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EXTERNAL MERCHANDISE TRADE IN GEORGIA

2020

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JANUARY-AUGUST

(PRELIMINARY RESULTS)

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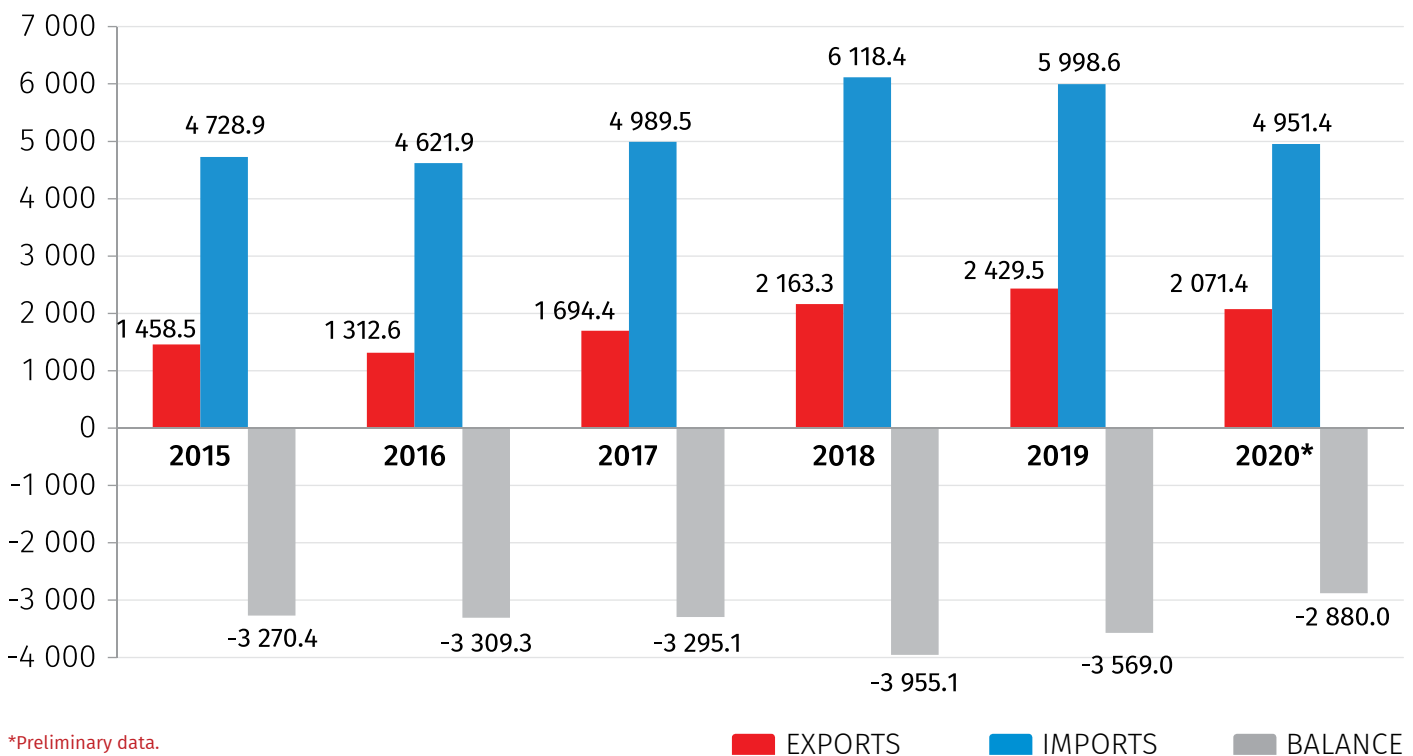
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EXTERNAL MERCHANDISE TRADE OF GEORGIA IN JANUARY-AUGUST 2020 (PRELIMINARY)

In January-August 2020 the external merchandise trade (excluding non-declared trade) of Georgia amounted to USD 7 022.8 million, 16.7 percent lower to the same period of 2019. The exports equaled USD 2 071.4 million (14.7 percent lower), while the imports stood at USD 4 951.4 million (17.5 percent lower). The negative trade balance was USD 2 880.0 million in January-August 2020 and its share in external trade turnover constituted 41.0 percent.

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

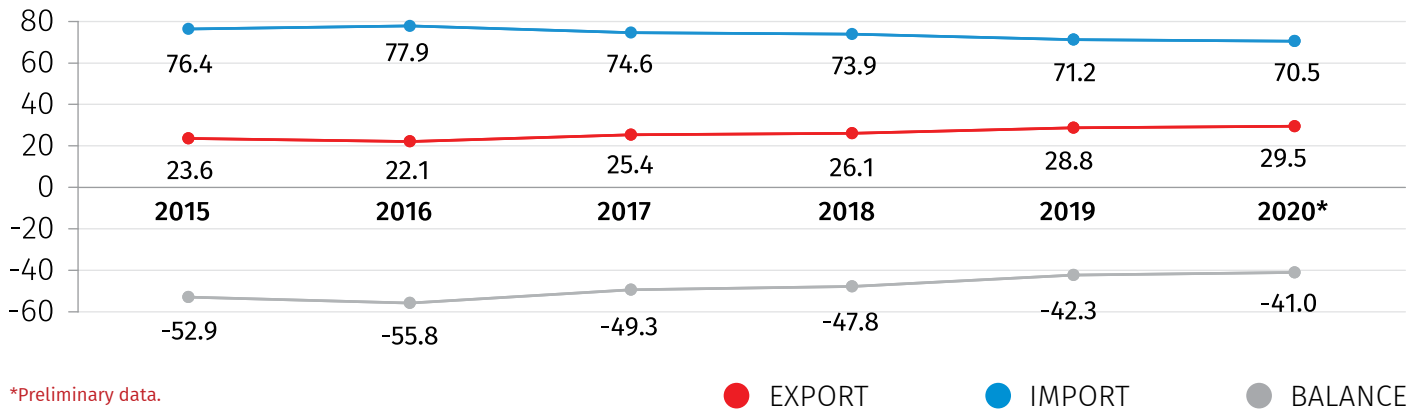
GENERAL DATA ON EXTERNAL TRADE OF GEORGIA IN JANUARY-AUGUST 2015-2020 (MILLION US DOLLARS)



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SHARE OF EXTERNAL TRADE INDICATORS IN TURNOVER JANUARY-AUGUST 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	222 754.0	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
	June	309 882.3	31.1	799 091.3	22.3
	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

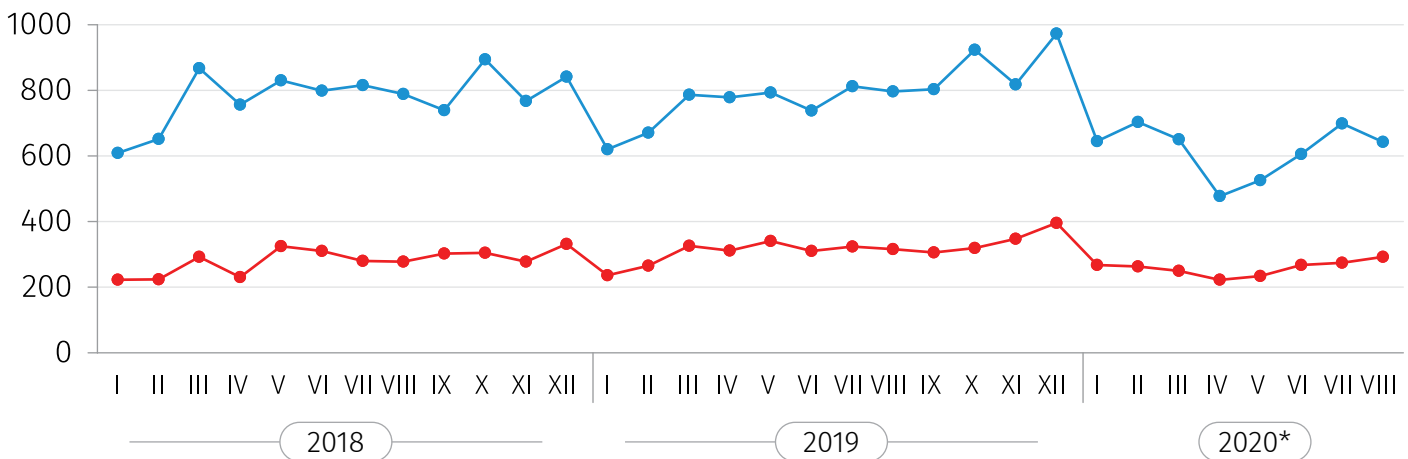
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		EXPORTS		IMPORTS	
		THSD. US DOLLARS	CHANGES M-O-M (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	CHANGES M-O-M (%)
2019	January	236 526.3	6.2	620 552.1	1.9
	February	264 967.1	18.2	670 920.6	3.0
	March	325 866.7	11.2	786 720.1	-9.3
	April	310 993.4	35.1	778 912.0	3.1
	May	340 724.3	4.8	793 752.9	-4.5
	June	310 358.4	0.2	738 579.3	-7.6
	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
2020*	January	267 909.3	13.3	645 001.5	3.9
	February	262 639.7	-0.9	703 951.0	4.9
	March	249 475.0	-23.4	651 198.5	-17.2
	April	222 332.3	-28.5	477 375.0	-38.7
	May	234 167.3	-31.3	526 034.6	-33.7
	June	267 887.3	-13.7	605 717.9	-18.0
	July	274 562.6	-15.3	698 880.5	-13.9
	August	292 442.1	-7.5	643 257.5	-19.3

*Preliminary data.

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



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● EXPORTS

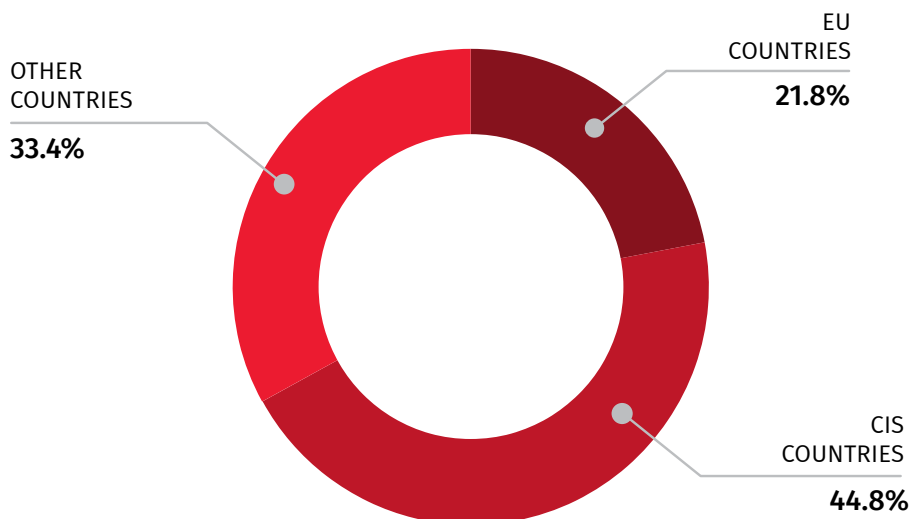
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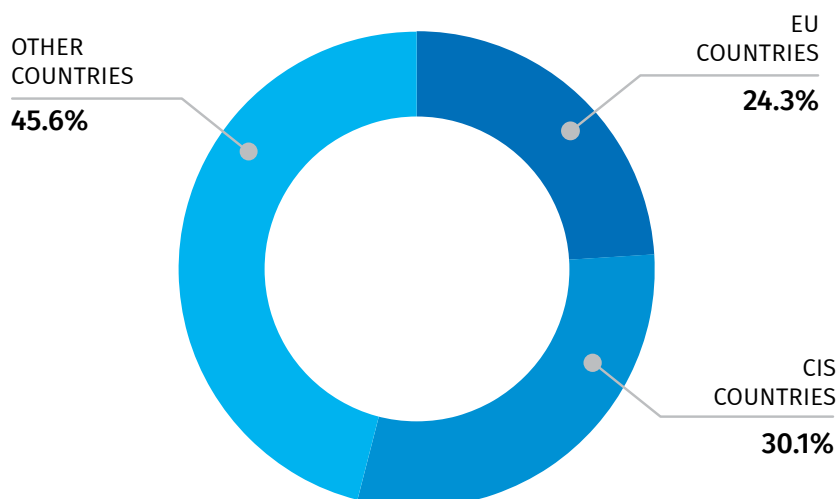
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The diagrams below show the share of the exports and imports of Georgia by country groups.

GEORGIAN EXPORT BY COUNTRY GROUPS IN JANUARY-AUGUST 2020*



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In January-August 2020 the share of the top ten trading partners by exports in the total exports of Georgia amounted to 77.3 percent. The top partners were China (USD 296.6 million), Azerbaijan (USD 284.3 million) and Russia (USD 266.0 million).

TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY EXPORTS IN JANUARY-AUGUST 2020

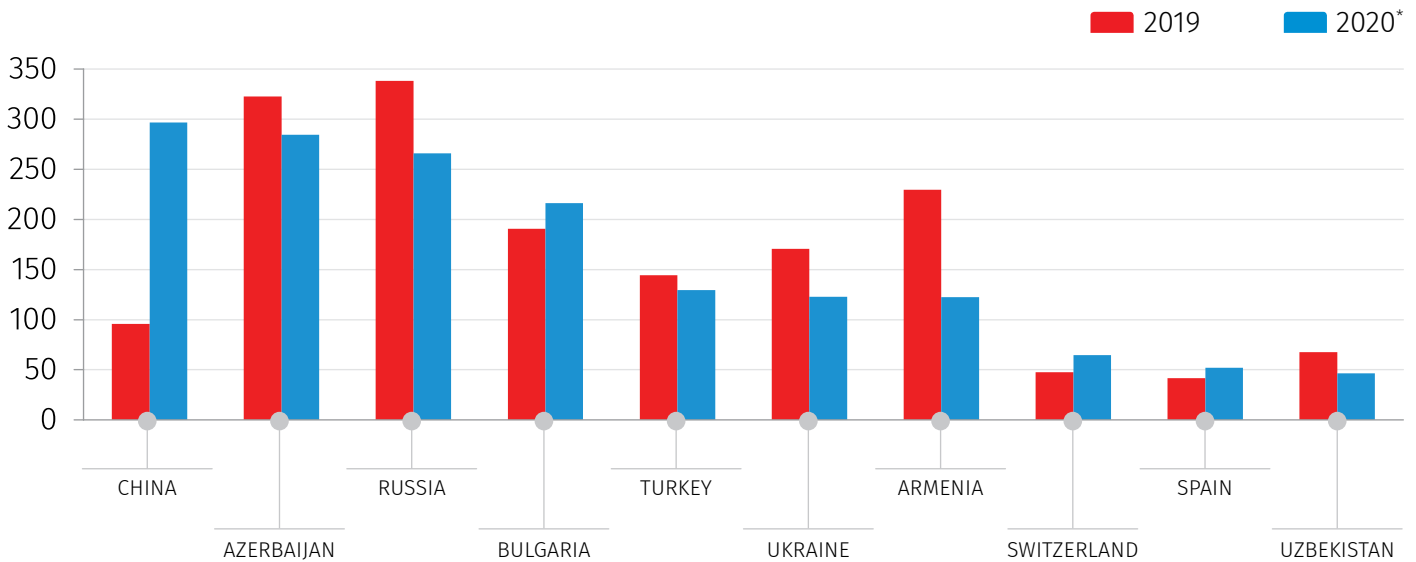
	JANUARY-AUGUST 2019		JANUARY-AUGUST 2020*		CHANGE (%)
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL EXPORTS	2 429 516.0	100.0	2 071 415.6	100.0	-14.7
Of which:					
China	95 934.4	3.9	296 553.0	14.3	209.1
Azerbaijan	322 644.3	13.3	284 286.0	13.7	-11.9
Russia	338 266.2	13.9	266 044.5	12.8	-21.4
Bulgaria	190 797.4	7.9	216 348.8	10.4	13.4
Turkey	144 157.6	5.9	129 646.1	6.3	-10.1
Ukraine	170 700.9	7.0	122 767.0	5.9	-28.1
Armenia	229 420.7	9.4	122 413.5	5.9	-46.6
Switzerland	47 737.5	2.0	64 732.8	3.1	35.6
Spain	41 759.5	1.7	51 918.8	2.5	24.3
Uzbekistan	67 463.3	2.8	46 309.9	2.2	-31.4
Other countries	780 634.1	32.1	470 395.3	22.7	-39.7

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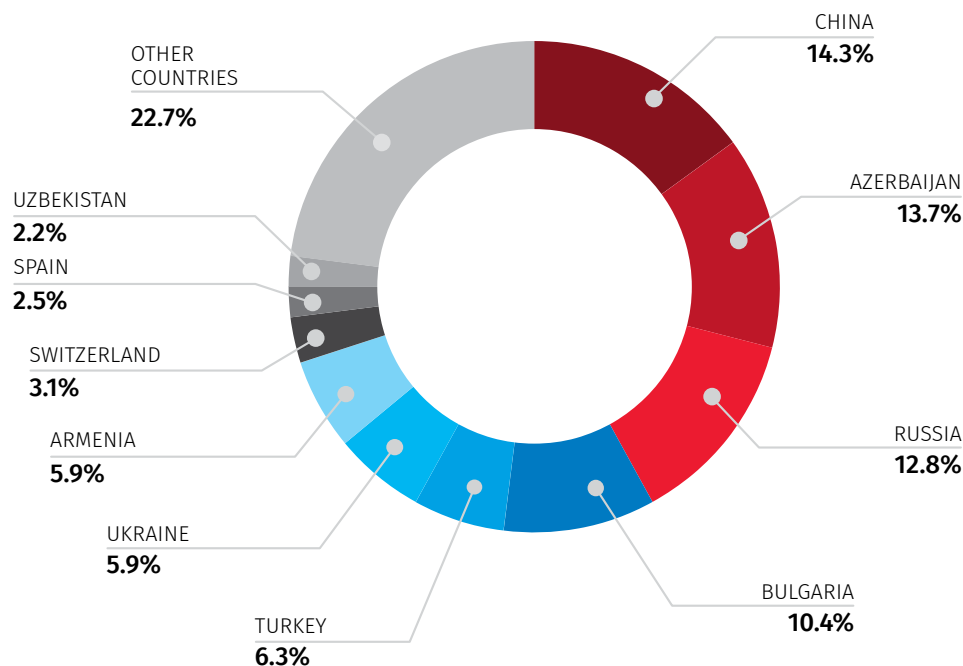
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TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY EXPORTS IN JANUARY-AUGUST 2019-2020 (MILLION US DOLLARS)



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



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In January-August 2020 the share of the top ten trading partners by imports in the total imports of Georgia amounted to 69.9 percent. The top partners were Turkey (USD 840.7 million), Russia (USD 554.6 million) and China (USD 440.9 million).

TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY IMPORTS IN JANUARY-AUGUST 2020

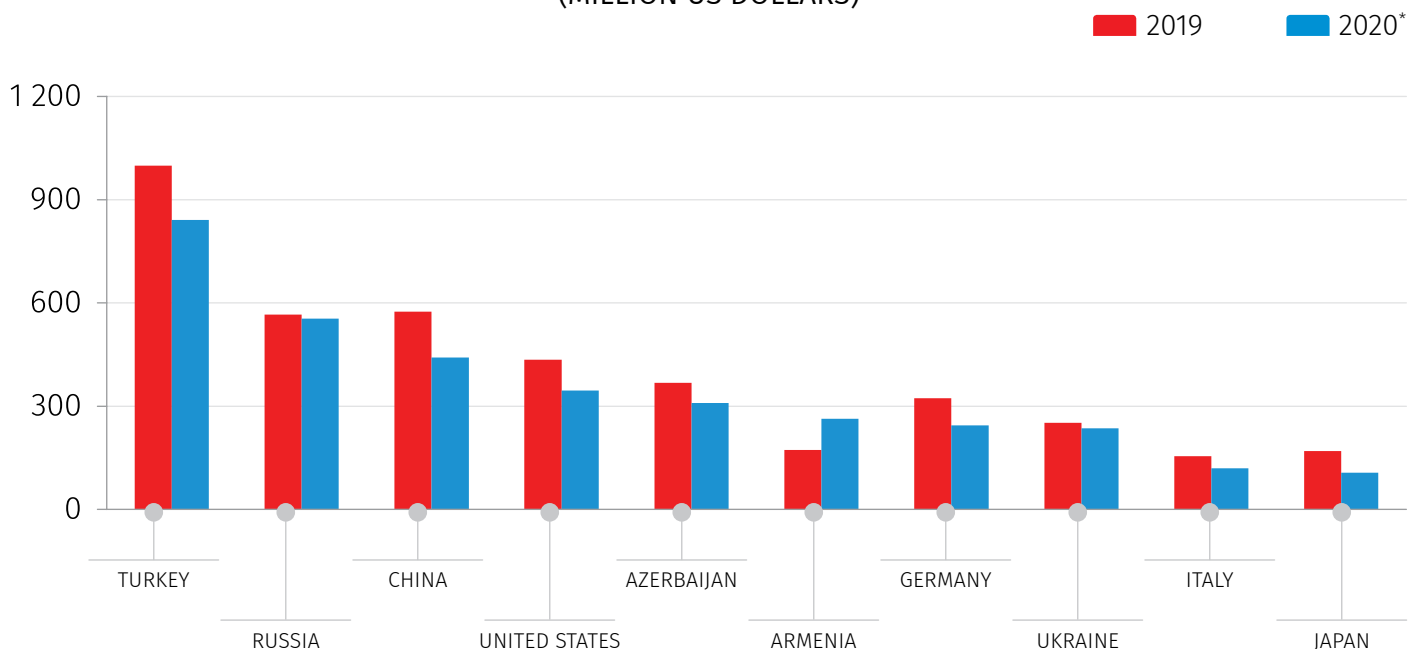
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	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL IMPORTS	5 998 564.3	100.0	4 951 416.7	100.0	-17.5
Of which:					
Turkey	998 420.4	16.6	840 729.2	17.0	-15.8
Russia	566 196.0	9.4	554 586.8	11.2	-2.1
China	574 364.0	9.6	440 904.1	8.9	-23.2
United States	435 350.8	7.3	345 457.2	7.0	-20.6
Azerbaijan	367 362.3	6.1	309 555.7	6.3	-15.7
Armenia	173 116.3	2.9	263 235.2	5.3	52.1
Germany	322 517.3	5.4	244 133.3	4.9	-24.3
Ukraine	251 336.1	4.2	235 821.6	4.8	-6.2
Italy	154 582.4	2.6	118 781.3	2.4	-23.2
Japan	169 109.9	2.8	106 711.8	2.2	-36.9
Other countries	1 986 208.6	33.1	1 491 500.4	30.1	-24.9

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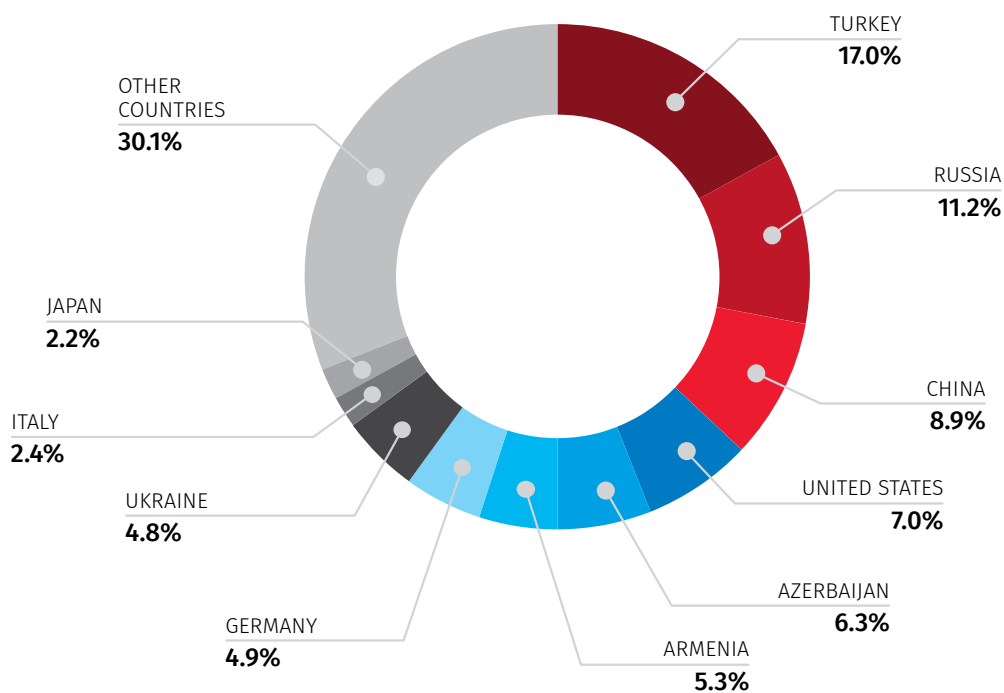
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TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY IMPORTS IN JANUARY-AUGUST 2019-2020 (MILLION US DOLLARS)



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



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In January-August 2020 the share of the top ten trading partners in the total external trade turnover of Georgia amounted to 70.4 percent. The top trading partners were Turkey (USD 970.4 million), Russia (USD 820.6 million) and China (USD 737.5 million).

TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY TURNOVER IN JANUARY-AUGUST 2020*

	EXPORTS		IMPORTS		TURNOVER	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)
TOTAL	2 071 415.6	100.0	4 951 416.7	100.0	7 022 832.2	100.0
Of which:						
Turkey	129 646.1	6.3	840 729.2	17.0	970 375.3	13.8
Russia	266 044.5	12.8	554 586.8	11.2	820 631.3	11.7
China	296 553.0	14.3	440 904.1	8.9	737 457.1	10.5
Azerbaijan	284 286.0	13.7	309 555.7	6.3	593 841.7	8.5
Armenia	122 413.5	5.9	263 235.2	5.3	385 648.8	5.5
United States	40 164.2	1.9	345 457.2	7.0	385 621.4	5.5
Ukraine	122 767.0	5.9	235 821.6	4.8	358 588.6	5.1
Bulgaria	216 348.8	10.4	68 282.2	1.4	284 631.0	4.1
Germany	24 313.5	1.2	244 133.3	4.9	268 446.8	3.8
Italy	17 857.2	0.9	118 781.3	2.4	136 638.5	1.9
Other countries	551 021.9	26.6	1 529 929.9	30.9	2 080 951.8	29.6

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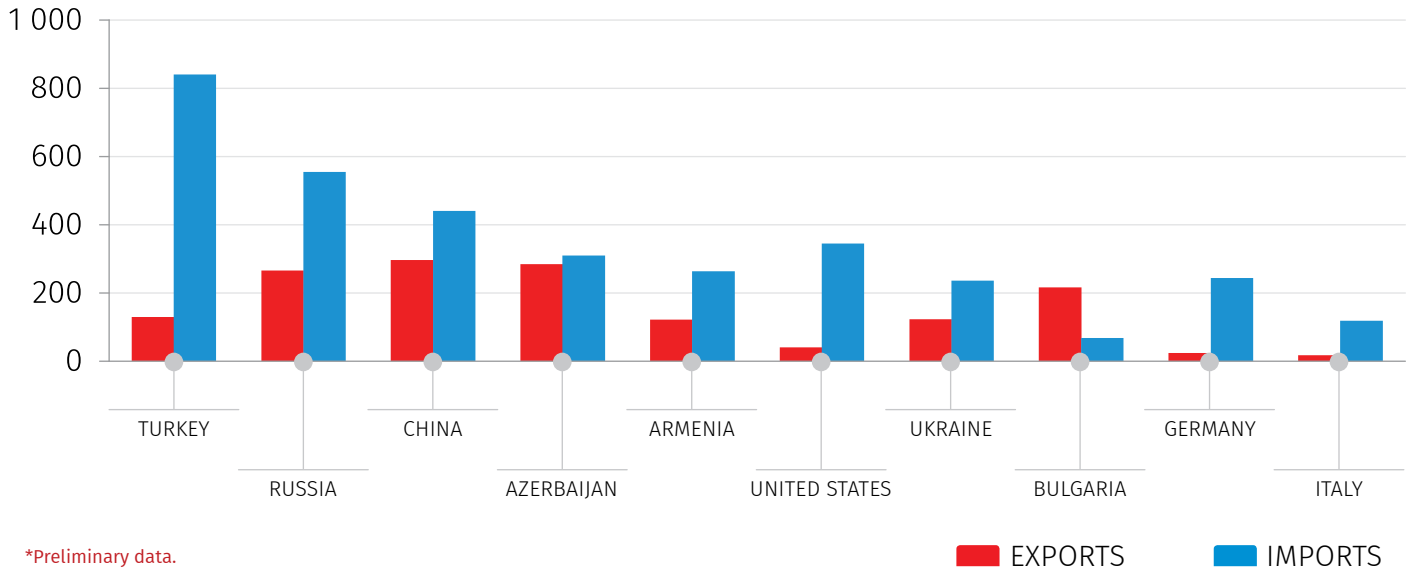
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TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY TURNOVER

IN JANUARY-AUGUST 2020*

(MILLION US DOLLARS)



In January-August 2020 copper ores and concentrates reclaimed the first place in the list of top export items, equaling USD 462.1 million or 22.3 percent of total exports. The exports of motor cars totaled USD 260.1 million and their share in the total exports amounted to 12.6 percent. The Ferro-alloys exports occupied the third place standing at USD 145.5 million and constituting 7.0 percent of the total exports.

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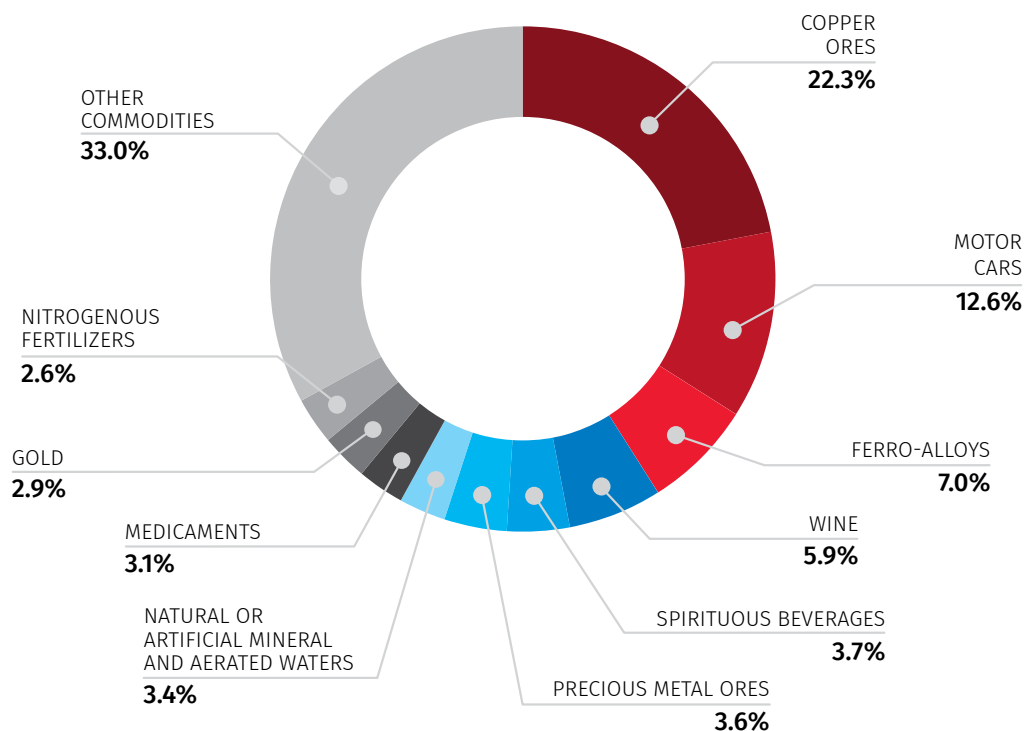
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MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY EXPORTS

	JANUARY-AUGUST 2019		JANUARY-AUGUST 2020*		CHANGE (%)
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL EXPORTS	2 429 516.0	100.0	2 071 415.6	100.0	-14.7
Of which:					
Copper ores and concentrates	429 885.7	17.7	462 098.5	22.3	7.5
Motor cars	414 252.2	17.1	260 073.5	12.6	-37.2
Ferro-alloys	207 118.0	8.5	145 476.5	7.0	-29.8
Wine of fresh grapes	133 435.4	5.5	122 009.8	5.9	-8.6
Spirituos beverages	68 407.5	2.8	75 864.4	3.7	10.9
Precious metal ores and concentrates	-	-	75 203.1	3.6	-
Natural or artificial mineral and aerated waters	88 501.3	3.6	69 787.0	3.4	-21.1
Medicaments put up in measured doses	136 418.6	5.6	63 682.0	3.1	-53.3
Gold	45 595.1	1.9	59 581.3	2.9	30.7
Nitrogenous fertilizers	59 879.9	2.5	53 743.2	2.6	-10.2
Other commodities	846 022.2	34.8	683 896.2	33.0	-19.2

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



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The top import commodities in January-August 2020 were motor cars whose imports equaled USD 481.6 million (9.7 percent of the total imports). The petroleum and petroleum oils followed in the list with USD 325.1 million or 6.6 percent of imports. The Copper ores and concentrates were third in the top import commodity list with USD 312.1 million (6.3 percent of imports).

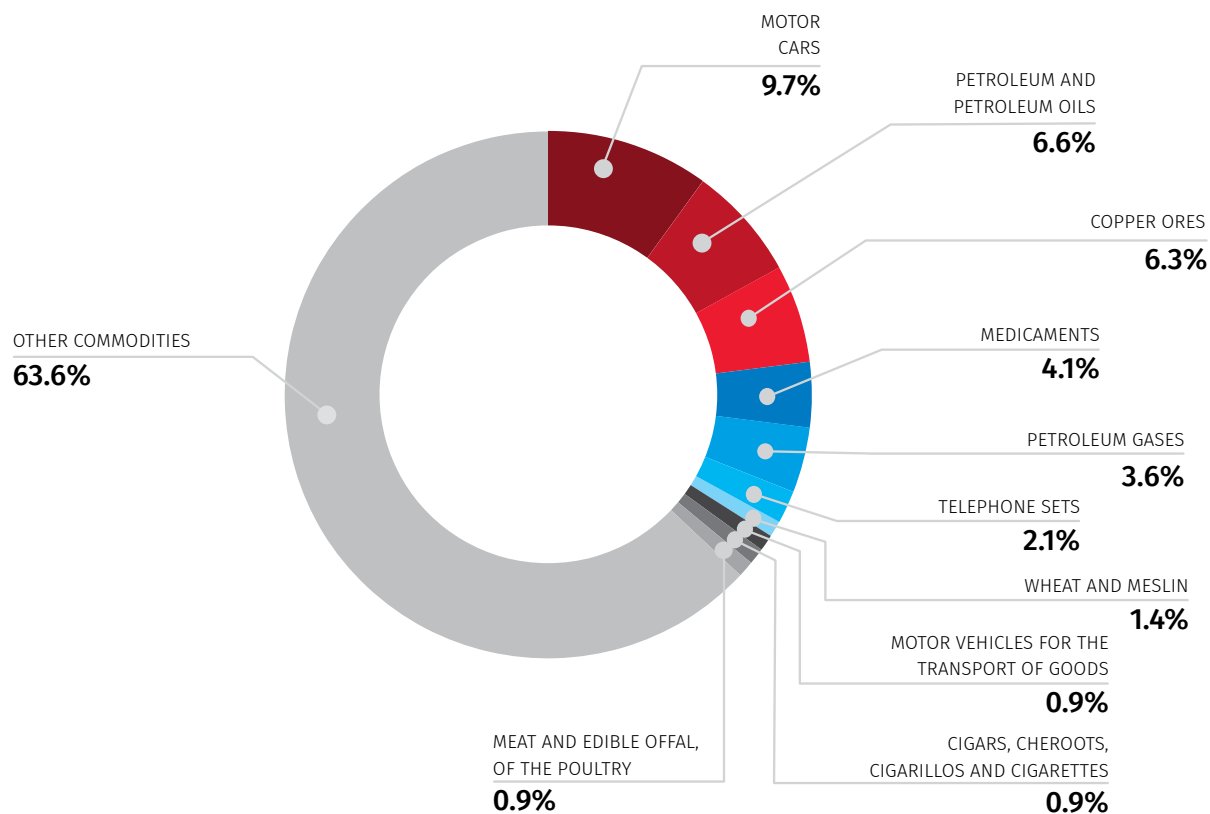
MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY IMPORTS

	JANUARY-AUGUST 2019		JANUARY-AUGUST 2020*		CHANGE (%)
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL IMPORTS	5 998 564.3	100.0	4 951 416.7	100.0	-17.5
Of which:					
Motor cars	712 789.5	11.9	481 566.5	9.7	-32.4
Petroleum and petroleum oils	474 029.6	7.9	325 066.7	6.6	-31.4
Copper ores and concentrates	375 374.9	6.3	312 111.9	6.3	-16.9
Medicaments put up in measured doses	234 755.0	3.9	205 231.8	4.1	-12.6
Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons	202 059.5	3.4	178 814.5	3.6	-11.5
Telephone sets	116 113.7	1.9	101 832.5	2.1	-12.3
Wheat and meslin	60 674.4	1.0	68 880.4	1.4	13.5
Motor vehicles for the transport of goods	44 469.2	0.7	44 019.2	0.9	-1.0
Cigars, cheroots, cigarillos and cigarettes	58 912.0	1.0	43 597.7	0.9	-26.0
Meat and edible offal, of the poultry	40 604.5	0.7	42 202.5	0.9	3.9
Other commodities	3 678 782.0	61.3	3 148 093.1	63.6	-14.4

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



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TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY TURNOVER

TURKEY

EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS TO TURKEY



	JANUARY-AUGUST 2019		JANUARY-AUGUST 2020*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL EXPORTS	144 157.6		129 646.1	
Of which:				
T-shirts knitted	25 491.6	1 200.0	27 166.9	877.4
Ferro-alloys	11 857.2	11 055.0	22 012.6	22 594.2
Men's or boys' suits, ensembles, trousers, knitted	8 825.0	415.2	10 733.8	424.1
Fats and oils and their fractions, of fish or marine mammals	2 889.2	1 694.4	9 354.3	5 604.3
Flours, meals and pellets, unfit for human consumption; greaves	4 501.1	3 243.1	9 080.6	6 977.2
Other commodities	90 593.6		51 298.0	

*Preliminary data.

IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM TURKEY



	JANUARY-AUGUST 2019		JANUARY-AUGUST 2020*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL IMPORTS	998 420.4		840 729.2	
Of which:				
Medicaments put up in measured doses	58 709.1	925.0	29 911.4	353.2
Other tubes, pipes and hollow profiles, of iron or steel	24 068.5	32 811.8	28 863.3	46 873.6
Structures and parts of structures of iron or steel	28 416.4	17 712.2	21 698.7	14 870.4
Other made up articles, including dress patterns	18 644.0	1 236.7	19 431.7	850.3
Angles, shapes and sections of iron or non-alloy steel	7 073.8	9 764.4	14 022.2	22 384.9
Other commodities	861 508.6		726 802.0	

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RUSSIA

EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS TO RUSSIA



	JANUARY-AUGUST 2019		JANUARY-AUGUST 2020*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL EXPORTS	338 266.2		266 044.5	
Of which:				
Wine of fresh grapes	80 188.0	26 183.7	70 150.8	23 993.7
Ferro-alloys	91 133.2	83 832.6	68 117.9	68 188.9
Waters, natural or artificial mineral and aerated waters, not containing added sugar	40 815.1	62 042.9	26 519.7	47 568.4
spirituous beverages	18 938.8	3 877.4	19 194.0	4 036.5
Apricots, cherries, peaches, plums and sloes, fresh	11 210.3	10 538.2	17 093.9	16 268.7
Other commodities	95 980.7		64 968.3	

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IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM RUSSIA



	JANUARY-AUGUST 2019		JANUARY-AUGUST 2020*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL IMPORTS	566 196.0		554 586.8	
Of which:				
Petroleum and petroleum oils	118 303.7	199 610.1	86 763.9	239 676.4
Wheat and meslin	47 977.9	223 514.3	68 880.4	314 588.1
Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons	19 355.9	64 486.4	24 402.8	82 049.1
Sunflower-seed, safflower or cotton-seed oil and fractions thereof	19 124.2	22 840.6	20 833.4	24 453.1
Telephone sets	18 531.1	17.5	19 141.8	16.0
Other commodities	342 903.3		334 564.7	

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CHINA

EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS TO CHINA



	JANUARY-AUGUST 2019		JANUARY-AUGUST 2020*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL EXPORTS	95 934.4		296 553.0	
Of which:				
Copper ores and concentrates	65 397.6	39 373.4	244 455.1	164 435.0
Precious metal ores and concentrates	-	-	24 105.7	9 671.4
Wine of fresh grapes	12 598.7	3 522.6	8 630.1	2 272.6
Instruments and appliances used in medicine	9 486.7	48.9	5 529.6	19.0
Unwrought aluminium	-	-	2 656.4	1 944.3
Other commodities	8 451.4		11 176.0	

*Preliminary data.

IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM CHINA



	JANUARY-AUGUST 2019		JANUARY-AUGUST 2020*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL IMPORTS	574 364.0		440 904.1	
Of which:				
Flat-rolled products of non-alloy steel, of a width of more than 600mm, clad or coated	21 766.0	29 519.6	15 450.1	22 224.3
Automatic data processing machines and units thereof	16 172.3	261.8	15 120.6	237.8
New pneumatic tyres, of rubber	13 491.6	5 640.0	10 331.5	4 453.5
Air conditioning machines	20 010.2	3 669.0	8 682.9	1 508.1
Other made up articles, including dress patterns	1 578.5	301.9	7 895.3	327.0
Other commodities	501 345.5		383 423.7	

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EXTERNAL TRADE BALANCE

	NUMBER OF COUNTRIES	EXTERNAL TRADE BALANCE MIL. US DOLLARS
NEGATIVE TRADE BALANCE		
January-August 2019	96	3 900.5
January-August 2020*	91	3 154.9
POSITIVE TRADE BALANCE		
January-August 2019	40	331.5
January-August 2020*	44	274.9
TOTAL		
January-August 2019	136	3 569.0
January-August 2020*	135	2 880.0

*Preliminary data.

SOURCES:

-  LEPL Revenue Service of Ministry of Finance of Georgia;
-  Georgian State Electrosystem, JSC;
-  Electricity System Commercial Operator, JSC;
-  **GGTC** 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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