

# Israel-Palestine Conflict

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Past to Present

# Israel-Palestine Pre-1917

## A Place of Frequent Conquest

- Predominantly Jewish from the start of Judaism until Roman occupation in 300 CE. Roman control from 300 CE until 700 CE
- Arab/Muslim occupation from the 700's until the Roman Crusades starting about 1100
- Roman/Christian occupation returns for about 200 years until the 1300's
- Arab/Muslim control from the 1300-1917
- British Conquest as a territory in 1917

# Israel-Palestine 1917-1947

## Nationalism or Incursion

- Zionism- Supports the reestablishment of a Jewish homeland in The Holy Land (Israel/Palestine).
- Jews initially sided with the Germans seeing Russians as the main source of anti-semitic feelings.
- The Balfour Declaration of 1917- Stated that the British favored the establishment of a Jewish State.
- Jews across Europe migrate toward British occupied Palestine, and begin to settle what would become Israel.
- American Support of the Jewish State becomes official after WW II

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**Proposed plan to divide the land between Israel and Palestine.**

Jerusalem was to be a neutral territory controlled by the U.N.

**Jewish government accepted the plan, but the Palestinian government did not.**

Plan was never officially approved.

# 1948 - 1949: Arab-Israeli War (Israel War of Independence)

1947: United Nations  
Partition Plan



June 1948: Arab  
armies invade



July 1948: Israeli army  
counterattacks



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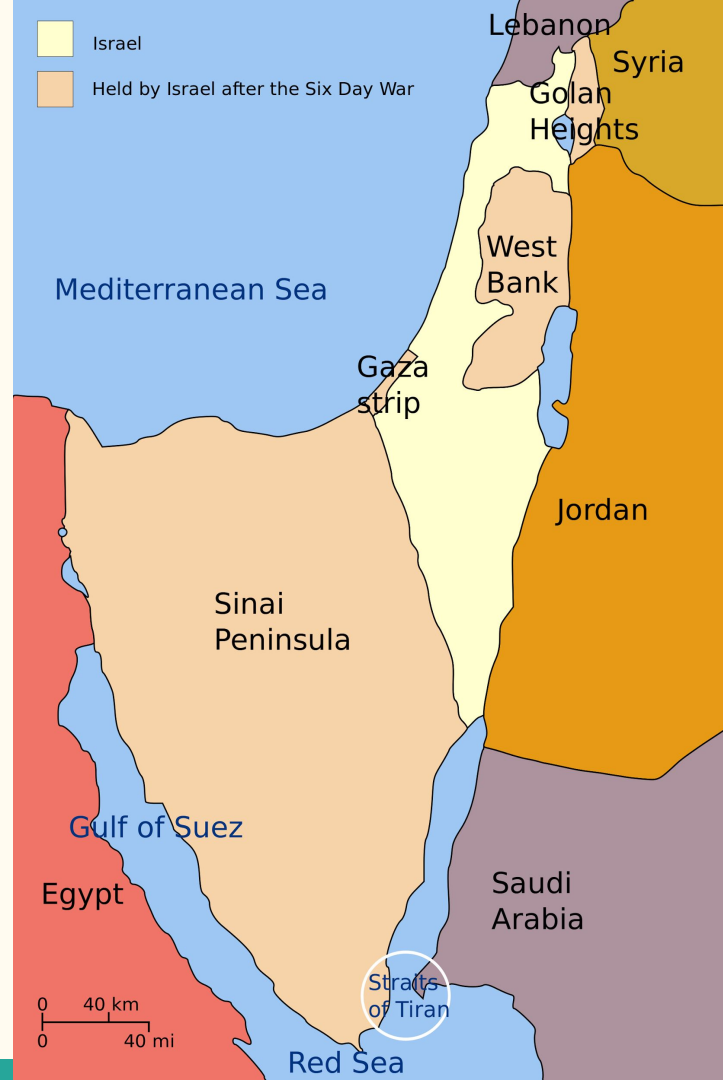
Rejection of Partition Plan leads to a civil war.

**Egypt, Jordan, Syria, Iraq, and Palestinian forces attack after Israel declared independence in May 1948.**

Israel pushes Arab forces back in July 1948, and a **truce is signed in 1949.**

# 1967: The Six Day War

June 5 - June  
10, 1967





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**Israel launches a surprise attack on Egypt.**

Complete destroys Egyptian air force.

**Israeli counterattacks against Egypt, Syria, and Jordan result in control of:**

**East Jerusalem**

**Golan Heights**

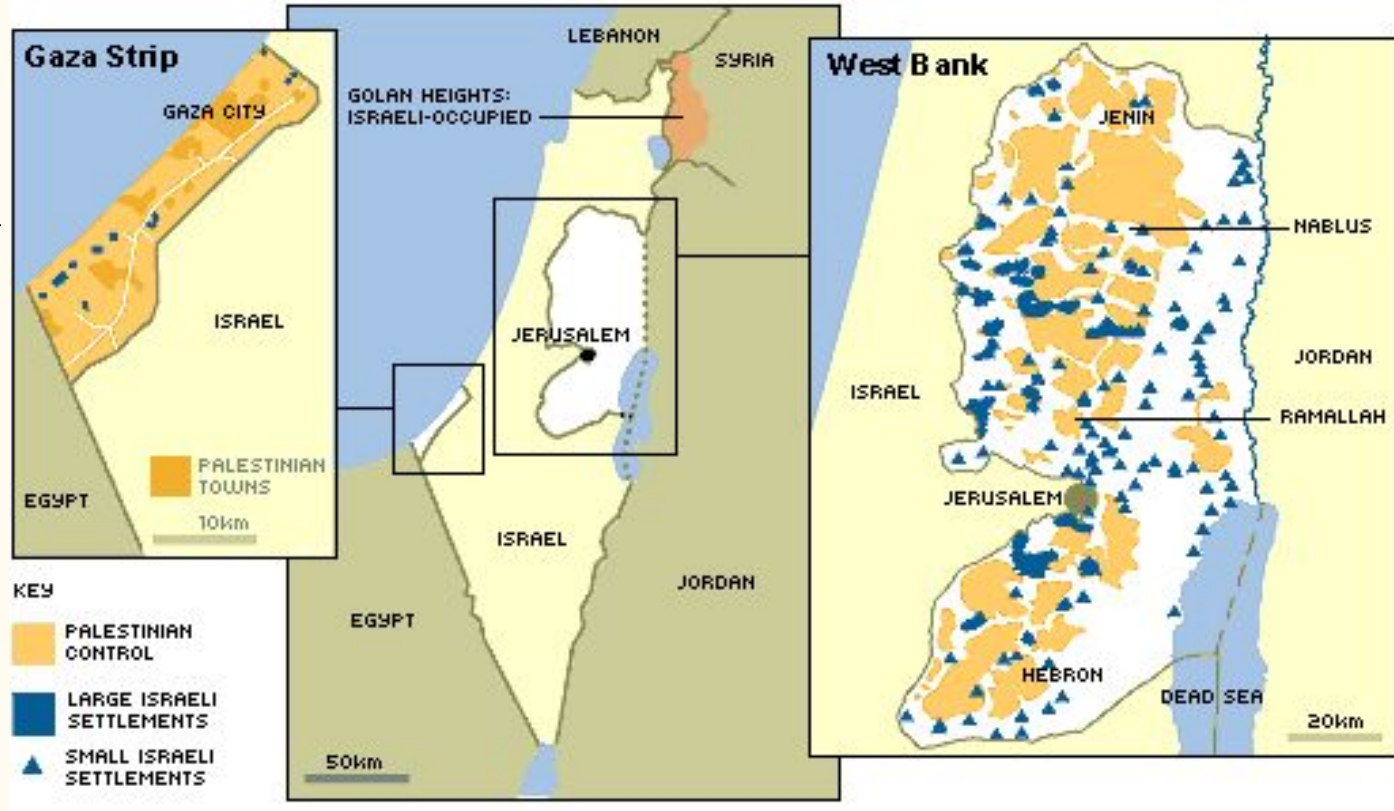
**The West Bank**

**The Gaza Strip**

**The Sinai Peninsula**

**2005 -  
Present Day**

**Palestine:  
West Bank  
& Gaza  
Strip**



2005 - Present Day

**2005: Israel withdraws from the Gaza Strip and settlements in the West Bank.**

**Present Day: On-going conflict between Israel and Hamas.**

**Hamas:** Muslim Palestinian organization that controls the government in the Gaza Strip.