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			5.44	39.86	279		
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			5.53	38.93	183		
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			16.49	126.28	183		

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0.86	0.24	484	12.85	87.04	247		
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.543	.611	95.98	2	191.96		
		156.99	483	75828.17		
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.653	.427	13.06	2	26.12		
		30.57	483	14769.52		
			485	14795.64		
.526	.643	173.16	2	346.32		
		269.30	483	130074.65		
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.493	.801	125.78	3	377.33		
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			485	14795.648		
.016	3.463	917.184	3	2751.551		
		264.874	482	127669.430		
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		29.927	480	14364.724		
			485	14795.648		
.011	3.025	796.835	5	3984.175		
		263.410	480	126436.807		
			485	130420.981		

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		156.094	481	75081.270		
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		30.330	481	14588.679		
			485	14795.648		
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		267.039	481	128445.993		
			485	130420.981		

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		155.856	481	74966.872		
			485	76020.134		
.592	.700	21.416	4	85.666		
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## Economic and Social Factors of Societal Violence from University Students' Perspective

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### ABSTRACT

This study aims at delineating university students' opinions concerning the factors of the spread of societal violence in the Jordanian society and the impact of certain economic and social factors on the spread of this phenomenon. To this end, a questionnaire was purposely developed after evidence of validity and reliability was provided. The study sample consists of 486 students from the eight colleges of Al-Hussein Bin Talal University, Jordan. The study was conducted during the first semester of the academic year 2009/2010.

Findings have uncovered several crucial points concerning the spread of societal violence and the factors influencing it. First, mediation and patronage are the most influential factors influencing societal violence. Second, unemployment, the increasing number of foreign labor, market anarchy and prices instability are among the top factors of societal violence. Third, tribal factors play a minor role in terms of the spread of societal violence. Fourth, there are statistically significant differences in perceptions of societal violence factors attributed to the student's academic level and average on each aspect (social or economic) and on both aspects, together. Finally, no statistically significant differences have been reported in terms of gender or family income or size and their relationship with societal violence.

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