

Migrant Country Profile

Georgia



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Relationship with Ireland

Total Number of Georgian Migrant Population in Ireland in 2019: 429 (2016)¹

Georgian nationals require a visa to enter Ireland.² On June 16th, 2017, Georgia was added to the list of countries which required a transit visa in Ireland.³ If an individual is intending on staying in Ireland for less than three months, there are various visas one can avail of, depending on the reason for staying: A Tourist Visa, a Visit Family/Friend Visa, a Business Visa, a Conference/Event Visa.

Furthermore, if one is intending on studying in Ireland for less than three months, a Visit (Tourist) Visa. In addition, there is a Training Visa, a Performance/Tournament Visa, an Exam Visa, an Employment (Atypical Visa), an Internship Visa, a Seafarer's Identity Document, or in some cases, a Join Ship Visa. A Marriage Visa, and for private medical treatment – a Medical Treatment Visa. If one is intending to Join or accompany an EU/EEA or Swiss (not Irish) family member- a 'Residence Card of a Family Member of a Union Citizen' is required. ⁴

For detailed information on Visas for Georgian nationals staying for less than three months, please see the following link:

<http://www.inis.gov.ie/en/INIS/Pages/visa-required-short>

If an individual is intending on staying in Ireland for more than 3 months, there are also a list of visas available: a Study Visa, an Employment Visa, an Employment (Scientific Researcher) Visa, an Internship Visa, a Minister of Religion Visa, a Volunteer Visa, and a visa for training is also required. Furthermore, if an individual is intending on joining a spouse, partner, or family member for more than 3 months in Ireland, please see the following link for more details:

<http://www.inis.gov.ie/en/INIS/Pages/visa-long-family> ⁵

For full details on visas for more than 3 months, please see the applicable link here for further information: <http://www.inis.gov.ie/en/INIS/Pages/visa-required-long> and for more information on obtaining a transit visa, please also see here:

<http://www.inis.gov.ie/en/INIS/Pages/transit-visa-required-transit>

¹ CSO, 2016: <https://www.cso.ie/en/releasesandpublications/ep/p-cp7md/p7md/p7anii/>

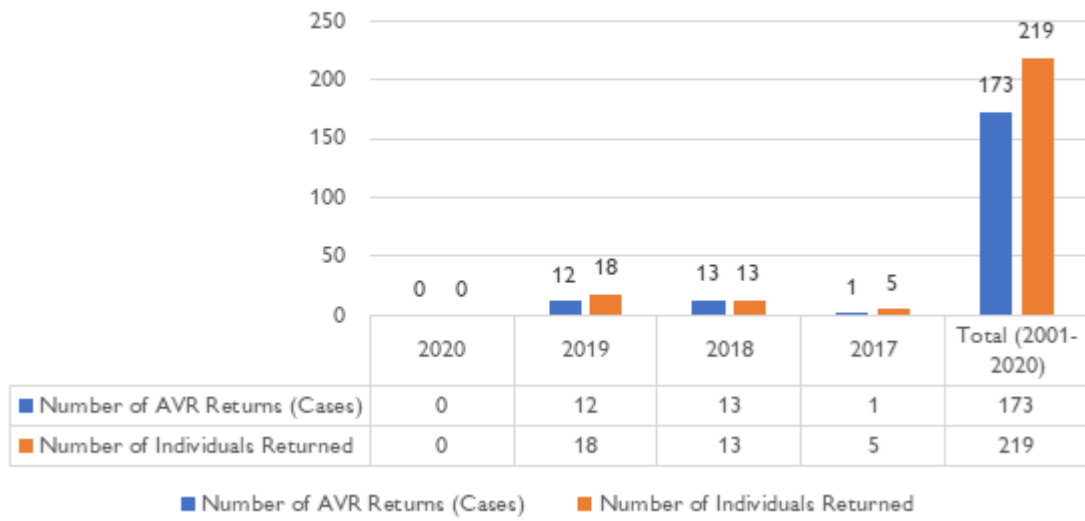
² INIS: <http://www.inis.gov.ie/en/INIS/Pages/visa-transit-required>

³ Irish Times, 2020: <https://www.irishtimes.com/news/social-affairs/georgians-lead-irish-asylum-claims-1.3745515>

⁴ INIS: <http://www.inis.gov.ie/en/INIS/Pages/visa-transit-required>

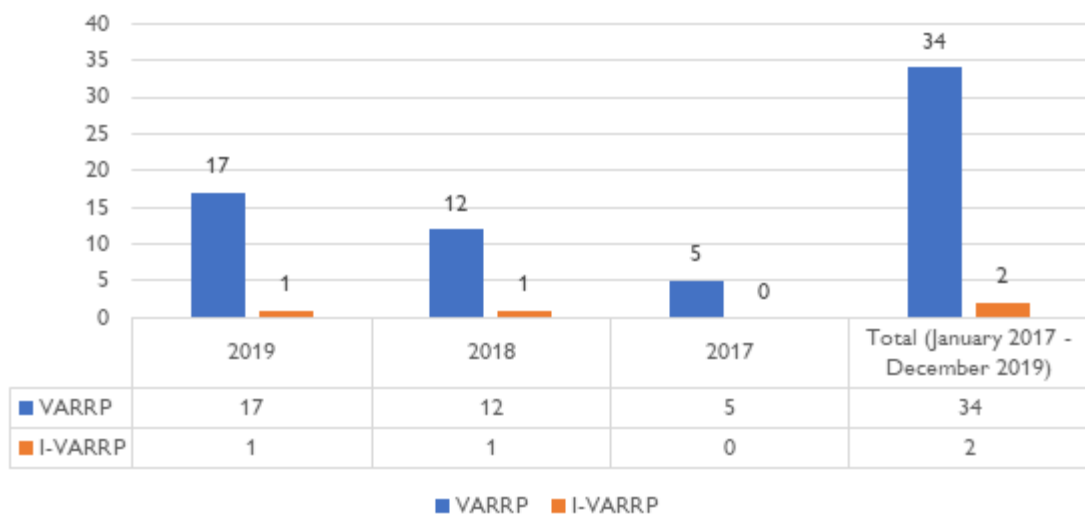
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IOM Ireland Assisted Voluntary Return for Georgia: An Overview



Source: IOM Ireland Resources dated at 25.03.2020

IOM Ireland VARRP & I-VARRP Returns for Georgia: An Overview



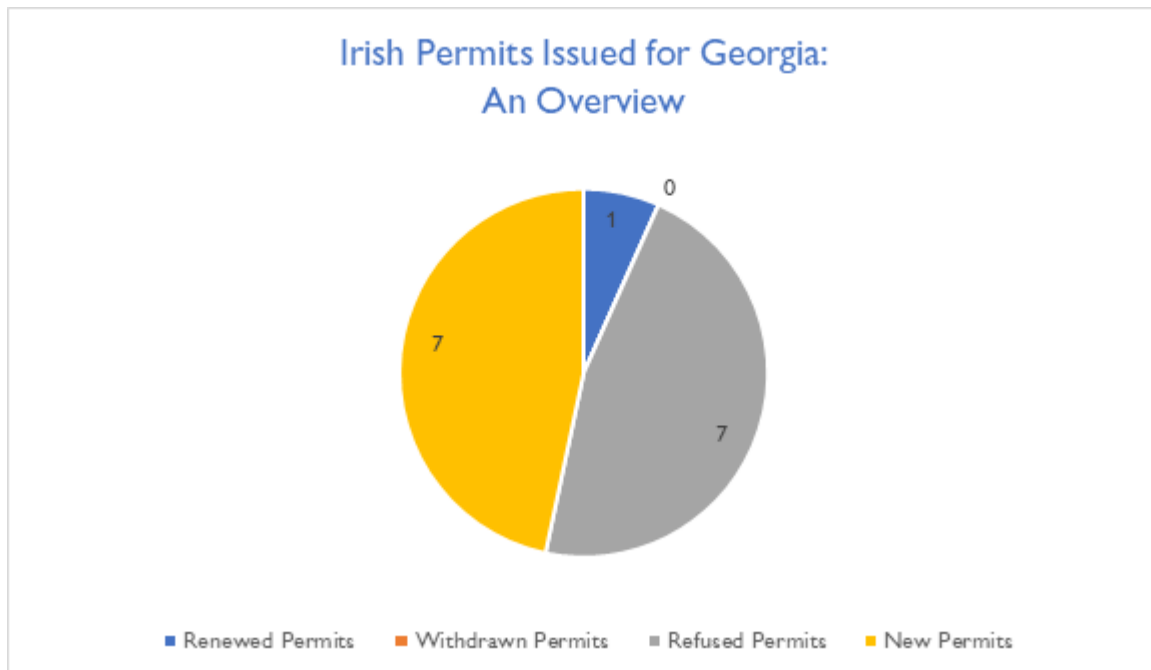
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- Georgian Embassy Address in Ireland: 17 Morehampton Rd, Ranelagh, Dublin 4, D04 X0D0
- Contact Number: (+353) 1 905 9191
- Email: dublin.emb@mfa.gov.ge
- Website: http://ireland.mfa.gov.ge/default.aspx?sec_id=421&lang=1

Embassy of Ireland in Georgia

- Embassy of Ireland in Georgia Address (Bulgaria): Embassy of Ireland Platinum Business Centre, 26-28 Bacho Kiro Street, Sofia 1000, Bulgaria
- Contact Number: [+359 2 985 3425](tel:+35929853425)

Georgia - Irish Permits (2019)



Source dated 25.03.2020: Department of Business, Enterprise and Innovation: <https://dbe.gov.ie/en/Publications/Employment-Permit-Statistics-2019.html>

- There were 6 new permits issued to Georgian nationals between January to November 2019.⁶
- 1 permit was renewed for a Georgian national (between January – November 2019).⁷
- There was a total of 7 permits granted to Georgian nationals, between January to November 2019.⁸

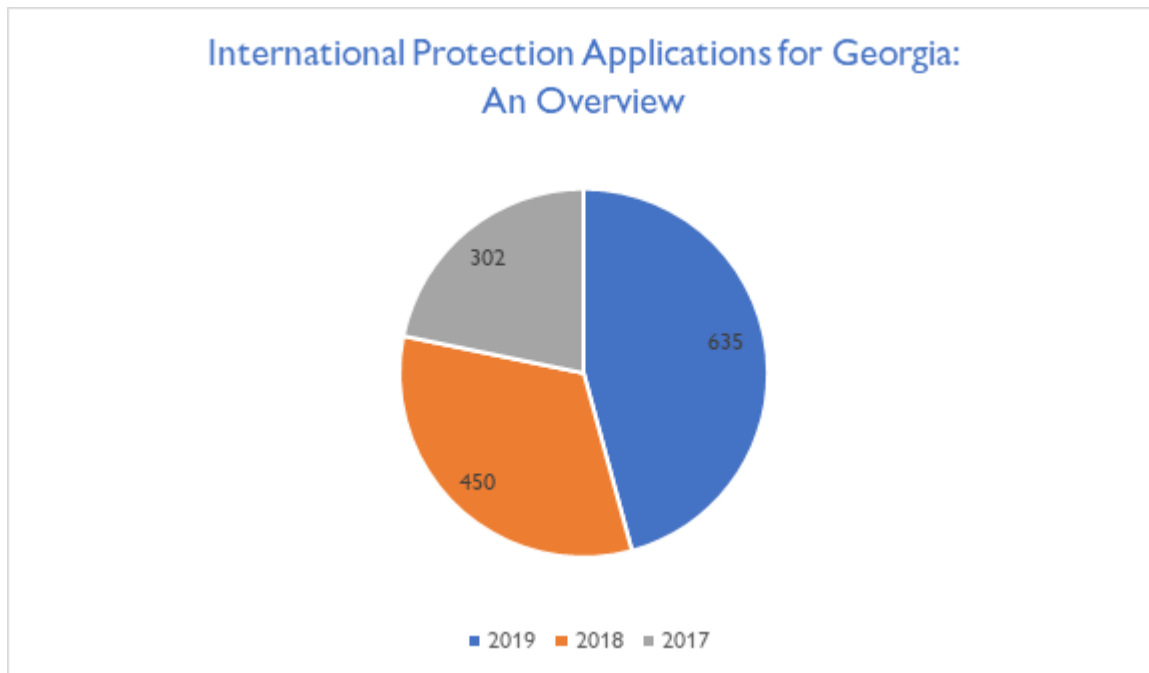
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- 7 permits were refused during this period and 0 permits were withdrawn.⁹

International Protection in Ireland – Georgia



Source: <http://www.ipo.gov.ie/en/IPO/Dec%202019.pdf/Files/Dec%202019.pdf>,
<http://www.ipo.gov.ie/en/IPO/2017%2012%20IPO%20Dec%20monthly%20stats%20EDITED2.pdf/Files/2017%2012%20IPO%20Dec%20monthly%20stats%20EDITED2.pdf>. (As dated 25.03.2020)

- Georgia was among the top 10 nationalities removed from the State in 2018: 4.4%¹⁰
- Georgia is ranked among the top 5 nationalities for International Protection in Ireland in 2019 (Albania, Georgia, Zimbabwe, Nigeria, and South Africa).¹¹
- 635 Georgian nationals submitted International protection applications in 2019. ¹²
- Furthermore, in 2018, Georgia was ranked as one of the top 5 nationalities in Ireland again; submitting 450 international protection applications for that year.¹³
- 302 applications were made in 2017.¹⁴
- 90 International Protection refusals in 2018.¹⁵

⁹ Department of Business, Enterprise and Innovation: <https://dbei.gov.ie/en/Publications/Employment-Permit-Statistics-2019.html>

¹⁰ <http://www.inis.gov.ie/en/INIS/Immigration-in-Ireland-Annual-Review-2018.pdf/Files/Immigration-in-Ireland-Annual-Review-2018.pdf>

¹¹ IPO, 2019:

<http://www.ipo.gov.ie/en/IPO/20191114.WebsiteStatsOct2019FINALV2.pdf/Files/20191114.WebsiteStatsOct2019FINALV2.pdf>

¹² <http://www.ipo.gov.ie/en/IPO/Dec%202019.pdf/Files/Dec%202019.pdf>

¹³ <http://www.ipo.gov.ie/en/IPO/Dec%202019.pdf/Files/Dec%202019.pdf>

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¹⁵ <http://www.inis.gov.ie/en/INIS/Immigration-in-Ireland-Annual-Review-Statistics-2018.pdf/Files/Immigration-in-Ireland-Annual-Review-Statistics-2018.pdf>

- 415 Refugee applicants in direct provision as at 31st Dec. 2018.¹⁶
- 5 Family Reunification applications in 2018.¹⁷
- 14 Voluntary Returns (INIS 2018) in 2018.¹⁸

IOM Data Portal – Georgia

1. Voluntary Returns

Voluntary Returns (host) (2018): 109¹⁹²⁰

Voluntary Returns (origin) (2018): 2.7 thousand²¹

2. Trafficking

Women Trafficked (Country of Origin) (2018) 100%²²

Children Trafficked (Country of Origin) (2018) 0%²³

Women Trafficked (Country of Exploitation) 43.3%²⁴

Children Trafficked (Country of Exploitation) 5%²⁵

3. Human Rights Instruments

Ratifications of Human Rights Instruments (2017): 16²⁶

Georgian Diaspora Networks in Ireland

NCP Members Website: <https://www.newcommunities.ie/members/>

Georgia in the Irish Media:

¹⁶ <http://www.inis.gov.ie/en/INIS/Immigration-in-Ireland-Annual-Review-Statistics-2018.pdf/Files/Immigration-in-Ireland-Annual-Review-Statistics-2018.pdf>

¹⁷ <http://www.inis.gov.ie/en/INIS/Immigration-in-Ireland-Annual-Review-Statistics-2018.pdf/Files/Immigration-in-Ireland-Annual-Review-Statistics-2018.pdf>

¹⁸ <http://www.inis.gov.ie/en/INIS/Immigration-in-Ireland-Annual-Review-Statistics-2018.pdf/Files/Immigration-in-Ireland-Annual-Review-Statistics-2018.pdf>

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²⁰ https://migrationdataportal.org/?i=avrr_host&t=2018&cm49=268

²¹ https://migrationdataportal.org/?i=ctdc_origin_percfem2018&t=2017&cm49=268

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²⁴ https://migrationdataportal.org/?i=ctdc_origin_percfem2018&t=2017&cm49=268

²⁵ https://migrationdataportal.org/data?i=ctdc_exploit_percmin2018&t=2018&cm49=268

²⁶ https://migrationdataportal.org/?i=ctdc_origin_percfem2018&t=2017&cm49=268

- According to Irish media reports in early 2020, there are more Georgian nationals claiming asylum in the Republic of Ireland than in other country.²⁷
- 23 Albanian and Georgian nationals have been deported, detailed a report in December 2019. ²⁸

²⁷ Irish Times, 2020: <https://www.irishtimes.com/news/social-affairs/georgians-lead-irish-asylum-claims-1.3745515>

²⁸ Irish Times, 2019: <https://www.irishtimes.com/news/crime-and-law/ireland-returns-23-people-denied-asylum-to-albania-and-georgia-1.4104861>