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## **Preface**

Sound planning and policy-making in various social, economic and political aspects require reliable, accurate and relevant statistics. Since its establishment, the PCBS has adopted the policy of providing relevant statistical indicators on the various aspects of Palestinian life to serve policy makers, planners, researchers and the international community.

PCBS implemented the Migration Survey-2010 to compensate for the lack of accurate and comprehensive statistics on migration in the Palestinian Territory due to the importance of such statistics in measuring the change in population structure.

The migration survey-2010 in the Palestinian Territory was the first of its kind to be conducted by PCBS. The survey of migration in the Palestinian Territory-2010 was designed to provide detailed and accurate statistics about internal and external migration in terms of size, characteristics and trends. In addition, the survey provides insights about the perception of the Palestinian non-emigrant population on emigration, emigrant's money transfers, factors that influence the decision of emigration, the characteristics of returned emigrants and the reasons behind their return.

This report presents the main results of the Migration Survey-2010. Other reports based on this survey shall be disseminated including final results, analytical results in addition to Public Use Data File to serve all segments of users.

PCBS hopes that the findings of the Migration Survey-2010 will be utilized by decision makers in the formulation and monitoring of migration policies, and by researchers and interested users for further analysis of migration in the Palestinian Territory.

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## Executive Summary

- Persons aged 15 years and above comprises 41.3% of total population in the Palestinian Territory; 39.4% in the West Bank and 44.4% in Gaza Strip.
- Refugees comprises about 43.4% of total population in the Palestinian Territory; 29.7% in the West Bank and 67.3% in Gaza Strip.
- Regarding household types, about 85.9% of households are nuclear whereas 11.0% are extended households.
- About 22 thousand person emigrated during the period 2007-2009. This does not include households that emigrated with all of its members.
- About 6.7% of Palestinian households have at least one member as emigrant (3.4% of households have only one member as emigrant, 1.1% have two members as emigrants).
- About one third of emigrants are youth (15-29 years) compared to about one quarter of emigrants in the age group 30-34 years.
- As to countries of destination, about 23.5% of emigrants left to Jordan, 20.4% to Arab Gulf Countries, and more than fifth of emigrants (21.6%) settled in the United States of America.
- As to reasons or motives behind emigration, about 34.4% of total emigrants left for education and studying purposes, 14.6% for improving living conditions, while 13.7% left because of the lack of job opportunities in the Palestinian Territory.
- More than one third of emigrants hold university and higher degrees, while 1.3% of emigrants hold no qualification.
- There has been 5-7 thousand returned emigrant during the past five years.
- The percentage of persons who have previous place of residence outside of the Palestinian Territory reached 5.9% of total population (7.6% for the West Bank and 3.0% for Gaza Strip).
- About 36.1% of returnees came from Jordan followed by 29.0% from the Arab Gulf Countries.
- About 38.1% of persons aged (15-59 years) in the Palestinian Territory have first degree relatives (father, mother, son, daughter, brother, sister) abroad of whom about 60.0% reside in Jordan.
- About 13.3% of persons aged (15-59 years) in the Palestinian Territory desire to emigrate (13.4% in the West Bank compared to 12.4% in Gaza Strip).
- From those persons who desire to emigrate, about 23.1% favor the Arab Gulf Countries as destination compared to 15.1% favors the United States.
- Regarding main reasons behind the desire to emigrate, 39.3% of those who desire to emigrate wish to do so to improve living conditions while 18.7% due to education and learning.
- Three quarters of persons who do not desire to emigrate claimed that the reason is that they only feel comfortable at home (Palestinian Territory) or because of the holiness of the land of Palestine.
- The internal movement of Palestinians between the West Bank and Gaza is extremely limited, given the geographical separation and the policies of Israeli occupation.

- Most of the internal migration of the population is within the same governorate, and to nearby ones.
- About 50.0% of internal migration between and within governorates had occurred 10 years ago or more. There is also a noticeable movement during the past five years towards and within a number of Palestinian governorates.
- As for the causes of internal migration, 36.4% of persons changed their place of residence in the Palestinian Territory for marriage purposes compared to 32.9% for accompanying.

## Chapter One

### Introduction

#### 1.1 Introduction

Migration has recently attracted greater attention due to its significant increase that is resulted from different social, economic and political factors. Migration affects the size and structure of society with greater impact on small localities either the source or the destination of migration.

One of the challenging aspects of migration is the provision of accurate statistics to monitor migration and its social and economic effects.

#### 1.2 Objectives of the Survey

##### **Main Objective:**

The survey aimed to fulfill the urgent need for migration indicators in the light of the severe shortage in the field of migration statistics in general and international migration statistics in particular.

##### **Other Objectives:**

- To provide detailed and accurate statistics about internal and external migration in terms of size, characteristics and trends.
- To identify perception of non-immigrant Palestinians towards emigration
- To Provide details about migrant's money transfers
- To identify factors that influence the decision of emigration
- To shed light on the characteristics of returned emigrants and the reasons behind their return.

#### 1.3 Structure of the Report

This report consists of five chapters in addition to the preface. The first chapter presents general introduction about the migration survey and its objectives. The second chapter presents the concepts and definitions used in the survey; while the third one deals with the main findings of the survey. The fourth chapter presents the methodology of the survey including planning, fieldwork operations, sampling as well as data processing. The last chapter deals of issues related to data quality.



## Chapter Two

### Concepts and Definitions

**Age:**

The duration in completed years between the date of birth of the person being enumerated and the date of interview.

**Household:**

It refers to the private household whose head holds the Palestinian nationality. As for non Palestinian household, it refers to the household whose head holds non Palestinian nationality irrespective of the nationality of other household members. **Special types of Households:**

**A one-person-Household:** It refers to the household comprised of one individual.

**Nuclear Household:** It refers to the household comprised of a couple only; a couple and a son or a daughter (not adopted son or daughter) or more; or a male head of a household with a son or a daughter or more; or a female head of a household with a son or a daughter or more. It is worthy to note that no other relatives or non-relatives live with this household.

**Extended Household:** A household of at least one nuclear household together with other relatives.

**Composite Household:** Refers to household consisting of at least one nuclear household with other non-relatives.

**Sex Ratio:**

The ratio of males to females, usually expressed as the number of males per 100 females.

**Marital Status:**

The status of those 12 years old and over in terms of marriage traditions and laws in the country. May be one of the following cases:

**Never married:** It applies if the person aged 12 years and over has not been married or legally engaged (according to customs and traditions applicable in the country).

**Legally Engaged:** It applies if the person aged 12 years and over has an official marriage document (issued by a competent court) but has not been actually married yet according to customs and traditions applicable in the country. The divorced, widowed, and married twice do not belong to this category.

**Married:** It applies if the person aged 12 years and over is actually and officially married (according to customs and traditions applicable in the country) irrespective of his / her past marital status as well as of whether the couple were together during the reference period or not. The person married to more than one wife is classified as married.

**Divorced:** The person aged 12 years and over who previously married and legally divorced but was not married again.

**Widowed:** The married person aged 12 years and over whose marriage was ended by the death of the spouse and was not married again.

**Separated:** The individual 12 years old and over who was married, but his/her marriage was revoked for some reason without any legal or official registration, and he/she did not marry again.

**Educational Attainment:**

It refers to the highest successfully completed educational attainment level. The educational level for persons aged 10 years and over .

**Illiterate:** It applies to persons unable to read or write in any language and who were never awarded a certificate from any formal education system.

**Can Read and Write:** It applies to persons who are able to read and write without completing any of the educational stages. Such persons are generally able to read and write simple sentences.

**Qualification (The highest successfully completed educational attainment):** It refers to the highest educational attainment level (elementary and higher) the person successfully completed. **Elementary** is the educational level for persons who successfully completed the sixth elementary grade. Those who successfully completed the ninth grade shall be classified under the **preparatory** level. Likewise, persons who successfully completed the general secondary certificate examination shall be classified under the **secondary** level. As for the rest of levels, they are as follows: **Associate diploma, bachelor degree (BA/BS), higher diploma, masters degree (MA/MS), doctorate (Ph.D).**

#### **Refugee Status:**

This status relates to the Palestinians who were forced to leave their land in the Palestinian Territory occupied by Israel in 1948. It applies to their male sons and grandchildren.

**Registered Refugees:** It applies to registered refugees holding refugee registration cards issued by UNRWA.

**Non-Registered Refugees:** It applies to unregistered refugees who do not hold refugee registration cards issued by UNRWA.

**Non-Refugee:** It applies to any Palestinian not categorized under any of the two aforementioned status types.

#### **Nationality of Origin:**

It refers to the political identity of the individual as Palestinian, Jordanian, Egyptian, Brazilian, French, etc.

#### **Migration:**

The movement of a person or a household from one locality to another or from one country to another, provided that he/she crosses the boundaries of that locality or country for the purpose of establishing a new residence.

#### **Place of Residence:**

Place of residence if refers to the name of the locality in which the person spends most of his time during the year (lived there six months and above), irrespective of whether it is the person same place of residence at the date of interview, or the place in which he works and performs related activates or the place in which his original.

#### **Mothers Usually Place of Residence (Place of Birth)**

The mother's usual place of residence at the time of her child's birth.

#### **Current Usual Place of Residence:**

It refers to the name of the locality in which the person spends most of his/her time during the year (lived there six months and above), irrespective of whether it is the person's same place of residence at the date of interview, or the place in which he/she works and performs related activities or the place in which his/her original household is based or not.

#### **Duration of Residence:**

It refers to the duration the person has stayed in the current place of residence till the date of interview, in completed years without any attention to the months or days.

**Previous Usual Place of Residence:**

It refers to the place (if existing) where the person stayed for a minimum of six months before he moved to the current usual place of residence.

**Returned Immigrant:**

The person who was residing abroad and returned to the Palestinian Territory for residency.

**Reason for Changing Previous Place of Residence:**

**Work:** When the person changed previous place of residence to seek work or as a result of changing place of work

**Study:** When the reason for changing previous place of residence was to study

**Marriage:** When the reason behind changing previous place of residence was marriage.

**Accompanying:** When the reason behind changing previous place of residence is to accompany other household member or family reunion without any other reason. This is applicable to the spouse and children of the head of the household who change previous place of residence for the sole reason of accompanying the head.

**Displacement (because of the annexation wall):** When the reason for the forced displacement of the person is due to the annexation wall. This is applicable to all household members regardless of their age.

**Displacement (Israeli Measures):** When the reason for the forced displacement of the person is due to Israeli measures other than the annexation wall or war. This is applicable to all household members regardless of their age including deported persons, detainees and ex-detainees (providing that the previous place of residence is in Israel).

**Poor Financial Situation:** Changing previous place of residence to seek cheaper place due to poor financial situation.

**Return to Homeland:** Includes Palestinians who decided to return and reside in Palestine permanently without any other reason

**Hold on Jerusalem Identity:** Includes Palestinians who involuntarily resided in Jerusalem to keep Jerusalem identity

**Other:** Includes reasons not stated above





## Chapter Three

### Main Results

#### 3.1 Demographic and Household Characteristics

The findings of the migration survey-2010 showed that the Palestinian society is a young one as persons in the age group (0-14) reached 41.3% of the total population. As for the West Bank, the percentage reached 39.4% compared with 44.4% for Gaza Strip.

The youth (aged 15-29 years) constitute 29.4% of the total population in the Palestinian Territory with equal distribution in the West Bank and Gaza Strip. Persons aged 60 years and above represent 4.4% of total population (4.8% in the West Bank and 3.7% in Gaza Strip).

Palestinian refugees in the Palestinian Territory amounted to 43.4% of the total population (29.7% in the West Bank and 67.3% in Gaza Strip).

On the other hand, the results showed that 57.1% of persons aged 15 years and above in the Palestinian Territory are married distributed to 56.2% in the West Bank and 58.7% in Gaza Strip; whereas divorced persons reached 0.6% compared to 3.5% widowed and 0.1% separated.

The illiteracy rate among persons 15 years and over in the Palestinian Territory amounted to 5.1% distributed to 5.4% in the West Bank and 4.5% in Gaza Strip. In the same context, 11.5% of persons aged 15 years and above in the Palestinian Territory have bachelor degree or higher (10.5% in the West Bank and 13.3% in Gaza Strip).

The results showed that 5.9% of the total population in the Palestinian Territory have another citizenship in addition to their Palestinian one, while the percentage reached 9.2% in the West Bank compared to 0.1% in Gaza Strip.

Regarding structure of households, about 85.9% of Palestinian households have nuclear structure (84.4% in the West Bank and 88.6% in Gaza Strip) while extended type of households reached 11.0% (11.4% in the West Bank and 10.0% in Gaza Strip)

#### 3.2 Emigrants

About 22 thousands persons emigrated during 2007-2009, excluding families who are totally emigrated. The results of the survey showed that 6.7% of Palestinian households have at least one member as emigrant (3.4% of households have only one member as emigrant, 1.1% have two members as emigrants, while 1.2% of the total households in the Palestinian Territory have five members or more as emigrants).

Regarding year of emigration, 51.2% of total emigrants left the Palestinian Territory before year 2000 compared to 28.4% left after year 2005.

Out of total emigrants, youth (15-29 years) represent 33.0% compared to 25.6% for persons aged (30-44 years). The findings of the survey showed similarities in the age structure of emigrants by sex, while the percentage of male emigrants is higher than female ones with sex ratio 152.2 males per 100 female.

As for the relationship of emigrants to the head of the household, 36.5% of emigrants are classified as sons, while about 23.7% classified as son/daughter in law. In addition, 43.1% of male emigrants are classified as sons to the head of the household compared to 26.1% as daughters.

As to countries of destination to which Palestinians emigrate, 23.5% of emigrants left to Jordan, 20.4% to Arab Gulf Countries, and more than fifth of emigrants (21.6%) settled in the United States of America. Regarding reasons or motives behind emigration, 34.4% of total emigrants left for education and studying purposes, 14.6% for improving living conditions, while 13.7% left because of the lack of job opportunities in the Palestinian Territory.

More than one third of emigrants (35.7%) hold university and higher degrees, and 35.7% of total emigrants have secondary education, compared to 1.3% with no qualification.

### **3.3 Returned Immigrants**

During the past five years, there has been 5-7 thousands returnees to the Palestinian Territory, and the percentage of returnees reached 5.9% of total population (7.6% for the West Bank and 3.0% for Gaza Strip). About one quarter of total returnees (25.5%) returned to the Palestinian Territory prior to 1990, while 31.0% returned during the period (1995-1999) as a result to the peace agreement and establishment of the Palestinian National Authority. The percentage of returnees to the Palestinian Territory had declined during the period (2000-2009) as a result of the second Palestinian uprising (Intifada) and the large scale Israeli incursions.

The majority of returnees came from Jordan (36.1%) followed by the Arab Gulf Countries (29.0%). As by region, the majority of returnees to the West Bank came from Jordan while the majority of returnees to Gaza Strip came from the Arab Gulf Countries as well as other Arab countries.

The establishment of the Palestinian Authority as well as marriage and family reunion were main reasons behind the return of emigrants to reside in the Palestinian Territory. About 38.6% of emigrants returned as a result of the establishment of the Palestinian National Authority compared to 20.7% returned for family reunion or marriage.

### **3.4 Perception Towards Emigration**

The findings of the Migration Survey-2010 showed that 38.1% of persons aged (15-59 years) in the Palestinian Territory have first degree relatives (father, mother, son, daughter, brother, sister) abroad of whom 60.0% reside in Jordan, 6.1% in Egypt, 22.8% in the Arab Gulf Countries and 16.0% in the United States of America. The results indicated that 66.4% of persons (15-59 years) in the West Bank have first degree relatives residing in Jordan and 18.6% in the United States of America while 18.2% of persons in Gaza Strip have first degree relatives residing in Jordan compared to 4.4% in the United States.

The results showed that 13.3% of persons aged (15-59 years) in the Palestinian Territory desire to emigrate (13.4% in the West Bank compared to 12.4% in Gaza Strip). From those persons who desire to emigrate, the favorable country of destination is the Arab Gulf Countries 23.1%, United States 15.1%, other foreign countries 27.8%, while 17.5% were undecided regarding the country of destination.

Regarding main reasons behind the desire to emigrate, 39.3% of those who desire to emigrate wish to do so to improve living conditions, 15.2% due to lack of job opportunities and 18.7%

for education and studying. The significant difference in the distribution of main reasons behind the desire to emigrate between persons in the West Bank and Gaza Strip is the lack of security (13.8% in Gaza Strip compared to 5.6% in the West Bank).

The results showed that more than 75.0% of persons who do not desire to emigrate claimed that the reason is that they only feel comfortable at home (Palestinian Territory) or because of the holiness of the land of Palestine.

### **3.5 Internal Migration**

The internal movement of Palestinians between the West Bank and Gaza is extremely limited, given the geographical separation and the policies of Israeli occupation. This reality seems evident from the results of the survey as very limited percentage of Palestinians living now in Gaza Strip had previous place of residence in the West Bank and vice versa.

Most of the internal migration of the population is within the same governorate, and to nearby ones. Such findings become obvious when studying the distribution of the persons by previous and current place of residence. For example, 12.5% of persons moved to Ramallah and Al-Bireh governorate were previously residing in Jerusalem while 25.5% of persons who moved to North Gaza governorate were previously residing in Gaza governorate. In addition, 23.9% of persons moved to Rafah governorate were previously residing in Khan Yunis governorate.

More than 95.0% of the population have same place of residence as it was at birth (mother's place of residence at birth); while in Jericho and Al Aghwar the percentage reached only 66.1% compared to 98.4% in North Gaza governorate.

As for the causes of internal migration, 36.4% of persons changed their place of residence in the Palestinian Territory for marriage purposes compared to 32.9% for accompanying.

Regarding the age distribution of persons who changed their place of residence within the Palestinian Territory, 33.4% of them fall in the age group (15-29 years) and 30.0% in the age group (30-44) years.



## Chapter Four

### Methodology

#### 4.1 Introduction

The migration survey-2010 is the first specialized national survey on migration to be conducted in the Palestinian Territory. The survey aimed to provide detailed and accurate statistics about internal and external migration in terms of size, characteristics and trends, migrant's money transfers, factors that influence the decision of emigration, the characteristics of returned emigrants and the reasons behind their return. The survey also aimed to fulfill the urgent need for migration indicators in the light of the severe shortage in the field of migration statistics in general and international migration statistics in particular.

Moreover the survey aimed to provide basic information on migration in the Palestinian Territory to help decision makers in the formulation, monitoring and evaluation of migration policies as well as population policies and programs.

#### 4.2 Survey's Main Stages

##### Preparatory Stage

The migration survey-2010 in the Palestinian Territory was the first of its kind to be conducted by PCBS has given the migration survey special attention because of the urgent needs for migration data. It is worth mentioning that this survey is the first of its kind to be conducted in the Arab region.

The PCBS has started the preparation to conduct the migration survey in 2009. A national committee was formed including as members PCBS, UNFPA, local universities and other relevant ministries and institutions

During the preparation stage, PCBS examined the standard migration questionnaire that was developed by MEDSTAT in cooperation with member states. In addition, PCBS conducted a national workshop to consult with stakeholders and main beneficiaries about the content of the proposed migration survey.

The questionnaire and fieldwork manuals for the pilot survey were developed during the first quarter of 2010.

#### 4.3 Survey's Questionnaire

**Household Questionnaire:** The questionnaire includes detailed questions about the demographic, social, educational, and marital status characteristics of persons. In addition, this questionnaire includes questions on housing and emigrants.

**Emigrant's Questionnaire:** This questionnaire includes questions regarding short-term migration and citizenship of emigrants who are now 15 years old and above. In addition, there are sections on the background characteristics of emigrants, motives for emigration, emigrants' social relations abroad, the date on which emigrant started to work abroad, the desire to return, impressions of emigrant's experience abroad, as well as emigrant's money transfers.

**Returned Emigrant's Questionnaire:** this questionnaire includes questions regarding date of return for emigrants who came back since 1990 and were returned 15 years or above, motives for emigration, emigration networks, emigrant's social relations outside the Palestinian Territory, date of work, motives behind return, perceptions about the experience of emigration, and the money transfers of returnees during their stay abroad, and date of return.

**Non-immigrant's Perception Towards External Migration:** This questionnaire includes questions about temporary and past emigration as well as the desire and motives to emigrate. One person within the age group (15-59) years was selected from each sampled household using Kish table.

#### **4.4 Sample and Frame**

##### **4.4.1 Target Population**

The targeted population of the migration survey – 2010 includes all persons in the Palestinian Territory (West Bank and Gaza Strip).

##### **4.4.2 Sample Design**

The sample is stratified clustered systematic random sample. The design is comprised of two phases:

1. Random sample of 384 enumeration areas (178 in the West Bank and 206 in Gaza Strip)
2. Systematic random selection of 50 households from each enumeration area in the West Bank and 25 random households from each selected enumeration area in Gaza Strip.

##### **4.4.3 Sampling Frame**

The sampling frame consists of enumeration areas that were used in the Population, Housing and Establishment Census 2007. Each enumeration area consists of inhabited housing units. The enumeration areas were used as Preliminary Sampling Units (PSUs)

##### **4.4.4 Sample Size**

The sample size of the migration survey was 15,050 household distributed as 9,900 household in the West Bank and 5,150 household in Gaza Strip.

#### **4.5 Fieldwork Operations**

About 200 fieldworkers were recruited and trained to participate in the data collection of the survey's data. Fieldwork operations were implemented during the months 2-4/2010 for the West Bank and 6-7/2010 for Gaza strip.

#### **4.6 Data Processing**

##### **Programming and Data Entry**

The data entry program for the migration survey was designed using MS Access Database.

##### **Data Entry Stage**

Data entry program was tested using correct and erroneous questionnaires to ensure consistency and validation checks were fully incorporated.

## Chapter Five

### Data Quality

#### 5.1 Accuracy of the Data

There are many aspects to the concept of data quality that includes the initial planning of the survey to the dissemination of the results and how well users understand and use the data. There are three components to the quality of statistics: accuracy, data comparability, and quality control.

Accuracy of data includes different aspects of the survey mainly statistical errors due to the use of statistical sample, as well as non-statistical errors due to the staff and survey tools, in addition to response rates in the survey and its effects on estimates. This section covers the following:

##### 5.1.1 Statistical Errors

Since the data reported in this survey is based on a sample survey and not on a complete enumeration, it is subject to sampling errors as well as non-sampling errors.

Data of this survey affected by statistical errors due to use of the sample; therefore, the emergence of certain differences from the real values obtained through censuses is possible.

#### Variance Calculations on the Level of the West Bank for Selected Indicators

| Variable  | Estimate % | Standard Error | Coefficient of Variation | 95% Confidence Interval |       | Observations  |
|---|------------|----------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------|---------------|
|   |            |                |                          | Lower                   | Upper |               |
| Persons 60 years and above  | 4.8%       | 0.2%           | 0.034                    | 4.5%                    | 5.2%  | <b>2,996</b>  |
| Registered refugees   | 28.0%      | 1.7%           | 0.059                    | 24.9%                   | 31.4% | <b>14,713</b> |
| Illiterate persons 10 years and above                               | 4.5%       | 1.2%           | 0.036                    | 4.2%                    | 4.5%  | <b>1,935</b>  |
| Type of housing unit as a House                                     | 64.6%      | 1.2%           | 0.026                    | 61.2%                   | 67.8% | <b>6,271</b>  |
| Owned housing unit  | 84.5%      | 0.9%           | 0.010                    | 82.7%                   | 86.2% | <b>8,182</b>  |
| Main reason for emigration to improve living conditions             | 15.8%      | 1.4%           | 0.087                    | 13.3%                   | 18.7% | <b>181</b>    |
| Returned emigrant's education level before emigration was Secondary | 34.2%      | 1.6%           | 0.070                    | 31.0%                   | 37.5% | <b>376</b>    |
| Residing in the homeland as one of the reason for returning         | 21.9%      | 1.5%           | 0.070                    | 19.0%                   | 25.1% | <b>361</b>    |
| Returning to home land was the returnee's own decision              | 37.0%      | 1.6%           | 0.027                    | 33.9%                   | 40.1% | <b>655</b>    |
| Advantages of emigration are more than the disadvantages            | 35.0%      | 1.6%           | 0.046                    | 31.9%                   | 38.3% | <b>623</b>    |
| The emigrant transfers money through money transfer agencies        | 91.1%      | 2.3%           | 0.026                    | 85.3%                   | 94.8% | <b>248</b>    |
| Have relatives abroad   | 38.5%      | 1.5%           | 0.039                    | 35.6%                   | 41.5% | <b>3,422</b>  |
| Desire to emigrate  | 13.4%      | 0.7%           | 0.052                    | 12.1%                   | 14.9% | <b>1,109</b>  |
| Temporality emigration is more preferable by emigrants              | 70.9%      | 3.3%           | 0.047                    | 63.9%                   | 77.0% | <b>157</b>    |

### Variance Calculations on the Level of Gaza Strip for Selected Indicators

| Variable  | Estimate % | Standard Error | Coefficient of Variation | 95% Confidence Interval |       | Observations  |
|---|------------|----------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------|---------------|
|   |            |                |                          | Lower                   | Upper |               |
| Persons 60 years and above  | 3.7%       | 0.2%           | 0.045                    | 3.4%                    | 4.0%  | <b>934</b>    |
| Registered refugees   | 66.8%      | 2.2%           | 0.032                    | 62.5%                   | 70.9% | <b>19,371</b> |
| Illiterate persons 10 years and above                               | 3.7%       | 0.2%           | 0.053                    | 3.3%                    | 4.1%  | <b>644</b>    |
| Type of housing unit as a House                                     | 35.3%      | 1.6%           | 0.047                    | 32.1%                   | 38.6% | <b>1,796</b>  |
| Owned housing unit  | 86.0%      | 1.0%           | 0.012                    | 83.8%                   | 87.9% | <b>4,329</b>  |
| Returned emigrant's education level before emigration was Secondary | 43.1%      | 3.9%           | 0.09                     | 35.7%                   | 50.8% | <b>96</b>     |
| Residing in the homeland as one of the reason for returning         | 45.1%      | 3.7%           | 0.083                    | 37.9%                   | 52.5% | <b>183</b>    |
| Returning to home land was the returnee's own decision              | 41.3%      | 2.4%           | 0.059                    | 36.7%                   | 46.2% | <b>174</b>    |
| Advantages of emigration are more than the disadvantages            | 35.6%      | 3.3%           | 0.094                    | 29.4%                   | 42.5% | <b>154</b>    |
| The emigrant transfers money through money transfer agencies        | 89.9%      | 4.8%           | 0.054                    | 75.8%                   | 96.2% | <b>39</b>     |
| Have relatives abroad   | 35.8%      | 1.7%           | 0.047                    | 32.5%                   | 39.1% | <b>1,725</b>  |
| Desire to emigrate  | 12.4%      | 0.8%           | 0.062                    | 10.9%                   | 14.0% | <b>617</b>    |
| Temporality emigration is more preferable by emigrants              | 65.3%      | 5.5%           | 0.085                    | 53.8%                   | 75.2% | <b>67</b>     |

The above tables indicates high level of data accuracy, where coefficient of variation ranges from 0.02 to 0.09

#### 5.1.2 Non-Statistical Errors

Procedures were developed to ensure that non-statistical errors were minimized as much as possible. Fieldworkers were selected based on strict criteria with adequate qualifications and experience in data collection. All fieldworkers had gone training on data collection best practices, topics of the questionnaires, and how to interview and obtain accurate answers from respondents.

In addition, office editors were also trained on editing guidance to ensure data is consistent and complete. Data entry programs were also designed to resemble the structure of the questionnaire itself to ensure consistency within the data in each record and cross records as well. All entered data was verified by different data entry clerk to ensure that all data are entered correctly.

The fieldworkers reported that the respondents faced sometimes difficulty in understanding some of the questions and terminology. However, fieldworkers were able to overcome such difficulties due to the good training and proper understanding of the survey's instruments.

Main non-statistical errors emerged during the implementation of the survey can be summarized as:

1. Errors resulting from the way the question was presented by the fieldworker during the interview.



2. Errors resulting from the way the respondent understood and answered the questions of the survey.

### **5.2 Quality Control Procedures**

Procedures adopted during the fieldwork of the survey were considered a necessity to ensure the collection of accurate data, notably:

- Develop schedules to conduct field visits to households during fieldwork by survey's management team.
- Fieldwork editing rules were applied during the data collection to ensure corrections were implemented before the end of fieldwork activities.
- Validation rules were embedded in the data processing systems along with procedures to verify data entry and data editing.

### **5.3 Assessment of Data**

Different methods were applied in the assessment of survey's data including:

1. Occurrences of missing values and answers like "other" and "Do not know" .
2. Examining inconsistencies between the various sections of the questionnaire, including within record and cross records consistencies.
3. Comparability of data with previous surveys and other sources.

The results of these assessment procedures shows that the data is of high quality and consistency as supported by the table of variance calculations.

## **Tables**



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**Main Demographic Indicators in the Palestinian Territory by Region, 2010**

| Indicator   | Region     |           | Palestinian Territory |       |
|---|------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------|
|   | Gaza Strip | West Bank |                       |       |
| <b>Sex Ratio</b>  | 103.1      | 103.1     | <b>103.1</b>          |       |
| <b>Age</b>  |            |           |                       |       |
| 0-4   | 44.4       | 39.4      | <b>41.3</b>           | 14-0  |
| 15-29   | 29.4       | 29.3      | <b>29.4</b>           | 29-15 |
| 30-44   | 14.8       | 17.3      | <b>16.4</b>           | 44-30 |
| 45-59   | 7.6        | 9.1       | <b>8.5</b>            | 59-45 |
| 60+   | 3.7        | 4.8       | <b>4.4</b>            | +60   |
| <b>Refugee Status</b>   |            |           |                       |       |
| Registered Refugee  | 66.8       | 28.0      | <b>42.1</b>           |       |
| Non - Registered Refugee  | 0.5        | 1.7       | <b>1.3</b>            |       |
| Non-Refugee   | 32.6       | 70.3      | <b>56.6</b>           |       |
| <b>Marital Status*</b>  |            |           |                       | *     |
| Never Married   | 36.3       | 37.1      | <b>36.8</b>           |       |
| Legally Married   | 1.0        | 2.3       | <b>1.8</b>            |       |
| Married   | 58.7       | 56.2      | <b>57.1</b>           |       |
| Divorced  | 0.5        | 0.7       | <b>0.6</b>            |       |
| Widowed   | 3.5        | 3.5       | <b>3.5</b>            |       |
| Separated   | 0.1        | 0.2       | <b>0.1</b>            |       |
| <b>Educational Attainment*</b>                                    |            |           |                       | *     |
| Illiterate  | 4.5        | 5.4       | <b>5.1</b>            |       |
| Can Read and Write  | 3.3        | 6.6       | <b>5.4</b>            |       |
| Elementary  | 11.0       | 15.4      | <b>13.8</b>           |       |
| Preparatory   | 34.3       | 34.5      | <b>34.4</b>           |       |
| Secondary   | 28.1       | 22.8      | <b>24.7</b>           |       |
| Associate Diploma   | 5.4        | 4.9       | <b>5.1</b>            |       |
| Bachelor and Above  | 13.3       | 10.5      | <b>11.5</b>           |       |
| <b>Labor Force Components</b>                                     |            |           |                       | *     |
| In Labor Force  | 37.6       | 42.5      | <b>40.7</b>           |       |
| Out of Labor Force  | 62.4       | 57.5      | <b>59.3</b>           |       |
| <b>Nationality</b>  |            |           |                       |       |
| Palestinian Nationality only                                      | 99.8       | 90.8      | <b>94.1</b>           |       |
| Palestinian holds another nationality                             | 0.1        | 9.2       | <b>5.9</b>            |       |
| Non-Palestinian Nationality                                       | 0.0        | 0.0       | <b>0.0</b>            |       |
| <b>Percentage of Households which have at Least one Emigrant</b>  | -          | -         | <b>6.7</b>            |       |
| <b>Percentage of Persons who have Previous Place of Residence</b> | 11.3       | 19.2      | <b>16.4</b>           |       |

| Indicator  | Region     |           | Palestinian Territory |         |
|--|------------|-----------|-----------------------|---------|
|  | Gaza Strip | West Bank |                       |         |
| Percentage of Persons who have Previous Place of Residence Outside Palestinian Territory | 3.0        | 7.6       | 5.9                   |         |
| Percentage of Persons (15-59) years who have Relatives Abroad                            | 35.8       | 38.5      | 38.1                  | (59-15) |
| Sex Ratio (Emigrants)  | -          | -         | 152.2                 |         |
| Sex Ratio within Palestinian Returnees   | 100        | 107.7     | 106.3                 |         |
| Sex Ratio within Palestinians who have Previous Place of Residence                       | 60.6       | 61.1      | 61.0                  |         |

\* Persons 15 years and above

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## **Population and Household Characteristics**

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Table 1: Percentage Distribution of Persons by Age, Sex and Region, 2010

| Age          | Sex and Region |            |            |            |            |            | Palestinian Territory |             |             |       |
|--------------|----------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------|
|              | Gaza Strip     |            |            | West Bank  |            |            |                       |             |             |       |
|              | Females        | Males      | Both Sexes | Females    | Males      | Both Sexes | Females               | Males       | Both Sexes  |       |
| 0-4          | 16.2           | 16.4       | 16.3       | 13.7       | 13.8       | 13.7       | <b>14.7</b>           | <b>14.8</b> | <b>14.7</b> | 4-0   |
| 5-9          | 14.4           | 14.7       | 14.6       | 12.9       | 13.0       | 13.0       | <b>13.5</b>           | <b>13.7</b> | <b>13.6</b> | 9-5   |
| 10-14        | 13.5           | 13.6       | 13.5       | 12.6       | 12.8       | 12.7       | <b>12.9</b>           | <b>13.1</b> | <b>13.0</b> | 14-10 |
| 15-19        | 12.1           | 12.1       | 12.1       | 11.8       | 12.0       | 11.9       | <b>11.9</b>           | <b>12.0</b> | <b>12.0</b> | 19-15 |
| 20-24        | 9.8            | 9.8        | 9.8        | 9.7        | 9.9        | 9.8        | <b>9.7</b>            | <b>9.9</b>  | <b>9.8</b>  | 24-20 |
| 25-29        | 7.5            | 7.6        | 7.5        | 7.6        | 7.7        | 7.6        | <b>7.5</b>            | <b>7.6</b>  | <b>7.6</b>  | 29-25 |
| 30-34        | 6.0            | 6.1        | 6.0        | 6.6        | 6.7        | 6.6        | <b>6.4</b>            | <b>6.4</b>  | <b>6.4</b>  | 34-30 |
| 35-39        | 4.8            | 4.8        | 4.8        | 5.8        | 5.8        | 5.8        | <b>5.4</b>            | <b>5.4</b>  | <b>5.4</b>  | 39-35 |
| 40-44        | 3.9            | 4.0        | 4.0        | 4.9        | 4.9        | 4.9        | <b>4.5</b>            | <b>4.6</b>  | <b>4.6</b>  | 44-40 |
| 45-49        | 3.2            | 3.4        | 3.3        | 4.0        | 4.1        | 4.1        | <b>3.7</b>            | <b>3.9</b>  | <b>3.8</b>  | 49-45 |
| 50-54        | 2.5            | 2.6        | 2.5        | 3.0        | 3.0        | 3.0        | <b>2.8</b>            | <b>2.9</b>  | <b>2.8</b>  | 54-50 |
| 55-59        | 1.8            | 1.7        | 1.8        | 2.0        | 2.0        | 2.0        | <b>1.9</b>            | <b>1.9</b>  | <b>1.9</b>  | 59-55 |
| 60-64        | 1.4            | 1.2        | 1.3        | 1.6        | 1.5        | 1.5        | <b>1.5</b>            | <b>1.3</b>  | <b>1.4</b>  | 64-60 |
| 65+          | 2.9            | 2.0        | 2.4        | 3.8        | 2.8        | 3.3        | <b>3.5</b>            | <b>2.5</b>  | <b>3.0</b>  | +65   |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>100</b>     | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>            | <b>100</b>  | <b>100</b>  |       |

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Table 2-A: Percentage Distribution of Persons Aged 15 Years and Over in the Palestinian Territory by Age, Sex and Marital Status, 2010

| Age          | Total      |            | Sex and Marital Status |            |            |            |            |            |             |             |                     |             |          |
|--------------|------------|------------|------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|---------------------|-------------|----------|
|              |            |            | Separated              |            | Widowed    |            | Divorced   |            | Married     |             | *<br>Never Married* |             |          |
|              | Females    | Males      | Females                | Males      | Females    | Males      | Females    | Males      | Females     | Males       | Females             | Males       |          |
| 15-19        | 100        | 100        | 0.0                    | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 9.9         | 0.8         | 90.0                | 99.2        | 19-15    |
| 20-24        | 100        | 100        | 0.1                    | 0.0        | 0.2        | 0.0        | 0.4        | 0.1        | 48.1        | 13.8        | 51.2                | 86.1        | 24-20    |
| 25-29        | 100        | 100        | 0.1                    | 0.0        | 0.5        | 0.1        | 1.2        | 0.2        | 76.0        | 56.1        | 22.2                | 43.6        | 29-25    |
| 30-34        | 100        | 100        | 0.2                    | 0.0        | 1.4        | 0.1        | 1.5        | 0.3        | 82.0        | 87.2        | 14.9                | 12.5        | 34-30    |
| 35-39        | 100        | 100        | 0.5                    | 0.0        | 1.8        | 0.1        | 1.2        | 0.3        | 86.0        | 95.4        | 10.6                | 4.1         | 39-35    |
| 40-44        | 100        | 100        | 0.3                    | 0.1        | 3.4        | 0.2        | 2.1        | 0.3        | 85.2        | 97.4        | 9.0                 | 2.0         | 44-40    |
| 45-49        | 100        | 100        | 0.4                    | 0.0        | 5.9        | 0.3        | 1.5        | 0.2        | 83.0        | 98.5        | 9.1                 | 1.0         | 49-45    |
| 50-54        | 100        | 100        | 0.8                    | 0.0        | 10.9       | 0.4        | 2.3        | 0.5        | 78.2        | 98.1        | 7.8                 | 1.0         | 54-50    |
| 55-59        | 100        | 100        | 0.4                    | 0.0        | 17.2       | 1.5        | 1.9        | 0.4        | 73.8        | 97.5        | 6.6                 | 0.7         | 59-55    |
| 60-64        | 100        | 100        | 1.0                    | 0.1        | 32.7       | 2.7        | 1.1        | 0.2        | 58.9        | 96.1        | 6.3                 | 0.8         | 64-60    |
| 65+          | 100        | 100        | 0.6                    | 0.2        | 57.8       | 11.4       | 1.4        | 0.5        | 34.7        | 87.4        | 5.6                 | 0.6         | +65      |
| Not Stated   | 100        | 100        | 0.0                    | 0.0        | 85.7       | 18.5       | 0.0        | 0.0        | 7.9         | 50.0        | 6.5                 | 31.5        | غير مبين |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>0.2</b>             | <b>0.0</b> | <b>6.4</b> | <b>0.7</b> | <b>1.0</b> | <b>0.2</b> | <b>57.9</b> | <b>56.4</b> | <b>34.5</b>         | <b>42.8</b> |          |

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Table 2-B: Percentage Distribution of Persons Aged 15 Years and Over in the West Bank by Age, Sex and Marital Status, 2010

| Age          | Total      |            | Sex and Marital Status |            |            |            |            |            |             |             |                     |             |          |
|--------------|------------|------------|------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|---------------------|-------------|----------|
|              |            |            | Separated              |            | Widowed    |            | Divorced   |            | Married     |             | *<br>Never Married* |             |          |
|              | Females    | Males      | Females                | Males      | Females    | Males      | Females    | Males      | Females     | Males       | Females             | Males       |          |
| 15-19        | 100        | 100        | 0.0                    | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 8.2         | 0.6         | 91.8                | 99.3        | 15-19    |
| 20-24        | 100        | 100        | 0.1                    | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.4        | 0.1        | 45.6        | 9.9         | 53.9                | 90.0        | 20-24    |
| 25-29        | 100        | 100        | 0.1                    | 0.0        | 0.3        | 0.0        | 1.3        | 0.2        | 75.5        | 47.9        | 22.8                | 52.0        | 25-29    |
| 30-34        | 100        | 100        | 0.3                    | 0.0        | 0.9        | 0.0        | 1.7        | 0.3        | 80.0        | 84.6        | 17.1                | 15.0        | 30-34    |
| 35-39        | 100        | 100        | 0.4                    | 0.0        | 1.1        | 0.0        | 1.6        | 0.4        | 84.9        | 93.8        | 12.0                | 5.8         | 35-39    |
| 40-44        | 100        | 100        | 0.3                    | 0.0        | 3.6        | 0.1        | 2.1        | 0.2        | 84.0        | 97.4        | 9.9                 | 2.3         | 40-44    |
| 45-49        | 100        | 100        | 0.5                    | 0.0        | 5.5        | 0.3        | 1.6        | 0.2        | 81.3        | 98.5        | 11.1                | 1.0         | 45-49    |
| 50-54        | 100        | 100        | 1.3                    | 0.0        | 10.7       | 0.2        | 2.0        | 0.5        | 76.8        | 97.9        | 9.2                 | 1.4         | 50-54    |
| 55-59        | 100        | 100        | 0.5                    | 0.0        | 18.1       | 1.3        | 2.1        | 0.4        | 72.0        | 97.6        | 7.2                 | 0.6         | 55-59    |
| 60-64        | 100        | 100        | 1.5                    | 0.2        | 28.6       | 2.7        | 1.4        | 0.3        | 61.8        | 95.7        | 6.8                 | 1.3         | 60-64    |
| 65+          | 100        | 100        | 0.7                    | 0.2        | 57.4       | 11.5       | 1.6        | 0.6        | 33.9        | 87.0        | 6.4                 | 0.7         | +65      |
| Not Stated   | 100        | 100        | 0.0                    | 0.0        | 85.7       | 18.5       | 0.0        | 0.0        | 7.9         | 50.0        | 6.5                 | 31.5        | غير مبین |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>0.3</b>             | <b>0.0</b> | <b>6.4</b> | <b>0.7</b> | <b>1.2</b> | <b>0.2</b> | <b>57.1</b> | <b>55.4</b> | <b>35.0</b>         | <b>43.7</b> |          |

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Table 2-C: Percentage Distribution of Persons Aged 15 Years and Over in Gaza Strip by Age, Sex and Marital Status, 2010

| Age          | Total      |            | Sex and Marital Status |            |            |            |            |            |             |             |                     |             |       |
|--------------|------------|------------|------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|---------------------|-------------|-------|
|              |            |            | Separated              |            | Widowed    |            | Divorced   |            | Married     |             | *<br>Never Married* |             |       |
|              | Females    | Males      | Females                | Males      | Females    | Males      | Females    | Males      | Females     | Males       | Females             | Males       |       |
| 15-19        | 100        | 100        | 0.0                    | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 12.7        | 1.1         | 87.3                | 98.9        | 19-15 |
| 20-24        | 100        | 100        | 0.0                    | 0.0        | 0.6        | 0.1        | 0.4        | 0.0        | 52.3        | 20.2        | 46.7                | 79.7        | 24-20 |
| 25-29        | 100        | 100        | 0.1                    | 0.0        | 0.7        | 0.3        | 1.0        | 0.2        | 76.9        | 69.8        | 21.2                | 29.8        | 29-25 |
| 30-34        | 100        | 100        | 0.0                    | 0.0        | 2.3        | 0.1        | 1.2        | 0.1        | 85.5        | 91.7        | 11.0                | 8.0         | 34-30 |
| 35-39        | 100        | 100        | 0.6                    | 0.0        | 3.1        | 0.3        | 0.3        | 0.3        | 88.1        | 98.5        | 7.9                 | 0.9         | 39-35 |
| 40-44        | 100        | 100        | 0.2                    | 0.2        | 2.9        | 0.4        | 2.2        | 0.4        | 87.5        | 97.4        | 7.2                 | 1.6         | 44-40 |
| 45-49        | 100        | 100        | 0.3                    | 0.0        | 6.8        | 0.4        | 1.2        | 0.2        | 86.5        | 98.4        | 5.2                 | 1.1         | 49-45 |
| 50-54        | 100        | 100        | 0.0                    | 0.0        | 11.1       | 0.8        | 2.8        | 0.5        | 81.0        | 98.5        | 5.1                 | 0.2         | 54-50 |
| 55-59        | 100        | 100        | 0.3                    | 0.0        | 15.6       | 1.8        | 1.6        | 0.3        | 77.1        | 97.2        | 5.3                 | 0.8         | 59-55 |
| 60-64        | 100        | 100        | 0.0                    | 0.0        | 40.7       | 2.9        | 0.6        | 0.0        | 53.2        | 97.1        | 5.6                 | 0.0         | 64-60 |
| 65+          | 100        | 100        | 0.3                    | 0.0        | 58.6       | 11.2       | 0.9        | 0.0        | 36.4        | 88.3        | 3.8                 | 0.5         | +65   |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>0.1</b>             | <b>0.0</b> | <b>6.3</b> | <b>0.7</b> | <b>0.8</b> | <b>0.1</b> | <b>59.4</b> | <b>58.1</b> | <b>33.3</b>         | <b>41.1</b> |       |

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**Table 3: Percentage Distribution of Households by Type of Household, Region and Type of Locality, 2010**

| Type of Household    | Type of Locality |            |            | Region     |            | Palestinian Territory |  |
|----------------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|--|
|                      | Camps            | Rural      | Urban      | Gaza Strip | West Bank  |                       |  |
| One Person Household | 2.1              | 3.8        | 3.0        | 1.2        | 4.0        | 3.1                   |  |
| Nuclear Household    | 82.7             | 84.4       | 86.6       | 88.6       | 84.4       | 85.9                  |  |
| Extended Household   | 15.2             | 11.8       | 10.3       | 10.0       | 11.4       | 11.0                  |  |
| Composite Household  | 0.1              | 0.0        | 0.1        | 0.1        | 0.1        | 0.1                   |  |
| <b>Total</b>         | <b>100</b>       | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>            |  |

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**Table 4: Percentage Distribution of Households by Type of Housing Unit, Region and Type of Locality, 2010**

| Type of Housing Unit | Type of Locality |            |            | Region     |            | Palestinian Territory |  |
|----------------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|--|
|                      | Camps            | Rural      | Urban      | Gaza Strip | West Bank  |                       |  |
| Villa                | 0.1              | 2.9        | 1.1        | 0.4        | 1.8        | 1.3                   |  |
| House                | 59.7             | 74.0       | 49.5       | 35.3       | 64.6       | 54.6                  |  |
| Apartment            | 38.7             | 21.1       | 48.1       | 62.3       | 32.5       | 42.7                  |  |
| Independent Room     | 0.9              | 1.5        | 1.0        | 1.6        | 0.9        | 1.1                   |  |
| Tent                 | 0.1              | 0.1        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0                   |  |
| Marginal             | 0.2              | 0.2        | 0.0        | 0.1        | 0.1        | 0.1                   |  |
| Other                | 0.4              | 0.2        | 0.1        | 0.3        | 0.2        | 0.2                   |  |
| <b>Total</b>         | <b>100</b>       | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>            |  |

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**Table 5: Percentage Distribution of Households by Number of Rooms in Housing Unit, Region and Type of Locality, 2010**

| Number of Rooms | Type of Locality |            |            | Region     |            | Palestinian Territory |    |
|-----------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|----|
|                 | Camps            | Rural      | Urban      | Gaza Strip | West Bank  |                       |    |
| 1               | 6.0              | 4.1        | 3.1        | 4.7        | 2.9        | 3.5                   | 1  |
| 2               | 19.6             | 16.1       | 15.5       | 16.9       | 15.5       | 16.0                  | 2  |
| 3               | 37.8             | 33.0       | 34.7       | 37.0       | 33.4       | 34.6                  | 3  |
| 4               | 22.3             | 28.7       | 29.6       | 28.1       | 29.2       | 28.8                  | 4  |
| 5+              | 14.3             | 18.1       | 17.2       | 13.3       | 19.0       | 17.1                  | +5 |
| <b>Total</b>    | <b>100</b>       | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>            |    |

**Table 6: Percentage of Households by Availability of Durable Goods, Region and Type of Locality, 2010**

| Durable Goods                                  | Type of Locality |       |       | Region     |           | Palestinian Territory |       |
|--|------------------|-------|-------|------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------|
|  | Camps            | Rural | Urban | Gaza Strip | West Bank |                       |       |
| Private Car                                    | 8.6              | 20.2  | 24.8  | 11.2       | 28.8      | <b>22.8</b>           |       |
| Electric Fridge                                | 94.2             | 94.9  | 95.9  | 93.9       | 96.6      | <b>95.6</b>           |       |
| Solar Heater                                   | 67.9             | 71.9  | 79.1  | 77.2       | 77.2      | <b>77.2</b>           |       |
| Washing Machine                                | 93.1             | 92.8  | 94.8  | 94.2       | 94.4      | <b>94.4</b>           |       |
| Gas Stove                                      | 98.6             | 97.7  | 98.8  | 96.9       | 98.5      | <b>98.6</b>           |       |
| Dish Washer                                    | 0.2              | 1.3   | 3.9   | 0.6        | 4.7       | <b>3.3</b>            |       |
| Central Heating                                | 0.7              | 2.4   | 7.0   | 3.8        | 6.5       | <b>5.6</b>            |       |
| Vacuum Cleaner                                 | 13.5             | 21.2  | 35.4  | 14.5       | 39.1      | <b>30.7</b>           |       |
| Home Library                                   | 20.4             | 25.4  | 26.7  | 21.9       | 27.6      | <b>25.7</b>           |       |
| Home Library                                   | 8.9              | 14.0  | 18.8  | 9.7        | 21.2      | <b>17.3</b>           |       |
| TV Set   | 96.7             | 96.8  | 97.8  | 96.7       | 98.0      | <b>97.6</b>           |       |
| Video Player                                   | 6.5              | 16.6  | 18.4  | 7.1        | 22.4      | <b>17.2</b>           |       |
| Telephone Line                                 | 36.9             | 39.5  | 48.1  | 39.7       | 48.5      | <b>45.5</b>           |       |
| Palestinian Mobile Phone<br>(Jawwal, Wataniah) | 93.4             | 82.3  | 85.8  | 95.7       | 79.6      | <b>85.1</b>           | ( / ) |
| Israeli Mobile Phone                           | 7.9              | 33.0  | 21.9  | 0.9        | 34.7      | <b>23.2</b>           |       |
| Computer                                       | 44.5             | 41.9  | 50.9  | 46.6       | 49.9      | <b>48.8</b>           |       |
| Satellite Dish                                 | 88.5             | 89.9  | 91.9  | 90.9       | 91.6      | <b>91.4</b>           |       |
| Internet Service                               | 24.5             | 20.9  | 31.5  | 32.2       | 27.5      | <b>29.1</b>           |       |
| DVD  | 8.0              | 14.6  | 18.9  | 4.7        | 23.7      | <b>17.3</b>           | DVD   |

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**Table 7: Percentage Distribution of Persons who have Changed their Place of Residence in the Palestinian Territory by Current and Previous Place of Residence, 2010**

| Current Place of Residence | Percentage Distribution | Total      | Previous Place of Residence |            |               |            |            |            |            |             |                     |                     |            |            |            |            |            |            |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|------------|-----------------------------|------------|---------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
|                            |                         |            | Rafah                       | Khan Yunis | Deir Al-Balah | Gaza       | North Gaza | Hebron     | Bethlehem  | Jerusalem   | Jericho & Al Aghwar | Ramallah & Al-Bireh | Salfit     | Qalqiliya  | Nablus     | Tulkarm    | Tubas      | Jenin      |
| Jenin                      | 7.0                     | 100        | 0.0                         | 0.5        | 0.0           | 0.0        | 0.2        | 1.6        | 0.0        | 0.5         | 0.2                 | 2.0                 | 0.0        | 1.2        | 2.8        | 5.2        | 1.1        | 84.7       |
| Tubas                      | 1.4                     | 100        | 0.0                         | 0.0        | 0.0           | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0         | 0.9                 | 0.0                 | 0.0        | 0.0        | 9.2        | 0.9        | 65.1       | 23.9       |
| Tulkarm                    | 5.3                     | 100        | 0.0                         | 0.5        | 0.0           | 1.2        | 0.0        | 2.4        | 1.9        | 0.0         | 0.7                 | 1.4                 | 0.5        | 1.6        | 10.8       | 67.2       | 1.9        | 9.9        |
| Nablus                     | 7.6                     | 100        | 0.0                         | 0.0        | 1.0           | 0.5        | 0.3        | 0.3        | 0.5        | 1.5         | 1.8                 | 5.3                 | 3.3        | 3.9        | 63.9       | 8.5        | 3.9        | 5.3        |
| Qalqiliya                  | 2.5                     | 100        | 0.5                         | 1.0        | 1.0           | 0.5        | 0.0        | 1.5        | 0.0        | 0.5         | 0.5                 | 6.6                 | 9.6        | 46.5       | 16.7       | 11.1       | 4.0        | 0.0        |
| Salfit                     | 1.5                     | 100        | 0.0                         | 0.0        | 0.0           | 0.8        | 0.0        | 1.7        | 0.0        | 0.8         | 0.0                 | 37.8                | 39.6       | 4.2        | 10.9       | 3.4        | 0.8        | 0.0        |
| Ramallah & Al-Bireh        | 15.7                    | 100        | 1.0                         | 0.6        | 0.2           | 4.0        | 0.0        | 11.7       | 1.3        | 12.5        | 1.9                 | 51.9                | 0.6        | 0.3        | 8.4        | 2.6        | 0.9        | 2.1        |
| Jericho & Al Aghwar        | 0.6                     | 100        | 0.0                         | 0.0        | 0.0           | 8.0        | 0.0        | 2.0        | 22.0       | 20.0        | 26.0                | 2.0                 | 0.0        | 0.0        | 16.0       | 0.0        | 2.0        | 2.0        |
| Jerusalem                  | 19.3                    | 100        | 0.1                         | 0.3        | 0.0           | 0.8        | 0.0        | 9.3        | 1.8        | 71.0        | 0.8                 | 11.5                | 0.1        | 0.1        | 2.6        | 0.3        | 0.1        | 1.2        |
| Bethlehem                  | 6.5                     | 100        | 0.0                         | 0.0        | 0.0           | 1.2        | 0.0        | 14.7       | 70.1       | 8.9         | 1.0                 | 2.9                 | 0.0        | 0.2        | 0.0        | 0.2        | 0.0        | 0.8        |
| Hebron                     | 5.4                     | 100        | 0.2                         | 0.2        | 0.2           | 1.8        | 0.0        | 75.1       | 6.0        | 8.5         | 2.5                 | 3.9                 | 0.2        | 0.0        | 0.2        | 0.7        | 0.0        | 0.5        |
| North Gaza                 | 9.7                     | 100        | 0.6                         | 3.6        | 1.8           | 25.5       | 68.0       | 0.3        | 0.0        | 0.0         | 0.0                 | 0.1                 | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.1        |
| Gaza                       | 2.3                     | 100        | 11.2                        | 12.3       | 3.7           | 54.2       | 14.4       | 2.1        | 0.0        | 0.5         | 0.0                 | 0.0                 | 0.0        | 0.5        | 1.1        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        |
| Deir Al-Balah              | 6.5                     | 100        | 10.5                        | 18.3       | 42.8          | 16.0       | 8.0        | 0.4        | 0.0        | 0.2         | 0.0                 | 0.8                 | 0.0        | 0.2        | 1.3        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 1.5        |
| Khan Yunis                 | 4.1                     | 100        | 12.3                        | 68.6       | 6.5           | 8.0        | 3.4        | 0.3        | 0.0        | 0.3         | 0.3                 | 0.3                 | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        |
| Rafah                      | 4.6                     | 100        | 56.2                        | 23.9       | 6.0           | 8.2        | 2.7        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 2.2         | 0.0                 | 0.0                 | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.3        | 0.5        | 0.0        | 0.0        |
| <b>Total</b>               | <b>100</b>              | <b>100</b> | <b>4.3</b>                  | <b>6.0</b> | <b>3.7</b>    | <b>6.6</b> | <b>7.7</b> | <b>9.1</b> | <b>5.7</b> | <b>17.2</b> | <b>1.0</b>          | <b>12.2</b>         | <b>1.2</b> | <b>1.8</b> | <b>8.4</b> | <b>5.5</b> | <b>1.6</b> | <b>8.0</b> |

**Table 8: Percentage Distribution of Persons by Mother Place of Residence and Current Place of Residence, 2010**

| Mother Place of Residence     | Current Place of Residence              |                     |            |            |            |            |            |            |
|-------------------------------|---|---------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
|                               | أريحا والأغوار<br>Jericho and Al Aghwar | Ramallah & Al-Bireh | Salfit     | Qalqiliya  | Nablus     | Tulkarm    | Tubas      | Jenin      |
| Jenin                         | 0.0                                     | 0.5                 | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.6        | 0.6        | 0.3        | 97.0       |
| Tubas                         | 0.1                                     | 1.1                 | 0.1        | 0.6        | 3.3        | 0.9        | 92.9       | 0.8        |
| Tulkarm                       | 0.0                                     | 0.8                 | 0.1        | 0.5        | 1.5        | 95.0       | 0.0        | 0.8        |
| Nablus                        | 0.1                                     | 1.7                 | 0.2        | 0.5        | 94.9       | 0.7        | 0.1        | 0.2        |
| Qalqiliya                     | 0.0                                     | 0.3                 | 0.3        | 96.7       | 1.3        | 0.3        | 0.0        | 0.2        |
| Salfit                        | 0.0                                     | 0.7                 | 95.6       | 1.4        | 0.9        | 0.1        | 0.1        | 0.1        |
| Ramallah & Al-Bireh           | 0.0                                     | 95.8                | 0.4        | 0.1        | 0.2        | 0.1        | 0.0        | 0.1        |
| Jericho and Al Aghwar         | 66.1                                    | 11.4                | 0.4        | 0.7        | 5.0        | 1.8        | 0.9        | 0.0        |
| Jerusalem                     | 0.1                                     | 2.3                 | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.1        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        |
| Bethlehem                     | 0.4                                     | 0.4                 | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.1        | 0.0        | 0.0        |
| Hebron                        | 0.0                                     | 1.3                 | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.1        | 0.0        | 0.0        |
| North Gaza                    | 0.0                                     | 0.0                 | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        |
| Gaza                          | 0.0                                     | 0.6                 | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.1        | 0.1        | 0.0        | 0.0        |
| Deir El-Balah                 | 0.0                                     | 0.1                 | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.1        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        |
| Khanyunis                     | 0.0                                     | 0.1                 | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        |
| Rafah                         | 0.0                                     | 0.3                 | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0        |
| Outside Palestinian Territory | 0.1                                     | 17.4                | 2.9        | 3.7        | 9.6        | 7.7        | 0.8        | 8.0        |
| <b>Total</b>                  | <b>0.2</b>                              | <b>8.8</b>          | <b>1.5</b> | <b>2.4</b> | <b>8.2</b> | <b>4.6</b> | <b>1.2</b> | <b>6.8</b> |

**Table 8 (Cont.): Percentage Distribution of Persons by Mother Place of Residence and Current Place of Residence, 2010**

| Mother Place of Residence     | Total      | Current Place of Residence    |            |            |               |             |            |             |            |            |
|-------------------------------|------------|-------------------------------|------------|------------|---------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|
|                               |            | Outside Palestinian Territory | Rafah      | Khanyunis  | Deir El-Balah | Gaza        | North Gaza | Hebron      | Bethlehem  | Jerusalem  |
| Jenin                         | 100        | 0.5                           | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.1           | 0.0         | 0.0        | 0.1         | 0.0        | 0.4        |
| Tubas                         | 100        | 0.3                           | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0           | 0.0         | 0.0        | 0.0         | 0.0        | 0.0        |
| Tulkarm                       | 100        | 0.8                           | 0.1        | 0.0        | 0.0           | 0.0         | 0.0        | 0.1         | 0.0        | 0.1        |
| Nablus                        | 100        | 0.7                           | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.1           | 0.0         | 0.0        | 0.0         | 0.0        | 0.7        |
| Qalqiliya                     | 100        | 0.5                           | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.1           | 0.0         | 0.0        | 0.0         | 0.0        | 0.2        |
| Salfit                        | 100        | 0.8                           | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0           | 0.0         | 0.0        | 0.1         | 0.0        | 0.2        |
| Ramallah & Al-Bireh           | 100        | 0.7                           | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.1           | 0.0         | 0.0        | 0.2         | 0.2        | 2.1        |
| Jericho and Al Aghwar         | 100        | 0.0                           | 0.0        | 0.7        | 0.0           | 0.0         | 0.0        | 1.9         | 2.4        | 7.8        |
| Jerusalem                     | 100        | 0.4                           | 0.1        | 0.0        | 0.0           | 0.0         | 0.9        | 0.8         | 0.8        | 95.3       |
| Bethlehem                     | 100        | 0.6                           | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0           | 0.0         | 0.0        | 0.8         | 97.0       | 0.7        |
| Hebron                        | 100        | 0.3                           | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0           | 0.0         | 0.0        | 96.1        | 0.6        | 1.4        |
| North Gaza                    | 100        | 0.0                           | 0.2        | 0.3        | 0.7           | 0.3         | 98.4       | 0.0         | 0.0        | 0.0        |
| Gaza                          | 100        | 0.1                           | 0.3        | 0.3        | 0.9           | 94.3        | 3.0        | 0.1         | 0.1        | 0.2        |
| Deir El-Balah                 | 100        | 0.0                           | 0.6        | 0.5        | 97.0          | 0.3         | 1.2        | 0.0         | 0.0        | 0.0        |
| Khanyunis                     | 100        | 0.0                           | 1.3        | 96.1       | 1.4           | 0.5         | 0.4        | 0.0         | 0.0        | 0.1        |
| Rafah                         | 100        | 0.0                           | 96.4       | 0.9        | 1.5           | 0.4         | 0.4        | 0.0         | 0.0        | 0.0        |
| Outside Palestinian Territory | 100        | 1.2                           | 5.0        | 7.5        | 5.1           | 7.4         | 4.9        | 6.8         | 5.3        | 6.4        |
| <b>Total</b>                  | <b>100</b> | <b>0.4</b>                    | <b>5.0</b> | <b>8.1</b> | <b>5.6</b>    | <b>11.9</b> | <b>7.3</b> | <b>14.2</b> | <b>4.8</b> | <b>8.9</b> |

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**Table 9: Percentage Distributions of Persons who have Previous Place of Residence in the Palestinian Territory by the Duration of Residence in the Current Usual Place of Residence and the Current Place of Residence, 2010**

| Current Place of Residence | Total      | Duration of Residence in the Current Usual Place of Residence (years) |             |            |             |            |            |            |            |                    |
|----------------------------|------------|---|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------------|
|                            |            | Not Stated  | + 10        | 9-8        | 7-5         | 4          | 3          | 2          | 1          | Less than one year |
| Jenin                      | 100        | 0.0   | 69.5        | 4.8        | 12.3        | 1.8        | 3.2        | 2.7        | 3.7        | 2.0                |
| Tubas                      | 100        | 0.0   | 51.5        | 14.0       | 16.8        | 1.9        | 0.9        | 1.9        | 9.3        | 3.7                |
| Tulkarm                    | 100        | 0.0   | 58.7        | 4.7        | 12.6        | 3.7        | 4.2        | 6.8        | 6.3        | 3.0                |
| Nablus                     | 100        | 0.0   | 58.4        | 2.5        | 8.7         | 7.1        | 8.9        | 7.7        | 3.9        | 2.8                |
| Qalqiliya                  | 100        | 0.0   | 48.2        | 4.6        | 13.7        | 7.6        | 4.6        | 7.6        | 3.0        | 10.7               |
| Salfit                     | 100        | 0.0   | 44.6        | 1.7        | 16.5        | 0.0        | 8.3        | 5.0        | 13.2       | 10.7               |
| Ramallah & Al-Bireh        | 100        | 0.0   | 42.7        | 8.2        | 13.5        | 4.5        | 9.3        | 10.2       | 8.5        | 3.1                |
| Jericho & Al Aghwar        | 100        | 0.0   | 61.4        | 2.0        | 16.3        | 0.0        | 2.0        | 2.0        | 16.3       | 0.0                |
| Jerusalem                  | 100        | 0.0   | 35.7        | 7.4        | 13.7        | 7.6        | 9.5        | 10.4       | 12.2       | 3.5                |
| Bethlehem                  | 100        | 0.0   | 55.8        | 11.4       | 12.9        | 2.7        | 6.6        | 3.1        | 4.8        | 2.7                |
| Hebron                     | 100        | 0.4   | 59.9        | 6.5        | 8.8         | 7.8        | 8.3        | 2.3        | 4.6        | 1.4                |
| North Gaza                 | 100        | 1.1   | 45.7        | 3.2        | 31.4        | 3.4        | 3.0        | 4.6        | 5.3        | 2.3                |
| Gaza                       | 100        | 0.6   | 69.5        | 8.0        | 7.5         | 1.6        | 8.6        | 1.6        | 2.1        | 0.5                |
| Deir Al-Balah              | 100        | 0.0   | 57.8        | 4.0        | 12.6        | 8.2        | 6.1        | 2.9        | 5.7        | 2.7                |
| Khan Yunis                 | 100        | 0.0   | 63.2        | 3.1        | 14.5        | 4.9        | 2.8        | 2.8        | 6.5        | 2.2                |
| Rafah                      | 100        | 0.0   | 64.1        | 8.9        | 7.9         | 6.0        | 2.7        | 4.1        | 3.3        | 3.0                |
| <b>Total</b>               | <b>100</b> | <b>0.1</b>  | <b>50.0</b> | <b>6.1</b> | <b>14.1</b> | <b>5.3</b> | <b>6.9</b> | <b>6.8</b> | <b>7.3</b> | <b>3.4</b>         |



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**Table 10: Percentage Distribution of Persons who have Previous Place of Residence in the Palestinian Territory by Reason for Changing Place of Residence and Region, 2010**

| Reason for Changing Place of Residence               | Region     |            | Palestinian Territory |     |
|--|------------|------------|-----------------------|-----|
|  | Gaza Strip | West Bank  |                       |     |
| Work   | 1.5        | 7.6        | <b>6.1</b>            |     |
| Study  | 0.3        | 2.7        | <b>2.1</b>            |     |
| Marriage   | 35.6       | 36.7       | <b>36.4</b>           |     |
| Accompany  | 35.4       | 32.1       | <b>32.9</b>           |     |
| Displacement (due to Expansion and Annexation Wall)  | 0.0        | 1.5        | <b>1.1</b>            | ( ) |
| Displacement (due to measures of Israeli occupation) | 2.2        | 1.5        | <b>1.7</b>            | ( ) |
| Poor financial situation of the family               | 6.0        | 4.1        | <b>4.6</b>            |     |
| To Keep the Jerusalem ID                             | 0.1        | 1.8        | <b>1.4</b>            |     |
| Other  | 18.9       | 12.0       | <b>13.7</b>           |     |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>            |     |

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**Table 11: Percentage Distribution of Persons who have Previous Place of Residence in the Palestinian Territory by Age and Region, 2010**

| Age          | Region     |            | Palestinian Territory |       |
|--------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|-------|
|              | Gaza Strip | West Bank  |                       |       |
| 0-14         | 15.6       | 13.3       | <b>13.9</b>           | 14-0  |
| 15-29        | 34.4       | 33.0       | <b>33.4</b>           | 29-15 |
| 30-44        | 28.0       | 30.8       | <b>30.0</b>           | 44-30 |
| 45-59        | 16.6       | 16.0       | <b>16.2</b>           | 59-45 |
| 60+          | 5.4        | 6.9        | <b>6.5</b>            | +60   |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>            |       |

# **Emigrants**

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**Table 1: Number of Emigrants and Returnees, 2005 - 2009**

| Year | Returnees | Emigrants* |      |
|------|-----------|------------|------|
| 2005 | 7,077     | 5,841      | 2005 |
| 2006 | 6,054     | 5,205      | 2006 |
| 2007 | 5,000     | 7,290      | 2007 |
| 2008 | 5,854     | 7,390      | 2008 |
| 2009 | 6,426     | 7,122      | 2009 |

\* Does not include totally emigrated household

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**Table 2: Percentage Distribution of Households by Number of Emigrants, 2010**

| Number of Emigrants | Percentage |     |
|---------------------|------------|-----|
| 0                   | 93.3       | 0   |
| 1                   | 3.4        | 1   |
| 2                   | 1.1        | 2   |
| 3                   | 0.6        | 3   |
| 4                   | 0.4        | 4   |
| 5 +                 | 1.2        | + 5 |
| <b>Total</b>        | <b>100</b> |     |

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**Table 3: Percentage Distribution of Emigrants by Year of Emigration and Sex, 2010**

| Year of Emigration | Sex        |            | Both Sexes |           |
|--------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|
|                    | Females    | Males      |            |           |
| Before 2000        | 55.8       | 48.3       | 51.2       | 2000      |
| 2000-2004          | 16.4       | 15.5       | 15.9       | 2004-2000 |
| 2005 and After     | 22.6       | 32.2       | 28.4       | 2005      |
| Not Stated         | 5.2        | 4.0        | 4.5        |           |
| <b>Total</b>       | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> |           |

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Table 4: Percentage Distribution of Emigrants by Age and Sex, 2010

| Age          | Sex        |            | Both Sexes |       |
|--------------|------------|------------|------------|-------|
|              | Females    | Males      |            |       |
| 0-14         | 23.8       | 18.4       | 20.6       | 14-0  |
| 15-29        | 31.3       | 34.2       | 33.0       | 29-15 |
| 30-44        | 26.5       | 25.1       | 25.6       | 44-30 |
| 45-59        | 11.7       | 14.7       | 13.5       | 59-45 |
| 60+          | 5.2        | 6.2        | 5.8        | +60   |
| Not Stated   | 1.5        | 1.4        | 1.5        |       |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> |       |

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Table 5: Percentage Distribution of Emigrants Since Year 2000 by Relation to Head of the Household and Sex, 2010

| Relation to Head of the Household | Sex        |            | Both Sexes |   |
|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|---|
|                                   | Females    | Males      |            |   |
| Head of household                 | 0.0        | 3.3        | 2.0        |   |
| Spouse                            | 0.9        | 1.8        | 1.4        | / |
| Son / Daughter                    | 26.1       | 43.1       | 36.5       | / |
| Father / Mother                   | 1.0        | 0.7        | 0.8        | / |
| Brother / Sister                  | 12.2       | 14.9       | 13.8       | / |
| Grand Father/Mother               | 21.3       | 15.8       | 18.0       | / |
| Grandchild                        | 8.2        | 0.6        | 3.6        | / |
| Son / Daughter in Law             | 30.0       | 19.6       | 23.7       | / |
| Other Relatives                   | 0.3        | 0.2        | 0.2        |   |
| <b>Total</b>                      | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> |   |

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**Table 6: Percentage Distribution of Emigrants Since 2000 by the Country of Residence, 2010**

| Country of Residence    | Sex        |            | Both Sexes |  |
|-------------------------|------------|------------|------------|--|
|                         | Females    | Males      |            |  |
| Jordan                  | 42.7       | 15.8       | 23.5       |  |
| Egypt                   | 0.7        | 5.4        | 4.0        |  |
| Arab Gulf Countries     | 15.1       | 22.6       | 20.4       |  |
| Other Arab Countries    | 2.0        | 5.0        | 4.1        |  |
| USA                     | 17.6       | 23.2       | 21.6       |  |
| Other Foreign Countries | 21.4       | 27.8       | 26.0       |  |
| Not Stated              | 0.4        | 0.3        | 0.4        |  |
| <b>Total</b>            | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> |  |

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**Table 7: Percentage Distribution of Emigrants Since 2000 by Religion, 2010**

| Religion     | Sex        |            | Both Sexes |  |
|--------------|------------|------------|------------|--|
|              | Females    | Males      |            |  |
| Muslim       | 92.9       | 95.4       | 94.7       |  |
| Christian    | 7.1        | 4.6        | 5.3        |  |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> |  |

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**Table 8: Percentage Distribution of Emigrants Since 2000 by Selected Indicators and Sex, 2010**

| Selected Indicators   | Sex        |            | Both Sexes  |
|---|------------|------------|-------------|
|   | Females    | Males      |             |
| <b>Emigrant's Place of Birth</b>  |            |            |             |
| In the Palestinian Territory  | 76.4       | 85.0       | <b>82.5</b> |
| Abroad  | 23.6       | 15.0       | <b>17.5</b> |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>  |
| <b>Have a Citizenship of Country of Current Residence</b>   |            |            |             |
| Have a Citizenship  | 44.0       | 25.0       | <b>29.4</b> |
| Don't Have  | 43.1       | 61.9       | <b>57.5</b> |
| Don't Know  | 13.0       | 13.1       | <b>13.1</b> |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>  |
| <b>Currently a Citizen of any other Countries (Except the Palestinian and the Country of Residence)</b> |            |            |             |
| Yes   | 8.3        | 7.4        | <b>7.7</b>  |
| No  | 89.2       | 91.8       | <b>91.0</b> |
| Don't Know  | 2.6        | 0.8        | <b>1.3</b>  |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>  |

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**Table 9: Percentage Distribution of Emigrants Since 2000 by Educational Attainment at Emigration to the First Country Abroad and Sex, 2010**

| Educational Attainment | Sex        |            | Both Sexes  |
|------------------------|------------|------------|-------------|
|                        | Females    | Males      |             |
| Less than Elementary   | 5.0        | 2.4        | <b>3.2</b>  |
| Elementary             | 10.0       | 4.4        | <b>6.0</b>  |
| Preparatory            | 25.9       | 12.3       | <b>16.2</b> |
| Secondary              | 28.8       | 46.3       | <b>41.3</b> |
| Associate Diploma      | 5.7        | 4.7        | <b>5.0</b>  |
| Bachelor and Above     | 24.0       | 30.0       | <b>28.2</b> |
| Not Stated             | 0.5        | 0.0        | <b>0.1</b>  |
| <b>Total</b>           | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>  |

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**Table 10: Percentage Distribution of Emigrants Since 2000 by Marital Status at Emigration to the First Country Abroad and Sex, 2010**

| Marital Status  | Sex        |            | Both Sexes |   |
|-----------------|------------|------------|------------|---|
|                 | Females    | Males      |            |   |
| Never Married   | 26.3       | 73.9       | 60.2       | / |
| Legally Married | 13.5       | 2.6        | 5.8        |   |
| Married         | 58.8       | 22.5       | 32.9       | / |
| Divorced        | 0.5        | 1.0        | 0.9        | / |
| Widowed         | 0.9        | 0.0        | 0.3        | / |
| <b>Total</b>    | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> |   |

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**Table 11: Percentage Distribution of Emigrants Since 2000 by Current Educational Attainment and Sex, 2010**

| Educational Attainment | Sex        |            | Both Sexes |  |
|------------------------|------------|------------|------------|--|
|                        | Females    | Males      |            |  |
| Less than Elementary   | 2.5        | 0.8        | 1.3        |  |
| Elementary             | 9.1        | 3.2        | 4.9        |  |
| Preparatory            | 25.3       | 11.6       | 15.4       |  |
| Secondary              | 26.5       | 39.3       | 35.7       |  |
| Associate Diploma      | 7.6        | 5.6        | 6.2        |  |
| Bachelor and Above     | 8.52       | 38.5       | 35.7       |  |
| Not Stated             | 0.5        | 1.0        | 0.8        |  |
| <b>Total</b>           | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> |  |

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**Table 12: Percentage Distribution of Emigrants Since 2000 by Current Marital Status and Sex, 2010**

| Marital Status  | Sex        |            | Both Sexes |   |
|-----------------|------------|------------|------------|---|
|                 | Females    | Males      |            |   |
| Never Married   | 14.7       | 56.3       | 44.3       | / |
| Legally Married | 0.7        | 5.4        | 4.1        |   |
| Married         | 82.3       | 37.5       | 50.3       | / |
| Divorced        | 0.9        | 0.8        | 0.8        | / |
| Widowed         | 1.4        | 0.0        | 0.4        | / |
| <b>Total</b>    | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> |   |

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**Table 13: Percentage Distribution of Emigrants Since 2000 by the Main Reason of Emigration and Sex, 2010**

| Reason  | Sex        |            | Both Sexes |   |
|---|------------|------------|------------|---|
|   | Females    | Males      |            |   |
| Unemployed and Seeking Work / Lack of Jobs in Country | 1.4        | 18.6       | 13.7       | / |
| To Improve Living Standard                            | 2.4        | 19.5       | 14.6       |   |
| To Obtain more Education for Self                     | 11.2       | 43.8       | 34.4       | / |
| To Reunite with Family                                | 64.0       | 4.9        | 21.9       | / |
| Other   | 20.9       | 12.9       | 15.1       |   |
| Not Stated  | 0.0        | 0.3        | 0.2        |   |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> |   |

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**Table 14: Percentage Distribution of Emigrants Since 2000 by the Decision Maker to Emigrate and Sex, 2010**

| Decision Maker to Emigrate | Sex        |            | Both Sexes |   |
|----------------------------|------------|------------|------------|---|
|                            | Females    | Males      |            |   |
| Emigrant him Self          | 20.8       | 84.2       | 66.0       |   |
| Spouse                     | 60.8       | 2.2        | 19.0       | / |
| Children                   | 1.5        | 0.2        | 0.6        |   |
| Parents                    | 15.6       | 11.4       | 12.6       | / |
| Other Relative\ Friends    | 0.0        | 0.8        | 0.5        | / |
| Employer                   | 0.4        | 0.3        | 0.4        |   |
| Other                      | 1.0        | 1.0        | 1.0        |   |
| <b>Total</b>               | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> |   |



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**Table 15: Percentage of Emigrants Since 2000 by the Availability of Specific Information About the Emigration and Sex, 2010**

| Information  | Sex     |       | Both Sexes |
|--|---------|-------|------------|
|  | Females | Males |            |
| Levels of Income / Salaries                                  | 38.4    | 44.4  | 42.7       |
| Work Opportunities   | 30.1    | 47.1  | 42.2       |
| Cost of Living   | 51.9    | 53.0  | 52.7       |
| Health Care System   | 31.0    | 31.2  | 31.1       |
| Regulation about Entry and Resident Permits to Non-Nationals | 36.1    | 40.4  | 39.2       |
| Schools and Education System                                 | 33.6    | 41.8  | 39.5       |
| Attitudes Towards Foreigners                                 | 29.3    | 32.0  | 31.2       |

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**Table 16: Percentage Distribution of Emigrants Since 2000 by Availability of Visa/Documents Allowing Entry to the Country Abroad and Sex, 2010**

| Availability of Visa | Sex        |            | Both Sexes |
|----------------------|------------|------------|------------|
|                      | Females    | Males      |            |
| Available Visa       | 66.0       | 78.6       | 75.0       |
| Do not have a Visa   | 3.8        | 4.0        | 4.0        |
| Don't know           | 2.6        | 4.1        | 3.7        |
| Did not need Visa    | 27.6       | 13.2       | 17.3       |
| <b>Total</b>         | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> |

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**Table 17: Percentage Distribution of Emigrants Since 2000 by How well do the Emigrant Speak the Language of Country Abroad at Emigrated and Sex, 2010**

| How well do the Emigrant Speaks the Language of Country Abroad | Sex        |            | Both Sexes |
|--|------------|------------|------------|
|  | Females    | Males      |            |
| The Same Language Used here                                    | 63.0       | 51.3       | 54.7       |
| Good   | 13.0       | 22.0       | 19.4       |
| To Certain Extent  | 8.1        | 6.7        | 7.1        |
| Not well   | 5.2        | 3.4        | 3.9        |
| Not at all   | 8.4        | 15.5       | 13.4       |
| Don't know   | 2.4        | 1.2        | 1.5        |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> |

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**Table 18: Percentage Distribution of Emigrants Since 2000 by How well do the Emigrant Speak the Language of Country Abroad Now and Sex, 2010**

| How well do the Emigrant Speaks the Language of Country Abroad Now | Sex        |            | Both Sexes |  |
|--|------------|------------|------------|--|
|  | Females    | Males      |            |  |
| Fluent   | 33.5       | 53.4       | 48.7       |  |
| Good   | 30.7       | 33.7       | 33.0       |  |
| To Certain Extent  | 23.0       | 7.2        | 10.9       |  |
| Not well   | 1.9        | 2.8        | 2.6        |  |
| Not at all   | 5.8        | 1.1        | 2.2        |  |
| Don't know   | 5.1        | 1.8        | 2.6        |  |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> |  |

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**Table 19: Percentage of Emigrants Since 2000 by Who Funded the Cost of Emigration and Sex, 2010**

| Who Funded the Cost of Emigration | Sex     |       | Both Sexes |   |
|-----------------------------------|---------|-------|------------|---|
|                                   | Females | Males |            |   |
| Household                         | 87.0    | 79.5  | 81.6       |   |
| Relatives                         | 8.2     | 8.9   | 8.7        |   |
| Friends                           | .5      | 1.5   | 1.2        |   |
| Borrowed Money                    | 1.3     | 7.4   | 5.6        | / |
| Sale of Property                  | 1.5     | 2.8   | 2.4        |   |
| By Self                           | 11.0    | 25.4  | 21.2       |   |
| Other                             | 7.9     | 4.9   | 5.8        |   |

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**Table 20: Percentage Distribution of Emigrants Since 2000 by the Current Work Status and Sex, 2010**

| Current Work Status                           | Sex        |            | Both Sexes |   |
|---|------------|------------|------------|---|
|   | Females    | Males      |            |   |
| Long-term Employee with a Written Contract    | 43.6       | 32.2       | 33.4       | / |
| Long-term Employee without a Written Contract | 14.1       | 17.7       | 17.3       | / |
| Temporary Employee with a Written Contract    | 20.7       | 12.4       | 13.3       | / |
| Temporary Employee without a Written Contract | 9.9        | 12.9       | 12.5       | / |
| Day Labor, Casual Work                        | 6.6        | 15.9       | 14.9       |   |
| Other   | 5.1        | 8.9        | 8.5        |   |
| <b>Total</b>                                  | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> |   |

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**Table 21: Percentage Distribution of Emigrants Since 2000 by Desire to Migrate from the Residence country and Sex, 2010**

| Desire to Migrate | Sex        |            | Both Sexes |
|-------------------|------------|------------|------------|
|                   | Females    | Males      |            |
| Yes               | 20.3       | 27.0       | 25.1       |
| No                | 69.8       | 55.3       | 59.5       |
| Don't know        | 9.9        | 17.7       | 15.5       |
| <b>Total</b>      | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> |

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**Table 22: Percentage Distribution of Emigrants Since 2000 by Reason of Desire to Stay on the Currently Residence Country and Sex, 2010**

| Reason of Desire to Stay                      | Sex        |            | Both Sexes |
|---|------------|------------|------------|
|   | Females    | Males      |            |
| Have a Good Job and Satisfactory Income       | 7.7        | 42.1       | 30.3       |
| Good School System there                      | 3.0        | 5.8        | 4.8        |
| Good Health Care System there                 | 1.2        | 1.3        | 1.2        |
| Spouse would like to Stay there               | 70.8       | 9.8        | 30.8       |
| Settled in a Good House                       | 2.0        | 1.0        | 1.3        |
| Difficult to Find a Good job in other Country | 2.4        | 7.1        | 5.5        |
| Low Level of Crime, General Security          | 0.5        | 0.7        | 0.7        |
| Low Cost of Living                            | 0.9        | 1.9        | 1.6        |
| Other   | 11.4       | 30.2       | 23.8       |
| <b>Total</b>                                  | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> |

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**Table 23: Percentage Distribution of Emigrants Since 2000 by Reason of Desire to Migrate from the Currently Residence Country and Sex, 2010**

| Reason of Desire to Migrate from the Current Country of Residence | Sex        |            | Both Sexes |   |
|---|------------|------------|------------|---|
|   | Females    | Males      |            |   |
| No Relatives and Friend in that Country                           | 16.8       | 8.3        | 10.2       | / |
| Unemployed, can't find Jobs                                       | 10.3       | 15.2       | 14.1       | / |
| Better Job Opportunities  | 5.1        | 3.3        | 3.7        |   |
| Low Pay in that Country   | 2.0        | 3.6        | 3.3        |   |
| Poor Working Condition  | 2.2        | 9.7        | 8.0        |   |
| Different Values and Culture                                      | 1.9        | 4.0        | 3.5        |   |
| Spouse/Family couldn't get Visa to Join him/her                   | 2.6        | 3.4        | 3.2        | / |
| Marriage  | 2.7        | 3.0        | 3.0        |   |
| High Cost of Living   | 7.0        | 1.8        | 3.0        |   |
| Visa and Residency Problems                                       | 0.0        | 4.1        | 3.2        |   |
| Other   | 49.4       | 43.5       | 44.7       |   |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> |   |

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**Table 24: Percentage Distribution of Emigrants Since 2000 by Selected Indicators of the Perceived Experience of Migration and Sex, 2010**

| Selected Indicators                                     | Sex        |            | Both Sexes |  |
|---|------------|------------|------------|--|
|   | Females    | Males      |            |  |
| <b>Perceived Experience of Migration</b>                |            |            |            |  |
| Positive  | 44.8       | 43.0       | 43.5       |  |
| Negative  | 22.6       | 22.9       | 22.8       |  |
| Neither Positive nor Negative                           | 24.9       | 25.1       | 25.1       |  |
| Don't know  | 7.7        | 9.0        | 8.6        |  |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> |  |
| <b>Desire of any Household Member Join the Emigrant</b> |            |            |            |  |
| Yes   | 16.4       | 28.3       | 24.9       |  |
| No  | 83.6       | 71.7       | 75.1       |  |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> |  |
| <b>The Household Opinion</b>                            |            |            |            |  |
| Nothing   | 0.7        | 6.7        | 5.5        |  |
| Encourage them to Move there                            | 58.8       | 50.1       | 51.7       |  |
| Discourage them from Moving there                       | 35.9       | 40.2       | 39.4       |  |
| Other   | 4.6        | 3.1        | 3.4        |  |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> |  |

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**Table 25: Percentage Distribution of Emigrants Since 2000 by Number of Visits to the Palestinian Territory During the Last Two years and Sex, 2010**

| Number of Visits | Sex        |            | Both Sexes  |    |
|------------------|------------|------------|-------------|----|
|                  | Females    | Males      |             |    |
| 0                | 29.2       | 43.0       | <b>39.0</b> | 0  |
| 1                | 32.6       | 23.8       | <b>26.3</b> | 1  |
| 2                | 23.9       | 19.3       | <b>20.7</b> | 2  |
| 3                | 6.3        | 6.7        | <b>6.6</b>  | 3  |
| 4                | 2.2        | 3.3        | <b>3.0</b>  | 4  |
| 5+               | 5.8        | 3.9        | <b>4.3</b>  | +5 |
| <b>Total</b>     | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>  |    |

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**Table 26: Percentage Distribution of Emigrants Since 2000 by the Source of Money Taken by Emigrant and Sex, 2010**

| Source of Money  | Sex        |            | Both Sexes  |   |
|--|------------|------------|-------------|---|
|  | Females    | Males      |             |   |
| Personal Savings                                       | 23.6       | 28.3       | <b>27.7</b> |   |
| Savings of Household Head or other Household Member(s) | 65.7       | 65.1       | <b>65.2</b> |   |
| Gifts from Friends or Relatives Outside the Household  | 5.3        | 0.3        | <b>0.9</b>  |   |
| Loans from Friends or Relatives                        | 1.9        | 4.0        | <b>3.7</b>  |   |
| Loan from Bank, Government Agency                      | 0.0        | 1.1        | <b>0.9</b>  |   |
| Pledge or Sale of Land, House or Household Assets      | 1.6        | 0.3        | <b>0.5</b>  | / |
| Other  | 1.9        | 1.0        | <b>1.1</b>  |   |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>  |   |

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**Table 27: Percentage Distribution of Emigrants Since 2000 by Sending Money or Goods to their Household and Sex, 2010**

| Sending Money or Goods | Sex        |            | Both Sexes  |
|------------------------|------------|------------|-------------|
|                        | Females    | Males      |             |
| Yes                    | 9.7        | 31.1       | <b>25.0</b> |
| No                     | 90.3       | 68.9       | <b>75.0</b> |
| <b>Total</b>           | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>  |

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**Table 28: Percentage Distribution of Emigrants Since 2000 by the Methods Used to Send Money and Sex, 2010**

| Methods Used to Send Money     | Sex        |            | Both Sexes  |
|--------------------------------|------------|------------|-------------|
|                                | Females    | Males      |             |
| Banks                          | 62.8       | 60.0       | <b>60.2</b> |
| Money Transfer Agencies        | 0.0        | 20.7       | <b>18.9</b> |
| Post Office of Money Order     | 0.0        | 4.7        | <b>4.3</b>  |
| Sent through Friends/Relatives | 23.0       | 11.5       | <b>12.5</b> |
| Personally Carried it          | 14.2       | 3.1        | <b>4.1</b>  |
| <b>Total</b>                   | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>  |

## **Returned Immigrants**

Table1: Percentage Distribution of Returnees by Age, Sex and Region, 2010

| Age               | Region     |            | Palestinian Territory |       |
|-------------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|-------|
|                   | Gaza Strip | West Bank  |                       |       |
| <b>Both Sexes</b> |            |            |                       |       |
| 0-14              | 43.2       | 37.5       | <b>38.5</b>           | 14-0  |
| 15-29             | 33.2       | 37.1       | <b>36.4</b>           | 29-15 |
| 30-44             | 17.7       | 18.1       | <b>18.1</b>           | 44-30 |
| 45-59             | 5.1        | 5.7        | <b>5.6</b>            | 59-45 |
| 60+               | 0.8        | 1.4        | <b>1.3</b>            | +60   |
| Not Stated        | 0.0        | 0.2        | <b>0.1</b>            |       |
| <b>Total</b>      | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>            |       |
| <b>Males</b>      |            |            |                       |       |
| 0-14              | 42.2       | 38.5       | <b>39.3</b>           | 14-0  |
| 15-29             | 33.1       | 32.3       | <b>32.4</b>           | 29-15 |
| 30-44             | 17.0       | 20.1       | <b>19.5</b>           | 44-30 |
| 45-59             | 6.8        | 7.3        | <b>7.2</b>            | 59-45 |
| 60+               | 0.9        | 1.6        | <b>1.4</b>            | +60   |
| Not Stated        | 0.0        | 0.2        | <b>0.2</b>            |       |
| <b>Total</b>      | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>            |       |
| <b>Females</b>    |            |            |                       |       |
| 0-14              | 44.1       | 36.4       | <b>37.9</b>           | 14-0  |
| 15-29             | 33.5       | 42.0       | <b>40.3</b>           | 29-15 |
| 30-44             | 18.4       | 16.2       | <b>16.6</b>           | 44-30 |
| 45-59             | 3.2        | 4.0        | <b>3.9</b>            | 59-45 |
| 60+               | 0.7        | 1.2        | <b>1.1</b>            | +60   |
| Not Stated        | 0.0        | 0.1        | <b>0.1</b>            |       |
| <b>Total</b>      | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>            |       |



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**Table 2: Percentage Distribution of Returnees by Year of Return and Region, 2010**

| Year of Return  | Region     |            | Palestinian Territory |           |
|-----------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|-----------|
|                 | Gaza Strip | West Bank  |                       |           |
| 1990 and before | 18.0       | 27.3       | <b>25.5</b>           | 1990      |
| 1991-1994       | 23.3       | 17.9       | <b>18.9</b>           | 1994-1991 |
| 1995-1999       | 40.3       | 28.8       | <b>31.0</b>           | 1999-1995 |
| 2000-2004       | 10.7       | 10.3       | <b>10.4</b>           | 2004-2000 |
| 2005 and after  | 7.7        | 15.5       | <b>14.0</b>           | 2005      |
| Not Stated      | 0.0        | 0.2        | <b>0.2</b>            |           |
| <b>Total</b>    | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>            |           |

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**Table 3: Percentage Distribution of Returnees Since 1990 by the First Country of Residence Abroad and Region, 2010**

| First Country of Residence Abroad | Region     |            | Palestinian Territory |  |
|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|--|
|                                   | Gaza Strip | West Bank  |                       |  |
| Jordan                            | 5.5        | 21.4       | <b>18.1</b>           |  |
| Egypt                             | 11.6       | 1.9        | <b>3.9</b>            |  |
| Arab Gulf Countries               | 15.3       | 20.2       | <b>19.2</b>           |  |
| Other Arab Countries              | 14.7       | 3.6        | <b>5.9</b>            |  |
| USA                               | 0.4        | 7.3        | <b>5.9</b>            |  |
| Other Foreign Countries           | 52.4       | 45.5       | <b>47.0</b>           |  |
| Not Stated                        | 0.0        | 0.1        | <b>0.1</b>            |  |
| <b>Total</b>                      | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>            |  |

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**Table 4: Percentage Distribution of Returnees Since 1990 by the Last Country of Residence Abroad and Region, 2010**

| Last Country of Residence Abroad | Region     |            | Palestinian Territory |  |
|----------------------------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|--|
|                                  | Gaza Strip | West Bank  |                       |  |
| Jordan                           | 6.5        | 42.7       | <b>36.1</b>           |  |
| Egypt                            | 18.0       | 2.2        | <b>5.1</b>            |  |
| Arab Gulf Countries              | 33.2       | 28.1       | <b>29.0</b>           |  |
| Other Arab Countries             | 28.6       | 4.6        | <b>8.9</b>            |  |
| USA                              | 1.1        | 11.4       | <b>9.5</b>            |  |
| Other Foreign Countries          | 12.3       | 10.8       | <b>11.1</b>           |  |
| Not Stated                       | 0.3        | 0.2        | <b>0.3</b>            |  |
| <b>Total</b>                     | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>            |  |

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**Table 5: Percentage Distribution of Returnees Since 1990 by the Financial Situation before Emigration and Region, 2010**

| Financial Situation  | Region     |            | Palestinian Territory |  |
|----------------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|--|
|                      | Gaza Strip | West Bank  |                       |  |
| More than Sufficient | 2.3        | 3.1        | <b>2.9</b>            |  |
| Sufficient           | 50.0       | 57.9       | <b>56.4</b>           |  |
| Less than Sufficient | 27.5       | 23.8       | <b>24.5</b>           |  |
| Not Sufficient       | 14.3       | 12.7       | <b>13.0</b>           |  |
| Don't know           | 6.0        | 2.6        | <b>3.2</b>            |  |
| <b>Total</b>         | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>            |  |

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**Table 6: Percentage Distribution of Returnees Since 1990 by Main Reason of Emigration and Region, 2010**

| Main Reason of Emigration   | Region     |            | Palestinian Territory |     |
|---|------------|------------|-----------------------|-----|
|   | Gaza Strip | West Bank  |                       |     |
| Unemployed/ Lack of Job Opportunities in the Country                      | 15.1       | 8.5        | 9.7                   | /   |
| Inadequate Income in the Country of Origin / High Wage in the New Country | 1.6        | 2.9        | 2.6                   | /   |
| To Improve the Standards of Living  | 11.3       | 15.8       | 15.0                  |     |
| Education and Study   | 23.1       | 21.4       | 21.7                  |     |
| Family Reunion / Accompany/ Marriage                                      | 33.2       | 33.2       | 33.2                  | / / |
| Absence of Security here  | 3.3        | 2.6        | 2.7                   |     |
| Other   | 12.5       | 15.7       | 15.1                  |     |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>            |     |

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**Table 7: Percentage Distribution of Returnees by Relation to the Head of the Household and Region, 2010**

| Relation to Head of the Household | Region     |            | Palestinian Territory |   |
|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|---|
|                                   | Gaza Strip | West Bank  |                       |   |
| Head of Household                 | 35.7       | 32.7       | 33.2                  |   |
| Spouse                            | 31.1       | 28.5       | 29.0                  | / |
| Son / Daughter                    | 29.9       | 33.8       | 33.3                  | / |
| Father / Mother                   | 1.4        | 1.6        | 1.5                   | / |
| Brother / Sister                  | 0.7        | 1.5        | 1.3                   | / |
| Grand Father/Mother               | 0.1        | 0.0        | 0.0                   | / |
| Grandchild                        | 0.2        | 0.6        | 0.5                   | / |
| Son / Daughter in Law             | 0.9        | 1.0        | 1.0                   | / |
| Other Relatives                   | 0.0        | 0.3        | 0.2                   |   |
| <b>Total</b>                      | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>            |   |

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**Table 8: Percentage Distribution of Returnees Since 1990 by Decision Maker to Emigrate and Region, 2010**

| Decision Maker to Emigrate | Region     |            | Palestinian Territory |   |
|----------------------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|---|
|                            | Gaza Strip | West Bank  |                       |   |
| Myself                     | 50.2       | 48.7       | 49.0                  |   |
| Spouse                     | 25.6       | 27.0       | 26.8                  | / |
| Children                   | 1.0        | 0.5        | 0.6                   |   |
| Parents                    | 21.8       | 21.0       | 21.2                  | / |
| Other Relative /Friends    | 0.0        | 0.9        | 0.8                   | / |
| Employer                   | 0.0        | 0.3        | 0.3                   |   |
| Other                      | 1.4        | 1.5        | 1.4                   |   |
| <b>Total</b>               | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>            |   |

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**Table 9: Percentage Distribution of Returnees Since 1990 by How Well do the Immigrant Speaks the Language of Country Abroad Now and Region, 2010**

| How Well Immigrant Speaks the Language of Country Abroad | Region     |            | Palestinian Territory |  |
|--|------------|------------|-----------------------|--|
|  | Gaza Strip | West Bank  |                       |  |
| Fluent   | 53.5       | 47.4       | 48.2                  |  |
| Good   | 36.1       | 29.8       | 30.6                  |  |
| To Certain Extent  | 7.9        | 14.8       | 13.9                  |  |
| Not well   | 0.0        | 5.3        | 4.7                   |  |
| Not at all   | 2.5        | 2.7        | 2.6                   |  |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>            |  |

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**Table 10: Percentage Distribution of Returnees Since 1990 by the Educational Attainment Emigrated Abroad and Region, 2010**

| Educational Attainment | Region     |            | Palestinian Territory |  |
|------------------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|--|
|                        | Gaza Strip | West Bank  |                       |  |
| Less than Elementary   | 18.3       | 17.8       | 18.0                  |  |
| Elementary             | 3.4        | 13.0       | 11.3                  |  |
| Preparatory            | 13.1       | 18.2       | 17.3                  |  |
| Secondary              | 43.1       | 34.2       | 35.8                  |  |
| Associate Diploma      | 10.6       | 8.4        | 8.8                   |  |
| Bachelor and Above     | 11.5       | 8.2        | 8.8                   |  |
| Not Stated             | 0.0        | 0.2        | 0.1                   |  |
| <b>Total</b>           | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>            |  |

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**Table 11: Percentage Distribution of Returnees Since 1990 by the Current Work Situation and Region, 2010**

| Current Work Situation   | Region     |            | Palestinian Territory |  |
|--------------------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|--|
|                          | Gaza Strip | West Bank  |                       |  |
| Employer                 | 7.7        | 12.2       | 11.3                  |  |
| Working for Family       | 0.7        | 1.8        | 1.5                   |  |
| Working for Someone Else | 9.2        | 19.7       | 17.4                  |  |
| Other                    | 25.7       | 6.4        | 10.4                  |  |
| Does not Work            | 56.8       | 60.0       | 59.3                  |  |
| <b>Total</b>             | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>            |  |

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**Table 12: Percentage Distribution of Returnees Since 1990 by the Current Work Status and Region, 2010**

| Current Work Status                           | Region     |            | Palestinian Territory |
|---|------------|------------|-----------------------|
|   | Gaza Strip | West Bank  |                       |
| Long-term Employee with a Written Contract    | 76.4       | 40.1       | <b>49.3</b>           |
| Long-term Employee without a Written Contract | 5.6        | 24.3       | <b>19.6</b>           |
| Temporary Employee with a Written Contract    | 6.9        | 3.8        | <b>4.6</b>            |
| Temporary Employee without a Written Contract | 1.8        | 7.9        | <b>6.4</b>            |
| Day Labor, Casual Work                        | 5.9        | 18.8       | <b>15.6</b>           |
| Other   | 3.5        | 5.1        | <b>4.7</b>            |
| <b>Total</b>                                  | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>            |

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**Table 13: Percentage Distribution of Returnees Since 1990 by the Reasons of Return and Region, 2010**

| Reasons of Return   | Region     |            | Palestinian Territory |
|---|------------|------------|-----------------------|
|   | Gaza Strip | West Bank  |                       |
| Graduated Abroad  | 8.6        | 7.5        | <b>7.7</b>            |
| Has Better Job Opportunity                                | 2.7        | 2.1        | <b>2.2</b>            |
| Educate the Children by the Palestinian Values and Ethics | 3.3        | 4.2        | <b>4.0</b>            |
| Marriage\Family Reunion                                   | 15.9       | 21.9       | <b>20.7</b>           |
| Second Gulf War   | 2.3        | 6.7        | <b>5.8</b>            |
| Homecoming  | 45.1       | 37.0       | <b>38.6</b>           |
| Other   | 22.1       | 20.6       | <b>20.9</b>           |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>            |

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**Table 14: Percentage Distribution of Returnees Since 1990 by who Have the Decision to-Return and Region, 2010**

| who Have the First Decision to Return | Region     |            | Palestinian Territory |   |
|---------------------------------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|---|
|                                       | Gaza Strip | West Bank  |                       |   |
| Myself                                | 50.2       | 48.7       | <b>49.0</b>           |   |
| Spouse                                | 25.6       | 27.0       | <b>26.8</b>           | / |
| Children                              | 1.0        | 0.5        | <b>0.6</b>            |   |
| Parents                               | 21.8       | 21.0       | <b>21.2</b>           | / |
| Other Relative /Friends               | 0.0        | 0.9        | <b>0.8</b>            | / |
| Employer                              | 0.0        | 0.3        | <b>0.3</b>            |   |
| Other                                 | 1.4        | 1.5        | <b>1.4</b>            |   |
| <b>Total</b>                          | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>            |   |

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**Table 15: Percentage Distribution of Returnees Since 1990 by the Perceived Experience of Migration and Region, 2010**

| Experience of Emigration      | Region     |            | Palestinian Territory |  |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|--|
|                               | Gaza Strip | West Bank  |                       |  |
| Positives more than Negatives | 35.6       | 35.0       | <b>35.1</b>           |  |
| Negatives more than Positives | 20.3       | 26.3       | <b>25.0</b>           |  |
| Neither Positive nor Negative | 39.3       | 34.4       | <b>35.4</b>           |  |
| Don't know                    | 4.8        | 4.3        | <b>4.4</b>            |  |
| <b>Total</b>                  | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>            |  |

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**Table 16: Percentage Distribution of Returnees Since 1990 by the Financial Situation Before and After Return and Region, 2010**

| Financial Situation      | Region     |            | Palestinian Territory |
|--------------------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|
|                          | Gaza Strip | West Bank  |                       |
| Much Better              | 14.4       | 11.4       | 12.0                  |
| Better                   | 26.2       | 26.7       | 26.6                  |
| Neither Better nor Worse | 16.2       | 28.8       | 26.1                  |
| Worse                    | 20.6       | 24.0       | 23.3                  |
| Much Worse               | 19.7       | 8.0        | 10.5                  |
| Don't know               | 2.8        | 1.1        | 1.4                   |
| <b>Total</b>             | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>            |

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**Table 17: Percentage of Returnees Since 1990 by Difficulties Faced at Return and Region, 2010**

| Difficulties Faced at Return                 | Region     |                            | Palestinian Territory |
|--|------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
|  | Gaza Strip | الضفة الغربية<br>West Bank |                       |
| Difficulty to Access to Housing              | 22.4       | 16.9                       | 18.1                  |
| Difficulty to Readapt                        | 42.4       | 32.3                       | 34.4                  |
| Difficulty to Educate the Children           | 7.6        | 9.4                        | 9.0                   |
| Difficulty to Find the Entertainment Centers | 24.3       | 20.5                       | 21.3                  |
| Difficulty to Find the Job                   | 26.9       | 23.1                       | 23.9                  |
| Difficulty to High Cost in Living Condition  | 14.4       | 24.6                       | 22.4                  |
| Difficulty to the Investment Environment     | 4.1        | 4.3                        | 4.3                   |
| Other Difficulties                           | 10.0       | 4.1                        | 5.3                   |
| No difficulty                                | 27.1       | 40.7                       | 37.8                  |



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**Table 18: Percentage Distribution of Returnees Since 1990 by Methods Used to Send Money and Region, 2010**

| Methods Used to Send Money     | Region     |            | Palestinian Territory |  |
|--------------------------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|--|
|                                | Gaza Strip | West Bank  |                       |  |
| Banks                          | 42.3       | 44.2       | 43.9                  |  |
| Money Transfer Organization    | 12.5       | 9.3        | 9.8                   |  |
| Post Office of Money Order     | 0.0        | 2.1        | 1.8                   |  |
| Sent through Friends/Relatives | 34.3       | 31.0       | 31.5                  |  |
| Personally Carried it          | 10.8       | 12.3       | 12.1                  |  |
| Other                          | 0.0        | 1.1        | 0.9                   |  |
| <b>Total</b>                   | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>            |  |

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**Table 19: Percentage of Returnees Since 1990 by Methods Money Spent and Region, 2010**

| Methods Money Spend  | Region     |           | Palestinian Territory |   |
|--|------------|-----------|-----------------------|---|
|  | Gaza Strip | West Bank |                       |   |
| Daily Needs  | 92.5       | 82.5      | 84.6                  |   |
| Buy other Household's Goods                                | 64.3       | 39.9      | 45.0                  |   |
| Pay for Schooling/Vocational Training of Household Members | 51.0       | 31.8      | 35.8                  | / |
| Pay of Medical Bills                                       | 30.0       | 23.5      | 34.8                  |   |
| Pay of Debts   | 5.4        | 9.5       | 8.7                   |   |
| Buy Apartment/House Construction                           | 41.4       | 20.1      | 24.4                  | / |
| Buy or Rent Lands  | 7.3        | 5.8       | 6.1                   | / |
| Investment in Project                                      | 2.9        | 8.7       | 7.5                   |   |
| Save Money   | 11.8       | 13.0      | 12.8                  |   |
| Assist Family and Relatives                                | 33.5       | 16.9      | 20.2                  |   |
| Other  | 4.2        | 7.4       | 6.7                   |   |

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**Table 1: Percentage of Persons (15-59 years) who have Relatives Abroad by Country of Residence and Region, 2010**

| Country of Residence    | Region     |           | Palestinian Territory |
|-------------------------|------------|-----------|-----------------------|
|                         | Gaza Strip | West Bank |                       |
| Jordan                  | 18.2       | 66.4      | <b>60.0</b>           |
| Egypt                   | 29.4       | 2.5       | <b>6.1</b>            |
| Arab Gulf Countries     | 45.6       | 19.3      | <b>22.8</b>           |
| Others Arab Countries   | 22.2       | 4.1       | <b>6.5</b>            |
| USA                     | 4.4        | 18.6      | <b>16.0</b>           |
| Europe                  | 5.0        | 7.2       | <b>7.0</b>            |
| Other Foreign Countries | 10.7       | 6.1       | <b>6.7</b>            |

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**Table 2: Percentage Distribution of Persons (15-59 years) by Desire to Migrate and Region, 2010**

| Desire to Migrate    | Region     |            | Palestinian Territory |
|----------------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|
|                      | Gaza Strip | West Bank  |                       |
| Desire to Migrate    | 12.4       | 13.4       | <b>13.3</b>           |
| No Desire to Migrate | 81.7       | 83.0       | <b>82.8</b>           |
| Hesitant             | 5.9        | 3.6        | <b>3.9</b>            |
| <b>Total</b>         | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>            |

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**Table 3: Percentage Distribution of Persons (15-59 years) who Desire to Emigrate by Type of Migration and Region, 2010**

| Type of Migration   | Region     |            | Palestinian Territory |
|---------------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|
|                     | Gaza Strip | West Bank  |                       |
| Permanent Migration | 34.7       | 29.1       | <b>29.7</b>           |
| Temporary Migration | 65.3       | 70.9       | <b>70.3</b>           |
| <b>Total</b>        | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>            |

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**Table 4: Percentage Distribution of Persons (15-59 years) who Desire to Emigrate by the Preferred Country of Destination and Region, 2010**

| Preferred Country of Destination | Region     |            | Palestinian Territory |  |
|----------------------------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|--|
|                                  | Gaza Strip | West Bank  |                       |  |
| Jordan                           | 4.0        | 9.3        | 8.6                   |  |
| Egypt                            | 12.3       | 3.4        | 4.6                   |  |
| Arab Gulf Countries              | 23.5       | 23.0       | 23.1                  |  |
| Others Arab Countries            | 4.2        | 3.1        | 3.3                   |  |
| USA                              | 2.0        | 17.1       | 15.1                  |  |
| Other Foreign Countries          | 34.7       | 26.7       | 27.8                  |  |
| Not Decided                      | 19.3       | 17.4       | 17.5                  |  |
| <b>Total</b>                     | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>            |  |

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**Table 5: Percentage Distribution of Persons (15-59 years) who Desire to Emigrate by Main Reason and Region, 2010**

| Main Reason for Desire to Emigrate                                    | Region     |            | Palestinian Territory |   |
|---|------------|------------|-----------------------|---|
|   | Gaza Strip | West Bank  |                       |   |
| Unemployed / Lack of Job Opportunities in the Country                 | 17.2       | 14.9       | 15.2                  | / |
| Inadequate Income in Country of Origin / High Wage in the New Country | 4.5        | 6.4        | 6.2                   | / |
| Place of Work was Changed   | 0.2        | 0.5        | 0.5                   |   |
| There are Good Business Opportunities                                 | 1.6        | 3.7        | 3.4                   |   |
| To Improve the Standards of Living                                    | 42.9       | 38.8       | 39.3                  |   |
| Personal Problems with the Employer or Others at Work                 | 0.5        | 0.2        | 0.2                   |   |
| Education and Study   | 8.2        | 20.3       | 18.7                  |   |
| To get Better Education for Children                                  | 0.4        | 0.9        | 0.8                   |   |
| Availability of Social and Health Services there                      | 4.3        | 1.1        | 1.5                   |   |
| Family Reunion / Company/ Marriage                                    | 1.1        | 1.5        | 1.4                   | / |
| Away from Family Problems   | 0.6        | 1.2        | 1.1                   |   |
| For Political Asylum  | 0.5        | 0.7        | 0.7                   |   |
| Absence of Security here  | 13.8       | 5.6        | 6.6                   |   |
| Other   | 4.2        | 4.2        | 4.4                   |   |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>            |   |

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**Table 6: Percentage Distribution of Persons (15-59 years) who Desire to Emigrate by Decision Maker to Emigrate and Region, 2010**

| Decision Maker to Emigrate | Region     |            | Palestinian Territory |   |
|----------------------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|---|
|                            | Gaza Strip | West Bank  |                       |   |
| Just me                    | 65.7       | 71.3       | 70.6                  |   |
| Husband / Wife             | 22.2       | 11.6       | 13.0                  | / |
| Sons                       | 0.4        | 0.5        | 0.5                   | / |
| Parents                    | 10.3       | 15.3       | 14.6                  |   |
| Other Relatives            | 0.5        | 0.7        | 0.7                   |   |
| Friends                    | 0.1        | 0.3        | 0.3                   |   |
| Other                      | 0.7        | 0.2        | 0.3                   |   |
| <b>Total</b>               | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>100</b>            |   |

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**Table 7: Percentage of Persons (15-59 years) who Don't Desire to Emigrate by Reasons and Region, 2010**

| Emigrate Reason for no Desire to          | Region     |           | Palestinian Territory |   |
|---|------------|-----------|-----------------------|---|
|   | Gaza Strip | West Bank |                       |   |
| Have a Job and Good Income                | 7.7        | 8.4       | 8.3                   |   |
| Have a Successful Business here           | 4.4        | 9.9       | 9.1                   |   |
| Feel Comfortable only in my Country       | 65.4       | 73.1      | 72.0                  |   |
| Husband / Wife does not Want to Immigrate | 21.7       | 15.4      | 16.3                  | / |
| Cannot Travel on my Own                   | 14.1       | 14.6      | 14.5                  |   |
| To Look After Parents / Family            | 17.3       | 24.6      | 23.6                  | / |
| Low Level of Crime here                   | 1.2        | 5.4       | 4.8                   |   |
| Low Cost of Living here                   | 2.4        | 5.8       | 5.3                   |   |
| Palestine is a Blessed and Holy Land      | 77.2       | 74.1      | 74.5                  |   |
| Other                                     | 1.8        | 4.3       | 3.9                   |   |