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NATIONAL SHELTER CLUSTER MEETING

09 July 2025

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- General / National Update
- Gaza Updates
  - PHC presentation
- WB Updates
- IM Update
  - Shelter cluster Palestine Dashboard
- Technical Update
  - IEC WG Share
  - IOM Common Pipeline
- Discussion /Q&A / AOB

CONTEXTUAL / NATIONAL UPDATE

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- Shelter situation in Gaza remain catastrophic
  - Ceasefire preparation
- Energy
  - Full report: Restoring Dignity: The Urgent Need for Energy Access in Gaza
  - Supplement: Pathways for improved response
- WB:
  - Acceleration of demolitions in the camps in the West Bank.
  - WB needs assessment: Data collected and cleaned
  - Emergency response and preparedness planning.
- National:
  - SC membership guidelines; SAG TOR
  - Communications and Advocacy remain priorities

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GAZA UPDATE

Overview of the situation in Gaza

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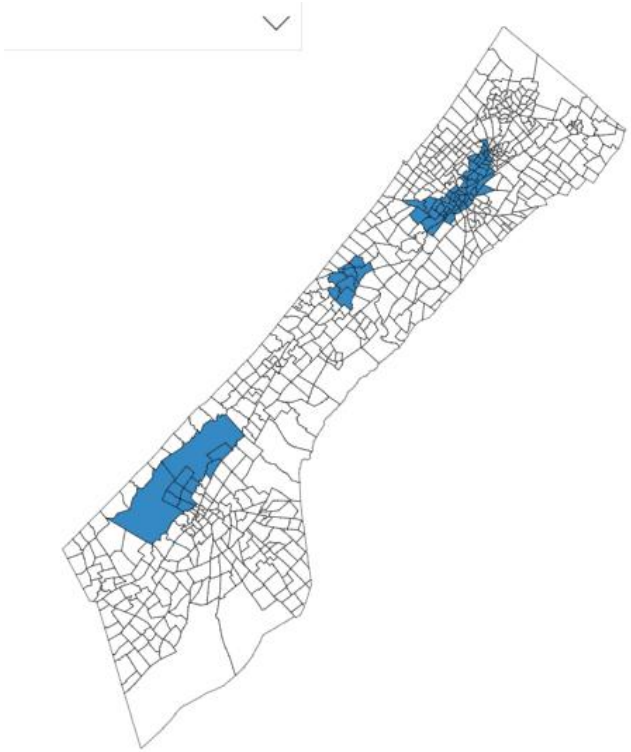
1.**Displacement**

- **85% of Gaza** is currently within "no-go" zones or under displacement orders *(OCHA)*
- Ongoing **evacuation orders and shelling** continue to worsen the humanitarian situation
- According to SMC
  - **(24 June-6 July)** , displacement orders affected a total of 21 neighborhoods in North, Gaza, Central,
    and Khanyounis governorates. With area of 26.8 sqm, around 7% of the Gaza Strip area.

  - **Total displacement since 18 March to 1st of July:** 714,012 **individuals**



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2. Shelter Conditions:

- The Shelter Situation in Gaza, remains extremely concerning and continues to deteriorate. A significant portion of the population continues to live in severely overcrowded, inadequate and severe conditions.

- BLDA bilateral assessment (conducted by phone in Gaza City) has now reached 44 sites, **hosting 6,597**households. Out of these, **683 households were reported to be without any form of shelter**, representing **approximately 11%**. **50% of assessed sites** do not have available space to set up new shelters or tents.

- Although the overall number of household items needs was higher than shelter items, site focal points still identified **hygiene kits, tents, and tarpaulins as the top three most needed items**—after food and water—when asked to prioritize urgent needs. The assessment also revealed a **critical need for latrines**

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Current Shelter Partners' Response

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3. Shelter Response: Between 24 June and 8 July

•ACTED distributed **116 kits**, including Framing Kits, Tool Kits, Sealing-Off Kits (SOK), and Solar Lamps, to families in Al-Mawasi, Khan Younis. These distributions included **the last available Framing Kits for the middle and southern areas**.

•ACTED&BLDA consolidated the remaining framing kits and tarpaulins to complete Emergency Shelter Kits (ESKs). **Distributed to 59 households at the Ansar site**. These are the **last available Framing Kits in gaza strip.**

•ACTED distribution of **clothing vouchers** in the north has reached **1,872 households out of a planned 7,200**.

•PHC has engaged two new contractors, cash per work to carry out renovation and development works at twelve sites in Al Mawasi–Khan Younes and will include shelter units. These sites currently accommodate approximately **7,800 households, totaling 43,680 individuals.**

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Gaza Ceasefire Plan:

- SC updated the ceasefire plan and shared input with the ICCG. An updated version is presented to the HCT, with a focus on:
  - The distribution of Shelter and Household NFI Items to families **in displacement sites, self-settled locations, and areas where families have returned** to their land or partially and fully damaged homes.
  - Distribution of **tents** to reduce overcrowding within shelter units and sites by providing additional shelter for newly displaced families.
  - Distribution of **Sealing-off Kits (SOK) and tarpaulins** to reinforce makeshift shelters and partially damaged homes, improving protection from weather and enhancing privacy and living conditions.
  - Distribution of **Emergency Shelter Kits (ESK)** to improve, upgrade, or seal off makeshift shelters and partially damaged homes, providing a safer, more durable, and more flexible alternative to tents.

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Shelter Requests sent to OCHA :

- Enable the entry of completed, procured, and ready-to-dispatch items through available corridors.
- Support the rapid clearance, approval, and delivery of framing kits and Emergency Shelter Kits (which include framing materials, tools, and Sealing-off Kits), that have already been procured, as well as pending approval requests from partners for additional procurement. These items have been prioritized by the Shelter Cluster because they provide a flexible, practical alternative to tents, allowing families to upgrade makeshift shelters, reinforce partially damaged homes, or set up temporary shelters according to their specific needs and available space.
- Facilitate the entry of oversized shelter materials and dual-use items, including prefabricated units and cement for their foundations, as well as timber for framing kits and Tools kits.
- **Support access to partner warehouses located within restricted or evacuation zones, to recover critical shelter stocks and materials urgently needed for the response.**
- **Ensure safe and predictable access for shelter partners, to assess, deliver, and monitor shelter interventions**

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SAG meeting 03 July 2025

- Escalate our advocacy efforts to address the worsening shelter situation in Gaza.
- UNRWA ongoing challenges related to entry restrictions on essential shelter items.

Discussion on Distribution/Registration- 05 July 2025

- The objective of the meeting is to look at joint operational solutions and efficient systems to have in place to streamline distributions taking into consideration the limitations on data sharing, good practices and lessons learned.

Way forward:

- It was agreed at ABC level clusters and partners to look the pipelines beyond their sector and identify possibilities of partnership. Many small partners have previously asked in ABC meetings for more of partnerships since some of these partners are present in hard-to-reach areas and can support reaching communities there.
- OCHA to reach out to UNSC2720 to receive the latest list of items in the different corridors.

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Pipeline Updates :

- **Based on the latest pipeline reporting, the Jordan Corridor is currently the priority for the Shelter Cluster response, as it holds the largest quantities of key prioritized items (tents and tarps).** According to the UN2720 pipeline sheet, there are **247 trucks (around 26,000 tents)** marked as **"ready to dispatch to Gaza"**, and an additional **512 trucks (approximately 55,000 tents)** listed as **"Request Cleared."**

- **A total of 1,528 pallets of tarpaulins and sealing-off kits (SOKs), equivalent to 85 trucks, are ready to ship to Gaza.** An additional **691 pallets (38 trucks)** have **request clearance approved** and are awaiting dispatch.

- Regarding the **Al Arish cargo**, the latest update from the Logistics Cluster shows that there are only **35 trucks of tents**, which equates to approximately **3,780 tents** currently available there.

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Palestinian Housing Council

Makeshifts sites Need Assessment

Gaza, North Gaza and Khan Younis

The Assessment Objectives:

- Obtaining accurate and regular information and data
- Identifying the most important needs and priorities of the IDPs
- Providing service providers across various sectors with the necessary data and information

Geographic Target areas:

- North Gaza – Gaza City – Khan Younis (Al-Mawasi)
- A total of 32 sites were selected, 26 out of the 32 sites are located in Zone 4 according to the Site Management Cluster classification, in addition to 6 sites are located in Gaza and North Gaza.

Methodology:

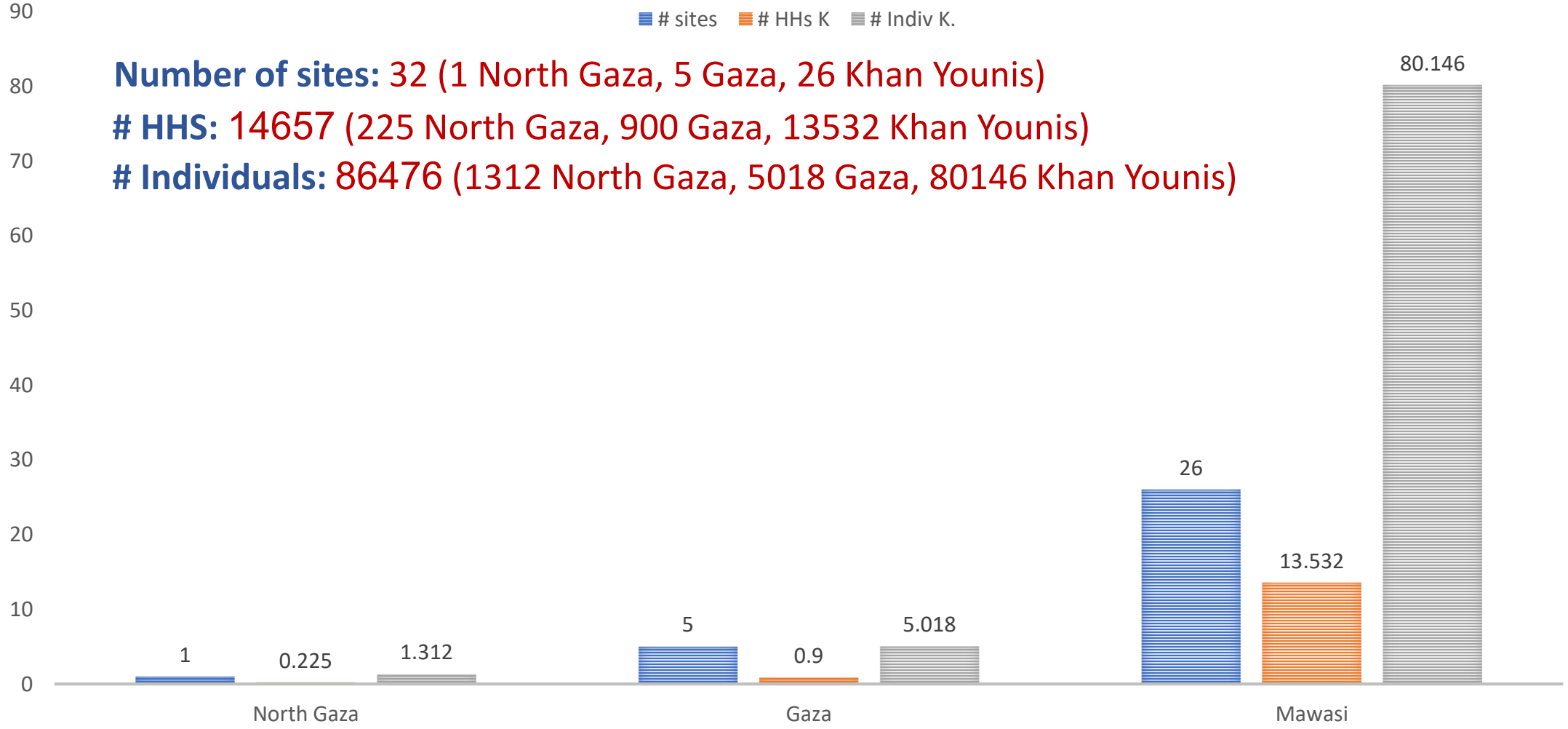
- **All targeted sites receive site management services through the PHC.**
- **Local committees have been or are being formed and have a capacity building.**
- **A baseline assessment of sites was conducted for 22 sites in July 2024, and for 6 additional sites in February 2025.**
- **Data is updated and needs are identified through various methods:**
  - ❑ Phone communication with focal points or local committee representatives
  - ❑ Field visits by the needs assessment team and direct observation
  - ❑ Face-to-face interviews with committee members and IDPs on-site
  - ❑ Review of monitoring records and information from Front Help & Communications Desks.
  - ❑ Technical assessments conducted by the engineering team based on site needs.

Methodology:

- **Data processing and analysis are carried out by the Information Management (IM) team on a bi-weekly basis or upon request (updated information from any of the collection methods is integrated accordingly).**

To ensure real-time and updated information, data entry is done using online tools.

Findings:



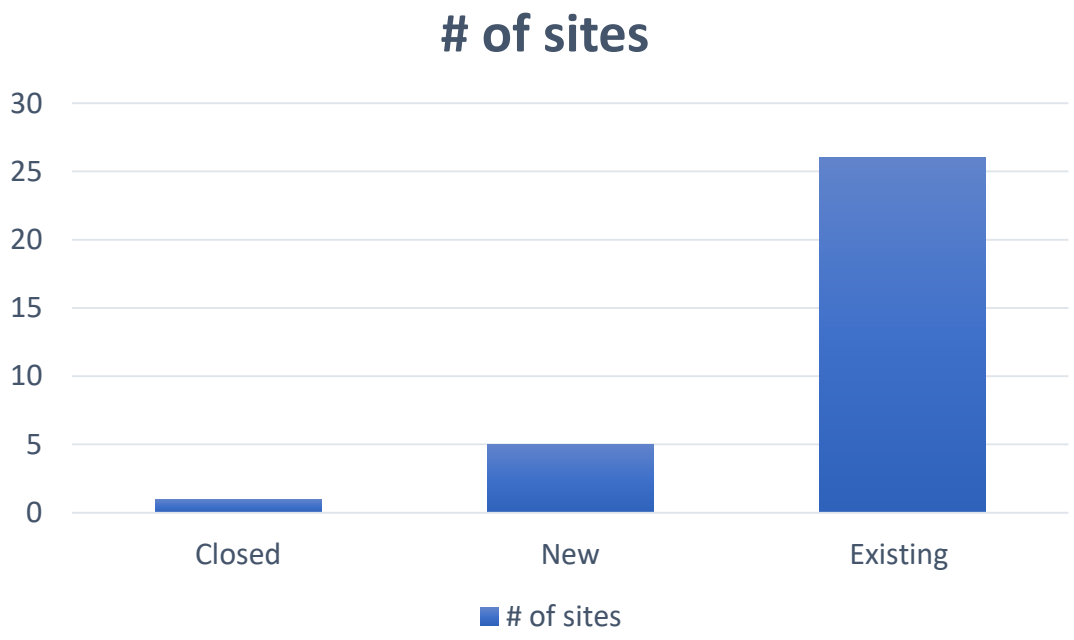
Number of sites: 32 (1 North Gaza, 5 Gaza, 26 Khan Younis)

 # HHS: 14657 (225 North Gaza, 900 Gaza, 13532 Khan Younis)

 # Individuals: 86476 (1312 North Gaza, 5018 Gaza, 80146 Khan Younis)

Findings:

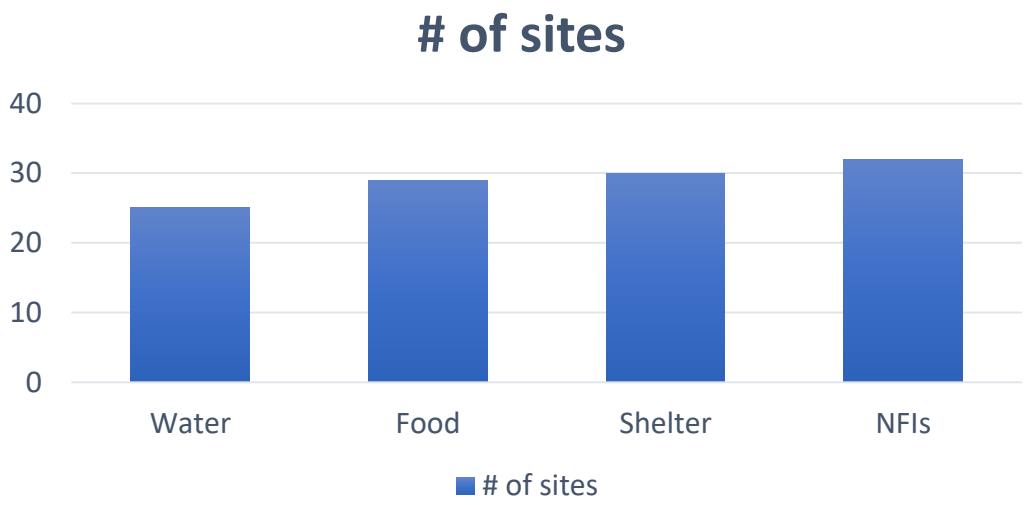
Status of sites: 2 sites were closed due to evacuation orders, and 4 new sites were established after 10 June



Findings:

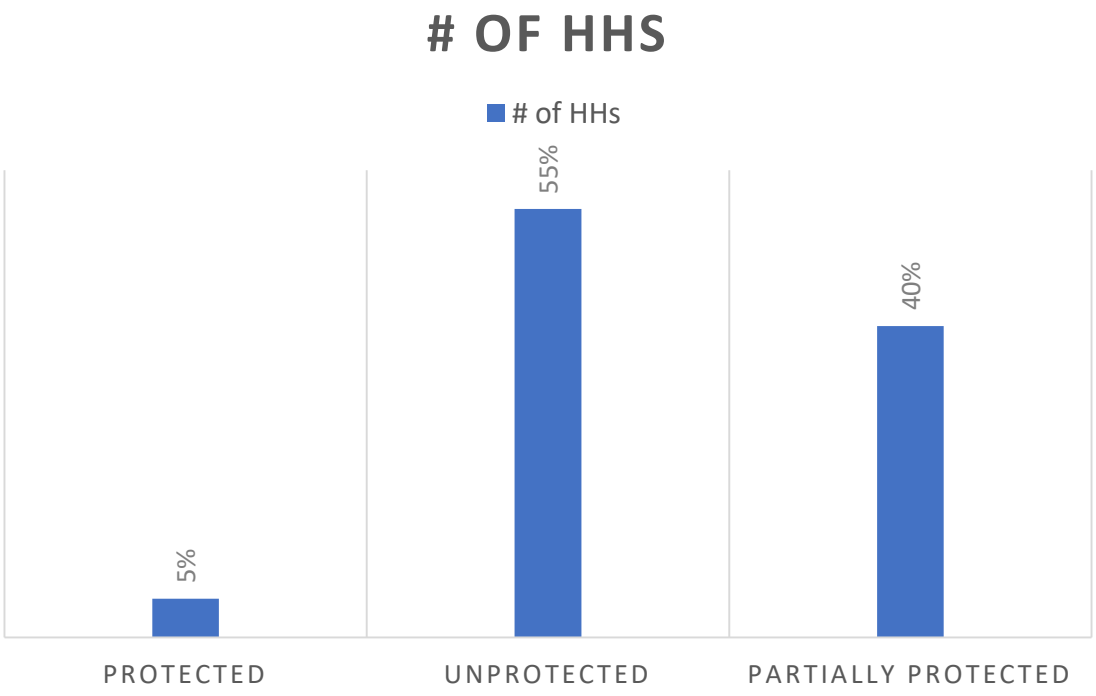
Summary of Priority Basic Needs Across the 32 Makeshift Sites:

Water: 25 sites report insufficient access to safe and adequate water supplies.
Food: 29 sites have unmet food needs, with limited or irregular food assistance.
Shelter: 30 sites require improved shelter conditions, including repairs or additional structures.
Non-Food Items (NFIs): All 32 sites have critical gaps in NFIs such as mattresses, blankets, hygiene kits, and cooking supplies.



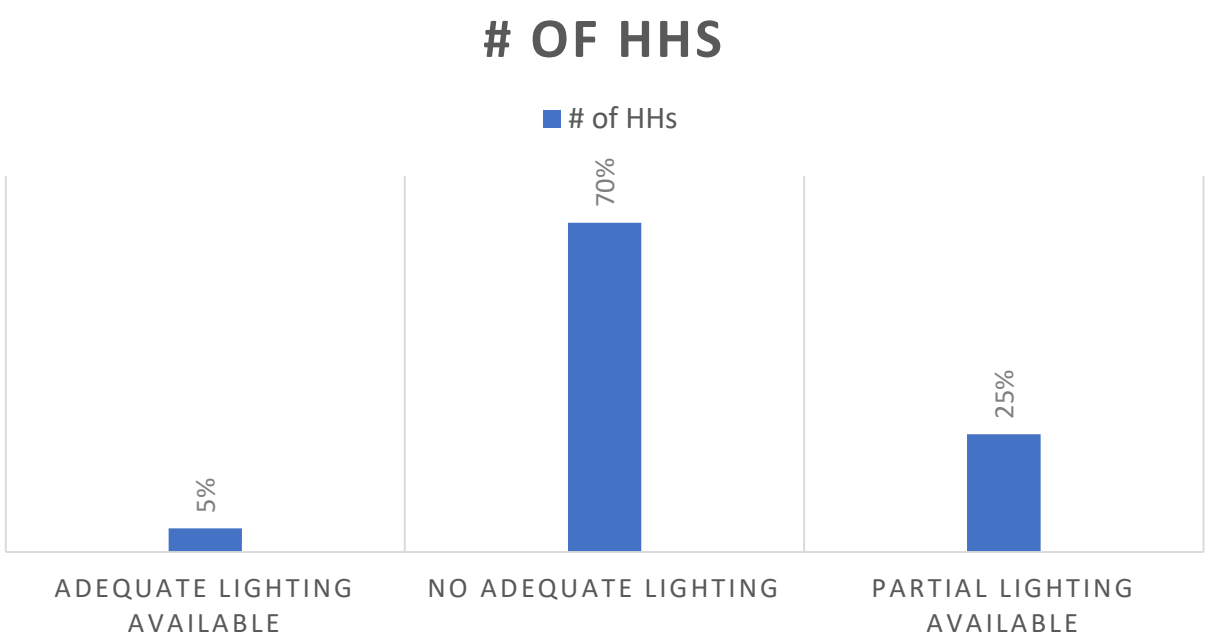
Findings (Shelter & NFIs):

Protection from winter rain, cold, and wind



Findings (Shelter & NFIs):

Availability of adequate lighting during dark hours



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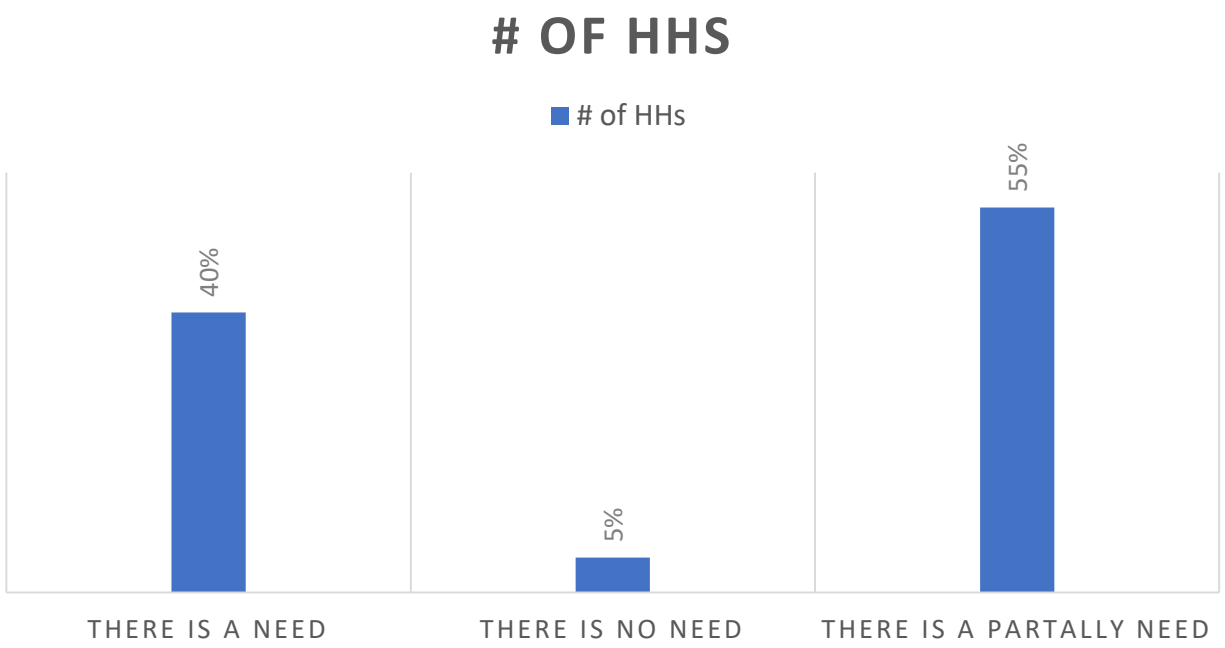
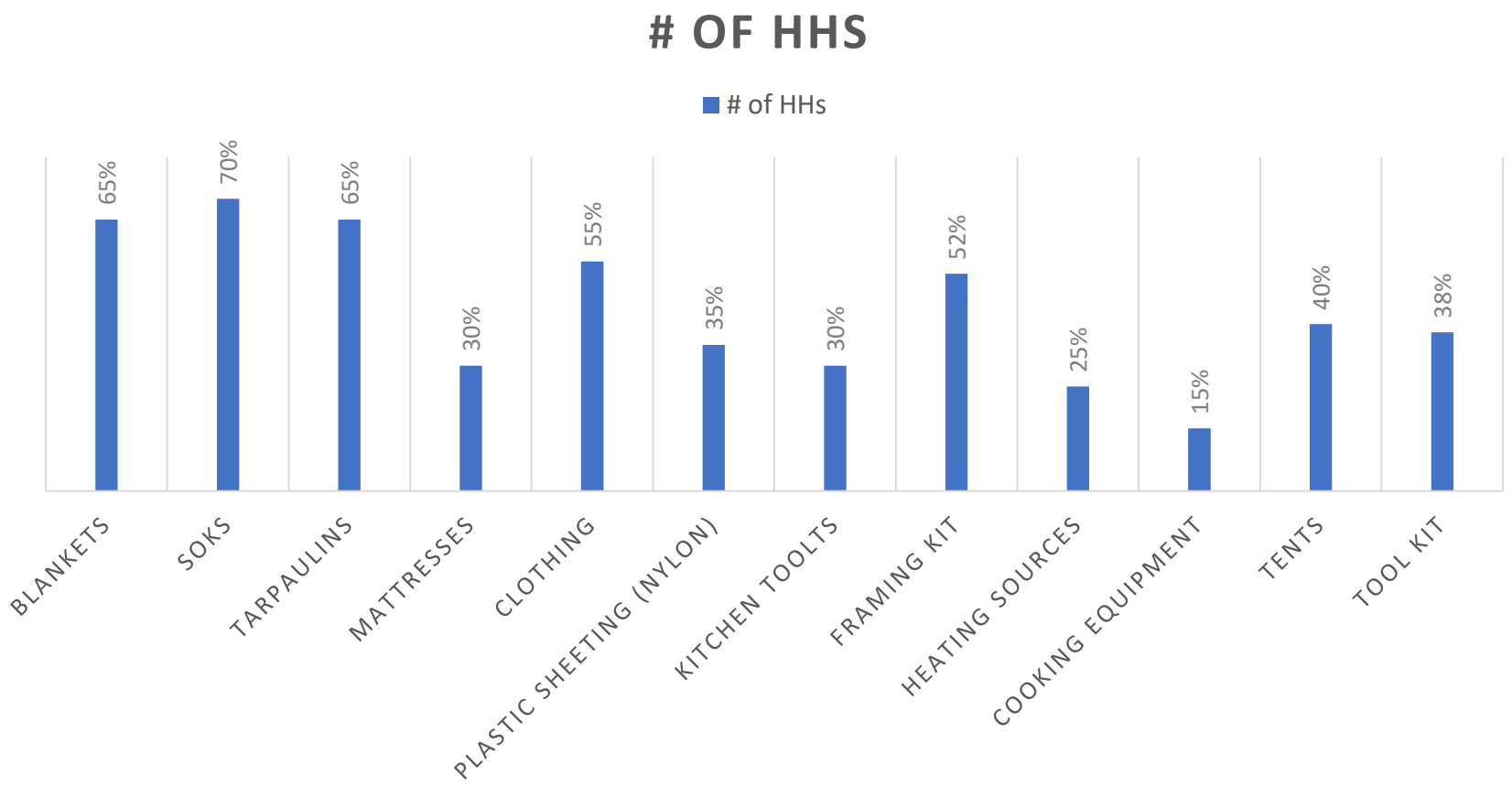
Needs for Urgent Improvements at the Shelter Level:



Makeshifts sites Need Assessment (Gaza, North Gaza and Khan Younis)

Findings (Shelter & NFIs):

Beneficiaries' Priorities for Improving Shelter and Living Conditions



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Demolition and Forcible transfer trends in WB :

Key facts on forcible transfer and communities at risk between January 2023 and March 2025:

- From the 195 WBPC (West Bank Protection Consortium) supported communities **in Area C, East Jerusalem and H2**.

  2,220 Palestinians were forcibly transferred in the West Bank, including at least **637** children. Mentioned numbers excluding the current IDPs figure from refugee camps

- 43 communities in Area C were affected (**22** communities entirely transferred and 22 communities partially transferred).

- More than 90% of the 195 monitored communities are now categorized as being **at imminent or high risk of forcible transfer . In total, this constitutes 46,099**

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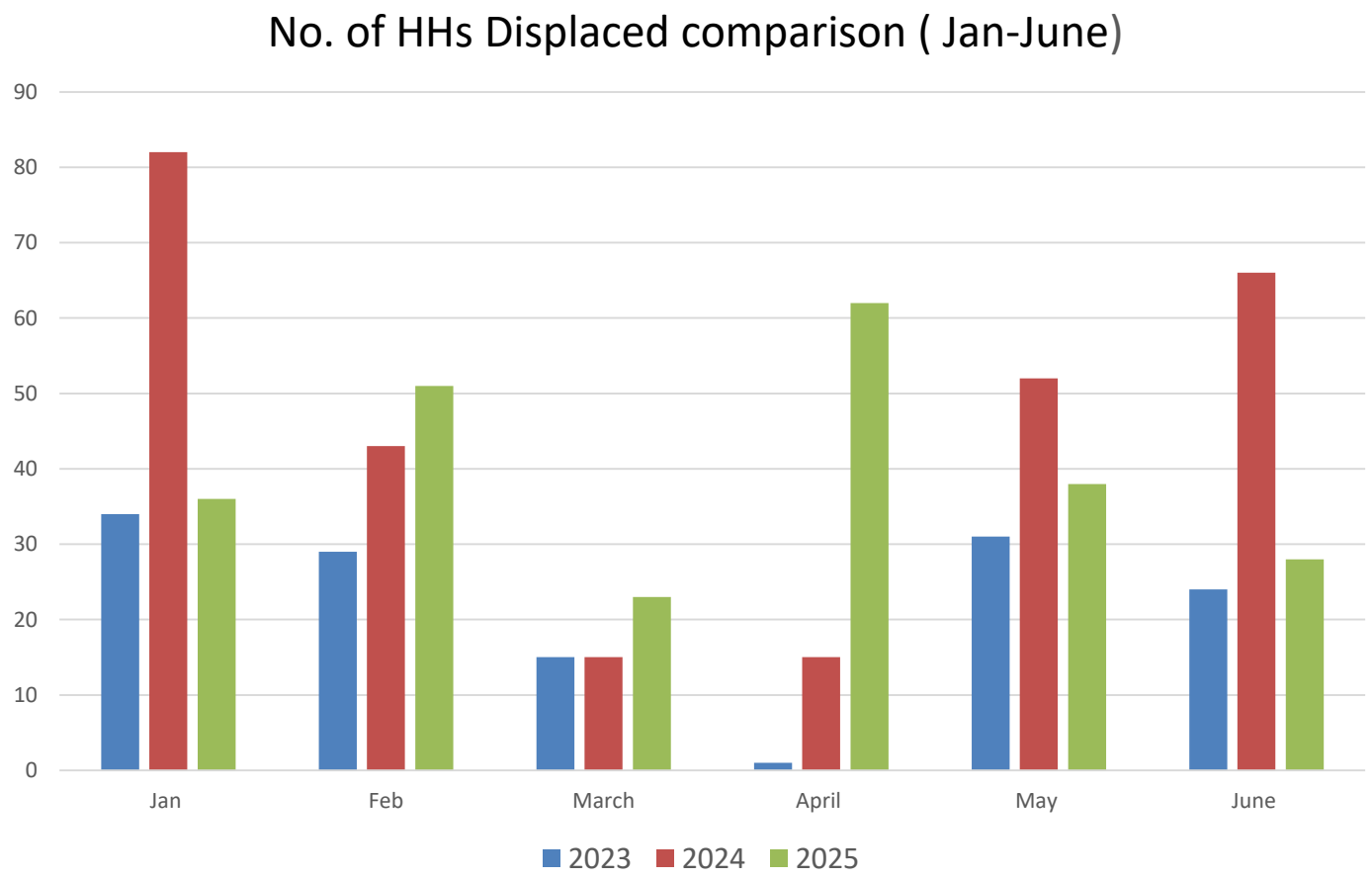
Shelter Demolition Trends in WB :



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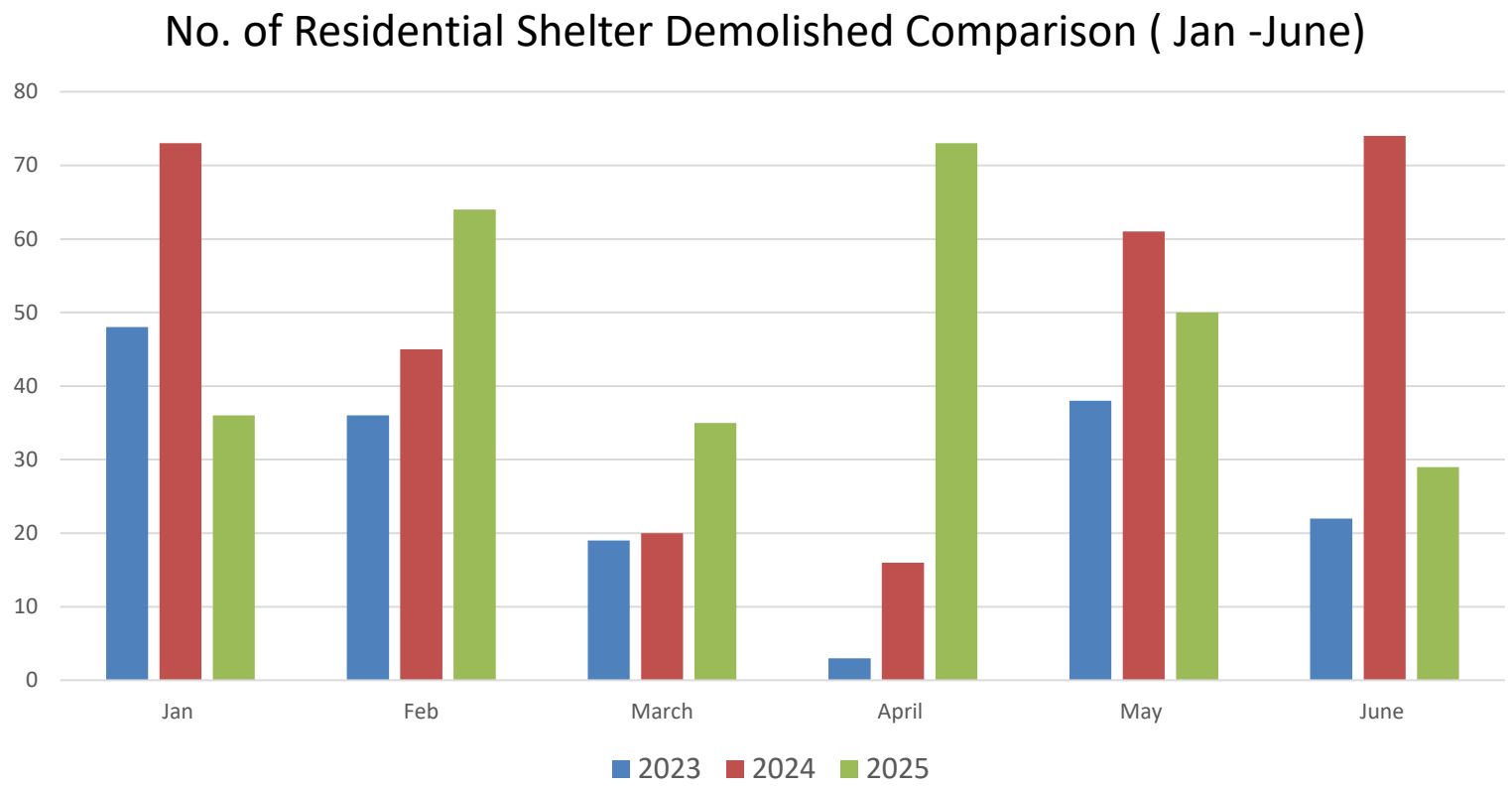

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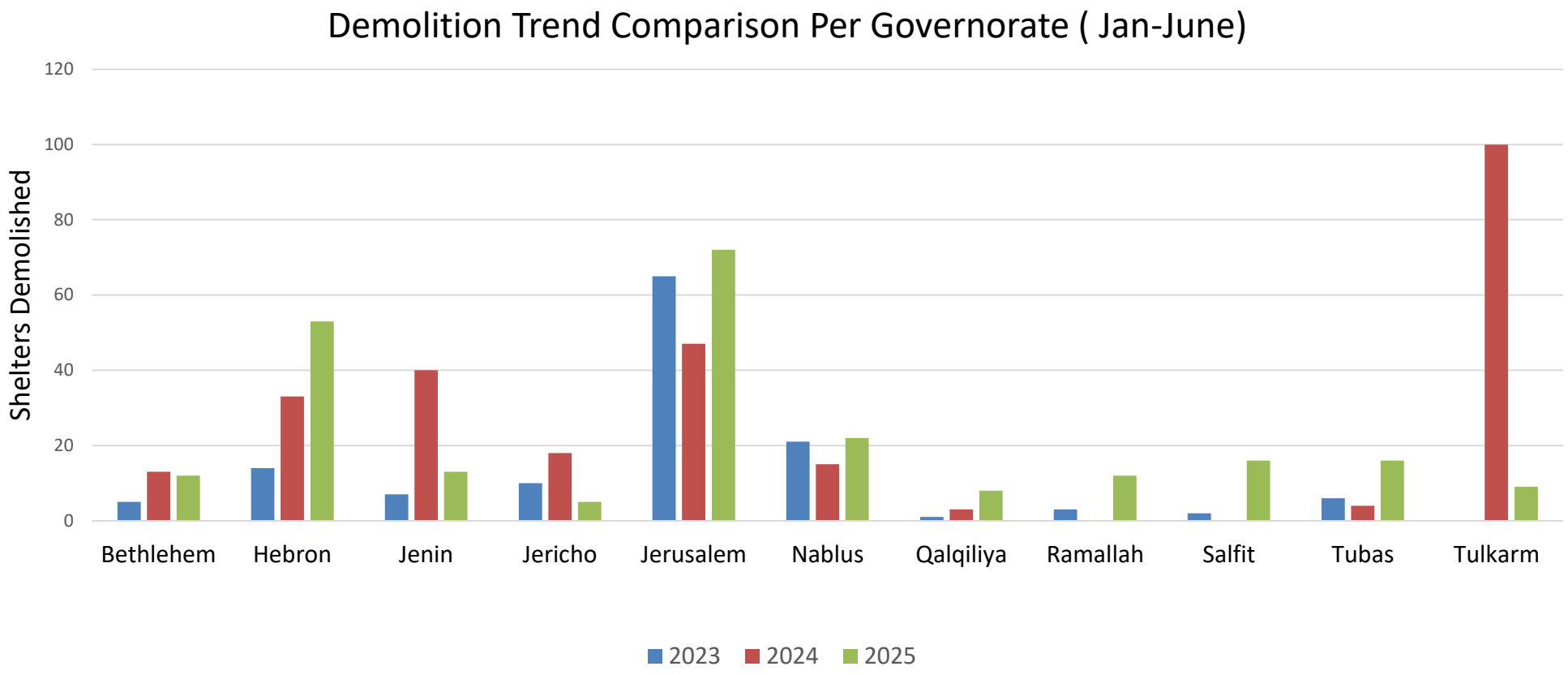

WB UPDATES: Forcible Transfer Map

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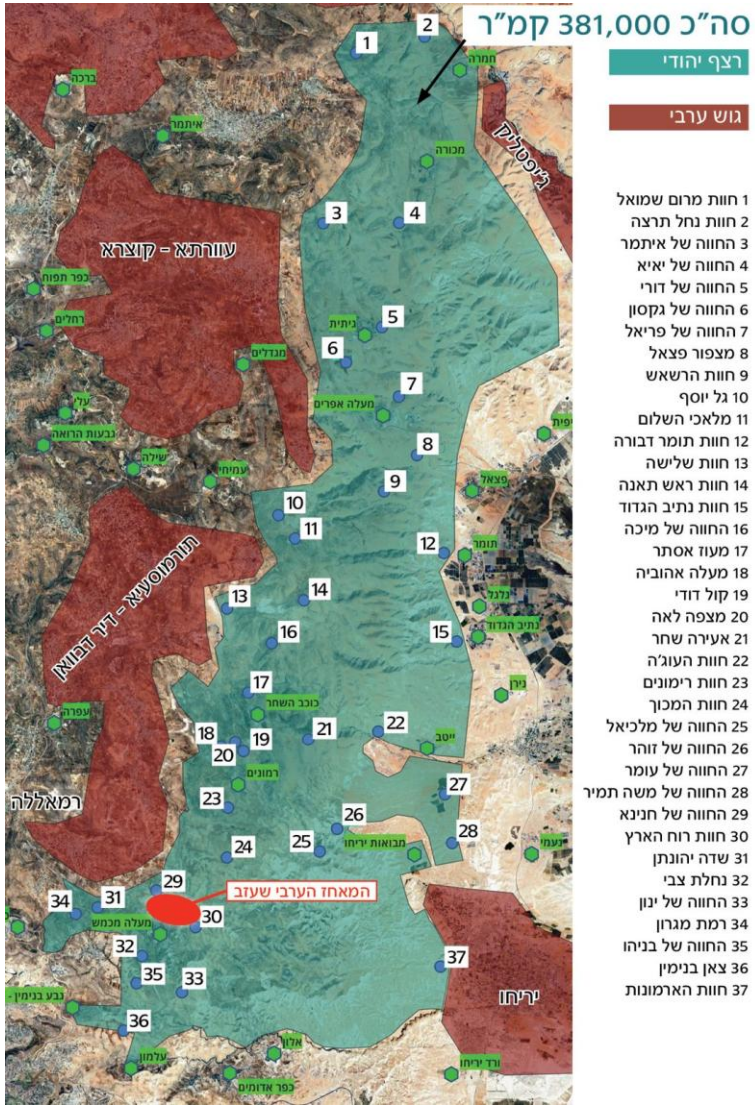
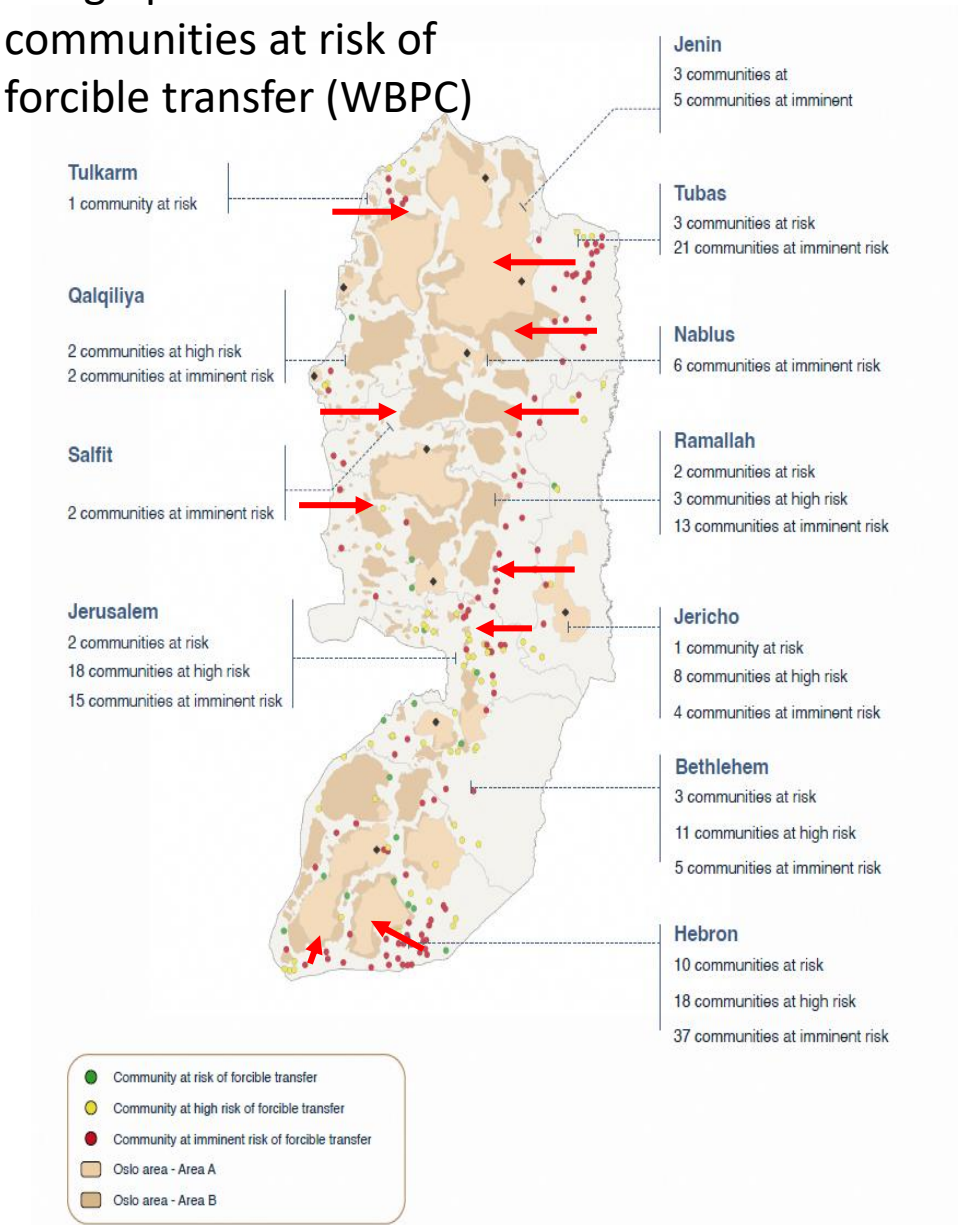
Settlers' outposts in Jordan Valley (Jericho to Tubas)



Geographical Distribution of communities at risk of forcible transfer (WBPC)



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Other Updates:

- Military operations and shelter destruction continue in Tulkarem and Jenin camps. Daily demolitions are taking place to opening roads and changing the layout of the camps.
- The IDPs assessment is in the analysis stage. Initial findings and reflections are expected by the end of this week.
- The Rental Market Assessment is scheduled to start next week.
- RHUs (Relief Housing Units) will be piloted in various communities in Area C.

Snapshot of Preliminary Findings of the IDPs Assessment

Background info

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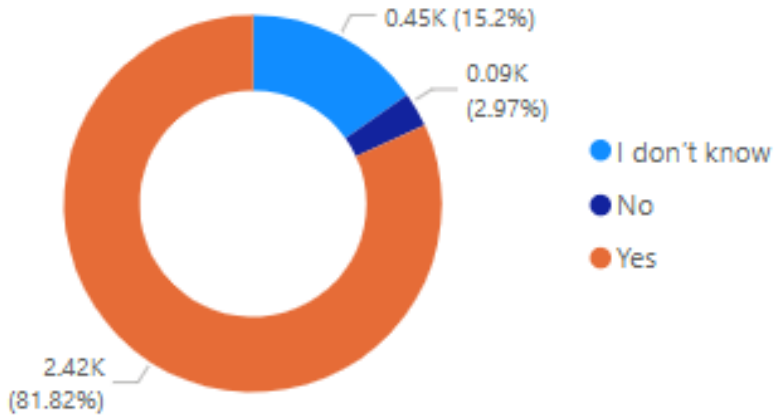
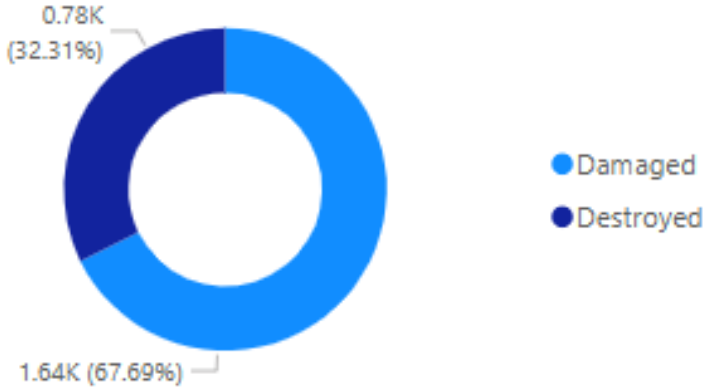
- Data collection was primarily in the governorates of Jenin and Tulkarem, majority (96%) displaced, and majority registered as refugees.
- 16% of respondents reported that there was a member in the household who has a disability; majority physical disabilities.
- 32% of respondents (representing more than 2,000 families) reported that their shelters or homes were destroyed.

Is your original home damaged or destroyed?



If yes, what is the condition?



Analysis of shelter situation

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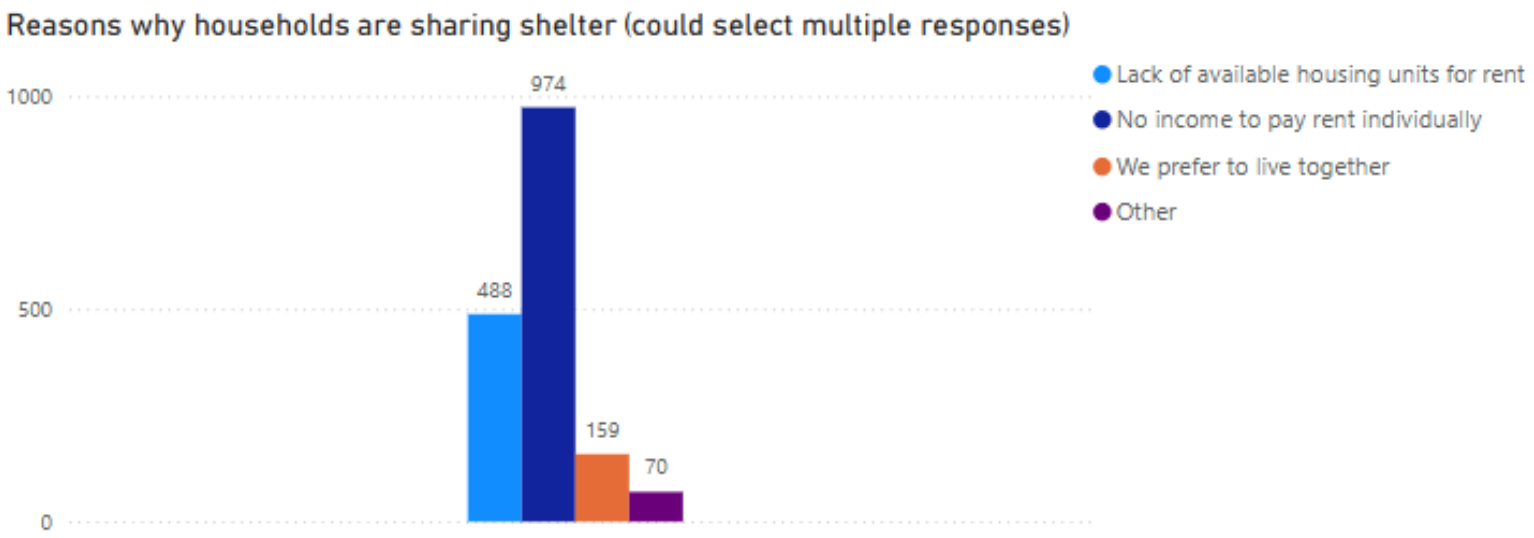
- 39% of respondents reported that there is more than one family sharing the shelter. This was mostly reported as 2 to 3 households in the same shelter.
- There could be more than one reason why this is the case, but the first reason cited by 53% of respondents was that they have no income to pay rent individually, followed by lack of available housing unit to rent reported by 45% of respondents.



974 respondents out of 1,087 (53%) of those sharing shelters reported that they have no income to pay rent individually.

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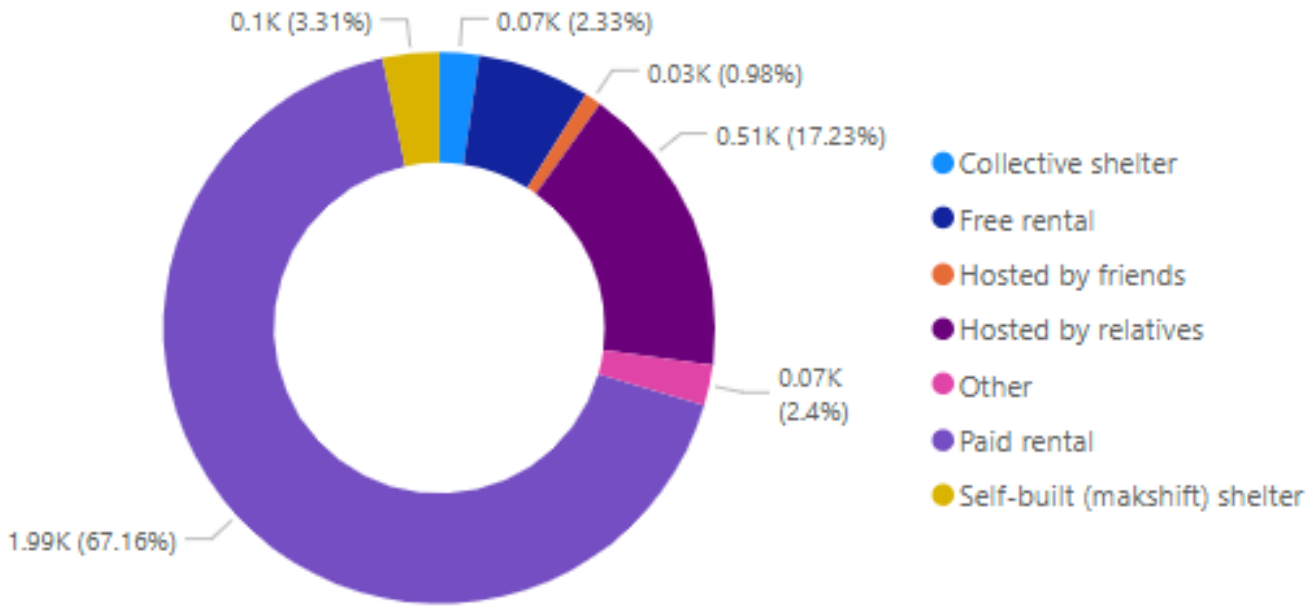
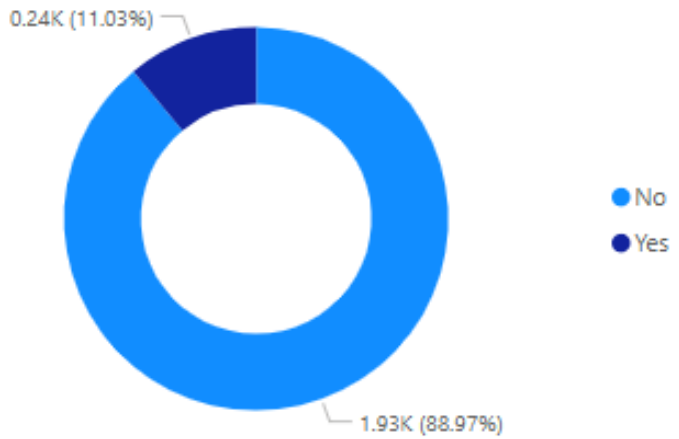
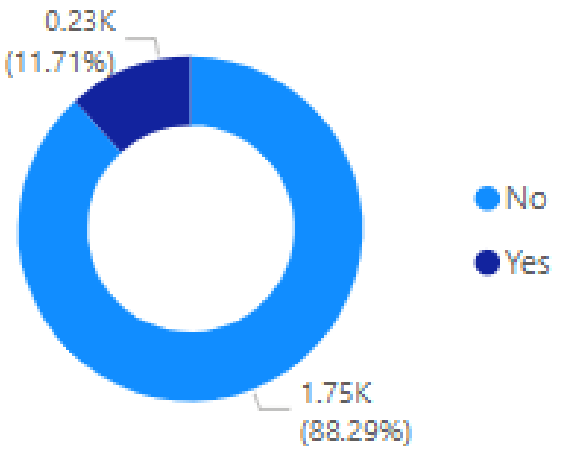
Current type of accommodation



Is it easy to find rental accommodation?



Are you able to pay rent regularly?



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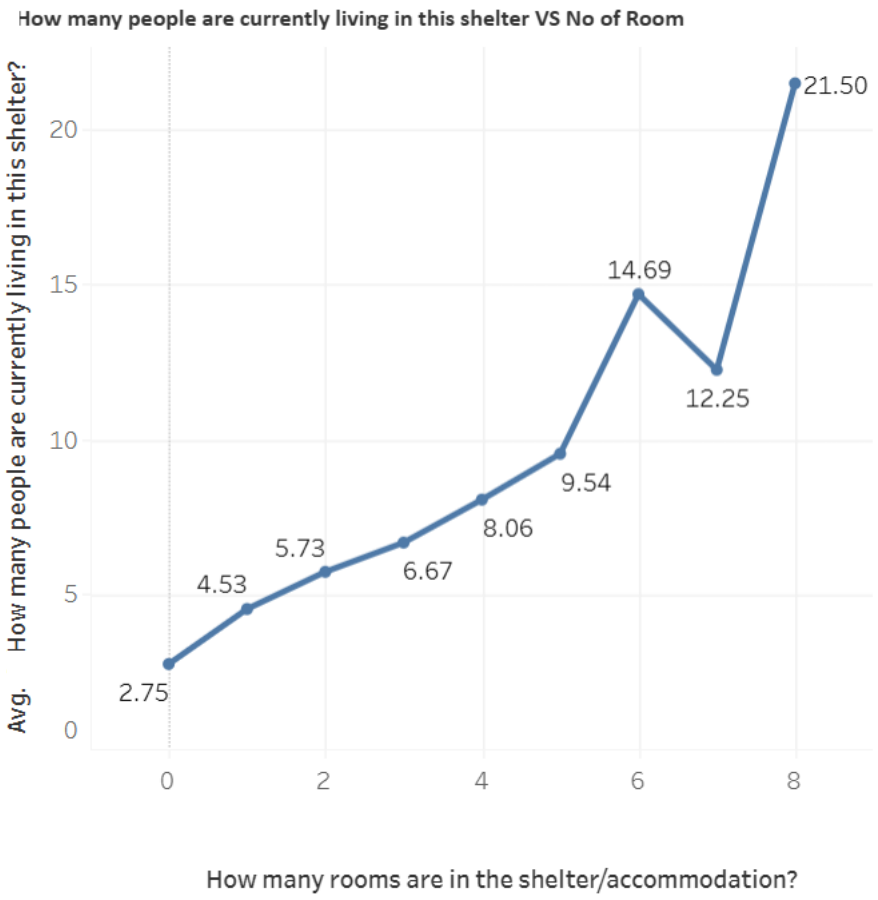
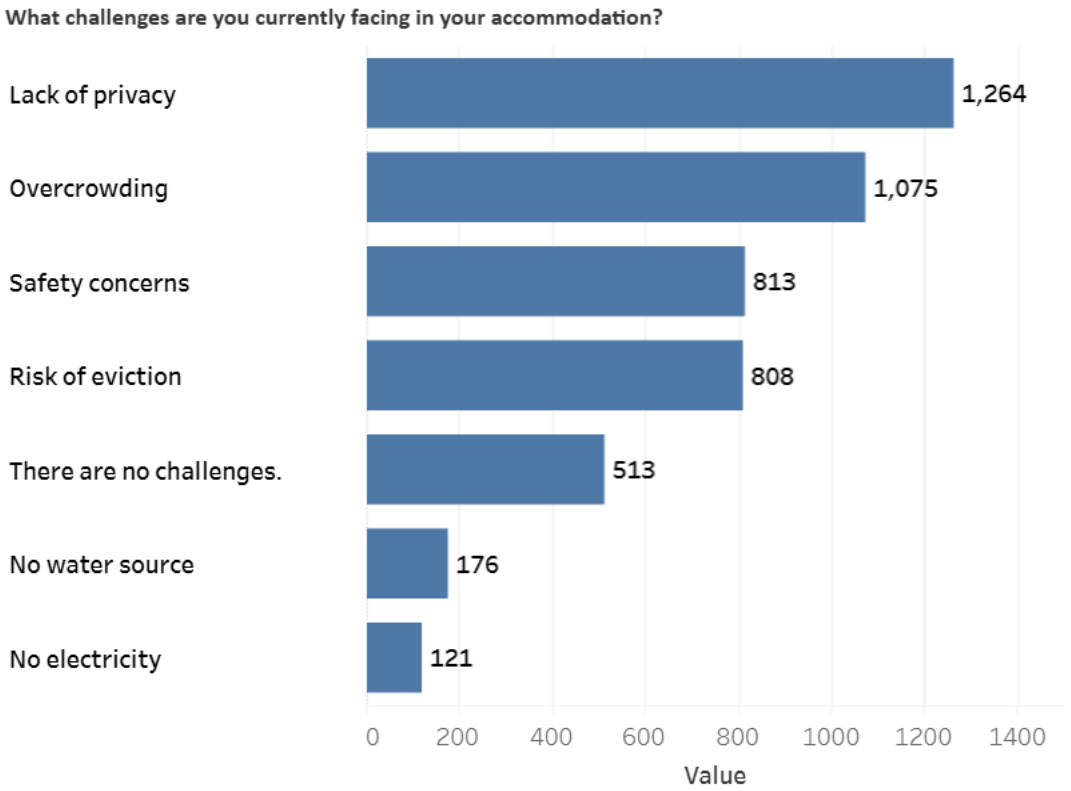


Average number of people per room is between 2 to 3, except those reporting living in a shelter with 7 rooms, where it drops to 1.75 on average. The highest numbers reported on average are those in a shelter with one room, where 4.53 people are residing in that one room.



Hosted families

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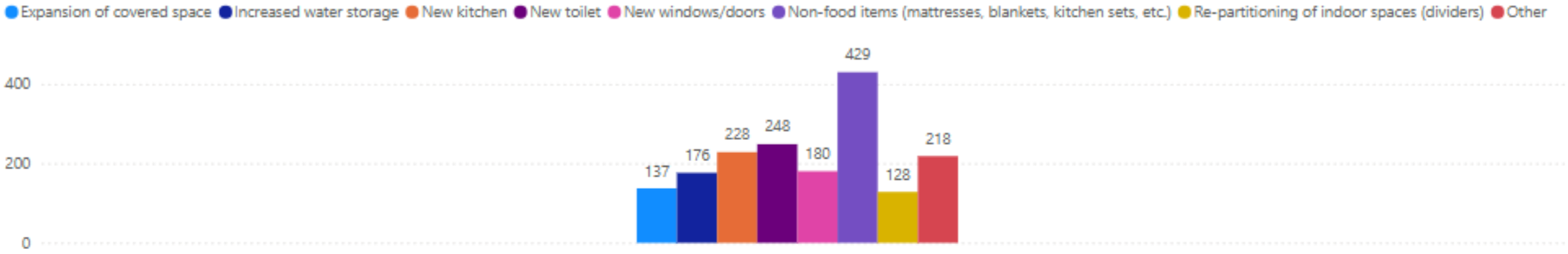
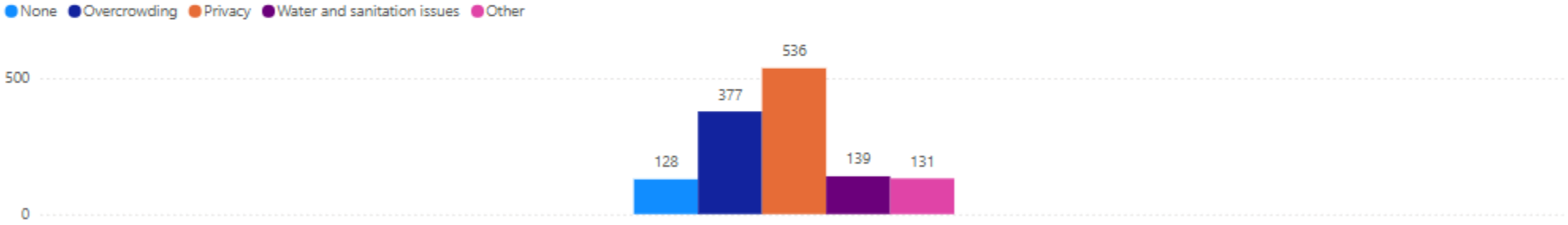
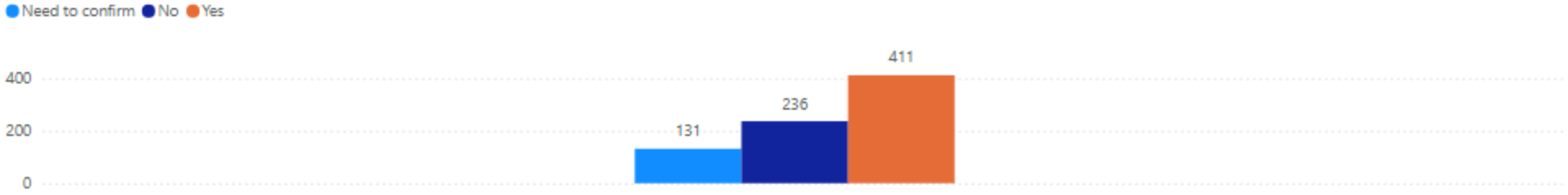
What improvements are needed to enhance living conditions with the hosting family? (Select all that apply)



What are the current concerns related to the hosting arrangements? (Select all that apply)



Are the modifications acceptable to the hosting family?



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IM UPDATE (Gaza)

IM UPDATES (Stock Status)

Available stock of key shelter items in Gaza (North and South), as of [25 June 2025].

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"Nothing in stock… for now!"

IM UPDATES (New IDP 18 Mar–08 July 2025)

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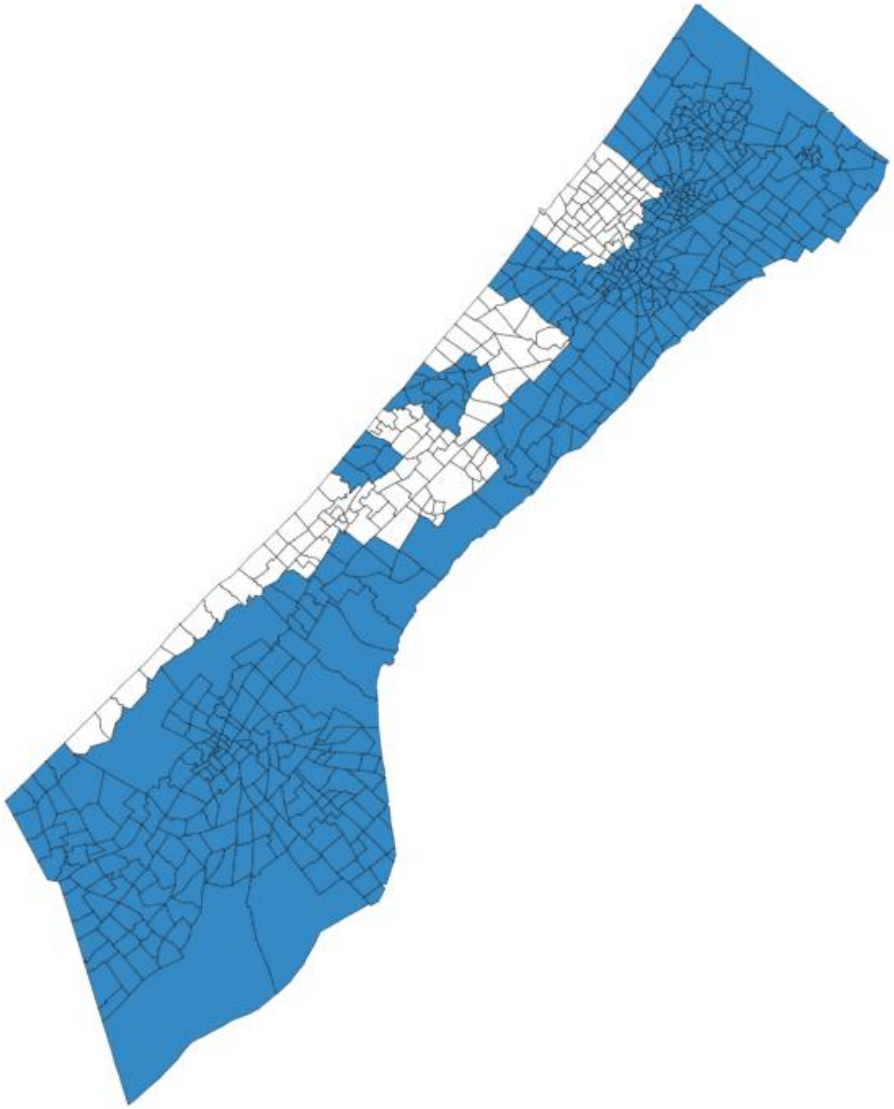

714,012 IDPs

- 46 Evacuation order
- 134 neighborhood affected
- 81 % Of Gaza Strip

IM UPDATES (Gap Analysis Result as of 30th of June)

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Based on the number of people reached over the past six months and the number of people newly displaced during the same period, a thorough analysis—taking all relevant factors into account—indicates that a significant number of people still urgently require shelter assistance.

Emergency Shelter Items

TENT

TARPAULIN

PLASTIC SHEET

1.35 M PEOPLE IN NEED

Household Items

MATTRESS

BLANKET

CLOTHING

1.4 M PEOPLE IN NEED

AUGUST 2025

1.5 M PEOPLE IN NEED

1.6 M PEOPLE IN NEED

IM UPDATES (Pipeline Information)

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Items	Procurement			Grand Total
	Complete	Not Confirmed	Ongoing	
Tents	49,170	8,993	13,791	71,954
Tarpaulin	503,695		325,000	828,695
Sealing Off materials	21,690		33,859	55,549
ESK	2,000		3,253	5,253
Framing Kits	1,300		5,540	6,840
Tool Kits			1,865	1,865
Bedding set	16,218		5,498	21,716
Mattresses	600,449		1,015,972	1,616,421
Blankets	882,747		1,688,825	2,571,572
cloths	32,388		50,600	82,988
Kitchen kit	114,685		5,224	119,909
Mats	683,328		151,200	834,528
Pillows	32,520			32,520
Searchlight	23,128		2,112	25,240

IM UPDATES (Pipeline Information)

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Items	Egypt	Israel	Jordan	Main Routes locally procur..	via. Cyprus	Not Confirmed	Grand Total
Tents	8,922	360	53,679			8,993	71,954
Tarpaulin	307,000		506,315		15,380		828,695
Sealing Off materials	12,665	2,000	39,230	1,654			55,549
ESK			5,253				5,253
Framing Kits	4,700		2,140				6,840
Tool Kits	1,665		200				1,865
Bedding set	8,438	1,130	4,148	500	7,500		21,716
Mattresses	1,009,163		607,258				1,616,421
Blankets	1,387,306	515,000	669,266				2,571,572
cloths	55,138		27,250	600			82,988
Kitchen kit	900	3,285	115,224	500			119,909
Mats	53,044	140,000	641,484				834,528
Pillows	2,520		30,000				32,520
Searchlight			25,240				25,240

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Technical Update

Technical Updates: Gaza

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Gaza Local Coping Strategies TWG

Two meetings were held in Gaza with Shelter **Partners' Arabic speakers**

Group Members Nominated from: HEKS/EPER, IOM, UNDP, UNRWA, NRC, PHC, PEF, PARC, MAAN
The first meeting **discussed the group's TOR** and **agreed on the prioritized topics** merging it in 2 **main topics:**

1. **Emergency shelter repairs and adaptation for makeshift shelters and partially damaged homes,** using covering materials, framing materials, and debris, **and Inclusive Shelter Adaptation Practices for Persons with Disabilities, Children, and the Elderly**
2. **Household led interventions to adapt damaged buildings as living spaces, using alternative construction materials, and salvaged materials** (**Good Practices and Adaptation Mechanisms in the Emergency Shelter Sector in Gaza)**

Two reports were drafted in Arabic by HEKS, and shared with the group for their inputs and comments. All received comments and edits are incorporated,
The editorial group is working on the two drafts to finalize the reports and share with SAG for **finalization and endorsement**.

Working on the translation of the two drafts into English to have reports both in Arabic and English

Technical Updates: West Bank

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Household level Assessment (ongoing)

- Data collection is ongoing, cut-off date is this week to complete data collection
- Data cleaning and analysis will follow.
- Currently outlining and structuring the report.

Rental Market Assessment

- Purpose is to inform rental programming for households displaced from refugee camps – complements the household level assessment. Findings from household assessment so far show that 67% of displaced households living in rental accommodation.
- Methodology has been developed: 24 KIIs with relevant stakeholders across 3 weeks
- Three partners are interested to support, will be coordinated by Cluster and implemented through partners

PARTNERS – INTRODUCTORY CALL

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Discussion /Q&A / AOB

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- **Upcoming meetings:**
  - Gaza Shelter Cluster meeting: 10:30 AM, 13th July
  - Gaza SAG meeting: 2PM, 15th July
  - WB Shelter Cluster meeting: 10AM, 16th July
  - National SAG: 2:30PM 10 July
  - WB SAG meeting: 10AM, July (TBC)
- **Next National Shelter Cluster meeting: 1PM, 23rd July**
  - Partner presentation?