Afrobarometer

Public Opinion Survey

Mauritius 2012



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The Methodology

- AB uses national probability sample which ensures a representative cross-section of all citizens of voting age in a given country. The goal is to give every adult citizen an equal and known chance of selection for interview.
- A randomly selected sample of 1200 respondents are interviewed face-to-face.
- The Afrobarometer uses a clustered, stratified, multistage, probability sample design.



The Methodology

In Mauritius a four-stage sampling process was used:

- 1. In the first stage, we randomly select primary sampling units (PSUs) Census Enumeration Areas.
- 2. In the second stage, we randomly select sampling start-points (SSPs) within the selected PSUs.
- 3. In the third stage, we randomly select households within each PSU.
- 4. And in the fourth and final stage, we randomly select individual Respondents from within the selected households.



The Survey Questionnaire

- A uniform questionnaire is used in all countries undergoing the Afrobarometer survey to ensure comparability of data between countries.
- However, the questionnaire is "indigenised" in each country by:
 - 1) adding country specific questions; and
 - 2) making the minor adjustments required on certain questions so that they fit the country context



The Survey Questionnaire

The questionnaire consists of three parts:

- 1. Part 1 general information on the Enumeration Area of the interview, the steps for selecting households and respondents. This section is completed by the Fieldworker.
- 2. Part 2 (The Main Part) covers the core attitudinal and demographic questions that are asked by the Fieldworker and answered by the Respondent (Q1 Q100).
- 3. Part 3 includes contextual questions about the setting and atmosphere of the interview, and collects information on the Fieldworker. This section is completed by the Fieldworker (Q101 Q119).



The Survey Questionnaire

The Main Part of the Questionnaire consists of **100** main questions with some **193** sub-questions.

The main themes of the questionnaire are:

- 1. Economic performance
- 2. Crime and Security
- 3. The level & quality of democracy and governance
- 4. Government Performance with regards to main concerns in the country
- 5. Level of Citizen participation in social and political life



The Survey in Mauritius

• Field work carried out over **21 days -** January - February, 2012.

• The Field work in island of Rodrigues was after the holding of the Regional Assembly elections in Rodrigues on 5th February 2012. Actual field work started on **15th February** and was initially planned to be completed by 29th February.



The Survey in Mauritius

• A total of 37 field officers were recruited on a part-time basis for the field operation. The number of officers recruited by grade was:

- (i) one Field Manager/Chief Supervisor,
- (ii) one Senior Supervisor/Quality Control Officer,
- (iii) 7 Supervisors (including one for Rodrigues)
- (iv) 28 Interviewers (including 4 four Rodrigues)



The Output

As per Afrobarometer requirements:

- 1. Staggered Release of Results
- 6 Indicator Bulletins highlighting key preliminary findings of the survey on selected issues
- 3. Release of the full Summary of Results
- 4. A minimum of two Country Bulletins



Results of the public opinion survey

Perception of the Economic Situation and Conditions of Living

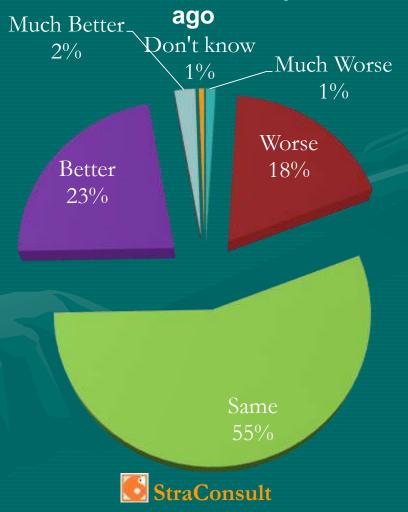


Country's present economic condition

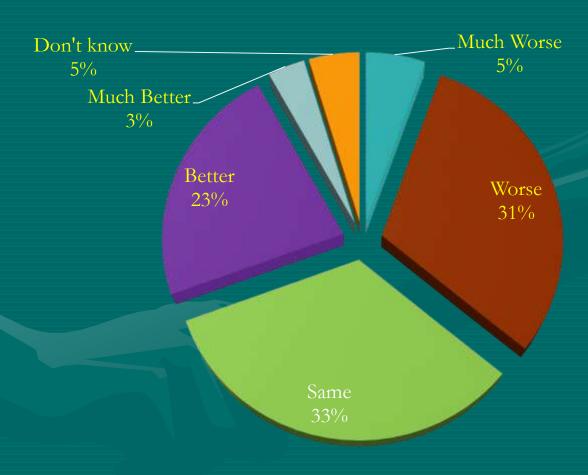




Country's economic condition compared to 12 months

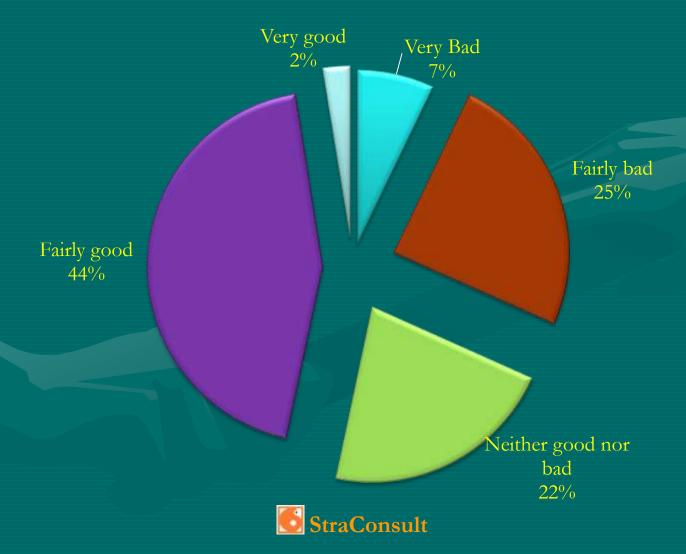


Country's economic condition in 12 months time

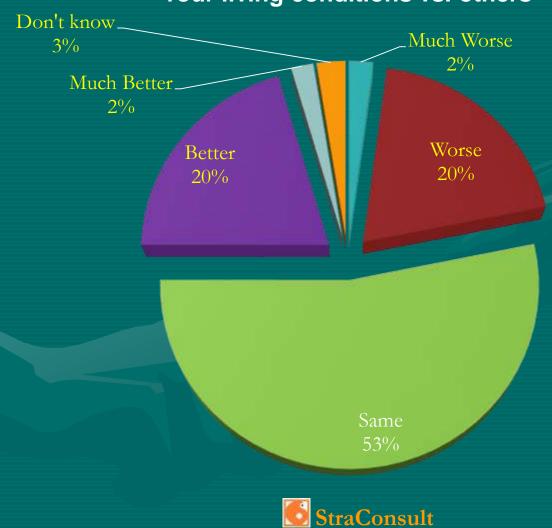




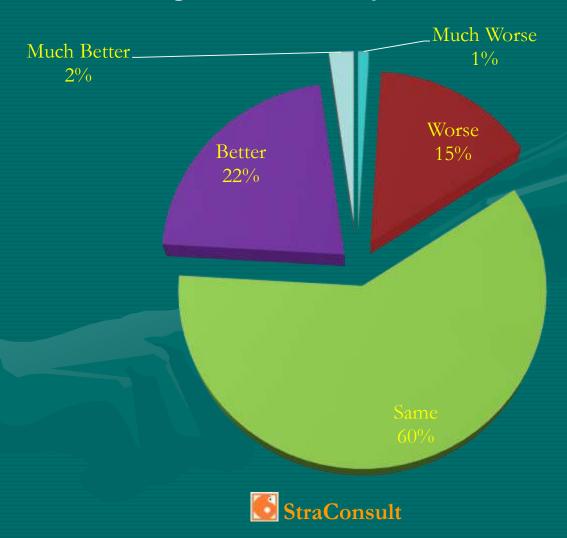
Your present living conditions



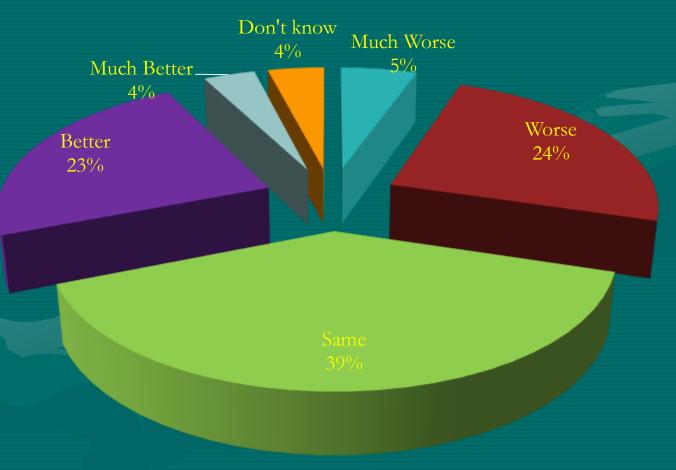
Your living conditions vs. others



Your living conditions compared to 12 months ago



Your living conditions in 12 months time



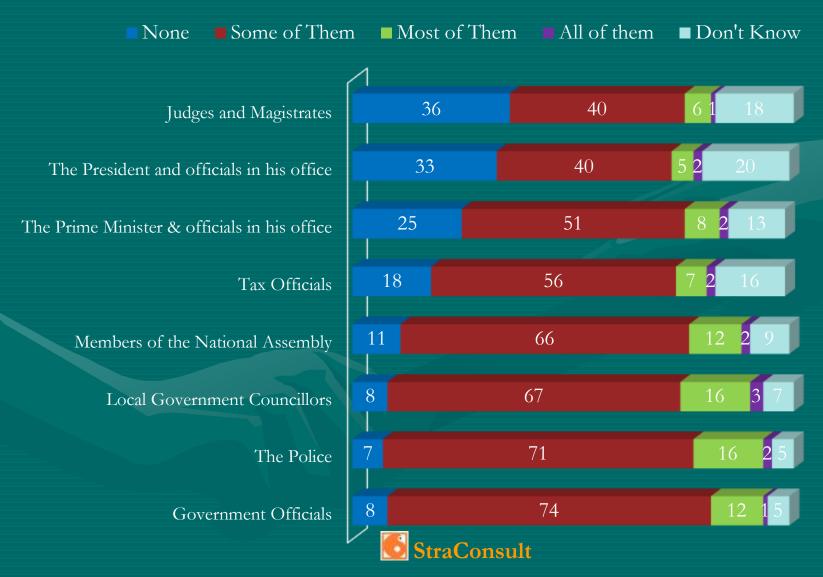


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Perception of Corruption



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Corruption: judges and magistrates Urban ■Rural 44% 36% 35% 34% 27% 12% 7% $4^{\circ}/_{\circ}$ 1% $0/_{0}$

Most of them

All of them

Don't

Know/Haven't

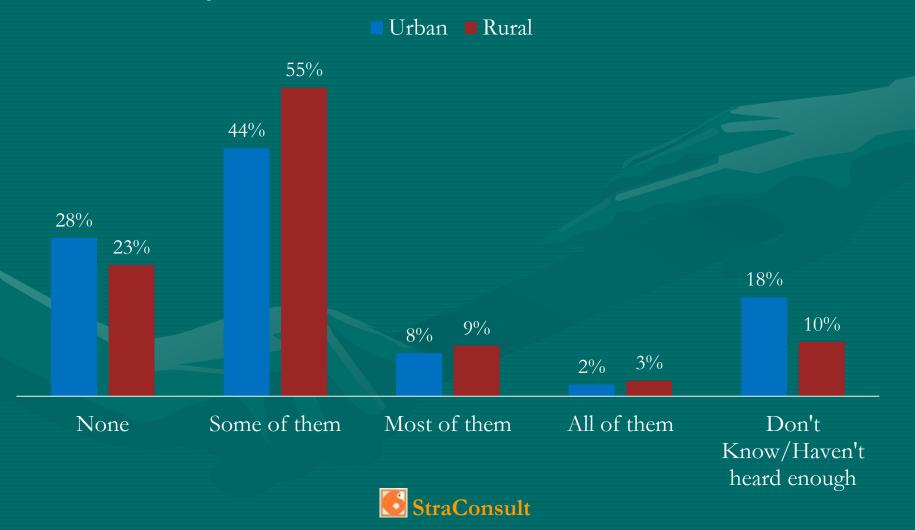
heard enough

None

Some of them

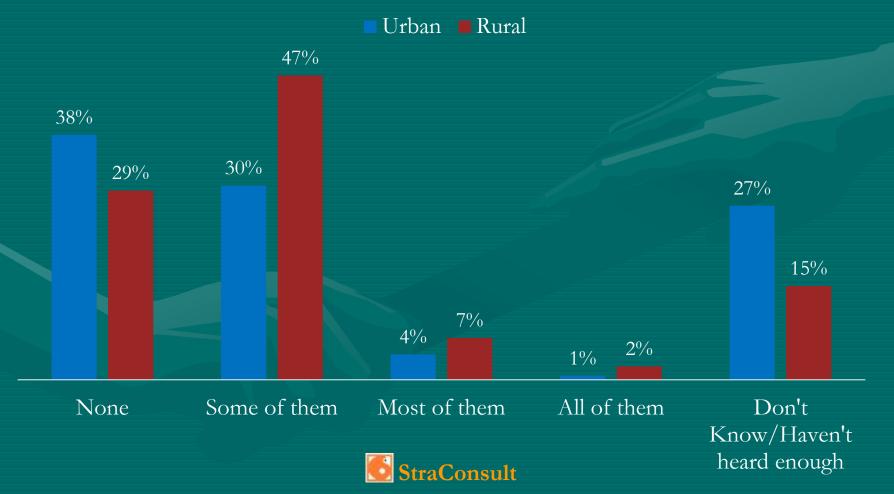
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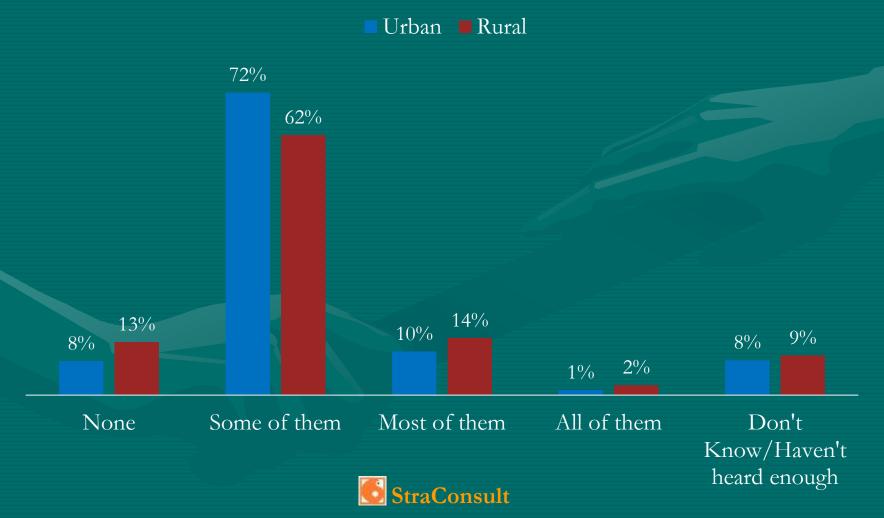


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Corruption: Police Urban Rural 76% 68% 18% 13% 8%5% $4^{0}/_{0}$ $4^{\circ}/_{\circ}$ 2% 1% Some of them All of them Don't None Most of them Know/Haven't heard enough

How many of the following people do you think are involved in corruption?

Corruption: Members of the National Assembly



Experience of Corruption

In the past year, how often, if ever, have you had to pay a bribe, give a gift, or

do a favour to government officials in order to:

		No experience with this in past year [DNR]	Never	Once or Twice	A Few Times	Often	Don't know <i>[DNR]</i>
A.	Get a document or a permit?	29	68	2	0	0	0
B.	Get water or sanitation services?	34	65	0	0	0	0
C.	Get treatment at a local health clinic or hospital?	18	81	0	0	0	0
D.	Avoid a problem with the police, like passing a checkpoint or avoiding a fine or arrest?	35	61	2	1	0	0
E.	Get a place in a primary school for a child?	43	57	0	0	0	0
F.	And during the last election in 2010, how often, if ever did a candidate or someone from a political party offer you something, like food or a gift or money, in return for your vote?		98	2	0	0	0



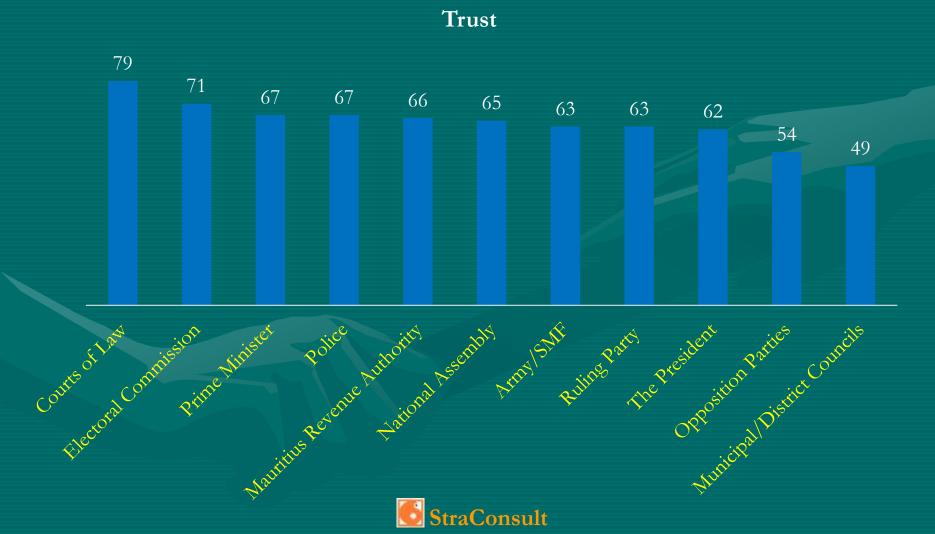
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Trust in Institutions



Trust in Public Institutions

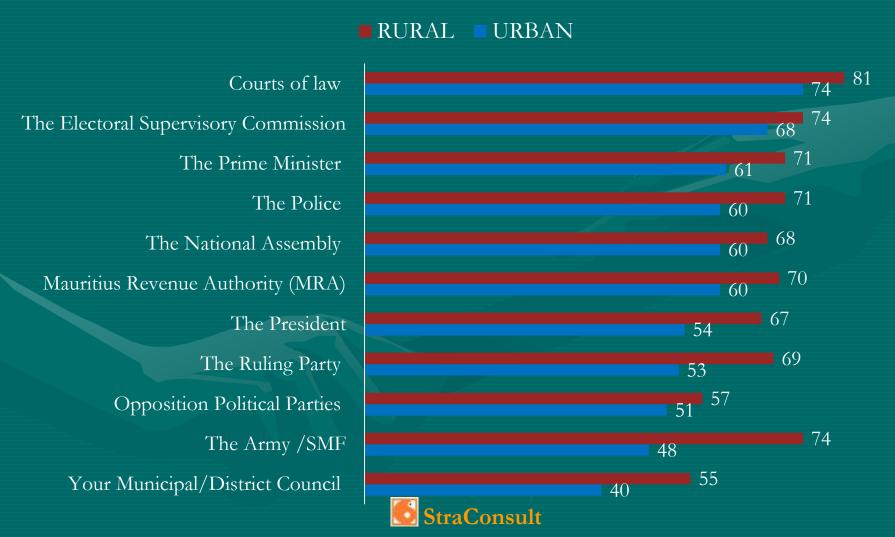
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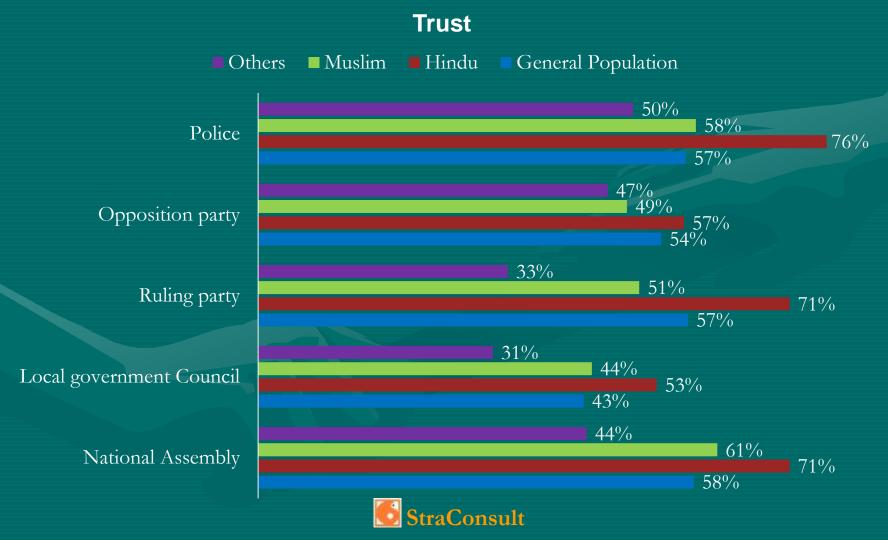
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