

<u>Control of the Land</u>	<u>Comparative Populations</u>	<u>Number of Refugees</u>	<u>Number of Settlements</u>
<p><u>1947 Partition Plan</u> 56% of Palestine for Jews (at the time, Jews owned 6% of the land yet comprised about 30% of the population). 44% of the land for the Palestinians</p> <p><u>After the War (1949)</u> 78% of Palestine controlled by Israel &amp; 22% of the land remained for the Palestinians (West Bank and East Jerusalem under the control of Jordan, and Gaza under Egypt).</p> <p><u>Six-Day War in 1967</u> Israel occupied the West Bank (including East Jerusalem), Gaza Strip, and the Golan Heights (from Syria).</p> <p><u>Current Security Barrier (2002)</u> It will separate ca. 25% of the West Bank from the Palestinians (UN report estimates that over 500,000 Palestinians will be affected by the barrier).</p>	<p><u>1921-22 Census</u> 668,000 Arabic-speaking Palestinians (among whom were 71,000 Christians) &amp; 85,000 Jews</p> <p><u>1945</u> 1,400,000 Palestinians (including 139,000 Christians) &amp; 560,000 Jews</p> <p><u>2004</u> 3,685,000 Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza (about 48,000 Christians) and ca. 1,200,000 Israeli Palestinians (ca. 100,000 Christians)</p> <p><u>Current Populations</u> Of total population in Israel, 5.9 m are Jews, 1.4 m are Palestinians, and ca. 359,000 are other. Jewish population includes Jewish settlers.</p> <p>In Occupied Territories, there are about 4.4 m. Palestinians &amp; with Israeli Palestinians total of 5.8 m.</p> <p><u>Contentious Issue</u> Israel wants a Jewish majority and worries about demographic trends. By 2020 Palestinians will outnumber Jews.</p>	<p><u>1947-49 Dislocation</u> About 750,000 Palestinian refugees in Gaza, West Bank, Lebanon, Jordan, Syria, etc.</p> <p>120-150,000 Palestinian refugees in Israel (they became Israeli citizens)</p> <p><u>Jewish Refugees</u> Israel accepts numbers of Jewish refugees from the Arab and larger world (over 500,000 in the immediate years after 1948)</p> <p><u>1967 Dislocation</u> An additional 250,000 Palestinian refugees resulting from the Six-Day War in June 1967</p> <p><u>Palestinian Refugees Today (2014)</u> Roughly 5,000,000 Palestinian refugees, with 1.4 million still living in camps.</p> <p><u>Contentious Issue</u> "Right of Return" for Palestinian refugees (see U.N. Resolution 194, art.11 guaranteeing right of return for displaced Palestinians).</p>	<p><u>1967-77</u> 50,000 Jewish settlers in East Jerusalem &amp; 7,000 Jewish settlers in Gaza and West Bank</p> <p><u>1977 "Earthquake" Election</u> The Likud part (Menachem Begin as Prime Minister) first gained political control in 1977 (Labor Party before) and increased settlement activity dramatically</p> <p><u>1990</u> Ca. 80,000 settlers in Gaza/WB, 120,000 settlers in E. Jerusalem &amp; 3,000 settlers in Golan Heights</p> <p><u>2005</u> Israel withdrew 7-8,000 settlers from Gaza &amp; some from West Bank</p> <p><u>2017 (B'tselem)</u> ca. 413,400 settlers in West Bank ca. 209,270 settlers in East Jerusalem (370,000 Palestinians) ca. 20,000 settlers in Golan Hts <b>Total: ca. 642,670 settlers<sup>1</sup></b></p> <p><i><b>Israel annexed E. Jerusalem in 1967 against international law. Since then Israel has annexed over 6,000 acres of land in the Jerusalem area on which to build Jewish settlements.</b></i></p>

<sup>1</sup> The effects of increased settlements are manifold: appropriation of land, destruction of olive groves, demolition of houses, use of water resources, construction of major roads into the occupied territories, numerous military outposts and checkpoints in the West Bank and Gaza, restriction of travel for Palestinians, and frequent use of closure and curfews in the Palestinian areas.

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