Attacks on Health Care in Israel and the occupied Palestinian territories

07- 11 October 2023

Since violence seriously escalated in Israel and the occupied Palestinian territories on 07 October, Insecurity Insight has identified at least 46 incidents of violence against or obstruction of access to health care. The incidents reported are not a complete nor a representative list of all events that affected the provision of health care and have not been independently verified. Numbers may change if or when further information is made available. Join our **mailing** for the latest information or visit our **global** map.[1] Download the data on **HDX**

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Israel

08 October 2023: In Ashkelon, the Barzilai hospital was hit with rocket fire from Palestinian armed groups, causing damage to the hospital. **Source: OCHA Flash 2**

08 October 2023: In an unspecified location, a paramedic was shot and killed and other staff injured by members of Palestinian armed group. **Source: OCHA Flash 2**

As reported on 09 October 2023: In Ashkelon, an Indian nurse was injured during an attack by Hamas. **Source: Business Today**

Occupied Palestinian Territories

07 October 2023: In Gaza, three ambulances belonging to the Ministry of Health were targeted by IDF forces. **Source: PRCS**

07 October 2023: East of Rafah governorate, a Palestinian Red Cross Society (PRCS) paramedic and a PRCS volunteer were injured as a result of targeting an ambulance belonging to the medical services near the PRCS ambulance. **Sources: PRCS**

07 October 2023: In Jabalia, North Gaza governorate, a PRCS centre was damaged in an Israeli air strike. **Source: PRCS**

07 October 2023: In Nablus city and governorate, PRCS crews face challenges in reaching casualties and preventing their transfer to and from the city of Nablus following the Israeli forces closure of all entrances and exits to the city. **Source: PRCS**

07 October 2023: At the Huwara checkpoint, Nablus governorate, Red Crescent ambulance crews were attacked by Israeli forces while they were heading to Qusra while responding to injuries sustained there as a result of settler attacks. **Source: PRCS**

07 October 2023: In Khan Younis, Gaza, an ambulance was reportedly damaged during bombing by Israeli forces. **Source: TRT Haber**

07 October 2023: In Beit Lahiya, Gaza, the Indonesian Hospital was hit in an Israeli forces airstrike. A nurse and an ambulance driver were killed and an unspecified number of other staff injured. In addition, the oxygen station inside the hospital was damaged. **Source: OCHA Flash 1 and MSF**

07 October 2023: In Khan Younis, Gaza, an ambulance stationed in front of Nasser Hospital was hit by Israeli forces. Several Palestinian paramedics were reported injured. **Source: OCHA Flash 1**

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07 October 2023: In an undisclosed location, two health workers were injured, possibly while travelling in a health vehicle. **Source: WHOSSA**[2]

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07 October 2023: In Jabalia city, North Gaza governorate, two health workers were killed and two others injured after two health ministry ambulances were hit by an Israeli airstrike. **Source: The New Arab**

07 October 2023: In Al-Eizariya town, Jerusalem Governorate, a Palestinian was arrested from an ambulance by Israeli forces after being injured by their live bullets. **Source: Quds News Network**

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08 October 2023: At the checkpoint at the northern entrance to Al-Bireh, West Bank, a Red Crescent ambulance was shot at with live bullets fired by Israeli forces while responding to injuries sustained during clashes that broke out. **Source: PRCS**

08 October 2023: According to OCHA, six health workers were killed and four injured by Israeli airstrikes that also damaged seven health care facilities and nine ambulances. **Source: OCHA Flash 2**

08 October 2023: In Khan Younis, Gaza, Israeli airstrikes targeted An Naseer Hospital during the night. **Source: OCHA Flash 3**

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08 October 2023: In Gaza city, Gaza governorate, Israeli airstrikes targeted Al Quds Hospital during the night. **Source: OCHA Flash 3**

08 October 2023: In Jabalia, North Gaza governorate, Israeli airstrikes targeted a PRCS centre during the night. **Source: OCHA Flash 3**

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As reported on 09 October 2023: In the Tal al-Hawa area, Gaza, the International Eye Hospital was damaged by Israeli forces airstrikes. **Sources: AP and Personal Communication**

As reported on 09 October 2023: In North Gaza governorate, the Beit Hanoun Hospital was damaged in Israeli forces bombing in the vicinity of the facility. forcing it to suspend services. **Sources: AA, OCHA Flash 4, Middle East Eye and Personal Communication**

As reported on 09 October 2023: In Gaza, four Palestinian Red Crescent workers were killed and four others wounded in Israeli airstrikes. **Source: The National News**

09 October 2023: In east Gaza city, an ambulance was hit by Israeli airstrikes. The driver received an injury to the face and another 6-7 crew members were injured, possibly killed. **Source**: **Middle East Monitor**

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09 October 2023: In the North Rimal neighbourhood, Gaza city and governorate, the children's section of the Shifa Hospital complex was damaged by Israeli forces shelling, causing parts of the ceiling to collapse and fall. **Sources: Middle East Eye and Personal Communication**

09 October 2023: In Khan Younis governorate, an ambulance was directly targeted by Israeli forces while responding to casualties. Several medics were killed. **Source: Personal Communication I and Personal Communication II**

As reported on 10 October 2023: In Khan Younis governorate, three PRCS ambulances were damaged when Israeli forces targeted the area where the crew were responding to an emergency call. **Source: PRCS**

As reported on 10 October 2023: In Jabalia Refugee Camp, North Gaza governorate, a male doctor was killed in an attack on the camp by Israeli forces. **Sources: Personal Communication and A News**

As reported on 10 October 2023: In Gaza city and governorate, a Ministry of Health building was struck by Israeli forces warplanes. **Sources: AP and Middle East Eye**

As reported on 10 October 2023: In Gaza city and governorate, the Al-Rimal Health Centre was struck by Israeli forces warplanes. **Sources: AP and Middle East Eye**

10 October 2023: In Jabalia, North Gaza governorate, the PRCS branch and first aid centre were evacuated due to the concentration of Israeli forces artillery shelling in the vicinity. **Source: PRCS**

10 October 2023: In Brit Lahia, North Gaza governorate, an ambulance was hit by direct Israeli fire. **Source: Personal Communication**

11 October 2023: In east Gaza, Gaza governorate, a Palestinian Red Crescent paramedic was killed whilst on duty by a targeted Israeli airstrike despite receiving the green light obtained through the ICRC to enter the area. **Source: Personal Communication**

11 October 2023: In North Gaza governorate, a Palestinian Red Crescent ambulance was attacked, killing male three paramedics. **Source: Personal Communication**

[1] Zoom in and click on Israel or oPT to see the latest figures. Click on the yellow square to read about the recorded events.
[2] **WHOSSA** Access 11 October 2023.