

## TEMPLATE POLICY PAGE

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<b>Trends:</b>	<p>Since 2006, data relating to public perceptions of safety and security have been collected in the Swedish Crime Survey, based on annual interviews with a random selection of approximately 15,000 persons. One indicator of perceptions of safety is based on answers to a question as to whether the respondents have refrained from going out in the evening in their residential neighbourhood. The proportion of respondents answering yes was 21 percent in the 2006 survey and decreased to 17 percent in the 2007 and 2008 survey and 16 percent in the 2009 survey. Another indicator is the rate of respondents answering that they have felt worried for being subjected to violence, which has decreased from 15 percent 2006, to 12 percent in 2009. The proportion stating that worries about crime to a great extent have affected their behaviour (such as choosing another route or another method of transport or refrain from activities) is much smaller than the proportion being worried about crime. It has varied between 3 and 4 percent since the 2006 survey.</p> <p>The Swedish Crime Survey also contains two indicators of concern for being subjected to property offences. One of them is the proportion of respondents that have felt worried about having their home burgled over the course of the past year. The proportion answering “yes” to this question has varied between 15 and 17 percent since 2006, with no signs of significant trends. The other is the proportion of respondents that felt worried about having their car stolen or being subjected to vandalism, which has decreased from 22 percent to 16 percent in 2009.</p> <p>According to the Swedish Crime Survey the most common type of concern is the concern for friends and family being subjected to crime, even though the proportion stating that kind of anxiety has decreased from 32 percent in the 2006 survey to 28 percent in the 2009 survey.</p> <p>More information on the Swedish Crime Survey and its findings can be found at <a href="http://www.bra.se">http://www.bra.se</a>.</p>

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