

Survey on Political Attitudes

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Demography

1. There are a number of ethnic groups living in Georgia. Which ethnic group do you consider yourself a part of?

[Interviewer! Do not read. One answer only.]

Armenian	1
Azerbaijani	2
Georgian	3
Other Caucasian ethnicity (Abkhazian, Lezgin, Ossetian, etc.)	4
Russian	5
Kurd or Yezidi	6
Other ethnicity	7
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

2. What is the highest level of education you have achieved to date?

[Interviewer! Do not read. Correspond.]

Did not obtain a nine year diploma	1
Nine year diploma	2
High school diploma (11 or 12 years)	3
Vocational/technical degree	4
Bachelor's degree/5 years diploma	5
Any degree above bachelor's	6
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1

<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2
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3. There are different opinions regarding the direction in which Georgia is going. Which one do you agree with?

[Interviewer! Read out. Only one answer.]

Georgia is definitely going in the <u>wrong</u> direction	1
Georgia is mainly going in the wrong direction	2
Georgia is not changing at all	3
Georgia is mainly going in the right direction	4
Georgia is definitely going in the <u>right</u> direction	5
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

4. Please, tell me, how would you rate the performance of the current government?

[Interviewer! Read out.]

Very bad	1
Bad	2
Well	3
Very well	4
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

5. How would you rate the performance of Georgian army?

[Interviewer! Read out.]

Very bad	1
Bad	2
Average	3
Good	4

Very good	5
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

6. Which party is closest to you?

[**Interviewer!** Do not read. Correspond. One answer only. If the respondent names Girchi, ask, "Which Girchi?"]

Georgian Dream – Democratic Georgia (Irakli Gharibashvili, Kakha Kaladze, Irakli Kobakhidze)	1
United National Movement (Nika Melia, Tina Bokuchava, Mikheil Saakashvili, Roman Gotsiridze)	2
European Georgia (Giga Bokeria, Irma Nadirashvili)	3
Free Democrats (Tamar Kekenadze)	4
Alliance of Patriots of Georgia (Davit Tarkhan-Mouravi, Irma Inashvili)	5
Georgian Labor Party (Shalva Natelashvili)	6
Democratic Movement – United Georgia (Nino Burjanadze)	7
New Georgia - Strategy Agmashenebeli (Giorgi Vashadze)	8
Girchi - More Freedom (Zurab Japaridze)	9
For Georgia (Giorgi Gakharia)	10
Girchi (Iago Khvichia, Vakhtang Megrelishvili, Sandro Rakviashvili)	11
Lelo For Georgia (Mamuka Khazaradze, Davit Usupashvili, Badri Japaridze)	12
Free Georgia (Kakha Kukava)	13
Aleko Elisashvili - Citizens (Aleko Elisashvili, Levan Ioseliani)	14
For Justice (Eka Beselia)	15
Victorious Georgia (Irakli Okruashvili)	16
Republican Party (Khatuna Samnidze, Davit Berdzenishvili)	17
Conservative Party (Zviad Dzidziguri)	18

Ana Dolidze - For People (Ana Dolidze)	19
Tribune (Davit Chichinadze)	20
Unity, Essence, Hope – ERI (Levan Vasadze)	21
Georgian March - National Movement (Sandro Bregadze)	22
Movement State for People (Nika Machutadze)	23
European Socialists (Pridon Injia)	24
Droa (Elene Khoshtaria, Batu Kutelia)	25
Other (specify)_____	26
<i>(No party)</i>	-5
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

EU

7. Do you approve or disapprove of the Georgian government's stated goal to join the EU?

Approve	1	GO TO 9
Disapprove	0	
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1	
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2	

8. If Approve, why do you approve it?

[Interviewer: Do not read! Correspond! Accept up to 3 answers.]

	<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
	<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2
1	It will improve Georgian economy	
2	It will protect Georgian culture and values	

3	It will provide greater security for Georgia	
4	It will improve consumer safety	
5	It secures Georgians right to travel in EU without visa	
6	It will strengthen democratic development	
7	It will improve the chances to restore territorial integrity	
8	It will create more jobs	
9	Europe is where Georgia belongs historically	
10	Because political party I support approves of it	
11	Because my family approves of it	
12	Other (Specify) _____	

9. Which of the following statements do you agree with? In the last 5 years ... [Read out]

Georgia has grown closer to EU	1
Georgia has distanced itself from EU	2
Georgia's relationship with EU remains the same as before	3
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

10. Please tell me which of the following statements do you agree with?

[Interviewer! Read out.]

Georgia will benefit more from European and Euro-Atlantic integration (joining EU and NATO)	1
Georgia will benefit more from abandoning European and Euro-Atlantic integration in favor of better relations with Russia	2

<i>[Do not read!] Agree with neither</i>	3
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

11. There are different opinions regarding Georgia's integration in NATO and EU. Do you agree or disagree with the following?

		Agree	Disagree	<i>(Don't know)</i>	<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>
1	As a result of EU integration Georgia will lose its national identity.	1	0	-1	-2
2	As a result of EU integration the Georgian economy will suffer.	1	0	-1	-2
3	If Georgia joins NATO, there will be higher risks of Russia's aggression towards Georgia.	1	0	-1	-2
4	If Georgia becomes a NATO member, it will lead to the establishment of foreign military bases in Georgia.	1	0	-1	-2
5	If Georgia becomes a NATO member, it will help restore territorial integrity of Georgia.	1	0	-1	-2

NATO

12. Do you approve or disapprove of Georgian government's stated goal to join the NATO?

Approve	1	GO TO 14
Disapprove	0	
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1	
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2	

13. If approve, why?

[Interviewer: Do not read! Correspond! Accept up to 3 answers.]

	<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
	<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2
1	It will improve Georgian economy	
2	It will provide greater security for Georgia	
3	It will lead to visa free travel in NATO member states	
4	It will strengthen democratic development	
5	It will improve the chances to restore territorial integrity	
6	It will protect Georgia from Russia	
7	It will strengthen Georgian defense capacity	
8	Because political party I support approves of it	
9	Because my family approves of it	
10	<i>Other (Specify) _____</i>	

14. Which countries and unions should Georgia have the closest political cooperation with? Please name up to three.

[Interviewer: Do not read! Correspond! Accept up to 3 answers.]

	<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
	<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2
1	USA	
2	EU	
3	Russia	
4	NATO	
5	Armenia	
6	Turkey	
7	Azerbaijan	

8	Ukraine	
9	Iran	
10	Israel	
11	China	
12	UN	
13	UK	
14	Other	

15. Which countries and unions should Georgia have the closest economic cooperation with? Please name up to three.

[Interviewer: Do not read! Correspond! Accept up to 3 answers.]

	<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
	<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2
1	USA	
2	EU	
3	Russia	
4	NATO	
5	Armenia	
6	Turkey	
7	Azerbaijan	
8	Ukraine	
9	Iran	
10	Israel	
11	China	
12	UN	

13	UK
14	Other

16. Thinking about 15 years from now, do you agree or disagree that Georgia will regain its territorial integrity?

Agree	1
Disagree	0
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

Russia

17. In your opinion, how much of a military threat, if at all, is Russia to its neighboring countries? A major threat, a minor threat or not a threat at all?

Major threat	3
Minor threat	2
Is not a threat at all	1
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

18. For each, please tell me, in the last 5 years has the influence of the following on Georgia increased, decreased, or stayed the same?

[Interviewer! If the answer is 'Don't know' or 'Refuse to answer', skip to next item or next question if it's the last item in the list.]

19. Is this a good thing or a bad thing for Georgia?

18	19
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		Increased	Stayed the same	Decreased	(Don't know)	(Refuse to answer)	Good thing	Bad thing	(Don't know)	(Refuse to answer)
1	Russia's influence on Georgia	3	2	1	-1	-2	1	0	-1	-2
2	EU's influence on Georgia	3	2	1	-1	-2	1	0	-1	-2
3	NATO's influence on Georgia	3	2	1	-1	-2	1	0	-1	-2
4	US's influence on Georgia	3	2	1	-1	-2	1	0	-1	-2
5	Turkey's influence on Georgia	3	2	1	-1	-2	1	0	-1	-2
6	China's influence on Georgia	3	2	1	-1	-2	1	0	-1	-2

20. Thinking about Georgia's economic relations with Russia, in your opinion:
[Interviewer! Read out.]

Georgia should deepen economic relations with Russia	1
Georgia should leave economic relations with Russia as it is	2
Georgia should limit economic relations with Russia	3
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

Information sources

23. What are your main sources of information for receiving news about Georgian politics and current events? Please tell me, which is your first main source of information.

[Interviewer! Read out. Accept only one answer.]

Colleagues	1
Family members	2
Neighbors, friends	3
Internet/Social media	4
Newspapers, news magazines	5
Radio	6
TV	7
Other	8
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

24. Do you watch coverage of news and current affairs on non-Georgian TV channels?

Yes	1	GO TO 26
No	0	
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1	
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2	

25. If yes, which TV channels?

[Interviewer: Do not read! Correspond. Accept all answers]

	<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
	<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2
1	CNBC	

2	CNN	
3	Euronews	
4	RTL	
5	Russia Today	
6	BBC World News	
7	Sky News	
8	Russia Channel One (1 Канал/ORT)	
9	RTR	
10	REN TV	
11	Russia 1 (Россия 1)	
12	Russia 24 (Россия-24)	
13	TV Center (ТВ Центр)	
14	RTVi	
15	HTB	
16	THT	
17	AzTV	
18	Armenia TV	
19	Other (Record) _____	

Demography

26. Did you or anyone from your household have to relocate as a result of separatist conflicts occurred since 1989 in Abkhazia and Tskhinvali Region?

Yes	1
No	0
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1

(Refuse to answer)

-2

27. Now, I will read you a series of household items. Please note that we are only interested in items that your household owns and that are in normal working order. Please tell me whether or not your household owns ...?

		Owens	Does not own	(Don't know)	(Refuse to answer)
1	Refrigerator	1	0	-1	-2
2	Color TV	1	0	-1	-2
3	Smartphone (a phone with color display and with internet connection)	1	0	-1	-2
4	Tablet computer (e.g. iPad, Galaxy Tab, Lenovo etc.)	1	0	-1	-2
5	Car	1	0	-1	-2
6	Air conditioner	1	0	-1	-2
7	Automatic washing machine	1	0	-1	-2
8	Personal computer, including laptop	1	0	-1	-2
9	Hot water	1	0	-1	-2
10	Central heating	1	0	-1	-2