





Attacks on Health Care in Israel and the occupied Palestinian territory

19 March-01 April 2025



Recorded Violence Against Health Care in Israel and the oPt, 07 October 2023-18 March 2025

	 REPORTED INCIDENTS	 HEALTH WORKERS KILLED	 INCIDENTS WHERE HEALTH FACILITIES WERE DAMAGED	 HEALTH WORKERS ARRESTED
Israel	56	23	4	0
Gaza	1813	624*	353	351
West Bank	676	12*	23	145

Insecurity Insight identified 2605 incidents of violence against or obstruction of access to health care in Israel and the occupied Palestinian territory between 07 October 2023 and 18 March 2025.¹ In the Gaza Strip, where 1813 incidents were recorded, health facilities were damaged 353 times, at least 624 health workers were killed and 351 arrested. In the West Bank and East Jerusalem, where 676 incidents were recorded, 12 health workers were killed and 145 arrested.

Explore the incidents on our [interactive map](#)². 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. *624 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.

Past incident reports: [05-18 March](#); [19 February-04 March](#); [05-18 February](#); [22 January-04 February](#); [08-21 January](#); [25 December-07 January](#); [11-24 December](#); [27 November-10 December](#); [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 19 March-01 April 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

21 March 2025: In Gaza city and governorate, the Turkish-Palestinian Hospital was demolished by Israeli forces using unspecified explosives. Videos circulated online of the hospital's destruction and the Israeli government claimed that the hospital was being used by Hamas. Previously, Israeli forces had occupied the hospital and repurposed it into a military base. This hospital was the only specialised cancer hospital in Gaza. **Source:** [Al Jazeera](#), [Personal Communication](#), [Quds News Network](#) and [Times of Israel](#)

As reported on 21 March 2025: In North Gaza governorate, only one ambulance remained operational for medical services, as all others had been destroyed by Israeli forces, as reported by the director of Ambulance Department of the Medical Services. **Source:** [Personal Communication](#)

21 March 2025: In Jabalia Refugee Camp, North Gaza governorate, the vicinity of al Yemen al Saeed hospital was struck by Israeli airstrikes, injuring an unspecified number of people. **Source:** [Quds News Network](#)

23 March 2025: In Rafah city and governorate, two paramedics were killed after their ambulance was shot at by Israeli forces. The paramedics were responding to casualties to an Israeli airstrike on the area and had been called to support another ambulance. **Source:** [The Guardian](#)

23 March 2025: In Tel al-Sultan area, Rafah governorate, a convoy of five ambulances, a fire truck and a UN vehicle came under fire by Israeli forces whilst attempting to retrieve the bodies of the two paramedics killed in a previous attack. PRCS and UN teams were unable to contact the teams for seven days and were denied access to the area by Israeli forces. Access to the area was granted five days later and UN and PRCS teams found the ambulances, UN vehicle and fire truck, crushed and partially buried by an Israeli bulldozer. The body of one civil defense worker was found. On 30 March 2025, the teams were able to return to the site and retrieve the bodies of eight PRCS paramedics, six civil defense members and one UN staff. All were still wearing their uniform and at least one person had his hands tied. **Sources:** [The Guardian](#), [Middle East Monitor](#), [Personal Communication](#), [PRCS](#), [PRCS I](#), [PRCS II](#), [Quds News Network](#), [Quds News Network I](#) and [Wafa](#)

23 March 2025: In Khan Yunis city and governorate, the male surgical building of the Nasser Hospital was struck by an Israeli airstrike killing at least two people, including a 16 year-old boy and a member of Hamas's political bureau - both of whom were patients at the hospital - and injuring eight others. The strike caused extensive damage to the ward and destroyed the electrical system, rendering the ward unusable. **Source:** [Al Jazeera I](#), [Al Jazeera II](#), [Al Jazeera III](#) and [Quds News Network](#)

23 March 2025: In southern Gaza Strip, a nurse, his wife and two daughters were killed in an Israeli airstrike that struck their home. **Source:** [Personal Communication](#)

24 March 2025: In al Mawasi area, Rafah governorate, the International Red Cross building was shelled by an Israeli military tank, despite being clearly marked and notified to all parties. **Sources:** [ICRC](#) and [Quds News Network](#)

West Bank and East Jerusalem

25 March 2025: In Fawwar Refugee Camp, Hebron governorate, a PRCS medical team was assaulted by Israeli forces. The paramedics were beaten, their ambulances were vandalised and the team was forcibly expelled from the area, preventing them from providing urgent medical assistance. The keys of at least one ambulance were confiscated. **Sources:** [IMEMC](#) and [Quds News Network](#)

28 March 2025: In Meithalun town, Jenin governorate, an ambulance attempting to enter the town to treat an injured person was blocked by Israeli forces. **Source:** [Al Jazeera](#)

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.

¹ 60 incidents were recorded without specifying the location and no additional source could be identified to determine the location of the reported incident.

² Zoom in and click on Israel or oPt to see the latest figures. Click on the yellow square to read about the recorded events.

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