

Introduction

The 2013 *Statistical Yearbook of Jerusalem* marks the 27th edition of this publication, issued annually from 1982 by the Jerusalem Institute for Israel Studies and the Municipality of Jerusalem. All of the tables that appear in the *Yearbook* as well as some additional, detailed tables are available on the JIIS web site, at www.jiis.org

The *Statistical Yearbook* presents an up-to-date statistical picture of the city in a wide and diverse range of fields, in tables, graphs, maps and other statistics, as well as indicating trends of change that are underway and comparisons of Jerusalem with other places – Tel Aviv-Yafo, Haifa, all-Israel and the locales around Jerusalem.

The *Yearbook* is aimed first and foremost to serve policy makers, government, urban and private planners, researchers and students, and indeed anyone interested in this spread of information.

This year the *Yearbook* includes 16 new tables. New subjects that appear outline the socio-economic characterization of the population, voting results in the last Knesset elections, a characterization of tourism and visits to tourist sites, a look at the Jerusalem public transport system, and participation in the labor force by household.

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