

COVID-19 POLL
June 2020

Information sources

1. What is your main source of information for receiving news about Coronavirus pandemic?

[Interviewer! Do not read. Correspond. Up to 3 answers. If the respondent names 'internet' ask what exactly?]

	<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1	
	<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2	
	<i>(Do not receive information about coronavirus)</i>	-5	GO TO 3
1	Colleagues		
2	Family members		
3	Neighbors, friends		
4	Internet (except social networks)		
5	Internet (social networks)		
6	Newspapers, news magazines		
7	Radio		
8	TV		
9	Mobile applications (such as Viber, WhatsApp, Signal etc.)		
10	Other		

2. How much do you trust or distrust information about coronavirus received from following sources ...?

[Interviewer! Read out.]

		Fully trust	Partially trust	Partially distrust	Fully distrust	Do not receive information about coronavirus from this source	(Don't know)	(Refuse to answer)
1	Government	4	3	2	1	-5	-1	-2
2	NCDC	4	3	2	1	-5	-1	-2
3	Your religious leader/church	4	3	2	1	-5	-1	-2
4	Journalists/media	4	3	2	1	-5	-1	-2
5	Your local government (Sakrebulo, Mayor's office)	4	3	2	1	-5	-1	-2
6	NGOs	4	3	2	1	-5	-1	-2

3. How often do you use the Internet? Do you use the Internet ... [READ OUT]

Every day,	1	
At least once a week,	2	
At least once a month,	3	
Less often,	4	
or Never?	5	GO TO 6
[DO NOT READ] <i>I don't know what the Internet is.</i>	6	
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1	
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2	

4. How often do you use social media such as Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Vkontakte etc.?

[Interviewer! Read out.]

Every day	1	GO TO 6
At least once a week	2	
At least once a month	3	
Less often,	4	
Never	5	
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1	
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2	

Ask questions 5, 6, 7, 8 to those who receives information about coronavirus.

5. How often, if ever, do you get news and information about the coronavirus outbreak on social networks?

[Interviewer! Read out.]

Often	3
Sometimes	2
or Never?	1
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

6. How often, if ever, do you get news and information about the coronavirus outbreak on mobile apps (Viber, WhatsApp, Signal etc.)?

[Interviewer! Read out.]

Often	3
Sometimes	2
or Never?	1
[DO NOT READ] <i>I don't use mobile applications.</i>	-5
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

7. When you get news and information about the coronavirus outbreak, do you generally find it ...

[Interviewer! Read out.]

Difficult to determine what is true and what is not	1
Easy to determine what is true and what is not	2
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

8. A lot of information is circulating about coronavirus. Based on your observation:

[Interviewer! Read out.]

Most of this information seems false	1
Some of this information seems false	2
Or none of it seems fake/false?	3
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1

<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2
---------------------------	----

Ask question 9 only to those who receives information about coronavirus on social networks.

9. When you get news and information about the coronavirus outbreak on Facebook, how do you decide if a piece of information you encounter is false/fake?

[Interviewer! Read out. Accept up to 3 answers]

	<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
	<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2
1	If it was shared by person that I don't trust	
2	If it was published by unfamiliar source	
3	If it was published by media that I don't trust	
4	If it doesn't reflect my opinions	
5	If I know for a fact that opposite is true	
6	If it sounds suspicious/unrealistic	
7	Other	

10. Do you believe the Lugar Lab is ...

[Interviewer! Read out.]

Contributing to the spread of coronavirus	1	GO TO 12
Preventing the spread of coronavirus	2	
Or neither?	3	GO TO 12
[Do not read] <i>Have not heard of Lugar lab</i>	-5	
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1	
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2	

11. How important or unimportant is the Lugar Lab in fighting the coronavirus in Georgia?

[Interviewer! Read out.]

Very important	4
-----------------------	---

Important	3
Not unimportant	2
Not important at all	1
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

EU and NATO support

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

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

13. Thinking about the coronavirus pandemic, how did the pandemic change your attitudes towards EU?

[Interviewer! Read out.]

Changed to more positive	1
Changed to more negative	2
Or did not affect at all?	3
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

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

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

15. 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	GO TO 17
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	

16. Do you agree very strongly with this statement or just agree with it?

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

Myths/disinformation

17. Do you think it is most likely the coronavirus ...

[Interviewer! Read out.]

Came about naturally	1
Was developed in a lab and spread intentionally	2
Was made in a lab and spread accidentally	3
Or doesn't really exist?	4
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

18. Some people say that “natural remedies” (such as drinking hot water, vodka, eating garlic etc.) are effective in protecting against coronavirus and as a cure. Have you used any “natural remedies” for protection against coronavirus or as a cure?

Yes	1
No	0
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

19. To what extent to you agree or disagree with the following statement: “Faith protects believers of my religion from getting infected with the coronavirus”

[Interviewer! Read out.]

Completely disagree	1
Somewhat disagree	2
Somewhat agree	3
Completely agree	4

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

20. Do you think that a foreign country is intentionally spreading false information/disinformation about coronavirus in Georgia?

Yes	1	GO TO 22
No	0	
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1	
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2	

21. If yes, which country?

[Interviewer! Do not read. Correspond. Accept all answers.]

	<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
	<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2
1	Russia	
2	China	
3	USA	
4	Armenia	
5	Azerbaijan	
6	Turkey	
7	EU countries	
8	Other (specify) _____	

22. Do you agree or disagree with the following statements:

		Agree	Disagree	<i>(Don't know)</i>	<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>
1	Russia is handling the coronavirus pandemic situation better than EU countries	1	0	-1	-2
2	EU has abandoned its member countries in fight against coronavirus	1	0	-1	-2
3	Biological weapons against Russia are being developed at Lugar lab	1	0	-1	-2
4	Russia is handling the coronavirus pandemic situation better than USA	1	0	-1	-2

23. So far, Georgia has relatively lower level of spread and mortality rate of coronavirus. Which of the following statements do you agree most with?

[Interviewer! Read out.]

This situation in Georgia is mostly due to the correct steps by the government and doctors	1
This situation in Georgia is mostly due to our genetics and religion	2
[Do not read] Agree with neither	3
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

24. To the best of your knowledge, did the following countries provide help to Georgia to fight Coronavirus?

		Yes	No	<i>(Don't know)</i>	<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>

1	USA	1	0	-1	-2
2	Russia	1	0	-1	-2
3	China	1	0	-1	-2
4	EU countries	1	0	-1	-2

25. There is news circulating regarding the 5G technologies and coronavirus. Do you agree or disagree that 5G internet infrastructure is linked to the spread of coronavirus?

Yes	1
No	0
<i>Never heard about 5G</i>	-5
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

Concerns/future

26. How concerned are you that you or someone related to you will be infected with the coronavirus?

[Interviewer! Read out.]

Very concerned	3
Somewhat concerned	2
Not concerned at all	1
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1

(Refuse to answer)	-2
--------------------	----

27. If the Coronavirus vaccine existed, would you vaccinate yourself and your kids?

Yes	1
No	0
(Don't know)	-1
(Refuse to answer)	-2

Demographics

28. 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
(Don't know)	-1
(Refuse to answer)	-2

29. 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

30. Please tell me which one of these levels best describes your ability in the following:

		No basic knowledge	Beginner	Intermediate	Advanced	<i>(Don't know)</i>	<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>
1.	Russian	1	2	3	4	-1	-2
2.	English	1	2	3	4	-1	-2
3.	Georgian (only for non-Georgian)	1	2	3	4	-1	-2
4.	Turkish	1	2	3	4	-1	-2

31. Which religion or denomination, if any, do you consider yourself as belonging to?

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

Armenian Apostolic Church	1
Roman Catholic Church	2

Georgian Orthodox Church	3	
Russian, Greek or other Orthodox Churches	4	
Protestant Church	5	
Other Christian Church or denomination (Jehovah's Witness, Mormons, etc.)	6	
Islam	7	
Judaism	8	
<i>Other</i>	9	
<i>None</i>	-5	→ GO TO 34
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1	
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2	

32. Using this card, apart from special occasions such as weddings and funerals, about how often do you attend religious services?

[Interviewer! Read out. Only one answer.]

Every day	1
More than once a week	2
Once a week	3
At least once a month	4
Only on special holidays	5
Less often	6
Never	7
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

Ask question 33 only to those who name any Christian denomination (answer options 1-6) in question 31.

33. Did you attend Easter service in church?

Yes	1
No	0
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

34. Which of the following best describes your situation? Please tell me about the activity that you consider to be primary.

[Interviewer! Read out. Only one answer that corresponds with the respondent's main activity.]

I am retired and do not work	1
I am a student and do not work	2
I am a housewife and do not work	3
I am unemployed	4
I work full or part-time, including seasonal jobs	5
I am self-employed, including seasonal jobs	6
I am disabled and cannot work	7
Other	8
<i>(Don't know)</i>	-1
<i>(Refuse to answer)</i>	-2

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 ...?

		Owns	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