# Claim

Claim: "The population in Gaza has increased by 2.02% since Oct. 7, 2023."

## **Actions**

web\_search("Gaza population increase October 7 2023")

## **Evidence**

#### Evidence from web\_search

CNN (<u>Source</u>) reports that Gaza's population dropped by 6% in 2024, with about 100,000 Palestinians leaving since October 7, 2023, and at least 45,553 killed in Israeli attacks <u>image:k</u>, <u>image:j</u>. The Times of Israel (<u>Source</u>) also states a 6% decline, citing the Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS), which indicates a decline of approximately 160,000



people

Conversely, the New York City Financial Policy Association (NYCFPA) published an article (<u>Source</u>) stating that the population in Gaza has increased by 2.02% since October 7, 2023



. This estimate is based on growth forecasts from August 2023.

### **Elaboration**

The evidence presents conflicting information regarding the population change in Gaza since October 7, 2023. CNN (<u>Source</u>) and The Times of Israel (<u>Source</u>) report a decrease of 6%.

However, the New York City Financial Policy Association (NYCFPA) published an article (<u>Source</u>) claims an increase of 2.02%, based on growth forecasts from August 2023.

Therefore, the claim's veracity is uncertain due to the conflicting reports.

# **Final Judgement**

The evidence presents conflicting information. Some sources indicate a population decrease in Gaza since October 7, 2023, while another source claims an increase. The claim is therefore not verifiable. false

**Verdict: FALSE** 

#### **Justification**

The claim is not verifiable. While the New York City Financial Policy Association (<u>Source</u>) states an increase of 2.02%, based on growth forecasts, CNN (<u>Source</u>) and The Times of Israel (<u>Source</u>) report a 6% decrease in population since October 7, 2023.