

USAID/Caucasus/Georgia Office of Economic Growth

Assistance Objective:

Improved Economic Competitiveness and Welfare

Overall Indicators:

- Ind 1:** WEF Global Competitiveness Index
- Ind 2:** (F) World Bank Doing business Index
- Ind 3:** (F) Regulatory Quality Index

- Ind 4:** (F) Fraser Institute Economic Freedom Score
- Ind 5:** Business productivity in targeted sectors
- Ind 6:** Average household incomes in targeted communities and sectors

Development Context:

- GDP (Georgia, Region, World)
- Capital flows to emerging markets
- Per Capita Income
- Poverty Rates
- Gini coefficient

Critical Assumptions, or Risks to Program:

- Maintained government commitment to open, free-market reform and policy/priority consistency
- No “backsliding” on current competitiveness levels
- Relative global economic stability
- Stable USAID EG funding levels
- Unchanged Georgian/Russian relations

Intermediate Result *Improved Economic Governance*

Ind: WEF GCI “Institutions” and “Goods market efficiency” indicators

Intermediate Result *Improved Private Sector Competitiveness*

Ind: WEF Pillar Indicators for Technological Readiness, Business Sophistication, Innovation and Financial Market
Ind: Increased sales of assisted businesses

Intermediate Result *Improved Economic Infrastructure in Strategic Sectors*

Ind: Value of economic impact of completed projects

Intermediate Result *Improved Economic Security for Targeted Vulnerable Populations and Sectors*

Ind: (F) Number of rural households benefiting directly from USG interventions

Intermediate Result 1

Improved Economic Governance

Ind: WEF GCI “Institutions” and “Goods market efficiency” indicators

Sub IR1

Improved regulatory environment

Ind: WEF GCI “property rights” ranking
Ind: (F) Number of the 11 core commercial laws put into place with USG assistance

Sub IR2

Improved Customs Efficiency

Ind: (F) Cost to trade goods across borders as a result of U.S. assistance
Ind: (F) Year on year reduction in the number of calendar days to trade goods across borders

Sub IR3

Improved efficiency of tax agencies and tax payer compliance

Ind: Average time required to file taxes
Ind: Voluntary tax compliance rate
Ind: Perception of Tax Payers that the process is efficient

Sub IR4

Improved analysis and understanding of Government reforms

Ind: (F) Number of policies regulations/administrative procedures analyzed
Ind: Percent of citizens knowledgeable about key reforms and policies

Intermediate Result 2

Improved Private Sector Competiveness

Ind: WEF Pillar Indicators for Technological Readiness, Business Sophistication, Innovation and Financial Market

Ind: Increased sales of assisted businesses

Sub IR1

Improved capacity to trade and attract investment

Ind: (F) Number of participants in trade and investment environment trainings

Ind: Value of exports facilitated

Ind: Value of investment facilitated

Sub IR2

*Improved Business Productivity**

Ind: (F) Number of firms receiving capacity building assistance to export

Ind: (F) Number of farmers, processors, and others who have adopted new technologies or management practices as a result of USG assistance

Ind: (F) Percent change in value of purchases from smallholders of targeted commodities as a result of USG assistance

Sub IR3

*Improved Access to finance***

Ind: (F) Amount of private financing mobilized with DCA guarantees

Ind: (F) Value of the USG supported special funds loans issued this year

** Cross-cut with IR3/Sub IR2 and IR4/Sub IR1*

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Intermediate Result 3

Improved Economic Infrastructure in Strategic Sectors

Ind: Value of economic impact of completed projects

Sub IR1

Improved Government capacity for strategic and participatory regional strategy development

Ind: Government strategy in place for regional development

Sub IR2

*Improved Community Infrastructure**

Ind: Amount of USG assistance
Ind: Percentage of leveraged amount for community development

* *Cross-cut with IR2/Sub IR2 and IR4/Sub IR1*

Intermediate Result 4

Improved Economic Security for Targeted Vulnerable Populations and Sectors

Ind: (F) Number of rural households benefiting directly from USG interventions

Sub IR1

*Improved food and income security among targeted populations**

- Ind:** Number of households assisted to overcome natural disasters or economic shocks
- Ind:** Number of women assisted to improve their household income
- Ind:** Number of ethnic minority households assisted to improve incomes
- Ind:** Number of youth receiving training to build employment or income generation skills
- Ind (F)** Number of Microenterprises participating in USG assisted value chains

Sub IR2

*Improved Access to finance by targeted population and sectors***

- Ind:** (F) Number of microfinance institutions supported by USG financial or technical assistance
- Ind:** (F) Value of the USG supported special funds loans issued this year to target groups
- Ind:** Value of grants provided to target groups

* *Cross-cut with IR2/Sub IR2 and IR3/Sub IR2*

** *Cross-cut with IR2/Sub IR3*