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1. **Casualties**

Palestinians: **25 deaths**
 97 injured (approximately)
 Israelis: **1 death**
 12 injured (approximately)

Sources: OCHA FCU, PRCS, IDF website, Israeli MoFA.

2. **Incidents involving ambulances and medical teams**

Denial of access: **2** incidents
 Delay (40 min- 10 hours): **8** incidents
 Physical/Verbal abuse of Medical team: **1** incident
 Shooting/Damage to Ambulance: **6** incidents

Sources: FCU, PRCS, UNRWA, MoH, PMRS

3. **Curfews**

Curfews were reported in the following locations:

Date	Location	Number of days/hours
22 April	Kafr al Labad, Tulkarm district	1 day
26-27 April	Tulkarm Refugee Camp, Tulkarm district	2 days
27 April	Huwara, Nablus district	1 day
23 April	Beituniya, Ramallah district	8 hours
25-27 April	Idhna, Hebron district	3 day
26 April	Beit Jala, Bethlehem district	1 day
26-27 April	Beit Sahur, Bethlehem district	2 days

Sources: OCHA FCU, UNRWA

4. **House demolitions/Demolition Orders**

- Over the last week, IDF destroyed six tents belonging to Bedouin community in Azzun Attma. No demolition orders were provided. ICRC provided the affected families with new tents and hygiene kits.
- 22 April:** IDF completely destroyed the PA Ministry of Social Affairs building, in Beit Lahia.
- 22 April:** Severe damage was reported to the PA Ministry of Social Affairs physical rehabilitation centre.
- 22 April:** Part of Beit Lahia waste water plant were destroyed during an IDF military operation.

Date	Location	Completely demolished	Partially demolished
21/04/2004	Yabad, Jenin	1 house 6 lamb-sheds	0
21/04/2004	Anata, Jerusalem	3 houses	0
22/04/2004	Rafah	18 houses	2
22/04/2004	Deir al Balah	1 house	1
23/04/2004	Masha	1 chicken farm 1 room shed	0
Total		23 houses, 1 chicken farm, 6 lamb-sheds, 1 room-shed	3

Sources: OCHA FCU, Al Mezan Centre for Human Rights, PCHR, MSA

5. Land levelling/Confiscation¹

West Bank:

- **23 April:** Villagers of Biddya in Salfit district received an order to halt construction of a water storage project for the town.
- **21 April:** The IDF issued a confiscation order (T/04/32) of 176 dunums for land belonging to Beit Jala city and Walaja village, Bethlehem District. The land confiscated appears to be the link between the section of the Barrier built up to Beit Jala and the confiscation orders issued for land around Walaja. This would effectively close off the southern part of the Jerusalem envelope and is likely to precede attention to the area referred to as the "Etzion block" of settlements.
- **25 April:** Settlers from Ma'on Settlement burnt about 5 dunums and the harvest of wheat and barley belonging to Palestinians from At Tuwani, Hebron District.

Gaza:

- **21 April:** Two IDF tanks and a bulldozer destroyed four dunums of green houses planted with vegetables in Oraybah area in Khan Yunis.
- **22 April:** 54 dunums of citrus, palm, olive and guava trees, including three dunums of green houses planted with tomatoes, were destroyed in Al Berka area south east of Deir El Balah.
- **26 April:** 10 dunums of olive trees were leveled in Khan Younis.

Sources: OCHA FCU

6. Checkpoints/Roadblocks/ Barrier/Restrictions on movement

Tulkarm/Qalqiliya governorates:

- The status of high alert announced at the beginning of the Jewish Passover holiday continued over the week with restrictions imposed on the movement of local population and a large number of military operations took place in both Tulkarm and Qalqiliya towns.
- The additional earth mounds that were placed earlier in front of all the main entrances to Shufa village in Tulkarm district were removed allowing all local residents to move freely again. No changes have been observed in the adjacent village of Ramin.
- Earth mounds have been erected on that road that accesses the farmland for villagers in Kafr Qadum near the settlement of Quedumin. Farmers are now forced to take a detour to reach their agricultural land.
- The existing earth mounds that used to block the main entrance from Kfar Lagif to road 55 were replaced by concrete road blocks.
- Construction of the tunnel between Habla and Qalqiliya town is ongoing.
- Opening statistics of Barrier gates are listed below in the table. The announced opening hours of the agricultural gates have not been strictly adhered to by the IDF. There were frequent delays.

Nablus/Jenin/Tubas governorates:

- Major delays were witnessed for Palestinians trying to cross the checkpoints around Nablus, especially students and young people.
- **21 April:** Flying checkpoints were installed on the northern and southern entrances of Tubas city.
- **22 April:** Flying checkpoints were put near Sanur village (Jenin).
- **23 April:** Flying checkpoints were put on most entrances of Jenin city.

Ramallah/al-Bireh/Beituniya governorates:

- There was a high incidence of flying checkpoints in the Governorate; delays were witnessed particularly at the checkpoint in the underpass beside Kharbatha al Misbah. The partial checkpoints at Nabi Saleh and the Atara Bridge were also operating on a daily basis.
- **21 April:** the IDF imposed a tight closure on Silwad village; a checkpoint was set up at the entrance to the village and people were prevented for hours from going home. Residents were eventually permitted to enter the village after the Palestinian DCL intervened on their behalf. Search and arrest campaigns took place.

Jerusalem/Jericho governorates:

- The closure imposed on the West Bank and Gaza has prevented people from entering Jerusalem as well as Jericho. Numerous flying checkpoints in East Jerusalem were established.
- Construction of the Barrier is continuing in different sections from Khallet an Nu'man northwards near Har Hommah settlement, Ash Sheikh Sa'ad, Sur Baher, Sawahriya ash Sharqiya, Abu Dis and Al 'Eizariya.

¹ 4 dunums = 1 acre

- The construction of the Barrier in Al 'Eizariya east towards Mount of Olives near Beit Fagi monastery is moving rapidly and will close the remaining section of the passage from al 'Eizariya to the Mount of Olives.
- The construction of the Barrier opposite Al Quds University is moving rapidly.
- The construction of the Barrier ongoing opposite az Za'yem Checkpoint with land levelling east of the valley towards Ma'ale Adumim settlement.
- Land levelling for the construction of the Barrier in the north western villages Biddu, Bet Duquq, Beit Ijza, Al Qubeiba and Qatanna has continued throughout the week, suspended only in the weekend and on 27 April.
- The stretch of concrete slabs in the middle of the road between Dahiet al Barid and Qalandiya checkpoint is now 800m long.

Bethlehem/Hebron governorates:

- Closure was tightened on Hebron and Bethlehem Districts on 26 and 27 April preventing movement of Palestinians between the two districts and into Jerusalem. Movement to and from the western villages of Bethlehem and the urban area is also restricted by heavy presence of IDF. The curfew on Beit Sahour has effectively prevented Palestinians from entering or exiting the Bethlehem urban area. Restriction on movement prevented UNRWA local staff from reaching their work on both days.
- **21 April:** IDF closed the entrance to Walaja village with concrete blocks. The village is currently closed.
- **21 April:** The IDF reopened the gate at the entrance of Dura and removed the earth mound at the entrance of Al Fawwar Camp, Hebron District.
- **21 April:** The IDF closed the gates on Halhul Bridge with concrete blocks, Hebron District, preventing movement of Palestinians between the urban area of Hebron and Halhul. The bridge was reopened on 22 April.
- **23 April:** Palestinians below the age of 45 were prevented from crossing at Gilo checkpoint to attend Friday prayers at Al Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem.
- **26 April:** The IDF closed the internal roads between Idhna and Deir Samit, Hebron District with earth mounds.
- **26 April to date:** The heavy presence of IDF at Al Khadr – Husan crossing, is restricting movement across bypass road 60, Bethlehem District.
- The number of valid permits for the Hebron national bus company is 34, of which 26 for public transport between Hebron and Bethlehem and 8 for movement between Hebron and Jericho. On 21 April buses could not move in or out of Hebron because IDF closed the gates on Halhul Bridge with concrete blocks. At Gush Etzion CP random checks took place. Since 25 April, IDF have restricted transit through the checkpoint preventing movement between the two districts. No buses went to Jericho this week since the "Container" checkpoint has remained closed since 22nd of March.

Gaza

The enclosed areas in Gaza:

As-Seafa: Movement remains restricted by the IDF with the entry-exit gate opening twice daily for As-Seafa ID holders from 06:30 to 08:30 and 14:00 to 16:30. Motor vehicles are not allowed to enter since November 2000, with the exception of international agencies that have undertaken prior coordination with the IDF. Since 28 January 2004, IDF started to allow women to get in and out of Al Seafa but movement is subject to body search and with 24 hours prior coordination.

- **Since 17 April:** As-Seafa gate completely was closed, no any movement is allowed. Since 22 April IDF is allowing 3-4 people to go in and out for one time only with prior coordination to bring food in.

Al-Mawassi: IDF imposed restrictions remain, with the entry-exit gate at **Tuffah checkpoint** opening twice daily for Al Mawassi ID holders from 07.00 to 09.00 and 14.30 to 17.00. No passage is possible for male Al Mawassi ID holders aged 15-23 without prior coordination. Youths aged below 15 must be accompanied by a guardian. Motor vehicles are not allowed to enter, with the exception of international agencies that have undertaken prior coordination with the IDF.

- **From 21-25 April:** Tal As-Sultan check point was completely closed, while Al Toufah check point was open for the people above the age of 40 years.
- **26 and 27 April:** Both Tel Es-Sultan and Al Toufah checkpoints are closed.

Kfar Darom. The Palestinian area adjacent to Kfar Darom settlement was declared a Closed Military Zone following a suicide attack on 27 February 2004. Since 20/7/2002 no vehicular movement was allowed as the IDF erected a fence around the area. Movement restricted by the IDF with the entry-exit

gate opening four times daily for Al Ma'ni ID holders from 06:30 to 07:30, 10:30 to 11:30, 13:00 to 14:00 and 16:00 to 17:00.

Sources: OCHA FCU, UNSCO, UNRWA

7. Education

- **Tulkarm/Qalqiliya:**
 - Over the past three days, children from Ramadin and Wadi Ar Rasha were not able to attend their classes in Habla and Ras Atiya as the bus transportation was suspended. In Qalqiliya, for two days the pupils did not attend school as they observed a mourning strike for the three Palestinians that were killed on 23 April during an IDF operation.
 - 26 April: During a military operation, tear gas was thrown into the UNRWA female school compound, 15 pupils suffered from tear gas inhalation.
- **Nablus:**
 - **27 April:** Schools in Huwara village were closed because of the curfew imposed on the village.
- **Bethlehem/Hebron:**
 - **22 April:** The IDF fired tear gas canisters towards the students at Fuqeiqis School in the village of Fuqeiqis, Hebron District.
 - **26 April:** Most teachers and students could not reach their schools in Beit Jala and Beit Sahour due to curfew.
 - **26 and 27 April:** All schools in Beit Sahur City, Bethlehem District, were closed due to curfew imposed on the city.
- **Jerusalem:** Access for students and staff to schools/universities have been greatly restricted due to the strict closure imposed 22 March. This has been especially noticeable for students/staff coming from the south of the West Bank trying to reach Al Quds University in Abu Dis and for non-residential teachers in Jericho.
- **Gaza:**
 - **21 April:** Due to the IDF military operation in Bait Lahia, both UNRWA and PA schools in Jabalia camp, Beit Lahia and Beit Hanoun were disrupted.
 - **22 April:** 2 schools Dair Al Balah, serving 918 students, were closed due to an IDF military operation.
 - **22 April:** During the IDF military operation in Bait Lahia and Bait Hanoun about 50 percent of the windows at UNRWA Ezbet Beit Hanoun School were broken.

Sources: OCHA FCU, UNRWA, UNICEF

8. Labour movement to Israel

West Bank:

- **Tulkarm/Qalqiliya:** All work and trader permits into Israel are still under suspension since 22 March and according to DCL the suspension will last until the end of the Israeli Independence Day i.e. 27 April. Only severe medical cases are granted permission into Israel for urgent treatment through co-ordination with the Palestinian DCL.
- The IDF has changed the logo of the "Green Permits". The original green permits were designed only to the West Bank areas. The new permits are similar to those that Palestinian workers usually obtain to work inside Israel.
- **Jerusalem:** No permits have been issued.

Gaza:

- **Since 18 April:** Both Erez crossing and the Industrial Estate were closed and workers were allowed to cross.
- 11,429 workers holding valid work permits were not allowed to cross the Green Line due to the imposed closure. Since 22 March 2004, Erez checkpoint was closed for Palestinian workers but partially reopened for some tens of Palestinian traders aged 28 and above, on 28 March 2004.

Date	Israel	Erez Industrial Estate
21/04/2004	0	0
22/04/2004	0	0
23/04/2004	0	0
24/04/2004	0	0
25/04/2004	0	0
26/04/2004	0	0
27/04/2004	0	0

Sources: OCHA FCU, UNSCO, PMG

9. **Other:**

- **18 April to date:** The garbage collection truck used for the western villages of Bethlehem and based in Husan has been confiscated by the IDF as it was dumping rubbish illegally. There has been no garbage collection for the last 10 days. The IDF and DCL have yet to provide an adequate solution to the sanitation problems in these villages.

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Appendix: Checkpoints Status 07 – 13 April 2004

Checkpoints

Check Point	Status
Tulkarm/Qalqiliya	
Taybeh	Due to the suspension of movement into Israel, the checkpoint has been operational on a minimum level, only allowing the back-to-back system to remain operational.
Kafriat	The checkpoint was reported closed for all movement, including teachers and students and official employees from 10-12 April. Only international organisations and medical staff were allowed to cross. In general, the checkpoint prohibits people to travel to other districts. People are resorted to use public transportation through the back-to-back system in Anabta.
Qalqiliya DCO	The checkpoint has been manned around the clock since 17 April. Major delays occurred as all pedestrians and vehicles have been searched.
Jaljoulia	Has been manned whole week 24 hours. Access is only permitted for holders of permit into Israel and in principle residents of Ras Tira, Ad Daba, Wadi Ar Rasha, Ramadin and Arab Abu Farda. Ambulances need prior co-ordination with DCL. Still, only vehicles leaving the West Bank are subjects for security checks.
Deir Ballout	The checkpoint is manned 24 hours.
Nablus	
Huwara Southern main entrance	Generally open for holders of Nablus ID-cards over 35 years old, students, teachers and medical doctors.
Beit Iba Western entrance, mainly for trade	Same as Huwara
Sarra South western entrance, before the closure regime main road to Qalqiliya	Closed except for villagers from Sarra or Qusin, who occasionally are let through.
Qusin Internal closure Between Sarra and Nablus	Close by a gate and an earth mound since the mid of March, forcing people to go through Beit Iba check point.
Al Tur Southern checkpoint connecting the Samaritan district of Jarzim with Nablus city	Only open for Samaritans. The gate is occasionally open for vehicles.
Beit Furik Eastern gate and checkpoint. After the closure regime main gateway Between Nablus and the Jordan valley	Occasionally open for villagers from Beit Furik, Beit Dajjan, Azmout, Deir al Hatab and Salem. Teachers with IDs from Ministry of Education (about 70) are usually let through.
Shave Shomeron (Sabastia) North west, main road to Jenin	Closed for Palestinians unless they have special permits.
Maale Efrayim South east connecting Jericho and Nablus	Closed for Palestinians unless they have special permits.
Hamra East, before closure regime main road to Jordan, Tobas, Jenin	Closed for Palestinians unless having special permits, or coming from these villages: Frush Beit Dajjan, Al Jiftlik, Bardala, Kardala, Ein Shibli, Al Nassaria and Al Aqrabania (villagers are occasionally let through).
Zaatara (Tappouah) South, main road to Ramallah	Generally open, frequently manned through the reporting period.
Salem Main entrance to Salem, Deir Al Hatab and 'Azmut villages	Since 11 March IDF closed the checkpoint forcing the residents to use Beit Furik checkpoint instead.
"17" ('Asira) North entrance for the villages of 'Asira ash-Shamaliyah and the neighboring villages.	Closed for all Palestinians except medical personnel and ambulances since 27 December.
Jenin	
Al Jalama Main entrance to Israel	Open for Palestinians with permits. During the reporting period permits were suspended.
Dahiat Sabah al Khayr "al Amn al Watani" Northern entrance of Jenin	Open for traders and workers with permits to Israel Between 07:00-19:00
Salem North western entrance/ "Green Line"	Closed for Palestinians: "Military closed area".

Qaddim (Al Suweitat) South eastern entrance	Closed by earth mound. Partially manned.
Tubas	
Bisan Main entrance to Israel	Open for Palestinians with permits. During the reporting permits were suspended.
Tayasir Gate Gate to the Tubas eastern agricultural lands in the Jordan Valley	Closed for Palestinians unless holding special permits.
Ramallah/Al Bireh/Beituniya	
Qalandiya checkpoint	Open. Access usually only permitted for West Bank/Gaza Palestinians with permits, Jerusalem ID holders, and foreign passport holders. Vehicles with West Bank registration cannot pass unless they have a special permit. Ambulances and trucks with foodstuffs are usually permitted to cross. Opening hours have been extended one hour from 6.00-22.00.
Beit El/DCO checkpoint	Open. No access for pedestrians. Vehicle access only for diplomatic/foreign/ UN/yellow plated cars, ambulances. WBGS Palestinians with special permits allowed to cross in vehicles. Usually open daily from 6.00-22.00.
Atara Bridge	Open. A semi-permanent checkpoint was operating on the bridge every day.
An Nabi Salih gate (partial)	Checkpoint was operating every day. Long delays sometimes experienced.
At Tayba	Open.
Makkabim checkpoint	Usually open for Israelis, Jerusalem ID holders, foreign passport holders and only those West Bank and Gaza Strip Palestinians with permits to enter Israel.
Ni'lin checkpoint	Usually open for Jerusalem ID holders, foreign passport holders and WBGS Palestinians with permits to enter Israel. Checkpoint at entrance to Ni'lin village: Usually only residents of Ni'lin and Al Midya and people with special permits can access the western villages through this checkpoint.
Rantis checkpoint	Usually open for Jerusalem ID holders, foreign passport holders and West Bank/Gaza Strip Palestinians with permits to enter Israel.
Jerusalem	
Hizma North eastern entrance on Road 1.	Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards, West Bank and Gaza Strip Palestinians with permits and internationals.
Az Za'ayem Eastern entrance of junction Road 437/Psigat Ze'ev settlement.	Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards, West Bank and Gaza Strip Palestinians with permits and Internationals.
Ar Ram Northern entrance on Road 60 North.	Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards, West Bank and Gaza Strip Palestinians with permits and Internationals. UN staff requested on several occasions to show personal national passports in addition to their UN ID Card.
Bir Nabala/Atarot Northern entrance on Road 404 / 45 Road Atarot Junction.	Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards, West Bank and Gaza Strip Palestinians with permits and Internationals.
Ramot Alon North western entrance on Road 436	Open all week for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards, West Bank and Gaza Strip Palestinians with permits and Internationals.
Shufat Refugee Camp/ Anata Checkpoint	Open for Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards, West Bank Palestinians with permits and Internationals.
Container ("Wadi nar") East of Abu Dis, main transit Between North and South West Bank	Checkpoint has been closed for all Palestinian traffic, pedestrian and vehicle since the 22 March. Only municipality trucks have been allowed passage. Palestinians trying to bypass the checkpoint have been shot at. Reports on frequent harassment on Palestinian taxi drivers by Border Police.
Jericho	
DCO Main checkpoint off Road 1	Closed all week for all Palestinians, except for Jericho residents entering the city. Only open for internationals and for humanitarian reasons.
'Ein ad Duyuk al Foqa Northern entrance	Closed all week for all Palestinians, except for Jericho residents entering the city. Only open for internationals and for humanitarian reasons.
Gate opposite Allenby CHECKPOINT off Road 90	Gate manned by IDF. Closed at all times. Soldiers open the gate for the Shuttle busses taking Palestinians to Allenby Border Crossing to Jordan.
Bethlehem	
Gilo North entrance to Bethlehem	Open 24 hours for humanitarian organizations. No Palestinian plated cars allowed. Border Police continue to request additional identification from both local and international UN staff. On 23 April, age restrictions (45+) enforced for Palestinians crossing to reach Al Aqsa mosque for Friday prayers. Since 26 April, Palestinians with permits and the local staff of the UN and international organizations were not allowed to cross.
Ein Yalow Entrance to village	Opened 24 hours and only for Israeli plated cars and international organizations. Only Palestinians with Jerusalem IDs allowed to cross. Since 26 and 27 April, Palestinians who work for UN and international organizations prevented to pass.

Bethlehem DCO Entrance to Beit Jala	Closed since of 03 March.
Noqedim South-east of Bethlehem on route 356 (Zatara area)	On 24, 26 and 27 April, the checkpoint was closed for Palestinian vehicles and local staffs of the UN and humanitarian organizations.
Tunnels Route 60 at Har Gilo	Since 26 April, Palestinians with permits and Palestinians who work for UN and international organizations not allowed to cross.
Settlers' Checkpoint - Efrata Southern entrance to settlement	Open 24 hours and only to settlers. Checkpoint manned by settlers.
Efrata Connecting route 60 to 356 IDF	Open 24 hours; restrictions apply to Palestinians as the checkpoint is on a bypass road requiring permits. No delays experienced during this week.
Gush Etzion On bypass road 60, at Etzion turn	Open 24 hours to all. Manned with random checks carried out on vehicles. On 26 April, the checkpoint closed for Palestinians even local staff for UN and international organizations.
Wadi Fukin Crossing to Israel on 375, Green Line	Closed to Palestinians.
Al Jaba Crossing to Israel on 367, Green Line	Closed to Palestinians.
Avnot On road 90, along Dead Sea, near Ein Gedi	On bypass road. No Palestinian plated vehicles use it.
Hebron	
Beit Awwa At road entrance to Negohot settlement, on route 354	Closed to all Palestinian traffic. Families living close to the settlement of Negohot unable to use road with vehicles. Coordination with DCL required for access of service providers.
Ras Al Joura At crossing Between routes 35 and 60, north of Hebron	The checkpoint is manned continuously: open 24 hours for international organizations and Palestinians. The gate into Hebron is usually closed but was open while Halhoul-Hebron access closed.
Tarqumiya Entrance for commercial goods (back-to-back), west of Hebron on route 35 for both Hebron and Bethlehem districts	Open from 07:00 to 16:30 Sunday to Thursday, Friday open until 14:00, closed on Saturdays. Transit of goods without problems but movement of Palestinians into Israel not allowed. On 26 April closed following a shooting incident occurred in the area of Idhna.
Shima On Route 60, east of Samoa	Closed to Palestinians.
Prayers Road, H2 Access to area of Ibrahimi Mosque	Closed to Palestinians.
Shohada street, H2 Western entrance to Shohada street	Open to Palestinians living beyond it. People can cross it on foot only.
Ibrahimi Mosque, H2 Access to the Mosque	Allowed for Palestinians going to pray after body searches.
Shalala street, H2 Next to settlement of Beit Romano	Closed to Palestinians.
Qarantina, H2 Junction with Shohada street	Closed to Palestinians.
Gaza Crossings/Checkpoints	
Erez	- On 21/4 the crossing was completely closed and no merchants entered. The checkpoint was also temporarily closed for internationals due to Palestinian rocket attacks.
Erez Industrial Estate	- Since 18 April 2004, Erez Industrial Zone has been closed.
Karni	- Partially opened as the containers passage is still not allowed early march since 16 March 2004. On 24 April 2004, Karni was closed.
Sufa	- Since 28 March 2004, Sufa crossing was open for construction materials only. No workers permitted to cross. On 26-27 April 2004, Sufa was completely closed.
Netzarim Junction	Closed since 08 October.
Abu Houli junction	Open daily from 03:00 – 20:00, but several short closures were reported : - 23 April 2004, 11:00 - 20:00 - 25 April 2004, 11:30 – 13:30 - 19 April 2004, 07:30 – 18:00
Abu al Ajin road	Closed.
Beach road	Open.
West Morag Junction	Closed
Al Muntar Junction	Closed
Rafah Passenger Terminal	Since 16 April 2004, Rafah Terminal is closed to male and female Palestinians aged 16 – 35 years to depart to Egypt.

Commercial checkpoints:

Tulkarm/Qalqiliya	
Qalqiliya DCO	Only food stuff has been allowed in and out of Qalqiliya town. Other commodities have been allowed in to the town, but not out.
Taybeh	The back-to-back system is currently only operational for food commodities going into Tulkarm. No other commodities (including food) are allowed to exit Tulkarm. The system was not operating on 24 and 27 April.
Nablus Awarta checkpoint (the main commercial checkpoint in Nablus since July 2003), Open during day light hours only	
Awarta checkpoint	21 – 27 April: Checkpoint was open for incoming goods while closed for outgoing goods.
Jenin	
Al Jalama Northern entrance/ main commercial	Open for incoming goods while closed for outgoing goods.
Beituniya	
Beituniya commercial checkpoint	Checkpoint now closes at 14.00. Open for commercial goods and ICRC vehicles only – back-to-back system in operation.
Jericho	
Back to Back checkpoint/DCO checkpoint	Closed all week.

Road Gates

Gate	Status
Tulkarm/Qalqiliya	
Anabta	The gate is permanently closed for vehicles but open for pedestrians and therefore it functions as a back-to-back system for buses and taxis between 08:00 and 18:00. Upon instruction from the IDF, the commercial traffic has been suspended the whole week.
Azzun	The gate has been open during the whole reporting period.

Barrier Gates

Jenin	
Um ar Rihan Western gate to the Barta'a ash-Sharqiya/ Um ar Rihan enclave	Open for Palestinians with "green permit".
Bartaa Southern gate to the Barta'a ash-Sharqiya/ Um ar Rihan enclave	Open for Palestinians with "green permit" between 04:30-21:00.
Anin Northern gate to the Barta'a ash-Sharqiya/ Um ar Rihan enclave	Closed for Palestinians.
At Tayba 1 North western gate	Military gate. Closed for Palestinians.
At Tayba 2 North western gate	Agricultural gate. Usually closed for Palestinians.
Jalboun Eastern gate	Military gate. Closed for Palestinians.
Tulkarm/Qalqiliya	
Nazlat Isa	The gate remains manned 24 hours. No one without a special permit is allowed to cross both into the West Bank and into Israel proper. The gate is currently only used by students and residents from Nazlat Isa on the other side of the Barrier and settlers from Kharmesh and Mevo Dotan in Jenin.
Shweikah	The gate is officially open for farmers between 7:00-9:00 and 15:00-17:00 with a green permit, but in reality the gate is and has only been used by one family residing behind the Barrier. However, the IDF are rarely present on the announced opening hours, so more and more the family need to co-ordinate their movement in advance. This does also have an effect on the family's children who attend their classes in Tulkarm. Medical staff also needs prior co-

	ordination with IDF.
Kfar Sur/Kfar Jamal	The gate has been reported open for farmers with green permits at 07:00 and 16:00. Only few farmers use this gate.
Falamya North	The gate has been open for holders of green permits three times a day between 07:00-08:30, 12:30-13:30 and 17:00-18:30. There were irregular opening hours during the week.
Jayyous North	The gate has been open on the following hours: 06:00-08:30, 12:30-13:30 and 17:00-18:30. Only farmers with green permits are allowed to cross.
Jayyous South	The gate is only open for one family residing behind the Barrier and farmers who need to bring their livestock to the other side of the barrier for grazing. The gate is open on the following hours: 07:25-08:00, 12:55-13:20 and 16:40-16:50.
Wadi Ar Rasha	The students are still being transported by a local bus company on the initiative of the IDF to the schools in Habla and Ras Atiya. There were irregular opening hours during the week.
Ramadeen	The students are still being transported by a local bus company on the initiative of the IDF to the schools in Habla and Ras Atiya. There were irregular opening hours during the week.
Ras Tira	The gate has been open three times a day around 07:00, 12:30 and 16:00 for approximately one hour per time and is only accessible for holders of green permits. Teachers, school children and medical staff are exempted. There were irregular opening hours during the week.
Azzun Atma	The gate has been open between 06:30 – 21:00. Access to Azzun Atma requires green permits. Residents of Azzun Atma as well as ambulances, teachers and school children from Beit Amin and Saniria are still exempted. The gate is manned by soldiers who also guard the adjacent gate into the Israeli settlement of Sha'are Tiqwa.
Jbara	All school children from Jbara are being collected by an IDF rented bus to bring the children to the schools in Kfar Sur and Ar Ras through Kafriat checkpoint. However, the bus only drops the children in Ar Ras and Kafr Sur, consequently school children who attend classes in Kfar Sibad must proceed and return to collection point with public transportation.
Qalqilya south (Habla)	The gate has been operational for farmers with green permits between 06:30–07:45, 12:00–13:15 and 15:45–17:00. In, principle, teachers are also allowed to use this gate, however, the movement restrictions on road 55 from Jaljoulia checkpoint force teachers to travel through DCO checkpoint and Azzun to reach the schools in Habla, so in reality only farmers with green permits can use this gate.
Habla	The gate has been open for holders of green permits and ambulances between 06:30–07:45, 12:00–13:15 and 15:45 – 17:00. PRCS ambulances from Qalqilya need prior co-ordination with IDF through ICRC before access is granted. In, principle, teachers from Qalqilya are also allowed to use this gate. However, as in the case with the gate above, the movement restrictions on road 55 from Jaljoulia checkpoint force teachers to travel through DCO checkpoint and Azzun to reach the schools in Habla.