

Nof Nasser Eddin Female Palestinian Refugees Economic Activity in East and West Amman

This research will be of interest to:

People who are interested in refugees' and women's studies in general and female Palestinian refugees in specific.

Additionally to people who would like to know more about the complex reality in the Jordan in terms of class system

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The research is based on a comparative study of female Palestinian refugees in Al-Wihdat refugee camp which is located in east Amman, and female Palestinian non-camp refugees in west Amman in terms of economic activity.

Research Methods

The data will be collected through combining both qualitative and quantitative data collection techniques. Qualitative methods will be based on semi-structured interviews with ten female camp refugees and ten female non-camp refugees between the ages of eighteen and twenty eight. This method will be used to explore the factors affecting women's economic activity and explore women's income generating activities, and will also help in finding what causes the difference in terms of economic activity between female camp and female non-camp Palestinian refugees. The quantitative research methods will basically include forty self-completion questionnaires with ten male camp and ten non-camp refugees as well as ten female camp and ten non-camp refugees. This method will be used to explore what men and women think about women's economic activity, and to find out the degree to which they might influence a woman's life.

Research Questions:

This research aims to understand the structures that make it difficult for female camp refugees to be economically active. Moreover, it is also an attempt to find out why there are significant differences between female camp and non-camp refugees in terms of employment and economic activity. The research will also attempt to answer the following research questions:

- What are the factors which influence female Palestinian camp and non-camp refugees' economic activity in Jordan?
- What are the differences between female camp refugees and female non-camp refugees in terms of economic activity? How can the different economic activity rates amongst female camp and non-camp Palestinian refugees be explained?
- What are female and male Palestinian refugees' views of female Palestinian refugees' work?