

Attacks on Health Care in the occupied Palestinian territory

01-15 September 2026



Data collected by Insecurity Insight shows that between 07 October 2023 and 31 August 2026, at least **3,464 incidents** of violence against or obstruction of access to health care took place across the occupied Palestinian territory.¹ 95% of all incidents were attributed to Israeli forces.

- **Gaza:** 2,375 attacks on health care were recorded during which health facilities were damaged 455 times, 777 health workers were killed and 399 arrested.² Patient access to medicine was obstructed on 303 occasions.
- **West Bank:** 1,020 attacks on health care were recorded during which health facilities were damaged 32 times, 13 health workers were killed and 198 arrested. Patient access to medicine was obstructed on 626 occasions.

View the incidents on our [interactive map](#). Download the [data](#). Updated every Monday and includes information on weapons use, perpetrators and effects. For data enquiries, please [get in touch](#). Data is continuously updated and numbers may change if/ when further information is made available. See [here](#) for methodology.

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Documented incidents

The publicly reported incidents below are not a complete nor a representative list of all incidents that affected the provision of health care between 01-15 September 2026. The incidents below have not been verified through ground investigations. There is a delay in reporting incidents due to our open source verification protocol.

Gaza

01 September 2026: In Abu Sharekh area, near Abu Sharekh roundabout, North Gaza governorate, a Civil Defence paramedic was injured in an Israeli strike and later succumbed to his injuries. **Sources:** [Quds News Network](#), [Quds News Network I](#) and [Quds News Network II](#)

01 September 2026: In Al-Katiba area, west of Gaza city, Gaza governorate, the American Hospital, which was located near a UN shelter, was ordered to evacuate amid Israeli airstrikes and clashes involving an Israeli special forces unit and Palestinian fighters. The Israeli military reportedly carried out at least 13 air raids in the area. Three Palestinians, including two children and a woman, were killed and eight others injured in the strikes. **Sources:** [Quds News Network](#) and [Quds News Network I](#)

03 September 2026: In North Gaza governorate, Kamal Adwan Hospital temporarily suspended operations for a day and was evacuated following the advance of Israeli forces and tanks in the

vicinity of the hospital amid gunfire. The decision was taken to protect health workers and patients, with services expected to resume on 06 September 2026. **Sources:** [Quds News Network](#) and [Quds News Network I](#)

13 September 2026: In Gaza city and governorate, a vehicle carrying 10 MSF aid workers was damaged by an Israeli airstrike on a vehicle traveling two metres away, injuring one of the workers. The bus was clearly marked as an MSF vehicle, with a large MSF sticker visible on its roof. **Sources:** [MSF](#), [Quds News Network](#) and [UN News](#)

As reported on 13 September 2026: Across Gaza, an unspecified number of hospital generators stopped due to the unavailability of oil, fuel and spare parts, disrupting the operation of hospitals and limiting their ability to provide electricity to vital and life-saving departments. Only limited quantities of oils that were allowed to enter the Strip. **Source:** [Quds News Network](#) and [Shourouk News](#)

West Bank and East Jerusalem

04 September 2026: Near the Khallet al-Murabba junction, west of Al Mughayir village, Ramallah governorate, an ambulance was attacked by Israeli settlers, injuring a paramedic. **Source:** [Quds News Network](#)

05 September 2026: Near Al Mughayir village, Ramallah governorate, an ambulance was blocked and attacked by Israeli settlers. **Source:** [Quds News Network](#)

07 September 2026: In Qabalan town, Nablus governorate, a PRCS ambulance was prevented by Israeli forces from reaching the site where a person was fatally shot during the raid after allegedly carrying out a stabbing attack against an Israeli settler. The ambulance and an ambulance officer inside it were detained by Israeli forces, who also prevented ambulance crews from approaching the site. **Sources:** [Quds News Network](#) and [WAFA](#)

08 September 2026: In Anata town, Jerusalem governorate, an unspecified number of ambulances were prevented from reaching injured people and emergency cases due to a curfew imposed by Israeli forces. **Source:** [Quds News Network](#)

08 September 2026: In Khirbet Al-Fakhit, Masafer Yatta area, Hebron governorate, an unspecified number of health units were destroyed by Israeli forces. **Source:** [WAFA](#)

09 September 2026: In Masafer Yatta area, Hebron governorate, a vehicle belonging to Palestinian Medical Relief Society (PMRS) was chased by Israeli settlers. **Sources:** [Quds News Network](#) and [Quds News Network I](#)

10 September 2026: In Khirbet al-Hums village, near Yatta city, Hebron governorate, ambulance health workers were prevented by Israeli forces from reaching people who had been assaulted and injured by Israeli settlers at night. **Source:** [Quds News Network](#)

Other resources

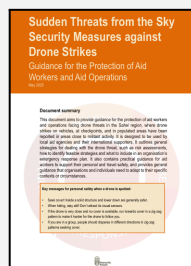
Using data collected by Insecurity Insight, the Safeguarding Health in Conflict Coalition (SHCC) identified **432 incidents of violence against or obstruction of health care across Gaza in 2025**. At least **190 incidents** were recorded in the West Bank and East Jerusalem. Health workers were arrested, threatened, or injured; health facilities were damaged, violently raided, or surrounded; and ambulances and emergency medical teams were repeatedly delayed, blocked, or searched amid Israeli military incursions and increasingly restrictive movement and access constraints imposed across the West Bank. Most incidents were attributed to IDF troops armed with guns. Attacks on health care linked to Israeli settlers, typically armed with guns or rocks, more than doubled in 2025, compared to 2024, rising from around 2% to 9% of total reported attacks. Despite the two ceasefires, incidents continued in Gaza throughout 2025, often increasing in conjunction with IDF military movements and ground operations. On average, 2.8 attacks were reported each week during the January 2025 ceasefire, and 1.9 attacks per week from the start of the October ceasefire through December 31, 2025. During both ceasefires, four health workers were killed and two others injured, and the IDF shelled a clinic in Jabalia IDP camp, injuring multiple people, including a pregnant woman. The IDF repeatedly fired at and bombed ambulances responding to emergencies.



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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 independently verified. It is funded and supported by the Tides Foundation. The opinions expressed in it do not reflect in any way the position of the Tides Foundation who is not responsible for the content expressed in this document.

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

² 777 is based on the number of health workers killed where location and date has been identified. Other sources have reported **1,173 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.

Insecurity Insight. 2026. 01-15 September 2026 Attacks on Health Care in the occupied Palestinian territory. Switzerland: Insecurity Insight. <https://bit.ly/01-15Sept2026OPTHealth>

