

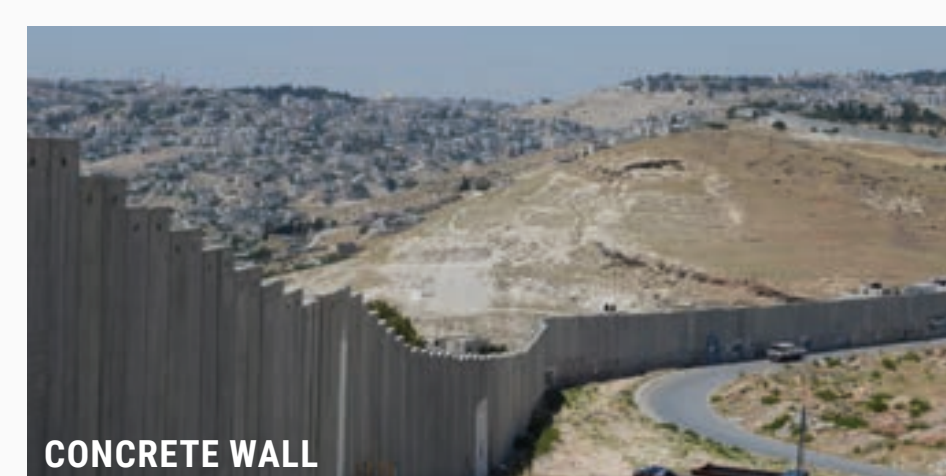
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ACCESS RESTRICTIONS — JUNE 2020

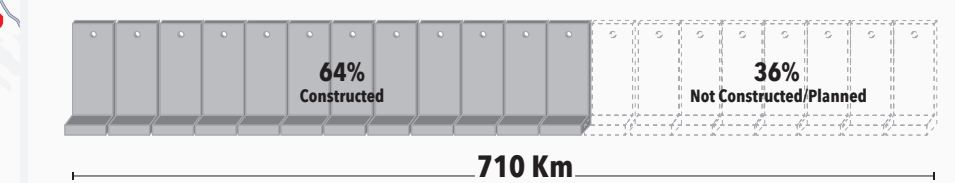


WEST BANK BARRIER

A series of walls, fences and other obstacles that control Palestinian movement. Palestinian access to land and communities located behind the Barrier is subject to a set of Israeli requirements, including special permits. In its 2004 Advisory Opinion, the International Court of Justice (ICJ) established that the sections of the Barrier which run inside the West Bank, including East Jerusalem, together with the associated gate and permit regime, violate Israel's obligations under international law.



WEST BANK BARRIER CONSTRUCTION STATUS



710 Km
measured along the length of the Green Line (193 Km)



THE PERMIT REQUIREMENT



Most Palestinians are required to obtain various types of permits to access areas behind the Barrier, including East Jerusalem, as well as settlement areas. Agaba village - Aids holding their olive harvest permits. ©Photo by OCHA

MOVEMENT OBSTACLES



A policy of physical barriers, permit requirements and other administrative restrictions are used to control Palestinian pedestrian and vehicular movement.



A checkpoint staffed on an occasional basis.



A tall structure used to observe/monitor vehicular and/or pedestrian movement.



A mound of rubble, dirt and/or rocks used to obstruct vehicle access.



Road used exclusively by Palestinians running beneath the Barrier and/or a restricted road for Israeli use.



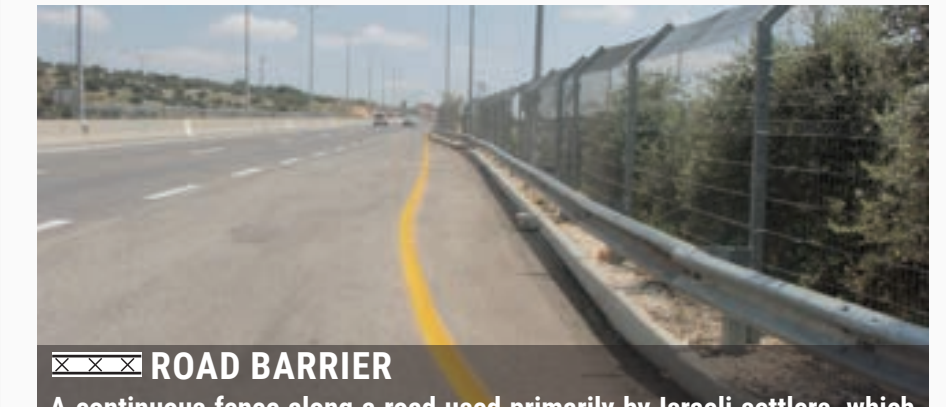
A series of 1 cubic metre concrete blocks used to obstruct vehicle access.



A ditch used to prevent vehicles from crossing.



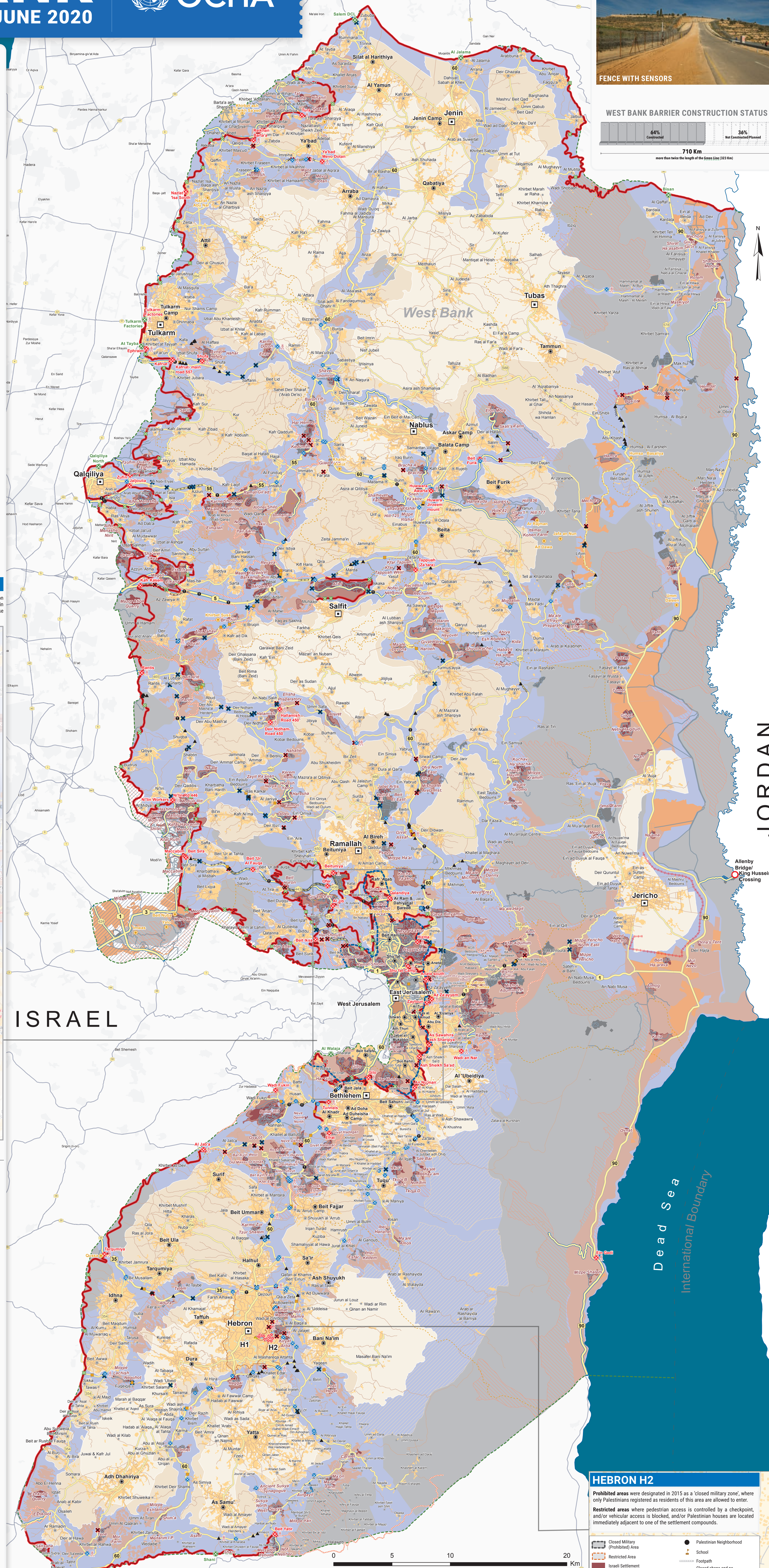
A metal barrier on a road, which is opened and closed depending on the circumstances.



A continuous fence along a road used primarily by Israeli settlers, which limits vehicular and pedestrian access to it by Palestinians.



A series of earthmounds along a road used primarily by settlers, which limits vehicular and pedestrian access to it by Palestinians.



WEST BANK BARRIER

- Constructed
- Not Constructed/Planned
- Agricultural gate
- Non-agricultural gate (usually closed)

MOVEMENT OBSTACLES

- Checkpoint (permanently staffed)
- Checkpoint on the Green Line
- Partial Checkpoint (occasionally staffed)
- Road gate (usually closed)
- Road gate (usually open)
- Observation tower
- Earthmound
- Roadblock
- Earth wall
- Road barrier
- Trench

CIVIL INFRASTRUCTURE

- Prohibited road (Palestinian vehicular use forbidden)
- Main road
- Other road
- Tunnel/underpass

CLOSED AND RESTRICTED AREAS

- Israeli military base (Access is prohibited)
- Israeli firing zone and Jordan Valley military buffer zone (Access is prohibited)
- East Jerusalem (based on Israel's unilateral annexation) (Palestinians from other parts of the oPt generally require permits to enter)
- Israeli Nature Reserve (Land use is restricted)

ISRAELI SETTLEMENTS

- Built-up area, outer limit and municipal area
- Settlement within a Palestinian residential area
- Land cultivated by settlers

ISRAELI-PALESTINIAN INTERIM AGREEMENTS

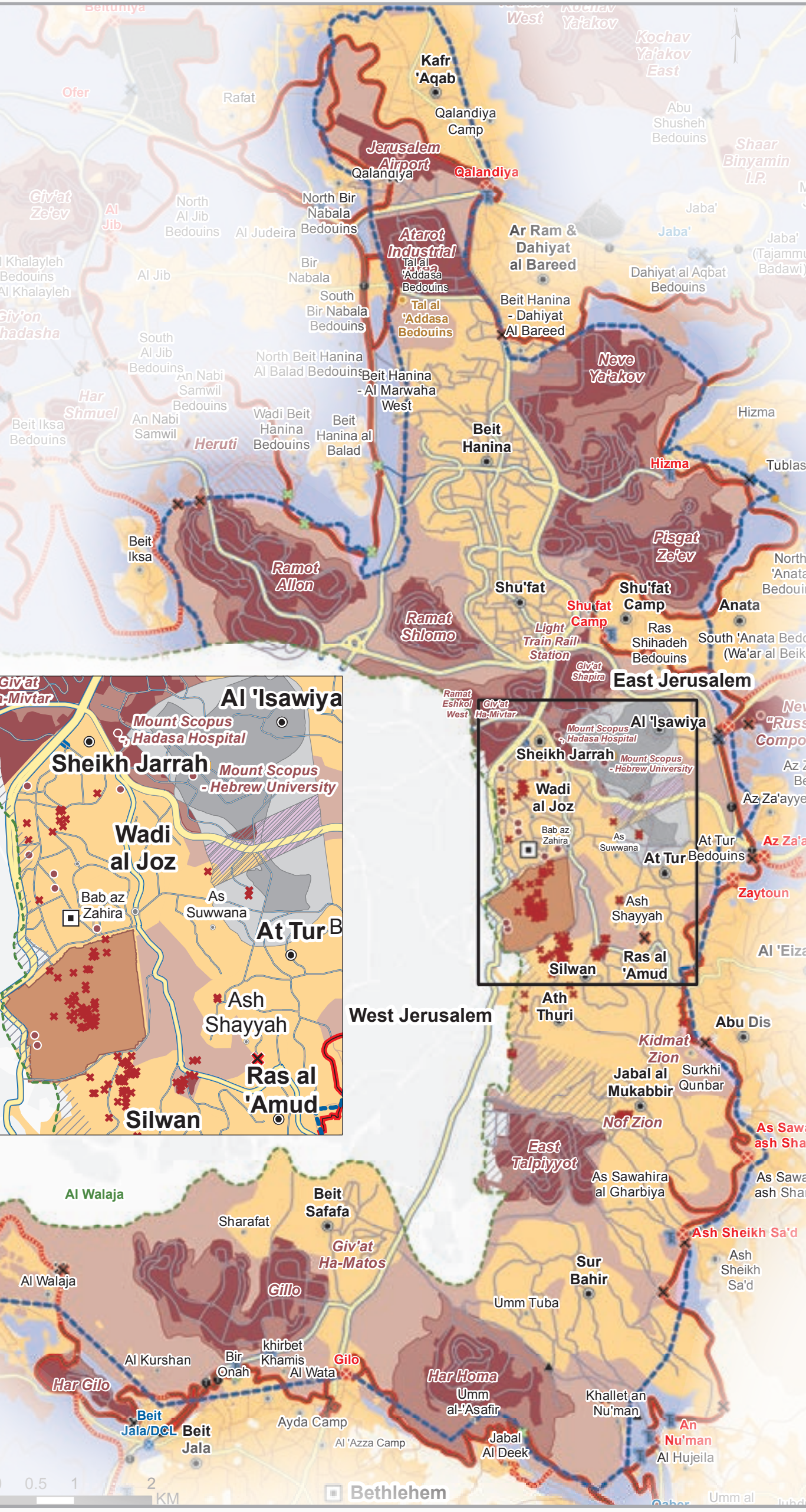
- Area A: Extensive civil and security powers by the Palestinian Authority*
- Area B: Partial civil and security powers by the Palestinian Authority
- Area C: Full Israeli control over security, planning and construction
- H1, H2 (Hebron): Full Israeli control over security, planning and construction
- Intended nature reserve: Full Israeli control over security, planning and construction

PALESTINIAN COMMUNITIES

- Governorate capital
- Governorate boundary
- Built-up area
- < 1,000 residents
- 1,000-10,000 residents
- > 10,000 residents
- Depopulated community

EAST JERUSALEM

Around 345,000 Palestinians currently reside in East Jerusalem, in addition to over 220,000 Israeli settlers. Approximately 4.7 million Palestinians from the remainder of the occupied Palestinian territory (oPt) are prohibited from residing in East Jerusalem and, with certain age exceptions, cannot enter the city without Israeli-issued permits, which are difficult to obtain. Those who obtain permits can only use three of the 13 checkpoints along the Barrier.



OCCUPIED PALESTINIAN TERRITORY (oPt)

PALESTINIAN POPULATION

5.1 million
Palestinians live in the oPt, with 3.1 million in the West Bank and 2 million in the Gaza Strip.
Source: PCBS 2020

PALESTINE REFUGEES

~50% of Palestinians in the oPt are refugees (from the 1948 war) and nearly 50% are below the age of 18.
Source: UNRWA 2018

HOUSEHOLD SIZE

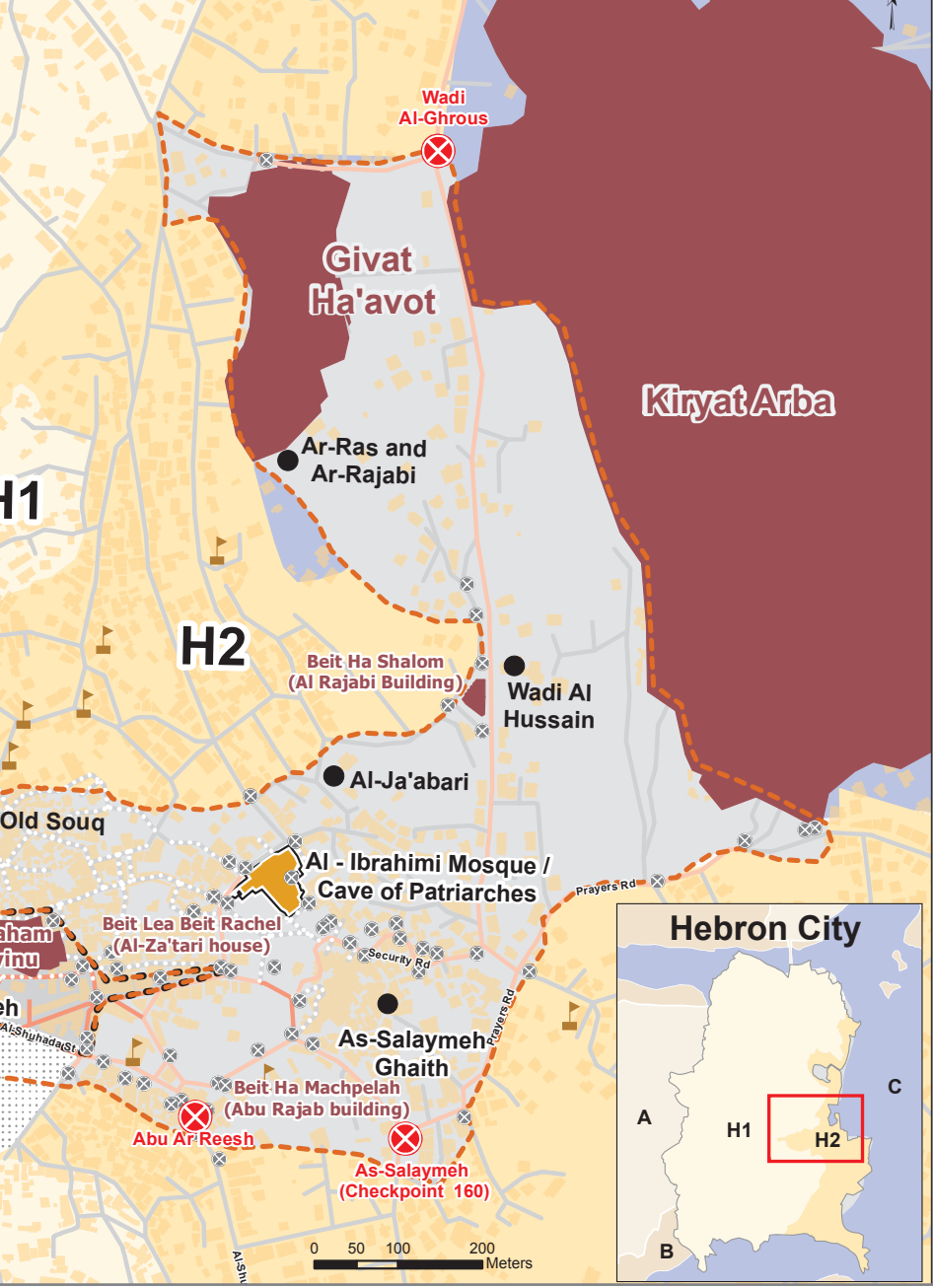
4.6 persons in West Bank.
5.7 persons in Gaza Strip.
Source: PCBS 2019

ISRAELI SETTLERS

633,600 Israeli settlers live in 250 settlements established in contravention of international law (including settlement outposts) in the West Bank, including East Jerusalem.
Source: PCBS 2017 and JIS 2018

MOVEMENT OBSTACLES BY GOVERNORATE AND TYPE

Checkpoint	Partial Checkpoint	Road Gate	Road Barrier	Roadblock	Earthmound	Earthwall	Trench	Road Barrier	Other ¹	Grand Total
Jenin	3	3	2	4	0	0	1	0	0	14
Tubas	0	1	0	0	0	4	6	2	0	17
Tulkarm	3	21	6	6	5	17	0	0	0	58
Nablis	6	1	4	0	1	9	3	0	4	26
Qalqilya	2	4	5	5	1	3	2	0	4	26
Salfit	2	6	12	2	6	2	1	0	6	37
Ramallah	10	2	25	15	7	22	2	0	18	101
Jericho	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	3
Jerusalem	11	1	10	20	5	2	5	0	16	70
Bethlehem	7	23	4	7	5	3	0	0	1	59
Hebron (including H1)	27	46	8	13	38	24	0	0	34	190
Grand Total	71	108	78	68	68	20	3	49	34	593



HEBRON H2

Prohibited areas were designated in 2015 as a 'closed military zone', where only Palestinians registered as residents of this area are allowed to enter. Restricted areas where pedestrian access is controlled by a checkpoint, and/or vehicular access is blocked, and/or Palestinian houses are located immediately adjacent to one of the settlement compounds.

