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EXTERNAL MERCHANDISE TRADE IN GEORGIA

2020

JANUARY-MARCH
(PRELIMINARY RESULTS)

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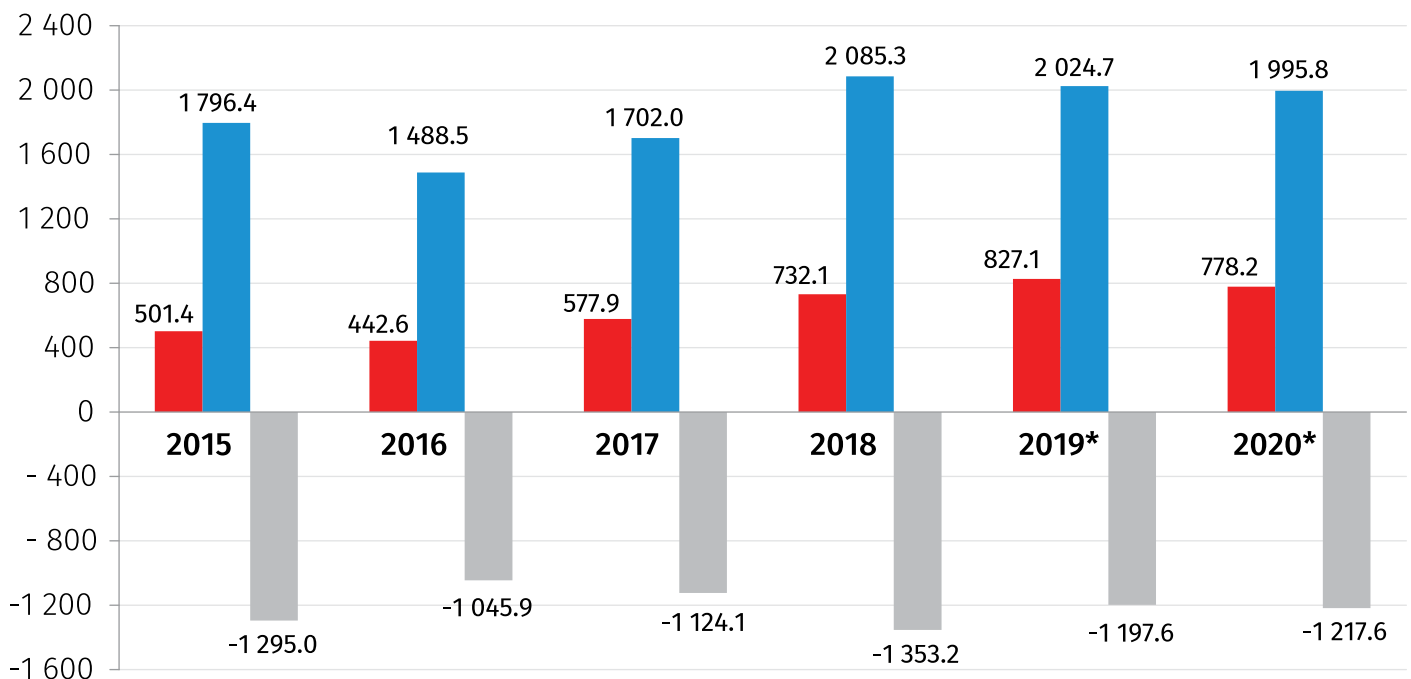
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**EXTERNAL MERCHANDISE TRADE OF GEORGIA
IN JANUARY-MARCH 2020
(PRELIMINARY)**

In January-March 2020 the external merchandise trade (excluding non-declared trade) of Georgia amounted to USD 2 773.9 million, 2.7 percent lower to the same period of 2019. The exports equaled USD 778.2 million (5.9 percent lower), while the imports stood at USD 1 995.8 million (1.4 percent lower). The negative trade balance was USD 1 217.6 million in January-March 2020 and its share in external trade turnover constituted 43.9 percent.

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

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



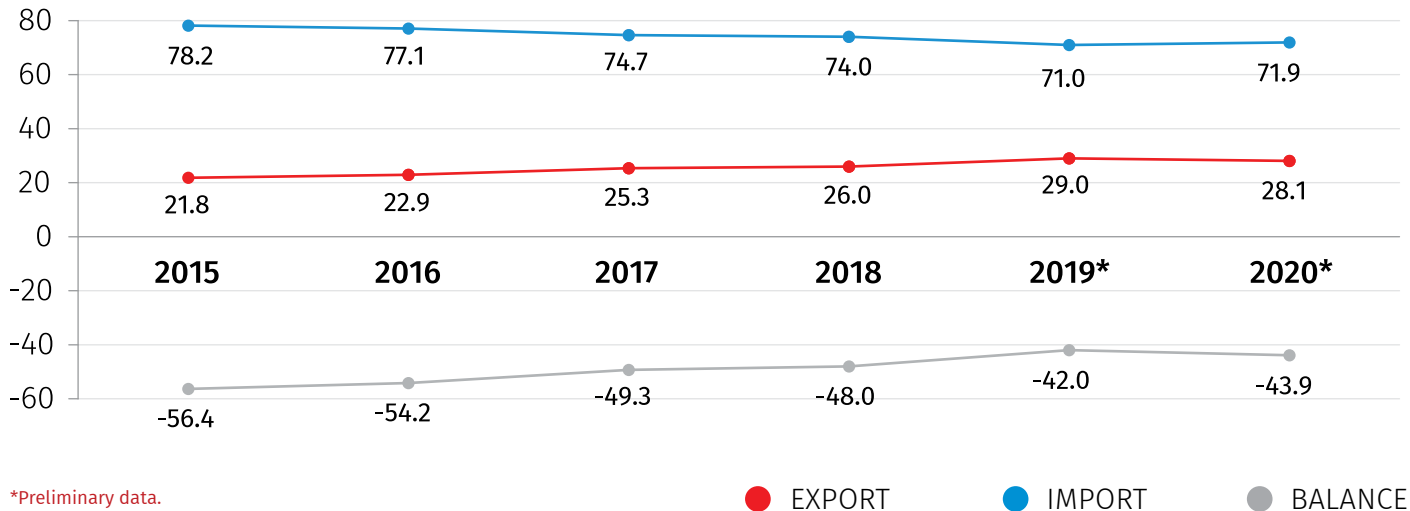
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SHARE OF EXTERNAL TRADE INDICATORS IN TURNOVER JANUARY-MARCH 2015-2020 (%)



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 (%)
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	779 222.0	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	821 739.6	-2.0

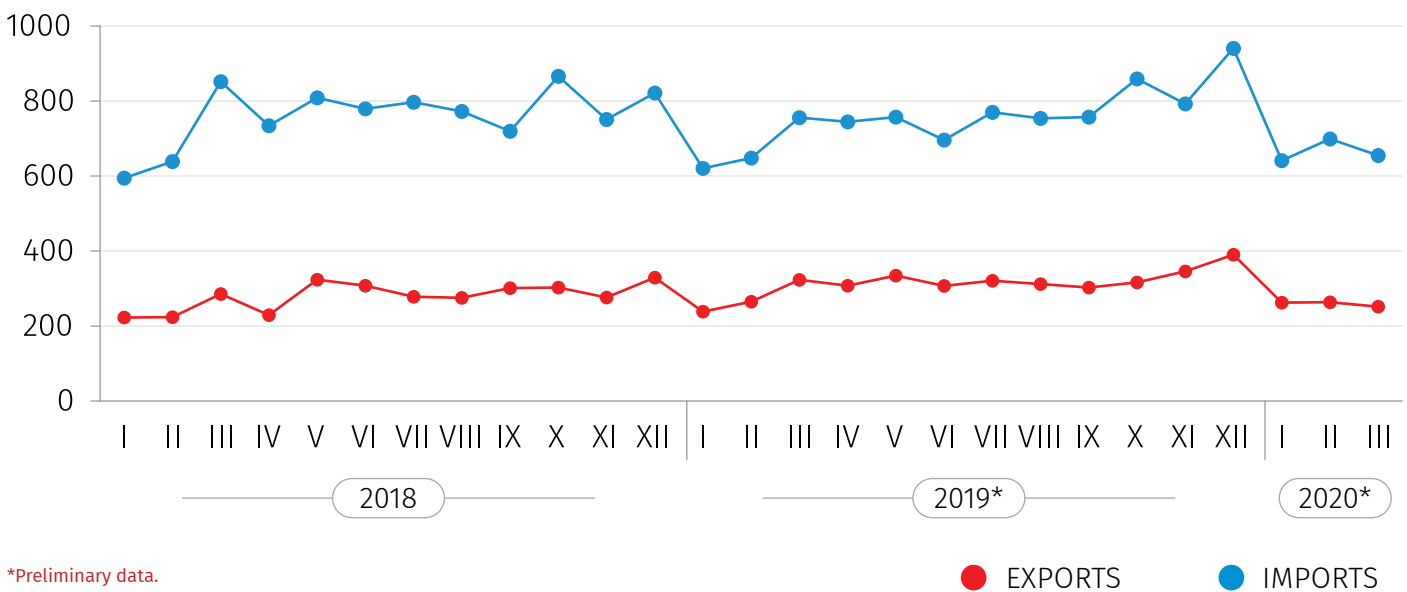
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		EXPORTS		IMPORTS	
		THSD. US DOLLARS	CHANGES M-O-M (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	CHANGES M-O-M (%)
2019*	January	238 766.2	7.2	620 607.0	4.4
	February	264 972.7	18.5	648 194.5	1.4
	March	323 356.9	13.1	755 870.0	-11.3
	April	307 401.7	34.1	744 759.2	1.4
	May	334 480.8	3.3	757 433.4	-6.4
	June	307 249.4	-0.2	696 327.3	-10.6
	July	320 771.5	15.3	769 995.8	-3.4
	August	312 017.0	13.3	754 208.6	-2.4
	September	302 616.2	0.5	757 562.4	5.3
	October	316 257.5	4.4	859 138.7	-0.8
	November	345 928.7	25.2	792 590.8	5.5
	December	390 349.4	18.7	940 852.5	14.5
2020*	January	262 649.4	10.0	641 539.7	3.4
	February	263 616.8	-0.5	699 276.5	7.9
	March	251 896.4	-22.1	654 956.7	-13.4

*Preliminary data.

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



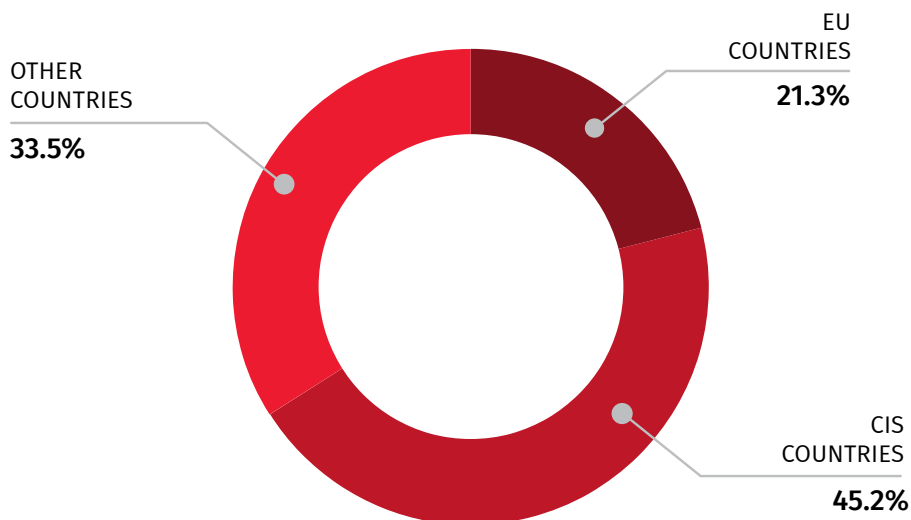
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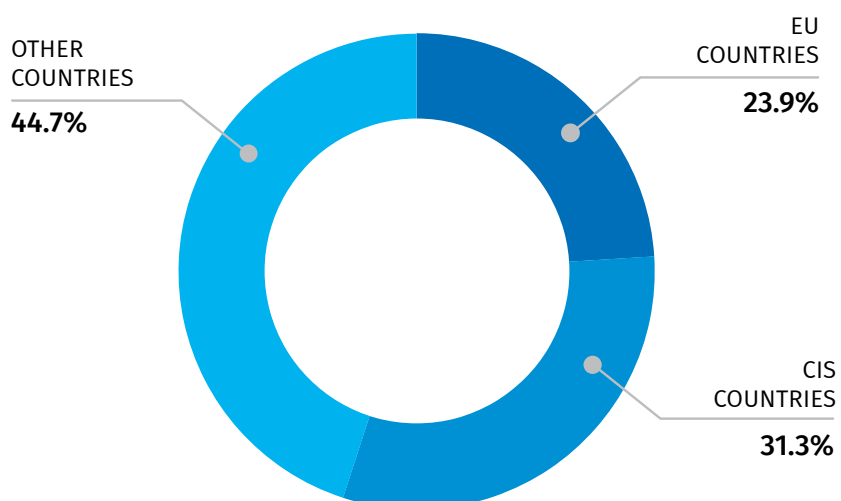
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The diagrams below show the share of the exports and imports of Georgia by country groups.

GEORGIAN EXPORT BY COUNTRY GROUPS IN JANUARY-MARCH 2020*



GEORGIAN IMPORT BY COUNTRY GROUPS IN JANUARY-MARCH 2020*



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In January-March 2020 the share of the top ten trading partners by exports in the total exports of Georgia amounted to 77.9 percent. The top partners were Azerbaijan (USD 121.9 million), China (USD 99.9 million) and Russia (USD 91.2 million).

TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY EXPORTS IN JANUARY-MARCH 2020

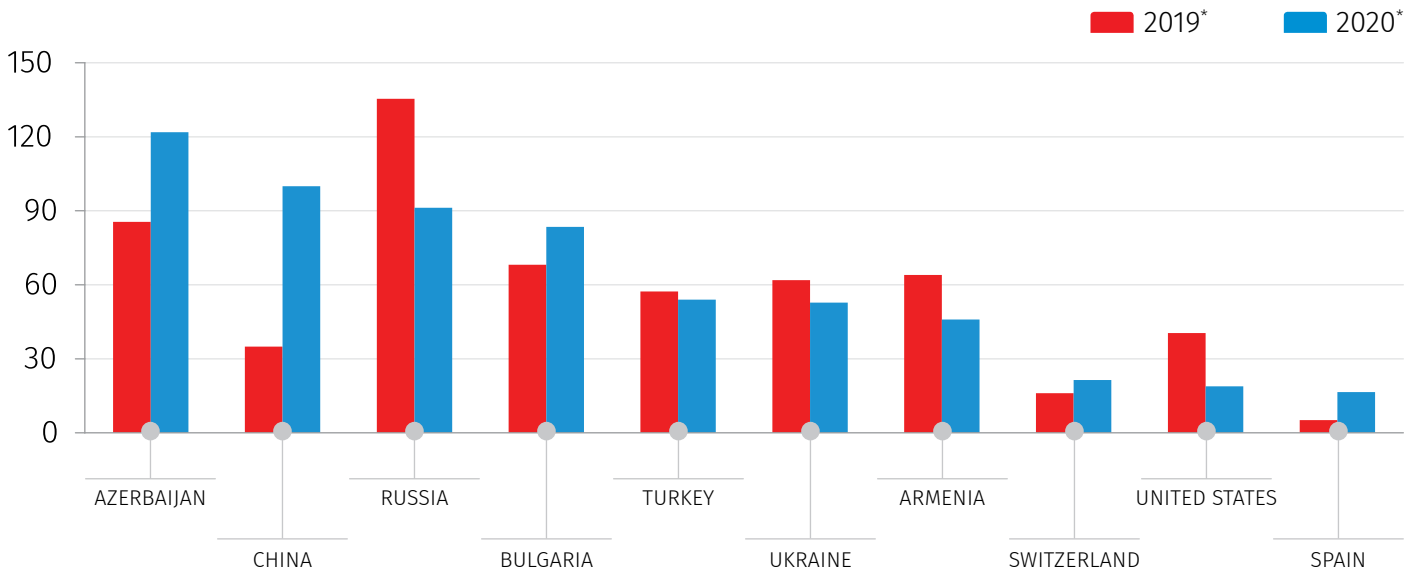
	JANUARY-MARCH 2019*		JANUARY-MARCH 2020*		CHANGE (%)
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL EXPORTS	827 095.7	100.0	778 162.6	100.0	-5.9
Of which:					
Azerbaijan	85 470.9	10.3	121 872.1	15.7	42.6
China	34 951.5	4.2	99 935.9	12.8	185.9
Russia	135 405.0	16.4	91 231.9	11.7	-32.6
Bulgaria	68 142.6	8.2	83 468.9	10.7	22.5
Turkey	57 259.9	6.9	53 963.8	6.9	-5.8
Ukraine	61 874.8	7.5	52 736.7	6.8	-14.8
Armenia	64 005.4	7.7	45 931.2	5.9	-28.2
Switzerland	16 068.0	1.9	21 383.2	2.7	33.1
United States	40 460.4	4.9	18 798.6	2.4	-53.5
Spain	5 114.5	0.6	16 501.0	2.1	222.6
Other countries	258 342.7	31.2	172 339.3	22.1	-33.3

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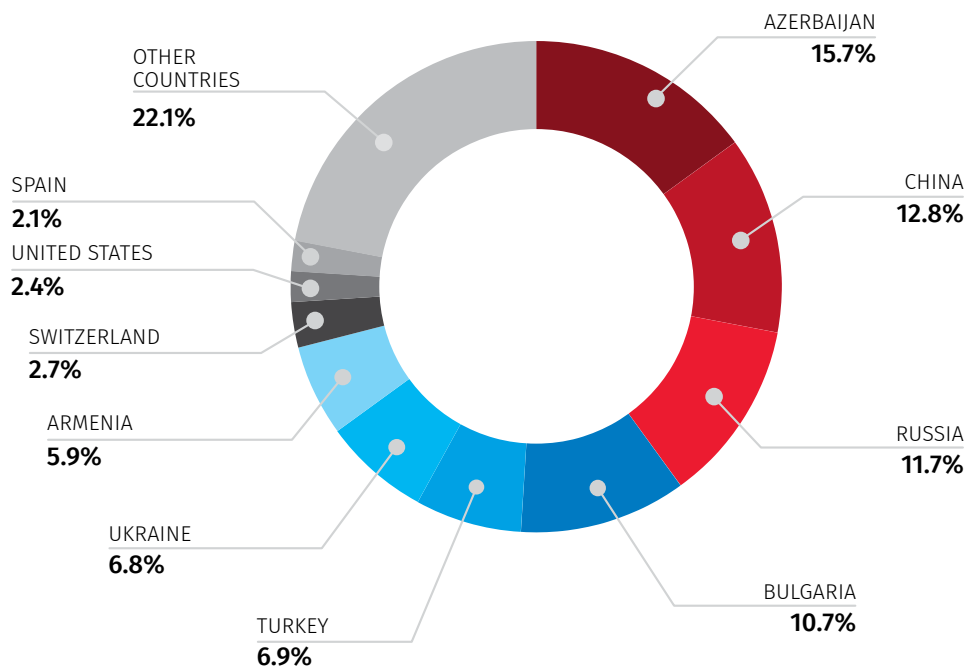
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TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY EXPORTS IN JANUARY-MARCH 2019-2020 (MILLION US DOLLARS)



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SHARE OF THE TOP TRADING PARTNERS IN TOTAL EXPORTS IN JANUARY-MARCH 2020*



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In January-March 2020 the share of the top ten trading partners by imports in the total imports of Georgia amounted to 69.8 percent. The top partners were Turkey (USD 348.3 million), Russia (USD 210.1 million) and Azerbaijan (USD 184.3 million).

TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY IMPORTS IN JANUARY-MARCH 2020

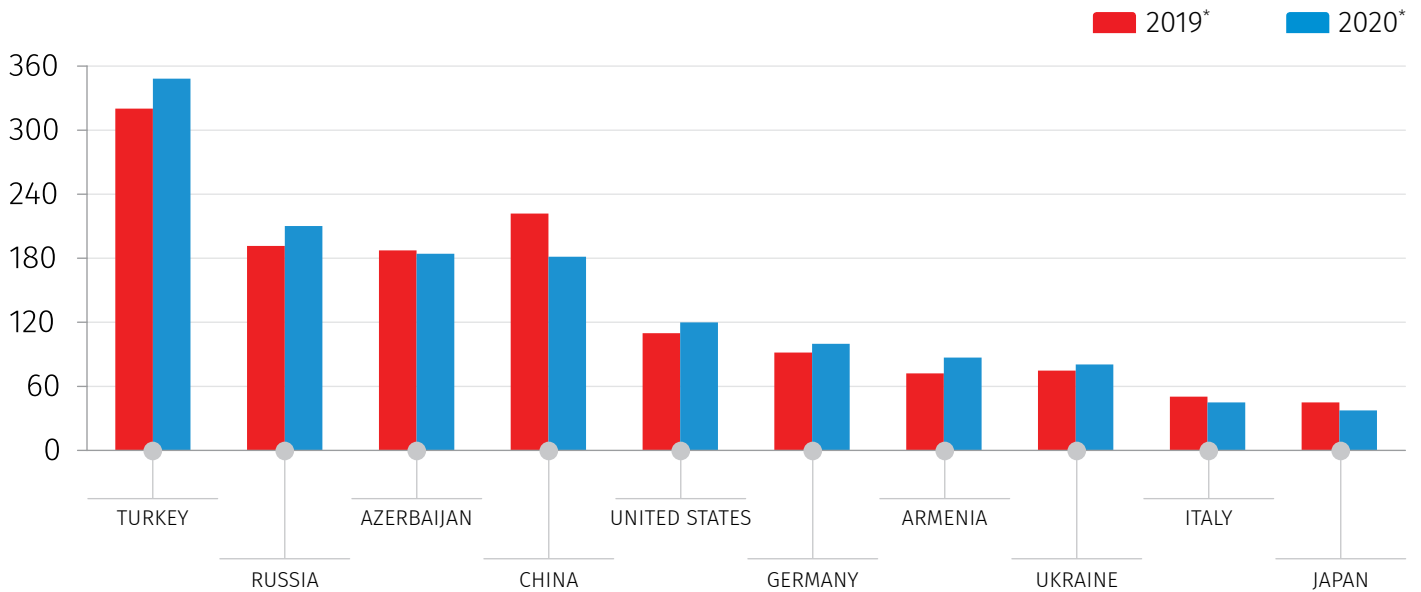
	JANUARY-MARCH 2019*		JANUARY-MARCH 2020*		CHANGE (%)
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL IMPORTS	2 024 671.5	100.0	1 995 772.9	100.0	-1.4
Of which:					
Turkey	320 250.8	15.8	348 251.5	17.4	8.7
Russia	191 574.5	9.5	210 148.5	10.5	9.7
Azerbaijan	187 364.0	9.3	184 284.6	9.2	-1.6
China	221 878.6	11.0	181 391.9	9.1	-18.2
United States	109 819.2	5.4	119 839.4	6.0	9.1
Germany	91 592.8	4.5	99 786.5	5.0	8.9
Armenia	72 091.8	3.6	86 910.8	4.4	20.6
Ukraine	74 722.9	3.7	80 456.2	4.0	7.7
Italy	50 398.8	2.5	44 893.4	2.2	-10.9
Japan	45 024.5	2.2	37 374.6	1.9	-17.0
Other countries	659 953.7	32.6	602 435.4	30.2	-8.7

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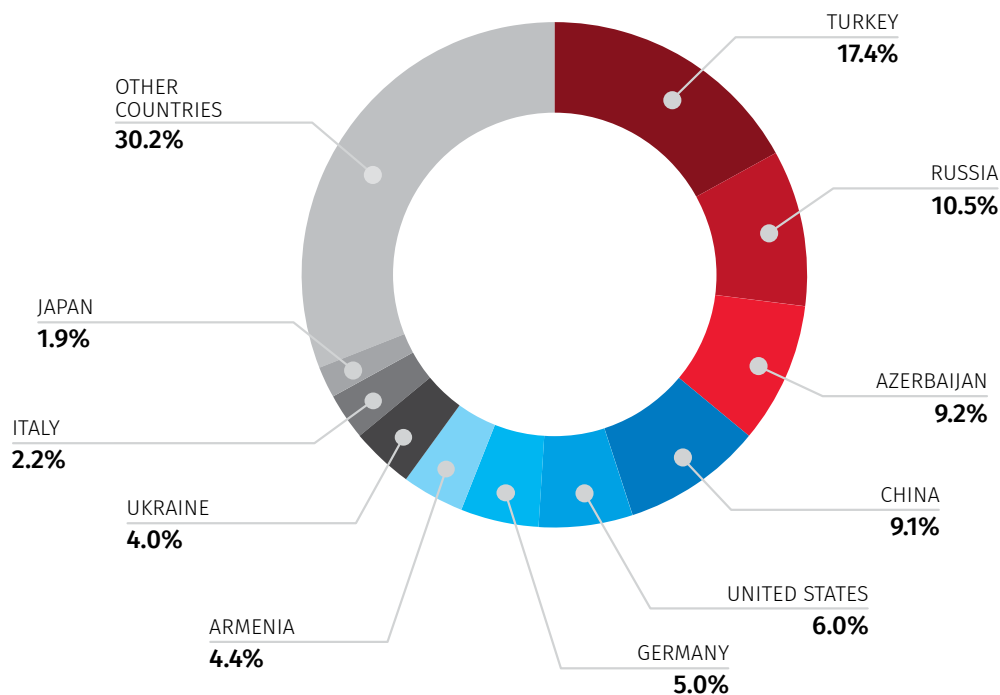
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TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY IMPORTS IN JANUARY-MARCH 2019-2020 (MILLION US DOLLARS)



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SHARE OF THE TOP TRADING PARTNERS IN TOTAL IMPORTS IN JANUARY-MARCH 2020*



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In January-March 2020 the share of the top ten trading partners in the total external trade turnover of Georgia amounted to 71.1 percent. The top trading partners were Turkey (USD 402.2 million), Azerbaijan (USD 306.2 million) and Russia (USD 301.4 million).

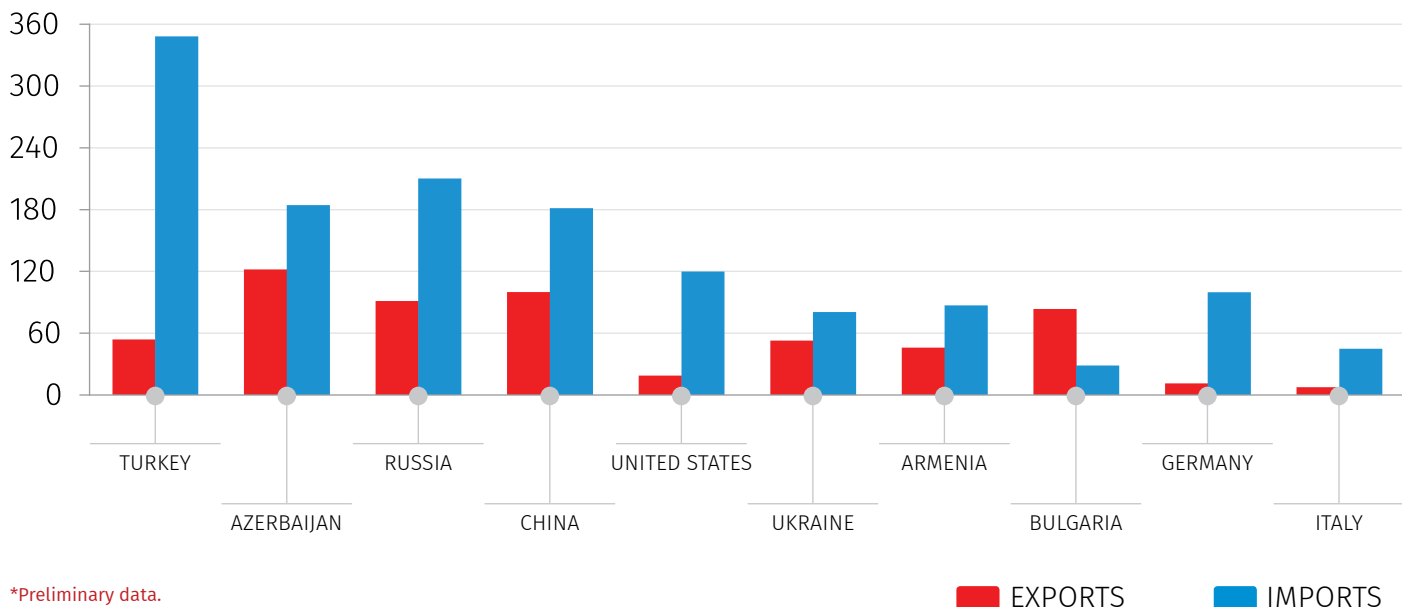
TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY TURNOVER IN JANUARY-MARCH 2020*

	EXPORTS		IMPORTS		TURNOVER	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)
TOTAL	778 162.6	100.0	1 995 772.9	100.0	2 773 935.4	100.0
Of which:						
Turkey	53 963.8	6.9	348 251.5	17.4	402 215.2	14.5
Azerbaijan	121 872.1	15.7	184 284.6	9.2	306 156.6	11.0
Russia	91 231.9	11.7	210 148.5	10.5	301 380.4	10.9
China	99 935.9	12.8	181 391.9	9.1	281 327.9	10.1
United States	18 798.6	2.4	119 839.4	6.0	138 638.0	5.0
Ukraine	52 736.7	6.8	80 456.2	4.0	133 192.9	4.8
Armenia	45 931.2	5.9	86 910.8	4.4	132 842.0	4.8
Bulgaria	83 468.9	10.7	28 537.5	1.4	112 006.4	4.0
Germany	11 176.5	1.4	99 786.5	5.0	110 963.0	4.0
Italy	7 487.9	1.0	44 893.4	2.2	52 381.3	1.9
Other countries	191 559.2	24.6	611 272.5	30.6	802 831.7	28.9

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**TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY TURNOVER
IN JANUARY-MARCH 2020*(MILLION US DOLLARS)**



In January-March 2020 copper ores and concentrates reclaimed the first place in the list of top export items, equaling USD 159.0 million or 20.4 percent of total exports. The exports of motor cars totaled USD 127.9 million and their share in the total exports amounted to 16.4 percent. The ferro-alloys exports occupied the third place standing at USD 58.2 million and constituting 7.5 percent of the total exports.

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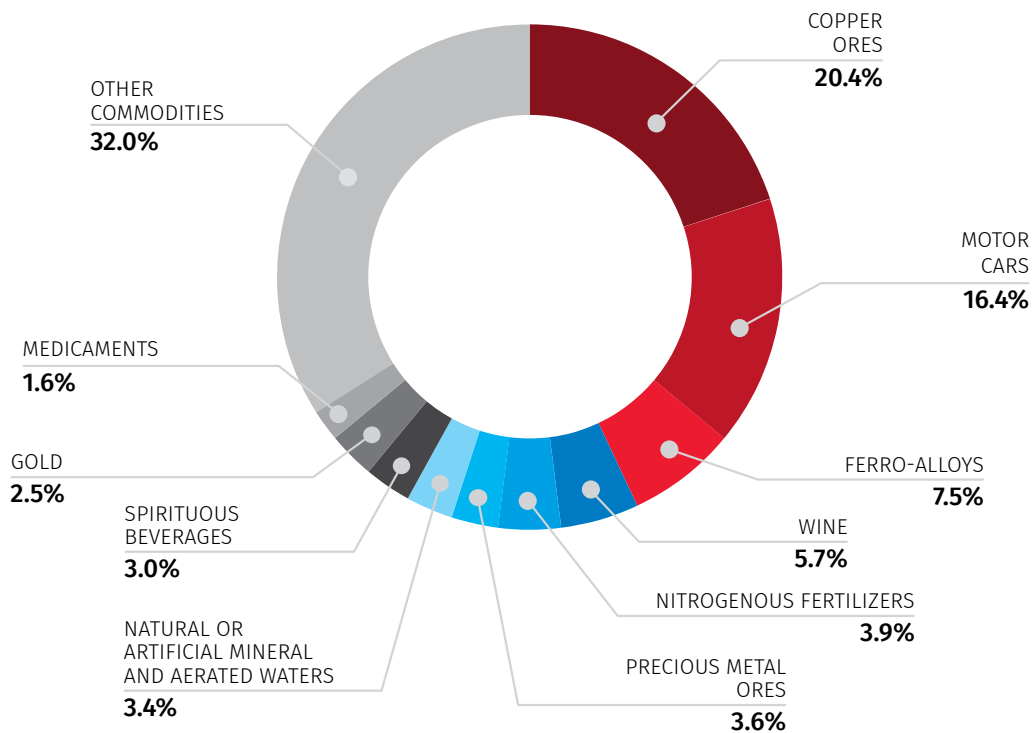
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MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY EXPORTS

	JANUARY-MARCH 2019*		JANUARY-MARCH 2020*		CHANGE (%)
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL EXPORTS	827 095.7	100.0	778 162.6	100.0	-5.9
Of which:					
Copper ores and concentrates	135 554.9	16.4	158 979.4	20.4	17.3
Motor cars	101 500.8	12.3	127 913.1	16.4	26.0
Ferro-alloys	95 611.3	11.6	58 198.6	7.5	-39.1
Wine of fresh grapes	48 976.9	5.9	44 261.8	5.7	-9.6
Nitrogenous fertilizers	35 431.7	4.3	30 405.3	3.9	-14.2
Precious metal ores and concentrates	-	-	27 627.3	3.6	-
Waters, natural or artificial mineral and aerated waters	29 796.7	3.6	26 420.0	3.4	-11.3
Spirituos beverages	25 923.8	3.1	23 548.3	3.0	-9.2
Gold	16 562.0	2.0	19 813.4	2.5	19.6
Medicaments put up in measured doses	52 355.9	6.3	12 169.6	1.6	-76.8
Other commodities	285 381.8	34.5	248 825.7	32.0	-12.8

*Preliminary data.

SHARE OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY EXPORTS IN JANUARY-MARCH 2020*



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The top import commodities in January-March 2020 were motor cars whose imports equaled USD 173.8 million (8.7 percent of the total imports). The petroleum and petroleum oils followed in the list with USD 150.4 million (7.5 percent of imports). The petroleum gases and other gaseous were third in the top import commodity list with USD 135.5 million (6.8 percent of imports).

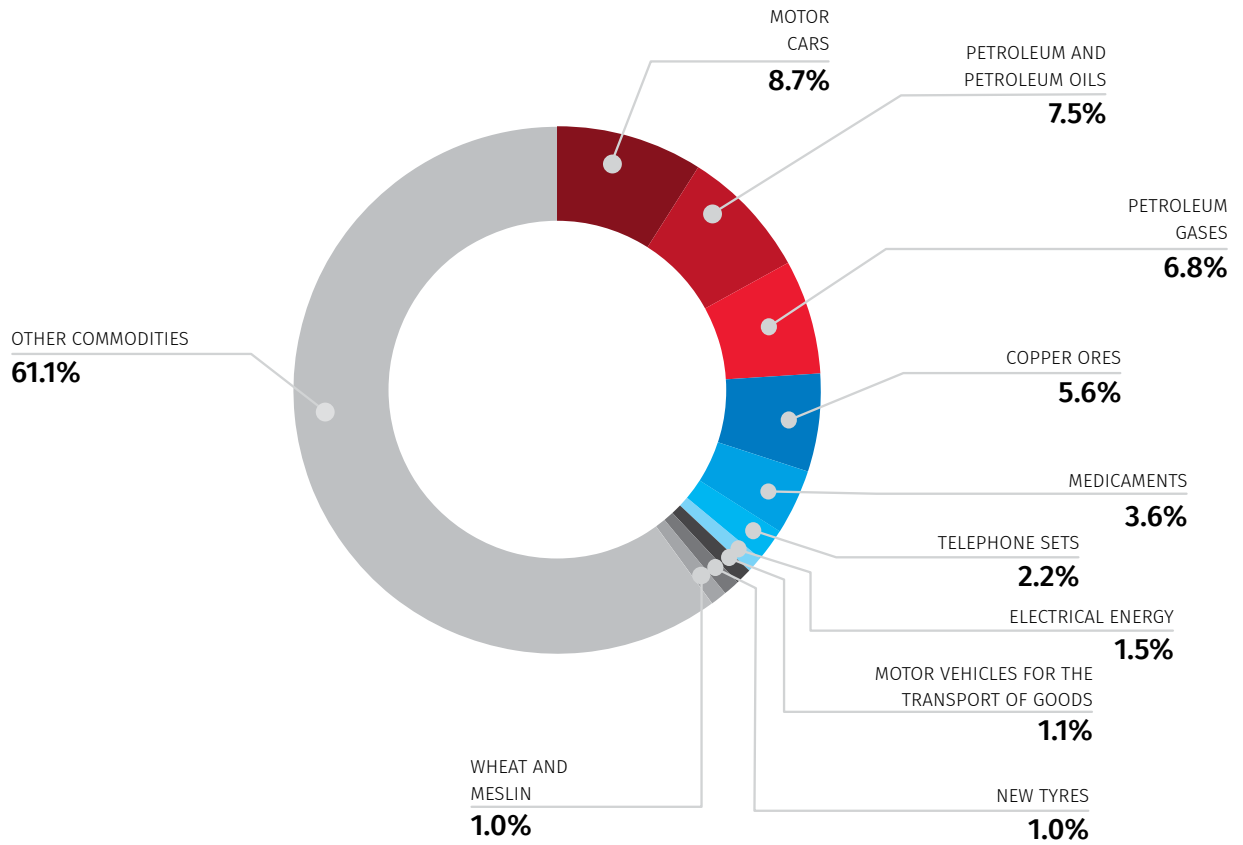
MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY IMPORTS

	JANUARY-MARCH 2019*		JANUARY-MARCH 2020*		CHANGE (%)
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL IMPORTS	2 024 671.5	100.0	1 995 772.9	100.0	-1.4
Of which:					
Motor cars	159 836.8	7.9	173 781.2	8.7	8.7
Petroleum and petroleum oils	150 437.9	7.4	150 352.3	7.5	-0.1
Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons	131 055.4	6.5	135 459.1	6.8	3.4
Copper ores and concentrates	120 226.9	5.9	111 130.4	5.6	-7.6
Medicaments put up in measured doses	89 751.1	4.4	72 148.9	3.6	-19.6
Telephone sets	39 033.1	1.9	44 738.9	2.2	14.6
Electrical energy	23 063.3	1.1	28 993.0	1.5	25.7
Motor vehicles for the transport of goods	13 829.4	0.7	21 143.0	1.1	52.9
New pneumatic tyres, of rubber	22 442.7	1.1	19 283.0	1.0	-14.1
Wheat and meslin	22 809.7	1.1	18 970.5	1.0	-16.8
Other commodities	1 252 185.1	61.8	1 219 772.4	61.1	-2.6

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SHARE OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY IMPORTS IN JANUARY-MARCH 2020*



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TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY TURNOVER

TURKEY

EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY
GROUPS TO TURKEY



	JANUARY-MARCH 2019*		JANUARY-MARCH 2020*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL EXPORTS	57 259.9		53 963.8	
Of which:				
T-shirts knitted	9 361.3	415.6	11 251.4	381.7
Ferro-alloys	5 639.3	5 156.8	9 873.3	10 353.8
Flours, meals and pellets, unfit for human consumption; greaves	2 064.5	1 538.7	4 478.1	3 542.5
Men's or boys' suits, ensembles, trousers, knitted or crocheted	2 809.0	141.4	4 181.0	167.4
Semi-finished products of iron or non-alloy steel	10 444.8	27 468.4	3 715.0	9 986.3
Other commodities	26 941.1		20 465.0	

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IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY
GROUPS FROM TURKEY



	JANUARY-MARCH 2019*		JANUARY-MARCH 2020*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL IMPORTS	320 250.8		348 251.5	
Of which:				
Medicaments put up in measured doses	20 364.2	325.4	13 066.6	163.9
Other tubes, pipes and hollow profiles, of iron or steel	8 388.1	11 140.4	10 920.1	16 797.8
Other made up articles, including dress patterns	9 723.6	581.9	10 204.6	405.9
Petroleum and petroleum oils	4 725.9	5 865.2	8 171.1	12 675.0
Structures and parts of structures of iron or steel	10 423.5	6 151.1	8 103.4	5 124.6
Other commodities	266 625.4		297 785.7	

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AZERBAIJAN

EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS TO AZERBAIJAN



	JANUARY-MARCH 2019*		JANUARY-MARCH 2020*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL EXPORTS	85 470.9		121 872.1	
Of which:				
Motor cars (unit)	34 245.0	3 589	79 195.9	7 983
Cigars, cheroots, cigarillos and cigarettes	10 700.6	542.0	3 522.9	139.0
Motor vehicles for the transport of goods (unit)	2 071.1	287	2 789.3	406
Nitrogenous fertilizers	2 315.9	12 041.0	2 737.0	16 777.0
Medicaments put up in measured doses	8 145.1	221.1	2 518.1	103.2
Other commodities	27 993.2		31 108.9	

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IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM AZERBAIJAN



	JANUARY-MARCH 2019*		JANUARY-MARCH 2020*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL IMPORTS	187 364.0		184 284.6	
Of which:				
Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons	123 403.7	718 173.7	115 582.3	667 698.4
Electrical energy	22 221.8	...	20 941.0	...
Parts and accessories suitable for use with typing or calculating machines	-	-	11 195.1	8.5
Petroleum and petroleum oils	21 340.3	39 397.1	9 344.8	23 544.9
Other bars and rods of iron or non-alloy steel	2 483.4	5 242.1	3 697.7	8 104.6
Other commodities	17 914.8		23 523.7	

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RUSSIA

EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS TO RUSSIA



	JANUARY-MARCH 2019*		JANUARY-MARCH 2020*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL EXPORTS	135 405.0		91 231.9	
Of which:				
Wine of fresh grapes	32 502.3	10 657.6	26 356.8	8 626.6
Ferro-alloys	38 300.8	34 875.9	23 913.8	25 599.7
Waters, natural or artificial mineral and aerated waters, not containing added sugar	15 282.9	21 852.8	10 593.1	18 289.0
Spirituous beverages	7 688.7	1 605.0	7 081.1	1 480.8
Motor cars (unit)	1 650.2	324	3 924.0	756
Other commodities	39 980.1		19 363.1	

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IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM RUSSIA



	JANUARY-MARCH 2019*		JANUARY-MARCH 2020*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL IMPORTS	191 574.5		210 148.5	
Of which:				
Petroleum and petroleum oils	38 567.3	70 732.4	35 489.5	65 126.2
Wheat and meslin	15 968.6	71 569.3	18 970.5	86 573.5
Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons	7 574.7	26 362.1	18 323.5	64 195.1
Electrical energy	841.5	...	8 052.0	...
Telephone sets	5 459.5	4.9	7 814.7	5.9
Other commodities	123 162.8		121 498.2	





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EXTERNAL TRADE BALANCE

	NUMBER OF COUNTRIES	EXTERNAL TRADE BALANCE MIL. US DOLLARS
NEGATIVE TRADE BALANCE		
January-March 2019*	74	1 284.4
January- March 2020*	84	1 321.2
POSITIVE TRADE BALANCE		
January- March 2019*	50	86.8
January- March 2020*	39	103.6
TOTAL		
January- March 2019*	124	1 197.6
January- March 2020*	123	1 217.6

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- SOURCES:**
-  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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