

Social Protection

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2. Metadata update	
2.1. Metadata last certified	March 12, 2024
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3. Statistical presentation	
3.1. Data description	
<p>The process of collecting social protection statistics involves collection, processing, and presentation of Institutional statistics data by LEPL Social Service Agency under the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labor, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia to disseminate them to the Geostat under various State Social Security programs. Statistical Indicators of Accumulative Pension provided by LepI Pension Agency also.</p> <p>Persons receiving a pension package; Persons receiving a social package by type; Number of registered and subsistence allowance recipient families; Number of persons in nursing homes for elderly and disabled; Number of persons in child care institutions, Number of beneficiaries with disabilities using oncology drugs funded by the Universal health care program by age groups, status and sex, Number of beneficiaries with disabilities receiving planned outpatient services by sex and regions, Number of patients with disabilities under the Universal health care program and number of reported cases by status and sex; registered participants in the Funded Pension Scheme, amount of pension fund asset portfolio (value of the fund), proceeds, number of participants who have been assigned Funded Pensions etc.</p>	
3.2. Classification system	
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3.3. Sector coverage	
Administrative data registered by the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons From The Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia (by municipalities, regions, country).	
3.4. Statistical concepts and definitions	
<p>Pension Package (old age) – A monthly state disbursement to a certain category of the citizens permanently residing on the territory of Georgia, as well as the citizens of foreign states that have been legally residing on the territory of Georgia for the past 10 years and the persons without citizenship, disbursed on the basis of reaching the retirement age, in order to provide them with minimum subsistence means.</p> <p>Social Package – A monthly state disbursement to a certain category of the citizens of Georgia in the presence of relevant grounds set forth in the law.</p> <p>Subsistence Allowance – A monetary social assistance intended for improving the social and economic conditions of deprived families identified by the evaluation system.</p> <p>Defined contribution scheme – A pension scheme where pension contributions to be made in favour of a participant are calculated in accordance with the procedure determined by this Law and are reflected in an individual retirement account, and the final benefit is calculated only after taking into account the implemented pension contributions and revenue, expense, surplus revenue, loss and other incomes (if any) credited to an individual retirement account, and the pension is paid in accordance with this Law.</p>	

Participant of pension scheme – A natural person who makes pension contributions and/or in favour of whom pension contributions are made in the funded pension scheme of the Pension Agency.
3.5. Statistical unit
Women of retirement age (60 years and older), Men of retirement age (65 years and older), Recipients of separate categories of social packages, and participants of pension scheme.
3.6. Statistical population
Population of relevant category of Georgia.
3.7. Reference area
The data covers the whole territory of Georgia, except the occupied territories.
3.8. Time coverage
Since 1995.
3.9. Base period
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4. Unit of measure
Number.

5. Reference period
Year.

6. Institutional mandate
6.1. Legal acts and other agreements
The Law of Georgia on Official Statistics; https://www.geostat.ge/media/56202/The-Law-of-Georgia-on-Official-Statistics.pdf Statistical Work Programme (annual); https://www.geostat.ge/en/modules/categories/307/statistical-work-programme Charter of the National Statistics Office of Georgia. https://www.geostat.ge/media/20845/10%2Csaqstatis-konsolidirebuli-debuleba.pdf
6.2. Data sharing
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7. Confidentiality
7.1. Confidentiality – policy
<p>1. The Law of Georgia on Official Statistics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • According to the article 5 of the law Statistical confidentiality and exclusive use for statistical purposes – individual data collected or received by the producer of official statistics, relating to natural or legal persons, must be strictly confidential and used only for statistical purposes. • According to the article 34 (Observing Confidentiality of Statistical Data) of the law 1. Data collected, processed, and stored to produce official statistics are confidential if they enable the direct or indirect identification of a statistical unit. In addition, aggregated data are subject to statistical confidentiality: a) Aggregates composed of 1 to 3 units, when the unit is a natural or legal person if one of these units could be identified indirectly, thereby disclosing individual data about this unit. Aggregates composed of more than 3 units may be declared confidential by the Executive Director if required to ensure statistical confidentiality; b) Information declares as a state secret on the basis of the „Law of Georgia on State Secrets“. 2. Confidential data shall be used exclusively for the purposes of producing statistics in accordance with this law. 3. Statistical data about the administrative body cannot be considered confidential information, except for the information determined by the Law of Georgia „On State Secrets“. 4. Individual data obtained from publicly available sources, which are defined as public information in accordance with the legislation of Georgia, shall not be considered confidential information. 5. Confidential (individual) data may be published if there is written consent from the statistical unit regarding the publication of such data. 6. It is not allowed to disseminate and distribute confidential data or use it for non-statistical purposes. • According to the article 38 (Confidentiality commitments) of the law the confidential statistical data collected and processed for statistical purposes shall not be used or disseminated either for personal, academic, research

or any other activities, by the employees of the producers of Official Statistics.

<https://www.geostat.ge/media/56202/The-Law-of-Georgia-on-Official-Statistics.pdf>

2. Data Confidentiality Policy at Geostat

https://www.geostat.ge/media/20860/Data-Confidentiality-Policy-at-Geostat_En.pdf

3. Procedure for providing access to confidential data for research purposes (in Georgian)

<https://www.geostat.ge/media/58983/დაცვენილება--3.pdf>

4. The Law of Georgia on Personal Data Protection

<https://matsne.gov.ge/en/document/view/1561437?publication=9>

7.2. Confidentiality – data treatment

- Confidentiality guidelines.
- Written undertakings by an employee of Geostat on ensuring confidentiality of gained/collected data as a result of official duties.

8. Release policy

8.1. Release calendar

Data dissemination dates are defined by the calendar developed on the basis of the Statistical Work Programme, which is published on the website of Geostat and is publicly available.

8.2. Release calendar access

<https://www.geostat.ge/en/calendar>

8.3. User access

All users have the equal access to the statistical data simultaneously.

9. Frequency of dissemination

Annually.

10. Accessibility and clarity

10.1. News release

Not published.

10.2. Publications

Statistical Yearbook of Georgia:

<https://www.geostat.ge/en/single-categories/95/statistical-yearbook>

„Woman and Man in Georgia“:

<https://www.geostat.ge/en/single-categories/115/gender-statistics>

10.3. On-line database

The data is available on the Geostat website and the Gender Statistics Portal in the PC-Axis database:

<https://pc-axis.geostat.ge/PXweb/pxweb/en/Database/>

<https://gender.geostat.ge/gender/index.php?action=Social%20Protection>

<https://disability.geostat.ge/shshm/social.php?lang=en#x>

10.4. Micro-data access

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10.5. Other

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10.6. Documentation on methodology

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10.7. Quality documentation

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11. Quality management

11.1. Quality assurance

To ensure the quality of the statistical processes and products Geostat follows Chapter 10 – Quality of official statistics – of the Law of Georgia on Official Statistics, as well as the European Statistics Code of Practice, the UN Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics and Quality Assurance Framework of the European Statistical System (ESS QAF).

11.2. Quality assessment

Methodology and Quality Management Division of Geostat, along with the sectoral departments, is responsible for the quality of the produced statistical products and processes. The Division carries out quality audit, self-assessment of statistical processes and assesses the risks for the quality of statistical processes and products. Geostat has developed policy documents, guidelines and standard routine descriptions. These documents ensure the standardization of statistical processes and products and the establishment of a unified quality assurance system.

Quality policy is available on the following link:

https://www.geostat.ge/media/44380/QP_Geostat_EN.pdf

12. Relevance

12.1. User needs

Users of the statistical information are state authorities, international organisations (Eurostat, United Nations and UN's regional and specialized authorities, World Bank, etc.), business, media, researchers, students and private persons.

12.2. User satisfaction

In 2021 user satisfaction survey was conducted, the target of the survey was to analyze the assessment of quality of statistical data by users and explore ways to improve user services. The survey report is available on the website of Geostat (in Georgian):

<https://www.geostat.ge/ka/page/customer-service>

12.3. Completeness

Published data are available at the municipality regional level and comparable to international standards.

13. Accuracy and reliability

13.1. Overall accuracy

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13.2. Sampling error

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13.3. Non-sampling error

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14. Timeliness and punctuality

14.1. Timeliness

Annual data are published in February of the following reporting year.

14.2. Punctuality

The data is published according to the date indicated at Statistical Work Programme. Violation of publication dates never occurred.

15. Coherence and comparability

15.1. Comparability – geographical

Data are comparable.

15.2. Comparability – over time

Data are comparable.

15.3. Coherence – cross domain

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15.4. Coherence – internal

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16. Cost and burden

The data are processed based on administrative sources and does not require additional costs.

17. Data revision

17.1. Data revision – policy

Statistical data revision policy is available on the website of Geostat:

https://www.geostat.ge/media/59824/Data-Revision-Policy-and-Error-Correction-at-Geostat_Eng.pdf

17.2. Data revision – practice
The statistical data are not revised. Unplanned revisions (for data specification) were not carried out in practice.
18. Statistical processing
18.1. Source data
Geostat receives the following data from Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labor, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia.
18.2. Frequency of data collection
Annually.
18.3. Data collection
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18.4. Data validation
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18.5. Data compilation
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18.6. Adjustment
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19. Comment
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