# Public attitudes in Georgia Results of a November 2016 survey carried out for NDI by CRRC Georgia 

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## Why We Conduct Polls?

$>$ Foster the development of more responsive policies and governance;
$>$ Help stakeholders diagnose and address issues of public concern;
$\square$ leaders from across the political spectrum have reported that the polls are important to their work and encourage continued polling;
$\square$ Inclusive process: the polling instrument was developed in consultation with parties, government, and civil society leaders;

## Information about the poll

>Fieldwork dates: November 4 - December 4, 2016
$>3,141$ completed interviews
>A nationally representative sample including oversampled areas of the Capital, Urban, Rural, minority settlements, Kutaisi, Batumi, Zugdidi and Akhaltsikhe cities
$>$ Minority stratum consists of population of those settlements, where ethnic minorities (mostly Armenians and Azeri) make at least 40\% of the total settlement population. Settlements within this stratum are dispersed through Kvemo Kartli, Samtskhe-Javakheti and kakheti regions
$>$ The average margin of error is $+/-1,8 \%$

## Methodology

## Sample design

NDI and CRRC use a complex survey design:
$\checkmark$ Stratification - dividing population in relatively homogenous subgroups
$\checkmark$ Clustering - randomly selecting small geographic areas for each subgroup (stratum)
$>$ Households are selected via random route sampling
$\Rightarrow$ Respondents are selected using a Kish table
$>$ Randomly selected households and individuals are not substituted
$>$ All interviews were conducted face-to-face, in Georgian, Armenian and Azeri.

## How NDI Survey is Conducted

At the first stage, CRRC randomly selects voting precincts in Georgia. Interviewers are sent there with given starting point, directions for walking, step size, number of contacts.


Interviewer randomly
selectes households according to the given step size, e.g. every 3rd, 5th, 8th.

The respondent is selected randomly, with special method - so called Kish grid. Selected respondent cannot be replaced.


Interviewer conducts an interview with the selected household member. Intervewer uses tablet computer and a special software.


## COUNTRY'S DIRECTION \& NATIONAL ISSUES

## Most important national issues. Name up to three (q1)

|  | 0 | 10 | 20 | 30 | 40 | 50 | 60 | 70 | 80 | 90 | 100 |
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| Jobs | 58 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rising prices/inflation | 38 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Top 5 issues, Georgians care the most, have not changed since 2009 |  |  |
| Poverty | 30 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Territorial integrity | 27 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pensions | 24 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Affordable healthcare | 23 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wages | 19 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Relations with Russia | 14 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Education | 14 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Human Rights | 8 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Restoration of justice | 8 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Freedom of speech | 4 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| NATO membership | 3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| EU Membership | 3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fair elections | 3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Crime | 3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Court system | 3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Property rights | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Corruption | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Media independence | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Minority rights | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Prisons/Prisoners | \\| 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Other | -1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## Most important national issues. Name up to three (q1) Tbilisi



Most important national issues. Name up to three (q1) Kutaisi


## Most important national issues. Name up to three (q1) Batumi



## Most important national issues. Name up to three (q1) Zugdidi



## Most important national issues. Name up to three (q1) Akhaltsikhe



## In which direction is Georgia going? (q2)



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- -Georgia is going in the right direction
- Georgia is not changing at all
$\rightarrow$-Georgia is going in the wrong direction



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## In which direction is Georgia Going? (q2 X Party closest to you)

Georgia is going in the right direction
$\square$ Georgia is definitely going in the wrong direction

Georgia is not changing at all DK


Since October 2012 you and your household are ...? (q3)
$\rightarrow$-Better off - -The same $\quad-$-Worse off


## What are your expectations regarding economic situation of your household for the next twelve months? (q4)





What are your expectations regarding economic situation of your household for the next twelve months? (q4 X Settlement)

- Will improve

Will stay the same

$\square$ Will worsen DK


What are your expectations regarding economic situation of your household for the next twelve months? (q4 X Settlement)
$\square$ Will improve Will stay the same Will worsen DK


## Do you consider yourself to be employed?

This employment may be part-time or full-time, you may be officially employed, informally employed, or self-employed, but it brings you monetary income. (q57)
$\because$-Yes
$\rightarrow-N o$



| Apr | Jul | Mar Sep | Feb | Jun Aug Nov Mar Jun Sep | Nov | Apr Aug | Oct | Apr | Aug Nov Mar Jun Nov |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 |  |  |  |

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Speaking about a monetary income/spending last month, to which of the following groups does your household belong? (q56, q60)


## Performance of Local Government

## Do you agree or disagree that the local government is making the changes that matter to you? (q5)

$\rightarrow$ Agree $\quad \rightarrow$-Disagree


| February June | August |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | 2012 |  |


| March | April |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2013 | 2014 |

November 2016

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Do you agree or disagree that the local government is making the changes that matter to you? (q5 X Settlement)

Agree $\quad$ Disagree $\quad$ DK


## How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the performance of the following institutions? (q7)





How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the performance of Sakrebulo? (q7)


How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the performance of the Mayor's office? (q7)


In the past 12 months have you interacted with the following institutions? (q6)

Yes No $\quad$ Not applicable


Based on your interactions with the local government (Sakrebulo, Mayors office) overall would you agree or not with the following?
People working in the local government ... (q8) - of the $21 \%$ who interacted with Sakrebulo or the Mayor's office
$\square$ Agree $\quad$ Disagree $\quad$ DK
$\begin{array}{lllllllllll}0 & 10 & 20 & 30 & 40 & 50 & 60 & 70 & 80 & 90 & 100\end{array}$


| Helped you to solve the <br> problem | 59 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | 39 |  |
|  | 2 |  |

Women's political participation

## Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

 (q46 X Gender) Part 1- Agree
Disagree
DK
■ RA

| In Georgia women are as good at decision making as men | 76 | 19 |  | 4 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 85 |  | 10 | 4 |
|  | 69 | 22 |  |  |
| Female | 69 | 23 |  | 8 |
| In Georgia women have good chances Male | 69 | 19 | 1 |  |
| al party structure Female | 66 | 19 | 14 |  |
| Male | 60 | 33 |  | 7 |
| Female | 60 | 31 |  | 8 |

## Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

## (q46 X Gender) Part 2

- Agree
Disagree
DK
■ RA

| In Georgia women don't have access Male to the same kinds of personal networks | 61 | 28 | 10 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |
|  | 58 | 29 | 13 |

In Georgia women do not have | Male | 60 | 33 | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | enough time for politics because of household responsibilities

| Female | 56 | 39 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |


| Women are held to higher standards than men and have to do more to prove themselves | Male | 47 | 37 | 16 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Female | 58 | 28 | 14 |

In Georgia women have less access

| Male | 53 | 28 | 19 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |
| Female | 51 | 27 | 22 |

## Do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

 (q46 X Gender) Part 3

Currently there are $\mathbf{2 3}$ female members of parliament out of 150 (15\%). Do you think this is . . .? (q47)

Currently there are 127 male members of parliament out of 150 (85\%). Do you think this is . . .? (q48)


Currently there are 23 female members of parliament out of 150 (15\%). Do you think this is . . .? (q47 X Party closest to you)

- Georgian Dream - Democratic Georgia

UNM
■ Don't know

- No party

Refuse to answer
Other


## What would be the best proportion of men and women members in parliament? (q49)



# What kind of impact would increasing the number of women MPs have on Georgia? (q50) 

What kind of impact would increasing the number of women MPs have on Georgia? (q50 X Gender)

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100
90
80
70
60
5 0
4 0
30
20
10
0

Female


To what extent do you support or oppose adopting mandatory quota in the parliament to increase women's participation?(q52)

November 2016
April 2015
100

\section*{To what extent do you support or oppose adopting mandatory quota in the parliament to increase women's participation? (q52 X Party closest to you)}


To what extent do you support or oppose adopting mandatory quota in the parliament to increase women's participation? (q52 X Gender)

\author{
Male \\ Female
}

To what extent do you support or oppose adopting mandatory quota in the parliament to increase women's participation? (q52 X Age)
\(\square\) 18-35 \(\quad\) 36-55 \(\quad \square 6+\)

100

90

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 0
\(\square\)

Foreign Policy

\section*{Do you approve or disapprove of Georgian government's stated goal to join the EU? (q10)}
\(\rightarrow\) Approve \(\rightarrow\) Disapprove \(\rightarrow\) DK


Do you approve or disapprove of Georgian government's stated goal to join the EU? (q10 X Settlement)


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Do you approve or disapprove of Georgian government's stated goal to join the EU? (q10 X Party closest to you)


Do you approve or disapprove of Georgian government's stated goal to join the EU? (q10 X Age)
\(\square\) 18-35 \(\quad\) 36-55 \(\quad\) 56+
100

90

80


\section*{Do you approve or disapprove of Georgian government's stated goal to join NATO? (q12)}

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\(\rightarrow\) Approve \(\rightarrow\)-Disapprove \(\rightarrow\) DK
}


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Do you approve or disapprove of Georgian government's stated goal to join NATO? (q12 X Party closest to you)


Do you approve or disapprove of Georgian government's stated goal to join NATO? (q12 X Age)
- 18-35 \(\quad\) 36-55 \(\quad\) 56+

100


In your opinion, Georgia's foreign policy should be... (q11)

November 2016
- June 2016
- March 2016


Pro-Russian
\(\begin{array}{lll}7 & 11 & 11\end{array}\)

Pro-Western Pro-Western, however Pro-Russian, however we should maintain we should maintain good relations with good relations with EU Russia and NATO

In your opinion, Georgia's foreign policy should be ... (q11 X Settlement)
\(\square\) National \(\quad\) Capital \(\quad\) Urban \(\quad\) Rural \(\quad\) Minority settlements

In your opinion, Georgia's foreign policy should be... (q11 X Settlement)


\section*{In your opinion, Georgia's foreign policy should be ... (q11 X Party closest to you)}
\(\square\) Georgian Dream - Democratic Georgia \(\quad\) No party \(\square\) UNM Refuse to answer \(\square\) Don't know Other


\section*{Which of the following statements do you agree with? (q13)}
\begin{tabular}{cccc} 
Georgia will benefit & \begin{tabular}{c} 
Georgia will benefit \\
more from Euro- \\
more from abandoning
\end{tabular} & Agree with neither & DK
\end{tabular}\(\quad\) RA

\section*{Which of the following statements do you agree with? (q13)}
- Georgia will benefit more from Euro-Atlantic integration (joining EU and NATO)
\(\rightarrow\)-Georgia will benefit more from abandoning Euro-Atlantic integration in favor of better relations with Russia
- -Agree with neither
--DK


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\section*{Which of the following statements do you agree with? (q13 X Party closest to you)}


\section*{Which of the following statements do you agree with? (q13 X Age)}
\(\square 18-35 \square\) 36-55 \(\quad 56+\)

100

90
80
70
60

50

40

30
20
10

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Georgia will benefit more from abandoning Euro-
from Euro-Atlantic
integration (joining EU and NATO)

Atlantic integration in favor of better relations with

Russia```

