



MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

CITIZENS' BUDGET

2024

Vision: Sustainable and competitive agriculture locally and abroad, which effectively contributes to achieving food security, increases agricultural production and promotes the steadfastness and connection of Palestinian citizens to their land and their national sovereignty over resources, thus contributing to building the components of an independent state.

Mission: The Ministry of Agriculture is a public institution aimed at developing the Palestinian agricultural sector through offering qualitative service to the sector's employees, including research, agricultural guidance, training and veterinary services. It also seeks to develop competency in the use of natural agricultural resources in order to increase profits for Palestinian farmers and to maintain the use of natural resources for generations to come. It also aims to preserve the quality of agricultural products and the connection of Palestinian farmers to their land.

Strategic goals:

- **One:** Improving steadfastness of farmers and adherence to their land.
- **Two:** Reinforcing self-reliance in providing food and disengaging from Israeli domination over trade and markets.
- **Three:** Natural and agricultural resources managed in a sustainable manner, adaptable with climate change.
- **Four:** Bolstering production, productivity, variety and a competitive Palestinian agricultural sector.
- **Five:** Access for farmers to services that meet their needs and support value chains in terms of quality, price and time.
- **Six:** A competent and efficient legal environment for the agricultural sector.

Programs:

- Agricultural development
- Agricultural services
- Development of agricultural economy and agricultural business environment
- Administrative program
- Employees not distributed among programs

2024 Ministry of Agriculture Budget

The Ministry of Agriculture's budget was **ILS133,374,024, or 0.77%** of overall expenditures from the 2024 public budget.

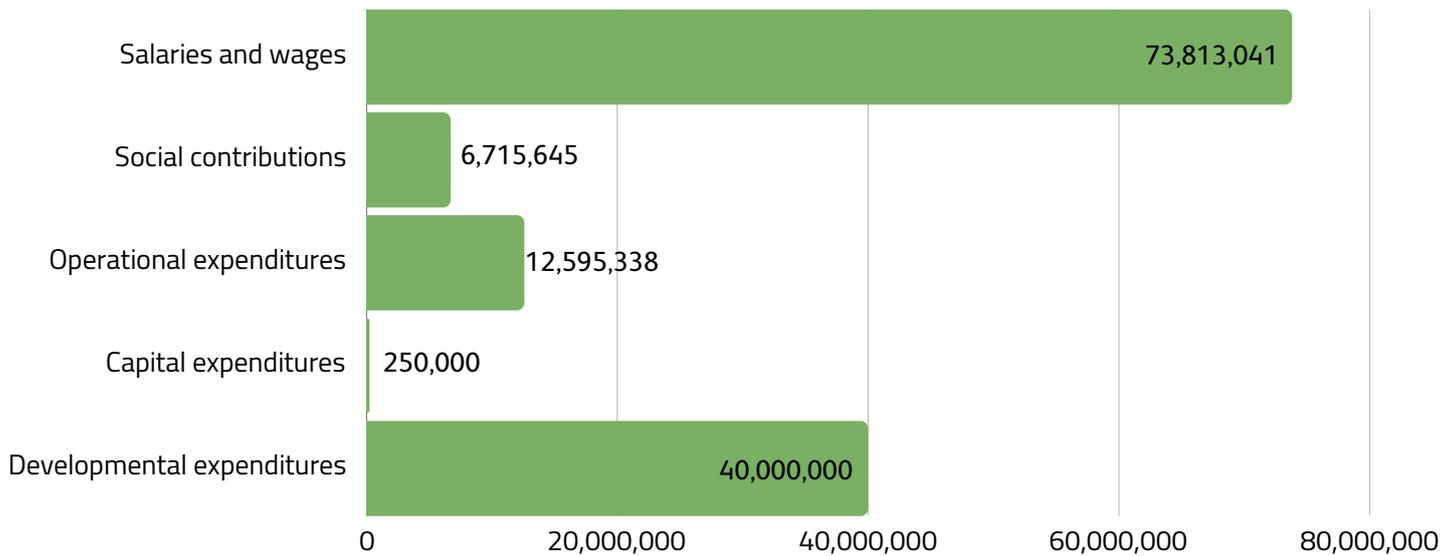
- It should be noted there are budgets earmarked for the agricultural risk mitigation fund, agricultural insurances and the Palestinian Agricultural Credit Corporation

2024 Ministry of Agriculture Budget Items

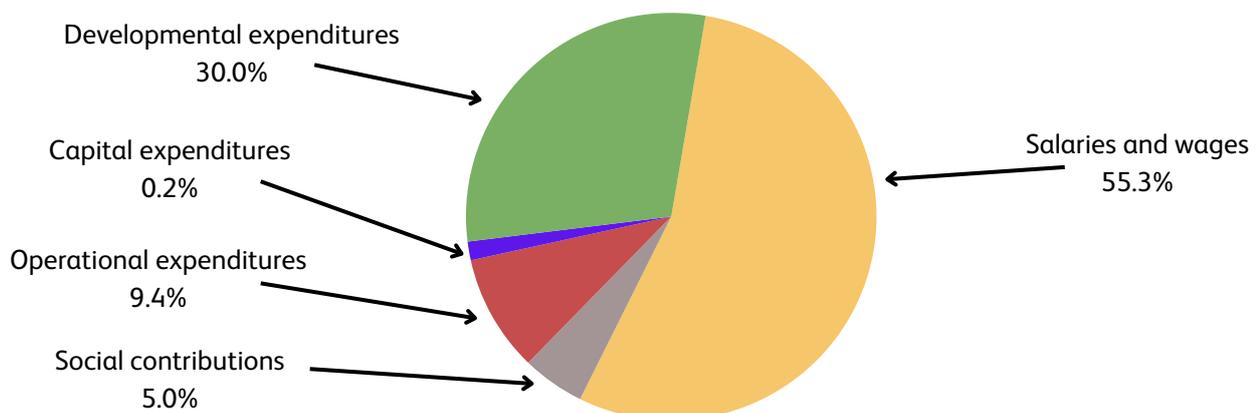
| Item | Budget/million shekels | Percentage |
|----------------------------|------------------------|----------------|
| Salaries and wages | 73,813,041 | 55.3% |
| Social contributions | 6,715,645 | 5.0% |
| Operational expenditures | 12,595,338 | 9.4% |
| Capital expenditures | 250,000 | 0.2% |
| Developmental expenditures | 40,000,000 | 30.0% |
| Total | 133,374,024 | 100.00% |

Note: The government adopted an emergency cash budget this year, from which payments were made according to available cash flows from the treasury.

Distribution of 2024 Ministry of Agriculture budget according to item/ILS

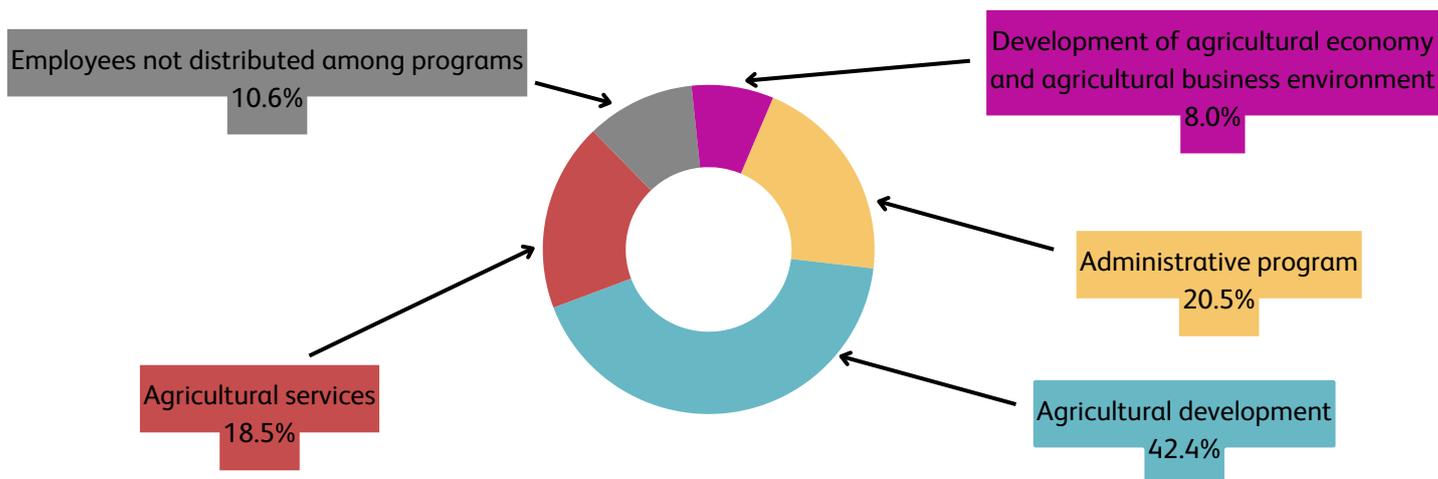


Distribution ratios of the 2024 Ministry of Agriculture according to item



Distribution of Ministry of Agriculture budget according to program/ILS

| Program | Budget | Percentage |
|---|--------------------|---------------|
| Administrative program | 27,360,270 | 20.5% |
| Agricultural development | 56,510,371 | 42.4% |
| Agricultural services | 24,645,231 | 18.5% |
| Employees not distributed among programs | 14,150,776 | 10.6% |
| Development of agricultural economy and agricultural business environment | 10,707,376 | 8.0% |
| Total | 133,374,024 | 100.0% |



Developmental projects:

| No. | Project | Budget |
|-----|--|-----------|
| 1 | Supporting marginalized sectors affected from the wall and settlements | 8,000,000 |
| 2 | Green Palestine | 7,595,000 |
| 3 | Development of marginalized communities in the southern West Bank | 5,380,000 |
| 4 | Jordanian-Palestinian company for marking agricultural products | 5,000,000 |
| 5 | Building, equipping and furnishing agricultural directorate buildings in 12 governorates | 3,861,000 |
| 6 | Opening and rehabilitating agricultural roads | 2,900,000 |
| 7 | Supporting development of agricultural clusters | 2,188,000 |
| 8 | Supporting development needs in the Jordan Valley | 1,244,000 |
| 9 | Improving agricultural cluster services | 1,085,000 |
| 10 | Response to food security crisis | 942,000 |
| 11 | Finishing and furnishing the new ministry building | 929,000 |
| 12 | Developing small ruminants sector in Palestine | 626,000 |
| 13 | Agricultural assistance program | 250,000 |

Gender-responsive budget indicators:

- ILS8 million earmarked for supporting marginalized sectors and those affected by the wall and settlements.
- ILS5.4 million earmarked for development of marginalized communities in the southern West Bank
- ILS1.2 million earmarked for supporting development needs in the Jordan Valley
- ILS 250,000 earmarked for agricultural assistance program

Number of employees at the Agriculture Ministry is (1,028) male and female employees.

Important Terms:

- **Citizen Budget:** A simplified document of the public budget Ministry of Agriculture. It summarizes the policies, approaches and priorities of the Ministry for the coming years expressed in numbers in the approved budget and which enables citizens to become familiarized with the distribution of operational and developmental expenses at the Ministry and on the various programs and consequently, to monitor governmental expenditures on the Ministry of Agriculture.
- **Operational expenditures:** The necessary expenditures for the operation of the public institution, i.e. the Ministry (Electricity, water, fuel, travel, etc.)
- **Developmental expenditures:** Are expenditures which have a nature that is different from current expenditures in terms of their useful life and the return from expenditures, and are financed by the PA budget and donors.
- **Capital expenditures:** What the government [Ministry] spends on the possession of capital assets (buildings, land, equipment, vehicles, etc.)
- **Current expenditures:** This includes salaries and wages, raises, operational and referral expenditures of the ministry, public institutions and the other executive bodies of the State of Palestine.
- **Program for employees not distributed among programs:** A program especially for employees in the Gaza Strip.
- **Gender-responsive budget:** A gender-responsive budget is considered a tool for financial planning with economic and social dimensions, which helps the government to integrate gender in the preparation and implementation of the public budget. This is to ensure that available financial resources are allocated in a just manner and aimed at eradicating discrimination on the basis of gender in regards to government services and in a way that meets the specific needs of men, women, girls, boys and marginalized social sectors.

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