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Ramallah - 21/01/2024 - The State of Palestine, represented by the Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS), has achieved the first rank in the Middle East and North Africa region in the Statistical Performance Index (SPI). This achievement comes within the framework of the World Bank's Assessment of National Statistical Systems for 2022. Palestine attained a score of 83.4% in the overall index, which comprises five key pillars within 22 dimensions.

Data Use: Through producing and providing data that are used widely and frequently by the National Statistical System, Palestine achieved a **100%** rating in this pillar.

Data Services: By connecting data users with producers and facilitating dialogue between them, Palestine obtained a rating of **92.1%** in this pillar.

Data Products: Reflecting the ability of countries to produce indicators related to the 17 Sustainable Development Goals, Palestine obtained a rating of **73.1%** in this pillar.

Data Sources: By surpassing traditional sources as censuses and surveys to include administrative and spatial geographic data, in addition to data produced by private companies and citizens, Palestine achieved a rating of **66.7%** in this pillar.

Data Infrastructure: Through well-developed hard infrastructure (legislation, governance, and standards) and soft infrastructure (skills and partnerships) as well as the financial resources to deliver useful—and widely used—data products and services, Palestine obtained a rating of **85.0%** in this pillar.

Statistical Performance Index, 2022 – Comparison of Palestine with the Top Countries in the Middle East and North Africa Region

	SPI Overall Score	Pillar 1: Data Use	Pillar 2: Data Services	Pillar 3: Data Products	Pillar 4: Data Sources	Pillar 5: Data Infrastructure
West Bank and Gaza	83.4	100.0	92.1	73.1	66.7	85.0
Israel	83.3	100.0	91.1	70.9	59.3	95.0
Saudi Arabia	80.8	100.0	88.2	71.6	79.1	65.0
Malta	80.3	100.0	86.1	65.6	74.6	75.0
Egypt, Arab Rep.	79.6	100.0	77.1	83.9	67.0	70.0
United Arab Emirates	79.5	100.0	79.6	71.2	67.0	80.0
Jordan	78.2	80.0	90.4	87.6	62.9	70.0
Tunisia	75.1	90.0	89.5	82.8	58.4	55.0
Morocco	72.3	80.0	89.6	85.9	60.8	45.0
Qatar	70.6	100.0	62.1	67.4	58.8	65.0
Kuwait	69.2	100.0	63.2	66.2	61.5	55.0

Statistical Performance Index, 2022 – Comparison of Palestine with the Average Rating of the Middle East and North Africa Region and the Upper Middle-Income Countries.

SPI Overall Scores for West Bank and Gaza in 2022.

