

ONE YEAR OF WAR

FAST FACTS



October 2024

PROTECTION

Impact of the war



- > Nearly **41,700 people reportedly killed**, including at least 11,355 children ^[1]
- > **1.9 million people forcibly displaced**, on average at least once a month
- > **66 per cent of structures damaged or destroyed** across the Gaza Strip ^[2]
- > **Nearly 200 UNRWA facilities hit** during the war and at least **563 people killed** when sheltering in an UNRWA facility
- > **226 UNRWA team members killed**, among 230 UN workers

UNRWA response

- > **Up to 1 million people** sheltering in **UNRWA facilities** during the war
- > **Over 24,300** displaced people received individual psychosocial support for vulnerable protection cases (including child protection, survivors of gender based violence, released detainees, and others)

EDUCATION

Impact of the war



- > Nearly **660,000 children** forced **out of school** ^[3], half of whom used to go to UNRWA schools
- > **Over 87 per cent** of school buildings will either need full reconstruction or major rehabilitation work to be functional again ^[4]
- > **Over 85 per cent** of UNRWA schools hit or damaged, many while **sheltering displaced families**

UNRWA response

- > **500,000 children** benefited from **psycho-social support** activities
- > **9,500 children**, 60 per cent of them girls, benefited from **back to learning activities** in **36 dedicated shelters** across the Gaza Strip

HEALTH

Impact of the war



- > **Over 500 attacks** on health workers, patients, hospitals, and other medical infrastructure in Gaza ^[5]
- > **Vaccination coverage** for routine immunization dropped from 99 per cent to less than 90 per cent due to the war ^[6]
- > **Spread of communicable diseases** in shelters including hepatitis A, respiratory infections, scabies, lice, and skin rashes

UNRWA response

- > **8 out of 27 UNRWA health centres** operational, and around **80 medical points**
- > **Around 5.7 million** primary **healthcare consultations** provided
- > Around **560,000 children vaccinated against polio** in first phase of the campaign in September 2024
- > **193,000 children vaccinated** (routine immunization) since January 2024

WATER, SANITATION, AND HYGIENE

Impact of the war



- > **Two out of three** water desalination plants partially operational ^[7]
- > **70 per cent of water** supplied through networks **lost due to damage** ^[8]
- > **Hundreds of people** sharing a **bathroom**
- > **395,000 tons of accumulated solid waste** and two landfills inaccessible ^[9]

UNRWA response

- > **Eight water wells** maintained and rehabilitated, reaching over 600,000 displaced people with access to water
- > Over **4.6 million litres** of water distributed
- > Over **167,100 hygiene kits** distributed

NUTRITION AND FOOD PROTECTION

Impact of the war



- > **96 per cent of the population** was projected to face **crisis level of food insecurity, or worse** ^[10]
- > **Over 96 per cent of women and children** aged 6-23 months **not meeting their nutrient requirements** ^[11]
- > **Nearly 70 per cent of cropland damaged** ^[12]

UNRWA response

- > Over **three million bags of flour** distributed
- > Over **208,000 families** received UNRWA **food parcels**

[1] OCHA oPt, "Reported impact snapshot", 2 October 2024, accessible [here](#).

[2] UNOSAT, "UNOSAT Gaza Strip Comprehensive Damage Assessment", September 2024, accessible [here](#).

[3] oPt: Education Snapshot, "The academic year 2024-2025", 12 September 2024, accessible [here](#).

[4] oPt: Education Cluster, "Verification of damages to schools", September 2024, accessible [here](#).


[5] WHO, "oPt Emergency Situation Update", 25 September 2024, accessible [here](#).

[6] WHO, "Humanitarian pauses vital for critical polio vaccination campaign in the Gaza Strip", 16 August 2024, accessible [here](#).

[7], [8], [9], [10], [11] & [12], OCHA oPt, "Reported impact snapshot", 2 October 2024, accessible [here](#).

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