

# Young People in Trouble

## Crime, Justice, Prisons

### Georgia

Penal Reform International (PRI)



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### Georgia's international obligations

Party to the Convention on the Rights of the Child –  
since 1994

(Reports examined in 2000, 2003, 2008)

Member of the Council of Europe – since 1999

European Convention for Human Rights –  
since 2000

## General Facts & Figures

Overall population: 4.4 million

1 million below – 18 years

470 000 – aged 12-18 years

Full legal age – 18 years

Minimum age of criminal responsibility – 14 years

## Figures on Juvenile Delinquency

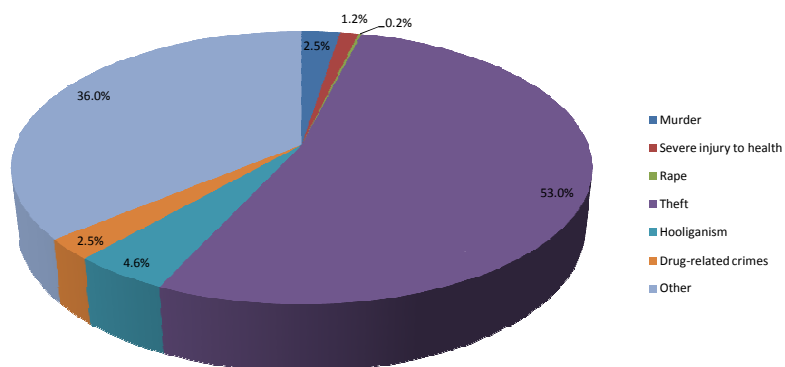
- Number of convicted juveniles – 713 (October, 2010)
- Juvenile probationers – 528
- Juveniles serving non-custodial sentences - 26
- Juvenile prisoners – 159 convicted, 63 - remand prisoners

### Number of crimes committed by juveniles – 2001 – 2010

| 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 662  | 674  | 617  | 557  | 755  | 997  | 674  | 759  | 595  | 141  |

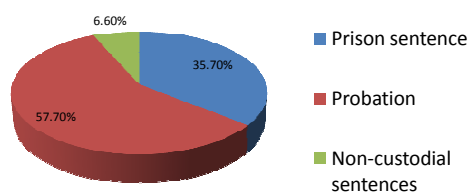
*Data from the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia, Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Corrections and Legal Assistance*

### Types of crimes committed by juveniles 2004-2009



### Number of Juvenile convicts 2001-2009

| 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 525  | 497  | 459  | 598  | 475  | 1002 | 1060 | 1166 | 803  |



Sentencing pattern

Policy of “Zero Tolerance” –  
2005-2006

Liberalization policy –  
2009-2010

Diversion and other  
alternatives for juveniles

### NGO Work with Children

- Prevention programmes;
- Rehabilitation and re-socialisation activities;
- Vocational Training and educational activities;
- Psychological assistance;
- Mental health programmes;
- Legal assistance;
- Social work; engagement with parents;
- Cultural activities and life skills training/orientation guidance.

Thank you for your attention!