

Introduction

The Jerusalem Statistical Yearbook 2018 is the 32nd Statistical Yearbook to be published by the Jerusalem Institute for Policy Research and the Jerusalem Municipality.

Through tables, charts, and maps the Yearbook presents an up-to-date statistical picture of a number of wide-ranging aspects of the city, as well as changing trends over time. This is the second Yearbook being published only online, which enables it to be more updated and precise.

Alongside the Yearbook we have published "Jerusalem: Facts and Trends. The State of the City and Changing Trends" which contains analyses and written descriptions of the state of the city, based on the statistics in the Yearbook.

The Jerusalem Statistical Yearbook aims to serve policy makers, state, municipal and private sector planners, researchers, students and lovers of Jerusalem in Israel and abroad.

Alongside the Statistical Yearbook, as in previous years we are pleased to present the publication "Jerusalem: Facts and Trends – The State of the City and Changing Trends, including analyses and descriptions of the state of affairs in Jerusalem, based on the figures of the Statistical Yearbook.

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