





# Attacks on Health Care in Israel and the occupied Palestinian territory

08-21 January 2025

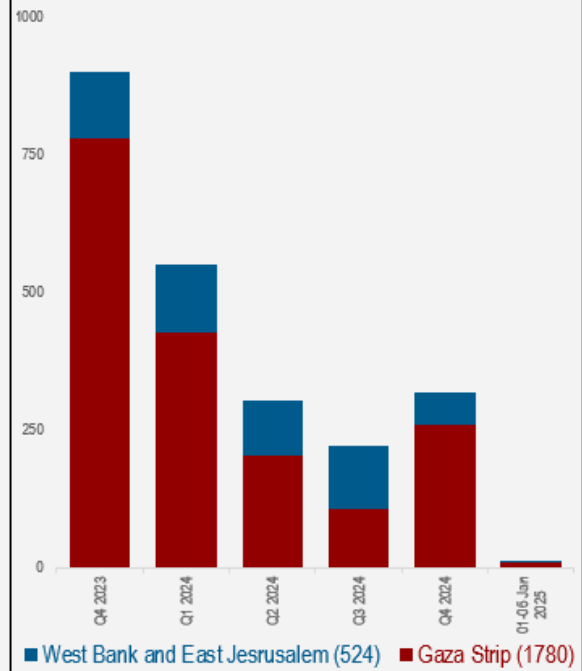


## Recorded Violence Against Health Care in Israel and the oPt, 07 October 2023-06 January 2025

	 REPORTED INCIDENTS	 HEALTH WORKERS KILLED	 INCIDENTS WHERE HEALTH FACILITIES WERE DAMAGED	 HEALTH WORKERS ARRESTED
Israel	56	23	4	0
oPt	2364	635 <sup>1</sup>	367	468

Insecurity Insight identified 2420 incidents of violence against or obstruction of access to health care in Israel and the occupied Palestinian territory between 07 October 2023 and 06 January 2025.<sup>2</sup> In the Gaza Strip, where 1780 incidents were recorded, health facilities were damaged 348 times, at least 616 health workers were killed and 344 arrested. 98% of these incidents were attributed to Israeli forces. On 19 January 2025, the first day of the Gaza ceasefire, two incidents of violence against or obstruction of access to health care in Gaza were reported: Israeli forces fired on the PRCS-run Al-Quds Hospital and a PRCS ambulance evacuating injured people was struck by Israeli forces, injuring a paramedic (see below for more details). During the 24-30 November 2024 Gaza ceasefire, seven health workers were killed and hospitals damaged three times in incidents attributed to Israeli forces. Explore the incidents on our [interactive map](#)<sup>3</sup> and on this [data visualisation](#) by Soha Elghany. Access the data on [HDX](#). The dataset does not currently include event descriptions or geo-coordinates due to [HDX policy](#). Data is updated every Monday. Numbers may change if or when further information is made available.

Reported incidents of violence against or obstruction of health care in the oPt, 07 October 2023-06 January 2025



Past incident reports: [25 December-07 January](#); [11-24 December](#); [27 November-10 December](#); [13-26 November](#); [All](#)

SHCC Factsheets (EN): [2023](#); [2022](#); [2021](#). (AR): [2023](#); [2022](#); [2021](#)

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The publicly reported incidents below are not a complete nor a representative list of all incidents that affected the provision of health care between 08-21 January 2025. The incidents below have not been verified through ground investigations. There is a delay in reporting incidents due to our open source verification protocol. If you have additional information on an incident documented here, or a new incident, please get in [touch](#).

## Israel

*No incidents identified during the reporting period.*

## Occupied Palestinian Territory

### Gaza Strip

**08 January 2025:** In Deir al-Balah governorate, Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) warned that Al-Aqsa Hospital was on the verge of closure due to the lack of fuel, placing at imminent risk the lives of hundreds of patients, including newborns in incubators. **Source:** [OCHA Update 255](#)

**08 January 2025:** In Khan Yunis city and governorate, Nasser Medical Complex announced that all the generators at the facility had stopped and only a small generator was operating with an amount sufficient for three hours. **Source:** [OCHA Update 253](#)

**As reported on 08 January 2025:** In an undisclosed location, the Ministry of Health announced that a patient died due to the lack of fuel needed to operate kidney dialysis machines. **Source:** [OCHA Update 253](#)

**08 January 2025:** In Jabalia Refugee Camp, North Gaza governorate, the vicinity of the NGO-ran Al-Awda Hospital was shelled by Israeli artillery. **Source:** [Quds News Network](#)

**08 January 2025:** In Jabalia Refugee Camp, North Gaza governorate, the NGO-ran Al-Awda Hospital, sheltering over 100 IDPs was besieged by Israeli forces for at least five days. During the siege, it was fired at continuously by Israeli tanks, preventing anyone from entering or leaving the hospital. **Source:** [Quds News Network I](#) and [Quds News Network II](#)

**10 January 2025:** In Jabalia Refugee Camp, North Gaza governorate, the WHO reported that the NGO-ran Al Awda Hospital, the last partially functioning hospital in the governorate, was critically low on fuel and essential medical supplies. **Source:** [OCHA News](#)

**10 January 2025:** In Jabalia Refugee Camp, North Gaza governorate, the vicinity of the NGO-ran Al-Awda Hospital was hit by Israeli artillery. **Source:** [ACLED](#)<sup>4</sup>

**12 January 2025:** In Jabalia Refugee Camp, North Gaza governorate, a paramedic was killed by an Israeli airstrike. **Source:** [Wafa](#)

**13 January 2025:** In Beit Lahia city, North Gaza governorate, the Indonesian hospital was damaged, particularly to the second floor by Israeli forces, injuring a health worker. **Source:** [ACLED](#)<sup>4</sup>

**14 January 2025:** In North Gaza governorate, a UN mission to evacuate patients and to deliver food, water, fuel, hygiene kits, and cleaning supplies to the Indonesian Hospital was denied by Israeli authorities. **Source:** [OCHA News](#)

**14 January 2025:** In Jabalia Refugee Camp, North Gaza governorate, a UN mission to evacuate patients and to deliver food, water, fuel, hygiene kits, and cleaning supplies to the NGO-run Al Awda Hospital was denied by Israeli authorities. The WHO reached the hospital the following day and delivered 5,000 litres of fuel, as well as food parcels, bottled water, winter clothes and vaccines. **Source:** [OCHA News](#) and [OCHA News II](#)

**14 January 2025:** In Al Manara neighbourhood, Khan Yunis city and governorate, in the vicinity of Khalidiya Clinic, a house sheltering IDPs was struck by Israeli forces airstrikes around 02:15 am, killing at least twelve Palestinians, including four women, one of whom was pregnant, and two children. **Sources:** [OCHA Update 257](#), [Quds News Network](#) and [Quds News Network I](#)

**14 January 2025:** In Nuseirat Refugee Camp 2, Deir al-Balah governorate, the Chief of Nursing Staff at Al-Awda hospital (ran by NGO 'Al-Awda Health and Community Association'), her husband who was a lawyer working for the Independent Commission for Human Rights, and their four children, were amongst 20 people killed when their house was hit by Israeli airstrikes. **Sources:** [ActionAid](#), [Al-Awda Health and Community Association](#), [Independent Commission for Human Rights](#), [OCHA Update 257](#) and [WAFA](#)

**15 January 2025:** In Jabalia Refugee Camp, North Gaza governorate, an ambulance belonging to the PRCS was struck by a bullet fired by Israeli forces during a WHO mission to the NGO-run Al Awda Hospital. No injuries were reported. **Source:** [OCHA News](#)

**19 January 2025:** In Tel Al-Hawa, Gaza city and governorate, the area surrounding the PRCS-ran Al-Quds Hospital was under fire by Israeli forces. **Sources:** [PRCS](#), [The New Arab](#) and [WAFA](#)

**19 January 2025:** In Khan Yunis city and governorate, a paramedic was injured in the hand when a Red Crescent ambulance en route to evacuate the wounded was struck by Israeli forces. **Sources:** [PRCS](#), [The New Arab](#) and [WAFA](#)

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### ***West Bank and East Jerusalem***

**As reported on 09 January 2025:** In Jenin Refugee Camp, Jenin city and governorate, a power outage led to the spoilage of approximately 1,600 vials of insulin in UNRWA's health clinic, which had been non-operational since the Palestinian Authority's operation began. UNRWA offered camp residents health services five days a week at the nearby Qabatiya health center, but they were largely unable to visit it due to access difficulties. **Source:** [OCHA Update 254](#)

**17 January 2025:** In Nablus city, Nablus governorate, the vicinity of the Evangelical Hospital was raided by Israeli forces. **Source:** [Quds News Network](#)

**21 January 2025:** In Jenin Refugee Camp, Jenin governorate, medical teams were obstructed from providing assistance to a young man who had been shot by Israeli forces. **Source:** [Quds News Network](#)

**21 January 2025:** In Jenin city and governorate, three Palestinian doctors and two nurses were shot and injured by Israeli forces snipers who fired into the courtyard of Al-Amal Hospital. **Source:** [Personal Communication](#), [Middle East Eye](#) and [WAFA](#)

**21 January 2025:** In Jenin Refugee Camp, Jenin governorate, a site near a group of Red Crescent volunteer paramedics was struck by two missiles from Israeli drones. **Source:** [WAFA](#)

**21 January 2025:** In Jenin city and governorate, Israeli forces have obstructed the movement of PRCS ambulances. **Source:** [OCHA Update 258](#)

**21 January 2025:** In Jenin city and governorate, the Jenin Government Hospital was disconnected from the water grid and electricity network. It relied on dwindling water reserves from emergency tanks that were installed just weeks ago in preparation for such situations. **Sources:** [OCHA News](#) and [OCHA Update 258](#)

**22 January 2025:** In Jenin city and governorate, the entrance to the Jenin Government Hospital was blocked by the Israeli forces' dirt barricades, with the road infrastructure leading to the hospital destroyed, obstructing the ambulances' access to the facility. Patients, medical staff, and companions were trapped inside the hospital, unable to leave. **Sources:** [Quds News Network](#) and [OCHA Update 258](#)

The Safeguarding Health in Conflict Coalition (SHCC) identified **761** incidents of violence against or obstruction of health care in the oPt in 2023. The IDF arrested or detained at least 162 health workers in 35 incidents in the Gaza Strip between October and December 2023. Arrests and detentions usually occurred during military raids or IDF-enforced evacuations of health facilities, at temporary checkpoints, and in some cases during mass civilian arrest campaigns. At least 20 staff were arrested in 14 incidents while traveling on the IDF-designated safe route in northern Gaza. Health workers were reportedly interrogated, tortured, and threatened while being held. Photos of released detained staff often showed signs of malnutrition and possible brutality.



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This document comprises threats and violence as well as protests and other events affecting the delivery of and access to health care. It is part of the [Attacks on Health Care](#) project by [Insecurity Insight](#). It is prepared from information available in local, national and international news outlets and online databases. 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 verified through ground investigations.

Health facility: Refers to any facility that provides direct health-related support to patients, including clinics, hospitals, laboratories, makeshift hospitals, medical education facilities, mobile clinics, pharmacies, warehouses, or any other health facility not named here. Health worker: Refers to any person working in a professional or voluntary capacity in the provision of health services or who provides direct support to patients, including administrators, ambulance personnel, community health workers, dentists, doctors, government health officials, hospital staff, medical education staff, nurses, midwives, paramedics, physiotherapists, surgeons, vaccination workers, volunteers, or any other health-related personnel not named here. In accordance with the WHO's definition, incidents of violence against health care can include bombings, explosions, looting, robberies, hijackings, shootings, gunfire, the forced closure of health facilities, the violent searching of health facilities, fire, arson, the military use of health facilities, the military takeover of health facilities, chemical attacks, cyber attacks, the abduction of health workers, the denial or delay of health services, assaults, forcing staff to act against their ethical principles, executions, torture, violent demonstrations, administrative harassment, obstruction, sexual violence, psychological violence, and threats of violence.

<sup>1</sup> 635 is based on the number of health workers killed where location and date has been identified. Other sources have reported **986 health workers killed**. Insecurity Insight carries out cross-checking of individual events and names and does not re-report aggregate figures. The work of collating a complete list of health workers killed based on information provided in different formats by different organisations is ongoing. This cross-checking process is complex to avoid double counting the same individuals in cases when sources report different victim information about the same individual. The lack of a consistent standard in transcribing Arab names into Latin script based languages complicates the matching process. The total number of health workers killed is believed to be higher than the current verified number and we continue to backdate information.

<sup>2</sup> 61 incidents were recorded without specifying the location and no additional source could be identified to determine the location of the reported incident.

<sup>3</sup> Zoom in and click on Israel or oPt to see the latest figures. Click on the yellow square to read about the recorded events.

<sup>4</sup> Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project (ACLED) [database attribution policy](#). Accessed 23 January 2025.

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