

ISRAEL WEEKLY WAR SUMMARY

Week #110 November 9 - November 15, 2025

This is a product of the IDSF Habithonistim Research Department, distributed by the David Institute for Security Policy in coordination with IDSF USA

DAVID
INSTITUTE
FOR SECURITY POLICY

Account of the main events in the Israel-Hamas war and hostilities by the Iranian Axis



Photo Cover: President Trump's meeting with the Syrian President and his delegation

Source: @Sana__gov on X

After President al-Sharaa's visit to Washington, the U.S. decided to suspend sanctions on Syria for 180 days, though they have not yet been fully lifted. These sanctions include bans on selling oil and gas to Syria, buying fuel from Syria, and exporting engineering, aviation, and construction equipment to the country, all of which have significantly hampered Syria's economic reconstruction.

ISRAEL AT WAR WEEK 110

0

Total Israeli
casualties This
Week

0

Total Civilians
killed this week

0

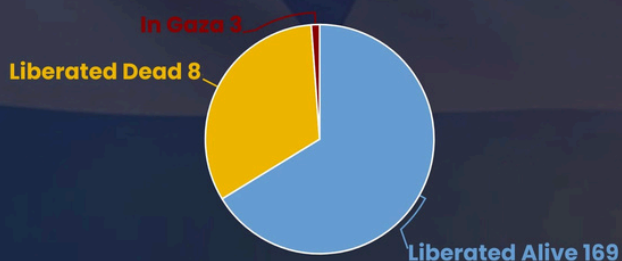
Total IDF
Casualties this
week

MAIN EVENTS

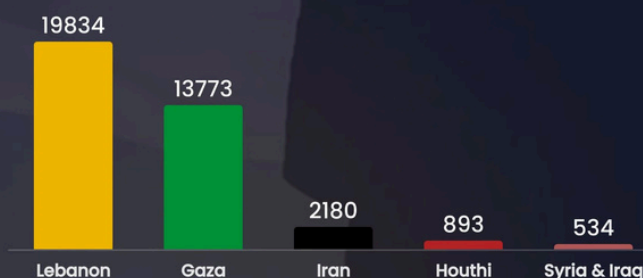
The US advanced a proposal to divide Gaza along the Yellow Line into an Israeli- and internationally-secured "green zone" where reconstruction would begin, and a Hamas-ruled "red zone," while the EU explored training thousands of Palestinian police.

The US and Syria advanced talks on security normalization focused on sanctions relief, counterterrorism cooperation, and reducing Iranian influence while major disputes over the Golan Heights still block a final deal.

HOSTAGES IN GAZA 3/255



ATTACKS ON ISRAEL & ALLIES 0/37,307



Judea & Samaria + Israel Front

0 / 117
This Week Since Oct.7
0 Civilians and 0
security force fell.

11,371
Since Oct.7
Palestinian Terror Attacks
since Oct.7
Over 7,000 Palestinians Arrested

Gaza Front

0 / 1,721
This Week Since Oct.7
1 IDF soldiers fell in
battle. 0 Civilians killed

24,500
Since Oct.7
Hamas terrorists killed.
Over 275 Senior officials
killed since Oct.7

Lebanon Front

0 / 133
This Week Since Oct.7
0 civilian and 0 IDF
soldiers fell.

+3,500
Since Oct.7
Hizbollah terrorists killed, 154
Hezbollah Leadership killed.

Greater Middle East Front

0 / 36
This Week Since Oct.7
0 Civilian killed
this week.

+3,696
Since Oct.7
Attacks on Israel.
+884 from Yemen, 2180
from Iran, +632 from other

Week #110

November 9 - November 15, 2025

- At the Kiryat Gat base, a three-floor coordination hub is fully active, hosting IDF command, U.S. CENTCOM, and representatives from 20 countries. Together they conduct intergovernmental planning for Gaza's reconstruction, including debris removal, infrastructure building, education, and food distribution. According to these plans, reconstruction will begin in Rafah, where the International Stabilization Force (ISF) is expected to deploy first.
- The United States formally called on UN Security Council members to support Washington's draft resolution establishing an ISF for postwar Gaza. According to the U.S. Mission to the UN, the Trump administration has spent the past month crafting the proposal in coordination with Qatar, Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, and the UAE. The U.S. statement emphasized that the resolution "offers a pathway to Palestinian self-determination and statehood." This is the first time the Trump administration has publicly used such explicit statehood rhetoric, signaling a major shift in its diplomatic language.
- The New York Times reports that Special Envoy Witkoff will soon hold a second meeting with Hamas political chief Khalil al-Hayya, attempting to persuade Hamas to relinquish at least its heavy weapons. The Trump administration is effectively normalizing Hamas through direct communications. If Hamas refuses again, the Americans may grant Israel explicit legitimacy to resume full combat operations.
- President Donald Trump will host the Israeli hostages released in last month's ceasefire agreement at the White House on 20 November, blending symbolic support for Israel with promotion of his broader Gaza diplomatic framework.

Week #110

November 9 - November 15, 2025

- According to Al-Arabiya and Al-Hadath, a meeting took place at the Kiryat Gat base between Jared Kushner and Yasser Abu Shabab. The discussion focused on the fate of around 200 Hamas militants trapped in the Jenina neighborhood pocket in Rafah. The idea is for these fighters to leave the pocket into Hamas-controlled territory, escorted by Abu Shabab's armed men. The proposal under discussion would have the 200 militants hand over their weapons to the IDF or to a mediating third party, in return for amnesty from targeted killings by Israel and relocation either deeper into Hamas territory or to a third country. The United States is preventing Israel from striking the tunnel where they are hiding and from eliminating them militarily, out of concern that such a mass-casualty event could collapse the ceasefire framework.
- The body of an Israeli hostage murdered and abducted by Palestinian Islamic Jihad in the Khan Yunis area was returned to Israel, later identified as Meny Godard. This reduces the number of hostages remaining in Gaza to three (two Israelis and one Thai national). This incident highlights Israel's ongoing challenge of recovering the final hostages under increasingly complicated diplomatic and military constraints.
- Gaza media report that Mahmoud Khala, a Gaza resident, was kidnapped from his shop in Jabaliya in northern Gaza by Hamas operatives, subjected to eight hours of torture, and subsequently died from his injuries. His body was reportedly dumped at the entrance to Shifa Hospital in Gaza City. Fearing clashes with his family, Hamas allegedly offered to cover financial compensation and damages over his death. According to these local sources, Hamas continues to use hospitals as interrogation and torture centers, including Shifa Hospital and Al-Ma'amadani Hospital in Gaza City, turning key medical facilities into security and coercive hubs rather than purely humanitarian spaces.

Week #110

November 9 - November 15, 2025

- In the Bethlehem area, Israeli forces arrested a 50-man Hamas network and seized weapons. The network planned shooting and bombing attacks.
- Four residents of Beit Safafa (East Jerusalem) were arrested and will be charged with ISIS affiliation and planning attacks against Israeli Jews.
- There is a significant rise in settler attacks against Palestinian civilians, especially during the olive harvest season. Approximately 50 Israeli extremists raided a Palestinian factory east of Tulkarm, torching at least two trucks. Senior officials—including IDF Chief of Staff Zamir, Shin Bet Director David Zini, and Central Command Chief Avi Blot—warned that such incidents risk severe diplomatic and security fallout. The U.S. Secretary of State Marco Rubio condemned the trend, calling it damaging to the Gaza peace process.
- Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas dismissed his finance minister, accusing him of allowing continued prisoner payments through an outdated mechanism tied to sentence length—a model associated with the abolished “pay-to-slay” policy. The PA reportedly scrapped the system in February, but families of prisoners claim payments have been reduced or rerouted, causing severe anger in Ramallah.
- Hezbollah’s Secretary-General Na’im Qassem issued a threat of retaliation, warning that if Israel continues its strikes, the organization will respond in kind. He dismissed calls for Hezbollah’s disarmament as “a pretext to restrict the resistance.” He stated that even if Hezbollah were disarmed, “the enemy would invent new excuses.” Qassem insisted Hezbollah will remain armed, with its military and economic power growing, framing disarmament demands as attacks on the “existence of the Zionist regime” and the Lebanese resistance’s foundational role.

Week #110

November 9 - November 15, 2025

- CENTCOM confirmed that Syria is quietly part of the coalition against ISIS, participating in 22 operations last month. ISIS, for its part, plans to escalate attacks against the forces of Al-Sharaa, whose ranks include large numbers of radical Salafist potentially prone to defection.
- Syrian President Al-Sharaa told the Washington Post that since December Israel has conducted 1,000 airstrikes on Syrian territory. He declared that any future negotiations will require Israel's withdrawal to the 1974 lines, and claimed that Trump supports this position. Julani warned that due to Israeli "expansionist ambitions", Israel could eventually push toward central Syria and "reach Munich" metaphorically, and he rejected Israel's demand to demilitarize southern Syria.
- In Washington, a trilateral meeting brought together U.S. Secretary of State Marco Rubio, Syrian Foreign Minister Shaybani, and Turkish Foreign Minister Fidan. Under the emerging framework, Turkey is expected to assume military responsibility for Syria, take the lead in combatting ISIS, and spearhead the creation of a new Syrian army. The meeting also focused on how and when Kurdish forces would be absorbed into this rebuilt army, given that the U.S. is currently the sole funder and arms supplier of the SDF, without which the Kurds would stand isolated militarily.
- During October–November 2025, no rainfall was recorded around Tehran. Water levels in the three reservoirs surrounding Tehran, which also provide hydroelectric power, dropped from 490 million m³ in November 2024 to 250 million m³ in November 2025. Iranian President Pezeshkian warned that if no rain falls by December, the government will introduce water rationing, and many residents will have to leave Tehran.