



Monthly summary – October 2012

October saw a **significant increase** in the number of terrorist attacks: **166**, as opposed to 91 in September 2012.

With that in the background, the increase in the number of attacks coming from the Gaza Strip was (96 in October, as opposed to 23 in September) due to a round of escalation in southern Israel. 116 rockets and 55 mortar shells were fired against Israel.

The number of attacks in the Judea and Samaria **stayed the same**: 39 attacks, similar to that in September. Jerusalem on the other hand saw a **slight increase** in the number of attacks: 31 as opposed to 28 in September.

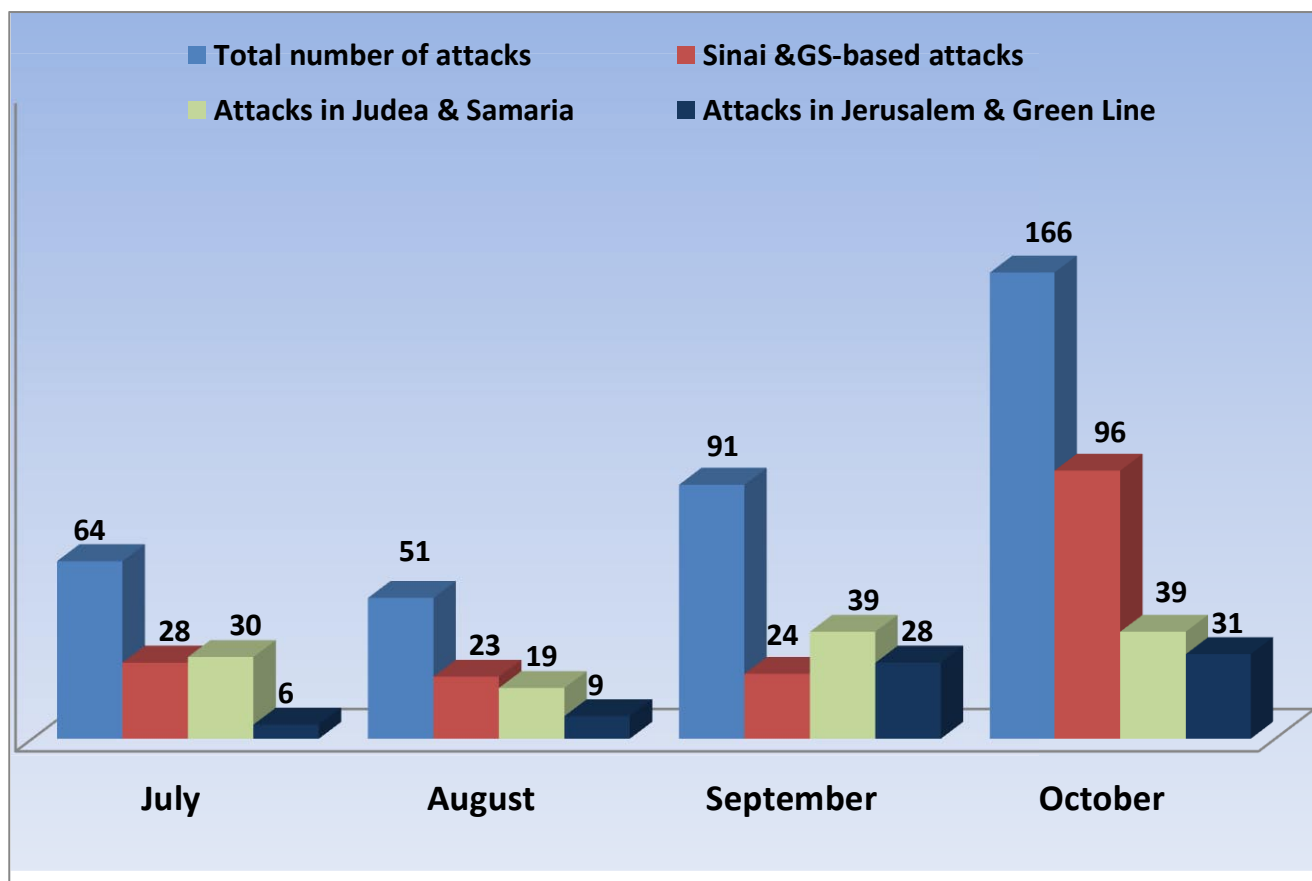
This month's terror attacks resulted in **five casualties**: An Israeli civilian was injured by a firebomb in Samaria (October 21); an IDF officer was injured in an IED attack on Gaza's border (October 23); and three foreign workers were injured by rockets fired from Gaza towards Israel (October 24).

Data regarding terror attacks in October 2012

Following is a regional distribution of attacks: **96 attacks from the Gaza Strip (23 in September); 39 attacks in the Judea and Samaria (as in September); 31 attacks in Jerusalem (28 in September).**

Jerusalem and the Judea and Samaria area: Most attacks executed in October (68 out of 70) were in the form of firebombs (September: 65 out of 67).

Below is a diagram showing the distribution of attacks compared to previous months:



Distribution of attacks according to regions and pattern profile:

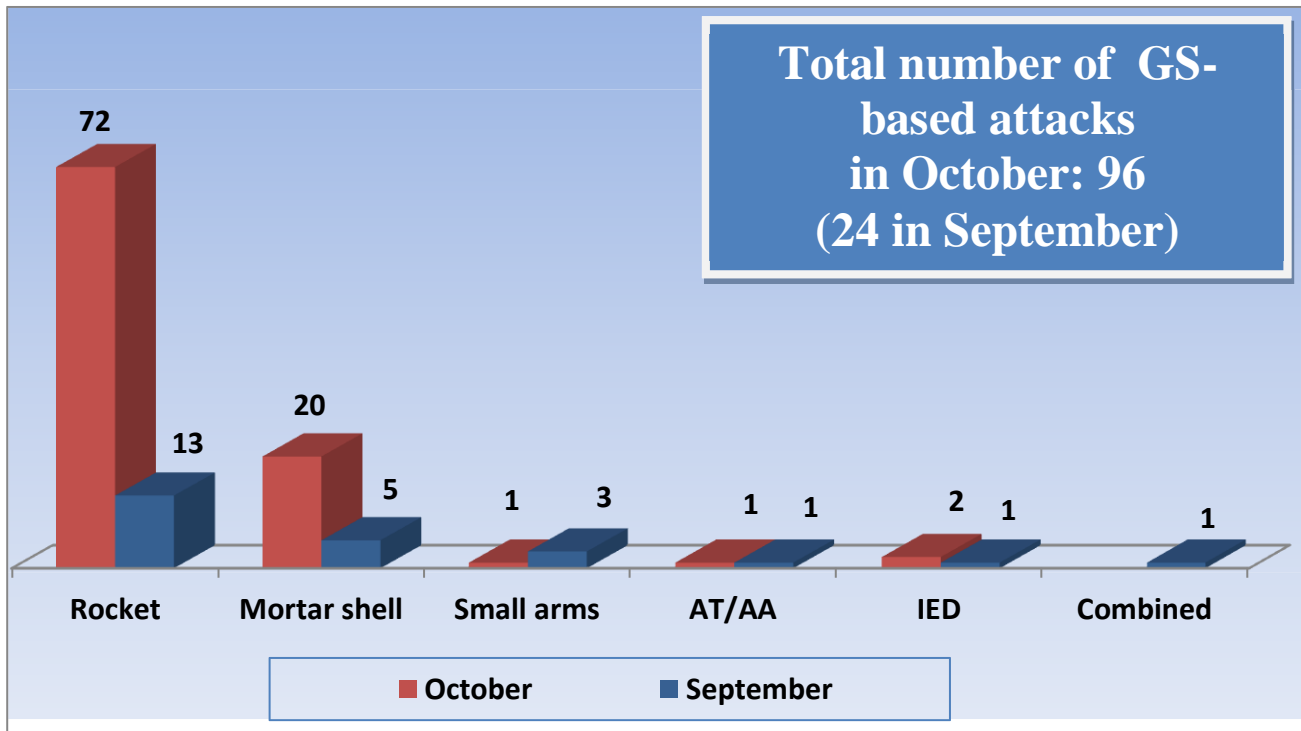
Following is a distribution of attacks in October 2012 according to regions:

The Gaza Strip – 96 attacks: 72 rocket launchings; 20 mortar shell launchings; 1 small arms shooting; 2 IED; 1 AA.

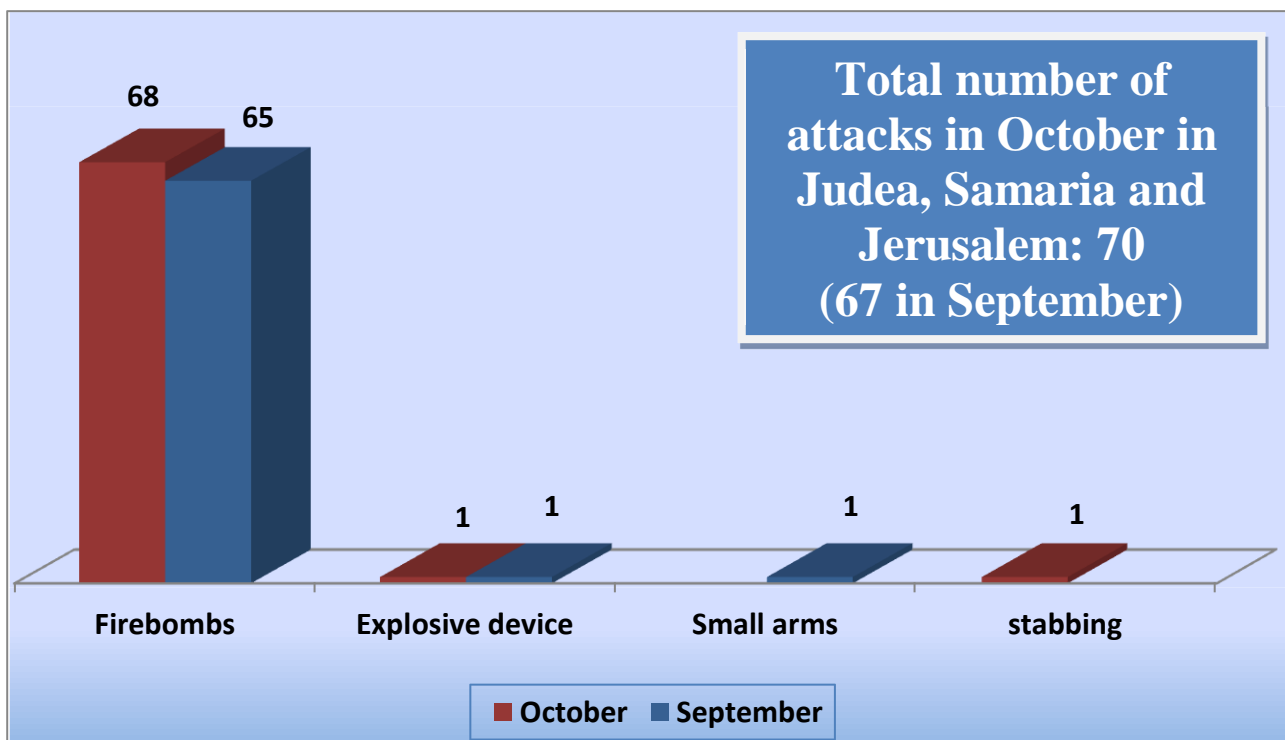
Judea, Samaria and Jerusalem – 70 attacks: 1 stabbing; 1 explosive device; 68 firebombs (31 in Jerusalem).

Below is a diagram showing distribution of attacks according to regions:

Attacks from the Gaza Strip and Sinai in October 2012 compared to September



Attacks in the Judea, Samaria and Jerusalem in October 2012 compared to September

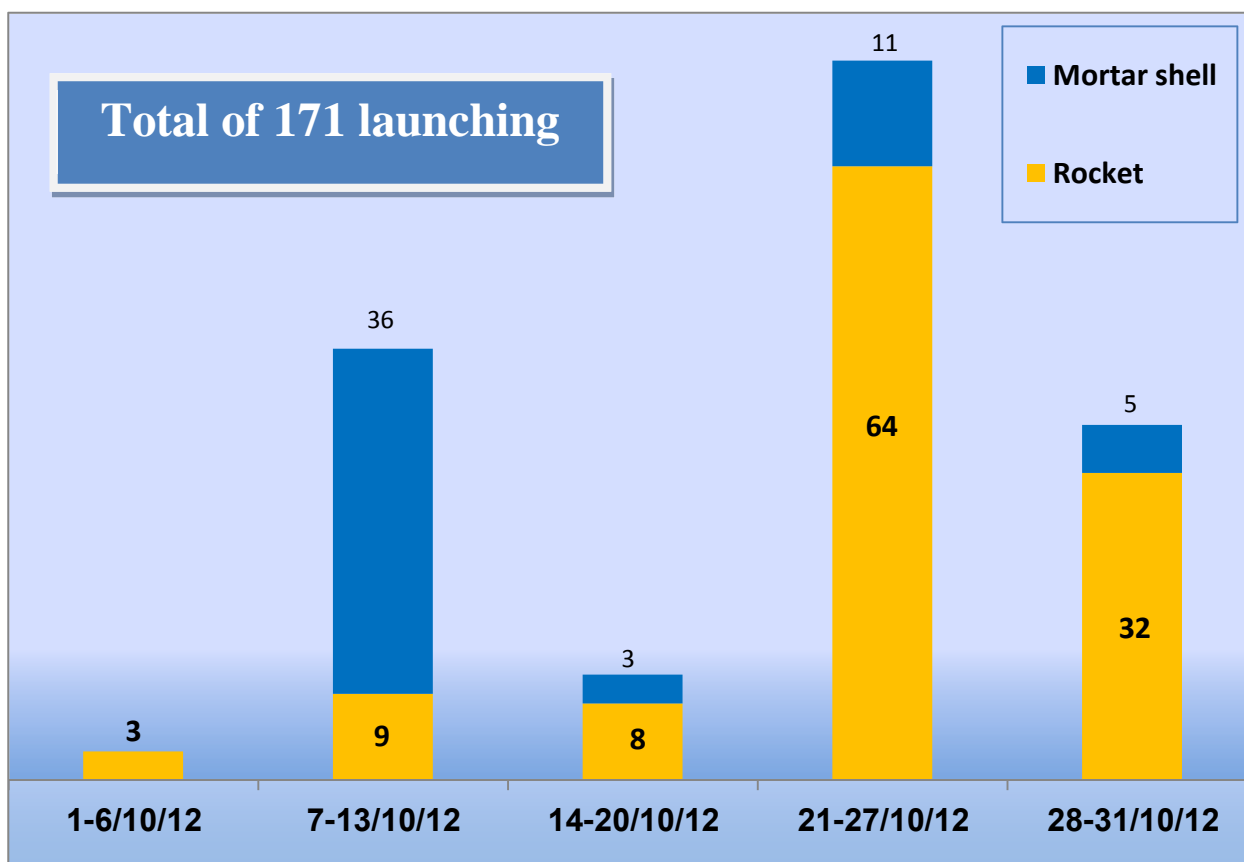


High-trajectory launchings from Gaza Strip

Throughout October 2012, 116 rockets and 55 mortar shells were launched** towards Israel, (in 92 attacks), compared to 17 rockets and 8 mortar shells, in September (in 25 attacks).

****Clarification:** The number of launchings is the number of rockets/mortar shells actually launched during one high-trajectory fire attack. For example: one attack may include a salvo of three launchings, that is, three rockets/mortar shells, and so it will be counted as one attack and three launchings.

Rocket and mortar shell launchings** throughout October 2012 in a weekly profile



Rocket and mortar shell launchings** compared to previous months

Total of 6	Total of 218	Total of 27	Total of 24	Total of 25	Total of 171
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