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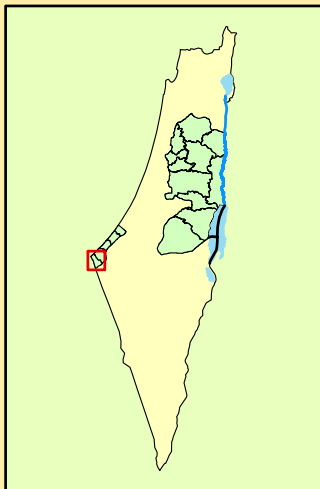
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السلطة الوطنية الفلسطينية



منظمة التحرير الفلسطينية

بسم الله الرحمن الرحيم

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يعتبر التعداد العام للسكان والمساكن والمنشآت ركناً أساسياً من أركان النظام الإحصائي الرسمي في أي دولة، حيث يأتي تنفيذه خلال عام 2007 استحقاقاً قانونياً وتنموياً ووطنياً وسيادياً، ويمثل تنفيذه لبنة أساسية في عملية بناء الدولة وإرساء أسس التخطيط السليم بمعايير علمية نظراً لما يوفره من إحصاءات دقيقة وتفصيلية لكافة نواحي الحياة، ويساهم في بناء الدولة الفلسطينية وإنجاز الاستقلال السياسي والاقتصادي والاجتماعي، وتحقيق التنمية.

لقد جاء تنفيذ هذا المشروع الوطني الكبير في ظل ظروف غاية في التعقيد على مختلف الأصعدة، مما جعل تنفيذ التعداد مهمة صعبة تعترضها الكثير من التحديات والأخطار، إلا أن عزيمة الشعب الفلسطيني وإصرار الفريق الوطني، واحتضان القيادة السياسية جعلت من التغلب على هذا التحدي أمراً ممكناً أدى إلى تنفيذ التعداد العام الثاني في الأراضي الفلسطينية بجودة عالية وفق المعايير الدولية، بأيد وبخبرات فلسطينية وقرار فلسطيني مستقل، واستجابة للحاجات الوطنية في شتى المجالات.

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منظمة التحرير الفلسطينية

لقد أسهم التعداد في إعادة الموضوع التنموي على الأجندة الوطنية والدولية في فلسطين، بعد أن تراجع دورها لصالح الأجندة الإغاثية، فالتنمية أهم الدعامات الضرورية لتأسيس مجتمع ديمقراطي، وبناء إنسان حر ملتزم بالمبادئ الوطنية والإنسانية. والإحصاءات الدقيقة والعلمية هي العمود الفقري لوضع خطط تنموية مبنية على أسس سليمة تشكل رافعة لقضايا التنمية وتحقيق الأهداف المعلنة عليها.

لقد أبدى المجتمع الدولي اهتماماً بالغاً بهذا المشروع التنموي وعبر عن اهتمامه من خلال الدعم المادي والفني الذي قدمته بعض الدول الصديقة والمنظمات الدولية. فقد كان لصندوق الأمم المتحدة للسكان مساهمة مادية وفنية جادة، وكذلك صندوق أوبك للتنمية الدولية، وحكومات النرويج وهولندا وسويسرا وأستراليا، والمملكة العربية السعودية ومنظمة الأمم المتحدة للطفولة "اليونيسيف"

إننا إذ نهدي هذا الإنجاز التاريخي الى كل فلسطيني، فإننا نعبر عن تقديرنا وشكرنا لأسرة الجهاز المركزي للإحصاء الفلسطيني والفريق الوطني للتعداد على إصرارهم وعطائهم وتفانيهم في تحقيق هذا الإنجاز.

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Table 1: Summary Results of the Population, Housing and Establishment Census in Rafah Governorate 1997, 2007

Indicator	2007		1997		
	(%)	No. ¹	(%)	No. ¹	
Total Population²					2
Males	50.4	87,425	50.5	62,052	
Females	49.6	86,114	49.5	60,813	
Total	100.0	173,539	100.0	122,865	
Total Households Counted					
Private Households	100.0	26,391	99.9	17,470	
Institutional Households	0.0	1	0.1	9	
Total	100.0	26,392	100.0	17,479	
Population Distribution by Household Type					
Population of Private Households	99.9	170,624	99.9	120,246	
Population of Institutional Households	0.1	138	0.1	140	
Total	100.0	170,762	100.0	120,386	
Distribution of Private Households by Nationality of Head of Household					
Private Palestinian Households	98.7	26,061	100.0	17,468	
Private Foreign Households	0.0	11	0.0	2	
Not Stated	1.2	319	0.0	-	
Total	100.0	26,391	100.0	17,470	
Distribution of Population in Private Households by Nationality of Head of Household					
Population of Private Palestinian Households	98.6	168,163	100.0	120,238	
Population of Private Foreign Households	0.0	39	0.0	8	
Not Stated	1.4	2,422	0.0	-	
Total	100.0	170,624	100.0	120,246	
Sex Ratio (Male Per 100 Female)	-	101.5	-	102.0	(100)
Average Household Size	-	6.5	-	6.9	
Households by Sex of Head of Household					
Males	90.5	23,872	90.0	15,722	
Females	9.5	2,519	10.0	1,748	
Total	100.0	26,391	100.0	17,470	
Type of Private Household					
One Person	3.0	790	3.3	572	
Nuclear	76.9	20,307	71.0	12,399	
Extended	18.8	4,952	25.6	4,474	
Composite	0.3	78	0.1	25	
Not Stated	1.0	264	0.0	-	
Total	100.0	26,391	100.0	17,470	

¹ Includes population and households counted during the year 1997, 2007. Unless otherwise stated

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² Includes population counted during the year of 1997, 2007 and uncounted population estimates according to the post enumeration survey.

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Table 1 (Cont.): Summary Results of the Population, Housing and Establishment Census in Rafah Governorate 1997, 2007

Indicator	2007		1997		
	(%)	No. ¹	(%)	No. ¹	
Population by Nationality					
Palestinians	98.5	168,152	99.9	120,261	
Not Palestinians	0.1	149	0.1	125	
Not Stated	1.4	2,461	0.0	-	
Total	100.0	170,762	100.0	120,386	
Refugee Status					
Refugee	84.3	141,759	83.9	100,893	
Non-Refugee	15.7	26,350	15.8	19,046	
Not Stated	0.0	43	0.3	322	
Total	100.0	168,152	100.0	120,261	
Age Distribution					
0 - 4	16.8	28,603	19.6	23,606	4 - 0
5 - 14	27.4	46,816	30.0	36,122	14 - 5
15 - 64	51.7	88,273	47.4	57,016	64 - 15
65+	2.7	4,537	3.0	3,637	+ 65
Not Stated	1.5	2,533	0.0	5	
Total	100.0	170,762	100.0	120,386	
Median Age (Years)	-	16.0	-	15.0	()
Palestinians 12 Years and Over by Marital Status					12
Legally Married and Never Married					
Males	49.8	26,672	45.9	15,972	
Females	41.7	22,388	34.9	12,013	
Married					
Males	49.2	26,316	53.1	18,480	
Females	51.0	27,400	56.2	19,335	
Divorced					
Males	0.3	140	0.3	107	
Females	1.4	740	1.4	483	
Widowed					
Males	0.5	292	0.6	222	
Females	5.5	2,950	7.3	2,517	
Separated					
Males	0.0	23	.	.	
Females	0.1	78	.	.	
Not Stated					
Males	0.2	92	0.1	30	
Females	0.2	126	0.2	52	
Total					
Males	100.0	53,535	100.0	34,811	
Females	100.0	53,682	100.0	34,400	

¹ Includes population and households counted during the year 1997, 2007. Unless

Table 1 (Cont.): Summary Results of the Population, Housing and Establishment Census in Rafah Governorate 1997, 2007

Indicator	2007		1997		
	(%)	No. ¹	(%)	No. ¹	
Median Age at First Marriage					
Males	-	23.0	-	23.0	
Females	-	19.0	-	19.0	
Dependency Ratio	-	90.6	-	111.1	
Palestinians 15 Years and Over According to Ability to Read/ Write					/ 15
Illiterate					
Males	3.7	1,695	8.2	2,473	
Females	10.9	5,089	21.5	6,508	
Literate					
Males	96.3	44,458	91.6	27,724	
Females	89.0	41,376	77.4	23,414	
Not stated					
Males	0.0	19	0.3	81	
Females	0.1	28	1.1	336	
Total					
Males	100.0	46,172	100.0	30,278	
Females	100.0	46,493	100.0	30,258	
Palestinians 10 Years and Over by Educational Attainment					10
Illiterate	5.9	6,909	12.2	9,252	
Can Read and Write	11.3	13,089	15.3	11,623	
Secondary and below	69.8	81,056	62.7	47,482	
Associate Diploma	3.9	4,551	5.0	3,763	
Bachelor	8.4	9,801	3.9	2,947	
Higher Diploma and above	0.6	728	0.3	253	
Not stated	0.1	64	0.6	422	
Total	100.0	116,198	100.0	75,742	
School Attendance for Palestinians 6-18 Years					18-6
Attending	93.6	55,403	90.3	37,616	
Not Attending	6.3	3,734	9.7	4,043	
Not Stated	0.1	33	0.0	3	
Total	100.0	59,170	100.0	41,662	
Palestinians by Disability/ Difficulty Status³					³ /
With Disability/ Difficulty	3.7	6,161	1.5	1,836	/
Without Disability/ Without Difficulty	96.2	161,688	98.5	118,424	/
Not stated	0.2	303	0.0	1	
Total	100.0	168,152	100.0	120,261	

¹ Includes population and households counted during the year 1997, 2007. Unless otherwise stated

³ There is a difference in the definition between two censuses

Table 1 (Cont.): Summary Results of the Population, Housing and Establishment Census in Rafah Governorate 1997, 2007

Indicator	2007		1997		
	(%)	No. ¹	(%)	No. ¹	
Disabled Palestinians by Type of Disability/ Difficulty⁴					4 /
Seeing	1.8	3,037	0.2	190	
Hearing	1.0	1,666	0.1	104	
Moving	1.3	2,221	0.5	566	
Cognition	0.6	996	.	.	
Communication	0.6	1,071	.	.	
Others	.	.	0.8	976	
Palestinians by Place of Birth					
Inside Palestinian Territories	90.4	152,091	86.1	103,487	
Outside Palestinian Territories	9.5	15,924	13.9	16,753	
Not stated	0.1	137	0.0	21	
Total	100.0	168,152	100.0	120,261	
Palestinians 10 Years and Over by Employment Status					10
Economically Active	30.0	34,830	31.4	23,768	
Employed	64.1	22,333	70.1	16,653	
Unemployed Ever Worked	14.0	4,875	15.7	3,741	
Unemployed Never Worked	21.9	7,622	14.2	3,374	
Not Economically Active	69.7	81,015	68.2	51,628	
Studying/ Training	56.3	45,643	47.5	24,514	
Housekeeping	33.8	27,386	44.6	23,021	
Disability/ Aging/ Illness	8.2	6,622	5.7	2,922	/ /
Another Source of Incom/ Retire	0.7	599	1.2	612	/
Others	0.9	765	1.1	559	
Not Stated	0.3	353	0.5	346	
Total	100.0	116,198	100.0	75,742	
Palestinians 10 Years and Over Employed and Unemployed Ever Worked by Occupation					10
Legislators and Managers	1.7	473	1.5	310	
Professionals	18.2	4,958	7.6	1,544	
Technicians and Associate Professionals	13.9	3,791	8.7	1,784	
Clerks	1.4	391	3.4	691	
Services and Sales Workers	25.7	7,005	21.3	4,341	
Skilled Agricultural and Fishery Workers	2.9	782	5.5	1,122	
Crafts and Related Workers	8.2	2,244	13.6	2,775	
Plant, Machine Operators and Assemblers	5.3	1,432	5.5	1,115	
Elementary Occupations	20.7	5,629	32.4	6,612	
Not Sated	1.9	503	0.5	100	
Total	100.0	27,208	100.0	20,394	

¹ Includes population and households counted during the year 1997, 2007. Unless otherwise stated

⁴ Percentages represents percent out of total population

Table 1 (Cont.): Summary Results of the Population, Housing and Establishment Census in Rafah Governorate 1997, 2007

Indicator	2007		1997		
	(%)	No. ¹	(%)	No. ¹	
Palestinians 10 Years and Over Employed and Unemployed Ever Worked by Economic Activity					10
Agriculture, Hunting and Forestry	13.1	3,577	21.0	4,284	
Fishing	0.3	90	0.3	61	
Mining and Quarrying	0.0	4	0.2	45	
Manufacturing	4.0	1,094	7.3	1,484	
Electricity, Gas and Water Supply	0.3	86	0.2	32	
Construction	8.0	2,176	16.7	3,409	
Whole sale and Retail Trade	9.9	2,699	10.4	2,113	
Hotels and Restaurants	0.6	151	0.7	145	
Transport, Storage and Communication	5.4	1,464	4.7	955	
Financial Intermediation	0.4	102	0.4	76	
Real-estate, Renting and Business Activities	0.8	208	0.8	154	
Public Administration and Defense	31.6	8,605	20.4	4,170	
Education	14.1	3,842	10.1	2,060	
Health and Social Work	5.9	1,607	3.8	778	
Other Community Social and Personal service Activities	1.9	512	1.4	292	
Private Households with Employed Persons	0.0	7	0.0	2	
Extraterritorial Organizations and Bodies	1.4	390	0.9	184	
Not Stated	2.2	594	0.7	150	
Total	100.0	27,208	100.0	20,394	
Average Number of Persons per Room	-	1.8	-	2.1	
Average Number of Room in Housing Unit	-	3.6	-	3.6	
Occupied Housing Units by Type					
Villa	1.9	495	0.3	48	
House	46.3	12,220	61.6	9,760	
Apartment	49.8	13,150	35.7	5,657	
Independent Room	0.1	33	0.5	74	
Tent	0.1	32	0.2	25	
Marginal	0.5	144	1.7	271	
Others	0.1	14	0.1	14	
Not Stated	1.1	303	0.0	5	
Total⁵	100.0	26,391	100.0	15,854	5
Private Households by Tenure of Housing Unit					
Owned	79.7	21,038	91.0	15,896	
Rented Unfurnished	9.0	2,371	3.3	574	
Rented Furnished	0.7	193	0.2	35	
Without Payment	9.0	2,373	5.0	865	
For Work	0.3	78	0.2	32	
Others	0.1	20	0.2	28	
Not Stated	1.2	318	0.2	40	
Total⁵	100.0	26,391	100.0	17,470	5

¹ Includes population and households counted during the year 1997, 2007. Unless otherwise stated

⁵ According to the definition used in the 1997 census, the house may contain more than one household, while in 2007 census, the house contains only one household.

Table 1 (Cont.): Summary Results of the Population, Housing and Establishment Census in Rafah Governorate 1997, 2007

Indicator	2007		1997	
	(%)	No. ¹	(%)	No. ¹
Occupied Housing Units by Availability of Electricity in Housing Unit				
Public Network	97.5	25,740	88.9	14,097
Private Generator	0.3	76	1.5	242
No Electricity	1.0	271	9.5	1,507
Not Stated	1.2	304	0.1	8
Total	100.0	26,391	100.0	15,854
Occupied Housing Units by Availability of Sewage System in Housing Unit				
Public Sewage System	78.1	20,622	42.4	6,717
Porous Cesspit	20.5	5,406	54.5	8,636
No Sewage System	0.2	61	3.0	479
Not Stated	1.1	302	0.1	22
Total	100.0	26,391	100.0	15,854
Private Household by Availability of Durable Goods				
Private Car				
Available	8.5	2,238	9.4	1,645
Not Available	90.0	23,758	90.3	15,770
Not Stated	1.5	395	0.3	55
Refrigerator				
Available	87.8	23,182	71.6	12,502
Not Available	10.8	2,856	28.2	4,924
Not Stated	1.3	353	0.3	44
Solar Boiler				
Available	59.8	15,785	63.7	11,132
Not Available	38.8	10,245	36.0	6,293
Not Stated	1.4	361	0.3	45
Central Heating				
Available	1.5	400	0.5	91
Not Available	97.2	25,655	99.2	17,329
Not Stated	1.3	336	0.3	50
Vacuum Cleaner				
Available	10.5	2,766	.	.
Not Available	88.1	23,261	.	.
Not Stated	1.4	364	.	.
Gas Cooker/ Electricity				
Available	97.6	25,755	95.4	16,665
Not Available	1.2	325	4.4	767
Not Stated	1.2	311	0.2	38
Microwave				
Available	11.8	3,110	.	.
Not Available	86.8	22,909	.	.
Not Stated	1.4	372	.	.

¹ Includes population and households counted during the year 1997, 2007. Unless otherwise stated

Table 1 (Cont.): Summary Results of the Population, Housing and Establishment Census in Rafah Governorate 1997, 2007

Indicator	2007		1997	
	(%)	No. ¹	(%)	No. ¹
Washing Machine				
Available	88.6	23,381	68.0	11,875
Not Available	10.0	2,646	31.7	5,535
Not Stated	1.4	364	0.3	60
Home Library				
Available	16.2	4,286	8.7	1,513
Not Available	82.3	21,730	91.1	15,907
Not Stated	1.4	375	0.3	50
Radio/ Recorder				
Available	63.9	16,862	.	.
Not Available	34.7	9,162	.	.
Not Stated	1.4	367	.	.
T.V.				
Available	90.8	23,965	75.5	13,185
Not Available	7.8	2,068	24.2	4,225
Not Stated	1.4	358	0.3	60
Video/ DVD				
Available	7.5	1,991	7.4	1,294
Not Available	91.0	24,017	92.3	16,117
Not Stated	1.5	383	0.3	59
Satellite/ Dish				
Available	79.0	20,836	.	.
Not Available	19.7	5,190	.	.
Not Stated	1.4	365	.	.
Phone Line				
Available	31.2	8,228	11.9	2,085
Not Available	67.0	17,686	87.7	15,323
Not Stated	1.8	477	0.4	62
Completed Buildings by Utilization				
Residential	78.9	15,511	79.2	11,740
Residential & Work	7.5	1,468	6.2	920
Work	6.4	1,274	7.4	1,090
Closed	3.7	718	5.2	771
Vacant	2.9	576	2.1	306
Deserted	0.6	110	.	.
Not Stated	0.0	1	0.0	-
Total	100.0	19,658	100.0	14,827

¹ Includes population and households counted during the year 1997, 2007. Unless otherwise stated

Table 1 (Cont.): Summary Results of the Population, Housing and Establishment Census in Rafah Governorate 1997, 2007

Indicator	2007		1997		
	(%)	No. ¹	(%)	No. ¹	
Number of Persons Engaged in the Private Sector, Non Governmental Organization Sector and Government Companies by Principal Economic Activity					
Agriculture, Farming of Cattle and other Animals	4.3	160	6.4	157	()
Mining & Quarrying	0.0	1	0.0	-	
Manufacturing	7.9	292	12.7	310	
Electricity And Water Supply	1.3	49	4.6	111	
Construction	0.5	18	0.6	15	
Wholesale, Retail Trade & Repairs	57.9	2,137	55.9	1,363	
Hotels and Restaurants	3.2	118	2.8	69	
Transport, Storage & Communications	3.5	128	1.9	47	
Financial Intermediation	0.8	29	0.9	22	
Real Estate, Renting & Business Activities	3.4	126	2.6	64	
Education	2.7	101	2.2	53	
Health & Social Work	3.9	143	3.3	80	
Other Community, Social & Personal Service	10.6	390	6.0	146	
Total	100.0	3,692	100.0	2,437	
Number of Persons Engaged in the Private Sector, Non Governmental Organization Sector and Government Companies					
Males	85.8	7,172	87.6	3,879	
Females	14.2	1,187	12.4	551	
Total	100.0	8,359	100.0	4,430	

¹ Includes population and households counted during the year 1997, 2007. Unless otherwise stated

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Table 2: Population in Rafah Governorate by Sex, Locality and Age Group, 2007

Locality	Sex	Total	Age Group																							
			Not Stated	+ 65	+ 95	94 - 90	89 - 85	84 - 80	79 - 75	74 - 70	69 - 65	64 - 15	64 - 60	59 - 55	54 - 50	49 - 45	44 - 40	39 - 35	34 - 30	29 - 25	24 - 20	19 - 15	14 - 0	14 - 10	9 - 5	4 - 0
Rafah Governorate	T	170,762	2,533	4,537	29	92	213	452	947	1,316	1,488	88,273	1,935	3,074	3,832	5,282	7,450	7,805	10,105	12,158	15,463	21,169	75,419	23,533	23,283	28,603
	M	86,026	1,310	1,841	7	44	102	182	382	575	549	44,335	848	1,539	1,861	2,761	3,853	3,965	5,053	6,059	7,768	10,628	38,540	11,959	11,984	14,597
	F	84,736	1,223	2,696	22	48	111	270	565	741	939	43,938	1,087	1,535	1,971	2,521	3,597	3,840	5,052	6,099	7,695	10,541	36,879	11,574	11,299	14,006
Rafah	T	119,763	1,982	2,791	15	55	128	277	562	792	962	61,968	1,335	2,139	2,677	3,738	5,066	5,350	7,067	8,683	11,028	14,885	53,022	16,450	16,264	20,308
	M	60,722	1,032	1,191	4	25	62	118	246	360	376	31,475	625	1,108	1,321	1,982	2,622	2,772	3,598	4,387	5,563	7,497	27,024	8,329	8,339	10,356
	F	59,041	950	1,600	11	30	66	159	316	432	586	30,493	710	1,031	1,356	1,756	2,444	2,578	3,469	4,296	5,465	7,388	25,998	8,121	7,925	9,952
Rafah Camp	T	34,248	399	1,309	10	20	67	134	307	388	383	17,745	411	650	776	1,093	1,693	1,630	2,021	2,294	2,928	4,249	14,795	4,731	4,660	5,404
	M	16,980	205	466	2	8	31	51	105	151	118	8,735	146	294	360	566	901	801	985	1,091	1,466	2,125	7,574	2,440	2,409	2,725
	F	17,268	194	843	8	12	36	83	202	237	265	9,010	265	356	416	527	792	829	1,036	1,203	1,462	2,124	7,221	2,291	2,251	2,679
Al-Nnaser (Al Bayuk)	T	6,212	20	176	2	7	5	18	24	56	64	3,153	75	120	135	166	250	312	364	442	522	767	2,863	895	923	1,045
	M	3,098	6	74	-	6	2	5	7	29	25	1,536	30	62	73	81	123	134	179	221	249	384	1,482	433	479	570
	F	3,114	14	102	2	1	3	13	17	27	39	1,617	45	58	62	85	127	178	185	221	273	383	1,381	462	444	475
Shokat as Sufi	T	10,539	132	261	2	10	13	23	54	80	79	5,407	114	165	244	285	441	513	653	739	985	1,268	4,739	1,457	1,436	1,846
	M	5,226	67	110	1	5	7	8	24	35	30	2,589	47	75	107	132	207	258	291	360	490	622	2,460	757	757	946
	F	5,313	65	151	1	5	6	15	30	45	49	2,818	67	90	137	153	234	255	362	379	495	646	2,279	700	679	900

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Table 3: Palestinian Population (12 Years and Over) in Rafah Governorate by Locality, Sex and Marital Status, 2007

Locality	Total		Marital Status and Sex													
			Not Stated		Separated		Widowed		Divorced		Married		Legally Engaged		Never Married	
	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males
Rafah Governorate	53,682	53,535	126	92	78	23	2,950	292	740	140	27,400	26,316	529	614	21,859	26,058
Rafah	37,035	37,808	82	69	59	14	1,790	187	436	106	19,285	18,610	362	450	15,021	18,372
Rafah Camp	11,226	10,695	18	16	13	4	857	78	213	25	5,435	5,257	123	124	4,567	5,191
Al-Nnaser (Al Bayuk)	2,008	1,888	8	-	-	1	94	11	31	2	999	909	13	13	863	952
Shokat as Sufi	3,413	3,144	18	7	6	4	209	16	60	7	1,681	1,540	31	27	1,408	1,543

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Table 4: Palestinian Population in Rafah Governorate by Locality, Sex and Refugee Status, 2007

Locality	Total		Refugee Status and Sex							
			غير مبين Not Stated		ليس لاجيء Non-Refugee		لاجئ غير مسجل Non-Registered Refugee		لاجئ مسجل Registered Refugee	
	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males
Rafah Governorate	83,406	84,746	24	19	12,915	13,435	831	769	69,636	70,523
Rafah	58,007	59,716	11	9	12,117	12,728	485	440	45,394	46,539
Rafah Camp	17,044	16,778	-	-	165	59	84	71	16,795	16,648
Al-Nnaser (Al Bayuk)	3,102	3,093	12	10	275	264	80	80	2,735	2,739
Shokat as Sufi	5,253	5,159	1	-	358	384	182	178	4,712	4,597

Table 5: Palestinian Population (10 Years and Over) in Rafah Governorate by Sex, Locality and Educational Attainment, 2007

Locality	Sex	Total	Educational Attainment												
			Not Stated	Ph.D	Master	Higher Diploma	Bachelor	Associate Diploma	Secondary	Preparatory	Elementary	Can Read and Write			Illiterate
Rafah Governorate	T	116,198	64	133	413	182	9,801	4,551	27,538	29,744	23,774	13,089	6,909		
	M	58,131	29	123	382	139	5,749	2,402	13,555	14,834	12,268	6,892	1,758		
	F	58,067	35	10	31	43	4,052	2,149	13,983	14,910	11,506	6,197	5,151		
Rafah	T	81,100	45	108	334	138	7,388	3,291	19,420	20,952	16,474	8,875	4,075		
	M	40,991	21	100	311	105	4,378	1,768	9,542	10,403	8,545	4,728	1,090		
	F	40,109	24	8	23	33	3,010	1,523	9,878	10,549	7,929	4,147	2,985		
Rafah Camp	T	23,751	8	21	66	40	1,899	1,009	6,041	5,921	4,538	2,613	1,595		
	M	11,641	4	20	61	31	1,086	510	3,015	2,925	2,302	1,334	353		
	F	12,110	4	1	5	9	813	499	3,026	2,996	2,236	1,279	1,242		
Al-Nnaser (Al Bayuk)	T	4,224	7	4	6	2	201	113	719	1,160	1,043	559	410	()	
	M	2,043	1	3	4	1	119	59	329	610	530	274	113		
	F	2,181	6	1	2	1	82	54	390	550	513	285	297		
Shokat as Sufi	T	7,123	4	-	7	2	313	138	1,358	1,711	1,719	1,042	829		
	M	3,456	3	-	6	2	166	65	669	896	891	556	202		
	F	3,667	1	-	1	-	147	73	689	815	828	486	627		

Table 6: Palestinian Population (10 Years and Over) in Rafah Governorate by Sex , Locality and Activity Status, 2007

Locality	Sex	Total	Activity Status		/	/	/	/	Not Economically Active	Unemployed Never Worked	Unemployed Ever Worked	Employed	Economically Active	
			Not Stated	Others										
Rafah Governorate	T	116,198	353	765	599	6,622	27,386	45,643	81,015	7,622	4,875	22,333	34,830	
	M	58,131	249	492	478	3,426	97	22,980	27,473	6,452	4,615	19,342	30,409	
	F	58,067	104	273	121	3,196	27,289	22,663	53,542	1,170	260	2,991	4,421	
Rafah	T	81,100	237	481	476	4,058	19,041	32,253	56,309	5,165	3,488	15,901	24,554	
	M	40,991	170	326	382	2,213	61	16,288	19,270	4,434	3,320	13,797	21,551	
	F	40,109	67	155	94	1,845	18,980	15,965	37,039	731	168	2,104	3,003	
Rafah Camp	T	23,751	44	151	88	1,825	5,551	9,393	17,008	1,253	915	4,531	6,699	
	M	11,641	25	114	71	867	20	4,732	5,804	1,068	844	3,900	5,812	
	F	12,110	19	37	17	958	5,531	4,661	11,204	185	71	631	887	
Al-Nnaser (Al Bayuk)	T	4,224	22	92	14	271	1,015	1,474	2,866	425	227	684	1,336	()
	M	2,043	15	22	8	127	3	716	876	303	217	632	1,152	
	F	2,181	7	70	6	144	1,012	758	1,990	122	10	52	184	
Shokat as Sufi	T	7,123	50	41	21	468	1,779	2,523	4,832	779	245	1,217	2,241	
	M	3,456	39	30	17	219	13	1,244	1,523	647	234	1,013	1,894	
	F	3,667	11	11	4	249	1,766	1,279	3,309	132	11	204	347	

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Table 7: Disabilities/Difficulties of Palestinian Population in Rafah Governorate by Type of Disability/Difficulty and Sex, 2007

Type of Disability/ Difficulty	Percentage	Females	Percentage	Males	Percentage	Both Sexes	/
Seeing	1.9	1,569	1.7	1,468	1.8	3,037	
Hearing	1.0	802	1.0	864	1.0	1,666	
Moving	1.4	1,126	1.3	1,095	1.3	2,221	
Cognition	0.6	481	0.6	515	0.6	996	
Communication	0.6	509	0.7	562	0.6	1,071	
Total of Persons with Disability/Difficulty *	3.6	2,974	3.8	3,187	3.7	6,161	* /
Persons Without Disability/ Without Difficulty	96.2	80,277	96.1	81,411	96.2	161,688	/
Not Stated	0.2	155	0.2	148	0.2	303	
Total Population	100.0	83,406	100.0	84,746	100.0	168,152	

*Includes those who have at least one Disability/Difficulty

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Table8: Private Households in Rafah Governorate by Locality and Household Size, 2007

Locality	Total		Household Size								
			+8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	
	Population	Households									
Rafah Governorate	170,624	26,391	9,499	3,179	3,173	2,831	2,558	2,150	2,211	790	
Rafah	119,625	18,535	6,639	2,263	2,252	2,030	1,844	1,531	1,538	438	
Rafah Camp	34,248	5,188	1,947	641	620	511	447	394	420	208	
Al-Nnaser (Al Bayuk)	6,212	951	345	98	106	95	101	81	88	37	()
Shokat as Sufi	10,539	1,717	568	177	195	195	166	144	165	107	

Table 9: Percentage of Households with Availability of Durable Goods in Rafah Governorate by Locality, 2007

Locality	Total	Availability of Durable Goods													
		Phone Line	Satellite/Dish	DVD / Video/DVD	T.V	Radio/Recorder	Home Library	Washing Machine	Microwave	Gas Cooker/ Electricity	Vacuum Cleaner	Central Heating	Solar Boiler	Refrigerator	Private Car
Rafah Governorate	26,391	31.2	79.0	7.5	90.8	63.9	16.2	88.6	11.8	97.6	10.5	1.5	59.8	87.8	8.5
Rafah	18,535	33.6	82.1	8.5	92.0	64.5	16.3	90.9	13.4	97.7	12.7	1.5	62.0	90.0	9.7
Rafah Camp	5,188	34.9	81.3	6.7	92.8	63.0	20.5	91.7	11.2	99.0	6.6	2.0	58.7	91.6	4.6
Al-Nnaser (Al Bayuk)	951	5.9	53.3	2.0	75.8	56.9	11.3	67.8	1.9	96.5	3.2	0.0	46.0	67.5	6.2
Shokat as Sufi	1,717	7.6	51.8	2.3	80.7	64.2	5.1	65.9	1.2	93.0	2.0	1.0	47.1	64.9	8.1

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Table 10: Occupied Housing Units in Rafah Governorate by Locality and Type of Housing Unit, 2007

Locality	Total	Type of Housing Unit								
		Not Stated	Others	Marginal	Tent	Independent Room	Apartment	House	Villa	
Rafah Governorate	26,391	303	14	144	32	33	13,150	12,220	495	
Rafah	18,535	258	7	96	6	13	10,996	6,798	361	
Rafah Camp	5,188	42	-	2	-	5	1,853	3,219	67	
Al-Nnaser (Al Bayuk)	951	2	-	11	8	11	109	805	5	()
Shokat as Sufi	1,717	1	7	35	18	4	192	1,398	62	

Table 11: Occupied Housing Units in Rafah Governorate by Locality and Main Source of Water in Housing Unit, 2007

Locality	Total		Main Source of Water												
			Not Stated		Other		() Water Tanks		Springs		Well (to gather rain water)		Public Network		
	(%)	(No.)	(%)	(No.)	(%)	(No.)	(%)	(No.)	(%)	(No.)	(%)	(No.)	(%)	(No.)	
Rafah Governorate	100.0	26,391	1.2	306	4.1	1,075	0.5	134	0.0	5	2.0	519	92.3	24,352	
Rafah	100.0	18,535	1.4	256	2.4	451	0.5	88	0.0	4	2.5	472	93.1	17,264	
Rafah Camp	100.0	5,188	0.8	44	0.2	10	0.1	4	0.0	1	0.1	6	98.7	5,123	
Al-Nnaser (Al Bayuk)	100.0	951	0.4	4	51.2	487	0.8	8	0.0	-	0.9	9	46.6	443	()
Shokat as Sufi	100.0	1,717	0.1	2	7.4	127	2.0	34	0.0	-	1.9	32	88.6	1,522	

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Table 12: Occupied Housing Units in Rafah Governorate by Locality and Availability of Electricity in the Housing Unit, 2007

Locality	Total		Availability of Electricity								
			Not Stated		No Electricity		Private Generator		Public Network		
	(%)	(No.)	(%)	(No.)	(%)	(No.)	(%)	(No.)	(%)	(No.)	
Rafah Governorate	100.0	26,391	1.2	304	1.0	271	0.3	76	97.5	25,740	
Rafah	100.0	18,535	1.4	255	0.5	98	0.2	35	97.9	18,147	
Rafah Camp	100.0	5,188	0.8	44	0.1	6	0.1	5	98.9	5,133	
Al-Nnaser (Al Bayuk)	100.0	951	0.4	4	8.1	77	1.2	11	90.3	859	()
Shokat as Sufi	100.0	1,717	0.1	1	5.2	90	1.5	25	93.2	1,601	

Table 13: Occupied Housing Units in Rafah Governorate by Locality and Availability of Sewage System in the Housing Unit, 2007

Locality	Total		Availability of Sewage System							
			Not Stated		No Sewage System		Cesspool		Public Sewage System	
	(%)	(No.)	(%)	(No.)	(%)	(No.)	(%)	(No.)	(%)	(No.)
Rafah Governorate	100.0	26,391	1.1	302	0.2	61	20.5	5,406	78.1	20,622
Rafah	100.0	18,535	1.4	253	0.2	32	15.8	2,932	82.6	15,318
Rafah Camp	100.0	5,188	0.8	44	0.0	2	1.4	75	97.7	5,067
Al-Nnaser (Al Bayuk)	100.0	951	0.4	4	1.7	16	95.5	908	2.4	23
Shokat as Sufi	100.0	1,717	0.1	1	0.6	11	86.8	1,491	12.5	214

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Table 14: Completed Buildings in Rafah Governorate by Locality and Utilization, 2007

Locality	Total	Utilization							
		Not Stated	Deserted	Vacant	Closed	Work	Habitation & Work	Habitation	
Rafah Governorate	19,658	1	110	576	718	1,274	1,468	15,511	
Rafah	12,086	-	63	344	255	793	1,091	9,540	
Rafah Camp	4,198	-	21	118	54	175	326	3,504	
Al-Nnaser (Al Bayuk)	1,228	1	19	47	180	134	21	826	()
Shokat as Sufi	2,146	-	7	67	229	172	30	1,641	

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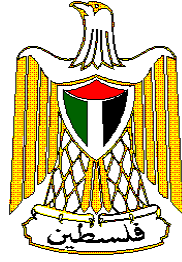
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Table 15: Number of Establishments in Operation and Persons Engaged in the Private Sector, Non Governmental Organization Sector and Governmental Companies in Rafah Governorate by localities, 2007

Locality	No. of Persons Engaged			No. of Est	
	Females	Males	Total		
Rafah Governorate	1,187	7,172	8,359	3,692	
Rafah	924	5,050	5,974	2,510	
Rafah Camp	215	1,715	1,930	965	
Al-Nnaser (Al Bayuk)	17	166	183	93	()
Shokat as Sufi	31	241	272	124	

Table 16: Number of Establishments and Persons in Operation Engaged in the Private Sector, Non Governmental Organization Sector and Governmental Companies in Rafah Governorate by Main Economic Activity, 2007

ISIC	Economic Activity	No. of Persons Engaged			No.of Est	
		Females	Males	Total		
	Rafah Governorate	1,187	7,172	8,359	3,692	
A	Agriculture, Farming of Cattle and other Animals	11	349	360	160	()
C	Mining & Quarrying	-	3	3	1	
D	Manufacturing	64	709	773	292	
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Preface

The PHC-2007 is an important pillar of the national development process and a primary prerequisite for socioeconomic planning. Furthermore, it helps reinforce the Palestinian sovereignty on the ground. Countries around the world usually conduct censuses every decade according to the degree of population stability, the amount of potential change in the demographic characteristics and the availability of financial resources.

Realizing the importance of filling the gap regarding society's statistical needs on the current situation in the Palestinian Territory, PCBS conducted the first national population, housing and establishment Census in 1997. PHC-2007 was conducted for legal, development and statistical considerations. Success was strongly attributed to the huge efforts exerted by the national census team and the continuous support of the Palestinian leadership.

The main objective of the PHC-2007 is to update statistical data on the Palestinian population, housing units, economic establishments and agricultural holdings, and to provide small area statistics to planners and decision makers. PHC-2007 will contribute to realizing a balanced and comprehensive development in all sectors.

PHC-2007 was designed and implemented in accordance with United Nations principles and recommendations of the Population and Housing census taking into consideration the local Palestinian needs. Special attention was given to affording complete and adequate data on the size, structure, distribution and characteristics of the demographic, economic and social components of the Palestinian population; the characteristics of housing units; the number and characteristics of the economic establishments and making an inventory of agricultural holdings. Consequently, obtained statistical data will foster and support the role and efficiency of planning both on the national and local government levels.

As part of PCBS's efforts to provide users with the census results as soon as possible, the national census team made every possible effort to fulfill that, we were able to publish the preliminary results of the census five weeks after the end of the census fieldwork events. This is considered record time compared to other countries. In addition, the final results of the buildings and establishments data for the Palestinian Territory were also disseminated. To continue this work, this report is a part of the detailed reports about the population at the governorate level.

PCBS and the national census team are pleased to present this report containing the census final results in the Rafah Governorate which has been processed. We hope that it will be a reference for all planners, decision makers and policy makers in the public and private sectors and for civil society institutions.

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Concepts and Definitions

The definitions used in the PHC-2007 are based on the de-facto concept as the United Nations standard concepts and definitions stated in order to be consistent with the 1997 census and to ensure comparability. The following concepts and definitions were used in this report

Population Census:

The process of collection, classification, processing, analysis, assessment, dissemination of statistical data on the number of population and their distribution by basic demographic and socio-economic characteristics in a specific reference period within the boundaries of a specific geographic area.

Collective Households:

It refers to the place constructed for the residence of a group of individuals, who live therein and benefit from the services it provides. The collective household may be comprised of one building or more or one housing unit or more. Examples of collective households include hotels, hostels, elderly and orphans' homes, psycho-therapy clinics and hospitals, collective households for university students, collective living quarters (camps), and housing units of priests and nuns in monasteries and churches (who do not have other households).

Household:

One person or a group of persons with or without a household relationship, who live in the same housing unit, share meals and make joint provision of food and other essentials of living. In PHC-2007, the household includes:

1. Household members found in the housing unit on the night of 01/12/2007.
2. Visitors living outside the Palestinian Territory but who spent the night of 01/12/2007 in the housing unit of the household (relatives and non-relatives).
3. Visitors from the Palestinian Territory who, as a whole household, remained for all of the enumeration period 1-16/12/2007.
4. Servants and other workers living usually within the household who spent the night of 01/12/2007 with the household.
5. New births born prior to the night of 01/12/2007 and still alive, irrespective of whether they were within the household or in the hospital.
6. Household members who spent the night of 01/12/2007 with the household and died after that night.
7. Household members who usually live in the housing unit but were not available on the night of 01/12/2007. This category includes:
 - Household members who spent the night of 01/12/2007 with another household inside the Palestinian Territory.
 - Household members working at night 01/12/2007 in factories, hospitals, airports, etc.
 - Individuals who spent the night of 01/12/2007 traveling on public ways inside the Palestinian Territory.
 - Fishermen who spent the night fishing in regional waters.
 - Members of internal security forces and civil defense forces irrespective of where they spent the night of 01/12/2007.
 - Palestinian household members usually living within the household and who are hold an ID card, but who were abroad for less than one year for temporary reasons (tourist, visit, pilgrim, or any other reason).

- Palestinian household members usually living within the household but who were absent during the night of 01/12/2007 for urgent reasons, including hospital, detainee, etc.
- Palestinian household members usually living within the households but who were absent during the night of 01/12/2007 due to their stay in a hotel in the Palestinian Territory.
- Students studying abroad regardless of the length of their stay.
- Students studying in Palestinian universities, institutes and other educational institutions irrespective of place of existence.
- Household members detained in Israeli prisons.

The following were excluded from households:

- Persons who died before the night of 01/12/2007.
- Persons who were born after the night of 01/12/2007.
- Persons who stayed during the counting in elderly homes, orphans' homes, psychotherapy clinics and hospitals, and other collective households in the Palestinian Territory.

The type of households that underwent enumeration may be divided into:

Private Households: The households included in the aforementioned definition of the household.

Collective (Institutional Households): It refers to the households enumerated in the aforementioned collective households.

Palestinian Household:

It refers to the private household whose head holds Palestinian nationality. As for non-Palestinian household, it refers to the household whose head does not hold 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 living 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. 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.

Average Household Size:

It refers to the average number of household members calculated through dividing the total number of members of a certain category by the number of households for that particular category.

Sex:

It is divided into male and female.

Age in Completed Years:

The completed age in years of the person enumerated, which is the difference between the date of birth and the survey reference period.

Original Nationality:

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

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.

1. **Registered Refugees:** It applies to registered refugees holding refugee registration cards issued by UNRWA.
2. **Non-Registered Refugees:** It applies to unregistered refugees who do not hold refugee registration cards issued by UNRWA.
3. **Non-Refugee:** It applies to any Palestinian not categorized under any of the two aforementioned status.

Handicapped and Disabled:

The disabled is defined as the person suffering from a clear and evident weakness in performing certain activities due to continuous difficulties emanating from a physical, mental or health state that has lasted for more than six months.

Seeing Disability:

It includes blind and one-eyed persons, and any person suffering from vision weakness even after using special devices, provided they do not suffer from any other disability.

Hearing (Auditory) Disability:

It includes deaf persons and any person suffering from clear auditory problems even after using special auditory devices, provided they do not suffer from any other disability.

Moving Disability:

It refers to the person suffering from evident problems in walking, climbing stairs, bending, bowing, kneeling, provided he / she does not suffer from any other disability.

Cognition Disability:

It refers to individuals who suffer from difficulties in concentration and memory, decision-making, understanding speech, reading, identifying persons, identifying areas and the use of a map, calculations, reading and thinking.

Communication Disability:

Refers to people who do not have the ability to exchange information and ideas with others and to deal with them through the use of speech, or sign or movement or to write the information they want to share with others, which may be the result of an inability of hearing or speech, or lack of the mental capacity to understand or interpret what others say, whether signals, words or movements.

Educational Attendance:

Attendance means registration in any formal educational stage irrespective of whether it took the form of continuous attendance or distance learning. Formal education stages include the elementary stage, preparatory stage, (both of which are referred to as the basic stage), secondary stage, and higher education stage (universities, colleges, vocational institutes, etc.).

Enrollment categories are as follows:

1. **Attending:** It applies if the person is currently enrolled in a regular educational stage.
2. **Attended and left:** It applies if the person unsuccessfully left a regular educational stage, i.e., without obtaining any degree.
3. **Attended and graduated:** It applies if the person successfully graduated from a regular educational stage and did not enroll in any stage after that.
4. **Never attended:** It applies if the person is not currently enrolled and was never enrolled in any regular educational stage.

Years of Schooling Completed:

For persons currently attending, attended and left, or successfully graduated, reference shall be made to the successfully completed formal educational years (completed years.) It does not include drop-out years, failure years, kindergarten years or ongoing educational years. Educational training courses are not included among the years of regular study.

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.

Employed:

Persons who were at work for at least one hour during the reference period, whether for their own account or for others, paid or unpaid, or in the interest of the household. Employees are classified according to the number of weekly working hours: 1-14 hours, 15-34 hours, or 35 hours or more.

Labor Force Status:

A person's work status in terms of being inside or outside the labor force and also classified as follows:

1. **Employed 1-14 work hours:** All persons aged 7 years and over who were at work for at least one hour during the reference week, or who were not at work during the reference week but held a job or owned a business from which they were temporarily absent and usually working 1-14 hours per week.
2. **Employed 15-34 work hours:** All persons aged 7 years and over who were at work during the reference week and held a job or owned a business from which they were temporarily absent and usually working 15-34 hours per week.
3. **Employed 35 hours or more:** All persons aged 7 years and over who were at work during the reference week and held a job or owned a business from which they were temporarily absent and usually working 35 hours or more per week.

Does not work and seeking work - who has ever been employed:

4. **Actively seeking a job during the reference week:** Those individuals aged 7 years and over who did not work at all during the reference week, were not absent from a job, were available for work and actively seeking a job during the reference week, and looking for a job by one method of the following: registration at employment office, or registration at a labor union, or asking friends or relatives, or a personal visit to the premises, or reading the newspaper in order to obtain jobs, or searching for a building or land or machinery or equipment in order to establish a private project or seek financial resources. Note: this category is those who worked in the previous two weeks continuously.

- 5. Not seeking work because of discouragement:** Those individuals aged 7 years and over who had worked in the past but within a reference week did not work even one hour, were not looking for work and were willing to work, or need to work and sought previously but had been unable to find work.

Does not work and wants to work – never employed:

- 6. Actively seeking a job during the reference week:** Those individuals aged 7 years and over who did not work at all during the last period, were not absent from a job, were available for work and actively seeking a job during the reference week, and looking for a job by one method of the following: registration at an employment office, or registration at a labor union, or asking friends or relatives, or a personal visit to the premises, or reading the newspaper in order to obtain jobs, or searching for a building or land or machinery or equipment in order to establish a private project or seek financial resources.
- 7. Not seeking work because of discouragement:** Those individuals aged 7 years and over who have not worked throughout their life with any kind of work, have not worked even for one hour during the reference period, were not looking for work, but have desire or need to work and sought work previously but were unable to find and have no income due to this and did not continue to look for work.

Does not work and does not want to work:

Individuals aged 7 years or over for whom the concept of employed or unemployed does not apply, are classified outside the labor force in the sense that this individual did not work even one hour during the reference period, nor is looking for work and does not wish to work and falls under this definition:

- 8. Full-time study / training:** Individuals aged 7 years or over who regularly study in order to obtain a qualified skill and not linked to work during a certain period of reference. It should be noted here that household chores and hobbies are not included in the concept of work.
- 9. Full-time housekeeping:** Any person (male or female) aged 7 years and over not working but capable of work and not looking for work and not attending regular study and aims to serve the household home. This does not include the servicing of the homes of others in return for payment in kind or cash since this type of service is within the workplace.
- 10. Disabled /old age / illness:** An individual aged 7 years and over who cannot do any kind of work due to chronic illness or disability. This category also includes all individuals who are unable to work because of old age.
- 11. The existence of income / retiree:** If an individual is able to work but does not work and did not wish to work nor look for work because there is revenue from real estate or retirement, etc.
- 12. Other:** Includes any individual for which all the previously stated did not apply, such as a prisoner, or individual capable of work but not wishing or looking for work and who has no income, such as sons and daughters who are not attending school, who do not apply to any situation mentioned previously.

Main Occupation:

The main job or type of work performed by the employed person or used to be performed by the unemployed ever worked person. The occupation refers to the activity in which the employee works more than half of his/her working hours or the most frequent job during the last three months prior to the enumeration night.

Main Economic Activity:

Is the main work of the establishment based on the (ISIC, rev3) and that contribute by the large proportion of the value added, whenever more than one activity exist in the establishment.

Marital Status:

The status of those aged 12 years and over in terms of marriage traditions and laws in the country.

May be one of the following cases:

1. **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).
2. **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.
3. **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 whether the couple were together during the reference period or not. The person married to more than one wife is classified as married.
4. **Divorced:** The person aged 12 years and over who was previously married and legally divorced but was not married again.
5. **Widowed:** The married person aged 12 years and over whose marriage was ended by the death of the spouse and was not married again.
6. **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.

Housing Unit:

A building or part of a building constructed for one household only, with one or more independent entrances leading to the public road without passing through another housing unit.

Housing Unit type:

Housing unit type may refer to any of the following:

1. **Villa:** A separately established building that is usually constructed from clean stone. It is constructed for the living of one household and consists of a 2–suite, single or double or multiple storeys connected through internal stairs. One of the suites is constructed as bedrooms, while the second suite is constructed for reception and involves the kitchen and other related services. In general, the villa is surrounded by a garden, regardless of the area of this garden, which is surrounded by a border wall or fence. Villas normally have a roofed parking area (garage). Villas may also include a separate small building or extension as part of them.
2. **House:** A building usually established for the residence of one household or more; it is the typical form of residential buildings prevailing in Palestine. The house may be comprised of a single storey or more that is utilized by a single household.
3. **Apartment:** It is a part of a building or a house, consisting of one room or more and annexed with kitchen, bathroom and toilet, which are all closed by an external door leading to the road through a stairway and/or pathway. It is intended usually for one household.

4. **Independent Room:** It is a separate room with no kitchen, bathroom or toilet, but sharing these basic services with other households and it is intended for living purposes.
5. **Marginal:** It is a separate unit, usually comprised of one or more rooms. The main construction material of the ceiling and the external walls is zinc, tinplate, etc, but it does not undergo listing unless it is occupied.
6. **Tent:** It is made of textile, wool, or hair. It is typically used in the Bedouin localities.
7. **Other:** It refers to any type of building other than the aforementioned. Examples of this type include cottages, caves, grottos, and booths occupied by a tenant during the Census.

Room:

The housing unit or part of the housing unit surrounded with walls and having a ceiling, provided that its area is not less than 4 square meters.

Tenure of the Housing Unit:

This section refers to the household tenure of the housing unit that could be one of the following categories:

1. **Owned:** This category applies when the household or one of the household members usually living therein owns the housing unit.
2. **Rented Unfurnished:** If the housing unit is rented without furniture.
3. **Rented Furnished:** If the housing unit is rented with furniture.
4. **Without Payment:** If the housing unit is used without any payments.
5. **For Work:** If the housing unit is offered to the household as a result of a working relationship with one member of the household or more.
6. **Other:** If the tenure of the housing unit is not mentioned above.

Main Source of Water:

1. **Public Water Network:** A network of pipes for the purpose of providing clean water to households. It normally belongs to a municipality, the council or to a private company.
2. **Mekorot Israeli Company:** A network of pipes for the purpose of providing clean water to households. It normally belongs to Mekorot Israeli company.
3. **Collection Water Wells:** Wells that are dug in the ground for the purpose of collecting rain water.
4. **Springs:** Water that is discharged from the ground at an intersection point between the topographic surface and the groundwater table; it could be permanent or seasonal and it is considered as one of the natural resources for irrigation.
5. **Water Tanks:** Using water from vehicles that distribute and transfer water.
6. **Others:** If the source of water was not mentioned above.

Electricity:

1. **Public Network:** Electrical wiring deployed in residential areas and covering all or most of the households in the locality, particularly through electricity companies or local authorities (municipal or village).
2. **Private Generator:** Device used for electric power generation and supply to housing and owned by the owner of the household or group of individuals.
3. **Not Available:** In the case of lack of means and therefore foregoing electricity.

Connection to Sewage System:

This question illustrates the house connections to sanitation, which are:

1. **Sewage Network:** System of collectors, pipelines, conduits and pumps to evacuate wastewater (rainwater, domestic and other wastewater) from any of the location places generated either to a municipal sewage treatment plant or to a location place where wastewater is discharged.
2. **Porous Cesspit:** A well or a pit in which night soil and other refuse is stored, constructed with porous walls.
3. **Tight Cesspit:** A well or a pit in which night soil and other refuse is stored, constructed of tight walls.
4. **Not Found:** In case of no provision by the methods detailed above.

Building:

A building is defined as any fixed construction that is temporarily or permanently erected on the surface of the earth or water. A building is surrounded by four walls or with at least one completed ceiling at the time of the visit, regardless of the construction material and the purpose of construction and utilization at the time of the Census. The building might be utilized for habitation, for work, for both, vacant, closed, deserted, under preparation or under construction at the time of the Census.

Ownership:

It refers to the sector or party to which the building belongs, and not to the party operating the building. Ownership could be one of the following:

1. **Private:** This means that the building is owned by an individual, group of persons, or legal personality such as institutions or a private sector company or establishments regardless of whether this sector is national or international.
2. **Governmental:** This means that the building is owned by the Palestinian National Authority (excluding Waqf properties, e.g., mosques, buildings dedicated to charitable work, etc.), taking into account that the government buildings rented from individuals are considered private. This category does not include buildings belonging to foreign governmental entities.
3. **Local Authority:** It refers to a building owned by the municipality or village council.
4. **Charitable Societies:** (Non-profit organizations) This term refers to the building owned by non-profit organizations (such as sports, clubs, etc.).
5. **Waqf:** It refers to the buildings dedicated to charitable work, e.g., mosques, etc.
6. **United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA):** This term refers to the building owned by the UNRWA including schools and hospitals belonging to UNRWA not rented from other parties.
7. **Other:** This refers to buildings to which none of the aforementioned definitions apply or to cases in which a building is possessed by more than one of those aforementioned entities, e.g., possessed by a foreign or international entity other than the UNRWA.

Establishment

An enterprise or part of an enterprise in which one group of goods and services is produced (with the possibility of having secondary activities).

Number of Persons Engaged:

This includes paid employees, unpaid owners and family members, and also all permanent and temporary staff aged 10 years and more

Establishment Status:

Refers to the operational status of the establishment. It could be:

- In operation: Means the establishment that works effectively
- Others: Completely closed, temporarily closed, under preparation, or an auxiliary activity unit.

Ownership:

This is the sector to which the establishment parent enterprise belongs. It is determined according to the majority of capital ownership or decision making rights. Ownership can be: private national, private foreign, non governmental organization sector, national government company, foreign government company, central government, local authority, foreign government, UNRWA and, lastly, international organization. It is worth mentioning that reference to national and foreign here is relevant to the residence concept as defined in the SNA-1993 and does not refer to nationality or citizenship.

Summary of Final Results

2.1 Population

Findings show that the total population count of Rafah governorate on the midnight of 30/11-1/12/ 2007 was 173,539 people, including 87,425 males and 86,114 females. The sex ratio is 101.5 males/100 females.

2.1.1 The actual count population

The findings of the actual count process show that the actually counted population in Rafah governorate was 170,762 people (98.4% of the total population), according to the findings of the post enumeration survey study. In comparison with the 1997 Census, the actually counted population in Rafah governorate was 120,386 hence, the percentage of change in the population number is 41.8%.

2.2 Basic demographic and social characteristics of the population

2.2.1 Population age structure

Findings show that the Palestinian community in Rafah governorate consists mainly of young people. The number of the population aged 0-14 years is 75,419 people (44.2% of the total governorate population). Comparatively, the 1997 Census showed that the people of the same age group in Rafah governorate (aged 0-14 years) totaled 59,728 or 49.6% of the governorate population.

2.2.2 Basic characteristics of the handicapped

According to the census findings, the population of Rafah governorate with at least one disability/ difficulty was 6,161 (3.7% of the total population).

2.2.3 Basic characteristics of education

The number of the population in the age group of 10 and over with a Bachelor degree and higher totals 10,529 (9.0% of the population in the age group of 10 and over of Rafah governorate). According to 1997 Census, the number of the population in the age group of 10 and over with Bachelor degree and higher in the population of Rafah governorate totaled 3,200 (4.2% of the population in the same age group of Rafah governorate).

Findings also show that the illiterate people in the age group category of 10 and over total 6,909 (5.9% of the population in the age group of 10 and over of Rafah governorate compared to 9,252 or 12.2% of the population in the 1997 Census).

2.2.4 Basic characteristics of employment

The number of unemployed people in Rafah governorate in the age group of 10 years and over is 12,497 (35.9% of the economically active population compared to 7,115 unemployed people or 29.9% in the 1997 Census).

2.2.5 Basic characteristics of marriage

Findings show that married people aged 12 years and over total 53,716 (50.1% of the population 12 years and over of Rafah governorate) compared to 37,815 or 54.6% of Rafah governorate population of the same age group 12 years and over in the 1997 Census.

2.3 Households

The findings of the population count show that the number of the actual counted households in Rafah governorate was 26,391 households. The average household size dropped from 6.9 in 1997 to 6.5 in 2007.

2.4 Buildings and housing units

The number of completed buildings which were counted between 20/10 -10/11/2007 in Rafah governorate was 19,658 compared to 14,827 in the 1997 Census. The number of occupied housing units was 26,391 compared to 15,854 housing units in the 1997 Census.

2.5 Economic establishments

The findings show that the number of operating establishments in Rafah governorate is 3,692 employing 8,359 people including 7,172 males and 1,187 females, working in the NGO's, private and government companies sectors.