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Recorded Violence Against Health Care in the oPt, 07 October 2023-28 August 2025

	 REPORTED INCIDENTS	 HEALTH WORKERS KILLED	 INCIDENTS WHERE HEALTH FACILITIES WERE DAMAGED	 HEALTH WORKERS ARRESTED
Gaza	2059	717*	405	359
West Bank	776	12	27	160

Insecurity Insight identified 2895 incidents of violence against or obstruction of access to health care in the occupied Palestinian territory between 07 October 2023 and 28 August 2025.¹ Over 95% of these incidents were attributed to Israeli forces. In Gaza, where 2059 incidents were recorded, health facilities were damaged 405 times, 717 health workers were killed and 359 arrested.² These health worker killings and injuries add to the broader toll: since October 2023, more than **67,000** Palestinians have been killed in Gaza. In the West Bank and East Jerusalem, where 776 attacks on health care were recorded, access to medicine was obstructed over 490 times, and 12 health workers were killed and 160 arrested.

View the incidents on our [interactive map](#).³ Numbers may change if or when further information is made available. We are currently updating our datasets on HDX, please [get in touch](#) if you are interested in this data.

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SHCC Factsheets (EN): [2024](#); [2023](#); [2022](#); [2021](#). (AR): [2024](#); [2023](#); [2022](#); [2021](#).

The publicly reported incidents below are not a complete nor a representative list of all incidents that affected the provision of health care between 01-14 October 2025. The incidents below have not been verified through ground investigations. There is a delay in reporting incidents due to our open source verification protocol. [Get in touch](#) if you are interested in curated datasets, have made a public statement to include in our Bi Monthly News Brief, to report an incident or if you have additional information on an incident we have reported on. Visit our [oPt](#) webpage. Join our [mailing](#) for the latest information.

Gaza

02 October 2025: In Deir al-Balah city and governorate, a Doctors Without Borders (MSF) occupational therapist was killed, and four MSF members injured, when they were hit by an Israeli forces airstrike while waiting to take a bus to go to work at the MSF field hospital. All staff were wearing MSF vests, clearly identifying them as medical humanitarian workers. One of the staff, a physiotherapy activities manager, succumbed to his injuries on 05 October **Sources:** [EPI News](#), [Independent Palestinian Doctors Association](#), [MSF I](#), [MSF II](#), [New Age](#), [Quds News Network](#) and [The New Arab](#)

02 October 2025: In Al-Ard Al-Tayyiba area, Al Mawasi area, Khan Yunis governorate, a nurse was abducted by Israeli special forces after they infiltrated a medical facility. A small vehicle carrying four armed men and a driver in civilian clothing arrived near the medical point, blocked the nurse's path as she headed to work, then assaulted, gagged, and forcibly dragged her into the truck. The gunmen fired into the air to disperse those who attempted to intervene before fleeing towards northern Rafah Governorate, an area under Israeli army control. **Sources:** [Euro-Med Human Rights Monitor](#) and [Independent Palestinian Doctors Association](#)

03 October 2025: In Khan Yunis city and governorate, Nasser Hospital was affected after Hamas imposed a curfew following clashes in the area between the Sahm Unit and a Palestinian clan, restricting access to the facility. **Source:** [ACLED](#)⁴

04 October 2025: In Gaza city and governorate, a medical laboratory specialist at Kamal Adwan was killed by Israeli forces bombing. **Sources:** [Institute for Palestine Studies](#) and [Quds News Network](#)

As reported on 06 October 2025: In Gaza Strip, four missions to transfer incubators from the evacuated Al Rantisi Children's Hospital in Gaza governorate to hospitals in the south have been denied in the last month by Israel forces. As a result, babies were forced to share beds and oxygen masks. **Source:** [The New Arab](#)

As reported on 07 October 2025: Across the Gaza Strip, 54 PRCS ambulances were rendered out of service. **Source:** [PRCS](#)

11 October 2025: In Khan Yunis city and governorate, in the vicinity of the Jordanian hospital, at least 27 people were killed when masked Hamas members exchanged fire with clan fighters. **Source:** [New Age](#)

14 October 2025: Update: In the Gaza Strip, a doctor, the director of the NGO Al-Awda Hospital in North Gaza, was released after 665 days of detention by Israeli forces, during which he was reportedly tortured. He was arrested on 18 November 2023 while carrying out his medical duties during the hospital's siege. **Sources:** [Health and Community Return Association \(AWDA\)](#) and [Warfare Analysis](#)

West Bank and East Jerusalem

01 October 2025: In Al-Yamun town, Jenin governorate, a PRCS ambulance crew was assaulted and their ambulance was seized by Israeli forces while on duty. **Source:** [PRCS](#)

01-02 October 2025: In Al-Yamun town, Jenin governorate, medical access was obstructed by Israeli forces during a raid on the area. **Source:** [UN OCHA Update 330](#)

Between 02 and 09 October 2025: In Jenin city and Jenin governorate, an unspecified number of pharmacies were raided by Israeli forces. **Source:** [UN OCHA Update 330](#)

11 October 2025: In At-Tabaqa village, Hebron governorate, ambulance crews were prevented by Israeli forces from reaching a man who had been left to bleed for about an hour before the Red Crescent was able to transport him to the Dura Government Hospital. **Sources:** [Saba](#), [The New Arab](#) and [WAFA News Agency](#)

As reported on 13 October 2025: In Ramallah city, Ramallah and al-Bireh governorate, a Palestinian male doctor was imprisoned by the Israeli forces. He was serving a sentence for planning an attack that wounded an Israeli officer. **Source:** [The New Arab](#)

Other resources

Attacks on healthcare in war are being steadily normalized—we need to end impunity: In this [BMJ opinion piece](#), the Safeguarding Health in Conflict Coalition's (SHCC) Len Rubenstein, Rohini Haar and Joe Amon, along with Desmond M Tutu, discuss how to end the impunity for attacks on health care in Gaza and beyond. The authors warn that the failure to hold perpetrators accountable has made such attacks disturbingly routine - undermining international humanitarian law and leaving countless civilians without lifesaving care.

The SHCC identified **418 incidents** of violence against or obstruction of health care in the West Bank in 2024, double the 208 reported in 2023. Most were attributed to Israeli forces. On seven occasions, Israeli settlers damaged ambulances by firing or throwing rocks at them. In one incident, an ambulance was stopped and attacked by a group of Israeli settlers while transporting a patient to a nearby hospital. The ambulance driver and a doctor were beaten during the attack. In December 2024, Palestinian National Security Forces were implicated in five incidents in Jenin refugee camp during a large-scale operation, damaging health facilities, surrounding and storming hospitals, searching ambulances, and arresting patients. **Read the full factsheet in [Arabic](#) and [English](#). Download the [data](#).**



This document comprises threats and violence as well as protests and other events affecting the delivery of and access to health care. It is part of the [Attacks on Health Care](#) project by [Insecurity Insight](#). It is prepared from information available in local, national and international news outlets and online databases. The incidents reported are not a complete nor a representative list of all events that affected the provision of health care and have not been verified through ground investigations.

¹ 60 incidents were recorded without specifying the location and no additional source could be identified to determine the location of the reported incident.

² 717 is based on the number of health workers killed where location and date has been identified. Other sources have reported **1,173 workers killed**. Insecurity Insight carries out cross-checking of individual events and names and does not re-report aggregate figures. The work of collating a complete list of health workers killed based on information provided in different formats by different organisations is ongoing. This cross-checking process is complex to avoid double counting the same individuals in cases when sources report different victim information about the same individual. The lack of a consistent standard in transcribing Arab names into Latin script based languages complicates the matching process. The total number of health workers killed is believed to be higher than the current verified number and we continue to backdate information.

³ Zoom in and click on Israel or oPt to see the latest figures. Click on the yellow square to read about the recorded events.

⁴ Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project (ACLED) [database attribution policy](#). Accessed 16 October 2025.

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