

## **PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP**



### **MONTHLY SUMMARY OF ISRAELI VIOLATIONS**

**01 April2014 – 30 April 2014**

The following summary tables and overview of events survey hostile Israeli activities during the period 01 April2014 to 31April 2014. The report includes a summary table of events, classified by type, throughout the West Bank and Gaza Strip, in addition to a comparative table surveying events over the past three months. The survey is compiled from the Daily Situation Reports of the Palestinian Monitoring Group (PMG) of the Negotiations Affairs Department (NAD) of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO). The PMG monitors ground conditions in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, including Israeli and Palestinian violations. The PMG Daily Situation Reports are a survey of daily events collated from information provided by civil ministries and security agencies of the Palestinian National Authority. The information reported through the PMG process represents data available at the time of distribution only.

### SAMPLE OF ISRAELI VIOLATIONS DURING THE MONTH OF APRIL 2014

- **April 14<sup>th</sup> 2014:** Israeli forces raided Al-Ayda camp in Bethlehem clashed with several residents and as a result killed a resident after suffocating from tear gas inhalation and injured Sa'id Odeh then temporarily detained Omar Milish (17 years old) and released him at a later time and proceeded to storm Judeh Masa'ds home and converted it into a military post.
- **April 2<sup>nd</sup> 2014:** Israeli settlers stormed agricultural land and assaulted 4 residents: Dahman Hijazi, Suliman Hijazi, Mazen Hijazi and Eyad Hijazi during which an Israeli settler vehicle proceeded and ran over Suliman Hijazi leaving him hospitalised with contusions and Israeli forces detained a resident.
- **April 3<sup>rd</sup> 2014:** Israeli forces positioned at the entrance of Al-Nabi Saleh fired rubber coated steel bullets, stun and tear gas grenades towards several residents for alleged stoning and as a result injured Rami Al-Rimawi (13 years old), a resident of Beit Rima leaving him hospitalised with contusions.
- **April 4<sup>th</sup> 2014:** Israeli fighter jets launched a missile during 2 consecutive air strike towards a home in south Gaza and as a result injured 2 residents including a child and caused damaged to several surrounding homes.
- **April 12<sup>th</sup> 2014:** Israeli forces positioned at the entrance of Al-Nabi Saleh village fired rubber coated steel bullets, stun and tear gas grenades towards several residents for alleged stoning and as a result injured Oday Al-Tamimi and assaulted and injured Wajdan Al-Tamimi leaving her hospitalised with contusions.
- **April 14<sup>th</sup> 2014:** an Israeli settler vehicle ran over 2 residents: Ramadan Romanin and Iz-Aldin Abu Asal, along Al-Shalalat road near Al-Oja leaving them hospitalised with contusions.
- **April 16<sup>th</sup> 2014:** Israeli forces surrounded Al-Aqsa Mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem and prevented residents, students and workers from entering the mosque and again at 11:30, Israeli police fired rubber coated steel bullets, stun and tear gas grenades towards several residents who were positioned at the mosque entrance to repel a planned settler attack on the mosque and as a result injured 20 residents and left 37 other suffocated from tear gas inhalation.
- **April 16<sup>th</sup> 2014:** Israeli forces positioned near Bab Al-Zawiya area in Hebron fired tear gas grenades towards several residents for alleged stoning, detained a resident and again at 16:00 confrontations erupted between residents and Israeli forces and as a result injured 7 residents including 4 children: Raed Mujahid (16 years old), Mohammad Natsheh (17 years old), Ahmad Al-Joulani (17 years old), Mu'taz Asfura (16 years old), Ayman Al-Matour, , Omar Al-Natsheh and Sahrq Al-Natsheh.
- **April 17<sup>th</sup> 2014:** Israeli forces raided Bab Al-Zawiya area in Hebron, occupied the rooftops of several homes and converted them into military posts and fired live ammunition, rubber coated steel bullets, stun and tear gas grenades towards several residents for alleged stoning and as a result injured 12 residents including 4 children: Anas Salameh (16 years old), Mohammad Qawasmi (15 years old), Yazen Sharif (17 years old), Awni Abu Shamsiya (14 years old), Saed Abu Safi, Za'nun, Khaled Abu Safi, Bashar Omar, Mohammad Al-Zaghir, , Mohammad Salaymeh, Khaled Hajjarat, and Yunis Al-Rajabi leaving them hospitalised with contusions.
- **April 18<sup>th</sup> 2014:** Israeli settlers stoned residents and vehicles passing near "Amoutil" settlement and as a result damaged a vehicle owned by Ahmad Ammar, a resident of Beit Amin village and injured 6 residents: Zulfa Amaar, Fatima Amar, Ni'meh Sarsur, Haytham Al-Assi and his wife leaving them hospitalised with contusions.
- **April 22<sup>nd</sup> 2014:** Israeli settlers under the protection of Israeli forces stormed Al-Aqsa mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem and provoked worshipers during which Israeli forces fired rubber coated steel bullets, stun and tear gas grenades towards several worshipers as they attempted to prevent the settler assault and as a result injured Marwa Idris.
- **April 23<sup>rd</sup> 2014:** Israeli drones launched 2 missiles towards a Palestinian gunman's motorcycle in Beit Lahiya and as a result injured 6 residents including 2 children.
- **April 27<sup>th</sup> 2014:** An Israeli settler vehicle ran over and injured Ismail Abu Sheikh (70 years old) near Al-Nashash junction and as a result left him hospitalised with contusions.
- **April 30<sup>th</sup> 2014:** Israeli forces raided Nablus as they escorted Israeli settlers who stormed Joseph's Tomb, clashed with residents and as a result injured the child Adli Abdullah (17 years old).

## SUMMARY TABLE OF EVENTS IN THE OCCUPIED PALESTINIAN TERRITORY – APRIL 2014

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	COMMENTS
<b>Killing</b>	1	0	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>On April 14th 2014, Israeli forces raided Al-Ayda camp in Bethlehem, clashed with several residents and as a result killed Nuha Qatamish (44 years old) after suffocating from tear gas inhalation.</li> </ul>
<b>Injuries</b>	108	32	140	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A total of 140 injuries were reported in the month of April (108 Palestinians in the West Bank and 32 in the Gaza Strip). Injuries included 17 children, 2 Journalists, 6 Women, an elderly resident and 2 Security Force officers.</li> </ul>
<b>Attacks</b>	184	94	278	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A total of 278 attacks were reported to have taken place during the month of April (184 in the West Bank and 94 in the Gaza Strip). The Israeli military carried out 10 attacks during raids into Palestinian residential areas, 174 attacks during confrontations between the Israeli military and Palestinians, 47 attacks from Israeli military posts on civilian homes and property, 3 from Military Checkpoints, 2 from Military Helicopters and 1 from settler attacks. In addition Israeli navy vessels carried out 21 attacks on Palestinian fishermen and territory and Israeli aircrafts carried out 20 attacks on civilian targets.</li> </ul>
<b>Raids</b>	542	9	551	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Israeli military carried out a total of <b>551 raids</b> in Palestinian residential areas during the month of April, including <b>542 in the West Bank</b> and <b>9 in the Gaza Strip</b>. The majority of Israeli military raids were reported to have taken place in the districts of Jerusalem (21); Ramallah (36); Jenin (67); Tubas (9); Tulkarem (36); Qalqiliya (36); Nablus (72); Salfit (43); Jericho (20); Bethlehem (80); Hebron (122); Gaza (1); Central Gaza (2), Khan Yunis (5) and Rafah (1).</li> </ul>
<b>Arrests</b>	337	17	354	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>During the month of April, the Israeli military arrested 354 Palestinians (337 the West Bank and 17 in the Gaza Strip). The majority of arrests took place in the districts of Jerusalem (81); Ramallah (26); Jenin (22); Tubas (2) Tulkarem (7); Qalqiliya (17); Nablus (28); Salfit (13); Jericho (19); Bethlehem (31); Hebron (91). North Gaza (8), Central Gaza (6), Gaza (8) and Khan Yunis (3). Among those arrested by the Israeli military were: 23 children; 12 University students, 2 women, Attorneys, a journalist and 5 Security officers.</li> </ul>
<b>Home Demolition</b>	34	1	35	<p>During the month of April 2014 the Israeli military demolished Palestinian homes and residential tents which consisted of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Israeli forces demolished a home (room and bathroom) in Rafat and forced a resident to demolish his home in Al-Mukabbir neighbourhood and demolished 2 residential barracks which houses a family in Habal Al-Tur neighbourhood in Jerusalem District.</li> <li>▪ Israeli forces demolished 3 residential barracks in Jabal Al-Baba located in Al-Eizariya in Jerusalem District.</li> <li>▪ Israeli forces demolished 3 homes in Khirbeit Al-Tawil area in east Aqraba in Nablus District.</li> <li>▪ Israeli forces demolished 3 residential barracks in Al-Ja'una area in Nablus district.</li> <li>▪ Israeli air strikes on Gaza destroyed a home.</li> <li>▪ Israeli forces demolished 4 tents in Humsa village in the north Jordan valley in Tubas District.</li> <li>▪ Israeli forces demolished 3 homes in Karziliya area near Al-Jiftlik village in Jericho.</li> </ul> <p>The Israeli Military served the following demolition orders during the Month of April 2014:</p>

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Israeli forces served demolition orders to demolish 5 homes in Al-Fasayil village in Jericho district.</li> <li>▪ Israeli forces served demolition orders to demolish 14 Bedouin homes in Jabal Baba area in Al-Eizariya in Jerusalem district.</li> <li>▪ Israeli forces served demolition orders to demolish 2 homes in Ein Al-Jawzat area in Al-Walja village located in Bethlehem district.</li> <li>▪ Israeli forces served demolition orders to demolish a home in Jiftlik village in Jericho district.</li> </ul>
<b>Home Occupation</b>	14	0	14	The Israeli Military occupied 14 homes in Bethlehem and Hebron during the month of April and converted their rooftops into Military posts.
<b>Curfew</b>	2	0	2	Israeli forces imposed a curfew Madama village and Huwara town in Nablus.
<b>Closure of Crossing Points</b>	0	165	165	The Israeli military completely closed crossing points into the Gaza Strip, including access points within the Green Line, on <b>109</b> occasions during the month of April The Israeli military closed crossing points within the Green Line on <b>53</b> occasions.
<b>Flying Checkpoints</b>	511	0	511	The Israeli military set up 511 flying checkpoints in April and searched Palestinian civilians and vehicles in and around Palestinian residential areas in the districts of Jerusalem (80); Ramallah (37); Jenin (11), Tubas (11) ; Tulkarem (16); Qalqiliya (51); Nablus (66); Salfit (33); Jericho (53); Bethlehem (53) and Hebron (100).
<b>Provocation of Palestinian Forces</b>	9	0	9	The Israeli military provoked or harassed Palestinian National Security forces on 3 Occasion, Palestinian Police on 5 occasions and Civil Defence force officers on 1 occasion.
<b>Destruction and Confiscation of Public and Private property</b>	112	10	122	Damages included: Home furniture, damaged an entrance vehicles, Olive trees, barrack's and handed out demolition orders
<b>Settler Violence</b>	67	0	67	Israeli settler stoned residents and vehicles, stormed homes, uprooted trees, assaulted residents, ran over children with their vehicles, stormed several villages and towns and slashed the tires of residential vehicle.
<b>Attacks on Religious Sites</b>	29	0	29	Israeli settler raided the vicinity of Al-Aqsa mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem on several occasions, prevented worshipers from entering the mosque and prevented call for prayer from Al-Aqsa mosque. Israeli forces demolished a mosque in Aqraba village in Nablus and closed Al-Ibrahimi mosque in the old city of Hebron and prevented the call for prayers.
<b>Assault on Educational Sector</b>	6	0	6	Israeli forces stormed a school, fired tear gas grenades towards students in Al-Khadr in Bethlehem, surrounded a school and attempted to storm it and detained its principle in Jerusalem and stormed Al-Ibrahimi school in Hebron and converted its rooftop into a military post.
<b>Assault on Health Sector</b>	3	0	3	Israeli forces opened fire towards 3 Ambulances and as a result suffocated 7 Medical staff from tear gas inhalation in North Gaza, stormed and searched health clinics in Bethlehem and Jericho.
<b>Settlement Activity</b>	10	0	10	Israeli Authorities approved plans for the construction of 708 settlements unites in "Gilo" settlement located in south Jerusalem on land occupied in 1967. Israeli forces levelled a plot of land in order to construct a road in Ein Al-Hilweh area in the North Jordan valley located in Tubas and levelled plots of land to construct a road connecting "Adur" settlement in Ein Al-Far'a located in North West Hebron. Israeli forces levelled several plots of land in Beit Duqu village located behind the wall gate in order to construct additional settlement unites near "Jivat Za'if" settlement. *Israeli authorities approved tenders for the construction of a bridge to connect Tel Abi Thur in Al-Rababa valley with a Talmudic synagogue located in west Jerusalem on Palestinian land occupied in 1967. * Israeli Authorities approved plans for the construction of a Synagogue which consists of 4 floors approximately 200 m2 away from Al-

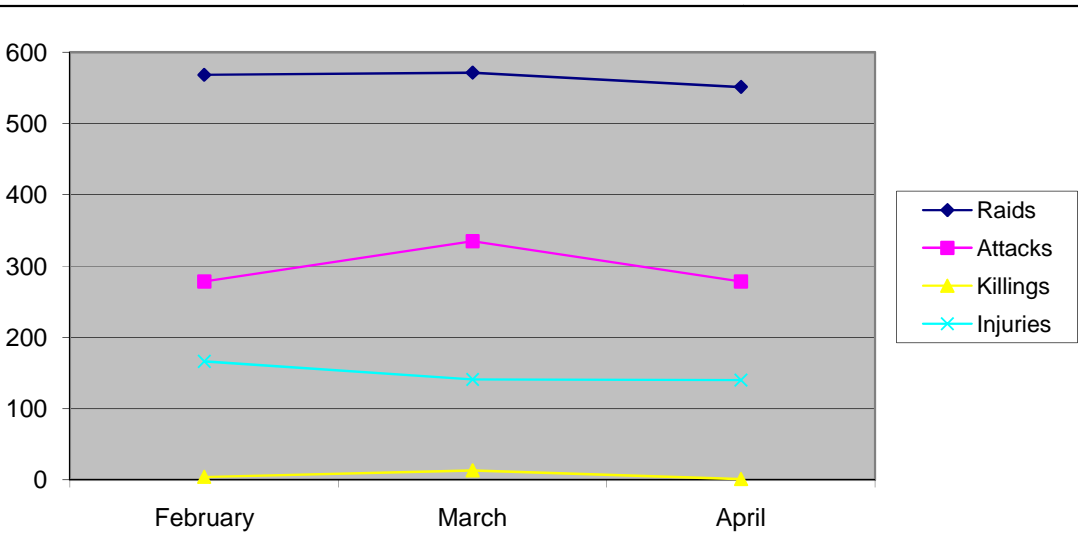
				Aqsa mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem on land occupied in 1967. Israeli forces levelled plots of land in order to pave a settlement road near “Givat Za’if” settlement in Jerusalem. Israeli forces levelled a plot of land under threat of confiscation in the area between Iraq Burin and Tel villages in Nablus. Israeli forces levelled land located near the vicinity of Al-Jamala checkpoint located near the Green line in North Jenin in order to expand the checkpoint area. Israeli forces levelled land in Jabal Al-Nahla area near “Ifrat” settlement in south Bethlehem. Israeli forces levelled agricultural land in Farsh Al-Hawa area in North Hebron and levelled a plot of land near a Military watch tower in Silwad village in Ramallah.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1969</b>	<b>328</b>	<b>2297</b>	

### COMPARISON TABLE OF EVENTS OVER THE PAST THREE MONTHS

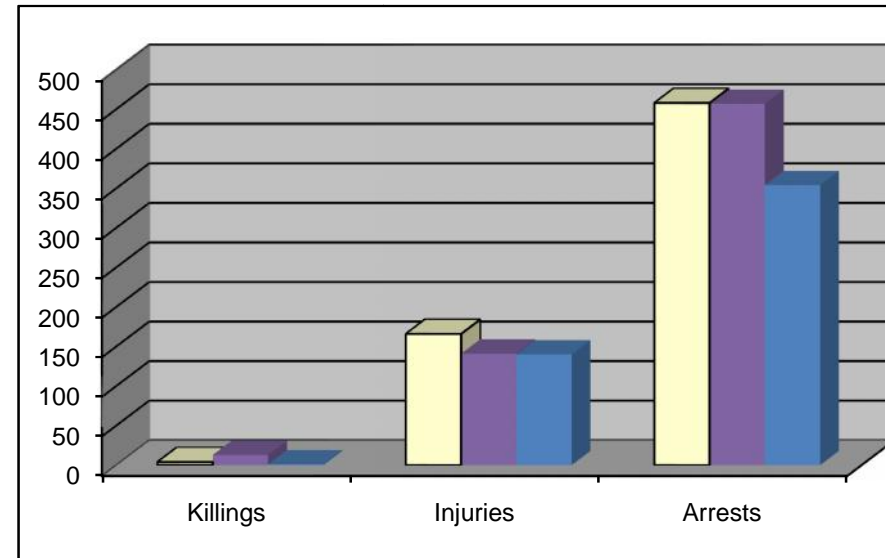
EVENT	FEBRUARY 2014	MARCH 2014	APRIL 2014	COMMENTS
<b>Assassinations</b>	1	0	0	No assassinations took place during the month of April.
<b>Killings</b>	3	13	1	A decrease by 92.3% compared to the last month (March) and a decrease of 66.6 compared to February.
<b>Injuries</b>	166	141	140	A decrease of 0.7% compared the last month (March) and decrease of 15.7% compared to February. The number of children injured is 17 compared with 22 in March & 37 in February.
<b>Attacks</b>	278	344	278	A decrease in the number of attacks by 19.2% compared to last month (March).
<b>Raids</b>	568	571	551	A decrease by 3.5% compared to March and a decrease by 2.99% compared to February.
<b>Arrests</b>	458	457	354	A decrease of 22.5% compared to March and a decrease of 22.7% compared to February. The number of arrested children was 23 compared to 66 in March and 40 in February.
<b>Home Demolition</b>	19	13	35	An increase of 169.2% compared to last month (March) and increase of 84.2% compared to last January.
<b>Attacks on Property</b>	128	142	122	A decrease of 14% compared to last month (March) and increase of by 9.7% compared to last February.
<b>Home Occupation</b>	2	15	14	A decrease of 6.66% compared to last month (March)
<b>Curfews</b>	2	3	2	Israeli forces imposed a curfew in Madama and Huwara in Nablus.
<b>Flying Checkpoints</b>	466	484	511	An increase of 5.6% compared to last month (March) and an increase of 9.7% compared to (February).
<b>Closure of Crossing Points</b>	142	162	165	The Israeli military closed crossing points within the Green Line on 112 occasions compared to 109 last month. <i>Yasser Arafat International Airport</i> has remained closed since the outbreak of the second <i>Intifada</i> . <i>Rafah (Al-Awda) crossing point</i> was open 7 times by Israeli military during the month of April.
<b>Attacks on Religious Sites</b>	23	23	29	An increase of 26% compared to March.
<b>Assault on Health Sector</b>	0	0	3	3 incidents of assault on Health sector for this month.
<b>School Disruption</b>	2	1	6	A decrease of 500% compared to last month (March)

<b>Provocation of Palestinian Forces</b>	6	10	9	A decrease of 10% compared to last month (March)
<b>Settlement Activity &amp; Settler Violence</b>	69	87	77	A decrease of 11.5% since last month (March) and decrease of 11.6% compared to February.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2333</b>	<b>2466</b>	<b>2297</b>	<b>During the month of April, the total incidents decreased by 6.85% compared to March due to the decrease in the number of raids, Killings, and. Likewise, total events decreased by 1.54%% compared to February as a result in the decrease in the number of checkpoints, killings, Attacks, raids and assault on Places of Worship.</b>

**COMPARISON OF ISRAELI RAIDS, ATTACKS AND PALESTINIAN HUMAN CASUALTIES OVER THE PAST 3 MONTHS**



**COMPARISON OF INCIDENTS OF DEATHS, INJURIES, AND ARRESTS OVER THE PAST 3 MONTHS**



## ANALYSIS OF EVENTS

■ **Killings** : A total of 1 killing was reported in the month of April:

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■ **Injuries**

A total of 140 injuries were reported in the month of April (108 Palestinians in the West Bank and 32 in the Gaza Strip). Injuries included 17 children, 2 Journalists, 6 Women, an elderly resident and 2 Security Force officers.

■ **Arrests**

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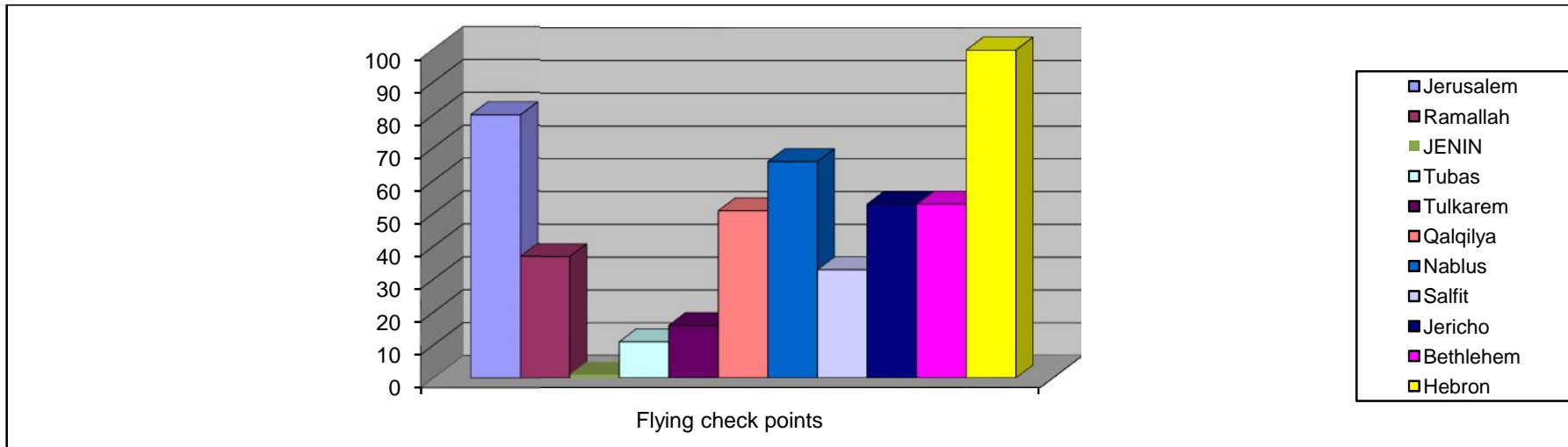
Israeli forces temporarily detained 322 residents at checkpoint and in residential area including 40 children, 5 Journalists, a Palestine Television news crew, 9 Women and 15 Security officers.

■ **Closure**

Especially on Fridays, the Israeli military continues to intensify restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances of Jerusalem, and to restrict entrance to the Al Aqsa Mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem, preventing worshippers from accessing the Mosque. At the *Qalandiya checkpoint north of Jerusalem*, the Israeli military continues to prevent PNA registered civilian vehicles from crossing the checkpoint towards Ar Ram and Qalandiya as well as Dahiyat al Bareed. The checkpoint is overcrowded daily, particularly during rush hours, due to intensified restrictions and search measures applied by Israeli troops. During the month of March the Israeli military also continued to intensify restrictions at the *Tayasir checkpoint* and *Al Hamra junction checkpoint* leading to the Jordan Valley area, only allowing access to civilians whose IDs indicate District of Jericho residence or others holding special access permits. In addition, restrictions were intensified and civilian access was obstructed at the *Za'tara junction checkpoint* (separating the northern and central West Bank districts) as well as at the *As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint* (separating the central and southern West Bank districts).

The Israeli military installed 551 flying checkpoints in April (compared with 484 in March and 466 in February) and as a result restricted the free access and movement of residents, merchant supplies and agricultural goods.





### Distribution of flying checkpoints in the West Bank

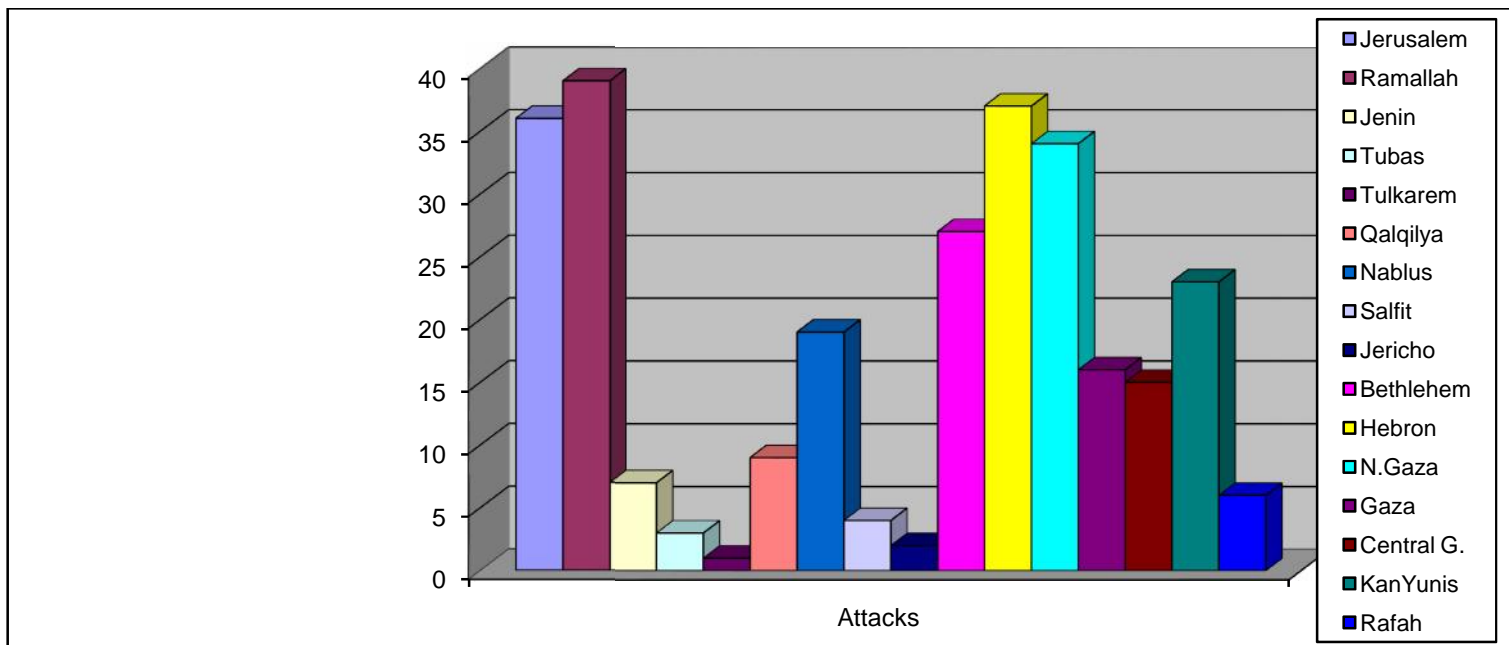
The Israeli military set up 511 flying checkpoints in April and searched Palestinian civilians and vehicles in and around Palestinian residential areas in the districts of Jerusalem (80); Ramallah (37); Jenin (11), Tubas (11); Tulkarem (16); Qalqilya (51); Nablus (66); Salfit (33); Jericho (53); Bethlehem (53) and Hebron (100).

### 5. Attacks

A total of **278** attacks were reported to have taken place during the month of April (**184** in the West Bank and **94** in the Gaza Strip).

The Israeli military carried out **10** attacks during raids into Palestinian residential areas, **174** attacks during confrontations between the Israeli military and Palestinians, **47** attacks from Israeli military posts on civilian homes and property, **3** from Military Checkpoints, **2** from Military Helicopters and **1** from settler attacks. In addition Israeli navy vessels carried out **21** attacks on Palestinian fishermen and territory and Israeli aircrafts carried out **20** attacks on civilian targets.

At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the Israeli military declared a unilateral ceasefire following the large-scale offensive it had launched against the Gaza Strip. However, the Israeli military violated the ceasefire on **94 occasions** during the month of April (compared to **77** last March). Also disregarding Israel's unilaterally declared ceasefire armed Palestinian groups fired **23** mortar rounds.



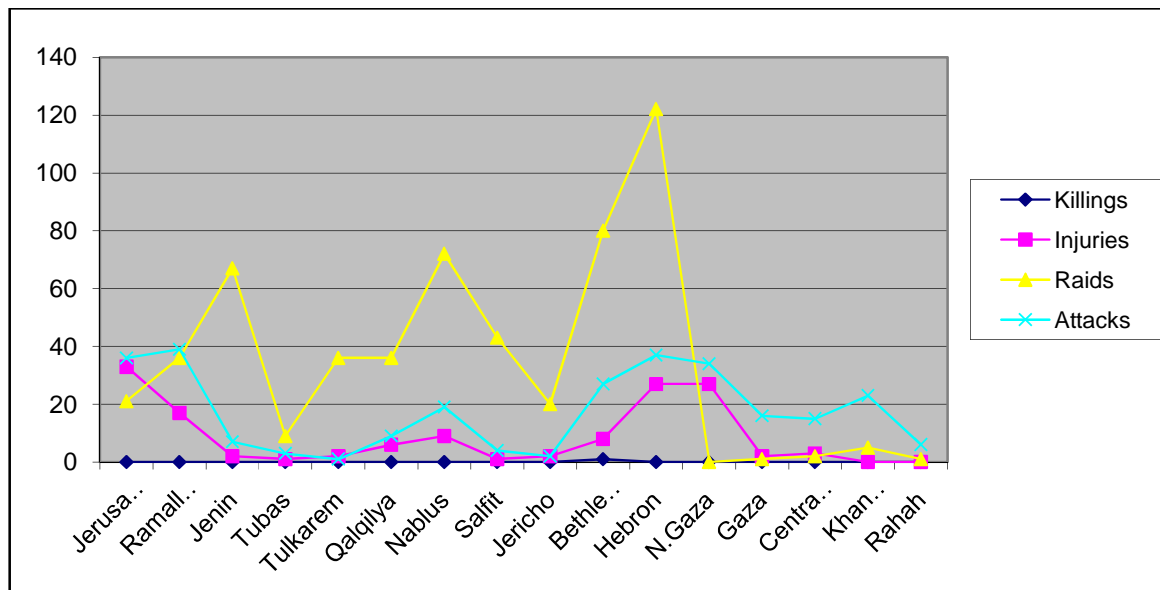
**Attacks on residential areas in West Bank districts**

### **6. Raids**

The Israeli military carried out a total of **551 raids** in Palestinian residential areas during the month of April, including **542 in the West Bank** and **9 in the Gaza Strip**. The majority of Israeli military raids were reported to have taken place in the districts of Jerusalem (21); Ramallah (36); Jenin (67); Tubas (9); Tulkarem (36); Qalqilya (36); Nablus (72); Salfit (43); Jericho (20); Bethlehem (80); Hebron (122); Gaza (1); Central Gaza (2), Khan Yunis (5) and Rafah (1).

The Israeli military opened fire on 184 occasions during raids and clashes with civilians. (A total of 66.2% of attacks)

*The chart below shows the correlation between the number of raids and the resulting human casualties in April.*



## **7. Home Demolition**

### **During the month of April 2014 the Israeli military demolished Palestinian homes and residential tents which consisted of the following:**

- Israeli forces demolished a home (room and bathroom) in Rafat and forced a resident to demolish his home in Al-Mukabbirneighbourhood and demolished 2 residential barracks which houses a family in Habal Al-Tur neighbourhood in Jerusalem District.
- Israeli forces demolished 3 residential barracks in Jabal Al-Baba located in Al-Eizariya in Jerusalem District.
- Israeli forces demolished 3 homes in Khirbeit Al-Tawil area in east Aqraba in Nablus District.
- Israeli forces demolished 3 residential barracks in Al-Ja'una area in Nablus district.
- Israeli air strikes on Gaza destroyed a home.
- Israeli forces demolished 4 tents in Humsa village in the north Jordan valley in Tubas District.
- Israeli forces demolished 3 homes in Karziliya area near Al-Jiftlik village in Jericho.

### **The Israeli Military served the following demolition orders during the Month of April 2014:**

- Israeli forces served demolition orders to demolish 5 homes in Al-Fasayil village in Jericho district.
- Israeli forces served demolition orders to demolish 14 Bedouin homes in Jabal Baba area in Al-Eizariya in Jerusalem district.
- Israeli forces served demolition orders to demolish 2 homes in Ein Al-Jawzat area in Al-Walja village located in Bethlehem district.
- Israeli forces served demolition orders to demolish a home in Jiftlik village in Jericho district.

## **8. Attacks on Public and Private Property**

A total of 122 **incidents of destruction and confiscation** of Palestinian public and private property by Israeli settlers and Israeli forces were reported in April 2014

**Attack on Public and Private property occurred as follows per District:**

**Jerusalem:** Israeli forces uprooted grape vines and demolished concrete walls surrounding agricultural land as they demolished a home in Rafat village, Israeli settler damaged 3 vehicle and a bus as they stormed Ras Al-Amoud neighbourhood in the old city of Jerusalem and demolished a coffee shop in Jaba' village..

**Ramallah:** Israeli forces demolished concrete walls surrounding agricultural land in Khilat Khalif area in Safa village, Israeli forces damaged a vehicle after an Israeli Military vehicle rammed it near Deir Ammar village, Israeli settlers damaged the limbs of 10 Olive trees as they stormed agricultural land in Al-Janiya village located near "Talmun" settlement, damaged the limbs of 100 Olive trees in Ras Kar Kar village, Israeli forces demolished a Barracks used for livestock in Al-Mughier village.

**Tubas:** Israeli forces served eviction notices for 20 families to leave their homes from 07:00 until 16:00 on April 2<sup>nd</sup>2014 in order to conduct military exercises in Wadi Ibziq area, demolished 11 livestock dens, a kitchen and 2 bathrooms in Humsa village in the North Jordan valley.

**Jenin:** Israeli forces demolished a barracks used as a stone cutting factory in Barta'a Al-Sharqiya village.

**Tulkarem:** Israeli forces demolished a storage room in Al-Shweikiya village.

**Nablus:** Israeli forces demolished 3 barrack and a water tank in Khirbiet Tawil area located in east Aqraba, Israeli settlers chopped off the limbs of 60 Olive trees in Al-Lahf area in Huwara and Israeli settlers set fire to a farm in Madma village and as a result destroyed 3500 chickens and a ton of livestock feed.

**Qalqiliya:** Israeli settlers chopped the limbs and uprooted several Olive trees as they stormed Khilat Al-Jabal area in Kafr Qaddum, Israeli forces closed down the headquarters of the Islamic Club in Al-Sham' Al-Ahmar area located in Qalqiliya, uprooted 20 Olive trees near "Qadumim" settlement and several fruit bearing trees near "Gilad" settlement.

**Salfit:** Israeli settler chopped off the limbs of several fruit bearing trees in Qarwat Bani Hassan.

**Jericho:** Israeli forces destroyed the main entrance door and damaged furniture as they stormed and searched a home in Al-Fasayil village and destroyed several plant pots in Karziliya area in Al-Jiftlik.

**Bethlehem:** Israeli forces confiscated construction machinery (A bulldozer and a lift) from construction workers as they were conducting road rehabilitation work in Husan village, Israeli forces fired tear gas grenades towards a home and as a result set fire to house furniture after a tear gas grenade canister exploded in Taqou' and in Al-Ayda camp, Israeli settlers uprooted 350 Grape vines as they stormed agricultural land near "Aly Azer" settlement in Al-Khadr, uprooted 300 Grape vines as they stormed agricultural land located near "Sidi Baghuz" settlement in Al-Khadr.

**Hebron:** Israeli settlers damaged a home after attacking a home in Tel Al-Rumayda neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron, Israeli forces damaged furniture after storming and searching a home in Ithna, Israeli forces uprooted several fruit bearing trees and agricultural crops as they stormed agricultural land in south Beit Ummar while conducting military exercises, Israel settlers chopped the limbs of several Olive trees as they stormed agricultural land near "Beit Ein" settlement in Beit Ummar, Israeli forces demolished 4 livestock dens and a water well in Farsh Al-Hawa area and damaged agricultural crops on approximately 5 dunume of land in Wadi Al-Rakhim area located in east Yatta.

**North Gaza:** Israeli air strikes destroyed 2 vehicle repair shops and electric appliance repair shop and damaged several homes.

**Central Gaza:** Israeli air strikes destroyed a chicken farm in Al-Nassiriyat camp.

**The Israeli military served the following Halt to construction and demolition orders for the month of April 2014:**

- The Israeli Military served a halt to construction order for a merchant shop in Al-Fasayil village in Jericho district.
- The Israeli Military served eviction order for a merchant shop in Harris village.
- The Israeli Military served halt to construction order for the construction of a children's playground in Wadi Fuqin village in Bethlehem district.
- The Israeli Military served a halt to construction order for a home in Al-Haddadiya village in the North Jordan valley in Tubas.
- The Israeli Military served halt to construction order for 4 homes in Jabal Al-Baba in east Al-Eizariya in Jerusalem district.
- The Israeli military served a demolition order for a barrack's in Deir Sammit village in Hebron.
- The Israeli military served a demolition order for a coal manufacturing company in Thaher Al-Abed village in Jenin.
- The Israeli military served 4 eviction orders for 4 homes in Al-Hadidiya area in the North Jordan Valley in Tubas.

**Israeli forces confiscated the following property during the month of April 2014:**

- **Jerusalem:** Israeli forces confiscated surveillance camera footage tapes from a Gas Station in Al-Ram, a computer and 2 cellular telephones in Al-Thuwari neighbourhood.
- **Ramallah:** Israeli forces confiscated a vehicle as they detained a resident in Kafr Malik village.
- **Jenin:** Israeli forces confiscated a vehicles they detained a resident in A-Jamalah crossing, confiscated several vehicle spare parts in Barta'a Al-Sharqiya, confiscated several stacks of wood approximately 200 tons used to manufacture coal in Thaher Abed village, several merchant receipts from merchants near Al-Jamalat checkpoint in Jenin.
- **Tubas:** Israeli forces confiscated water tank truck owned by Al-Malah village council.
- **Qalqiliya:** Israeli forces confiscated a computer and a cellular telephone after detaining a resident in Azzun, confiscated several computers and office equipment after storming and closing the Islamic club in Qalqiliya.
- **Nablus:** Israeli forces confiscated 3 residential tents after demolishing them in Al-Ja'wana in east Beit Furiq and seized archeological site after in Deir Sharaf village.
- **Bethlehem:** Israeli forces confiscated 984 dumdums (acres) of land in Al-Khadr and Nihalin in Bethlehem.
- **Hebron:** Israeli forces confiscated surveillance tape footage for an agricultural association and a merchant shop in Ithna confiscated a computer from the village council and confiscated 2 Passports as they detained 2 Police officers in Ithna.

## **9. Settlement Activity:**

Israeli Authorities approved plans for the construction of 708 settlements unites in “Gilo” settlement located in south Jerusalem on land occupied in 1967. Israeli forces levelled a plot of land in order to construct a road in Ein Al-Hilweh area in the North Jordan valley located in Tubas and levelled plots of land to construct a road connecting “Adur” settlement in Ein Al-Far’a located in North West Hebron. Israeli forces levelled several plots of land in Beit Duqu village located behind the wall gate in order to construct additional settlement unites near “Jivat Za’if” settlement.\*Israeli authorities approved tenders for the construction of a bridge to connect Tel Abi Thur in Al-Rababa valley with a Talmudic synagogue located in west Jerusalem on Palestinian land occupied in 1967.\* Israeli Authorities approved plans for the construction of a Synagogue which consists of 4 floors approximately 200 m2 away from Al-Aqsa mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem on land occupied in 1967. Israeli forces levelled plots of land in order to pave a settlement road near “Givat Za’if” settlement in Jerusalem. Israeli forces levelled a plot of land under threat of confiscation in the area between Iraq Burin and Tel villages in Nablus. Israeli forces levelled land located near the vicinity of Al-Jamala checkpoint located near the Green line in North Jenin in order to expand the checkpoint area. Israeli forces levelled land in Jabal Al-Nahla area near “Ifrat” settlement in south Bethlehem. Israeli forces levelled agricultural land in Farsh Al-Hawa area in North Hebron and levelled a plot of land near a Military watch tower in Silwad village in Ramallah.

## **10. Settler Violence**

A total of **67** incidents of Settler violence occurred during the month of April including:

**Jerusalem:** Israeli settler stoned vehicles and homes, sprayed pepper spray onto the face of 4 residents in Al-Shiekh Jarrah neighbourhood in Jerusalem

**Ramallah:** Israeli settlers damaged the limbs of 10 Olive trees as they stormed agricultural land in Al-Janiya village located near “Talmun” settlement and installed several tents near Bet El settlement located in North Al-Bireh city , attempted to storm and attack mosque in Burqa

**Qalqiliya:** Israeli settlers chopped the limbs and uprooted several Olive trees as they stormed Khilat Al-Jabal area in Kafr Qaddum and uprooted 20 Olive trees near “Qadumim” settlement and several fruit bearing trees near “Gilad” settlement

**Nablus:** Israeli settlers chopped off the limbs of 60 Olive trees in Al-Lahf area in Huwara and set fire to a farm in Madma village and as a result destroyed 3500 chickens and a ton of livestock feed, assaulted and injured a child after apprehending him in Tel village, stoned several residents and homes, chopped off several fruit bearing trees in Al-Laban Al-Sharqiya, assaulted several construction workers as they were paving a road in Burin village, attacked a home in Burin village, installed several caravans (Mobile homes) in Salem village, assaulted several farmers in Burin village, an Israeli settler ran over a resident along the main road in Jama’in, assaulted and injured 4 residents near “Eli” settlement and assaulted several farmers in Tel village.

**Salfit:** Israeli settlers installed several Caravans (mobile homes) in the area between Kafil Harris and Harris village, stoned several residents and homes and damaged several trees in Kafil Harris, chopped off the limbs of several fruit bearing trees in Qarwat Bani Hassan.

**Jericho:** Israeli settlers ran over and injured 2 residents in Al-Oja village.

**Bethlehem:** Israeli settlers installed several caravans (Mobile homes) on a plot of land in south Irtas village, ran over and injured a 70 year old resident near Al-Nashash junction, demolished concrete walls surrounding as they attempted to pave a road on land between “Irfat” and installed several tents in Wadi Rahal village, pumped waste water onto agricultural land in Al-Khadr, uprooted 350 Olive trees in Al-Khadr, uprooted 300 grape vines in east Al-Khadr.

**Hebron:** Israeli settlers assaulted 2 residents, chopped off the limbs of several Olive trees and stole several farming tools in Bet Ummar, stole several tons of steel from a factory in Tel Al-Rumayda neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron, stormed and occupied Al-Rajabi home in the old city of Hebron and planted several trees and raised Israeli flags onto poles near the entrance of Al-Samoa’, assaulted 2 children in Yatta and another 2 near Al-Ibrahimi mosque in the old city of Hebron.

## **11. Closure of Crossing Points**

The Israeli military completely closed crossing points into the Gaza Strip, including access points within the Green Line, on **165** occasions during the month of April. The Israeli military closed crossing points within the Green Line on **109** occasions. It opened ***Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing*** for 21 days for previously-coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals and ***Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing*** for 22 days for transportation of food supplies, humanitarian aid, and cooking gas. In addition to allowing in animal feed, construction cargo designated for UNRWA and internationally-funded projects was transported through the Crossing. ***Sufa Crossing*** was closed throughout the month. On the other hand, the Israeli authorities have continued to unilaterally close ***Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing***. Beginning on 02 March 2011, the Israeli authorities has also continued to completely close ***Al Muntar (Karnei) Commercial Crossing***.

The Israeli military closed international crossing points on **53** occasions. ***Rafah Crossing*** was open for 7 days to allow access to civilians departing the Gaza Strip and to those arriving from Egypt. ***Yasser Arafat International Airport*** has remained closed since the outbreak of the second *Intifada*.