



# South African Voices:

## Citizens' Perceptions and Expectations 2025 Survey

**3156** South Africans surveyed across all nine provinces.

- 52% women
- 41% youth
- 54% urban
- 43% unemployed

70% of those without income depend on government grants, with social relief grants supporting 50% of grant recipients.

### Civic Participation

- 43% belong to religious groups
- 12% belong to Stokvels

**32% of respondents did not belong to any association**

<p><b>Election Participation</b> 69% voted in the 2024 elections. 53% said their chosen party won.</p>	<p><b>Policy Involvement</b> 12% participated in policy formulation processes, mostly at ward level (53%).</p>	<p><b>Future Participation</b> 55% feel there is no room for input in policy processes.</p>
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### Citizen Feedback

Around 70% of citizens ranked the performance of their local municipality and the national government as low since the recent elections

Citizen priority areas are more focused on livelihoods, like clean water provision from local municipalities and price stability from the national government. Decent employment dominates as a key deliverable for citizens.

### Local Municipalities



#### Identified Priorities

- Decent Jobs
- Clean Water & Sanitation
- Reducing Crime
- Land & Housing

### National Government



#### Identified Priorities

- Decent Jobs
- Dealing with Corruption
- Price Stability
- Quality Healthcare

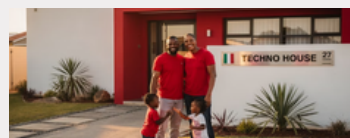
How will you know if the national government has done well?



Well-Paying Jobs



Corrupt Elements Imprisoned



Home Ownership



Stable Prices