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| Name (English) | Ramla |
| Name (Fuṣḥā, transcription) | ar-Ramla |
| Name (Fuṣḥā, Arabic) | الرملة |
| Name in local variety (in transcription) | ir-Ramle |
| Geo location | 31°56’ N  34°52’ E |
| Typology (Local) |  |
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| General | During the reign of the Umayyads Ramla was a prosperous capital of a district within aš-Šām with a multi-ethnic and multireligious population. The city served as an important educational and cultural centre. Medieval text sources also mention thriving markets and flourishing commerce as the city was surrounded by orchards providing fruits and vegetables for its inhabitants.  In the 11th century Ramla suffered severe damages by Bedouin raids and was completely destroyed by various earthquakes. Although it was re-established and served as an important centre for Seljuks, Crusaders, Fatimids, Mamluks and the Ottomans it never regained its size and prosperity.  In 1948 Ramla was occupied by Israeli forces and most of its original Arab population was forced to leave the city. Nowadays only a small Arab community remained in Ramla. |
| Research history | Werner (2004) gives an insight on the phonology and morphology of the dialects spoken in Yaffa and its surrounding villages including information on the variety in Ramla.  Werner (2004) is a collection of four short humorous anecdotes with German translations. |
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