



State of Palestine
Ministry Of Health

Israeli Aggression

Against Peaceful Return March



Peaceful Return March
30 March - 08 December 2018

Introduction:

This report presents data collected on the number of martyrs and the number of injuries sustained during the Great March of Return that started on 30 March 2018. The report documents Israel's continued violation of human rights and disregard for International Humanitarian Law in the Gaza Strip through its killings, shootings and targeting of women, children, medical teams, journalists and citizens who claim their most basic rights, which are guaranteed under International Law.

The importance of this report is that it serves as an official document drawn up by the Palestinian MOH, benefiting from the input of multiple other stakeholders, human rights organizations and researchers. The total number of martyrs was 239, of whom 97.9% (234) were male and 17.6% (42) were children.

The total number injured was 25,702 including 13,631 (53.0%) who attended hospital. 74.7% of the all hospitals injuries were in persons aged 18 to 39 years. 49.3% of injuries were to the lower limbs, with .87% to the head and neck. 44.8% of injures were from live bullets, 4.9% resulted from rubber-coated metal bullets and 14.8% were the result of tear gas inhalation. There were three martyrs and 461 wounded among medical staff, who were injured by gunfire and tear gas inhalation, while 84 ambulances were partially damaged as the result of attacks.

Sources of Data:

In the preparation of this report, the Palestinian Health Information Center relied on data from hospitals, primary health care centers of the Ministry of Health, NGO hospitals and medical points. Data was assessed to ensure quality control, eliminating duplication of names, and was analyzed statistically for publication in this report.

1. Martyrs

The total number of martyrs was 239, (97.9%) of martyrs were male.

Table No (1): The distribution of martyrs by sex

Sex	No.	%
Male	234	97.9
Female	5	2.1
Total	239	100

Table No (2): The distribution of martyrs by governorate

Governorate	No.	%
North Gaza	36	15.1
Gaza	74	31.0
Mid Zone	34	14.2
Khan younis	66	27.6
Rafah	29	12.1
Total	239	100.0

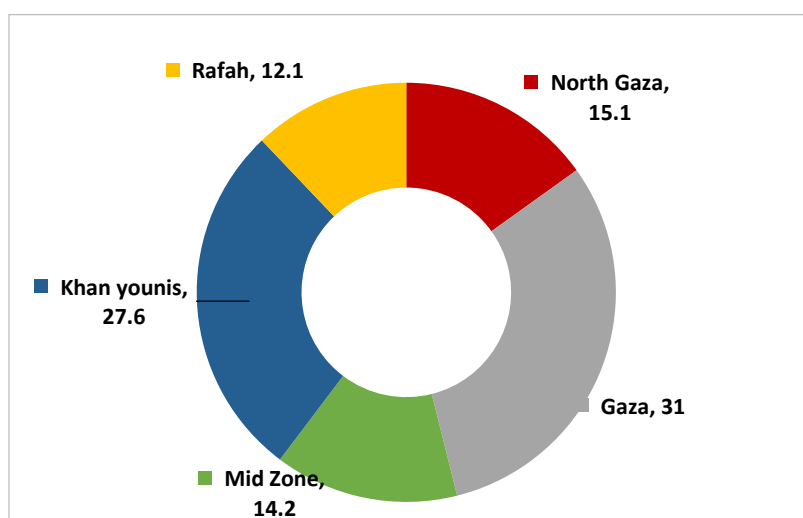


Chart no (1): The distribution of martyr's percentage by governorate

Table No (3): The distribution of martyrs by age group

Age Group	Martyr	
	No.	%
Under 18	42	17.6
18-39	185	77.4
40-59	11	4.6
60 and above	1	0.4
Total	239	100.0

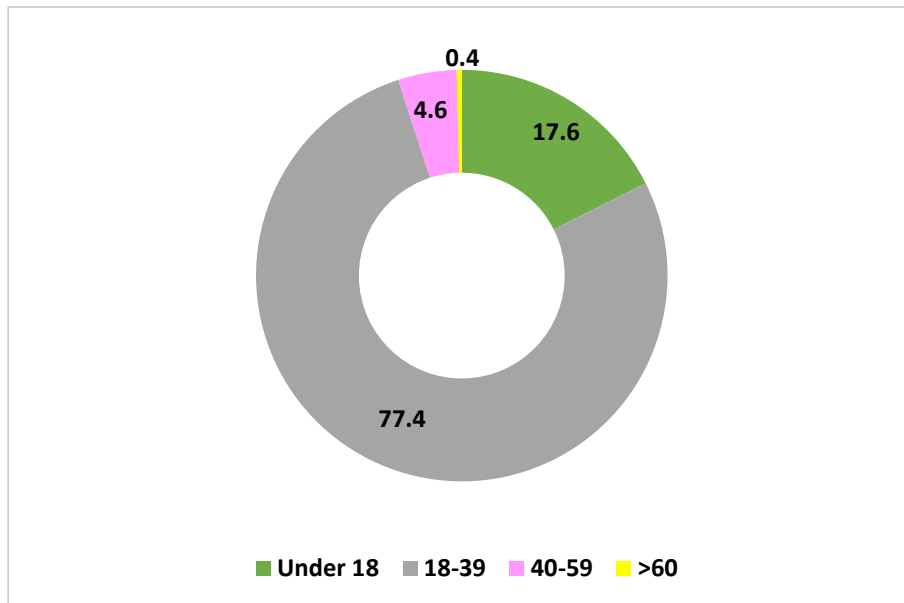


Chart no (2): The distribution of martyrs by age group

2. Injuries

The total number of injures was 25,702. (53.0 %) of those injured attended hospital, while 47.2% were treated at field medical points and primary health care centers. 2,056 women were injured, comprising 8% of total injures. 4,379 children were injured, comprising 17.0% of total injures.

Hospitals

The total number of those injured who attended hospital was 13,631, of whom 93.5% were male and 6.5% were female.

Table No (4): The distribution of injuries by sex

Sex	No.	%
Male	12,741	93.5
Female	890	6.5
Total	13,631	100.0

Distribution of hospital injuries by governorate:

Table (5): The distribution of injuries by governorate

Governorate	No.	%
North Gaza	3,012	22.1
Gaza	4,343	31.9
Mid Zone	2,103	15.4
Khan Younis	2,645	19.4
Rafah	1,528	11.2
Total	13,631	100.0

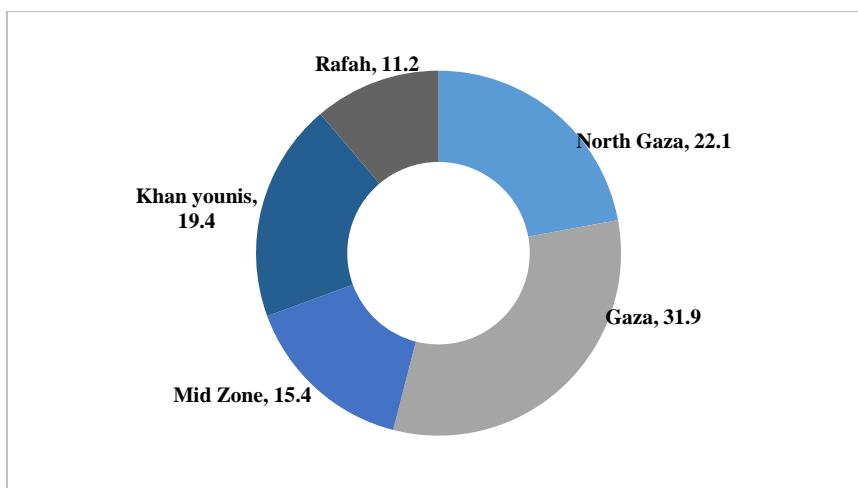


Chart No (3): The distribution of injuries by governorate

Distribution of injuries by age group

Table (6): The distribution of injuries by age group

Age Group	Injures	
	No.	%
Under 18	2,510	18.4
18-39	10,180	74.7
40-59	851	6.2
60 and above	90	0.7
Total	13,631	100.0

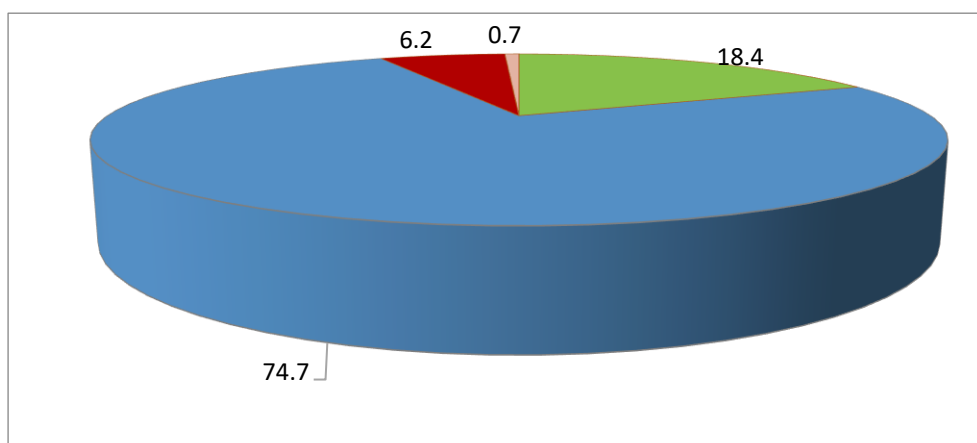


Chart no (4): The distribution of injuries by age group %

Distribution of injuries by body location:

Table (7): The distribution of injuries by body location

Body location of injuries	No.	%
Throughout the body	325	2.4
Head and neck	1,180	8.7
Upper limbs	1,811	13.3
lower limbs	6,721	49.3
Chest and back	597	4.4
Abdomen and pelvis	543	4.0
Other *	2,454	18.0
Total	13,631	100.0

*Other: Gas inhalation, unclassified

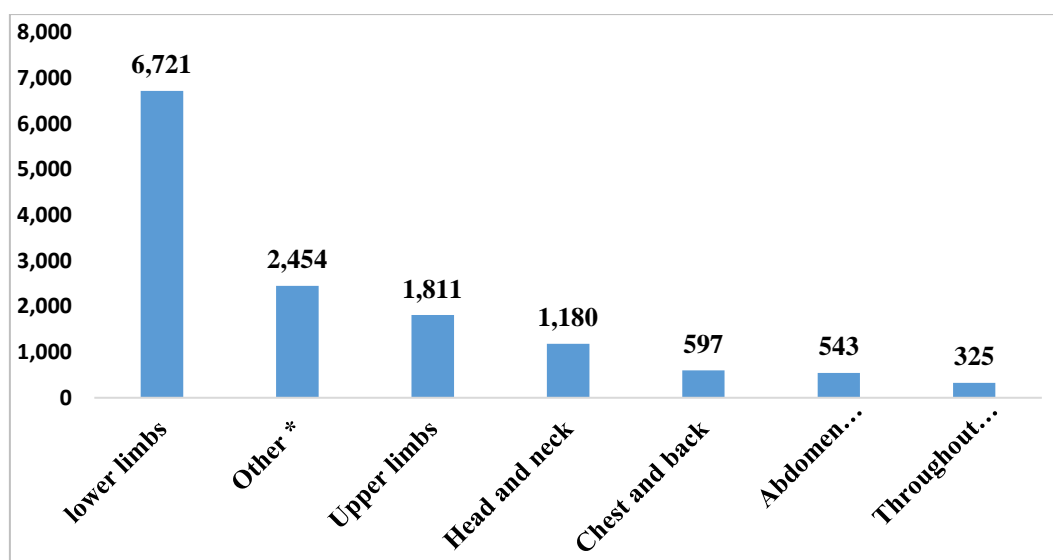


Chart No (5): The distribution of injuries by location

Distribution of hospital injuries according to weapon type

Live bullets: 6,100 injuries resulted from the use of live bullets, comprising 44.8% of all injuries, it not contain shrapnel.

Rubber-coated metal bullets: 662 injuries resulted from the use of rubber-coated metal bullets, comprising 4.9% of all injuries.

Gas inhalation: 2,024 injuries resulted from the use of tear gas, comprising 14.8% of all injuries.

Table (8): The distribution of injuries by weapons type

weapons type	No.	%
Live bullets	6,100	44.8
Rubber-coated metal bullets	662	4.9
Gas inhalation	2,024	14.8
shrapnel	1,607	11.8
explosion	158	1.2
Gas bomb explosion	955	7.0
Trauma, fractures & bruises	894	6.6
Other*	1,231	9.0
Total	13,631	100.0

* Other: Burns, falls

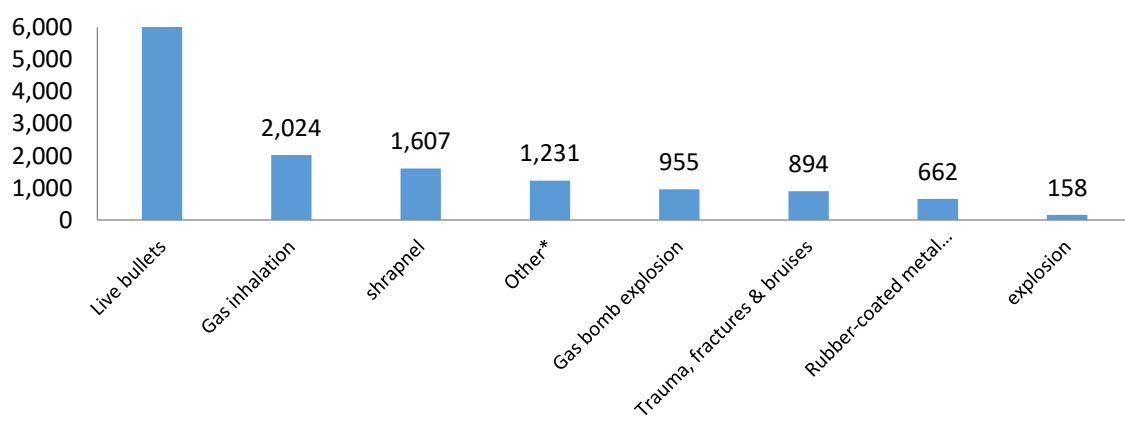


Chart No (5): The distribution of injuries by weapon type

Table (9): The distribution of injuries in hospitals by service providers:

Organization	No.	%
M.O.H	10,034	73.6
Non M.O.H	3,597	26.4
Total	13,631	100

Primary health care and medical points

20,638 cases were treated at medical points and primary health care centers, with 12,071 treated in the field and 8,567 cases then transferred to hospital.

Table (10): The distribution of injures that treated in the field by sex

Sex	No.	%
Male	10,960	91.9
Female	1,111	9.1
Total	12,071	100.0

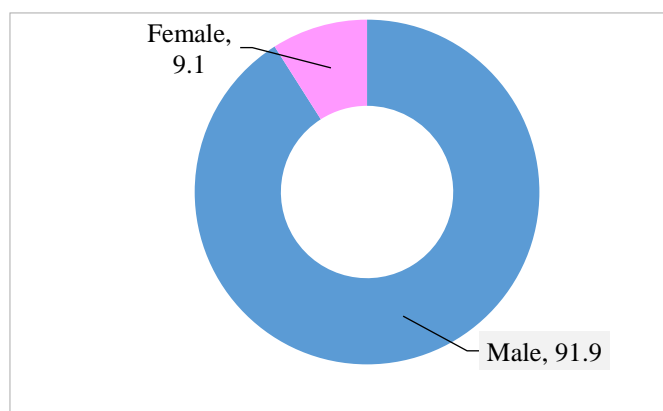


Chart No. (7): The distribution of injures by sex

❖ The total number of injuries treated at medical points, by health care provider

Table (11): The distribution of injuries treated at medical points by health care provider

Destination	Field treated	Transferred	Total
MOH	5,992	3,562	9,554
PRCS	6,079	5,005	11,084
Total	12,071	8,567	20,638

3. The number of wounded each week from 30 March to 8 Dec. 2018

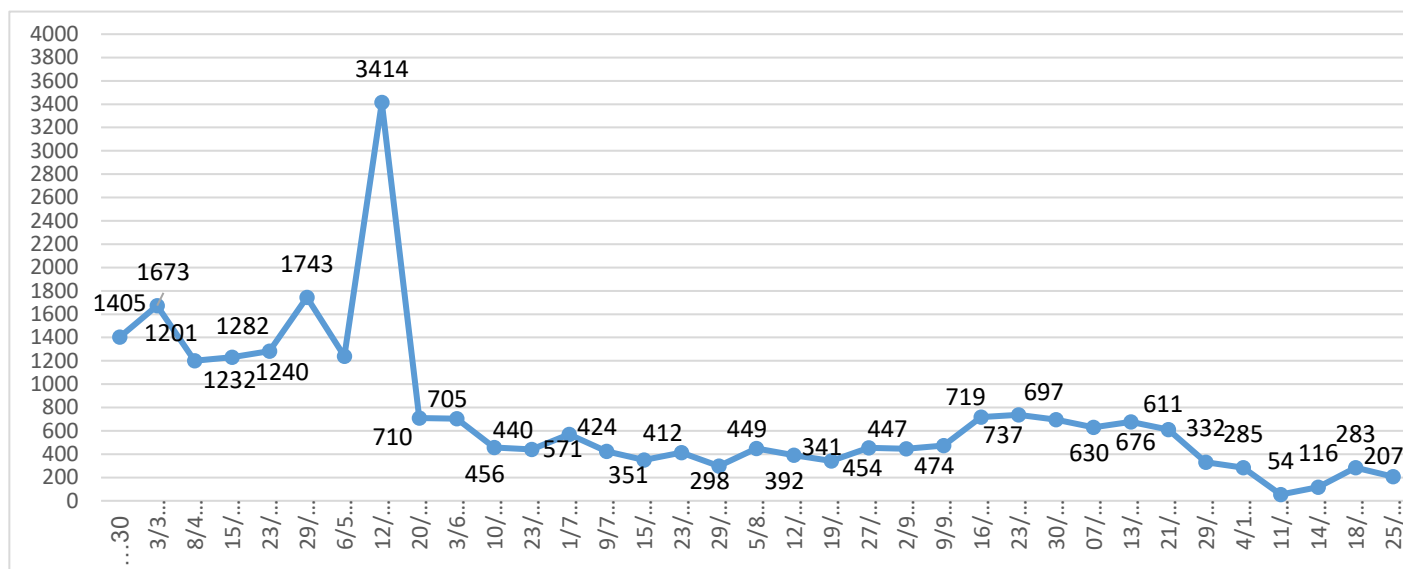


Chart No. (8): The distribution of injuries by week from 30 March to 8 Dec. 2018

❖ Total violations against medical personnel

Table (12): The distribution of paramedic injuries and damages to ambulances by health care provider

Care provider	Paramedic Injuries			Total
	Live bullets	Gas	Others	No.
MOH	1 martyr, 2 injured	32	4	44
PRCS	10 injuries	137	6	153
Police medical services	5 injured	141	11	157
Civil Defense	1 martyr, 14 injured	37	15	66
NGO,s	3 injuries	28	6	37
Medical Relief	1 martyr, 3 injures	0	1	4
Total	3 martyrs + 42 injuries	375	43	461

4. Disabilities

Table (13): The distribution of disabilities

Type	No.
Lower limb amputation	89
Upper limb amputation	2
Hand fingers amputation	10
Total	101

Table (13): The distribution of disabilities by age

Age	No.
Under 18	19
19–55	79
Above 55	3
Total	101