Ar Ramadin

Hebron

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## **Location and boundaries**

Ar Ramadin is located in the South Western part of the Hebron Governorate, 24 km from Hebron city. It is bordered by Ad Dhahriyah from the north, Dura from the west, and the separation barrier from the south.

## **Etymology**

The name of the village is derived from the name of the first grandfather of the family “Ramadan”.

All residents of Ar Ramadin village trace their origins to the Negev Bedouin. After Al Nakba occurred in 1948 and Israel occupied the homelands of the Bedouin community and they were forced to migrate to a new area.

## **Population**

According to population projections based on the Population, Housing and Establishments Census 2017, prepared by the Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS) the population of Ar Ramadin reaches 4,449, of whom around 50.2% are females. According to PCBS 29.4% of the population (or 1,213 people out of 4,114 of the 2017 population) are poor.

## **Topography**

Ar Ramadin is 565 meters above sea level, according to PCBS (2017) it has 945 structures.

## **The Area**

The area of Ar Ramadin to be surveyed and registered within this project is 18,900.40 dunums, 82.5 per cent of which is located in Area C. The area also includes 3,919.20 dunums of high and medium agricultural value.

A local outline is being prepared for Ar Ramadin including 930.6 dunums

## **Land and basins**

Ar Ramadin is divided into approximately 20 basins, Khillet Deir Al Hawa and Wadi As Sultan (northern, southern and eastern), Wadi Ash Shomar (north, middle and south), Umm Shomra, As Sarfandiyat, Al Bahih (northern and southern), Umm Sidra, Al Isharah, Abu Al Ayyara, Al Jarjawiya, San'a Al Jabiri (eastern and western), Al Mishha and Shaab Al Qaslan, Umm Habla (Al Habla) and Deir Al Ghawi, Shateh Al Qunbar, Khallat Al Radwana (eastern, western and southern), Emdemna (western and southern), Deir Saida (east and west) and Tatrete.

## **Local authority**

In 2019 Ar Ramadin village council was upgraded to a municipal council. Ar Ramadin municipality has eleven members, including two women, headed by Mr. Ahmad Zagharneh.

**Surrounding Israeli Settlements**[[1]](#footnote-1)

Ar Ramadin is surrounded by Israeli settlements, Eshkolot Quarry to the north, Teneh settlement (around 750 settlers) to the east, Eshkolot and Sansana settlements (around 521 and 408 settlers) are within Ar Ramadin lands with total area of 252 dunums. In addition to around 2000 dunums confiscated by the separation barrier. **Families**

The main families in Ar Ramadin are Al Zagharna, Al Shou’our, Al Fureijat and Al Mlihat, Al Raghmat, Al Saoua’da, Al Daghaghma, and Al Masamra.

**Sources of income**

In Ar Ramadin, 59 per cent work in trade, while 20 per cent work in agriculture and raising livestock and 20 per cent in the Israeli labour market, and only 1 per cent public employees[[2]](#footnote-2). The rate of women's participation in the labour market is low, ranging from 10 – 14.9 per cent.

**Institutions and associations**

Ar Ramadin has the Rural Women Centre and the Ramadin Youth Club.

## **Targeted area (map)**

1. OCHA <https://www.ochaopt.org/atlas2019/isrsettlements.html> [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. (Arij, 2009) <http://vprofile.arij.org/hebron/pdfs/Ar%20Ramadin%20Village-en.pdf> [↑](#footnote-ref-2)