

## **National Statistics Office of Georgia**

### **EXTERNAL MERCHANDISE TRADE IN GEORGIA**

# 2020 JANUARY-FEBRUARY

(PRELIMINARY RESULTS) 19.03.2020



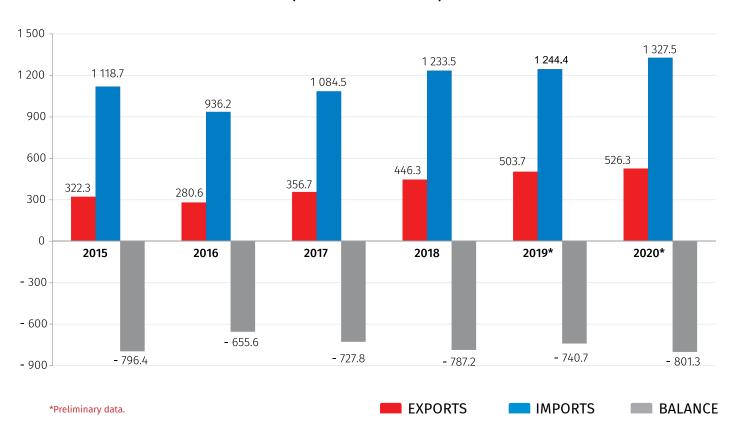
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## EXTERNAL MERCHANDISE TRADE OF GEORGIA IN JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2020 (PRELIMINARY)

In January-February 2020 the external merchandise trade (excluding non-declared trade) of Georgia amounted to USD 1 853.8 million, 6.0 percent higher to the same period of 2019. The exports equaled USD 526.3 million (4.5 percent higher), while the imports stood at USD 1 327.5 million (6.7 percent higher). The negative trade balance was USD 801.3 million in January-February 2020 and its share in external trade turnover constituted 43.2 percent.

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

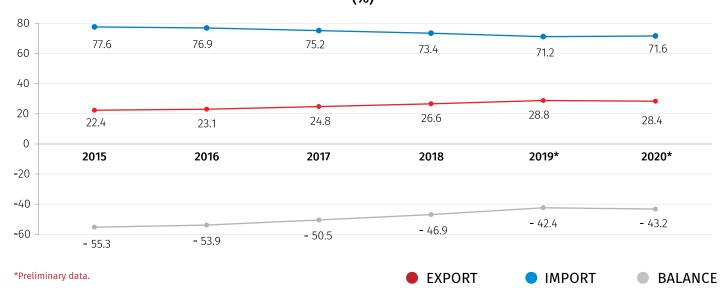
## GENERAL DATA ON EXTERNAL TRADE OF GEORGIA IN JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2015-2020 (MILLION US DOLLARS)





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## SHARE OF EXTERNAL TRADE INDICATORS IN TURNOVER JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2015-2020 (%)



The table below shows monthly data for 2018-2020 exports and imports in absolute values and their changes (in percentage) compared to the corresponding month of the previous year.

#### **EXPORTS AND IMPORTS OF GEORGIA**

		EXPORTS		IMPORTS		
		THSD. US DOLLARS	CHANGES M-O-M (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	CHANGES M-O-M (%)	
	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	779 222.0	21.0	
2018	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	821 739.6	-2.0	

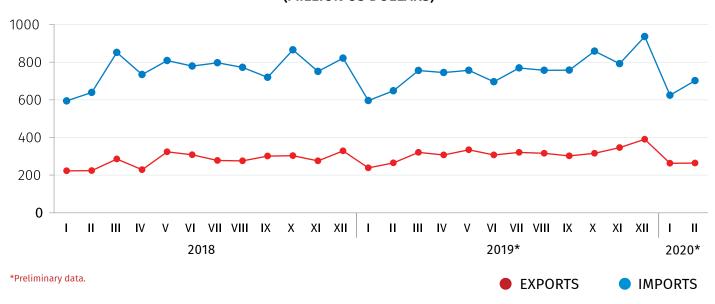


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		EXPORTS		IMPORTS		
		THSD. US DOLLARS	CHANGES M-O-M (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	CHANGES M-O-M (%)	
	January	238 766.2	7.2	596 197.0	0.3	
	February	264 972.7	18.5	648 194.5	1.4	
	March	320 940.2	12.3	755 870.0	-11.3	
	April	307 401.7	34.1	744 758.1	1.4	
	May	334 480.8	3.3	757 334.7	-6.4	
	June	307 249.4	-0.2	696 327.2	-10.6	
2019*	July	320 771.5	15.3	769 831.3	-3.4	
	August	312 017.0	13.3	754 004.3	-2.4	
	September	302 616.2	0.5	757 527.4	5.3	
	October	316 257.5	4.4	859 135.0	-0.8	
	November	345 928.7	25.2	792 277.3	5.5	
	December	390 349.4	18.7	936 639.0	14.0	
2020*	January	262 649.4	10.0	625 003.6	4.8	
2020	February	263 616.8	-0.5	702 522.6	8.4	

<sup>\*</sup>Preliminary data.

# EXPORTS AND IMPORTS DYNAMICS BY MONTHS, 2018-2020 (MILLION US DOLLARS)

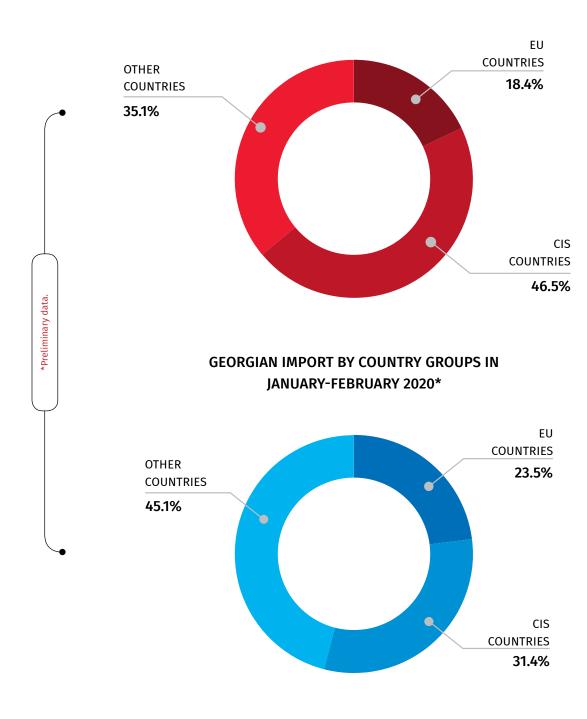




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The diagrams below show the share of the exports and imports of Georgia by country groups.

#### **GEORGIAN EXPORT BY COUNTRY GROUPS IN** JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2020\*





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In January-February 2020 the share of the top ten trading partners by exports in the total exports of Georgia amounted to 78.6 percent. The top partners were Azerbaijan (USD 90.3 million), China (USD 65.0 million) and Russia (USD 60.4 million).

#### **TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY EXPORTS IN JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2020**

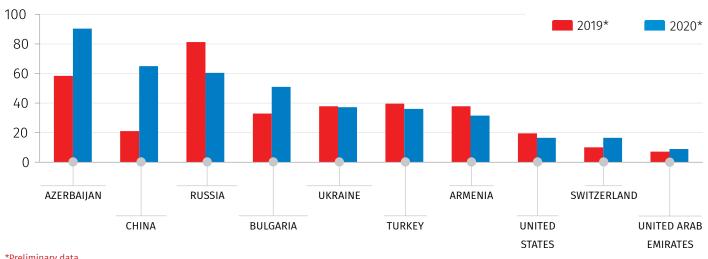
	JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2019*		JANUARY- 20	CHANGE (%)	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL EXPORTS	503 738.8	100.0	526 266.2	100.0	4.5
Of which:					
Azerbaijan	58 411.9	11.6	90 276.4	17.2	54.6
China	21 069.6	4.2	65 015.1	12.4	208.6
Russia	81 239.2	16.1	60 389.5	11.5	-25.7
Bulgaria	32 918.8	6.5	50 963.3	9.7	54.8
Ukraine	37 849.3	7.5	37 258.4	7.1	-1.6
Turkey	39 576.5	7.9	36 080.5	6.9	-8.8
Armenia	37 828.5	7.5	31 570.8	6.0	-16.5
United States	19 505.5	3.9	16 565.5	3.1	-15.1
Switzerland	10 064.9	2.0	16 480.6	3.1	63.7
United Arab Emirates	7 224.1	1.4	8 984.0	1.7	24.4
Other countries	158 050.5	31.4	112 682.0	21.4	-28.7

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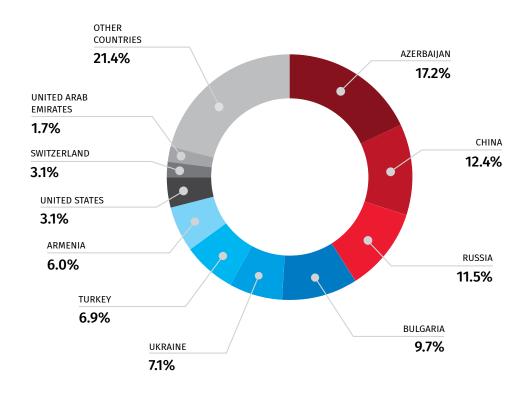
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#### **TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY EXPORTS IN JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2019-2020** (MILLION US DOLLARS)



\*Preliminary data.

#### SHARE OF THE TOP TRADING PARTNERS IN TOTAL EXPORTS **IN JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2020\***



\*Preliminary data.



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In January-February 2020 the share of the top ten trading partners by imports in the total imports of Georgia amounted to 69.3 percent. The top partners were Turkey (USD 214.5 million), Russia (USD 138.6 million) and Azerbaijan (USD 135.7 million).

## TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY IMPORTS IN JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2020

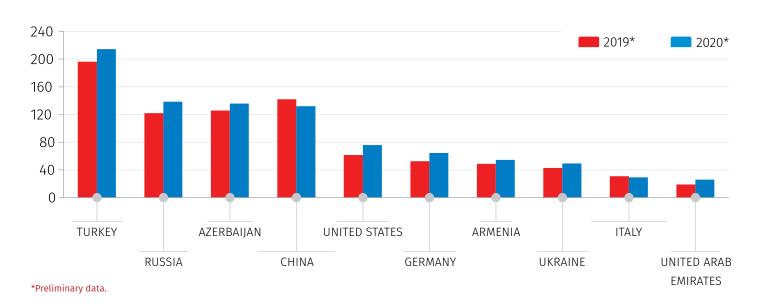
	JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2019*		JANUARY- 20	CHANGE (%)	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL IMPORTS	1 244 391.5	100.0	1 327 526.2	100.0	6.7
Of which:					
Turkey	196 376.9	15.8	214 517.8	16.2	9.2
Russia	122 084.1	9.8	138 631.7	10.4	13.6
Azerbaijan	125 848.3	10.1	135 709.3	10.2	7.8
China	142 018.7	11.4	132 145.9	10.0	-7.0
United States	61 570.1	4.9	75 885.8	5.7	23.3
Germany	52 661.6	4.2	64 439.9	4.9	22.4
Armenia	48 802.5	3.9	54 532.2	4.1	11.7
Ukraine	42 889.6	3.4	49 414.0	3.7	15.2
Italy	30 932.5	2.5	29 078.8	2.2	-6.0
United Arab Emirates	18 901.9	1.5	26 080.6	2.0	38.0
Other countries	402 305.3	32.3	407 090.1	30.7	1.2

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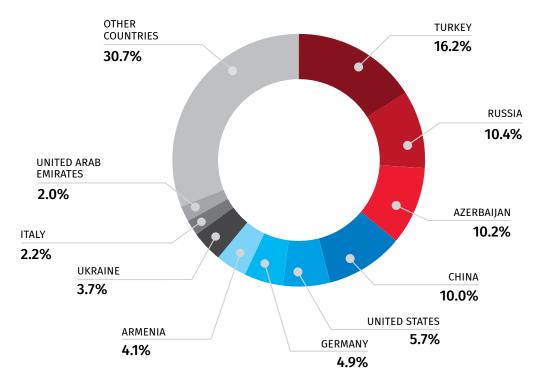


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#### **TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY IMPORTS IN JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2019-2020** (MILLION US DOLLARS)



#### SHARE OF THE TOP TRADING PARTNERS IN TOTAL IMPORTS **IN JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2020\***



\*Preliminary data.



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In January-February 2020 the share of the top ten trading partners in the total external trade turnover of Georgia amounted to 70.9 percent. The top trading partners were Turkey (USD 250.6 million), Azerbaijan (USD 226.0 million) and Russia (USD 199.0 million).

## TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY TURNOVER IN JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2020\*

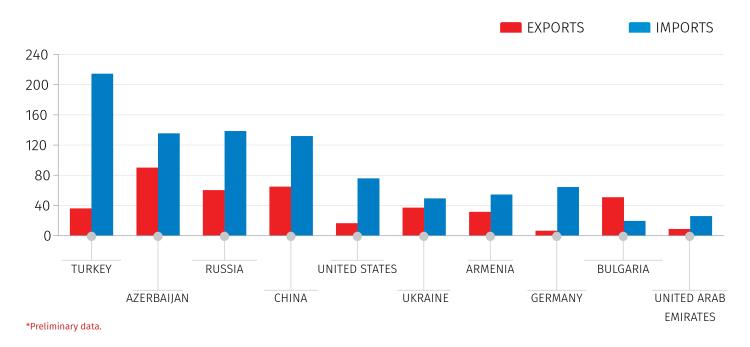
	EXP	ORTS	IMPORTS		TURNOVER	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)
TOTAL	526 266.2	100.0	1 327 526.2	100.0	1 853 792.4	100.0
Of which:						
Turkey	36 080.5	6.9	214 517.8	16.2	250 598.4	13.5
Azerbaijan	90 276.4	17.2	135 709.3	10.2	225 985.7	12.2
Russia	60 389.5	11.5	138 631.7	10.4	199 021.2	10.7
China	65 015.1	12.4	132 145.9	10.0	197 161.1	10.6
United States	16 565.5	3.1	75 885.8	5.7	92 451.3	5.0
Ukraine	37 258.4	7.1	49 414.0	3.7	86 672.4	4.7
Armenia	31 570.8	6.0	54 532.2	4.1	86 103.0	4.6
Germany	6 657.1	1.3	64 439.9	4.9	71 097.0	3.8
Bulgaria	50 963.3	9.7	19 711.0	1.5	70 674.3	3.8
United Arab Emirates	8 984.0	1.7	26 080.6	2.0	35 064.6	1.9
Other countries	122 505.5	23.3	416 458.0	31.4	538 963.5	29.1

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## TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY TURNOVER IN JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2020\* (MILLION US DOLLARS)



In January-February 2020 motor cars reclaimed the first place in the list of top export items, equaling USD 99.6 million or 18.9 percent of total exports. The exports of copper ores and concentrates totaled USD 89.2 million and their share in the total exports amounted to 16.9 percent. The Precious metal ores and concentrates exports occupied the third place standing at USD 42.4 million and constituting 8.1 percent of the total exports.



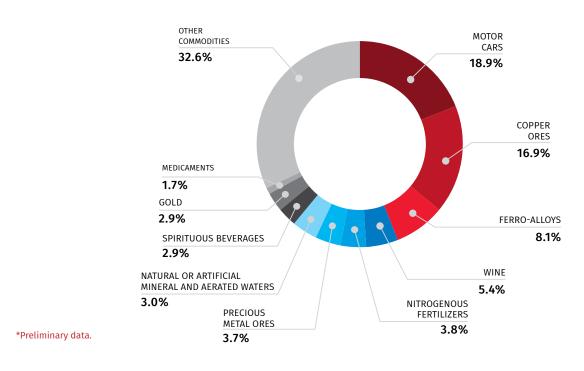
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#### MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY EXPORTS

	JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2019*		JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2020*		CHANGE (%)
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL EXPORTS	503 738.8	100.0	526 266.2	100.0	4.5
Of which:					
Motor cars	56 137.8	11.1	99 565.2	18.9	77.4
Copper ores and concentrates	78 259.4	15.5	89 161.7	16.9	13.9
Ferro-alloys	51 191.2	10.2	42 370.0	8.1	-17.2
Wine of fresh grapes	33 454.0	6.6	28 439.1	5.4	-15.0
Nitrogenous fertilizers	23 747.2	4.7	20 260.2	3.8	-14.7
Precious metal ores and concentrates	-	0.0	19 674.8	3.7	-
Waters, natural or artificial mineral and aerated waters	17 851.4	3.5	15 737.5	3.0	-11.8
Spirituous beverages	18 374.0	3.6	15 439.1	2.9	-16.0
Gold	10 980.8	2.2	15 228.9	2.9	38.7
Medicaments put up in measured doses	28 542.8	5.7	9 065.2	1.7	-68.2
Other commodities	185 200.3	36.8	171 324.4	32.6	-7.5

<sup>\*</sup>Preliminary data.

#### SHARE OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY EXPORTS IN JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2020\*





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The top import commodities in January-February 2020 were motor cars whose imports equaled USD 108.3 million (8.2 percent of the total imports). The petroleum and petroleum oils followed in the list with USD 105.7 million or 8.0 percent of imports. The petroleum gases and other gaseous were third in the top import commodity list with USD 104.4 million (7.9 percent of imports).

#### MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY IMPORTS

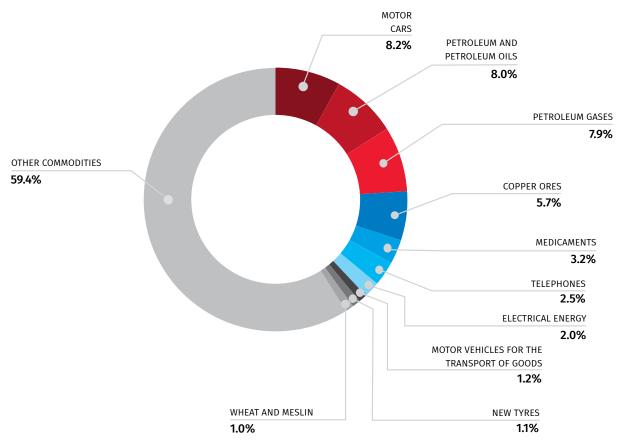
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TOTAL IMPORTS	1 244 391.5	100.0	1 327 526.2	100.0	6.7
Of which:					
Motor cars	74 825.5	6.0	108 319.0	8.2	44.8
Petroleum and petroleum oils	101 330.1	8.1	105 710.0	8.0	4.3
Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons	88 431.2	7.1	104 427.9	7.9	18.1
Copper ores and concentrates	71 907.0	5.8	75 435.8	5.7	4.9
Medicaments put up in measured doses	56 264.0	4.5	41 970.6	3.2	-25.4
Telephone sets	23 941.6	1.9	33 569.0	2.5	40.2
Electrical energy	15 458.5	1.2	26 430.9	2.0	71.0
Motor vehicles for the transport of goods	8 103.0	0.7	15 597.5	1.2	92.5
New pneumatic tyres, of rubber	14 218.2	1.1	14 355.1	1.1	1.0
Wheat and meslin	15 594.2	1.3	12 833.5	1.0	-17.7
Other commodities	774 318.3	62.2	788 876.9	59.4	1.9

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#### SHARE OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY IMPORTS IN JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2020\*



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#### **TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY TURNOVER**

#### **TURKEY**

#### **EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS TO TURKEY**

+ + \ \ C	JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2019*		JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2020*	
* * * * * C*	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL EXPORTS	39 576.5		36 080.5	
Of which:				
T-shirts knitted	5 415.9	263.6	7 352.9	242.9
Ferro-alloys	2 841.5	2 548.8	5 977.4	6 229.8
Men's or boys' suits, ensembles, trousers, knitted or cro- cheted	1 939.5	93.9	2 804.6	110.9
Motor cars (Unit)	11.6	3	2 470.8	67
Flours, meals and pellets, unfit for human consumption; greaves	1 204.1	929.9	2 365.4	1 965.8
Other commodities	28 163.8		15 109.4	

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#### IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM TURKEY

		FEBRUARY 19*	JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2020*	
C* >> + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + +	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL IMPORTS	196 376.9		214 517.8	
Of which:				
Medicaments put up in measured doses	10 194.9	183.6	8 000.4	102.1
Other tubes, pipes and hollow profiles, of iron or steel	5 890.0	7 716.1	6 743.6	10 385.7
Other made up articles, including dress patterns	6 150.1	373.1	6 720.2	257.0
Petroleum and petroleum oils	4 096.0	5 326.2	6 520.4	10 381.4
Particle board and similar board of wood or other ligneous materials	4 259.4	13 698.3	5 277.5	18 388.1
Other commodities	165 786.6		181 255.8	

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#### **AZERBAIJAN**

#### **EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS TO AZERBAIJAN**

	JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2019*		JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2020*	
* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL EXPORTS	58 411.9		90 276.4	
Of which:				
Motor cars (unit)	19 797.0	2 175	60 616.6	6 574
Motor vehicles for the transport of goods (unit)	1 192.9	167	2 326.5	340
Cigars, cheroots, cigarillos and cigarettes	9 900.1	500.1	1 877.4	71.2
Medicaments put up in measured doses	5 565.2	136.6	1 730.6	50.9
Fish, frozen	-	-	1 721.4	688.6
Other commodities	21 956.7		22 003.8	

<sup>\*</sup>Preliminary data.

#### IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM AZERBAIJAN

	JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2019*		JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2020*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL IMPORTS	125 848.3		135 709.3	
Of which:				
Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons	83 872.0	486 015.0	89 233.8	517 332.2
Electrical energy	15 072.0		13 353.2	
Parts and accessories suitable for use with typing or calculating machines	-	-	11 195.1	8.5
Petroleum and petroleum oils	13 323.2	25 161.5	6 610.5	13 819.4
Other bars and rods of iron or non-alloy steel	1 738.4	3 694.5	2 529.1	5 507.5
Other commodities	11 842.8		12 787.6	

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#### **RUSSIA**

#### **EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS TO RUSSIA**

		FEBRUARY 19*	JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2020*	
* * * * *	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL EXPORTS	81 239.2		60 389.5	
Of which:				
Wine of fresh grapes	23 202.6	7 597.9	17 674.4	5 742.4
Ferro-alloys	21 149.6	19 422.9	15 971.0	17 617.9
Natural or artificial mineral and aerated waters	10 164.4	14 224.4	6 610.9	10 940.9
Spirituous beverages	5 473.5	1 148.6	4 194.0	896.3
Citrus fruit, fresh or dried	1 679.8	3 014.6	3 050.8	5 174.1
Other commodities	19 569.2		12 888.4	

<sup>\*</sup>Preliminary data.

#### IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM RUSSIA

	JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2019*		JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2020*	
» <del>* *</del>	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL IMPORTS	122 084.1		138 631.7	
Of which:				
Petroleum and petroleum oils	25 296.9	46 865.7	26 678.5	45 965.1
Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons	4 552.0	16 048.1	14 825.8	52 088.1
Electrical energy	386.6		13 077.7	
Wheat and meslin	11 210.1	50 563.8	10 215.3	46 377.6
Telephone sets	3 573.3	2.4	5 467.4	4.6
Other commodities	77 065.3		68 367.0	

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#### **EXTERNAL TRADE BALANCE**

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NEGATIVE TRADE BALANCE		
January-February 2019*	86	782.7
January-February 2020*	83	877.2
POSITIVE TRADE BALANCE		
January-February 2019*	28	42.0
January-February 2020*	33	76.0
TOTAL		
January-February 2019*	114	740.7
January-February 2020*	116	801.3

\*Preliminary data.





LEPL Revenue Service of Ministry of Finance of Georgia;



Georgian State Electrosystem, JSC;



Electricity System Commercial Operator, JSC;



Georgian Gas Transportation Company, LTD.

#### **EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS:**

- Not applicable;

0.0 Negligible magnitude;

- \* 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. Information does not cover the data of Simplified Customs Declarations (Form #4);
- 3. Information does not cover non-organized trade also occupied territories of Abkhazian Autonomous Republic and Tskhinvali region;
- 4. 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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