WEST BANK AND GAZA STRIP

Population: 4,218,771
Gross national income per capita: USD 2,810
Income group: Middle
Income inequality: 35.5

ACTION PLANS, POLICIES AND LAWS RELEVANT TO SEVERAL TYPES OF VIOLENCE

National action plans
- Interpersonal violence NO
- Youth violence NO
- Sexual violence NO
- Firearms
  - Laws to regulate civilian access YES
  - Mandatory background check YES
  - Handguns/long guns/automatic weapons NO/NO/YES
  - Carrying firearms in public YES
  - Programmes to reduce civilian firearm possession and use NO

National social and educational policies
- Incentives provided for high-risk youth to complete schooling NO
- Housing policies to de-concentrate poverty NO

Alcohol
- Adult (15+) per capita consumption (litres of pure alcohol) –
- Patterns of drinking score –
- Excise taxes –
- Beer: –
- Wine: –
- Spirits: –

LAW AND PREVENTION PROGRAMMES BY TYPE OF VIOLENCE

Child maltreatment laws
- Legal age of marriage (male/female) 16 / 15
- Against child marriage YES
- Against statutory rape YES
- Against female genital mutilation YES
- Ban on corporal punishment (all settings) YES (YES)

Child maltreatment prevention programmes
- Enforcement
- Home visiting YES 1
- Training to recognise / avoid sexually abusive situations YES 1

Youth violence laws
- Against weapons on school premises NO
- Against gang or criminal group membership YES

Youth violence prevention programmes
- Pre-school enrichment YES
- Life skills and social development training YES
- Mentoring YES
- After-school supervision YES
- School anti-bullying YES

Intimate partner violence laws
- Against rape in marriage –
- Allowing removal of violent spouse from home –

Intimate partner violence prevention programmes
- Dating violence prevention in schools NO
- Microfinance and gender equity training YES
- Social and cultural norms change YES

Sexual violence laws
- Against rape YES
- Against contact sexual violence without rape YES
- Against non-contact sexual violence YES

Sexual violence prevention programmes
- School and college programmes YES
- Physical environment changes NO
- Social and cultural norms change YES

Elder abuse laws
- Against elder abuse NO
- Against elder abuse in institutions NO

Elder abuse prevention programmes
- Professional awareness campaigns YES
- Public information campaigns NO
- Caregiver support YES
- Residential care policies YES

VICTIM LAWS
- Providing for victim compensation YES
- Providing for victim legal representation YES

VICTIM SERVICES
- Adult protective services YES
- Child protection services YES
- Medico-legal services for sexual violence YES
- Mental health services YES

DATA ON VIOLENCE

National prevalence surveys for non-fatal violence

Mechanism of homicide

Reported homicides (2011) N= 80, Rate= 3/100,000 (81.2% M, 18.8% F)

Sources: Mechanism: Palestinian Health Information Center / Reported homicides: Police

Source: Palestinian Health Information Center

1 Subnational.