



Ministry of Education Citizens' Budget 2023



Vision

A Palestinian society that possesses the values, knowledge, culture and technology to produce knowledge and employ it in liberation and development

Mission

Build an educational system that contributes to the consolidation of ethical, national and humanitarian values and serves as an incubator of critical thinking, develops the principles of research and search for knowledge as well as necessary capacities to bring about active citizens, through the empowerment of a unique educational cadre that is capable of bringing about positive change in the educational process. The results of the new educational system contribute to meeting the needs of comprehensive development and creation of promising economic opportunities that fulfill the goals of a modern, enlightened Palestinian society.

Strategic objectives of the education sector

Ensure safe, comprehensive and just enrollment in the educational system at all levels

develop teaching and learning methods and environment centered on the benefit of students

enhance accountability, results-based leadership, governance and administration

Programs:

Early childhood education

Primary education

Secondary education

Vocational education

Non-formal education

Administration and governance

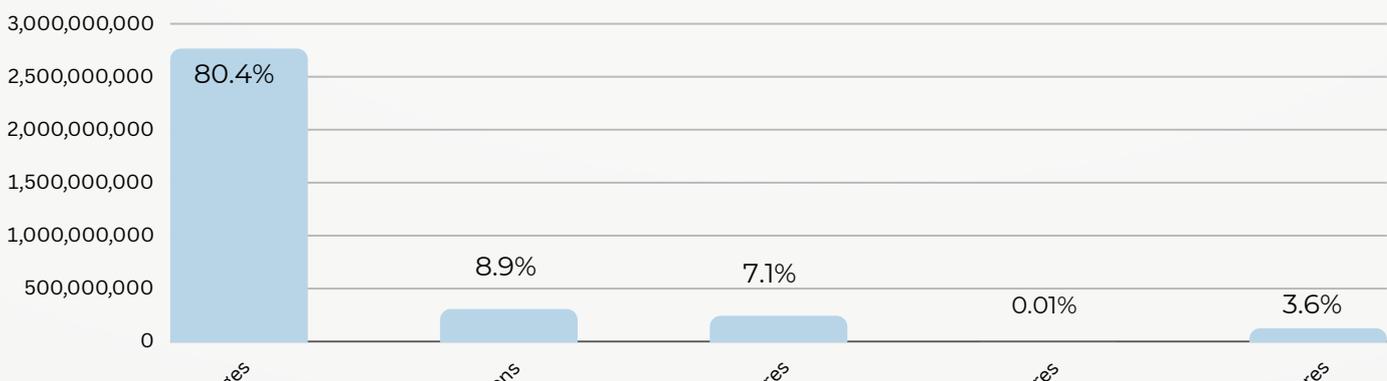
In accordance with Ministry of Finance data, the Ministry of Education's budget, funded by the Public Treasury was ILS3,442,474,763, or 19.5% of the overall total expenditures from the public budget for 2023

*It should be noted that there are additional budgets such as external developmental budgets, education ministry tax or the programs and projects funded after the budget was prepared and adopted, or the adopted schools programs, which increases the budget earmarked for education in Palestine.

Items of the 2023 Ministry of Education Budget

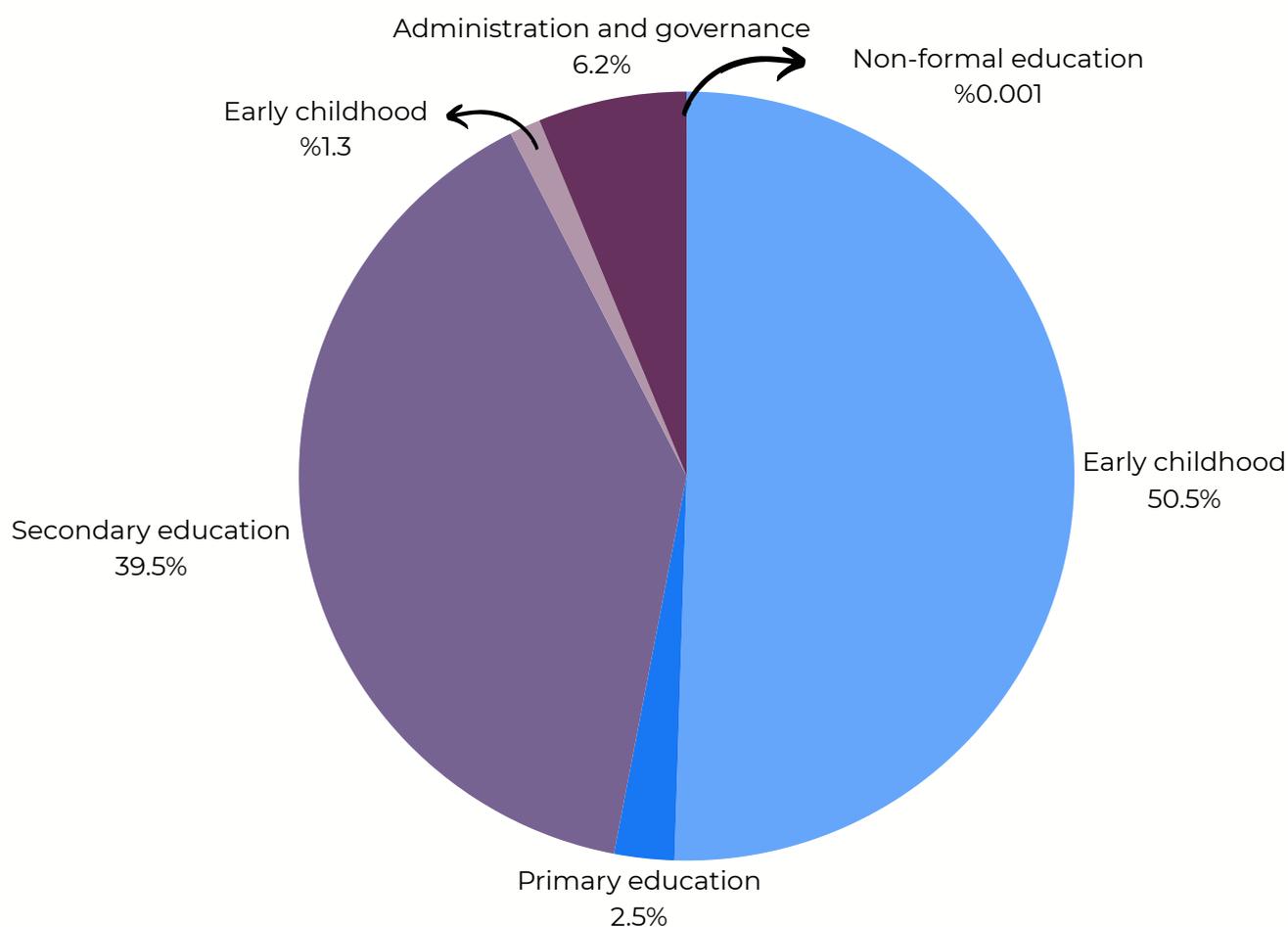
Item	Total (shekels)	% of overall budget
Salaries and wages	2,766,202,238	80.4%
Social contributions	307,270,092	8.9%
Operational expenditures	243,002,432	7.1%
Capital expenditures	500,000	0.01%
Developmental expenditures	125,000,000	3.6%

*There is an additional developmental budget from external funding, close to ILS248 million in 2023. The above data is according to the 2023 Ministry of Finance's public budget



Ministry of Education budget distributed among the six programs in shekels:

Program	Current budget/ILS	Development budget	Total/shekels	Percentage
Early childhood	85,475,977	0	85,475,977	%2.5
Primary education	1,650,144,653	87,950,270	1,738,094,923	%50.5
Secondary education	1,341,117,093	18,549,185	1,359,666,278	%39.5
Vocational education	45,608,652	727,405	46,336,057	%1.3
Non-formal education	19,500	0	19,500	%0.001
Administration and governance	195,108,887	17,773,140	212,882,027	%6.2
Total	3,317,474,762	125,000,000	3,442,474,762	%100



Largest developmental projects of 2023 – funding from Public Treasury

Project Name	Budget/shekel
Support of schools in Jerusalem and Area C	73,488,236
Construction, furnishing and maintenance of classrooms and school facilities	29,278,512
Rehabilitation of teachers and development of curriculum	2,358,184
Development of vocational education	727,405

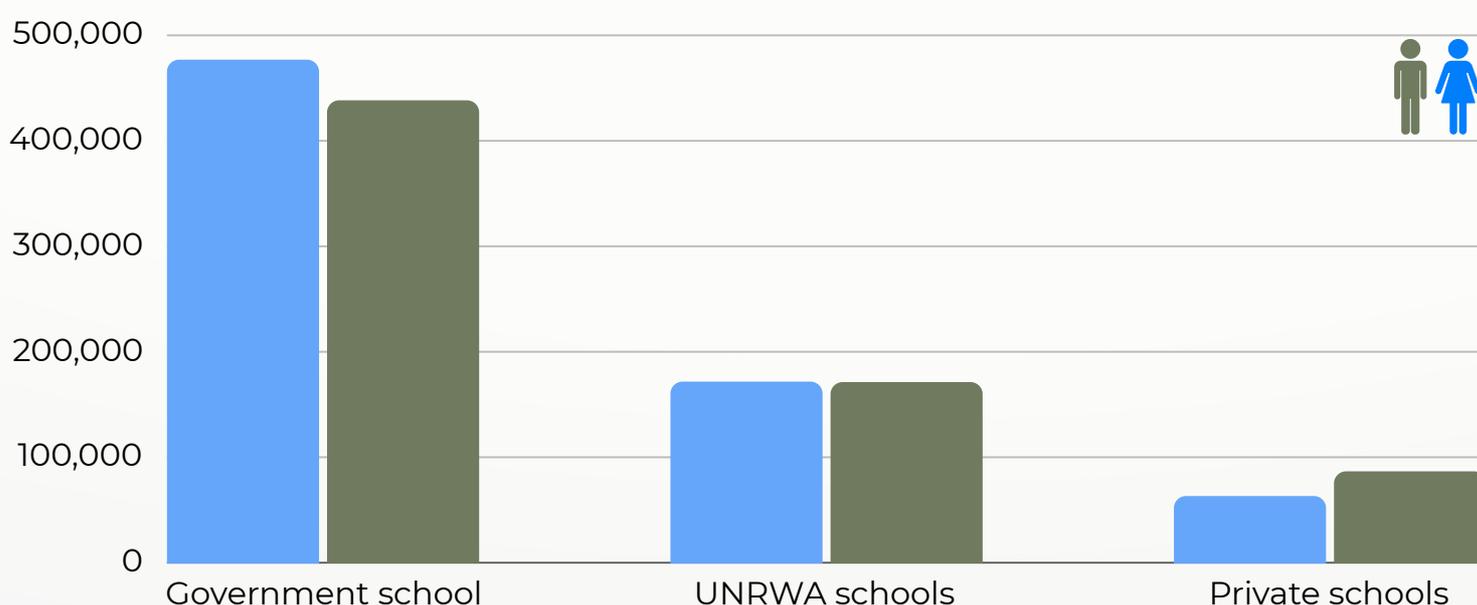
It should be noted that a developmental budget was allocated from external funding for approximately ILS249 million for additional development projects

Number and classification of schools according to the supervisory party – 2023

Type of school	Government	UNRWA	Private	Total
Number	2,364	384	487	3,235

Number and distribution of students among school according to gender and supervisory party – 2023

Supervisory party	Government school	UNRWA schools	Private schools	Total
Males	438,386	171,254	86,636	696,276
Females	476,941	171,701	63,234	711,876
Total	915,327	342,955	149,870	1,408,152



New school buildings – 2023

- **21 schools** were completed and prepared including 242 classrooms
- **9 new schools** with 145 classrooms were built with funding from donor partners
- **10 new schools** with 89 classrooms were built with community funding
- **Two schools** (Tahadi) were built with 8 classrooms and one kindergarten
- **6 new schools** were opened through renting buildings within the community
- **200 educational** buildings underwent maintenance and rehabilitation to improve the educational environment



Important Terms:

- **Citizen Budget:** a simplified document of the general budget Ministry of Education. Expressed in numbers, figures and graphs, it summarizes the key expenditure policies, approaches and priorities of the Ministry for the upcoming year. The budget enables citizens to become familiarized with the distribution of expenses among different programs and items in the education sector and consequently, to monitor governmental expenditures on education.
- **Operational costs:** the necessary expenditures for the operation of the public institution, i.e. the Ministry (Electricity, water, fuel, travel, 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, and are financed by the PA budget and donors.
- **Capital expenditures:** what the government [Ministry] spends on the possession of capital assets (buildings, land, equipment, vehicles, etc.)
- **Procurement services:** The Ministry procures certain services (insurance, cleaning, maintenance, etc.) from a private institution in exchange for money, whereby the private institution provides the required services according to agreed conditions.
- **Current expenditures:** This includes salaries and wages, raises, operational and referral expenditures of the ministry, public institutions and the other executive bodies of the State of Palestine

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