



Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics Press Release

The National Day of Refugee : 4.26 Million Palestinian Refugee in The World

Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics would like to share Palestinian Refugee in their day on 20th of June 2006 with a statistical overview about their demographic status :

- Palestinian refugees totaled according to UNRWA records 4,255,120 till 31st of march 2005, distributed by state of residence as follows :

Distribution Of Registered Palestinian refugees at UNRWA by country of residence, and number of camps, 31st march 2005

Country	Registered Palestinian refugees		Number of camps
	Percent	Number	
Jordan	41.8	1,780,701	10
Lebanon	9.4	400,582	12
Syria	10.0	424,650	10
West Bank	16.2	687,542	19
Gaza Strip	22.6	961,645	8
Total	100	4,255,120	59

Source: (WWW.UN.ORG/UNRWA)

- The percentage of Palestinian refugees in the Palestinian Territory at the end of 2005, represents 42.4% of the total Palestinian Territory, distributed by 27.2% in West Bank and 68.4% in Gaza Strip
- Refugees in the Palestinian Territory are characterized as a young population, and the percentage of young ages under 15 years constitute 47.3% of the total population, compared to 3.0% for persons aged 65 years and over.
- Infant Mortality Rate for refugees During 1999 - 2003 in the Palestinian Territory was

27.5 per 1000 live births , compared to 21.7 per 1000 live births for non refugees.

- Under Five Mortality Rate for refugees During 1999 - 2003 in the Palestinian Territory was 32.3 per 1000 live births compared to 25.2 per 1000 live births for non refugees.
- Total Fertility Rate for refugees in 2003 in the Palestinian Territory was 4.9 birth compared to 4.3 birth for non refugees.
- Average Household Size for refugees in 2005 in the Palestinian Territory was 6.5 person, compared to 6.2 person for non refugees.
- Percentage of poor households head by Palestinian refugees in 2005, represents 47.8% of the total poor households in Palestinian Territory.
- The Unemployment Rate of Palestinian refugees 15 years and over in the Palestinian Territory during the first quarter 2006, represents 28.3% compared with 23.3% for non refugee.
- The illiteracy rate of Palestinian refugees 10 years and over in the Palestinian Territory during the first quarter 2006, represents 7.5% compared with 8.6% for non refugee.