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## EXTERNAL MERCHANDISE TRADE IN GEORGIA

# 2020

JANUARY-APRIL  
(PRELIMINARY RESULTS)

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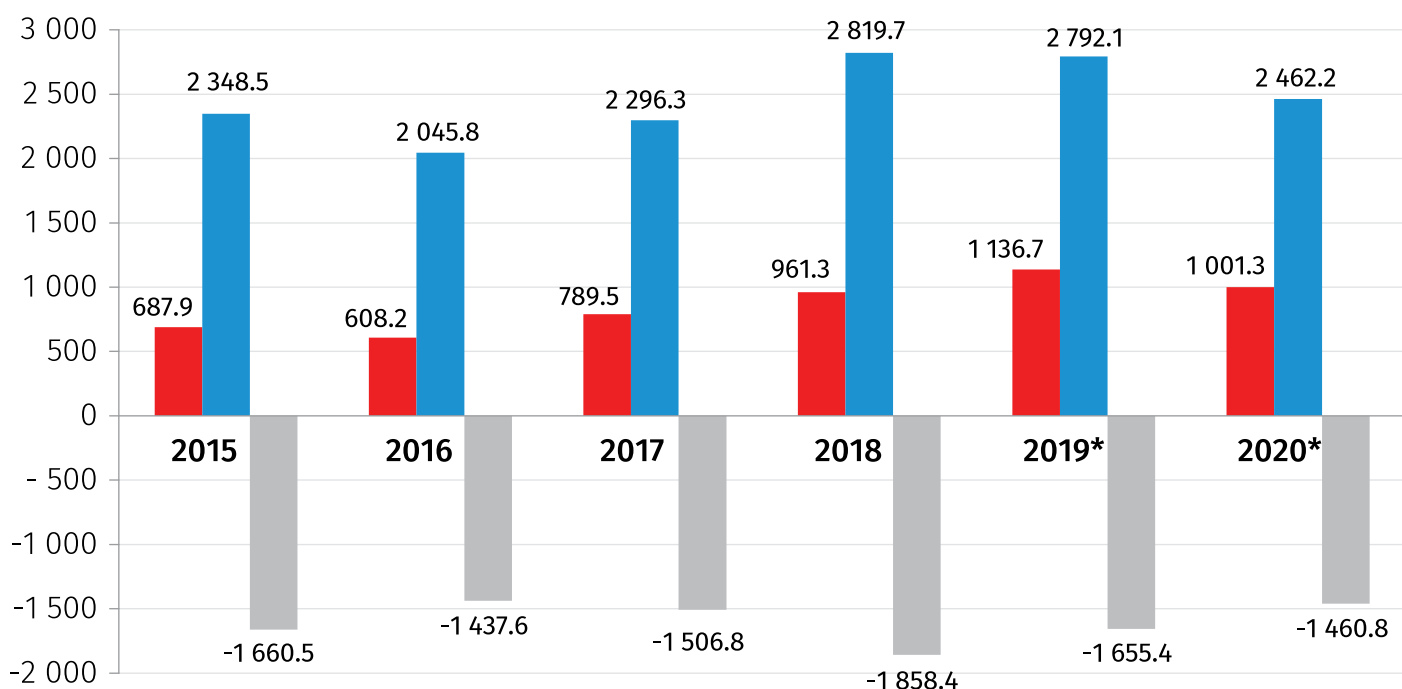
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**EXTERNAL MERCHANDISE TRADE OF GEORGIA  
IN JANUARY-APRIL 2020  
(PRELIMINARY)**

In January-April 2020 the external merchandise trade (excluding non-declared trade) of Georgia amounted to USD 3 463.5 million, 11.8 percent lower to the same period of 2019. The exports equaled USD 1 001.3 million (11.9 percent lower), while the imports stood at USD 2 462.2 million (11.8 percent lower). The negative trade balance was USD 1 460.8 million in January-April 2020 and its share in external trade turnover constituted 42.2 percent.

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

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



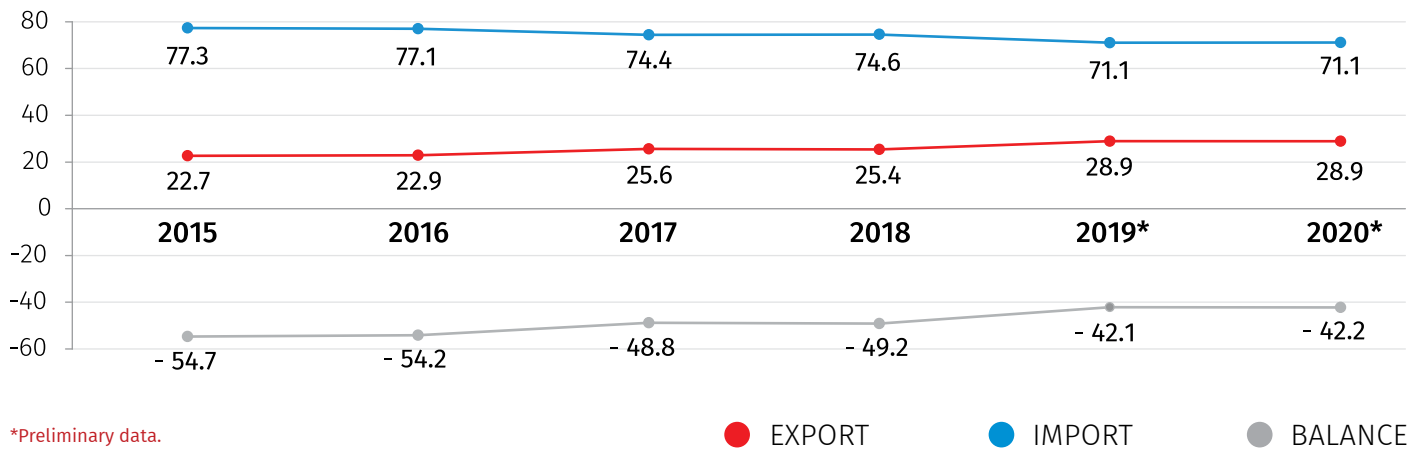
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EXPORTS IMPORTS BALANCE

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### SHARE OF EXTERNAL TRADE INDICATORS IN TURNOVER JANUARY-APRIL 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

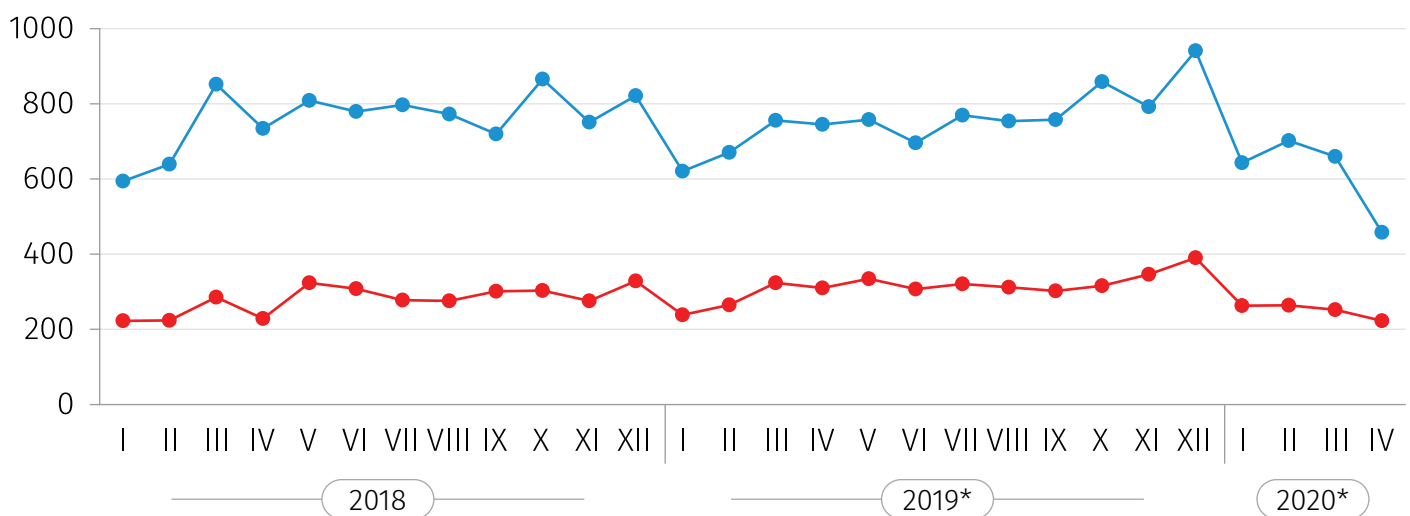
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		EXPORTS		IMPORTS	
		THSD. US DOLLARS	CHANGES M-O-M (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	CHANGES M-O-M (%)
2019*	January	238 766.2	7.2	620 607.0	4.4
	February	264 972.7	18.5	670 866.5	5.0
	March	323 356.9	13.1	755 870.0	-11.3
	April	309 599.7	35.1	744 759.2	1.4
	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	859 176.3	-0.8
	November	345 928.7	25.2	792 590.8	5.5
	December	390 349.4	18.7	940 977.3	14.5
2020*	January	262 649.4	10.0	642 784.1	3.6
	February	263 616.8	-0.5	701 711.4	4.6
	March	251 896.4	-22.1	659 657.7	-12.7
	April	223 160.6	-27.9	458 008.6	-38.5

\*Preliminary data.

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



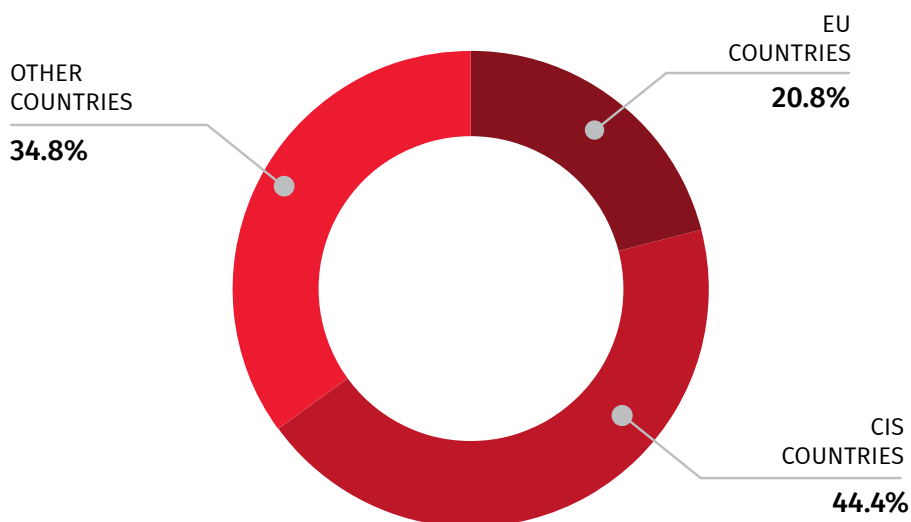
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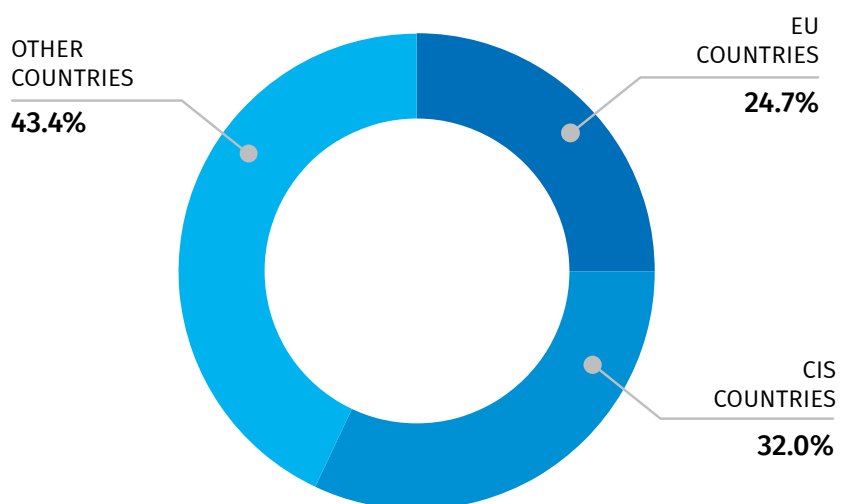
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The diagrams below show the share of the exports and imports of Georgia by country groups.

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



## GEORGIAN IMPORT BY COUNTRY GROUPS IN JANUARY-APRIL 2020\*



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In January-April 2020 the share of the top ten trading partners by exports in the total exports of Georgia amounted to 78.1 percent. The top partners were Azerbaijan (USD 145.2 million), China (USD 135.5 million) and Russia (USD 125.6 million).

### TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY EXPORTS IN JANUARY-APRIL 2020

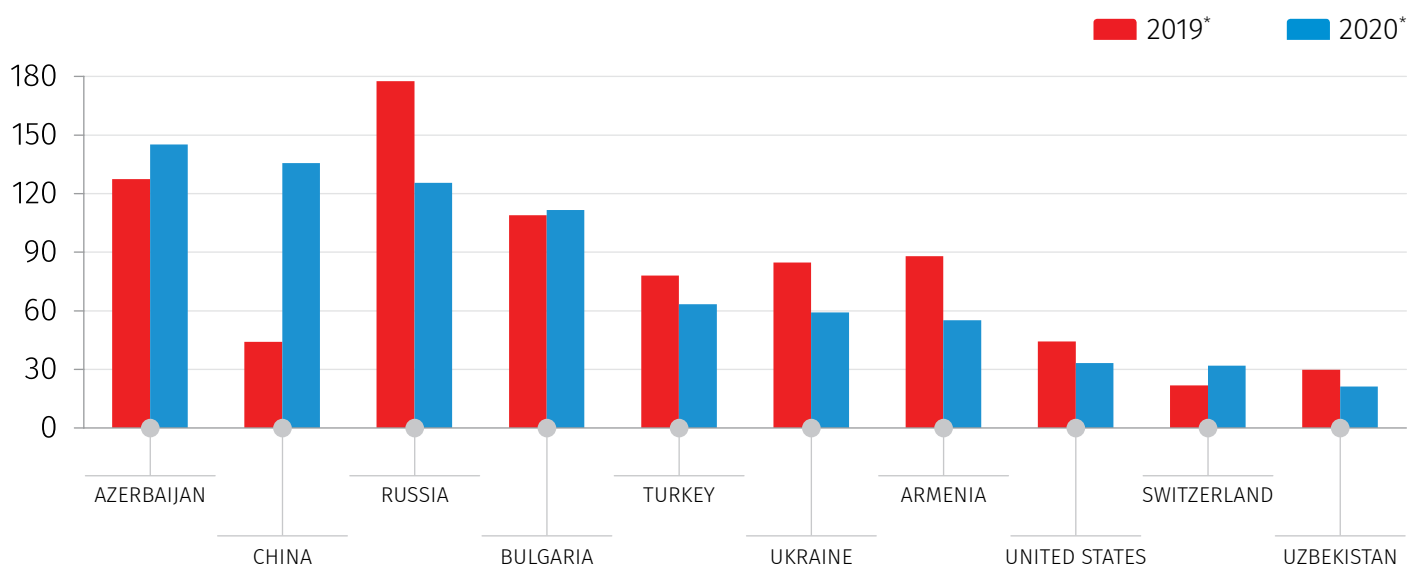
	JANUARY-APRIL 2019*		JANUARY-APRIL 2020*		CHANGE (%)
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
<b>TOTAL EXPORTS</b>	<b>1 136 695.5</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1 001 323.2</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>-11.9</b>
Of which:					
Azerbaijan	127 409.5	11.2	145 164.0	14.5	13.9
China	44 016.7	3.9	135 547.9	13.5	207.9
Russia	177 606.0	15.6	125 602.0	12.5	-29.3
Bulgaria	108 977.2	9.6	111 608.5	11.1	2.4
Turkey	78 128.0	6.9	63 272.8	6.3	-19.0
Ukraine	84 660.1	7.4	59 129.4	5.9	-30.2
Armenia	88 001.4	7.7	55 117.9	5.5	-37.4
United States	44 204.5	3.9	33 177.0	3.3	-24.9
Switzerland	21 732.9	1.9	31 970.9	3.2	47.1
Uzbekistan	29 876.1	2.6	21 279.2	2.1	-28.8
Other countries	332 083.1	29.2	219 453.7	21.9	-33.9

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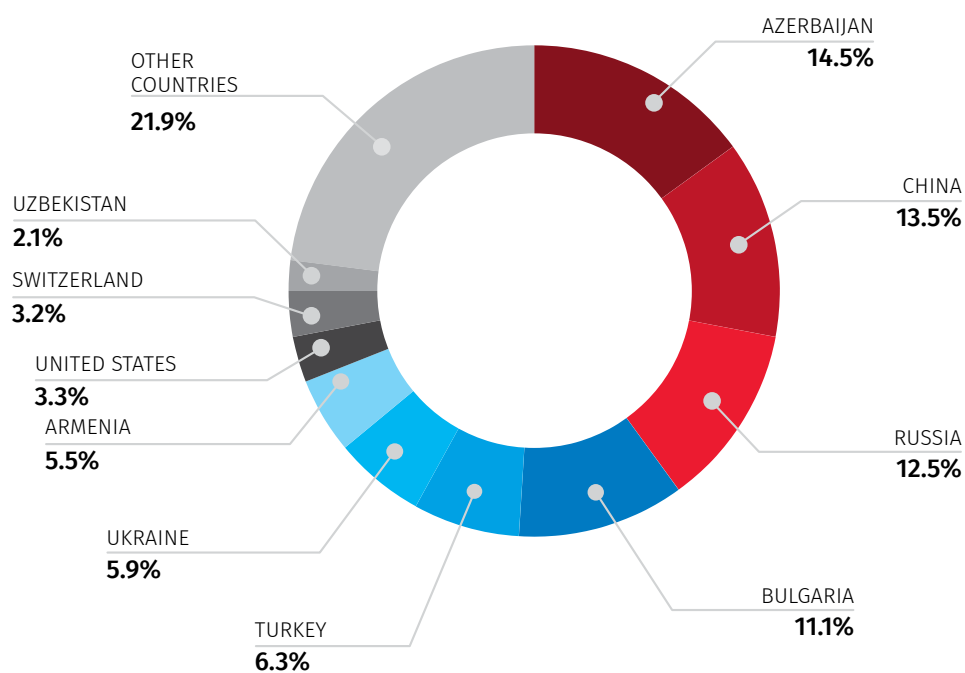
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### TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY EXPORTS IN JANUARY-APRIL 2019-2020 (MILLION US DOLLARS)



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



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In January-April 2020 the share of the top ten trading partners by imports in the total imports of Georgia amounted to 68.9 percent. The top partners were Turkey (USD 406.0 million), Russia (USD 270.1 million) and Azerbaijan (USD 221.8 million).

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

	JANUARY-APRIL 2019*		JANUARY-APRIL 2020*		CHANGE (%)
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
<b>TOTAL IMPORTS</b>	<b>2 792 102.7</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2 462 161.8</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>-11.8</b>
Of which:					
Turkey	452 957.2	16.2	406 027.9	16.5	-10.4
Russia	269 353.9	9.6	270 125.3	11.0	0.3
Azerbaijan	235 796.1	8.4	221 843.3	9.0	-5.9
China	273 532.5	9.8	210 575.7	8.6	-23.0
United States	151 512.9	5.4	129 548.0	5.3	-14.5
Germany	143 569.5	5.1	127 271.2	5.2	-11.4
Ukraine	109 429.4	3.9	114 872.5	4.7	5.0
Armenia	90 457.2	3.2	106 270.7	4.3	17.5
Italy	69 395.4	2.5	57 458.0	2.3	-17.2
Netherlands	47 815.3	1.7	53 513.5	2.2	11.9
Other countries	948 283.3	34.0	764 655.7	31.1	-19.4

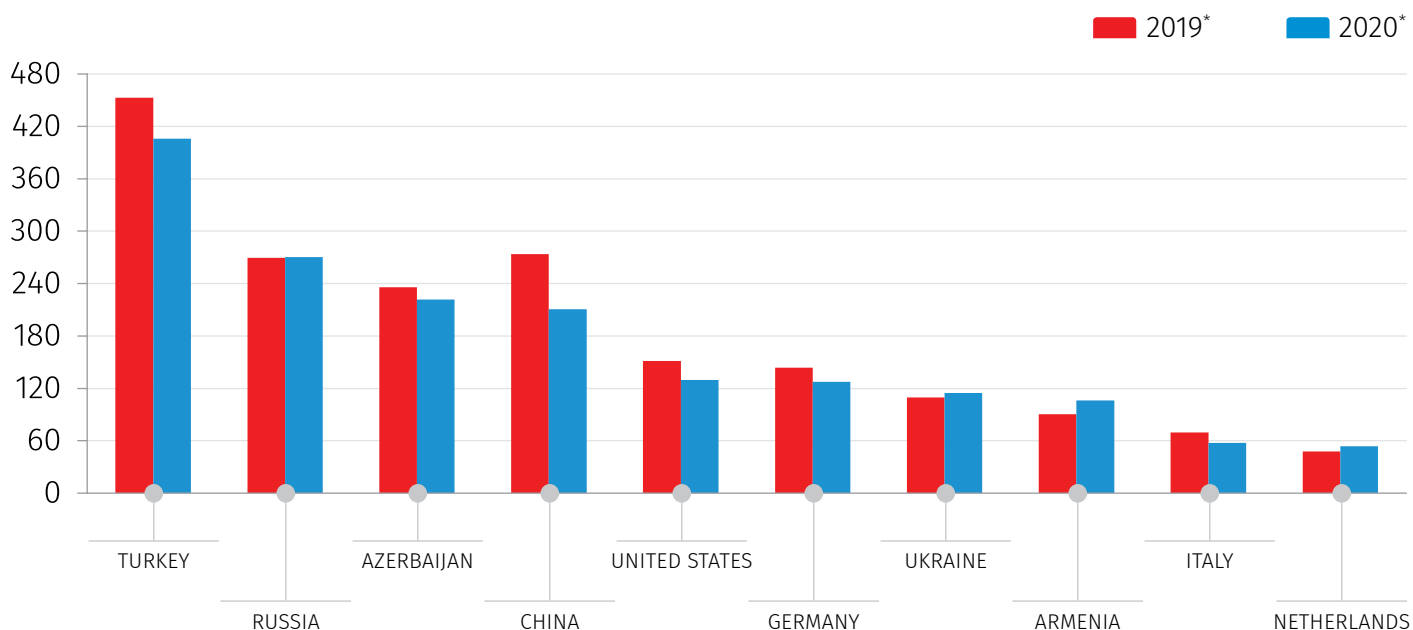
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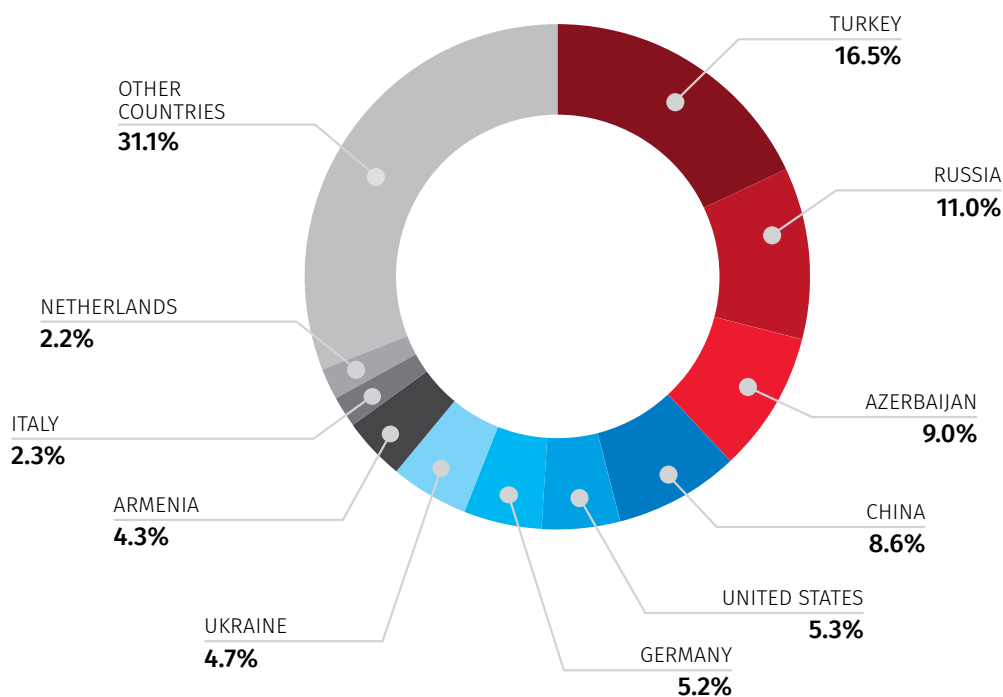
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### TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY IMPORTS IN JANUARY-APRIL 2019-2020 (MILLION US DOLLARS)



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



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In January-April 2020 the share of the top ten trading partners in the total external trade turnover of Georgia amounted to 70.1 percent. The top trading partners were Turkey (USD 469.3 million), Russia (USD 395.7 million) and Azerbaijan (USD 367.0 million).

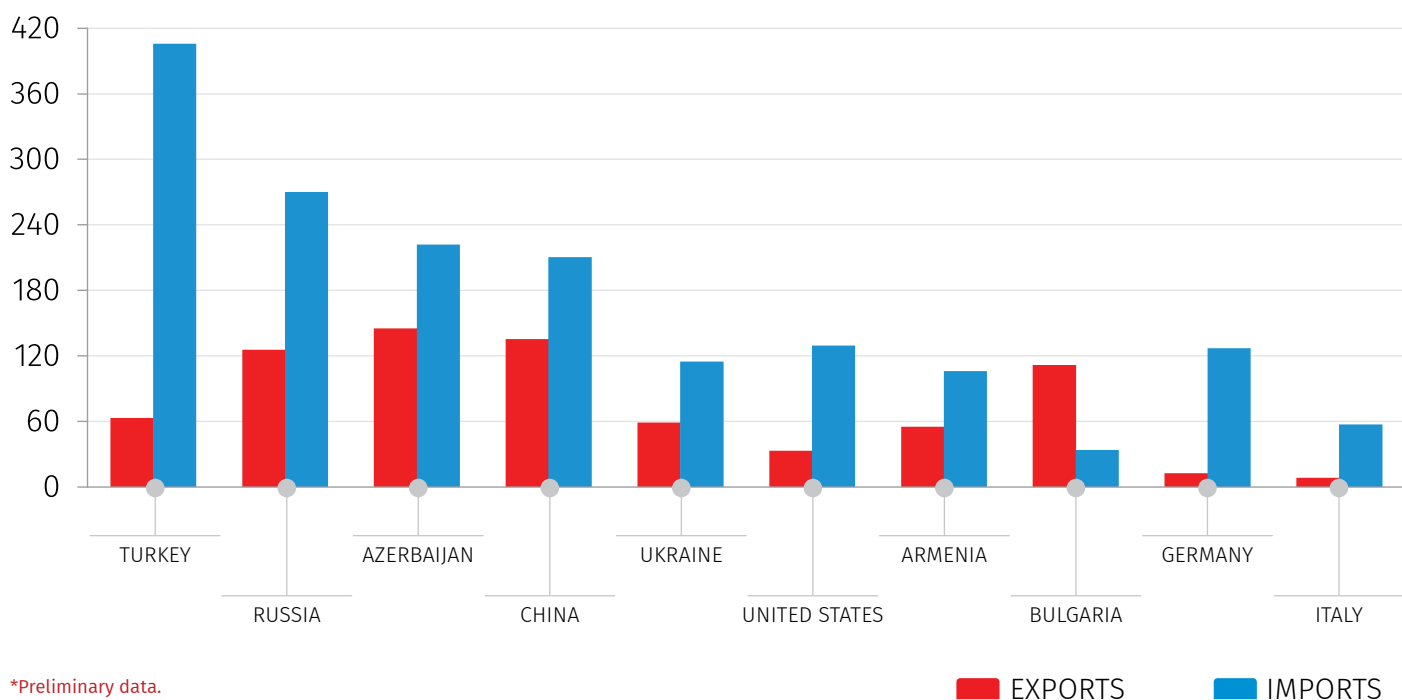
### TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY TURNOVER IN JANUARY-APRIL 2020\*

	EXPORTS		IMPORTS		TURNOVER	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1 001 323.2</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2 462 161.8</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>3 463 485.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Of which:						
Turkey	63 272.8	6.3	406 027.9	16.5	469 300.6	13.5
Russia	125 602.0	12.5	270 125.3	11.0	395 727.3	11.4
Azerbaijan	145 164.0	14.5	221 843.3	9.0	367 007.3	10.6
China	135 547.9	13.5	210 575.7	8.6	346 123.5	10.0
Ukraine	59 129.4	5.9	114 872.5	4.7	174 001.9	5.0
United States	33 177.0	3.3	129 548.0	5.3	162 725.0	4.7
Armenia	55 117.9	5.5	106 270.7	4.3	161 388.6	4.7
Bulgaria	111 608.5	11.1	33 909.4	1.4	145 517.9	4.2
Germany	12 696.7	1.3	127 271.2	5.2	139 968.0	4.0
Italy	8 338.0	0.8	57 458.0	2.3	65 796.0	1.9
Other countries	251 669.0	25.1	784 259.8	31.9	1 035 928.8	29.9

\*Preliminary data.

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



In January-April 2020 copper ores and concentrates reclaimed the first place in the list of top export items, equaling USD 215.7 million or 21.5 percent of total exports. The exports of motor cars totaled USD 134.8 million and their share in the total exports amounted to 13.5 percent. The Ferroalloys exports occupied the third place standing at USD 91.8 million and constituting 9.2 percent of the total exports.

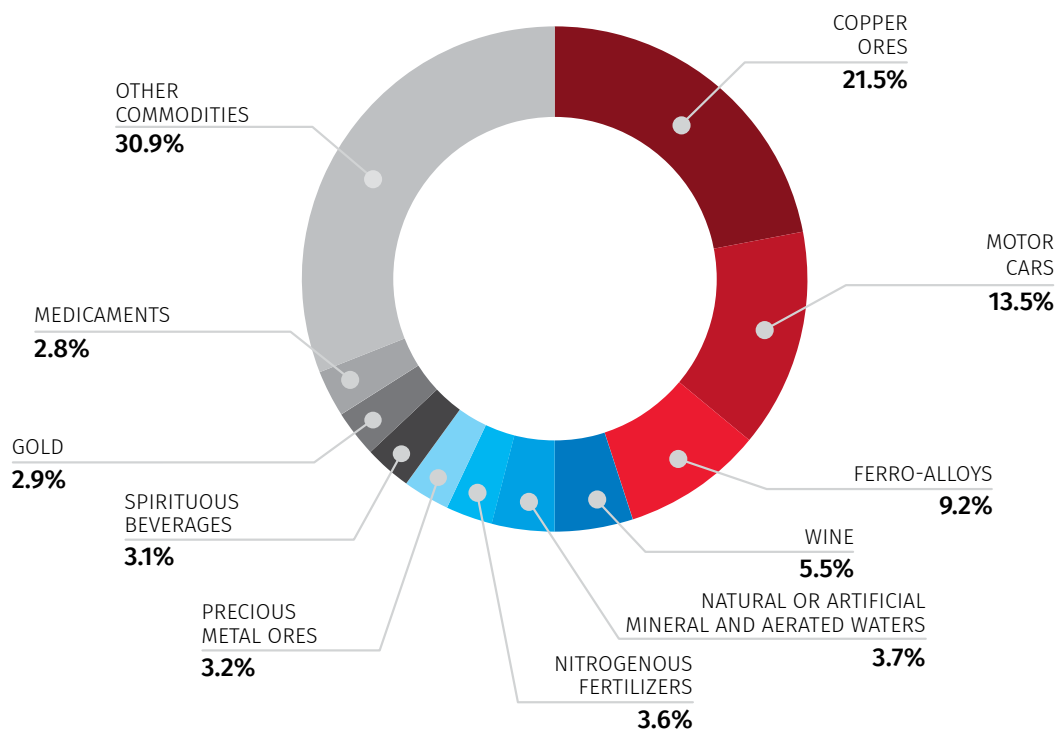
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## MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY EXPORTS

	JANUARY-APRIL 2019*		JANUARY-APRIL 2020*		CHANGE (%)
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
<b>TOTAL EXPORTS</b>	<b>1 136 695.5</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1 001 323.2</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>-11.9</b>
Of which:					
Copper ores and concentrates	195 344.0	17.2	215 678.4	21.5	10.4
Motor cars	153 940.4	13.5	134 827.8	13.5	-12.4
Ferro-alloys	117 251.3	10.3	91 844.1	9.2	-21.7
Wine of fresh grapes	63 484.1	5.6	55 549.3	5.5	-12.5
Waters, natural or artificial mineral and aerated waters, not containing added sugar	40 864.2	3.6	37 299.8	3.7	-8.7
Mineral or chemical fertilizers, nitrogenous	43 666.5	3.8	36 477.1	3.6	-16.5
Precious metal ores and concentrates	-	-	31 904.3	3.2	-
spirituous beverages	32 312.0	2.8	31 264.9	3.1	-3.2
Gold	21 320.5	1.9	29 452.1	2.9	38.1
Medicaments put up in measured doses	72 791.2	6.4	28 047.2	2.8	-61.5
Other commodities	395 721.3	34.8	308 978.2	30.9	-21.9

\*Preliminary data.

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



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The top import commodities in January-April 2020 were motor cars whose imports equaled USD 186.1 million (7.6 percent of the total imports). The petroleum and petroleum oils followed in the list with USD 171.2 million (7.0 percent of imports). The Copper ores and concentrates were third in the top import commodity list with USD 166.1 million (6.7 percent of imports).

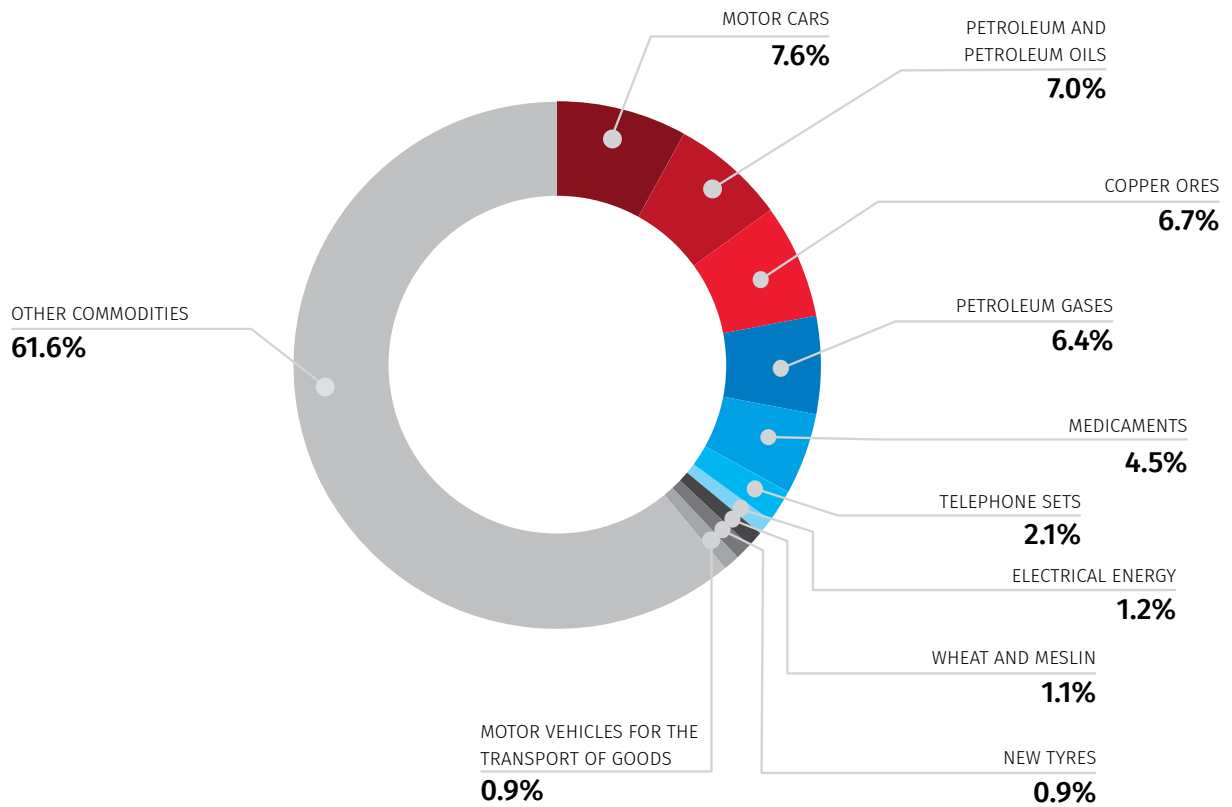
### MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY IMPORTS

	JANUARY-APRIL 2019*		JANUARY-APRIL 2020*		CHANGE (%)
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
<b>TOTAL IMPORTS</b>	<b>2 792 102.7</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2 462 161.8</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>-11.8</b>
Of which:					
Motor cars	243 086.1	8.7	186 116.3	7.6	-23.4
Petroleum and petroleum oils	211 379.3	7.6	171 174.2	7.0	-19.0
Copper ores and concentrates	194 464.6	7.0	166 145.9	6.7	-14.6
Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons	156 213.9	5.6	157 746.5	6.4	1.0
Medicaments put up in measured doses	120 356.6	4.3	110 560.2	4.5	-8.1
Telephone sets, including telephones for cellular networks or for other wireless networks	51 337.7	1.8	50 651.8	2.1	-1.3
Electrical energy	27 103.2	1.0	30 599.0	1.2	12.9
Wheat and meslin	32 579.2	1.2	27 448.8	1.1	-15.7
New pneumatic tyres, of rubber	27 344.0	1.0	23 366.9	0.9	-14.5
Motor vehicles for the transport of goods	18 364.7	0.7	21 991.4	0.9	19.7
Other commodities	1 709 873.4	61.2	1 516 360.6	61.6	-11.3

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





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TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY TURNOVER



TURKEY

EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS TO TURKEY

	JANUARY-APRIL 2019*		JANUARY-APRIL 2020*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
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<b>TOTAL EXPORTS</b>	<b>78 128.0</b>		<b>63 272.8</b>	
Of which:				
Ferro-alloys	7 693.3	7 081.3	12 798.6	13 346.0
T-shirts knitted	14 519.7	629.2	11 284.4	383.8
Flours, meals and pellets, unfit for human	2 668.2	1 959.4	7 123.8	5 516.9
Semi-finished products of iron or non-alloy steel	14 052.0	36 535.6	5 109.8	13 860.8
Men's or boys' suits, ensembles, trousers, knitted or crocheted	4 482.7	210.2	4 197.5	170.2
Other commodities	34 712.1		22 758.7	

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IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM TURKEY

	JANUARY-APRIL 2019*		JANUARY-APRIL 2020*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
 >> 				
<b>TOTAL IMPORTS</b>	<b>452 957.2</b>		<b>406 027.9</b>	
Of which:				
Medicaments put up in measured doses	29 068.9	458.3	17 156.1	219.4
Other tubes, pipes and hollow profiles, of iron or steel	10 099.7	13 319.0	12 354.0	18 901.7
Other made up articles, including dress patterns	11 648.0	713.1	10 560.3	423.9
Structures and parts of structures of iron or steel	12 977.5	7 738.5	10 234.6	6 658.5
Petroleum and petroleum oils	7 364.3	9 173.8	8 508.5	12 886.1
Other commodities	381 798.8		347 214.4	

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### RUSSIA

#### EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS TO RUSSIA



	JANUARY-APRIL 2019*		JANUARY-APRIL 2020*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
<b>TOTAL EXPORTS</b>	<b>177 606.0</b>		<b>125 602.0</b>	
Of which:				
Wine of fresh grapes	51 047.8	46 166.1	36 840.1	37 855.1
Ferro-alloys	40 262.9	13 088.8	32 657.7	10 860.5
Waters, natural or artificial mineral and aerated waters, not containing added sugar	19 873.2	29 284.2	15 824.3	27 329.2
Spirituous beverages	9 777.6	2 048.5	9 806.6	2 065.7
Motor cars (unit)	2 305.6	428	4 166.9	806
Other commodities	54 338.9		26 306.3	

\*Preliminary data.

#### IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM RUSSIA



	JANUARY-APRIL 2019*		JANUARY-APRIL 2020*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
<b>TOTAL IMPORTS</b>	<b>269 353.9</b>		<b>270 125.3</b>	
Of which:				
Petroleum and petroleum oils	56 341.3	101 756.1	43 636.1	96 423.6
Wheat and meslin	21 895.7	97 517.9	27 448.8	125 031.9
Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons	9 603.5	32 906.4	19 284.0	67 605.8
Sunflower-seed, safflower or cotton-seed oil and fractions thereof	8 912.7	10 584.2	11 348.2	13 472.8
Electrical energy	841.5	...	9 299.4	...
Other commodities	171 759.2		159 108.7	

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### AZERBAIJAN

#### EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS TO AZERBAIJAN



	JANUARY-APRIL 2019*		JANUARY-APRIL 2020*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
<b>TOTAL EXPORTS</b>	<b>127 409.5</b>		<b>145 164.0</b>	
Of which:				
Motor cars (unit)	55 145.0	5 034	85 039.8	8 186
Cigars, cheroots, cigarillos and cigarettes	15 095.7	735.6	5 132.2	201.2
Medicaments put up in measured doses	10 794.6	290.7	4 537.6	146.9
Meat of bovine animals, frozen	37.3	3.8	4 418.2	1 080.0
Nitrogenous fertilizers	2 567.0	13 453.9	3 916.0	23 968.3
Other commodities	43 770.0		42 120.3	

\*Preliminary data.

#### IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM AZERBAIJAN



	JANUARY-APRIL 2019*		JANUARY-APRIL 2020*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
<b>TOTAL IMPORTS</b>	<b>235 796.1</b>		<b>221 843.3</b>	
Of which:				
Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons	146 523.4	857 258.1	136 822.3	802 768.1
Electrical energy	26 261.8	...	21 299.6	...
Petroleum and petroleum oils	34 210.1	62 102.2	13 582.8	41 870.7
Parts and accessories suitable for use with typing or calculating machines	-	-	11 195.1	8.5
Copper ores and concentrates	1 604.9	716.1	5 949.3	2 311.0
Other commodities	27 195.8		32 994.2	

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EXTERNAL TRADE BALANCE

	NUMBER OF COUNTRIES	EXTERNAL TRADE BALANCE MIL. US DOLLARS
<b>NEGATIVE TRADE BALANCE</b>		
January-April 2019*	83	1 788.3
January-April 2020*	74	1 605.5
<b>POSITIVE TRADE BALANCE</b>		
January-April 2019*	46	132.9
January-April 2020*	51	144.7
<b>TOTAL</b>		
January-April 2019*	129	1 665.4
January-April 2020*	125	1 460.8

\*Preliminary data.

**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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