

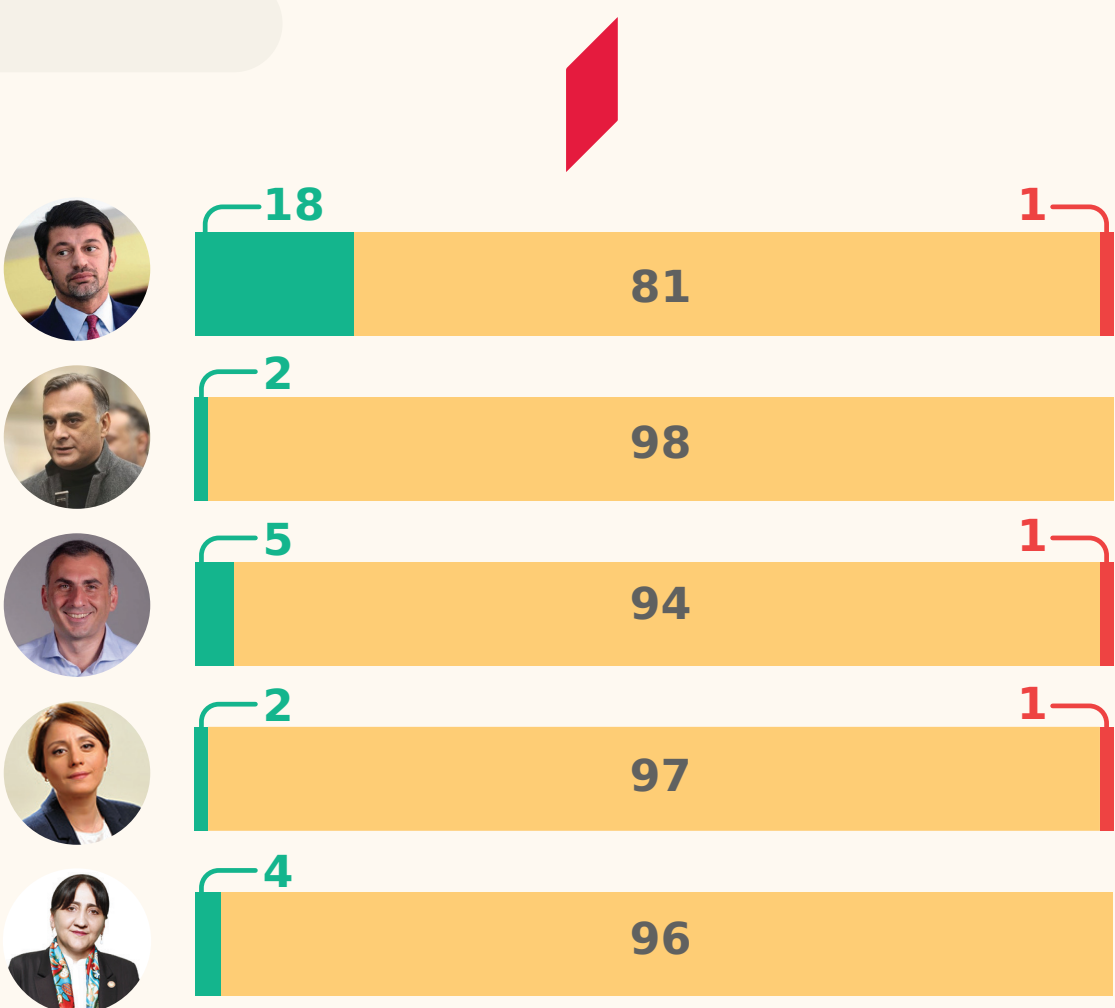
COVERAGE OF TBILISI MAYORAL CANDIDATES BY THE NATIONAL TV STATIONS

From 19 June to 21 October, TV stations devoted more time to covering the local and central governments, and the Georgian Dream party, than the mayor elections.

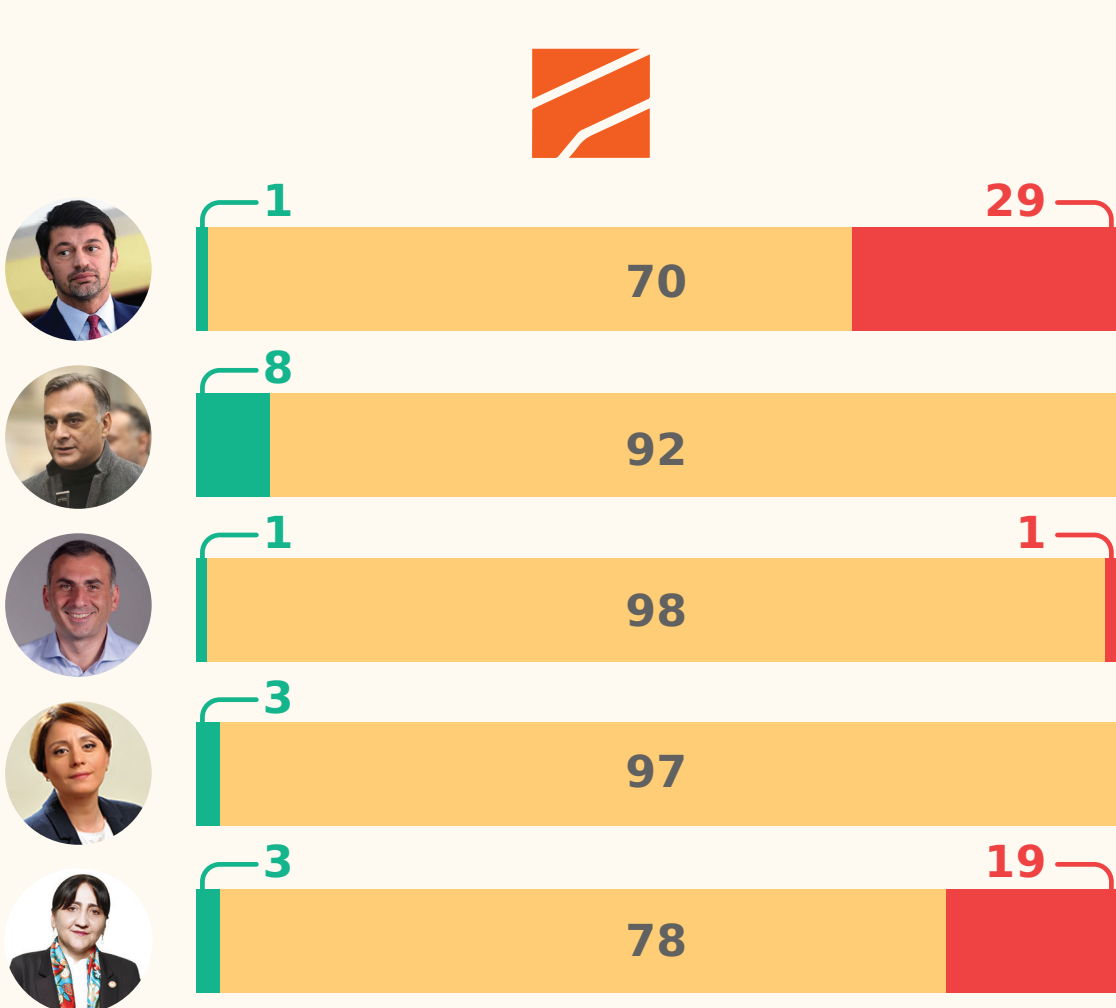
Almost all TV stations had a noticeable lack of analytical, in-depth stories, which would have been helpful for the voters to make better-informed decision.



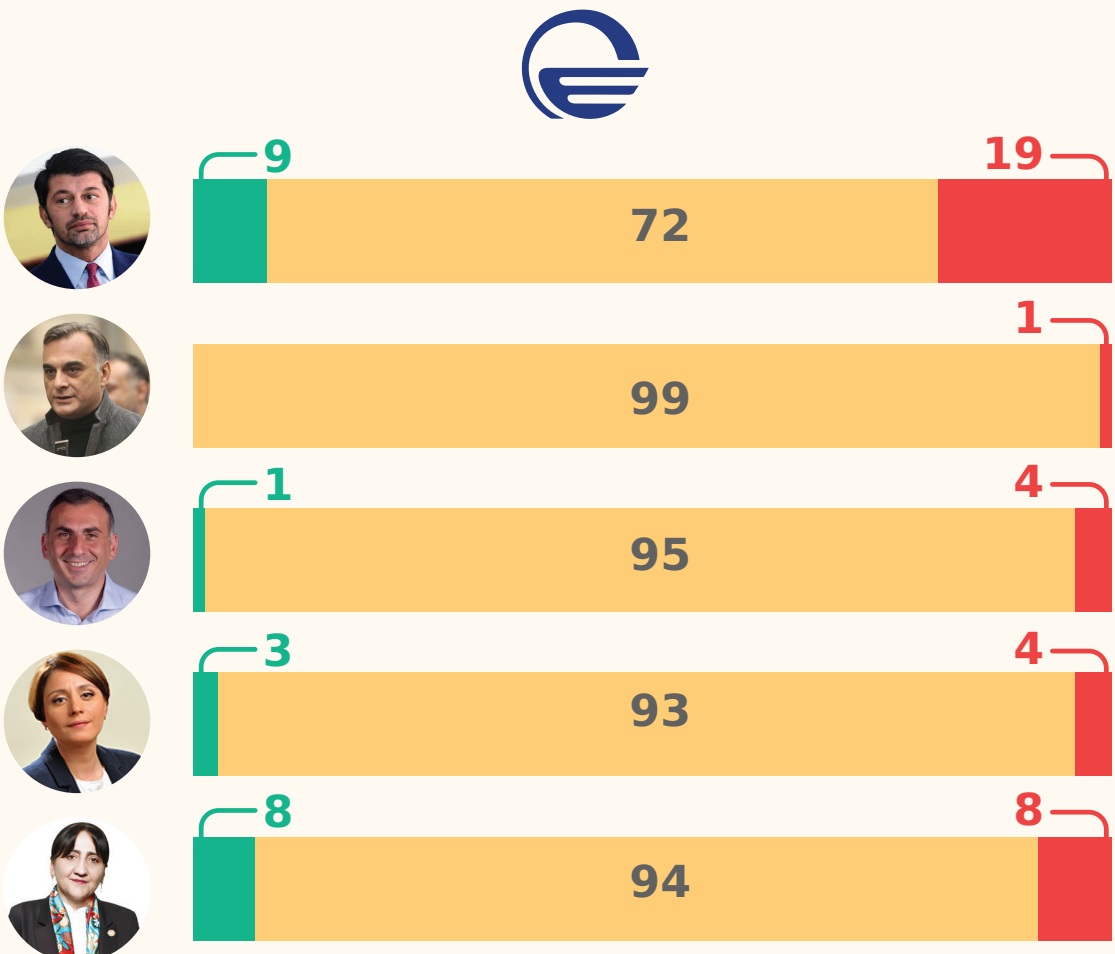
Positive % Neutral % Negative%



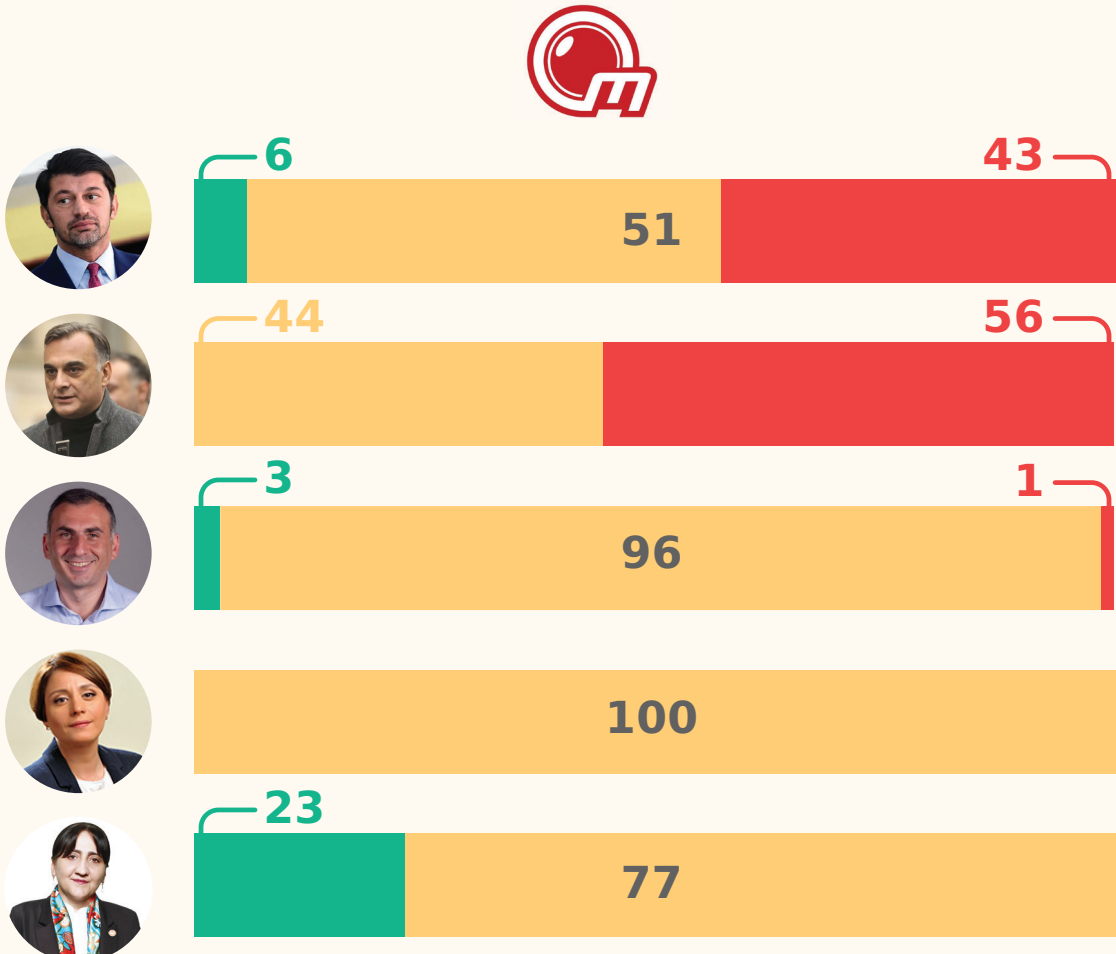
Georgian Public Broadcaster dedicated twice as much time covering Georgian Dream's Kakha Kaladze than other candidates and the positive tone of the coverage was more than three times higher



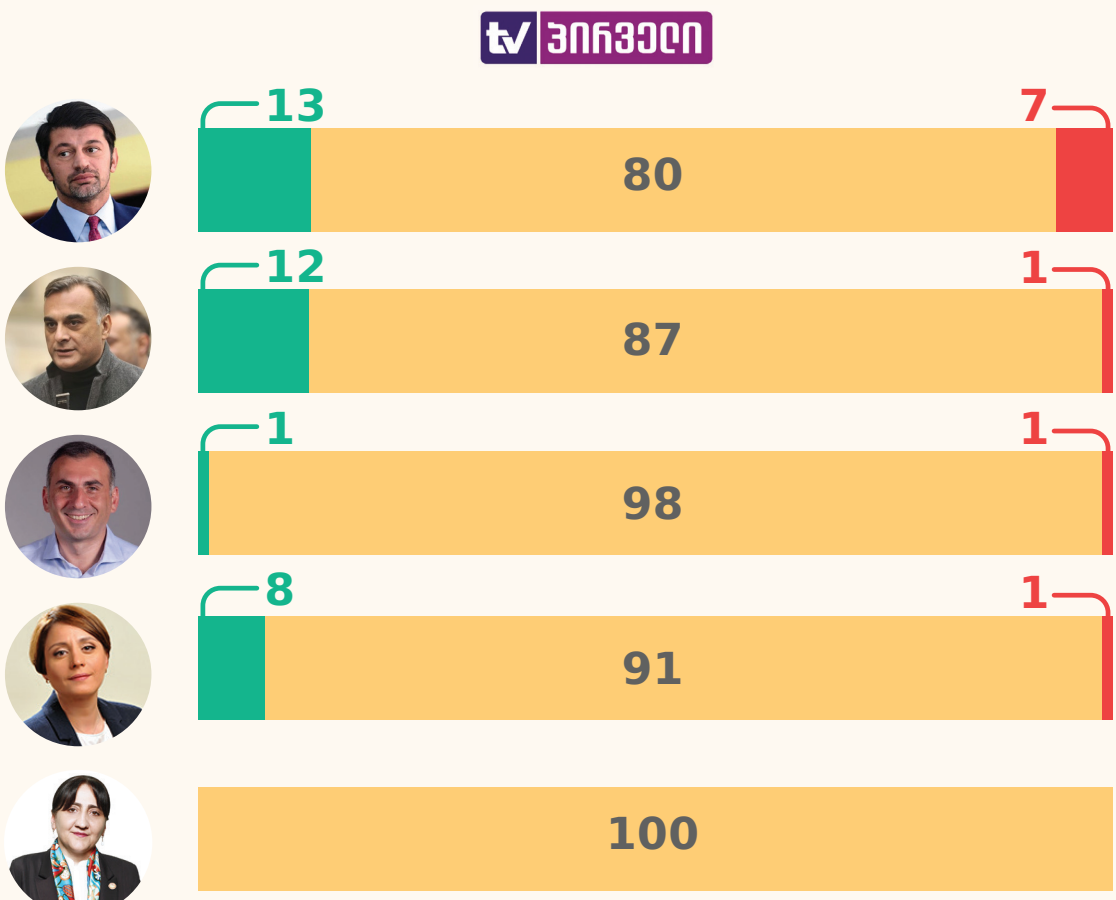
Rustavi 2 was clearly expressing sympathy towards UNM's Zaal Udumashvili



TV Imedi devoted 46% of their election coverage time to Georgian Dream's Kakha Kaladze



TV Obiektivi was the only station to dedicate most of the time to Alliance of Patriots' Irma Inashvili



Kakha Kaladze has more positive as well as negative coverage on TV Pirveli, compared to other candidates