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## PREFACE

This publication, which is produced jointly by the Central Bureau of Statistics and the Ministry of the Interior, presents physical data (e.g., on population, education and welfare, infrastructure, etc.) and financial data (on budget implementation) on local authorities in Israel in 2005.

The information included in this publication is intended to assist local authorities and central and local administrators and planners, as well as researchers, in their work on issues related to local government in Israel.

The data on all aspects of each local authority are presented in a consolidated form, in order to provide a concise profile of the local authority. In addition, comparative data on the various local authorities are presented.

The publication was prepared by the Construction and Local Authorities Division in the Central Bureau of Statistics, in consultation with the Division of Municipal Research in the Ministry of the Interior.

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# MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR

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The publication “Local Authorities in Israel 2005” is part of a series of annual publications produced jointly by the Ministry of the Interior and the Central Bureau of Statistics, and funded by the Ministry of the Interior.

In accordance with a Ministry of the Interior initiative to reduce the time between publication of the data and the period to which the data relate (without significantly harming the scope of the data published), the publication for 2005 is being released now, and it is planned to release the publication for 2006 at the end of October, 2007.

The publication provides a database on local government, which can assist the target populations in making decisions and designing policies.

At the national level, this publication is directed, above all, to senior administrative staff and policy-makers in the various units of the Ministry of the Interior. In addition, the information is used by other government ministries such as the Ministry of Construction and Housing and the Ministry of Education.

At the local level, the publication is intended for elected officials, professionals and administrators, who may use the information to develop a perennial database for the local authorities that they serve. The information may also be useful to public and private organizations, as well as to academic institutions and research institutes.

The data presented here will appear on the websites of the Ministry of the Interior and the CBS, in order to facilitate comparative statistical processing among the various local authorities, as well as in-depth studies of specific authorities.

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