



Turkmenistan

Satisfaction with the economic situation and with personal circumstances

94 per cent of respondents in Turkmenistan report to be satisfied with the economic situation of the country. 74 per cent believe that the national economy is improving and 66 per cent believe that local economy is doing well. Both figures are above the averages for the transition region as a whole, the Central Asia region, as well as the western European comparator countries. 89 per cent of respondents also believe that it was a good time to find a job at the time of the survey, again, the highest percentage in the sample. In addition, 82 per cent of respondents report that they live comfortably on their income - the highest figure in the sample.

60 per cent of Turkmen respondents are satisfied with their lives. This percentage is higher than the average for the transition region as a whole (43 per cent) and in line with the Central Asian average (60 per cent). However, life satisfaction is lower than in the western European comparator countries (74 per cent). 97 per cent of respondents believe that in five years after the survey, they will be more satisfied with their lives - the highest figure in the sample. Similarly, 91 per cent of respondents report that they are satisfied with their standards of living.

Channels of communication

34 per cent of Turkmen have a landline telephone at home, 86 per cent use a mobile phone to make and receive personal calls, and 50 per cent have internet access. All three figures are below the corresponding averages for the transition region and the western European comparator countries.

Self-assessed health

54 per cent of Turkmen report that their physical health is near perfect. This figure is in line with the averages for the transition region (52 per cent), the western European comparator countries (57 per cent) and the Central Asia region (59 per cent).

Quality of public services

In general, Turkmen are satisfied with the quality of public services. 87 per cent report satisfaction with the public transportation systems, 82 per cent are satisfied with roads and highways, 84 per cent of Turkmen state that the quality of the air is satisfactory, and 57 per cent are satisfied with the availability of good affordable housing. Collectively, these figures are higher than the corresponding averages for the transition region, the Central Asia region (except for housing), and the western European comparator countries.

Social and economic mobility

93 per cent of Turkmen believe that people can get ahead in life by working hard. This figure is higher than the averages for the transition region (62 per cent), the western European comparator countries (81 per cent), the Central Asia region (88 per cent).

Gender and inclusion

97 per cent of Turkmen believe that women are treated with respect and dignity in their country. 85 per cent of respondents believe that their city or area is a good place for immigrants. Compared to 2011, this figure increased by five percentage points and is now substantially higher than the transition region (57 per cent), the Central Asia region (70 per cent), and the western European (79 per cent) averages.

Satisfaction with the government

Turkmen are satisfied with their government's efforts to help the poor (90 per cent) and to protect the environment (83 per cent). Both figures are well above the averages for the transition region, the Central Asia region and the western European comparator countries.

Civic engagement

39 per cent of respondents report that they made donation to a charity in the month before the interview and 60 per cent of respondents volunteered in an organization. These figures are well above the transition region average.

CHART 1. Life satisfaction: percentage of respondents who are satisfied with life

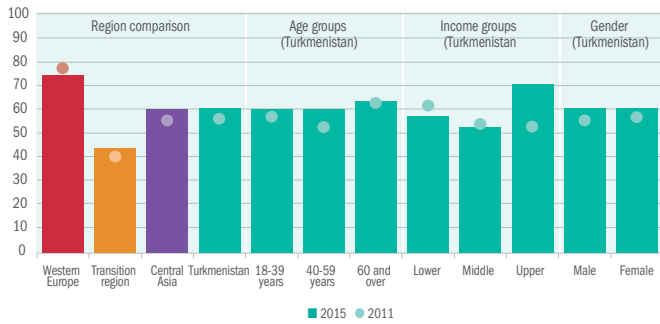


CHART 2. Optimism: percentage of respondents who are optimistic about the future

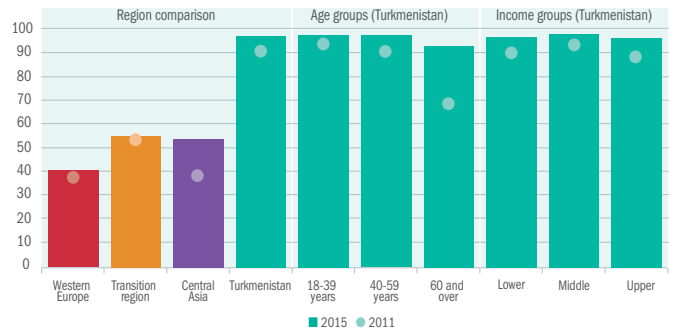


CHART 3. Channels of communication: percentage of respondents who regularly use a mobile phone, a landline telephone and the internet

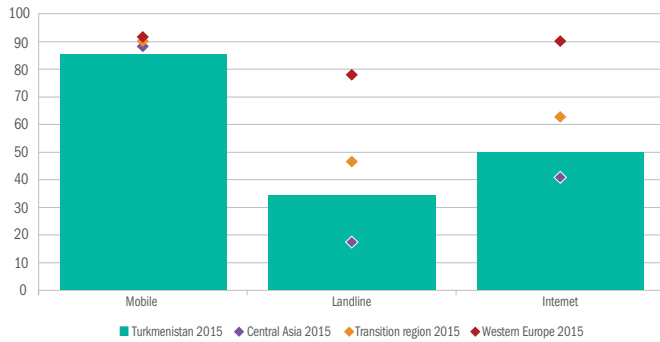


CHART 4. Health assessment: percentage of respondents who report themselves to be in good health (self-assessed)

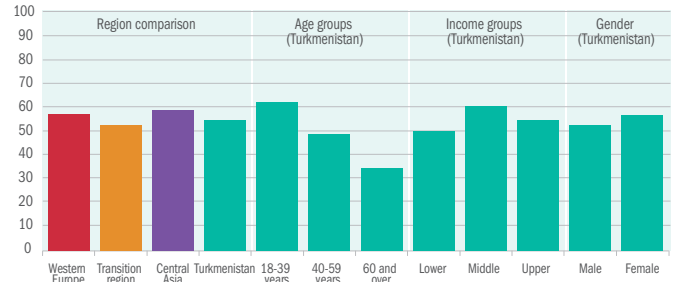


CHART 5. Quality of services and environment: percentage of respondents who are satisfied with the quality of public services and environment, by category

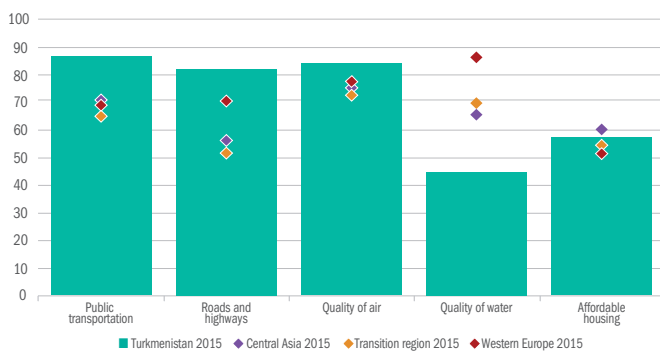


CHART 6. Factors for success: percentage of respondents who report that "hard work" is an important success factor in their country



CHART 7. Attitudes towards women: percentage of respondents who report that “women are treated with respect and dignity”

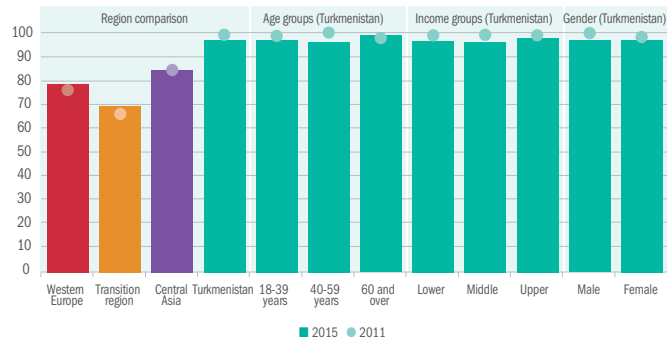


CHART 8. Inclusion: percentage of respondents who report that “their city or area is a good place to live” for minority groups, by given category

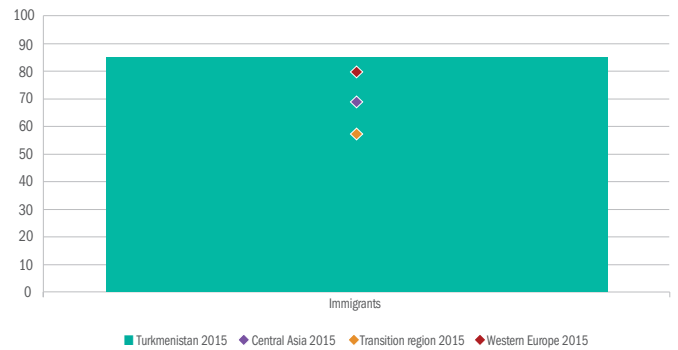


CHART 9. Satisfaction with the government: percentage of respondents who are satisfied with their government’s efforts, by given policy



CHART 10. Civic engagement: percentage of respondents who assist others, by type of initiative

