

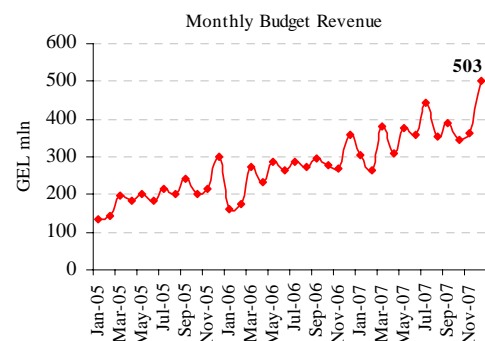


2007 BUDGET PERFORMANCE

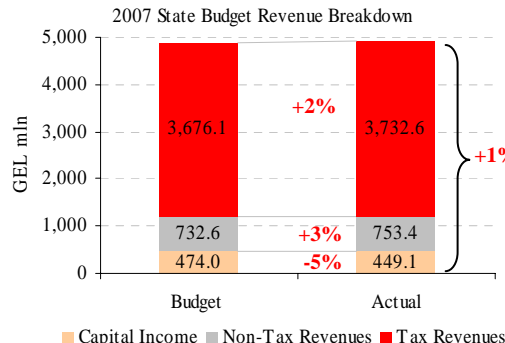
| Consolidated Budget, GEL mln | Budget | | Actual | | Deviation | | Actual Growth, y-o-y |
|------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|----------------------|
| | 2006 | 2007 | 2006 | 2007 | 2006 | 2007 | |
| Revenues & Grants | 4,207.7 | 5,948.7 | 4,429.9 | 6,031.1 | 222.1 | 82.4 | 36% |
| Grants | 190.5 | 114.7 | 194.3 | 115.5 | 3.8 | 0.8 | -41% |
| Revenues | 4,017.2 | 5,834.0 | 4,235.5 | 5,915.6 | 218.3 | 81.6 | 40% |
| Tax Revenues | 3,014.8 | 4,324.8 | 3,149.4 | 4,391.1 | 134.6 | 66.3 | 39% |
| Non-Tax Revenues | 509.8 | 847.8 | 521.7 | 880.7 | 11.9 | 32.9 | 69% |
| Capital Income | 492.6 | 661.4 | 564.5 | 643.8 | 71.8 | -17.6 | 14% |
| State Budget, GEL mln | 2006 | 2007 | 2006 | 2007 | 2006 | 2007 | |
| Revenues & Grants | 3,601.4 | 5,104.3 | 3,773.2 | 5,157.2 | 171.8 | 52.9 | 37% |
| Grants | 190.5 | 221.7 | 194.0 | 222.1 | 3.5 | 0.5 | 15% |
| Revenues | 3,410.9 | 4,882.6 | 3,579.2 | 4,935.1 | 168.3 | 52.5 | 38% |
| Tax Revenues | 2,536.4 | 3,676.1 | 2,633.1 | 3,732.6 | 96.7 | 56.5 | 42% |
| Profit Tax | 318.3 | 535.7 | 324.9 | 533.1 | 6.6 | -2.6 | 64% |
| VAT | 1,280.8 | 1,942.3 | 1,332.7 | 1,973.7 | 51.9 | 31.4 | 48% |
| Excise | 338.4 | 428.0 | 335.6 | 428.6 | -2.8 | 0.6 | 28% |
| Customs Tax | 127.5 | 49.5 | 132.4 | 51.9 | 4.9 | 2.4 | -61% |
| Social Tax | 471.4 | 699.3 | 502.8 | 722.0 | 31.5 | 22.7 | 44% |
| Other Tax Revenues | 0.0 | 21.3 | 4.7 | 23.1 | 4.7 | 1.8 | 389% |
| Non-Tax Revenues | 476.8 | 732.6 | 482.5 | 753.4 | 5.7 | 20.8 | 56% |
| Capital Income | 397.7 | 474.0 | 463.6 | 449.1 | 65.9 | -24.9 | -3% |

The Ministry of Finance of Georgia reported today that the revenues and grants of the annual 2007 consolidated and state budgets exceeded the forecast by GEL 82.4 mln (up 36% y-o-y) and GEL 52.9 mln (up 37% y-o-y), respectively. Consolidated budget revenues were GEL 5,915.6 mln, or 101% of the forecast numbers. Tax revenues collected were GEL 4,391.1 mln, or 102% of the budgeted amount. Non-tax revenues were GEL 880.7 mln or 104% of the budgeted amount.

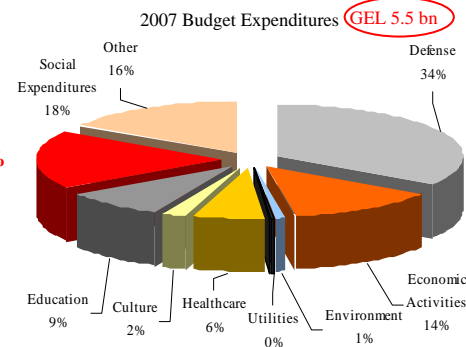
"I am delighted with our budget performance in 2007, and wish to thank all my colleagues for their endeavors. The fact that in December 2007 we collected GEL 503 mln – the record monthly amount in Georgian history – demonstrates that it is business as usual in Georgia, despite the snap presidential elections", commented *Nika Gilauri*, Minister of Finance.



Source: Ministry of Finance



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| Georgia: Key Economic Data | 2004A | 2005A | 2006A | 2007E |
|-------------------------------------|---------|----------|----------|----------|
| Nominal GDP (GEL mln) | 9,824.3 | 11,621.0 | 13,783.9 | 16,924.8 |
| Real GDP Growth (y-o-y; %) | 5.9% | 9.6% | 9.4% | 12.0% |
| GDP per Capita (US\$) | 1,187.2 | 1,478.4 | 1,758.7 | 2,297.3 |
| CPI (e-o-p; %) | 7.5% | 6.2% | 8.8% | 11.0% |
| Net FDI (US\$ mln) | 483 | 542 | 1,076 | 1,400 |
| Current Account Deficit as % of GDP | -6.6% | -10.8% | -15.3% | -20.2% |
| GEL/US\$ (e-o-p) | 1.83 | 1.79 | 1.71 | 1.59 |
| GEL/EUR (e-o-p) | 2.49 | 2.12 | 2.26 | 2.33 |
| Galt & Taggart Index | 194 | 320 | 790 | 1,041 |

Source: Department of Statistics, Ministry of Economic Development, Ministry of Finance, National Bank of Georgia

Georgia has, as of the date hereof, the following sovereign credit ratings:

| Standard & Poor's | Sovereign Credit Rating | 'B+/B' | Positive |
|-------------------|--|-------------|----------|
| FitchRatings | Long Term Issuer Default Rating/Short Term Issuer Default Rating/Country Ceiling | 'BB-/B/BB-' | Stable |

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