

COMPARATIVE ACTUAL SPENDING REPORT FOR MINISTRY OF JERUSALEM AFFAIRS

2022-2023

In accordance with the 2023 Ministry of Finance actual spending report, actual expenditures allocated to the Ministry of Jerusalem Affairs were ILS53.0 million of a total ILS17,870.5 million from overall actual spending in the 2023 budget, or 0.3% of overall expenditures. [1]

According to the 2022 annual actual spending report by the Ministry of Finance, actual spending allocated to the Ministry of Agriculture was ILS 52.0 million of NIS16,197.6 million of the 2022 overall annual actual spending from the public budget, or 0.3% of overall expenditures. [2]

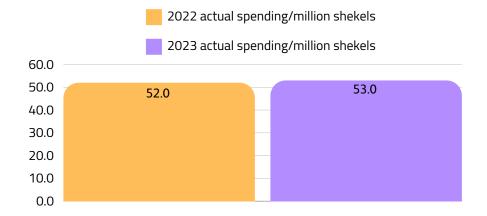
The table below illustrates comparative figures for annual actual spending items for 2022-2023 for the Ministry of Jerusalem Affairs:

Comparative annual actual spending for 2022-2023 for Ministry of Jerusalem Affairs /million shekels

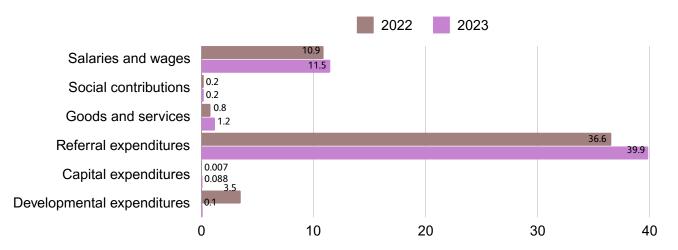
Item	2022 actual spending/million shekels	2023 actual spending/million shekels	2022/2023 comparison
Salaries and wages	10.9	11.5	105.33%
Social contributions	0.2	0.2	111.40%
Goods and services	0.8	1.2	144.48%
Referral expenditures	36.6	39.9	109.03%
Capital expenditures	0.007	0.088	1196.75%
Developmental expenditures	3.5	0.1	2.37%
Total	52.0	53.0	101.91%

Note: the abovementioned figures are on an accrual basis

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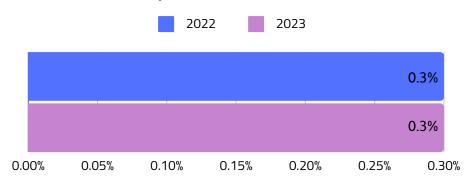


Comparative annual actual spending for 2022-2023 for Ministry of Jerusalem Affairs according to item/million shekels

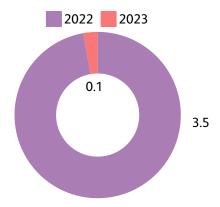


The above-mentioned figures represent the actual expenditures indicated by the Ministry of Finance's official reports. These amounts do not include community-funded expenditures or projects that are funded through direct bilateral agreements between partners and targeted ministries.

Percentage of annual actual spending for the Ministry of Jerusalem Affairs from the overall public expenditures for 2022/2023



Comparison of annual actual spending for 2022-2023 developmental expenditures at the Ministry of Jerusalem Affairs /million shekels



Actual spending on the Ministry of Jerusalem Affairs in 2023 was limited, at ILS39.9 million, as referral expenditures, including 250 humanitarian aid cases a year for marginalized sectors (the poor/women/special needs...) in the Jerusalem governorate. It also included offering annual support to 46 institutions, societies and clubs in the Jerusalem government, which provide cultural, social and sports services to various social sectors.

Analysis of annual comparative actual spending figures for the Ministry of Jerusalem Affairs, 2022-2023:

- 1. The annual actual spending on the Ministry of Jerusalem Affairs in 2023 was slightly higher than in 2022, going from ILS52 million to ILS53 million at a limited increase of ILS1 million.
- 2. The percentage of actual spending on the Ministry of Jerusalem Affairs remained within 0.3% of the overall public expenditures in Palestine in 2022 and 2023, which is low and does not correspond with the importance of the Ministry of Jerusalem Affairs.
- 3. Actual spending on salaries and wages and on social contributions was slightly higher in 2023 compared with 2022, mainly due to annual salary raises and promotions.
- 4. Actual spending on goods and services increased in 2023 compared to 2022, from ILS0.8 million to ILS1.2 million in 2023.
- 5. There was a significant drop in development expenditures from ILS3.5 million in 2022 to less than 0.1 million in 2023.
- 6. The highest spending at the Ministry of Jerusalem Affairs remains on referral expenditures, comprising approximately 75% of the ministry's actual spending. It increased in 2023 to ILS39.9 million from ILS36.6 million in 2022.

Summary: It is worth nothing from the analysis of the comparative annual actual spending at the Ministry of Jerusalem Affairs for 2022-2023 that actual spending slightly increased in 2023 from what it was in 2022. Hence, the 'share' of the Ministry of Jerusalem Affairs from overall expenditures remained the same for 2022-2023. There was an increase on most items, except on developmental expenditures, which sharply dropped, in spite of its importance. In general, spending on the Ministry of Jerusalem Affairs and its programs was not compatible with the importance of the Ministry in reinforcing the steadfastness of Jerusalemites. It should be noted that all data in the reports are on an accrual basis.

Important Terms:

Expenditures: Includes current as well as capital and developmental expenditures

Current expenditures: Includes salaries, wages, social contributions, operational and transfer expenditures

Salaries and wages: Salaries and wages of Ministry employees

Social contributions: Represents the government's contribution to the General Pension and Social Security Authority for pensioners

Operational costs for "commodities and services": the necessary expenditures for the operation of the public institution, i.e. the Ministry (building rentals, electricity, water, fuel, etc.). They include Medical referrals at the Ministry of Health and the purchase of medicines and are part of the current expenditures.

Transfer expenditures: are the expenditures paid by the government to different societal segments through a public institution for the benefit of a third party (such as payments to assist the poor or to martyrs' families).

Capital expenditures: includes the possession of capital assets (buildings, land, equipment, vehicles, 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, whereas their useful life and the return/yield extend beyond one year.

Cash-basis: The method which financial and accounting transactions are conducted upon cash payment of cash receipt, i.e. it focuses on cash flow activity whereby financial operations are not registered in the books until after collection or the cash payment of the due amount is paid.

Accrual basis: The method in which data and accounting in transactions are registered on the date of the occurrence irrespective of cash payment or receipt.

- [1] Cumulative actual spending report for December 2023, released by the Ministry of Finance on January 27, 2024, Table (5b)
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