

Self-government in Armenia: the basics

LEVELS OF ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISIONS

NUMBERS

<input type="checkbox"/>	REGIONS (<i>marzes</i>)		10
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	URBAN COMMUNITIES		46
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	RURAL COMMUNITIES		457
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	DISTRICT COMMUNITIES Yerevan		12

Local self-government is exercised only on **the level of communities.**

SELF-GOVERNMENT BODIES



GOVERNOR



CHIEF OF COMMUNITY



COMMUNITY COUNCIL



MAYOR



COMMUNITY COUNCIL

REGIONS

10 regions are governed by a **governor, who is appointed by the Government of Armenia.**

COMMUNITIES

The self-government bodies are **Community Council** and **Chief of Community**. Community Council (local assembly) and Chief of Community (executive body) are elected for 5 years.

YEREVAN

In comparison with the 10 regions, Yerevan does not have a governor, and instead is only governed by **Community Council** and **Chief of Community** (mayor). Chief of Yerevan Community is elected by the members of the Yerevan Community Council.*

* Prior to the Constitutional changes in 2005, Yerevan had a status of region (marz) and was considered as the 11th region of Armenia, as the mayor (Chief of Community) of Yerevan was appointed by the Government of Armenia. Yerevan did not have a governor but was only governed by the Chief of Community and Community Council. As of the year of 2005, Yerevan gained a status of community, and the mayor was elected by the members of the Community Council of Yerevan.

