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Composition of names of inhabited centres in Jordan

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Summary***

Jordan is divided into 12 governorates, 48 districts and 38 sub-districts. Each governorate includes many districts and sub-districts.

The proportion of names of inhabited centres in Jordan of one syllable is 71 per cent, the proportion of names of two syllables is 26 per cent and the proportion of names of three syllables or more is 3 per cent. There is only one four-syllable name.

There are about 52 names that begin with “Um”, 24 that begin with “Abu”, 20 that begin with “Manshiyyah”, 20 that begin with “Dayr” and 20 that begin with “Kafir”.

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