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EXTERNAL MERCHANDISE TRADE IN GEORGIA

2019

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(PRELIMINARY RESULTS)

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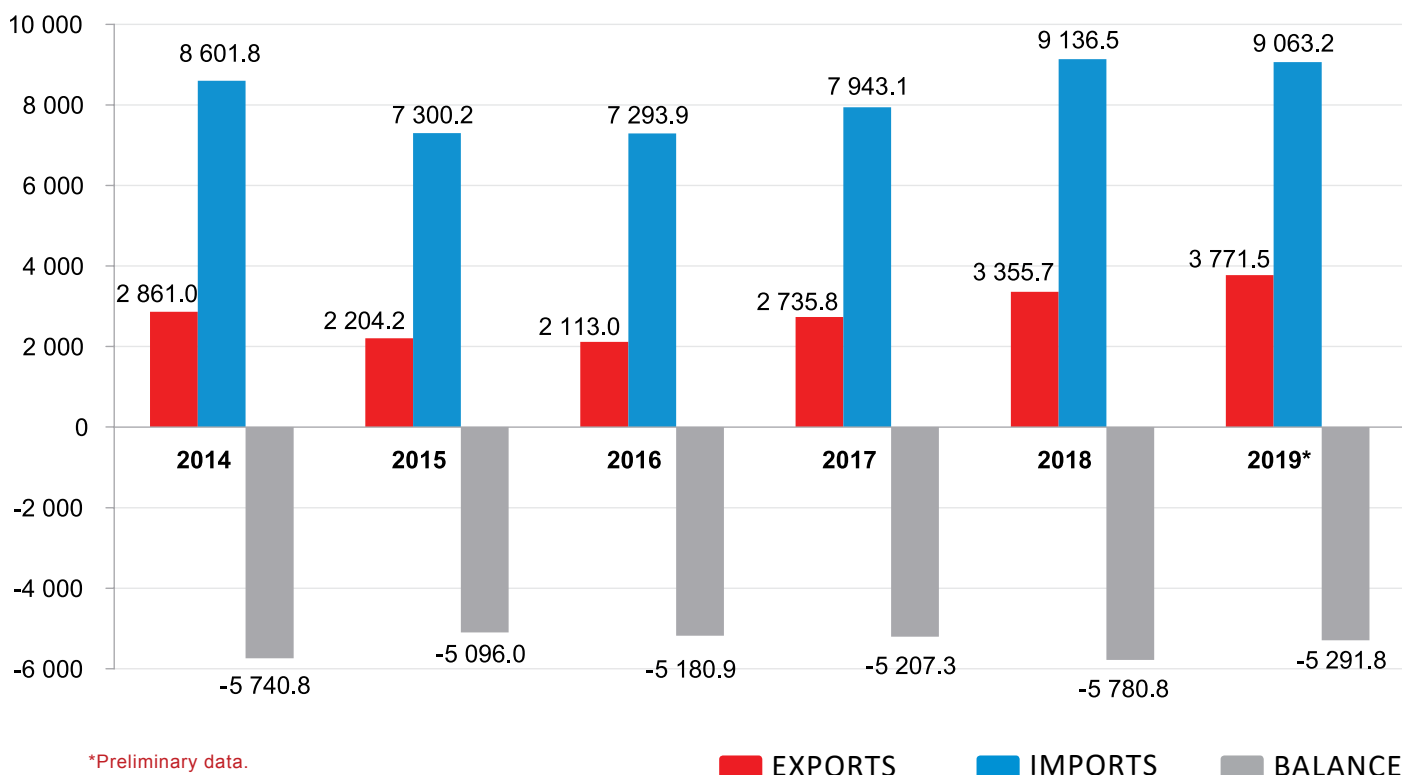
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EXTERNAL MERCHANDISE TRADE OF GEORGIA IN 2019 (PRELIMINARY)

In 2019 the external merchandise trade (excluding non-declared trade) of Georgia amounted to USD 12 834.7 million, 2.7 percent higher year-on-year. The exports equaled USD 3 771.5 million (12.4 percent higher), while the imports stood at USD 9 063.2 million (0.8 percent lower). The negative trade balance was USD 5 291.8 million in 2019 and its share in external trade turnover constituted 41.2 percent. The exports excluding re-exports amounted to USD 2 352.3 million, 5.7 percent higher year-on-year.

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

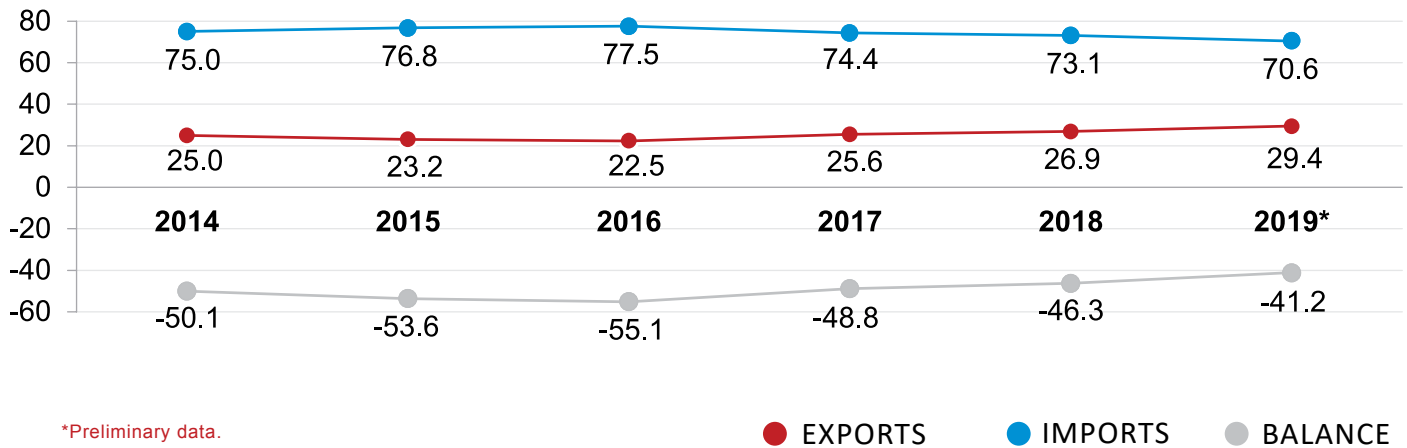
GENERAL DATA ON EXTERNAL TRADE OF GEORGIA IN 2014-2019 (MILLION US DOLLARS)



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SHARE OF EXTERNAL TRADE INDICATORS IN TURNOVER 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

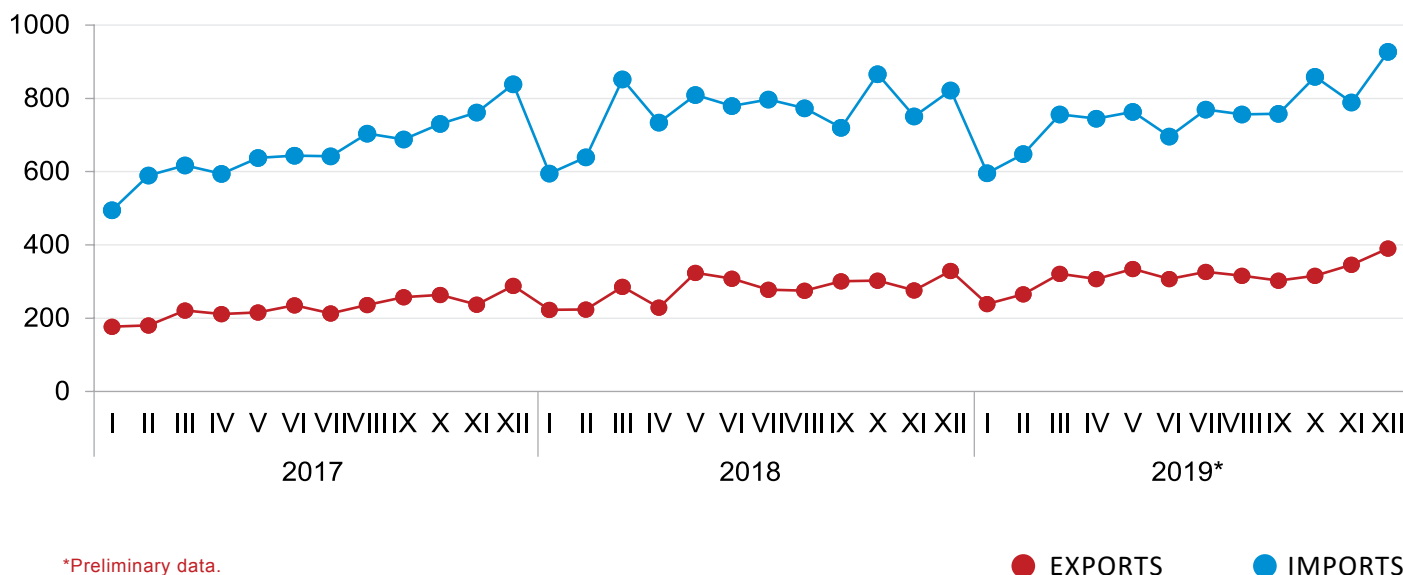
		EXPORTS		IMPORTS	
		THSD. US DOLLARS	CHANGES m-o-m (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	CHANGES m-o-m (%)
2017	January	176 873.6	44.8	495 112.0	20.2
	February	179 869.4	13.6	589 395.5	12.4
	March	221 188.1	36.5	617 537.3	11.8
	April	211 582.2	27.7	594 291.5	6.6
	May	215 333.5	24.9	637 628.7	4.5
	June	235 601.9	40.2	644 047.9	0.3
	July	212 650.9	22.5	642 115.9	7.0
	August	236 320.0	25.7	703 648.2	1.7
	September	257 645.2	27.3	688 270.1	6.1
	October	263 507.1	38.6	730 919.0	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	638 951.0	8.4
	March	285 811.5	29.2	851 801.8	37.9
	April	229 176.7	8.3	734 348.5	23.6
	May	323 793.9	50.4	809 023.6	26.9
	June	307 811.0	30.6	779 221.5	21.0
	July	278 175.9	30.8	797 002.0	24.1
	August	275 376.0	16.5	772 797.5	9.8
	September	301 179.5	16.9	719 718.8	4.6
	October	302 920.2	15.0	866 185.7	18.5
	November	276 196.5	16.6	751 094.2	-1.3
	December	328 964.1	14.1	821 759.8	-2.0
2019*	January	238 766.2	7.2	596 197.0	0.3
	February	264 972.7	18.5	648 194.5	1.4
	March	320 940.2	12.3	755 870.0	-11.3
	April	307 401.7	34.1	744 754.9	1.4
	May	334 480.8	3.3	763 247.4	-5.7
	June	307 249.4	-0.2	696 115.6	-10.7
	July	326 789.5	17.5	769 546.5	-3.4
	August	315 707.4	14.6	756 602.6	-2.1
	September	302 616.2	0.5	757 645.1	5.3
	October	316 257.5	4.4	859 262.8	-0.8
	November	345 928.7	25.2	788 764.9	5.0
	December	390 353.1	18.7	927 044.6	12.8

*Preliminary data.

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



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● EXPORTS ● IMPORTS

In 2019 the exports from Georgia to the EU countries amounted to USD 825.7 million (13.0 percent higher compared to 2018) and constituted 21.9 percent of total exports, while the imports amounted to USD 2 321.5 million (7.4 percent lower) with 25.6 percent in total imports. The external trade turnover of Georgia with the EU countries amounted to USD 3 147.2 million, showing a 2.8 percent decrease compared to the corresponding indicator of the previous year. The EU countries accounted for 28.3 percent of the trade deficit.

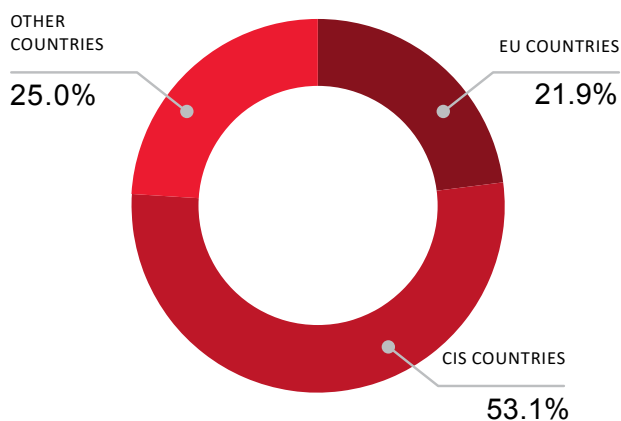
In 2019 the exports to the CIS countries stood at USD 2 003.1 million (20.0 percent higher compared to 2018) and reached 53.1 percent of total exports, while the imports equaled USD 2 438.6 million (9.5 percent lower) with 26.9 percent in total imports. The trade turnover with the CIS countries totaled USD 4 441.6 million (1.8 percent higher). The CIS countries accounted for 8.2 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.

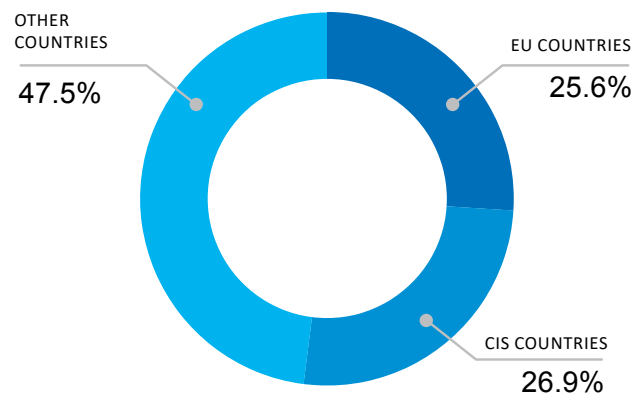
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GEORGIAN EXPORT BY COUNTRY GROUPS IN 2019*



GEORGIAN IMPORT BY COUNTRY GROUPS IN 2019*



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In 2019 the share of the top ten trading partners by exports in the total exports of Georgia amounted to 73.3 percent. The top partners were Azerbaijan (USD 498.7 million), Russia (USD 497.1 million) and Armenia (USD 412.2 million).

TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY EXPORTS IN 2019

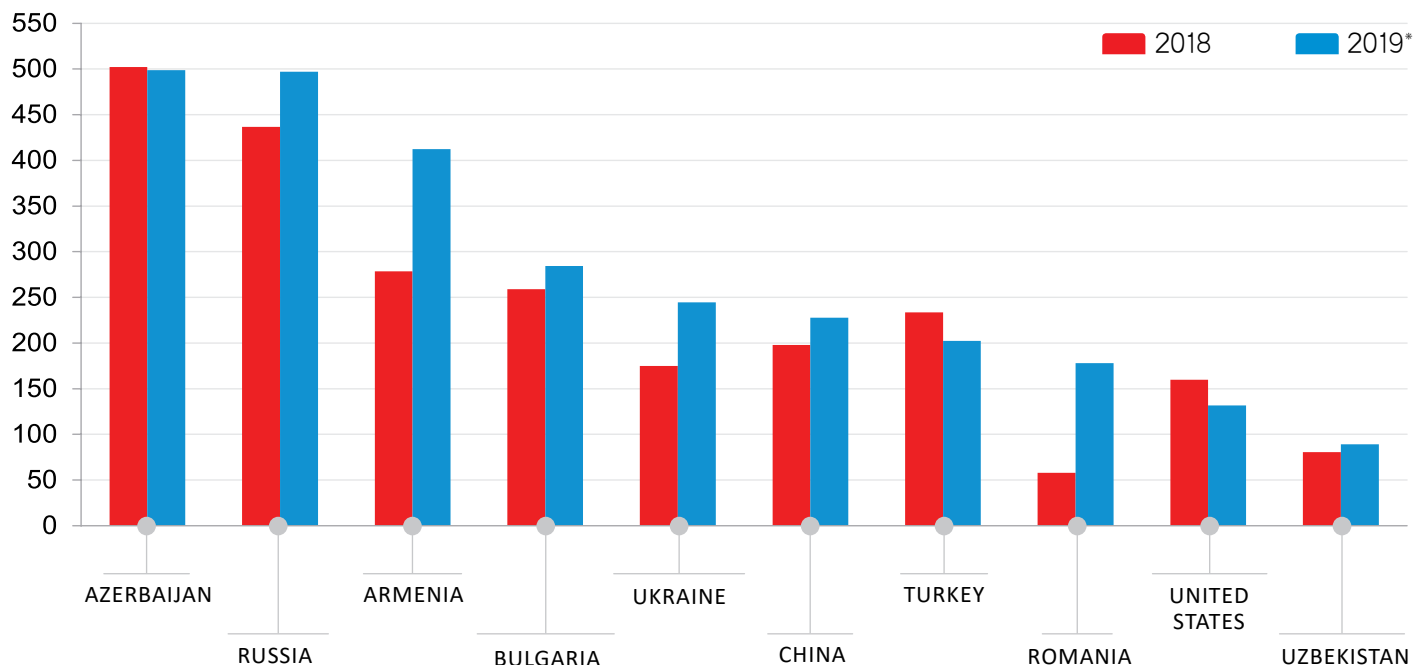
	2018		2019*		CHANGE (%)
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL EXPORTS	3 355 712.2	100.0	3 771 463.3	100.0	12.4
Of which:					
Azerbaijan	502 042.4	15.0	498 709.4	13.2	-0.7
Russia	436 646.8	13.0	497 122.6	13.2	13.9
Armenia	278 689.8	8.3	412 237.3	10.9	47.9
Bulgaria	258 866.8	7.7	284 243.1	7.5	9.8
Ukraine	175 044.7	5.2	244 733.1	6.5	39.8
China	198 034.9	5.9	227 629.5	6.0	14.9
Turkey	233 497.2	7.0	202 350.9	5.4	-13.3
Romania	57 829.2	1.7	177 962.3	4.7	207.7
United States	159 971.4	4.8	131 837.8	3.5	-17.6
Uzbekistan	80 487.7	2.4	89 120.2	2.4	10.7
Other countries	974 601.2	29.0	1 005 517.0	26.7	3.2

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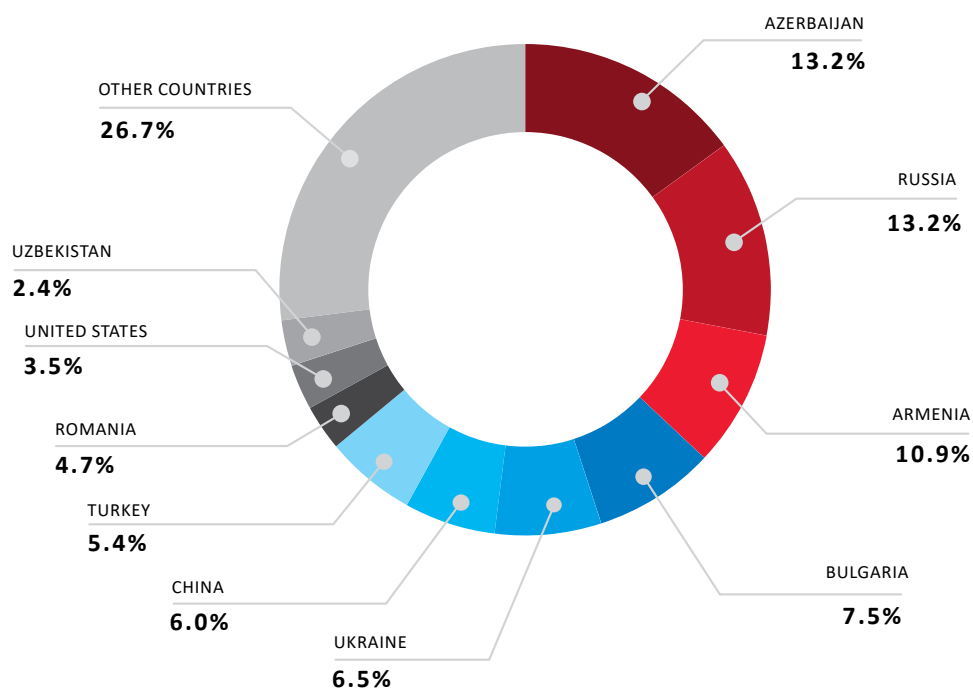
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TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY EXPORTS IN 2018-2019 (MILLION US DOLLARS)



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SHARE OF THE TOP TRADING PARTNERS IN TOTAL EXPORTS IN 2019*



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In 2019 the share of the top ten trading partners by imports in the total imports of Georgia amounted to 65.8 percent. The top partners were Turkey (USD 1 613.7 million), Russia (USD 975.9 million) and China (USD 858.7 million).

TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY IMPORTS IN 2019

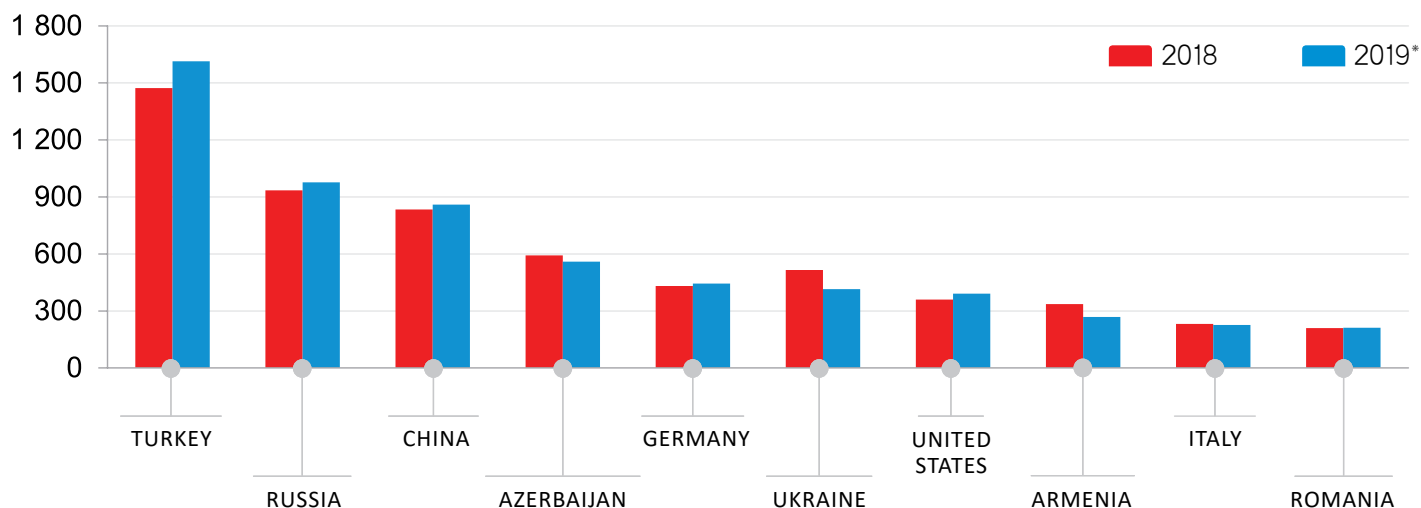
	2018		2019*		CHANGE (%)
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL IMPORTS	9 136 478.4	100.0	9 063 245.9	100.0	-0.8
Of which:					
Turkey	1 473 172.7	16.1	1 613 739.1	17.8	9.5
Russia	934 006.9	10.2	975 908.0	10.8	4.5
China	833 894.0	9.1	858 674.6	9.5	3.0
Azerbaijan	592 734.1	6.5	559 130.2	6.2	-5.7
Germany	431 404.5	4.7	443 030.0	4.9	2.7
Ukraine	514 766.8	5.6	414 803.5	4.6	-19.4
United States	359 878.1	3.9	390 044.5	4.3	8.4
Armenia	335 351.8	3.7	267 467.0	3.0	-20.2
Italy	231 434.7	2.5	226 117.0	2.5	-2.3
Romania	209 192.7	2.3	212 203.0	2.3	1.4
Other countries	3 220 642.1	35.3	3 102 128.9	34.2	-3.7

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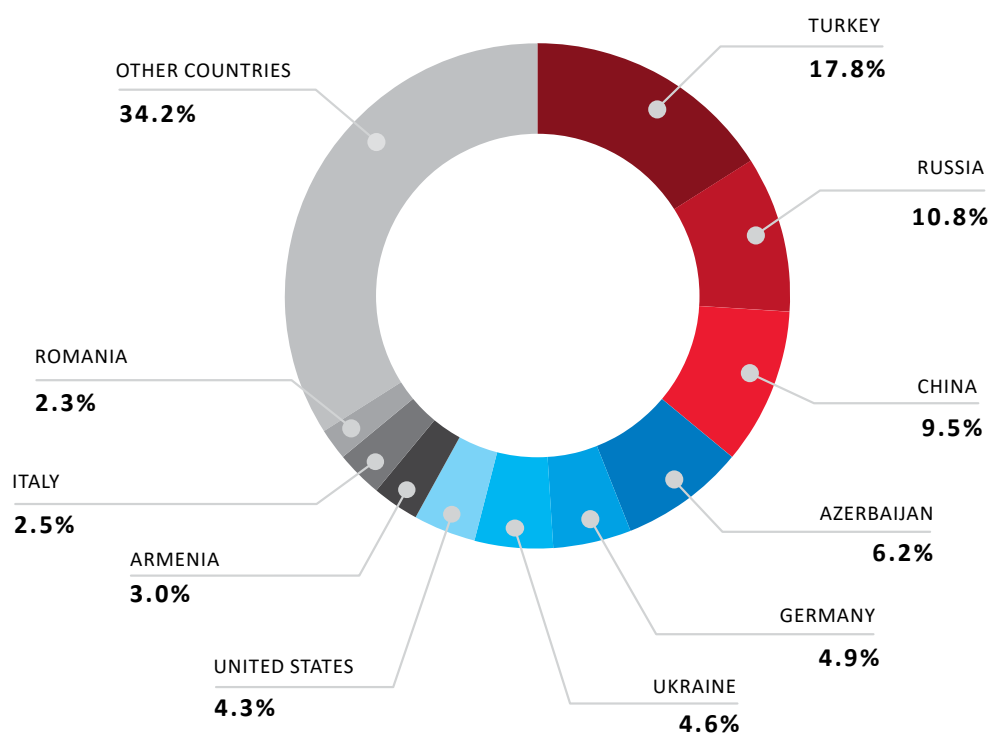
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TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY IMPORTS IN 2018-2019 (MILLION US DOLLARS)



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SHARE OF THE TOP TRADING PARTNERS IN TOTAL IMPORTS IN 2019*



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In 2019 the share of the top ten trading partners in the total external trade turnover of Georgia amounted to 66.9 percent. The top trading partners were Turkey (USD 1 816.1 million), Russia (USD 1 473.0 million) and China (USD 1 086.3 million).

TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY TURNOVER IN 2019*

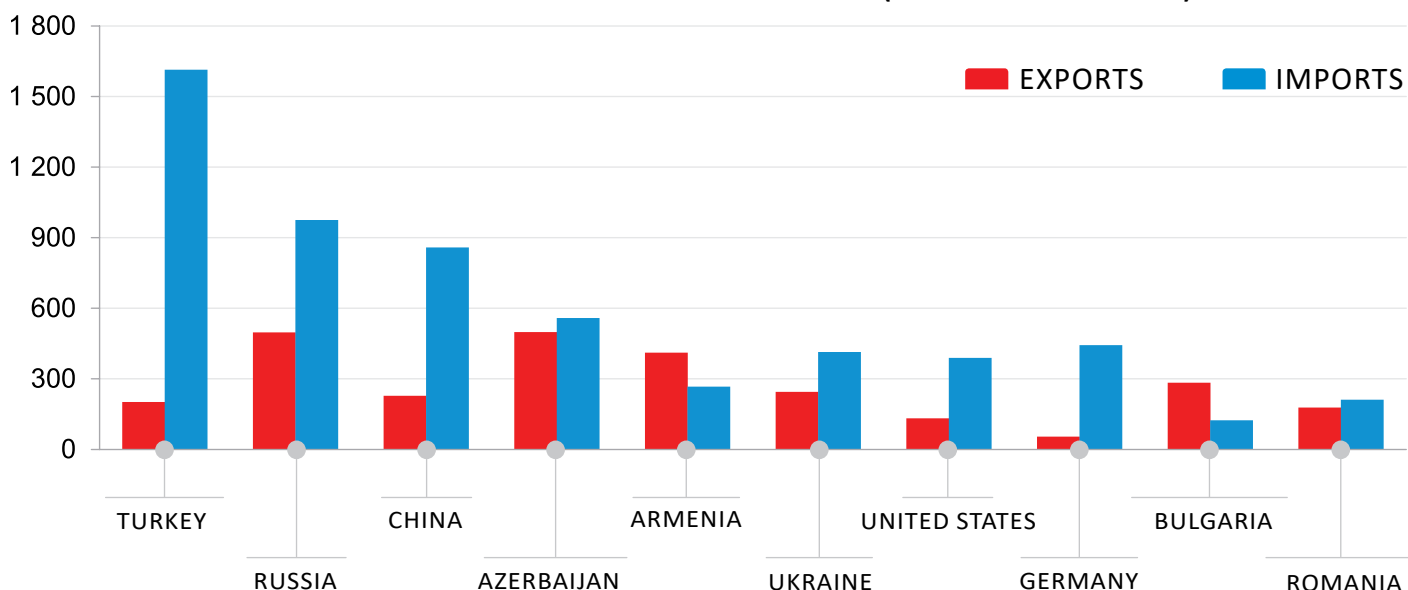
	EXPORTS		IMPORTS		TURNOVER	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)
TOTAL	3 771 463.3	100.0	9 063 245.9	100.0	12 834 709.1	100.0
Of which:						
Turkey	202 350.9	5.4	1 613 739.1	17.8	1 816 090.1	14.1
Russia	497 122.6	13.2	975 908.0	10.8	1 473 030.6	11.5
China	227 629.5	6.0	858 674.6	9.5	1 086 304.1	8.5
Azerbaijan	498 709.4	13.2	559 130.2	6.2	1 057 839.6	8.2
Armenia	412 237.3	10.9	267 467.0	3.0	679 704.3	5.3
Ukraine	244 733.1	6.5	414 803.5	4.6	659 536.6	5.1
United States	131 837.8	3.5	390 044.5	4.3	521 882.3	4.1
Germany	54 357.4	1.4	443 030.0	4.9	497 387.4	3.9
Bulgaria	284 243.1	7.5	123 983.5	1.4	408 226.6	3.2
Romania	177 962.3	4.7	212 203.0	2.3	390 165.3	3.0
Other countries	1 040 279.8	27.6	3 204 262.4	35.4	4 244 542.2	33.1

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



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In 2019 motor cars reclaimed the first place in the list of top export items, equaling USD 686.7 million or 18.2 percent of total exports. The exports of copper ores and concentrates totaled USD 651.6 million and their share in the total exports amounted to 17.3 percent. The ferro-alloys exports occupied the third place standing at USD 302.9 million and constituting 8.0 percent of the total exports.

MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY EXPORTS

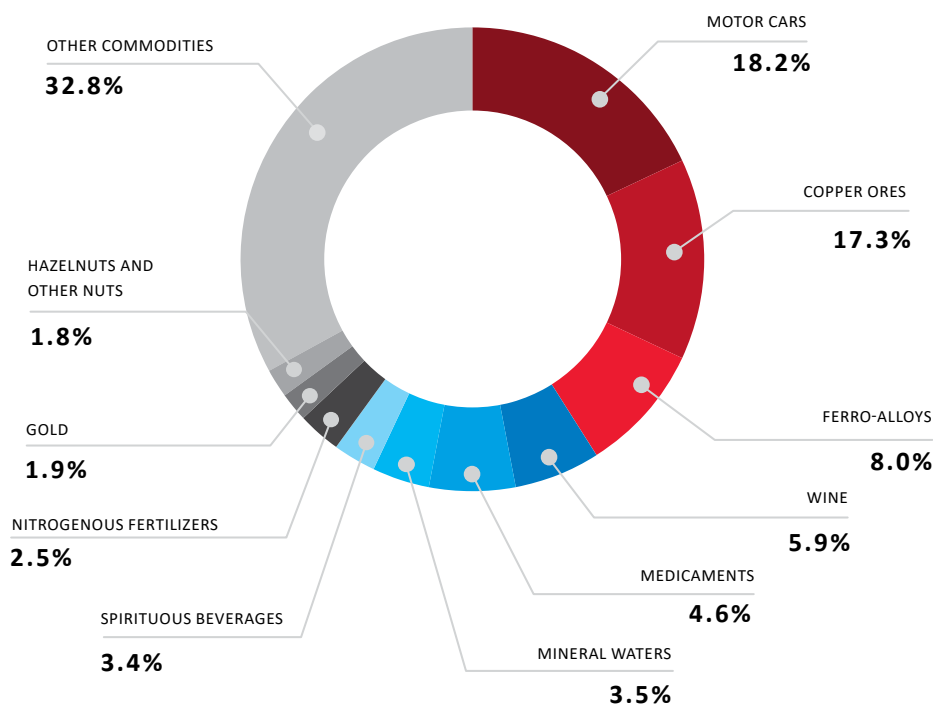
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	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL EXPORTS	3 355 712.2	100.0	3 771 463.3	100.0	12.4
Of which:					
Motor cars	408 250.8	12.2	686 747.0	18.2	68.2
Copper ores and concentrates	504 456.5	15.0	651 606.2	17.3	29.2
Ferro-alloys	352 591.0	10.5	302 964.5	8.0	-14.1
Wine of fresh grapes	196 991.5	5.9	222 944.7	5.9	13.2
Medicaments put up in measured doses	147 163.7	4.4	172 460.3	4.6	17.2
Waters, natural or artificial mineral and aerated	110 171.7	3.3	133 570.7	3.5	21.2
Spiruous beverages	129 068.1	3.8	129 259.1	3.4	0.1
Mineral or chemical fertilizers, nitrogenous	92 033.9	2.7	94 841.5	2.5	3.1
Gold	69 809.6	2.1	72 832.0	1.9	4.3
Hazelnuts and other nuts	69 676.7	2.1	66 696.8	1.8	-4.3
Other commodities	1 275 498.7	38.0	1 237 540.5	32.8	-3.0

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SHARE OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY EXPORTS IN 2019*



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The top import commodities in 2019 were petroleum and petroleum oils whose imports equaled USD 757.0 million (8.4 percent of the total imports). The motor cars followed in the list with USD 653.7 million or 7.2 percent of imports. The copper ores and concentrates were third in the top import commodity list with USD 603.7 million (6.7 percent of imports).

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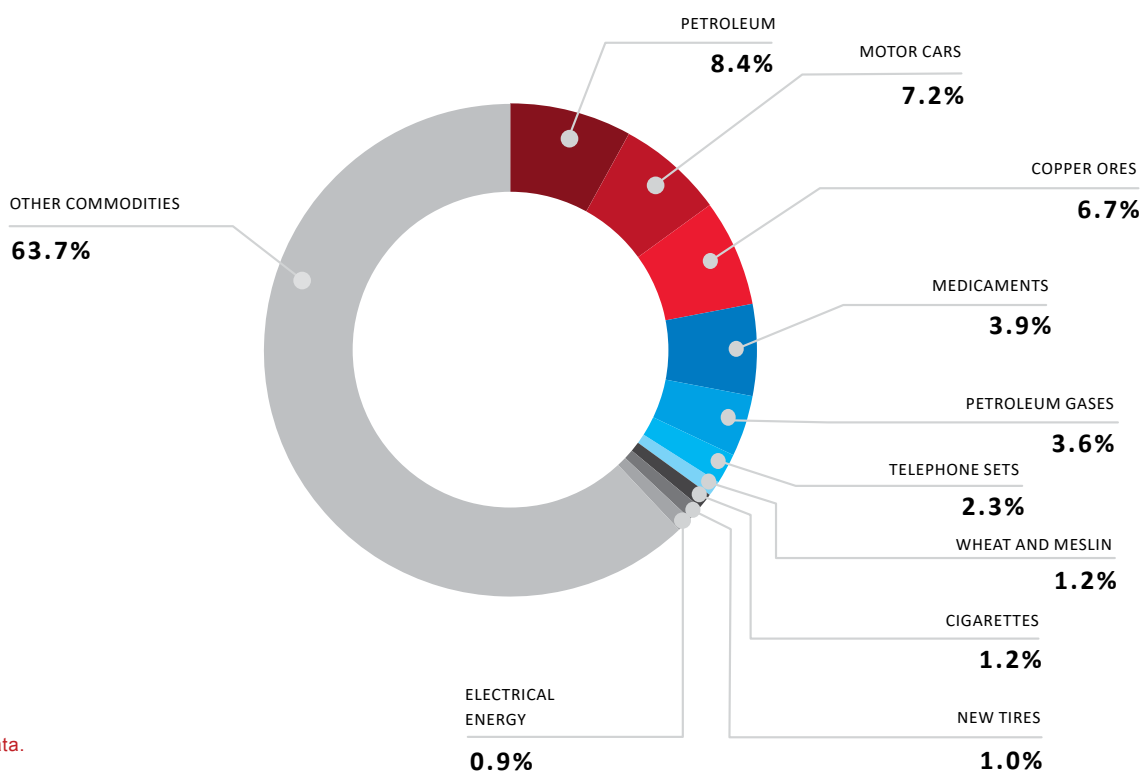
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MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY IMPORTS

	2018		2019*		CHANGE (%)
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL IMPORTS	9 136 478.4	100.0	9 063 245.9	100.0	-0.8
Of which:					
Petroleum and petroleum oils	863 785.1	9.5	756 969.7	8.4	-12.4
Motor cars	613 903.0	6.7	653 663.9	7.2	6.5
Copper ores and concentrates	396 699.9	4.3	603 692.5	6.7	52.2
Medicaments put up in measured doses	339 026.1	3.7	355 414.4	3.9	4.8
Petroleum gases and other gaseous	291 143.9	3.2	328 516.1	3.6	12.8
Telephones	197 975.9	2.2	211 966.7	2.3	7.1
Wheat and meslin	114 903.7	1.3	105 087.0	1.2	-8.5
Cigars, cheroots, cigarillos and cigarettes	186 978.8	2.0	104 830.9	1.2	-43.9
New pneumatic tyres of rubber	80 888.4	0.9	90 871.2	1.0	12.3
Electrical energy	75 774.0	0.8	78 327.1	0.9	3.4
Other commodities	5 975 399.7	65.4	5 773 906.4	63.7	-3.4

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SHARE OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY IMPORTS IN 2019*



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TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY TURNOVER



TURKEY

EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS TO TURKEY

	2018		2019*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
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TOTAL EXPORTS	233 497.2		202 350.9	
Of which:				
T-shirts knitted	40 528.2	1 752.5	37 850.5	1 783.7
Semi-finished products of iron or non-alloy steel	22 573.8	47 534.2	28 902.6	76 675.1
Ferro-alloys	32 519.1	27 238.2	18 502.0	17 625.5
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	11 029.7	534.2	13 660.3	633.7
Other commodities	108 360.4		89 685.3	

*Preliminary data.

IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM TURKEY

	2018		2019*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
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TOTAL IMPORTS	1 473 172.7		1 613 739.1	
Of which:				
Medicaments put up in measured doses	60 500.6	851.0	83 777.7	1 285.8
Motor cars (unit)	46 867.8	1 836	61 665.5	2 550
Other tubes, pipes and hollow profiles, of iron or steel	49 082.0	62 083.9	42 798.1	59 315.5
Structures and parts of structures of iron or steel	36 952.3	20 920.9	42 768.4	26 449.8
Insulated wire, cable and other insulated electric conductors	31 193.9	7 530.6	40 047.2	8 763.3
Other commodities	1 248 576.1		1 342 682.3	

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RUSSIA

EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS TO RUSSIA



	2018		2019*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL EXPORTS	436 646.8		497 122.6	
Of which:				
Wine of fresh grapes	114 573.4	38 759.6	133 251.5	43 125.8
Ferro-alloys	128 440.5	111 219.1	114 504.2	107 935.2
Waters, natural or artificial mineral and aerated waters, not containing added sugar	50 191.5	73 643.1	60 580.6	95 605.5
Spirituuous beverages	21 316.7	5 071.9	34 530.2	7 015.3
Medicaments put up in measured doses	10 499.6	44.4	19 808.7	73.9
Other commodities	111 625.0		134 447.3	

*Preliminary data.

IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM RUSSIA



	2018		2019*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL IMPORTS	934 006.9		975 908.0	
Of which:				
Petroleum and petroleum oils	198 547.4	301 538.7	199 939.4	333 299.5
Wheat and meslin	95 783.2	483 505.8	90 668.2	430 236.1
Petroleum gases and other gaseous	13 612.0	38 885.8	41 801.0	142 686.2
Sunflower-seed oil	33 542.6	37 345.1	34 009.8	40 238.4
Coke and semi-coke of coal	38 900.8	142 492.0	32 104.8	119 477.7
Other commodities	553 621.0		577 384.7	

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CHINA

EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS TO CHINA



	2018		2019*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL EXPORTS	198 034.9		227 629.5	
Of which:				
Copper ores	155 038.9	106 794.0	172 291.5	102 286.1
Wine of fresh grapes	19 816.6	4 933.4	18 897.6	5 214.0
Instruments and appliances used in medicine	11 106.0	59.7	12 962.3	71.1
Precious metal ores and concentrates	-	-	5 752.0	2 504.4
Ginger, saffron, turmeric, thyme, bay leaves, curry and other spices	417.0	203.5	3 606.2	1 765.3
Other commodities	11 656.4		14 120.0	

*Preliminary data.

IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM CHINA



	2018		2019*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL IMPORTS	833 894.0		858 674.6	
Of which:				
Flat-rolled products of non-alloy steel, of a width of more than 600mm, clad or coated	35 357.8	42 075.3	30 886.1	42 273.1
Air conditioning machines	18 209.5	3 096.3	22 071.7	3 967.2
New pneumatic tyres, of rubber	26 348.4	10 516.5	21 721.3	9 097.0
Television receivers	15 100.3	653.9	21 327.9	1 019.4
Automatic data processing machines and units thereof	41 462.0	383.5	21 146.4	341.0
Other commodities	697 416.1		741 521.2	

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EXTERNAL TRADE BALANCE

	NUMBER OF COUNTRIES	EXTERNAL TRADE BALANCE MIL. US DOLLARS
NEGATIVE TRADE BALANCE		
2018	100	6 089.7
2019*	92	5 864.0
POSITIVE TRADE BALANCE		
2018	47	308.9
2019*	47	572.3
TOTAL		
2018	147	5 780.8
2019*	139	5 291.8

*Preliminary data.

Sources:

-  LEPL Revenue Service of Ministry of Finance 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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