The Future of Georgia: Attitudes towards Europe

CRRC-Georgia



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Future of Georgia

- The Future of Georgia study covered four key themes:
 - Ethnic identity and tolerance;
 - Religious identity and the role of the GOC in Georgia;
 - Attitudes towards the West;
 - Attitudes towards the recent past.
- The study was conducted in partnership with Carnegie Europe, the Levan Mikeladze Foundation, and the financial support of the Government of Sweden.
- This set of slides provides data on the first three themes, with the full dataset to be released in late April or early May.

Methodology

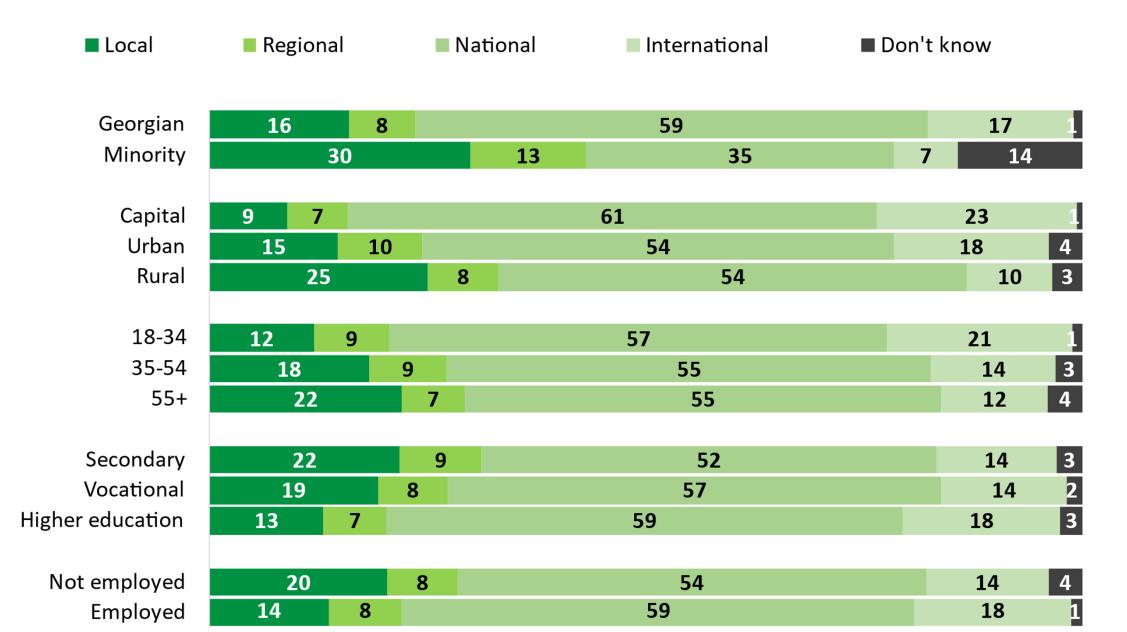
- The Future of Georgia Survey is representative of the adult population of the country, excluding the occupied territories.
- In addition to being nationally representative, it is representative of Tbilisi, other urban, and rural settlements;
- In total, 1928 respondents were surveyed, and the average margin of error was 2.2%.
- The survey's response rate was 32%.
- The survey was conducted using computer assisted personal interviewing (CAPI) on tablet computers in September 2020.

Which of the following identities is more important to you? By settlement type, age groups and Ethnicity (%)

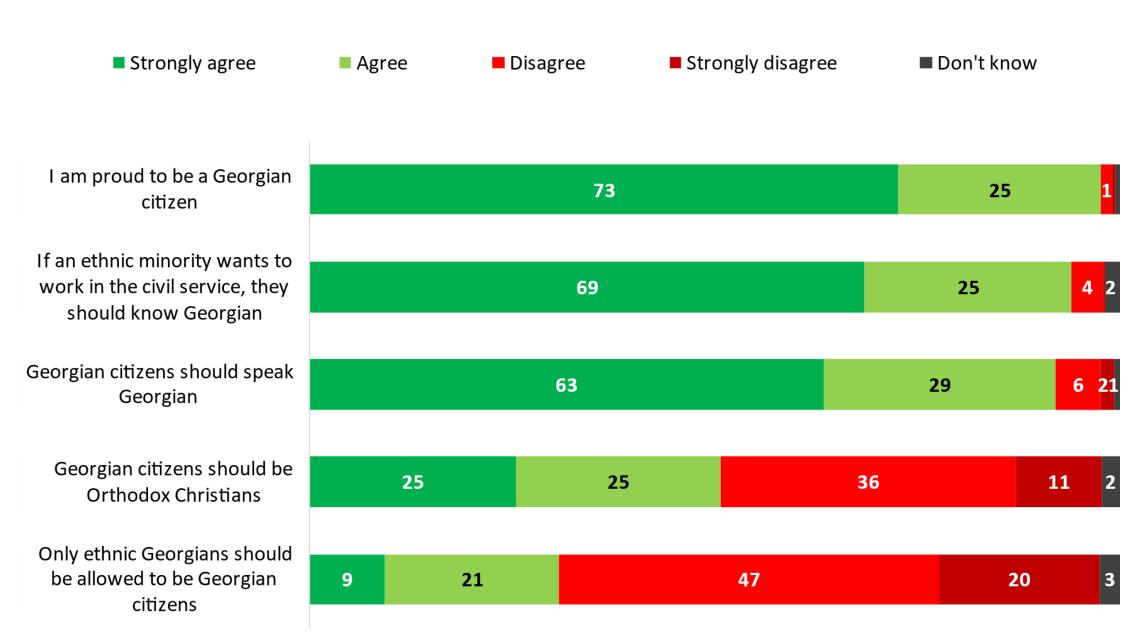
As a citizen of Georgia
Both are equally important
As a member of my ethnic group
Neither are important
Don't know



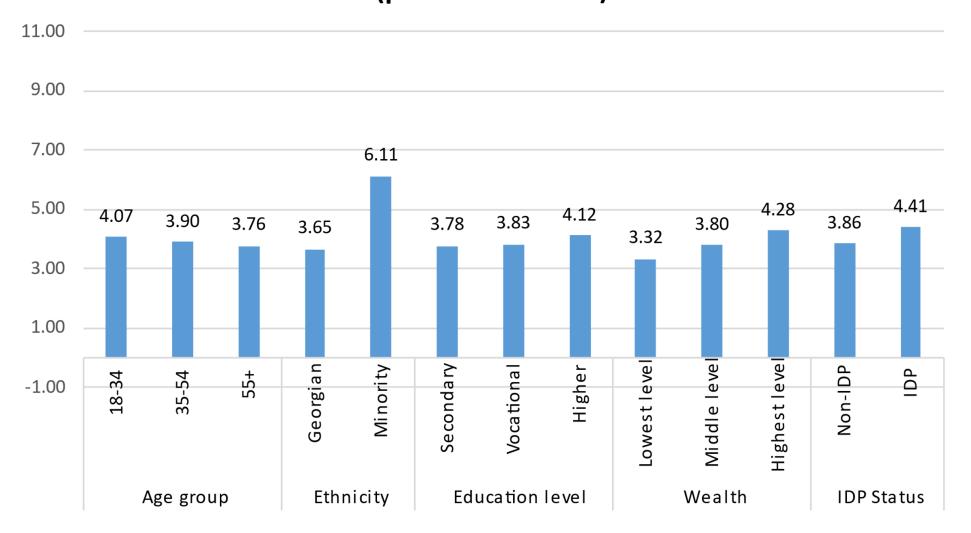
Which type of issues are most important to you? Do you care most about... By education level, settlement type, age group, ethnicity and employment(%)



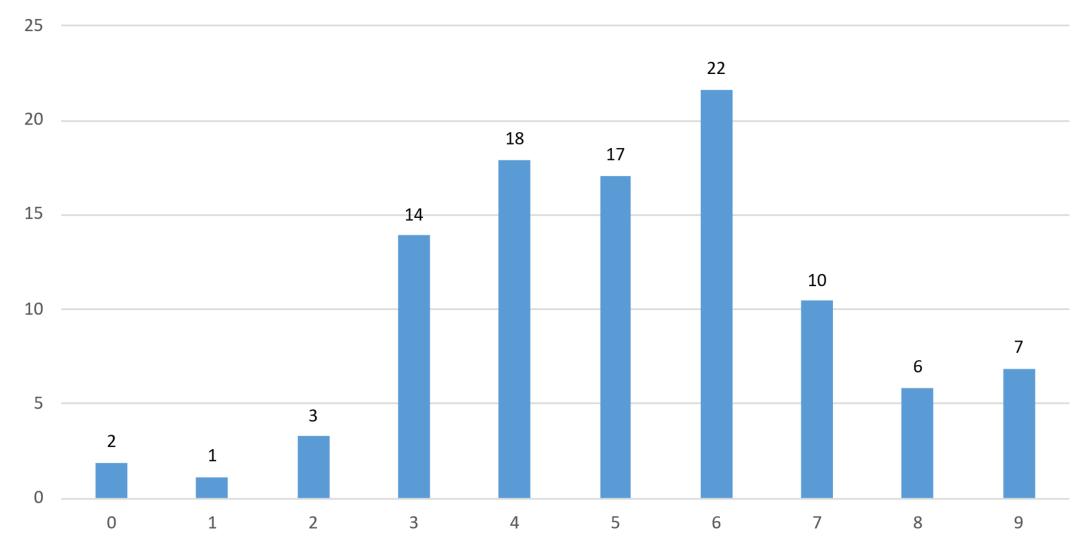
Please tell me whether you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree with the following statements: (%)



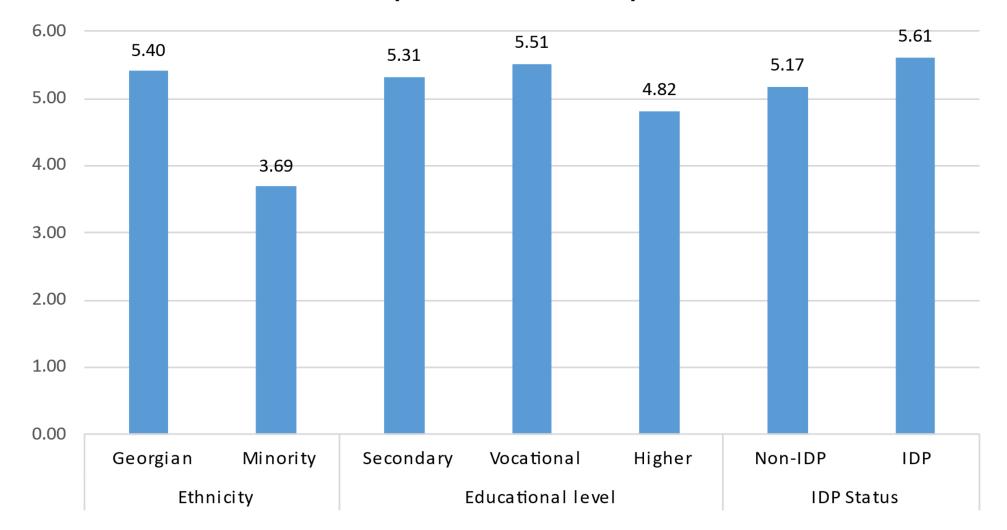
Tolerance towards citizenship index (predicted scores)



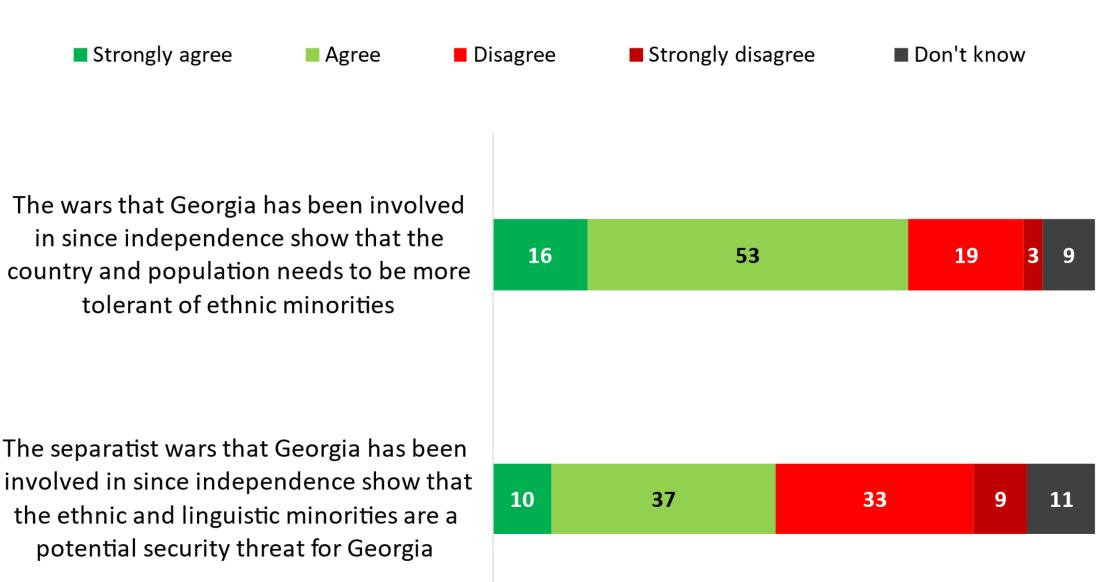




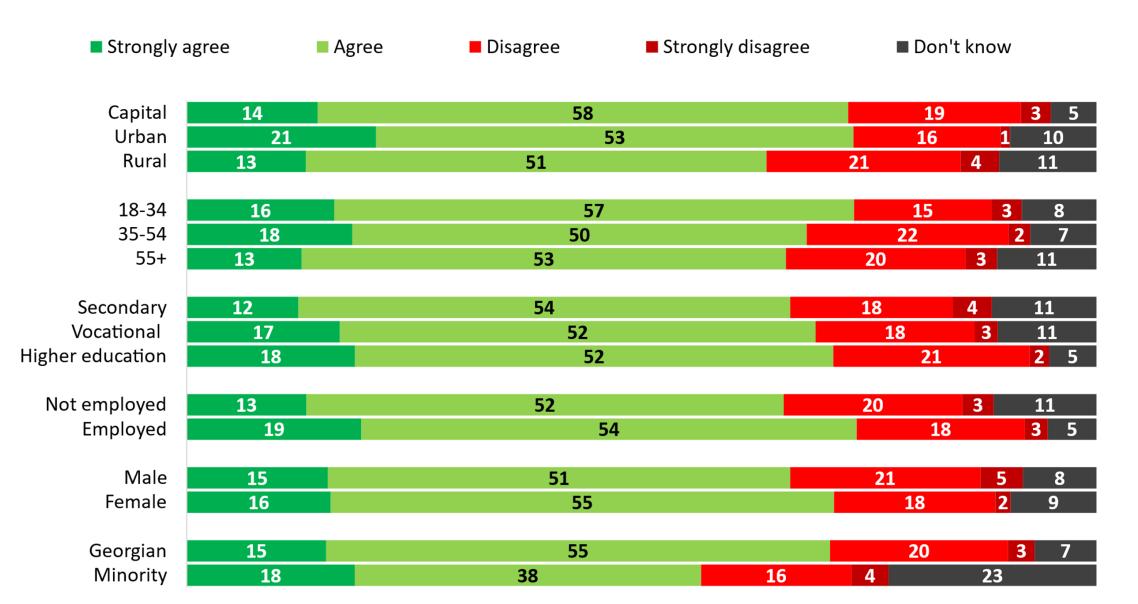
Willingness to vote for different groups index (Predicated scores)



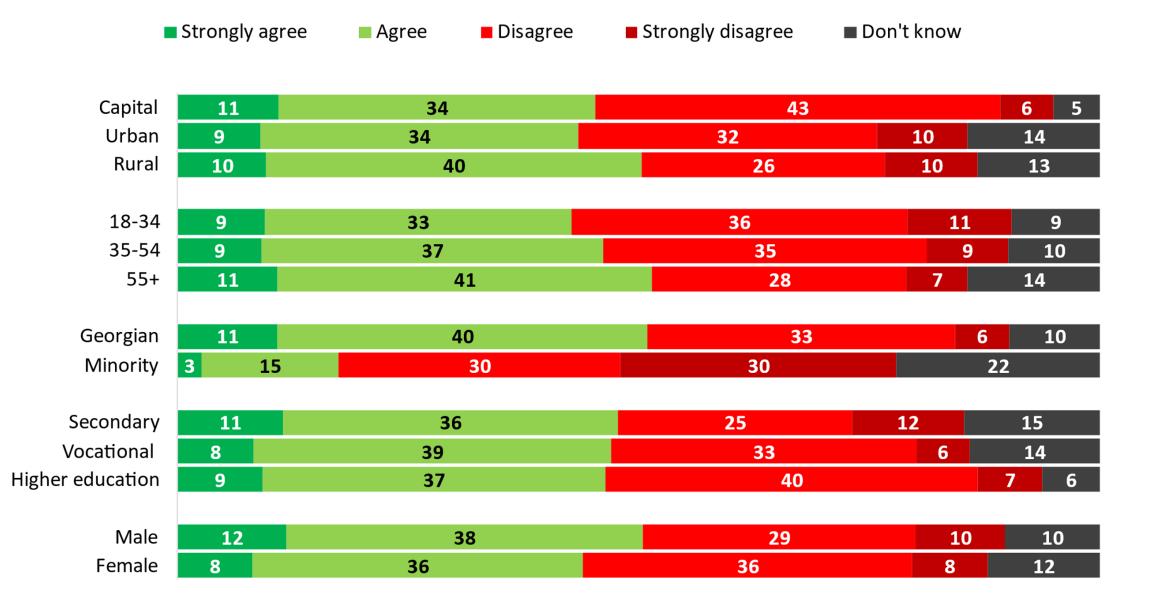
Please tell me whether you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree with the following statements: (%)



Please tell me whether you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree with the statement: The wars that Georgia has been involved in since independence show that the country and population needs to be more tolerant of ethnic minorities (%)



Please tell me whether you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree with the statement: The separatist wars that Georgia has been involved in since independence show that the ethnic and linguistic minorities are a potential security threat for Georgia (%)



Would you approve or disapprove of the following policies in predominantly minority communities:

		Approve	Disapprove	Don't know	
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services in ethnic minority Ru	rai	48		44	8
languages as well as Georgian Georgi Minor		5	1 75	44	5 15 10
Seconda		40		55	4
Vocation Having street signs in minority languages		31 27		<u>62</u> 69	6 4
Georgi Minor		30 5	1	66 36	4 12
Seconda Vocation		36 25		<u>57</u> 68	6 6
Higher education Allowing court cases	on	25		71	4
involving civil disputes 18- 35-		37 30		<u>60</u> 65	<mark>4</mark> 5
between ethnic minorities 5	5+	22		<u> </u>	8
to be carried out in minority languages Georgi		25	E7	70	5 14
			57	29	
Not employ Employ		30 28		62 68	7 4

	Male		38		7		41		1:	12
	Female		5	52		5		32		7 3
Currently there are	Secondary		38		10		41			73
21 female members	Vocational		46		10	7		5		93
of parliament out	Higher education			53		2		2		.1 2
of 150 members.										
Do you think this is?	18-34		5	1		3		36		82
	35-54		45			8	33	;	11	13
	55+		42		8		39			8 3
	Georgian	11	16			6	1		-	4
	Minority		10	58			5	23	9	5
There are currently	Willionty			50			J	23	9	3
11 ethnic minorities	Capital	12	13			6	5			62
in parliament out	Urban	14	17			5	6		9	5
of 150 members.	Rural	22		15			51		7	6
Do you think this is?										
	Not employed	19		17			52		7	5
	Employed	14	11			63	•		٤	34

Too few

About right It does not matter Don't know

Would increasing the number of female, LGBTQ, or minority MPs be a good or bad thing? (%)

What kind of impact would increasing the number of women MPs have on Georgia? Would it have ... (%)

What kind of impact would increasing the number of ethnic minority MPs have on Georgia? Would it have ... (%)

> What kind of impact would it have if there were more LGBTQ people in parliament? Would it have ... (%)

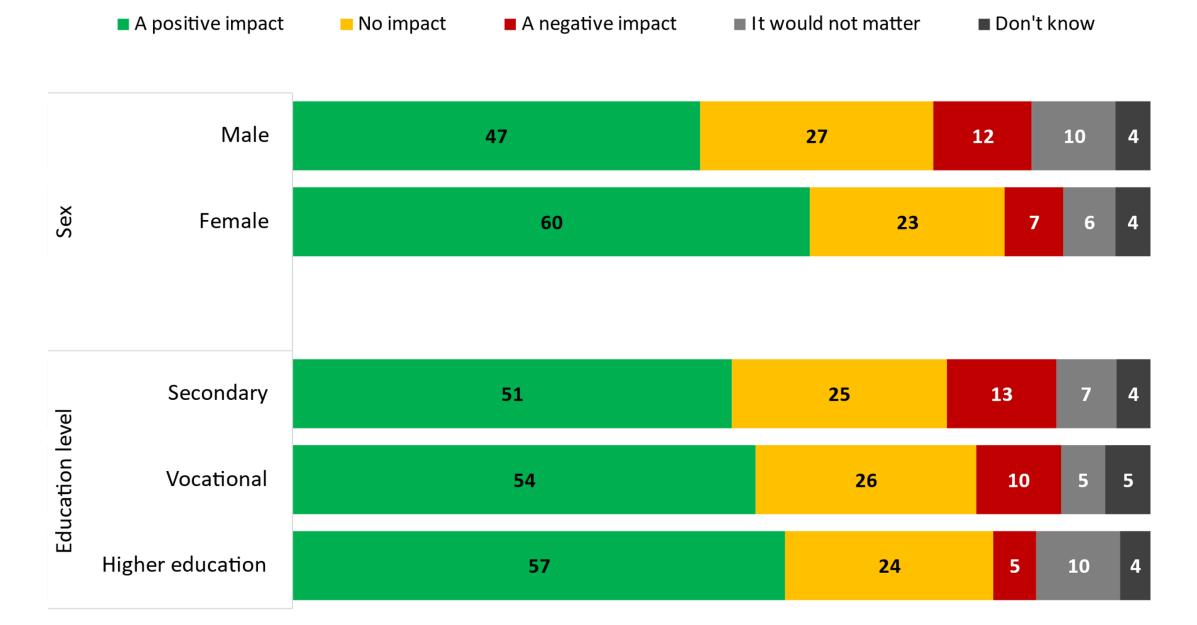
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A positive impactIt would not matter

No impact
 Don't know

A negative impactRefuse to answer

What kind of impact would increasing the number of women MPs have on Georgia? By sex and education level (%)

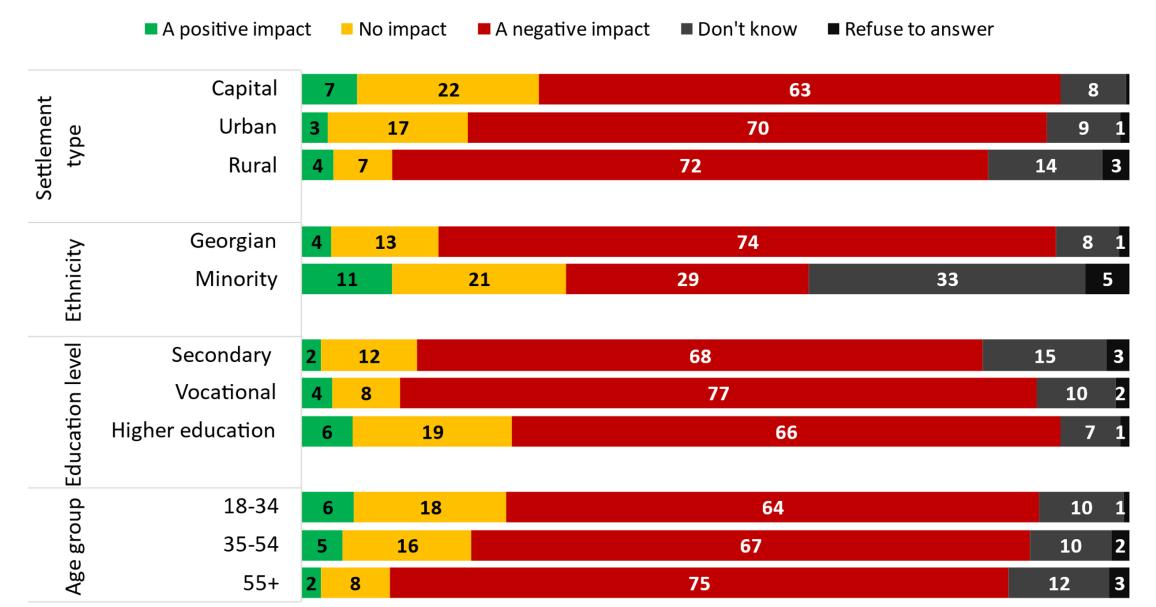


What kind of impact would increasing the number of ethnic minority MPs have on Georgia? By ethnicity, employment status and settlement type(%)

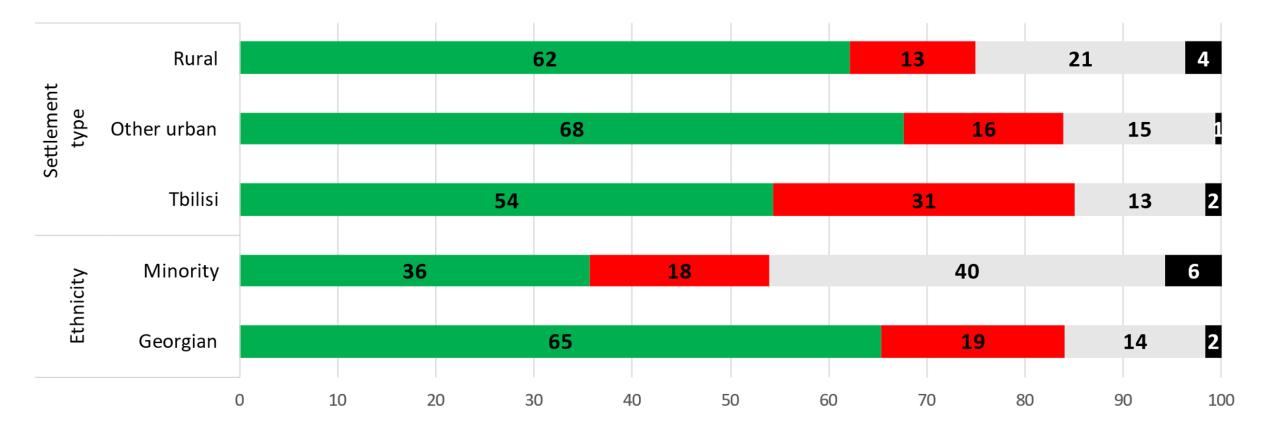
A positive impact
No impact
A negative impact
It would not matter
Don't know



What kind of impact would it have if there were more LGBTQ people in parliament? By ethnicity, employment status, settlement type and age group (%)



The Georgian Orthodox Church has a constitutional agreement which gives it a special legal status in Georgia. Do you approve or disapprove of the Georgian Orthodox Church's special status? (%)



Approve Disapprove DK RA

Please tell me whether you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree with the following statements... (%)

The Georgian Orthodox Church is very important for my family

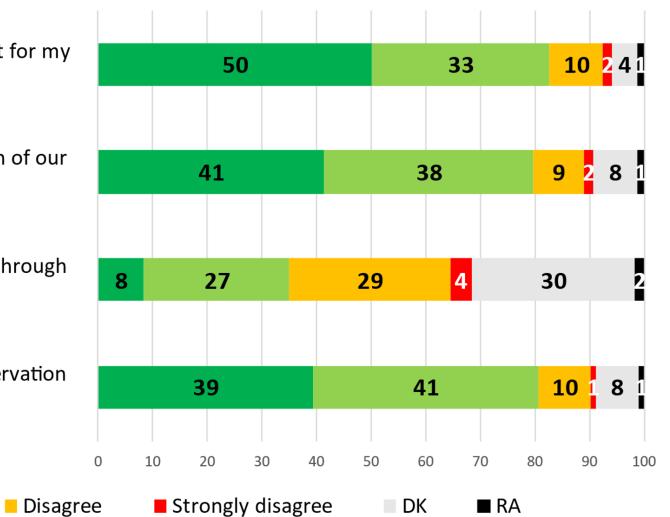
The Georgian Orthodox Church is the foundation of our identity

The Georgian Orthodox Church benefits Georgia through bringing us closer to Russia

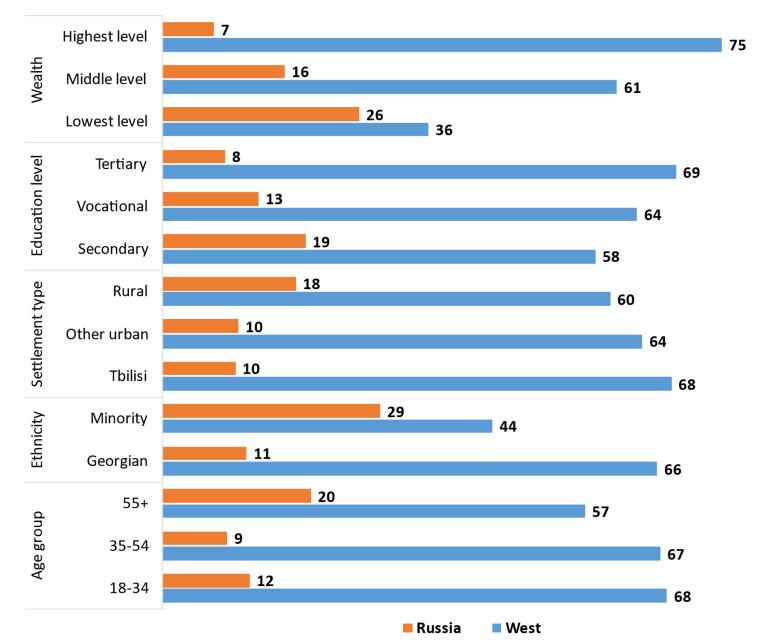
The Georgian Orthodox Church promotes the preservation of moral values in Georgian society

Agree

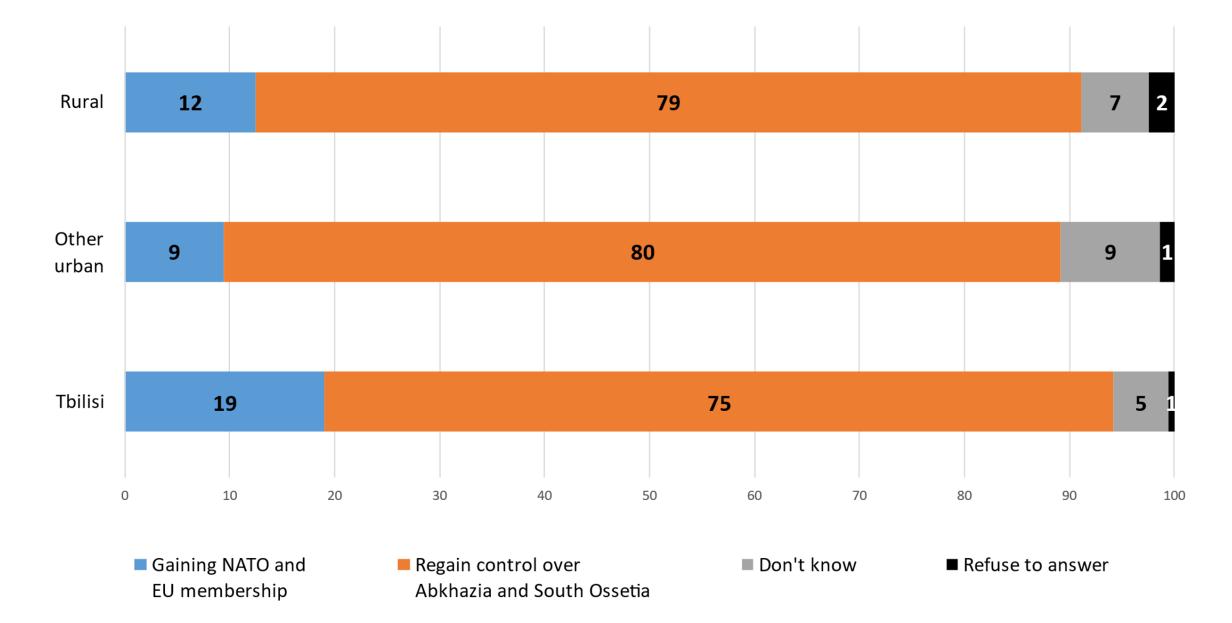
Strongly agree



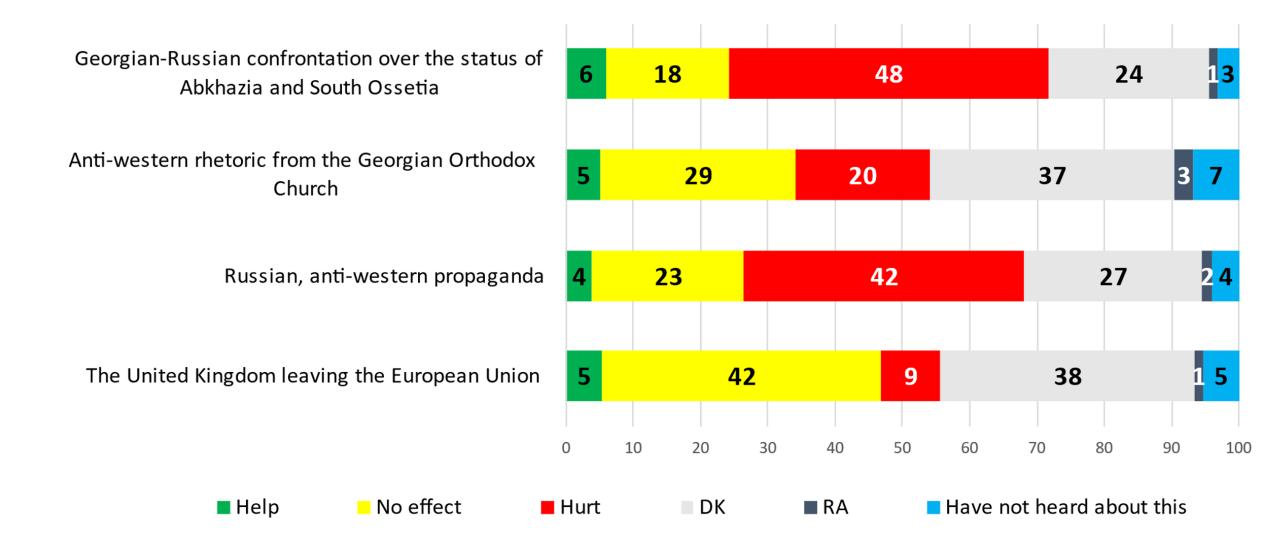
Who can currently give the best support to Georgiathe EU, USA, or Russia? (%)



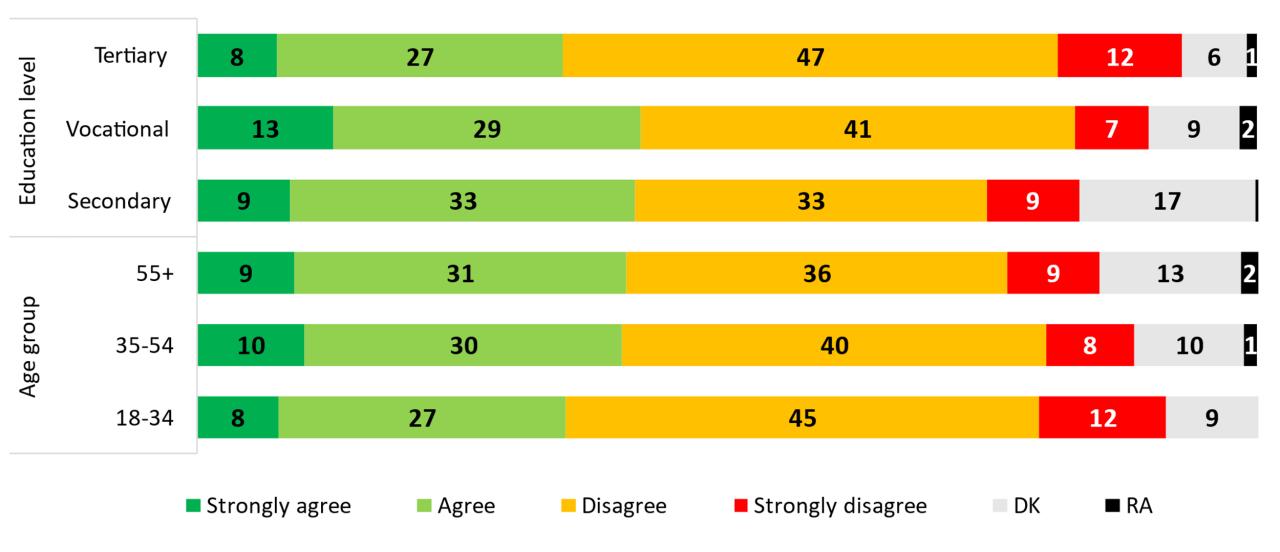
If you had to choose between regaining control over Abkhazia and South ossetia or membership in NATO and the EU, which would you choose? (%)



Do you think the following have helped, hurt, or not affected Georgia in becoming closer to the European Union (%)



Please tell me whether you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree with the following statement: The European Union represents a threat to Georgian traditions (%)



Please tell me how much you agree or disagree with the following statements about potential outcomes of Georgia's further integration into the European Union: (%)

Georgians will be able to go to the European Union to study and work more easily					
Georgia will become more European					
Georgia will gain human rights protections					
Georgia will gain numan rights protections					

Georgia will have more democratic institutions and values.

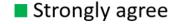
Georgia will have a better economy.

Integration will bring Georgia closer together with other Christian nations

Georgia will be better protected from Russia

Georgia will have more functional government

33	53	<mark>6</mark> 7
21	57	<mark>10</mark> 210
24	53	11 11
22	52	<mark>12 1</mark> 12
23	50	12 13
17	50	<mark>13</mark> 2 18
19	45	<mark>18 3</mark> 15
16	47	<mark>16 3</mark> 18



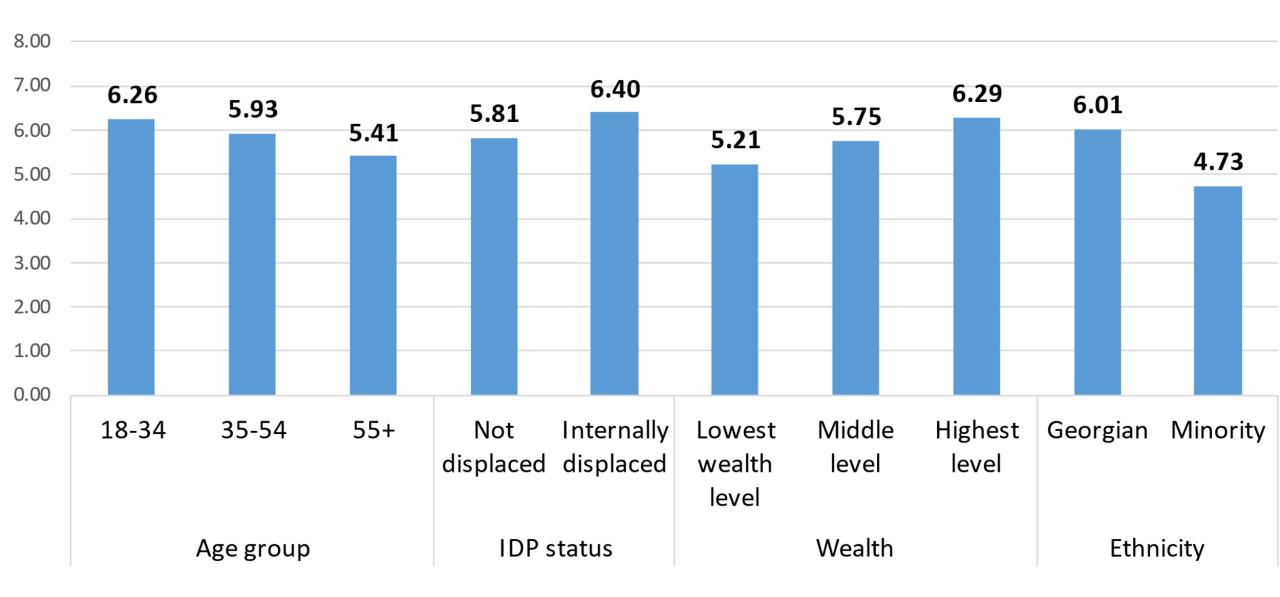
Agree

Disagree

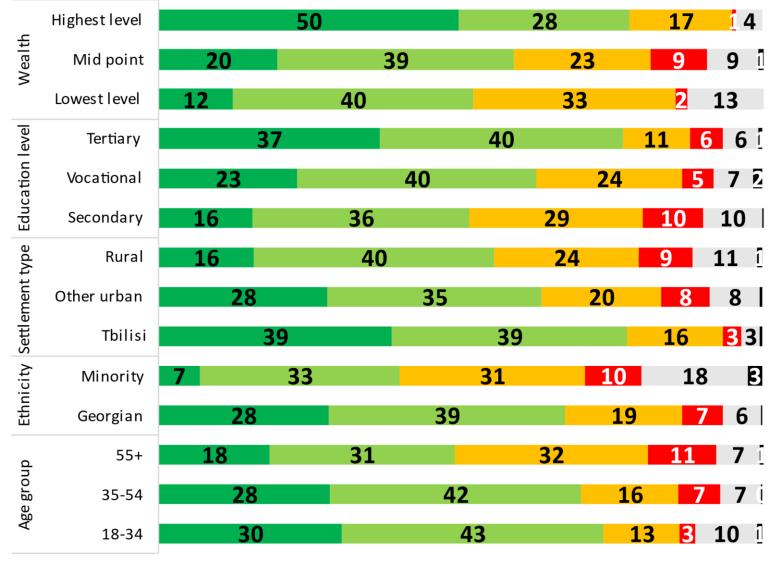
Strongly disagree



Benefits of EU integration index (predicted scores)



The collapse of the Soviet Union in 1991 was a good thing for Georgia (%)



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