

- On 3 November, the ISF removed the soldiers from the city checkpoints and lifted the closure, but left all structures (blocks, gates, etc.) in place.

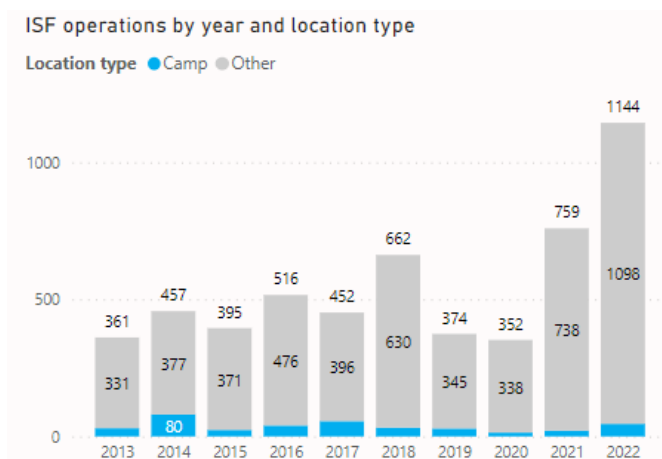
Key messages

- The closure lasted 23 days (about three and a half weeks) severely limiting Palestinian movement, especially upon leaving Nablus city, where strict search was also imposed on vehicles and people.
- Nablus is the service and economic capital of the northern West Bank; people trade their goods, use specialized health, and secondary and higher education services there.
- At the same time, many military operations took place in the city, including refugee camps. Settler violence also increased on the roads after crossing checkpoints. Drones were perceptibly surveilling the city 24/7, accompanied by a loud constant noise. This generated fear and stress for Palestinian residents.
- Several UNRWA employees living outside of Nablus could not reach their workplace on the first days, including teachers and counsellors in schools. UNRWA delivers medicine to health centres in the North area and to Qalqilya Hospital from Nablus, which was interrupted, and the work of the mobile teams (including health and social workers) was limited. UNRWA also has installations in the city center. This area was unsafe due to regular military operations.

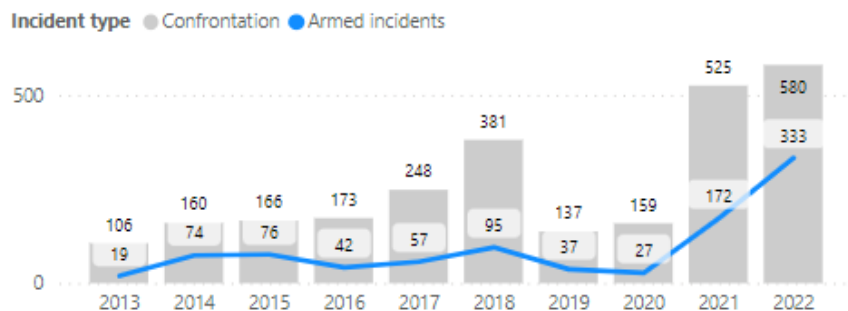
Protection and Neutrality Team’s Response

- Daily, UNRWA Protection & Neutrality Team coordinated and facilitated safe and quick movement of UNRWA staff through checkpoints, including distribution trucks, mobile health teams, staff and medical shipments to Qalqilya Hospital etc.
- During ISF operations in the vicinity of UNRWA installations or in the refugee camps, the team liaised with the DCL (District Coordination Liaison) to ensure that UNRWA staff and installations are safe and Palestine refugees are safe to access services.
- The team also advocated with the Israeli authorities to lift the closure, ensure the freedom of movement, access to services and safety and security of all Palestinians, including Palestine refugees.

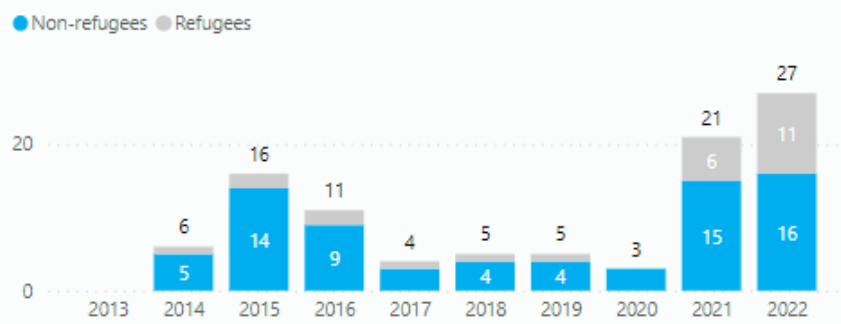
ISF operations, Palestinian fatalities and injuries, and settler violence in Nablus Governorate



Armed incidents and confrontations by year



Fatalities by refugee status and year



Injuries from settler violence by year and area

