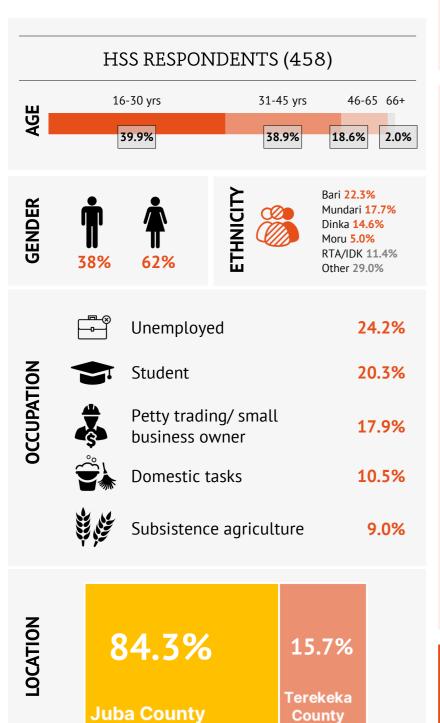


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HOW DID YOUR PERSONAL SECURITY SITUATION CHANGE SINCE LAST YEAR? I don't know: 5.9% Unchanged 43.7% Worsened 12.7% Improved 37.8% Central Equatoria State (N = 458)

70%

Households reporting at least one security incident over the previous year

MOST FREQUENTLY REPORTED INCIDENTS (percentage of all 687 incidents)

28.7%	Robbery	3
12.2%	Cattle raiding	
10.6%	Drug abuse	- Fritte
10.3%	Physical assault	S
8.3%	False imprisonment	
7.4%	Killing/murder	My
22.5%	Other incidents	

The number of households reporting incidents has increased by ~15% since the previous survey round in 2023 (55%).

WITH WHICH STATEMENT DO YOU AGREE MOST? People need arms to Civilian disarmament is needed for security 23.4% 71.2% provide their own security **Stationed security forces** are more effective Stationed security forces are less biased when 49.3% 44.1% when recruited from within the community they are recruited from outside the community Tribalism has **little to no impact** Tribalism has a big impact on security in this 28.8% 65.1% on security in this community community Reconciliation between Reconciliation between

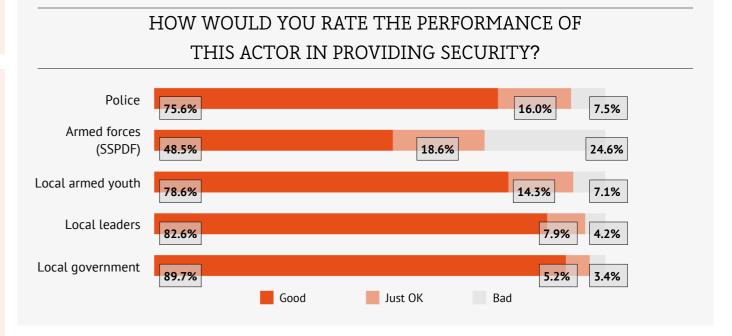
71.4% 27.7%

communities is best handled by the state

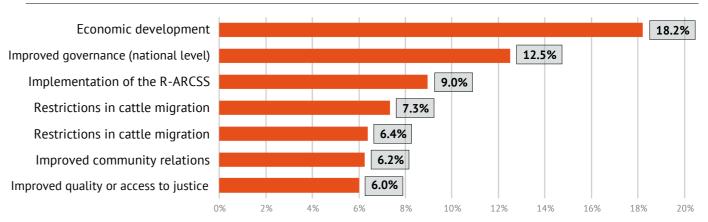
court system

communities is best handled by

local elders or chiefs



WHAT ARE THE MOST SIGNIFICANT CHANGES NEEDED TO BRING LASTING PEACE TO SOUTH SUDAN (TOP CHOICES)?



The belief in economic development as a primary driver of lasting peace in South Sudan has held consistent since the previous survey round in 2022 (21%), with Improved governance at the national level also retaining its secondary position (17% in 2022).



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WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING SECURITY ACTORS DO YOU TRUST THE MOST?

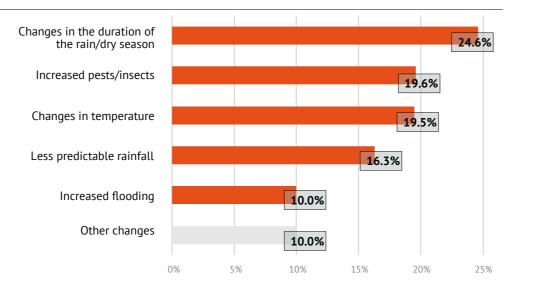


Think that there should be more women serving in the police to help with security issues facing women in the community.

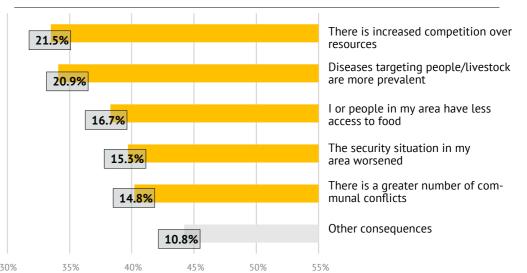
Think the national government is taking effective steps to reduce violence in their community

Think that the increasing prices behind dowries have lead to more forced marriage and elopement

WHAT ENVIRONMENTAL CHANGES HAVE YOU OBSERVED IN YOUR AREA?



WHAT ARE THE CONSEQUENCES OF ENVIRONMENTAL CHANGES IN YOUR AREA?



HUMAN SECURITY SURVEY METHODOLOGY

During 4 weeks in August 2025, **10** enumerators conducted **458** face-to-face interviews across 2 counties of Central Equatoria (**Juba County**, **Terekeka County**) using a standardized survey script. For more details on how HSS data is collected and analysed, view our <u>methodological note</u>.

Sudan

Northern
Bahr el
Ghazal
Warrap
Western Bahr
el Ghazal
Lakes
African
Republic

Democratic Republic
of Congo

Kenya

Upper Nile

Unity
Bahr
el Ghazal

Unity
Bahr
Equatoria

Ethiopia

Ethiopia

Equatoria

Equatoria

Equatoria

Kenya

PAX will return to Central Equatoria for a data presentation and **community dialogue meeting** to formulate an action plan to improve the local security situation.



Left: Map of South Sudan. Right: Map of Central Equatoria State, highlighting the areas surveyed in 2025. Disclaimer: These maps are intended for illustrative purposes only and do not warrant accuracy or completeness, nor do they imply the expression of any opinion by PAX.



74%

Find it important for civilians to meet with local government and organized forces to advocate for better protection in their community



The **Human Security Survey**

(HSS) is a methodology developed by PAX to collect data and facilitate dialogue about civilians' experiences in conflict situations.

Read more about PAX or the HSS in South Sudan on protectionofcivilians.org or contact Anton Quist (quist@paxforpeace.nl).

Find more HSS data on our interactive dashboards of Iraq and South Sudan.

