

# GAZA UPDATE | MAY 2024

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The impact of ongoing war across the Gaza Strip continues to devastate civilian lives, leading to casualties, displacement and mass destruction of homes and essential infrastructure. The death toll has surpassed 33,000 people, with more than 14,500 children and 9,500 women reported killed. The conflict poses a direct threat to the lives of approximately 2.3 million residents of the Gaza Strip, half of whom are children.

Despite enormous operational challenges, **UNICEF** has been able to reach over 1.6 million people with safe drinking water, 610,000 people with health supplies, over 162,000 children and caregivers with psychosocial support, and nearly 200,000 children with nutrition supplementation. In response to this crisis, we have mobilized supplies, surge staff, and other efforts to address urgent humanitarian needs. We continue high-level advocacy through all available channels to end the suffering of children.



The Gaza Strip and the West Bank, State of Palestine

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**1 Million**

Children affected in the Gaza Strip (PCBS, 2023 population projections)



**563 schools**

Sustained damage in Gaza (Education Cluster, 30 March)



**95% of population**

Facing high acute food insecurity in Gaza (IPC Phase 3 or worse, March 2024)



In Khan Younis, southern Gaza Strip, pedestrians and a UNICEF-marked vehicle travel on a road impacted by the conflict, with damaged buildings showcasing the destruction caused in the area. ©UNICEF/UNI541834/Elder



**€1,000** could supply high-energy biscuits and supplements to help prevent 100 children from developing malnutrition



**€50,000** could extend services to children, adolescents and care givers affected by conflict related violence so they can receive emergency and children protection services including Mental Health and Psycho Social Support



**€3,700** support could provide one hundred newborn survival kits



**€100,000** can supply 400 mobile toilets to be used at border crossings, schools and other places of safety.



**€17,800** could provide essential school supplies for 4,000 children



**Any amount** extends the reach and impact of **UNICEF's** humanitarian **cash transfers** for families and children

All and any contributions allow **UNICEF** to **deliver life saving assistance to the most vulnerable children** when and where it is needed and in a timely and effective manner. **Flexibility is important** during the response to the children of Gaza crisis. Your support is essential to **UNICEF's** ability to reach the most vulnerable, crisis-affected, children that are in danger. **UNICEF kindly requests support from your company** in order to provide conflict- and disaster-affected children with access to water, sanitation, nutrition, education, health and protection services.