Georgian National Study

October 27 – November 11, 2011

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The Institute of Polling And Marketing
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INFORMATION ABOUT THE SURVEY

- The survey was conducted by the Institute of Polling and Marketing for Baltic Surveys/Gallup on behalf of the International Republican Institute.
- This national representative survey was carried out from October 27 – November 11, 2011.
- The sample consisted of 4,002 Georgian residents older than the age of 18 and eligible to vote, and is representative of the general population by age, gender, education and religion.
- The sample design was a multi-stage random sample.
  - Stage One: Break country into official administrative regions.
  - Stage Two: Select clusters of sampling points based on settlement population (large, medium, small towns and villages). One sample point – approximately one percent of survey population (39-41 surveys). Sampling points in each region were selected based on the percentage of population living in the various levels of settlement in that same region.
- Respondents were selected by the random route method, using the next birthday rule to select a respondent from within a household.
- Data was collected through face-to-face interviews with the respondents.
- The poll was conducted nationwide, including the capital and all major regional centers.
- The margin of error does not exceed +/- 1.5 percent.
- The response rate was 72 percent.
ISSUES
What is the most important problem facing Georgia?

- Unemployment: 75 mentions
- Lack of territorial integrity: 38 mentions
- General economic problems: 24 mentions
- General social problems: 9 mentions
- Poor relations with Russia: 4 mentions
- Poverty: 6 mentions
- Poor healthcare: 9 mentions
- Improper foreign policy: 2 mentions
- Lack of agricultural development: 3 mentions
- Inflation: 5 mentions
- Lack of peace: 1 mention
- Low wages: 3 mentions
- Low pensions: 3 mentions
- Poor education: 2 mentions
- High taxes: 3 mentions
- DK/NA: 3 mentions

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What is the most important problem facing your town/village?

- Unemployment: 41 (First mention) 54 (All mentions)
- Poor roads: 10 (First mention) 20 (All mentions)
- Inadequate water supply: 7 (First mention) 15 (All mentions)
- Inadequate gas supply: 6 (First mention) 13 (All mentions)
- General economic situation: 3 (First mention) 8 (All mentions)
- Expensive transport: 2 (First mention) 5 (All mentions)
- Poverty: 2 (First mention) 5 (All mentions)
- Increased prices: 2 (First mention) 5 (All mentions)
- General social problems: 2 (First mention) 4 (All mentions)
- Lack of agricultural development: 2 (First mention) 3 (All mentions)
- Poor healthcare: 1 (First mention) 4 (All mentions)
- Cost of public utilities: 1 (First mention) 3 (All mentions)
- Inflation: 1 (First mention) 3 (All mentions)
- Inadequate irrigation: 1 (First mention) 3 (All mentions)
- High taxes: 1 (First mention) 2 (All mentions)
- No agricultural machinery: 1 (First mention) 2 (All mentions)

DK/NA: 8 (First mention) 8 (All mentions)
What is the most important problem facing your household?

- **Unemployment**: 43 (First mention), 52 (All mentions)
- **General economic situation**: 12 (First mention), 19 (All mentions)
- **Poor healthcare**: 6 (First mention), 14 (All mentions)
- **Low wages**: 5 (First mention), 9 (All mentions)
- **Poverty**: 5 (First mention), 10 (All mentions)
- **Living conditions**: 2 (First mention), 4 (All mentions)
- **Low pensions**: 2 (First mention), 4 (All mentions)
- **General social situation**: 2 (First mention), 6 (All mentions)
- **Cost of public utilities**: 1 (First mention), 4 (All mentions)
- **Expensive medicine**: 1 (First mention), 4 (All mentions)
- **Inadequate water supply**: 1 (First mention), 2 (All mentions)
- **None**: 4 (First mention), 4 (All mentions)
- **DK/NA**: 9 (First mention), 9 (All mentions)

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Do you think it is acceptable for groups to use the following methods of protest?

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* - During protests in the summer of 2009, protestors created a cordon around parliament and hurled abuse at parliamentarians and their staffs as they entered the building.
What is it that you fear the most?

- Unemployment: 43 first mentions, 52 all mentions
- Poor economy: 12 first mentions, 19 all mentions
- Poor healthcare: 6 first mentions, 14 all mentions
- Low wages: 5 first mentions, 9 all mentions
- Poverty: 5 first mentions, 10 all mentions
- Poor living conditions: 2 first mentions, 4 all mentions
- Low pension: 2 first mentions, 4 all mentions
- Bad social situation: 2 first mentions, 6 all mentions
- Increased cost of utility: 1 first mention, 4 all mentions
- Expensive medicine: 1 first mention, 4 all mentions
- Poor water quality: 1 first mention, 4 all mentions
- None: 4 first mentions, 4 all mentions
- DK/NA: 9 mentions
Have you been in a situation over the last 12 months when you had to pay a bribe in order to get a service?

- No, have not been asked to pay
- Yes, have been asked to pay
- Refused to answer
- DK/NA

**Graph showing survey results from April 2006 to November 2011.**

**Sources:** IRI, USAID, Baltic Surveys / The Gallup Organization, IPM

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In what field should the Georgian Government carry out reforms in first? Second? Third?

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Please prioritize the top five issues that the government should address from one to five (one is most important)?

1. Support business development - 2.6
2. Return refugees and IDPs to their homes - 2.7
3. Reevaluate foreign policy - 2.98
4. Improve education system - 2.98
5. Improve relations between government and society - 3.01
6. Revise tax system - 3.15
7. Improve road infrastructure - 3.22
8. Reform court system - 3.22
9. Improve ethnic relations - 3.3
10. Fight corruption - 3.4
11. Strengthen military power - 3.42
12. Improve and protect the environment - 3.54
What effects of the world finance crisis do you feel?
(those who feel effects, N=2807) (by region)
POLITICS
When considering which party to vote for, what is more important?
What are the three most important achievements of the Georgian government?

1. Improved electricity supply: 47%
2. Improved infrastructure: 18%
3. Regulated roads: 25%
4. Reduced crime: 20%
5. Reformed education: 15%
6. Reformed patrol police: 14%
7. Paid pensions on time: 10%
8. Reorganized Ministry of Defense: 7%
9. Developed tourism: 6%
10. Eradicated corruption: 6%
11. Stabilized the country: 4%
12. Introduced Georgia to the world: 2%
13. Increased social aid: 3%
14. Improved environmental situation: 2%
15. Nothing: 2%
16. DK/NA: 15%
What are the three biggest failures of the Georgian government?

- Failure to regain territories: 38
- War with Russia in August 2008: 31
- Unemployment: 24

Other failures mentioned include:
- Tensions with Russia: 9
- Economic problems: 5
- High communal taxes: 4
- Inattention to villages: 3
- Failure of healthcare reform: 3
- Inflation: 3
- Making false promises: 2
- Increased emigration: 2
- Nothing: 1
- DK/NA: 19

First mention
All mentioned

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What are three main issues that Parliament needs to address?

- Create jobs
- Economic development
- Solve territorial integrity
- Reform healthcare
- Reduce pension age
- Develop agriculture
- Reform education
- Solve social problems
- Pass fair laws
- Decrease taxes
- Decrease prices
- Improve foreign policy
- Solve Russian relations
- Restart industrial production
- Increasing salary
- DK/NA

First mention
All mentions

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Is it important for Georgia to have a political opposition?

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Do you think that government and opposition should continue dialogue?

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Do you feel the governor of your region is doing a good job effectively addressing the problems of your region?

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Do you feel the governor of your region is doing a good job effectively addressing the problems of your region? (by region)

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What are three major issues that the governor of your region needs to address? (all regions except Tbilisi, N=2892)

- Create jobs: 43
- Build/repair roads: 23
- Develop agriculture: 23
- Provide clean drinking water: 14
- Improve gas supply: 9
- Increase citizen contact: 7
- General care for people: 6
- General social problems: 6
- Infrastructure repair: 4
- Deal with economic problems: 2
- Improve telephone system: 2
- Sell local products: 2
- Improve access to technology: 1
- Regulate local councils: 1
- Improve health care: 1
- Regulate irrigation canals: 1
- Increasing prices of products: 1
- Restarting factories: 1
- Develop tourism: 1
- Supply firewood: 1
- DK/NA: 12
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
Which countries are the most important partners for Georgia? Which comprise the most political and economic threat?

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Do you think that Russian aggression to Georgia is over or is it still going on?

- **Feb 09**: 2% (It is over and unlikely to resume), 10% (It is over but likely to resume), 84% (It is still going on), 4% (DK/NA)
- **Jun 09**: 2% (It is over and unlikely to resume), 11% (It is over but likely to resume), 82% (It is still going on), 6% (DK/NA)
- **Oct 09**: 2% (It is over and unlikely to resume), 11% (It is over but likely to resume), 82% (It is still going on), 5% (DK/NA)
- **Mar 10**: 5% (It is over and unlikely to resume), 14% (It is over but likely to resume), 74% (It is still going on), 7% (DK/NA)
- **May 11**: 3% (It is over and unlikely to resume), 12% (It is over but likely to resume), 72% (It is still going on), 13% (DK/NA)
- **Oct 10**: 7% (It is over and unlikely to resume), 18% (It is over but likely to resume), 69% (It is still going on), 6% (DK/NA)
- **Nov 11**: 7% (It is over and unlikely to resume), 17% (It is over but likely to resume), 65% (It is still going on), 11% (DK/NA)
Do you support further dialogue with Russia?

- **May 10:**
  - Fully support: 78
  - Somewhat support: 15
  - Somewhat oppose: 2
  - Strongly oppose: 2
  - DK/NA: 3

- **Oct 10:**
  - Fully support: 84
  - Somewhat support: 12
  - Somewhat oppose: 1
  - Strongly oppose: 2
  - DK/NA: 2

- **May 11:**
  - Fully support: 78
  - Somewhat support: 16
  - Somewhat oppose: 2
  - Strongly oppose: 2
  - DK/NA: 2

- **Nov 11:**
  - Fully support: 73
  - Somewhat support: 17
  - Somewhat oppose: 2
  - Strongly oppose: 4
  - DK/NA: 4
Who should engage in the dialogue? (fully or somewhat supporting further dialogue)

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Do you support Georgia joining NATO?

- Sep 08: 70% Fully support, 17% Somewhat support, 4% Somewhat oppose, 4% Strongly oppose, 6% DK/NA
- Oct 09: 54% Fully support, 21% Somewhat support, 6% Somewhat oppose, 6% Strongly oppose, 13% DK/NA
- Nov 10: 55% Fully support, 22% Somewhat support, 6% Somewhat oppose, 9% Strongly oppose, 11% DK/NA
- Mar 10: 50% Fully support, 22% Somewhat support, 6% Somewhat oppose, 9% Strongly oppose, 13% DK/NA
- Oct 10: 55% Fully support, 19% Somewhat support, 5% Somewhat oppose, 9% Strongly oppose, 12% DK/NA
- May 10: 61% Fully support, 19% Somewhat support, 5% Somewhat oppose, 5% Strongly oppose, 10% DK/NA
- Nov 11: 61% Fully support, 19% Somewhat support, 5% Somewhat oppose, 5% Strongly oppose, 10% DK/NA

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When do you think Georgia will become a member of NATO?

In 2007 and 2008 years the answer category was “In 2008”, in February 2009 this answer category was changed to “In 2009”

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If/when Georgia becomes a member of NATO, what do you expect from membership?

- NATO membership will ensure national security: 44 (First mention), 64 (All mentions)
- NATO membership will help restore territorial integrity: 13 (First mention), 50 (All mentions)
- NATO membership will promote stability: 8 (First mention), 39 (All mentions)
- NATO membership will improve public welfare: 6 (First mention), 35 (All mentions)
- NATO bases will be deployed in Georgia: 4 (First mention), 11 (All mentions)
- NATO membership will strengthen democracy: 3 (First mention), 19 (All mentions)
- NATO membership will inhibit relations with Russia: 2 (First mention), 6 (All mentions)
- Georgia's territory will be used in case of hostilities: 2 (First mention), 7 (All mentions)
- Georgia’s military will be involved in NATO operations: 1 (First mention), 7 (All mentions)
- Georgia will be involved in war operations: 1 (First mention), 5 (All mentions)
- NATO membership will cause the loss of more territory: 1 (First mention), 2 (All mentions)
- Nothing: 1 (First mention), 1 (All mentions)
- DK/Refuse: 14 (First mention), 14 (All mentions)
Is Georgia’s NATO membership more important/crucial after Russia-Georgia war?

- **51%** More important than before the war
- **14%** DK/NA
- **24%** As important as before the war
- **6%** Less important than before the war
- **5%** Not important

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INSTITUTIONS
How do you feel about the work of the following institutions?

Church: 93 Favorable, 6 Favorable Unfavorable, 5 No opinion
Army: 89 Favorable, 6 Favorable Unfavorable, 5 No opinion
Police: 87 Favorable, 9 Favorable Unfavorable, 4 No opinion
President's office: 70 Favorable, 23 Favorable Unfavorable, 7 No opinion
Georgian media: 69 Favorable, 23 Favorable Unfavorable, 8 No opinion
Cabinet of Ministers: 68 Favorable, 25 Favorable Unfavorable, 7 No opinion
Central bank: 67 Favorable, 18 Favorable Unfavorable, 15 No opinion
Education system: 67 Favorable, 24 Favorable Unfavorable, 9 No opinion
Parliament: 67 Favorable, 26 Favorable Unfavorable, 7 No opinion
Prosecutor's office: 57 Favorable, 24 Favorable Unfavorable, 19 No opinion
Local authorities: 56 Favorable, 33 Favorable Unfavorable, 12 No opinion
Courts: 54 Favorable, 26 Favorable Unfavorable, 20 No opinion
Governors: 51 Favorable, 33 Favorable Unfavorable, 16 No opinion
Ombudsman's office: 50 Favorable, 22 Favorable Unfavorable, 28 No opinion
Central Election Commission: 46 Favorable, 29 Favorable Unfavorable, 25 No opinion
Political parties: 40 Favorable, 46 Favorable Unfavorable, 14 No opinion
Trade unions: 30 Favorable, 36 Favorable Unfavorable, 34 No opinion

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SOURCES OF INFORMATION
Which of these sources do you use to obtain political information?

- TV news, programs: 97% (Nov 11), 98% (May 11), 96% (Oct 10), 94% (Mar 10)
- Articles in newspapers: 28% (Nov 11), 26% (May 11), 23% (Oct 10), 25% (Mar 10)
- Relatives, friends: 19% (Nov 11), 24% (May 11), 29% (Oct 10), 25% (Mar 10)
- Internet: 14% (Nov 11), 15% (May 11), 11% (Oct 10), 10% (Mar 10)
- Radio news, programs: 16% (Nov 11), 12% (May 11), 12% (Oct 10), 10% (Mar 10)
- Articles in magazines: 8% (Nov 11), 10% (May 11), 10% (Oct 10), 8% (Mar 10)
- Colleagues at work: 3% (Nov 11), 2% (May 11), 3% (Oct 10), 3% (Mar 10)
- Meetings with politicians: 0.4% (Nov 11), 0.7% (May 11), 0.6% (Oct 10), 0.1% (Mar 10)
- Billboards, stands in the streets: 0.4% (Nov 11), 0.5% (May 11), 0.4% (Oct 10), 0.1% (Mar 10)
- Leaflets and the other free information by post: 0.1% (Nov 11), 0.1% (May 11), 0.1% (Oct 10), 0.1% (Mar 10)
Is Georgian mass media free to express various political views or there is control from the Government over media content?

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Is Georgian mass media free to express various political views or there is control from the government over media content? (by region)
Why do you think that Georgian mass media is not free to express various political views? (unfree or mostly unfree)

- Government puts pressure on media
- Media does not report bad news
- Media is corrupt
- Other
- DK/NA

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Do you feel that television stations offer a fair and balanced view of the political situation?

- Yes: 33%
- No: 37%
- DK/NA: 30%
What would improve this situation? (TV stations don’t offer a fair balanced view. N=1469)

- More interactive shows that allow participation from regular people: 45
- More time spent covering opposition activities and events: 33
- More debates between different parties: 31
- Media should be independent: 1
- The facts should be broadcasted fairly: 1
- DK/NA: 11
Do you support further street protests in the future?

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For what reason would you go to the protest action? (Supporting further street protests. N=732)

- Because of difficult social conditions: 69
- To request free elections: 23
- Because of injustice: 11
- For early parliamentary and presidential elections: 7
How many times per week do you access the Internet?

- Every day
- 5-6 times per week
- 3-4 times per week
- 1-2 times per week
- Less often
- Never
- DK/NA

**June 2009**

- 11
- 12
- 14
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**October 2009**

- 12
- 2
- 3
- 3
- 6
- 72
- 77

**March 2010**

- 14
- 2
- 3
- 3
- 4
- 74

**October 2010**

- 15
- 2
- 4
- 5
- 6
- 67

**May 2011**

- 18
- 2
- 4
- 5
- 7
- 62

**November 2011**

- 18
- 2
- 4
- 3
- 5
- 68

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How many times per week do you access the Internet? (by region)
Where do you access the Internet?
(Internet users)

- **My home**: 82%
- **Friend's home**: 11%
- **Work**: 10%
- **Internet café**: 6%
- **By phone**: 1%
- **Other**: 1%
- **DK/NA**: 6%

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How often do you do the following activities on the internet?

- Read political news online: 74% every day, 3% 5-6 times/week, 8% 3-4 times/week, 7% 1-2 times/week, 5% less often, 2% never.
- Read a political blog: 84% every day, 7% 5-6 times/week, 4% 3-4 times/week, 2% 1-2 times/week, 1% less often, 1% never.
- Watch a video about politics: 83% every day, 7% 5-6 times/week, 4% 3-4 times/week, 2% 1-2 times/week, 1% less often, 1% never.
- Visit a party website: 90% every day, 5% 5-6 times/week, 2% 3-4 times/week, 1% 1-2 times/week, 1% less often, 1% never.
- Take part in online political discussion: 95% every day, 3% 5-6 times/week, 1% 3-4 times/week, 1% 1-2 times/week, 1% less often, 1% never.
- Communicate with a politician: 95% every day, 3% 5-6 times/week, 1% 3-4 times/week, 1% 1-2 times/week, 1% less often, 1% never.
POLITICS
Do you plan to vote in the next parliamentary elections?

- Definitely will vote: 75%
- Likely will vote: 13%
- Not likely to vote: 2%
- Definitely will not vote: 5%
- DK/NA: 5%
Under what circumstances would you not participate in the elections? (Definitely or likely to vote. N=3506)

- There is no reason I will not vote: 34%
- Because of health problems: 15% (17% all mentions)
- If there is no desirable candidate: 9% (10% all mentions)
- If there are not legitimate elections: 6% (7% all mentions)
- If I will be outside Georgia: 6% (7% all mentions)
- If I am not on the voters list: 2% (2% all mentions)
- If Bidzina Ivanishvili does not participate: 2% (2% all mentions)
- If I am not alive: 2% (2% all mentions)
- Because of family problems: 1% (1% all mentions)
- DK/NA: 19% (19% all mentions)
Under what circumstances would you decide to vote? (Not likely or definitely will not vote. N=294)

- If there is an adequate candidate: 34
- There is no reason that I would decide to vote: 15
- If people become employed: 8
- If elections will be democratic: 2
- If elections will be impartial: 2
- If I will be convinced that the elections are impartial: 2
- If there is more economic development: 1
- If the national government schedules elections: 1
- If Bidzina Ivanishvili will not participate: 1
- If I will be given voting papers: 1
- If a desirable party participates: 1
- If promises are kept: 1
- If they bring the ballot-box to my house: 1
- Other: 2
- DK/NA: 32

First mention
All mentions

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What qualities do you want to see in a candidate for Parliament?

- Determination: 40 (27 first mentions)
- Integrity: 35 (21 first mentions)
- Diplomacy: 19 (14 first mentions)
- Patriotism: 22 (9 first mentions)
- Care for the people: 15 (5 first mentions)
- Honesty: 10 (5 first mentions)
- Strength of character: 6 (2 first mentions)
- Hard worker: 6 (2 first mentions)
- Educated: 5 (2 first mentions)
- Love for the people: 12 (1 first mention)
- Loyalty: 7 (1 first mention)
- Purposefulness: 6 (1 first mention)
- Professionalism: 5 (1 first mention)
- Business-like: 4 (1 first mention)
- Man of his word: 6 (1 first mention)
- Smart: 3 (1 first mention)
- Principled: 6 (1 first mention)
- Sensitive: 3 (1 first mention)
- Orator: 3 (1 first mention)
- Leadership: 2 (1 first mention)
- DK/NA: 6 (2 first mentions)
All things equal, which candidate would you vote for?

- Man: 46%
- Woman: 4%
- DK/NA: 3%
- Does not matter: 47%
Do you agree with increasing the number of parliamentarians in the next parliament?

- Strongly disagree: 56%
- DK/NA: 19%
- Somewhat disagree: 11%
- Somewhat agree: 8%
- Definitely agree: 6%
How do you feel about political parties asking for money?

- Negative: 62%
- Neutral: 17%
- DK/NA: 15%
- Positive: 6%
In what way do you think you could best contribute to the activity of the party you support?

Meetings with party leaders: Yes 33, No 53, DK/NA 14
Meetings with local authorities: Yes 33, No 53, DK/NA 14
Volunteer as an Election Day poll watcher: Yes 32, No 51, DK/NA 16
Public meetings with Parliamentarians: Yes 28, No 57, DK/NA 15
Round tables with party members: Yes 22, No 61, DK/NA 17
Hand out party literature: Yes 21, No 62, DK/NA 17
Go door-to-door for the party: Yes 17, No 65, DK/NA 17
Give financial contribution: Yes 8, No 76, DK/NA 16
SOCIO-DEMOGRAPHICS
Gender

Female 53%
Male 47%

Age groups

50+ 44%
18-29 19%
30-49 37%
**Education**

- University, higher: 34%
- Vocational: 21%
- Unfinished higher: 4%
- Secondary: 36%
- Unfinished secondary: 4%
- Primary: 1%

**Ethnicity**

- Georgian: 89%
- Azeri: 6%
- Armenian: 3%
- Other: 2%
Attendance of religious service

- A few times a week: 5%
- Once a week: 15%
- Once a month: 22%
- A few times per year: 41%
- Never: 17%

Religion

- Orthodox: 86%
- Muslim: 10%
- Other: 3%
- None: 1%

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**Occupation**

- **Housewife**: 16%
- **Unemployed**: 29%
- **Self-employed**: 3%
- **Student**: 3%
- **Blue collar**: 5%
- **Farmer**: 5%
- **White collar**: 14%
- **Executive**: 3%
- **Retired**: 22%

**Sector of employment**

- **Don't work**: 73%
- **Nongovernmental**: 0.2%
- **State sector**: 9%
- **Private sector**: 18%