



World Refugee Day, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026

## The Palestinian People:

- The largest and longest-running refugee crisis in the modern world
- Unprecedented waves of displacement and forced migration have brought back to the forefront one of the longest and largest refugee crises in contemporary history: 1948-2025.
- A story of resilience, identity, education, and hope

More than  
**171,000**  
Palestinians have been martyred since the Nakba in 1948 up to the end of May 2026



**74,176**



Martyrs since October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023, including 72,996 in Gaza Strip and 1,180 in the West Bank



**20,413**

Children were martyred in Gaza Strip



**12,524**

Women were martyred in Gaza Strip



**3,110**

Medical personnel, civil defense workers, journalists, and education sector employees were martyred in Gaza Strip



About

**11,000**

Palestinians remain missing in Gaza Strip



## The Ongoing Nakba

**1948**

**More than 957,000** Palestinians were forcibly displaced from their cities and villages in 1948

**1967**

**More than 200,000** Palestinians were displaced during the June War in 1967

**2025**

**Around 2 million** million Palestinians were displaced in Gaza Strip

**About 40,000** Palestinians were displaced from refugee camps in the northern West Bank

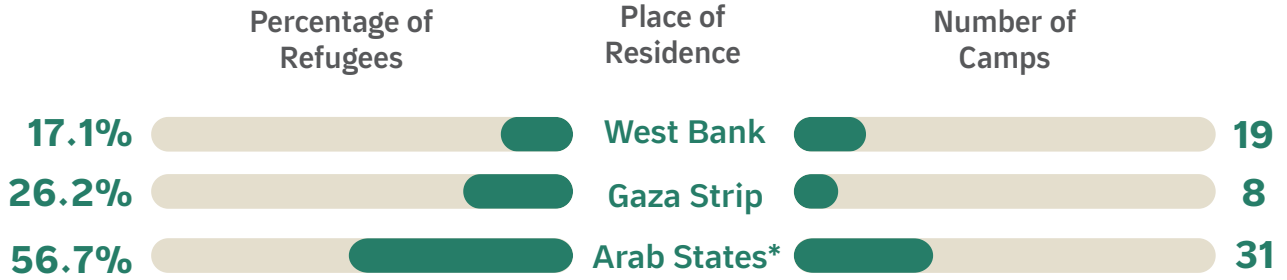


Estimated Palestinian population worldwide at the end of 2025:

**15.5 million**



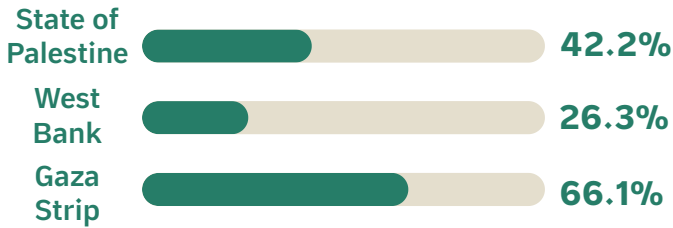
Approximately 6 Million Registered Refugees with UNRWA in August 2024



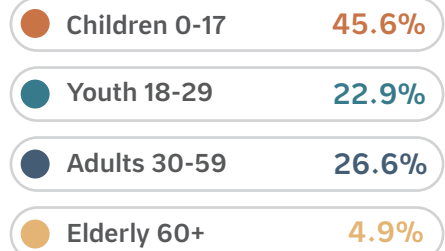
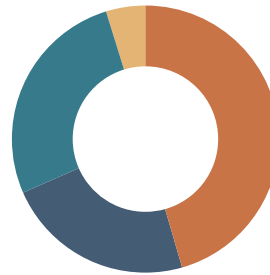
\*Arab States: Jordan, Syria, and Lebanon



42% of the population of the State of Palestine are refugees



Percentage Distribution of refugees in the State of Palestine by age group



Refugees and the Labor Market in the West Bank, 2025:



Unemployment rate among refugees:

**29.2%**



Unemployment rate among non-refugees:

**28.6%**



## Limited gaps in literacy and educational attainment exist between refugees and non-refugees in the West Bank, 2025

Illiteracy rate among individuals  
(15 years and above)  
in the West Bank and Refugee Status



Refugees:

**2.1%**



Non-refugees:

**2.3%**

Percentage of individuals (18 years and above)  
who hold a bachelor's degree or higher  
in the West Bank and Refugee Status



Refugees:

**20.4%**



Non-refugees:

**20.6%**



**The Palestinian refugees between the longest refugee crisis and the largest contemporary displacement crisis  
The Palestinian refugee crisis is not a historical event that has ended, but rather an ongoing and escalating catastrophic reality.**