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Selected Data on the Occasion of Jerusalem Day

- * Jerusalem is the biggest city in Israel, with 766,000 residents¹; of these, 270,300 are Arabs (35.3%) and 10,900 (1.4%) are Others².
- * The total fertility rate (average number of births per woman in her lifetime) of women in Jerusalem stands at an average of almost 4 children per woman (3.96). This rate is higher than the national average.
- * Internal migration: Tel Aviv, Beit Shemesh, Ma'aleh Adumim and Beitar Elite are the main localities from where people come to Jerusalem and go to from it.
- * 90% of all employed persons who reside in Jerusalem work in their locality of residence, compared with 75% of Haifa residents, 68% of Tel Aviv-Yafo residents, 64% of Ashdod residents and 39% of Rishon Leziyyon residents.
- * In Jerusalem there were approximately 189,000 dwellings recorded in June, 2008, which constitute a rate of approximately 250 dwellings per 1,000 residents. This rate is lower than that recorded in each of the other four large cities.
- * In Jerusalem there were approximately 33,500 active businesses, which constitute approximately 7.5% of all businesses in the Israeli economy. Approximately 14% of all businesses in Jerusalem are in the industries of public administration, education and health and welfare services.
- * Among the five large cities in the country, the highest percentage of expenditure on food out of the total household expenditure (approximately 18%) is in Jerusalem
- * 86% of all the adult population of Jerusalem, aged 20 and over, are satisfied or very satisfied with their lives, as in the total adult population of Israel.
- * 61% of all Jews aged 20 and over who reside in Jerusalem have always done so. 39% moved to Jerusalem at a certain stage in their life, of which 36% moved to Jerusalem within the last 10 years.

¹ All demographic data for 2008 are preliminary.

² Non-Arab Christians and those not categorized by religion in the Ministry of the Interior

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