#### Public Opinion Survey: Residents of Armenia

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#### Detailed Methodology

- The survey was conducted on behalf of International Republican Institute's <u>Center for Insights in Survey Research</u> by Breavis (represented by IPSC LLC).
- Data was collected throughout Armenia between July 15 and July 27, 2022, through phone interviews, with respondents selected by random digit dialing (RDD) probability sampling of mobile phone numbers.
- The sample consisted of 1,502 permanent residents of Armenia older than the age of 18. It is representative of the population with access to a mobile phone, which excludes approximately 1.2 percent of adults.
- The sample has been weighted for 11 regions, age, gender, and community type according to the 2021 Yearbook of the Statistical Committee of Armenia.
- The margin of error does not exceed plus or minus 2.5 percentage points for the full sample.
- The response rate was 24 percent.
- 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.

#### Weighted (Disaggregated) Bases 1/2

Disaggregate	Disaggregation Category	Base
	18-35 years old	n=539
Age Groups	36-55 years old	n=522
	56+ years old	n=441
	Male	n=681
Gender	Female	n=822
Community type	Yerevan	n=558
	Urban	n=405
	Rural	n=539
Number of people in the household	1-3 people	n=499
	4-6 people	n=817
	7+ people	n=186
Number of children in the household	None	n=613
	1-2 children	n=613
	3+ children	n=192
Monthly household income	Up to AMD 130,000	n=571
	AMD 130,001 - AMD 260,000	n=432
	AMD 260,001 +	n=389
	Don't know/Refused to answer	n=110

Margin of error will vary with sample size, n. Cited bases are weighted.

#### Weighted (Disaggregated) Bases 2/2

Disaggregate	Disaggregation Category	Base
	Employed	n=649
Employment status	Self-employed	n=210
	Homemaker	n=265
	Retired	n=183
	Unemployed, looking for job	n=105
	Student/Pupil, Unemployed not looking for a job, Other, Don't Know/Refused to answer	n=90
Highest level of education attainment	Primary or secondary	n=526
	Vocational	n=356
	Higher	n=619
Applying for any social assistance programs during	No	n=1,344
the last 12 months	Yes	n=136

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#### **Social Policy**



Have you or any of your household members applied for any social assistance programs during the last 12 months?



#### If yes, who/what authority have you addressed?\*

(Two spontaneous responses accepted)



\*Those who applied for any social assistance programs during the last 12 months, n=136.

### What kind of social assistance did you apply for during the past twelve months?\*

(Multiple spontaneous responses accepted)



\*Those who applied for any social assistance programs during the last 12 months, n=136.

# Are you or any of your household members recipients of any social assistance programs or benefits such as pension, disability benefits, etc?

(Multiple responses accepted)



### To what extent are you satisfied with the assistance or benefits provided?\*



\*Those who or any of their household members are recipients of any social assistance programs or benefits such as pension, disability benefits.

You may or may not communicate with the office of social services or social worker in your community. If you do, how do you usually communicate?



### You may or may not use sources of information to learn about social assistance programs. If you use any, which?

(Two spontaneous responses accepted)



### Which of the following statements best describes the current economic situation of your household?

We do not have enough money for food

We have enough money for food only, but not for clothes

We have enough money for food and clothes, but not enough for expensive durables like a refrigerator

We can afford to buy some expensive durables like a refrigerator or washing machine

We can afford to buy anything we need

Don't know/Refuse to answer



- All respondents
- Respondent and/or household member receives social assistance (n=802)
- Does not receive social assistance (n=697)

### For how long has your household been in the economic situation that you mentioned above?\*



\*Those from the previous question who answered "we have enough money for food only, but not for clothes" and "we don't have enough money for food."

How do you assess your household's financial situation compared to the average household in our country? 1/2



#### How do you assess your household's financial situation compared to the average household in our country? 2/2

- My household is much better off
- My household is somewhat better off
- My household is about average
- My household is somewhat worse off
- My household is much worse off
- Don't know / Refuse to answer

Lori	1%	26%			47%		15%	11%
Syunik	3%	24%			48%		14%	11%
Yerevan	4%	22%			52%		13%	<b>7% 2%</b>
Aragatsotn	2%	21%			57%		11%	8% 2%
Gegharkunik	3%	20%		46%	%		25%	6%
Shirak	1%	17%		5	9%		15%	7% 1%
Vayots Dzor	4%	16%			68%			8% 4%
Armavir	1%	16%			<b>69</b> %		99	% 6%
Kotayk	3%	15%			62%		12%	6% 1%
Tavush	1	3%		54%			28%	5%
Ararat	<b>2</b> % 1	11%	-1	57%			22%	7% 2%
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### Would you like to see the government spend less, spend the same, or spend more in each of the following areas?



### For better provision of and access to the following services, would you be willing to pay additional taxes?



Only "yes" responses are displayed.

### Thinking about the next year or two, how concerned are you about each of the following?

	<ul><li>Very concerned</li><li>Not so concerned</li><li>Not applicable</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Somewhat concerned</li> <li>Not at all concerned</li> <li>Don't know/Refuse to answer</li> </ul>
Not being able to pay all expenses and make ends meet	62%	24% 5% 7% 1%
Not being able to access good-quality long-term care for family members with an illness or disability	52%	31% 5% 7% 5% <b>1</b> %
Losing a job or self-employment income	54%	26% 5% 10% 4% <mark>1</mark> %
Not being able to access good-quality child care or education for your children	63%	16% <mark>4% 7%</mark> 1%
Becoming seriously ill or disabled	52%	25% 8% 13% 2%
Not being able to access good-quality long-term care for elderly family members	48%	29% 6% 9% 6% 1%
C	% 20% 40	% 60% 80% 100%

#### **Social Assistance Programs**



To what extent do you agree or disagree, that the government would, or already does, provide your household and you with adequate income support in the case of income loss or shortage due to...?



Would you like to get more information about how the funds of the Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs are spent?



By which sources of information would you like to be informed about the spending of funds in the Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs?\*

(Multiple responses accepted)



\*Those who would like to get more information about how the funds of the Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs are spent, n=618.

### Have you heard about the Unified Social Service at the Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs?



#### If yes, can you, please, mention one important function of the Unified Social Service?\*

(Spontaneous response)



\*Among those who heard about the Unified Social Service at the Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs, n=325.

#### **Healthcare Policy**



#### Do you smoke?



The tobacco law bans smoking in all indoor and outdoor public places and enacts a total ban on advertising, promotion and sponsorship of tobacco products and substitutions for them. Do you ... the tobacco law? 1/2



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### Do you think the tobacco law is well enforced by the inspectorate body? 1/2

	■No ■Yes		Don't know			
Total	53%		31%	17%		
Male	52%		<b>31</b> % 16%			
Female	53%		<b>30</b> % 17%			
18-35 years old	59%		32%	6 <u>10%</u>		
36-55 years old	48%		34%	17%		
56+ years old	50%		25%	24%		
Yerevan	54)		27%	19%		
Urban	50%		32%	18%		
Rural	53%		34%	14%		
Up to AMD 130,000	49%		34%	17%		
AMD 130,001-260,000	51%		32%	17%		
AMD 260,001+	59%		26%	15%		
Primary or secondary	48%	9%	36%	16%		
Vocational	48%		35%	18%		
Higher	5		24%	17%		
Employed	56%		31%	13%		
Self-employed	50%		32%	18%		
Homemaker	48%		35%	17%		
Retired	52%		24%	24%		
Unemployed, looking for a job	50%		25%	26%		
0%	20%	40%	60%	80% 100%		

## Do you think the tobacco law is well enforced by the inspectorate body? 2/2

(Disaggregated by smoking frequency)



#### To what extent do you agree or disagree that the law on tobacco is put into place to benefit the overall health of individuals? 1/2



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#### (Disaggregated by smoking frequency)



### Have you been frequenting restaurants less because you are no longer able to smoke inside or outside?\*

	■ No	■ Y	es	Don't know	
Total (n=465)		67%		25%	8%
Male (n=431)		66%		25%	8%
Female (n=34**)		74%		24%	6 <u>3%</u>
18-35 years old (n=190)		66%		31%	3%
36-55 years old (n=162)		70%		22%	9%
56+ years old (n=111)		64%		20%	16%
Yerevan (n=186)		<b>69</b> %		24%	7%
Urban (n=115)		67%		24%	9%
Rural (n=163)		65%		26%	9%
Up to AMD 130,000 (n=129)		65%		19%	16%
AMD 130,001-260,000 (n=147)		<u> </u>		30%	6%
AMD 260,001 + (n=152)		67%		28%	5%
Primary or secondary (n=160)		<b>69</b> %		25%	7%
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Higher (n=199)		<u> </u>		25%	8%
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Employed (n=245)		68%		25%	7%
Self-employed (n=98)		65%		24%	10%
Retired (n=40**)		63%		23%	15%
Unemployed, looking for a job (n=45**)		73%	1	20%	7%
0%	20%	40%	60%	80%	100%

\*Those who smoke.

\*\*Due to small n, analysis should be interpreted with caution.

#### Demographics



#### Demographics 1/2



#### Demographics 2/2



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