OVERVIEW

The snapshot provides a comprehensive overview of the ongoing humanitarian crisis in Gaza as of 9 December 2023, including casualties, particularly among women and children.

Significant damage has been inflicted upon critical infrastructure and essential services, affecting people’s ability to maintain their dignity and basic living standards.

This snapshot highlights reported figures on the impact of hostilities on people in Gaza, where a major humanitarian crisis has unfolded.

REPORTED CASUALTIES (Cumulative) as of 9 December 2023

Palestinians*

- Over 17,700 fatalities in addition to ~1,000 fatalities in Israel, including people involved in the 7 October attack
- ~5,153 Women
- ~7,729 Children
- Families with multiple fatalities
- 1,550

Israelis**

- Over 1,200 fatalities, including at least 33 children
- ~5,400 injuries
- 137 hostages remain in Gaza (including soldiers and foreign nationals)

DAMAGE*

- 52,000+ Destroyed housing units
- 253,000+ Partially damaged housing units
- Over 60% of Gaza’s housing units reportedly destroyed or damaged
- 399 education facilities reportedly damaged
- 11 bakeries reportedly destroyed
- 26 hospitals and 56 health care centres
- out of service
- 57 ambulances damaged
- 20 WASH facilities damaged
- At least 3 churches and 164 mosques damaged

BASIC SERVICES AND LIVELIHOODS

FOOD SECURITY

- Lack of food in the north is of increasing concern
- The situation is catastrophic and WFP stocks inside Gaza are running out
- The last functioning mill in Gaza was destroyed on 15 November
- 4-6 hours average waiting time to receive half of normal bread portion

WATER AND SANITATION

- Two pipelines coming from Israeli supply about 1,100 cubic metres per hour for the south and Middle area.
- No Access to clean water in the northern governorates.
- Fuel shortage impacts: 60 water wells, 2 desalination plants, sewage stations and pumps, wastewater treatment.

HEALTH

- Hospitals are being under heavy strikes.
- The number of functioning hospitals has dropped from 36 to 18

AT HIGH RISK

- At least 1,000 kidney failure, >2,000 cancer patients, 130 neonates in incubators

CRITICAL SHORTAGES

- of drugs, blood products and supplies
- (Fuel at the hospitals is being severely rationed)

EDUCATION

- 625K (100%) Students with no access to education

OVER 51% of Gaza’s education facilities have been hit

HUMANITARIAN OPERATION

- 134 UN staff killed
- UNRWA: 133, WHO: 1
- At least 286 health workers killed
- 32 Civil Defence killed while on duty
- 81 Journalists killed

MOVEMENT AND ACCESS

The two crossings with Israel remain closed since 7 October.
- Rafah crossing with Egypt is partially open.
- Prohibition of sea access and restrictions near Israel’s perimeter fence.

INCOMING TRUCKLOADS

- 500 trucks including fuel pre-crisis average per working day in 2023
- 3,159 trucks excluding fuel with humanitarian aid entered Gaza since 21 October.