

# UNRWA

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United Nations Relief and Works Agency  
for Palestine Refugees in the Near East



Palestinian refugee children, West Bank | UNRWA photo by Steve Sobella

### humanitarian assistance to palestine refugees since 1950

Established on 8 December 1949  
Began field operations on 1 May 1950  
Area of Operations: Jordan, Lebanon,  
Syrian Arab Republic, West Bank & Gaza Strip  
Offices: Headquarters in Gaza & Amman  
Field offices in Amman, Beirut, Damascus, Jerusalem & Gaza  
Liaison offices in UN New York & Geneva

## map of unrwa's area of operations

**LEBANON**  
12 camps

CAMPS	REGISTERED REFUGEES
Mar Elias	612
Burj el-Barajneh	15,484
Dbayeh	4,002
Shatila	8,212
Ein el-Hilweh	45,004
Mieh Mieh	4,473
El-Buss	9,287
Rashidieh	25,745
Burj el-Shemali	18,625
Nahr el-Bared	30,439
Beddawi	15,641
Wawell	7,551
Other camp residents*	25,877

**SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC**  
10 camps

CAMPS	REGISTERED REFUGEES
Khan Eshieh	16,108
Khan Danoun	8,500
Sbeineh	17,261
Qabr Essit	19,475
Jaramana	3,721
Dera'a	9,306
Homs	13,230
Hama	7,578
Neirab	17,703

**WEST BANK**  
19 camps

CAMPS	REGISTERED REFUGEES
Aqabat Jabr	5,510
Ein el-Sultan	1,723
Shu'fat	10,069
Am'ari	8,805
Kalandia	10,024
Deir Ammar	2,275
Fawwar	7,630
Arroub	9,859
Dheishieh	12,045
Aida	4,534
Bet Jibrin	2,025
Far'a	7,244
Camp No. 1	6,508
Askar	14,629
Balata	21,903
Tulkarm	17,455
Nur Shams	8,659
Jenin	15,496
Other camp residents*	4,458

**GAZA STRIP**  
8 camps

CAMPS	REGISTERED REFUGEES
Jabalia	106,691
Beach	78,768
Nuseirat	57,120
Bureij	28,770
Deir el-Balah	19,534
Maghazi	22,266
Khan Younis	63,219
Rafah	95,187

**JORDAN**  
10 camps

CAMPS	REGISTERED REFUGEES
Amman New Camp	50,703
Irbid	24,351
Husn	20,988
Souf	15,882
Jabal el-Hussein	29,998
Baq'a'a	68,386
Zarqa	18,004
Marka	38,425
Talbieh	871
Jerash	15,488
Other camp residents*	87

- Territories occupied by Israel in June 1967
- International Boundary
- Boundary of former Mandate Palestine
- Armistice Demarcation Line
- Town/City
- Camp
- UNRWA Headquarters
- UNRWA Field Office

\* The figures on registered Palestine refugees are not to be regarded as comprehensive demographic data. Records are updated constantly and are based on information from the refugees themselves, usually to establish eligibility for a desired service. Figures include natural increase. There are Palestine refugees in UNRWA's Area of Operations who are not registered with UNRWA although they have that entitlement. In addition, some of those registered may now be living outside the Area of Operations. There are also persons who are bona fide 1948 refugees from Palestine, or their direct descendants, who were never registered with the Agency.

\* The boundaries and names shown on this map do not imply official endorsement or acceptance by the United Nations.

\* In Lebanon there are 10,282 refugees who were registered in the now destroyed camps of Dikwaneh and Habatiah who are now living in the other camps. In addition there are 9,595 registered refugees who are either UNRWA employees or refugee women married to non-registered husbands. In Jordan there are 87 women in that latter category. There are also 4,458 refugees who were originally registered in Gaza but who have taken up residence in the West Bank.



**PALESTINE REFUGEES REGISTERED WITH UNRWA  
(As of 31 March 2005)**

FIELD	IN CAMPS	NOT IN CAMPS	TOTAL
Jordan	283,183	1,497,518	1,780,701
Lebanon	210,952	189,630	400,582
Syrian Arab Republic	112,882	311,768	424,650
West Bank	181,241	506,301	687,542
Gaza	471,555	490,090	961,645
<b>Total all Fields</b>	<b>1,259,813</b>	<b>2,995,307</b>	<b>4,255,120</b>