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## Concepts and Definitions

### **Man power**

All persons in the West Bank and Gaza Strip aged 15 years and over.

### **Reference week:**

The week ending on Friday preceding the interviewer's visit to the household.

### **Employed:**

All persons are 15 years and over who were working at a paid job or business for at least one hour during the reference week, or who did not work, but held a job or owned business from which they were temporarily absent (because of illness, vacation, temporarily stoppage, or any other reason) during the reference week. Employed persons are classified according to employment status as follows:

1. Employer
2. Self-employed
3. Employee
4. Unpaid family member

### **Unemployed (According to the ILO Standards):**

Unemployed persons are those individuals 15 years and over who did not work at all during the reference week, who were not absent from a job and were available for work and actively seeking a job during the reference week. Persons who work in Israel and were absent from work due to closure are considered unemployed, and also those persons never work and not looking for work but waiting to return back to their works in Israel and Settlements.

### **Unemployed (According to the Relaxed Definition):**

The number of unemployed persons was calculated under the relaxed definition by adding to unemployed persons according to the ILO Standards, those persons outside labour force because they were frustrated

### **Labour force:**

The economically active population (Labour Force) consists of all persons 15 years and over who are either employed or unemployed as defined above at the time of survey.

### **Underemployment:**

Underemployment exists when a person's employment is inadequate in relation to alternative employment, account being taken of his/her occupational skills.

### **Persons outside labour force:**

The population not economically active comprises all persons 15 years and over, who were neither employed nor unemployed accordingly to the definitions above.

### **Informal employment:**

Comprises the total number of informal jobs, whether carried out formal sector enterprises, informal sector enterprises, or households, during the reference period. It includes the following: employers, self employed, employees holding informal jobs in the formal sector.

### **Informal sector enterprises:**

household enterprises units engaged in the production of goods or services which are not constituted as separate legal entities independently of the households or household members that own them, and for which no complete sets of accounts are available. Household enterprises include unincorporated enterprises owned and operated by individual household members or by two or more members of the same household as well as unincorporated partnerships formed by members of different households.

## **Press Release on Labour Force Survey Results (October- December, 2008) Round**

### **Unemployment rate registered the highest in Bethlahem governorate among the West Bank Governorates, While Khan Younis Governorate registered the highest among Gaza Strip governorates**

This report is based on the labour force quarterly survey. Data was collected during 04/10/2008 to 31/12/2008, representing the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2008.

The survey sample of this round is based on the 1997 census sampling frame (Updated on 2003), 7,546 households were selected to represent the Palestinian society of which 5,915 questionnaires were completed.

#### **Economically Active:**

- According to the ILO standards, the labour force participation rate decreased in the Palestinian Territory from 41.6% in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2008 to 41.4% in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2008 the decrease rate was (0.5%), while it remains at the same level compared with the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2007 (41.4%) . The participation rate of women decreased from 15.2% in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2008 to 15.0% in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2008, with a change rate of 1.3% (about 1 thousand woman)

#### **Unemployed Persons**

- According to the relaxed definition of unemployment, the percentage of persons who don't work nevertheless seeking or not seeking job, increased from 32.7% in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2008 to 33.4% in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2008, compared with 28.8% in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2007.
- According to the ILO standards, the percentage of persons who don't work, but seeking job increased from 27.5% in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2008 to 27.9% in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2008, compared with 22.2% in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2007. The results showed that unemployment rate in the West Bank decreased from 20.7% in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2008 to 19.8% in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2008, while it increased in Gaza Strip from 41.9% in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2008 to 44.8% in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2008.
- Southern governorates registered the highest unemployment rate among the West Bank governorates, Bethlahem governorate registered the highest unemployment rate at (28.9%) followed by Hebron governorate at (28.8%). While Jerusalem and Jericho and AL Aghwar registered the lowest percentages of unemployment (8.7% and 12.8% respectively). While in Gaza Strip, Khan Younis governorate registered the highest percentage of unemployment (47.1%) followed by North Gaza governorate (46.3%), then Gaza governorate (45.5%).
- The results showed that the highest percentage of unemployment was concentrated among youth aged 15-29; The highest rate was among those aged 15-19; it reached 43.0%, thereof 31.1% in the West Bank and 73.2% in Gaza Strip, followed by 20-24 age group it reached 41.1%, thereof 29.8% in the West Bank and 62.1% in Gaza Strip, then 25-29 group, it reached 30.1%, thereof 20.0% in the West Bank and 48.0% in Gaza Strip.
- The results showed that unemployment rate among females who did not complete any years of schooling was 3.1%. Whereas, the percentage reached 30.5% for females completed 13 years of schooling and over compared with 18.6% among males. While the highest rate was among males who completed 1-6 years at 38.1%.

#### **Employed Persons**

- The results showed a decrease in the number of employed persons between the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter and 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2008, the number of employed persons reached 646 thousand in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2008 compared with 649 thousand in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2008, also the results showed significant increased of employed women from 116 thousands to 125 thousands between the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter and 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2008.

- At economic activity<sup>1</sup> level the results showed that the percentage of those who are working in agriculture sector in the West Bank increased from 14.9% to 16.3% between 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter and 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2008, while the percentage of those who are working in construction sector decreased from 9.7% to 9.1%. While in Gaza Strip the results showed that all activities was affected from the closure imposed by Israeli military authority, for that there was a decrease of those who are working in agriculture sector from 10.6% in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2008 to 7.1% in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2008, also the percentage of employed persons in commerce, restaurants and hotels sector decreased from 18.3% in 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter to 16.2% in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2008. On the other hand, the results showed that the percentage of employed persons at services and other branches sector reached 33.9% in the West Bank and 67.9% in Gaza Strip in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2008.
- The number of employed persons in the West Bank in the agriculture sector increased by 7 thousand between the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2008.
- The results in the West Bank showed an increase of the percentage of wage employees, it increased from 62.2% in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2008 to 67.9% in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2008, and unpaid family members increased from 10.5% to 10.7% while the percentage of self employed decreased from 22.8% to 16.4% at the same period.
- While in Gaza Strip the percentage of wage employees increased from 73.3% to 79.0%, whereas the percentage of self employed decreased from 15.7% to 12.0% and the percentage of unpaid family members decreased from 6.4% to 5.5% at the same period.
- The employment from the West Bank in Israel and Israeli settlements decreased from 16.3% in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2008 to 16.1% in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2008, whereas in Gaza Strip there was no access for workers to enter Israeli settlements.
- The results showed that the public sector employed one fourth (25.0%) of total employed, 15.4% in the West Bank and 53.8% in Gaza Strip.
- The percentage of employment in the informal sector form total employment in the Palestinian Territory in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2008 reached 9.2%; thereof 9.4% in the West Bank and 8.8% in Gaza Strip. While the percentage of employment in the informal sector from workers employed as self employed and employers reached 47.6% in the Palestinian Territory, thereof 44.5% in the West Bank and 59.4% in Gaza Strip.

### **Wages and Work Hours**

- The average value of the nominal daily net wage of employees worked in the West Bank increased from 82.2 NIS in 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2008 to 87.4 NIS in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2008, compared with 78.9 NIS in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2007. Also in Gaza Strip the nominal daily net wage of employees increased from 57.1 NIS in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2008 and 61.2 NIS in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2008, compared with 64.1 NIS in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2007. While the nominal daily net wage for those working in Israel and Israeli settlements remains at the same level 138.0 NIS between the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2008, compared with 133.1 NIS in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2007.
- The average weekly work hours in the West Bank increased from 42.8 work hour in 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2008 to 43.1 work hour in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2008, while decreased in Gaza Strip from 43.4 work hour to 39.9 work hour, whereas it increased for those working in Israel and Israeli settlements from 42.5 work hour to 44.7 work hour at the same period.

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<sup>1</sup>Employed persons in Israel and Israeli settlements are excluded

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**Table 1: Percentage Distribution of Persons Aged 15 Years and Over in the Palestinian Territory by Labour Force Status and Region (Relaxed Definition), October-December, 2008**

Region	Labour Force Status					
	Total		Outside Labour Force		In Labour Force	
	(%)	Number	(%)	العدد Number	(%)	Number
<b>Palestinian Territory</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2,164,700</b>	<b>55.2</b>	<b>1,194,900</b>	<b>44.8</b>	<b>969,800</b>
West Bank	100	1,412,000	53.6	757,300	46.4	654,700
Gaza Strip	100	752,700	58.1	437,600	41.9	315,100

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**Table 2: Percentage Distribution of Labour Force Participants Aged 15 Years and Over in the Palestinian Territory by Labour Force Components and Region (Relaxed Definition), October-December, 2008**

Region	Labour Force Components					
	Total		Unemployment		Employment	
	(%)	Number	(%)	العدد Number	(%)	Number
<b>Palestinian Territory</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>969,800</b>	<b>33.4</b>	<b>324,100</b>	<b>66.6</b>	<b>645,700</b>
West Bank	100	654,700	26.0	170,300	74.0	484,400
Gaza Strip	100	315,100	48.8	153,800	51.2	161,300

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**Table 3: Percentage Distribution of Persons Aged 15 Years and Over in the Palestinian Territory by Labour Force Status, Region and Sex(ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Region	Labour Force Status					
	Total		Outside Labour Force		In Labour Force	
	(%)	Number	(%)	العدد Number	(%)	Number
<b>Palestinian Territory</b>						
Males	100	1,093,000	32.7	357,400	67.3	735,600
Females	100	1,071,700	85.0	911,200	15.0	160,500
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2,164,700</b>	<b>58.6</b>	<b>1,268,600</b>	<b>41.4</b>	<b>896,100</b>
<b>West Bank</b>						
Males	100	712,600	31.7	225,700	68.3	486,900
Females	100	699,400	83.3	582,300	16.7	117,100
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>1,412,000</b>	<b>57.2</b>	<b>808,000</b>	<b>42.8</b>	<b>604,000</b>
<b>Gaza Strip</b>						
Males	100	380,400	34.6	131,700	65.4	248,700
Females	100	372,300	88.3	328,900	11.7	43,400
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>752,700</b>	<b>61.2</b>	<b>460,600</b>	<b>38.8</b>	<b>292,100</b>

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**Table 4: Percentage Distribution of Labour Force Participants Aged 15 Years and Over in the Palestinian Territory by Labour Force Components, Region and Sex (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Region and Sex	Labour Force Components							
	Total		Unemployment		Underemployment		Full Employment	
	(%)	Number	(%)	العدد Number	(%)	Number	(%)	Number
<b>Palestinian Territory</b>								
Males	100	735,600	29.1	214,300	7.2	52,900	63.7	468,400
Females	100	160,500	22.5	36,100	2.7	4,400	74.8	120,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>896,100</b>	<b>27.9</b>	<b>250,400</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>57,300</b>	<b>65.7</b>	<b>588,400</b>
<b>West Bank</b>								
Males	100	486,900	21.0	102,100	7.2	35,200	71.8	349,600
Females	100	117,100	14.9	17,500	1.4	1,600	83.7	98,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>604,000</b>	<b>19.8</b>	<b>119,600</b>	<b>6.1</b>	<b>36,800</b>	<b>74.1</b>	<b>447,600</b>
<b>Gaza Strip</b>								
Males	100	248,700	45.1	112,200	7.1	17,700	47.8	118,800
Females	100	43,400	42.9	18,600	6.4	2,800	50.7	22,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>292,100</b>	<b>44.8</b>	<b>130,800</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>20,500</b>	<b>48.2</b>	<b>140,800</b>

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**Table 5: Percentage Distribution of Persons Aged 15 Years and Over in the Palestinian Territory by Labour Force Status, Region and sex (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Region and Sex	Total	Outside Labour Force	In Labour Force	In Labour Force		
				Total	Unemployment	( Employment (Full Employment, Underemployment) )
<b>Both Sexes</b>						
West Bank without Jerusalem governorate	100	56.7	43.3	100	22.4	77.6
Jerusalem governorate	100	59.6	40.4	100	8.7	91.3
Jerusalem (J1)	100	58.6	41.4	100	4.4	95.6
Gaza Strip	100	61.2	38.8	100	44.8	55.2
<b>Males</b>						
West Bank without Jerusalem governorate	100	31.5	68.5	100	23.9	76.1
Jerusalem governorate	100	32.2	67.8	100	9.3	90.7
Jerusalem (J1)	100	31.6	68.4	100	4.9	95.1
Gaza Strip	100	34.6	65.4	100	45.1	54.9
<b>Females</b>						
West Bank without Jerusalem governorate	100	82.4	17.6	100	16.6	83.4
Jerusalem governorate	100	86.8	13.2	100	5.6	94.4
Jerusalem (J1)	100	87.1	12.9	100	1.9	98.1
Gaza Strip	100	88.3	11.7	100	42.9	57.1

**Jerusalem (J1):** Those parts of Jerusalem which were annexed by Israel 1967.

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**Table 6: Labour Force Participation Rate of Persons Aged 15 Years and Over in the Palestinian Territory by Age Group and Sex (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Age Group	Total	Sex	
		Females	Males
15-19	15.6	1.8	28.8
20-24	43.1	19.3	65.8
25-29	56.4	25.7	86.3
30-34	57.2	21.1	92.8
35-39	56.5	19.6	92.2
40-44	55.8	17.1	92.0
45-49	55.0	20.8	86.3
50+	27.9	8.8	49.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>41.4</b>	<b>15.0</b>	<b>67.3</b>



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**Table 7: Labour Force Participation Rate of Persons Aged 15 Years and Over in the Palestinian Territory by Age and Region (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Age Group	Region			
	Gaza Strip	West Bank	Palestinian Territory	
15-19	11.9	17.8	15.6	19-15
20-24	40.5	44.7	43.1	24-20
25-29	57.0	56.2	56.4	29-25
30-34	54.2	58.8	57.2	34-30
35-39	54.4	57.4	56.5	39-35
40-44	54.7	56.4	55.8	44-40
45-49	52.9	56.0	55.0	49-45
50+	25.8	28.8	27.9	+50
<b>Total</b>	<b>38.8</b>	<b>42.8</b>	<b>41.4</b>	

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**Table 8: Labour Force Participation Rate of Persons Aged 15 Years and Over in the Palestinian Territory by Years of Schooling and Sex (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Years of Schooling	Total	Sex		
		Females	Males	
0	10.4	7.2	20.2	0
1-6	43.2	12.6	69.6	6-1
7-9	41.6	7.0	72.4	9-7
10-12	37.3	6.9	66.9	12-10
13+	55.5	42.5	67.1	+13
<b>Total</b>	<b>41.4</b>	<b>15.0</b>	<b>67.3</b>	

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**Table 9: Labour Force Participation Rate of Persons Aged 15 Years and Over in the Palestinian Territory by Years of Schooling and Region (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Years of Schooling	Region			
	Gaza Strip	West Bank	Palestinian Territory	
0	9.1	10.9	10.4	0
1-6	47.0	41.6	43.2	6-1
7-9	36.4	44.1	41.6	9-7
10-12	31.4	40.7	37.3	12-10
13+	56.4	54.9	55.5	+13
<b>Total</b>	<b>38.8</b>	<b>42.8</b>	<b>41.4</b>	

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**Table 10: Labour Force Participation Rate and Unemployment Rate of Persons Aged 15 Years and Over in the Palestinian Territory by Region, Sex and Refugee Status (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Refugee Status and Region	Unemployment Rate			Labour Force Participation		
	Total	Females	Males	Total	Females	Males
<b>Palestinian Territory</b>						
Refugee	31.0	28.1	31.6	40.4	14.6	65.8
Non-Refugee	25.8	18.4	27.4	42.2	15.3	68.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>27.9</b>	<b>22.5</b>	<b>29.1</b>	<b>41.4</b>	<b>15.0</b>	<b>67.3</b>
<b>West Bank</b>						
Refugee	19.2	15.5	20.0	43.2	16.2	69.4
Non-Refugee	20.0	14.6	21.4	42.6	17.0	67.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>19.8</b>	<b>14.9</b>	<b>21.0</b>	<b>42.8</b>	<b>16.7</b>	<b>68.3</b>
<b>Gaza Strip</b>						
Refugee	42.0	40.5	42.4	38.0	13.3	62.8
Non-Refugee	50.1	51.3	50.0	40.4	8.0	70.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>44.8</b>	<b>42.9</b>	<b>45.1</b>	<b>38.8</b>	<b>11.7</b>	<b>65.4</b>

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**Table 11: Labour Force Participation Rate and Unemployment Rate of Persons Aged 15 Years and Over in the Palestinian Territory by Region, Sex and Marital Status (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Marital Status and Region	Unemployment Rate			Labour Force Participation		
	Total	Females	Males	Total	Females	Males
<b>Palestinian Territory</b>						
Never Married	37.2	34.4	38.0	34.8	17.1	48.8
Currently Married	23.5	15.1	25.0	48.5	14.4	82.7
Other	13.8	6.9	27.7	12.5	9.6	31.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>27.9</b>	<b>22.5</b>	<b>29.1</b>	<b>41.4</b>	<b>15.0</b>	<b>67.3</b>
<b>West Bank</b>						
Never Married	26.7	22.8	27.8	37.4	18.1	52.6
Currently Married	16.3	10.5	17.5	49.1	16.7	82.0
Other	8.3	5.5	14.5	14.2	11.3	31.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>19.8</b>	<b>14.9</b>	<b>21.0</b>	<b>42.8</b>	<b>16.7</b>	<b>68.3</b>
<b>Gaza Strip</b>						
Never Married	61.9	59.5	62.6	29.8	15.2	41.7
Currently Married	37.4	29.3	38.3	47.3	10.2	84.1
Other	35.1	13.2	66.4	8.6	5.7	30.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>44.8</b>	<b>42.9</b>	<b>45.1</b>	<b>38.8</b>	<b>11.7</b>	<b>65.4</b>

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**Table 12: Labour Force Participation Rate and Unemployment Rate for Persons Aged 15 Years and Over in the Palestinian Territory by Region, Type of locality and Sex (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Type of locality and Region	Unemployment Rate			Labour Force Participation		
	Total	Females	Males	Total	Females	Males
<b>Palestinian Territory</b>						
Urban	29.1	22.6	30.4	41.6	14.2	68.3
Rural	25.6	18.4	27.5	42.3	17.5	66.9
Camps	28.2	30.3	27.8	39.3	13.4	65.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>27.9</b>	<b>22.5</b>	<b>29.1</b>	<b>41.4</b>	<b>15.0</b>	<b>67.3</b>
<b>West Bank</b>						
Urban	18.1	13.4	19.2	43.4	16.9	69.0
Rural	23.6	17.0	25.4	42.6	17.9	67.3
Camps	13.2	12.4	13.3	40.8	11.6	68.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>19.8</b>	<b>14.9</b>	<b>21.0</b>	<b>42.8</b>	<b>16.7</b>	<b>68.3</b>
<b>Gaza Strip</b>						
Urban	47.4	45.4	47.7	39.0	10.1	67.2
Rural	53.1	46.6	54.1	38.5	11.7	62.4
Camps	38.2	39.0	38.0	38.4	14.5	62.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>44.8</b>	<b>42.9</b>	<b>45.1</b>	<b>38.8</b>	<b>11.7</b>	<b>65.4</b>

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**Table 13: Percentage Distribution of Youth Aged (15-29) Years in the Palestinian Territory by Labour Force Status, Region and Sex (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Labour Force Status	Gaza Strip			West Bank			Palestinian Territory		
	T	F	M	T	F	M	T	F	M
In Labour Force	32.7	12.1	52.6	36.6	14.7	57.6	35.2	13.7	55.8
Outside Labour Force	67.3	87.9	47.4	63.4	85.3	42.4	64.8	86.3	44.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>
Full Employment	35.4	29.8	36.6	67.5	73.3	66.1	56.5	59.2	55.9
Underemployment	7.1	10.3	6.5	6.5	1.1	7.8	6.7	4.1	7.3
Unemployment	57.5	59.9	56.9	26.0	25.6	26.1	36.8	36.7	36.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>

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**Table 14: Unemployment Rate Participants in the Labour Force Aged 15 Years and Over in the Palestinian Territory by Age Group and Sex (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Age Group	Total	Sex		
		Females	Males	
15-19	43.0	7.6	45.2	19-15
20-24	41.1	46.1	39.7	24-20
25-29	30.1	31.6	29.7	29-25
30-34	22.7	16.0	24.2	34-30
35-39	22.3	15.9	23.6	39-35
40-44	21.7	6.4	24.3	44-40
45-49	19.0	5.2	22.0	49-45
50+	20.1	4.2	23.3	+50
<b>Total</b>	<b>27.9</b>	<b>22.5</b>	<b>29.1</b>	

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**Table 15: Unemployment Rate Participants in the Labour Force Aged 15 Years and Over in the Palestinian Territory by Age and Region (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Age Group	Region			
	Gaza Strip	West Bank	Palestinian Territory	
15-19	73.2	31.1	43.0	19-15
20-24	62.1	29.8	41.1	24-20
25-29	48.0	20.0	30.1	29-25
30-34	33.8	17.4	22.7	34-30
35-39	31.6	18.1	22.3	39-35
40-44	38.5	13.6	21.7	44-40
45-49	31.1	13.4	19.0	49-45
50+	38.0	12.6	20.1	+50
<b>Total</b>	<b>44.8</b>	<b>19.8</b>	<b>27.9</b>	

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**Table 16: Unemployment Rate Participants in the Labour Force Aged 15 Years and Over in the Palestinian Territory by Years of Schooling and Sex (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Years of Schooling	Total	Sex		
		Females	Males	
0	11.9	3.1	21.6	0
1-6	33.9	7.2	38.1	6-1
7-9	29.8	6.8	31.7	9-7
10-12	29.5	18.1	30.6	12-10
13+	22.9	30.5	18.6	+13
<b>Total</b>	<b>27.9</b>	<b>22.5</b>	<b>29.1</b>	

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**Table 17: Unemployment Rate Participants in the Labour Force Aged 15 Years and Over in the Palestinian Territory by Years of Schooling and Region (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Years of Schooling	Region			
	Gaza Strip	West Bank	Palestinian Territory	
0	24.3	6.9	11.9	0
1-6	61.5	21.3	33.9	6-1
7-9	53.4	20.4	29.8	9-7
10-12	47.8	21.2	29.5	12-10
13+	31.6	17.4	22.9	+13
<b>Total</b>	<b>44.8</b>	<b>19.8</b>	<b>27.9</b>	<b>المجموع</b>

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**Table 18: Labour Force Participation, Employment and Unemployment and Average Daily Wage in NIS for Wage Employees in the Palestinian Territory by Governorate (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Governorate and Region	Average Daily Wage in NIS for Wage Employees	Unemployment		العمالة Employment		Labour Force Participation		
		عدد #	نسبة %	عدد #	نسبة %	عدد #	نسبة %	
Jenin	84.3	13,900	21.7	50,400	78.3	64,300	44.4	
Tubas	75.5	1,600	14.5	9,300	85.5	10,900	39.0	
Tulkarem	79.7	9,000	22.9	30,200	77.1	39,200	39.5	
Nablus	84.2	11,800	14.9	67,400	85.1	79,200	42.2	
Qalqilia	82.2	4,300	19.7	17,500	80.3	21,800	42.3	
Salfeet	96.4	3,000	19.1	12,900	80.9	15,900	44.9	
Ramallah & Al-Bireh	90.8	11,800	18.7	51,200	81.3	63,000	40.4	
Jericho & AL- Aghwar	72.4	1,600	12.8	10,900	87.2	12,500	49.9	
Jerusalem	128.2	10,100	8.7	105,200	91.3	115,300	40.8	
Bethlehem	95.1	14,100	28.9	34,600	71.1	48,700	45.3	
Hebron	86.4	38,400	28.8	94,800	71.2	133,200	45.3	
<b>West Bank</b>	<b>99.1</b>	<b>119,600</b>	<b>19.8</b>	<b>484,400</b>	<b>80.2</b>	<b>604,000</b>	<b>42.8</b>	
GS-North	61.5	24,200	46.3	28,200	53.7	52,400	40.1	
Gaza City	60.0	39,000	45.5	46,700	54.5	85,700	38.1	
Deir ALBalah	58.9	18,000	39.8	27,300	60.2	45,300	38.6	
Khan Younis	61.2	32,000	47.1	36,000	52.9	68,000	38.4	
Rafah	65.2	17,500	43.1	23,200	56.9	40,700	39.6	
<b>Gaza Strip</b>	<b>61.2</b>	<b>130,800</b>	<b>44.8</b>	<b>161,300</b>	<b>55.2</b>	<b>292,100</b>	<b>38.8</b>	
<b>Palestinian Territory</b>	<b>90.6</b>	<b>250,400</b>	<b>27.9</b>	<b>645,700</b>	<b>72.1</b>	<b>896,100</b>	<b>41.4</b>	

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**Table 19: The Average of Unemployment Duration (Months) in the Palestinian Territory by Region and Sex (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Region	Total	Sex	
		Females	Males
<b>Palestinian Territory</b>	<b>15.7</b>	<b>16.1</b>	<b>15.7</b>
West Bank	8.6	11.9	8.0
Gaza Strip	22.2	20.1	22.6

**Note:** Unemployed period means the period of being Unemployed since the individual was a available for work or leaving last work

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**Table 20: Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons Aged 15 Years and Over in the Palestinian Territory by Governorate and Place of work (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Governorate and Region	Percentage of Employment	Place of work			
		Total	Israel and Settlements	Other Governorate	Same Governorate
Jenin	78.3	100	11.3	8.1	80.6
Tubas	85.5	100	15.3	24.3	60.4
Tulkarem	77.1	100	9.8	14.2	76.0
Nablus	85.1	100	8.8	8.4	82.8
Qalqilia	80.3	100	12.9	3.6	83.5
Salfeet	80.9	100	18.3	15.5	66.2
Ramallah & Al-Bireh	81.3	100	8.1	0.9	91.0
Jericho & AL- Aghwar	87.2	100	12.4	1.3	86.3
Jerusalem	91.3	100	37.0	5.7	57.3
Bethlehem	71.1	100	8.1	4.8	87.1
Hebron	71.2	100	10.8	4.1	85.1
<b>West Bank</b>	<b>80.2</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>16.1</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>77.5</b>
GS-North	53.7	100	0.0	35.3	64.7
Gaza City	54.5	100	0.0	1.4	98.6
Deir ALBalah	60.2	100	0.0	32.5	67.5
Khan Younis	52.9	100	0.0	20.0	80.0
Rafah	56.9	100	0.0	15.5	84.5
<b>Gaza Strip</b>	<b>55.2</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>18.7</b>	<b>81.3</b>
<b>Palestinian Territory</b>	<b>72.1</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>12.1</b>	<b>9.5</b>	<b>78.4</b>

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**Table 21: Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons Aged 15 Years and Over in the Palestinian Territory by Economic Activity and Place of work (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Economic Activity	Total	Place of work			
		Israel and Settlements	Gaza Strip	West Bank	
Agriculture, fishing and forestry	13.0	8.0	7.1	16.3	
Mining, quarrying and manufacturing	11.1	14.3	2.7	13.8	
Construction	10.8	40.5	0.8	9.1	
Commerce, restaurants and hotels	20.1	21.9	16.2	21.3	
Transportation, storage and communication	5.6	5.9	5.3	5.6	
Services and other branches	39.4	9.4	67.9	33.9	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	

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**Table 22: Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons Aged 15 Years and Over in the Palestinian Territory by Place of work and Region (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Place of work	Region			
	Gaza Strip	West Bank	Palestinian Territory	
West Bank	0.0	83.9	62.9	
Gaza Strip	100.0	0.0	25.0	
Israel and Settlements	0.0	16.1	12.1	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	

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**Table 23: Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons Aged 15 Years and Over in the Palestinian Territory by Economic Activity, Sex and Region (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Economic Activity and Sex	Region			
	Gaza Strip	West Bank	Palestinian Territory	
<b>Both Sexes</b>				
Agriculture, fishing and forestry	7.1	15.0	13.0	
Mining, quarrying and manufacturing	2.7	13.9	11.1	
Construction	0.8	14.2	10.8	
Commerce, restaurants and hotels	16.2	21.4	20.1	
Transportation, storage and communication	5.3	5.7	5.6	
Services and other branches	67.9	29.8	39.4	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	
<b>Males</b>				ذكور
Agriculture, fishing and forestry	6.5	11.0	9.8	
Mining, quarrying and manufacturing	2.9	15.4	12.1	
Construction	0.9	17.5	13.1	
Commerce, restaurants and hotels	18.6	25.0	23.3	
Transportation, storage and communication	6.0	6.9	6.7	
Services and other branches	65.1	24.2	35.0	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	
<b>Females</b>				
Agriculture, fishing and forestry	10.0	30.2	26.2	
Mining, quarrying and manufacturing	1.8	8.0	6.8	
Construction	-	1.3	1.1	
Commerce, restaurants and hotels	2.9	7.4	6.5	
Transportation, storage and communication	1.2	0.9	1.0	
Services and other branches	84.1	52.2	58.4	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	

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**Table 24: Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons Aged 15 Years and Over in the Palestinian Territory by Governorate and Economic Activity (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Governorate	Economic Activity									
	Total	Services and other branches	Health	Education	Transportation, storage and communication	Commerce, restaurants and hotels	Construction	Mining, quarrying and manufacturing	Agriculture, fishing and forestry	
Jenin	100	16.6	2.0	7.7	4.3	18.5	5.1	12.7	33.1	
Tubas	100	19.8	4.2	13.9	4.2	18.9	3.8	6.8	28.4	
Tulkarem	100	21.5	5.8	9.2	5.8	19.7	8.1	12.0	17.9	
Nablus	100	14.1	3.0	12.3	6.4	20.6	9.6	16.9	17.1	
Qalqilia	100	16.3	9.6	10.5	5.7	15.0	5.7	10.0	27.2	
Salfeet	100	22.2	2.1	15.6	5.9	16.8	5.5	13.2	18.7	
Ramallah & Al-Bireh	100	24.4	5.0	12.3	6.1	22.5	13.1	12.7	3.9	
Jericho & AL- Aghwar	100	24.1	2.3	5.8	7.4	18.2	3.1	5.4	33.7	
Jerusalem	100	19.9	7.7	17.1	7.5	28.2	12.2	7.0	0.4	
Bethlehem	100	18.0	7.8	12.7	4.4	16.3	7.7	18.3	14.8	
Hebron	100	11.1	3.5	9.9	4.3	21.7	9.3	19.4	20.8	
<b>West Bank</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>17.3</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>11.8</b>	<b>5.6</b>	<b>21.3</b>	<b>9.1</b>	<b>13.8</b>	<b>16.3</b>	
GS-North	100	40.2	5.6	15.0	7.3	18.5	1.0	1.7	10.7	
Gaza City	100	45.8	4.9	15.5	6.6	21.0	0.4	4.7	1.1	
Deir ALBalah	100	48.1	7.2	19.6	2.5	12.3	-	1.9	8.4	
Khan Younis	100	44.1	7.2	19.9	4.3	12.0	1.0	1.0	10.5	
Rafah	100	37.8	8.7	21.4	4.8	14.5	1.6	3.4	7.8	
<b>Gaza Strip</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>43.5</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>17.9</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>16.2</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>7.1</b>	
<b>Palestinian Territory</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>24.8</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>13.6</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>19.8</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>10.6</b>	<b>13.7</b>	

**Note:** Workers in Israel and Settlements are excluded

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**Table 25: Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons Aged 15 Years and Over in the Palestinian Territory by Economic Activity, Employment Status and Region (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Economic Activity and Region	Employment Status				
	Total	Unpaid Family Member	Wage Employee	Self Employed	Employer
<b>Palestinian Territory</b>					
Agriculture, fishing and forestry	13.0	71.6	3.0	24.5	8.9
Mining, quarrying and manufacturing	11.1	6.6	11.0	11.8	19.4
Construction	10.8	1.2	13.3	3.7	15.6
Commerce, restaurants and hotels	20.1	18.8	14.5	39.2	43.5
Transportation, storage and communication	5.6	1.5	4.6	13.0	4.4
Services and other branches	39.4	0.3	53.6	7.8	8.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>West Bank</b>					
Agriculture, fishing and forestry	14.9	76.4	3.2	26.4	6.4
Mining, quarrying and manufacturing	13.9	7.2	14.6	13.2	20.3
Construction	14.2	1.4	18.1	4.4	19.2
Commerce, restaurants and hotels	21.4	14.2	17.5	35.3	42.7
Transportation, storage and communication	5.7	0.6	4.8	13.2	4.3
Services and other branches	29.9	0.2	41.8	7.5	7.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Gaza Strip</b>					
Agriculture, fishing and forestry	7.1	43.4	2.5	16.8	19.4
Mining, quarrying and manufacturing	2.7	2.7	1.6	6.4	15.2
Construction	0.8	-	0.9	0.6	-
Commerce, restaurants and hotels	16.2	45.9	6.8	55.1	47.0
Transportation, storage and communication	5.3	6.6	4.1	12.2	4.8
Services and other branches	67.9	1.4	84.1	8.9	13.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>

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**Table 26: Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons From the Palestinian Territory by Economic Activity and Weekly Work Hours (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Economic Activity	Total	Weekly Work Hours		
		+35	34-15	14-1
Agriculture, Hunting & Fishing	14.3	9.4	19.0	63.1
Mining, Quarrying & Manufacturing	11.2	11.4	11.2	9.1
Construction	11.4	10.7	16.2	5.6
Commerce, Hotels & Restaurants	21.9	24.5	13.6	12.2
Transportation, Storage & Communication	5.9	6.7	3.5	1.7
Services & Other Branches	35.3	37.3	36.5	8.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>

**Note:** Employed persons excluding absent persons :

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**Table 27: Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons Aged 15 Years and Over in the Palestinian Territory by Occupation and Region (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Occupation	Region		
	Gaza Strip	West Bank	Palestinian Territory
Legislators, Senior Officials & Managers	2.5	4.2	3.8
Professionals, Technicians, Associates and Clerks	37.3	21.0	25.1
Service, Shop & Market Workers	32.1	16.7	20.5
Skilled Agricultural & Fishery Workers	5.8	12.6	10.9
Craft and Related Trade Workers	5.7	16.3	13.6
Plant & Machine Operators & Assemblers	4.5	9.5	8.2
Elementary Occupations	12.1	19.7	17.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>

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**Table 28: Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons Aged 15 Years and Over in the Palestinian Territory by Occupation, Educational Qualification and Region (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Occupation and Region	Educational Qualification				
	Total	Bachelor and above	Associate diploma	Secondary certificate	Preparatory & less
<b>Palestinian Territory</b>					
Legislators, Senior Officials & Managers	100	32.9	9.5	14.6	43.0
Professionals, Technicians, Associates and Clerks	100	62.5	19.2	10.7	7.6
Service, Shop & Market Workers	100	6.2	6.0	27.7	60.1
Skilled Agricultural & Fishery Workers	100	2.0	3.0	11.9	83.1
Craft and Related Trade Workers	100	2.1	4.5	14.0	79.4
Plant & Machine Operators & Assemblers	100	1.1	5.0	17.8	76.1
Elementary Occupations	100	1.1	2.4	14.2	82.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>19.0</b>	<b>8.2</b>	<b>16.1</b>	<b>56.7</b>
<b>West Bank</b>					
Legislators, Senior Officials & Managers	100	28.1	8.8	16.3	46.8
Professionals, Technicians, Associates and Clerks	100	60.1	20.8	9.1	10.0
Service, Shop & Market Workers	100	6.8	7.1	22.3	63.8
Skilled Agricultural & Fishery Workers	100	1.8	3.3	11.6	83.3
Craft and Related Trade Workers	100	1.9	4.6	14.0	79.5
Plant & Machine Operators & Assemblers	100	1.1	5.1	15.9	77.9
Elementary Occupations	100	1.2	2.3	13.7	82.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>15.8</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>14.3</b>	<b>61.9</b>
<b>Gaza Strip</b>					
Legislators, Senior Officials & Managers	100	56.2	13.4	5.9	24.5
Professionals, Technicians, Associates and Clerks	100	66.7	16.4	13.3	3.6
Service, Shop & Market Workers	100	5.2	4.2	36.2	54.4
Skilled Agricultural & Fishery Workers	100	2.4	1.2	14.2	82.2
Craft and Related Trade Workers	100	3.0	4.2	14.3	78.5
Plant & Machine Operators & Assemblers	100	1.4	4.4	29.7	64.5
Elementary Occupations	100	1.0	2.5	16.7	79.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>28.5</b>	<b>8.6</b>	<b>21.7</b>	<b>41.2</b>

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**Table 29: Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons Aged 15 Years and Over in the Palestinian Territory by Employment Status, Sex and Region (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Employment Status and Sex	Region			
	Gaza Strip	West Bank	Palestinian Territory	
<b>Both Sexes</b>				
Employer	3.5	5.0	4.6	
Self Employed	12.0	16.4	15.3	
Wage Employee	79.0	67.9	70.7	
Unpaid Family Member	5.5	10.7	9.4	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	
<b>Males</b>				نكور
Employer	4.0	6.1	5.5	
Self Employed	13.1	17.8	16.6	
Wage Employee	78.2	69.7	71.9	
Unpaid Family Member	4.7	6.4	6.0	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	
<b>Females</b>				
Employer	0.8	0.9	0.9	
Self Employed	5.8	10.9	9.9	
Wage Employee	83.7	61.2	65.7	
Unpaid Family Member	9.7	27.0	23.5	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	

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**Table 30: Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons Aged 15 Years and Over in the Palestinian Territory by Place of Work and Region (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Region	Region						
	Gaza Strip		West Bank		Palestinian Territory		
	(%)	Number	(%)	Number	(%)	Number	
Palestinian Territory	100.0	161,300	83.9	406,400	87.9	567,700	
Israel and Settlements (Persons who have Palestinian Identity)	0	0	8.1	39,200	6.1	39,200	) (
Israel and Settlements (Persons who have Israeli Identity or foreign passport)	0	0	8.0	38,800	6.0	38,800	) /
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>161,300</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>484,400</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>645,700</b>	(

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**Table 31: Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons Aged 15 Years and Over in the Palestinian Territory by Governorate and Employment Status (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Governorate	Total	Employment Status				
		Unpaid Family Member	Wage Employee	Self Employed	Employer	
Jenin	100	15.9	50.3	29.5	4.3	
Tubas	100	9.2	65.9	18.2	6.7	
Tulkarem	100	8.1	65.3	23.1	3.5	
Nablus	100	9.8	62.9	21.9	5.4	
Qalqilia	100	8.2	62.2	26.7	2.9	
Salfeet	100	9.4	65.1	21.4	4.1	
Ramallah & Al-Bireh	100	3.9	76.0	12.0	8.1	
Jericho & AL- Aghwar	100	17.4	64.4	13.9	4.3	
Jerusalem	100	0.9	92.9	3.1	3.1	
Bethlehem	100	13.6	63.8	17.3	5.3	
Hebron	100	22.6	53.1	17.8	6.5	
<b>West Bank</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>10.7</b>	<b>67.9</b>	<b>16.4</b>	<b>5.0</b>	
GS-North	100	12.3	70.7	14.5	2.5	
Gaza City	100	4.7	78.0	11.8	5.5	
Deir ALBalah	100	4.6	80.5	12.3	2.6	
Khan Younis	100	3.2	83.5	10.7	2.6	
Rafah	100	3.2	82.8	11.1	2.9	
<b>Gaza Strip</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>79.0</b>	<b>12.0</b>	<b>3.5</b>	
<b>Palestinian Territory</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>9.4</b>	<b>70.7</b>	<b>15.3</b>	<b>4.6</b>	

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**Table 32: Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons Aged 15 Years and Over in the Palestinian Territory by Governorate and Sector (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Governorate And Region	Total	Sector				
		Israel and Settlements	Other Sectors	Private Sector	Public Sector	
Jenin	100	11.3	2.0	69.1	17.6	
Tubas	100	15.3	3.9	59.4	21.4	
Tulkarem	100	9.8	2.9	63.7	23.6	
Nablus	100	8.8	1.7	70.3	19.2	
Qalqilia	100	12.9	4.4	62.4	20.3	
Salfeet	100	18.3	0.4	52.5	28.8	
Ramallah & Al-Bireh	100	8.1	3.4	69.3	19.2	
Jericho & AL- Aghwar	100	12.4	4.8	62.7	20.1	
Jerusalem	100	37.0	7.6	51.2	4.2	
Bethlahem	100	8.1	0.9	77.0	14.0	
Hebron	100	10.9	0.7	72.6	15.8	
<b>West Bank</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>16.2</b>	<b>3.2</b>	<b>65.2</b>	<b>15.4</b>	
GS-North	100	0.0	7.1	45.4	47.5	
Gaza City	100	0.0	2.3	40.6	57.1	
Deir ALBalah	100	0.0	10.3	33.3	56.4	
Khan Younis	100	0.0	11.5	34.8	53.7	
Rafah	100	0.0	11.7	36.0	52.3	
<b>Gaza Strip</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>7.9</b>	<b>38.3</b>	<b>53.8</b>	
<b>Palestinian Territory</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>12.1</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>58.5</b>	<b>25.0</b>	

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**Table 33: Average Weekly Work Hours, Monthly Work Days and Daily Wage in NIS for Wage by Place of Work (ILO Standards), Employees Aged 15 Years and Over October-December, 2008**

Indicator	Total	Place of work			
		Israel and Settlements	Gaza Strip	West Bank	
Average weekly work hours	42.7	44.7	39.9	43.1	
Average monthly work days*	23.0	21.6	25.0	22.7	*
Median daily net wage in NIS	76.9	134.6	57.7	76.9	
Average daily net wage in NIS	90.6	138.0	61.2	87.4	

\*: Including paid days that have been not worked

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**Table 34: Average Daily Wage in NIS for Wage Employees in the Palestinian Territory by Region and Sector (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Region	Total	Sector				
		Israel and Settlements	Other Sector	Private Sector	Public Sector	
<b>Palestinian Territory</b>	90.6	138.0	93.0	79.2	78.8	
West Bank	99.1	138.0	110.8	86.5	84.4	
Gaza Strip	61.2	-	73.2	41.9	69.9	

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**Table 35: Average Daily Wage in NIS for Wage Employees in the Palestinian Territory by Region and Sex (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Region	Total	Sex		
		Females	Males	
<b>Palestinian Territory</b>	80.3	76.7	81.3	
West Bank	87.4	82.0	89.0	
Gaza Strip	61.2	60.7	61.3	

**Note:** Workers in Israel and Settlements are excluded

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**Table 36: Average Daily Wage in NIS for Wage Employees in the Palestinian Territory by Economic Activity and Place of work (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Economic Activity	Total	Place of work			
		Israel and Settlements	Gaza Strip	West Bank	
Agriculture, fishing and forestry	58.8	87.2	21.6	53.2	
Mining, quarrying and manufacturing	80.4	128.2	-	68.6	
Construction	119.6	150.6	-	89.1	
Commerce, restaurants and hotels	88.2	132.7	28.5	84.0	
Services and other branches	88.1	146.9	68.1	93.6	
<b>Total</b>	<b>90.6</b>	<b>138.0</b>	<b>61.2</b>	<b>87.4</b>	

(-): means there are no enough observations in this section

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**Table 37: Average Monthly Wage in NIS for Wage Employees in the Palestinian Territory by Occupation, and Educational Qualification (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Occupation	Educational Qualification				
	Total	Bachelor and above	Associate diploma	Secondary certificate	Preparatory & less
Legislators, Senior Officials & Managers	4033	4173	-	-	-
Professionals, Technicians, Associates and Clerks	2377	2481	2356	2080	1893
Service, Shop & Market Workers	1978	2237	2983	1859	1887
Skilled Agricultural & Fishery Workers	-	-	-	-	-
Craft and Related Trade Workers	2706	-	-	3117	2622
Plant & Machine Operators & Assemblers	2426	-	-	2509	2380
Elementary Occupations	2241	-	-	2372	2211
<b>Total</b>	<b>2356</b>	<b>2577</b>	<b>2561</b>	<b>2270</b>	<b>2236</b>

(-): means there are no enough observations in this section

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**Table 38: Average Monthly Wage in NIS for Wage Employees in the Palestinian Territory by Length of Services in Years, Educational Qualification and Region (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Length of Services in years and Region	Educational Qualification				
	Total	Bachelor and above	Associate diploma	Secondary certificate	Preparatory & less
<b>Palestinian Territory</b>					
0-1	1856	1623	1713	1787	1988
2-3	2234	2701	2773	2061	2024
4-6	2498	2946	2691	2443	2228
7-9	2423	2686	2647	2078	2255
10+	2851	3135	2840	2886	2699
<b>Total</b>	<b>2356</b>	<b>2577</b>	<b>2561</b>	<b>2270</b>	<b>2236</b>
<b>West Bank</b>					
0-1	2171	2066	1882	2207	2223
2-3	2407	2753	2966	2366	2211
4-6	2672	3147	3104	2591	2391
7-9	2568	2744	2779	2238	2485
10+	3008	3243	3039	3163	2864
<b>Total</b>	<b>2576</b>	<b>2834</b>	<b>2781</b>	<b>2591</b>	<b>2440</b>
<b>Gaza Strip</b>					
0-1	1044	1188	-	925	894
2-3	1471	2546	-	1260	831
4-6	1660	-	-	-	-
7-9	1987	-	-	-	-
10+	2215	2894	2196	1890	1546
<b>Total</b>	<b>1591</b>	<b>2083</b>	<b>1838</b>	<b>1340</b>	<b>1115</b>

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**Table 39: Percentage Distribution of Persons Aged 15 Years and Over Outside the Labour Force in the Palestinian Territory by Reason, Sex and Region (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Reason and Sex	Region			
	Gaza Strip	West Bank	Palestinian Territory	
<b>Both Sexes</b>				
Old/illness	9.8	12.2	11.3	/
Housekeeping	47.3	47.4	47.3	
Studying or training	37.9	34.2	35.5	/
Others	5.0	6.2	5.9	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	
<b>Males</b>				
Old/illness	24.0	28.9	27.1	/
Housekeeping	0.5	0.5	0.5	
Studying or training	62.5	52.5	56.2	/
Others	13.0	18.1	16.2	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	
<b>Females</b>				
Old/illness	4.2	5.7	5.1	/
Housekeeping	66.0	65.5	65.7	
Studying or training	28.0	27.1	27.4	/
Others	1.8	1.7	1.8	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	

**Table 40: Employed Persons in the Palestinian Territory by Type of Sector, Region and Sex (ILO Standards), October-December, 2008**

Region and Sex	Informal employed from total employed	Percentage of employed in the informal sector from self employed and own account employed	* Employed in the informal sector from total employed*	
			#	%
<b>Palestinian Territory</b>				
Males	6.7	46.0	46,800	10.0
Females	7.2	70.0	5,000	5.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>6.8</b>	<b>47.6</b>	<b>51,800</b>	<b>9.2</b>
<b>West Bank</b>				
Males	6.1	42.8	34,500	10.1
Females	4.4	67.8	4,100	5.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>5.7</b>	<b>44.5</b>	<b>38,600</b>	<b>9.4</b>
<b>Gaza strip</b>				
Males	8.4	58.3	12,300	9.7
Females	18.6	-	900	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>10.0</b>	<b>59.4</b>	<b>13,200</b>	<b>8.8</b>

\*Employed in agriculture sector are excluded

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## Basic Changes in the Labour Force Indicators in Palestinian Territory During 1995 - 2008 (ILO Standards)

Indicator	51	50	49	48	47	46	45	44	43	42	41	40	39	38	37	36	35	34	33	32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	19	18	
	Q4-2008	Q3-2008	Q2-2008	Q1-2008	Q4-2007	Q3-2007	Q2-2007	Q1-2007	Q4-2006	Q3-2006	Q2-2006	Q1-2006	Q4-2005	Q3-2005	Q2-2005	Q1-2005	Q4-2004	Q3-2004	Q2-2004	Q1-2004	Q4-2003	Q3-2003	Q2-2003	Q1-2003	Q4-2002	Q3-2002	Q2-2002	Q4-2000	Q3-2000	
Labour Force Participation Rate	41.4	41.6	41.6	40.6	41.4	42.7	42.4	41.2	43.0	41.3	40.9	40.0	40.3	41.7	41.2	39.7	41.0	40.3	40.3	40.0	40.5	41.2	40.7	38.8	39.2	37.6	36.9	39.2	43.5	
Full Employment Rate	65.7	66.7	66.0	71.3	72.1	68.2	70.1	71.5	69.8	67.9	68.7	67.5	69.1	70.2	72.7	67.9	69.0	67.2	63.9	67.3	69.4	69.1	68.7	65.4	67.1	59.8	62.9	66.9	83.6	
Underemployment Rate	6.4	5.8	8.2	6.1	5.7	8.6	10.7	6.9	8.2	7.9	8.4	7.2	7.1	7.1	6.1	5.8	5.4	6.1	7.5	6.5	6.3	7.3	7.0	4.3	5.6	4.6	3.5	4.8	6.4	
Unemployment Rate	27.9	27.5	25.8	22.6	22.2	23.2	19.2	21.6	22.0	24.2	22.9	25.3	23.8	22.7	21.2	26.3	25.6	26.7	28.6	26.2	24.3	23.6	24.3	30.3	27.3	35.6	33.6	28.3	10.0	
Employed in Agriculture	13.0	12.7	14.9	12.9	15.3	15.1	17.3	14.7	21.5	13.7	15.2	13.2	14.4	14.9	15.6	13.3	19.3	14.4	15.2	14.6	15.4	14.8	17.7	14.7	17.6	11.3	16.7	16.9	12.7	
Employed in Construction	10.8	12.7	10.8	9.4	10.4	11.6	11.1	10.7	9.5	11.4	11.5	12.2	12.3	13.0	13.0	13.4	11.6	12.3	10.5	12.2	14.1	14.4	12.1	11.6	12.7	11.0	8.5	10.8	21.7	
Employed in Manufacturing	11.1	12.4	12.1	13.0	12.3	12.8	12.6	12.5	12.2	13.5	12.3	11.6	13.2	13.0	13.2	12.5	11.5	12.7	13.1	13.5	12.6	12.6	12.2	12.8	12.5	12.7	12.1	12.8	15.0	
Employed in Services	39.4	37.2	38.2	38.5	36.4	35.3	34.8	36.7	34.4	35.1	36.1	36.4	34.9	33.7	33.4	35.8	34.2	34.8	35.9	34.8	32.0	32.3	32.5	34.9	33.1	37.3	37.9	35.2	28.6	
Elementary Occupation Workers	17.9	15.6	15.7	14.9	14.3	14.8	13.1	13.8	13.2	15.1	16.0	16.0	16.6	14.6	15.2	15.6	14.0	15.3	13.8	13.9	14.2	14.9	14.1	13.5	15.2	13.0	13.2	13.7	19.8	
Craft and Related Trade Workers	13.6	16.9	15.5	16.3	14.7	17.8	17.2	16.5	15.1	17.2	15.8	16.5	16.8	18.6	17.4	17.3	8.9	17.5	17.1	18.2	18.6	19.5	18.0	18.5	17.8	18.6	15.6	16.2	24.5	
Employed in Israel & Settlements	12.1	12.1	10.8	11.2	10.0	9.3	8.5	9.8	9.5	10.5	8.7	9.8	9.6	9.9	10.2	10.2	8.1	9.3	8.1	9.2	9.4	10.8	8.9	9.6	10.4	11.8	7.3	9.1	22.1	
Employers	4.6	4.5	4.0	3.8	4.3	4.2	4.0	3.6	5.2	4.7	4.3	4.2	4.1	4.6	4.6	4.0	3.9	4.2	4.4	4.0	4.1	3.8	3.0	3.2	3.7	4.2	3.3	4.6	4.4	
Self - Employed	15.3	21.0	22.4	24.3	23.3	23.5	25.0	24.9	22.2	25.0	26.6	26.6	26.0	25.4	26.3	26.8	26.2	25.9	26.9	27.0	27.1	26.7	28.7	28.8	27.0	25.0	27.3	23.1	18.1	
Wage Employees	70.7	65.1	63.0	62.5	60.5	59.6	58.1	61.0	57.2	59.6	59.6	61.1	60.6	58.3	58.1	61.0	57.3	58.9	57.7	59.2	57.4	58.1	55.5	58.0	57.9	61.9	58.0	59.3	67.6	
Unpaid Family Members	9.4	9.4	10.6	9.4	11.9	12.7	12.9	10.5	15.4	10.7	9.5	8.1	9.3	11.7	11.0	8.2	12.6	11.0	11.0	9.8	11.4	11.4	12.8	10.0	11.4	8.9	11.4	13.0	9.9	
Average Monthly Work Days *	23.3	23.2	22.7	22.7	22.6	22.1	22.7	22.7	22.6	23.9	24.0	23.3	23.6	23.9	23.9	23.6	23.8	23.7	24.3	23.2	23.8	23.2	23.5	22.4	23.4	23.1	23.3	23.3	22.8	*
Average Weekly Work Hours *	42.2	43.0	42.1	41.0	39.5	41.8	41.7	41.4	40.0	42.4	41.8	41.1	40.5	43.3	42.8	41.6	41.7	43.0	42.9	42.4	41.1	43.5	41.7	40.3	40.2	40.5	40.8	40.7	45.0	*
Median Daily Net Wage (NIS) *	73.1	69.2	70.0	70.0	69.2	67.3	65.4	69.2	65.4	69.2	69.2	69.2	65.4	60.0	60.0	57.7	59.8	57.7	60.0	57.7	57.7	57.7	53.8	55.6	57.7	57.7	53.8	61.5	70.0	*

Note:

\*: Workers in Israel and Settlements are excluded

Q: Quarter, Example: Q1-99 means: First Quarter of 1999

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## Basic Changes in the Labour Force Indicators in West Bank During 1995 - 2008 (ILO Standards)

Indicator	51	50	49	48	47	46	45	44	43	42	41	40	39	38	37	36	35	34	33	32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	19	18	
	Q4-2008	Q3-2008	Q2-2008	Q1-2008	Q4-2007	Q3-2007	Q2-2007	Q1-2007	Q4-2006	Q3-2006	Q2-2006	Q1-2006	Q4-2005	Q3-2005	Q2-2005	Q1-2005	Q4-2004	Q3-2004	Q2-2004	Q1-2004	Q4-2003	Q3-2003	Q2-2003	Q1-2003	Q4-2002	Q3-2002	Q2-2002	Q4-2000	Q3-2000	
Labour Force Participation Rate	42.8	43.4	43.5	42.3	44.0	44.8	44.8	42.7	45.7	44.6	43.7	42.5	42.4	44.1	43.7	41.4	43.4	42.6	42.4	41.6	42.2	42.9	42.5	39.6	42.1	40.0	37.3	42.9	45.3	
Full Employment Rate	74.1	73.1	75.8	74.1	73.4	70.5	72.0	75.2	75.3	71.1	71.6	69.6	68.9	70.9	74.9	69.7	72.0	69.8	66.3	67.1	71.4	69.5	69.6	63.9	65.6	62.5	66.6	68.1	84.8	
Underemployment Rate	6.1	6.2	7.9	6.9	7.4	10.9	12.2	7.5	8.5	9.8	10.4	9.0	9.3	9.2	7.9	7.7	6.7	8.0	10.1	8.3	7.9	8.9	8.0	4.9	7.4	6.5	3.7	5.6	7.7	
Unemployment Rate	19.8	20.7	16.3	19.0	19.2	18.6	15.8	17.3	16.2	19.1	18.0	21.4	21.8	19.9	17.2	22.6	21.3	22.2	23.6	24.6	20.7	21.6	22.4	31.2	27.0	31.0	29.7	26.3	7.5	
Employed in Agriculture	15.0	13.5	15.7	13.0	15.9	16.1	19.2	15.3	24.0	15.1	16.8	14.3	15.7	16.6	17.0	13.4	21.2	15.1	16.3	14.6	15.2	13.7	17.9	12.4	18.6	11.8	14.6	17.1	11.3	
Employed in Construction	14.2	16.8	14.1	12.7	13.9	14.8	13.1	12.8	11.1	13.7	13.4	13.6	13.3	14.7	14.4	15.0	13.0	14.3	11.9	12.8	15.7	15.8	13.0	12.4	13.5	12.9	10.7	13.3	24.2	
Employed in Manufacturing	13.9	15.0	14.5	16.2	15.0	15.4	14.5	14.8	14.2	16.1	14.7	13.2	15.0	15.0	14.7	14.6	13.1	14.1	14.7	14.4	14.1	14.3	13.5	14.2	13.7	13.4	14.6	14.6	16.1	
Employed in Services	29.8	29.1	30.9	32.8	30.2	28.6	29.1	30.9	27.7	28.2	29.6	30.9	28.9	27.2	27.8	30.1	28.4	29.0	30.0	30.6	27.7	28.6	28.7	32.7	28.7	31.9	32.7	29.0	24.6	
Elementary Occupation Workers	19.7	16.6	17.0	16.9	16.3	10.4	14.1	15.5	14.1	16.5	16.1	16.2	16.4	15.3	15.8	16.3	14.2	16.0	14.6	14.2	13.6	14.1	12.9	13.1	13.7	13.9	13.1	15.2	20.5	
Craft and Related Trade Workers	16.3	20.4	18.3	18.5	17.2	17.8	18.2	18.1	16.9	19.6	17.7	18.3	18.2	19.8	18.4	19.3	16.8	18.3	18.2	18.6	19.9	21.0	19.1	19.4	18.8	19.6	18.5	18.2	25.7	
Employed in Israel & Settlements	16.1	16.3	14.2	15.9	14.0	12.9	11.9	13.7	12.8	14.0	11.8	13.2	13.6	13.6	13.6	14.2	10.9	12.5	11.0	11.8	12.3	13.5	11.7	12.6	12.8	15.0	9.6	11.3	24.8	
Employers	5.0	4.5	4.3	4.2	5.0	4.7	4.2	3.4	4.4	5.0	4.7	4.8	4.8	5.3	5.2	4.7	4.7	5.1	5.4	4.8	4.9	4.5	3.2	3.8	4.4	4.6	3.6	4.8	4.6	
Self - Employed	16.4	22.8	24.1	22.9	23.5	24.7	26.3	26.9	24.5	26.7	28.6	28.5	27.9	26.7	27.6	28.3	27.6	27.4	28.3	29.3	21.8	28.2	30.8	30.2	27.8	25.6	29.1	24.6	19.9	
Wage Employees	67.9	62.2	60.4	64.2	59.7	57.6	55.6	59.0	53.7	55.9	56.0	57.4	56.9	55.0	55.3	58.6	53.8	55.8	55.1	55.9	55.2	56.0	52.7	57.6	54.8	60.0	56.4	57.0	66.2	
Unpaid Family Members	10.7	10.5	11.2	8.7	11.8	13.0	13.9	10.7	17.4	12.4	10.7	9.3	10.4	13.0	11.9	8.4	13.9	11.7	11.2	10.0	11.8	11.3	13.3	8.4	13.0	9.8	10.9	13.6	9.3	
Average Monthly Work Days *	22.7	22.7	22.3	22.1	22.2	22.0	22.3	22.2	22.1	23.5	23.8	23.2	23.4	23.7	23.8	23.5	23.6	23.4	24.7	24.5	24.4	23.5	23.9	22.8	23.2	22.2	22.5	23.2	24.3	
Average Weekly Work Hours *	43.1	42.8	42.7	41.2	39.9	42.5	42.4	41.9	41.5	42.9	42.7	41.6	40.8	43.7	43.3	42.2	42.5	42.6	43.6	43.4	42.0	44.4	42.4	40.5	41.1	39.5	41.7	40.6	46.2	*
Median Daily Net Wage (NIS) *	76.9	71.2	76.9	76.9	70.0	70.0	69.2	70.0	67.3	69.2	69.2	70.0	69.2	65.4	65.4	60.0	62.2	61.1	64.6	62.8	61.6	61.5	57.7	60.0	60.0	67.3	57.7	61.5	63.2	*

## Note:

\*: Workers in Israel and Settlements are excluded

Q: Quarter, Example: Q1-99 means: First Quarter of 1999

1999

Q1-99 :

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## Basic Changes in the Labour Force Indicators in Gaza Strip During 1995 - 2008 (ILO Standards)

Indicator	51	50	49	48	47	46	45	44	43	42	41	40	39	38	37	36	35	34	33	32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	19	18			
	Q4-2008	Q3-2008	Q2-2008	Q1-2008	Q4-2007	Q3-2007	Q2-2007	Q1-2007	Q4-2006	Q3-2006	Q2-2006	Q1-2006	Q4-2005	Q3-2005	Q2-2005	Q1-2005	Q4-2004	Q3-2004	Q2-2004	Q1-2004	Q4-2003	Q3-2003	Q2-2003	Q1-2003	Q4-2002	Q3-2002	Q2-2002	Q4-2000	Q3-2000			
Labour Force Participation Rate	38.8	38.2	38.0	37.5	36.6	38.9	38.0	38.3	38.0	35.3	35.7	35.3	36.4	37.1	36.5	36.6	36.6	36.0	36.1	37.0	37.4	38.1	37.2	37.1	33.5	32.8	36.1	32.0	40.1			
Full Employment Rate	48.2	53.0	45.7	65.8	69.3	63.4	66.2	63.8	57.6	60.3	62.0	62.8	69.3	68.4	67.6	64.0	62.2	61.4	58.8	67.6	65.0	68.3	66.6	68.7	70.8	53.4	55.4	63.7	81.0			
Underemployment Rate	7.0	5.1	8.8	4.4	1.7	3.7	7.4	5.8	7.6	3.4	4.0	3.1	2.5	2.6	2.2	2.0	2.6	1.8	1.5	2.6	2.9	3.8	5.0	2.8	1.1	0.1	3.2	2.8	3.5			
Unemployment Rate	44.8	41.9	45.5	29.8	29.0	32.9	26.4	30.4	34.8	36.3	34.0	34.1	28.2	29.0	30.2	34.0	35.2	36.8	39.7	29.8	32.1	27.9	28.4	28.5	28.1	46.5	41.4	33.5	15.5			
Employed in Agriculture	7.1	10.6	12.3	12.5	13.9	12.7	12.7	13.3	14.1	9.2	10.7	10.1	11.4	10.5	12.0	13.1	14.3	12.3	12.3	14.6	15.9	17.4	17.2	19.4	15.3	9.7	21.9	16.1	16.2			
Employed in Construction	0.8	0.7	0.4	1.6	1.5	3.7	6.2	5.6	4.9	4.6	6.1	8.3	9.8	8.7	9.3	9.2	8.0	7.0	6.4	11.0	10.2	11.3	10.1	10.1	10.9	5.2	3.4	3.5	15.9			
Employed in Manufacturing	2.7	4.8	4.6	5.5	5.5	5.8	8.0	7.1	6.3	5.7	5.7	7.3	8.7	8.0	9.2	7.3	7.2	8.8	8.7	11.5	9.0	8.7	9.1	10.1	9.6	10.3	6.2	7.5	12.3			
Employed in Services	67.9	60.7	61.4	52.0	52.2	52.2	48.9	50.5	53.4	56.3	54.1	51.7	49.2	50.0	48.1	50.3	49.5	50.7	52.5	44.1	42.2	40.7	41.4	38.7	43.2	53.8	49.8	53.7	38.0			
Elementary Occupation Workers	12.1	12.4	11.1	10.0	9.1	14.8	10.5	9.8	10.5	11.2	15.5	15.5	17.1	12.9	13.6	14.1	13.4	13.4	11.3	13.9	15.2	16.8	16.7	14.1	18.9	10.3	13.0	9.9	18.0			
Craft and Related Trade Workers	5.7	6.9	6.5	11.1	8.4	15.8	14.8	12.7	10.1	9.9	10.4	11.7	13.4	15.5	14.8	12.3	12.5	15.2	14.0	17.0	15.4	16.1	15.4	16.7	15.2	15.6	8.7	10.5	21.7			
Employed in Israel & Settlements	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.5	-	0.5	1.0	-	0.4	0.4	0.1	3.3	2.2	4.4	2.1	3.7	4.6	2.1	1.7	2.7	15.4			
Employers	3.5	4.6	3.3	2.9	2.4	3.0	3.4	4.1	7.2	3.7	3.0	2.5	2.4	2.9	2.9	2.0	1.8	1.9	1.8	2.1	2.2	2.1	2.5	2.0	2.0	3.2	2.6	4.0	4.0			
Self - Employed	12.0	15.7	16.9	27.3	22.7	20.5	21.5	19.9	15.6	19.9	21.0	21.5	21.7	22.0	23.1	23.1	22.5	21.7	22.9	21.6	24.8	23.1	23.8	26.1	25.2	23.4	23.1	18.7	13.6			
Wage Employees	79.0	73.3	71.3	58.5	62.5	64.8	64.3	65.8	67.3	70.6	69.8	71.0	69.4	66.6	65.3	67.2	66.7	67.5	65.2	66.6	62.9	63.1	62.1	58.7	65.5	67.4	61.8	65.9	71.0			
Unpaid Family Members	5.5	6.4	8.5	11.3	12.4	11.7	10.8	10.2	9.9	5.8	6.2	5.0	6.5	8.5	8.7	7.7	9.0	8.9	10.1	9.7	10.1	11.7	11.6	13.2	7.3	6.0	12.5	11.4	11.4			
Average Monthly Work Days *	25.0	24.8	24.2	20.4	23.8	22.4	23.5	23.5	23.5	24.5	24.3	23.5	23.9	24.3	24.2	23.7	24.1	24.3	23.5	21.2	22.9	22.8	22.8	21.9	23.8	24.8	24.4	24.8	23.7	*		
Average Weekly Work Hours *	39.9	43.4	40.0	40.2	38.2	39.7	40.4	40.6	37.7	41.5	40.4	40.4	40.0	42.5	42.0	40.5	40.5	43.6	41.7	40.9	39.8	42.2	40.6	40.0	38.9	42.3	39.6	40.6	42.8	*		
Median Daily Net Wage (NIS) *	57.7	50.0	57.7	57.7	60.7	57.7	57.7	61.5	61.5	65.4	67.3	65.4	61.5	53.8	55.8	55.8	53.8	50.0	53.8	50.0	50.0	50.0	50.0	50.0	50.0	50.0	50.0	53.8	50.0	53.8	46.2	*

## Note:

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Q: Quarter, Example: Q1-99 means: First Quarter of 1999

(-) means there are no enough observations in this section.

\*: لا يشمل العاملين من الأراضي الفلسطينية في إسرائيل والمستوطنات

1999 Q1-99 :

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## Basic Changes in the Labour Force Indicators in Palestinian Territory During 1995 - 2008 (ILO Standards)

Indicator	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998	1997	1996	1995	
Labour Force Participation Rate	41.3	41.9	41.3	40.7	40.4	40.3	38.1	38.7	41.5	41.6	41.4	40.5	40.0	39.0	
Full Employment Rate	67.4	70.5	68.5	69.9	66.8	68.1	64.4	70.9	80.9	82.8	79.1	70.4	64.3	60.7	
Underemployment Rate	6.6	8.0	7.9	6.6	6.4	6.3	4.3	3.9	5.0	5.4	6.5	9.3	11.9	21.1	
Unemployment Rate	26.0	21.5	23.6	23.5	26.8	25.6	31.3	25.2	14.1	11.8	14.4	20.3	23.8	18.2	
Employed in Agriculture	13.4	15.6	16.1	14.6	15.9	15.7	14.9	11.7	13.7	12.6	12.1	13.1	14.2	12.7	
Employed in Construction	10.9	11.0	11.1	12.9	11.7	13.1	10.9	14.5	19.7	22.1	22.0	18.4	16.8	19.2	
Employed in Manufacturing	12.1	12.5	12.4	13.0	12.7	12.5	12.9	13.9	14.3	15.5	15.9	16.4	16.8	18.0	
Employed in Services	38.4	35.8	35.5	34.4	34.9	32.8	35.7	34.6	29.9	28.1	27.1	28.2	29.2	25.6	
Elementary Occupation Workers	15.9	14.0	14.9	15.5	14.3	14.1	14.1	15.9	21.1	29.7	31.0	28.9	28.7	18.3	
Craft and Related Trade Workers	15.6	16.1	16.1	17.5	17.1	18.7	17.5	19.0	22.0	22.7	24.7	24.6	24.0	27.5	
Employed in Israel & Settlements	11.6	9.4	9.6	9.9	8.7	9.7	10.3	13.8	19.6	23.0	21.7	17.1	14.1	16.2	
Employers	4.2	4.0	4.6	4.3	4.1	3.5	3.7	4.7	4.6	5.5	5.8	5.3	5.5	6.9	
Self - Employed	20.7	24.2	25.0	26.1	26.5	27.8	26.8	24.0	19.6	18.7	21.0	22.9	22.3	21.2	
Wage Employees	65.3	59.8	59.3	59.5	58.3	57.2	59.2	62.1	66.1	67.8	65.3	62.0	61.4	61.7	
Unpaid Family Members	9.7	12.0	11.1	10.1	11.1	11.5	10.3	9.2	9.7	8.0	7.9	9.8	10.8	10.2	
Average Monthly Work Days *	23.0	22.6	23.4	23.8	23.7	23.2	23.3	23.9	23.2	22.6	23.0	22.0	22.0	21.0	*
Average Weekly Work Hours *	42.1	41.1	41.3	42.0	42.5	41.7	40.6	42.1	43.1	44.2	45.0	44.0	43.5	42.1	*
Median Daily Net Wage (NIS) *	70.0	69.2	69.2	60.0	57.7	55.8	57.7	57.7	69.2	69.2	57.7	50.0	46.2	46.3	*

**Note:**

\*: Workers in Israel and Settlements are excluded



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## Basic Changes in the Labour Force Indicators in West Bank During 1995 - 2008 (ILO Standards)

Indicator	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998	1997	1996	1995	
Labour Force Participation Rate	43.0	44.1	44.1	42.9	42.5	41.8	40.0	41.5	43.6	43.4	44.2	43.2	42.0	40.6	
Full Employment Rate	74.2	72.8	72.0	71.2	68.8	68.7	66.4	73.8	81.7	83.5	80.1	71.1	67.6	65.3	
Underemployment Rate	6.8	9.5	9.4	8.5	8.3	7.5	5.4	4.7	6.2	7.0	8.4	11.6	12.8	20.7	
Unemployment Rate	19.0	17.7	18.6	20.3	22.9	23.8	28.2	21.5	12.1	9.5	11.5	17.3	19.6	13.9	
Employed in Agriculture	14.3	16.6	17.8	15.7	16.9	14.9	14.1	11.8	12.5	11.5	13.8	15.1	16.2	13.3	
Employed in Construction	14.5	13.6	12.9	14.4	13.0	14.3	12.7	18.0	22.2	23.9	22.7	19.1	18.3	20.3	
Employed in Manufacturing	14.9	14.9	14.6	14.8	14.0	14.0	14.5	15.4	15.4	16.5	16.8	17.2	17.6	18.8	
Employed in Services	30.6	29.8	29.0	28.5	29.5	29.4	31.1	28.0	25.5	24.7	23.0	23.8	24.2	22.6	
Elementary Occupation Workers	17.4	15.8	15.6	16.0	14.8	13.3	14.1	17.6	21.9	31.1	30.5	28.7	28.7	18.2	
Craft and Related Trade Workers	18.4	17.8	18.1	18.9	18.0	19.9	19.1	20.7	23.3	22.9	25.0	25.0	25.1	28.7	
Employed in Israel & Settlements	15.6	13.1	13.0	13.8	11.6	12.5	13.3	18.0	22.4	25.9	24.0	19.5	16.6	20.2	
Employers	4.5	4.4	4.4	5.0	5.0	4.1	4.1	4.6	5.1	6.6	6.5	5.9	6.0	7.1	
Self - Employed	21.6	25.4	27.0	27.6	28.1	29.3	27.8	25.6	20.6	18.6	21.5	23.6	23.5	21.3	
Wage Employees	63.7	57.9	55.7	56.4	55.1	55.3	57.5	60.1	64.7	66.5	63.0	59.3	59.0	61.3	
Unpaid Family Members	10.2	12.3	12.6	11.0	11.8	11.3	10.6	9.7	9.6	8.3	9.0	11.2	11.5	9.9	
Average Monthly Work Days *	22.4	22.2	23.1	23.6	24.0	23.7	22.8	23.6	24.4	23.5	23.0	23.0	22.6	22.0	*
Average Weekly Work Hours *	42.5	41.7	42.2	42.5	43.0	42.3	40.9	43.2	43.6	44.6	45.0	43.0	43.5	43.0	*
Median Daily Net Wage (NIS) *	76.9	70.0	69.2	65.4	61.5	60.0	60.0	60.0	61.5	60.0	50.0	46.3	44.7	42.3	*

**Note:**

\*: Workers in Israel and Settlements are excluded

(ILO ) 2008-1995

## Basic Changes in the Labour Force Indicators in Gaza Strip During 1995 - 2008 (ILO Standards)

Indicator	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998	1997	1996	1995	
	38.1	38.0	36.1	36.7	36.4	37.5	34.4	33.3	37.5	38.0	36.4	35.7	36.4	35.4	
Full Employment Rate	53.0	65.6	60.6	67.4	62.5	67.2	60.1	63.9	79.0	81.2	76.8	68.8	57.5	48.6	
Underemployment Rate	6.4	4.7	4.6	2.3	2.1	3.6	1.8	1.9	2.3	1.9	2.3	4.4	10.0	22.0	
Unemployment Rate	40.6	29.7	34.8	30.3	35.4	29.2	38.1	34.2	18.7	16.9	20.9	26.8	32.5	29.4	
Employed in Agriculture	10.7	13.1	11.1	11.7	13.4	17.5	16.7	11.4	16.5	15.2	8.0	8.0	9.1	10.8	
Employed in Construction	0.9	4.3	6.0	9.3	8.2	10.4	6.3	4.4	13.5	17.8	20.5	16.5	13.1	15.4	
Employed in Manufacturing	4.4	6.6	6.3	8.3	9.1	9.2	8.9	9.7	11.5	13.1	13.6	14.5	14.9	15.2	
Employed in Services	60.2	50.9	53.7	49.4	49.1	40.8	47.5	53.3	41.0	36.5	37.0	38.9	41.4	35.2	
Elementary Occupation Workers	11.3	10	13.2	14.4	13.0	15.8	14.3	11.0	18.7	26.4	30.9	29.5	29.3	18.4	
Craft and Related Trade Workers	7.7	11.7	10.5	14.0	14.7	15.9	13.4	14.2	18.9	22.2	23.8	23.6	21.2	23.5	
Employed in Israel & Settlements	-	-	-	0.4	1.1	3.1	2.5	1.9	12.9	15.7	16.2	11.0	8.1	3.3	
Employers	3.5	3.2	4.2	2.6	1.9	2.2	2.6	5.0	3.3	2.8	4.0	3.7	4.4	6.1	
Self - Employed	18.4	21.2	19.4	22.4	22.2	24.5	24.3	19.5	17.2	19.1	19.7	21.0	19.4	20.4	
Wage Employees	70.0	64.4	69.6	67.1	66.5	61.7	63.6	67.7	69.5	71.1	71.0	68.4	67.3	62.6	
Unpaid Family Members	8.1	11.2	6.8	7.9	9.4	11.6	9.5	7.8	10.0	7.0	5.3	6.9	8.9	10.8	
Average Monthly Work Days *	24.7	23.3	24.0	24.0	23.2	22.6	24.1	24.6	24.5	24.0	24.0	24.0	23.3	21.7	*
Average Weekly Work Hours *	40.8	39.9	39.9	41.2	41.6	40.6	40.0	40.1	41.7	43.2	43.0	43.0	44.0	43.2	*
Median Daily Net Wage (NIS) *	57.7	57.7	65.4	57.7	52.5	50.0	50.0	50.0	50.0	46.2	40.0	38.5	34.6	34.6	*

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\*: Workers in Israel and Settlements are excluded

(-) means there are no enough observations in this section.

**The date of field work for every round**

<b>Round Number</b>	<b>The Round</b>			
<b>Round (18)</b>	July - September, 2000	2000	-	<b>(18)</b>
<b>Round (19)</b>	October - December, 2000	2000	-	<b>(19)</b>
<b>Round (20)</b>	January - March, 2001	2001	-	<b>(20)</b>
<b>Round (21)</b>	April - June, 2001	2001	-	<b>(21)</b>
<b>Round (22)</b>	July - September, 2001	2001	-	<b>(22)</b>
<b>Round (23)</b>	October - December, 2001	2001	-	<b>(23)</b>
<b>Round (24)</b>	January - March, 2002	2002	-	<b>(24)</b>
<b>Round (25)</b>	April - June, 2002	2002	-	<b>(25)</b>
<b>Round (26)</b>	July - September, 2002	2002	-	<b>(26)</b>
<b>Round (27)</b>	October - December, 2002	2002	-	<b>(27)</b>
<b>Round (28)</b>	January - March, 2003	2003	-	<b>(28)</b>
<b>Round (29)</b>	April - June, 2003	2003	-	<b>(29)</b>
<b>Round (30)</b>	July - September, 2003	2003	-	<b>(30)</b>
<b>Round (31)</b>	October - December, 2003	2003	-	<b>(31)</b>
<b>Round (32)</b>	January - March, 2004	2004	-	<b>(32)</b>
<b>Round (33)</b>	April - June, 2004	2004	-	<b>(33)</b>
<b>Round (34)</b>	July - September, 2004	2004	-	<b>(34)</b>
<b>Round (35)</b>	October - December, 2004	2004	-	<b>(35)</b>
<b>Round (36)</b>	January - March, 2005	2005	-	<b>(36)</b>
<b>Round (37)</b>	April - June, 2005	2005	-	<b>(37)</b>
<b>Round (38)</b>	July - September, 2005	2005	-	<b>(38)</b>
<b>Round (39)</b>	October - December, 2005	2005	-	<b>(39)</b>
<b>Round (40)</b>	January - March, 2006	2006	-	<b>(40)</b>
<b>Round (41)</b>	April - June, 2006	2006	-	<b>(41)</b>
<b>Round (42)</b>	July - September, 2006	2006	-	<b>(42)</b>
<b>Round (43)</b>	October - December, 2006	2006	-	<b>(43)</b>
<b>Round (44)</b>	January - March, 2007	2007	-	<b>(44)</b>
<b>Round (45)</b>	April - June, 2007	2007	-	<b>(45)</b>
<b>Round (46)</b>	July - September, 2007	2007	-	<b>(46)</b>
<b>Round (47)</b>	October - December, 2007	2007	-	<b>(47)</b>
<b>Round (48)</b>	January - March, 2008	2008	-	<b>(48)</b>
<b>Round (49)</b>	April - June, 2008	2008	-	<b>(49)</b>
<b>Round (50)</b>	July - September, 2008	2008	-	<b>(50)</b>
<b>Round (51)</b>	October - December, 2008	2008	-	<b>(51)</b>