

**Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics**  
**Release Results of Domestic Tourism Survey 2005, Inbound Tourism Survey 2005**

**34.0% from the Palestinian households was conducted a visit inside the Palestinian Territory**  
**11.0% of the Palestinian households received inbound visitors during the year 2005 in the**  
**Palestinian Territory**

The Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics is pleased to release the main findings of the Domestic Tourism Survey 2005, Inbound Tourism Survey 2005. Data collection took place during the period 02/01/2006 - 31/03/2006.

**Domestic Tourism:**

The results of the survey indicate that 34.0% of the Palestinian households conducted at least one visit inside the Palestinian Territory during the year 2005.

The average expenditure for domestic tourism trip by the Palestinian household was US\$44.6 while expenditure by households of the West Bank was US\$44.5 compared to US\$47.5 for households of Gaza Strip.

The distribution of expenditure according to the mode of the household's consumption during the trip showed that the consumption of food and drink was US\$13.2, US\$9.8 was consumed on transportation and telecommunications.

In the West Bank 32.7% of the households that conducted trips where visited Jericho and Al-Aghwar governorate, and in Gaza Strip 43.2% of the households that conducted visited Gaza governorate.

60.6% of the trips conducted by the households had been organized by themselves, while 2.9% of the trips had been organized by the tourist agencies.

The results indicate that 58.9% of visited places in the Palestinian Territory were health facilities, and 57.4% were restaurants and gardens, and 41.3% were available swimming pools.

46.6% of traveled households in the Palestinian Territory used public road transport to reach their destinations, 31.7% used rented cars and 19.4% used their own cars.

**Inbound Tourism to the Palestinian Households:**

The results of the survey indicate that 11.0% of the Palestinian Territory households received visitors from outside of the Palestinian Territory. The households that received visitors from outside of the Palestinian Territory distributed by region as follows: 13.6% in the West Bank, and 5.9% in Gaza Strip.

The average expenditure during inbound visit was US\$1,273.5, while the expenditures during inbound visit to the West Bank was US\$1,294.9 compared to US\$1,008.4 during inbound visit to Gaza Strip, the distribution of expenditure according to the mode of the consumption

during inbound visit showed that US\$317.5 was consumed on shopping, US\$314.4 on tourism agencies, and US\$79.0 was spent on sport, culture and welfare activities.

The results of the survey show that the average length of stay of the households visitors in the Palestinian Territory was 21.5 night, this average was distributed by 22.2 night in the West Bank and 18.4 night in Gaza Strip.

The results show that the main purposes of visits by the Palestinian households visitors was for: visiting relatives 88.9%, for treatments 0.5%, and 1.0% for recreation and leisure.

51.6% of the households visitors came from Jordan, while 10.4% of them came from European countries, whereas 9.7% of them came from Saudi Arabia but 8.8% of them came from Egypt

The results indicate that 91.3% of the households inbound visitors had been organized by themselves, and 8.7% of the visits were organized by tourist agencies.

As results indicate 87.8% from the household visitors entered to the Palestinian Territory by cross land points, and 10.0% of them entered by Israeli airports, and 2.2% entered by Israeli seaports.