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EXTERNAL MERCHANDISE TRADE IN GEORGIA

2019

JANUARY-JULY

(PRELIMINARY RESULTS)

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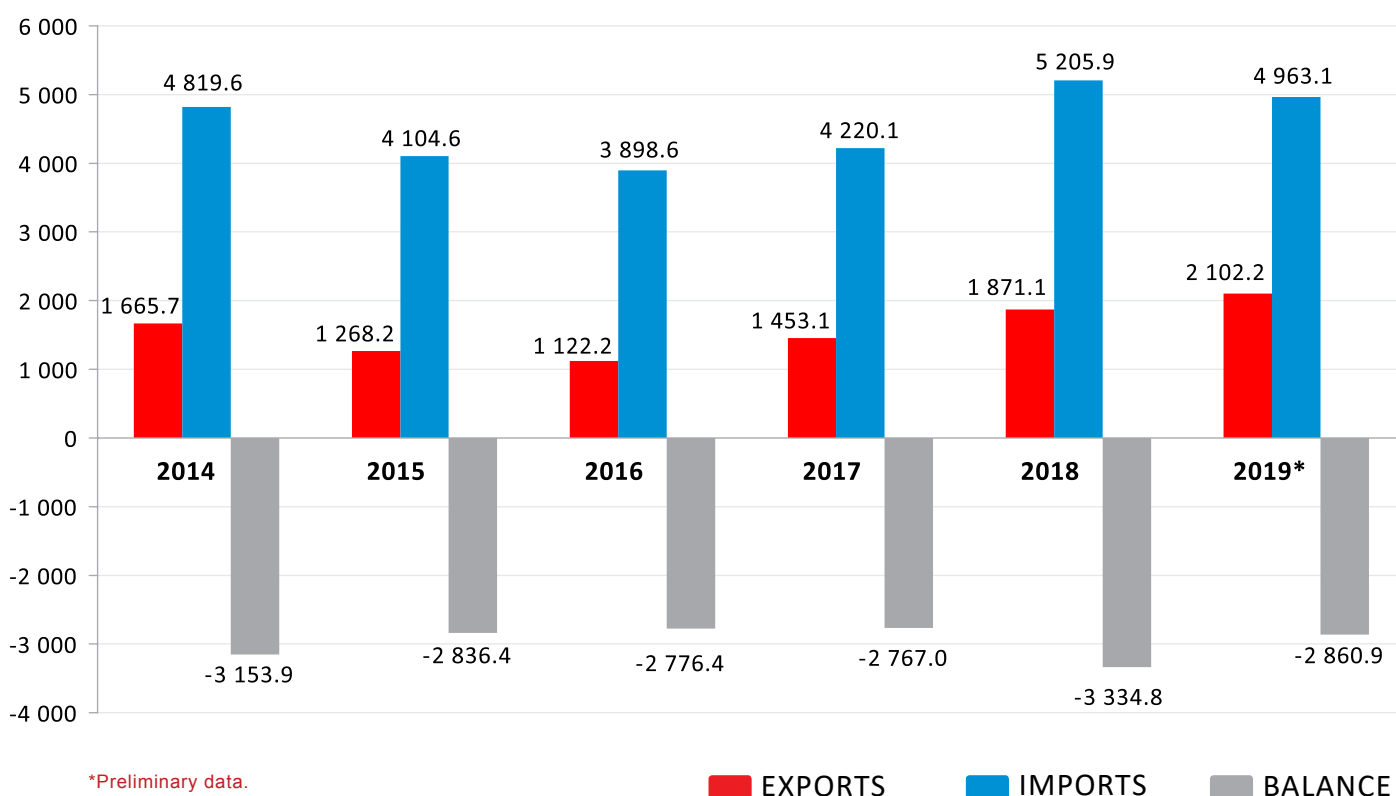
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EXTERNAL MERCHANDISE TRADE OF GEORGIA IN JANUARY-JULY 2019 (PRELIMINARY)

In January-July 2019 the external merchandise trade (excluding non-declared trade) of Georgia amounted to USD 7 065.3 million, 0.2 percent lower year-on-year. The exports equaled USD 2 102.2 million (12.4 percent higher), while the imports stood at USD 4 963.1 million (4.7 percent lower). The negative trade balance was USD 2 860.9 million in January-July 2019 and its share in external trade turnover constituted 40.5 percent. The exports excluding re-exports amounted to USD 1 311.9 million, 1.6 percent higher year-on-year.

The charts below reflect basic trends of the external merchandise trade of Georgia:

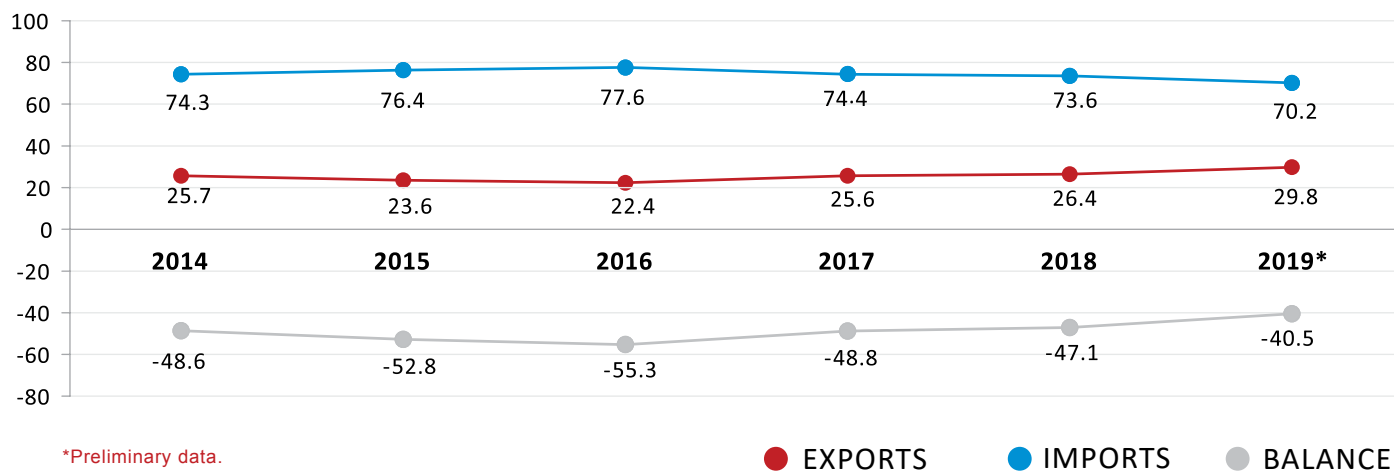
GENERAL DATA ON EXTERNAL TRADE OF GEORGIA IN JANUARY-JULY 2014-2019 (MILLION US DOLLARS)



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SHARE OF EXTERNAL TRADE INDICATORS IN TURNOVER JANUARY-JULY 2014-2019 (%)



The table below shows monthly data for 2017-2019 exports and imports in absolute values and their changes (in percentage) compared to the corresponding month of the previous year.

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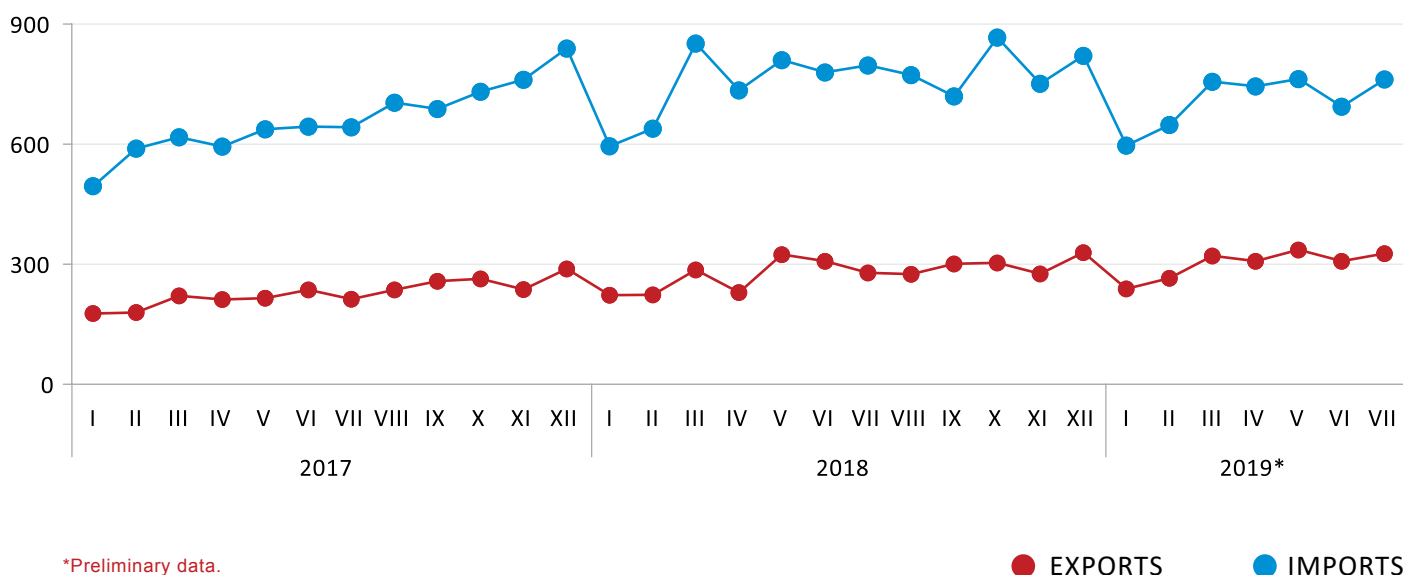
EXPORTS AND IMPORTS OF GEORGIA

		EXPORTS		IMPORTS	
		THSD. US DOLLARS	CHANGES m-o-m (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	CHANGES m-o-m (%)
2017	January	176 873.6	44.8	495 112.0	20.2
	February	179 869.4	13.6	589 395.5	12.4
	March	221 188.1	36.5	617 537.3	11.8
	April	211 582.2	27.7	594 283.4	6.6
	May	215 333.5	24.9	637 602.4	4.5
	June	235 601.9	40.2	644 047.9	0.3
	July	212 650.9	22.5	642 115.9	7.0
	August	236 320.0	25.7	703 617.7	1.7
	September	257 645.2	27.3	688 270.1	6.1
	October	263 507.1	38.6	731 209.0	10.4
	November	236 881.5	8.2	761 274.8	17.5
	December	288 325.0	50.7	838 836.3	12.6
2018	January	222 649.9	25.9	594 554.6	20.1
	February	223 657.0	24.3	638 927.6	8.4
	March	285 811.5	29.2	851 767.1	37.9
	April	229 176.7	8.3	734 320.0	23.6
	May	323 793.9	50.4	810 139.8	27.1
	June	307 811.0	30.6	779 222.5	21.0
	July	278 175.9	30.8	796 926.2	24.1
	August	275 376.0	16.5	772 791.0	9.8
	September	301 179.5	16.9	719 778.1	4.6
	October	302 920.2	15.0	866 204.9	18.5
	November	276 196.5	16.6	751 093.7	-1.3
	December	328 964.1	14.1	821 013.6	-2.1
2019*	January	238 766.2	7.2	596 237.3	0.3
	February	265 276.4	18.6	648 151.1	1.4
	March	320 940.2	12.3	755 892.8	-11.3
	April	307 401.7	34.1	744 395.2	1.4
	May	335 784.8	3.7	762 355.9	-5.9
	June	307 249.4	-0.2	694 019.1	-10.9
	July	326 789.5	17.5	762 047.0	-4.4

*Preliminary data.

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EXPORTS AND IMPORTS DYNAMICS BY MONTHS, 2017-2019 (MILLION US DOLLARS)



*Preliminary data.

● EXPORTS ● IMPORTS

In January-July 2019 the exports from Georgia to the EU countries amounted to USD 503.5 million (20.6 percent higher compared to January-July 2018) and constituted 24.0 percent of total exports, while the imports amounted to USD 1 280.2 million (12.6 percent lower) with 25.8 percent in total imports. The external trade turnover of Georgia with the EU countries amounted to USD 1 783.8 million, showing a 5.2 percent decrease compared to the corresponding indicator of the previous year. The EU countries accounted for 27.2 percent of the trade deficit.

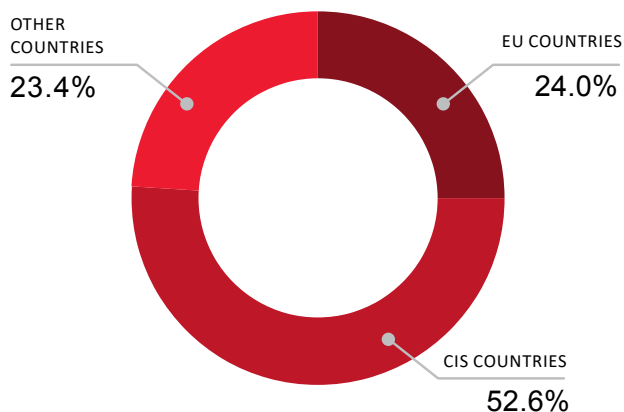
In January-July 2019 the exports to the CIS countries stood at USD 1 105.8 million (26.6 percent higher compared to January-July 2018) and reached 52.6 percent of total exports, while the imports equaled USD 1 303.1 million (14.3 percent lower) with 26.3 percent in total import. The trade turnover with the CIS countries totaled USD 2 408.9 million (0.7 percent higher). The CIS countries accounted for 6.9 percent of the overall trade deficit in the corresponding period.

The diagrams below show the share of the exports and imports of Georgia by country groups.

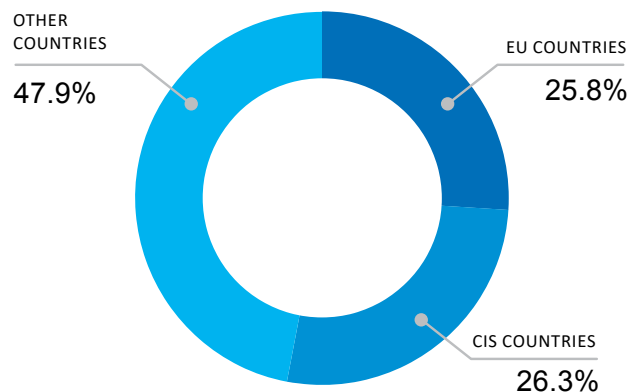
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GEORGIAN EXPORT BY COUNTRY GROUPS IN JANUARY-JULY 2019*



GEORGIAN IMPORT BY COUNTRY GROUPS IN JANUARY-JULY 2019*



*Preliminary data.

In January-July 2019 the share of the top ten trading partners by exports in the total exports of Georgia amounted to 72.7 percent. The top partners were Russia (USD 303.8 million), Azerbaijan (USD 266.2 million) and Armenia (USD 181.2 million).

TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY EXPORTS IN JANUARY-JULY 2019

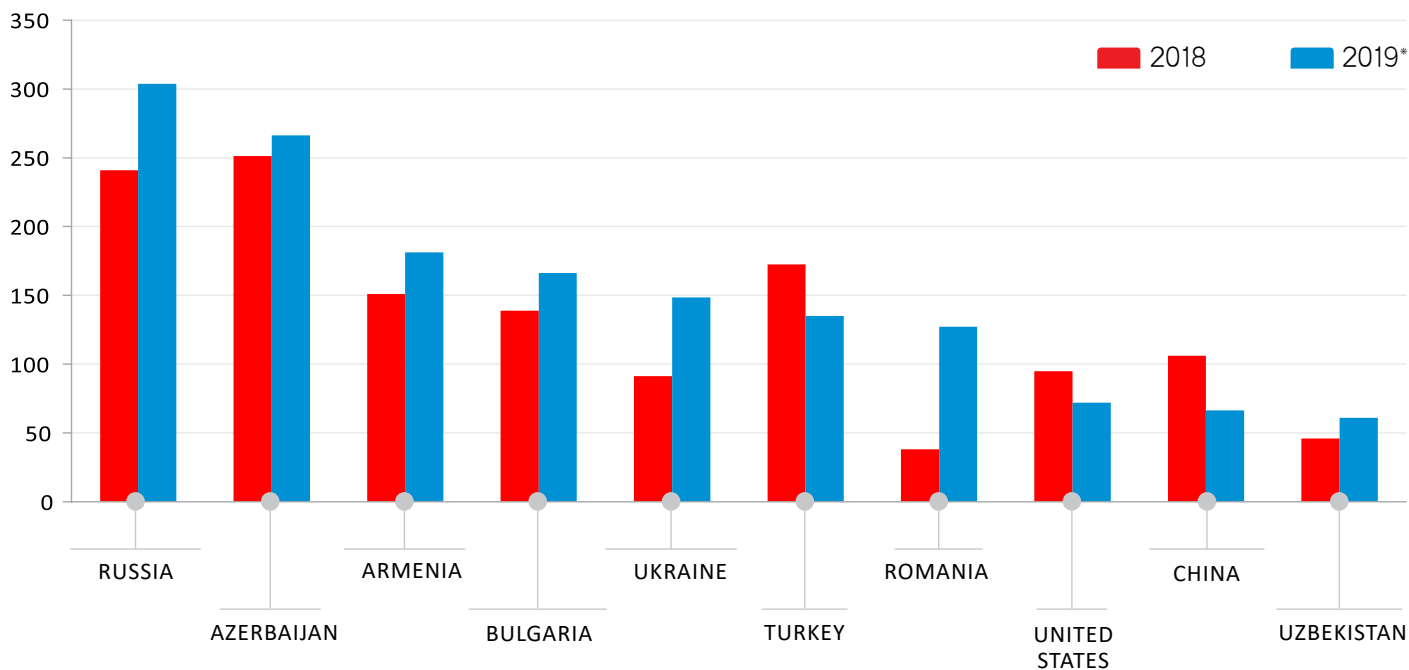
	JANUARY-JULY 2018		JANUARY-JULY 2019*		CHANGE (%)
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL EXPORTS	1 871 075.8	100.0	2 102 208.1	100.0	12.4
Of which:					
Russia	240 870.1	12.9	303 813.4	14.5	26.1
Azerbaijan	251 167.5	13.4	266 212.1	12.7	6.0
Armenia	151 081.1	8.1	181 237.0	8.6	20.0
Bulgaria	138 879.1	7.4	166 160.1	7.9	19.6
Ukraine	91 250.4	4.9	148 563.2	7.1	62.8
Turkey	172 557.0	9.2	135 103.6	6.4	-21.7
Romania	38 271.0	2.0	127 120.9	6.0	232.2
United States	95 018.9	5.1	72 019.2	3.4	-24.2
China	106 160.9	5.7	66 493.7	3.2	-37.4
Uzbekistan	46 048.6	2.5	61 127.8	2.9	32.7
Other countries	539 771.2	28.8	574 357.2	27.3	6.4

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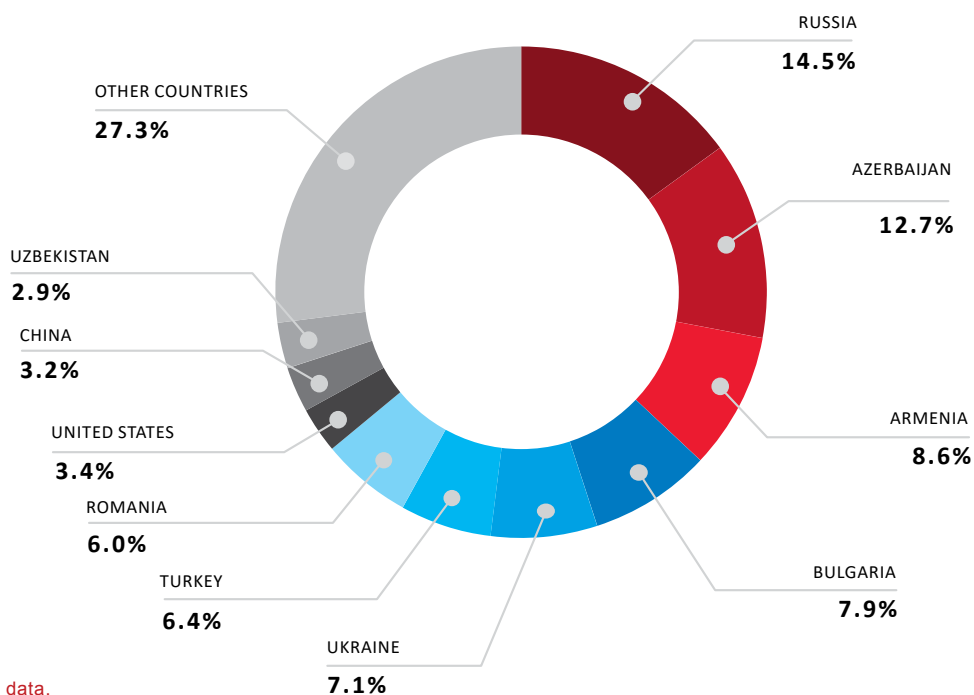
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TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY EXPORTS IN JANUARY-JULY 2018-2019 (MILLION US DOLLARS)



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SHARE OF THE TOP TRADING PARTNERS IN TOTAL EXPORTS IN JANUARY-JULY 2019*



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In January-July 2019 the share of the top ten trading partners by imports in the total imports of Georgia amounted to 66.0 percent. The top partners were Turkey (USD 864.5 million), China (USD 501.4 million) and Russia (USD 486.3 million).

TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY IMPORTS IN JANUARY-JULY 2019

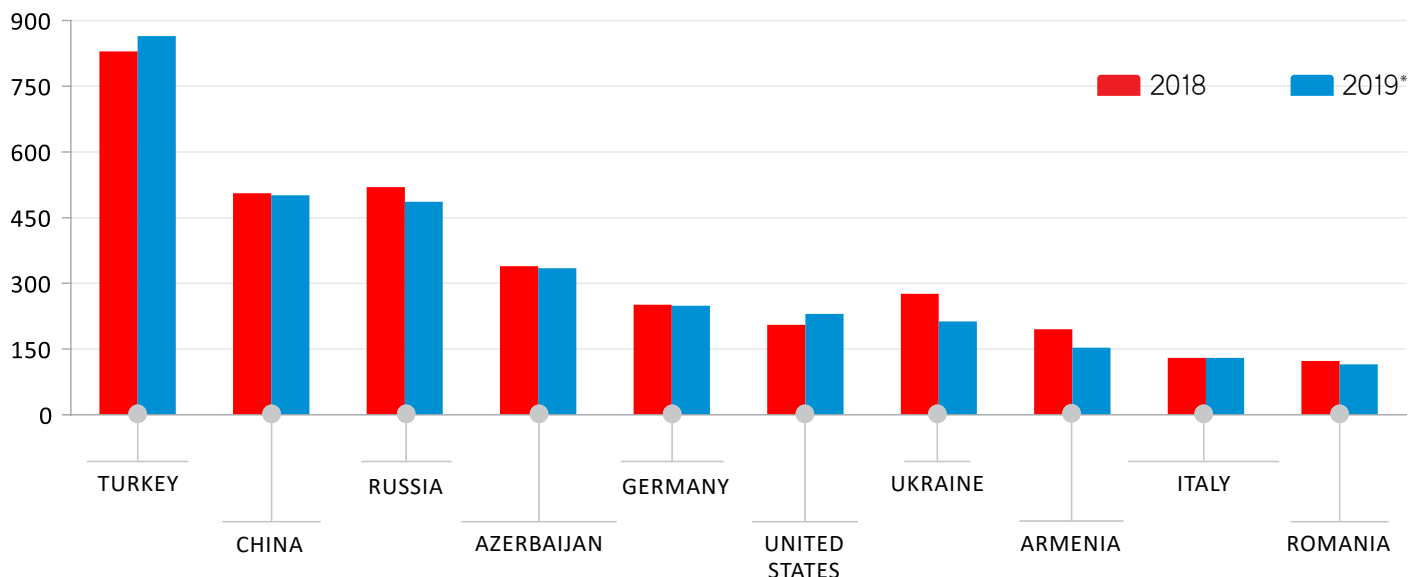
	JANUARY-JULY 2018		JANUARY-JULY 2019*		CHANGE (%)
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL IMPORTS	5 205 857.9	100.0	4 963 098.4	100.0	-4.7
Of which:					
Turkey	829 481.9	15.9	864 541.0	17.4	4.2
China	505 588.9	9.7	501 401.3	10.1	-0.8
Russia	519 376.1	10.0	486 348.4	9.8	-6.4
Azerbaijan	339 041.8	6.5	334 385.5	6.7	-1.4
Germany	251 545.6	4.8	248 615.6	5.0	-1.2
United States	205 453.9	3.9	229 960.5	4.6	11.9
Ukraine	276 335.3	5.3	213 473.2	4.3	-22.7
Armenia	194 984.2	3.7	153 586.6	3.1	-21.2
Italy	130 170.4	2.5	129 798.2	2.6	-0.3
Romania	122 924.5	2.4	115 315.6	2.3	-6.2
Other countries	1 830 955.3	35.2	1 685 672.4	34.0	-7.9

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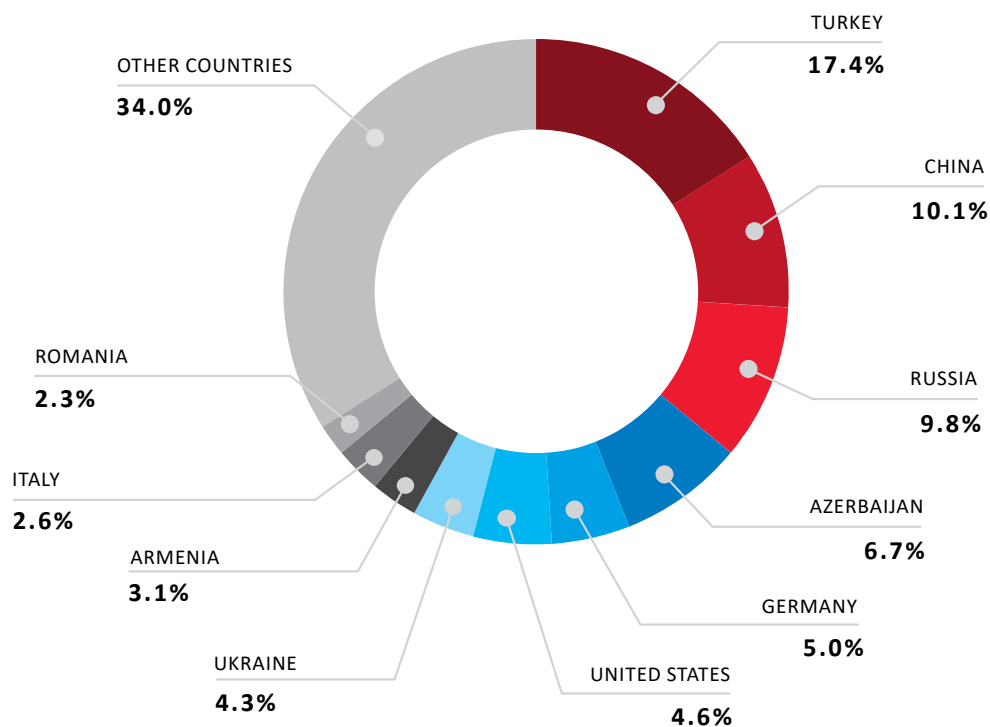
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TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY IMPORTS IN JANUARY-JULY 2018-2019 (MILLION US DOLLARS)



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SHARE OF THE TOP TRADING PARTNERS IN TOTAL IMPORTS IN JANUARY-JULY 2019*



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In January-July 2019 the share of the top ten trading partners in the total external trade turnover of Georgia amounted to 66.7 percent. The top trading partners were Turkey (USD 999.6 million), Russia (USD 790.2 million) and Azerbaijan (USD 600.6 million).

TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY TURNOVER IN JANUARY-JULY 2019*

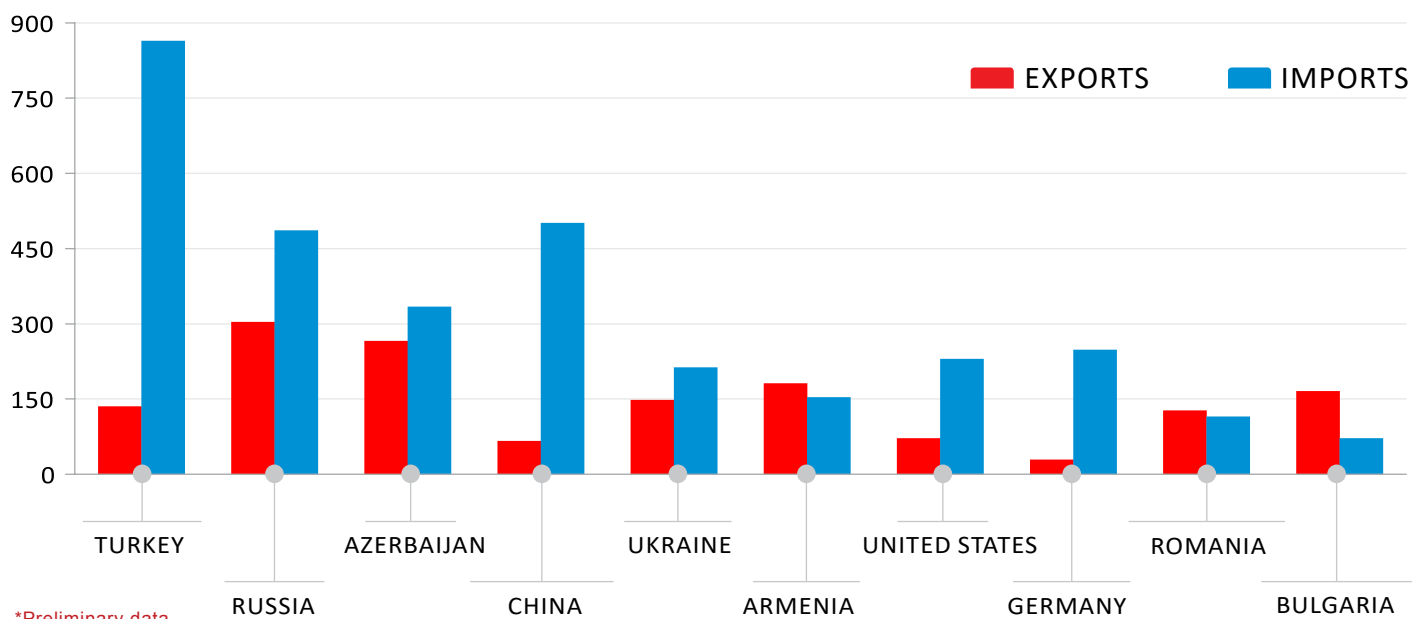
	EXPORTS		IMPORTS		TURNOVER	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)
TOTAL	2 102 208.1	100.0	4 963 098.4	100.0	7 065 306.5	100.0
Of which:						
Turkey	135 103.6	6.4	864 541.0	17.4	999 644.6	14.1
Russia	303 813.4	14.5	486 348.4	9.8	790 161.8	11.2
Azerbaijan	266 212.1	12.7	334 385.5	6.7	600 597.6	8.5
China	66 493.7	3.2	501 401.3	10.1	567 895.1	8.0
Ukraine	148 563.2	7.1	213 473.2	4.3	362 036.4	5.1
Armenia	181 237.0	8.6	153 586.6	3.1	334 823.6	4.7
United States	72 019.2	3.4	229 960.5	4.6	301 979.7	4.3
Germany	29 020.9	1.4	248 615.6	5.0	277 636.5	3.9
Romania	127 120.9	6.0	115 315.6	2.3	242 436.5	3.4
Bulgaria	166 160.1	7.9	71 995.3	1.5	238 155.4	3.4
Other countries	606 464.0	28.8	1 743 475.3	35.1	2 349 939.3	33.3

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TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY TURNOVER IN JANUARY-JULY 2019* (MILLION US DOLLARS)



In January-July 2019 copper ores and concentrates reclaimed the first place in the list of top export items, equaling USD 364.9 million or 17.4 percent of total exports. The exports of motor cars totaled USD 317.3 million and their share in the total exports amounted to 15.1 percent. The ferro-alloys exports occupied the third place standing at USD 195.7 million and constituting 9.3 percent of the total exports.

MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY EXPORTS

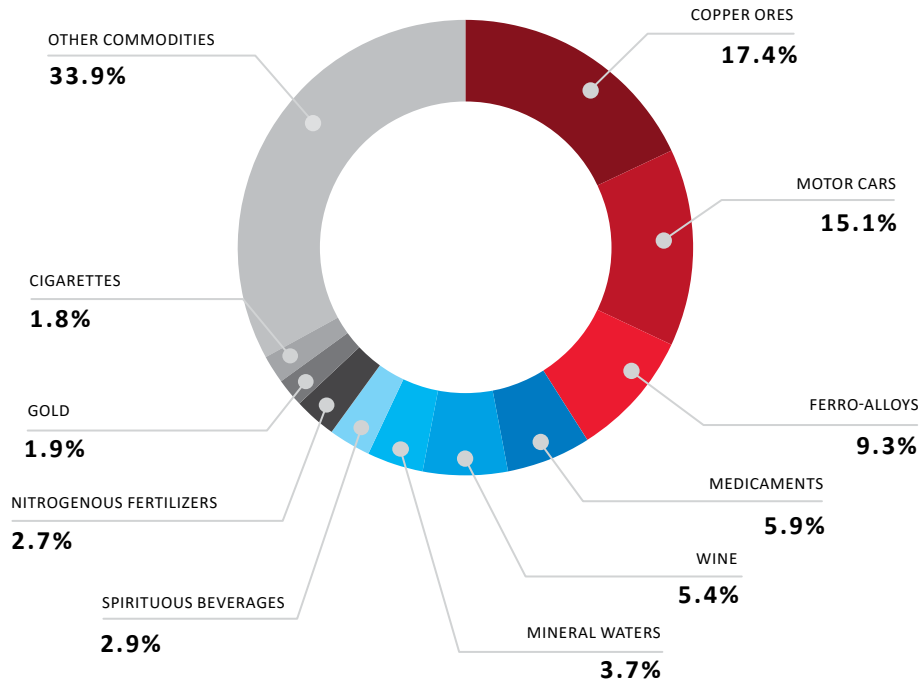
	JANUARY-JULY 2018		JANUARY-JULY 2019*		CHANGE (%)
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL EXPORTS	1 871 075.8	100.0	2 102 208.1	100.0	12.4
Of which:					
Copper ores and concentrates	278 068.7	14.9	364 877.7	17.4	31.2
Motor cars	202 506.8	10.8	317 267.0	15.1	56.7
Ferro-alloys	205 867.6	11.0	195 672.0	9.3	-5.0
Medicaments put up in measured doses	80 764.2	4.3	125 028.9	5.9	54.8
Wine of fresh grapes	105 604.1	5.6	113 683.4	5.4	7.7
Waters, natural or artificial mineral and aerated waters	62 654.4	3.3	77 247.6	3.7	23.3
Spiruous beverages	72 754.0	3.9	59 913.6	2.9	-17.6
Nitrogenous fertilizers	58 953.7	3.2	57 574.7	2.7	-2.3
Gold unwrought or in semi-manufactured forms, or in powder form	45 489.8	2.4	39 280.9	1.9	-13.6
Cigars, cheroots, cigarillos and cigarettes	66 217.1	3.5	38 284.8	1.8	-42.2
Other commodities	692 195.7	37.0	713 377.6	33.9	3.1

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SHARE OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY EXPORTS IN JANUARY-JULY 2019*



*Preliminary data.

The top import commodities in January-July 2019 were petroleum and petroleum oils whose imports equaled USD 404.4 million (8.1 percent of the total imports). The motor cars followed in the list with USD 366.9 million, or 7.4 percent of imports. The copper ores and concentrates were third in the top import commodity list with USD 330.1 million (6.7 percent of imports).

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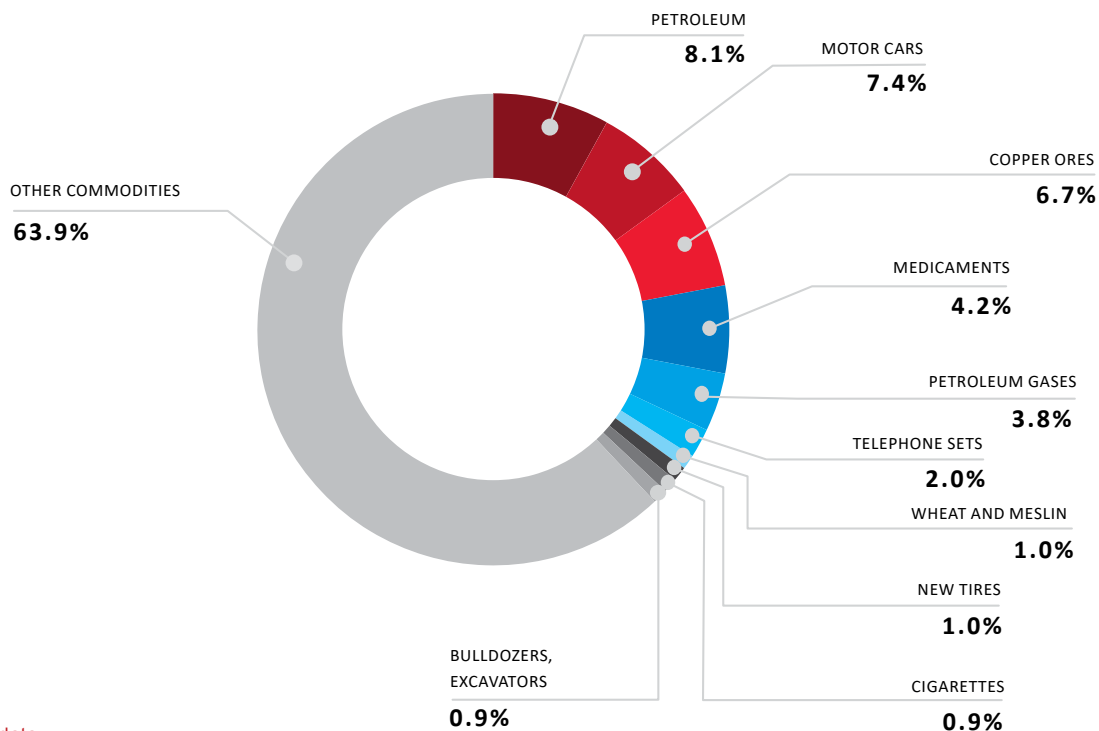
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MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY IMPORTS

	JANUARY-JULY 2018		JANUARY-JULY 2019*		CHANGE (%)
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL IMPORTS	5 205 857.9	100.0	4 963 098.4	100.0	-4.7
Of which:					
Petroleum and petroleum oils	489 258.8	9.4	404 383.6	8.1	-17.3
Motor cars	353 036.9	6.8	366 928.3	7.4	3.9
Copper ores and concentrates	217 969.9	4.2	330 079.3	6.7	51.4
Medicaments put up in measured doses	191 379.1	3.7	210 596.0	4.2	10.0
Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons	177 385.4	3.4	189 763.9	3.8	7.0
Telephones	104 444.4	2.0	98 599.0	2.0	-5.6
Wheat and meslin	62 406.1	1.2	50 452.5	1.0	-19.2
New pneumatic tyres, of rubber	45 535.4	0.9	49 630.6	1.0	9.0
Cigars, cheroots, cigarillos and cigarettes	84 523.1	1.6	46 609.9	0.9	-44.9
Bulldozers, excavators and tamping machines	36 607.9	0.7	42 713.4	0.9	16.7
Other commodities	3 443 310.9	66.1	3 173 341.9	63.9	-7.8

*Preliminary data.

SHARE OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY IMPORTS IN JANUARY-JULY 2019*



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TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY TURNOVER



TURKEY

EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS TO TURKEY

	JANUARY-JULY 2018		JANUARY-JULY 2019*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
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TOTAL EXPORTS	172 557.0		135 103.6	
Of which:				
T-shirts knitted	26 029.4	1 017.1	24 873.5	1 166.1
Semi-finished products of iron or non-alloy steel	17 140.2	35 235.9	18 999.0	49 344.7
Copper ores and concentrates	18 485.9	13 564.2	13 750.2	9 347.0
Ferro-alloys	19 675.9	16 075.2	10 807.6	10 003.5
Men's or boys' suits, ensembles, trousers, knitted or crocheted	6 124.7	289.4	8 718.6	408.1
Other commodities	85 100.9		57 954.7	

*Preliminary data.

IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM TURKEY

	JANUARY-JULY 2018		JANUARY-JULY 2019*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
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TOTAL IMPORTS	829 481.9		864 541.0	
Of which:				
Medicaments put up in measured doses	34 353.8	454.3	53 161.7	852.0
Motor cars (unit)	20 398.3	954	39 831.7	1 646
Structures and parts of structures of iron or steel	18 131.5	9 949.0	24 207.4	15 076.2
Insulated wire, cable and other insulated electric conductors	17 678.5	4 188.6	21 708.7	4 616.0
Tubes and pipes of iron or steel	32 641.3	40 324.9	20 119.4	27 485.7
Other commodities	706 278.4		705 512.1	

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RUSSIA

EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS TO RUSSIA



	JANUARY-JULY 2018		JANUARY-JULY 2019*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL EXPORTS	240 870.1		303 813.4	
Of which:				
Ferro-alloys	78 144.7	64 729.4	85 924.3	78 807.0
Wine of fresh grapes	63 274.8	21 649.6	67 752.6	22 036.4
Waters, natural or artificial mineral and aerated waters	28 252.4	41 487.8	36 149.9	54 525.0
Centrifuges; filtering or purifying machinery, for liquids or gases	7 193.1	7.3	19 020.1	39.7
Spiritous beverages	10 749.0	2 688.0	16 621.0	3 381.7
Other commodities	53 256.1		78 345.5	

*Preliminary data.

IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM RUSSIA



	JANUARY-JULY 2018		JANUARY-JULY 2019*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL IMPORTS	519 376.1		486 348.4	
Of which:				
Petroleum and petroleum oils	105 758.8	163 749.9	100 762.8	172 126.6
Wheat and meslin	57 074.2	292 832.4	37 801.5	173 155.8
Coke and semi-coke of coal	21 259.6	77 236.6	17 269.6	63 632.8
Coal; briquettes and similar solid fuels manufactured from coal	16 697.5	163 837.4	15 965.7	155 761.4
Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons	8 798.0	26 438.3	15 945.7	53 296.8
Other commodities	309 788.0		298 603.1	

*Preliminary data.

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AZERBAIJAN

EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS TO AZERBAIJAN



	JANUARY-JULY 2018		JANUARY-JULY 2019*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL EXPORTS	251 167.5		266 212.1	
Of which:				
Motor cars (unit)	83 973.2	4 749	115 247.1	10 788
Cigars, cheroots, cigarillos and cigarettes	47 810.4	2 640.8	22 936.2	1 056.4
Medicaments put up in measured doses	20 234.0	1 578.8	17 905.3	459.9
Motor vehicles for the transport of goods (unit)	2 634.2	378	5 784.8	844
Other manufactured tobacco and tobacco substitutes; tobacco extracts and essences	-	-	5 415.7	439.4
Other commodities	96 515.7		98 922.9	

*Preliminary data.

IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM AZERBAIJAN



	JANUARY-JULY 2018		JANUARY-JULY 2019*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL IMPORTS	339 041.8		334 385.5	
Of which:				
Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons	168 429.5	967 339.9	173 664.8	1 047 703.2
Petroleum and petroleum oils	57 977.9	94 824.1	64 186.7	116 447.3
Electrical energy	26 933.6	...	31 589.0	...
Cement	10 305.3	204 885.0	12 805.2	230 819.7
Other bars and rods of iron or non-alloy steel	4 169.5	7 494.6	8 893.9	19 116.2
Other commodities	71 226.0		43 246.0	

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EXTERNAL TRADE BALANCE

	NUMBER OF COUNTRIES	EXTERNAL TRADE BALANCE MIL. US DOLLARS
NEGATIVE TRADE BALANCE		
January-July 2018	96	3 486.2
January-July 2019*	97	3 133.6
POSITIVE TRADE BALANCE		
January-July 2018	40	151.4
January-July 2019*	38	272.7
TOTAL		
January-July 2018	136	3 334.8
January-July 2019*	135	2 860.9

*Preliminary data.

Sources:

-  LEPL Revenue Service of Ministry of Finance of Georgia;
-  LEPL Service Agency of Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia;
-  Georgian State Electric System, JSC;
-  Electricity System Commercial Operator, JSC;
-  Georgian Gas Transportation Company, LTD.

Explanation of symbols:

- Not applicable;
- * Data are preliminary and subject to revisions;
- ... Data are confidential
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Notice:

1. The discrepancy between the totals and the sum in some cases can be explained by using rounded data;
2. Data for 2011-2014 are updated by the data of Special Customs Declarations;
3. Information does not cover the data of Simplified Customs Declarations (Form №4);
4. Information does not cover non-organized trade, also occupied territories of Abkhazian Autonomous Republic and Tskhinvali region;
5. According to the international methodology, there are some difference in coverage of trade flows between external merchandise trade statistics and customs statistics. Diplomatic, temporary, transit and analogous goods are excluded from the database of external merchandise trade statistics.

**The preliminary data will be revised according to the Geostat's revision policy
(based on the regular revision principle) as a result of adjusting
data by respondents/administrative sources.**

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