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Shelter Cluster-West Bank Update

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WB HUMANITARIAN OVERVIEW

Following October 7th, the situation in the West Bank and East Jerusalem deteriorated with extra shelter demolition, military operations, and home destruction and damage, particularly in northern refugee camps in Jenin and Tulkarem. In addition to settler violence throughout many areas, primarily Palestinian communities in Area C, hundreds of Palestinian families have been forcibly displaced due to policies and practices implemented by Israeli authorities and settlers. In total, almost 4,000 Palestinians were displaced in 2023, which is the highest known statistic for a single year (1,023 displaced in 2022, 1,209 displaced in Access restrictions, limiting livelihood opportunities, and creating a coercive environment continue to impose extra strain on Palestinian communities to leave Area C as witnessed in many areas east of Ramallah, south of Hebron and Nablus.

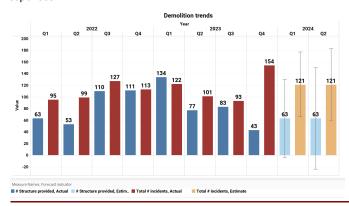
WB Refugee Camps Shelter Damage Assessment

Between December 2023 and January 2024, UNRWA documented multiple large-scale ISF operations in refugee camps, particularly Jenin, Nur Shams, and Tulkarem. Over 2,500 shelters (housing units) in Jenin camp were reportedly affected. Severe damages were also recorded in Nour Shams and Tulkarem, where over 2,100 shelters (housing units) were damaged, with a 60% reported gap in response to damage repair.

Refugee Camps	No. operations	Minor Damages (HUs)	Severe Damages (HUs)	Demolition (HUs)
WB North Summary	96	3,368	99	183
WB Center Summary	28	164	0	1
WB South Summary	27	684	1	0
Grand Total	151	4,216	100	184

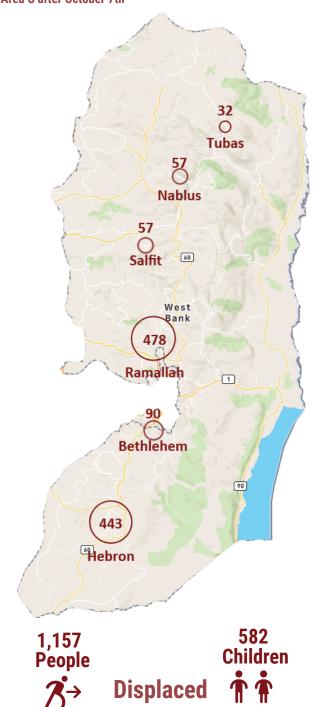


Demolition incidents scaled by more than 37% in the fourth quarter of 2023 compared to the same period in 2022. Additional challenges include accessrestrictions and material delivery for post-demolition responses.



→ DISPLACMENT

Distribution of people entirely displaced from their communities in Area C after October 7th



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More than 3,000 substandard shelters in Area C and 1,000 in East Jerusalem require rehabilitation and upgrading to meet minimum standards.

UNRWA needs an additional \$5 million in funding to repair shelter damage caused by military operations in December 2023 and January

There is a shortage of total SNFIs stockpiling to meet small- to medium scale scenarios. Additional funding should be directed to boosting overall preparedness and stock levels.

