

Resisting Apartheid, Building a Shared Democracy

Demolitions & Displacement in the occupied West Bank (including occupied East Jerusalem) and within the state of Israel



April 2021 Report

22 Demolished	2 Demolished	13 Displaced	95 Other Affected
Structures -	structures (and the	People	People
OPT	entire village of al-		
	Aragib)		
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	Israel		

Location	Date	Structures Demolished/ Confiscated	Displaced people	Affected people	Reason for Demolition stated by Israel ¹
Jabal al Mukabbir, East Jerusalem	3 Apr 2021	1 inhabited residential structure	2 adults, 4 children	0	Lack of an Israeli- issued building permit / East Jerusalem / Self- Demolition
Jinsafut, Qalqiliya	5 Apr 2021	1 livelihood structure	0	2 adults, 4 children	Lack of an Israeli- issued building permit / Area C
Hebron, Hebron	6 Apr 2021	1 structure used for storage	0	4 adults, 9 children (2 households)	Lack of an Israeli- issued building permit / Area C
Beit Hanina, East Jerusalem	7 Apr 2021	1 structure used for storage, 1 livelihood structure, 1 structure used as an office	0	5 adults, 1 child	Lack of an Israeli- issued building permit / East Jerusalem
Al 'Isawiya, East Jerusalem	7 Apr 2021	3 animal-related structures, 1 livelihood structure, 1 structure used for storage	0	8 adults, 10 children (3 households)	Lack of an Israeli- issued building permit / East Jerusalem
Umm Batin, Naqab desert, South Israel	7 Apr 2021	2 structures	Unknown**	Unknown**	Lack of an Israeli- issued building permit / Recognised Bedouin village
Al Khalayleh Bedouins, Jerusalem	8 Apr 2021	1 livelihood structure	0	2 adults, 2 children	Lack of an Israeli- issued building permit / Area C
Susiya, Hebron	12 Apr 2021	1 uninhabited residential structure	0	4 adults, 3 children	Lack of an Israeli- issued building permit / Area C

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Bani Na'im, Hebron	12 Apr 2021	1 agricultural structure	0	5 adults, 4 children (2 households)	Lack of an Israeli- issued building permit / Area C
Dhahrat an Nada, Bethlehem	12 Apr 2021	1 inhabited residential structure, 1 retaining wall	2 adults, 5 children	0	Lack of an Israeli- issued building permit / Area C
Deir Samit (Khallet Taha), Hebron	12 Apr 2021	1 residential structure, 1 animal-related structure	0	5 adults, 5 children	Lack of an Israeli- issued building permit / Area C
Al Khadr, Bethlehem	12 Apr 2021	1 agricultural structure	0	10 people	Lack of an Israeli- issued building permit / Area C
al-Aragib, Naqab desert, South Israel	19 Apr 2021	Entire village demolished	Unknown**	Unknown**	Lack of an Israeli- issued building permit / Unrecognised Bedouin village (186 th demolition)
Susiya, Hebron	20 Apr 2021	1 agricultural structure, 1 caravan	0	3 adults, 5 children	Lack of an Israeli- issued building permit / Area C
Wadi al Jimel, Jerusalem	28 Apr 2021	1 structure	0	2 adults, 2 children	Lack of an Israeli- issued building permit/ Area C
TOTAL		24 structures: 3 inhabited residential structures, 1 uninhabited residential structure, 4 livelihood structures, 3 agricultural structures, 4 animal-related structures, 9 other structures, and the entire village of al aragib (unknown number of structures)	13 people displaced (of which 4 adults and 9 children confirmed)	95 people affected (of which 40 adults and 45 children confirmed)	15 incidents on grounds of lacking an Israeli- issued building permit, of which, in 1 incident the structure was Self-Demolished by the owner/s

Notes:

- 1. There are four categories of demolitions:
 - 1. Punitive demolitions: Houses demolished as punishment for the actions of people associated with the houses.
 - 2. Administrative demolitions: Houses demolished for lack of a building permit. This happens in Area C and in East Jerusalem, under exclusive Israeli authority, though prior to the existence of Areas A, B & C it occurred in other areas as well. It is important to point out that in almost all cases, Palestinians have no choice but to build "illegally" as permits are rarely granted
 - 3. Land-clearing operations/Military demolitions: Houses demolished by the IDF in the course of military operations for the purposes of clearing off a piece of land (for whatever reason), achieve a military goal or to kill wanted persons as part of Israel's policy of extrajudicial executions..
 - 4. Undefined demolitions: These include mainly demolitions resulting from land-clearing operations and removal of Palestinian populations.
- * WASH stands for structures relating to water, sanitation and hygiene.
- † In many cases, notably in East Jerusalem, Israeli authorities condition Palestinians to either demolish their properties themselves or have the authorities do so. In an attempt to avoid having to pay the high fee of the Israeli authorities' demolition operation and additional high fines, many Palestinians are forced to self-demolish.
- ** No additional information was available

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