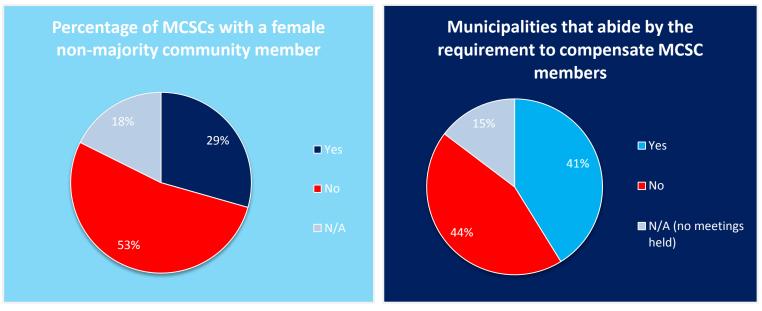
Municipal Community Safety Councils

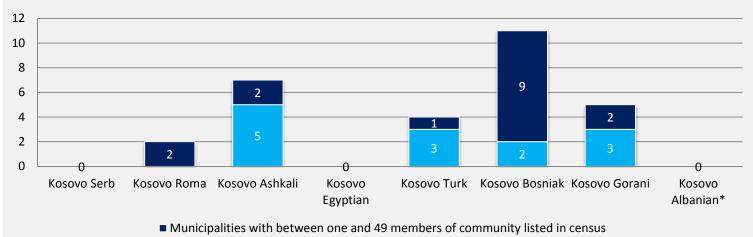
Municipal Community Safety Councils (MCSCs), municipal security mechanisms, are created to improve community safety and stability. The MCSCs aim to include a broad, gender balanced, cross-section of members from all ethnic and religious communities in the municipality, who play a role in the community's short-term and long-term well-being. MCSCs are required by the Ministry of Internal Affairs (MIA) Administrative Instruction No. 27/2012 and the Ministry of Local Government Administration Administrative (MLGA) Instruction No. 03/2012 to meet, at least, six times per year. Additionally, municipalities are required to financially compensate members of MCSCs. To date, MCSCs have been established in 34 municipalities.

The MCSCs take a comprehensive approach to determining what entails community safety and who is responsible for creating a safe environment. Community safety and security are the responsibility not only of Kosovo Police, but also government officials and civil society. The MCSCs provide a unique forum to bring these stakeholders together.

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Number of MCSCs missing community representatives

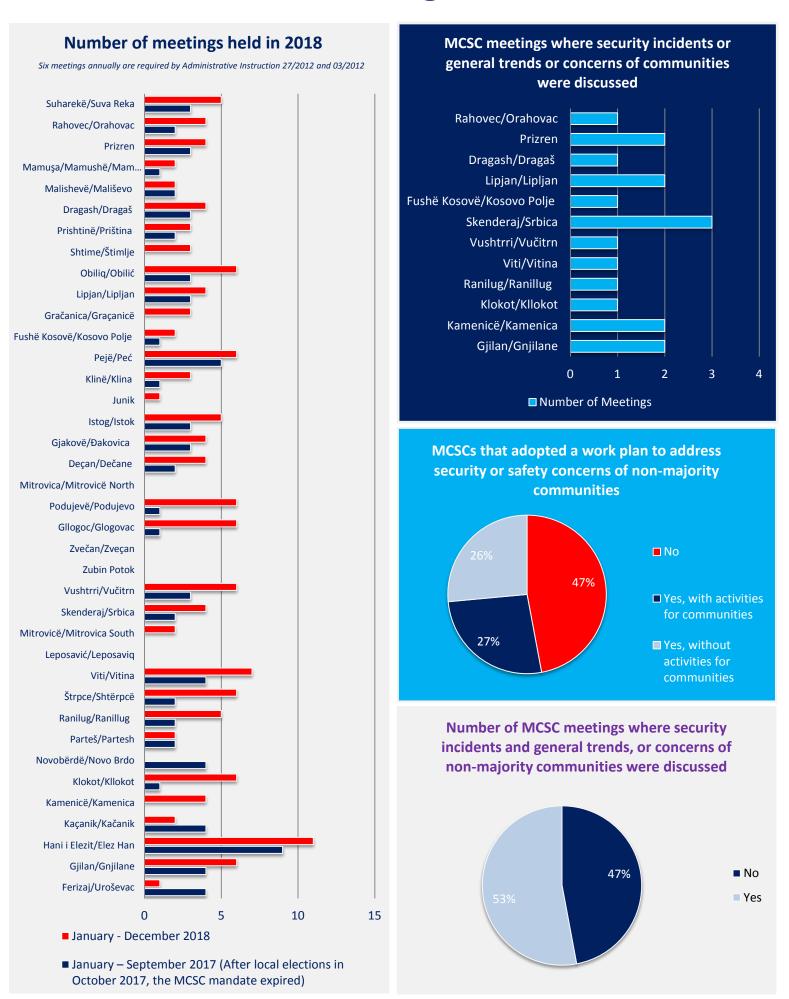


Municipalities with 50 or more community members listed in census

* According to Article 4 of the Administrative Instruction No. 27/2012 MIA and Administrative Instruction No. 03/2012 MLGA for municipal community safety councils, each community residing in the municipality should have an MCSC representative, regardless of the size or sense of ethnic belonging of the population. This, however, is difficult to achieve in practice for communities with very small populations. Therefore it is useful to make a distinction between very small communities (49 members or fewer) and larger communities (50 plus) when analyzing communities not represented in MCSCs. * Kosovo Albanian community is referred in context to those in a minority situation at municipal level.



Performance and Functioning 2018



The OSCE Mission in Kosovo supports institutions mandated to address communities' security concerns. To assist in this effort, the OSCE regularly monitors the performance of municipal communities' protection mechanisms. These information sheets aim to provide the relevant institutions with indicators that can assist in identifying gaps and improving compliance.