



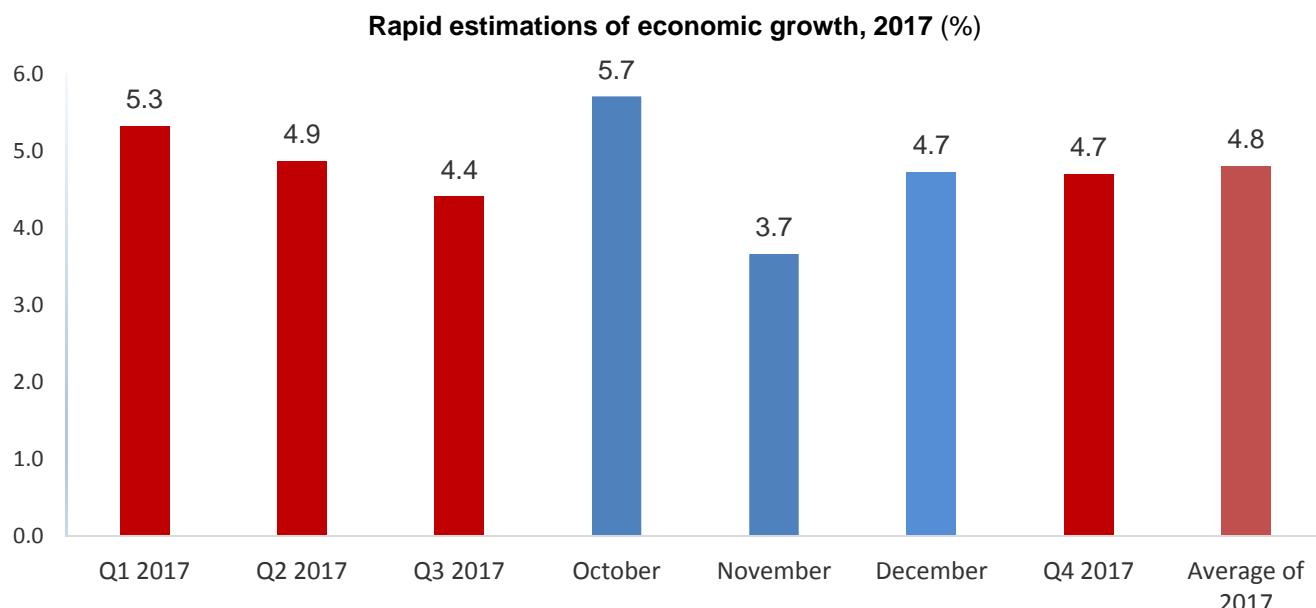
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RAPID ESTIMATES OF ECONOMIC GROWTH  
DECEMBER  
**2017**

## Rapid Estimates of Economic Growth, December 2017

The estimated real Gross Domestic Product (GDP) growth rate in December 2017 and in Q4 2017 amounted to 4.7 percent y-o-y.

The estimated growth of real GDP equaled 4.8 percent in 2017.



In December 2017 the estimated real GDP growth, compared to the same period of the previous year, was registered in the following activities: Other community, social and personal service activities, Health and social work, Hotels and restaurants, Manufacturing. A decrease in the real value-added was registered in Electricity, gas and water supply, Communication, Transport and Construction.

## Monthly Economic Statistics

December 2017

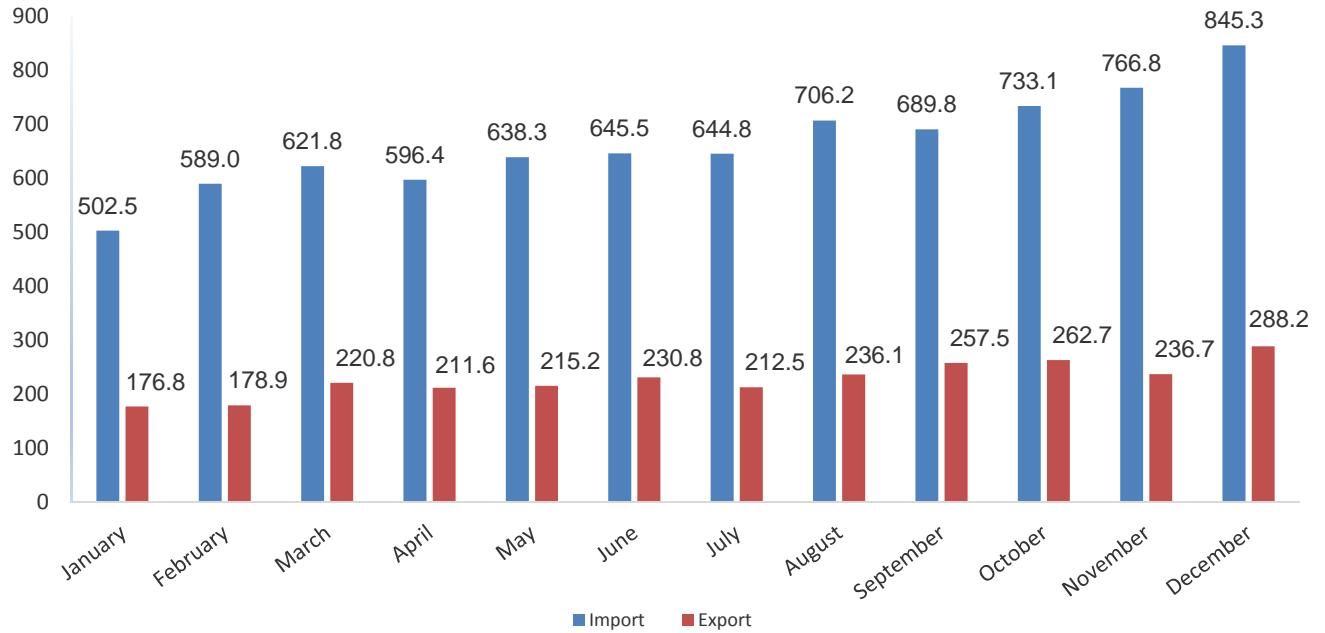
### Indicators of price statistics

Indicator	Y-o-Y	M-o-M
Consumer Price Index (CPI)	106,7	100,8
Producer Price Index (PPI) on the industrial goods	108,7	99,2

### Indicators of external merchandise trade statistics in January- December, 2017

Indicator	Mil. US dollars	Change (y-o-y, %)
Exports of goods (FOB)	2 728,0	29,1
Imports of goods (CIF)	7 979,4	9,4
External merchandise trade turnover	10 707,4	13,8

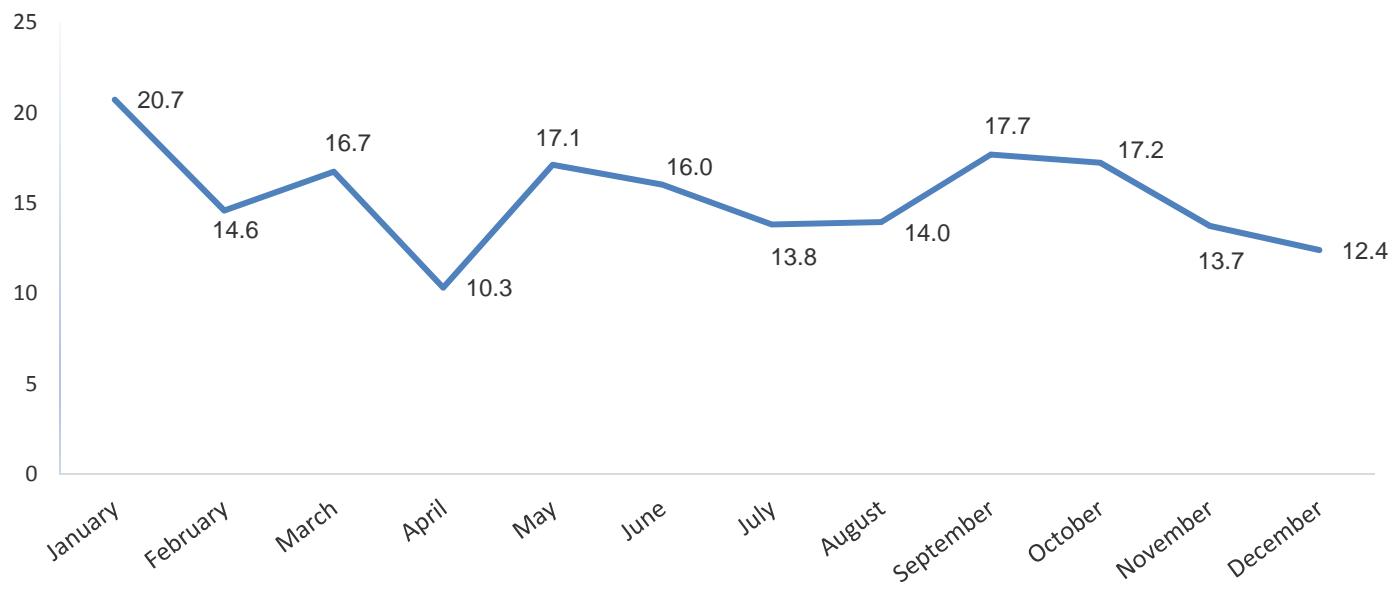
**External merchandise trade, 2017**  
(mil. US dollars)



## Indicators of business statistics

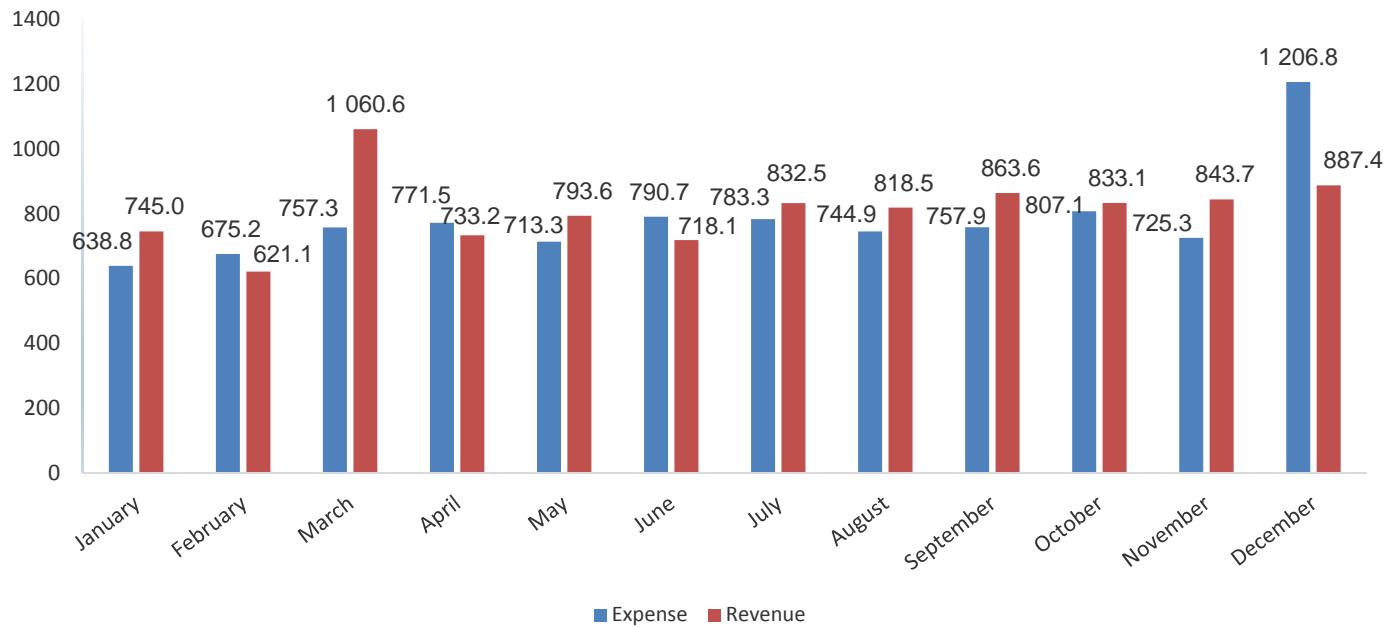
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Number of currently registered enterprises (unit)	3 611
Change of currently registered enterprises number (y-o-y, %)	2,3
Value Added Tax (VAT) payers' turnover used in rapid estimations of economic growth (mil. GEL)	7 047,1
Growth of VAT payers' turnover used in rapid estimations of economic growth (y-o-y, %)	12,4

**Change of VAT payers' turnover used in rapid estimations of economic growth, 2017  
(y-o-y, %)**



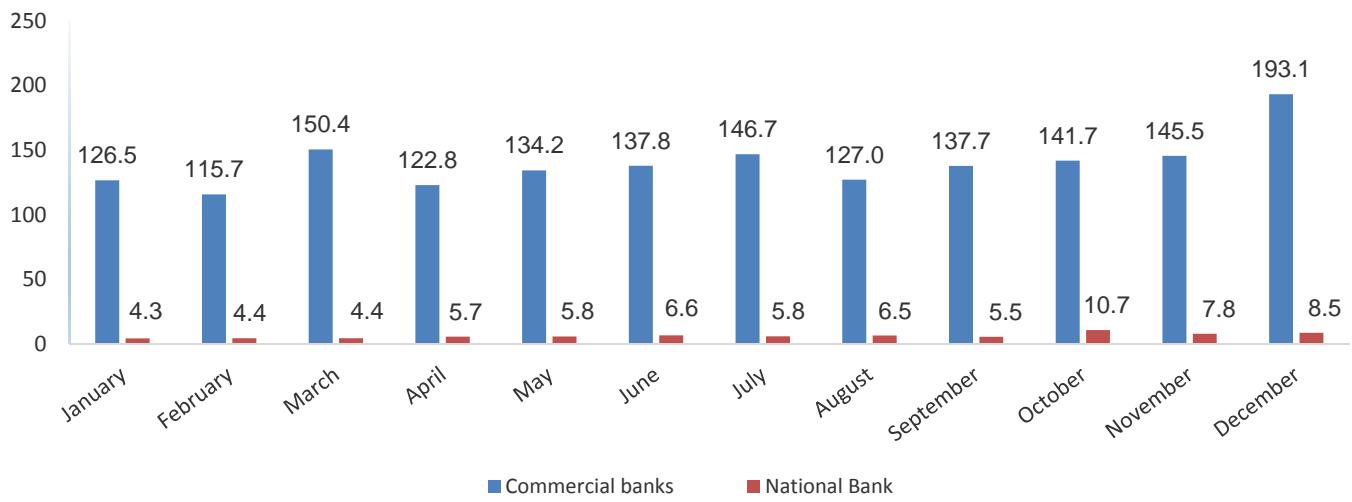
Source: Ministry of Finance of Georgia.

### Indicators of state budget, 2017 (mil. GEL)



Source: Ministry of Finance of Georgia.

### Output of banking sector, 2017 (mil. GEL)



Source: National Bank of Georgia.

**Note:** Preliminary data subject to revisions.

## **Information Note**

Geostat produces monthly rapid estimations of real GDP growth rate using administrative data on VAT taxpayers' turnover, fiscal and monetary statistics. The compilation of rapid estimates is an internationally adopted practice to obtain preliminary monthly growth rate of real GDP. For those sectors, where preliminary monthly data do not exist (e.g. agriculture, non-observed economy etc.), the estimations are based on the data for previous periods.

Furthermore, the data on VAT taxpayers' turnover for the previous months might be updated on a monthly basis, resulting in corresponding adjustments of real GDP growth rate estimates.

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