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Results show that 55.6% of households in the Palestinian Territory live in a house, while 40.8% live in apartments, compared to rates of 58.0% and 39.9% at the end of year 2000.

Results show that the percentage of households living in owned housing units in the Palestinian Territory is 81.5%, where as 11.5% of households live in rented housing units.

The survey results of the years 2000 and 2003 indicated that the average monthly rent paid for a housing unit in the Palestinian Territory was 85.6 and 86.3 Jordanian Dinar respectively. This average increased to reach 115 Jordanian Dinar, including 125 Jordanian Dinar in the West Bank and 78 Jordanian Dinar in Gaza Strip.

According to the results the average of housing density in the Palestinian Territory in general is 1.8 persons per room, this average was nearly the same in comparing with the year 2000. Also final data indicate that the average number of rooms in the housing unit for the Palestinian Territory is 3.3, for the West Bank the average is 3.3, which is less than the average in Gaza Strip 3.4.

Housing Conditions Survey data indicate that 47.2% of households in the Palestinian Territory have telephone lines. Where as the percentage of households with mobile phone (Jawwal) in the Palestinian Territory is 51.9% and 18.2% of households had a private car in 2006.