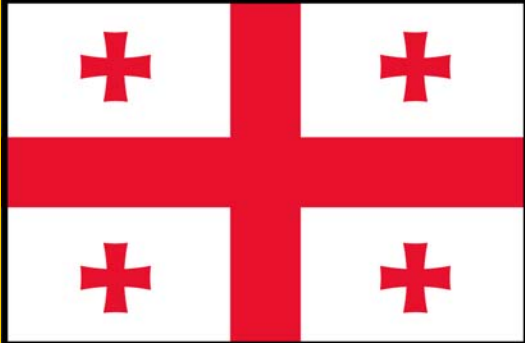



<b>COUNTRY</b>	<b>GEORGIA</b>	
<b>Geography</b>	70 000 km <sup>2</sup>	
<b>Population</b>	4,5 mln	<p><a href="#">Georgians</a> are about 83.8%, of Georgia's current population of 4,661,473 (July 2006 est.).<sup>[83]</sup> Other major ethnic groups include <a href="#">Azeris</a>, who form 6.5% of the population, <a href="#">Armenians</a> - 5.7%, <a href="#">Russians</a> - 1.5%, <a href="#">Abkhazians</a>, and <a href="#">Ossetians</a>. Numerous smaller groups also live in the country, including <a href="#">Assyrians</a>, <a href="#">Chechens</a>, <a href="#">Chinese</a>, <a href="#">Georgian Jews</a>, <a href="#">Greeks</a>, <a href="#">Kabardins</a>, <a href="#">Kurds</a>, <a href="#">Tatars</a>, <a href="#">Turks</a>, and <a href="#">Ukrainians</a>. Notably, <a href="#">Georgia's Jewish community</a> is one of the oldest Jewish communities in the world.</p>
<b>Legislation and Regulations</b>	Since 2000	<p>The law is based on informed consent. Out of living related donors, just only genetically related and spouses are allowed.</p>
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<b>Donor Register</b>	Yes	Since 2008. One national transplant registry
<b>Infra-structure</b>	Transplant Council in the Ministry of Health. Agreement with Georgian Association of Transplantologists (GAT). National	<p>Organ and tissue donation is a public health service – financially supported by the Ministry of Health through the State Insurance Fund. There is no cost to recipients and donors for transplantation.</p>

	Transplant Registry in the structure of GAT.	
<b>Profile of Transplant Coordinators</b>	Medical Doctors	We have no cadaveric donation yet, so transplant coordination on this stage is limited with identification of possible brain death patients for further legal diagnosis of brain death.
<b>Local and National Training for Transplant Coordinators</b>	Local and regional level	Organized by Georgian Association of Transplantologists
<b>National Guidelines for Clinical Practice on Organ Donation</b>	Law about organ transplantation	Adopted by Georgian Parliament in 2000
<b>Organ Allocation and Exchange</b>	NO	No cad donation on this stage
<b>Donation after Cardiac Death (DCD)</b>	Category 1 Category 2 Category 3 Category 4 Category 5	None
<b>Number of Potential Donating Hospitals</b>	3	
<b>Number of Transplant Centres</b>	2	
<b>Living Related Programs</b>	<i>KdTx</i>	Just kidney transplantation from living related donors

<b>Statistics (websites)</b>	2008	7 KdTx in 2008. <a href="http://www.gat.com.ge">www.gat.com.ge</a>
<b>Contacts of Scientific/ Professional Organizations</b>	ETCO	Since 1997
<b>Transplant Outcome Registries</b>	No	General Tx registry since 1997
<b>Any current National Issues / Initiatives</b>	12 EODD	Planning to organize 12 <sup>th</sup> EODD in Tbilisi, Georgia in October 23, 2010 in conjunction with 3 <sup>rd</sup> National ODD and Caucasian Transplant Coordinators meeting