

**Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics released a Statistical Report about Water Statistics in the Palestinian Territory Annual Report, 2007  
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The Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS) released the statistical report about Water Statistics in the Palestinian Territory for the year 2007.

The report complies with PCBS work plan and is the outcome of the efforts of PCBS to produce a series of statistical reports that represent the Israeli aggression against Palestinian right in thier water. Such series of statistical reports aims to provide the necessary data that describes the status of the natural resources in the Palestinian Territory and including the basic characteristics of water situation and the substantive factors affecting it. This report presents statistical data about water resources indicators including quantities of pumbed water and purchased water, spring discharge, and other indicators.

Water resources in the Palestinian Territory are limited, and controlled by the Israeli authority, which deprived the Palestinians from their legal share of water. And are restricted mainly to ground water that extracted from wells and springs and water purchased from the Israeli Water Company (Mekorot), the total water quantity obtained from these two sources in 2007 was 335.4 million m<sup>3</sup>, compared to 319.1 million m<sup>3</sup> in 2006 and 315.2 million m<sup>3</sup> in 2005 and 295.8 million m<sup>3</sup> in 2004.

Wells are considered the most important source, 241.2 million m<sup>3</sup> of water were pumped from water wells. The quantity of water purchased from the Israeli Water Company (Mekorot) totaled 49.4 million m<sup>3</sup> with a cost of 129 million shekels , finally springs represent the third most important source with an annual discharge of 44.8 million m<sup>3</sup> in the Palestinian Territory.

In the Remaining West Bank 306 wells pumped 68.7 million m<sup>3</sup> of water. Distributed by type of use, results were 38.1 million m<sup>3</sup> for domestic use, and 30.6 million m<sup>3</sup> for agricultural use.

Data shows that the maximum average annual discharges of springs for the years (2005 – 2007) was 53.6 million m<sup>3</sup> in 2005, while the minimum average annual discharges of springs was 44.8 million m<sup>3</sup> in 2007. The average of annual discharges was 51.7 million m<sup>3</sup> in 2006.

Data shows that the quantity of water purchased from Israeli Water Company (Mekorot) in the Palestinian Territory was 42.2 million m<sup>3</sup> in 2005 and increasing over the next two years 2006 and 2007 to 43.9 and 49.4 million m<sup>3</sup> respectively.

Data shows that the quantity of water supplied for domestic use in the Palestinian Territory was 175.6 million m<sup>3</sup> in 2007, of which 85.5 million m<sup>3</sup> was in the Remaining West Bank and 90.1 million m<sup>3</sup> in Gaza Strip.

Data of 2007 show that the quantity of supplied water for domestic use per capita was 135.8 (liter/capita/day) in the Palestinian Territory of which 110.2 (liter/capita/day) in the Remaining West Bank and 174.1 (liter/capita/day) in Gaza Strip, and in Tubas Governorate it reaches 46.6 (liter/capita/day).