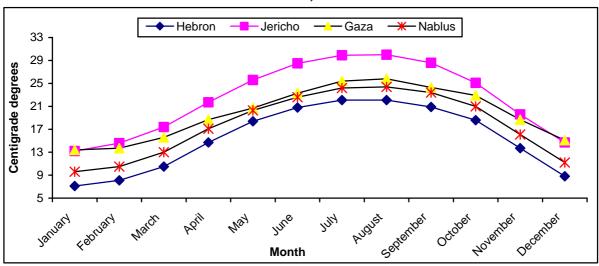


Figure 2: Mean of Air Temperature in the Palestinian Territory by Month for Some Stations, 2007

The main findings of the time series indicate that the annual mean of maximum air temperature over the period 1975-1996 is between 19.6 centigrade degrees in Hebron Station, and 29.6 in Jericho Station. The annual mean reaches 17.1 centigrade degrees in Ramallah Station and 29.6 centigrade degrees in Jericho Station in 2007.

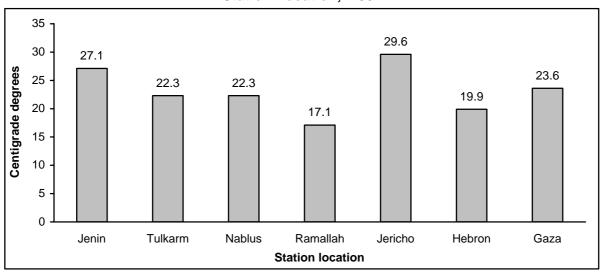


Figure 3: Annual Mean of Maximum Air Temperature in the Palestinian Territory by Station Location, 2007

The data of 2007 indicates that the lowest value for the monthly mean of maximum air temperature was 8.7 centigrade degrees in Ramallah Station at January, while the highest value for the monthly mean of maximum air temperature was 37.8 centigrade degrees in Jericho Station at July.

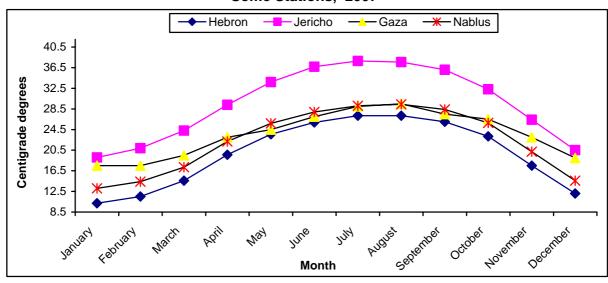


Figure 4: Mean of Maximum Air Temperature in the Palestinian Territory by Month for Some Stations, 2007

The main findings of the time series indicate that the annual mean of minimum air temperature over the period 1975-1996 is between 11.2 centigrade degrees in Hebron Station and 15.7 in Jericho Station. The annual mean of minimum air temperature ranges between 11.1 centigrade degrees in Hebron Station and 16.1 in Gaza Station in 2007.

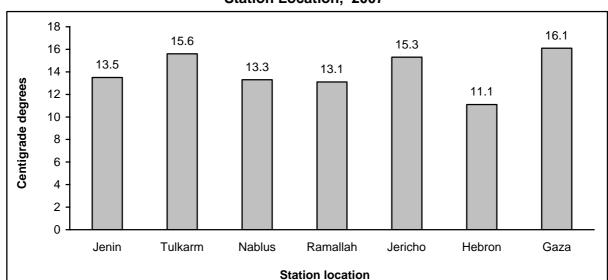


Figure 5: Annual Mean of Minimum Air Temperature in the Palestinian Territory by Station Location, 2007

The data of 2007 indicates that the lowest monthly mean of minimum air temperature was 4.0 centigrade degrees in Hebron Station at January, while the highest monthly mean of minimum air temperature was 22.4 centigrade degrees in Jericho Station at August.

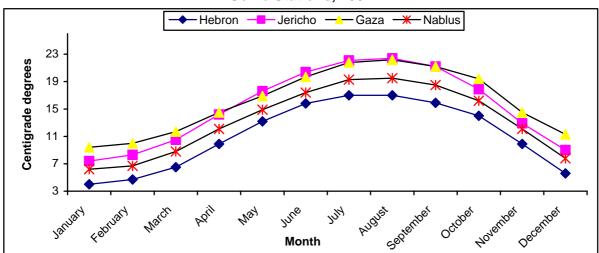


Figure 6: Mean of Minimum Air Temperature in the Palestinian Territory by Month for Some Stations, 2007

For absolute minimum air temperature in 2007, the lowest value was -4.1 centigrade degrees in Ramallah Station at December, while the highest value of absolute maximum air temperature was 46.4 in Jericho Station at May.

3.2 Rainfall

The main findings of the time series indicate that the annual mean of rainfall was between 48.7 mm in Jericho Station in 1999, and 942.7 mm in Nablus Station in 2003.

700 581.9 574.0 600 543.9 494.4 500 447.8 405.1 400 mm 300 232.5 200 115.2 100 0 Jenin Nablus Ramallah Meithaloun Tulkarm Jericho Hebron Gaza Station location

Figure 7: Annual Quantity of Rainfall in the Palestinian Territory by Station Location, 2007

The data of 2007 indicates that February has the highest rainfall quantity, while the quantity of rainfall decreased in May. As in the summer months, the summer of 2007 has no rainfall. The quantities of rainfall ranges between 574.0 mm in Nablus Station and 115.2 mm in Jericho Station.

There is variation in the number of rainfall days in the Stations, the highest number of rainfall days was 53 days in Nablus Station for 2007. And the highest daily rainfall quantity was 92.8 mm in the Gaza Station.

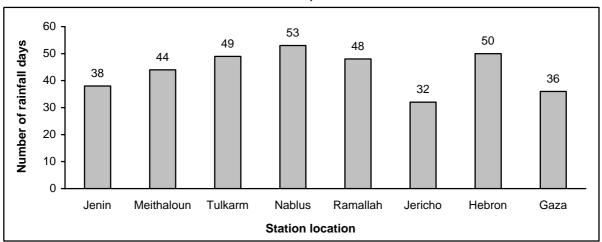
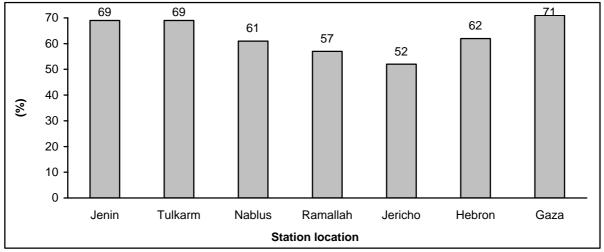


Figure 8: Number of Rainfall days in the Palestinian Territory by Station Location, 2007

3.3 Relative Humidity

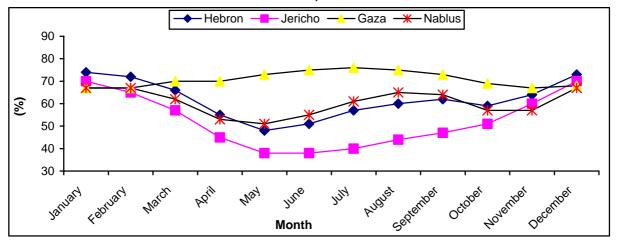
The main findings of the time series indicate that the annual mean of relative humidity over the period 1969-1983 was 52% in Jericho Station, while it approaches 63% in Tulkarm Station. While in 2007, the annual mean of relative humidity was between 52% in Jericho Station and 71% in Gaza Station.

Figure 9: Annual Mean of Relative Humidity in the Palestinian Territory by Station Location, 2007



The data of 2007 indicates that the annual mean of relative humidity decreased in May to 38% in Jericho Station, and increased in February to 84% in Jenin Station. For the extreme maximum relative humidity, the highest value was 100% registered for (January – April) in Ramallah Station and the value was 100% registered for (February and March) in Hebron Station, while the lowest value of the extreme minimum relative humidity was 24% in Meithalun Station.

Figure 10: Mean of Relative Humidity in the Palestinian Territory by Month for Some Stations, 2007



3.4 Evaporation

The main findings of the time series indicate that Tulkarm Station has the lowest annual mean of evaporation over the period 1973-1984 as it approaches 1,633 mm, while Jericho Station has the highest annual mean of evaporation as it approaches 2,342 mm for the same period. But for 2007 the quantity of evaporation was between 1,582 mm in Gaza Station and 2,101 mm in Jericho Station.

2,250.0 2,101 1,889 1,682 1,800.0 1,608 1,582 1,350.0 900.0 450.0 0.0 Ramallah Nablus Jericho Hebron Gaza **Station location**

Figure 11: Annual Quantity of Evaporation in the Palestinian Territory by Station Location, 2007

The data of 2007 indicates that the annual mean of quantity of evaporation decrease in December and January to 49 mm in Nablus Station, and increase in July to 298 mm in Jericho Station.

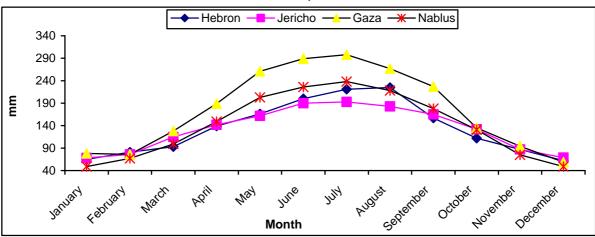


Figure 12: Quantity of Evaporation in the Palestinian Territory by Month for some Stations, 2007

3.5 Wind Speed

The data of 2007 indicates that the lowest annual mean of wind speed was 2.6 km/hour in Tulkarem Station at September, while the highest annual mean was 20.4 km/hour in Ramallah Station at July.

Figure 13: Mean of Wind Speed in the Palestinian Territory by Month for Some Stations, 2007

3.6 Sunshine Duration

The data of 2007 indicates that the highest duration mean of sunshine was 12.4 hour/day in Ramallah Station at June, while the lowest duration mean of sunshine was 4.5 hour/day in Nablus Station at December.

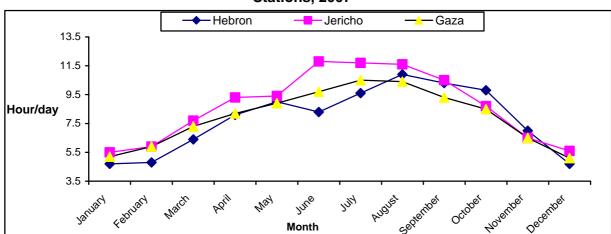


Figure 14: Mean of Sunshine Duration in the Palestinian Territory by Month for Some Stations, 2007

3.7 Atmospheric Pressure

The data of 2007 indicates that the highest mean of pressure was 1,048 mbar in Jericho Station at December and January, while the lowest was 899 mbar in Hebron Station at July and August.

Chapter Four

Methodology

4.1 Form

A form was designed to collect the climatic data. The form was designed to cover all the available climatic indicators and includes identification for the Stations and the variables of rainfall, temperature, wind, evaporation, relative humidity, sunshine radiation, and pressure.

4.2 Field Operations

The data was collected by the follow up of the Fieldwork Directorate and Meteorological Office in the Ministry of Transport. The forms were filled from administrative records of the climatic Stations. These Stations are located in Jenin, Meithalun in Jenin Governorate, Tulkarm, Nablus, Ramallah, Jericho, Hebron, and Gaza.

The methodology (in meteorological Station) for measuring the different meteorological indicators was as following:

- 1. Measuring of temperature by using the Thermometer instrument.
- 2. Measuring of relative humidity by using the Hectometer instrument.
- 3. Measuring of wind speed by using the Anemometer instrument.
- 4. Measuring of sunshine duration by using the sunshine recorder (Kampel Stock) instrument.
- 5. Measuring of pressure by using the Parameter instrument.

The results of filling the forms were as follows:

- The data of temperature and rainfall was completely filled for all Stations.
- The data of quantity of evaporation was not filled for Meithalun and Tulkarm Stations.
- The data of sunshine duration was not filled for Jenin, Meithalun, Tulkarm, and Nablus Stations, as there are no instruments in these Stations.
- The data of pressure was not filled for Meithalun, Tulkarm Stations, as there are no instruments in these Stations.

4.3 Data processing

This phase included the following activities:

- Checking the filled forms.
- Developing a data entry program and implementing data entry.
- Post-data entry editing.
- Data cleaning.
- Tabulation of data.

Chapter Five

Data Quality

5.1 Accuracy of the Data

Two types of errors affected the quality of the report's data, sampling and non sampling errors. Sampling errors are measurable and very limited in this report, because the study covered all meteorological Stations in the Palestinian Territory. The non-sampling errors could not be determined easily, due to the diversity of sources (e.g. the interviewers, respondents, editors, coders, date entry operators...etc). To minimize such errors data was edited before and after the entry process.

Comprehensiveness

The main aim of publishing annual reports about climatic conditions is to create and update the time series data of the meteorological indicators in the Palestinian Territory. The report has no data about all meteorological indicators for the past years. The report mainly includes the meteorological data for 2007. The Meteorological Office in the Ministry of Transport is still in the establishing stage, so until now there is no normal average for the Palestinian Territory. The available data does not cover all governorates of the Palestinian Territory, because there are no meteorological Stations in all governorates of the Palestinian Territory.

5.2 Comparison of the Data

Some comparisons were applied to data with the previous annual reports of metrological reports of the years 1998, 2003, 2004, and 2005 which indicate some reasonable matching between the results of that reports.

5.3 Special Technical Notes

- 1. There are data gaps for some indicators mostly due to the lack of instruments.
- 2. There is no data about the Meithalun Station to some indicators.
- 3. There are data gaps for time series.
- 4. There is no time series data for some Stations.
- 5. Geographical distribution of Stations may be not representative for all the Palestinian Territory.

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