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DEIR AL-BALAH, Gaza Strip (AP) — Israeli strikes overnight and into Sunday killed 10 people in [the Gaza Strip](#), mostly women and children, according to local health officials.

Two of the strikes hit tents in the southern city of Khan Younis, each killing two children and their parents. Other strikes killed a child and a man riding a bicycle, according to Nasser Hospital, which received the bodies from all the strikes.

The Israeli military says it only targets militants and tries to avoid harming civilians. It blames Hamas for civilian deaths in the 19-month-old war because the militants are embedded in densely populated areas. There was no immediate Israeli comment on the latest strikes.

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Israel [has sealed Gaza off from all imports](#), including food, medicine and emergency shelter, for over 10 weeks in what it says is a pressure tactic aimed at forcing Hamas to release hostages. Israel resumed its offensive in March [shattering a ceasefire](#) that had facilitated the release of more than 30 hostages.

Aid groups say food supplies are running low and hunger is widespread.

U.S. President Donald Trump, whose administration has voiced full support for Israel's actions, [is set to visit Saudi Arabia](#), Qatar and the United Arab Emirates this week in a regional tour that will not include Israel.



**Israeli strikes on Gaza kill at least 27 Palestinians**



## **Katz says Israeli troops will remain in Gaza, Lebanon and Syria indefinitely**



## **Netanyahu says Israel has 'no choice' but to continue fighting in Gaza**

The war began when Hamas-led militants attacked southern Israel on Oct 7, 2023, killing some 1,200 people, mostly civilians, and taking 251 hostages. Fifty-nine hostages are still inside Gaza, around a third of them believed to be alive, after most of the rest were released in ceasefire agreements or other deals.

Israel's offensive has killed over 52,000 Palestinians, mostly women and children, according to Gaza's Health Ministry, which does not say how many of the dead were combatants or civilians. The offensive has destroyed vast areas of the territory and displaced some 90% of its population of around 2 million.





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