

Survey on Political Attitudes

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Demography

1. There are a number of ethnic groups living in Georgia. Which ethnic group do you consider yourself a part of?

[Interviewer! Do not read. One answer only.]

Armenian	1
Azerbaijani	2
Georgian	3
Other Caucasian ethnicity (Abkhazian, Lezgin, Ossetian, etc.)	4
Russian	5
Kurd or Yezidi	6
Other ethnicity	7
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

2. What is the highest level of education you have achieved to date?

[Interviewer! Do not read. Correspond.]

Did not obtain a nine year diploma	1
Nine year diploma	2
High school diploma (11 or 12 years)	3
Vocational/technical degree	4
Bachelor's degree/5 years diploma	5
Any degree above bachelor's	6
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1

<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2
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3. There are different opinions regarding the direction in which Georgia is going. Which one do you agree with?

[Interviewer! Read out. Only one answer.]

Georgia is definitely going in the <u>wrong</u> direction	1
Georgia is mainly going in the wrong direction	2
Georgia is not changing at all	3
Georgia is mainly going in the right direction	4
Georgia is definitely going in the <u>right</u> direction	5
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

4. Please, tell me, how would you rate the performance of the current government?

[Interviewer! Read out.]

Very bad	1
Bad	2
Good	3
Very good	4
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

5. Please, tell me, how much do you agree or disagree that Members of parliament take into account opinions of people like you?

[Interviewer! Read out.]

Completely agree	4
Somewhat agree	3
Somewhat disagree	2

Completely disagree	1
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

6. Please tell me, how would you rate the performance of the following institutions?

[Interviewer! Read out.]

		Very bad	Bad	Average	Good	Very good	<i>(Don't know)</i>	<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>
1	The Parliament	1	2	3	4	5	-1	-2
2	President Salome Zourabichvili	1	2	3	4	5	-1	-2
3	Prime minister Irakli Gharibashvili	1	2	3	4	5	-1	-2
4	Georgian Army	1	2	3	4	5	-1	-2

7. Which party is closest to you?

[Interviewer! Do not read. Correspond. One answer only. If the respondent names Girchi, ask, "Which Girchi?"]

Georgian Dream – Democratic Georgia (Irakli Gharibashvili, Kakha Kaladze, Irakli Kobakhidze)	1
United National Movement (Nika Melia, Tina Bokuchava, Mikheil Saakashvili, Roman Gotsiridze)	2
European Georgia (Giga Bokeria, Irma Nadirashvili)	3
Free Democrats (Tamar Kekenadze)	4
Alliance of Patriots of Georgia (Davit Tarkhan-Mouravi, Irma Inashvili)	5
Georgian Labor Party (Shalva Natelashvili)	6

Democratic Movement – United Georgia (Nino Burjanadze)	7
Giorgi Vashadze - Strategy Agmashenebeli (Giorgi Vashadze)	8
Girchi - More Freedom (Zurab Japaridze)	9
For Georgia (Giorgi Gakharia)	10
Girchi (Iago Khvichia, Vakhtang Megrelishvili, Sandro Rakviashvili)	11
Lelo For Georgia (Mamuka Khazaradze, Davit Usupashvili, Badri Japaridze)	12
Free Georgia (Kakha Kukava)	13
Aleko Elisashvili - Citizens (Aleko Elisashvili, Levan Ioseliani)	14
For Justice (Eka Beselia)	15
Victorious Georgia (Irakli Okruashvili)	16
Republican Party (Khatuna Samnidze, Davit Berdzenishvili)	17
Conservative Party (Zviad Dzidziguri)	18
Ana Dolidze - For People (Ana Dolidze)	19
Tribune (Davit Chichinadze)	20
Unity, Essence, Hope – ERI (Levan Vasadze)	21
Georgian March - National Movement (Sandro Bregadze)	22
Movement State for People (Nika Machutadze)	23
European Socialists (Pridon Injia)	24
Droa (Elene Khoshtaria, Batu Kutelia)	25
Conservative Movement – Alt-Info’s party	26
Other (specify)_____	27
<i>(No party)</i>	-5
<i>(Don’t know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

EU

8. Do you approve or disapprove of the Georgian government's stated goal to join the EU?

Approve	1	GO TO 10
Disapprove	0	
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1	
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2	

9. If Approve, why do you approve it?

[Interviewer: Do not read! Correspond! Accept up to 3 answers.]

	<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
	<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2
1	It will improve Georgian economy	
2	It will protect Georgian culture and values	
3	It will provide greater security for Georgia	
4	It will improve consumer safety	
5	It secures Georgians right to travel in EU without visa	
6	It will strengthen democratic development	
7	It will improve the chances to restore territorial integrity	
8	It will create more jobs	
9	Europe is where Georgia belongs historically	
10	Because political party I support approves of it	
11	Because my family approves of it	
12	Other (Specify) _____	

10. Which of the following statements do you agree with? In the last 5 years ... [Read out]

Georgia has grown closer to EU	1
Georgia has distanced itself from EU	2
Georgia's relationship with EU remains the same as before	3
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

11. Please tell me which of the following statements do you agree with?

[Interviewer!] Read out.]

Georgia will benefit more from European and Euro-Atlantic integration (joining EU and NATO)	1
Georgia will benefit more from abandoning European and Euro-Atlantic integration in favor of better relations with Russia	2
<i>[Do not read!] Agree with neither</i>	3
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

12. There are different opinions regarding Georgia's integration in NATO and EU. Do you agree or disagree with the following?

		Agree	Disagree	<i>(Don't know)</i>	<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>
1	As a result of EU integration Georgia will lose its national identity.	1	0	-1	-2
2	If Georgia joins NATO, there will be higher risks of Russia's aggression towards Georgia.	1	0	-1	-2

3	If Georgia becomes a NATO member, it will help restore territorial integrity of Georgia.	1	0	-1	-2
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NATO

13. Do you approve or disapprove of Georgian government's stated goal to join the NATO?

Approve	1	GO TO 15
Disapprove	0	
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1	
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2	

14. If approve, why?

[Interviewer: Do not read! Correspond! Accept up to 3 answers.]

	<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
	<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2
1	It will improve Georgian economy	
2	It will provide greater security for Georgia	
3	It will lead to visa free travel in NATO member states	
4	It will strengthen democratic development	
5	It will improve the chances to restore territorial integrity	
6	It will protect Georgia from Russia	
7	It will strengthen Georgian defense capacity	
8	Because political party I support approves of it	
9	Because my family approves of it	
10	<i>Other (Specify) _____</i>	

15. Which countries and unions should Georgia have the closest political cooperation with?

Please name up to three.

[Interviewer: Do not read! Correspond! Accept up to 3 answers.]

	<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
	<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2
1	USA	
2	EU	
3	Russia	
4	NATO	
5	Armenia	
6	Turkey	
7	Azerbaijan	
8	Ukraine	
9	Iran	
10	Israel	
11	China	
12	UN	
13	UK	
14	Other	

16. Which countries and unions should Georgia have the closest economic cooperation with?

Please name up to three.

[Interviewer: Do not read! Correspond! Accept up to 3 answers.]

	<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
	<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2
1	USA	
2	EU	
3	Russia	
4	NATO	

5	Armenia	
6	Turkey	
7	Azerbaijan	
8	Ukraine	
9	Iran	
10	Israel	
11	China	
12	UN	
13	UK	
14	Other	

17. Thinking about 15 years from now, do you agree or disagree that Georgia will regain its territorial integrity?

Agree	1
Disagree	0
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

Russia

18. In your opinion, how much of a military threat, if at all, is Russia to its neighboring countries? A major threat, a minor threat or not a threat at all?

Major threat	3
Minor threat	2
Is not a threat at all	1
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

19. For each, please tell me, in the last 5 years has the influence of the following on Georgia increased, decreased, or stayed the same?

[Interviewer! If the answer is ‘Don’t know’ or ‘Refuse to answer’, skip to next item or next question if it’s the last item in the list.]

20. Is this a good thing or a bad thing for Georgia?

		19					20			
		Increased	Stayed the same	Decreased	(Don't know)	(Refuse to answer)	Good thing	Bad thing	(Don't know)	(Refuse to answer)
1	Russia’s influence on Georgia	3	2	1	-1	-2	1	0	-1	-2
2	EU’s influence on Georgia	3	2	1	-1	-2	1	0	-1	-2
3	NATO’s influence on Georgia	3	2	1	-1	-2	1	0	-1	-2
4	US’s influence on Georgia	3	2	1	-1	-2	1	0	-1	-2

21. Thinking about Georgia’s economic relations with Russia, in your opinion:

[Interviewer! Read out.]

Georgia should deepen economic relations with Russia	1
Georgia should leave economic relations with Russia as it is	2
Georgia should limit economic relations with Russia	3
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

War in Ukraine

22. What is your overall opinion of the government of Ukraine?

[Interviewer! Read out.]

Very favorable	4
Favorable	3
Unfavorable	2
Very unfavorable	1
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

23. What is your overall opinion of the people of Ukraine?

[Interviewer! Read out.]

Very favorable	4
Favorable	3
Unfavorable	2
Very unfavorable	1
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

24. What is your overall opinion of the government of Russia?

[Interviewer! Read out.]

Very favorable	4
Favorable	3
Unfavorable	2
Very unfavorable	1
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

25. What is your overall opinion of the people of Russia?

[Interviewer! Read out.]

Very favorable	4
Favorable	3
Unfavorable	2
Very unfavorable	1
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

26. For each of the following, please, tell me, how would you assess their response to the Russian invasion in Ukraine?

[Interviewer! Read out.]

		Positive	Negative	<i>(Don't know)</i>	<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>
	By Georgian Prime Minister Irakli Gharibashvili	1	0	-1	-2
	By Georgian President Salome Zourabichvili	1	0	-1	-2

27. Following Russia's invasion of Ukraine, countries across the world imposed a series of economic sanctions on Russia. The Georgian Government decided not to join the global sanctions against Russia. Do you approve or disapprove of Georgian government's this decision?

Approve	1
Disapprove	0
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

28. In your opinion, who helped Ukraine the most?

[Interviewer: Do not read! Correspond! Accept up to 3 answers. If the respondent names a specific European country, please select it or if it is not on the list, record it in other]

	<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
	<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2
1	USA	
2	EU	
3	NATO	
4	UN	
5	UK	
6	Georgia	
7	Poland	
8	Estonia	
9	France	
10	Germany	
11	Greece	
12	Czech Republic	
13	Latvia	
14	Lithuania	
15	The Netherlands	
16	Portugal	
17	Romania	
18	Slovakia	
19	Slovenia	
20	Israel	
21	Turkey	
22	China	

23	Armenia	
24	Azerbaijan	
25	Other (specify)_____	

29. To the best of your knowledge, whose fault is the War in Ukraine?

[Interviewer: Do not read! Correspond! Accept up to 3 answers.]

	<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
	<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2
1	Russia	
2	USA	
3	EU	
4	NATO	
5	Ukraine	
6	Other (specify)_____	

30. Considering the current situation, please tell me how likely or unlikely it is that the following scenarios will unfold in Georgia during the next year?

[Interviewer! Read out.]

		Likely	Less likely	Not likely	<i>(Don't know)</i>	<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>
1	Russian military aggression against Georgia	3	2	1	-1	-2
2	Economic decline / hardship in Georgia	3	2	1	-1	-2
3	Advancement of pro-Russian political forces in Georgia	3	2	1	-1	-2

4	Worsened relationship with EU	3	2	1	-1	-2
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31. Thinking about the War in Ukraine, how do you feel it may affect your and your family's economic well-being? Economic situation of you and your family will ...

[Interviewer! Read out.]

Get worse	1
Get better	2
Economic situation of my family will not be affected by war	3
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

32. Please, tell me, how much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

[Interviewer! Read out.]

		Completely agree	Somewhat agree	Somewhat disagree	Completely disagree	<i>(Don't know)</i>	<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>
1	I believe that my government will make the right decision during a time of crisis	4	3	2	1	-1	-2
2	My country is my home and I don't intend to leave it	4	3	2	1	-1	-2
3	In my society there is a high level of social solidarity (mutual assistance and concern for one another)	4	3	2	1	-1	-2

33. On March 3 the Georgian government signed an application to join the European Union. Do you approve or disapprove of this decision?

	Approve	1
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Disapprove	0
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

34. Currently Russian citizens don't need visas for entering Georgia. Do you think Georgian government should introduce a visa regime for Russian citizens?

[Interviewer! Read out.]

Should introduce	1
Should not introduce	0
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

Demography

35. Now, I will read you a series of household items. Please note that we are only interested in items that your household owns and that are in normal working order. Please tell me whether or not your household owns ...?

		Owens	Does not own	<i>(Don't know)</i>	<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>
1	Refrigerator	1	0	-1	-2
2	Color TV	1	0	-1	-2
3	Smartphone (a phone with color display and with internet connection)	1	0	-1	-2
4	Tablet computer (e.g. iPad, Galaxy Tab, Lenovo etc.)	1	0	-1	-2
5	Car	1	0	-1	-2

6	Air conditioner	1	0	-1	-2
7	Automatic washing machine	1	0	-1	-2
8	Personal computer, including laptop	1	0	-1	-2
9	Hot water	1	0	-1	-2
10	Central heating	1	0	-1	-2