

Citizen's Budget of 2021

Ministry of Health



Vision:

Integrated and holistic health system that contributes to improving the quality of health services and the sustainable enhancement of health status.

Strategic Objectives:

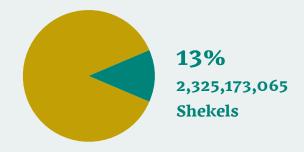
- 1. Ensure the provision of comprehensive health services to all Palestinians, heading towards the localization of health services in Palestine
- 2. Promote the management of non-communicable diseases, preventive healthcare, and community health awareness programs.
- 3. Institutionalize quality systems in all aspects of health services.
- 4. Promote and develop an efficient, qualified, and sufficient health workforce.
- 5. Strengthen health governance, including institutional development, laws and legislations enforcement, cross-sectoral coordination, complementarity between health service providers, as well as enhancing health financing and protection of Palestinian citizens against the financial hardship of paying healthcare costs.

Ministry of Health Programmes:

- · First Programme: High-quality and sustainable primary healthcare and public health services and the promotion of healthy lifestyles.
- Second Programme: High-quality and sustainable secondary and tertiary healthcare services.
- · Third Programme: Administrative Programme and Health Governance.

Approved Budget:

The Ministry of Health budget in 2021 was 2,325,173,065 Shekels, which is about 13% of Total Expenditures in the General Budget of 2021.



These were distributed as follows:

Item	Amount in Shekels	Percentage
Operational Expenditures	1,208,859,919	52%
Capital Expenditures	29,319,599	1%
Salaries and Wages	789,730,957	34%
Social Contributions	64,956,878	3%
Developmental Expenditures	232,305,712	10%
Total Expenditures	2,325,173,065	100%

Distribution of the Current, Capital, and Developmental Budget to the Three Programmes:

Programme	Budget in Shekels	Percentage
High-quality and sustainable secondary and tertiary healthcare services	1,799,910,377	77%
High-quality and sustainable primary healthcare and public health services	411,506,125	18%
Administrative Programme and Health Governance	113,756,563	5%
Total	2,325,173,065	100%

[•] The budget of the 'quality and sustainable secondary and tertiary healthcare services' programme was increased due to the Ministry's concern for enhancing the quality of healthcare services in hospitals.

Main Developmental Projects in the Ministry of Health Budget of 2021

Projects	Allocated Budget in Shekels	Funding Party
Building and equipping a healthcare center in Umm al-Sharayet, al-Bireh	4,463,000	Treasury
Building, furnishing, and equipping an additional floor in the Bethlehem Health Directorate	1,500,000	Treasury
Projects for developing public hospitals in different governorates	129,500,000	Treasury
Building and Furnishing Martyr Saad Sayel Hospital	28,000,000	Treasury
Projects for developing departments at Palestine Medical Complex	11,175,000	Treasury
Indian-Palestinian Specialized Hospital project	93,235,000	Indian Government
Project for building the Dura and Halhul hospital	37,450,000	Italian government
"Ring" Project	28,100,000	Italian government

Service Procurement:

There were more than 80,000 transfers for the procurement of health services from facilities not belonging to the Palestinian Ministry of Health, with an estimated budget ceiling of 700 million Shekels allocated by the Ministry of Finance. It is worth noting that actual expenditures were higher than that amount due to the urgent nature of health cases and citizens' right to health, as actual expenditures are estimated at 850 million Shekels.

Service Procurement:

Place transferred to for treatment	Percentage from the allocated budget
Service procurement from local hospitals (West Bank, Gaza Strip, East Jerusalem)	93%
Service procurement from foreign hospitals (within the green line, Jordan, Egypt,)	7%

Percentage of spending on treating diseases by procuring health services were as follows:

Disease	Percentage
Tumors/cancer, hematology, and bone marrow transplant	47%
Cardiology and catheterization	14%
Health Rehabilitation	1%
Kidney and urinary tract diseases	6%
Eye diseases	2%
Other diseases (neurology, nurses, radiography, laboratory tests, etc.)	30%
Total	100%

Procurement of Medicines:

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The amount of 343,604,871 Shekels was allocated for the provision/purchase of medicines in the 2021 budget.

Combating the COVID-19 Pandemic:

An estimated total amount of 240 million Shekels was allocated from General Expenditures to combat the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, whereas:

- 120 million Shekels were allocated by the 2021 budget to combat COVID-19.
- 119.5 million Shekels were allocated by the 2021 budget to purchase vaccines.

Percentage of health service recipients according to gender:

Type of Service	Percentage of Females	Percentage of Males
Recipients of services in health clinics	56%	44%
Inpatients	58%	42%
Outpatient clinics	54%	46%
Emergency	44%	56%
Surgical Operations	60%	40%
Procurement of Services	54%	46%

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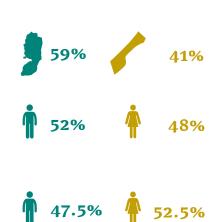
- Number of Ministry of Health employees: 13,600
- Percentage of Gaza employees: 41%, percentage of West Bank employees: 59%

Percentage of employees according to gender in the West Bank:

• Female employees: 48%, male employees: 52%

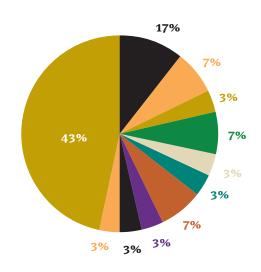
Distribution of supervisory positions at the Ministry of Health according to gender:

 Women assume 52.5% of supervisory positions at the Ministry of Health, whereas men assume 47.5% of them.



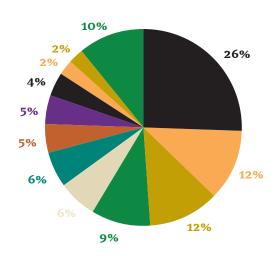
Distribution of Ministry of Health hospitals according to governorate in 2021:

Governorate	No.	Percentage
Hebron	5	17%
Ramallah & al-Bireh	2	7%
Jenin	1	3%
Nablus	2	7%
Tulkarem	1	3%
Qalqilya	1	3%
Bethlehem	2	7%
Salfit	1	3%
Toubas	1	3%
Jericho	1	3%
Gaza Strip	13	43%
Total	30	100%



Distribution of Ministry of Health primary healthcare centers according to governorate in 2021:

Governorate	No.	Percentage
Hebron	127	26%
Ramallah & al-Bireh	56	12%
Jenin	55	12%
Nablus	46	9%
Tulkarem	31	6%
Jerusalem	27	6%
Qalqilya	23	5%
Bethlehem	27	6%
Salfit	18	4%
Toubas	12	2%
Jericho	12	2%
Gaza Strip	51	10%
Total	486	100%



Important Terms:

• Operational Expenditures:

are the needed expenditures to operate the Ministry of Health and its facilities (such as building-related fees, electricity fees, water, fuel, medical consumables, etc.). This also includes medical transfers and medicines.

• Capital Expenditures:

include the expenses paid for acquiring capital assets (e.g., buildings, lands, equipment, vehicles, etc.), as well as capital transfers related to projects. This item also includes expenses for capital development.

• Developmental Expenditures:

are expenditures that have a different nature from current expenditures in terms of life span and return on expenditures. This also includes the expenses for developing the quality of health services in Palestine.

Social Contributions:

is the government contribution in the General Commission for Insurance and Pensions.

Days of Medication:

are the total days spent at hospital (i.e., overnight stays) for hospitalization purposes.

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