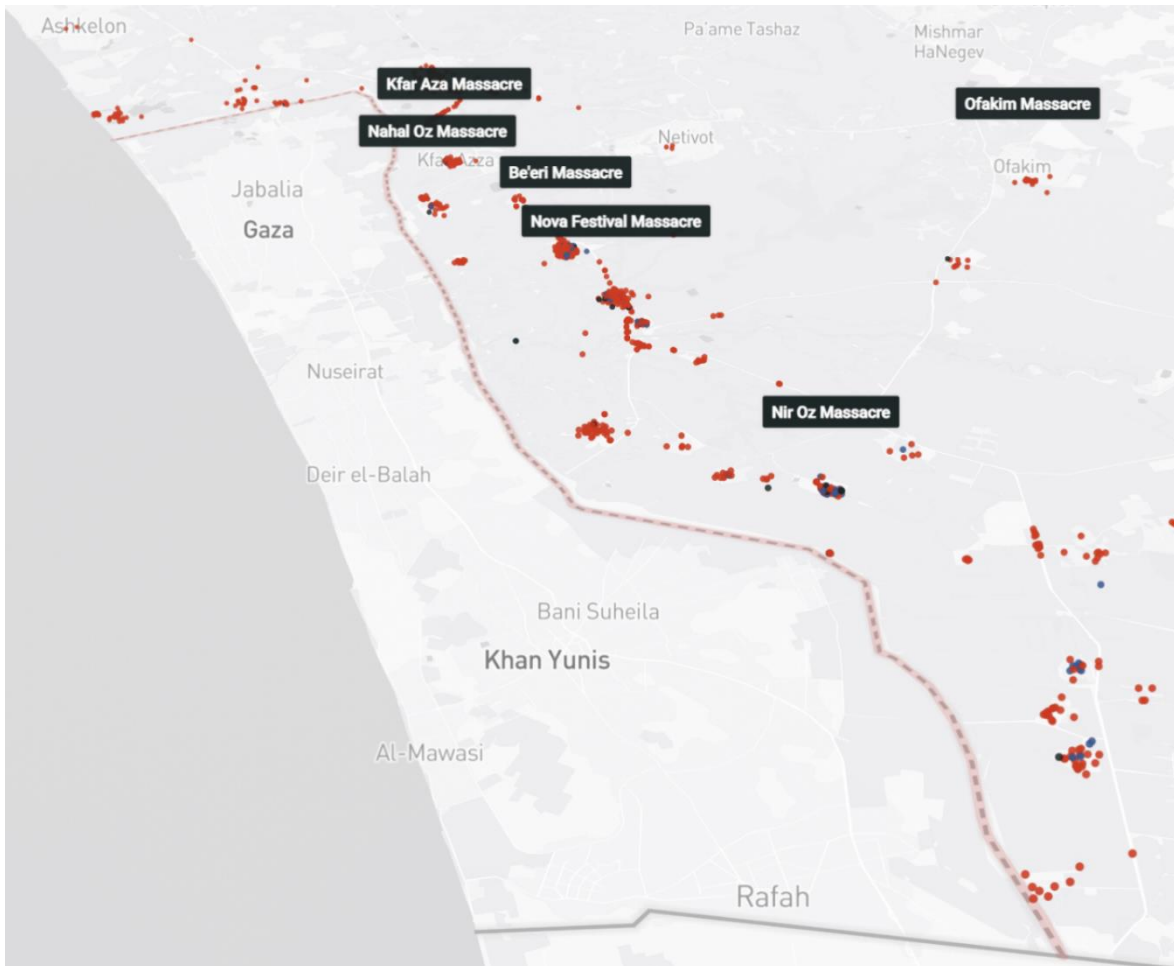


## October 7, 2023 Invasion and Massacres

On the morning of the Jewish holy day of Simchat Torah, Hamas led a simultaneous wave of assaults on Israeli civilian communities and military bases. The dawn attack began when Hamas launched over 5,000 rockets from Gaza into Israel, then used these strategic barrages as cover to breach the border. In this massive surprise onslaught on southern Israel, Hamas terrorists and Gazan committed heinous atrocities, including widespread sexual violence against women. The attack immediately led to war.



The attacks claimed the lives of over 1,192 individuals. 800 of the bodies were civilians. They left over 4,834 people wounded and resulted in more than 251 being taken hostage. Additionally, some bodies remained unidentified due to substantial mutilation.

Since October 7th, at least 21 hostages were murdered by Hamas or Islamic Jihad. More than 10 bodies of hostages murdered in captivity were recovered. 8 hostages were rescued by the IDF. 111 hostages were released in negotiations.

Among the survivors, 30 kidnap survivor women have endured sexual abuse by their captors. Currently, 99 people are still being held hostage; about 40 of them are dead, and their bodies remain captive. Use this interactive map to visit the attack sites, learn the facts, and view the horrors.

Disclaimer: Please note this is a project in progress and our data is constantly being updated. If you have additional information, please share it with the [October 7 project](#), which published the map and data above. The map is interactive and allows you to see in detail what happened in each incident. There is a special section for female victims of the atrocities.