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Social Cohesion and Reconciliation Index Methodology (SCORE) for decision-making and Designing Evidenced-based Policy and Programs for Conflict Transformation in Liberia

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Liberia PAPD

Pro-poor Agenda for Prosperity & Development (PAPD) is a 5-year Medium-term National Development Plan

- The PAPD adopted the Social Cohesion and Reconciliation (SCORE) Index as a high-level M&E tool for all of its pillars

- SCORE can be calibrated and tailored to each context, thus making it an appropriate and easily adaptable assessment instrument for M&E toolkits

- The last SCORE Liberia data was collected in Spring 2018, thus SCORE is not only well-suited for monitoring PAPD targets but establishes a valuable baseline for the PAPD

- Data presented here shows progress from SCORE 2016 related to peace and reconciliation compared to SCORE 2018 SCORE

FOUR PAPD PILLARS:

Pillar 1: 'Power to the People' - empower Liberians gain control of lives reaching their furthest first and leaving no one behind

Pillar 2: Economy and jobs – creating a stable macro-economic environment, enabling private sector economic growth, greater competitiveness, and diversification of the economy

Pillar 3: 'Sustaining the Peace' – building stronger justice, peace and security institutions enable peaceful and safe environments

Pillar 4: Governance and Transparency – Inclusive and accountable public sector for shared prosperity and sustainable development

Pillar 3: Sustaining the Peace

- The key outcomes aim to achieve positive peace through social cohesion and inclusive development
- Promote peace, justice and build strong institutions by:
  1. Addressing fragility and the root causes of conflict
  2. Improving the justice system and human rights protection, and
  3. Enhancing national defence and security
- To that end, PAPD sets long, medium, short term targets using SCORE indicators

SCORE Liberia Methodology

- M&E toolkits at all levels (policy, program, project) based on robust evidence even if they are about objective concrete outputs (e.g. infrastructure)

- A scientific and participatory approach to M&E is especially crucial, if they are about peacebuilding, social cohesion, inter-group relations and civic attitudes

SCORE Liberia Process Cycle

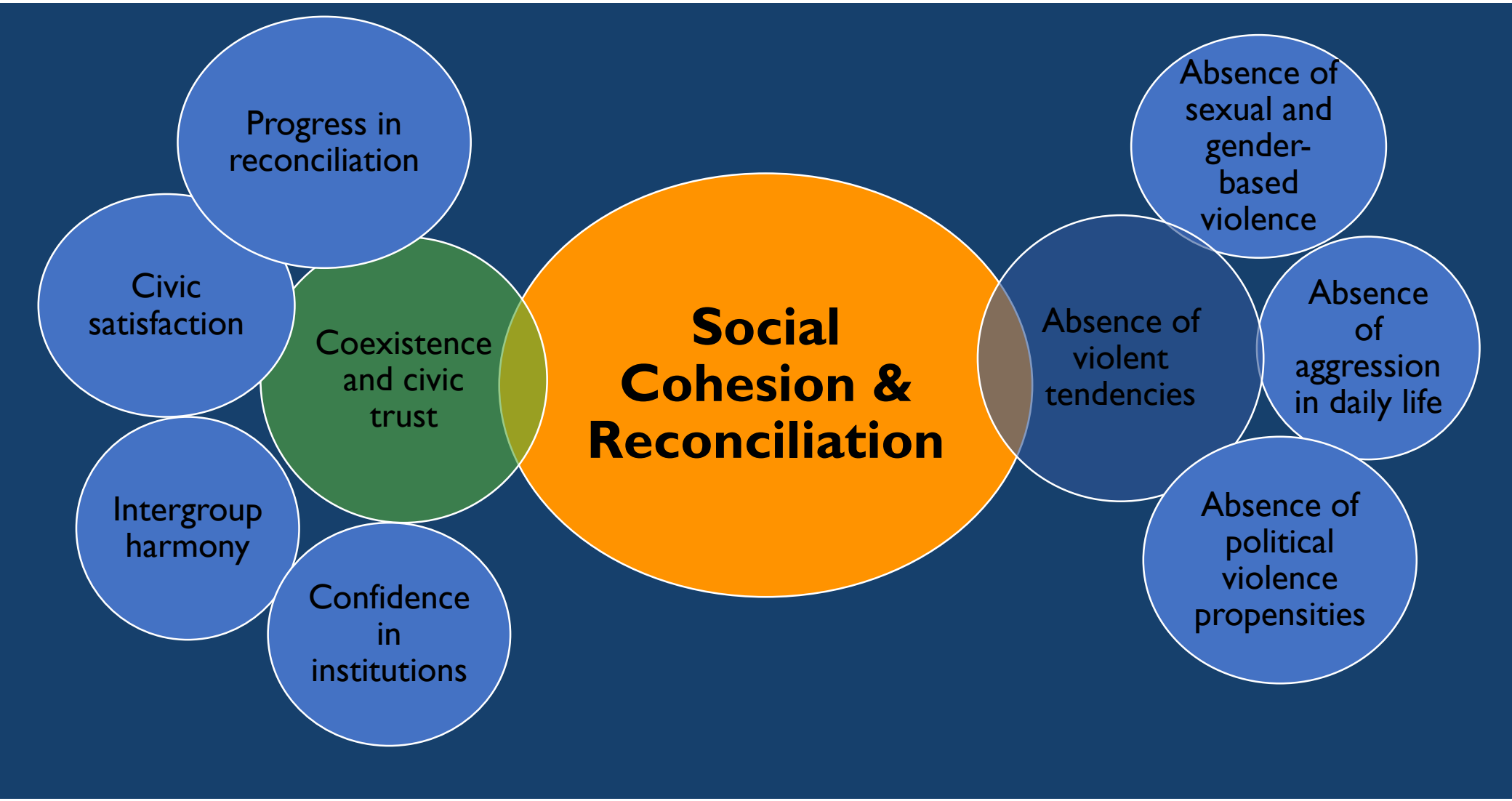
Participatory calibration

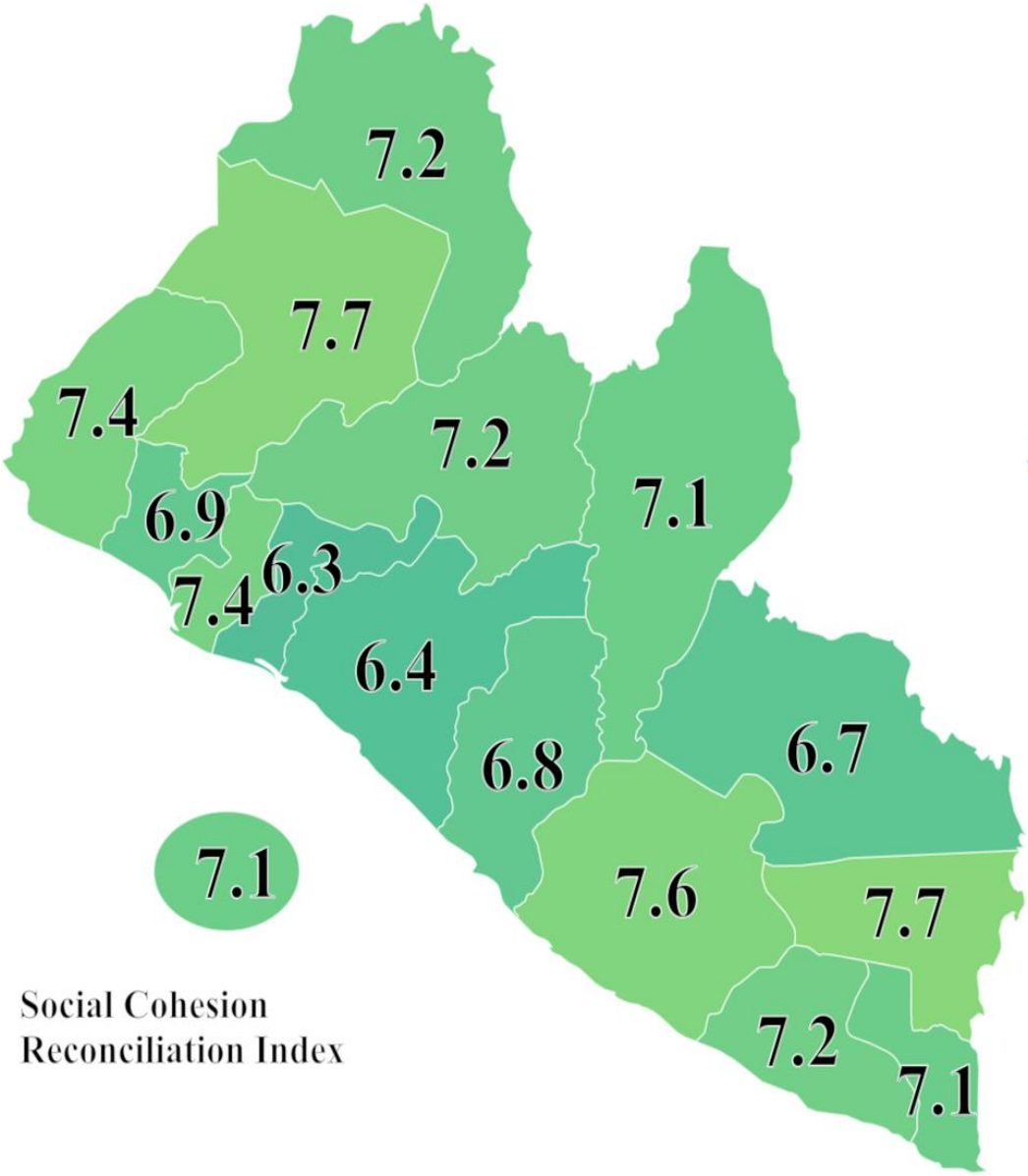
Questionnaire design

February – March 2018

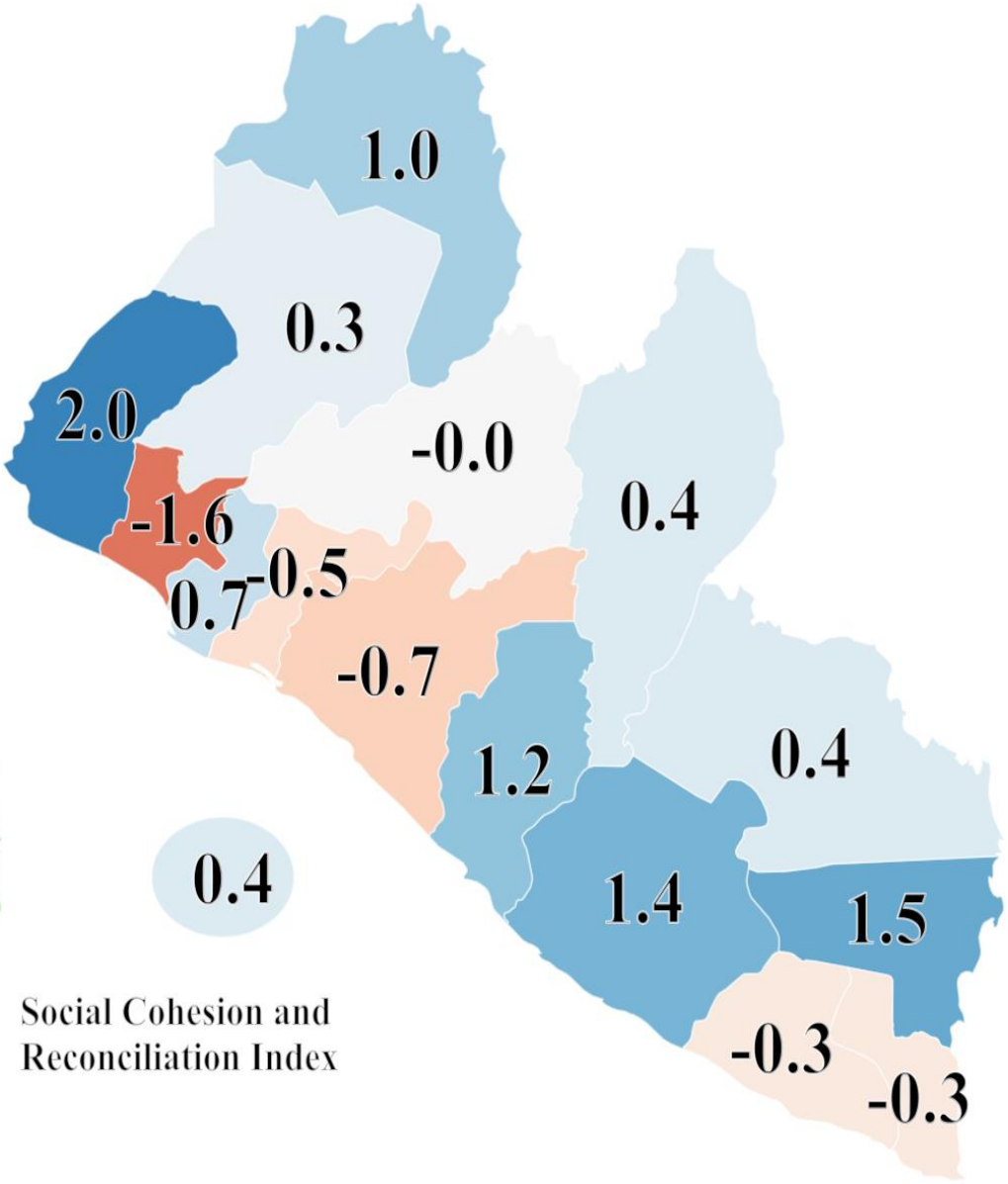
Household Survey: 6210
Governance Survey: 188

PAPD High-Level Target 1: Overall SCORE Index Improves





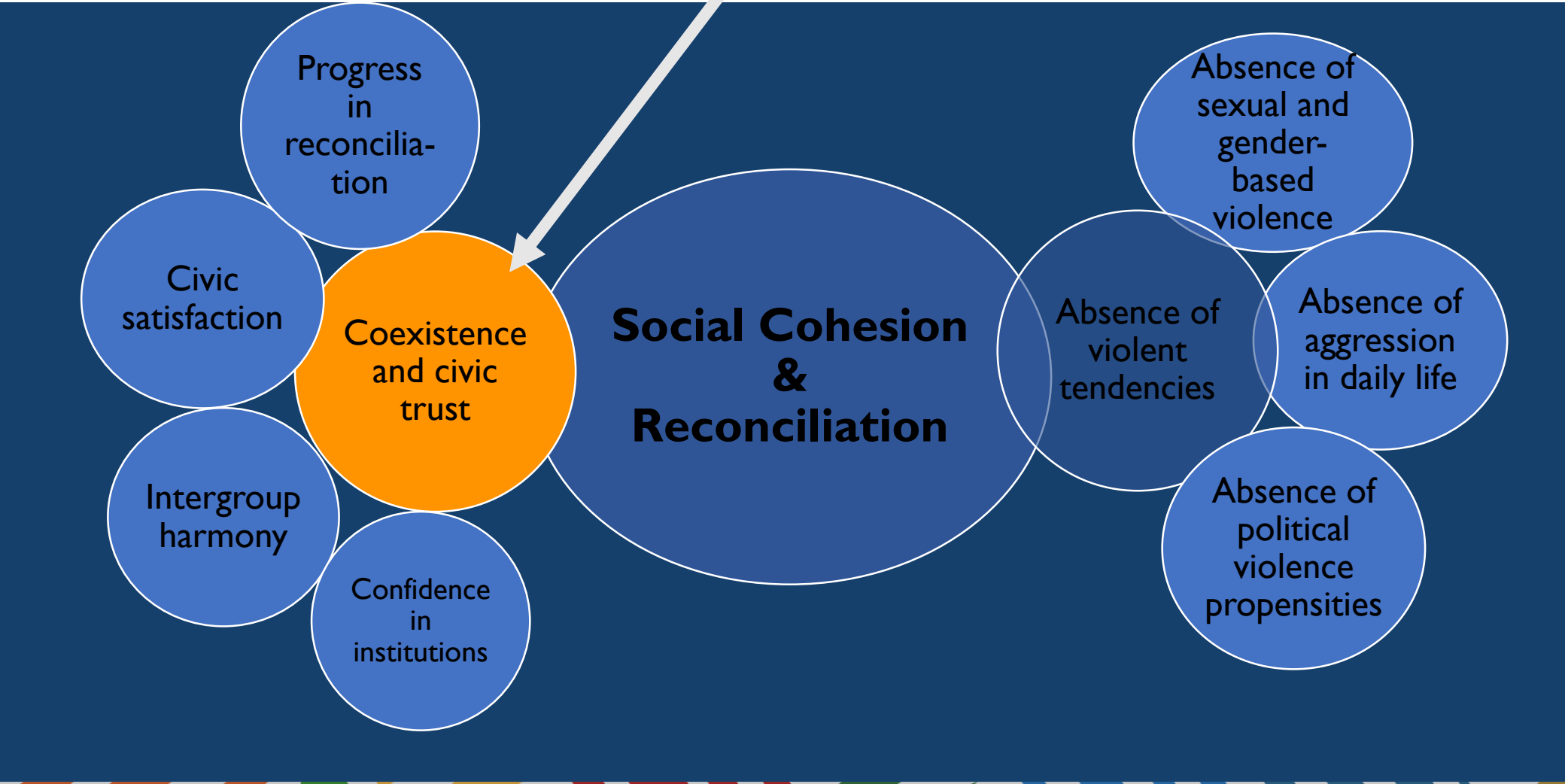
Social Cohesion Reconciliation Index

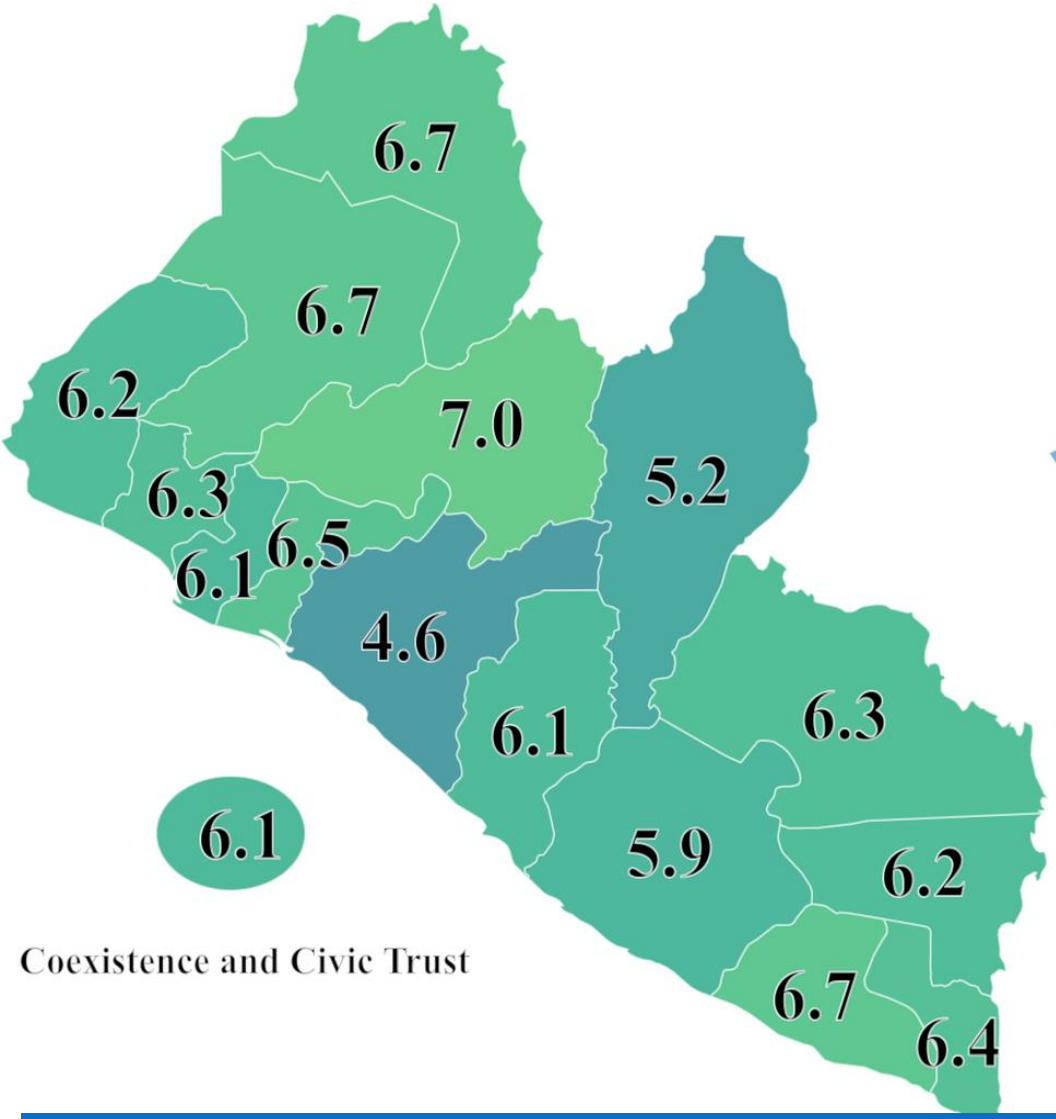


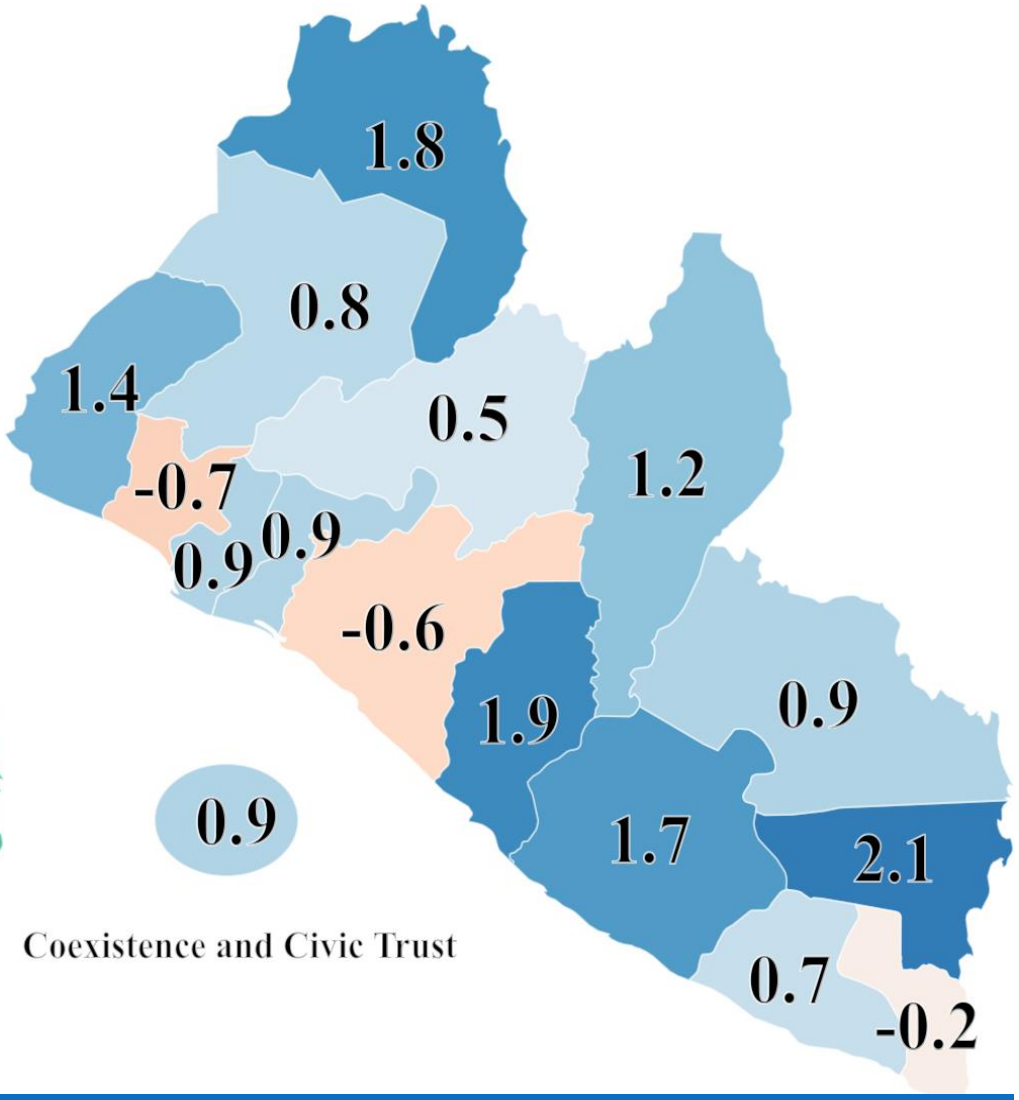
Social Cohesion and Reconciliation Index

PAPD High-Level Target 2:

Civic trust and coexistence improves (disaggregated by county, gender)



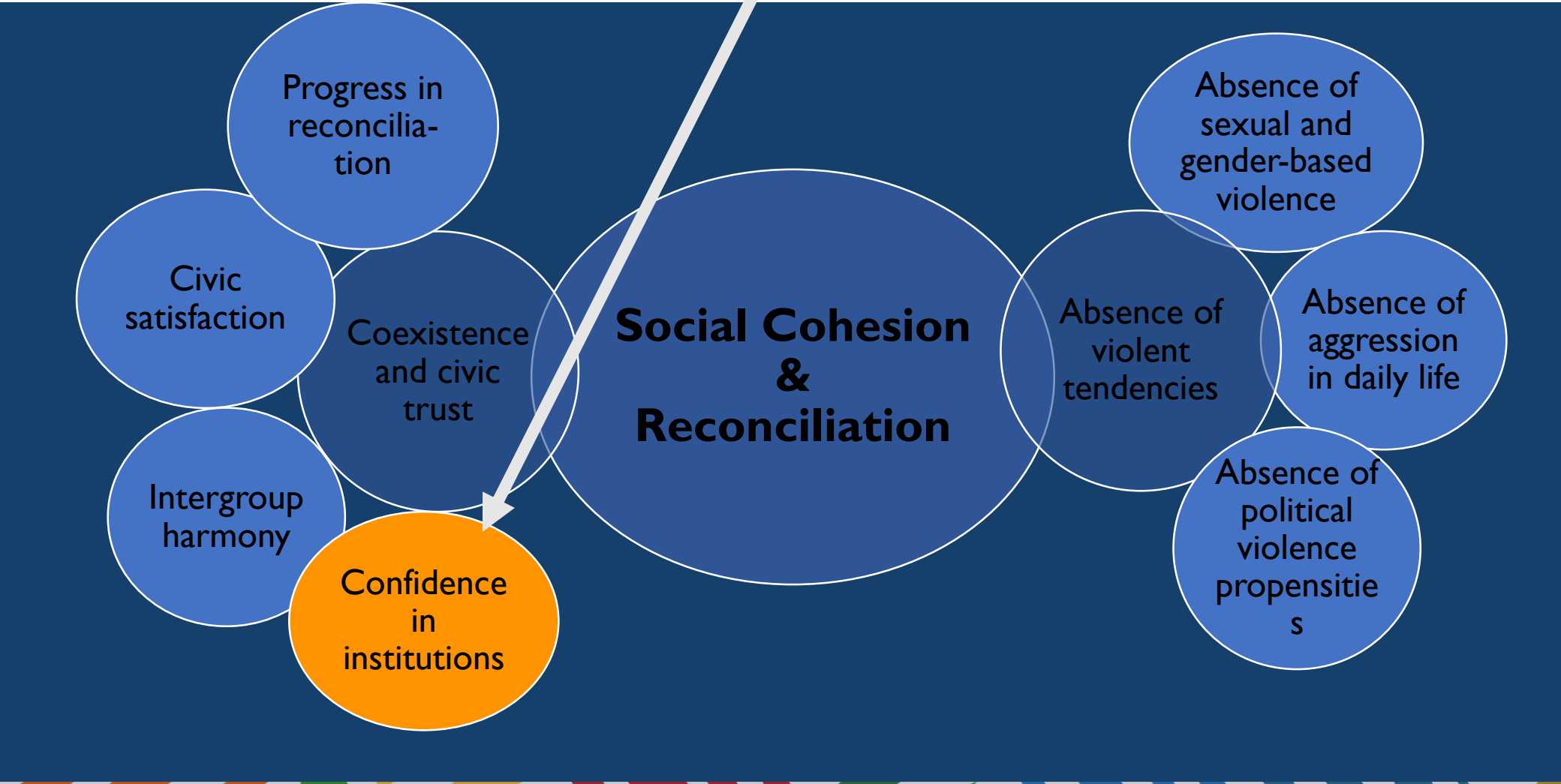


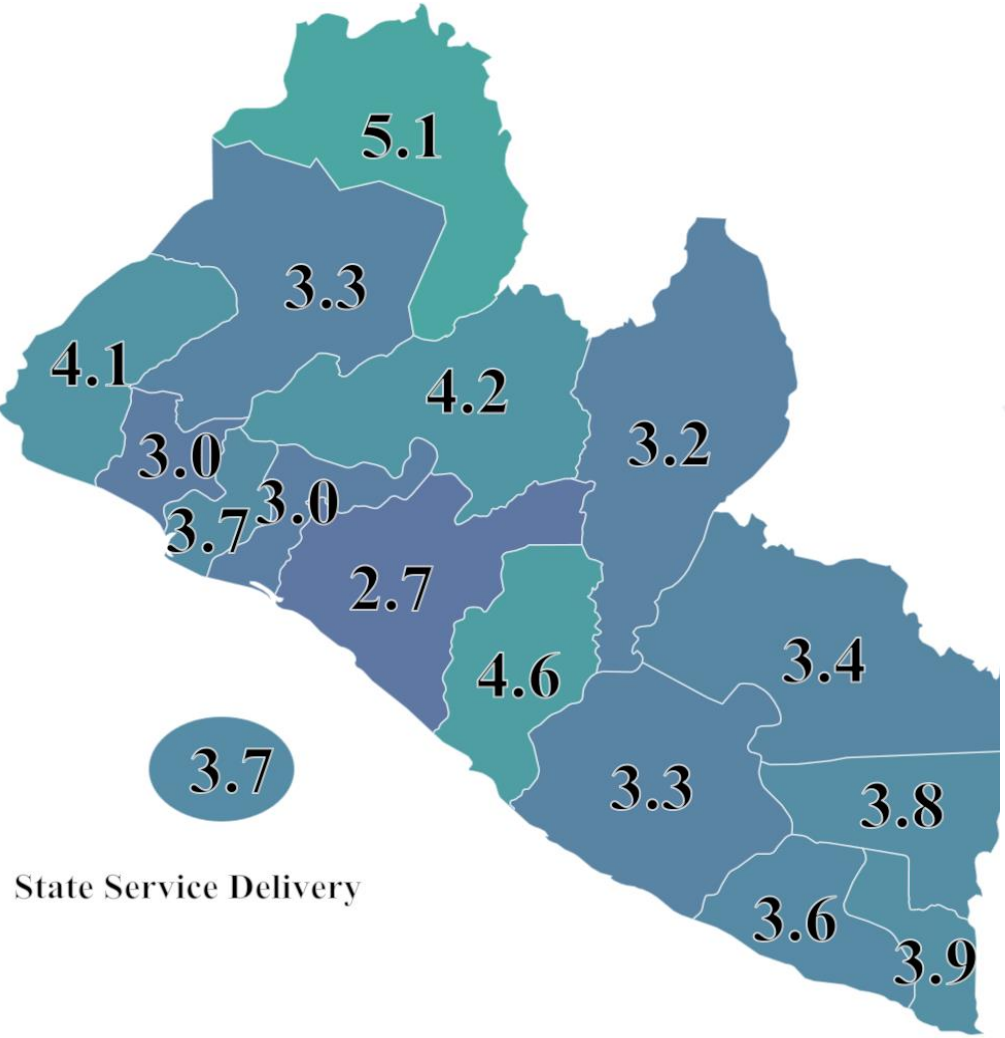


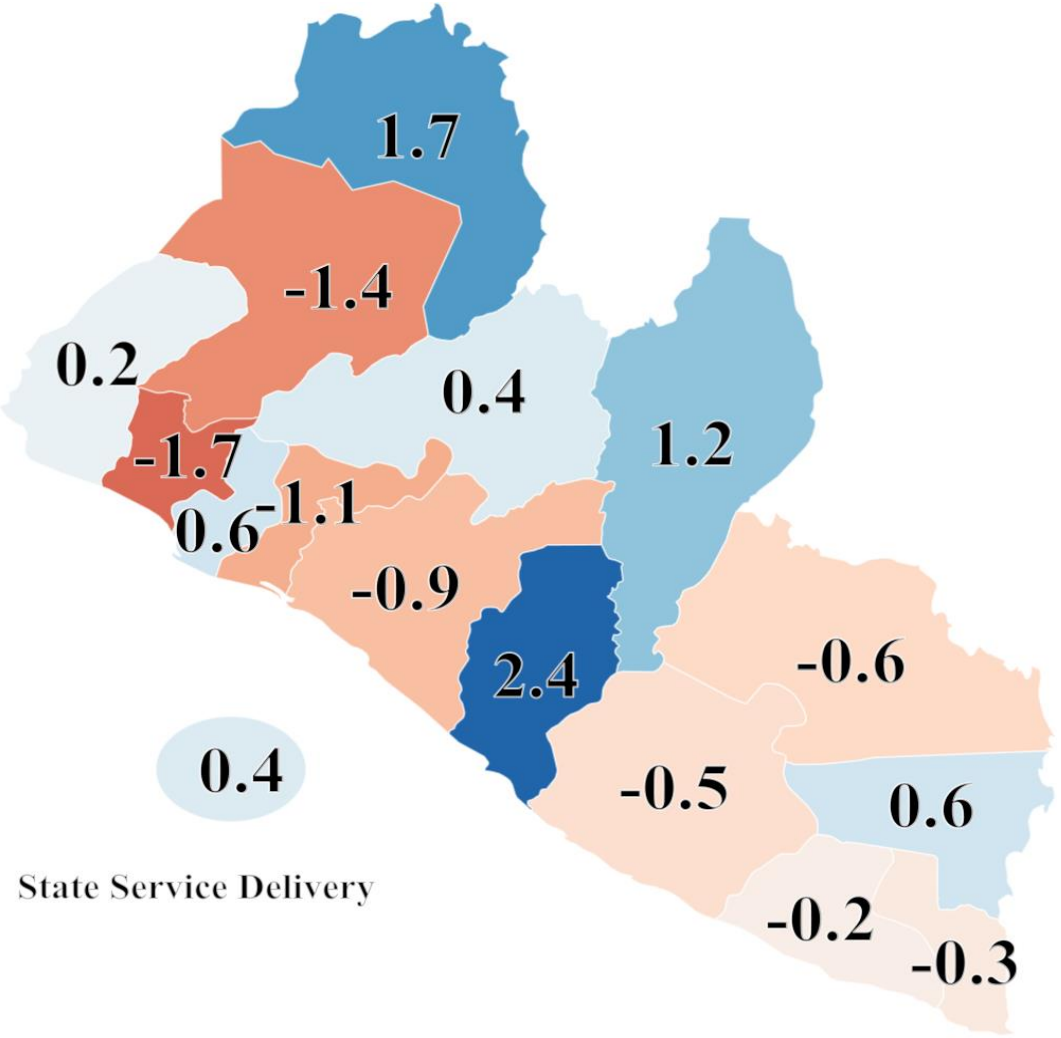
PAPD High-Level Target 2. Civic trust & coexistence improve: **5.2 > 7.7** (disaggregated by county/gender)

PAPD High-Level Target 3:

Satisfaction with state service delivery increase (disaggregated by county/gender)



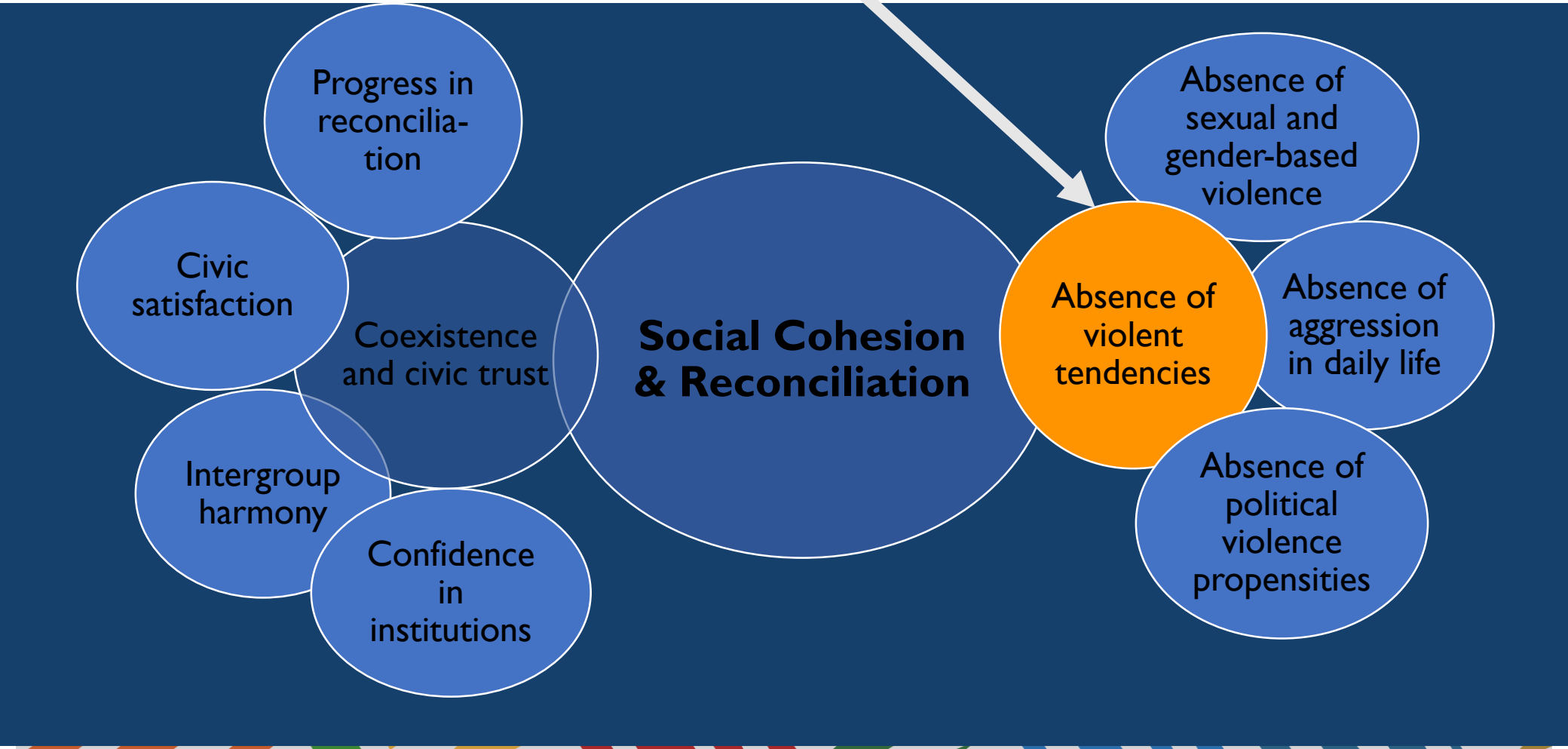


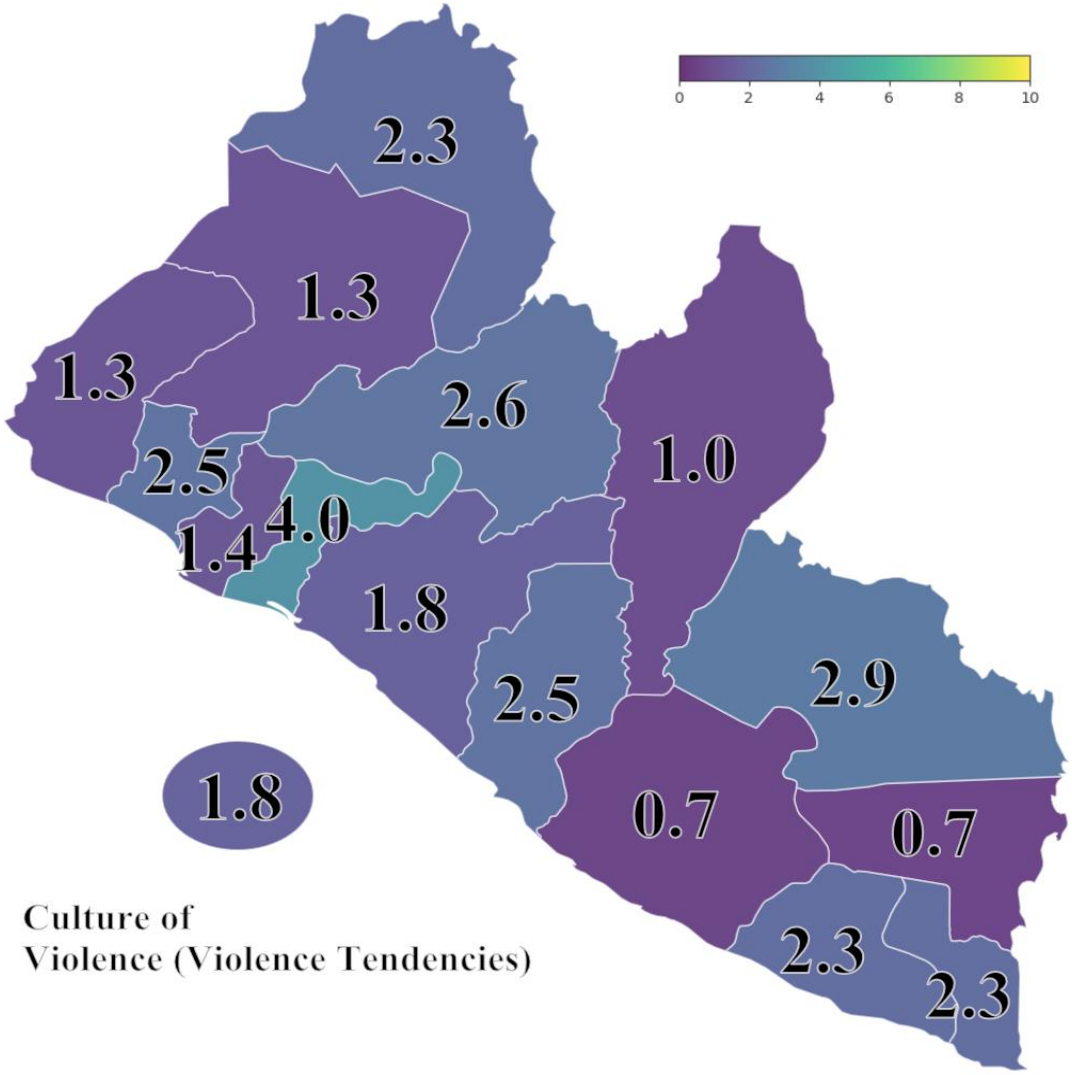


PAPD High-Level Target 3. Satisfaction with state service delivery increase: 3.5 > 6.7 (disaggregated by county, gender)

PAPD High-Level Target 4.

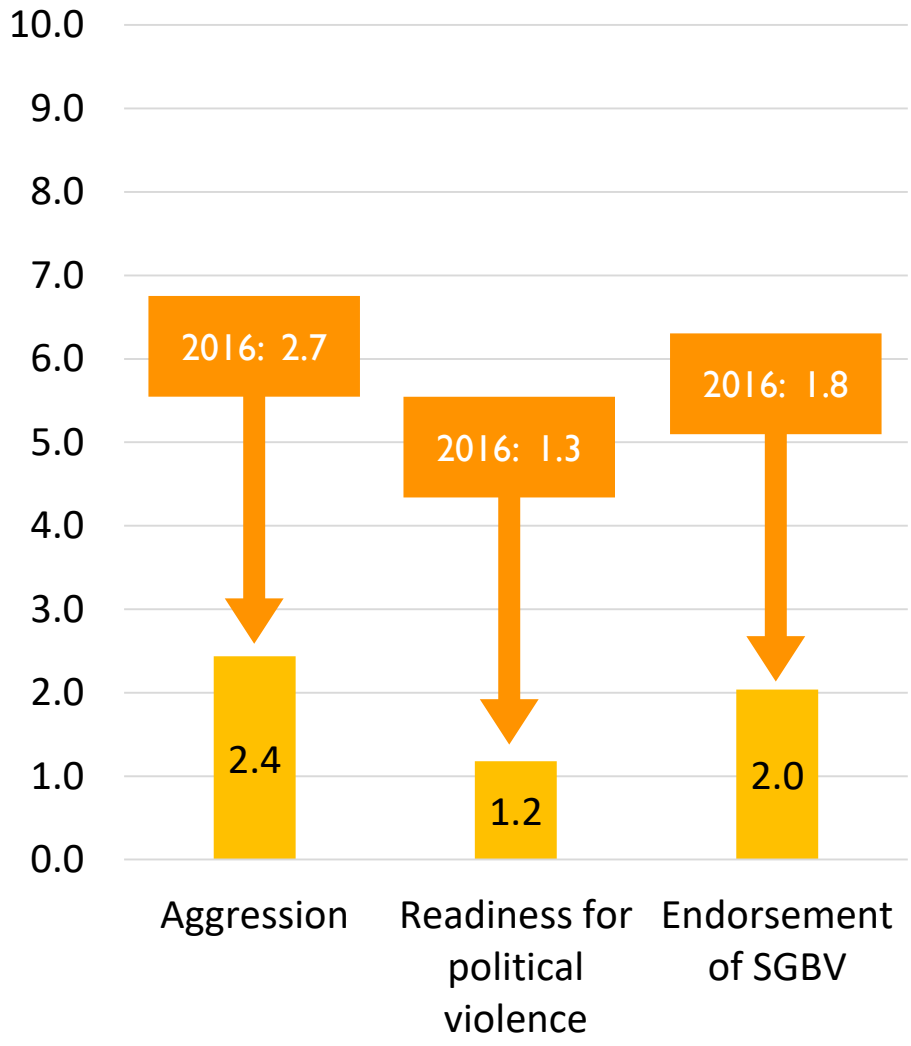
SCORE Index rating for violent tendencies decreases (disaggregated by county, gender)





Culture of Violence (Violence Tendencies)

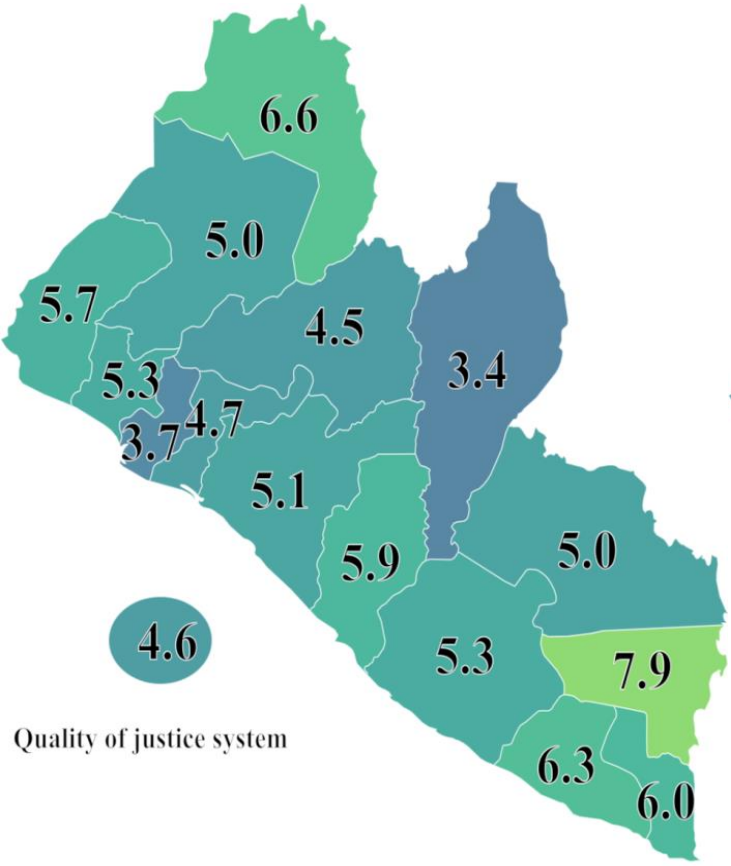
Violence Tendencies



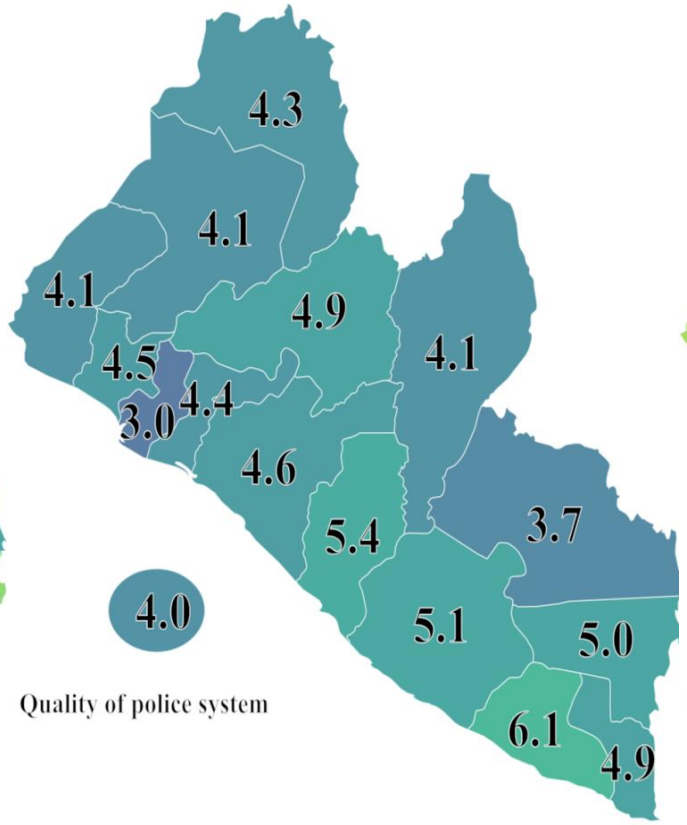
PAPD High-Level Target 4.Violent tendencies decreases **1.9 > 0.5**

Other PAPD High-Level Targets of Pillar 3:

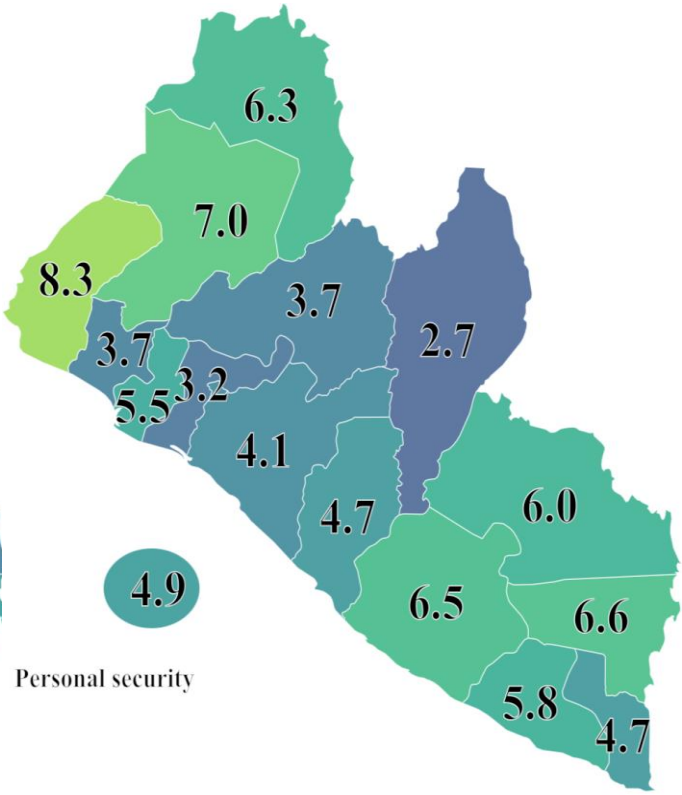
Improvement of rule of law and justice system, including the level of safety citizens feel in their daily life and their belief that the police can protect them



Quality of justice system



Quality of police system



Personal security

Key Messages:

- SCORE is a versatile and innovative research instrument for M&E of the SDGs, especially the SDG16 through Multi-Agency and Multiple-stakeholders collaboration;
- SCORE draws inspiration from multiple scientific disciplines, it is flexible enough to incorporate on the ground-realities of each local and regional context;
- SCORE utilizes advanced analytic and participatory processes to guide evidenced-based policy and program design; and
- Findings can be used to optimize resource allocation by, designing and deploying well-targeted interventions that hold the greatest potential for violent prevention and conflict transformation

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