Public Opinion Survey
Residents of Georgia
May 20 - June 11, 2019
Detailed Methodology

• The field work was carried out by Institute of Polling & Marketing. The survey was conducted by Dr. Rasa Alisauskiene of the public and market research company Baltic Surveys/The Gallup Organization on behalf of the International Republican Institute’s Center for Insights in Survey Research.

• Data was collected throughout Georgia between May 20 and June 11, 2019, through face-to-face interviews at respondents’ home.

• The sample consisted of 1,500 permanent residents of Georgia aged 18 or older and eligible to vote. It is representative of the general population by age, gender, region and size of the settlement.

• A multistage probability sampling method was used with random route and next-birthday respondent selection procedures.
  • Stage one: All districts of Georgia are grouped into 10 regions. All regions of Georgia were surveyed (Tbilisi city - as separate region).
  • Stage two: Selection of the settlements - cities and villages.
    • Settlements were selected at random. The number of selected settlements in each region was proportional to the share of population living in a particular type of the settlement in each region.
    • Stage three: Primary sampling units were described.

• The margin of error does not exceed plus, or minus 2.5 percent and the response rate was 68 percent.

• The achieved sample is weighted for regions, gender, age, and urbanity.

• Charts and graphs may not add up to 100 percent due to rounding.

• The survey was funded by the U.S. Agency for International Development.
National Outlook
In general, would you say that our country is heading in the right direction or in the wrong direction?

- Right direction
- Wrong direction
- Don’t know/No answer
How would you evaluate the prevailing mood of the Georgian population?
How interested or uninterested are you in politics?

- **Age 50+**
  - Very interested: 11%
  - Somewhat interested: 34%
  - Somewhat uninterested: 29%
  - Very uninterested: 25%
  - Don't know/No answer: 1%

- **Age 30-49**
  - Very interested: 6%
  - Somewhat interested: 34%
  - Somewhat uninterested: 28%
  - Very uninterested: 32%
  - Don't know/No answer: 1%

- **Age 18-29**
  - Very interested: 6%
  - Somewhat interested: 25%
  - Somewhat uninterested: 33%
  - Very uninterested: 35%
  - Don't know/No answer: 1%

- **Total**
  - Very interested: 8%
  - Somewhat interested: 32%
  - Somewhat uninterested: 29%
  - Very uninterested: 30%
  - Don't know/No answer: 1%
What is the most important problem facing our country today?
(Spontaneous response; up to two responses permitted)

- Economy (Unemployment): 59%
- Economy (Cost of living/High prices): 34%
- Poverty: 28%
- Lost territories: 7%
- Economy (Other/General): 9%
- Education: 6%
- Pensions: 6%
- Healthcare: 5%
- Internal conflicts: 3%
- External conflicts/War: 3%
- Crime/Public Safety: 4%
- Agriculture: 3%
- Social services/benefits: 2%
- Economy (Small business opportunities/Access to loans): 2%
- Environment: 2%
- Emigration: 2%
- Insecurity: 2%
- Illicit drugs: 2%

First Response

All Responses
What is the most important problem facing your town/village today? (Spontaneous response; up to two responses permitted)
What is the most important problem facing your household today?
(Spontaneous response; up to two responses permitted)

- **Unemployment**: First Response 29%, All Responses 36%
- **Poverty**: First Response 10%, All Responses 17%
- **Low salaries**: First Response 9%, All Responses 13%
- **Economy**: First Response 9%, All Responses 13%
- **None**: First Response 8%, All Responses 8%
- **Healthcare**: First Response 6%, All Responses 12%
- **Bank debt**: First Response 4%, All Responses 6%
- **Low pensions**: First Response 3%, All Responses 6%
- **Expensive medication**: First Response 2%, All Responses 5%
- **Housing**: First Response 2%, All Responses 2%
- **High utility taxes**: First Response 1%, All Responses 3%
- **High prices on everything**: First Response 1%, All Responses 3%
Over the last 12 months*, the economic situation in Georgia has…

* In surveys before 2008, the question referenced a period of 3 months. In surveys from 2008 to 2017, the reference period was 2 months.
Over the last 12 months*, how has the economic situation of your household changed?

* In surveys before 2008, the question referenced a period of 3 months. In surveys from 2008 to 2017, the reference period was 2 months.
How do you feel about the direction of each of the following issues during the past year?

- **Freedom of speech**
  - Progressed: 38%
  - Neither progressed nor regressed: 39%
  - Regressed: 20%
  - Don't know/No answer: 3%

- **Media independence**
  - Progressed: 30%
  - Neither progressed nor regressed: 44%
  - Regressed: 21%
  - Don't know/No answer: 5%

- **Individual human rights**
  - Progressed: 24%
  - Neither progressed nor regressed: 47%
  - Regressed: 26%
  - Don't know/No answer: 3%

- **Education**
  - Progressed: 21%
  - Neither progressed nor regressed: 42%
  - Regressed: 29%
  - Don't know/No answer: 8%

- **Democracy**
  - Progressed: 20%
  - Neither progressed nor regressed: 46%
  - Regressed: 28%
  - Don't know/No answer: 6%

- **National security**
  - Progressed: 14%
  - Neither progressed nor regressed: 43%
  - Regressed: 36%
  - Don't know/No answer: 6%

- **Fighting crime**
  - Progressed: 13%
  - Neither progressed nor regressed: 30%
  - Regressed: 52%
  - Don't know/No answer: 5%

- **Fighting corruption**
  - Progressed: 11%
  - Neither progressed nor regressed: 38%
  - Regressed: 42%
  - Don't know/No answer: 9%

- **Economy**
  - Progressed: 8%
  - Neither progressed nor regressed: 26%
  - Regressed: 65%
  - Don't know/No answer: 1%
International Relations
How would you evaluate the current state of the relationship between Georgia and the following countries?

- **Ukraine**: 90% Good, 5% Neither good nor bad, 2% Bad, 3% No answer
- **United States**: 87% Good, 7% Neither good nor bad, 2% Bad, 4% No answer
- **European Union**: 87% Good, 6% Neither good nor bad, 2% Bad, 5% No answer
- **Turkey**: 72% Good, 15% Neither good nor bad, 8% Bad, 5% No answer
- **Armenia**: 66% Good, 19% Neither good nor bad, 7% Bad, 8% No answer
- **China**: 58% Good, 21% Neither good nor bad, 7% Bad, 14% No answer
- **Azerbaijan**: 56% Good, 17% Neither good nor bad, 20% Bad, 7% No answer
- **Iran**: 45% Good, 24% Neither good nor bad, 11% Bad, 20% No answer
- **Russia**: 4% Good, 7% Neither good nor bad, 86% Bad, 3% No answer
Which of these countries do you consider the most important political/economic partners for Georgia? Which of these countries do you consider the greatest political/economic threat to Georgia?

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- Somewhat support
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How do you rate the current government’s handling of Georgia’s relationship with Russia?

- Very positively
- Somewhat positively
- Somewhat negatively
- Very negatively
- Don’t know/No answer

Jun-19: 7% Very positively, 26% Somewhat positively, 30% Somewhat negatively, 22% Very negatively, 15% Don’t know/No answer

Apr-18: 4% Very positively, 30% Somewhat positively, 31% Somewhat negatively, 23% Very negatively, 12% Don’t know/No answer

Mar-17: 15% Very positively, 39% Somewhat positively, 24% Somewhat negatively, 11% Very negatively, 11% Don’t know/No answer

Mar-16: 14% Very positively, 45% Somewhat positively, 18% Somewhat negatively, 11% Very negatively, 11% Don’t know/No answer

Feb-15: 17% Very positively, 42% Somewhat positively, 18% Somewhat negatively, 8% Very negatively, 15% Don’t know/No answer
Given the current state of Georgia’s relationship with Russia, how secure do you feel living in Georgia?

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

- It is over and unlikely to resume
- It is over but likely to resume
- It is still going on
- Don’t know/No answer

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In your opinion what should Georgia’s foreign policy course be?

- Only pro-European Union and the West
- Pro-Western but keep up relations with Russia
- Pro-Russian but keep up relations with the European Union and the West
- Only pro-Russian
- Don’t know/No answer

**Jun-19**: 30% Only pro-European Union and the West, 47% Pro-Western but keep up relations with Russia, 8% Pro-Russian but keep up relations with the European Union and the West, 2% Only pro-Russian, 13% Don’t know/No answer

**Apr-18**: 27% Only pro-European Union and the West, 50% Pro-Western but keep up relations with Russia, 11% Pro-Russian but keep up relations with the European Union and the West, 2% Only pro-Russian, 9% Don’t know/No answer

**Mar-17**: 23% Only pro-European Union and the West, 53% Pro-Western but keep up relations with Russia, 12% Pro-Russian but keep up relations with the European Union and the West, 3% Only pro-Russian, 9% Don’t know/No answer

**Mar-16**: 22% Only pro-European Union and the West, 52% Pro-Western but keep up relations with Russia, 11% Pro-Russian but keep up relations with the European Union and the West, 4% Only pro-Russian, 11% Don’t know/No answer
Do you support or oppose Georgia joining the European Union?

- **Fully support**: Dark blue
- **Somewhat support**: Light blue
- **Somewhat oppose**: Pink
- **Strongly oppose**: Maroon
- **Don't know/No answer**: Grey

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If you support, what is the main benefit of joining the European Union?

(Respondents supporting Georgia joining the European Union: n=1,128)

- Strengthened economy: 47%
- Visa liberalization: 8%
- Job creation: 5%
- Security: 4%
- Better future: 3%
- High quality education: 3%
- Peace and stability: 2%
- Development of the country: 2%
- Trade relationships: 2%
- Defense: 1%
- Military support: 1%
- Cultural relationships with European countries: 1%
- Return of lost territories: 1%
- Other: 2%
- Don't know/No answer: 18%
Do you support or oppose Georgia joining NATO?

- Fully support
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If you support, what are the main benefits of joining NATO?
(Respondents supporting Georgia joining NATO: n=1,018)

- Security: 34%
- Defense: 12%
- Return of the lost territories: 8%
- Stability and peace: 8%
- Strengthen economy: 6%
- Military support: 5%
- Better future: 2%
- Development of the country: 1%
- Defense from Russia: 1%
- Visa liberalization: 1%
- Maintain country's independence: 1%
- Other: 4%
- Don't know/No answer: 17%
When do you think Georgia will become a member of NATO?

- 59%: Don't know/No answer
- 15%: After 2023
- 16%: In 2020
- 3%: In 2021
- 3%: In 2022
- 3%: In 2023
- 1%: Never
Political Parties
If elections were held this coming Sunday, for which party, if any, would you vote? (First choice)
If your first-choice party would not be on the ballot, who would you vote for instead? (Second choice)
Which parties, if any, would you not vote for under any circumstances?
(Multiple responses permitted)

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What will be the most important factor in determining your vote? (Spontaneous response)

- Candidate's party affiliation: 21% (Rural), 23% (Urban), 24% (Tbilisi)
- Party or candidate's past performance/track record: 21% (Rural), 23% (Urban), 23% (Tbilisi)
- Candidate's character: 17% (Rural), 23% (Urban), 23% (Tbilisi)
- Party or candidate's platform or program or promises: 14% (Rural), 15% (Urban), 14% (Tbilisi)
- Party or candidate's outreach efforts: 11% (Rural), 15% (Urban), 15% (Tbilisi)
- Candidate's independence: 7% (Rural), 7% (Urban), 7% (Tbilisi)
- Candidate's name recognition: 4% (Rural), 4% (Urban), 4% (Tbilisi)
- Party or candidate’s performance in debates: 3% (Rural), 3% (Urban), 3% (Tbilisi)
- Candidate's home region: 2% (Rural), 2% (Urban), 2% (Tbilisi)
- Someone I trust or respect recommend to vote for this party or candidate (endorsement): 1% (Rural), 1% (Urban), 1% (Tbilisi)
- Other: 3% (Rural), 3% (Urban), 3% (Tbilisi)
- Don't know/No answer: 6% (Rural), 4% (Urban), 6% (Tbilisi)
Which issue is the most relevant for your city, district, or village?
(Spontaneous response; up to two responses permitted)

- Unemployment: 40%
- Roads: 11%
- Infrastructure: 10%
- Drinking water: 9%
- Poverty: 8%
- Agriculture: 5%
- Nothing: 5%
- Ecology: 5%
- Economy: 4%
- Lack of entertainment places: 3%
- Social problems: 3%
- High utility taxes: 3%
- Public transport: 2%
- Closed enterprises: 2%
- Traffic jams: 2%
- Illegal constructions: 2%
- Gas supply: 2%
Do you believe that at least one political party in Georgia represents your interests?

- **Completely yes**: 30%
- **Somewhat yes**: 35%
- **Somewhat no**: 14%
- **Definitely no**: 13%
- **Don't know/No answer**: 9%

**Age 50+**
- **Completely yes**: 35%
- **Somewhat yes**: 34%
- **Somewhat no**: 12%
- **Definitely no**: 10%
- **Don't know/No answer**: 9%

**Age 30-49**
- **Completely yes**: 27%
- **Somewhat yes**: 35%
- **Somewhat no**: 15%
- **Definitely no**: 16%
- **Don't know/No answer**: 7%

**Age 18-29**
- **Completely yes**: 24%
- **Somewhat yes**: 36%
- **Somewhat no**: 15%
- **Definitely no**: 15%
- **Don't know/No answer**: 10%

**Total**
- **Completely yes**: 30%
- **Somewhat yes**: 35%
- **Somewhat no**: 14%
- **Definitely no**: 13%
- **Don't know/No answer**: 9%
Generally, are you familiar with the election program of the parties/candidates running in your district?

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When deciding which candidate to support, how important is it to you that a candidate visit your household or meet with you in person?

- Very important: 17%
- Somewhat important: 20%
- It does not matter one way or the other: 27%
- Not especially important: 13%
- Not important at all: 20%
- Don't know/No answer: 3%
Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: “It is healthy for Georgia’s democracy to have multiple parties in power?”

- Strongly agree: 36%
- Somewhat agree: 8%
- Somewhat disagree: 11%
- Strongly disagree: 7%
- Don’t know/No answer: 38%
In the past six months, has any of the following happened to you? (Percentage “yes”)

- Political party or movement held a public event that I was invited to: 5%
- Representative(s) of a political party or movement visited my home to tell me about their party: 3%
- Representative(s) of a political party or movement visited my home to gain my vote: 2%
- Political party or movement contacted me through social media or another form of online campaigning: 2%
For each of the items I will read to you, please tell me how they influence your views of parties or candidates:

- Meetings with authorities: 47% Great influence or some influence, 50% Little influence or no influence, 3% Don't know/No answer
- Party or candidate meetings with other politicians: 45% Great influence or some influence, 51% Little influence or no influence, 4% Don't know/No answer
- Television ads: 42% Great influence or some influence, 57% Little influence or no influence, 1% Don't know/No answer
- Social media: 36% Great influence or some influence, 59% Little influence or no influence, 5% Don't know/No answer
- Party or candidate visits to your home: 35% Great influence or some influence, 61% Little influence or no influence, 4% Don't know/No answer
- Brochures and pamphlets: 29% Great influence or some influence, 69% Little influence or no influence, 2% Don't know/No answer
- Personal letters from the candidate: 29% Great influence or some influence, 67% Little influence or no influence, 4% Don't know/No answer
- Billboards: 28% Great influence or some influence, 69% Little influence or no influence, 3% Don't know/No answer
- Newspaper articles about candidates: 27% Great influence or some influence, 71% Little influence or no influence, 2% Don't know/No answer
- Political party or candidate phone calls: 26% Great influence or some influence, 69% Little influence or no influence, 5% Don't know/No answer
- Slogans or messages on vehicles: 24% Great influence or some influence, 73% Little influence or no influence, 3% Don't know/No answer
- Radio ads: 16% Great influence or some influence, 79% Little influence or no influence, 4% Don't know/No answer
Would you vote for a candidate who did not post billboards and campaign materials across the city?
If yes, why?

(Respondents who said that would vote for such candidate: n=750; multiple responses permitted)

- I will vote the candidate or party that most closely aligns with my beliefs: 87%
- I will vote the candidate or party that best represents my region/city: 20%
- I will vote the candidate or party that my family supports: 8%
- Other: 2%
- Don't know/No answer: 3%
If no, why not?

(Respondents who said that would not vote for such candidate: n=366; multiple responses permitted)

- I need to see the candidate or party’s face(s) to know for whom to vote: 70%
- If they do not post billboards and campaign materials, I would have no idea who is running: 28%
- Lack of billboards means the candidate has no money: 7%
- Don’t know/No answer: 6%
How would you evaluate the parliamentary pension reform initiative that makes participation voluntary and offers tax concessions to participants?
Should the Georgian government officially congratulate the Ukrainian Church for gaining autocephaly?
Persons and Institutions
I am going to read you the names of some Georgian institutions and organizations. Please tell me your opinion about the work of each of these institutions:

- Church: 89% Favorable, 6% Unfavorable, 5% No opinion
- Army: 87% Favorable, 9% Unfavorable, 4% No opinion
- Georgian media: 70% Favorable, 25% Unfavorable, 5% No opinion
- Police: 52% Favorable, 38% Unfavorable, 10% No opinion
- Local authorities: 48% Favorable, 44% Unfavorable, 8% No opinion
- Public education: 40% Favorable, 48% Unfavorable, 12% No opinion
- Parliament: 37% Favorable, 59% Unfavorable, 4% No opinion
- Government (Cabinet of Ministers): 35% Favorable, 59% Unfavorable, 6% No opinion
- Central Election Commission (CESKO): 34% Favorable, 54% Unfavorable, 11% No opinion
- Prime Minister’s office: 33% Favorable, 56% Unfavorable, 11% No opinion
- President’s office: 33% Favorable, 59% Unfavorable, 7% No opinion
- Governors: 27% Favorable, 51% Unfavorable, 22% No opinion
- Political parties: 26% Favorable, 62% Unfavorable, 12% No opinion
- Prosecutor’s office: 25% Favorable, 57% Unfavorable, 18% No opinion
- National bank: 25% Favorable, 62% Unfavorable, 13% No opinion
- Courts: 23% Favorable, 59% Unfavorable, 18% No opinion
- Trade unions: 18% Favorable, 44% Unfavorable, 37% No opinion
How do you assess performance of the following institutions in terms of openness and transparency?

- **Ministry of Justice**: 8% Very open and transparent, 33% Somewhat open and transparent, 31% Somewhat not open and transparent, 20% Not at all open and transparent, 8% Don't know/No answer.
- **Local authorities**: 5% Very open and transparent, 38% Somewhat open and transparent, 33% Somewhat not open and transparent, 18% Not at all open and transparent, 6% Don't know/No answer.
- **Prime Minister's office**: 5% Very open and transparent, 23% Somewhat open and transparent, 37% Somewhat not open and transparent, 23% Not at all open and transparent, 12% Don't know/No answer.
- **Police**: 4% Very open and transparent, 31% Somewhat open and transparent, 31% Somewhat not open and transparent, 21% Not at all open and transparent, 13% Don't know/No answer.
- **President's office**: 4% Very open and transparent, 24% Somewhat open and transparent, 36% Somewhat not open and transparent, 24% Not at all open and transparent, 12% Don't know/No answer.
- **Government**: 3% Very open and transparent, 29% Somewhat open and transparent, 42% Somewhat not open and transparent, 20% Not at all open and transparent, 6% Don't know/No answer.
- **Prosecutor's office**: 2% Very open and transparent, 16% Somewhat open and transparent, 32% Somewhat not open and transparent, 33% Not at all open and transparent, 17% Don't know/No answer.
- **Courts**: 1% Very open and transparent, 16% Somewhat open and transparent, 32% Somewhat not open and transparent, 34% Not at all open and transparent, 16% Don't know/No answer.
What is the main accomplishment of the current Government? (Spontaneous response)

- Healthcare: 15%
- Visa liberalization with European Union: 4%
- Freedom of speech: 4%
- Infrastructure: 3%
- Roads: 2%
- Education: 2%
- Democracy: 2%
- Stability: 2%
- Human rights protections: 1%
- Increase in pensions: 1%
- Annulled debts: 1%
- Other: 2%
- None: 35%
- Don't know/No answer: 26%
In your opinion, what is the most successful reform adopted by parliament?
(Spontaneous response)

- Healthcare: 19%
- Education: 4%
- Visa-free travel to European Union: 2%
- Increasing pensions: 1%
- Other: 3%
- None: 30%
- Don't know/No answer: 41%
What is the biggest failure of the government?
(Spontaneous response)

- Not fulfilling promises: 12%
- Economic crisis: 6%
- Unemployment: 6%
- Poverty: 4%
- Cohabitation: 4%
- GEL devaluation: 3%
- Not caring about people: 3%
- Creeping occupation: 3%
- Loss of trust: 2%
- Law on marijuana: 2%
- Falsification of elections: 2%
- Increased crime: 2%
- Staff policy: 2%
- Court reform: 2%
- Abolishment of social benefits for the poor: 1%
- Migration: 1%
- Corruption: 1%
- Other: 6%
- None: 8%
- Don't know/No answer: 30%
I am going to read you the names of Georgian politicians and public figures. Please tell me your opinion of him/her.

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Do you believe that democracy is the best possible form of government for our country or not?

- Yes, it is the best possible form of government for our country. (58%)
- No, there are other forms of government that could be equally good for our country. (23%)
- No, there are other forms of government that are better than democracy. (6%)
- Don't know/No answer (13%)
Now I would like to discuss corruption with you. When I say corruption, I mean having to do a favor, give a gift or pay a bribe because someone misuses their position for personal gains. To what extent, if any, has corruption had a negative impact on you?

- 51% It has had a lot of negative impact
- 21% It has had some negative impact
- 7% It has had little negative impact
- 6% It has not had any negative impact
- 15% Don’t know/No answer
In the past 12 months, how often have you had to do a favor, give a gift or pay a bribe?
What is your perception of the level of impact of civil society organizations (CSOs) in Georgia?

- 36%: CSOs have a great impact on government policy
- 18%: CSOs have some impact on government policy
- 21%: CSOs have little impact on government policy
- 14%: CSOs have no impact on government policy
- 11%: Don’t know/No answer
During the past six months have you participated in any of the following activities?

- Attended a public meeting or town hall: 6% Yes, 92% No, 2% Don't know/No answer
- Volunteered without expecting compensation: 3% Yes, 95% No, 2% Don't know/No answer
- Attended a rally (political and/or social): 4% Yes, 94% No, 2% Don't know/No answer
- Signed a petition or demand, including online: 1% Yes, 98% No, 1% Don't know/No answer
- Donated money to a political party, non-governmental organization, or civil society organization: 0% Yes, 99% No, 1% Don't know/No answer
Local Governance
Do you think that the following services should be provided by local/municipal governments or by the central government?

- **Water supply**
  - Definitely by local government: 40%
  - Probably by local government: 28%
  - Probably by central government administration: 13%
  - Definitely by central government administration: 16%
  - Don't know/No answer: 3%

- **Management of waste**
  - Definitely by local government: 39%
  - Probably by local government: 29%
  - Probably by central government administration: 13%
  - Definitely by central government administration: 15%
  - Don't know/No answer: 4%

- **Kindergartens**
  - Definitely by local government: 37%
  - Probably by local government: 26%
  - Probably by central government administration: 14%
  - Definitely by central government administration: 20%
  - Don't know/No answer: 3%

- **Granting social protections to certain individuals**
  - Definitely by local government: 33%
  - Probably by local government: 28%
  - Probably by central government administration: 17%
  - Definitely by central government administration: 19%
  - Don't know/No answer: 3%

- **Taking care of elderly and handicapped people**
  - Definitely by local government: 33%
  - Probably by local government: 26%
  - Probably by central government administration: 17%
  - Definitely by central government administration: 21%
  - Don't know/No answer: 3%

- **Protection of forests**
  - Definitely by local government: 27%
  - Probably by local government: 19%
  - Probably by central government administration: 18%
  - Definitely by central government administration: 31%
  - Don't know/No answer: 5%

- **School education**
  - Definitely by local government: 20%
  - Probably by local government: 16%
  - Probably by central government administration: 25%
  - Definitely by central government administration: 37%
  - Don't know/No answer: 2%
How much do you trust or distrust Georgia's local government bodies?

- Fully trust: 41%
- Somewhat trust: 23%
- Somewhat distrust: 6%
- Fully distrust: 10%
- Don't know/No answer: 20%
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How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with your local Sakrebuli's performance?

- Fully satisfied: 37%
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How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with your local Mayor's office performance?

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What are the two main problems that Tbilisi Mayor Kakha Kaladze needs to address?
(Residents of Tbilisi: n=440; spontaneous response; up to two responses permitted)
What are the two major accomplishments of Tbilisi Mayor Kakha Kaladze’s in office?

(Residents of Tbilisi: n=440; spontaneous response; up to two responses permitted)
How likely is it that ordinary people can influence decisions made in our country?
Did you vote in the 2018 presidential elections?

- Yes: 80%
- No: 18%
- Don't know/No answer: 2%
Thinking about the 2018 presidential elections, do you believe the election was free, fair and transparent?

- Definitely free, fair and transparent: 18%
- Somewhat free, fair and transparent: 24%
- Somewhat not free, fair and transparent: 13%
- Definitely not free, fair and transparent: 25%
- Don’t know/No answer: 20%
Do you believe that the 2018 presidential election was more or less free, fair and transparent than the previous election?

- 35% Definitely more free, fair and transparent
- 15% Somewhat more free, fair and transparent
- 15% Somewhat less free, fair and transparent
- 11% Definitely less free, fair and transparent
- 9% Both were the same
- 15% Don’t know/No answer
Do you trust the opinions of international election observation organizations regarding whether or not an election was free, fair and transparent?

- Fully trust: 21%
- Somewhat trust: 14%
- Somewhat distrust: 16%
- Fully distrust: 5%
- I’m not familiar with the opinions of international election observation organizations: 6%
- Don’t know/No answer: 38%
Do you agree or disagree that the Central Election Commission (CESKO) performs its work in a trustworthy manner?

Strongly agree | Somewhat agree | Somewhat disagree | Strongly disagree | Don’t know/No answer

Jun-19: 15% | 33% | 21% | 21% | 10%
Apr-18: 9% | 33% | 21% | 26% | 11%
Mar-17: 15% | 35% | 21% | 14% | 15%
Mar-16: 15% | 38% | 16% | 13% | 18%
Feb-15: 26% | 43% | 12% | 6% | 13%
In the 2018 presidential election, was your polling station a safe environment for you to vote confidently and without fear of violence or intimidation?
To what degree do you either agree or disagree with the following statements about the work of the CESKO?

1. The CESKO provides clear and understandable information to the public about the election process in Georgia
   - Strongly agree: 17%
   - Somewhat agree: 31%
   - Somewhat disagree: 24%
   - Strongly disagree: 16%
   - Don't know/No answer: 12%

2. The CESKO provides regular updates and information on its work to the public
   - Strongly agree: 16%
   - Somewhat agree: 34%
   - Somewhat disagree: 23%
   - Strongly disagree: 14%
   - Don't know/No answer: 13%
How important is it for you to receive information regarding sources of funding for political parties and candidates when you are making your electoral choice?

- Very important: 25%
- Somewhat important: 36%
- Not very important: 14%
- Not important at all: 20%
- Don't know/No answer: 5%
Did you personally witness or hear about any of the following things during the 2018 presidential elections?

- Controllers from one party or another working outside of polling stations influencing voters on the day of elections: 7% (witnessed), 24% (heard about), 49% (no), 20% (don't know/no answer)
- Calls for supporting a candidate during events organized by government bodies or state- or communal-owned enterprises/institutions: 4% (witnessed), 16% (heard about), 54% (no), 26% (don't know/no answer)
- Civil servants expressing support for a specific candidate during working hours: 3% (witnessed), 18% (heard about), 54% (no), 25% (don't know/no answer)
- A candidate or his/her representative using public institutions, such as a school or hospital, for campaign events: 2% (witnessed), 15% (heard about), 58% (no), 25% (don't know/no answer)
- Voters being provided transportation in government vehicles to polling stations or to campaign rallies: 2% (witnessed), 15% (heard about), 58% (no), 25% (don't know/no answer)
- A candidate or his/her representatives using government vehicles when campaigning: 2% (witnessed), 13% (heard about), 63% (no), 22% (don't know/no answer)
- A candidate or his/her representatives using government buildings for campaign events: 2% (witnessed), 13% (heard about), 61% (no), 23% (don't know/no answer)
- Civil servants taking part in campaign events for specific candidates during official working hours: 2% (witnessed), 13% (heard about), 58% (no), 27% (don't know/no answer)
What would increase your overall trust in the electoral process?
(Spontaneous response; up to two responses permitted)

- More transparency: 14%
- Fulfillment of promises: 11%
- Fair elections: 10%
- No bribes: 3%
- More observers: 3%
- Objective elections: 3%
- Relief from pressure: 3%
- Equal conditions for candidates: 2%
- Electronic/Online elections: 2%
- Activity of the electorate: 1%
- Lack of propaganda: 1%
- Changes to the Election Code: 1%
- Lack of crime/Free environment: 1%
- Neutral CESKO chairperson: 1%
- Other: 1%
- Nothing: 16%
- Don't know/No answer: 37%
Do you support snap parliamentary elections in Georgia?

- Definitely yes: 28%
- Somewhat yes: 12%
- Somewhat no: 12%
- Definitely no: 24%
- Don't know/No answer: 24%
Underrepresented Groups
How important is it that all members of our country’s adult population, including women, youth, minorities, and persons with disabilities, are included in political decision making?

- Very important: 43%
- Somewhat important: 40%
- Somewhat unimportant: 7%
- Very unimportant: 6%
- Don't know/No answer: 4%
If there are two candidates running for office and they have the same qualifications aside from the fact that one is a man and one is a woman, which candidate are you more likely to support?
In your opinion, should there be more women in Georgian politics?

- Yes, there should be more women in Georgian politics: 41%
- There should be the same number of women as there are currently: 13%
- No, there should be fewer women in Georgian politics: 33%
- Don't know/No answer: 13%
Are you familiar with the legislative proposal to institute a quota which would guarantee a certain percentage of women on political party candidate lists?
Do you support efforts to establish quotas for women’s representation in elected bodies, including Parliament and Sakrebulos?

- Very supportive
- Somewhat supportive
- Somewhat unsupportive
- Very unsupportive
- Don’t know/No answer

**Jun-19**
- 20% Very supportive
- 31% Somewhat supportive
- 14% Somewhat unsupportive
- 11% Very unsupportive
- 23% Don’t know/No answer

**Apr-18**
- 29% Very supportive
- 36% Somewhat supportive
- 16% Somewhat unsupportive
- 13% Very unsupportive
- 6% Don’t know/No answer
In your opinion, should there be more youth in Georgian politics?

- 68% Yes, there should be more youth in Georgian politics
- 19% There should be the same number of youth as there are currently
- 6% No, there should be fewer youth in Georgian politics
- 7% Don't know/No answer
Media Usage and Viewership
Which Georgian TV station’s news and political information do you trust the most?
(Up to two responses permitted)

- Imedi TV: 37% (First Response), 56% (All Responses)
- Rustavi 2: 34% (First Response), 53% (All Responses)
- TV Pirveli: 4% (First Response), 17% (All Responses)
- Palitra TV: 2% (First Response), 5% (All Responses)
- Public Broadcasting: 2% (First Response), 7% (All Responses)
- Obiektivi: 1% (First Response), 3% (All Responses)
- Maestro: 1% (First Response), 4% (All Responses)
- Patriarch’s Channel: 1% (First Response), 2% (All Responses)
- Other: 1% (First Response), 4% (All Responses)
- None: 15% (First Response), 15% (All Responses)
- Don’t know/No answer: 2% (First Response), 2% (All Responses)

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In your opinion, is Georgian mass media free to express various political views?

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Why do you think that Georgian mass media is not free to express various political views? (Among those believing that mass media is not free)
How many times per week do you access the internet?

- **Age 18-29**: Every day 84%, 4-6 times per week 5%, 1-3 times per week 5%, Monthly 5%, Never 1%, Don't know/No answer 1%
- **Age 30-49**: Every day 66%, 4-6 times per week 8%, 1-3 times per week 9%, Monthly 1%, Never 16%, Don't know/No answer 1%
- **Age 50+**: Every day 32%, 4-6 times per week 4%, 1-3 times per week 6%, Monthly 55%, Never 1%, Don't know/No answer 1%
- **Tbilisi**: Every day 69%, 4-6 times per week 4%, 1-3 times per week 4%, Monthly 19%, Never 4%
- **Urban**: Every day 61%, 4-6 times per week 7%, 1-3 times per week 7%, Monthly 1%, Never 25%
- **Rural**: Every day 41%, 4-6 times per week 6%, 1-3 times per week 9%, Monthly 2%, Never 42%
- **Total**: Every day 55%, 4-6 times per week 6%, 1-3 times per week 7%, Monthly 1%, Never 30%, Don't know/No answer 1%
Where do you access the internet?
(Among those who use the Internet; multiple responses permitted)
What internet sites do you visit most often for getting news? (Internet users: n=1,024; up to three spontaneous answers)

- Ambebi.ge: 31%
- News.ge: 12%
- Interpressnews.ge: 12%
- Newposts.ge: 5%
- Netgazeti.ge: 3%
- Radiotavisupleba.ge: 3%
- On.ge: 2%
- Liberali.ge: 1%
- Other: 3%
- I don’t get news on internet sites: 45%
- Don’t know/No answer: 12%
Which social media sites do you use most often? (Internet users; up to three spontaneous answers)
Which sources do you use for information about the current international situation?

- **Georgian TV**: 85%
- **Social media**: 20%
- **Georgian internet news sites**: 14%
- **Russian TV stations**: 4%
- **Georgian print media**: 4%
- **Georgian radio stations**: 3%
- **Western TV**: 2%
- **Russian internet news sites**: 1%
- **Other**: 1%
- **None - I don’t seek information about the current international situation**: 6%
- **Don’t know/No answer**: 2%

Social media, n=305

- **Facebook**: 98%
- **Instagram**: 1%
- **Don’t know/No answer**: 1%
Which of these information channels do you trust most for information about the current international situation?

- Georgian TV: 69%
- Social media: 7%
- Georgian internet news sites: 3%
- Russian TV stations: 1%
- Georgian radio stations: 1%
- Other: 2%
- None - I don’t seek information about the current international situation: 11%
- Don’t know/No answer: 6%

Social media, n=105

Facebook: 99%
Don’t know/No answer: 1%