

ARMENIAN CENTER FOR NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

My View of Armenia's Future

Presentation of Expert Poll Results
(50 participating)

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About the respondents

Age				
<i>20-30</i>	<i>31-40</i>	<i>41-50</i>	<i>51-60</i>	<i>61-70</i>
18%	40%	32%	6%	4%

Gender	
<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>
72%	28%

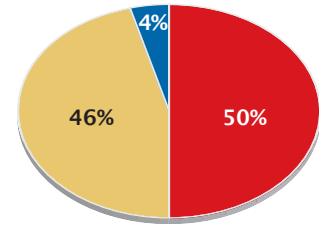
Education			
<i>Higher</i>	<i>Incomplete higher</i>	<i>Secondary specialized</i>	<i>Secondary</i>
98%	2%	0%	0%

Scientific degree			
<i>Full professor</i>	<i>Candidate of science</i>	<i>Master's</i>	<i>Bachelor's</i>
2%	32%	60%	6%

Status of workplace	
<i>State-run</i>	<i>Non-governmental</i>
30%	70%

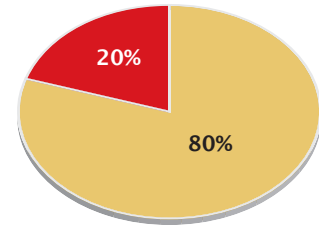
1. What is your attitude toward politics?

I am a political activist, have an opinion about all issues, influence politics	50%
I am well informed, have an opinion about many issues, but do not struggle for their realization	46%
I am not interested in politics, and am informed only during elections	4%
I am not interested in politics at all, and do not understand anything about it	0%



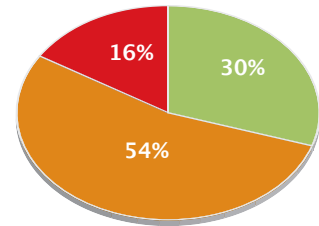
2. What is your attitude toward social changes?

I am for systemic reforms in state and society	80%
I am for changing at least what is practicable	20%
I am against changing anything	0%



3. What is your attitude toward the current economic system?

Positive	0%
Positive with certain reservations	30%
Negative	54%
Extremely negative	16%



4. Which of the below-mentioned concepts are positive and which negative?

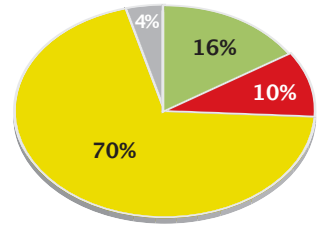
	<i>Positive</i>	<i>Negative</i>
Profit	100%	0%
Super-profit	30%	70%
Competition	100%	0%
Monopoly	16%	84%
Privilege	30%	70%
Fair competition and equal participation	96%	4%
Liberalism	96%	4%
Capitalism*	72%	28%
Socialism**	70%	30%
Command system of management	14%	86%
Employee participation in the management of organizations and enterprises	90%	10%
Trade unions	90%	10%

* This question was answered by 90% of respondents and the indices are factored accordingly.

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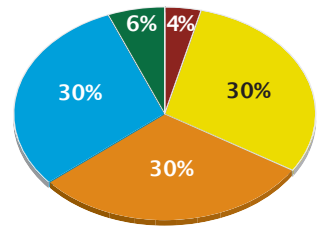
5. What is your attitude and conduct toward current realities?

I support the ongoing processes and consider them as progress	16%
I am reconciled to but not satisfied with them	10%
I am not reconciled and struggle against them	70%
I am indifferent to them and do not interfere in anything	4%



6. Where would you put your name in this scale according to your ideological system of values?

Extreme left	0%
Left	4%
Center-left	30%
Center-right	30%
Right	30%
Extreme right	6%

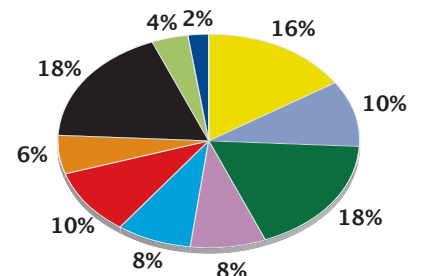


7. Which ideological combination can guarantee the development of Armenia?

		Type of Political Regime		
		Democracy	Authoritarianism	Totalitarianism
Ideology	Liberal	60%	0%	0%
	Social	20%	0%	0%
	Communist	0%	0%	0%
	National	20%	0%	0%

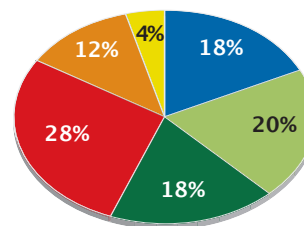
8. What is the most urgent issue for Armenia in the near future?

Regulation of the Karabagh conflict	16%
Reassessment of Armenia's foreign policy	10%
Regional cooperation	18%
Strengthening of the army	8%
Maintenance of stability in the country	8%
Establishment of law and order	10%
Elimination of emigration	0%
Campaign against corruption	6%
Deepening of democracy	18%
Job creation	4%
Other: Restoration of constitutional order	2%



9. What is the most vital issue for Armenia in the long run (10 years)?

Democratization of political life	18%
Economic development and elevation of living standards	20%
Formation of a national security system	18%
Human rights and freedoms	28%
Activation of societal consciousness	12%
Other: Karabagh issue	4%

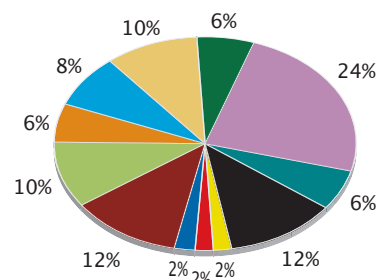


10. Armenia has problems inherited from the past. Which of the below-mentioned problems can be solved in the near future?

	Possible	Impossible
International recognition of the Armenian Genocide	52%	48%
Return of historical Armenian lands	6%	94%
Resolution of Karabagh question	56%	44%
Elimination of emigration	68%	32%
Surmounting poverty	52%	48%
Campaign against corruption	6%	94%
Other		

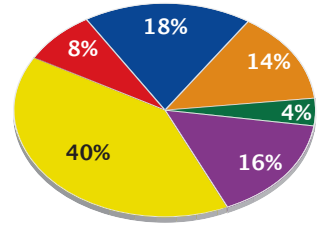
11. Today the most important problems in Armenia remain unsolved, because

The authorities are completely indifferent to them	12%
It is impossible to solve them	0%
Problems are not solved completely and in a systemized manner, thus they remain open	10%
It is already too late to solve them	6%
The political system is being filled with extraneous and additional problems by the day	8%
The authorities are incompetent	10%
Public support of the authorities is unsatisfactory or even absent	6%
The political will of the authorities is absent	24%
Parties and non-governmental organizations do not present problems to the authorities in timely and proper fashion	6%
The society itself is indifferent to these problems and lacks determination	12%
Armenia lacks the necessary resources	2%
International actors block the attempts of the authorities	2%
Other: The necessary political atmosphere does not exist	2%



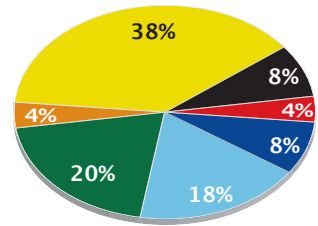
12. Which is the dominant potential of Armenia?

Attractiveness of the land and nature	0%
Geographical position and geopolitical importance	16%
Natural resources	0%
Economic capacity	0%
Human potential	40%
Cultural heritage	8%
People	18%
Diaspora	14%
Nothing	4%



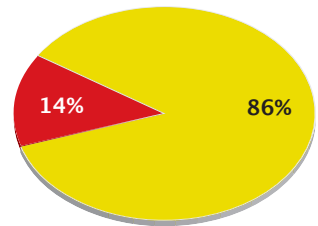
13. Which resources of Armenia will increase in ten years?

Territory	4%
Political and geopolitical rating	8%
Natural resources	0%
Economic potential	18%
Human potential	20%
Cultural wealth	4%
Political maturity	38%
None	8%



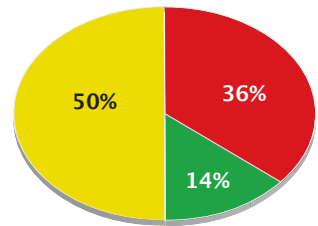
14. Do you think Armenia chooses the ideal of its future and moves toward it?

Independently	0%
Moves spontaneously, not pursuing its ideal	86%
Its future is imposed from outside	14%



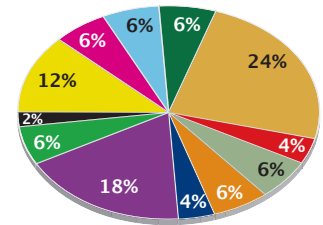
15. How free is Armenia in the presentation and pursuit of its interests?

Completely free	14%
Partially free	50%
Not free	36%



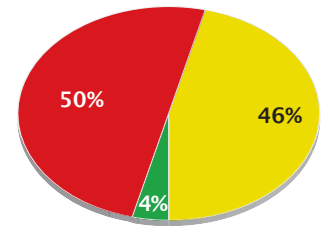
16. What are you afraid of?

War with Turkey	12%
War with Azerbaijan	6%
Further deepening of relations with Russia	6%
Deterioration of relations with Russia	0%
Improvement of relations with Turkey	0%
Poverty	6%
Arbitrariness of authorities	24%
Old age, diseases, helpless situation	0%
Violence	4%
Loss of relatives	6%
God	6%
Public humiliation and insult	0%
Death	4%
Instability	0%
Uncertainty	18%
Loneliness	0%
Nothing	6%
Other: The need to defend the present authorities	2%



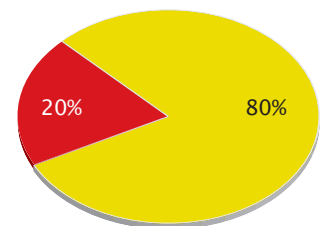
17. What state will Armenia be in the future (in 10 years)?

Strong state	4%
Mediocre state	50%
Weak state	46%
It will not exist as a state	0%



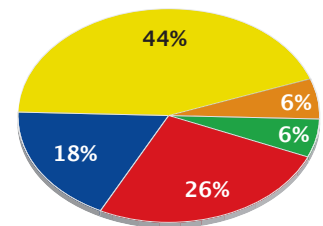
18. Do you think Armenia's future as a sovereign, democratic, legal, social, and developed state is in jeopardy?

Yes	80%
No	20%



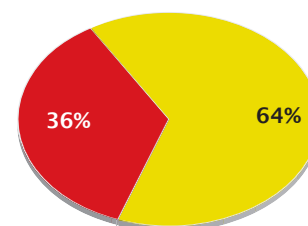
19. If yes, this is the main reason for it:

Our past and present are in jeopardy	6%
Our future is not clearly charted today	26%
The challenges of the future will be cruel and hard to overcome	18%
Nobody thinks about the future, everybody lives in the past or at best in the present	44%
Other	6%



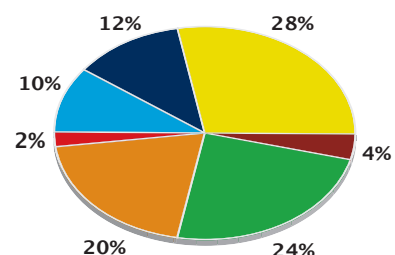
20. Do the people of Armenia believe in the future of their country?

Yes	36%
No	64%



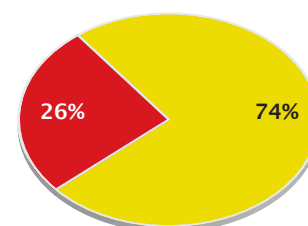
21. People explain the country's problems in the following way:

They are alone in the world and do not have any partners	10%
The world and their partners are dishonest and solely driven by their own interests	12%
They have a tough fate and bad neighbors	28%
They overestimate their abilities	4%
They rely on others pointlessly	24%
Their disappointment is a historical state of mind, so they will not achieve anything	0%
They are unable to solve their problems themselves	20%
Other	2%



22. Are you sure that ...?

Armenia will overcome all the difficulties of the present time	74%
Armenia will not overcome all the difficulties of present time	26%



23. How do you assess your abilities?

I am able to change everything	14%
I am able to change something or other	80%
I am unable to change anything	6%
I think it is useless to struggle	0%

