Transport Policy

(Safety Directions of Road Transport in Georgia)

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Country Overview

• Area: 69,700 sq km

Population (2010): 4.4mln
Life expectancy: 76 years
Official language: Georgian
Literacy: 100%
Capital: Tbilisi
Currency (code): Lari (GEL)
GDP 2010 (E): US\$11.7 bln

GDP real growth rate 2010 (E): 6.4%
 GDPCAGR '03-'10 (E) 4.9%

• GDPper capita2010(PPP): US\$5,057

• Inflation rate (e-o-p)2010: 11.2%

External Public debt to GDP 2010: 33.6%

2003 2010(E)

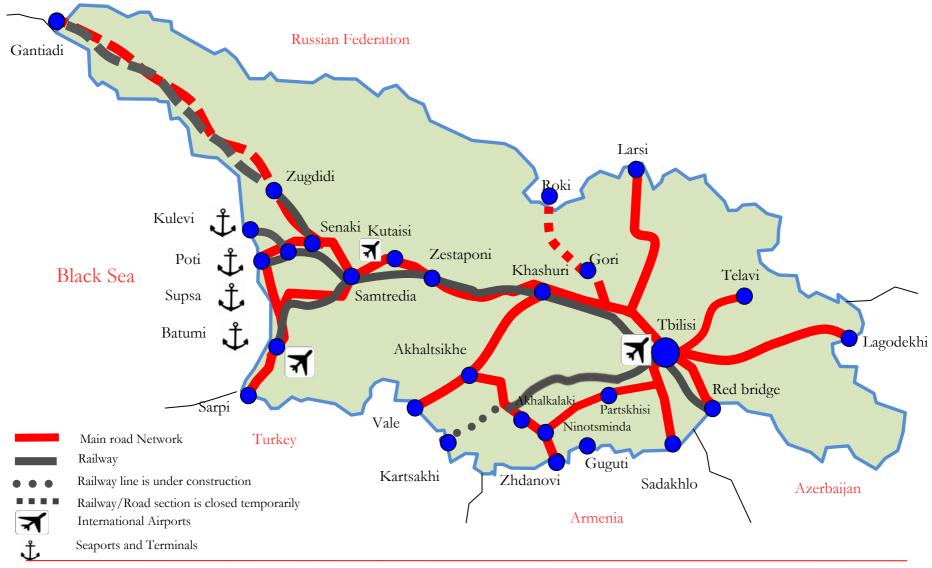
Nominal GDP (mln GEL) 8,564 20,791
 GDP per capita (GEL) 1,972 4,646

Total budget revenues (mln GEL) 1,368 5,778





Georgian Transport Network





Transport Overview & Policy

Transport Infrastructure

• Airports:

-three international airports (Tbilisi, Batumi, Kutaisi);

• Roads:

- -1,497km International Roads
 (80km Highway);
- -5,446km Internal Roads
- -13,386km Local Roads

Sea Ports:

- -three main sea ports and one terminal (Batumi, Poti, Kulevi Sea Ports, Supsa terminal)
- -ferry connections

• Railway:

- -1.558km main railway (90% is electrified)
- -1.520 mm (R-65) track gauge

State Transport Policy & Priorities in Land Transport Field

- Improvement of safety and security policy;
- Harmonization of national laws to the European legislation;
- Establishing legislative basis for the transportation between Europe and Asia;
- To support building road infrastructure and renewal of auto parks related to transportation;
- Improvement of monitoring mechanisms of safety and service level.



Transport reforms

Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia – Policy-making power

The United Transport Administration of Georgia under the Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development was responsible for civil aviation, maritime and land transport in Georgia. On 15 April 2011 the Parliament of Georgia approved the relevant laws providing establishment of three legal entities of public law –

Land Transport Agency
Civil Aviation Agency
Maritime Transport Agency

Agencies serve as technical regulating authorities of these fields and will be under the umbrella of the Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development, whereas the elaboration of transport policy directions have been delegated to the transport policy department of the ministry.



Main Directions of Road Safety & Security

Legal Framework

- International Conventions
- Technical Rules and regulations
- Road Standards

Road Infrastructure

- Construction of East-West Highway & other international Roads
- Modernization of Internal & Local Roads
- Improvement of Road Stations infrastructure

Public Awareness

- Involving NGO & other Interested Parties
- Education
- Special TV/Radio programs



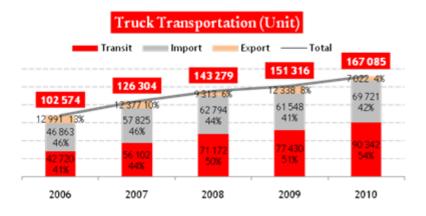
Improvement of Road Safety & Security

- Responsible organizations on the improvement of Road transport Safety & Security
 - Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia
 - Land Transport Agency
 - Ministry of Regional Development & infrastructure;
 - Road Department;
 - Ministry of Internal affairs
 - Patrol Policy Department;
 - Information Analytic Department;
 - Ministry of Science & Education;
 - Ministry of Labor, Health & Social Affairs;
 - Municipalities;
 - Road Safety NGOs & other interested parties.



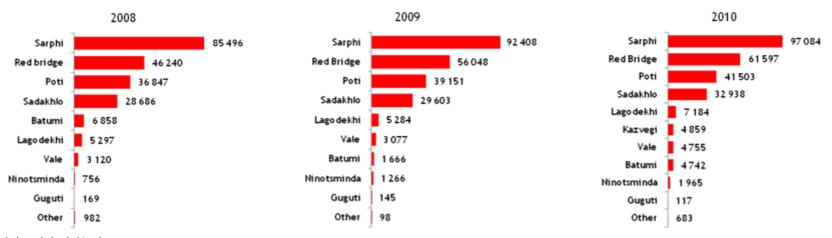
Road Transport Main figures

International Truck Transportation (unit)



- ➤ In 2010 *transportation* figures in Georgia increased by 10% compared to 2009
- ➤ In 2010 *transit* figures through Georgia increased by 17% compared to 2009

Truck Transportation Tendency via Georgian Check Points (Unit)







Road Infrastructure



89% of roads of international importance are in good condition;

During last few years:

- √80 km's of highway is constructed
- √3'000 km's of roads are reconstructed
- ✓Investments 1,2 billion USD



Conventions and Agreements

- Georgia has a bilateral Agreements with 21 states in the road transport field
- Georgia is a party to the 12 main road transport multilateral Agreements and Conventions
- Accession to ADR
- Georgia has prepared Action Plan for implementation of AETR

Note: On the basis of the Decree of the president of Georgia #187 of 7.04.2011, Georgia acceded to the European Agreement concerning the Work of Crews of Vehicles engaged in International Road Transport (AETR). After expire of accession procedure time (6 months).



International Legislation Adopted by GoG

Convention on Road Traffic, of 8 November 1968

Convention on Road Signs and Signals, of 8 November 1968

Asian Highway (AH), 2001

Trans-European Motorway (TEM), 1992

Agreement concerning the Adoption of Uniform Conditions for Periodical Technical Inspections of Wheeled Vehicles and the Reciprocal Recognition of Such Inspections, of 13 November 1997

European Agreement on Main International Traffic Arteries (AGR), of 15 November 1975 (28 NOVEMBER 1995)

Note: List of the Conventions are not complete



Technical Rules & Regulations

- ✓ Vehicle validity for road obligatory periodic testing signs' shape and its making rule
- ✓ Technical requirements for vehicles, to which equality is testing vehicle validity for road
- ✓ Periodical Testing for different category vehicles
- Mechanic vehicles remaking rules
- ✓ Vehicles service rules
- ✓ Vehicle station operating rules and conditions
- ✓ Issuance and usage rule of test certificate for "Green", "More Green and Safe", "Euro 3 Safe" and "Euro 4 Safe" tracks, trailers and semi-trailers for noise, emission technical and safety requirements equality and validity for roads
- ✓ Cargo transportation Rule by Road Vehicles
- ✓ Passenger and Baggage transportation rule by Road Vehicles
- ✓ Mandatory driving times and rest periods for the international transportation vehicle drivers
- ✓ Road Traffic parameter controlling facilities usage rule

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International passenger and cargo transportation permits

Land Transport Agency issues international passenger and cargo transportation permits on the base of competition.

- ✓ Good repute;
- ✓ Financial standing;
- ✓ Professional competence.



Europe-Caucasus-Asia Transport Corridor (TRACECA) project

- Project Title: Land Transport Safety and Security project;
- •The Land Transport Safety and Security project is being financed by the European Commission in the framework of the European Neighbourhood Partnership and the Central Asia Cooperation;
- •Overall project objectives: To improve the transport safety and security environments in the EC neighbouring and Central Asian countries in line with European standards in the field of land transport;
- •The project cover: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, Moldova, Tajikistan, Ukraine, and Uzbekistan.



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The project will develop several main components to provide technical assistance to Georgia in order to:

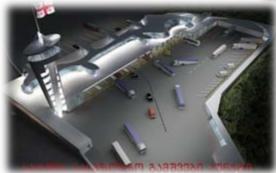
- Define regional Action Plans in the field of road safety and security in coordination with the European Commission and its specialised EU agencies, based on a legal, institutional and organisational assessment of the existing situation of land transport safety and recommendations on key improvements to be implemented;
- -Improve land transport safety, security and environmental rules and procedures improved in accordance with requirements of international and EU conventions, awareness on European standards is raised, links with the related European agencies are strengthened;
- Strengthen regulatory authorities, authorities in charge of safety/license and accident investigation, as well as main security operators and independent certification authorities;
- Improve legal standards for land transport safety practice (including the ones for the transport of dangerous goods) and minimal standards for working time, driving and rest periods (including enforcement and the use of tachograph), minimal annual vehicle taxes and common rules for tolls and user charges.



Infrastructure of BCPs corresponds with international standards











BCP "Sarpi"





- > 17 gates
- ➤ Infrastructure corresponding modern requirements
- ➤ Border control procedures conducted according to "Single window" (one shop stop) principle
- ➤ On the whole territory of BCP, luggage/hand baggage moved on special carts
- Opportunity to declaration in a simplified manner
- Checking done according to risk criteria
- ➤ Submit documents electronically (without using stamps and seals)

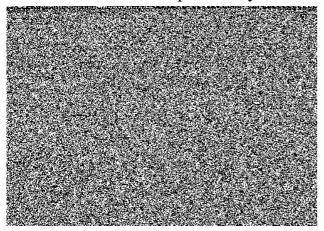


In the near future joint use of BCP with Turkish side

Georgian Border Crossing Points



NUCTECH MB1215HL Relocatable Container/Vehicle Inspection System



NUCTECH RF6010 Railway Cargo/Vehicle Inspection System

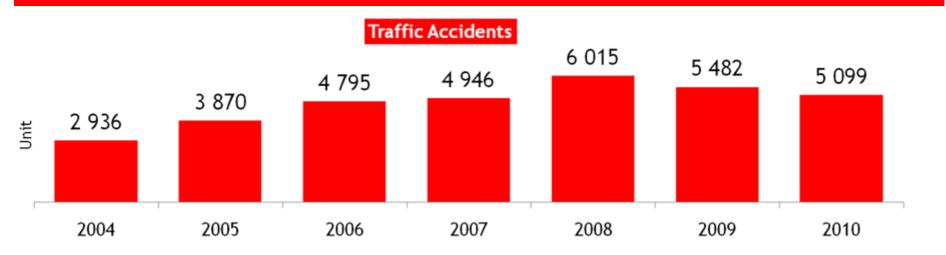


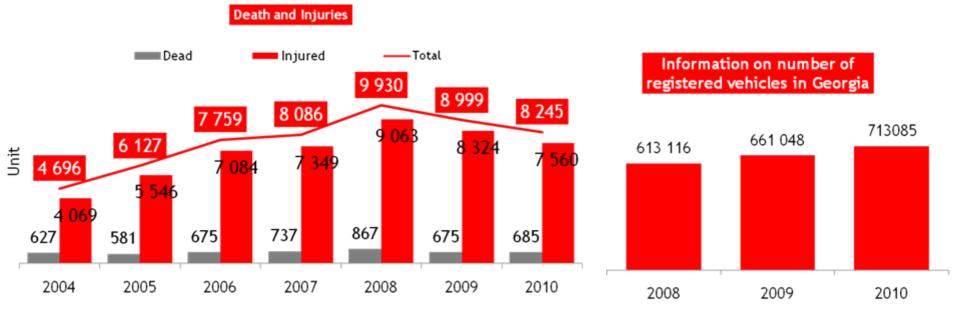
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