Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics

Press Release: The Jerusalem Statistical Yearbook (No. 9)

Publishing the 9th volume of the Jerusalem Statistical Yearbook, is considered a continuation of PCBS' policy to summarize the statistical data about Jeusalem on a periodical basis.

The report covers up-to-date statistical data on various relevant geographic, social, demographic, and economic topics along with other some indicators of the Israeli violations and Al-Aqsa uprising (Intifada).

The main indicators in the book are as follows:

Housing and Housing Conditions: Average number of rooms in Jerusalem governorate is 3.0 rooms for the year 2006, 2.9 rooms in J1 Area and 3.2 rooms in J2 Area, the average housing density reached 1.7 persons per room and 15.6% of the households live in housing units with less than one person per room, 43.5% with one person to less than two persons, while 40.9% of the households live in housing units with two persons and more per room.

Labor Force: According to ILO Standards, the labor force participation rate for persons aged 15 years and over in Jerusalem governorate was 39.4% in 2006; 67.1% for males and 11.3% for females, Unemployment rate in Jerusalem Governorate for persons aged 15 years and over was 13.2%, 63.8% of the Employed persons from Jerusalem Governorate are working in the Palestinian Territory and 36.2% in Israel and Settlements.

Economic Sector: The total number of establishments in Jerusalem Governorate was 5,817 establishments in 2006, and the GDP in constant prices for 2002 in Jerusalem Governorate Area (J1) was US\$ 330.4 million, compared to 337.2 million in 2001.

Tourism: The total number of hotels in Jerusalem Governorate for 2006 was 22 hotels with 1,209 rooms and 2,758 beds. The room occupancy rate was 20.4% and the bed occupancy rate was 19.0%.

Education: For the scholastic year 2006/2007, the total number of schools (out of kindergartens and schools which supervised by Israeli Municipality and Culture committee) was 188 schools, the number pupils/students was 59,710 pupils/students, and the number of classes was 2,227 classes.

Health: The percentage of covered population in health insurance in Jerusalem Governorate in the year 2005 was 90.2 %, distributed by 98.0% in J1 Area and 77.1% in J2 Area. The percentage of smoking for persons aged 12 years and over in the year 2006 was 22.1%, of which 21.8% in J1 Area and 22.7% in J2 Area.

Environment: In the year 2005, solid wastes was collected daily in 13 localities and more than once a week in 13 localities, the disposal of solid wastes in 13 localities is treated by burning, 8 localities treat it by burying and 8 localities by burning and burying, the disposal of waste water in 9 localities is disposed by a sewage system network.

Israeli violations: The number of Jerusalemite confiscated identity cards was 8,269 I.D cards during the period 1967-2006, of which 1,363 in the year 2006, number of demolished houses in Jerusalem Governorate in J1 Area was 47 houses, in the year 2006, and as a result of the expansion and annexation wall in Jerusalem governorate; 1,635 households were displaced (includes different communities within the governorate or out of it) totals about 9,609 persons, in addition, 11,100 dunums were confiscated in the year 2005.

Al- Aqsa Intifada: The number of Al-Aqsa Intifada Martyrs was 4,673 persons until 31/12/2006, of which 68 Martyrs from Jerusalem governorate and the number of Injuries in the Palestinian Territory was 31,187 persons; of which 25.8% of injuries was caused by live ammunition, 22.5% by rubber bullets, 21.6% by gas, and 30.1% by other causes which includes beating, torture,.. etc.