

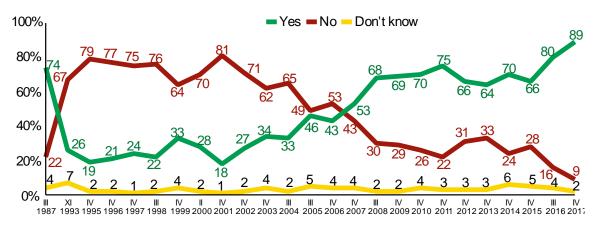
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Opinions about security and crime threat

The perception of public safety is now at a record high. The conviction that Poland is a safe country to live is almost universally shared by 89% of respondents (9 points higher than in March 2016). The opposite view is only expressed by every eleventh respondent (9%, 7 percentage points less than a year ago).

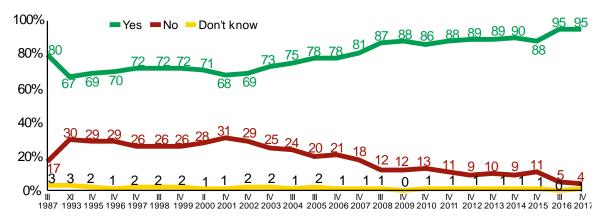
Is Poland a safe country to live?



The recent heightened sense of security is probably partly a result of comparison with other European countries. News of terrorist attacks in West European countries could have influenced a higher safety assessment in Poland. Similar to last year, as many as 95% of respondents rate their close neighbourhood as safe. Only a few (4%) declare that they live

in a dangerous place. The place of residence, unlike the country as a whole, has been considered safe from the beginning of CBOS measurements, but never before has this indicator been as high as in the last two years.

Is your neighbourhood safe and quiet?



Every seventh respondent (14%) declares having been a victim of theft in the last five years, while 7% experienced burglary (into home or other property), 3% were mugged and 2% were robbed. Four out of a hundred (4%) declare that they have been subjected to another type of crime, such as fraud, domestic violence, hooligan acts. In total, one-fifth of respondents (20%) have been victims of a crime in the past five years. Victims were relatively often young (in the 18-24 age group 35%, in the 65 plus age group 11%), residents of larger cities, people with higher education, but also those who assessed their material living conditions as bad.

More information about this topic can be found in CBOS report in Polish: "Subjective Safety and Crime Risk", April 2017. Fieldwork for national sample: April 2017, N=1075. The random address sample is representative for adult population of Poland.