

**PROBLEMS OF THE NATIONAL-STATE STRUCTURE
OF KABARDINO-BALKARIA IN PUBLIC OPINION
OF THE POPULATION IN 1993-1998
(BASED ON SOCIOLOGICAL RESEARCH MATERIALS)**

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The article presents an analysis of the problems of the national state structure of Kabardino-Balkaria in 1993-1998 based on materials from five sociological studies. It was revealed that out of the four theoretically possible statuses of the KBR, the overwhelming majority of the republic's population (86 %) chose a unified Kabardino-Balkaria within the Russian Federation. An analysis of the opinions of respondents, depending on the educational level, showed that the lower the level of education, the higher the share of those who supported a unified KBR within Russia. An analysis of the opinions of respondents, depending on nationality, showed that from 22 % to 25 % of Balkars, Kabardins and other nationalities supported the division of Kabardino-Balkaria into two republics within Russia, while the respondents of Russian nationality were completely in favor of a unified KBR. In the question of trust in state bodies and public organizations (CKP, NCBP, "Adyge Khase", "Tore"), 84 % of respondents spoke in favor of confidence in the Parliament and the Government of the KBR and only 31% - expressed trust in public organizations.

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