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JANUARY-OCTOBER

(PRELIMINARY RESULTS)

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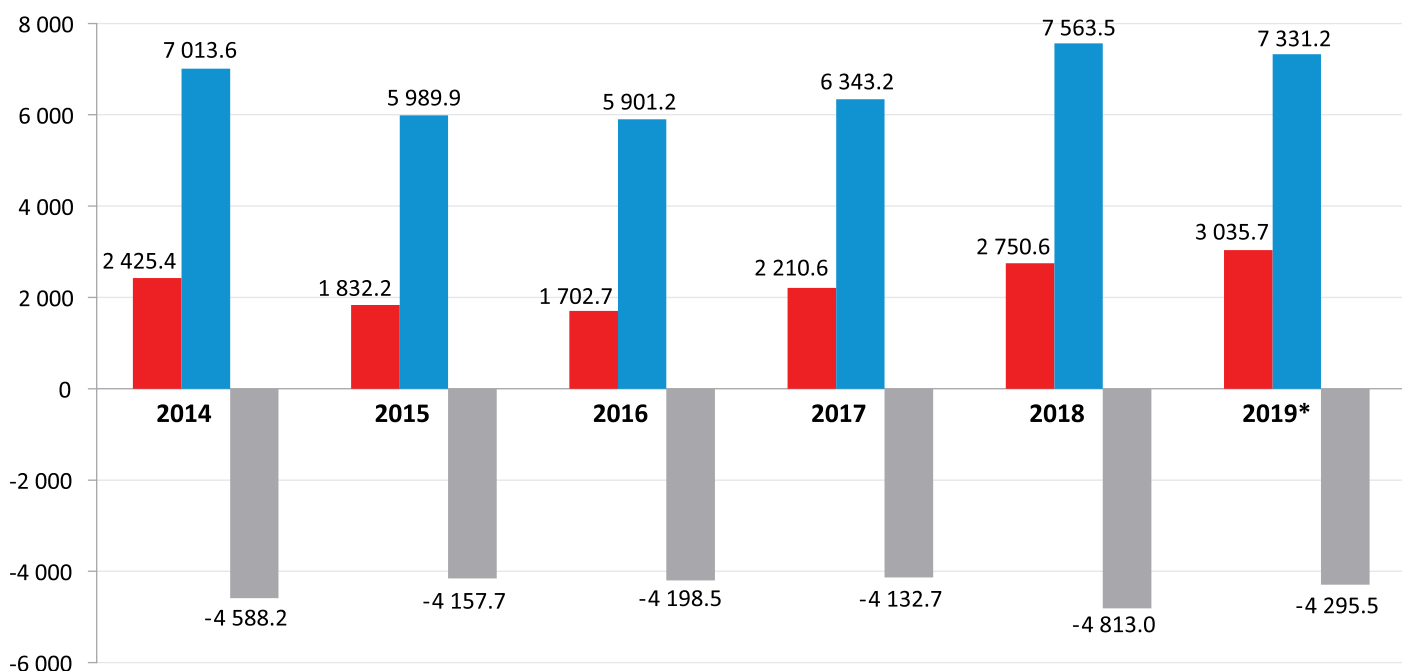
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EXTERNAL MERCHANDISE TRADE OF GEORGIA IN JANUARY-OCTOBER 2019 (PRELIMINARY)

In January-October 2019 the external merchandise trade (excluding non-declared trade) of Georgia amounted to USD 10 366.9 million, 0.5 percent higher year-on-year. The exports equaled USD 3 035.7 million (10.4 percent higher), while the imports stood at USD 7 331.2 million (3.1 percent lower). The negative trade balance was USD 4 295.5 million in January-October 2019 and its share in external trade turnover constituted 41.4 percent. The exports excluding re-exports amounted to USD 1 889.3 million, 1.9 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-OCTOBER 2014-2019 (MILLION US DOLLARS)



*Preliminary data.

EXPORTS

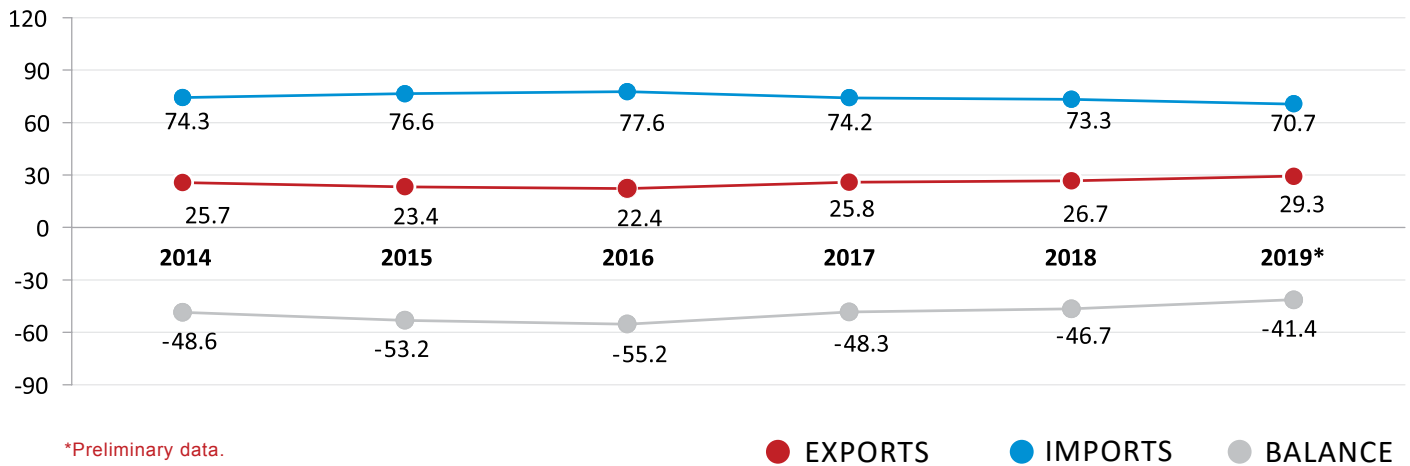
IMPORTS

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SHARE OF EXTERNAL TRADE INDICATORS IN TURNOVER JANUARY-OCTOBER 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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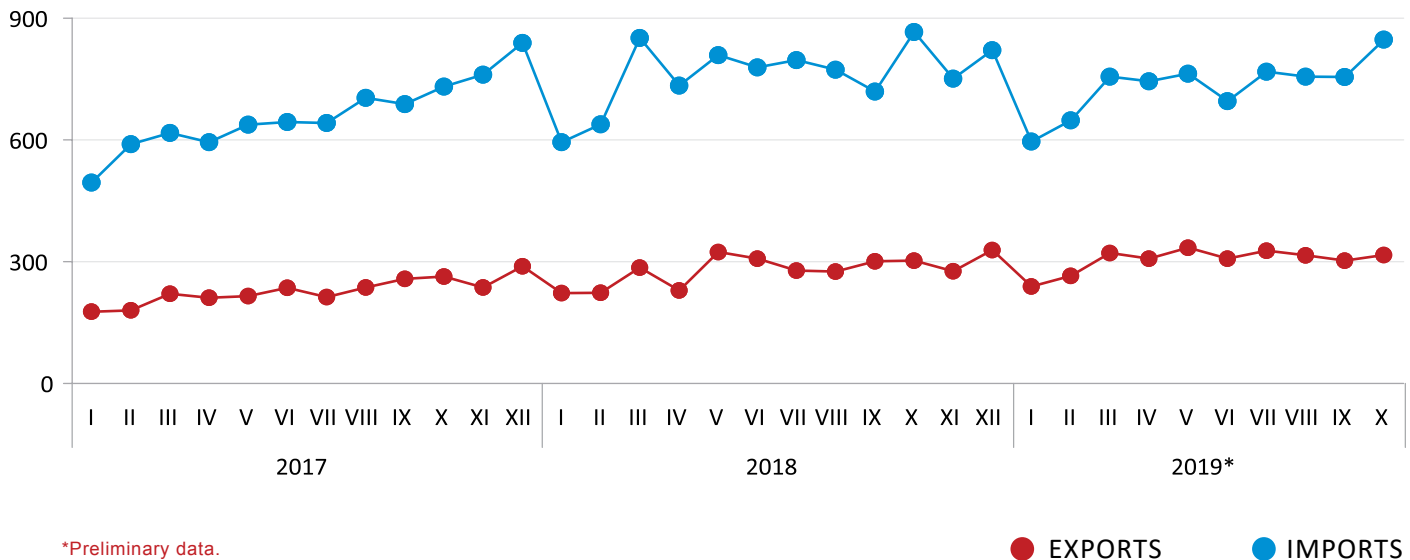
EXPORTS AND IMPORTS OF GEORGIA

		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	594 291.5	6.6
	May	215 333.5	24.9	637 628.7	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	703 615.5	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	838 836.4	12.6
2018	January	222 649.9	25.9	594 574.0	20.1
	February	223 657.0	24.3	638 930.8	8.4
	March	285 811.5	29.2	851 801.8	37.9
	April	229 176.7	8.3	734 301.3	23.6
	May	323 793.9	50.4	809 023.6	26.9
	June	307 811.0	30.6	779 219.0	21.0
	July	278 175.9	30.8	796 998.2	24.1
	August	275 376.0	16.5	772 797.3	9.8
	September	301 179.5	16.9	719 694.4	4.6
	October	302 920.2	15.0	866 209.4	18.5
	November	276 196.5	16.6	751 094.2	-1.3
	December	328 964.1	14.1	821 315.6	-2.1
2019*	January	238 766.2	7.2	596 190.9	0.3
	February	265 276.4	18.6	648 191.2	1.4
	March	320 940.2	12.3	755 946.9	-11.3
	April	307 401.7	34.1	744 592.9	1.4
	May	334 480.8	3.3	763 222.8	-5.7
	June	307 249.4	-0.2	695 977.1	-10.7
	July	326 789.5	17.5	768 646.4	-3.6
	August	315 707.4	14.6	755 700.7	-2.2
	September	302 616.2	0.5	755 128.9	4.9
	October	316 489.8	4.5	847 609.3	-2.1

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



In January-October 2019 the exports from Georgia to the EU countries amounted to USD 685.2 million (14.2 percent higher compared to January- October 2018) and constituted 22.6 percent of total exports, while the imports amounted to USD 1 889.0 million (9.0 percent lower) with 25.8 percent in total imports. The external trade turnover of Georgia with the EU countries amounted to USD 2 574.2 million, showing a 3.8 percent decrease compared to the corresponding indicator of the previous year. The EU countries accounted for 28.0 percent of the trade deficit.

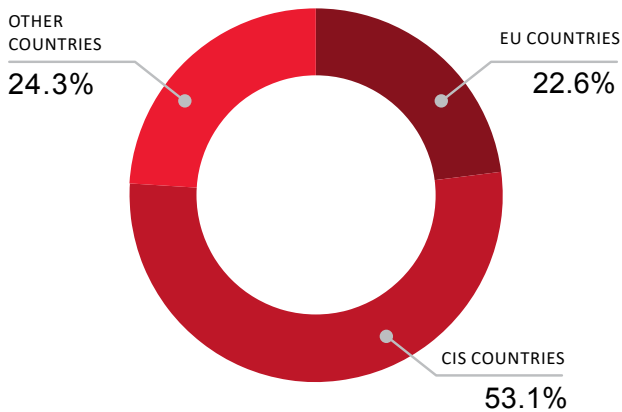
In January-October 2019 the exports to the CIS countries stood at USD 1 610.6 million (22.5 percent higher compared to January-October 2018) and reached 53.1 percent of total exports, while the imports equaled USD 1 927.2 million (12.5 percent lower) with 26.3 percent in total import. The trade turnover with the CIS countries totaled USD 3 537.8 million (0.6 percent higher). The CIS countries accounted for 7.4 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.

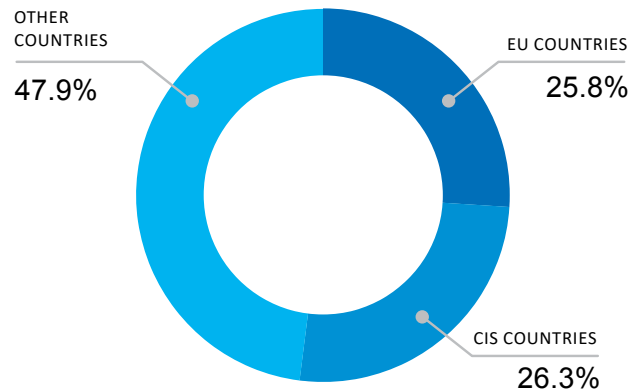
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GEORGIAN EXPORT BY COUNTRY GROUPS IN JANUARY-OCTOBER 2019*



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*Preliminary data.

In January-October 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 409.8 million), Azerbaijan (USD 400.4 million) and Armenia (USD 310.4 million).

TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY EXPORTS IN JANUARY-OCTOBER 2019

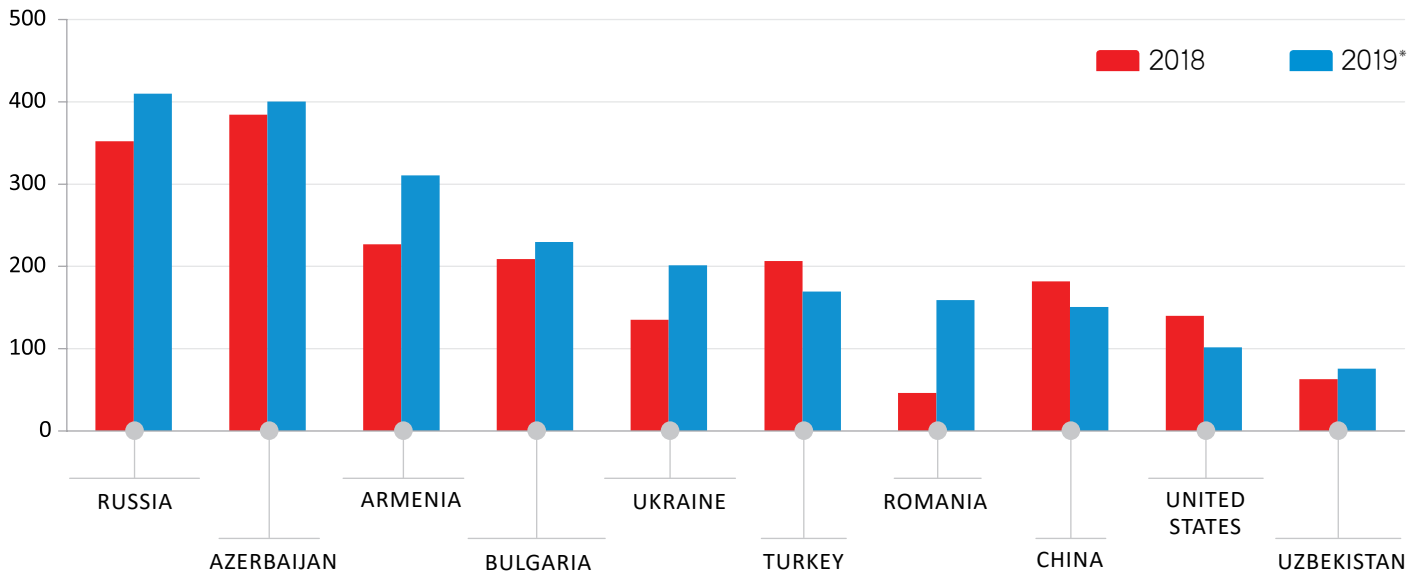
	JANUARY-OCTOBER 2018		JANUARY-OCTOBER 2019*		CHANGE (%)
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL EXPORTS	2 750 551.5	100.0	3 035 717.6	100.0	10.4
Of which:					
Russia	351 935.8	12.8	409 823.1	13.5	16.4
Azerbaijan	384 557.4	14.0	400 350.7	13.2	4.1
Armenia	226 872.5	8.2	310 406.2	10.2	36.8
Bulgaria	208 911.6	7.6	229 503.5	7.6	9.9
Ukraine	135 080.8	4.9	201 500.0	6.6	49.2
Turkey	206 622.9	7.5	169 505.7	5.6	-18.0
Romania	46 354.9	1.7	158 909.7	5.2	242.8
China	181 870.3	6.6	150 554.1	5.0	-17.2
United States	140 016.7	5.1	101 512.8	3.3	-27.5
Uzbekistan	62 864.8	2.3	75 570.4	2.5	20.2
Other countries	805 463.9	29.3	828 081.4	27.3	2.8

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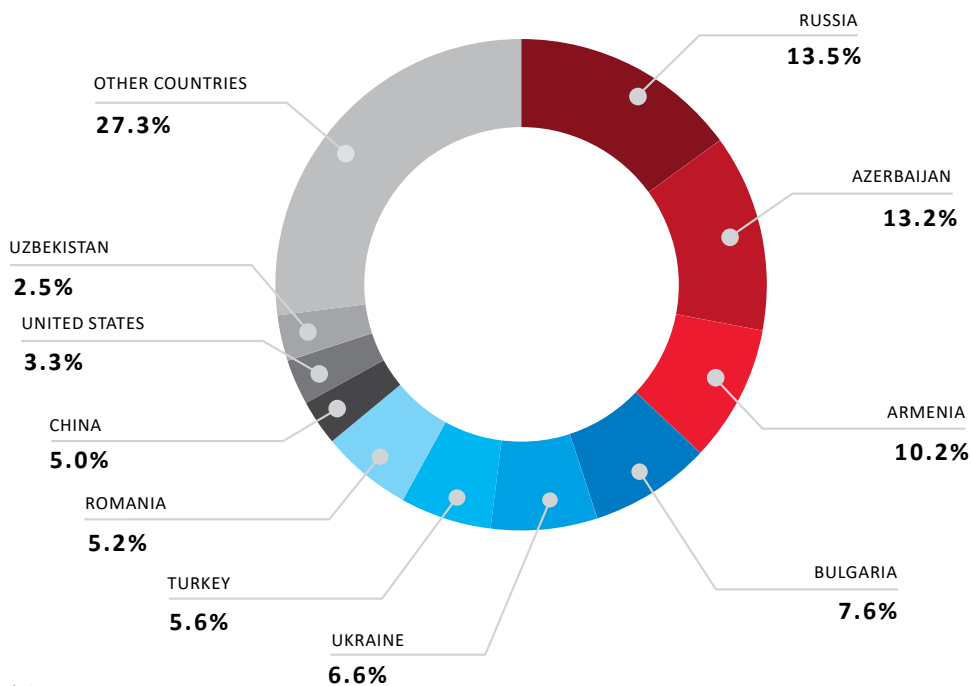
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TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY EXPORTS IN JANUARY-OCTOBER 2018-2019 (MILLION US DOLLARS)



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



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In January-October 2019 the share of the top ten trading partners by imports in the total imports of Georgia amounted to 65.6 percent. The top partners were Turkey (USD 1 300.3 million), Russia (USD 774.2 million) and China (USD 721.2 million).

TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY IMPORTS IN JANUARY-OCTOBER 2019

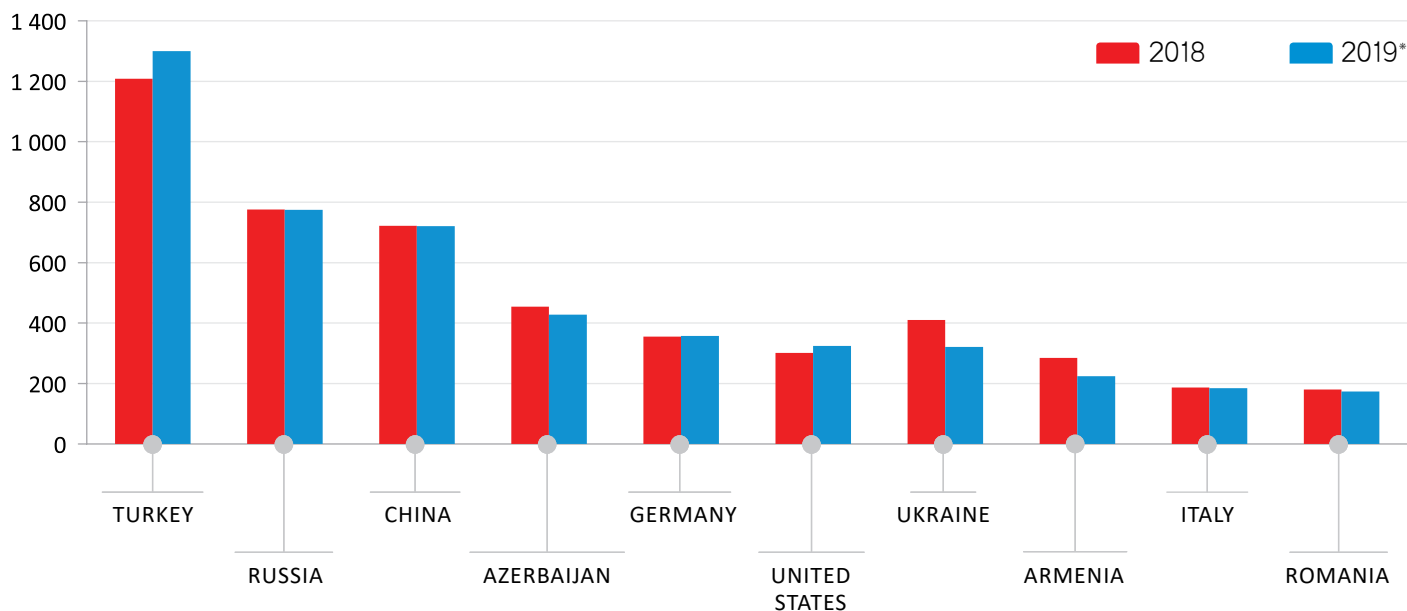
	JANUARY-OCTOBER 2018		JANUARY-OCTOBER 2019*		CHANGE (%)
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL IMPORTS	7 563 549.6	100.0	7 331 207.0	100.0	-3.1
Of which:					
Turkey	1 208 475.9	16.0	1 300 257.7	17.7	7.6
Russia	775 510.9	10.3	774 179.5	10.6	-0.2
China	721 556.8	9.5	721 234.7	9.8	0.0
Azerbaijan	453 834.9	6.0	427 466.1	5.8	-5.8
Germany	355 331.9	4.7	357 693.4	4.9	0.7
United States	301 001.6	4.0	324 569.5	4.4	7.8
Ukraine	409 875.1	5.4	320 523.4	4.4	-21.8
Armenia	285 016.8	3.8	224 153.5	3.1	-21.4
Italy	187 083.1	2.5	184 257.7	2.5	-1.5
Romania	179 843.8	2.4	173 006.5	2.4	-3.8
Other countries	2 686 018.8	35.5	2 523 865.1	34.4	-6.0

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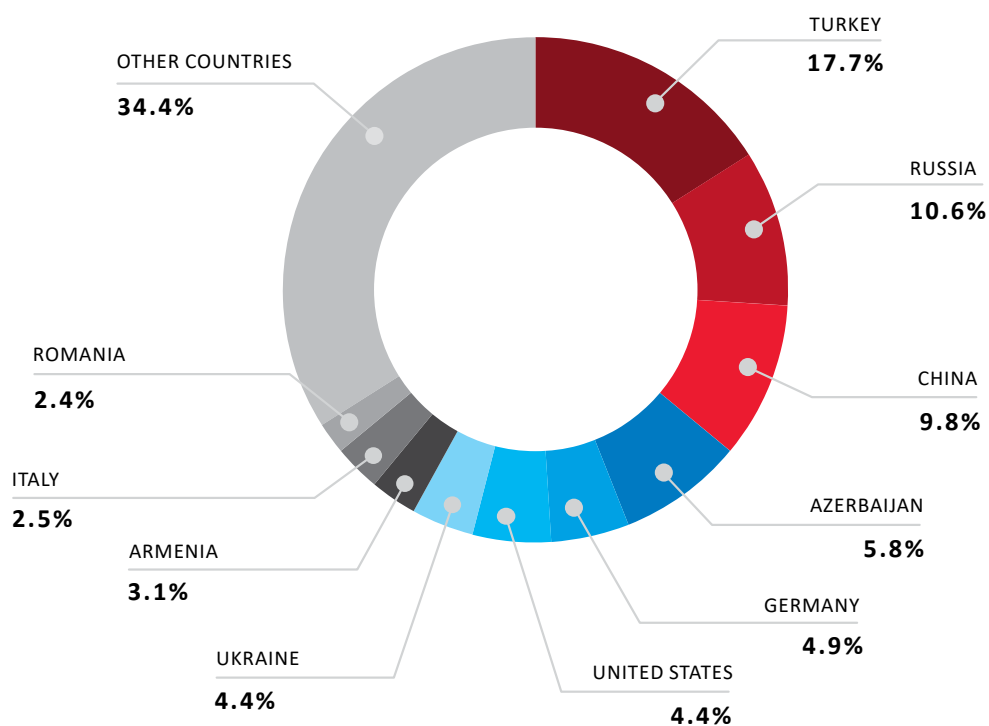
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TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY IMPORTS IN JANUARY-OCTOBER 2018-2019 (MILLION US DOLLARS)



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



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In January-October 2019 the share of the top ten trading partners in the total external trade turnover of Georgia amounted to 66.6 percent. The top trading partners were Turkey (USD 1 469.8 million), Russia (USD 1 184.0 million) and China (USD 871.8 million).

TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY TURNOVER IN JANUARY-OCTOBER 2019*

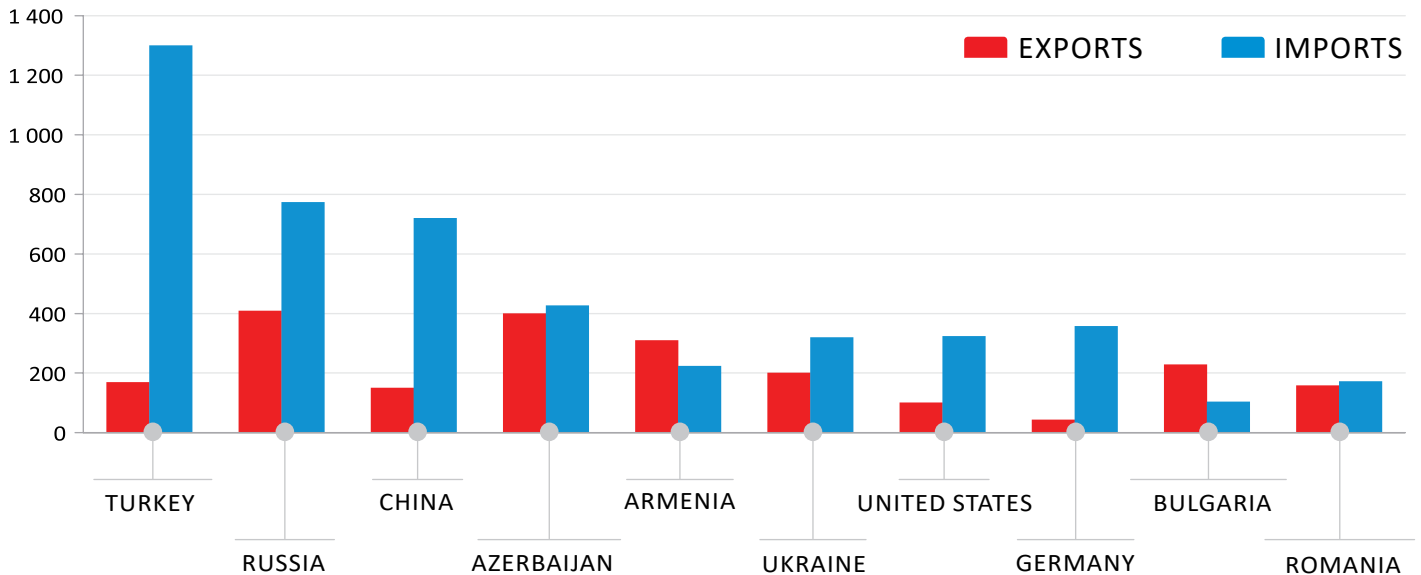
	EXPORTS		IMPORTS		TURNOVER	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)
TOTAL	3 035 717.6	100.0	7 331 207.0	100.0	10 366 924.6	100.0
Of which:						
Turkey	169 505.7	5.6	1 300 257.7	17.7	1 469 763.4	14.2
Russia	409 823.1	13.5	774 179.5	10.6	1 184 002.6	11.4
China	150 554.1	5.0	721 234.7	9.8	871 788.8	8.4
Azerbaijan	400 350.7	13.2	427 466.1	5.8	827 816.8	8.0
Armenia	310 406.2	10.2	224 153.5	3.1	534 559.7	5.2
Ukraine	201 500.0	6.6	320 523.4	4.4	522 023.4	5.0
United States	101 512.8	3.3	324 569.5	4.4	426 082.3	4.1
Germany	44 364.9	1.5	357 693.4	4.9	402 058.2	3.9
Bulgaria	229 503.5	7.6	104 166.5	1.4	333 670.0	3.2
Romania	158 909.7	5.2	173 006.5	2.4	331 916.2	3.2
Other countries	859 286.9	28.3	2 603 956.2	35.5	3 463 243.2	33.4

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



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In January-October 2019 copper ores and concentrates reclaimed the first place in the list of top export items, equaling USD 528.5 million or 17.4 percent of total exports. The exports of motor cars totaled USD 522.5 million and their share in the total exports amounted to 17.2 percent. The ferro-alloys exports occupied the third place standing at USD 251.7 million and constituting 8.3 percent of the total exports.

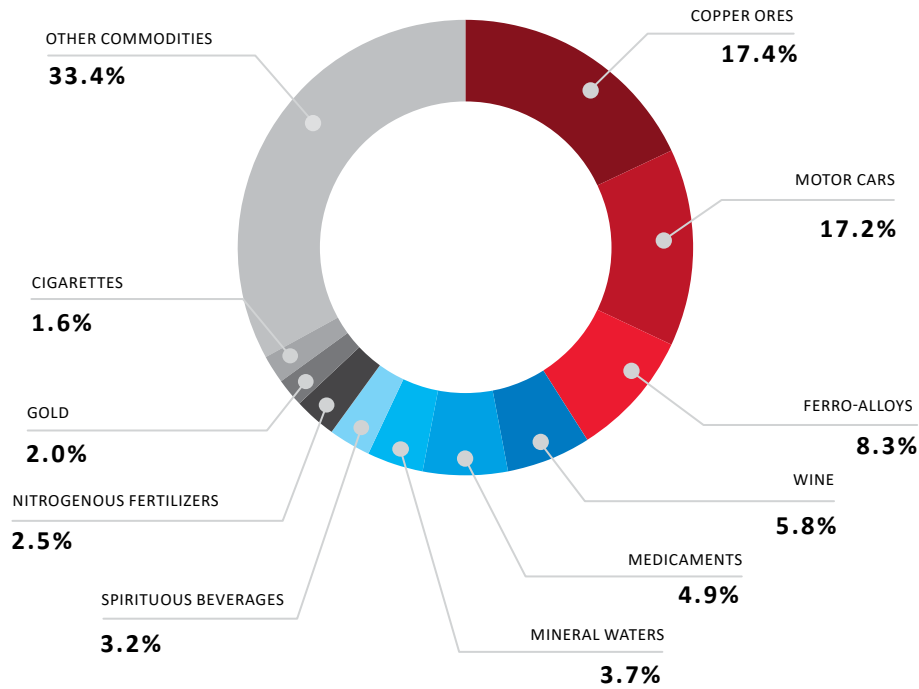
MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY EXPORTS

	JANUARY-OCTOBER 2018		JANUARY-OCTOBER 2019*		CHANGE (%)
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL EXPORTS	2 750 551.5	100.0	3 035 717.6	100.0	10.4
Of which:					
Copper ores and concentrates	423 868.0	15.4	528 478.1	17.4	24.7
Motor cars	315 805.2	11.5	522 461.8	17.2	65.4
Ferro-alloys	301 254.8	11.0	251 696.4	8.3	-16.5
Wine of fresh grapes	157 353.5	5.7	177 406.7	5.8	12.7
Medicaments put up in measured doses	120 479.2	4.4	148 972.5	4.9	23.7
Waters, natural or artificial mineral and aerated	89 630.6	3.3	111 664.6	3.7	24.6
Spiritous beverages	108 862.9	4.0	96 957.0	3.2	-10.9
Mineral or chemical fertilizers, nitrogenous	78 507.6	2.9	74 687.9	2.5	-4.9
Gold unwrought or in semi-manufactured forms, or in powder form	61 012.9	2.2	59 360.7	2.0	-2.7
Cigars, cheroots, cigarillos and cigarettes	117 291.0	4.3	49 939.4	1.6	-57.4
Other commodities	976 486.0	35.5	1 014 092.4	33.4	3.9

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



*Preliminary data.

The top import commodities in January-October 2019 were petroleum and petroleum oils whose imports equaled USD 616.2 million (8.4 percent of the total imports). The motor cars followed in the list with USD 529.5 million or 7.2 percent of imports. The copper ores and concentrates were third in the top import commodity list with USD 497.5 million (6.8 percent of imports).

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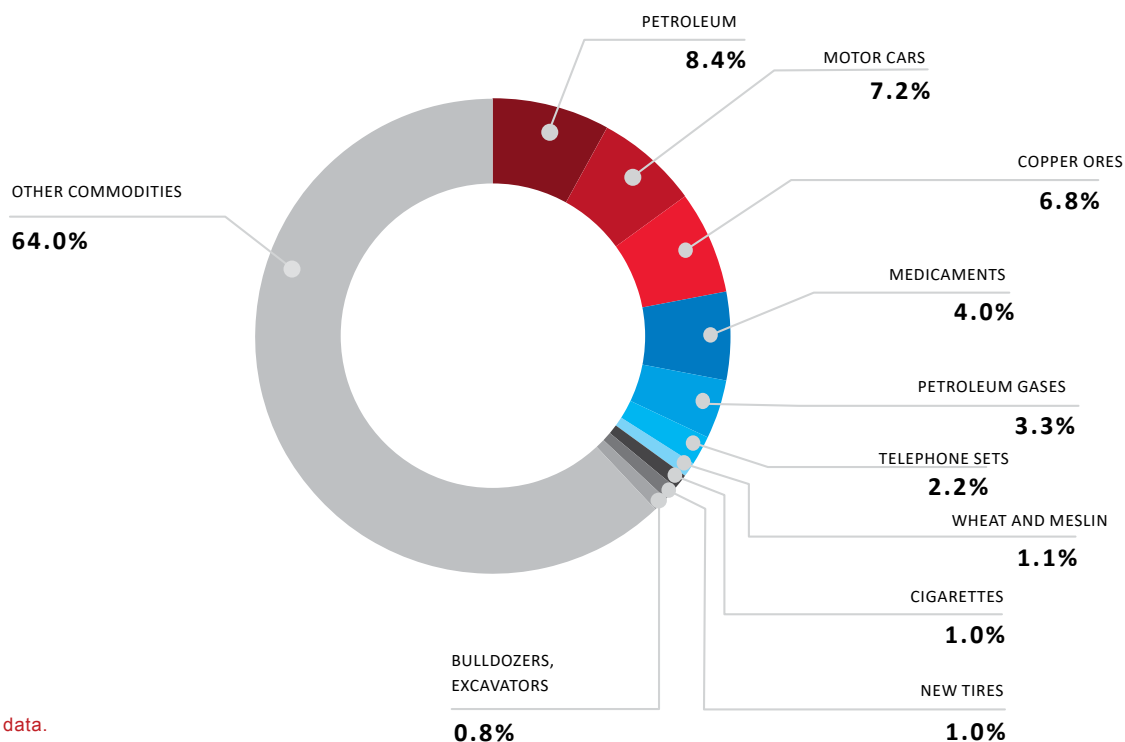
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	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL IMPORTS	7 563 549.6	100.0	7 331 207.0	100.0	-3.1
Of which:					
Petroleum and petroleum oils	729 973.8	9.7	616 249.5	8.4	-15.6
Motor cars	504 016.2	6.7	529 470.8	7.2	5.1
Copper ores and concentrates	338 271.9	4.5	497 504.2	6.8	47.1
Medicaments put up in measured doses	271 570.3	3.6	290 659.9	4.0	7.0
Petroleum gases and other gaseous	221 221.1	2.9	242 899.9	3.3	9.8
Telephones	158 967.2	2.1	161 721.3	2.2	1.7
Wheat and meslin	100 579.4	1.3	83 946.8	1.1	-16.5
Cigars, cheroots, cigarillos and cigarettes	138 952.4	1.8	76 490.9	1.0	-45.0
New pneumatic tyres of rubber	67 959.7	0.9	76 053.0	1.0	11.9
Bulldozers, excavators and tamping machines	49 846.8	0.7	60 828.6	0.8	22.0
Other commodities	4 982 190.7	65.9	4 695 382.2	64.0	-5.8

*Preliminary data.

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



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TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY TURNOVER



TURKEY

EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS TO TURKEY

	JANUARY-OCTOBER 2018		JANUARY-OCTOBER 2019*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
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TOTAL EXPORTS	206 622.9		169 505.7	
Of which:				
T-shirts knitted	33 711.4	1 429.9	30 943.1	1 480.7
Semi-finished products of iron or non-alloy steel	21 754.3	45 535.6	24 742.3	65 175.2
Ferro-alloys	27 487.2	22 664.2	14 874.7	13 859.0
Copper ores and concentrates	18 485.9	13 564.2	13 750.2	9 347.0
Men's or boys' suits, ensembles, trousers, knitted or crocheted	8 135.0	384.4	10 923.5	514.0
Other commodities	97 048.9		74 271.9	

*Preliminary data.

IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM TURKEY

	JANUARY-OCTOBER 2018		JANUARY-OCTOBER 2019*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
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TOTAL IMPORTS	1 208 475.9		1 300 257.7	
Of which:				
Medicaments put up in measured doses	48 594.9	662.7	72 663.7	1 146.3
Motor cars (unit)	38 489.2	1 556	54 349.6	2 221
Structures and parts of structures of iron or steel	27 605.6	15 383.1	35 733.4	22 291.4
Other tubes, pipes and hollow profiles, of iron or steel	44 237.9	55 466.0	34 016.4	46 729.9
Petroleum and petroleum oils	6 325.2	3 304.6	32 011.3	41 561.0
Other commodities	1 043 223.1		1 071 483.2	

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RUSSIA

EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS TO RUSSIA



	JANUARY-OCTOBER 2018		JANUARY-OCTOBER 2019*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL EXPORTS	351 935.8		409 823.1	
Of which:				
Wine of fresh grapes	92 004.4	31 334.5	107 408.8	35 013.9
Ferro-alloys	110 152.3	93 467.3	102 473.0	95 122.1
Waters, natural or artificial mineral and aerated waters, not containing added sugar	39 972.1	58 647.2	49 667.2	77 450.8
Spirituous beverages	16 236.1	4 027.7	27 302.0	5 587.1
Centrifuges; filtering or purifying machinery, for liquids or gases	12 281.3	17.1	19 066.4	44.6
Other commodities	81 289.7		103 905.7	

*Preliminary data.

IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM RUSSIA



	JANUARY-OCTOBER 2018		JANUARY-OCTOBER 2019*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL IMPORTS	775 510.9		774 179.5	
Of which:				
Petroleum and petroleum oils	166 672.2	250 457.4	165 850.8	277 352.0
Wheat and meslin	84 014.1	427 568.9	70 650.4	335 458.0
Coke and semi-coke of coal	31 118.8	113 878.6	28 461.7	105 307.1
Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons	10 508.5	29 327.5	25 543.2	84 669.8
Sunflower-seed oil	27 424.9	30 354.4	25 350.9	30 085.2
Other commodities	455 772.5		458 322.4	

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CHINA

EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS TO CHINA



	JANUARY-OCTOBER 2018		JANUARY-OCTOBER 2019*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL EXPORTS	181 870.3		150 554.1	
Of which:				
Copper ores	147 942.6	102 251.8	108 920.7	66 051.4
Wine of fresh grapes	15 473.6	3 873.8	15 429.8	4 251.7
Instruments and appliances used in medicine	8 766.6	52.2	11 144.6	62.0
Ginger, saffron, turmeric, thyme, bay leaves, curry and other spices	107.6	52.9	2 462.5	1 282.4
Hazelnuts and other nuts	664.7	238.0	2 424.0	728.9
Other commodities	8 915.2		10 172.6	

*Preliminary data.

IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM CHINA



	JANUARY-OCTOBER 2018		JANUARY-OCTOBER 2019*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL IMPORTS	721 556.8		721 234.7	
Of which:				
Flat-rolled products of non-alloy steel, of a width of more than 600mm, clad or coated	31 673.2	37 705.9	25 281.0	34 387.4
Air conditioning machines	17 092.1	2 915.4	21 440.4	3 907.3
New pneumatic tyres, of rubber	22 928.4	9 098.2	18 062.3	7 509.2
Automatic data processing machines and units thereof	39 683.0	349.4	17 851.4	285.3
Polyacetals and epoxide resins, and other polyesters in primary forms	16 073.4	11 888.6	15 938.3	13 434.0
Other commodities	594 106.6		622 661.3	

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EXTERNAL TRADE BALANCE

	NUMBER OF COUNTRIES	EXTERNAL TRADE BALANCE MIL. US DOLLARS
NEGATIVE TRADE BALANCE		
January-October 2018	97	5 053.6
January-October 2019*	94	4 717.0
POSITIVE TRADE BALANCE		
January-October 2018	46	240.6
January-October 2019*	44	421.5
TOTAL		
January-October 2018	143	4 813.0
January-October 2019*	138	4 295.5

*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
- 0.0 Negligible magnitude

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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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