

Monthly Summary – December 2015

December 2015 **saw a decrease in the number of attacks: 246** (183 in the form of firebombs), as opposed to 326 in November.

The decrease was evident in most regions. 194 attacks occurred in Judea and Samaria, compared to November's 265 attacks. 43 attacks took place in Jerusalem, as opposed to 52 in November, and 2 attacks took place within the Green Line, compared to 5 in November. On the other hand, **the number of attacks originating in the Gaza Strip grew** from 4 in November to 7 in December.

The decrease in the number of attacks in December led to **fewer casualties in terrorist attacks: 3 civilians were killed, and 44 were injured**, as opposed to November: 10 killed and 58 injured.

All three of the fatalities were caused by stabbings. Two people were killed in Jerusalem's Old City on 23 December and one in Hebron on 7 December. Among the non-fatal casualties, **two were assaulted, 21 were wounded in vehicle attacks, 16 were stabbed, and 5 were injured in shootings.**

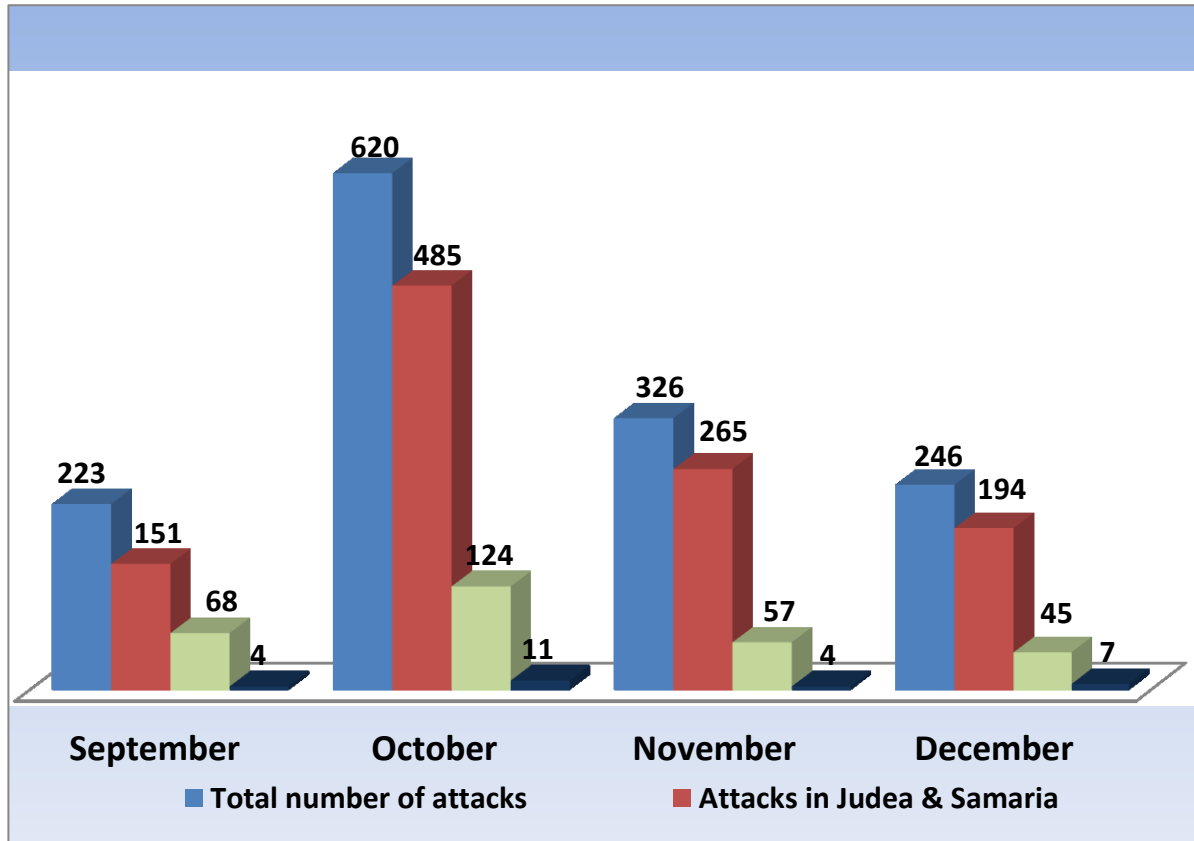
In December, one terrorist attack was carried out by Jewish right-wing extremists: on 22 December two gas grenades were thrown into a house in Beitilu, Ramallah. There were no casualties.

Data regarding terror attacks in December 2015

Following is a regional distribution of attacks: **7 attack from the Gaza Strip, (4 in November); 194 attacks in the Judea and Samaria (265 in November); 43 attacks in Jerusalem (52 in November); 2 within the "Green Line" (5 in November).**

Jerusalem and the Judea and Samaria area: Most attacks executed in December 181 out of 237 **were in the form of firebombs** (November: 249 out of 317).

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



Distribution of attacks according to regions and pattern profile:

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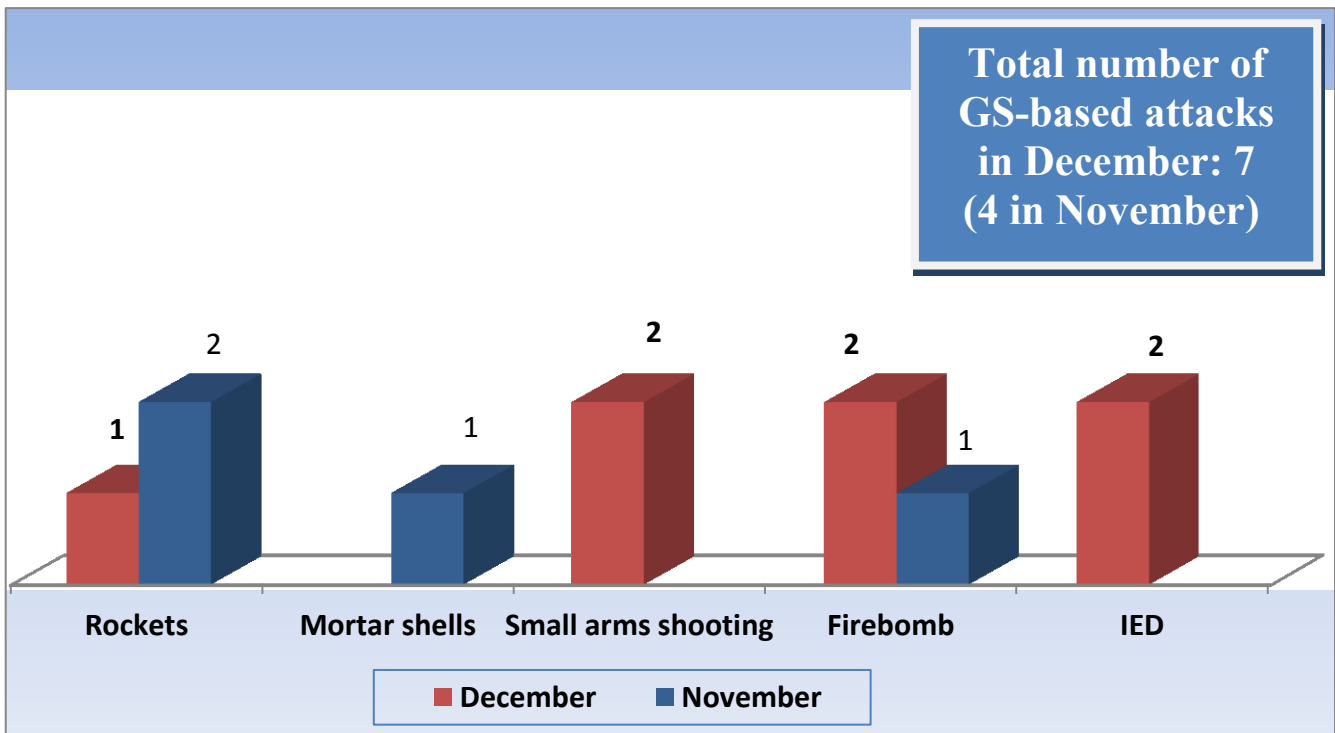
The Gaza Strip – 7 attacks: 1 rocket launching; 2 firebombs; 2 small arms shooting; 2 IED.

Judea, Samaria and Jerusalem – 237 attacks: 13 small arms shooting; 27 IED (including pipe bombs and improvised grenade) (2 in Jerusalem); 10 stabbing (4 in Jerusalem); 6 run over (1 in Jerusalem); 181 firebombs (36 in Jerusalem).

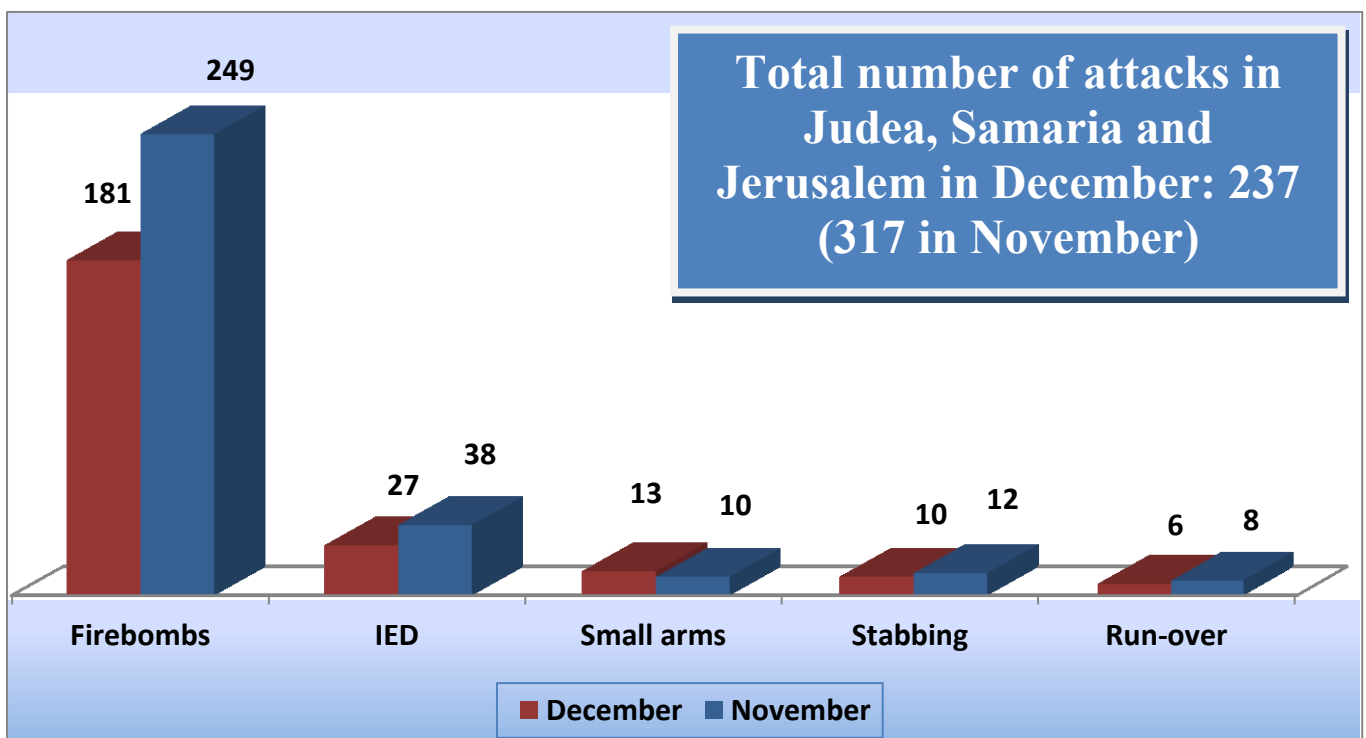
The "Green Line" – 2 attacks: 1 stabbing: 1 assault.

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Attacks from the Gaza Strip in December 2015 compared to November



Attacks in Judea, Samaria and Jerusalem in December 2015 compared to November

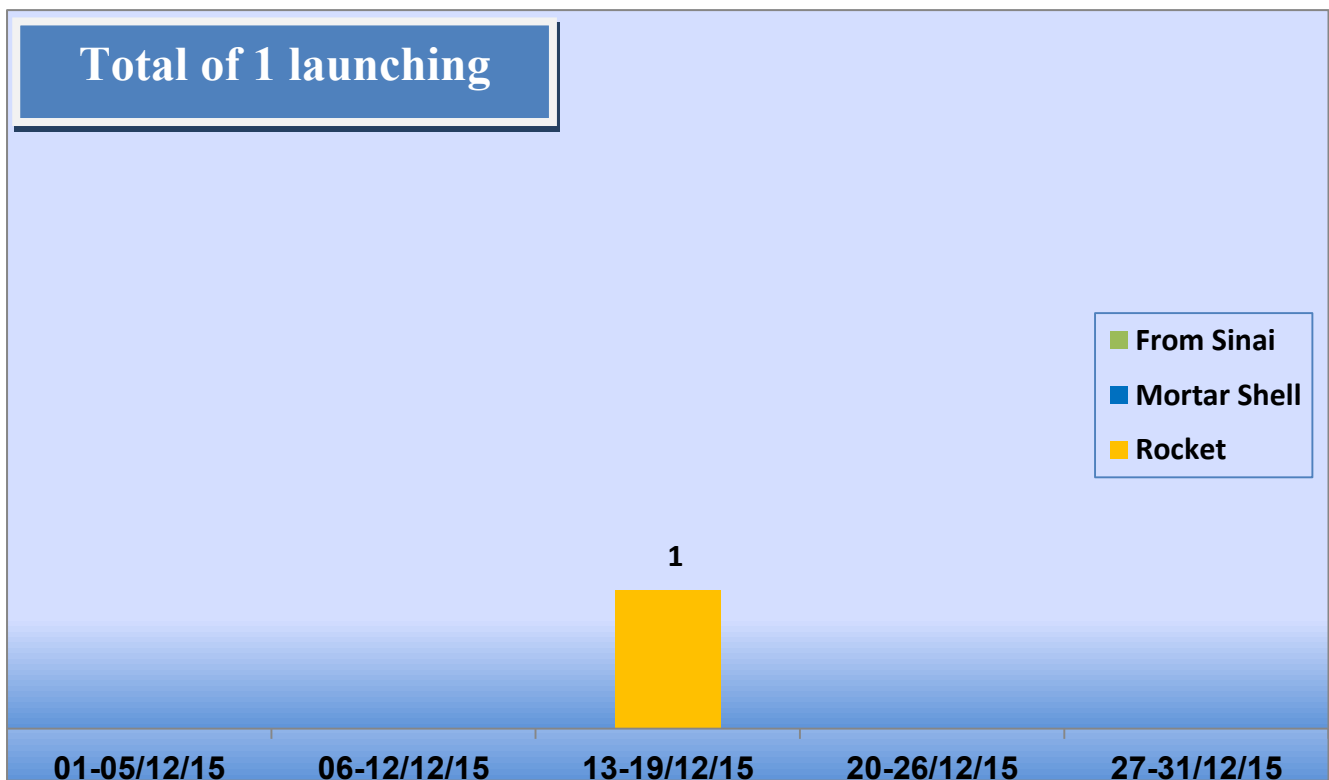


High-trajectory launchings from Gaza Strip and Sinai

Throughout December 2015 one rocket was launched** from the Gaza Strip towards Israel, as opposed to 2 in November (in 3 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 December 2015 in a weekly profile



Rocket and mortar shell launchings** compared to previous months

