

# Registered Divorces

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<b>3. Statistical presentation</b>	
<b>3.1. Data description</b>	
Divorce Statistics includes number of registered divorces during the year and relevant indicators (rates and ratios).	
<b>3.2. Classification system</b>	
National classification of administrative-territorial units of Georgia.	
<b>3.3. Sector coverage</b>	
Divorces registered during the year.	
<b>3.4. Statistical concepts and definitions</b>	
<b>Divorce</b> – The fact of legal significance is one of the grounds for termination of marriage between spouses, and is confirmed by the relevant individual administrative-legal act.	
<b>Crude divorce rate</b> – The number of registered divorces over a given period divided by the mid-year population over that period. It is expressed as average annual number of divorces per 1,000 population.	
<b>3.5. Statistical unit</b>	
Registered divorce.	
<b>3.6. Statistical population</b>	
All divorces registered in Georgia and divorces of Georgian citizens registered in the Georgian representations abroad in a given year.	
<b>3.7. Reference area</b>	
Covers the whole country except the occupied territories distributed by regions, municipalities and self-governing cities and urban-rural settlements based on the classification of administrative-territorial units of Georgia.	
<b>3.8. Time coverage</b>	
1940 and 1950-1968 – number of registered divorces by urban-rural settlements;	
From 1969 – number of registered divorces by regions, self-governing units and urban-rural settlements;	
From 1989 – number of registered divorces by months;	
From 1990 – number of registered divorces by duration of the marriage;	
From 1990 – number of registered divorces by age and sex;	
From 1994 – number of registered divorces by sex, duration and order of the marriage.	
<b>3.9. Base period</b>	
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<b>4. Unit of measure</b>	
Number, Per-mille (‰).	

<b>5. Reference period</b>	
A calendar year.	

<b>6. Institutional mandate</b>	
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<b>6.1. Legal acts and other agreements</b>
The Law of Georgia on Official Statistics; <a href="https://www.geostat.ge/media/20817/latest-Law-of-Georgia_2018.pdf">https://www.geostat.ge/media/20817/latest-Law-of-Georgia_2018.pdf</a> Statistical Work Programme (annual); <a href="https://www.geostat.ge/en/modules/categories/307/statistical-work-programme">https://www.geostat.ge/en/modules/categories/307/statistical-work-programme</a> Charter of the National Statistics Office of Georgia. <a href="https://www.geostat.ge/media/20845/10%2Csaqstatis-konsolidirebuli-debuleba.pdf">https://www.geostat.ge/media/20845/10%2Csaqstatis-konsolidirebuli-debuleba.pdf</a>
<b>6.2. Data sharing</b>
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<b>7. Confidentiality</b>
<b>7.1. Confidentiality – policy</b>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Law of Georgia on Official Statistics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>According to the article 4 of the law individual data collected by statistical agencies for statistical compilation, whether they refer to natural or legal persons, are to be strictly confidential and used exclusively for statistical purposes.</li> <li>According to the article 28 (Observing Confidentiality of Statistical Data) of the law 1. The data collected for the purpose of producing official statistics shall be confidential if it allows for identification of observation unit or it is possible to identify such data through it. 2. The confidential statistical data shall not be issued or disseminated or used for a non-statistical purpose but for the exceptions envisaged by the Georgian legislation. 3. When producing the official statistics, it is obligatory to destroy or store separately the identity data including the questionnaires containing such data and used for statistical surveys according to the rules defined in the Georgian legislation.</li> <li>According to the article 29 (The Obligations and Responsibilities of the Employees of the Geostat) of the law the confidential statistical data collected and processed for the purpose of statistical survey shall not be used or disseminated by the employees of the units of the Geostat.  <a href="https://www.geostat.ge/media/20817/latest-Law-of-Georgia_2018.pdf">https://www.geostat.ge/media/20817/latest-Law-of-Georgia_2018.pdf</a></li> </ul> </li> <li>Data Confidentiality Policy at Geostat  <a href="https://www.geostat.ge/media/20860/Data-Confidentiality-Policy-at-Geostat_Eng.pdf">https://www.geostat.ge/media/20860/Data-Confidentiality-Policy-at-Geostat_Eng.pdf</a></li> <li>Public Use Microdata Dissemination Policy at Geostat  <a href="https://www.geostat.ge/media/20862/Microdata-Dissemination-Policy_Eng.pdf">https://www.geostat.ge/media/20862/Microdata-Dissemination-Policy_Eng.pdf</a></li> <li>The Law of Georgia on Personal Data Protection  <a href="https://matsne.gov.ge/en/document/view/1561437?publication=9">https://matsne.gov.ge/en/document/view/1561437?publication=9</a></li> </ol>
<b>7.2. Confidentiality – data treatment</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Confidentiality guidelines.</li> <li>Written undertakings by an employee of Geostat on ensuring confidentiality of gained/collected data as a result of official duties.</li> </ul>

<b>8. Release policy</b>
<b>8.1. Release calendar</b>
Data dissemination dates are defined according to the Advance release calendar, which is available on the website of Geostat and publicly accessible.
<b>8.2. Release calendar access</b>
<a href="https://www.geostat.ge/en/calendar">https://www.geostat.ge/en/calendar</a>
<b>8.3. User access</b>
All users have the equal access to the statistical data simultaneously.

<b>9. Frequency of dissemination</b>
Preliminary and annual (final) data are published once a year.

<b>10. Accessibility and clarity</b>
<b>10.1. News release</b>
The press release is the official publication on divorce data, which is published electronically once a year in Georgian and English: <a href="https://www.geostat.ge/en/news?year=&amp;month=03&amp;category=9">https://www.geostat.ge/en/news?year=&amp;month=03&amp;category=9</a>
<b>10.2. Publications</b>

Statistical publications „Demographic Situation in Georgia“ and „Vital Statistics Report“ are published electronically once a year in Georgian and English: <a href="https://www.geostat.ge/en/single-categories/114/population">https://www.geostat.ge/en/single-categories/114/population</a>
<b>10.3. On-line database</b>
The data is published on the Geostat website in the PC-Axis database: <a href="http://pc-axis.geostat.ge/PXWeb/pxweb/en/Database/">http://pc-axis.geostat.ge/PXWeb/pxweb/en/Database/</a>
<b>10.4. Micro-data access</b>
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<b>10.5. Other</b>
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<b>10.6. Documentation on methodology</b>
The methodology documentation is available on the Geostat website: <a href="https://www.geostat.ge/en/modules/categories/124/methodologia-population-census-and-demography">https://www.geostat.ge/en/modules/categories/124/methodologia-population-census-and-demography</a>
<b>10.7. Quality documentation</b>
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<b>11. Quality management</b>
<b>11.1. Quality assurance</b>
To ensure the quality of the statistical processes and products Geostat follows Article 4 – Basic principles 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 (QAF).
<b>11.2. Quality assessment</b>
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 of statistical processes and assesses the risks associated with production of statistical data. 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.

<b>12. Relevance</b>
<b>12.1. User needs</b>
Main users are: State bodies, Local and international experts and researchers, Students, International Organizations (IOM, UN, EUROSTAT, WHO, etc.), NGO’s, Media, citizens. Mainly used for: Analysing demographic situation of the country to prepare documents, issues, presentations and more.
<b>12.2. User satisfaction</b>
In October 2019, 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): <a href="https://www.geostat.ge/ka/single-news/1746/statistikuri-informatsiis-momkhmarebelta-kmaqofilebis-gamokvleva-2019-tseli">https://www.geostat.ge/ka/single-news/1746/statistikuri-informatsiis-momkhmarebelta-kmaqofilebis-gamokvleva-2019-tseli</a>
<b>12.3. Completeness</b>
The following data are available by sex, age, duration and order of marriages, registration date, citizenship, place of birth. All the data are available by regions, self-governing units and urban-rural settlements.

<b>13. Accuracy and reliability</b>
<b>13.1. Overall accuracy</b>
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<b>13.2. Sampling error</b>
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<b>13.3. Non-sampling error</b>
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<b>14. Timeliness and punctuality</b>
<b>14.1. Timeliness</b>
Preliminary data is disseminated 2.5 months after the reference period and annual (final) data – 3 months after the reference year.

<b>14.2. Punctuality</b>
The data is published according to the date specified in the statistical work program. There has not been any violation of publication dates.
<b>15. Coherence and comparability</b>
<b>15.1. Comparability – geographical</b>
Data are collected and processed using the same methodology and definitions for regions and self-governing units (self-governing cities and municipalities).
<b>15.2. Comparability – over time</b>
Data are collected and processed using the same methodology and definitions throughout the period of consideration.
<b>15.3. Coherence – cross domain</b>
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<b>15.4. Coherence – internal</b>
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<b>16. Cost and burden</b>
Divorce data is provided by the administrative source and does not require additional costs.
<b>17. Data revision</b>
<b>17.1. Data revision – policy</b>
Statistical data revision policy is available on the website of Geostat: <a href="https://www.geostat.ge/media/20863/Revision-policy_Geostat_Eng.pdf">https://www.geostat.ge/media/20863/Revision-policy_Geostat_Eng.pdf</a>
<b>17.2. Data revision – practice</b>
Planned revision of data is not carried out. An Unplanned revision (to clarify data) was not carried out in 2021.
<b>18. Statistical processing</b>
<b>18.1. Source data</b>
Geostat receives electronic databases on registered divorces from the Public Service Development Agency.
<b>18.2. Frequency of data collection</b>
Quarterly.
<b>18.3. Data collection</b>
Registered demographic events are fully collected throughout the year.
<b>18.4. Data validation</b>
Logical control of the data is carried out before publication.
<b>18.5. Data compilation</b>
After processing and specifying the data, demographic statistics is generated.
<b>18.6. Adjustment</b>
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<b>19. Comment</b>
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