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FACT SHEET



- On October 7th, 2023, Hamas invaded southern Israel at dawn, murdering over 1,200 people and kidnapping 251 hostages.
- Mass atrocities: torture, rape, and the targeting of children and the elderly occurred.
- The attack was Iran backed and planned for months.
- Hamas unleashed 2,500 rockets in 20 minutes at Israel towns and military bases.
- Hamas targeted the Israeli watch towers near the Gaza border, Israeli military equipment close to the border, armored vehicles, telecommunication infrastructure.
- Explosives were used to create breaches in security fences.
- Hamas used motorboats to reach Israel by sea.
- **Be'eri Massacre:** 132 Israeli fatalities, 101 civilians and 31 security personnel, 32 hostages
- **Supernova Music Festival Massacre:** nearly 400 participants killed, 44 abducted
- Hamas was aiming to quickly disable Israeli military communications and cameras near Gaza.
- **As of September 9, 2025, there are still 48 hostages in Gaza.**

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