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The Afrobarometer National Partner in Mauritius, StraConsult Ltd, interviewed a nationally representative, random, stratified probability sample of 1,200 adult Mauritians in November 2020. A sample of this size yields country-level results with a margin of error of +/-3 percentage points at a 95% confidence level. Previous surveys have been conducted in Mauritius in 2012, 2014, and 2017. IJR provided technical backstopping for the survey. Technical details of the survey, including descriptions of stratification and household selection, translation languages, and related information, can be found in the survey Technical Information Form that follows.

Below is an outline of the survey findings from all the questions posed to respondents. We also present the findings by some critical demographics such as gender and place of residence (urban-rural).

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Technical information form

Sample universe:	Citizens of Mauritius aged 18 years and older, excluding institutions
Sample design:	Nationally representative, random, clustered, stratified, multistage area probability sample
Stratification:	District, urban-rural distribution
Stages:	PSUs (from strata), start points, households, respondents
PSU selection:	Probability proportionate to population size (PPPS)
Cluster size:	8 households per PSU
Household selection:	Walk pattern using day code, selecting n^{th} house on the right.
Respondent selection:	Gender quota filled by alternating interviews between men and women; respondents of appropriate gender captured on tablets. Selection of individual respondent within selected household automatically done by tablet.
Weighting:	Weighted to account for individual selection probabilities. Island of Rodrigues (which is now an autonomous island) has been oversampled from 5 to 15 PSUs (i.e. from 40 to 120 respondents) in order to allow for a better and stand-alone (statistical) analysis. Consequently, Island of Mauritius: sample has been reduced from 145 to 135 PSUs (i.e. from 1160 to 1080 respondents).
Margin of error:	+/-3 percentage points at a 95% confidence level
Fieldwork by:	StraConsult Ltd
Survey languages: (official translations)	Creole, French, English
Main researchers:	A. Darga; S. Mungralee
Outcome rates:	
Contact rate:	97%
Cooperation rate:	79%
Refusal rate:	14%
Response rate:	77%
Dates of fieldwork:	November 6-30, 2020
Sample size:	1,200
EA substitution rate:	0%
Sampling frame:	2011 Housing Census, updated with demographic data from Statistics Office

Note: All figures in the following tables are percentages, rounded to one decimal place. Due to rounding, columns may not add up to exactly 100.0%. (Please note that Afrobarometer's general practice in most analysis and publications is to report findings rounded to whole numbers.) Readers are reminded that the sample size in Mauritius of 1,200 yields a margin of sampling error of +/-3 percentage points at a 95% confidence level. A dash ("-") or blank cell indicates that there were no responses in this category. For Questions 1 through 100, weighted frequency distributions are reported.

Note: This presentation of findings does NOT reflect the order in which survey questions were asked during the interview. We have numbered the questions as in the questionnaire but have ordered them by topic. To see the questionnaire, please visit www.afrobarometer.org.

Respondents and their households

Demographic distribution of the sample

		Unweighted	Weighted
Gender			
	Male	50.0	50.0
	Female	50.0	50.0
Location			
	Urban	38.7	41.6
	Rural	61.3	58.4
	Peri-urban		
District			
	Port Louis	8.7	9.6
	Pamplemousses	10.0	10.9
	Riviere du Rempart	8.0	8.6
	Flacq	10.0	10.7
	Grand Port	8.0	8.9
	Savanne	5.3	5.5
	Plaine Wilhems	28.0	30.1
	Moka	6.0	6.5
	Black River	6.0	6.1
	Rodrigues	10.0	3.0
Education			
	No formal education	3.3	2.9
	Primary	26.2	22.7
	Secondary	43.6	45.1
	Post-secondary	26.8	29.2
	Don't know	0.1	0.0
Religion			
	Christian	37.4	28.6
	Muslim	14.6	17.3
	Other	48.0	52.6
	Don't know		1.5

Q1. How old are you?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
18-25	18.5	20.3	17.4	21.7	19.5
26-35	19.2	22.3	21.9	20.2	21.0
36-45	14.5	16.1	15.4	15.4	15.4
46-55	23.3	16.8	18.5	20.5	19.5
56-65	17.0	16.5	18.5	14.8	16.7
Over 65	7.4	8.1	8.2	7.4	7.8

Q2. What is the primary language you speak in your home now?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
English	0.7	0.6	1.0	0.3	0.6
French	5.5	2.5	1.9	5.5	3.7
Creole	93.4	95.4	96.9	92.3	94.6
Others	0.4	1.5	0.2	1.8	1.0

Q81. What is your ethnic community, cultural group, or tribe?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Afro-Mauritian (Creole)	28.6	23.6	25.2	26.1	25.7
Chinese	0.6	1.2	0.5	1.3	0.9
Euro-Mauritian (White)	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.6	0.4
Hindu	29.7	51.4	43.7	41.1	42.4
Muslim	22.2	14.0	17.0	17.8	17.4
Marathi	3.3	1.2	0.8	3.4	2.1
Tamil	8.8	3.3	7.0	4.2	5.6
Telegu	1.7	1.9	1.2	2.4	1.8
Mauritian only, or "doesn't think of self in those terms"	3.2	1.7	3.1	1.5	2.3
Other	0.9	0.4	0.7	0.6	0.6
Refused to answer	0.5		0.1	0.2	0.2
Don't know	0.1	0.9	0.5	0.6	0.6

Q97. What is your highest level of education?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No formal schooling	2.2	3.0	2.5	2.8	2.6
Informal schooling only (including Koranic schooling)		0.5		0.6	0.3
Some primary schooling	7.3	13.7	10.1	12.0	11.0
Primary school completed	9.4	13.4	11.6	11.8	11.7
Intermediate school or Some secondary school / high school	25.2	18.8	22.0	20.9	21.5
Secondary school / high school completed	22.2	24.7	23.0	24.3	23.7
Post-secondary qualifications, other than university e.g. a diploma or degree from a polytechnic or college	9.1	6.2	8.5	6.3	7.4
Some university	5.3	3.3	3.6	4.6	4.1
University completed	15.9	14.6	15.5	14.9	15.2
Post-graduate	3.4	1.9	3.2	1.8	2.5
Don't know		0.1		0.1	0.0

Q98A. What is your religion, if any?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
None	0.2	0.4	0.7		0.3
Christian only	12.5	13.3	13.5	12.5	13.0
Roman Catholic	15.2	9.9	10.8	13.3	12.1
Orthodox	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Anglican	0.3	0.1		0.3	0.1
Presbyterian		0.4	0.2	0.2	0.2
Evangelical	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.2
Pentecostal (e.g "born again"/" saved")	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.2
Jehovah's Witness	2.0	1.0	1.2	1.6	1.4
Seventh-day Adventist	0.7	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.3
Muslim only	20.0	13.8	16.0	16.8	16.4
Sunni only	2.2		0.8	1.0	0.9
Traditional/Ethnic Religion	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.3
Hindu	40.1	55.3	50.1	47.8	49.0
Bahai	0.4	0.2		0.6	0.3
Atheist		0.0	0.1		0.0
Church of Christ	1.2	0.4	1.1	0.3	0.7
Zionist Christian Church	0.3		0.1	0.2	0.1
Tamil	1.8	1.1	1.4	1.4	1.4
Others	0.6	1.7	1.1	1.4	1.2
Refused	1.6	0.9	1.5	1.0	1.2
Don't know		0.6	0.4	0.3	0.3

Q92A. Which of these things do you personally own? [If "No":] Does anyone else in your household own one: Radio?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No, don't own	0.9	1.2	0.4	1.8	1.1
Yes, someone else owns	12.7	24.2	11.9	27.0	19.5
Yes, do own	86.4	74.4	87.6	71.2	79.4
Don't know		0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1

Q92B. Which of these things do you personally own? [If "No":] Does anyone else in your household own one: Television?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No, don't own	0.6	1.0	0.4	1.3	0.8
Yes, someone else owns	12.7	25.9	13.4	27.5	20.4
Yes, do own	86.7	73.1	86.3	71.2	78.7
Don't know		0.1		0.1	0.0

Q92C. Which of these things do you personally own? [If "No":] Does anyone else in your household own one: Motor vehicle or motorcycle?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No, don't own	15.1	20.0	16.3	19.6	18.0
Yes, someone else owns	35.3	37.4	19.9	53.3	36.6
Yes, do own	49.5	42.5	63.7	27.0	45.4
Don't know	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1

Q92D. Which of these things do you personally own? [If "No":] Does anyone else in your household own one: Computer?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No, don't own	22.5	28.9	26.1	26.3	26.2
Yes, someone else owns	25.4	25.0	19.7	30.6	25.2
Yes, do own	52.0	45.9	53.9	43.0	48.5
Don't know	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.2

Q92E. Which of these things do you personally own? [If "No":] Does anyone else in your household own one: Bank account?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No, don't own	0.7	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.9
Yes, someone else owns	3.3	3.7	1.7	5.4	3.5
Yes, do own	96.1	95.2	97.4	93.7	95.5
Don't know		0.1		0.1	0.0

Q92F. Which of these things do you personally own? [If "No":] Does anyone else in your household own one: Mobile phone?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No, don't own	0.7	1.5	1.4	0.9	1.2
Yes, someone else owns	4.1	5.2	3.3	6.2	4.7
Yes, do own	95.0	93.2	95.2	92.7	93.9
Don't know	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1

Q92G. Does your phone have access to the Internet?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No (does not have internet access)	11.0	20.6	16.8	16.5	16.6
Yes (has internet)	83.9	72.6	78.4	76.2	77.3
Not applicable	5.0	6.8	4.8	7.3	6.1

Q92H. How often do you use: A mobile phone?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	1.9	3.4	2.4	3.1	2.8
Less than once a month		0.4		0.5	0.3
A few times a month	1.7	1.5	0.9	2.2	1.6
A few times a week	4.2	7.2	5.6	6.3	6.0
Every day	92.2	87.4	91.0	87.8	89.4
Don't know	0.1	0.1		0.1	0.1

Q92I. How often do you use: The Internet?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	12.1	23.7	17.8	20.0	18.9
Less than once a month	0.9	1.1	1.5	0.6	1.0
A few times a month	2.0	1.4	1.8	1.6	1.7
A few times a week	10.6	8.2	8.5	9.9	9.2
Every day	74.4	65.3	70.3	67.9	69.1
Don't know		0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1

Q93A. What is your main source of water for household use?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Piped water into dwelling	98.5	98.1	98.3	98.2	98.3
Piped water into yard, plot or compound	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.4	1.5
Rainwater collection		0.0	0.0		0.0
Bottled Water		0.3		0.4	0.2
Surface water, like a river, dam, lake, pond, stream, canal or irrigation channel		0.0	0.0		0.0
Don't know		0.1		0.1	0.0

Q93B. Do you have a toilet, water closet or latrine available for your use? [If yes] Is it inside your house, inside your compound, or outside your compound, or is there none available?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No latrine	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.1	0.2
Inside the house	95.5	91.0	93.3	92.4	92.9
Inside the compound	3.4	8.1	6.2	6.1	6.2
Outside the compound	0.8	0.6	0.1	1.2	0.7
Don't know		0.1		0.1	0.0

Q94A. Do you have an electric connection to your home from the Central Electricity Board or CEB?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No	0.9	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8
Yes	99.1	99.3	99.2	99.2	99.2
Refused		0.1		0.1	0.0

Q94B. [If yes to Q94A] How often is electricity actually available from this connection?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	0.7		0.6		0.3
Occasionally	0.2	0.5	0.3	0.5	0.4
About half of the time	0.1	0.4	0.1	0.5	0.3
Most of the time	15.6	19.4	18.6	17.0	17.8
All of the time	82.4	78.9	79.6	81.2	80.4
Not applicable	0.9	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8
Don't know	0.1		0.1		0.0

Q94C. Does your house use electric power from any source other than the Central Electricity Board or CEB?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No	96.7	96.6	96.6	96.7	96.7
Yes	3.1	3.2	3.4	2.8	3.1
Refused		0.1		0.1	0.0
Don't know	0.2	0.1		0.3	0.2

Q94D. [If yes to Q94C] What is the source of the electricity for this connection?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Batteries or power bank	0.9		0.1	0.6	0.4
Generator	0.3	1.1	0.7	1.0	0.8
Solar panels	0.6	1.7	1.4	1.1	1.3
Other	1.3	0.2	1.3		0.7
Multiple sources		0.1		0.1	0.1
Not applicable	96.9	96.8	96.6	97.2	96.9

Q94E. [If yes to Q94C] Is the electricity source owned by your household, or does it come from outside of your household?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Owned by household	3.1	3.1	3.4	2.8	3.1
Owned outside of household		0.0		0.1	0.0
Not applicable	96.9	96.8	96.6	97.2	96.9

Country's overall direction and most important problems

Q3. Let's start with your general view about the current direction of our country. Some people might think the country is going in the wrong direction. Others may feel it is going in the right direction. So let me ask YOU about the overall direction of the country: Would you say that the country is going in the wrong direction or going in the right direction?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Going in the wrong direction	54.7	52.9	54.3	53.0	53.6
Going in the right direction	38.3	43.5	40.4	42.3	41.4
Refused	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.2
Don't know	6.8	3.3	5.0	4.6	4.8

Q48. (1st Response) In your opinion, what are the most important problems facing this country that government should address?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Nothing/ no problems	3.2	2.8	2.4	3.5	2.9
Management of the economy	7.1	2.5	5.0	3.9	4.4
Wages, incomes and salaries		1.0	0.6	0.6	0.6
Unemployment	34.5	39.0	35.7	38.5	37.1
Poverty/destitution	6.6	4.1	4.9	5.5	5.2
Rates and Taxes		0.1		0.1	0.1
agriculture	1.3	0.4	1.1	0.4	0.7
Food shortage/famine	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.1
Drought	3.8	0.7	1.7	2.2	2.0
Land		0.2		0.2	0.1
Transportation		3.3	1.9	1.9	1.9
Communications	0.5			0.4	0.2
Infrastructure / roads	2.5	6.2	5.3	4.0	4.7
Education	1.6	1.2	1.0	1.7	1.4
Housing	4.4	1.7	2.0	3.7	2.8
Water supply	5.1	9.8	7.8	7.9	7.8
Orphans/street children/homeless children		0.1	0.2		0.1
Services (other)	0.1	0.5	0.2	0.5	0.4
Health	3.8	1.2	3.1	1.4	2.2
Sickness / Disease		0.2	0.2		0.1
Crime and security	10.1	16.9	14.5	13.7	14.1
Corruption	11.8	5.3	9.6	6.5	8.0
Political instability/political divisions/ ethnic tensions	0.2		0.2		0.1
Discrimination/ inequality	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.4	0.2
Gender Issues/Women's rights	0.2		0.2		0.1
Climate change	0.5	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3
Covid-19	1.9	1.8	1.5	2.2	1.9
Other responses	0.2	0.5	0.3	0.5	0.4

Q48. (2nd Response) In your opinion, what are the most important problems facing this country that government should address?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Management of the economy	5.7	4.6	5.7	4.5	5.1
Wages, incomes and salaries	4.0	1.8	2.6	2.9	2.7
Unemployment	17.6	12.4	15.5	13.6	14.5
Poverty/destitution	6.8	6.2	5.7	7.2	6.5
Rates and Taxes	0.3	0.3	0.6		0.3
Loans / credit	0.4	0.2	0.5	0.1	0.3
Agriculture	1.8	0.9	2.0	0.6	1.3
Food shortage/famine	1.9	0.5	1.9	0.3	1.1
Drought	3.1	2.1	1.7	3.3	2.5
Land		0.2	0.2	0.0	0.1
Transportation	0.8	2.9	1.6	2.4	2.0
Communications	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Infrastructure / roads	2.4	8.3	7.2	4.5	5.9
Education	3.8	2.8	3.0	3.4	3.2
Housing	9.7	2.2	6.7	3.9	5.3
Electricity		0.4		0.4	0.2
Water supply	5.5	12.2	6.7	12.1	9.4
Orphans/street children/homeless children	1.2	0.1		1.1	0.5
Services (other)		0.9	0.6	0.4	0.5
Health	3.3	1.8	2.3	2.5	2.4
Sickness / Disease	0.2	0.6		0.9	0.4
Crime and Security	9.5	19.1	16.7	13.5	15.1
Corruption	9.0	3.9	6.0	6.1	6.0
Political violence	0.1	0.0	0.1		0.0
Political instability/political divisions/ ethnic tensions	0.4	0.8	0.5	0.8	0.6
Discrimination/ inequality	1.3	1.4	1.2	1.4	1.3
Gender issues / women's rights	0.1	0.7	0.1	0.8	0.4
Democracy/political rights		0.3	0.4		0.2
Agricultural marketing	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.1
Climate change	0.3	0.2	0.5		0.2
Covid-19	3.7	1.0	1.7	2.6	2.2
Other responses	0.1	0.8	0.8	0.2	0.5
No further reply	6.8	10.3	7.2	10.5	8.9

Q48. (3rd Response) In your opinion, what are the most important problems facing this country that government should address?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Management of the economy	8.3	3.6	7.0	4.1	5.5
Wages, incomes and salaries	4.0	2.1	2.8	2.9	2.9
Unemployment	8.7	8.8	8.7	8.8	8.8
Poverty/destitution	4.1	3.5	3.6	3.9	3.7
Rates and Taxes	0.3		0.3		0.1
Loans / credit	1.0	0.1	0.5	0.5	0.5
Farming/agriculture	1.4	0.0	0.6	0.5	0.6
Food shortage/famine	0.5	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.3
Drought	2.8	2.0	2.1	2.6	2.3
Land		0.0		0.0	0.0
Transportation	3.2	3.6	3.8	3.1	3.4
Communications	0.9		0.7		0.4
Infrastructure / roads	3.2	6.0	5.9	3.8	4.8
Education	4.2	1.6	3.4	2.0	2.7
Housing	7.8	3.5	5.2	5.4	5.3
Electricity		0.3		0.3	0.2
Water supply	6.6	7.8	7.5	7.1	7.3
Orphans/street children/homeless children	0.1			0.1	0.0
Services (other)	0.4	0.8	0.6	0.7	0.7
Health	3.1	2.1	1.7	3.3	2.5
Sickness/Disease	0.5		0.5		0.2
Crime and Security	16.5	17.9	16.4	18.2	17.3
Corruption	6.9	4.1	6.3	4.3	5.3
Political Violence	0.2		0.1	0.1	0.1
Political instability/political divisions/ ethnic tensions	0.1	0.5	0.2	0.5	0.4
Discrimination/ inequality	0.4	1.1	0.5	1.1	0.8
Gender issues / women's rights	2.3	1.2	0.7	2.7	1.7
Democracy/political rights	0.3			0.2	0.1
Climate change	0.6	0.9	1.3	0.3	0.8
Covid-19	1.5	1.4	1.0	1.8	1.4
Other responses	1.3	0.7	0.8	1.2	1.0
No further reply	8.7	26.1	17.5	20.2	18.9

Economic life

Let's discuss economic conditions.

Q4A. In general, how would you describe the present economic condition of this country?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very bad	17.0	13.4	17.0	12.8	14.9
Fairly bad	37.7	39.3	37.2	40.0	38.6
Neither good nor bad	8.2	8.9	9.3	7.9	8.6
Fairly good	33.9	33.4	32.7	34.6	33.6
Very good	2.4	4.2	3.6	3.3	3.4
Don't know	0.9	0.8	0.2	1.4	0.8

Q4B. In general, how would you describe your own present living conditions?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very bad	5.3	3.7	5.5	3.3	4.4
Fairly bad	18.6	13.9	15.9	15.9	15.9
Neither good nor bad	23.8	10.8	16.7	15.7	16.2
Fairly good	49.7	63.6	55.8	59.8	57.8
Very good	2.2	7.9	6.1	5.0	5.6
Don't know	0.3	0.0		0.3	0.2

Q6A. Looking back, how do you rate economic conditions in this country compared to 12 months ago?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Much worse	10.5	6.4	7.3	8.9	8.1
Worse	47.5	44.6	43.7	47.9	45.8
Same	23.9	29.1	28.1	25.8	26.9
Better	12.8	16.3	14.8	14.9	14.8
Much better	5.3	2.9	6.1	1.7	3.9
Don't know	0.1	0.7	0.1	0.8	0.5

Q6B. Looking ahead, do you expect economic conditions in this country to be better or worse in 12 months' time?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Much worse	28.6	18.8	23.0	22.7	22.9
Worse	36.5	30.3	34.0	31.7	32.9
Same	20.7	21.5	19.2	23.1	21.2
Better	9.1	22.3	18.3	15.3	16.8
Much better	0.1	4.0	2.1	2.7	2.4
Don't know	5.0	3.1	3.3	4.6	3.9

Q7A. Over the past year, how often, if ever, have you or anyone in your family gone without: Enough food to eat?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	86.8	92.7	91.0	89.5	90.2
Just once or twice	6.6	4.1	4.3	6.0	5.1
Several times	3.2	2.3	2.9	2.6	2.7
Many times	2.7	0.7	1.5	1.5	1.5
Always	0.7	0.1	0.3	0.4	0.4

Q7B. Over the past year, how often, if ever, have you or anyone in your family gone without: Enough clean water for home use?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	74.0	66.3	69.4	69.6	69.5
Just once or twice	14.7	12.0	14.0	12.2	13.1
Several times	6.2	11.2	8.8	9.5	9.2
Many times	3.5	9.6	7.0	7.1	7.1
Always	1.6	0.9	0.7	1.6	1.1

Q7C. Over the past year, how often, if ever, have you or anyone in your family gone without: Medicines or medical treatment?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	82.9	83.9	84.9	82.1	83.5
Just once or twice	7.6	9.2	6.9	10.2	8.6
Several times	6.0	5.6	5.3	6.2	5.7
Many times	2.7	1.2	2.6	1.1	1.8
Always	0.9		0.3	0.4	0.4
Don't know		0.0	0.0		0.0

Q7D. Over the past year, how often, if ever, have you or anyone in your family gone without: Enough fuel to cook your food?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	87.9	75.3	80.9	80.1	80.5
Just once or twice	5.9	18.1	12.8	13.2	13.0
Several times	3.5	6.0	4.7	5.2	5.0
Many times	2.2	0.5	1.3	1.2	1.2
Always	0.6		0.3	0.2	0.3

Q7E. Over the past year, how often, if ever, have you or anyone in your family gone without: A cash income?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	67.4	79.8	74.4	75.0	74.7
Just once or twice	17.4	13.3	16.1	13.9	15.0
Several times	9.8	5.0	5.9	8.0	7.0
Many times	3.1	1.3	1.9	2.2	2.0
Always	2.3	0.3	1.5	0.8	1.1
Refused		0.3	0.3		0.2

Q5. How often, if ever, are people like you treated unfairly by the government based on your economic status, that is, how rich or poor you are?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	42.6	58.2	51.8	51.7	51.7
Sometimes	37.8	30.2	31.1	35.6	33.3
Often	12.8	6.9	10.7	8.1	9.4
Always	3.1	2.8	3.3	2.6	3.0
Don't know	3.6	1.9	3.2	2.1	2.6

Q95A. Do you have a job that pays a cash income? [If "Yes":] Is it full time or part time? [If "No":] Are you currently looking for a job?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No (not looking)	36.9	34.1	23.5	46.9	35.2
No (looking)	4.8	10.3	7.0	9.1	8.0
Yes, part time	7.9	3.9	6.3	4.9	5.6
Yes, full time	50.4	51.4	62.9	39.0	51.0
Refused		0.2	0.3		0.1
Don't know		0.1		0.1	0.0

Q95B. If you have paid employment, that is, regular employment for which you receive something like an hourly wage or a regular salary, are you required to pay an income tax, that is, a tax deducted from your wages by your employer?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No, not required to pay	29.0	24.9	31.1	22.2	26.6
Yes, required to pay	29.3	27.2	35.8	20.4	28.1
Not applicable	41.7	44.7	30.8	56.1	43.5
Refused		0.5	0.3	0.3	0.3
Don't know		2.6	2.0	1.1	1.5

Q95C. What is your main occupation? [If unemployed, retired, or disabled:] What was your last main occupation?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never had a job	6.4	8.9	2.4	13.3	7.9
Student	6.9	9.5	6.6	10.2	8.4
Housewife / homemaker	8.9	12.8	0.0	22.4	11.2
Agriculture / farming / fishing / forestry	2.3	7.4	7.6	2.9	5.3
Trader / hawker / vendor	6.8	4.0	5.2	5.2	5.2
Retail / Shop	1.6	2.4	2.9	1.2	2.1
Unskilled manual worker (e.g., cleaner, laborer, domestic help, unskilled manufacturing worker)	11.8	10.7	12.7	9.6	11.2
Artisan or skilled manual worker (e.g., trades like electrician, mechanic, machinist or skilled manufacturing worker)	16.4	9.9	21.3	4.0	12.6
Clerical or secretarial	9.1	7.4	6.0	10.2	8.1
Supervisor / Foreman / Senior Manager	4.1	2.3	4.9	1.3	3.1
Security services (police, army, private security)	3.2	5.8	8.5	1.0	4.7

Mid-level professional (e.g., teacher, nurse, mid-level government officer)	15.5	12.2	13.5	13.7	13.6
Upper-level professional (e.g., banker/finance, doctor, lawyer, engineer, accountant, professor, senior-level government)	6.7	5.4	7.1	4.8	6.0
Other	0.1	0.7	0.7	0.2	0.4
Refused		0.4	0.5		0.3
Don't know		0.1		0.1	0.0

Q95D. Do you work for yourself, for someone else in the private sector or the non-governmental sector, or for government? [If respondent indicated in Q95C that they were unemployed, retired, or disabled:] In your last job, did you work for yourself, for someone else in the private sector or the non-governmental sector, or for government?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Works for self	21.4	17.5	29.7	8.5	19.1
Private sector	40.2	31.9	38.8	31.9	35.3
Non-governmental organizations / civil society sector	1.2	0.8	1.0	0.9	1.0
Government	15.0	17.3	20.5	12.3	16.4
Not applicable	22.3	31.2	9.1	45.9	27.5
Refused		1.0	0.9	0.2	0.6
Don't know		0.3		0.3	0.2

Q96A. What is the main way that decisions are made about how to use any money that you have or earn, for example from a job, a business, selling things or other activities?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
You make the decisions yourself	46.1	27.3	49.4	20.9	35.2
Your spouse makes the decisions	7.8	7.0	0.8	13.8	7.3
You make the decisions jointly with your spouse	20.9	34.1	25.5	31.7	28.6
You make the decisions jointly with other family members	16.1	22.6	18.6	21.2	19.9
Other family members make the decisions without you	3.7	6.2	3.4	6.8	5.1
Not applicable, no earnings	5.2	2.5	1.8	5.5	3.6
Refused to Answer	0.2	0.1	0.2		0.1
Don't know		0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1

Q96B. Who is the head of this household, that is, the person who has primary responsibility for making decisions on behalf of the household?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
You [respondent]	47.8	41.3	72.6	15.4	44.0
Respondent's spouse	25.0	28.9	1.0	53.6	27.3
Respondent's father	20.9	21.6	21.5	21.1	21.3
Respondent's mother	3.3	4.5	3.6	4.3	4.0
Respondent's son	1.0	2.0	0.7	2.6	1.6
Respondent's daughter	0.1	0.3		0.5	0.2

Respondent's grandfather	0.2			0.1	0.1
Respondent's grandmother	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Another male relative	0.3	0.7		1.1	0.6
Another female relative	0.2		0.1	0.1	0.1
Someone else	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.6	0.4
More than one person	0.6	0.1	0.2	0.5	0.3
Refused	0.1		0.1		0.0
Don't know		0.1		0.1	0.0

**Q96C. What is the main occupation of the head of the household? [If unemployed, retired, or disabled:]
What was his or her last main occupation?**

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never had a job	1.1	0.8	0.8	1.1	0.9
Student		0.1		0.1	0.1
Housewife / homemaker	0.5	3.4	2.5	1.9	2.2
Agriculture / farming / fishing / forestry	1.8	6.2	3.4	5.4	4.4
Trader / hawker / vendor	8.3	4.0	1.3	10.3	5.8
Retail / Shop	2.1	2.2	1.8	2.6	2.2
Unskilled manual worker (e.g., cleaner, laborer, domestic help, unskilled manufacturing worker)	4.6	5.3	2.3	7.7	5.0
Artisan or skilled manual worker (e.g., trades like electrician, mechanic, machinist or skilled manufacturing worker)	13.2	8.5	5.5	15.4	10.4
Clerical or secretarial	2.4	3.1	1.2	4.4	2.8
Supervisor / Foreman / Senior Manager	1.7	2.8	1.8	2.9	2.3
Security services (police, army, private security)	6.0	8.1	2.4	12.1	7.2
Mid-level professional (e.g., teacher, nurse, mid-level government officer)	7.9	8.1	2.5	13.6	8.0
Upper-level professional (e.g., banker/finance, doctor, lawyer, engineer, accountant, professor, senior-level government)	1.9	4.0	1.2	5.0	3.1
Other	0.6	1.8	0.8	1.9	1.3
Not applicable	47.9	41.4	72.7	15.5	44.1
Refused		0.2		0.2	0.1

Development and international relations

See related question(s) under “Public services and government performance.”

Now let's talk about how our country should relate to other countries in Southern Africa and in the world.

Q61. Which of the following statements is closest to your view?

Statement 1: People living in Southern Africa should be able to move freely across international borders in order to trade or work in other countries.

Statement 2: In order to protect their own citizens, governments should limit the cross-border movement of people and goods.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with 1	26.6	16.5	21.5	20.0	20.7
Agree with 1	26.8	37.2	36.1	29.6	32.9
Agree with 2	18.7	18.6	19.5	17.8	18.7
Agree very strongly with 2	9.2	9.8	7.9	11.2	9.6
Agree with neither	4.2	0.5	2.7	1.3	2.0
Refused		0.5	0.2	0.4	0.3
Don't know	14.5	16.8	12.1	19.7	15.9

Q62. In your opinion, how easy or difficult is it for people in Southern Africa to cross international borders in order to work or trade in other countries, or haven't you heard enough to say?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very difficult	11.8	15.2	15.2	12.4	13.8
Difficult	29.5	24.1	26.1	26.7	26.4
Easy	22.1	17.3	21.2	17.4	19.3
Very easy	2.3	1.8	2.3	1.8	2.0
Never try	5.8	14.9	10.1	12.0	11.1
Don't know	28.5	26.7	25.2	29.7	27.4

Q66. Which of the following statements is closest to your view?

Statement 1: In order to develop, our country must rely on trade with the rest of the world, including by opening our borders to foreign imports.

Statement 2: In order to develop, our country must rely on local production and protect local producers from foreign competition.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with 1	18.6	18.0	21.8	14.7	18.3
Agree with 1	30.4	39.5	33.8	37.6	35.7
Agree with 2	24.5	25.0	23.0	26.6	24.8
Agree very strongly with 2	17.2	15.8	16.7	16.0	16.4
Agree with neither	7.1	0.6	3.5	3.1	3.3
Don't know	2.2	1.2	1.1	2.0	1.6

Q67. Which of the following statements is closest to your view?

Statement 1: The government should only allow citizens and companies of our own country to trade in consumer goods, even if this means we will have fewer goods or higher prices.

Statement 2: The government should continue to permit foreigners and foreign corporations to set up retail shops in this country to ensure we have a wide choice of low-cost consumer goods.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with 1	5.0	4.5	6.1	3.3	4.7
Agree with 1	16.9	17.7	15.9	18.9	17.4
Agree with 2	36.7	36.7	36.3	37.1	36.7
Agree very strongly with 2	26.8	35.4	32.2	31.4	31.8
Agree with neither	9.5	3.3	5.8	5.9	5.9
Refused to answer	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2
Don't know	4.9	2.2	3.5	3.2	3.4

Q63. Which of the following statements is closest to your view?

Statement 1: It is important that as an independent nation, we finance development from our own resources, even if it means paying more taxes.

Statement 2: We should use external loans for the development of the country, even if it increases our indebtedness to foreign countries and institutions.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with 1	16.6	14.4	16.3	14.3	15.3
Agree with 1	36.2	31.9	36.2	31.3	33.7
Agree with 2	25.2	28.9	25.3	29.5	27.4
Agree very strongly with 2	7.9	12.9	11.1	10.5	10.8
Agree with neither	7.9	8.2	7.0	9.2	8.1
Refused		0.0		0.0	0.0
Don't know	6.2	3.6	4.1	5.2	4.7

Q64A. Which of the following statements is closest to your view?

Statement 1: When other countries give loans or development assistance to Lesotho, they should enforce strict requirements on how the funds are spent.

Statement 2: When other countries give Mauritius loans or development assistance, they should allow our government to make its own decisions about how to use the resources.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with 1	18.4	18.6	20.7	16.4	18.6
Agree with 1	37.7	28.6	29.9	34.8	32.4
Agree with 2	20.2	29.9	25.1	26.6	25.8
Agree very strongly with 2	16.4	17.9	19.3	15.2	17.3
Agree with neither	3.2	1.2	1.5	2.6	2.0
Don't know	4.1	3.9	3.5	4.4	3.9

Q64B. Which of the following statements is closest to your view?

Statement 1: When other countries give loans or development assistance to Mauritius, they should enforce strict requirements to make sure our government promotes democracy and respects human rights.

Statement 2: Even if other countries give Mauritius loans or development assistance, our government should make its own decisions about democracy and human rights.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with 1	27.3	15.2	19.2	21.2	20.2
Agree with 1	32.3	33.6	32.7	33.3	33.0
Agree with 2	19.4	25.9	24.5	21.9	23.2
Agree very strongly with 2	14.7	18.3	17.0	16.6	16.8
Agree with neither	2.1	1.6	1.8	1.8	1.8
Don't know	4.3	5.5	4.8	5.2	5.0

Q65A. To your knowledge, does China give loans or development assistance to our country's government, or haven't you had a chance to hear about this?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No	7.7	12.3	9.2	11.5	10.4
Yes	68.8	70.6	74.9	64.8	69.9
Don't know	23.6	17.1	15.8	23.7	19.8

Q65B. [If yes on Q65A] Do you think that our government is required to repay China for the loans and development assistance it provides to Mauritius, or haven't you heard enough to say?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No	5.3	4.1	6.3	3.0	4.6
Yes	53.8	58.7	60.5	52.8	56.7
Not applicable	31.2	29.4	25.1	35.2	30.1
Don't know	9.6	7.8	8.1	9.0	8.5

Q65C. [If yes on Q65A] Do you think our government has borrowed too much money from China, or haven't you heard enough to say?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No	14.3	11.1	13.2	11.7	12.5
Yes	24.4	36.6	34.3	28.8	31.6
Not applicable	31.2	29.4	25.1	35.2	30.1
Don't know	30.0	22.9	27.4	24.3	25.8

Q65D. [If yes on Q65A] When the government of China gives loans or development assistance to Mauritius, do you think they put more requirements or fewer requirements on our government compared to other donor countries, or haven't you heard enough to say?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Far fewer requirements	3.4	4.7	5.3	3.0	4.1
Somewhat fewer requirements	7.8	14.0	11.6	11.2	11.4
About the same number of requirements	18.4	20.7	21.5	18.0	19.7
Somewhat more requirements	9.9	2.6	7.4	4.0	5.7
Many more requirements	3.2	0.9	2.3	1.3	1.8
Not applicable	31.2	29.4	25.1	35.2	30.1
Don't know	26.1	27.8	26.8	27.4	27.1

Q69B. How much influence do you think China's economic activities in Mauritius have on our economy, or haven't you heard enough to say?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
None	1.2	0.6	0.7	1.0	0.8
A little	5.9	11.9	9.4	9.5	9.4
Some	36.9	36.3	37.1	36.0	36.5
A lot	41.1	35.9	40.5	35.6	38.1
Don't know	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	14.9	15.1	12.1	17.9	15.0

Q69B. How much influence do you think India's economic activities in Mauritius have on our economy, or haven't you heard enough to say?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
None	0.8	0.5	0.5	0.8	0.6
A little	3.5	9.4	5.0	8.9	6.9
Some	32.5	36.3	34.2	35.3	34.7
A lot	58.9	46.2	54.8	48.2	51.5
Don't know	0.1		0.1		0.0
Don't know/Haven't heard enough	4.1	7.6	5.5	6.9	6.2

Q69A. In your opinion, which of the following countries, if any, would be the best model for the future development of our country, or is there some other country in Africa or elsewhere, that should be our model?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
None of these / There is no role model	8.5	3.4	7.9	3.1	5.5
United States	12.4	30.2	21.4	24.2	22.8
China	10.5	20.1	17.5	14.7	16.1
Britain	23.2	14.5	15.9	20.3	18.1
South Africa	2.4	3.6	3.5	2.7	3.1
Ethiopia	0.2		0.2		0.1
We should follow our own country's model	18.9	5.9	12.7	10.0	11.3
Singapore	2.5	1.3	2.8	0.8	1.8
India	1.3	1.5	0.8	2.1	1.4
France	0.9	1.2	0.6	1.6	1.1
Canada	0.2	1.4	0.6	1.2	0.9
Other country	7.1	2.6	5.0	3.9	4.5
Refused	0.2	0.2		0.4	0.2
Don't know	11.6	14.2	11.2	15.1	13.2

Q70A. In general, do you think that the economic and political influence of each of the following organizations on Mauritius is mostly positive, mostly negative, or haven't you heard enough to say: African Union?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very negative		0.4	0.4	0.1	0.2
Somewhat negative	2.9	3.3	3.7	2.7	3.2
Neither positive nor negative	12.5	5.4	8.5	8.2	8.3
Somewhat positive	43.8	42.7	41.6	44.7	43.1
Very positive	17.6	10.0	15.2	11.2	13.2
Refused	0.1	0.3		0.5	0.3
Don't know	23.1	37.8	30.7	32.8	31.7

Q70B. In general, do you think that the economic and political influence of each of the following organizations on Mauritius is mostly positive, mostly negative, or haven't you heard enough to say: SADC

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very negative	0.4	0.4	0.8		0.4
Somewhat negative	2.2	3.1	2.6	3.0	2.8
Neither positive nor negative	9.2	4.2	6.5	6.1	6.3
Somewhat positive	45.7	39.8	42.6	41.8	42.2
Very positive	23.2	14.4	20.9	15.3	18.1
Refused	0.1	0.3		0.5	0.3
Don't know	19.1	37.8	26.7	33.2	30.0

Q70C. In general, do you think that the economic and political influence of each of the following organizations on Mauritius is mostly positive, mostly negative, or haven't you heard enough to say: United Nations agencies?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very negative	2.8	1.8	1.9	2.6	2.2
Somewhat negative	3.5	2.5	3.8	2.0	2.9
Neither positive nor negative	12.3	5.6	9.0	7.8	8.4
Somewhat positive	38.0	35.1	35.9	36.7	36.3
Very positive	23.3	16.9	22.1	17.0	19.6
Refused	0.1	0.1		0.3	0.1
Don't know	19.9	38.1	27.3	33.7	30.5

Q70D. And what about the following countries? Do you think that the economic and political influence of each of the following countries on Mauritius is mostly positive, mostly negative, or haven't you heard enough to say: Former colonial power, i.e. Britain?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very negative	0.8	0.5	0.8	0.5	0.6
Somewhat negative	10.4	5.7	8.7	6.7	7.7
Neither positive nor negative	11.2	7.9	10.2	8.3	9.3
Somewhat positive	45.1	33.0	40.4	35.7	38.1
Very positive	18.1	21.6	18.8	21.5	20.2
Refused	0.2			0.2	0.1
Don't know	14.1	31.2	21.1	27.1	24.1

Q70E. And what about the following countries? Do you think that the economic and political influence of each of the following countries on Mauritius is mostly positive, mostly negative, or haven't you heard enough to say: China?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very negative	0.3	1.8	1.1	1.3	1.2
Somewhat negative	5.1	1.7	3.5	2.7	3.1
Neither positive nor negative	7.5	3.8	5.9	4.8	5.4
Somewhat positive	48.8	43.9	44.2	47.7	46.0
Very positive	23.0	33.1	31.9	25.9	28.9
Don't know	15.3	15.7	13.4	17.7	15.5

Q70F. And what about the following countries? Do you think that the economic and political influence of each of the following countries on Mauritius is mostly positive, mostly negative, or haven't you heard enough to say: United States?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very negative	3.0	0.4	1.6	1.3	1.5
Somewhat negative	13.0	5.6	8.2	9.1	8.7
Neither positive nor negative	18.1	11.6	16.0	12.6	14.3
Somewhat positive	35.6	34.1	35.2	34.2	34.7
Very positive	8.6	20.1	16.4	14.3	15.3
Refused	0.5	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.2
Don't know	21.3	28.1	22.3	28.2	25.3

Q70G. And what about the following countries? Do you think that the economic and political influence of each of the following countries on Mauritius is mostly positive, mostly negative, or haven't you heard enough to say: Regional superpower, i.e. South Africa?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very negative	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3
Somewhat negative	4.1	3.3	4.2	3.1	3.6
Neither positive nor negative	14.6	10.0	11.9	12.0	11.9
Somewhat positive	43.2	39.4	44.5	37.5	41.0
Very positive	13.5	17.8	16.4	15.6	16.0
Refused	0.6		0.2	0.3	0.2
Don't know	23.7	29.2	22.6	31.2	26.9

Q70H. And what about the following countries? Do you think that the economic and political influence of each of the following countries on Mauritius is mostly positive, mostly negative, or haven't you heard enough to say: Russia?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very negative	1.8	0.3	1.1	0.7	0.9
Somewhat negative	6.7	4.4	6.3	4.4	5.3
Neither positive nor negative	23.6	18.4	21.5	19.7	20.6
Somewhat positive	16.6	21.4	20.2	18.5	19.4
Very positive	1.5	7.8	5.4	5.0	5.2
Refused	0.9	0.1	0.3	0.6	0.4
Don't know	48.9	47.6	45.2	51.1	48.2

Q70I. And what about the following countries? Do you think that the economic and political influence of each of the following countries on Mauritius is mostly positive, mostly negative, or haven't you heard enough to say: India?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very negative	2.4	4.1	3.3	3.5	3.4
Somewhat negative	5.3	1.6	2.4	3.9	3.2
Neither positive nor negative	5.5	3.7	3.5	5.4	4.4
Somewhat positive	47.3	42.3	45.2	43.5	44.4
Very positive	32.9	37.2	36.8	34.0	35.4
Refused		0.0		0.0	0.0
Don't know	6.6	11.1	8.8	9.6	9.2

Q70J. And what about the following countries? Do you think that the economic and political influence of each of the following countries on Mauritius is mostly positive, mostly negative, or haven't you heard enough to say: France?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very negative	0.3	0.6	0.8	0.2	0.5
Somewhat negative	3.0	4.5	4.9	2.9	3.9
Neither positive nor negative	6.7	8.1	7.3	7.7	7.5
Somewhat positive	59.2	34.8	46.5	43.4	44.9
Very positive	19.7	23.1	20.8	22.6	21.7
Refused	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.1
Don't know	10.9	28.8	19.6	23.2	21.4

Q71. In thinking about the future of the next generation in our country, which of these international languages, if any, do you think is most important for young people to learn?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
None of these / No international language needed	2.9	3.1	3.1	3.0	3.0
English	83.1	68.9	75.3	74.3	74.8
French	7.5	16.4	11.2	14.2	12.7
Portuguese	0.3	2.6	2.3	1.0	1.6
Arabic	1.0	1.4	1.3	1.1	1.2
Chinese	3.8	4.1	4.4	3.6	4.0
Kiswahili		0.0	0.0		0.0
Other	0.1	2.5	1.3	1.7	1.5
Don't know	1.3	1.0	1.2	1.1	1.2



Democracy and politics

See related questions under “Institutions and leaders.”

Q20A. There are many ways to govern a country. Would you disapprove or approve of the following alternatives: Only one political party is allowed to stand for election and hold office?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly disapprove	70.2	61.7	67.6	62.7	65.2
Disapprove	25.3	32.2	26.5	32.2	29.3
Neither approve nor disapprove	2.6	1.8	1.9	2.3	2.1
Approve	1.4	3.3	3.5	1.5	2.5
Strongly approve		0.4	0.3	0.2	0.3
Refused	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1
Don't know	0.5	0.5	0.1	0.9	0.5

Q20B. There are many ways to govern a country. Would you disapprove or approve of the following alternatives: The army comes in to govern the country?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly disapprove	75.9	60.2	71.2	62.2	66.7
Disapprove	17.9	27.7	20.5	26.7	23.6
Neither approve nor disapprove	3.5	3.7	2.5	4.8	3.6
Approve	0.9	2.1	1.4	1.8	1.6
Strongly approve	0.3	0.6	0.6	0.3	0.5
Don't know	1.5	5.8	3.7	4.3	4.0

Q20C. There are many ways to govern a country. Would you disapprove or approve of the following alternatives: Elections and Parliament are abolished so that the Prime Minister can decide everything?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly disapprove	74.3	67.2	73.7	66.7	70.2
Disapprove	21.5	25.9	21.8	26.3	24.0
Neither approve nor disapprove	2.5	2.0	1.4	3.1	2.2
Approve	0.9	2.3	2.5	1.0	1.7
Strongly approve	0.3	0.7	0.6	0.4	0.5
Refused		0.2		0.2	0.1
Don't know	0.5	1.7	0.0	2.3	1.2

Q21. Which of these three statements is closest to your own opinion?

Statement 1: Democracy is preferable to any other kind of government.

Statement 2: In some circumstances, a non-democratic government can be preferable.

Statement 3: For someone like me, it doesn't matter what kind of government we have.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Statement 3: Doesn't matter	9.4	8.6	8.1	9.8	8.9
Statement 2: Sometimes non-democratic preferable	7.3	13.0	12.9	8.3	10.6
Statement 1: Democracy preferable	81.7	70.4	74.7	75.5	75.1
Refused	0.3	0.9	0.2	1.0	0.6
Don't know	1.4	7.1	4.1	5.4	4.8

Q22. Which of the following statements is closest to your view?

Statement 1: It is more important to have a government that can get things done, even if we have no influence over what it does.

Statement 2: It is more important for citizens to be able to hold government accountable, even if that means it makes decisions more slowly.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with 1	7.5	7.2	6.6	8.0	7.3
Agree with 1	10.0	13.9	10.8	13.7	12.3
Agree with 2	29.0	36.2	34.2	32.3	33.2
Agree very strongly with 2	51.7	40.6	46.9	43.5	45.2
Agree with neither	1.2	1.3	1.0	1.4	1.2
Don't know	0.7	0.8	0.5	1.1	0.8

Q29. Which of the following statements is closest to your view?

Statement 1: The National Assembly should ensure that the Prime Minister explains to it on a regular basis how his government spends taxpayers' money.

Statement 2: The Prime Minister should be able to devote his full attention to developing the country rather than wasting time justifying his actions.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with 1	53.6	44.1	46.5	49.6	48.1
Agree with 1	30.8	29.8	33.7	26.7	30.2
Agree with 2	7.4	14.6	11.6	11.6	11.6
Agree very strongly with 2	5.4	10.6	7.3	9.6	8.4
Agree with neither	2.8	0.3	0.9	1.7	1.3
Don't know		0.7		0.8	0.4

Q34. Which of the following statements is closest to your view?

Statement 1: The Constitution should limit the prime minister to serving a maximum of two terms in office.

Statement 2: There should be no constitutional limit on how long the prime minister can serve.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with 1	52.0	39.1	45.6	43.3	44.5
Agree with 1	25.7	27.5	26.0	27.4	26.7
Agree with 2	10.3	16.1	13.7	13.6	13.6
Agree very strongly with 2	6.5	13.6	11.0	10.3	10.6
Agree with neither	3.8	1.1	2.3	2.2	2.3
Refused		0.2		0.3	0.1
Don't know	1.7	2.5	1.3	2.9	2.1

Q35A. Should there be a minimum age for candidates for Prime Minister?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No, no minimum	29.2	49.0	41.0	40.5	40.7
Yes, should be a minimum	67.8	43.6	53.7	53.6	53.7
Refused		0.3		0.4	0.2
Don't know	3.0	7.1	5.3	5.5	5.4

Q35B. [If "Yes":] What should the minimum age be?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
18	1.4	0.8	0.7	1.4	1.0
20	1.4	1.6	1.8	1.4	1.6
21	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
22	0.1		0.1		0.0
23	0.2			0.1	0.1
25	5.9	3.3	3.7	5.1	4.4

28	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
30	6.7	4.9	6.0	5.4	5.7
33	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2
35	8.2	5.3	5.1	8.0	6.5
36		0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1
38	0.8		0.4	0.3	0.3
39	0.4		0.3		0.2
40	18.3	11.1	17.6	10.7	14.1
41		0.0	0.0		0.0
42	0.3			0.2	0.1
43	1.1	0.1	0.4	0.6	0.5
45	12.8	6.6	9.0	9.3	9.2
46		0.2		0.2	0.1
47	0.2	0.1	0.3		0.1
48	0.1	0.9	0.2	0.9	0.6
49		0.0		0.0	0.0
50	8.0	6.7	6.2	8.2	7.2
52	0.0		0.0		0.0
55	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3
57	0.7		0.5		0.3
60	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1
Not applicable	32.2	56.4	46.3	46.4	46.3
Refused		0.2		0.2	0.1
Don't know	0.1	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.3

Q35C. Should there be a maximum age for candidates for Prime Minister?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No, no maximum	21.2	45.2	36.5	34.0	35.2
Yes, should be a maximum	77.7	50.5	60.8	62.7	61.8
Don't know	1.1	4.3	2.7	3.3	3.0

Q35D. [If "Yes":] What should the maximum age be?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
30		0.2	0.2		0.1
40	0.4	0.9	0.7	0.7	0.7
45	0.0	0.9	1.0	0.1	0.5
48		0.1	0.1		0.1
50	1.4	1.9	1.2	2.1	1.7
52	0.2		0.1		0.1
55	1.3	2.5	1.7	2.3	2.0
60	12.3	10.2	8.2	14.0	11.1
62		0.7	0.5	0.3	0.4
63		0.7	0.2	0.6	0.4
65	22.9	14.9	19.3	17.1	18.2
66	0.6		0.2	0.3	0.2
67	1.3		0.3	0.8	0.5
68	2.2	0.5	0.5	1.9	1.2
69		0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0
70	22.0	7.4	14.6	12.3	13.5
72	0.3	0.0	0.3		0.1
73	0.1		0.1		0.0
75	8.7	3.3	5.5	5.5	5.5
77	0.7		0.5		0.3

78	1.4		1.1		0.6
80	1.7	3.5	2.5	3.0	2.7
85		0.8	0.7	0.3	0.5
90		1.2	0.5	0.9	0.7
Not applicable	22.3	49.5	39.2	37.3	38.2
Refused		0.3	0.3		0.2
Don't know	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.3

Q36. In your opinion, how much of a democracy is Mauritius today?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not a democracy	5.4	6.0	6.6	4.9	5.7
A democracy, with major problems	37.5	25.6	32.6	28.6	30.6
A democracy, but with minor problems	44.0	45.2	43.4	46.0	44.7
A full democracy	10.6	17.1	14.3	14.5	14.4
Do not understand question / democracy	1.1	4.4	1.9	4.1	3.0
Don't know	1.4	1.8	1.2	2.0	1.6

Q37. Overall, how satisfied are you with the way democracy works in Mauritius?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
The country is not a democracy	1.4	0.0	0.5	0.7	0.6
Not at all satisfied	20.7	13.8	20.2	13.2	16.7
Not very satisfied	30.8	26.3	26.3	30.0	28.1
Fairly satisfied	38.1	45.5	42.0	42.9	42.4
Very satisfied	7.7	9.2	8.2	8.8	8.5
Don't know	1.3	5.2	2.7	4.4	3.6

Q52A. Who should be responsible for making sure that, once elected, members of National Assembly do their jobs?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
The prime minister / executive	36.5	46.3	44.1	40.4	42.2
The Parliament / county assembly	21.4	23.0	23.0	21.6	22.3
Their political party	13.5	9.2	9.8	12.2	11.0
The voters	22.1	17.7	20.0	19.1	19.6
No one	0.6	0.9	0.7	0.8	0.8
Don't know	5.9	2.9	2.4	5.9	4.1

Q52B. Who should be responsible for making sure that, once elected, the Prime Minister does his or her job?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
The prime minister / executive	18.3	8.7	13.4	12.0	12.7
The Parliament / county assembly	37.1	52.5	45.1	47.1	46.1
Their political party	7.7	8.5	9.0	7.4	8.2
The voters	30.0	26.6	29.0	27.0	28.0
No one	1.0	0.5	0.6	0.8	0.7
Don't know	5.8	3.1	2.8	5.7	4.3

Q28. Which of the following statements is closest to your view?

Statement 1: Experts with specialized education or skills are needed to help make the most important decisions for our country.

Statement 2: The people and their elected representatives know what is best; they do not need the advice of experts to run the country.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with 1	45.5	38.0	42.4	39.9	41.1
Agree with 1	38.6	40.0	35.6	43.2	39.4
Agree with 2	9.3	12.3	12.5	9.6	11.0
Agree very strongly with 2	3.3	7.0	6.1	4.9	5.5
Agree with neither	2.8	0.6	2.1	1.0	1.5
Don't know	0.4	2.1	1.4	1.5	1.4

Q31. Which of the following statements is closest to your view?

Statement 1: Whichever party or group wins elections should be able to pursue the policies they prefer, without needing to compromise with others.

Statement 2: In a democracy, it is important to make compromises between the preferences and needs of different groups.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with 1	6.5	6.2	5.8	6.8	6.3
Agree with 1	8.4	15.0	11.1	13.5	12.3
Agree with 2	40.6	42.4	41.3	42.1	41.7
Agree very strongly with 2	40.2	29.2	36.5	30.9	33.7
Agree with neither	1.8	1.8	1.5	2.0	1.8
Refused		0.3	0.2	0.1	0.2
Don't know	2.5	5.2	3.6	4.5	4.0

Freedom

See related questions under “Media and access to information.”

Q10A. In this country, how free are you to say what you think?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all free	7.3	8.0	8.8	6.6	7.7
Not very free	22.9	19.9	18.9	23.4	21.2
Somewhat free	40.4	39.6	41.4	38.4	39.9
Completely free	29.2	32.2	30.8	31.1	31.0
Don't know	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.4	0.2

Q10B. In this country, how free are you to join any political organization you want?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all free	5.5	5.3	4.3	6.4	5.4
Not very free	16.3	14.6	15.0	15.7	15.3
Somewhat free	36.7	31.9	33.2	34.7	33.9
Completely free	39.7	45.1	46.1	39.6	42.8
Refused	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2
Don't know	1.5	3.0	1.4	3.4	2.4

Q10C. In this country, how free are you to choose who to vote for without feeling pressured?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all free	2.7	1.8	1.7	2.6	2.1
Not very free	7.4	5.7	6.5	6.3	6.4
Somewhat free	27.3	22.4	22.7	26.1	24.4
Completely free	62.1	68.8	68.8	63.3	66.1
Don't know	0.5	1.3	0.3	1.6	1.0

Q40d. Do people have to be careful of what they say about politics?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	8.5	5.2	6.5	6.6	6.6
Rarely	17.5	16.6	16.2	17.8	17.0
Often	35.6	33.2	37.5	30.8	34.2
Always	37.5	44.3	39.7	43.3	41.5
Don't know	1.0	0.6	0.0	1.5	0.8

Q19A. Let's talk for a moment about the kind of society you would like to have in this country. Which of the following statements is closest to your view?

Statement 1: The government should be able to ban any organization that goes against its policies.

Statement 2: We should be able to join any organization, whether or not the government approves of it.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with 1	5.6	2.8	3.5	4.5	4.0
Agree with 1	7.5	10.8	8.3	10.6	9.4
Agree with 2	27.4	39.0	34.1	34.3	34.2
Agree very strongly with 2	55.8	46.4	51.9	48.7	50.3
Agree with neither	2.6	0.6	1.5	1.4	1.4
Refused	0.2		0.1		0.1
Don't know	0.9	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.6

Q73. Which of the following statements is closest to your view?

Statement 1: Even if faced with threats to public security, people should be free to move about the country at any time of day or night.

Statement 2: When faced with threats to public security, the government should be able to impose curfews and set up special roadblocks to prevent people from moving around.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with 1	11.0	7.1	9.8	7.6	8.7
Agree with 1	18.4	15.9	16.5	17.4	16.9
Agree with 2	25.7	33.3	28.2	32.0	30.1
Agree very strongly with 2	42.3	43.0	43.6	41.8	42.7
Agree with neither	2.2	0.3	1.4	0.9	1.1
Don't know	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.4

Q74. Which of the following statements is closest to your view?

Statement 1: Government should be able to monitor private communications, for example on mobile phones, to make sure that people are not plotting violence.

Statement 2: People should have the right to communicate in private without a government agency reading or listening to what they are saying.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with 1	11.3	5.2	7.9	7.5	7.7
Agree with 1	14.6	13.7	14.8	13.4	14.1
Agree with 2	26.5	30.8	27.6	30.5	29.0
Agree very strongly with 2	42.5	47.8	45.9	45.3	45.6
Agree with neither	4.2	1.6	3.1	2.3	2.7
Don't know	0.9	0.9	0.7	1.1	0.9

Q75. Which of the following statements is closest to your view?

Statement 1: Freedom of religion and worship are absolute, meaning that government should never limit what is said in a place of worship.

Statement 2: Government should have the power to regulate what is said in places of worship, especially if preachers or congregants threaten public security.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with 1	27.7	19.6	23.5	22.5	23.0
Agree with 1	28.4	22.1	22.5	27.0	24.8
Agree with 2	22.7	27.8	26.3	25.0	25.7
Agree very strongly with 2	16.3	22.5	21.0	18.9	19.9
Agree with neither	4.0	3.7	4.2	3.5	3.8
Refused		0.5	0.1	0.4	0.3
Don't know	0.8	3.7	2.4	2.6	2.5

Citizenship and participation

See related questions under “Elections.”

Q9. When you get together with your friends or family, would you say you discuss political matters frequently, occasionally, or never?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	26.9	27.7	12.9	41.8	27.4
Occasionally	53.4	53.1	58.1	48.3	53.2
Frequently	19.7	18.8	28.7	9.7	19.2
Refused		0.2		0.3	0.1
Don't know		0.2	0.2		0.1

Q11A. Here is a list of actions that people sometimes take as citizens. For each of these, please tell me whether you, personally, have done any of these things during the past year. [If “No”:] Would you do this if you had the chance: Attended a community meeting?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No, would never do this	31.4	27.2	15.8	42.0	28.9
No, would do it if I had the chance	23.1	17.9	17.8	22.4	20.1
Yes, once or twice	25.0	28.6	34.9	19.3	27.1
Yes, several times	10.3	13.3	15.8	8.3	12.0
Yes, often	9.5	12.8	15.1	7.6	11.4
Refused	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.3
Don't know	0.5		0.4	0.0	0.2

Q11B. Here is a list of actions that people sometimes take as citizens. For each of these, please tell me whether you, personally, have done any of these things during the past year. [If “No”:] Would you do this if you had the chance: Got together with others to raise an issue?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No, would never do this	30.0	30.3	17.1	43.2	30.1
No, would do it if I had the chance	33.1	29.0	30.0	31.3	30.7
Yes, once or twice	20.1	20.4	27.4	13.1	20.3
Yes, several times	7.9	11.0	13.8	5.5	9.7
Yes, often	8.6	8.0	10.9	5.7	8.3
Refused	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.3
Don't know	0.1	1.1	0.6	0.8	0.7

Q11C. Here is a list of actions that people sometimes take as citizens. For each of these, please tell me whether you, personally, have done any of these things during the past year. [If “No”:] Would you do this if you had the chance: Participated in a demonstration or protest march?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No, would never do this	48.0	52.5	40.5	60.7	50.6
No, would do it if had the chance	31.4	27.8	32.7	25.9	29.3
Yes, once or twice	14.2	12.1	17.7	8.2	13.0
Yes, several times	1.9	3.3	3.7	1.7	2.7
Yes, often	3.4	1.8	3.0	1.9	2.4
Refused		0.4	0.1	0.4	0.2
Don't know	1.1	2.2	2.2	1.2	1.7

Q12A. During the past year, how often have you contacted any of the following persons about some important problem or to give them your views: A municipal or district councillor?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	75.5	62.6	57.0	78.9	67.9
Only once	13.6	17.1	19.4	11.9	15.6
A few times	9.0	15.0	18.1	7.0	12.5
Often	1.7	4.6	5.2	1.6	3.4
Refused		0.3		0.4	0.2
Don't know	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.3

Q12B. During the past year, how often have you contacted any of the following persons about some important problem or to give them your views: A member of the National Assembly?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	89.6	83.8	79.8	92.7	86.2
Only once	4.7	7.0	8.4	3.7	6.1
A few times	5.1	5.8	8.9	2.2	5.5
Often	0.6	2.7	2.9	0.7	1.8
Refused		0.3		0.4	0.2
Don't know		0.3		0.4	0.2

Q12C. During the past year, how often have you contacted any of the following persons about some important problem or to give them your views: A political party official?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	86.3	77.9	73.4	89.4	81.4
Only once	6.6	8.0	11.3	3.6	7.4
A few times	5.8	9.2	11.1	4.4	7.8
Often	1.1	4.0	4.3	1.4	2.8
Refused	0.2	0.6		0.8	0.4
Don't know		0.3		0.4	0.2

Q91A. Do you feel close to any particular political party?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No, not close to any party	68.6	74.0	67.3	76.3	71.8
Yes, feels close to a party	19.3	20.1	23.3	16.1	19.7
Refused	11.5	5.4	9.3	6.5	7.9
Don't know	0.7	0.6	0.1	1.1	0.6

Q91B: Which party is that?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Mouvement Socialiste Mauricien (MSM)	4.5	8.6	8.0	5.8	6.9
Mouvement Libérateur (ML)		0.5		0.6	0.3
Parti Mauricien Social Démocrate (PMSD)	0.6	0.9	1.3	0.3	0.8
Parti Travailleiste	3.5	2.5	4.1	1.8	2.9
Mouvement Militant Mauricien (MMM)	4.7	1.0	3.1	1.9	2.5
Mouvement Patriotique (MP)	0.1		0.1		0.0
Front Solidarité Mauricien (FSM)	0.1		0.1		0.0
Reform Party	0.3	0.6	0.2	0.7	0.4
Organisation du Peuple Rodriguais (OPR)		1.3	0.9	0.7	0.8
Mouvement Rodriguais (MR)		0.1		0.1	0.0

Front PAtriotique Rodriguais Ecologique (FPRE)		0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Rezistans ek Alternativ	1.3	0.3	1.3	0.1	0.7
Other		0.0	0.1		0.0
Not applicable	80.7	79.9	76.7	83.9	80.3
Refused	3.6	4.1	3.8	4.0	3.9
Don't know	0.6		0.3	0.2	0.3

Rule of law

Q30. Which of the following statements is closest to your view?

Statement 1: Since the Prime Minister was elected to lead the country, he should not be bound by laws or court decisions that he thinks are wrong. Statement 2: The president must always obey the laws and the courts, even if he thinks they are wrong.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with 1	4.6	4.0	4.9	3.7	4.3
Agree with 1	4.8	9.9	6.4	9.3	7.8
Agree with 2	25.2	27.3	27.2	25.7	26.5
Agree very strongly with 2	62.8	56.2	59.2	58.6	58.9
Agree with neither	1.9	1.4	1.3	1.8	1.6
Refused		0.1		0.2	0.1
Don't know	0.7	1.0	1.0	0.8	0.9

Q40B. In your opinion, how often, in this country, does the Prime Minister ignore the courts and laws of this country?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	19.0	16.2	19.2	15.5	17.4
Rarely	37.5	33.8	36.2	34.3	35.3
Often	34.7	30.5	31.9	32.6	32.2
Always	2.9	13.2	9.4	8.5	8.9
Refused	0.2	0.2		0.4	0.2
Don't know	5.8	6.1	3.2	8.8	6.0

Q40C. In your opinion, how often, in this country, does the Prime Minister ignore the National Assembly and just do what he wants?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	25.9	17.4	21.3	20.6	21.0
Rarely	33.6	32.4	32.3	33.4	32.9
Often	28.2	29.8	31.2	27.1	29.2
Always	3.7	13.5	10.1	8.8	9.4
Refused	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.4
Don't know	8.0	6.5	4.8	9.5	7.2

Q40E. In your opinion, how often, in this country, are people treated unequally under the law?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	12.2	16.7	13.7	16.0	14.8
Rarely	37.8	38.5	38.4	38.0	38.2
Often	39.5	28.2	33.8	32.0	32.9
Always	5.2	10.4	8.8	7.7	8.2
Refused	0.1		0.1		0.1

Don't know	5.1	6.2	5.2	6.3	5.7
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Q40F. In your opinion, how often, in this country, do officials who commit crimes go unpunished?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	14.5	19.7	18.1	16.9	17.5
Rarely	45.6	42.4	44.3	43.2	43.7
Often	31.4	21.7	26.9	24.6	25.7
Always	2.8	4.3	3.9	3.4	3.7
Refused	0.1		0.1		0.1
Don't know	5.6	12.0	6.7	11.9	9.3

Q40G. In your opinion, how often, in this country, do ordinary people who break the law go unpunished?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	38.6	37.5	39.6	36.3	38.0
Rarely	39.1	37.1	37.9	37.9	37.9
Often	13.4	13.2	12.5	14.0	13.3
Always	7.3	5.8	6.1	6.7	6.4
Don't know	1.7	6.5	3.9	5.1	4.5

Q32. Which of the following statements is closest to your view?

Statement 1: A government that enjoys the support of the people should be free to do whatever the people want, even if it is outside the law.

Statement 2: The actions of any government, no matter how popular it is, must always follow the law.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with 1	1.3	2.1	2.4	1.0	1.7
Agree with 1	6.0	8.8	6.5	8.8	7.6
Agree with 2	23.8	35.1	30.1	30.6	30.4
Agree very strongly with 2	68.4	52.8	59.6	59.0	59.3
Agree with neither	0.2	0.8	1.0		0.5
Refused		0.1	0.1		0.0
Don't know	0.4	0.5	0.2	0.6	0.4

Elections

See also Q41C (trust in electoral commission) under “Institutions and leaders.”

Q24. Which of the following statements is closest to your view?

Statement 1: We should choose our leaders in this country through regular, open, and honest elections.

Statement 2: Since elections sometimes produce bad results, we should adopt other methods for choosing this country's leaders.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with 1	64.8	47.7	54.5	55.1	54.8
Agree with 1	22.7	31.9	27.3	28.9	28.1
Agree with 2	6.7	10.8	9.1	9.1	9.1
Agree very strongly with 2	4.8	8.7	8.2	5.9	7.1
Agree with neither	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1
Refused	0.3		0.3		0.1
Don't know	0.5	0.7	0.4	0.9	0.6

Q25. Which of the following statements is closest to your view?

Statement 1: Political parties create division and confusion; it is therefore unnecessary to have many political parties in Mauritius.

Statement 2: Many political parties are needed to make sure that Mauritians have real choices in who governs them.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with 1	9.5	6.5	7.4	8.1	7.8
Agree with 1	12.2	17.3	16.1	14.3	15.2
Agree with 2	29.5	31.3	28.7	32.3	30.5
Agree very strongly with 2	43.5	42.1	44.6	40.8	42.7
Agree with neither	4.8	1.2	2.2	3.2	2.7
Refused		0.3	0.0	0.3	0.2
Don't know	0.5	1.3	0.9	1.0	1.0

Q40A. In your opinion, how often, in this country, does competition between political parties lead to violent conflict?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	14.9	11.4	11.5	14.3	12.9
Rarely	45.5	40.4	44.6	40.4	42.5
Often	32.5	36.3	34.4	35.1	34.7
Always	5.8	9.4	8.4	7.4	7.9
Refused		0.3		0.4	0.2
Don't know	1.3	2.1	1.1	2.5	1.8

Let's talk about the last national election held in 2019.

Q13. People are not always able to vote in elections, for example, because they weren't registered, they were unable to go, or someone prevented them from voting. How about you? In the last national election held in 2019, did you vote, or not, or were you too young to vote? Or can't you remember whether you voted?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
I did not vote	10.2	13.2	9.5	14.4	12.0
I was too young to vote	0.7	1.9	0.3	2.5	1.4
I can't remember whether I voted		0.4	0.3	0.2	0.3
I voted in the election	89.1	83.9	89.2	82.9	86.1
Refused		0.2	0.2		0.1
Don't know		0.4	0.5		0.2

Q14. On the whole, how would you rate the freeness and fairness of the last national election, held in 2019?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not free and fair	13.8	9.0	13.2	8.7	11.0
Free and fair, with major problems	24.6	19.1	22.8	20.0	21.4
Free and fair, but with minor problems	34.7	40.2	36.7	39.1	37.9
Completely free and fair	23.9	25.8	24.2	25.9	25.0
Do not understand question	0.6	1.2	0.5	1.5	1.0
Don't know	2.4	4.6	2.6	4.9	3.7

Q15A. Thinking about the last national election in 2019: Did you attend a campaign rally?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No	72.8	67.6	56.3	83.2	69.7
Yes	27.2	32.1	43.7	16.4	30.1
Don't know		0.3		0.4	0.2

Q15B. Thinking about the last national election in 2019: Did you work for a candidate or party?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No	93.5	89.9	87.4	95.5	91.4
Yes	6.1	9.0	11.7	3.9	7.8
Refused	0.4	0.6	0.7	0.3	0.5
Don't know		0.5	0.2	0.4	0.3

Q15C. Thinking about the last national election in 2019: Did any representative of a political party contact you during the campaign?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No	75.6	68.9	64.8	78.7	71.7
Yes	23.7	29.3	33.9	20.1	27.0
Refused	0.3	0.6	0.6	0.3	0.5
Don't know	0.4	1.1	0.7	1.0	0.8

Q15D. (If yes to Q15C) Which party were they from? (1st response)

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Mouvement Socialiste Mauricien (MSM)	14.1	18.2	19.7	13.3	16.5
Mouvement Libérateur (ML)	0.1		0.0		0.0
Parti Mauricien Social Démocrate (PMSD)	0.7	1.2	1.1	0.8	1.0
Parti Travailleuse	3.5	2.6	3.7	2.3	3.0

Mouvement Militant Mauricien (MMM)	1.2	1.0	1.5	0.7	1.1
Front Solidarité Mauricien (FSM)	0.2		0.1		0.1
Reform Party	0.1		0.1		0.0
Organisation du Peuple Rodriguais (OPR)		1.1	0.8	0.5	0.7
Mouvement Rodriguais (MR)		0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0
Front Patriotique Rodriguais Ecologique (FPRE)		0.0		0.1	0.0
Other	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2
Not applicable	76.3	70.7	66.1	79.9	73.0
Refused	3.1	4.3	5.9	1.7	3.8
Don't know	0.7	0.5	0.7	0.5	0.6

Q15D. (If yes to Q15C) Which party were they from? (2nd response)

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Mouvement Libérateur (ML)	6.2	4.6	5.1	5.5	5.3
Parti Mauricien Social Democrate (PMSD)	1.9	2.3	3.2	1.0	2.1
Parti Travailleiste	4.4	3.6	5.2	2.7	3.9
Mouvement Militant Mauricien (MMM)	1.2	0.5	0.6	1.0	0.8
Front Solidarité Mauricien (FSM)		0.2	0.3		0.1
Reform Party	0.4	0.4	0.7		0.4
Organisation du Peuple Rodriguais (OPR)		0.0	0.0		0.0
Mouvement Rodriguais (MR)		0.4	0.3	0.2	0.2
Other	9.6	17.3	18.5	9.7	14.1
Not applicable	76.3	70.7	66.1	79.9	73.0

Q15D. (If yes to Q15C) Which party were they from? (3rd response)

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Parti Mauricien Social Democrate (PMSD)	5.0	2.3	3.0	3.9	3.4
Parti Travailleiste	1.8	3.4	4.1	1.4	2.7
Mouvement Militant Mauricien (MMM)	3.6	1.6	3.4	1.4	2.4
Reform Party	0.1			0.1	0.0
Mouvement Rodriguais (MR)		0.0	0.0		0.0
Front Patriotique Rodriguais Ecologique (FPRE)		0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1
Other		0.1		0.1	0.0
No further reply	13.3	21.7	23.3	13.1	18.2
Not applicable	76.3	70.7	66.1	79.9	73.0

Q15D. (If yes to Q15C) Which party were they from? (4th response)

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Parti Mauricien Social Democrate (PMSD)		0.1		0.1	0.0
Parti Travailleiste	4.6	2.3	2.7	3.9	3.3
Mouvement Militant Mauricien (MMM)	1.2	1.4	1.5	1.1	1.3

Front Solidarité Mauricien (FSM)		0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1
Reform Party	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3
Front Patriotique Rodriguais Ecologique (FPRE)		0.0	0.0		0.0
No further reply	17.7	25.0	29.3	14.6	22.0
Not applicable	76.3	70.7	66.1	79.9	73.0

Q15D. (If yes to Q15C) Which party were they from? (5th response)

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Mouvement Militant Mauricien (MMM)	4.3	2.2	2.6	3.5	3.1
Mouvement Patriotique (MP)		0.1		0.1	0.1
Reform Party		0.3	0.1	0.2	0.2
Other	0.2			0.2	0.1
No further reply	19.2	26.8	31.2	16.0	23.6
Not applicable	76.3	70.7	66.1	79.9	73.0

Q15D. (If yes to Q15C) Which party were they from? (6th response)

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Mouvement Patriotique (MP)	0.5	0.2	0.6		0.3
Front Solidarité Mauricien (FSM)	1.0	0.3	0.6	0.6	0.6
Reform Party	1.6	0.5	0.3	1.6	1.0
No further reply	20.6	28.4	32.4	17.8	25.1
Not applicable	76.3	70.7	66.1	79.9	73.0

Q15D. (If yes to Q15C) Which party were they from? (7th response)

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Reform Party	0.3	0.5	0.8		0.4
Rezistans ek Alternativ	0.2		0.2		0.1
No further reply	23.2	28.9	33.0	20.1	26.5
Not applicable	76.3	70.7	66.1	79.9	73.0

Q15D. (If yes to Q15C) Which party were they from? (8th response)

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Rezistans ek Alternativ		0.2	0.2		0.1
No further reply	23.7	29.2	33.8	20.1	26.9
Not applicable	76.3	70.7	66.1	79.9	73.0

Q15D. (If yes to Q15C) Which party were they from? (9th response)

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No further reply	23.7	29.3	33.9	20.1	27.0
Not applicable	76.3	70.7	66.1	79.9	73.0

Q16A. During the last national election campaign in 2019, how often did the media provide fair coverage of all candidates?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	15.7	5.3	10.1	9.1	9.6
Sometimes	32.5	28.6	32.3	28.0	30.2
Often	25.3	33.7	31.0	29.4	30.2
Always	16.2	25.6	20.5	22.9	21.7
Don't know	10.3	6.9	6.1	10.6	8.3

Q16B. During the last national election in 2019 how often, if ever, did a candidate or someone from a political party offer you something, like food, a gift, or money, in return for your vote?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	85.4	84.3	82.9	86.7	84.8
Once or twice	10.4	8.6	11.1	7.7	9.4
Several times	3.0	3.7	3.7	3.2	3.4
Often	1.0	2.1	1.8	1.4	1.6
Refused		0.6	0.3	0.4	0.4
Don't know	0.2	0.7	0.3	0.7	0.5

Q17A. In the last national election in 2019, how often did each of the following things happen: People's votes were not accurately counted or not fairly reflected in the results?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	31.1	42.4	35.7	39.8	37.7
A few times	26.8	28.0	29.1	25.9	27.5
Often	17.5	15.5	18.8	13.8	16.3
Refused		0.4		0.4	0.2
Don't know	24.6	13.7	16.4	20.0	18.2

Q17B. In the last national election in 2019, how often did each of the following things happen: People voted more than once?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	40.0	50.3	45.2	46.8	46.0
A few times	16.8	19.1	19.2	17.1	18.1
Often	5.5	11.3	10.2	7.6	8.9
Refused	0.3	0.8	0.9	0.4	0.6
Don't know	37.4	18.6	24.6	28.1	26.4

Q17B1-MAU. In the last national election in 2019, how often did each of the following things happen: People's names were not on the voters' register?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	9.0	12.0	8.7	12.8	10.7
A few times	33.4	41.2	36.7	39.3	38.0
Often	51.1	39.7	48.5	40.5	44.5
Refused	0.2	0.3		0.6	0.3
Don't know	6.2	6.7	6.1	6.9	6.5

Q17D. During the last national election campaign in 2019, how much did you personally fear becoming a victim of political intimidation or violence?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
A lot	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.4	0.5
Somewhat	3.1	2.0	2.6	2.4	2.5
A little bit	26.2	11.8	16.1	19.5	17.8
Not at all	69.8	84.9	80.0	77.3	78.6
Don't know	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.5

Q18A. During the last national election in 2019, did you witness police or soldiers, rather than election officials, assisting some people to cast their ballot?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No	90.4	84.9	88.7	85.6	87.2
Yes	5.6	9.5	8.0	7.7	7.9
Refused	0.1		0.1		0.0
Don't know	3.9	5.7	3.2	6.6	4.9

Q18B. During the last national election in 2019, did you witness anyone from the security forces or a political party trying to intimidate voters?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No	88.7	85.2	86.8	86.6	86.7
Yes	7.2	10.1	10.5	7.3	8.9
Don't know	4.1	4.7	2.7	6.1	4.4

Q18C. With regard to the last national election in 2019, to what extent do you think the results announced by the Office of the Electoral Commission of Mauritius accurately reflected the actual results as counted?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not accurate at all	6.7	10.7	11.4	6.6	9.0
Not very accurate, with major discrepancies	21.9	14.6	18.7	16.6	17.6
Mostly accurate, but with some minor discrepancies	41.5	40.5	39.3	42.5	40.9
Completely accurate	24.6	28.4	26.2	27.5	26.8
Refused		0.6	0.4	0.4	0.4
Don't know	5.4	5.2	4.1	6.5	5.3

Q53A. Think about how elections work in practice in this country. How well do elections ensure that representatives to Parliament reflect the views of voters?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all well	14.2	16.6	19.2	12.0	15.6
Not very well	35.8	25.9	29.8	30.2	30.0
Well	36.7	43.2	38.8	42.1	40.5
Very well	8.4	10.2	9.5	9.4	9.4
Don't know	4.9	4.1	2.7	6.2	4.5

Q53B. Think about how elections work in practice in this country. How well do elections enable voters to remove from office leaders who do not do what the people want?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all well	24.0	21.7	26.0	19.3	22.7
Not very well	36.5	27.0	29.5	32.4	31.0
Well	27.9	33.6	30.4	32.1	31.2
Very well	6.0	11.9	10.1	8.7	9.4
Refused	0.3			0.2	0.1
Don't know	5.4	5.8	4.1	7.2	5.6

Q53C. How often do you think that communities that do not vote for the ruling party suffer negative consequences, such as lack of government support for local services or development projects?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	20.1	16.1	17.4	18.1	17.8
Rarely	16.7	24.5	22.7	19.8	21.3
Sometimes	25.5	23.1	21.3	26.9	24.1
Often	28.2	20.0	25.1	21.7	23.4
Always	5.6	6.9	7.3	5.4	6.3
Don't know	3.9	9.4	6.2	8.0	7.1

17C. How likely do you think it is that powerful people can find out how you voted, even though there is supposed to be a secret ballot in this country?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all likely	34.4	30.9	31.2	33.5	32.4
Not very likely	22.7	24.5	23.3	24.2	23.8
Somewhat likely	20.9	24.1	24.5	20.9	22.7
Very likely	12.4	13.9	14.0	12.6	13.3
Don't know	9.6	6.6	6.9	8.8	7.8

Q99. If general elections were held tomorrow, which party's candidate would you vote for?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Mouvement Socialiste Mauricien (MSM)	19.5	18.4	19.8	17.9	18.9
Mouvement Libérateur (ML)	0.3	1.1	0.5	1.0	0.8
Parti Mauricien Social Démocrate (PMSD)	3.0	3.0	3.2	2.7	3.0
Parti Travailleuse	10.9	10.3	13.5	7.6	10.6
Mouvement Militant Mauricien (MMM)	8.0	3.4	5.3	5.3	5.3
Front Solidarité Mauricien (FSM)	0.5		0.4		0.2
Reform Party	0.7	1.9	1.4	1.4	1.4
Organisation du Peuple Rodriguais (OPR)		1.7	0.9	1.0	1.0
Mouvement Rodriguais (MR)		0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Front Patriotique Rodriguais Ecologique (FPRE)		0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Rezistans ek Alternativ	1.4		1.1		0.6
Other	0.6	0.1	0.4	0.2	0.3
Would not vote	4.8	4.1	3.3	5.5	4.4
Refused to answer	25.3	34.9	29.3	32.6	30.9
Don't know	25.0	20.8	20.5	24.6	22.6

Institutions and leaders

See related questions under “Public services and government performance.”

Q41A. How much do you trust each of the following, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: The Prime Minister?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	22.9	23.4	24.8	21.6	23.2
Just a little	37.3	32.5	34.1	34.8	34.5
Somewhat	26.0	24.1	23.0	26.7	24.9
A lot	12.6	18.8	17.7	14.7	16.2
Refused	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.4
Don't know	0.9	0.9	0.2	1.5	0.9

Q41A1_MAU. How much do you trust each of the following, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: The President?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	29.0	25.4	30.5	23.3	26.9
Just a little	26.8	30.3	27.5	30.3	28.9
Somewhat	24.4	19.7	20.5	22.9	21.7
A lot	6.0	12.4	11.5	8.0	9.8
Refused	0.2	0.3		0.6	0.3
Don't know/Haven't heard enough to say	13.5	11.8	10.1	15.0	12.5

Q41B. How much do you trust each of the following, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: The National Assembly?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	20.4	18.5	21.0	17.6	19.3
Just a little	38.6	37.6	38.3	37.7	38.0
Somewhat	32.3	24.9	25.1	30.8	28.0
A lot	6.8	15.1	13.2	10.1	11.7
Refused	0.2	0.3		0.6	0.3
Don't know	1.6	3.6	2.4	3.2	2.8

Q41C. How much do you trust each of the following, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: The Electoral Commission of Mauritius?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	9.7	16.8	14.4	13.3	13.9
Just a little	39.1	36.2	37.6	37.2	37.4
Somewhat	35.9	27.5	29.5	32.4	31.0
A lot	12.2	14.6	15.6	11.6	13.6
Refused	0.2	0.3		0.6	0.3
Don't know	2.8	4.6	2.9	4.9	3.9

Q41D. How much do you trust each of the following, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: Your Municipal or District Council?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	20.8	11.7	15.5	15.5	15.5
Just a little	40.0	42.0	42.7	39.7	41.2
Somewhat	27.5	29.9	27.5	30.3	28.9
A lot	9.4	14.1	13.0	11.3	12.1
Refused	0.2			0.2	0.1
Don't know	2.1	2.3	1.4	3.1	2.2

Q41E. How much do you trust each of the following, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: The ruling coalition?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	27.2	21.8	27.3	20.8	24.1
Just a little	35.4	35.0	33.3	37.0	35.1
Somewhat	24.1	23.7	23.5	24.2	23.9
A lot	11.2	15.8	14.0	13.7	13.9
Refused	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.2
Don't know	1.7	3.7	1.8	3.9	2.9

Q41F. How much do you trust each of the following, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: Opposition political parties?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	11.9	14.9	14.4	12.9	13.7
Just a little	40.2	42.6	41.2	42.0	41.6
Somewhat	34.8	26.8	29.6	30.7	30.1
A lot	8.2	10.5	10.0	9.1	9.5
Refused	1.0	0.2	0.3	0.8	0.5
Don't know	4.0	4.9	4.7	4.4	4.5

Q41G. How much do you trust each of the following, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: The police?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	8.9	7.4	8.0	8.0	8.0
Just a little	42.7	32.1	40.3	32.6	36.5
Somewhat	32.5	33.5	29.9	36.3	33.1
A lot	14.7	26.5	21.1	22.0	21.6
Refused		0.1		0.1	0.0
Don't know	1.2	0.4	0.6	0.9	0.8

Q41H. How much do you trust each of the following, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: The Special Mobile Force?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	7.9	7.1	7.3	7.5	7.4
Just a little	31.2	28.9	32.6	27.2	29.9
Somewhat	36.9	33.6	31.8	38.1	35.0
A lot	19.5	26.7	24.0	23.5	23.7
Refused		0.1		0.1	0.0
Don't know	4.5	3.6	4.3	3.6	4.0

Q41I. How much do you trust each of the following, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: Courts of law?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	4.7	9.7	8.2	7.0	7.6
Just a little	25.0	27.7	26.7	26.4	26.6
Somewhat	44.2	33.9	37.6	38.7	38.2
A lot	23.8	24.8	25.1	23.6	24.4
Refused	0.2			0.2	0.1
Don't know	2.1	4.0	2.3	4.1	3.2

Q41J. How much do you trust each of the following, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: The Mauritius Revenue Authority?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	6.2	12.8	10.3	9.8	10.0
Just a little	39.8	38.0	38.2	39.3	38.7
Somewhat	34.5	31.5	34.2	31.3	32.7
A lot	15.0	13.5	14.7	13.6	14.1
Refused	0.2			0.2	0.1
Don't know	4.3	4.2	2.6	5.9	4.2

Q41L. How much do you trust each of the following, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: Religious leaders?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	9.1	5.3	9.0	4.9	6.9
Just a little	29.9	28.2	31.1	26.8	28.9
Somewhat	38.3	30.7	33.1	34.6	33.9
A lot	19.4	33.9	24.3	31.3	27.8
Refused	0.2	0.3		0.6	0.3
Don't know	3.0	1.6	2.5	1.8	2.2

Q41M_MAU. How much do you trust each of the following, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: Leaders of Civil Society Organisations?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	4.8	9.2	8.6	6.1	7.3
Just a little	36.6	33.6	37.6	32.1	34.8
Somewhat	39.0	30.9	31.8	36.7	34.2
A lot	14.3	15.4	13.8	16.0	14.9
Refused		0.3		0.4	0.2
Don't know/Haven't heard enough to say	5.4	10.7	8.3	8.7	8.5

Q41N_MAU. How much do you trust each of the following, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: Private Sector leaders?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	7.0	12.2	12.2	7.9	10.0
Just a little	45.9	34.4	40.5	37.8	39.2
Somewhat	31.4	30.2	31.4	30.0	30.7
A lot	7.9	9.1	7.4	9.8	8.6
Refused		0.3		0.4	0.2
Don't know/Haven't heard enough to say	7.8	13.7	8.4	14.1	11.3

Q51A. Do you approve or disapprove of the way that the following people have performed their jobs over the past 12 months, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: Prime Minister Pravinnd Jugnauth?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly disapprove	17.1	19.0	21.3	15.1	18.2
Disapprove	30.9	22.6	26.3	25.8	26.0
Approve	43.5	47.5	42.9	48.7	45.8
Strongly approve	6.5	9.4	8.8	7.7	8.2
Refused	0.2	0.6	0.2	0.6	0.4
Don't know	1.8	0.9	0.5	2.1	1.3

Q51A1-MAU. Do you approve or disapprove of the way that the following people have performed their jobs over the past 12 months, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: President Prithviraj Roopun?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly disapprove	14.8	19.1	19.7	14.9	17.3
Disapprove	24.9	20.6	24.8	19.9	22.4
Approve	32.6	34.9	31.3	36.6	34.0
Strongly approve	1.8	3.2	4.0	1.3	2.6
Refused	0.3	0.6	0.3	0.6	0.5
Don't know	25.5	21.6	19.8	26.6	23.2

Q51B. Do you approve or disapprove of the way that the following people have performed their jobs over the past 12 months, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: Your members of the National Assembly?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly disapprove	13.6	15.0	15.3	13.5	14.4
Disapprove	30.3	25.3	28.8	26.0	27.4
Approve	48.8	49.3	47.5	50.7	49.1
Strongly approve	2.7	4.6	4.2	3.5	3.9
Refused	0.1		0.1		0.0
Don't know	4.4	5.8	4.2	6.2	5.2

Q51C. Do you approve or disapprove of the way that the following people have performed their jobs over the past 12 months, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: Your elected municipal or district councillor?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly disapprove	15.6	12.0	15.4	11.6	13.5
Disapprove	23.9	25.2	26.2	23.1	24.7
Approve	48.6	54.1	48.8	54.8	51.8
Strongly approve	3.1	5.6	4.7	4.5	4.6
Refused		0.0		0.0	0.0
Don't know	8.8	3.0	4.9	6.0	5.4

Q38A. How much of the time do you think the following try their best to listen to what people like you have to say: Members of the National Assembly?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	42.7	39.0	42.0	39.1	40.6
Only sometimes	40.8	36.1	37.9	38.2	38.1
Often	12.1	15.6	13.6	14.6	14.1
Always	2.3	5.3	4.0	4.0	4.0
Refused		0.0		0.0	0.0
Don't know	2.1	4.0	2.5	3.9	3.2

Q38B. How much of the time do you think the following try their best to listen to what people like you have to say: Members of municipal or district council?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	36.3	25.4	28.2	31.6	29.9
Only sometimes	44.5	41.7	44.5	41.2	42.8
Often	15.0	23.9	20.6	19.8	20.2
Always	1.9	5.9	4.5	4.1	4.3
Refused		0.0		0.0	0.0
Don't know	2.3	3.1	2.2	3.3	2.8



Corruption

Also see questions in “Public services and government performance” about:

- Government performance in fighting corruption, Q50
- Bribe-paying for public services, Q44

Q42A. How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: The prime minister and officials in his office?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
None	4.3	6.2	6.2	4.7	5.4
Some of them	56.6	54.8	54.0	57.1	55.5
Most of them	25.9	15.1	19.2	20.0	19.6
All of them	5.6	15.9	13.9	9.3	11.6
Refused	0.3	0.8	0.5	0.6	0.6
Don't know	7.4	7.2	6.3	8.3	7.3

Q42A1-MAU. How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: The President and officials in his office?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
None	4.8	6.4	6.2	5.2	5.7
Some of them	60.1	52.0	54.8	55.9	55.4
Most of them	18.2	13.3	14.9	15.7	15.3
All of them	3.5	15.3	12.0	8.8	10.4
Refused	0.4	0.8	0.5	0.8	0.6
Don't know	12.9	12.3	11.6	13.5	12.6

Q42B. How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: Members of the National Assembly?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
None	2.9	3.3	3.1	3.1	3.1
Some of them	62.7	54.6	55.6	60.4	58.0
Most of them	23.5	20.3	22.1	21.2	21.6
All of them	4.2	14.6	13.1	7.5	10.3
Refused	0.4	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6
Don't know	6.3	6.5	5.5	7.3	6.4

Q42C. How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: Civil servants?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
None	4.0	7.8	5.8	6.7	6.2
Some of them	72.4	66.9	70.4	68.0	69.2
Most of them	16.1	13.0	12.3	16.3	14.3
All of them	1.8	3.7	4.1	1.7	2.9
Refused	0.1	0.9	0.4	0.8	0.6
Don't know	5.6	7.7	7.1	6.5	6.8

Q42D. How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: Members of your municipal or district council?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
None	3.3	6.8	4.9	5.8	5.3
Some of them	67.5	65.5	66.2	66.6	66.4
Most of them	19.8	13.9	15.6	17.1	16.3
All of them	1.9	6.1	5.4	3.3	4.3
Refused	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4
Don't know	7.2	7.2	7.6	6.8	7.2

Q42E. How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: Police?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
None	2.7	6.6	4.0	5.9	5.0
Some of them	59.8	65.5	62.5	63.8	63.2
Most of them	26.7	15.9	20.7	20.2	20.4
All of them	6.8	5.4	6.8	5.2	6.0
Refused		0.6	0.3	0.4	0.4
Don't know	3.9	6.0	5.7	4.5	5.1

Q42F. How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: Judges and magistrates?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
None	9.0	14.4	11.2	13.0	12.1
Some of them	64.6	57.2	60.3	60.2	60.3
Most of them	9.7	9.9	8.4	11.2	9.8
All of them	1.8	3.3	3.7	1.7	2.7
Refused		0.6	0.5	0.3	0.4
Don't know	14.9	14.6	15.9	13.5	14.7

Q42G. How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: Tax officials, like officials from the Mauritius Revenue Authority?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
None	6.6	9.9	7.6	9.4	8.5
Some of them	70.8	60.8	66.2	63.7	65.0
Most of them	8.1	9.5	9.0	8.8	8.9
All of them	5.9	6.3	6.2	6.1	6.1
Refused	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.1	0.2
Don't know	8.3	13.3	10.5	11.9	11.2

Q42I. How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: Religious leaders?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
None	14.7	25.1	18.2	23.3	20.7
Some of them	60.8	52.2	57.5	54.1	55.8
Most of them	8.6	6.3	9.3	5.2	7.3
All of them	0.9	1.9	1.8	1.2	1.5
Refused		0.5	0.3	0.3	0.3
Don't know	15.0	14.0	12.8	16.0	14.4

Q42J-MAU. How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: Leaders of Civil Society Organisations?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
None	9.3	13.3	10.2	13.1	11.6
Some of them	70.0	54.4	61.1	60.6	60.9
Most of them	5.6	7.6	6.7	6.9	6.8
All of them	0.2	3.3	2.6	1.4	2.0
Refused	0.3	0.7	0.5	0.5	0.5
Don't know	14.6	20.7	18.9	17.5	18.2

Q42K-MAU. How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption, or haven't you heard enough about them to say: Private Sector leaders?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
None	5.4	5.8	5.7	5.6	5.6
Some of them	74.7	57.6	65.4	64.0	64.7
Most of them	8.4	12.5	10.9	10.7	10.8
All of them	0.8	5.0	3.9	2.6	3.3
Refused	0.1	0.7	0.4	0.5	0.4
Don't know	10.5	18.4	13.6	16.6	15.1

Q43A. In your opinion, over the past year, has the level of corruption in this country increased, decreased, or stayed the same?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Increased a lot	46.3	36.1	40.8	40.0	40.4
Increased somewhat	34.5	38.5	36.9	36.7	36.8
Stayed the same	13.2	13.8	13.8	13.3	13.5
Decreased somewhat	2.7	5.3	3.9	4.5	4.2
Decreased a lot		4.3	2.4	2.6	2.5
Don't know	3.4	2.0	2.2	3.0	2.6

Q43B. In this country, can ordinary people report incidents of corruption without fear, or do they risk retaliation or other negative consequences if they speak out?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Can report without fear	27.6	18.7	23.7	21.1	22.4
Risk retaliation	68.8	79.2	74.4	75.3	74.8
Don't know	3.6	2.2	2.0	3.6	2.8

Public services and government performance

See related questions in the sections on “Respondents and their households” (about electricity at the household level) and “Institutions and leaders”

Now I would like to talk to you about experiences that some people have in accessing certain essential government services.

Q44A. In the past 12 months, have you had contact with a public school?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No	73.1	67.3	70.6	68.8	69.7
Yes	26.6	32.4	29.1	31.0	30.0
Don't know	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3

Q44B. How easy or difficult was it to obtain the services you needed from teachers or school officials?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very easy	7.8	7.1	7.7	7.1	7.4
Easy	17.0	22.7	19.5	21.2	20.3
Difficult	1.8	2.1	1.6	2.4	2.0
Very difficult		0.3	0.3	0.1	0.2
Not applicable	73.4	67.6	70.9	69.0	70.0
Don't know		0.2		0.3	0.1

Q44C. And how often, if ever, did you have to pay a bribe, give a gift, or do a favour for a teacher or school official in order to get the services you needed from the schools?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	25.5	31.8	28.1	30.2	29.2
Once or twice	0.9	0.3	0.9	0.2	0.5
A few times	0.1	0.4	0.0	0.4	0.2
Not applicable	73.4	67.6	70.9	69.0	70.0
Don't know	0.1			0.1	0.1

Q44D. In the past 12 months, have you had contact with a public clinic or hospital?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No	34.0	31.9	35.6	29.9	32.8
Yes	65.8	68.1	64.4	69.9	67.1
Don't know	0.2			0.2	0.1

Q44E. How easy or difficult was it to obtain the medical care you needed?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very easy	9.7	15.4	11.4	14.7	13.0
Easy	35.0	39.5	37.7	37.6	37.6
Difficult	16.9	8.7	10.5	13.8	12.1
Very difficult	4.1	4.3	4.8	3.7	4.3
Not applicable	34.2	31.9	35.6	30.1	32.9
Refused		0.1		0.1	0.0

Q44F. And how often, if ever, did you have to pay a bribe, give a gift, or do a favour for a health worker or clinic or hospital staff in order to get the medical care you needed?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	63.6	66.5	62.9	67.8	65.3
Once or twice	1.6	0.8	1.0	1.2	1.1
A few times	0.5	0.5	0.2	0.7	0.5
Often		0.2		0.2	0.1
Not applicable	34.2	31.9	35.6	30.1	32.9
Refused	0.1	0.1	0.2		0.1

Q44G. In the past 12 months, have you tried to get an identity document like a birth certificate, driver's license, passport or voter's card, or permit from government?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No	64.0	69.4	64.8	69.5	67.1
Yes	35.8	30.6	35.2	30.3	32.8
Don't know	0.2			0.2	0.1

Q44H. How easy or difficult was it to obtain the document you needed?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very easy	4.7	2.7	3.5	3.5	3.5
Easy	21.5	20.3	22.9	18.7	20.8
Difficult	7.3	6.4	6.7	6.9	6.8
Very difficult	1.0	1.1	1.0	1.1	1.1
Not applicable	64.2	69.4	64.8	69.7	67.2
Don't know	1.3		1.1		0.5

Q44I. And how often, if ever, did you have to pay a bribe, give a gift, or do a favour for a government official in order to get the document you needed?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	34.4	29.0	33.3	29.2	31.2
Once or twice	1.1	1.6	1.7	1.1	1.4
A few times	0.1		0.1		0.0
Often	0.2		0.1		0.1
Not applicable	64.2	69.4	64.8	69.7	67.2
Refused		0.0	0.0		0.0

Q44J. In the past 12 months, have you requested assistance from the police?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No	85.5	86.6	82.3	89.9	86.1
Yes	14.5	13.4	17.7	10.1	13.9

Q44K. How easy or difficult was it to obtain the assistance you needed?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very easy	0.7	1.3	1.4	0.8	1.1
Easy	8.0	7.9	10.2	5.7	7.9
Difficult	5.0	3.4	5.4	2.7	4.1
Very difficult	0.6	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.7
Not applicable	85.5	86.6	82.3	89.9	86.1
Don't know	0.2			0.1	0.1

Q44L. And how often, if ever, did you have to pay a bribe, give a gift, or do a favour for a police officer in order to get the assistance you needed?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	13.9	12.6	16.6	9.8	13.2
Once or twice	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.1	0.3
A few times	0.2			0.2	0.1
Often		0.2	0.3		0.1
Not applicable	85.5	86.6	82.3	89.9	86.1
Refused		0.2	0.3		0.1

Q44M. In the past 12 months, how often have you encountered the police in other situations, like at checkpoints, during identity checks or traffic stops, or during an investigation?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	46.6	39.8	31.8	53.5	42.7
Once or twice	31.7	24.9	35.0	20.4	27.7
A few times	13.6	14.8	14.5	14.1	14.3
Often	8.1	20.5	18.7	12.0	15.4

Q44N. How often, if ever did you have to pay a bribe, give a gift, or do a favour for a police officer in order to avoid a problem during one of these encounters?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	45.6	56.1	60.4	43.1	51.7
Once or twice	6.5	2.9	5.6	3.2	4.4
A few times	1.2	0.2	1.0	0.3	0.6
Often	0.1	0.3	0.4		0.2
Not applicable	46.6	39.8	31.8	53.5	42.7
Refused		0.7	0.8		0.4
Don't know	0.0			0.0	0.0

Now let's speak about the performance of the present government of this country.

Q50A. How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven't you heard enough to say: Managing the economy?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very badly	24.9	22.3	25.9	20.9	23.4
Fairly badly	29.7	32.9	29.7	33.5	31.6
Fairly well	40.9	38.0	38.9	39.5	39.2
Very well	3.7	4.5	4.6	3.8	4.2
Refused		0.3		0.4	0.2
Don't know	0.8	1.9	0.9	2.0	1.5

Q50B. How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven't you heard enough to say: Improving the living standards of the poor?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very badly	27.4	24.7	28.7	22.9	25.8
Fairly badly	34.7	37.6	32.9	39.9	36.4
Fairly well	33.0	33.8	33.7	33.3	33.5
Very well	4.7	3.1	4.2	3.3	3.7
Refused		0.3		0.4	0.2
Don't know	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4

Q50C. How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven't you heard enough to say: Creating jobs?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very badly	34.2	37.7	38.3	34.2	36.3
Fairly badly	42.4	43.5	40.1	45.9	43.0
Fairly well	20.1	17.1	19.4	17.3	18.3
Very well	2.4	0.9	1.8	1.2	1.5
Refused		0.3		0.4	0.2
Don't know	0.9	0.6	0.4	1.0	0.7

Q50D. How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven't you heard enough to say: Keeping prices stable?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very badly	44.0	47.4	45.2	46.7	46.0
Fairly badly	34.4	30.8	31.5	33.1	32.3
Fairly well	18.2	19.3	20.2	17.5	18.9
Very well	2.7	1.7	2.6	1.6	2.1
Refused		0.3		0.4	0.2
Don't know	0.7	0.5	0.4	0.7	0.6

Q50E. How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven't you heard enough to say: Narrowing gaps between rich and poor?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very badly	38.5	33.8	36.4	35.1	35.8
Fairly badly	35.9	40.3	39.7	37.2	38.5
Fairly well	20.8	21.4	20.1	22.2	21.2
Very well	3.2	1.2	2.4	1.7	2.0
Refused		0.3		0.4	0.2
Don't know	1.6	2.9	1.3	3.4	2.4

Q50F. How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven't you heard enough to say: Reducing crime?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very badly	33.8	36.4	37.4	33.3	35.3
Fairly badly	43.3	34.9	34.7	42.0	38.4
Fairly well	19.7	26.2	25.1	21.9	23.5
Very well	2.5	1.7	2.2	1.9	2.0
Don't know	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.9	0.8

Q50G. How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven't you heard enough to say: Improving basic health services?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very badly	19.7	12.7	17.7	13.6	15.6
Fairly badly	28.7	25.7	26.3	27.6	26.9
Fairly well	43.4	46.8	44.2	46.6	45.4
Very well	7.3	14.0	11.2	11.2	11.2
Don't know	0.9	0.8	0.6	1.1	0.9

Q50H. How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven't you heard enough to say: Addressing educational needs?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very badly	17.5	14.2	18.3	12.9	15.6
Fairly badly	32.3	21.5	23.3	28.7	26.0
Fairly well	43.5	50.5	47.1	48.0	47.6
Very well	5.0	12.3	9.5	9.0	9.3
Don't know	1.6	1.6	1.8	1.4	1.6

Q50I. How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven't you heard enough to say: Providing water and sanitation services?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very badly	24.3	26.9	24.8	26.8	25.8
Fairly badly	34.7	34.9	36.8	32.8	34.8
Fairly well	33.6	31.7	31.2	33.8	32.5
Very well	5.3	6.3	5.9	5.9	5.9
Don't know	2.1	0.2	1.2	0.7	1.0

Q50J. How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven't you heard enough to say: Fighting corruption in government?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very badly	41.3	30.0	37.7	31.7	34.7
Fairly badly	35.1	35.8	34.4	36.6	35.5
Fairly well	18.9	26.9	22.7	24.4	23.6
Very well	2.3	3.9	3.9	2.6	3.2
Refused	0.2			0.2	0.1
Don't know	2.1	3.4	1.3	4.5	2.9

Q50K. How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven't you heard enough to say: Maintaining roads and bridges?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very badly	15.1	18.8	18.6	15.9	17.3
Fairly badly	23.3	28.7	27.7	25.2	26.4
Fairly well	49.1	45.4	43.8	50.2	47.0
Very well	10.7	6.6	8.5	8.0	8.3
Don't know	1.8	0.5	1.4	0.7	1.0

Q50L. How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven't you heard enough to say: Providing a reliable supply of electricity?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very badly	3.4	4.9	4.2	4.3	4.3
Fairly badly	4.0	12.7	10.0	8.2	9.1
Fairly well	48.4	58.1	53.0	55.1	54.0
Very well	43.5	24.0	32.2	32.1	32.1
Don't know	0.7	0.2	0.5	0.4	0.4

Q50M. How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven't you heard enough to say: Preventing or resolving violent conflict?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very badly	9.4	12.2	13.2	9.0	11.1
Fairly badly	35.4	29.8	31.3	33.1	32.2
Fairly well	40.0	42.2	41.4	41.1	41.3
Very well	10.4	6.9	7.4	9.3	8.4
Refused		0.1	0.1		0.0
Don't know	4.7	8.8	6.7	7.5	7.1

Q50N. How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven't you heard enough to say: Addressing the needs of young people?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very badly	20.1	19.9	20.4	19.6	20.0
Fairly badly	35.5	40.1	37.7	38.7	38.2
Fairly well	33.5	33.9	33.2	34.3	33.8
Very well	4.3	3.1	4.0	3.1	3.6
Refused	0.4			0.3	0.2
Don't know	6.1	3.0	4.6	4.0	4.3

Q50O. How well or badly would you say the current government is handling the following matters, or haven't you heard enough to say: Protecting rights and promoting opportunities for disabled people?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very badly	10.3	10.1	12.2	8.1	10.2
Fairly badly	16.3	25.9	20.9	22.9	21.9
Fairly well	48.7	44.0	46.2	45.8	46.0
Very well	15.7	10.8	12.0	13.6	12.8
Don't know	9.0	9.2	8.7	9.6	9.1

Taxation

Also see Q95B under “Economic life” and Q42G under “Corruption”

Q39A. For each of the following statements, please tell me whether you disagree or agree: The tax authorities always have the right to make people pay taxes?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly disagree	8.6	8.9	7.8	9.7	8.8
Disagree	33.5	31.4	34.4	30.1	32.3
Neither agree nor disagree	8.1	5.0	4.9	7.7	6.3
Agree	40.4	39.3	40.4	39.1	39.8
Strongly agree	6.7	11.0	10.3	8.1	9.2
Don't know	2.7	4.4	2.2	5.2	3.7

Q45. Which of the following statements is closest to your view?

Statement 1: It is better to pay higher taxes if it means that there will be more services provided by government.

Statement 2: It is better to pay lower taxes, even if it means there will be fewer services provided by government.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with 1	15.6	12.6	14.0	13.7	13.9
Agree with 1	38.6	30.3	33.0	34.5	33.7
Agree with 2	12.7	20.4	17.6	16.7	17.2
Agree very strongly with 2	8.5	14.3	12.3	11.6	11.9
Agree with neither	19.2	17.2	18.6	17.4	18.0
Refused		0.2	0.2		0.1
Don't know	5.4	5.1	4.3	6.1	5.2

Q46A. Based on your experience, how easy or difficult is it to do each of the following: To find out what taxes and fees you are supposed to pay to the government?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very easy	12.6	3.7	10.4	4.3	7.4
Easy	47.0	37.0	42.8	39.6	41.2
Difficult	21.0	30.5	27.3	25.7	26.5
Very difficult	9.0	11.5	9.6	11.3	10.4
Don't know	10.5	17.4	9.9	19.1	14.5

Q46B. Based on your experience, how easy or difficult is it to do each of the following: To find out how government uses the revenues from people's taxes and fees?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very easy	1.9	0.8	1.2	1.3	1.3
Easy	18.5	15.5	19.1	14.4	16.7
Difficult	37.0	41.6	40.0	39.4	39.7
Very difficult	33.4	28.1	29.3	31.3	30.3
Refused	0.1		0.1		0.1
Don't know	9.1	14.0	10.3	13.6	12.0

Q46C. Do you think that the amount of taxes that ordinary people in Mauritius are required to pay to the government is too little, too much, or about the right amount?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Far too little	1.1	1.6	1.3	1.5	1.4
Somewhat too little	3.0	3.4	3.5	3.0	3.2
About the right amount	45.2	37.7	41.4	40.3	40.8
Somewhat too much	20.2	21.1	22.2	19.3	20.8
Far too much	21.6	26.2	25.5	23.1	24.3
Refused		0.3		0.4	0.2
Don't know	8.9	9.6	6.2	12.4	9.3

Q46D. Do you think that the amount of taxes that rich people in Mauritius are required to pay to the government is too little, too much, or about the right amount?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Far too little	42.0	37.6	43.0	35.9	39.4
Somewhat too little	21.5	23.4	23.7	21.5	22.6
About the right amount	23.0	27.5	24.2	27.0	25.6
Somewhat too much	4.8	2.3	3.4	3.3	3.3
Far too much	1.1	0.8	0.7	1.1	0.9
Don't know	7.7	8.4	4.9	11.3	8.1

Q47B. Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements: It is fair to tax rich people at a higher rate than ordinary people in order to help pay for government programs to benefit the poor?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly disagree	2.3	2.8	3.5	1.7	2.6
Disagree	11.5	10.3	10.8	10.7	10.8
Neither agree or disagree	7.3	4.6	4.7	6.7	5.7
Agree	39.5	44.7	45.5	39.5	42.5
Strongly agree	37.9	36.0	34.8	38.8	36.8
Refused		0.1		0.1	0.0
Don't know	1.5	1.6	0.6	2.5	1.6

Q47C. Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements: The government usually uses the tax revenues it collects for the well-being of citizens?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly disagree	2.8	6.6	5.7	4.3	5.0
Disagree	8.4	16.9	14.1	12.7	13.4
Neither agree or disagree	5.6	6.6	5.1	7.3	6.2
Agree	45.3	41.4	45.7	40.3	43.0
Strongly agree	33.2	23.7	26.3	29.0	27.6
Refused		0.1		0.1	0.0
Don't know	4.7	4.7	3.1	6.3	4.7

Q47D. In your opinion, how often, in this country, do people avoid paying the taxes that they owe the government?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	8.9	15.7	14.3	11.4	12.9
Rarely	25.4	39.8	34.4	33.2	33.8
Often	48.7	21.2	34.3	31.0	32.7
Always	6.1	4.7	6.3	4.3	5.3
Refused		0.1	0.2		0.1
Don't know	10.9	18.5	10.6	20.1	15.3

Identity and society

Q82B. Let us suppose that you had to choose between being a Mauritian and being a _____ [R's ethnic group]. Which of the following statements best expresses your feelings?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
I feel only (ethnic group)	2.2	4.9	4.1	3.5	3.8
I feel more (ethnic group) than Mauritian	6.0	10.6	8.0	9.3	8.7
I feel equally Mauritian and (ethnic group)	53.1	52.2	52.8	52.4	52.6
I feel more Mauritian than (ethnic group)	18.7	7.9	12.0	12.8	12.4
I feel only Mauritian	16.1	20.5	18.5	18.9	18.7
Not applicable	3.7	2.7	3.8	2.4	3.1
Refused	0.1	0.7	0.3	0.6	0.5
Don't know	0.2	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.3

Q82C. Do you feel comfortable speaking your mother tongue in public?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No	11.9	9.4	10.3	10.5	10.4
Yes	84.9	90.6	88.6	87.8	88.2
Not applicable	3.2		1.1	1.6	1.3
Don't know		0.1		0.1	0.0

Q82D. Do you feel comfortable wearing your traditional or cultural dress in public?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No	12.8	10.3	11.6	11.1	11.4
Yes	76.4	87.1	82.9	82.5	82.7
Not applicable	8.7	1.2	3.3	5.3	4.3
Refused	0.1			0.1	0.0
Don't know	2.0	1.3	2.2	1.0	1.6

Q82A. How often, if ever, are _____ s [R's ethnic group] treated unfairly by the government?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	36.3	53.9	46.2	46.9	46.6
Sometimes	31.2	30.3	29.3	32.1	30.7
Often	19.2	7.9	13.1	12.0	12.6
Always	3.4	2.3	3.2	2.4	2.8
Not applicable	3.7	2.7	3.8	2.4	3.1
Refused	0.1		0.1		0.0
Don't know	6.1	3.0	4.4	4.2	4.3

Q98B. How often, if ever, are _____ s [R's religious group] treated unfairly by the government?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	40.0	56.6	50.5	48.8	49.7
Sometimes	32.4	30.5	27.7	34.8	31.3
Often	13.6	6.0	10.0	8.3	9.2
Always	1.1	1.7	1.4	1.5	1.4
Not applicable	1.8	1.9	2.5	1.3	1.9
Refused	0.3		0.1	0.2	0.1
Don't know	10.8	3.3	7.7	5.1	6.4

Q84A. In the past year, how often, if ever, have you personally been treated unfairly by other Mauritians based on: Your economic status, that is, how rich or poor you are?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	58.2	73.7	67.6	66.9	67.3
Once or twice	18.4	20.8	18.7	20.9	19.8
Several times	15.1	4.3	8.8	8.7	8.8
Many times	3.8	0.7	2.6	1.4	2.0
Don't know	4.5	0.5	2.3	2.0	2.2

Q84B. In the past year, how often, if ever, have you personally been treated unfairly by other Mauritians based on: Your religion?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	56.5	73.8	68.1	65.0	66.6
Once or twice	21.7	18.0	16.5	22.6	19.6
Several times	14.5	5.9	9.8	9.2	9.5
Many times	2.7	1.9	2.7	1.7	2.2
Don't know	4.7	0.4	2.9	1.4	2.2

Q84C. In the past year, how often, if ever, have you personally been treated unfairly by other Mauritians based on: Your ethnicity?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	57.4	74.9	68.6	66.6	67.6
Once or twice	20.9	16.3	16.0	20.4	18.2
Several times	14.2	6.4	10.0	9.3	9.6
Many times	2.5	2.0	2.2	2.2	2.2
Don't know	5.0	0.4	3.2	1.5	2.4

Q68. Which of the following statements is closest to your own opinion?

Statement 1: Communities are stronger when they are made up of people from different ethnic groups, races, or religions.

Statement 2: Communities are stronger when they are made up of people who are similar to each other, that is, people from the same ethnic group, race, or religion.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with 1	27.7	24.8	27.0	25.0	26.0
Agree with 1	33.7	36.4	35.0	35.5	35.3
Agree with 2	13.0	18.2	15.6	16.4	16.0
Agree very strongly with 2	18.6	17.3	18.7	17.0	17.8
Agree with neither	1.7	1.2	1.2	1.6	1.4
Refused	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Don't know	5.2	2.0	2.3	4.3	3.3

Q85. Mauritians are very diverse. They come from different religions, ethnic groups, political parties, and economic and social backgrounds. Overall, would you say that there is more that unites all Mauritians as one people, or more that divides them?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Much more that divides us	13.9	7.3	9.1	10.9	10.0
Somewhat more that divides us	26.6	16.4	20.6	20.7	20.7
Somewhat more that unites us	29.4	41.9	35.1	38.3	36.7
Much more that unites us	26.5	22.4	26.7	21.5	24.1
Refused	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Don't know	3.5	11.9	8.4	8.5	8.4

Q86A. For each of the following types of people, please tell me whether you would like having people from this group as neighbours, dislike it, or not care: People of a different religion?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly dislike	1.0	1.3	1.5	0.9	1.2
Somewhat Dislike	2.9	6.0	4.5	4.9	4.7
Would not care	69.2	65.2	69.6	64.2	66.9
Somewhat like	9.8	18.6	13.6	16.3	14.9
Strongly like	15.8	7.7	9.8	12.3	11.0
Refused		0.7	0.2	0.7	0.4
Don't know	1.3	0.4	0.9	0.8	0.8

Q86B. For each of the following types of people, please tell me whether you would like having people from this group as neighbours, dislike it, or not care: People from other ethnic groups?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly dislike	0.8	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.1
Somewhat dislike	4.3	6.9	5.5	6.2	5.8
Would not care	67.7	65.0	69.7	62.5	66.1
Somewhat like	10.3	18.0	13.5	16.2	14.8
Strongly like	15.0	7.1	8.8	11.9	10.4
Refused	0.4	0.8	0.3	1.0	0.6
Don't know	1.4	0.9	1.1	1.1	1.1

Q86C. For each of the following types of people, please tell me whether you would like having people from this group as neighbours, dislike it, or not care: Homosexuals?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly dislike	14.2	14.7	15.7	13.3	14.5
Somewhat dislike	24.5	18.5	21.7	20.3	21.0
Would not care	55.4	55.4	56.9	53.8	55.4
Somewhat like	3.8	2.0	3.1	2.5	2.8
Strongly like	0.7	0.6	0.4	0.8	0.6
Refused		1.8		2.1	1.0
Don't know	1.4	7.1	2.2	7.3	4.7

Q86D. For each of the following types of people, please tell me whether you would like having people from this group as neighbours, dislike it, or not care: Immigrants or foreign workers?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly dislike	7.5	9.6	8.8	8.6	8.7
Somewhat dislike	21.0	24.1	20.6	25.1	22.8
Would not care	63.4	54.3	61.7	54.4	58.1
Somewhat like	5.3	6.5	5.9	6.1	6.0
Strongly like	1.9	2.2	2.0	2.2	2.1
Refused		0.5		0.5	0.3
Don't know	1.0	2.9	1.0	3.1	2.1

Q83. Generally speaking, would you say that most people can be trusted or that you must be very careful in dealing with people?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Must be very careful	75.7	84.8	81.0	81.1	81.1
Most people can be trusted	22.8	14.6	19.0	17.1	18.0
Don't know	1.5	0.5		1.8	0.9

Crime and security

Q8A. Over the past year, how often, if ever, have you or anyone in your family: Felt unsafe walking in your neighbourhood?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	64.4	76.5	73.8	69.2	71.5
Just once or twice	21.8	15.7	15.8	20.7	18.2
Several times	10.1	5.7	7.4	7.6	7.5
Many times	1.9	1.3	1.7	1.4	1.6
Always	1.8	0.8	1.3	1.1	1.2

Q8B. Over the past year, how often, if ever, have you or anyone in your family: Feared crime in your own home?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	82.7	80.7	82.7	80.4	81.5
Just once or twice	11.5	10.7	9.9	12.2	11.0
Several times	4.2	6.1	5.8	4.8	5.3
Many times	0.8	2.2	1.1	2.1	1.6
Always	0.7	0.4	0.6	0.4	0.5
Refused	0.1			0.1	0.0
Don't know	0.1			0.0	0.0

Q54A. In any society, people will sometimes disagree with one another. These disagreements occasionally escalate into physical violence. Please tell me whether, in the past two years, you have ever personally feared any of the following types of violence. [If "Yes":] Have you actually personally experienced this type of violence in the past two years: Violence among people in your neighbourhood or village?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No, never	72.7	68.7	71.9	68.8	70.3
Yes, feared but didn't experience	22.0	26.0	21.7	27.1	24.4
Yes, feared and experienced	5.1	5.0	6.4	3.7	5.1
Don't know	0.2	0.3		0.4	0.2

Q54B. In any society, people will sometimes disagree with one another. These disagreements occasionally escalate into physical violence. Please tell me whether, in the past two years, you have ever personally feared any of the following types of violence. [If "Yes":] Have you actually personally experienced this type of violence in the past two years: Violence at a political rally or public protest?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No, never	81.7	67.4	71.2	75.5	73.3
Yes, feared but didn't experience	11.4	25.4	21.8	17.4	19.6
Yes, feared and experienced	3.4	2.7	3.8	2.2	3.0
Don't know	3.5	4.5	3.2	4.9	4.1

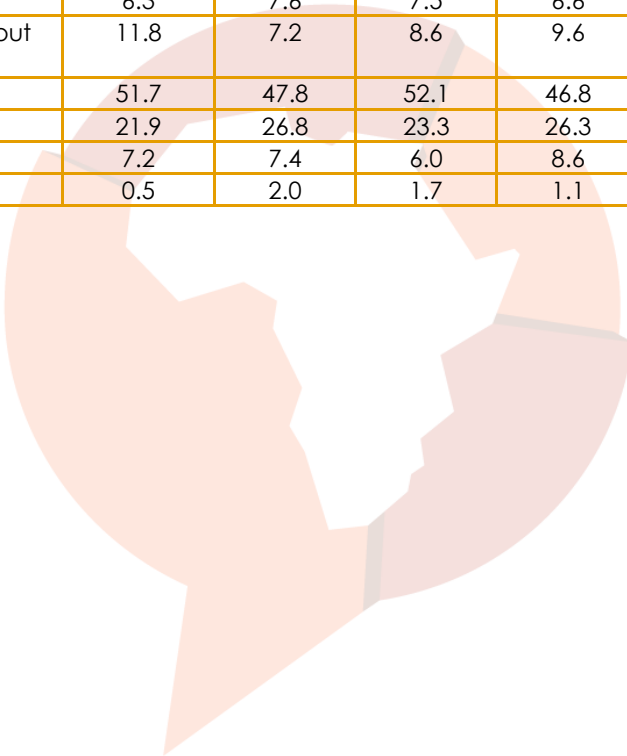
Climate change

Q72A. Have you heard about climate change, or haven't you had the chance to hear about this yet?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No	5.4	5.8	4.3	7.0	5.6
Yes	92.8	92.6	94.0	91.4	92.7
Don't know	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7

Q72B. Do you think climate change is making life in Mauritius better or worse, or haven't you heard enough to say?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Much better	0.6	1.1	0.9	0.9	0.9
Somewhat better	6.3	7.6	7.5	6.6	7.1
Neither/ no change / about the same	11.8	7.2	8.6	9.6	9.1
Somewhat worse	51.7	47.8	52.1	46.8	49.4
Much worse	21.9	26.8	23.3	26.3	24.8
Not applicable	7.2	7.4	6.0	8.6	7.3
Don't know	0.5	2.0	1.7	1.1	1.4



Media and access to information

Also see Q92 on radio/TV/mobile phone ownership and access to the Internet under “Respondents and their households” and Q16A on media coverage in election campaigns under “Elections.”

Now let us talk about the media and how you get information about politics and other issues.

Q55A. How often do you get news from the following sources: Radio?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	1.6	1.1	1.2	1.4	1.3
Less than once a month	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2
A few times a month	1.6	0.6	0.7	1.3	1.0
A few times a week	7.6	7.5	6.5	8.6	7.6
Every day	89.0	90.5	91.3	88.4	89.9
Don't know	0.1		0.1		0.0

Q55B. How often do you get news from the following sources: Television?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	1.1	0.6	0.7	0.9	0.8
Less than once a month	2.8	0.1	1.9	0.6	1.2
A few times a month	1.4	0.8	0.6	1.4	1.0
A few times a week	6.9	8.0	7.5	7.6	7.5
Every day	87.7	90.6	89.3	89.5	89.4
Don't know	0.1		0.1		0.0

Q55C. How often do you get news from the following sources: Print newspapers?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	11.8	23.4	14.7	22.4	18.6
Less than once a month	7.5	8.9	6.5	10.1	8.3
A few times a month	13.0	20.3	14.5	20.0	17.2
A few times a week	28.8	31.9	33.1	28.1	30.6
Every day	38.7	15.4	31.0	19.2	25.1
Don't know	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2

Q55D. How often do you get news from the following sources: Internet?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	12.5	24.7	18.3	21.0	19.6
Less than once a month	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9
A few times a month	2.4	2.1	3.3	1.2	2.2
A few times a week	9.3	7.1	8.6	7.4	8.0
Every day	74.6	65.0	68.7	69.3	69.0
Don't know	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2

Q55E. How often do you get news from the following sources: Social media such as Facebook, Twitter, WhatsApp, or others?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	12.5	26.2	19.2	21.8	20.5
Less than once a month	0.9	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.7
A few times a month	2.8	0.9	2.4	1.0	1.7
A few times a week	8.4	6.1	7.6	6.5	7.0
Every day	73.6	65.8	68.6	69.6	69.1
Refused	0.1		0.1		0.1
Don't know	1.6	0.4	1.5	0.3	0.9

Q19B. Which of the following statements is closest to your view?

Statement 1: The media should have the right to publish any views and ideas without government control.

Statement 2: The government should have the right to prevent the media from publishing things that it disapproves of.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with 1	44.5	33.5	38.5	37.6	38.1
Agree with 1	24.2	32.0	29.5	28.0	28.7
Agree with 2	15.3	16.6	14.4	17.8	16.1
Agree very strongly with 2	10.6	16.2	14.7	13.0	13.8
Agree with neither	5.4	1.0	2.9	2.8	2.8
Refused	0.1		0.1		0.0
Don't know		0.7		0.9	0.4

Q33. Which of the following statements is closest to your view?

Statement 1: The news media should constantly investigate and report on government mistakes and corruption.

Statement 2: Too much reporting on negative events, like government mistakes and corruption, only harms the country.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with 1	43.7	43.4	44.9	42.2	43.6
Agree with 1	31.4	34.6	32.8	33.7	33.3
Agree with 2	11.4	12.9	11.5	13.0	12.2
Agree very strongly with 2	8.5	6.3	6.6	7.8	7.2
Agree with neither	4.1	1.0	3.3	1.2	2.3
Refused	0.5			0.4	0.2
Don't know	0.4	1.9	0.9	1.6	1.2

Q56. In your opinion, how free is the news media in this country to report and comment on the news without censorship or interference by the government?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all free	4.4	8.9	8.5	5.7	7.1
Not very free	23.7	20.8	19.6	24.4	22.0
Somewhat free	37.9	45.7	45.1	39.9	42.5
Completely free	32.8	22.5	25.5	28.0	26.8
Don't know	1.1	2.1	1.4	2.0	1.7

Q57A. Please tell me how often, in this country, you think people from each of the following groups spread information that they know is false: Government officials?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	10.4	17.6	16.7	12.5	14.6
Rarely	32.1	31.4	31.5	31.8	31.7
Sometimes	33.3	33.8	31.1	36.1	33.6
Often	13.2	7.6	11.7	8.2	9.9
Don't know	10.9	9.6	8.9	11.4	10.2

Q57B. Please tell me how often, in this country, you think people from each of the following groups spread information that they know is false: Politicians and political parties?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	5.1	6.3	5.2	6.4	5.8
Rarely	12.2	20.3	18.5	15.4	16.9
Sometimes	40.1	32.0	32.2	38.6	35.4
Often	39.0	35.1	40.3	33.1	36.7
Refused		0.2		0.2	0.1
Don't know	3.6	6.0	3.8	6.3	5.0

Q57C. Please tell me how often, in this country, you think people from each of the following groups spread information that they know is false: News media and journalists?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	7.8	6.9	7.0	7.5	7.3
Rarely	24.0	31.9	26.8	30.5	28.6
Sometimes	38.7	29.4	34.5	32.1	33.3
Often	27.1	26.2	28.0	25.1	26.5
Refused		0.1	0.1		0.0
Don't know	2.4	5.5	3.6	4.9	4.2

Q57D. Please tell me how often, in this country, you think people from each of the following groups spread information that they know is false: Social media users?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Never	3.9	2.7	2.9	3.5	3.2
Rarely	6.3	15.4	10.3	12.9	11.6
Sometimes	30.0	26.5	27.7	28.2	27.9
Often	51.5	38.7	46.1	42.0	44.0
Refused	0.3		0.2		0.1
Don't know	8.1	16.6	12.8	13.4	13.1

Let's talk about whether the government should be able to limit the sharing of news, information, or opinions on radio and TV, in newspapers, or on the internet and social media.

Q58A. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree that the government should be able to limit or prohibit sharing of: News or information that is false?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly disagree	4.0	3.4	4.0	3.3	3.7
Disagree	7.0	9.2	8.0	8.6	8.3
Neither agree or disagree	6.3	2.2	4.4	3.4	3.9
Agree	50.7	53.7	52.4	52.5	52.4
Strongly agree	31.1	30.0	29.9	31.1	30.5
Refused	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.4	0.2
Don't know	0.7	1.2	1.2	0.8	1.0

Q58B. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree that the government should be able to limit or prohibit sharing of: News, information, or opinions that the government disapproves of?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly disagree	23.7	16.7	20.0	19.2	19.6
Disagree	47.0	37.8	42.8	40.4	41.6
Neither agree or disagree	8.9	6.0	7.7	6.7	7.2
Agree	15.5	32.8	23.1	28.2	25.6
Strongly agree	3.8	4.2	4.9	3.2	4.1
Refused		0.3		0.4	0.2
Don't know	1.1	2.2	1.6	1.8	1.7

Q58C. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree that the government should be able to limit or prohibit sharing of: News, information, or opinions that criticize or insult the prime minister?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly disagree	19.8	13.9	17.5	15.2	16.4
Disagree	27.6	32.2	30.4	30.1	30.3
Neither agree or disagree	17.2	9.1	11.9	13.1	12.5
Agree	28.5	36.2	31.6	34.4	33.0
Strongly agree	5.4	5.9	7.1	4.3	5.7
Refused		0.3		0.4	0.2
Don't know	1.6	2.3	1.5	2.5	2.0

Q58D. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree that the government should be able to limit or prohibit sharing of: Hate speech, that is, news, information, or opinions designed to attack or vilify certain groups in society?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly disagree	4.5	2.8	4.0	3.0	3.5
Disagree	5.5	11.8	9.1	9.3	9.2
Neither agree or disagree	6.5	3.6	5.6	3.9	4.8
Agree	44.2	48.1	45.5	47.4	46.5
Strongly agree	37.9	30.9	33.8	33.8	33.8
Refused		0.3		0.4	0.2
Don't know	1.5	2.6	1.9	2.3	2.1

Q59A. Have you heard about social media, for example, Facebook, Twitter, and WhatsApp?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No	3.1	10.8	6.5	8.8	7.6
Yes	96.1	88.5	93.0	90.4	91.7
Don't know	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.9	0.7

Q59B. Regardless of whether you personally use social media yourself, please tell me whether you agree or disagree that social media: Makes people more informed about current events?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly disagree	2.0	1.8	2.0	1.8	1.9
Disagree	2.8	2.0	2.8	1.8	2.3
Neither agree or disagree	5.8	2.7	3.6	4.5	4.0
Agree	48.6	45.3	51.5	41.8	46.7
Strongly agree	33.6	32.6	29.4	36.6	33.0
Not applicable	3.9	11.5	7.0	9.6	8.3
Don't know	3.3	4.1	3.7	3.9	3.8

Q59C. Regardless of whether you personally use social media yourself, please tell me whether you agree or disagree that social media: Makes people more likely to believe false news?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly disagree	1.2	5.8	3.7	4.1	3.9
Disagree	16.5	18.9	18.4	17.4	17.9
Neither agree or disagree	9.7	6.8	6.2	9.9	8.0
Agree	39.6	39.0	43.5	35.1	39.3
Strongly agree	24.7	12.1	16.6	18.1	17.4
Not applicable	3.9	11.5	7.0	9.6	8.3
Don't know	4.3	5.9	4.6	5.8	5.2

Q59D. Regardless of whether you personally use social media yourself, please tell me whether you agree or disagree that social media: Helps people have more impact on political processes?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly disagree	1.0	1.5	1.1	1.5	1.3
Disagree	9.8	9.5	9.9	9.3	9.6
Neither agree or disagree	5.4	4.1	5.7	3.6	4.6
Agree	46.0	51.3	51.1	47.1	49.1
Strongly agree	17.6	11.9	15.4	13.1	14.3
Not applicable	3.9	11.5	7.0	9.6	8.3
Refused		0.2		0.2	0.1
Don't know	16.3	10.0	9.8	15.5	12.7

Q59E. Regardless of whether you personally use social media yourself, please tell me whether you agree or disagree that social media: Makes people more intolerant of those who have different political opinions?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly disagree	1.6	4.6	3.4	3.3	3.3
Disagree	16.6	17.8	17.9	16.7	17.3
Neither agree or disagree	15.0	5.7	10.0	9.1	9.5
Agree	41.7	36.7	41.4	36.2	38.8
Strongly agree	9.0	10.4	10.0	9.6	9.8
Not applicable	3.9	11.5	7.0	9.6	8.3
Refused		0.2		0.2	0.1
Don't know	12.2	13.3	10.4	15.2	12.8

Q59F. Overall, do you think that the effects of social media on society are mostly positive, mostly negative, or haven't you heard enough to say?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very negative	5.4	1.9	5.0	1.7	3.3
Somewhat negative	18.9	8.3	12.4	13.0	12.7
Neither positive nor negative	13.8	9.7	12.0	10.8	11.4
Somewhat positive	40.1	38.4	37.4	40.9	39.1
Very positive	13.9	23.6	21.0	18.0	19.5
Not applicable	3.9	11.5	7.0	9.6	8.3
Refused		0.3		0.4	0.2
Don't know	4.0	6.4	5.2	5.6	5.4

Q60. Which of the following statements is closest to your view?

Statement 1: Unrestricted access to the Internet and social media helps people to be more informed and active citizens, and should be protected.

Statement 2: Information shared on the Internet and social media is dividing Mauritians, so access should be regulated by government.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with 1	32.4	28.2	30.4	29.6	30.0
Agree with 1	34.7	37.8	36.6	36.5	36.5
Agree with 2	12.8	15.0	13.4	14.8	14.1
Agree very strongly with 2	6.4	6.9	8.3	5.0	6.7
Agree with neither	8.1	1.3	4.2	4.1	4.1
Don't know	5.6	10.8	7.2	10.1	8.6

Q39B. For each of the following statements, please tell me whether you disagree or agree: Information held by public authorities is only for use by government officials; it should not have to be shared with the public?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly disagree	23.4	16.2	19.4	18.9	19.2
Disagree	31.4	27.0	29.2	28.5	28.8
Neither agree or disagree	10.2	3.2	5.5	6.7	6.1
Agree	26.3	30.1	27.7	29.3	28.5
Strongly agree	7.1	18.9	15.9	12.0	14.0
Don't know	1.7	4.7	2.3	4.6	3.4



Youth

See also Q50N under “Public services and government performance.”

Note: In addition to the youth-specific questions and responses included in this section, responses to all questions in the survey can be disaggregated by age group. Visit our free online data analysis facility at <http://afrobarometer.org/online-data-analysis/analyse-online>.

Q23. Which of the following statements is closest to your view?

Statement 1: In order for our country to do well, we should listen more to the wisdom of our elders.

Statement 2: In order for our country to do well, we should listen more to fresh ideas from young people.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with 1	14.6	21.9	19.2	18.5	18.9
Agree with 1	18.5	22.6	16.8	24.9	20.9
Agree with 2	24.0	24.2	26.3	21.9	24.1
Agree very strongly with 2	23.5	25.1	24.6	24.3	24.4
Agree with neither	18.9	5.7	12.5	9.9	11.2
Refused		0.4	0.4		0.2
Don't know	0.5	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.3

Q49A. If the government decided to make people pay more taxes in order to support programs to help young people, would you support this decision or oppose it?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly oppose	5.5	11.1	9.0	8.5	8.8
Somewhat oppose	7.4	8.7	8.7	7.6	8.1
Neither support nor oppose	13.4	9.4	10.2	11.9	11.0
Somewhat support	32.4	34.5	35.2	32.0	33.6
Strongly support	22.1	28.6	24.8	27.1	25.9
It depends	16.5	5.0	10.6	9.0	9.8
Don't know	2.6	2.7	1.4	4.0	2.7

Q49B. If the government could increase its spending on programs to help young people, which of the following areas do you think should be the highest priority for additional investment?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
None of the above / Some other program	0.6	0.7	0.5	0.8	0.6
Job creation	45.1	61.2	53.8	55.2	54.5
Education	10.7	5.8	8.4	7.3	7.9
Jobs training	14.8	9.2	11.0	12.0	11.5
Business loans	5.8	4.4	5.6	4.4	5.0
Social services for youth	21.8	17.0	19.3	18.8	19.0
Government should not increase it's spending on programs to help young people	0.7	1.3	0.9	1.2	1.1
Don't know	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.4

Country-specific questions

Q76-MAU. Recently, there have been series of debates about the high rate of failure of secondary school students at School Certificate exams, also know as Form V. Which of the following factors would you say is the main reason for the high secondary school failure rate?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
The secondary school curriculum is not sufficient to prepare students for the examinations	20.9	20.9	20.7	21.1	20.9
Teachers are not executing their duties to the required levels	24.4	24.0	25.4	22.9	24.1
Parents are not motivating their children enough to encourage academic achievement	22.4	19.5	20.4	21.1	20.7
Government policy of allowing all students to proceed to the next grade even when they have not met all requirements	19.7	26.1	24.1	22.7	23.4
None of the above	8.6	4.4	5.9	6.4	6.2
Refused	0.5	0.6	0.3	0.9	0.6
Don't know	3.5	4.5	3.3	4.9	4.1

Q77A-MAU. In recent years, Mauritius has been experiencing an increasing rate of youth delinquency. In your opinion, which of the following factors would you say is the main cause of youth delinquency in the country?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Drug Abuse	49.2	48.3	52.1	45.3	48.7
Alcohol Abuse	8.5	12.1	9.4	11.8	10.6
Physical abuse at home	1.4	2.3	1.9	2.0	1.9
Lack of discipline in the home	12.8	12.0	10.9	13.8	12.3
Peer Pressure	11.0	14.3	10.9	15.0	12.9
All of the above	14.9	10.6	13.3	11.5	12.4
None of the above	1.6	0.2	1.1	0.4	0.8
Don't know	0.5	0.2	0.5	0.2	0.3

Q77B-MAU. In your opinion, which of the following offers the best solution for addressing the problem of youth delinquency in Mauritius?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strict application of disciplinary rules in schools	21.9	25.9	23.1	25.4	24.2
Strict enforcement of the law by security officials	16.2	22.9	21.3	19.0	20.1
Imposition of tough sentences for youth delinquents by the courts	13.0	15.8	13.1	16.2	14.6
Improved rehabilitation services in penal institutions	3.7	1.7	2.7	2.3	2.5

Better discipline of children at home	19.2	23.3	22.7	20.5	21.6
All of the above	23.0	9.4	16.0	14.1	15.1
None of the above	2.1	0.2	0.3	1.6	1.0
Don't know	1.1	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.8

Q78A-MAU. In your opinion, has the level of family violence in this country increased, decreased, or stayed the same over the past year?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Increased a lot	52.3	36.8	40.2	46.3	43.3
Increased somewhat	37.1	47.0	44.3	41.3	42.8
Stayed the same	8.1	11.3	10.2	9.8	10.0
Decreased somewhat	1.3	3.1	2.9	1.8	2.4
Decreased a lot		0.2	0.3		0.1
Refused	0.3		0.2		0.1
Don't know	0.9	1.6	1.8	0.8	1.3

Q78B-MAU. In this country, do you think that it is mostly men, women, boys or girls who are the biggest perpetrators of family violence?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Mostly men	66.5	50.8	47.9	66.8	57.3
Mostly women	5.0	10.8	10.7	6.0	8.4
Mostly boys	0.5	8.3	5.2	4.9	5.0
Mostly girls	0.7	1.4	1.2	1.0	1.1
All groups equally	25.7	25.3	30.8	20.1	25.5
Refused		0.7	0.4	0.4	0.4
Don't know	1.6	2.8	3.7	0.9	2.3

Q79A-MAU. Let's take a moment to talk about domestic violence, that is violence between intimate partners in Mauritius. Which of the following statements is closest to your view?

Statement 1: Domestic violence is a private matter that needs to be handled and resolved within the family.
Statement 2: Domestic violence is a criminal matter whose full resolution requires the involvement of the law enforcement agency.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with 1	21.2	17.3	21.6	16.2	18.9
Agree with 1	23.1	28.4	28.9	23.5	26.2
Agree with 2	18.5	18.4	17.8	19.1	18.5
Agree very strongly with 2	31.0	33.6	28.2	36.8	32.5
Agree with neither	5.1	1.2	1.9	3.8	2.8
Refused		0.2	0.2		0.1
Don't know	1.1	0.9	1.3	0.6	1.0

Q79B-MAU. There are several factors that contribute to domestic violence. In your opinion, which of the following factors would you say is the main cause of domestic violence in Mauritius today?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Cultural and traditional values	15.3	14.7	13.8	16.1	14.9
Alcohol abuse	38.6	45.8	42.7	42.8	42.8
Drug abuse	38.6	33.5	35.4	35.8	35.6
Sexual dissatisfaction	3.8	3.3	4.6	2.4	3.5
None of the above	1.6	1.7	2.2	1.2	1.7
Don't know	2.1	1.0	1.3	1.7	1.5

Q80-MAU. Let's talk for a moment about free speech on social media in this country. Which of the following statements is closest to your view?

Statement 1: Mauritians should have the right to express themselves on social media without government control.

Statement 2: Government should have the right to prevent the expression of ideas that can incite hate on social media

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Agree very strongly with 1	26.0	22.5	23.4	24.6	24.0
Agree with 1	22.7	22.2	22.0	22.7	22.4
Agree with 2	12.9	25.5	20.5	20.0	20.2
Agree very strongly with 2	27.6	21.5	25.9	22.1	24.0
Agree with neither	8.6	1.4	4.3	4.5	4.4
Refused		0.1		0.1	0.0
Don't know	2.3	6.8	3.8	6.1	5.0



COVID-19

Now I would like to ask you some questions about the COVID-19 pandemic that has been affecting our country and the world since early 2020.

COV-1. How well informed would you say you are about the coronavirus, or the COVID-19 pandemic, and efforts to combat it?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Haven't heard of coronavirus/COVID-19	0.2	0.1	0.2		0.1
Not at all informed	0.1	0.3	0.4	0.0	0.2
Not very well informed	7.7	4.0	6.5	4.6	5.6
Somewhat well informed	46.5	29.4	35.2	37.8	36.5
Very well informed	44.1	66.1	56.6	57.3	57.0
Refused	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Don't know	1.3		0.9	0.2	0.5

Please tell me if you personally or any other member of your household have been affected in any of the following ways by the COVID-19 pandemic:

COV-2. Became ill with COVID-19

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Yes	2.5	0.9	1.8	1.4	1.6
No	94.6	98.7	95.8	98.3	97.0
Not applicable	1.6	0.2	1.3	0.2	0.7
Don't know	1.3	0.2	1.2	0.1	0.7

Please tell me if you personally or any other member of your household have been affected in any of the following ways by the COVID-19 pandemic:

COV-3. Temporarily or permanently lost a job, business or primary source of income

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Yes	25.2	24.1	22.9	26.2	24.5
No	73.1	75.5	75.6	73.5	74.5
Not applicable	1.6	0.2	1.3	0.2	0.7
Don't know	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2

COV-5. How easy or difficult was it for you and your household to comply with the lockdown or curfew restrictions imposed by the government?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
I/we did not comply	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2
Very difficult	18.6	23.9	20.2	23.2	21.7
Difficult	43.2	39.3	42.6	39.3	40.9
Neither easy nor difficult	12.1	9.4	8.0	13.0	10.5
Easy	20.8	24.3	24.1	21.6	22.9
Very easy	3.4	2.7	3.6	2.4	3.0
Not applicable	1.6	0.2	1.3	0.2	0.7

COV-6. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statement: Even if the lockdown or curfew had negative impacts on the economy and people's livelihoods, it was necessary to limit the spread of COVID-19.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly disagree	9.6	12.8	11.8	11.1	11.5
Disagree	2.3	3.3	4.0	1.7	2.9
Neither agree or disagree	3.7	1.7	2.5	2.6	2.5
Agree	41.5	44.9	41.3	45.7	43.5
Strongly agree	40.9	37.2	38.8	38.7	38.8
Not applicable	1.6	0.2	1.3	0.2	0.7
Don't know	0.4		0.3		0.2

COV-8. Did you support or oppose the government's decision to close schools in an effort to limit the spread of COVID-19?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly oppose	1.0	1.0	1.4	0.6	1.0
Somewhat oppose	3.4	3.5	2.4	4.5	3.5
Neither support nor oppose	2.5	1.7	2.9	1.3	2.1
Somewhat support	21.5	22.1	24.2	19.5	21.8
Strongly support	69.1	71.2	67.5	73.2	70.4
Not applicable	1.6	0.2	1.3	0.2	0.7
Refused		0.3		0.4	0.2
Don't know	0.8	0.0	0.4	0.3	0.4

COV-9. In your opinion, was the period during which schools were closed too long or too short?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Much too long	3.3	10.1	8.4	6.2	7.3
Somewhat too long	29.1	40.5	35.8	35.7	35.8
About the right length	49.9	37.5	39.3	46.0	42.6
Somewhat too short	6.8	6.4	6.4	6.7	6.6
Much too short	1.6	1.8	1.6	1.9	1.8
Not applicable	1.6	0.2	1.3	0.2	0.7
Refused		0.3		0.4	0.2
Don't know	7.5	3.3	7.2	2.9	5.0

COV-10. Since the start of the Covid-19 pandemic, have you or your household received any assistance from government, like food, cash payments, relief from bill payments, or other assistance that you were not normally receiving before the pandemic?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No	72.8	64.4	66.6	69.3	67.9
Yes	25.3	35.1	31.9	30.2	31.0
Not applicable	1.6	0.2	1.3	0.2	0.7
Don't know	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3

COV-10B-MAU. Did you or your household require any assistance from the government during the Covid-19 pandemic?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Missing	5.7	11.4	8.4	9.7	9.0
Yes	5.1	3.2	3.6	4.5	4.0
No	61.9	49.8	54.6	55.1	54.9
Not applicable	27.2	35.6	33.4	30.7	32.1
Don't know		0.0		0.0	0.0

COV-11. Do you think that the benefits of government programs to support people during the COVID-19 pandemic, for example through food packages or cash payments, have been distributed fairly, or that the distribution was unfair, for example by favouring certain groups or regions?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very unfairly	13.4	9.0	12.8	8.8	10.8
Somewhat unfairly	19.8	11.1	14.8	14.6	14.7
Neither fair nor unfair	3.3	5.6	4.1	5.2	4.7
Somewhat fairly	28.2	42.6	35.5	37.7	36.6
Very fairly	17.7	15.3	17.4	15.1	16.3
Not applicable	1.6	0.2	1.3	0.2	0.7
Refused		0.3		0.4	0.2
Don't know	16.2	15.9	14.0	18.0	16.0

How well or badly would you say the current government has handled the following matters since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, or haven't you heard enough to say?

COV-12. Managing the response to the COVID-19 pandemic

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very badly	5.1	2.3	4.7	2.2	3.4
Fairly badly	13.3	8.8	12.6	8.7	10.7
Fairly well	57.8	57.0	53.9	60.8	57.3
Very well	21.7	30.8	26.9	27.1	27.0
Not applicable	1.6	0.2	1.3	0.2	0.7
Don't know	0.5	1.0	0.6	1.0	0.8

How well or badly would you say the current government has handled the following matters since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, or haven't you heard enough to say?

COV-13. Keeping the public informed about COVID-19

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very badly	4.1	3.0	3.8	3.0	3.4
Fairly badly	14.9	7.8	12.4	9.1	10.7
Fairly well	51.3	47.5	48.7	49.5	49.1
Very well	27.5	41.1	33.5	37.4	35.5
Not applicable	1.6	0.2	1.3	0.2	0.7
Don't know	0.7	0.4	0.3	0.8	0.5

COV-14. How much do you trust the official statistics provided by government on the number of infections and deaths due to the COVID-19 pandemic?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	6.8	7.0	9.1	4.7	6.9
A little bit	25.2	24.8	25.8	24.1	25.0
Somewhat	42.4	41.8	40.3	43.8	42.1
A lot	22.6	24.9	21.7	26.2	23.9
Not applicable	1.6	0.2	1.3	0.2	0.7
Don't know	1.4	1.4	1.8	0.9	1.4

COV-15. Considering all of the funds and resources that were available to the government for combatting and responding to the COVID-19 pandemic, how much do you think was lost or stolen due to corruption among government officials?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
A lot	26.7	19.5	25.4	19.7	22.5
Some	37.0	26.5	27.9	33.8	30.9
A little	16.1	21.3	20.2	18.1	19.1
None	1.3	6.1	5.0	3.3	4.2
Not applicable	1.6	0.2	1.3	0.2	0.7
Refused		0.2		0.3	0.1
Don't know	17.3	26.1	20.2	24.7	22.5

COV-16. How much do you trust the government to ensure that any vaccine for COVID-19 that is developed or offered to Mauritian citizens is safe before it is used in this country?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all	6.8	6.4	7.6	5.5	6.6
Just a little	40.8	32.4	36.0	35.7	35.9
Somewhat	35.1	32.3	29.7	37.2	33.5
A lot	8.7	23.0	18.1	15.9	17.0
Not applicable	1.6	0.2	1.3	0.2	0.7
Don't know	7.2	5.7	7.2	5.4	6.3

COV-17. If a vaccine for COVID-19 becomes available and the government says it is safe, how likely are you to try to get vaccinated?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Very unlikely	6.7	8.6	7.9	7.8	7.8
Somewhat unlikely	15.9	11.8	12.1	14.9	13.5
Somewhat likely	37.4	37.8	38.6	36.7	37.7
Very likely	30.4	36.6	34.1	33.9	34.0
Not applicable	1.6	0.2	1.3	0.2	0.7
Don't know	8.0	5.0	6.0	6.5	6.2

COV-18. Some people think that prayer is an effective way to alter events in the world. Others put more faith in science to solve problems. Some people believe in both. What about you? Do you think that prayer is more effective or less effective than a vaccine would be in preventing COVID-19 infection?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Much more effective	24.6	14.9	15.1	22.8	18.9
Somewhat more effective	16.3	22.1	17.2	22.2	19.7
About the same effectiveness	29.5	24.4	28.8	24.1	26.5
Somewhat less effective	12.5	18.8	18.6	13.7	16.1
Much less effective	8.9	8.9	9.0	8.8	8.9
Not applicable	1.6	0.2	1.3	0.2	0.7
Refused		1.0	0.6	0.6	0.6
Don't know	6.8	9.8	9.4	7.6	8.5

COV-19. Looking ahead, how serious of a problem do you think the COVID-19 pandemic will be for Mauritius over the next six months?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all serious	1.7	1.9	2.3	1.4	1.8
Not very serious	9.9	10.8	11.7	9.1	10.4
Somewhat serious	43.1	44.1	41.7	45.7	43.7
Very serious	39.9	40.6	39.9	40.7	40.3
Not applicable	1.6	0.2	1.3	0.2	0.7
Don't know	3.9	2.4	3.2	2.9	3.0

COV-20. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: Our government needs to invest more of our health resources in special preparations to respond to health emergencies like COVID-19, even if it means fewer resources are available for other health services.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly disagree	8.2	4.0	7.1	4.3	5.7
Disagree	20.3	21.9	22.2	20.2	21.2
Neither agree nor disagree	22.2	8.9	13.5	15.4	14.4
Agree	38.8	39.9	38.4	40.4	39.4
Strongly agree	6.6	21.2	14.5	15.8	15.1
Not applicable	1.6	0.2	1.3	0.2	0.7
Don't know	2.3	4.0	3.0	3.6	3.3

COV-21. When the country is facing a public health emergency like the COVID-19 pandemic, do you agree or disagree that it is justified for the government to temporarily limit democracy or democratic freedoms by taking the following measures? Censoring media reporting

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly disagree	29.5	17.6	24.3	20.8	22.6
Disagree	35.3	37.8	36.3	37.2	36.8
Neither agree nor disagree	6.8	2.8	4.8	4.2	4.5
Agree	24.8	32.8	28.6	30.3	29.4
Strongly agree	1.6	5.9	3.7	4.6	4.1
Not applicable	1.6	0.2	1.3	0.2	0.7
Refused	0.2		0.1		0.1
Don't know	0.4	2.9	1.0	2.6	1.8

COV-22. When the country is facing a public health emergency like the COVID-19 pandemic, do you agree or disagree that it is justified for the government to temporarily limit democracy or democratic freedoms by taking the following measures? Using the police and security forces to enforce public health mandates like lockdown orders, mask requirements, or restrictions on public gatherings.

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly disagree	2.6	3.6	3.4	3.0	3.2
Disagree	7.0	15.1	11.4	12.1	11.7
Neither agree nor disagree	8.8	4.4	8.2	4.3	6.2
Agree	52.8	44.2	49.1	46.4	47.8
Strongly agree	27.0	31.7	26.5	32.9	29.7
Not applicable	1.6	0.2	1.3	0.2	0.7
Don't know	0.2	0.9	0.2	1.0	0.6

COV-23. When the country is facing a public health emergency like the COVID-19 pandemic, do you agree or disagree that it is justified for the government to temporarily limit democracy or democratic freedoms by taking the following measures? Postponing elections or limiting political campaigning

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Strongly disagree	2.8	6.8	5.9	4.3	5.1
Disagree	12.8	16.2	17.5	12.1	14.8
Neither agree nor disagree	7.2	6.3	7.6	5.7	6.6
Agree	49.9	37.2	42.3	42.6	42.4
Strongly agree	21.4	31.1	23.3	30.8	27.1
Not applicable	1.6	0.2	1.3	0.2	0.7
Refused	0.4		0.1	0.2	0.2
Don't know	4.1	2.3	2.0	4.1	3.0

COV-24. In some countries, people have been worried that governments and politicians are trying to take advantage of the COVID-19 pandemic to increase their wealth or power, or to permanently restrict freedoms or political competition. What about you? How worried are you, if at all, that the following things are taking place or might take place in Mauritius: Politicians are using the pandemic as an opportunity to increase their power and authority

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
Not at all worried	7.2	5.2	6.5	5.6	6.1
Not very worried	20.3	17.9	19.5	18.4	18.9
Somewhat worried	35.7	46.3	39.9	43.9	41.9
Very worried	32.7	23.3	28.2	26.3	27.2
Not applicable	1.6	0.2	1.3	0.2	0.7
Don't know	2.5	7.0	4.7	5.6	5.1

Other

Q100. Just one more question: Who do you think sent us to do this interview?

	Urban	Rural	Male	Female	Total
No one		0.3	0.1	0.3	0.2
Afrobarometer or StraConsult	67.0	52.9	61.1	56.5	58.8
Research company	4.0	6.5	5.4	5.6	5.5
Non-government or religious organization	1.3	0.4	1.4	0.1	0.8
University/School/College	0.2	1.9	0.7	1.7	1.2
Private company	10.1	5.1	6.3	8.0	7.2
Media	1.0	3.8	2.5	2.8	2.6
Political party or politician	5.3	10.6	8.9	7.9	8.4
Government (including any government official, government agency or ministry, or any other part of government named by the respondent)	5.7	6.0	5.8	6.0	5.9
International organization or another country	0.7	2.1	1.4	1.6	1.5
God	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1
Other	0.5	0.9	0.7	0.7	0.7
Don't know	3.9	9.5	5.6	8.8	7.2