

No, it's not the Third Intifada - analysis

The spate of attacks in Israel that has claimed close to a dozen lives has stirred up memories of the Second Intifada.

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Twenty years ago, Israel was in the midst of the Second Intifada. March 2002 alone saw 133 people killed in terrorist attacks. Twenty years later, [11 Israelis have been killed](#) in the last week.

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Yoram Schweitzer, a senior researcher at **Tel Aviv University's Institute for National Security Studies** and head of the institute's Program on Terrorism and Low-Intensity Conflict, said there are two main differences between the violence Israel is currently seeing and the First and Second Intifadas.

"Now we have relative freedom of operation, if not total freedom of operation, if we need to operate in the West Bank," Schweitzer said. "We have forces operating in [Jenin](#) and Balata refugee camp looking for suspects. And we have the support – whether quietly or not – of the [Palestinian security forces](#)."

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