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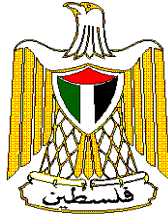
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Press Release

Main Findings of the Survey on the Impact of Israeli Measures on the Economic Conditions of the Palestinian Households, October-December 2005

The need for food still represents the 1st top priority of the Palestinian Households, followed by job opportunities and money

PCBS conducted the 15th round of the survey on the impact of Israeli measures on the economic conditions of the Palestinian households during the 4th quarter 2005.

The main objective of the survey is to continue monitoring the economic conditions of the Palestinian households and their standards of living as the Israeli measures continued against the PNA and the Palestinian people. This round of the survey is based on a random sample of 3,934 households, of which 3,508 households completed the interview. The completed interviews are distributed by region as 2,304 in the West Bank and 1,204 in Gaza Strip.

The Overall Trend of Indicators

- The results revealed that food still represents the 1st top priority of the Palestinian Households, followed by work and money.
- Available monthly family income, or delay of payment of bills, or reducing expenditure, or borrow from individuals, still represent the main coping households' strategies to face the hardship on the Palestinians as a whole rose with the current crisis .
- UNRWA, PNA institutions, relatives and friends, charity institutions and labor union still represent the main source of assistance providers.
- Military checkpoints, Israeli closure, and high cost of medical care still represent the main obstacles of access to health services

Household's income

Results indicated that the median monthly income in the Palestinian Territory has decreased from NIS 2,600 before *Alaqsa Intifada* to NIS 1,600 during 4th Quarter 2005. This decrease varies by region, the median monthly income decreased in the West Bank from NIS 3,000 to NIS 2,000 while in Gaza Strip it decreased from NIS 1,800 to NIS 1,200.

60.4% of the Palestinian households indicated that their income has decreased during *Al-Aqsa Intifada* (62.5% in the West Bank and 56.4% in Gaza Strip), of which 51.6% lost more than 50% of their usual income during *Al-Aqsa Intifada*, (45.9% in the West Bank and 64.0% in Gaza Strip).

Coping Strategies

The results indicated that during the last 12 months, 47.8% of the households in the Palestinian Territory reduced their expenditure on basic needs, 45.6% in the West Bank and 52.2% in Gaza Strip.

The results indicated that 87.9% of the households took various coping measures during the last 12 months depending on the monthly family income. This was manifested in delaying payment of bills 63.5% and reduced expenditure by 48.0%.

The survey indicated that 24.6% of the households in the West Bank can cope with the situation for more than one year, compared with 39.2% in Gaza Strip.

Humanitarian aid

Results showed that 27.2% of interviewed households reported that they received humanitarian assistance during 4th Quarter 2005, of which 13.2% in the West Bank and 54.7% in Gaza Strip.

On the other hand, 67.0% of the households reported that they need assistance, of which 64.6% in the West Bank and 71.8% in Gaza Strip.

About 38.5% of the households receiving humanitarian aid reported that the total amount of assistance received is less than NIS 200, 70.2% have received less than NIS 300.

However, the frequency of providing the assistance for households, UNRWA is rated highest rank at 58.4%, followed by PNA institutions (including Ministry of Social Affairs) at 15.6%, then relatives at 11.6%, labour union at 8.1%, and charity institutions and committees (including Zakat) at 4.4%.

The results reveal also that 65.1% of the total assistance is provided in the form of food supplies, and 21.1% in cash.

Priority Needs of Households

The results revealed that 37.1% of households reported the need for food as top priority during 4th Quarter 2005, while 21.3% of households reported the need for work, and 20.2% of households expressed the need for money, and 8.3% of households expressed the need for education as the first priority, and 5.4% of households expressed the need for medicine as the first priority.

Access to Health Services

The results indicated that 28.3% of the households have access problem to health Services because of military checkpoints, 37.3% due to the Israeli closure, 45.7% because of the high cost of medical treatment.

Concepts and Definitions

Closure:

A set of measures have been practiced on land by Israeli occupation during Al-Aqsa Intifada, which affected and impeded the movement of persons and goods between Palestinian governorates or between Palestinian Territory and other countries. However, Israeli closure policy (total or partial) of all boarder points was a major obstacle.

Total Income:

The total amount of money and real incomes, which is earned by households, on monthly basis, regardless of its source.

Median:

The value above and below in which half total society the fall, the 50th percentile. If there is an even number of cases, the median is the average of the two middle cases when they are sorted in ascending or descending order.

Aid:

Any cash or real humanitarian aid, regardless of the source, that are received by households; due to the deteriorating living conditions, which resulted from measures taken by Israeli occupation forces during Al-Aqsa Intifada.

Basic Changes In the Indicators of Living Standards and Humanitarian Aid - Palestinian Territory

Indicators	March 2001	May-June 2001	July-August 2001	Jan.-Feb. 2002	April – May 2003*	July-Aug. 2003	October-December 2003	January-March 2004	April-June 2004	July-September 2004	October-December 2004	January-March 2005	April-June 2005	July-September 2005	October-December 2005
The Impact of the Current Situation on the Household's Income:															
The median amount of money that a Household need to satisfy its basic needs (NIS)	1800	1500	1700	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000
The median of Household's income before Intifada (NIS)	2300	2500	2500	2500	2500	2800	2500	2500	2500	2300	2500	2000	2500	2500	2600
The median of Household's income during last month (NIS)	1200	1300	1500	1200	1400	1600	1200	1200	1600	1500	1500	1500	1500	1500	1600
Percentage of Households lost more than half of their income during the last six months	49.2	47.4	52.3	56.5	47.4	45.4	39.5	48.7	62.5	53.4	55.3	53.9	62.6	57.4	51.6
Assistance															
Percentage of Households who indicated their need for assistance	-	79.1	73.4	81.2	78.9	79.3	70.0	72.0	71.8	73.7	67.5	70.2	71.1	70.5	67.0
Median of total in-kind assistance in US\$	17	15	15	16	17	18	22	33	33	33	22	34	45	38	42
Median of total in-cash assistance in US\$	146	146	244	140	63	44	66	49	65	-	67	69	72	87	104
Median Value of Assistance in US\$ by Source															
UNRWA	17	15	15	16	17	19	26	33	33	33	22	46	40	38	42
Ministry of Social Affairs	17	24	24	21	21	22	26	33	33	22	33	34	45	45	50
Other PNA Institutions	146	24	24	23	21	28	33	44	64	33	67	46	47	156	125
Charity (Zakat) Committees	24	24	24	23	21	25	22	49	39	27	30	32	45	32	31
Political Parties	24	24	20	23	17	35	22	22	44	22	22	34	33	20	61
Charity Institutions	24	24	24	23	21	22	22	24	33	33	22	46	57	33	27
Arab Countries	-	37	43	28	100	122	100	90	22	-	11	-	85	-	-
Relatives	-	298	366	28	63	89	66	44	44	67	45	69	67	88	104
Friends and Neighbors	-	488	293	27	63	44	43	33	44	44	45	23	27	51	21

Indicators	March 2001	May-June 2001	July-August 2001	Jan.-Feb. 2002	April – May 2003*	July-Aug. 2003	October-December 2003	January-March 2004	April-June 2004	July-September 2004	October-December 2004	January-March 2005	April-June 2005	July-September 2005	October-December 2005
Types of Humanitarian Aid															
Food assistance received by Households as a percentage of over all assistance	78.7	73.7	53.4	72.5	58.9	44.4	49.4	67.5	52.8	40.3	56.1	63.1	51.1	61.2	65.1
In-cash assistance received by Households as a percentage of overall assistance	20.5	15.4	20.4	11.6	16.2	30.3	33.9	32.5	28.6	32.2	26.8	15.9	18.0	24.2	21.1
First Priority Needs of the Households															
Percentage of Households who indicated that food is their first priority	30.9	11.1	9.4	11.7	25.0	23.3	34.5	35.8	38.4	36.7	48.7	36.1	44.6	45.3	37.1
Percentage of Households who indicated that money is their first priority	32.6	36.8	36.2	31.0	22.8	24.9	23.2	21.5	18.9	24.6	15.7	21.3	14.8	19.1	20.2
Percentage of Households who indicated that finding jobs is their first priority	14.9	20.1	18.0	23.5	25.0	20.4	20.2	21.4	19.9	20.3	18.3	23.1	17.0	15.2	21.3
Percentage of Households who indicated that medicine is their first priority	5.4	2.9	2.6	1.5	8.5	6.8	6.2	7.3	6.4	5.4	4.9	6.0	7.4	7.1	5.5
Percentage of Households who indicated that having a house is their first priority	5.3	6.4	5.7	6.8	7.5	6.3	4.9	4.0	5.1	3.9	3.2	4.0	5.6	4.8	5.2

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Basic Changes In the Indicators of Living Standards and Humanitarian Aid – West Bank

Indicators	March 2001	May-June 2001	July-August 2001	Jan.-Feb. 2002	April – May 2003*	July-Aug. 2003	October-December 2003	January-March 2004	April-June 2004	July-September 2004	October-December 2004	January-March 2005	April-June 2005	July-September 2005	October-December 2005
The Impact of the Current Situation on the Household's Income:															
The median amount of money that a Household need to satisfy its basic needs (NIS)	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2125	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2500	2000	2500
The median of Household's income before Intifada (NIS)	2600	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000
The median of Household's income during last month(NIS)	1500	1500	1700	1500	1500	2000	1500	1500	2000	1929	1600	1554	1500	1500	2000
Percentage of Households lost more than half of their income during the last six months	47.7	43.1	43.6	58.0	50.8	49.0	40.9	53.0	61.9	52.1	54.9	51.8	61.3	57.0	45.9
Median of total in-kind assistance in US\$	24	37	24	23	21	31	33	33	35	33	34	34	31	33	42
Median of total in-cash assistance in US\$	37	146	488	140	84	91	70	67	96	-	67	69	89	89	116
Median Value of Assistance in US\$ by Source															
UNRWA	37	73	73	58	21	27	28	33	44	27	31	34	33	44	42
Ministry of Social Affairs	24	24	24	14	31	31	33	33	35	22	33	34	38	44	55
Other PNA Institutions	29	24	24	23	21	22	42	44	48	33	51	46	35	156	63
Charity (Zakat) Committees	24	24	24	23	25	31	22	60	39	29	35	34	45	33	42
Political Parties	24	24	24	23	17	44	22	22	44	18	21	34	45	17	39
Charity Institutions	24	24	24	23	166	33	24	44	33	57	22	46	51	36	29
Arab Countries	-	37	37	28	100	133	66	90	22	-	-	-	85	-	-
Relatives	-	379	732	116	75	111	88	67	110	71	45	69	67	111	149
Friends and Neighbors	-	604	732	93	63	44	44	44	44	40	104	46	67	68	19
Types of Humanitarian Aid															
Food assistance received by Households as a percentage of over all assistance	67.8	45.3	35.8	60.1	64.6	47.6	51.9	55.1	56.4	40.5	52.0	42.6	36.5	40.2	50.9
In-cash assistance received by Households as a percentage of overall assistance	30.1	25.7	27.4	11.4	27.5	37.4	34.4	44.9	29.3	38.0	39.1	20.3	29.2	50.7	38.7

Indicators	March 2001	May- June 2001	July- August 2001	Jan.- Feb. 2002	April – May 2003*	July- Aug. 2003	October- December 2003	January- March 2004	April- June 2004	July- September 2004	October- December 2004	January- March 2005	April- June 2005	July- September 2005	October- December 2005
First Priority Needs of the Households															
Percentage of Households who indicated that food is their first priority	39.5	11.1	8.4	10.1	29.5	28.1	35.5	35.2	42.6	39.7	56.8	42.6	51.4	51.9	40.6
Percentage of Households who indicated that money is their first priority	21.6	34.2	28.7	27.4	14.2	15.2	25.2	23.2	18.3	26.4	14.7	20.5	13.2	19.4	22.3
Percentage of Households who indicated that finding jobs is their first priority	13.1	21.1	20.0	23.5	22.5	21.7	19.8	18.3	14.3	13.7	11.2	17.2	10.5	10.7	16.7
Percentage of Households who indicated that medicine is their first priority	7.9	3.5	3.5	1.9	11.8	8.7	6.7	9.3	7.9	7.8	5.8	7.9	8.8	7.8	5.9
Percentage of Households who indicated that having a house is their first priority	6.4	8.7	7.1	7.8	9.1	7.0	3.2	3.6	4.4	3.7	2.5	3.1	4.9	2.7	4.2

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Basic Changes In the Indicators of Living Standards and Humanitarian Aid – Gaza Strip

Indicators	March 2001	May-June 2001	July-August 2001	Jan.-Feb. 2002	April – May 2003*	July-Aug. 2003	October-December 2003	January-March 2004	April-June 2004	July-September 2004	October-December 2004	January-March 2005	April-June 2005	July-September 2005	October-December 2005
The Impact of the Current Situation on the Household's Income:															
The median amount of money that a Household need to satisfy its basic needs (NIS)	1500	1200	1200	1200	1400	1200	1500	1800	1500	1665	1500	1500	2000	2000	2000
The median of Household's income before Intifada (NIS)	1800	1900	1944	2000	2000	2000	1700	1800	1500	1500	1700	1600	1700	1600	1800
The median of Household's income during last month(NIS)	900	1000	900	883	1200	1200	1000	1000	1200	1000	1000	1000	1200	1000	1200
Percentage of Households lost more than half of their income during the last six months	52.0	56.5	55.8	53.6	40.1	37.0	36.7	40.3	63.9	55.6	56.1	57.7	65.6	58.3	64.0
Assistance															
Percentage of Households who indicated their need for assistance	-	86.7	85.6	86.6	84.0	85.6	73.3	74.8	71.9	74.9	68.9	72.0	72.5	73.2	71.8
Median of total in-kind assistance in US\$	17	15	15	16	17	17	22	26	22	33	22	34	47	38	43
Median of total in-cash assistance in US\$	146	146	244	140	31	44	66	44	33	-	67	69	67	73	63
Median Value of Assistance in US\$ by Source															
UNRWA	17	15	15	16	17	19	26	33	44	33	22	46	40	38	42
Ministry of Social Affairs	15	14	24	23	21	22	22	33	35	24	33	34	45	67	42
Other PNA Institutions	146	18	24	23	19	59	33	44	48	37	112	124	167	133	146
Charity (Zakat) Committees	17	16	54	14	17	22	22	42	39	11	22	23	27	42	20
Political Parties	24	15	15	21	17	18	22	22	48	22	53	46	22	44	125
Charity Institutions	24	22	15	19	17	20	22	22	33	31	22	46	60	33	27
Arab Countries	-	39	1300	23	27	122	110	-	22	-	11	-	-	-	-
Relatives	-	27	244	19	26	44	66	44	110	32	45	46	45	57	63
Friends and Neighbors	-	488	244	17	52	49	34	10	44	44	45	23	22	26	113

Indicators	March 2001	May-June 2001	July-August 2001	Jan.-Feb. 2002	April – May 2003*	July-Aug. 2003	October-December 2003	January-March 2004	April-June 2004	July-September 2004	October-December 2004	January-March 2005	April-June 2005	July-September 2005	October-December 2005
Types of Humanitarian Aid															
Food assistance received by Households as a percentage of over all assistance	85.2	90.4	59.5	79.2	64.6	42.7	47.1	77.2	48.7	39.9	58.7	59.6	59.7	72.4	70.4
In-cash assistance received by Households as a percentage of overall assistance	14.7	9.4	17.8	11.9	7.4	26.2	33.5	22.8	27.9	22.0	18.8	8.2	11.4	10.0	14.0
First Priority Needs of the Households															
Percentage of Households who indicated that food is their first priority	15.7	11.0	11.3	15.0	16.5	13.5	32.7	37.0	30.6	32.1	35.8	25.5	32.3	31.1	30.6
Percentage of Households who indicated that money is their first priority	52.0	41.4	51.0	38.5	39.3	44.2	19.5	18.3	20.1	21.9	17.3	22.3	17.6	18.3	16.3
Percentage of Households who indicated that finding jobs is their first priority	18.0	18.4	14.0	23.3	29.7	17.8	20.7	27.2	30.2	30.1	29.8	32.8	28.8	24.9	29.8
Percentage of Households who indicated that medicine is their first priority	0.9	1.8	0.8	0.6	2.3	3.1	5.0	3.3	3.6	1.9	3.5	3.0	4.7	5.7	4.6
Percentage of Households who indicated that having a house is their first priority	3.5	2.3	2.7	4.6	4.4	4.9	8.0	4.8	6.4	4.1	4.2	5.5	6.8	9.3	7.0

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Basic Indicators of Living Standards and Humanitarian by Region

Indicators	Palestinian Territory		The West Bank		Gaza Strip	
	July-September 2005	October- December 2005	July- September 2005	October- December 2005	July-September 2005	October- December 2005
Percentage of households expected financially steadfastness more than one year	24.0	29.5	17.6	24.6	37.8	39.2
Percentage of households suffered from deteriorating living conditions	14.5	14.2	16.2	15.7	10.9	11.3
Percentage of households that decrease their Expenditure	51.0	47.8	52.8	45.6	47.0	52.2
Percentage of households that decrease there Expenditure on the essential needs during last 12 months:						
Food	86.9	80.9	85.3	76.2	91.0	89.0
Clothes	95.6	93.6	94.2	91.6	99.0	97.2
Education	61.5	50.8	61.4	44.6	61.8	61.4
Health	66.0	59.8	65.5	54.0	67.2	69.9
Housing	81.6	77.4	81.8	76.6	80.9	78.9
Travel	86.9	80.9	85.3	76.2	91.0	89.0
Percentage of households that decrease their Expenditure on food:						
Quantity of meat	96.6	96.4	96.2	95.3	97.8	98.0
Quantity of fruit	95.8	93.6	95.6	90.4	96.2	98.2
Quality of food	96.6	93.1	96.3	91.0	97.3	96.2
Quantity of milk	86.9	76.2	85.7	70.5	89.8	84.6
Quantity of food	83.4	83.9	85.9	82.9	77.5	85.3
Percentage of households by household measure to financial stability during the last 12 months:						
Depend on Family income	83.7	87.9	83.6	87.8	83.9	88.1
Decrease the expenditure	51.4	48.0	53.4	46.1	46.9	51.7
Postponed paying bills	63.4	63.5	59.1	60.6	73.0	69.2
Borrowed money from persons	48.7	48.8	43.1	40.7	61.1	64.7
Depend on Family and Friends	20.0	20.3	18.9	18.1	22.5	24.5

Indicators	Palestinian Territory		The West Bank		Gaza Strip	
	July-September 2005	October- December 2005	July- September 2005	October- December 2005	July-September 2005	October- December 2005
Sold jewels or part of it	25.6	24.3	21.8	21.1	34.2	30.6
Percentage of households by first priority needs of the local community:						
Create jobs	54.4	57.5	45.9	50.1	72.6	71.3
Health services	9.5	7.3	12.3	8.6	3.5	4.9
Food assistances	4.3	4.4	4.6	4.3	3.8	4.5

Table 1: Percentage Distribution of Households by Household Expenditure Changing on Main Consumption materials during the last 12 months and Region, October-December 2005

Household Expenditure Changing on Main Consumption materials During last 12 months	Palestinian Territory	Region	
		West Bank	Gaza Strip
Household that expenditure increased	47.8	45.6	52.2
Household that Expenditure not changed	21.8	22.2	21.1
Household that expenditure decreased	30.4	32.2	26.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Table 2: Percentage of Households by Household Expenditure Decreased on Main Consumption Materials During the last 12 Months and Region, October-December 2005

Main Consumption Materials	Palestinian Territory	Region	
		West Bank	Gaza Strip
Clothes	93.6	91.6	97.2
Food	80.9	76.2	89.0
House	77.4	76.6	78.9
Entertainment activities and travel	69.0	66.3	73.6
Health	59.8	54.0	69.9
Educations	50.8	44.6	61.4
Other things	2.4	2.8	1.6

Table 3: Percentage of Households by Household Monthly Expenditure Decreased on Food During last 12 months and Region, October-December 2005

Decreasing Households Monthly Expenditure on Food	Palestinian Territory	Region	
		West Bank	Gaza Strip
Quantity of monthly consumed meat (meat, chicken, fish).	96.4	95.3	98.0
Quality of food	93.1	91.0	96.2
Quantity of Fruit	93.6	90.4	98.2
Quantity of food	83.9	82.9	85.3
Quantity of milk and milk products	76.2	70.5	84.6

Table 4: Percentage Distribution of Households Whose Income decreased During October-December 2005 by Region

Amount of decrease Decrease (%)	Palestinian Territory	Region	
		West Bank	Gaza Strip
Less than 25 percent	15.8	17.8	11.4
25 percent to less than 50 percent	32.6	36.3	24.6
50 percent to less than 75 percent	27.9	26.5	30.8
75 percent or more	23.7	19.4	33.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
Percentage of households whose income decreased	60.4	62.5	56.4

Table 5: Percentage of Households by Measures Taken by Household to Maintain Financial Stability During the last 12 Months and Region, October-December 2005

Household Measures to Maintain Financial Stability During the last 12 months	Palestinian Territory	Region	
		West Bank	Gaza Strip
Family income	87.9	87.8	88.1
Family and Friends	20.3	18.1	24.5
Used their Saving	17.8	16.4	20.6
Used their Saving in Israeli banks	1.1	1.2	0.9
Sold available of durable goods	1.9	1.7	2.2
Sold Jewels or part of it	24.3	21.1	30.6
Borrowed from banks or financial institution	8.5	5.9	13.6
Borrowed from banks or financial institution	48.0	46.1	51.7
Borrowed money	48.8	40.7	64.7
Worked in farming or breeding livestock	12.3	15.5	6.0
Sold or mortgaged lands or buildings	1.7	1.8	1.4
Sent at least one family member from students to work	2.9	3.3	2.0
Sent at least one family member from others to work	5.1	4.1	7.0
Postponed paying bills	63.5	60.6	69.2

Table 6: Percentage Distribution of Households According to Period in which the Household can Financially Cope and Region During October-December 2005

Period in which the Household can Financially Cope	Palestinian Territory	Region	
		West Bank	Gaza Strip
More than 12 month	29.5	24.6	39.2
7-12 month	14.4	14.6	14.2
4-6 month	11.5	12.9	8.7
Less than 4 month	25.9	25.9	25.9
Suffered from dangers situations and don't know how to live	14.2	15.7	11.3
Don't know	4.5	6.4	0.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Table 7: Percentage Distribution of Households by Required Amount of Money Needed to Satisfy its Basic Needs (NIS) and Region During October-December 2005

Amount of Money that a Household Needed to Satisfy its Basic Needs (NIS)	Palestinian Territory	Region	
		West Bank	Gaza Strip
Less than 1000	5.6	4.6	7.5
1000-1499	12.5	9.3	18.5
1500-1999	14.0	11.5	18.8
2000-2499	23.8	22.9	25.5
2500-2999	7.0	6.7	7.7
3000+	37.1	45.0	22.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Table 8: Percentage Distribution of households by Received Assistance During October-December 2005 and Region

Received Assistance during June/ 2003	Palestinian Territory	Region	
		West Bank	Gaza Strip
Received Assistance	27.2	13.2	54.7
Not Received Assistance	72.8	86.8	45.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Table 9: Percentage Distribution of households by Number of Received Assistance During October-December 2005 and Region

Access to Health Resources	Palestinian Territory	Region	
		West Bank	Gaza Strip
1	67.4	79.4	61.8
2	22.2	12.8	26.6
3+	10.4	7.8	11.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Table 10: Percentage Distribution of Assistance that the Households Received During October-December 2005 by Assistance Type and Region

Assistant Type	Palestinian Territory	Region	
		West Bank	Gaza Strip
Food	65.1	50.9	70.9
Money	21.1	38.7	14.0
Healthy Insurance	4.0	4.6	3.7
Jobs	9.8	5.9	11.4
Other	65.1	50.9	70.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Table 11: Percentage Distribution of households who received Assistance During October-December 2005 by Assistance Value in NIS and Region

Assistant Value	Palestinian Territory	Region	
		West Bank	Gaza Strip
Less than 200	38.5	34.3	40.2
200-299	31.7	21.8	35.7
300+	29.8	43.9	24.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Table 12: Percentage Distribution of households who received Assistance During October-December 2005 by Degree Satisfaction with Assistance and Region

Satisfaction with Assistance	Palestinian Territory	Region	
		West Bank	Gaza Strip
Completely Satisfied	20.9	21.2	20.8
Fairly Satisfied	64.2	54.5	68.2
Fairly not Satisfied	10.0	15.4	7.9
Completely not Satisfied	4.8	8.9	3.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Table 13: Percentage Distribution of households by First Priority Needs of the Households and Region During October-December 2005

First Priority Needs	Palestinian Territory	Region	
		West Bank	Gaza Strip
Food	37.1	40.6	30.6
Jobs	21.3	16.7	29.8
Money	20.2	22.3	16.3
Education	8.3	8.5	7.9
Treatments	5.4	5.8	4.6
Having a House	5.2	4.2	7.0
Other	2.4	1.7	3.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Table 14: Percentage Distribution of Households by Source of Human Aid (Frequency of Providing Assistance) and Region During October-December 2005

Source of Human Aid	Palestinian Territory	Region	
		West Bank	Gaza Strip
UNRWA	58.4	33.7	68.4
Ministry of Social Affairs	10.3	17.6	7.4
Relatives	8.4	15.5	5.5
Labor Unions	8.1	4.2	9.7
Other Palestinian National Authority Institutions	5.3	10.6	3.1
Charity Institutions	2.8	3.1	2.6
International Institutions	0.6	2.0	0.1
Friends, Neighbors, Charitable persons	3.2	6.8	1.8
Political Parties	0.9	1.8	0.5
Charity (Zakat) Committees	1.6	3.2	1.0
Other	0.4	1.5	-
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Table 15: Percentage of Households by Obstacles Facing Access to Health Services and Region During October-December 2005

Obstacles Facing Access to Health Services	Palestinian Territory	Region	
		West Bank	Gaza Strip
Treatment costs	45.7	41.7	53.5
Israeli closure	37.3	40.7	30.6
Military checkpoints	28.3	42.7	-
Remoteness of health centers	25.9	25.6	26.4
Inability for medical staff to reach health centers	22.0	21.1	23.8
Expansion and Annexation Wall	6.7	10.0	-