



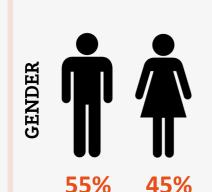
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#### **HSS RESPONDENTS (784)**



# What is the highest level of education that you completed?

Primary Level 26%
Secondary level 26%
Bachelor's level 18%
Vocational/technical school 16%
No formal schooling completed 11%
Professional or Master's degree 14%



Single 15%

Married 72%

Widowed 8%

Other 5%

Arab 92.1%

Kurdish 7.5%

Turkmen 0.3%

# Do you currently have a job for which you earn a wage?

YES! 58%

## In which district has the interview been conducted?

38.9% Baquba14.3% Muqdadiyah19.0% Al-Khalis

11.7% Khanaqin

10.0% Balad Ruz

2.9% Kifri

4.1% Al-Mansuriya

GEOGRAPHY

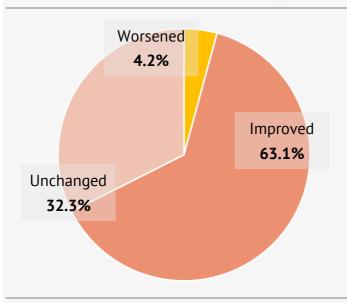
Urban Area 51.8%

Rural Area 48.2%

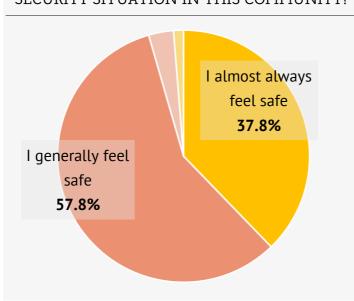
MARITAL STATUS

ETHNIC IDENTITY

# HOW DID YOUR PERSONAL SECURITY SITUATION CHANGE SINCE LAST YEAR?



HOW WOULD YOU RATE YOUR PERSONAL SECURITY SITUATION IN THIS COMMUNITY?



### **Only 5.9%**

Of respondents changed their place of residence in the last 5 years



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#### More than 95%

Of respondents who had indicated that they changed their place of residence in the last 5 years (46 respondents), migrated 1-2 times [as opposed to 3 or more times]



### WHAT IS THE MAIN REASON BEHIND YOUR MIGRATION? [46 RESPONDENTS]

40% Marriage or living closer to family

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12% To improve access to basic services

10% Returning to previous home

**16%** Social pressure

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8% Economic opportunities/work/education

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8% Conflict/violence in my hometown

28.5% Ran

WHY DO YOU ANTICIPATE BECOMING A VICTIM OF VIOLENCE IN THE NEXT YEAR?

28.5% Random or indiscriminate acts of violence

**16.0%** Because of my gender

34%

Of respondents believe they

are likely to become victims

of violence in the next year

**10.8%** Because of my ethnic of religious identity

6.6% Because of my age

**6.4%** Because of my relationship to certain political or tribal leaders

**6.1%** Because of my relationship to certain security forces

25.6% Other reasons

Only 7.7%

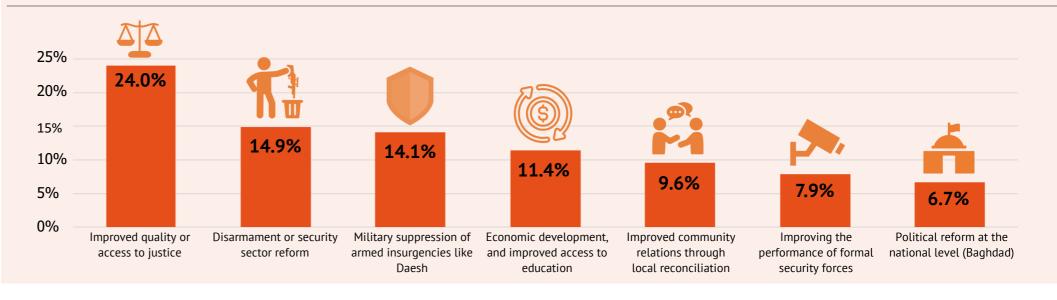


Of respondents were victims of robbery or seizure of property in the last year [60 incidents]

93%

Of respondents indicated that they were victims of singular incidents of robbery or seizure of property. Only 1.67% of respondents reported experiencing robbery incidents more than once in the last year

WHAT ARE THE MOST SIGNIFICANT CHANGES THAT ARE NEEDED TO BRING LASTING PEACE TO IRAO?







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Of respondents indicated that electronic blackmail or cyber crimes against girls/women have increased in their communities in the last 12 months

Of respondents indicated that drug-use had increased in their communities in the last 12 months

Of respondents indicated that their security situation has worsened in the last 12 months

66.8%

66.6%

4.2%



Why do you think **cyber crimes** against women and girls have increased in your community?

Why do you think drug abuse has increased in your community?

22.8%

There is no specific law which prevents cybercrimes or punishes the perpetrators

Women and girls do not know where to seek support

Because of the increased exposure of the youth to social media

Bad upbringing, not listening to their families, or a lack of religiousness

Perpetrators are looking for financial gains since they have nothing better to do

23.3%

Poor policing of borders

25.1%

Administrative and governmental deficiencies

17.8%

The economic situation

9.1%

The ban on alcoholic beverages

#### How has the worsened security situation impacted your daily life?

17.7%

I see more weapons in the street (my community)

16.1%

I feel more exposed to violence or harassment when out of the house

14.5%

I often feel frightened or stressed

9.7%

I leave my home less often

8.1%

I have more worries related to the US dollar - Iraqi Dinar exchange rate

6.5%

I have more worries related to money

6.5%

I feel more worries since the elections

4.8%

I have to pass through more checkpoints

ARE THERE OTHER INDIVIDUALS
OR GROUPS IN YOUR COMMUNITY
THAT ARE ACTIVELY WORKING TO
IMPROVE SECURITY FOR PEOPLE
LIKE YOU?

**50.1%** Local leader (tribal leader, sheikh al hara, mukhtar, etc.)

19.0% Lawyer or official courts

12.8% Religious leader or groups

3.2% Online citizen groups

2.7% NGOs/community organizations

1.96% Women's organization(s)

0.7% The United Nations

WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING
SECURITY ACTORS DO YOU
GENERALLY TRUST TO WORK
TOWARDS IMPROVED SECURITY
IN YOUR COMMUNITY?

**56.3%** Police

19.0% Iraqi Armed Forces

14.4% Community Police

7.9% Hashd al-Shaabi

**1.1%** Regional Forces

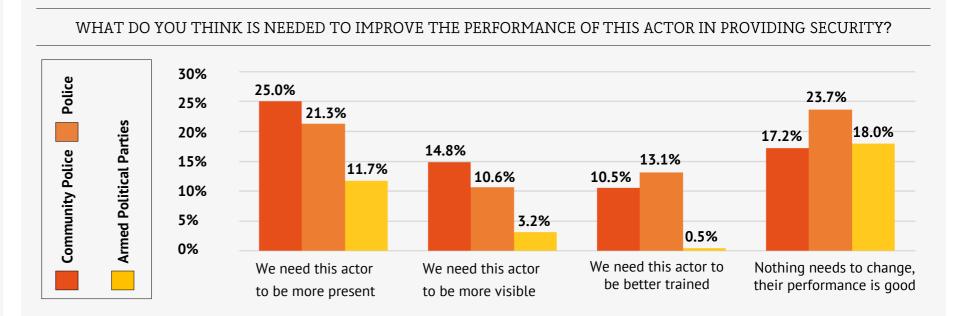
0.2% Armed Political Parties

76%

Of respondents indicated that they **agree** with the following phrase: "This area is safe from Daesh".











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95.8%

Of respondents indicated that protecting and preserving the environment is important to them



21.7%

Of respondents stated that municipal waste collection vehicles do not operate in their area/community



59.6%

Of respondents indicated that they are aware of the existence of environmental laws in Iraq

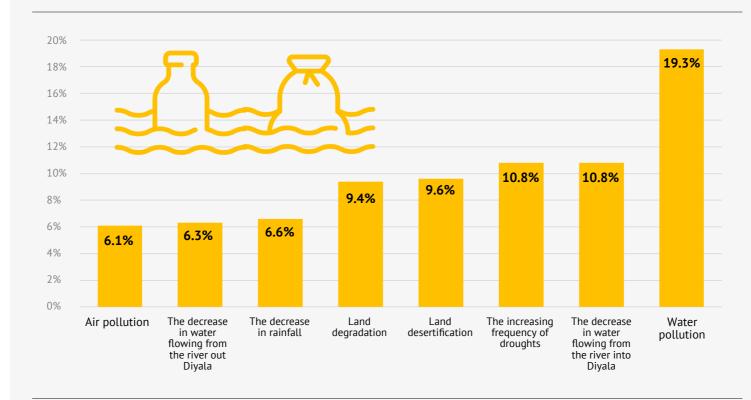


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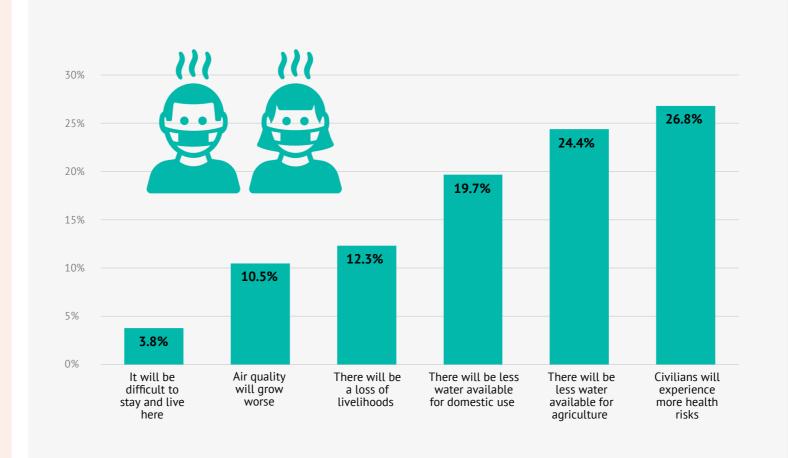
Of respondents believe that it would be useful to have environmental laws drafted and enforced in Iraq to protect and preserve the environment



### WHAT ARE THE MOST PRESSING ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES THAT NEED TO BE ADRESSED IN THE COMING 12 MONTHS?



#### HOW WILL POLLUTION AFFECT YOUR AREA IN THE COMING 12 MONTHS?





Which of the following factors were behind the environmental changes in your area?

24.0% Climate Change

22.3%
Corruption

21.7%
Lack of regulation

14.7%

Other factors

11.1%

Lack of government capacity in the governorate

6.2%

Terrorism





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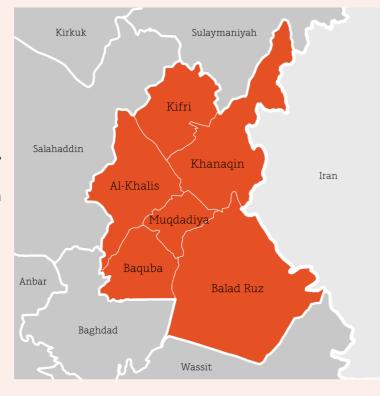
The Human Security Survey (HSS) is a methodology developed by PAX to collect data and facilitate dialogue about civilians' experiences in conflict situations. Read more about PAX or the Human Security Survey in Iraq on <a href="mailto:protectionofcivilians.org">protectionofcivilians.org</a> or contact Saba Azeem (<a href="mailto:azeem@paxforpeace.nl">azeem@paxforpeace.nl</a>).

#### HUMAN SECURITY SURVEY METHODOLOGY

Over a period of 3 weeks in March 2023, **15** enumerators conducted **784** face-to-face interviews across all 7 districts of Diyala Governorate using a standardized survey script. For more details on how HSS data is collected and analysed, view our <u>methodological note</u>.

Taking into account the most recent population estimates, respondent targets were set with the aim of a representative distribution across gender, district, subdistrict, and urban/rural areas. Communities, households, and individual respondents were selected to participate through a systematic and approximately random procedure to increase the likelihood of generalizability.

The Wand Al-Khair organization, trusted long-time partner of PAX will continue its work in Diyala through **community engagement activities** with civilians, authorities, and a multitude of security actors to improve the local security situation using the results of the Human Security Survey.



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Of respondents would like to participate in this survey again (if another cycle were to be organized)



#### WITH WHICH STATEMENT DO YOU AGREE MOST?

<b>Civilians need arms</b> to provide their own security in this governorate	18%	81%	<b>Disarmament of civilians</b> in this governorate <b>is needed</b> for security
<b>Early marriages do not provide</b> girls with more protection from <b>violence</b>	74%	25%	An <b>early marriage</b> when girls are still young is <b>a</b> way to protect them from violence
<b>Dispute resolution</b> between communities is best handled by <b>local tribal leaders</b>	35%	64%	<b>Dispute resolution</b> between communities is best handled by the <b>formal court system</b>

	Agree	Disagree	I don't know
I am not at risk of violence or crime from within community:	61.5%	34.8%	3.7%
Men and women are likely to receive equal treatment when reporting an incident to the police:	69.8%	25.4%	4.8%
<b>Honour killing/forced suicide</b> is an effective way to restore a family's honor:	12.4%	84.2%	3.4%
It is very <b>easy</b> for civilians to <b>acquire firearms</b> in this community:	45.2%	46.0%	8.8%
The National government in Baghdad is taking clear steps to reduce violence in our community	67.5%	22.1%	10.1%

WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING
PEOPLE OR GROUPS DO YOU
CONSIDER MOST LIKELY TO BE
EXPOSED TO VIOLENCE IN THIS
COMMUNITY?

18.0% Poor People

**15.6%** Adolescent boys

**12.8%** Ethnic or religious minorities

12.7% Children

**12.7%** Unmarried women or girls

**4.5%** Relatives of the formal security forces

4.4% Adult women

4.4% Rich people

14.9% Other people/groups

27%

Of respondents indicated that they had heard of cases of honor killing or forced suicide happening to women and girls in their community within the last year



36%

Of respondents indicated that they had heard of cases of forced marriage happening to adult women (>18) in their community within the last year



69%

Of respondents indicated that they had not heard of cases of sexual violence (sexual assault / unwanted sexual contact) happening against women and girls in their community within the last year



59%

Of respondents indicated that they had not seen women or girls in their community being verbally or physically harassed in public within the last year

