The Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS) Presents Main Results of the Housing Conditions Survey-2010

# Apartments are the Common Type of Housing Units in the Palestinian Territory

The results of the Housing Conditions Survey 2010 indicated that 0.9% of households in the Palestinian Territory live in a villa and 48% live in a house, while 50% live in apartments, The percentage of households living in owned housing units in the Palestinian Territory is 84%, including 82% in the West Bank and 87% in Gaza Strip

# Decline in the percentage of Households in the Palestinian Territory that live in Housing Units with 1-2 rooms

The results show that the average housing density in the Palestinian Territory in general is 1.6 person per room. The average for the West Bank is 1.5 whereas the average for Gaza Strip is 1.8 person per room. About 10% of the households in the Palestinian Territory live in housing units with three persons or more per room including 12% in Gaza Strip and 8% in the West Bank.

The average number of rooms in the housing unit in the Palestinian Territory is 3.6. About 15% of the households in the Palestinian Territory live in housing units with 1-2 rooms; 17% in the West Bank and 13% in Gaza Strip.

## Increase in the Average Monthly Rent paid for a Housing Unit in the Palestinian Territory

The average monthly rent paid for a housing unit in the Palestinian Territory was 115 Jordanian Dinar respectively. This average increased to reach 153 Jordanian Dinar in 2010, including 165 Jordanian Dinar in the West Bank and 109 Jordanian Dinar in Gaza Strip. Data also indicate that 43% of households in the West Bank live in rented housing units and pay a monthly

rent of 150 Jordanian Dinar or more, whereas, the percentage in Gaza Strip is 7%.

#### **Availability of Durable Goods**

Results show that 22% of the households in the Palestinian Territory have a private car including 30% in the West Bank and 7% in Gaza Strip, whereas the percentage of households that have a refrigerator in the Palestinian Territory is 97%. Also 94% households in the Palestinian Territory have Satellite\ Dish, while 47% have Computer.

# More than two thirds of households in the Palestinian Territory need housing units in the Next Ten Years

About 72% of households in the Palestinian Territory need to build new housing units during the next ten years, while 37% of the households in the Palestinian Territory can build additional housing units. In the West Bank, 72% of households need to build new housing units during the next ten years, while the percentage is 71% in Gaza Strip

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