Sauti za Wananchi

Our Safety?
Citizen’s views on Security and Justice

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Data: *Sauti za Wananchi*

**Round 30**
February-March 2015
1,401 respondents
Mobile phone

*Sauti za Wananchi*

Africa’s first nationally-representative mobile phone survey
Seven facts about citizens’ views on security and justice
Are our neighbourhoods safe?
Fact 1: Eight out of ten citizens feel safe in their neighbourhoods

Over the past year, how often have you felt unsafe walking in your neighbourhood?

- Never: 55%
- Just once or twice: 18%
- Several times: 10%
- Many times: 16%
- Always: 2%
- Don't know: 1%

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Are our belongings safe?
Fact 2: Half of the citizens have experienced theft, three out of ten in the past year

When was the last time you had something stolen from you?

- Never: 48%
- In the last 6 months: 20%
- 7 months to 1 year ago: 9%
- More than a year ago: 23%
- Not sure: 0%

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Fact 2: Half of the citizens have experienced theft, three out of ten in the past year

When was the last time that you had something stolen from you?

- In the last 6 months: 20% (2013) vs 20% (2015)
- 7 months to 1 year ago: 9% (2013) vs 10% (2015)
- More than a year ago: 23% (2013) vs 22% (2015)
- Not sure: 0% (2013) vs 1% (2015)

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Are we scared of young people?
Fact 3: Citizens believe youth gangs are a serious threat

How likely do you think it is that you will be affected by a group like Panya Road?

- Very likely, 66%
- Somewhat likely, 18%
- Not likely, 12%
- I don't know, 5%

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Justice for everyone?
Fact 4: Community security groups are most likely to perpetrate violence

Incidence of threats, beatings and stoning perpetrated by different groups in the past year:

- Community policing/Local security group: 31%
- Ordinary citizen: 27%
- Police: 14%
- Local criminal gang: 28%
- Mob: 3%
- National army: 3%

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Fact 4: Community security groups are most likely to perpetrate violence

Incidences of threats, beatings and stoning perpetrated by different groups in the past year

- Community policing/Local security group: 31% (2013), 29% (2015)
- Police: 14% (2013), 21% (2015)
- Local criminal gang: 14% (2013), 14% (2015)
- Mob: 12% (2013), 28% (2015)
- National army: 3% (2013), 4% (2015)

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Fact 5: Citizens believe the justice system is biased

How likely do you think it is that the following groups will be punished according to the law for committing a crime?

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<td>Ordinary citizens</td>
<td>46%</td>
<td>53%</td>
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<td>Religious leaders</td>
<td>76%</td>
<td>22%</td>
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<td>Public servants</td>
<td>78%</td>
<td>21%</td>
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<td>Police officers</td>
<td>80%</td>
<td>18%</td>
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<td>Senior government officials</td>
<td>83%</td>
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<td>The rich</td>
<td>85%</td>
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Fact 6: Most citizens have little faith in the police

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<td>Police would have demanded money or a bribe to help</td>
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<td>Police don’t listen or care</td>
<td>14%</td>
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<td>Police wouldn’t have been able to do anything</td>
<td>10%</td>
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<td>Crime was reported to some other authority like local government</td>
<td>8%</td>
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<td>No police (station) in the area / police station too far</td>
<td>8%</td>
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<td>I don't know</td>
<td>7%</td>
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<td>Other</td>
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Electoral violence...
Figure 7: Two out of ten citizens witnessed violence at their polling station during recent local government elections.

Did you witness any form of violence or intimidation during the last local government elections (December 2014)?

- In the months leading up to elections, 9%
- In your community, 17%
- At the polling, 18%

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Explore the data

• Visit www.twaweza.org for the raw data (available in both Excel and Stata)

• See the brief for full information on methodology
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