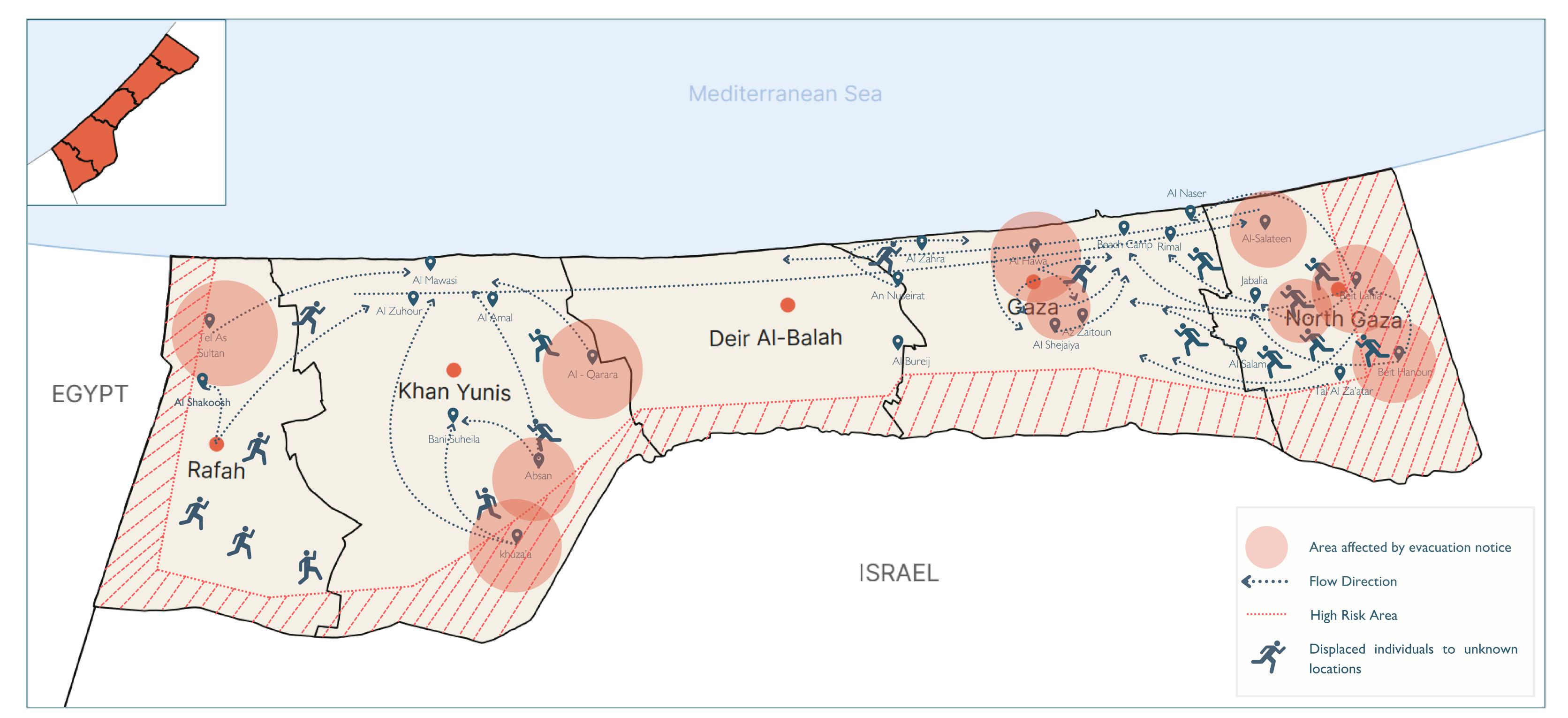
# Population Movement Monitoring Flash-Update

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The humanitarian crisis in Gaza has further deteriorated following intensive airstrikes across the region since the early hours of March 18, 2025. The escalation, coupled with military evacuation orders, has led to widespread displacement, with hundreds of people forced to flee their homes in search of safety.

This update outlines the scale, patterns, and impact of displacement in Gaza, offering insights into the ongoing humanitarian situation. Data was collected from eyewitness accounts, social media posts, and available datasets from Site Management Cluster (SMC) partners on the ground. The information was cross-referenced and analyzed to establish displacement patterns and the impact on local infrastructure.

The UN's Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) reports that evacuation orders issued since March 18, 2025, now cover approximately 18% of the Gaza Strip, affecting 47 neighborhoods and displacing thousands.

<sup>1</sup> Estimated number of displaced individuals since March 18, following widespread airstrikes and military evacuation orders



**Overview of Affected Areas and Displacement Patterns** 

#### North Gaza:

On March 24th, 2025, evacuation orders were issued for large parts of northern Gaza, including Beit Lahiya, Beit Hanoun and Jabalia. By March 25, approximately 18,302 people had been displaced from Jabalia, 8,077 from Beit Lahiya, and 2,278 from Beit Hanoun, with many moving south toward Gaza City

Affected Neighborhoods/Geographical Areas: Beit Hanoun, Al-Shaimaa, Jabalia Camp (southern extension), Beit Lahia, Aaidun site.

Affected Buildings: Beit Hanoun Hospital (partially functional due to infrastructure damage), in addition to over 12 schools that were affected by the evacuation orders issued on March 24th, 2025.

Displacement Patterns

#### <u>Jabalia</u>

• According to observations by the SMC partners, since March 18, 2025, when airstrikes intensified and displacement escalated, the overall number of displaced individuals currently residing in the Jabalia area, including Jabalia Camp, Jabalia al-Balad, al-Nahda, al-Zahour, al-Nuzha, Bir al-Naja, and Ibad al-Rahman neighborhoods, has approximately doubled. While an estimated 18,302 individuals have been observed leaving the area during this period, some who initially fled may have either returned or relocated again in search of safer areas.

#### Observed Movements on 23 March, 2025:

• Tabeeb Alensania (Jabalia Camp) → Al-Remal: 110 individuals

#### Observed Movements on 25 March, 2025:

- Jabalia  $\rightarrow$  No destination provided: 18,302 individuals
- Ezbet Abd Rabbo & Zamou Junction (Jabalia al Bald) → Yaffa Street: 165 individuals
- Eastern Jabalia Camp → Center and West of Gaza City: 550 individuals
- East of Jabalia → Central Gaza City via Jaffa and Al-Jalaa streets: 825 individuals

#### Observed Movements on 26 March, 2025:

- Tal Az Za'atar  $\rightarrow$  Gaza City and Al-Lababidi Street: 150 individuals
- Jabalia Camp → Gaza City and Al-Lababidi Street: 80 individuals
- East of Jabalia Camp → Center of Gaza City and Al-Lababidi Street : 80 individuals

#### <u>Beit Hanoun</u>

• As of March 23, 2025, operations have intensified in Beit Hanoun, northern Gaza, resulting in new evacuation orders. These developments have affected multiple neighborhoods and led to the displacement of thousands of residents.

#### Observed Movements on March 23, 2025:

- Beit Hanoun → Halawa site : 440 individuals
- Beit Hanoun → Beit Lahiya: 330 individuals
- Ezbet Beit Hanoun (west) → Beit Lahiya, Gaza City: 180 individuals
- Ezbet Beit Hanoun → Center and West of Gaza: 880 individuals



Observed Movements on 24 March, 2025:

• Beit Hanoun, Bedouin Village → Madinat Ash Sheikh Zayed - Beit Lahiya: 110 individuals

Observed Movements on 25 March, 2025:

• Beit Hanoun  $\rightarrow$  No destination provided: 2,278 individuals

#### Return Movements

#### Observed Movements on 25 March, 2025:

Unspecified locations  $\rightarrow$  Beit Hanoun - On March 25, 2025, 15 households returned to the Aaidun site, located on Salah al-Din Street between Ezbet Beit Hanoun and the town of Beit Hanoun

#### Observed Movements on 26 March, 2025:

Unspecified locations → Beit Hanoun, around the Beit Lahia Club: 110 individuals

#### <u>Beit Lahia</u>

Starting from March 23-24, 2025, 320 households at the Al-Mutahabin camp in Beit Lahia were displaced as conditions worsened. Of these, 260 households moved to the Beit Lahia project and the town center, while 60 households remained behind. Then, in the early morning hours of March 25, 2025, an official evacuation order forced approximately 120 households to leave their homes.

#### Observed Movements on March 23, 2025:

- Beit Lahiya  $\rightarrow$  An Naser: 110 individuals
- Beit Lahiya  $\rightarrow$  Beach Site: 33 individuals
- Beit Lahiya (Al-Shaimaa) → Beit Lahiya: 176 individuals
- Al-Shuqairi School → Gaza City: 825 individuals
- Shimaa, Sultans, Seifa areas  $\rightarrow$  Bir al-Na'ja area: 1,155 individuals
- Ash Shaima and Al-Atatra  $\rightarrow$  Gaza (Al-Lababidi Street): 165 individuals
- Al-Shuqairi School → Gaza City: 825 individuals

#### Observed Movements on March 24, 2025:

- Ash Shaima and Al-Atatra  $\rightarrow$  Al-Lababidi Street (Gaza): 165 individuals
- North Al Atatra and Al Shaima  $\rightarrow$  Tel Al Rabi School: 825 individuals
- Al-Mutahabin camp  $\rightarrow$  Al-Shaimaa Street: 1760 individuals

#### Observed Movements on March 25, 2025:

- Education and Sheikh Zayed intersections  $\rightarrow$  Yaffa Street (Jabalia): 440 individuals
- Education and Sheikh Zayed intersections  $\rightarrow$  Beit Lahia: 110 individuals
- Education and Sheikh Zayed intersections  $\rightarrow$  Western Gaza: 110 individuals
- Education and Sheikh Zayed intersections → Ezbet Beit Hanoun & Beit Hanoun Town: 82 individuals
- Education and Sheikh Zayed intersections → Tal al-Rabi' School in Beit Lahiya: 825 individuals
- Ezbt Beit Hanoun → West of Gaza: 126 individuals
- North and East of Beit Lahia  $\rightarrow$  Bir al-Na'ja and the Beit Lahia project: 385 individuals
- Al-Mutahabin camp  $\rightarrow$  The vicinity of Tel Al-Rabi' schools: 330 individuals
- Al-Siddiqin I and 2 camps → Al-Maqousi Towers area west of Gaza (An Naser): 1,485 individuals



Observed Movements on 27 March 2025:

- Beit Hanoun Al-Shaimaa  $\rightarrow$  Beit Lahia: 450 individuals
- Al-Atatra & Al-Shaimaa → Jabalia Camp: 100 individuals

#### **Return Movements**

#### Observed Movements on 26 March 2025:

Around 100 Individuals have returned to Ezbt Beit Hanoun

- Unspecified location  $\rightarrow$  Sheikh Zayed (Beit Lahiya): 2,475 individuals

#### Observed Movements on 27 March 2025:

- Qurban 4 Site  $\rightarrow$  Ezbt Beit Hanoun: 75 individuals
- Qurban 4 Site  $\rightarrow$  Sheikh Zayed and Qalbibo areas: 300 individuals

#### Gaza City

On March 26, 2025, the IDF ordered the evacuation of parts of Gaza City, specifically targeting the neighborhoods of Zeitoun, Rimal, and Tel al-Hawa.

Affected Neighborhoods/Geographical Areas: Zeitoun, Rimal, and Tel al-Hawa, Askola Area, Shamaa area, Sheikh Ajlin and Old Gaza.

#### Displacement Patterns

#### Observed Movements on 24 March 2025:

• Southeast Al-Zaytoun  $\rightarrow$  North Al-Zaytoun: Social media report (no specific number)

#### Observed Movements on 26 March 2025:

- Hamouda Roundabout (east of the Indonesian Hospital) → Center of Gaza City and Al-Lababidi Street: 150 individuals
- Western Zeitoun, Tal al-Hawa, Sheikh Ajlin, and Southern Rimal  $\rightarrow$  West Central Gaza City: 600 individuals
- Unspecified location  $\rightarrow$  Tal al-Hawa and Southern Rimal areas: 80 individuals
- Unspecified location → Askola area, northern Zeitoun outskirts, Shamaa area, and Old Gaza

#### Observed Movements on 27 March 2025:

- Shujaiyeh  $\rightarrow$  West Gaza City: 275 individuals
- Ash Sheikh 'Ijleen → Central Gaza: 100 individuals

#### **Return Movements**

#### Observed Movements on 27 March 2025:

• West Central Gaza City  $\rightarrow$  Tal al-Hawa and Southern Rimal Areas: 80 individuals





#### Deir Al Balah

On March 26, 2025, significant displacement was observed in the Deir Al Balah Governorate as households fled ongoing hostilities. A notable movement occurred from An Nuseirat, where civilians traveled via Al Rasheed Road toward Central Gaza in search of safety.

Affected Neighborhoods/Geographical Areas: An Nuseirat Camp

#### Observed Movements on 26 March, 2025:

• An Nuseirat (Through Al Rasheed Road)  $\rightarrow$  Central Gaza

Khan Younis:

On March 23, 2025, Israeli airstrikes targeted Nasser Hospital, the largest medical facility in southern Gaza. This marks the second strike on a health facility in Gaza within three days

Affected Neighborhoods/Geographical Areas: Al Satr Al Gharbi, Al Qarara, Al Kateeba, Abasan Al Kabira, Abasan AL Jadida, West & North Bani Suhaila, Khuza'a

Affected Buildings: Nasser Hospital (partially destroyed), Abdullah Azzam Mosque (Al Satr Al Gharbi, Khan Younis), Osama bin Zaid Mosque (Al Qarara, Khan Younis), Othman bin Affan Mosque (Al Qarara, Khan Younis)

#### Observed Movements on 23 March, 2025:

- Khuza'a → West Bani Suhaila, South Bani Suhaila, KY Camp, Mawasi of Khan Younis: 8,500 individuals
- Absan Al Jadida → West & South Bani Suhaila, Khan Younis City Center, KY Camp, Mawasi of Khan Younis: 4,700 individuals
- Abasan al-Kabira → West & South Bani Suhaila, Khan Younis City Center, KY Camp, Mawasi of Khan Younis: 8,000 individuals
- East Bani Suhaila  $\rightarrow$  West & South Bani Suhaila: 650 individuals
- North Bani Suhaila (Al Zanna) → Bani Suhaila (West & South), Mawasi Khan Younis: 1,000 individuals
- West Bani Suhaila (Al Saqya) → Monday Market, Sammour Area: 2,000 individuals
- East of al-Qarara → Mawasi of Al Qarara, Mawasi of Khan Younis, West Salah Eldeen: 2,500 individuals
- Al Kateeba  $\rightarrow$  Mawasi Khan Younis: 30 individuals

### Observed Movements on 24 March, 2025:

- Khuza'a → West Bani Suhaila, South Bani Suhaila, KY Camp, Mawasi of Khan Younis: 9,900 individuals
- Absan Al Jadida → West & South Bani Suhaila, Khan Younis City Center, KY Camp, Mawasi of Khan Younis: 7,500 individuals
- Abasan al-Kabira → West & South Bani Suhaila, Khan Younis City Center, KY Camp, Mawasi of Khan Younis: 11,000 individuals
- East Bani Suhaila → West Bani Suhaila, South Bani Suhaila: 750 individuals
- North Bani Suhaila (Al Zanna) → Bani Suhaila (West & South), Mawasi Khan Younis: 1,600 individuals
- West Bani Suhaila (Al Saqya) → Monday Market, Sammour Area: 2,000 individuals
- East of al-Qarara → Mawasi of Al Qarara, Mawasi of Khan Younis, West Salah Eldeen: 2,500 individuals
- Al Kateeba  $\rightarrow$  Mawasi Khan Younis: 30 individuals
- Rafah → Mawasi Khan Younis, South/West KY, KY Camp, South/West BS: 2,800 individuals



#### Observed Movements on 25 March, 2025:

- Khuza'a → West Bani Suhaila (Al Saqya) & South Bani Suhaila (Al Rumida), KY City Center (Schools), KY Camp (Schools), Mawasi of Khan Younes: 9,900 individuals
- Absan Al Jadida → West & South Bani Suhaila, KY City Center, KY Camp (Schools), Mawasi of Khan Younes: 7,500 individuals
- Abasan al-Kabira → West & South Bani Suhaila, KY City Center, KY Camp (Schools), Mawasi of Khan Younes: 11,000 individuals
- East Bani Suhaila  $\rightarrow$  West & South Bani Suhaila 750 individuals
- North Bani Suhaila (Al Zanna) → Bani Suhaila (West & South), Mawasi Khan Younes 1,600 individuals
- West Bani Suhaila (Al Saqya) → Monday Market & Sammour Area evacuated, individuals displaced to West & South Bani Suhaila: 2,000 individuals
- East of al-Qarara → Mawasi of Al Qarara, Mawasi of Khan Younis, West Salah Eldeen: 2,500 individuals
- Al Kateeba  $\rightarrow$  Mawasi Khan Younes: 30 individuals

#### Rafah:

On 23 March 2025, evacuation orders were issued for residents in southern Gaza in the context of ongoing developments in Rafah. Reports indicated movement toward the Fish Fresh area, located west of Rafah and outside the designated evacuation zone, raising concerns about the potential for further displacement. On the same day, residents of the Tel Al-Sultan neighborhood, near the Egyptian border, were directed to relocate to the Mawasi area. However, many displaced individuals remain trapped in Tel Al-Sultan, unable to evacuate due to prevailing conditions.

Affected Neighborhoods/Geographical Areas: Tal As-Sultan, Al Mawasi, Fish Fresh

#### Displacement Patterns

**Observed Movements on 23-Mar-25**:

• Tal As-Sultan  $\rightarrow$  Al Mawasi

Observed Movements on 24-Mar-25:

- Fish Fresh Area  $\rightarrow$  No specific destination
- Tal As-Sultan  $\rightarrow$  Al Shakoush St: Social media report

Observed Movements on 25-Mar-25:

• Rafah  $\rightarrow$  Mawasi Khan Younis, and some to South/West KY, KY Camp: 3,100 individuals

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