Arab Israeli Basics

Overview

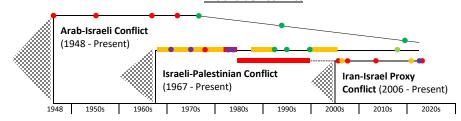
Arab-Israeli Conflict



Territory of Palestine 1947 UN Partition Plan Arab = Palestinian Jewish = Israeli

- Arab-Israeli Conflict A political & military conflict about the control of territory in Palestine
- o Palestine is important to the religions of Islam (Arab) and Judaism (Israeli)
- Palestine contains the city of Jerusalem, which has holy sites that are sacred in both religions
 The broader Arab–Israeli Conflict consists of 3 related sub-parts, as shown in the timeline below:

Arab-Israeli Conflict



Arab-Israeli Conflict (1948-Present)



• Arab-Israeli Conflict (1948-Present)

- o What: A political & military conflict about the establishment of a Jewish State in Palestine
 - The conflict is primarily between Israel and Arab States (e.g., Egypt, Jordan, Syria, etc.)
- o Status: A Jewish State has been established (i.e., Israel), but it is not recognized by all Arab States
 - Israel has signed peace treaties with several past enemies (e.g., Egypt, Jordan, etc.)
 - Israel is still opposed by some Arab States, but the opposition is softening (e.g., Saudi Arabia)
- o *Timeline:* The conflict includes the following events (also highlighted on the timeline above):
 - War: 1948 Arab-Israeli War, 1956 Sinai War, 1967 Six-Day War, 1972 Yom Kippur War
 - Peace: 1978 Camp David Accord. 1995 Israel-Jordan Peace Treaty, 2020 Abraham Accords

Israeli-Palestinian Conflict

(1967 - Present)



Flag of Palestine



Flag of Israel

Israeli-Palestinian Conflict (1967 - Present)

- What: A conflict about the establishment of a Palestinian State (Arab State) in Palestine
 - The conflict is primarily between Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO)
 - The conflict began in Palestine, but has expanded as refugees have moved to other countries
- o *Status*: A Palestinian State has been started, but is <u>not</u> yet fully established
 - The Palestinian National Authority (PNA or PA) was created to govern a Palestinian State
 - Some territory has been transferred from Israel to PNA control, but progress has stalled
- Timeline: The conflict includes the following events (also highlighted on the timeline above):
 - Terror: 1972 Olympic Massacre, 1976 Entebbe Raid, 1982 Sabra & Shatila Massacre, 1983 Beirut Barracks Bombings
 - Unrest: 1968-1982 Palestinian Insurgency, 1987-1993 1st Intifada, 2000-2007 2nd Intifada
 - War: Israel vs. PLO: 1978 South Lebanon Conflict I, 1982-1985 1st Lebanon War
 Israel vs. Hezbollah: 1985-2000 South Lebanon Conflict II
 - Peace: 1993 & 1995 Oslo Accords, 2000 Camp David Summit, 2018 Trump Peace Plan

Iran-Israel Proxy Conflict

(2006 - Present)







Iran-Israel Proxy Conflict (2006 - Present)

- What: A proxy conflict about issues related to the ongoing existence of Israel
 - The conflict is between Israel and proxy groups (e.g., Hamas, PIJ, Hezbollah) funded by Iran
 - The conflict involves individual & collective issues related to the ongoing existence of Israel
- o Status: Hamas controls 100% of the Gaza Strip and has launched recent terrorist attacks in Israel
 - Israel is responding by attacking Hamas, which may lead to broader conflict with Hezbollah
- o *Timeline*: The conflict includes the following events (also highlighted on the timeline above):
 - Terror: 2023 Hamas Attack on Israel
 - Unrest: 2007 Battle of Gaza, 2021 Israel—Palestine Crisis
 - War: Israel vs. Hezbollah: 1985-2000 South Lebanon Conflict II, 2006 2nd Lebanon War
 Israel vs. Hamas: 2008 1st Gaza War, 2014 2nd Gaza War, 2023 3rd Gaza War

How would you solve the Arab-Israeli Conflict?

- Historical Overview (1900-2023): https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iRYZjOuUnIU (10:18)
- Historical Overview (1915-2023): https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h77khc_6l6g (7:25)
- Historical Overview (1700 BCE-2021): https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m19F4IHTVGc (10:55)
- Two-State Solution? (1800-2023): https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tWJho-YV9FI (21:14)

Timeline of Arab-Israeli Crisis (1948 to Present)

Arab-Israeli History: Modern Era

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History of Israel: 1948-Present



Modern Israel



Israeli Territory Annexed / Occupied

1948 (May 14) Israeli Declaration of Independence: The State of Israel was established

1948-1949 Arab-Israeli War: Arab States attacked to stop the creation of Israel; Israel won the war

1949 UN Security Council Resolution 69: Israel became a member state of the United Nations

Israeli-Palestinian Struggle: Palestinian Attacks on Israeli Civilians and Israeli Reprisal Ops Suez Crisis: In alliance with the U.K. & France, Israel attacked Egypt in the Sinai War

Palestine Liberation Organization: The PLO was established to represent Palestinians

Israeli Nuclear Weapons: Israel likely obtained nuclear weapons (still denied)

Six-Day War: Israel seized the 'Occupied Territories' (Gaza, West Bank, Golan Heights)

Palestinian Insurgency in Lebanon: Conflict between Palestinians & Israelis / Christians

Jordanian Civil War: King Hussein fights the PLO (Fatah) in Jordan (Black September)

Yom Kippur War: Arab States executed a surprise attack on Israel, with initial success

Terror Attacks: 1972 Munich Olympics, 1976 Entebbe Raid

1974 International Recognition of Palestine: The PLO became a non-state observer in the UN

UN Resolution 3379: Stated Zionism was a form of racial discrimination (revoked in 1991)

Lebanese Civil War: Civil War in a country strained by the influx of Palestinian refugees

South Lebanon Conflict I: Israel invaded southern Lebanon; PLO withdraws to the north

Camp David Accords: Peace between Israel and Egypt

Israel annexes the Golan Heights

1st Lebanon War: Israel invades southern Lebanon and drove the PLO out of Lebanon Sabra & Shatila Massacre: Palestinian refugees killed by Lebanese militia (Israeli support) Israeli Occupation of the Sinai Peninsula Ends: Israeli settlements are evacuated

South Lebanon Conflict II: Israeli fights Hezbollah in occupied southern Lebanon 1st Intifada: Sustained Palestinian protests and riots in the occupied territories and Israel

Palestinian Declaration of Independence: The State of Palestine declared by the PLO

Oslo Accords: Israel & PLO formally recognize each other; agree to a Palestinian State

Israel-Jordan Peace Treaty: Peace between Israel and Jordan

Palestinian National Authority: The PNA was created to establish a Palestinian State

Assassination of Israeli Prime Minister: An Israeli citizen kills Yitzhak Rabin to stop peace Camp David Summit: The US led a failed attempt to finalize peace after the Oslo Accords

2nd Intifada: Sustained Palestinian protests and riots in the occupied territories and Israel

2nd Lebanon War: Israel invades southern Lebanon because of Hezbollah raids

Palestinian Legislative Election: Hamas (44%) wins a plurality over Fatah (41%)

Palestinian Split: Hamas & Fatah split in the Battle of Gaza and failed to reconcile

Lebanon Conflict: A brief conflict in Lebanon between militias and Sunnis

2008-2009 1st Gaza War: Israel destroys Hamas rockets

Syrian Civil War: Ongoing, multi-sided war between Bashar al-Assad & opposition groups

2012 Israeli operation in the Gaza Strip: Israel kills Hamas leaders

2012 International Recognition of Palestine: The PLO became a UN observer state

2nd Gaza War: Israel fights Hamas because of kidnapping & rockets 2014

2020 Abraham Accords: Israeli peace treaty with Bahrain & UAE

2021 Israel-Palestine Crisis: Unrest in Gaza & Jerusalem

2023 3rd Gaza War: Israel attacks Gaza in response to Hamas terrorist attacks

Legend: Peace, Law & Order, Unrest, War, Terror, Related Event







