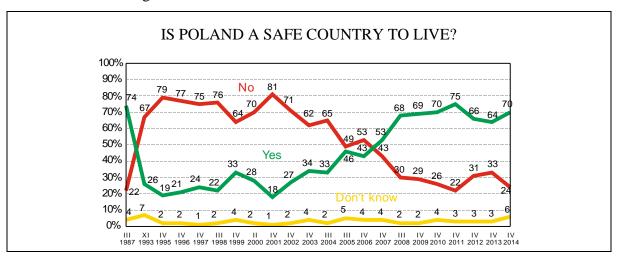


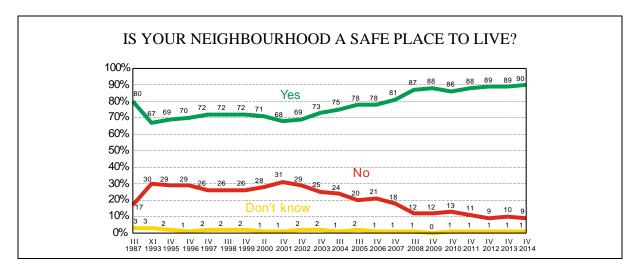
SECURITY INLAND AND IN THE PLACE OF RESIDENCE

Police statistics indicate that the number of criminal acts in Poland has declined. In the year 2013 the crime rate was lower than in 2012, and far lower than a decade ago. The positive trend is confirmed by public opinion research.

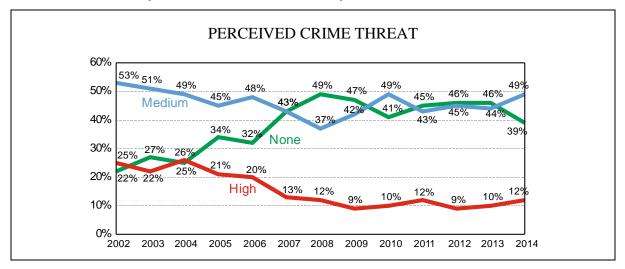
In the opinion of the majority of respondents (70%), Poland is a safe country to live. This conviction strengthened in the course of the last year. From a long-term perspective, the trend varied. From 1989 onwards, the subjective safety deteriorated, reaching lowest level in 2001. In the following years, the situation improved. In the previous decade, the number of people considering Poland as a safe country increased more than two-fold, and current evaluations are among the best recorded since 1989.



As in previous surveys, Poles evaluate the safety of their neighbourhood better than in the country as a whole. The perception of safety in the place of residence is good and has remained stable for years. At present, nine-tenths (90%) of respondents feel safe around their home. Residents of rural areas feel safest, while people living in big cities feel least secure.



Over two-fifths of respondents (45%) are afraid that they may be victims of a crime; however, only a few (5%) are very concerned about this. The fear is more widespread about members of the family (55%, in which 10% are very concerned).



Taking into account the answers to both questions, an index of subjective crime threat was calculated. Two-fifths of respondents (39%) feel no threat either for themselves or their family members. Almost half of respondents (49%) express concern in either one of these areas, without being strongly worried. Relatively few people (12%) are very concerned about crime. Compared with last year, the proportion of respondents who have no concerns decreased, while the number of those feeling moderately anxious increased.

More information about this topic can be found in CBOS report in Polish: "Security inland and in the place of residence", June 2014. Fieldwork for national sample: April 2014, N=1028. The random address sample is representative for adult population of Poland.