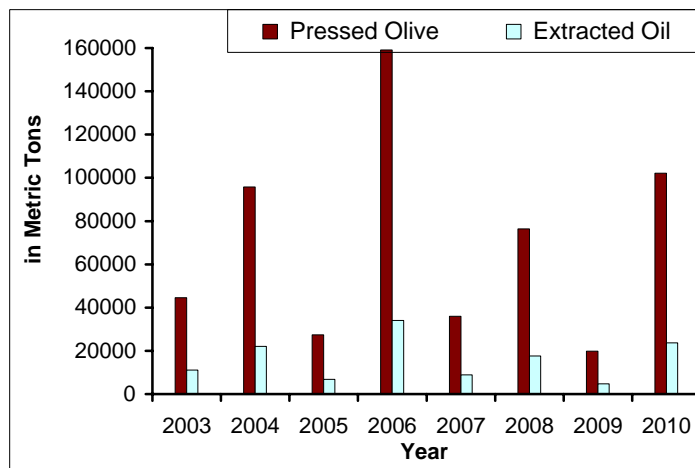


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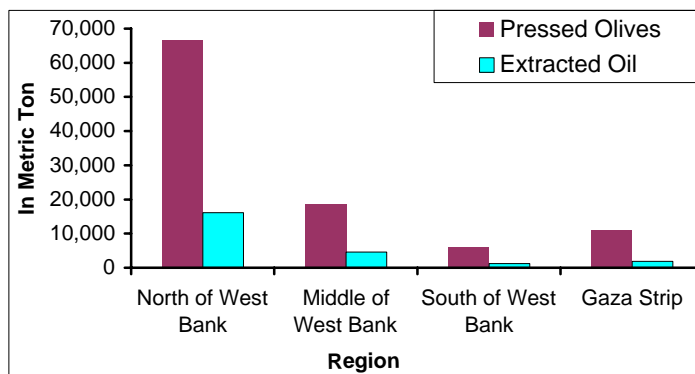
An increase in the quantity of extracted oil in 2010 compared with 2009:

The quantity of extracted oil in 2010 increased by 397.9% compared with 2009 in the Palestinian Territory, at which the quantity of extracted oil reached 23,754 tons.

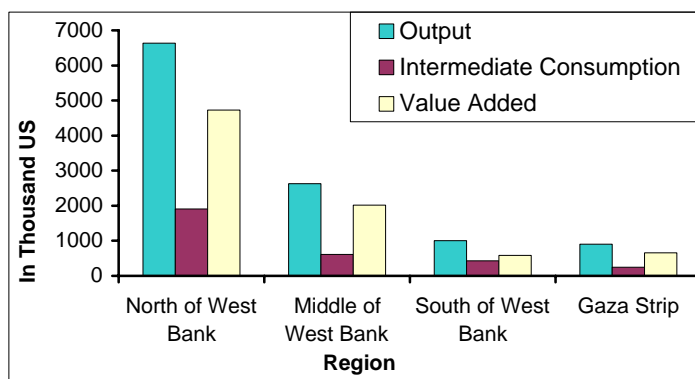
The results showed that the total quantity of pressed olives in 2010 was 102,162 tons; 30.7% of the quantity was in Jenin and Tubas governorates, followed by Tulkarm governorate at 14.7%.



The value added of olive pressing activities amounted to US\$ 8.0 million in 2010, whereas the intermediate consumption and output of olive presses in 2010 amounted to US\$ 3.2 and US\$ 11.2 million, respectively. The value added amounted to US\$ 1.8 million in 2009.



The total number of operating olive presses in the Palestinian Territory is 276, of which 225 were full automatic presses and 51 were half automatic and traditional presses. The results show that 1,523 persons participated in olive pressing activities in the year 2010, of which 74.6% were paid employees. Regarding compensation of paid employees, the results showed that it reached US\$ 1.1 million in the year 2010.



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