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### **Notice to users of this report:**

- All statistical information presented in this report is based on data reported by municipalities and local councils in the Localities where the Expansion and Annexation Wall Passes Through. The reference period of data is June 2008.
- The statistics about the area of the confiscated and isolated land represent the estimates of the locality representatives, this might affect the quality of data, PCBS urges users to use this data cautiously.
- PCBS draw the a attention to that Jerusalem localities inside the wall are excluded
- (-) means Nil

## **Press Release**

### **On the Main Findings of the Survey on the Impact of the Expansion and Annexation Wall on the Socio-Economic Conditions of Palestinian Localities where the Wall Passes Through in the West Bank, June 2008**

- **Percentage of Affected Localities by the Wall Increased by 15% since 2005, Percentage of Displaced Households Increased by 58% and the Closed Establishment has been Doubled.**
- **The Palestinian Authority Represents the Major Source of Assistance, but a decline in Localities Receiving Assistance from Palestinian Authority, Arab Countries and Private Sector, While UNRWA Expanded its Services.**

The Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS) conducted a survey on the impact of the Expansion and Annexation Wall on the Palestinian localities that is Affected by Wall in the West Bank. The data was collected through meeting with the Local Authorities in the locality. Until the end of June 2008, nine governorates were affected directly by the wall: Jenin, Tubas, Tulkarem, Salfit, Qalqilia, in the north of the West Bank; Jerusalem, Ramallah and Al-Bireh in the middle; and Bethlehem and Hebron in the south. This survey is a part of the surveillance system to monitor the impact of the Expansion and Annexation Wall, in particular, and the impact of the Israeli measures on the well being of the Palestinian people, in general. Fieldwork took place during July 2008 and covered 171 localities.

#### **Distribution of Affected localities by the Expansion and Annexation Wall**

171 localities where the wall passes through until the end of June 2008 are affected compared with 149 localities until the end of May 2005. The distribution of localities where the wall passes through 2008; 32 localities in Jenin governorate, 27 localities in Jerusalem governorate, 21 localities in Hebron governorate, 22 localities in Qalqilia governorate, 20 localities in Ramallah and Al-Bireh governorate, 16 localities in Tulkarem governorate, 12 localities in Salfit, and 19 localities in Bethlehem governorate.

The main findings indicated that 14 localities are located behind the Expansion and Annexation Wall: 13 localities in the north of the West Bank (5 in Jenin, 7 in Qalqilia, and one locality in Tulkarem); and 1 locality in Bethlehem in the south of the West Bank.

157 of the affected localities are outside the Expansion and Annexation Wall compared with 134 localities until the end of May 2005. Distributed on Jenin and Jerusalem 27 localities for each, followed by 15 localities in Tulkarem, 15 localities in Qalqilia, 12 localities in Salfit, 20 localities in Ramallah and Al-Bireh, 21 in Hebron and 18 localities in Bethlehem, 2 localities in Tubas.

#### **Confiscated and Isolated Land**

The results showed that 49,291 dunums of land has been confiscated since the building of the Expansion and Annexation Wall until the end of June 2008, the majority of confiscated land was in the north of the West Bank; 22,141 dunums. Confiscated land in the middle of the West Bank was 13,875 dunums, and 13,275 dunums in the south of the West Bank.

Concerning Isolated land, the results showed that the area of Isolated land since the building of the Expansion and Annexation Wall until the end of June 2008 is about 274,607 dunums; the majority was in the middle of the West Bank, totaled 123,526 dunums, the area of Isolated land in the north of the West Bank is 89,498 dunums, and in the south is 61,583 dunums.

### **Displacement**

The results indicated that 3,880 households were displaced from the localities that was affected by the Expansion and Annexation Wall since the beginning of construction of the Expansion and Annexation Wall until the end of June 2008 compared with 2,448 households were displaced from the localities since the beginning of construction of the Expansion and Annexation Wall until the end of May 2005, The total population of these displaced households was 27,841 compared with 14,364 in 2005.

### **Closure of Economic Establishments**

The results indicated that the total number of closed economic establishments in the localities which was affected by the Expansion and Annexation wall is 3,551 establishments (2,197 in the north of the West Bank, 1,056 in the middle of the West Bank, 298 in the south of the West Bank)

### **Bypass Roads and Settlements on the Lands of the Affected Localities**

Results showed that 96 of the localities where the wall passes through until the end of June 2008 reported that bypass roads were built on their lands compared with 60 localities until the end of My 2005 , the 96 localities distributed by (9 localities behind the wall, 87 outside the wall).

On other hand, the results showed that 69 of the localities which have bypass roads located on their lands the roads were built before building of the wall, while 27 of the localities the roads were built after the construction of the wall.

Concerning the settlements, results showed that 92 of the localities where the wall passes through until the end of June 2008 reported that settlements were built on their lands compared with 60 localities until the end of My 2005, the 92 localities are distributed by (6 localities behind the wall, 86 outside the wall).

On other hand, the settlements were built before the wall construction in 85 localities, and in 7 of the localities, settlements were built after the wall construction.

### **Humanitarian Aid**

Results showed that 107 of the localities which the wall passes through reported receiving humanitarian assistance during the last 12 months (10 behind the wall, 97 outside the wall).

However, regarding the frequency of assistance provided by the various sources for localities, public sector was mentioned in 68 localities, followed by the foreign institutions in 65 localities, then by Arab countries in 23 localities, UNRWA in 41 localities and the private sector in 17 localities.

### **Priority Needs of Households**

The results revealed all localities affected by the Expansion and Annexation Wall (171 localities) reported the need for work in their localities as a top priority for these localities, and 169 of the localities reported the need for improving the infrastructure as a top priority for their localities, 163 of the localities reported the need for health services, financial assistants, educational services, and 161 of the localities expressed the need for food assistants in their localities.

## Concepts and Definitions

<b>Reference Period:</b>	There are four reference periods in this survey: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Since the beginning of construction of the wall until the end of June 2008.</li><li>2. Before and after building the wall.</li><li>3. During the last six months.</li><li>4. During the last 12 months.</li></ol>
<b>Locality:</b>	A permanently inhabited place, with an independent municipal administration or other type of adopted administration.
<b>Location from Expansion and Annexation Wall</b>	Refers to the location of the locality or land of the locality, or household from the wall:
<b>1. Behind the Wall:</b>	Includes all localities located between the green line and the wall.
<b>2. Outside the Wall:</b>	Includes all localities located outside the wall.
<b>Area of Confiscated Lands:</b>	The total area which was confiscated by Israeli occupation forces from the land of localities to construct the wall (usually taken by military order).
<b>Isolated Lands:</b>	The total area which was Isolated by Israeli occupation forces from the land of localities inside the wall (usually taken by military orders).
<b>Displacement:</b>	Enforced emigration due to war, occupation and foreign invasion of countries or as a result of catastrophe that results in displaced or deported original citizens from their home land to other, different places.
<b>Closed Economic Establishments:</b>	The Establishments in different sectors which were totally closed as a result of the wall.
<b>Humanitarian Aid:</b>	Any cash real humanitarian aid, regardless of the source, that is received by households because of the deteriorating living conditions due to measures taken by Israeli occupation forces during the wall construction.

**Table 1: Changes on Some of the Expansion and Annexation Wall Indicators Affecting the Socioeconomic Conditions of the Palestinian Localities where the Wall Passes Through in the West Bank**

Indicator	2008 June 2008	2005 May 2005	
Number of Localities where the Expansion and Annexation Wall Passes Through	171	149	
Population of Localities where the Expansion and Annexation Wall Passes Through	712,313	675,373	
Area of Confiscated Land	49,291	47,921	
Number of Displaced Households	3,880	2,448	
Number of Displaced Persons	27,841	14,364	
Number of Closed Economic Establishments	3,551	1,702	
Number of Localities that the Expansion and Annexation Wall Passes Through, with By-pass Roads Built on its Lands	96	60	
Number of Localities that the Expansion and Annexation Wall Passes Through, with Settlements Built on its Lands	92	61	



**Table 2: Changes on Some of the Expansion and Annexation Wall Indicators Affecting the Socioeconomic Conditions of the Palestinian Localities in where the Wall Passes Through in the West Bank**

Indicator	Outside Expansion and Annexation Wall		Behind Expansion and Annexation Wall		
	2008 June 2008	2005 May 2005	2008 June 2008	2005 May 2005	
<b>Number of Localities that the Wall and Restrictions affected on Transportation and Passage</b>					
Time Spent to Pass is affected	115	78	13	9	
Timing of Passage is affected	111	75	11	8	
Need Special Permissions	104	73	12	10	بحاجة إلى تصاريح خاصة
Need Special Documents	110	67	14	11	بحاجة إلى وثائق خاصة
<b>Number of Localities by Received Assistance</b>					
Localities Received Assistance	97	113	10	11	
No Assistance Received	60	21	4	4	
<b>Number of Localities by Source of Assistance</b>					
Public Sector	62	80	6	11	
Private Sector	17	17	-	3	
Arab Countries	20	37	3	2	
Foreign Sector	60	65	5	3	
UNRWA	37	30	4	2	

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**Table 3: Distribution of Localities where the Expansion and Annexation Wall Passes Through, by Governorate and Location from the Wall, June 2008**

Governorate	Total	Location from Expansion and Annexation Wall		Localities of Governorate
		Number of Localities outside the Expansion and Annexation Wall	Number of Localities behind the Expansion and Annexation Wall	
Jenin	32	27	5	80
Tubas	2	2	-	21
Tulkarm	16	15	1	35
Qalqiliya	22	15	7	34
Salfit	12	12	-	20
Ramallah & Al-Bireh	20	20	-	75
Jerusalem	27	27	-	44
Bethlehem	19	18	1	45
Hebron	21	21	-	92
<b>Total</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>446</b>

Note: Includes 14 localities which have been affected by wall although the construction on their land did not start yet

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**Table 4: Population\* in Localities where the Expansion and Annexation Wall Passes Through, by Governorate and Location from the Wall**

Governorate	Location from Expansion and Annexation Wall		Total
	Population of Localities outside the Expansion and Annexation Wall	Population of Localities behind the Expansion and Annexation Wall	
Jenin	62,978	735	<b>63,713</b>
Tubas	1,944	-	<b>1,944</b>
Tulkarm	97,842	293	<b>98,135</b>
Qalqiliya	72,340	4,202	<b>76,542</b>
Salfit	42,704	-	<b>42,704</b>
Ramallah & Al-Bireh	76,136	-	<b>76,136</b>
Jerusalem	156,056	-	<b>156,056</b>
Bethlehem	94,303	173	<b>94,476</b>
Hebron	102,607	-	<b>102,607</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>706,910</b>	<b>5,403</b>	<b>712,313</b>

\* The source for the population is the Population, Housing, and Establishment Census 2007 .2007

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**Table 5: The Area\* of Confiscated Land Used for the Wall Construction and the Area of Isolated Land Inside the Wall in Localities that the Expansion and Annexation Wall Passes Through, by District and the Location from the Wall, June 2008**

District	Total	Area of Isolated Land inside the wall	Area of Confiscated Land which the wall built on
North West Bank	<b>111,639</b>	89,498	22,141
Middle West Bank	<b>137,401</b>	123,526	13,875
South West Bank	<b>74,858</b>	61,583	13,275
<b>Total</b>	<b>323,898</b>	<b>274,607</b>	<b>49,291</b>

\* reported data

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**Table 6: Land Use in Localities that the Expansion and Annexation Wall Passes Through, by Type of Use and the Location from the Wall, June 2008**

Type of Use	Total	Location from Expansion and Annexation Wall	
		Localities outside the Expansion and Annexation Wall	Localities behind the Expansion and Annexation Wall
Agricultural Area	143	132	11
Public and Agricultural Transportation Roads	75	66	9
Grazing Area	123	112	11
Commercial and Industrial Area	20	20	-
Building Area	13	13	-
Public Area	39	36	3

Note: Land use Include Confiscated and Isolated land

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**Table 7: Number of Displaced Households and Persons in Localities where the Expansion and Annexation Wall Passes Through, by District, June 2008**

District	* Number of Persons	Number of Households
North West Bank	3,996	706
Middle West Bank	21,809	2,976
South West Bank	2,036	198
<b>Total</b>	<b>27,841</b>	<b>3,880</b>

\* Persons do not represent only displaced households, but also include persons of other households.

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**Table 8: Distribution of Localities where the Expansion and Annexation Wall Passes Through and their Population Face Restrictions in Movement and Traveling, by Restrictions and the Location from the Wall, June 2008**

Restrictions	Total	Location from The Expansion and Annexation Wall	
		Localities outside the Expansion and Annexation Wall	Localities behind the Expansion and Annexation Wall
Time Spent to Pass	<b>128</b>	115	13
Timing of Passage	<b>122</b>	111	11
Special Permissions	<b>116</b>	104	12
Special Documents	<b>124</b>	110	14

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**Table 9: Number of Reported Closed Economic Establishments in Localities that the Expansion and Annexation Wall Passes Through, by Governorate, June 2008**

Governorate	Number of the Closed Economic Establishments
Jenin	282
Tulkarm	1,038
Qalqiliya	734
Salfit	143
Ramallah & Al-Bireh	42
Jerusalem	1,014
Bethlehem	289
Hebron	9
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,551</b>

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**Table 10: Distribution of Localities that the Expansion and Annexation Wall Passes Through, by Governorate and the Means by which Land was Confiscated and Isolated, June 2008**

Governorate	Means by which Land was Confiscated and Isolated			
	Total	Both	Annexed	Military Decision
Jenin	31	7	13	11
Tubas	1	1	0	0
Tulkarm	16	9	1	6
Qalqiliya	21	14	5	2
Salfit	11	6	1	4
Ramallah & Al-Bireh	17	3	6	8
Jerusalem	25	8	6	11
Bethlehem	16	7	5	4
Hebron	19	8	10	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>47</b>

Note: Excludes 14 localities which have been affected by wall although the construction on their land did not start yet.

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**Table 11: Distribution of Localities that the Expansion and Annexation Wall Passes Through, with By-pass Roads and Settlements Built on its Lands, by Governorate and Location from the Wall, June 2008**

Location from Expansion and Annexation Wall	Settlements			By-pass Roads		
	Total	After Construction the Wall	Before Construction the Wall	Total	After Construction the Wall	Before Construction the Wall
Localities behind the Expansion and Annexation Wall	6	-	6	9	4	5
Localities outside the Expansion and Annexation Wall	86	7	79	87	23	64
<b>Total</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>69</b>

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**Table 12: Distribution of Localities that the Expansion and Annexation Wall Passes Through, by Assistance Received During the Last 12 Months and Location from the Wall, June 2008**

Received Assistance	Total	Location from Expansion and Annexation Wall	
		Localities outside the Expansion and Annexation Wall	Localities behind the Expansion and Annexation Wall
Assistance Received	<b>107</b>	97	10
No Assistance Received	<b>64</b>	60	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>14</b>

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**Table 13: Distribution of Localities that the Expansion and Annexation Wall Passes Through, by Source of Assistance and Location from the Wall, June 2008**

Source of Assistance	Total	Location from Expansion and Annexation Wall	
		Localities outside the Expansion and Annexation Wall	Localities behind the Expansion and Annexation Wall
Public Sector	<b>68</b>	62	6
Private Sector	<b>17</b>	17	-
Arab Countries	<b>23</b>	20	3
Palestinian Civic sector	<b>32</b>	28	4
Foreign Sector	<b>65</b>	60	5
UNRWA	<b>41</b>	37	4
Other	<b>6</b>	6	-

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**Table 14: Distribution of Localities that the Expansion and Annexation Wall Passes Through, by Source of Assistance and Location from the Wall, June 2008**

Source of Assistance	Total	Satisfaction for the Assistance		
		Un Satisfied	Fairly Satisfied	Satisfied
Public Sector	68	32	25	11
Private Sector	17	3	7	7
Arab Countries	23	5	10	8
Palestinian Civic sector	32	11	7	14
Foreign Sector	65	13	27	25
UNRWA	41	11	20	10
Other	6	-	1	5

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**Table 15: Distribution of the Localities that the Expansion and Annexation Wall Passes Through, by First Priority Needed by the Locality and Location from the Wall, June 2008**

Needs	Total	Location from Expansion and Annexation Wall	
		Localities outside the Expansion and Annexation Wall	Localities behind the Expansion and Annexation Wall
Job Creation	171	157	14
Health Services	163	149	14
Food Assistance	161	147	14
Financial Services	163	149	14
Education Services	163	149	14
Infrastructure	169	155	14



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**Table 16: Distribution of the Localities that the Expansion and Annexation Wall Passes Through, by Needed by the Locality, Source of Assistance and Location from the Wall, June 2008**

Source of Assistance	Total	Source				
		International organizations	Palestinian civic sector	Palestinian private sector	Palestinian National Authority	
Job Creation	171	36	3	4	128	
Health Services	163	19	7	3	134	
Food Assistance	161	64	5	4	88	
Financial Services	163	30	2	6	125	
Education Services	163	40	4	1	118	
Infrastructure	169	42	4	4	119	

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**Table 17: Distribution of the Localities that the Expansion and Annexation Wall Passes Through, by Number of Gates and Location from the Wall, June 2008**

Number of Gates	Total	Location from Expansion and Annexation Wall		
		Localities outside the Expansion and Annexation Wall	Localities behind the Expansion and Annexation Wall	
1	52	43	9	1
2	42	39	3	2
3	8	7	1	3
4	4	3	1	4
8	1	1	-	8
<b>Total</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>14</b>	

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**Table 18: Distribution of the Localities that the Expansion and Annexation Wall Passes Through and which set up the gates of the entrances by intended use and Location from the Wall, June 2008**

intended use	Total	Location from Expansion and Annexation Wall		
		Localities outside the Expansion and Annexation Wall	Localities behind the Expansion and Annexation Wall	
Only the passage of persons	35	27	8	
To transport goods only (commercial gates)	8	6	2	( )
For the passage of persons and goods together	22	11	11	
Agricultural use only	45	37	8	
Using only seasonal and weekly	16	16	-	
Only used seasonally	16	15	1	
For military use only	42	39	3	
Traffic across the Green Line only	14	8	6	