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KAZAKHSTANIS ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENTAL SITUATION IN THEIR PLACE OF RESIDENCE

The Kazakhstan Institute for Strategic Studies under the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan presents the opinions of Kazakhstanis on the environmental situation in the place of their residence.

According to the survey, **64.1% of respondents were satisfied with the environmental situation in their place of residence, while 24.0% said they were completely satisfied.**

It is noteworthy that **about one in five respondents (19.1%) stated that the environmental situation in their place of residence does not satisfy them completely.** At the same time, as Figure 1 shows, the proportion of those who are satisfied with the environment is significantly higher in rural areas, and vice versa, urban residents are more likely to say that they are not satisfied with the environmental situation that surrounds them

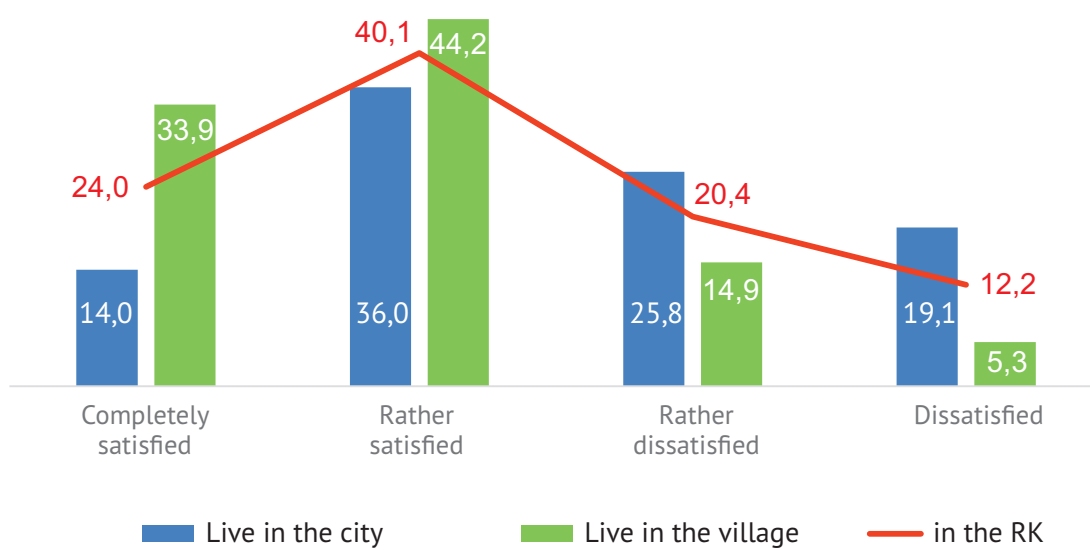


Fig 1. How satisfied are you with the environmental situation in the area where you live?

37.3% of respondents said they felt protected from environmental hazards. The share of those who **feel ecologically threatened** is higher and amounts to 54.5% of all respondents. The same 19.2% of respondents who were completely dissatisfied with the environment also said they were not at all immune to environmental threats.

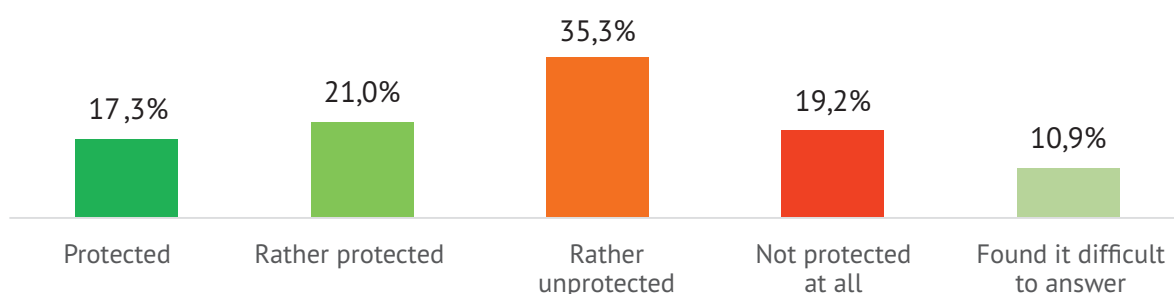


Fig 2. How safe do you personally feel from the environmental threat today?

One of the traditions of World Environment Day is to assign a specific theme to the celebration. The themes of the last two years of the holiday were to fight plastic pollution and to fight air pollution.

The theme for 2021 is **Ecosystem Restoration**, planned through 2030. The Decade of Ecosystem Restoration is a call to preserve and restore damaged ecosystems around the world, both for nature and for humanity. Only a healthy environment can provide us with a decent standard of living, prevent climate change and the loss of biodiversity.

Research methodology:

The survey method is an interview of a respondent at the place of residence using a route quota selection.

1. Selection – 2000 respondents aged 18 and over in 59 settlements of urban and rural areas in 14 regions and 3 cities of republican significance. The statistical error does not exceed 3,5%.

Duration – May 2019.

2. Selection – 2000 respondents aged 18 and over in 57 settlements of urban and rural areas in 14 regions and 3 cities of republican significance. The statistical error does not exceed 3,5%.

Duration – November 2020.