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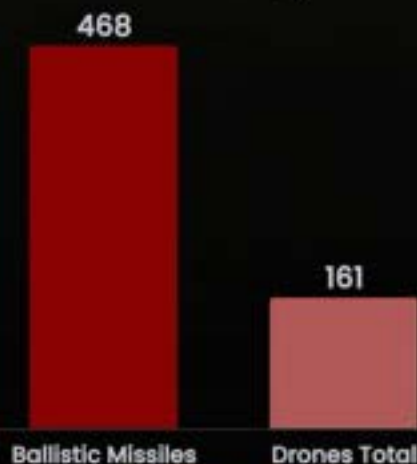
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Attacks in Iran



Israeli Building Hit by Missile



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Operational Clock War: Starting +155Hrs.

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Military Developments

Israeli Operations

- The Israeli Air Force (IAF) launched a major offensive, striking approximately **40 Iranian military targets** in western Iran.
- Strikes included missile sites that targeted Israel, missile storage facilities, Iranian soldiers, and missile assembly components.
- Later in the night, **60 Israeli fighter jets** conducted another round of airstrikes in **Tehran**, targeting:
 - **Weapons production sites**
 - **Centrifuge production and R&D sites** related to Iran’s nuclear weapons project
 - **Factories producing raw materials and missile components**
 - An **Emad ballistic missile launcher** prepared for an attack on Israel
 - **Sites for Iran’s air defense systems production**
- IAF also struck and destroyed **five Iranian AH-1 helicopters** at a military airbase in **Kermanshah**.
- On Thursday morning, Israel bombed Iran’s **Arak heavy water reactor**, a crucial site for plutonium production, and carried out a second strike on the **Natanz enrichment facility**, alongside ,ns of additional military sites.
- A wave of overnight strikes involved **40 fighter jets dropping 100 munitions** on military targets in Tehran and other regions, with an explicit goal of preventing the Arak reactor’s restoration for nuclear weapons development.
- **Heavy-water reactors** like Arak are considered a proliferation risk due to their capability to produce plutonium, a core material for atomic bombs.
- The IAF executed **over 600 aerial refuelings** across the Middle East, enabling dozens of jets to operate at ranges exceeding **1,500 kilometers** from Israel.

Iranian Attacks

- Iran fired **approximately 30 ballistic missiles** early Thursday morning.
- The **Soroka Medical Center** in southern Israel took a direct hit, forcing it to close to all but life-threatening cases.
- Additional impacts were recorded in **Holon** and **Ramat Gan**, central Israeli cities, resulting in **over 200 injuries** (six seriously). Rescue teams addressed people who were trapped under the debree.

- The strike in **Ramat Gan** occurred near the Israeli stock exchange, within a key financial district housing multiple European and African embassies and diplomatic missions, causing massive damage.

Inside Iran

- The **IDF issued a public message in Persian**, urging concerned Iranians—including members of the security establishment—to contact Israel's Mossad intelligence agency.
- **Internet restrictions** in Iran were further tightened, with the regime accusing Israel of exploiting the network for military purposes during the conflict.
- The regime's internet clampdown is widely viewed as a sign of fear over potential **internal unrest** triggered by the Israeli offensive.
- **Iranian state television was hacked**, reportedly by Israeli cyber operations, briefly airing footage of **women's protests against modesty restrictions** and encouraging public demonstrations.

Geopolitical Reactions

- **United States:**
 - **President Donald Trump** reportedly told his staff that he has approved plans to strike Iran but is holding off to see if Iran will abandon its nuclear ambitions.
 - According to Axios, Trump inquired if **the GBU-57 30,000-pound bombs** could destroy Iran's **Fordow nuclear facility**; Pentagon officials said this is possible, though Trump has not yet made a final decision.
 - Trump has sent mixed signals, stating: "I may do it, I may not do it. I mean, nobody knows what I'm going to do," and emphasizing it's not "too late" for Iran to halt its nuclear program.
 - Trump claimed Iran even suggested sending envoys to the White House for talks to end Israel's air assault, but also expressed frustration, saying:
 - **"I've had it, okay? I give up, no more, we go and blow up all the nuclear stuff that's all over the place."**
 - Later, Trump argued Iran was only "a few weeks away" from a nuclear weapon before Israel intervened, and now calls for "total victory," not a ceasefire.
 - He added: "I'm not looking to fight, but if it's a choice between fighting and having a nuclear weapon, you have to do what you have to do. Maybe we won't have to fight."
 - **Iran's UN mission** denied that Tehran sought negotiations with the U.S., stating: "Iran does NOT negotiate under duress, shall NOT accept peace under duress, and certainly NOT with a has-been warmonger clinging to relevance."
 - **US Ambassador to Israel Mike Huckabee** announced evacuation efforts for American citizens, including flights and cruise ships.

- U.S. officials confirmed some diplomats and family members have been evacuated from Israel.
- **Other International Responses:**
 - Countries such as **Slovakia, Poland, Czech Republic, Austria, Slovenia, Estonia, Spain, and Malaysia** have evacuated citizens from Israel, often with assistance from other European countries.
 - **Taiwan** facilitated the departure of 14 Taiwanese nationals to **Jordan** by bus.
 - **Egyptian Foreign Minister Badr Abdelatty** held discussions with French and British counterparts regarding the escalating conflict.

Inside Israel

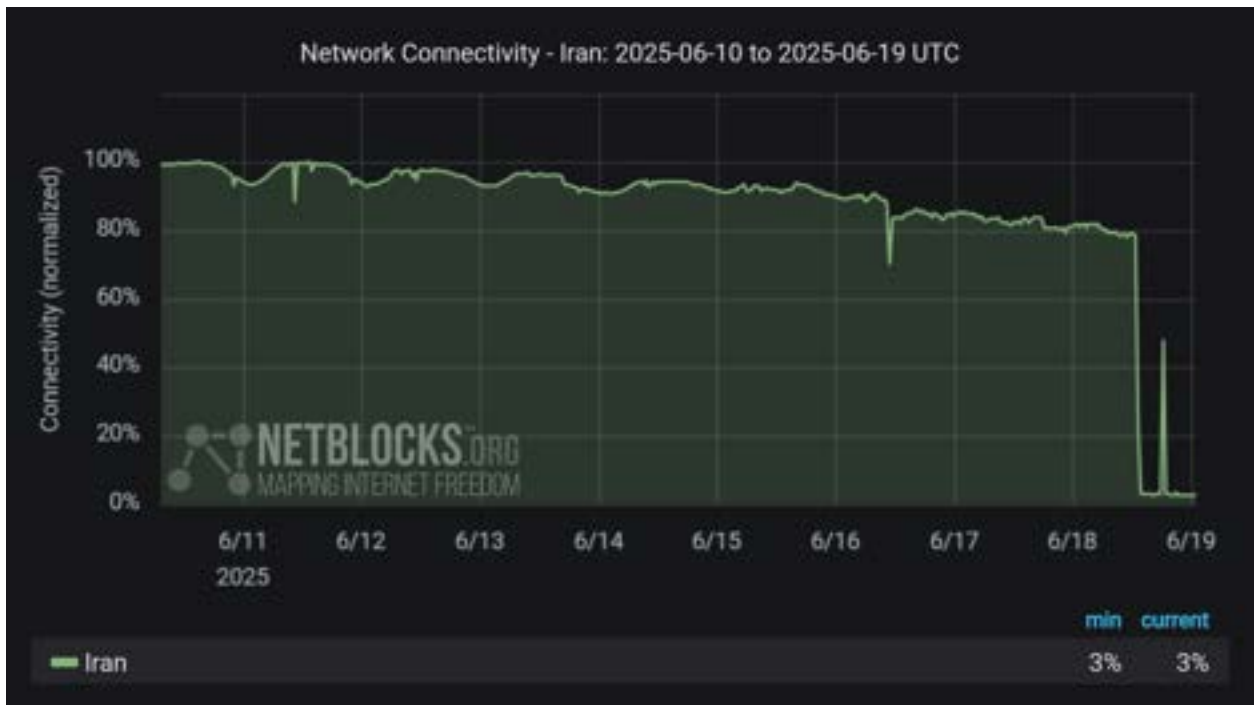
- Six days into the campaign, Israel's **Home Front Command** has begun easing some civilian restrictions, allowing workplaces to reopen and small gatherings to take place; however, schools remain closed nationwide.
- **Opposition Leader Yair Lapid** publicly called on President Trump to join Israel's military campaign against Iran.
- **Police halted broadcasts** from several foreign news agencies at missile impact sites, citing concerns that revealing precise locations was aiding enemy targeting, especially the footage that was being aired by **Al Jazeera**.
- Israeli authorities are actively restricting information on strike locations to prevent Iran from calibrating further missile attacks.
- **Defense Minister Katz** labeled **Khamenei** "**the modern Hitler**," blaming him for ordering attacks on Israeli hospitals and for dedicating all of Iran's resources to Israel's destruction.
- **Katz and the Prime Minister ordered the IDF to escalate attacks on Iran's strategic and government sites** to remove threats to Israel and destabilize the regime.
- Katz said "**A dictator like Khamenei, who leads Iran and has made the destruction of Israel his banner — such a person must not be allowed to exist.**"



The IAF jet aerial refueling. Over 600 mid-air refueling have taken place since the start of the operation.
| Credit: IDF Spokesperson



IDF's strike on an inactive nuclear reactor in Arak—a key component in plutonium production. | Credit: IDF Spokesperson



Iranian government is shutting down internet connectivity. | Credit: Netblocks post on X