

doubled between 1971 and 1973 and reached over one-third billion in 1974. It is not surprising, therefore, that the occupied territories became the largest market for Israeli goods in 1973, if we exclude Israeli exports of polished diamonds....The occupied territories became the largest market for Israeli goods, as the following table indicates:

Value of Israeli Exports to Major Markets in 1973 (million dollars)

U.S.A.	267.0
(excluding polished diamonds)	132.1
Britain	140.8
(excluding polished diamonds)	121.4
West Germany	137.6
(excluding polished diamonds)	105.6
West Bank and Gaza Strip	189.0

That is, in 1973 Israel exported to the West Bank and Gaza Strip a quarter of all its exports for that year, excluding polished diamonds. The West Bank and Gaza imported in 1973 and 1974 90 percent of the value of their total imports from Israel. While Israeli imports from both in 1973 did not exceed 2.3 percent of total Israeli imports. See Jamil Hilal, The Palestinians of the West Bank and Gaza Strip: Social and Economic Conditions under Israeli Occupation (P.L.O. Department of Information and National Guidance--Studies and Publication Section, May, 1976), pp. 9-10.

14. These skilled and unskilled productive labor categories relate to workers in industry: mining, building, transport and other workers.

In assessing under/over representation factors, we divided the proportion of each particular group that falls into a particular labor category by the proportionate size of that group in the labor force (not in the population-at-large) minus one.

In 1972, for example, total labor force employed in Israel, including workers from occupied territories, reached 1,099,800 persons. Of these, 34 percent were Europe-America immigrants, 29 percent (Oriental) Asia-Africa immigrants, 23 percent born-in-Israel Sabras, 9 percent citizen Palestinians, and 5 percent non-citizen Palestinians from occupied territories. All Palestinian workers constituted 14 percent of Israel's labor force.

15. I. Oweiss, The Israeli Economy: A War Economy, op.cit., p. 43.