

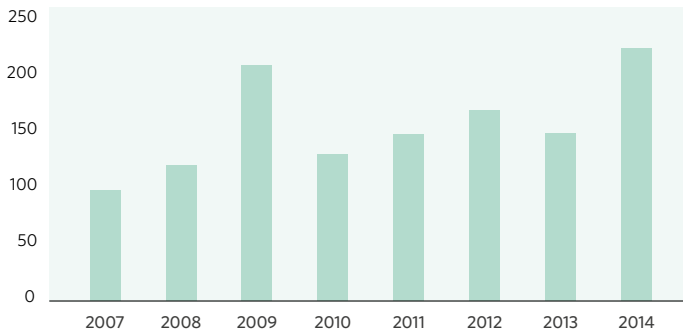
# **PART THREE**

## **SOCIAL PACTS AND TRUST BUILDING FOR AN EQUITABLE AND INCLUSIVE ECONOMY**

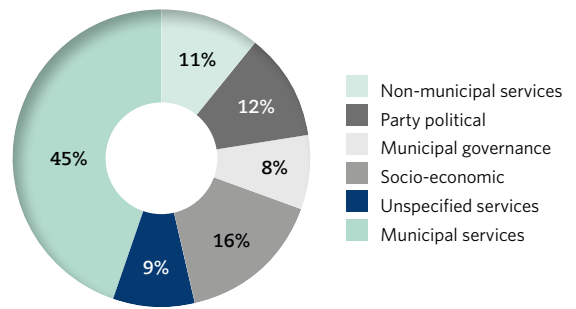


In 2015, 68 per cent of South Africans stated they had never contacted their local government councillor about a problem or to express their views. This is an improvement from 2002, when more than 80 per cent stated that they had never have made such contact. In 2015, more South Africans indicated a willingness to join protests. In 2014, the annual number of protests recorded was 218, an increase from 96 in 2007. In the same period, the number of violent protests increased significantly from 44 in 2007 to 174 in 2014. A major reason for protests related to dissatisfaction with municipal services.

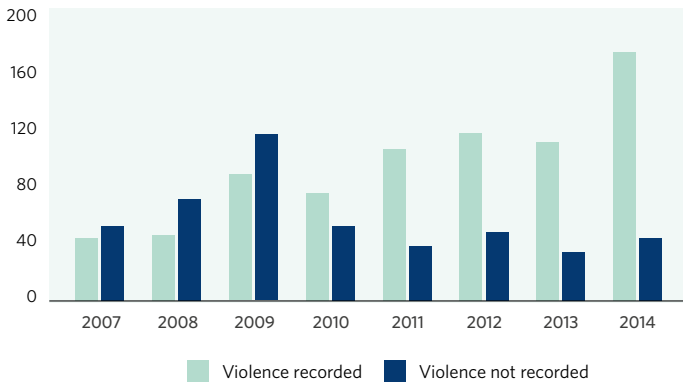
**Annual number of protests, 2007-2014\***



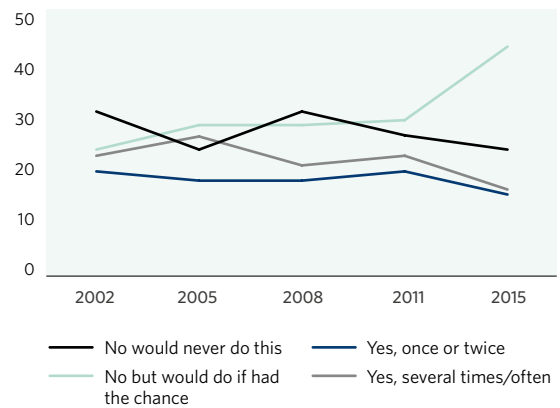
**Grievance categories cited by protesters, 2012-2014\***



**Proportion of protests involving violence, 2007-2014\* (percentage)**



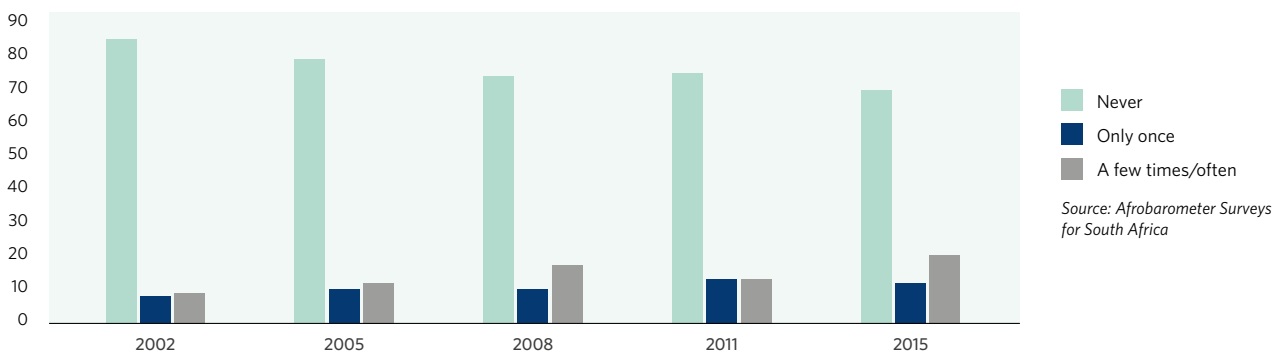
**During the past year, have you joined others in your community to request action from government (percentage)**



\*Source: DM Powell, M O'Donovan, and J de Visser (2014) Civic Protests Barometer 2007-2014

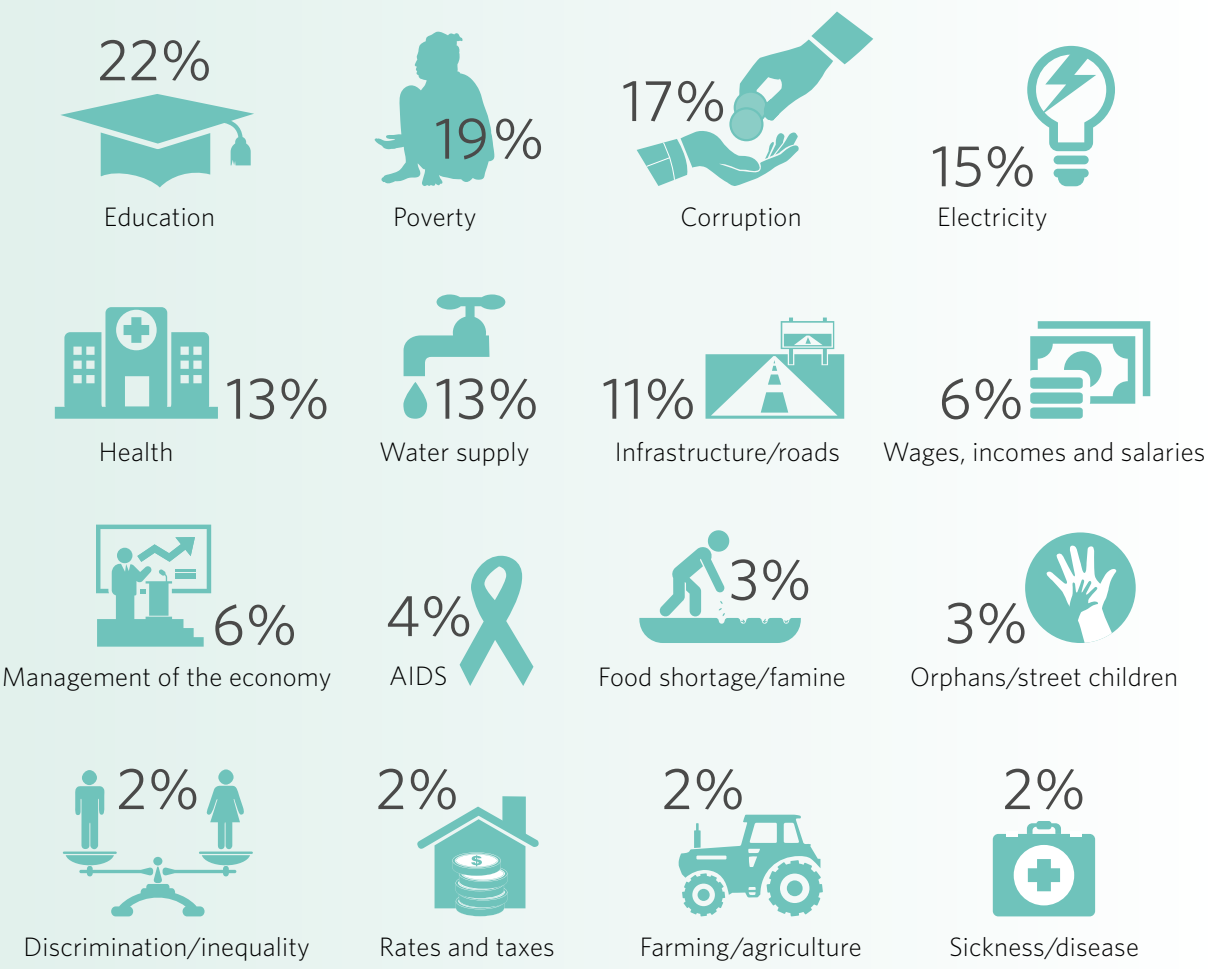
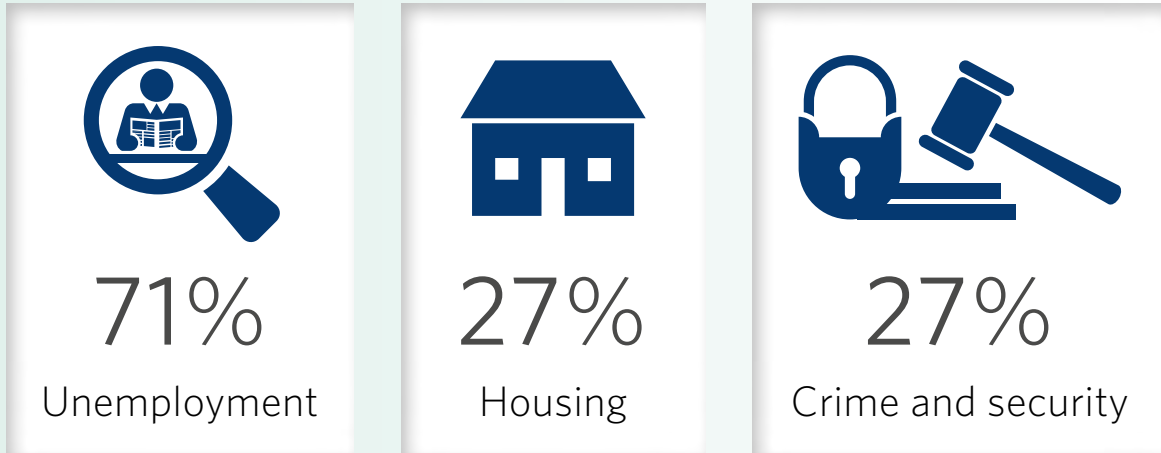
Source: Afrobarometer Surveys for South Africa

**During the past year, how often have you contacted your local government councillor about an important problem or to give them your views? (percentage)**



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