

### **National Statistics Office of Georgia**

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

# 2020 JANUARY-JUNE

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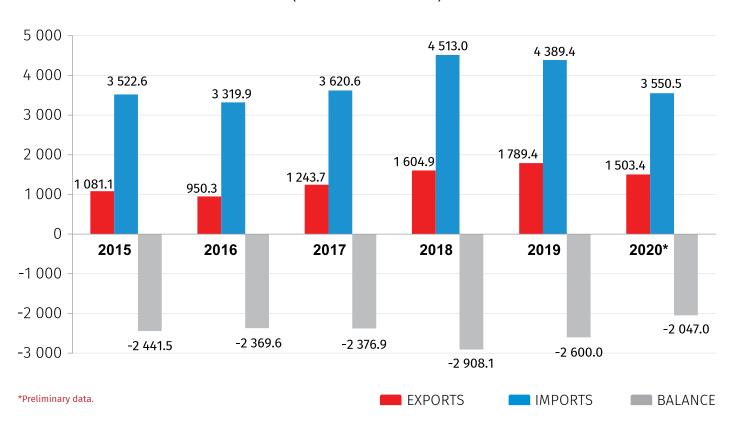
### EXTERNAL MERCHANDISE TRADE OF GEORGIA IN JANUARY-JUNE 2020

(PRELIMINARY)

In January-June 2020 the external merchandise trade (excluding non-declared trade) of Georgia amounted to USD 5 053.9 million, 18.2 percent lower to the same period of 2019. The exports equaled USD 1 503.4 million (16.0 percent lower), while the imports stood at USD 3 550.5 million (19.1 percent lower). The negative trade balance was USD 2 047.0 million in January-June 2020 and its share in external trade turnover constituted 40.5 percent.

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

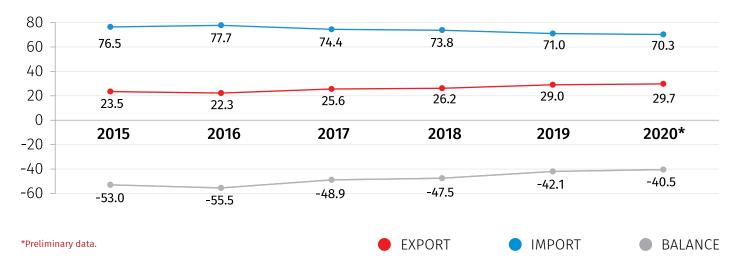
### GENERAL DATA ON EXTERNAL TRADE OF GEORGIA IN JANUARY-JUNE 2015-2020 (MILLION US DOLLARS)





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## SHARE OF EXTERNAL TRADE INDICATORS IN TURNOVER JANUARY-JUNE 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	222 754.0	25.7	608 770.3	21.7	
	February	224 119.6	24.4	651 470.4	9.5	
	March	292 915.7	32.1	867 196.2	38.8	
	April	230 140.5	8.4	755 701.5	25.7	
	May	325 114.2	50.5	830 797.7	28.6	
2018	June	309 882.3	31.1	799 091.3	22.3	
2016	July	280 468.6	31.4	816 047.2	24.8	
	August	277 873.2	17.1	789 277.2	10.4	
	September	302 624.4	16.9	739 010.8	5.7	
	October	304 558.4	15.1	894 354.4	19.4	
	November	277 635.5	16.7	767 993.2	-0.2	
	December	331 646.1	14.4	841 847.7	-0.9	



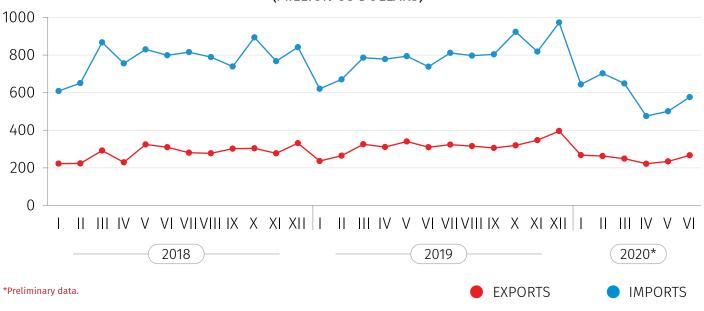
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		EXPORTS		IMPORTS		
		THSD. US DOLLARS	CHANGES M-O-M (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	CHANGES M-O-M (%)	
	January	236 526.3	6.2	620 552.1	1.9	
	February	264 967.1	18.2	670 920.6	3.0	
	March	325 866.7	11.2	786 720.1	-9.3	
	April	310 993.4	35.1	778 912.0	3.1	
	May	340 724.3	4.8	793 752.9	-4.5	
2019	June	310 358.4	0.2	738 579.3	-7.6	
2019	July	323 977.4	15.5	811 981.7	-0.5	
	August	316 102.4	13.8	797 145.5	1.0	
	September	305 812.0	1.1	803 614.2	8.7	
	October	319 610.6	4.9	923 371.8	3.2	
	November	347 557.7	25.2	818 318.1	6.6	
	December	395 953.2	19.4	973 042.9	15.6	
	January	267 909.3	13.3	644 554.8	3.9	
	February	262 639.7	-0.9	703 146.1	4.8	
00001	March	249 475.0	-23.4	649 408.9	-17.5	
2020*	April	222 332.3	-28.5	475 774.1	-38.9	
	May	234 167.3	-31.3	501 264.9	-36.8	
	June	266 919.0	-14.0	576 328.4	-22.0	

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

### **EXPORTS AND IMPORTS DYNAMICS BY MONTHS, 2018-2020**

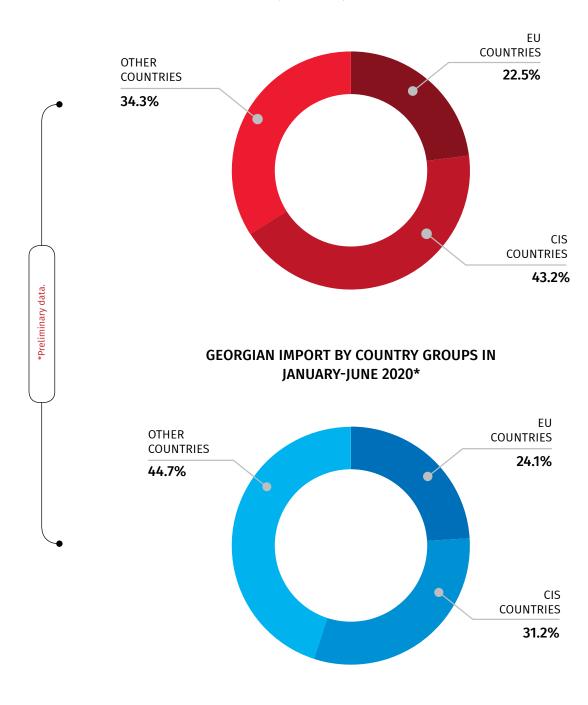
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The diagrams below show the share of the exports and imports of Georgia by country groups.

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





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In January-June 2020 the share of the top ten trading partners by exports in the total exports of Georgia amounted to 77.4 percent. The top partners were China (USD 205.1 million), Azerbaijan (USD 203.5 million) and Russia (USD 188.1 million).

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

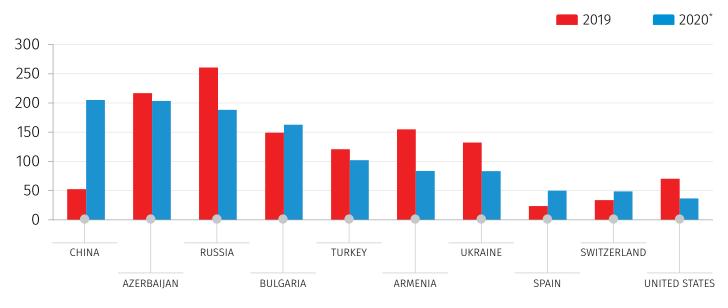
	JANUARY-JUNE 2019		JANUAI 20	CHANGE (%)	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL EXPORTS	1 789 436.1	100.0	1 503 442.5	100.0	-16.0
Of which:					
China	52 484.6	2.9	205 140.7	13.6	290.9
Azerbaijan	216 662.3	12.1	203 521.2	13.5	-6.1
Russia	260 763.3	14.6	188 061.3	12.5	-27.9
Bulgaria	149 083.8	8.3	162 690.8	10.8	9.1
Turkey	120 846.4	6.8	102 216.0	6.8	-15.4
Armenia	154 798.0	8.7	83 767.0	5.6	-45.9
Ukraine	132 354.3	7.4	83 420.6	5.5	-37.0
Spain	23 677.0	1.3	50 042.9	3.3	111.4
Switzerland	33 761.9	1.9	48 841.1	3.2	44.7
United States	70 176.1	3.9	36 685.7	2.4	-47.7
Other countries	574 828.5	32.1	339 055.3	22.6	-41.0

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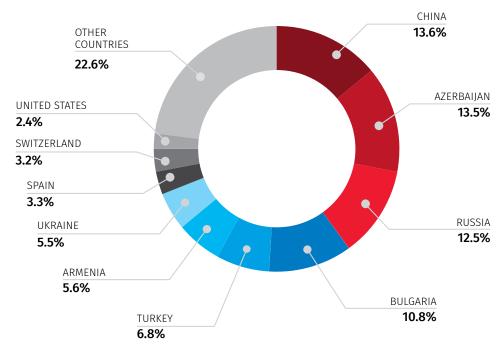
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### TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY EXPORTS IN JANUARY-JUNE 2019-2020 (MILLION US DOLLARS)



\*Preliminary data.

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



\*Preliminary data.



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In January-June 2020 the share of the top ten trading partners by imports in the total imports of Georgia amounted to 69.4 percent. The top partners were Turkey (USD 595.2 million), Russia (USD 396.1 million) and China (USD 325.6 million).

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

	JANUARY-JUNE 2019		JANUARY-JUNE 2020*		CHANGE (%)
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL IMPORTS	4 389 437.1	100.0	3 550 477.1	100.0	-19.1
Of which:					
Turkey	726 050.6	16.5	595 211.9	16.8	-18.0
Russia	417 019.4	9.5	396 110.9	11.2	-5.0
China	430 923.6	9.8	325 601.3	9.2	-24.4
Azerbaijan	297 659.0	6.8	247 381.2	7.0	-16.9
Armenia	127 121.5	2.9	198 713.3	5.6	56.3
United States	323 255.2	7.4	196 879.7	5.5	-39.1
Germany	236 808.2	5.4	180 610.0	5.1	-23.7
Ukraine	175 280.3	4.0	166 893.4	4.7	-4.8
Italy	107 870.8	2.5	81 828.9	2.3	-24.1
Japan	115 755.6	2.6	74 315.7	2.1	-35.8
Other countries	1 431 692.8	32.6	1 086 930.9	30.6	-24.1

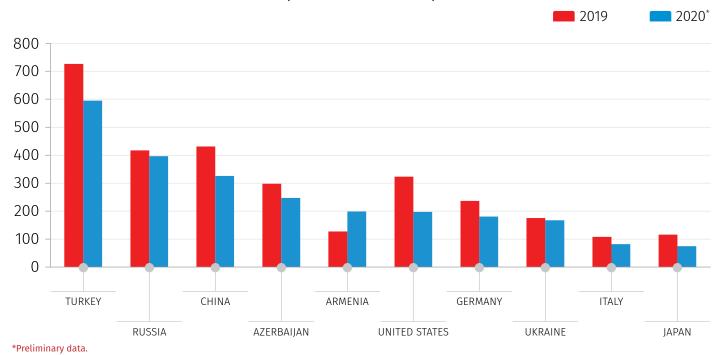
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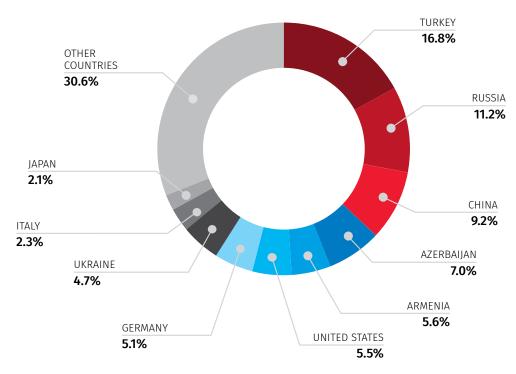
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### TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY IMPORTS IN JANUARY-JUNE 2019-2020

(MILLION US DOLLARS)



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



\*Preliminary data.



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In January-June 2020 the share of the top ten trading partners in the total external trade turnover of Georgia amounted to 69.9 percent. The top trading partners were Turkey (USD 697.4 million), Russia (USD 584.2 million) and China (USD 530.7 million).

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

	ЕХР	ORTS	IMPORTS		TURNOVER	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)
TOTAL	1 503 442.5	100.0	3 550 477.1	100.0	5 053 919.6	100.0
Of which:						
Turkey	102 216.0	6.8	595 211.9	16.8	697 427.8	13.8
Russia	188 061.3	12.5	396 110.9	11.2	584 172.2	11.6
China	205 140.7	13.6	325 601.3	9.2	530 742.0	10.5
Azerbaijan	203 521.2	13.5	247 381.2	7.0	450 902.4	8.9
Armenia	83 767.0	5.6	198 713.3	5.6	282 480.3	5.6
Ukraine	83 420.6	5.5	166 893.4	4.7	250 314.0	5.0
United States	36 685.7	2.4	196 879.7	5.5	233 565.4	4.6
Bulgaria	162 690.8	10.8	46 347.4	1.3	209 038.2	4.1
Germany	17 787.0	1.2	180 610.0	5.1	198 396.9	3.9
Italy	11 609.7	0.8	81 828.9	2.3	93 438.5	1.8
Other countries	408 542.6	27.2	1 114 899.2	31.4	1 523 441.8	30.1

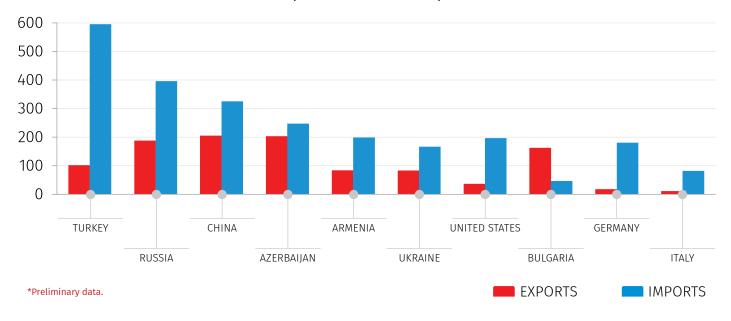
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### **TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY TURNOVER IN JANUARY-JUNE 2020\***

(MILLION US DOLLARS)



In January-June 2020 copper ores and concentrates reclaimed the first place in the list of top export items, equaling USD 332.4 million or 22.1 percent of total exports. The exports of motor cars totaled USD 184.1 million and their share in the total exports amounted to 12.2 percent. The Ferroalloys exports occupied the third place standing at USD 117.6 million and constituting 7.8 percent of the total exports.



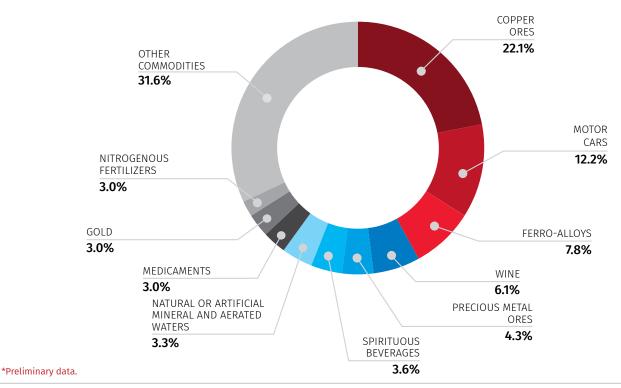
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#### MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY EXPORTS

	JANUARY-JUNE 2019		JANUARY-JUNE 2020*		CHANGE (%)
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL EXPORTS	1 789 436.1	100.0	1 503 442.5	100.0	-16.0
Of which:					
Copper ores and concentrates	305 783.0	17.1	332 405.2	22.1	8.7
Motor cars	283 453.2	15.8	184 057.9	12.2	-35.1
Ferro-alloys	179 173.2	10.0	117 638.6	7.8	-34.3
Wine of fresh grapes	97 173.2	5.4	91 366.7	6.1	-6.0
Precious metal ores and concentrates	-	-	64 707.6	4.3	-
Spirituous beverages	49 305.4	2.8	53 553.4	3.6	8.6
Waters, natural or artificial mineral and aerated waters, not containing added sugar	65 456.8	3.7	49 447.8	3.3	-24.5
Medicaments put up in measured doses	105 607.5	5.9	45 540.4	3.0	-56.9
Gold	32 857.5	1.8	44 886.2	3.0	36.6
Mineral or chemical fertilizers, nitrogenous	53 855.3	3.0	44 228.8	2.9	-17.9
Other commodities	616 771.1	34.5	475 609.8	31.6	-22.9

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

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





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The top import commodities in January-June 2020 were motor cars whose imports equaled USD 289.9 million (8.2 percent of the total imports). The Copper ores and concentrates followed in the list with USD 234.1 million or 6.6 percent of imports. The petroleum and petroleum oils were third in the top import commodity list with USD 231.6 million (6.5 percent of imports).

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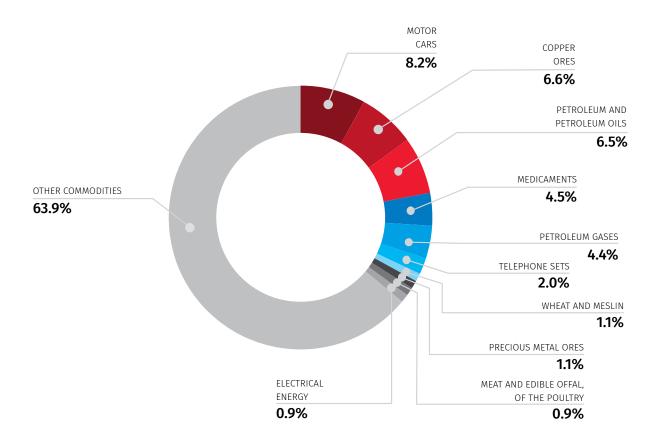
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	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL IMPORTS	4 389 437.1	100.0	3 550 477.1	100.0	-19.1
Of which:					
Motor cars	509 234.8	11.6	289 891.4	8.2	-43.1
Copper ores and concentrates	266 839.1	6.1	234 063.6	6.6	-12.3
Petroleum and petroleum oils	341 232.5	7.8	231 629.4	6.5	-32.1
Medicaments put up in measured doses	181 543.6	4.1	158 736.1	4.5	-12.6
Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons	178 693.0	4.1	157 801.3	4.4	-11.7
Telephone sets	83 323.9	1.9	69 812.8	2.0	-16.2
Wheat and meslin	43 925.9	1.0	39 593.0	1.1	-9.9
Precious metal ores and concentrates	2 015.0	0.0	38 159.6	1.1	1 793.8
Meat and edible offal, of the poultry, fresh, chilled or frozen	29 297.5	0.7	31 602.1	0.9	7.9
Electrical energy	27 553.4	0.6	30 961.3	0.9	12.4
Other commodities	2 725 778.4	62.1	2 268 226.6	63.9	-16.8

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



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

#### **TURKEY**

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

		JANUARY-JUNE 2019		RY-JUNE 20*
* * * » C*	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL EXPORTS	120 846.4		102 216.0	
Of which:				
T-shirts knitted	22 101.0	990.2	19 578.5	614.1
Ferro-alloys	10 044.4	9 380.5	19 211.9	19 646.9
Fats and oils and their fractions, of fish or marine mammals	2 132.6	1 232.1	9 354.3	5 604.3
Flours, meals and pellets, unfit for human consumption; greaves	3 972.4	2 874.7	9 080.6	6 977.2
Men's or boys' suits, ensembles, trousers, knitted or crocheted	7 483.7	351.4	7 025.4	271.1
Other commodities	75 112.2		37 965.3	

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

### IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM TURKEY

		RY-JUNE 019	JANUARY-JUNE 2020*	
C* >> + +	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL IMPORTS	726 050.6		595 211.9	
Of which:				
Medicaments put up in measured doses	45 450.1	724.5	24 884.7	301.0
Other tubes, pipes and hollow profiles, of iron or steel	16 629.9	22 510.6	19 263.9	30 956.3
Other made up articles, including dress patterns	15 035.2	991.5	15 276.1	618.6
Structures and parts of structures of iron or steel	19 655.5	12 069.5	15 162.5	10 179.4
Sanitary towels (pads) and tampons, napkins and napkin liners for babies, and similar articles	14 408.8	4 545.6	11 420.0	3 931.9
Other commodities	614 871.1		509 204.6	

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#### **RUSSIA**

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

		RY-JUNE 119	JANUARY-JUNE 2020*	
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TOTAL EXPORTS	260 763.3		188 061.3	
Of which:				
Wine of fresh grapes	58 737.3	19 079.6	54 154.2	18 362.1
Ferro-alloys	77 324.5	70 881.2	49 422.7	49 310.0
Waters, natural or artificial mineral and aerated waters, not containing added sugar	30 720.8	46 476.9	19 339.5	34 117.3
Spirituous beverages	13 978.9	2 896.0	14 149.4	2 958.2
Waters, mineral and aerated waters, containing added sugar	5 622.8	9 040.0	6 320.3	10 262.8
Other commodities	74 379.1		44 675.2	

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

### IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM RUSSIA

	JANUARY-JUNE 2019		JANUARY-JUNE 2020*	
» · ·	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL IMPORTS	417 019.4		396 110.9	
Of which:				
Petroleum and petroleum oils	89 268.9	153 551.2	64 301.6	177 298.2
Wheat and meslin	31 274.9	140 205.8	39 593.0	176 251.1
Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons	13 535.1	45 559.5	21 979.3	74 392.7
Sunflower-seed, safflower or cotton-seed oil and fractions thereof	13 553.7	16 183.2	17 366.0	20 572.3
Maize	7 551.7	40 034.1	12 970.2	73 711.3
Other commodities	261 835.2		239 900.8	

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#### **CHINA**

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

	JANUARY-JUNE 2019		JANUARY-JUNE 2020*	
*** ***	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL EXPORTS	52 484.6		205 140.7	
Of which:				
Copper ores and concentrates	29 346.8	18 812.6	167 084.7	113 995.2
Precious metal ores and concentrates	-	-	16 759.3	7 628.5
Wine of fresh grapes	9 242.7	2 619.7	6 791.8	1 772.5
Instruments and appliances used in medicine	7 386.2	35.2	3 693.8	12.0
Ginger, saffron, turmeric, thyme, bay leaves, curry and other spices	1 407.8	780.0	2 512.5	1 083.3
Other commodities	5 101.1		8 298.6	

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

### IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM CHINA

	JANUARY-JUNE 2019		JANUARY-JUNE 2020*	
* <sup>1</sup> → * + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + +	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL IMPORTS	430 923.6		325 601.3	
Of which:				
Flat-rolled products of non-alloy steel, of a width of more than 600mm, clad or coated	17 495.5	23 964.1	11 412.1	16 315.7
New pneumatic tyres, of rubber	10 694.4	4 448.1	7 129.1	3 013.4
Air conditioning machines	16 496.4	3 038.2	6 950.6	1 193.1
Automatic data processing machines and units thereof	7 179.7	121.0	6 779.0	110.0
Other made up articles, including dress patterns	1 226.2	232.2	6 385.6	238.4
Other commodities	365 980.5		280 744.2	

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#### **EXTERNAL TRADE BALANCE**

	NUMBER OF COUNTRIES	EXTERNAL TRADE BAL- ANCE MIL. US DOLLARS
NEGATIVE TRADE BALANCE		
January-June 2019	99	2 840.8
January-June 2020*	89	2 263.2
POSITIVE TRADE BALANCE		
January-June 2019	36	240.8
January-June 2020*	40	216.1
TOTAL		
January-June 2019	135	2 600.0
January-June 2020*	129	2 047.0

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#### **SOURCES:**





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#### **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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