Georgian National Study

November 9 – 21, 2012

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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 November 9 - 21, 2012.
- The sample consisted of 1,500 Georgian residents aged 18 and older, 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 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 capitol and all major regional centers.
- The margin of error does not exceed +/- 2.5 percent.
- The response rate was 72 percent.
What is the most important issue that Georgia is facing?

- Unemployment: 46% (First mention: 65%)
- General economic situation: 15% (35%)
- Return of lost territories: 12% (31%)
- General social problems: 3% (11%)
- Destabilization: 2% (6%)
- Poor internal policies: 4% (5%)
- Injustice: 2% (10%)
- Healthcare system: 2% (10%)
- High prices: 2% (11%)
- High utility taxes: 2% (8%)
- Agriculture: 1% (6%)
- Low pensions: 1% (4%)
- Expensive medical services: 1% (8%)
- Bad relations with Russia: 1% (5%)
- Education: 1% (4%)
What is the most important issue your town/village is facing?

- Unemployment: 37 first mentions, 48 all mentions
- Improved roads: 11 first mentions, 25 all mentions
- Better drinking water: 7 first mentions, 18 all mentions
- General economic situation: 6 first mentions, 14 all mentions
- Improved gas supply: 5 first mentions, 13 all mentions
- High utility taxes: 4 first mentions, 11 all mentions
- Infrastructure: 3 first mentions, 6 all mentions
- Social problems: 2 first mentions, 6 all mentions
- Expensive public transport: 2 first mentions, 3 all mentions
- Irrigation: 1 first mention, 3 all mentions
- Agricultural development: 1 first mention, 5 all mentions
- Healthcare system: 1 first mention, 5 all mentions
- High prices: 1 first mention, 3 all mentions
What is the most important issue your household is facing?

- Unemployment: 42 mentions (50 first mentions)
- Economic problems: 17 mentions (28 first mentions)
- Low wages: 6 mentions (9 first mentions)
- Healthcare system: 5 mentions (11 first mentions)
- High utility taxes: 4 mentions (11 first mentions)
- Low pension: 3 mentions (5 first mentions)
- Social problems: 3 mentions (7 first mentions)
- Living conditions: 2 mentions (4 first mentions)
- Expensive healthcare: 2 mentions (7 first mentions)
- Bank loans: 2 mentions
- Drinking water: 3 mentions
- Gas supply: 3 mentions

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What issue do you fear the most?

- Fear of war: First mention 25, All mentions 28
- Destabilization: First mention 18, All mentions 24
- Lost territories not returned: First mention 6, All mentions 9
- Tense relations with Russia: First mention 6, All mentions 11
- Economic crisis: First mention 5, All mentions 11
- Internal policy: First mention 3, All mentions 5
- Injustice: First mention 2, All mentions 4
- Unemployment: First mention 2, All mentions 4
- Foreign affairs: First mention 2, All mentions 3
- Crime: First mention 1, All mentions 2
- Nothing: First mention 5, All mentions 5
What issue do you fear the most? (Tbilisi vs. other territories)

- **Fear of war**: Tbilisi 15, Other territories 32
- **Destabilization**: Tbilisi 16, Other territories 27
- **Tense relations with Russia**: Tbilisi 12, Other territories 10
- **Economic crisis**: Tbilisi 9, Other territories 11
- **Lost territories not returned**: Tbilisi 14, Other territories 7
- **Internal policy**: Tbilisi 15, Other territories 2
- **Injustice**: Tbilisi 2, Other territories 4
- **Unemployment**: Tbilisi 3, Other territories 5
- **Foreign affairs**: Tbilisi 5, Other territories 2
- **Crime**: Tbilisi 0, Other territories 3
- **Severe social conditions**: Tbilisi 5, Other territories 1
- **Nothing**: Tbilisi 4, Other territories 6
Do you consider the following forms of social protest acceptable?

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When considering which party to vote for, what is more important?

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What are your main expectations of the new government?

- Overcome unemployment: 25 (First mention), 43 (All mentioned)
- Improve economic situation: 11 (First mention), 24 (All mentioned)
- Improve well-being of the country: 6 (First mention), 9 (All mentioned)
- Restore rule of law: 6 (First mention), 11 (All mentioned)
- Increase pensions: 6 (First mention), 13 (All mentioned)
- Improve social conditions: 5 (First mention), 12 (All mentioned)
- Decrease utility payments: 4 (First mention), 16 (All mentioned)
- Fulfill election promises: 4 (First mention), 5 (All mentioned)
- Develop agriculture: 4 (First mention), 12 (All mentioned)
- Return of lost territories: 3 (First mention), 9 (All mentioned)
- Improve Georgian-Russian relations: 3 (First mention), 5 (All mentioned)
- Solve problems w/ healthcare system: 2 (First mention), 9 (All mentioned)
- Keep peace in the country: 2 (First mention), 3 (All mentioned)
- Make healthcare available: 2 (First mention), 10 (All mentioned)
- Care for people's welfare: 1 (First mention), 3 (All mentioned)
- Bring stability to the country: 1 (First mention), 2 (All mentioned)
- Regulate prices: 1 (First mention), 3 (All mentioned)
- Increase salaries: 1 (First mention), 4 (All mentioned)
What do you consider as the biggest failures of the former government?

- Prisoner rights were violated: 21
- August 2008 war with Russia: 19
- Lost territories: 18
- False promises: 12
- Injustice: 11
- Unemployment: 10
- Not enough communication with the people: 4
- Disappointed the people: 5
- Defeat in the elections: 4
- Bad relations with Russia: 4
- Did not represent the people: 4
- Climate of fear: 4
- Economic problems: 5
- Autocratic: 3
- Problems with human resources: 2
- Influenced the courts: 2
- Violent reaction to November 2007 protests: 2
- Price increases: 3
- High taxes: 2
- Laws: 2
- Social problems: 3

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In what area should the Georgian government carry out reforms in first? And second/third?

- **Economy**: 34 First, 27 Second, 17 Third
- **Healthcare**: 24 First, 25 Second, 21 Third
- **Judiciary**: 13 First, 10 Second, 11 Third
- **Education**: 8 First, 11 Second, 13 Third
- **Defense**: 6 First, 7 Second, 9 Third
- **Penitentiary**: 5 First, 6 Second, 7 Third
- **Agriculture**: 3 First, 3 Second, 2 Third
- **Local governance**: 3 First, 5 Second, 7 Third
- **Environmental protection**: 12 First, 3 Second, 3 Third
- **Energy**: 12 First, 2 Second, 2 Third
- **DK/NA**: 2 First, 2 Second, 8 Third

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Do you feel the governor of your region is doing a good job and is working effectively to address the problems of your region?

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INSTITUTIONS
How would you describe your confidence in the following institutions?

- Church: 94 Favorable, 1 Unfavorable, 5 No opinion
- Army: 91 Favorable, 3 Unfavorable, 6 No opinion
- Police: 84 Favorable, 11 Unfavorable, 5 No opinion
- Parliament: 82 Favorable, 7 Unfavorable, 11 No opinion
- Cabinet of Ministers: 81 Favorable, 8 Unfavorable, 10 No opinion
- Georgian media: 77 Favorable, 18 Unfavorable, 5 No opinion
- Prosecutor's office: 61 Favorable, 22 Unfavorable, 17 No opinion
- Education system: 58 Favorable, 32 Unfavorable, 9 No opinion
- Courts: 55 Favorable, 27 Unfavorable, 18 No opinion
- Central Bank: 53 Favorable, 24 Unfavorable, 23 No opinion
- President's office: 48 Favorable, 41 Unfavorable, 11 No opinion
- Political parties: 47 Favorable, 38 Unfavorable, 15 No opinion
- Ombudsman's office: 47 Favorable, 17 Unfavorable, 36 No opinion
- Central Election Commission: 47 Favorable, 31 Unfavorable, 21 No opinion
- Local authorities: 42 Favorable, 41 Unfavorable, 17 No opinion
- Governors: 33 Favorable, 40 Unfavorable, 27 No opinion
- Trade unions: 20 Favorable, 41 Unfavorable, 39 No opinion
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
How would you evaluate Georgia’s relations with the following?

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Which countries are the most important partners for Georgia? And which comprise the most political and economic threat?

![Bar chart showing partners and threats for various countries.]

- **Partners**
  - USA: 54%
  - European Union: 35%
  - Ukraine: 28%
  - Russia: 22%
  - Azerbaijan: 12%
  - Turkey: 7%
  - Armenia: 3%
  - Lithuania: 0.4%
  - Poland: 0.2%
  - Iran: 0.1%
  - DK: 0.1%

- **Threats**
  - USA: 5%
  - European Union: 0.2%
  - Ukraine: 0.4%
  - Russia: 72%
  - Azerbaijan: 1%
  - Turkey: 1%
  - Armenia: 9%
  - Lithuania: 7%
  - Poland: 6%
  - Iran: 5%
  - DK: 5%
Do you believe the change in government will help to improve the relationship with Russia?

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Do you support further dialogue with Russia?

- Nov 12: 83% Fully support, 11% Somewhat support, 2% Somewhat oppose, 2% Strongly oppose, 2% DK/NA
- Mar 12: 74% Fully support, 19% Somewhat support, 2% Somewhat oppose, 3% Strongly oppose, 2% DK/NA
- Nov 11: 73% Fully support, 17% Somewhat support, 2% Somewhat oppose, 4% Strongly oppose, 4% DK/NA
- May 11: 78% Fully support, 16% Somewhat support, 2% Somewhat oppose, 2% Strongly oppose, 2% DK/NA
- Oct 10: 84% Fully support, 12% Somewhat support, 1% Somewhat oppose, 1% Strongly oppose, 2% DK/NA
- Mar 10: 78% Fully support, 15% Somewhat support, 2% Somewhat oppose, 2% Strongly oppose, 3% DK/NA
Do you support Georgia joining NATO?

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

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SOURCES OF INFORMATION
From where do you receive general political information?

- **TV news, programs**: 95 (red) - 98 (blue)
- **Newspaper articles**: 30 (red) - 30 (blue)
- **Internet**: 18 (red) - 53 (blue)
- ** Relatives, friends**: 23 (red) - 27 (blue)
- **Radio news, programs**: 15 (red) - 9 (blue)
- ** Magazine articles**: 4 (red) - 4 (blue)
- **Colleagues at work**: 5 (red) - 2 (blue)
- **Meetings with politicians**: 1 (red) - 1 (blue)
- **Leaflets and direct mail**: 0.3 (red) - 1 (blue)
- **Billboards and street stands**: 0 (red) - 0.3 (blue)
From which of these sources did you get most of the information for the parliamentary election campaigns?

- TV news, programs: 95 (Tbilisi), 97 (Other territories)
- Internet: 14 (Tbilisi), 28 (Other territories)
- Newspaper articles: 22 (Tbilisi), 28 (Other territories)
- Relatives, friends: 19 (Tbilisi), 18 (Other territories)
- Radio news, programs: 6 (Tbilisi), 11 (Other territories)
- Colleagues at work: 3 (Tbilisi), 2 (Other territories)
- Magazine articles: 3 (Tbilisi), 2 (Other territories)
- Meetings with politicians: 0.6 (Tbilisi), 1 (Other territories)
- Leaflets and direct mailings: 0.3 (Tbilisi), 1 (Other territories)
- Billboards and street stands: 0 (Tbilisi), 0.5 (Other territories)
- None: 1 (Tbilisi), 1 (Other territories)

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**Did you benefit from the Must Offer-Must Carry Law?**

* The Must Offer-Must Carry Law was passed by parliament prior to the October 2012 elections, and required all cable networks to carry all television news stations, including those with prevailing viewpoints contrary to the views of the network operators.

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**If yes, how so? N=324**

- Received more information: 44
- Received unbiased information: 21
- Received Channel 9 and Maestro (opposition aligned): 11
- Heard different opinions: 6
- Contributed to the changes in the government: 3
- DK/NA: 15

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Do you believe Must Offer-Must Carry should be continued/renewed?

- Yes: 42%
- No: 9%
- DK/NA: 49%
Is Georgian mass media free to express various political views or is there government control over media content?

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Why do you think that Georgian mass media is not free to express various political views? (N=256)

- Government pressure: 69% (Nov 12), 65% (Mar 12), 63% (Nov 11), 69% (May 11), 63% (Oct 10), 70% (Mar 10)
- Media is corrupt: 17% (Nov 12), 11% (Mar 12), 9% (Nov 11), 10% (May 11), 9% (Oct 10), 8% (Mar 10)
- Media does not report bad news: 9% (Nov 12), 11% (Mar 12), 9% (Nov 11), 10% (May 11), 9% (Oct 10), 8% (Mar 10)
- Other: 1% (Nov 12), 2% (Mar 12), 1% (Nov 11), 1% (May 11), 1% (Oct 10), 1% (Mar 10)
- DK/NA: 14% (Nov 12), 18% (Mar 12), 20% (Nov 11), 18% (May 11), 14% (Oct 10), 12% (Mar 10)
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How many times per week do you access the Internet?

Tbilisi

- Every day: 46
- 5-6 times per week: 4
- 3-4 times per week: 2
- 1-2 times per week: 8
- Less often: 6
- Never: 33
- DK/NA: 1

Other territories

- Every day: 15
- 5-6 times per week: 3
- 3-4 times per week: 4
- 1-2 times per week: 3
- Less often: 5
- Never: 69
- DK/NA:
Where do you access the Internet? (Internet users)

- Home: 82%
- Work: 14%
- Friends house: 13%
- Internet café: 3%
- By phone: <1%
- Other: <1%
- DK/NA: 6%

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How often do you use the Internet for the following activities? (Internet users, N=613)

- **Read political news**: 5% Every day, 42% 5-6 times/week, 13% 3-4 times/week, 12% 1-2 times/week, 6% Less often, 6% Never, 7% DK/NA
- **Read political blogs**: 6% Every day, 63% 5-6 times/week, 10% 3-4 times/week, 4% 1-2 times/week, 4% Less often, 4% Never, 7% DK/NA
- **Watch political videos**: 5% Every day, 54% 5-6 times/week, 13% 3-4 times/week, 8% 1-2 times/week, 3% Less often, 4% Never, 7% DK/NA
- **Visit party websites**: 6% Every day, 66% 5-6 times/week, 14% 3-4 times/week, 12% 1-2 times/week, 5% Less often, 7% Never, 7% DK/NA
- **Take part in political discussion**: 7% Every day, 85% 5-6 times/week, 4% 3-4 times/week, 1% 1-2 times/week, 2% Less often, 7% Never, 7% DK/NA
- **Communicate with a politician**: 7% Every day, 87% 5-6 times/week, 3% 3-4 times/week, 1% 1-2 times/week, 1% Less often, 1% Never, 7% DK/NA
What are three main issues that the Mayor of Tbilisi needs to address? (Residents of Tbilisi, N=416)

1. Infrastructure: 25%
2. Decrease utility taxes: 12%
3. Decrease transport prices: 11%
4. Employment: 10%
5. Welfare of people: 10%
6. City cleaning: 8%
7. Transport: 7%
8. Healthcare: 8%
9. Merging of payments for electricity and cleaning services: 5%
10. Pensions: 2%
11. Buildings: 2%
12. Roads: 1%
13. High prices: 1%
14. DK/Refuse: 3%

First mentioned: 41%
All mentioned: 30%

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All things considered equal, which candidate would you vote for?

- Nov 12: 46 (Man), 6 (Woman), 47 (Does not matter), 1 (DK/NA)
- Mar 12: 47 (Man), 4 (Woman), 48 (Does not matter), 1 (DK/NA)
- Nov 11: 46 (Man), 4 (Woman), 47 (Does not matter), 3 (DK/NA)
What are the top five issues that the government should address? (one – highest priority and five – lowest priority)

1. Supporting business development
2. Court system
3. Return of refugees and internally displaced persons to their homes
4. Educational system
5. The establishment of the relations between the government and the population

1. Improving relations between ethnic groups
2. Road infrastructure
3. Fight corruption
4. Tax system
5. Environment improvement and protection

1. Foreign policy
2. Strengthening military power of the country

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GEORGIAN NATIONAL STUDY, November 2012
If/when Georgia becomes a member of NATO, what do you expect from membership?

- Ensure country’s security guarantee: 39 (First mention), 67 (All mentions)
- Contribute to restoration of territorial integrity: 14 (First mention), 49 (All mentions)
- Promote stability in our country: 10 (First mention), 43 (All mentions)
- Improve the public welfare of the country: 9 (First mention), 39 (All mentions)
- Strengthen democracy in our country: 5 (First mention), 22 (All mentions)
- Bases deployed in our country: 4 (First mention), 9 (All mentions)
- Georgian territory will be used during hostilities: 2 (First mention), 7 (All mentions)
- An obstacle to Georgian-Russian relations: 2 (First mention), 9 (All mentions)
- Georgia’s military forces will be involved in military operations: 1 (First mention), 7 (All mentions)
- Georgia will lose more territories: 1 (First mention), 3 (All mentions)
- Georgia will be involved in war operations: 1 (First mention), 4 (All mentions)
- Nothing: 2 (First mention), 2 (All mentions)
- DK/Refuse: 11 (First mention), 11 (All mentions)

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GEORGIAN NATIONAL STUDY, November 2012
Do you think that the Governor of your region should be directly elected by the people? (Regions only)

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Do you think that mayors and gamgebelis* should be directly elected?

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* Gamgebelis are local advisory councils.
Do you think that local governments should have more control over local budgets and programs?

- Georgia: 87% Yes, 4% No, 9% DK/NA
- Tbilisi: 81% Yes, 6% No, 13% DK/NA
- Other territories: 89% Yes, 4% No, 7% DK/NA

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What are three main issues that the new parliament needs to address first?

- Employment: 43
- Healthcare: 27
- Economy: 18
- Utilities: 13
- Agriculture: 12
- General social problems: 11
- Pensions: 11
- Education: 7
- Improve legislation: 6
- Territorial integrity: 6
- Justice: 5
- Inflation: 5
- Care for the people: 4
- Judicial independence: 4
- Low wages: 3
- Russian-Georgian relations: 3
- Foreign affairs: 2
- Budget: 2
- Rule of law: 2
- Constitution: 2
- Other: 21
- DK/NA: 8

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Do you think that the government and opposition should continue dialog?

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GEORGIAN NATIONAL STUDY, November 2012
Do you trust Georgian nongovernmental organizations?

- **Georgia**
  - Yes: 58
  - No: 16
  - DK/NA: 26

- **Tbilisi**
  - Yes: 54
  - No: 21
  - DK/NA: 25

- **Other territories**
  - Yes: 60
  - No: 14
  - DK/NA: 26
If no, why you do not trust Georgian nongovernmental organizations? (N=239)

- They do not reflect people's problems: 45
- They are biased: 34
- They are not qualified: 18
- They are connected with the government: 2
- I do not have enough information about them: 1
- No answer: 1
POLITICS
Did you vote in the parliamentary elections that were held on October 1, 2012?

- Georgia: 71 Yes, 28 No, 1 Refused
- Tbilisi: 77 Yes, 22 No, 1 Refused
- Other territories: 69 Yes, 31 No, 1 Refused
Do you plan to vote in the presidential election in 2013?

- **Georgia**: 85
  - Definitely will vote: 76
  - Likely will vote: 9
  - Likely will not vote: 1
  - Definitely will not vote: 4
  - DK/NA: 1

- **Tbilisi**: 84
  - Definitely will vote: 76
  - Likely will vote: 8
  - Likely will not vote: 1
  - Definitely will not vote: 5
  - DK/NA: 1

- **Other territories**: 86
  - Definitely will vote: 77
  - Likely will vote: 9
  - Likely will not vote: 1
  - Definitely will not vote: 3
  - DK/NA: 1

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SOCIO-DEMOGRAPHICS
Gender
- Male: 47%
- Female: 53%

Age groups
- 18-29: 19%
- 30-49: 37%
- 50+: 44%
Religion

- Orthodox: 86%
- Muslim: 9%
- Other: 4%
- None: 1%

Attendance of religious service

- Once a week: 16%
- Once a month: 25%
- A few times a week: 4%
- A few times per year: 38%
- Never: 17%
Sector of employment

- Not Working: 73%
- Private sector: 20%
- State sector: 7%

Occupation

- Unemployed: 33%
- Executive: 10%
- Retired: 21%
- Student: 3%
- Housewife: 16%
- Blue collar: 7%
- Farmer: 3%
- White collar: 4%
- Self-employed: 3%
- Executive: 10%

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Regions

- Tbilisi: 29%
- Mtskheta-Mtianeti: 2%
- Samegrelo: 10%
- Shida Kartli: 7%
- Kvemo Kartli: 11%
- Samtskhe-Javakheti: 4%
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