

# EXTERNAL MERCHANDISE TRADE IN GEORGIA JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2023 (PRELIMINARY RESULTS)

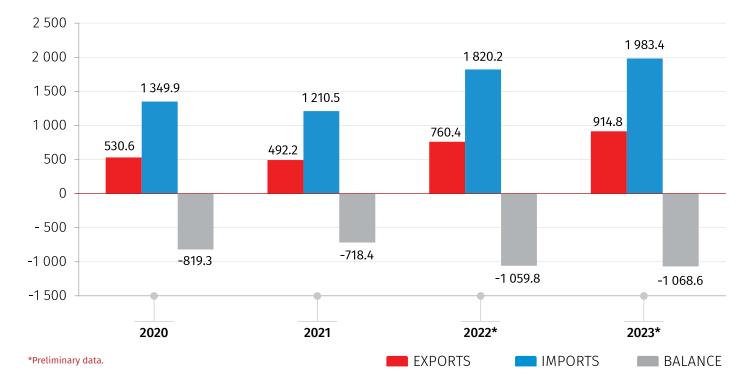




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In January-February 2023 the external merchandise trade (excluding non-declared trade) of Georgia amounted to USD 2 898.2 million, 12.3 percent higher to the same period of 2022. The exports equaled USD 914.8 million (20.3 percent higher), while the imports stood at USD 1 983.4 million (9.0 percent higher). The negative trade balance was USD 1 068.6 million in January-February 2023 and its share in external trade turnover constituted 36.9 percent.

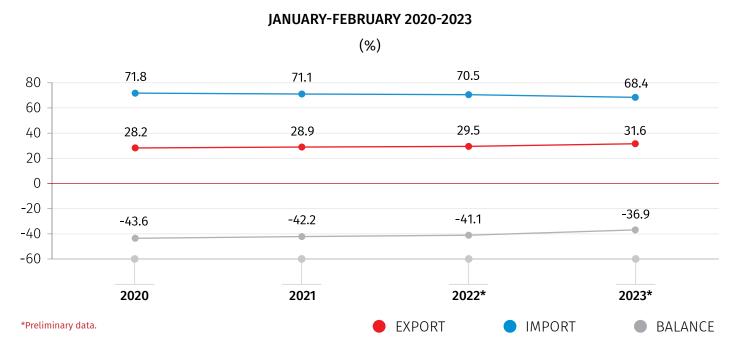
The charts below reflect basic trends of the external merchandise trade of Georgia:



GENERAL DATA ON EXTERNAL TRADE OF GEORGIA IN JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2020-2023 (MILLION US DOLLARS)

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SHARE OF EXTERNAL TRADE INDICATORS IN TURNOVER

The table below shows monthly data for 2021-2023 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	224 500.2	2	-16.2	561 743.9	-13.0
	February	267 673.7	7	1.9	648 802.4	-7.9
	March	326 088.9	Ð	30.7	775 024.6	15.5
	April	377 689.5	5	69.8	756 338.5	58.1
	Мау	340 007.5	5	45.0	770 216.8	45.5
2024	June	350 654.8	3	30.6	863 800.4	41.8
2021	July	386 363.3	3	40.7	882 330.5	21.3
	August	335 161.7	7	14.2	868 600.6	30.6
	September	373 710.6	5	12.8	952 455.7	26.9
	October	410 873.5	5	31.3	936 211.8	28.4
	November	430 386.2	2	42.9	1 033 391.1	43.1
	December	419 543.1	1	28.8	1 050 839.6	27.8



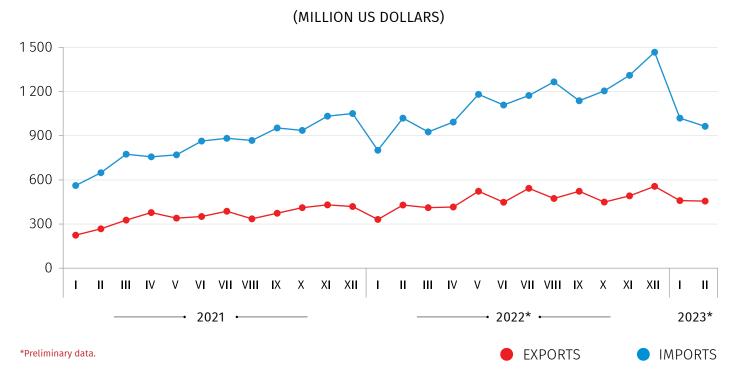
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	January	331 346.1	47.6	801 006.3	42.6	
	February	429 024.1	60.3	1 019 189.9	57.1	
	March	411 408.3	26.2	926 108.7	19.5	
	April	415 734.6	10.1	992 822.9	31.3	
	Мау	522 625.0	53.7	1 181 025.8	53.3	
00004	June	448 450.6	27.9	1 109 178.3	28.4	
2022*	July	542 134.2	40.3	1 173 767.4	33.0	
	August	473 303.2	41.2	1 265 477.0	45.7	
	September	523 169.9	40.0	1 137 451.8	19.4	
	October	448 736.3	9.2	1 204 121.8	28.6	
	November	491 076.6	14.1	1 310 197.7	26.8	
	December	555 756.0	32.5	1 467 988.6	39.7	
00004	January	458 975.3	38.5	1 019 684.2	27.3	
2023*	February	455 853.9	6.3	963 708.0	-5.4	

\*Preliminary data.

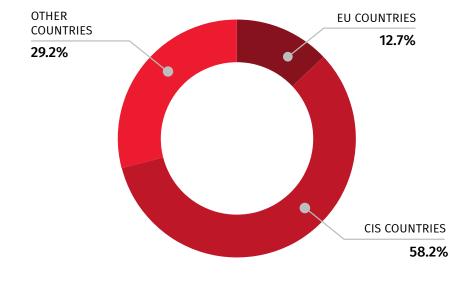
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**EXPORTS AND IMPORTS DYNAMICS BY MONTHS, 2021-2023** 



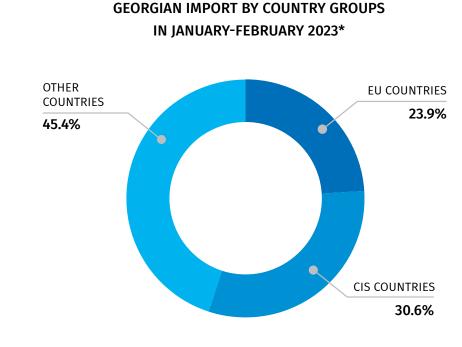
The diagrams below show the share of the exports and imports of Georgia by country groups.



### GEORGIAN EXPORT BY COUNTRY GROUPS IN JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2023\*

\*Preliminary data. Note: EU contains 27 countries.





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In January-February 2023 the share of the top ten trading partners by exports in the total exports of Georgia amounted to 81.5 percent. The top partners were Armenia (USD 133.1 million), Russia (USD 128.2 million) and China (USD 112.4 million).





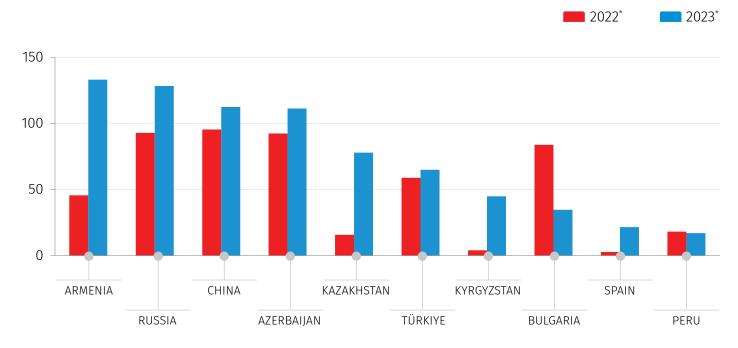
### TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY EXPORTS IN JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2023

	JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2022*		JANUARY- 20:	CHANGE (%)	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL EXPORTS	760 370.2	100.0	914 829.1	100.0	20.3
Of which:					
Armenia	45 620.2	6.0	133 081.5	14.5	191.7
Russia	92 878.2	12.2	128 245.4	14.0	38.1
China	95 403.7	12.5	112 355.6	12.3	17.8
Azerbaijan	92 336.2	12.1	111 237.1	12.2	20.5
Kazakhstan	15 792.0	2.1	77 937.6	8.5	393.5
Türkiye	58 853.0	7.7	64 855.8	7.1	10.2
Kyrgyzstan	4 106.7	0.5	44 918.0	4.9	993.8
Bulgaria	83 833.7	11.0	34 623.8	3.8	-58.7
Spain	2 850.0	0.4	21 602.9	2.4	658.0
Peru	18 150.4	2.4	17 010.0	1.9	-6.3
Other countries	250 546.2	33.0	168 961.3	18.5	-32.6

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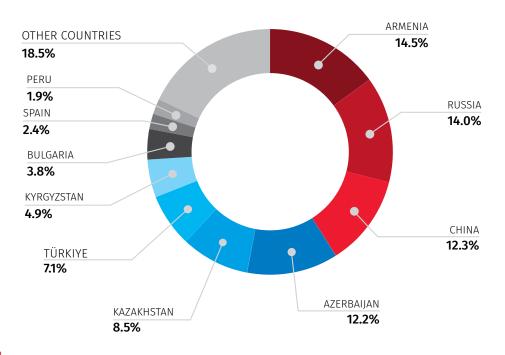


TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY EXPORTS IN JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2022-2023

(MILLION US DOLLARS)

\*Preliminary data.

### SHARE OF THE TOP TRADING PARTNERS IN TOTAL EXPORTS IN JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2023\*





In January-February 2023 the share of the top ten trading partners by imports in the total imports of Georgia amounted to 68.4 percent. The top partners were Russia (USD 338.8 million), Türkiye (USD 322.2 million) and China (USD 134.0 million).

	JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2022*		JANUARY 201	CHANGE (%)	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL IMPORTS	1 820 196.2	100.0	1 983 392. <b>3</b>	100.0	9.0
Of which:					
Russia	181 902.7	10.0	338 824.6	17.1	86.3
Türkiye	296 731.4	16.3	322 163.5	16.2	8.6
China	143 009.7	7.9	133 997.1	6.8	-6.3
Azerbaijan	156 694.9	8.6	130 914.5	6.6	-16.5
Germany	71 918.8	4.0	118 160.3	6.0	64.3
United States	93 455.9	5.1	113 584.7	5.7	21.5
Armenia	60 015.3	3.3	70 095.8	3.5	16.8
United Arab Emirates	28 639.1	1.6	45 278.2	2.3	58.1
Italy	32 420.9	1.8	42 958.4	2.2	32.5
Japan	42 162.4	2.3	40 760.5	2.1	-3.3
Other countries	713 245.2	39.2	626 654.6	31.6	-12.1

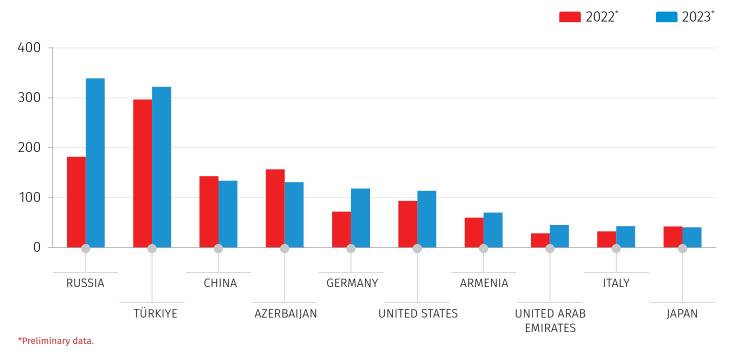
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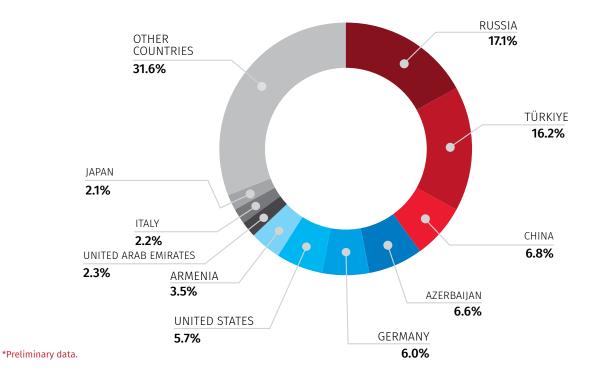


TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY IMPORTS IN JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2022-2023

(MILLION US DOLLARS)



### SHARE OF THE TOP TRADING PARTNERS IN TOTAL IMPORTS IN JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2023\*





In January-February 2023 the share of the top ten trading partners in the total external trade turnover of Georgia amounted to 68.5 percent. The top trading partners were Russia (USD 467.1 million), Türkiye (USD 387.0 million) and China (USD 246.4 million).

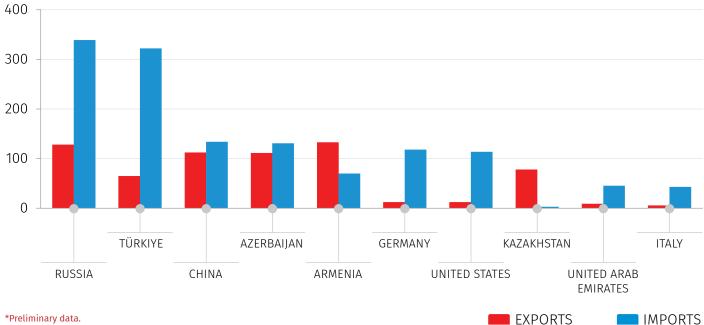
	EXPORTS		ІМР	ORTS	TURNOVER	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)
TOTAL	914 829.1	100.0	1 983 392.3	100.0	2 898 221.4	100.0
Of which:						
Russia	128 245.4	14.0	338 824.6	17.1	467 070.0	16.1
Türkiye	64 855.8	7.1	322 163.5	16.2	387 019.3	13.4
China	112 355.6	12.3	133 997.1	6.8	246 352.7	8.5
Azerbaijan	111 237.1	12.2	130 914.5	6.6	242 151.6	8.4
Armenia	133 081.5	14.5	70 095.8	3.5	203 177.2	7.0
Germany	12 329.6	1.3	118 160.3	6.0	130 490.0	4.5
United States	12 285.7	1.3	113 584.7	5.7	125 870.4	4.3
Kazakhstan	77 937.6	8.5	3 067.6	0.2	81 005.1	2.8
United Arab Emirates	8 928.8	1.0	45 278.2	2.3	54 207.0	1.9
Italy	5 674.5	0.6	42 958.4	2.2	48 632.9	1.7
Other countries	247 897.5	27.1	664 347.6	33.5	912 245.0	31.5

### TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY TURNOVER IN JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2023\*

\*Preliminary data.

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**TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY TURNOVER IN JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2023\*** 

(MILLION US DOLLARS)

In January-February 2023 motor cars took the first place in the list of top export items, equaling USD 236.8 million with 25.9 percent of total exports. The exports of copper ores and concentrates totaled USD 143.4 million and their share in the total exports amounted to 15.7 percent. The exports ferro-alloys occupied the third place standing at USD 71.7 million and constituting 7.8 percent of the total exports.



#### MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY EXPORTS

	JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2022*		JANUARY 202	CHANGE (%)	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL EXPORTS	760 370.2	100.0	914 829.1	100.0	20.3
Of which:					
Motor cars	72 568.9	9.5	236 837.4	25.9	226.4
Copper ores and concentrates	156 283.8	20.6	143 411.8	15.7	-8.2
Ferro-alloys	100 457.2	13.2	71 698.0	7.8	-28.6
Wine of fresh grapes	33 196.1	4.4	34 499.9	3.8	3.9
Spirituous beverages	17 596.8	2.3	24 171.3	2.6	37.4
Nitrogenous fertilizers	58 223.6	7.7	21 048.0	2.3	-63.8
Motor vehicles for the transport of ten or more persons	21.4	0.0	20 000.2	2.2	93 507.0
Gold unwrought or in semi- manufactured forms, or in powder form	13 432.3	1.8	16 346.7	1.8	21.7
Hazelnuts and other nuts	13 266.9	1.7	16 324.4	1.8	23.0
Cigars, cheroots, cigarillos and cigarettes	5 093.1	0.7	16 032.7	1.8	214.8
Other commodities	290 230.1	38.2	314 458.7	34.4	8.3

\*Preliminary data.

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SHARE OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY EXPORTS

#### **IN JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2023\*** MOTOR CARS OTHER COMMODITIES 25.9% 34.4% CIGARS, CIGARILLOS AND CIGARETTES 1.8% COPPER ORES 19.9 HAZELNUTS AND OTHER NUTS 15.7% 1.8% GOLD 1.8% MOTOR VEHICLES FOR TEN OR MORE PERSONS FERRO-ALLOYS 2.2% 7.8% NITROGENOUS FERTILIZERS 2.3% SPIRITUOUS BEVERAGES 2.6% WINE OF FRESH GRAPES

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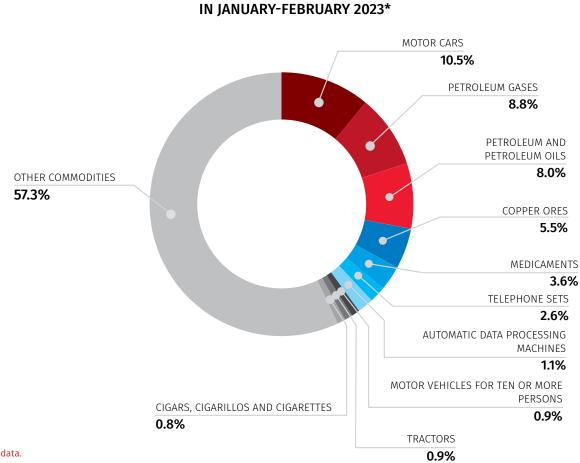
The top import commodities in January-February 2023 were motor cars, whose imports equaled USD 207.8 million (10.5 percent of the total imports). The petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons followed in the list with USD 175.5 million (8.8 percent of imports). The petroleum and petroleum oils were third in the top import commodity list with USD 158.4 million (8.0 percent of imports).

		JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2022*		JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2023*		
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)		
TOTAL IMPORTS	1 820 196.2	100.0	1 983 392.3	100.0	9.0	
Of which:						
Motor cars	169 788.1	9.3	207 811.3	10.5	22.4	
Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons	119 335.3	6.6	175 522.6	8.8	47.1	
Petroleum and petroleum oils	162 746.2	8.9	158 355.6	8.0	-2.7	
Copper ores and concentrates	147 674.4	8.1	108 118.0	5.5	-26.8	
Medicaments put up in measured doses	52 616.6	2.9	71 322.3	3.6	35.6	
Telephone sets	47 319.2	2.6	52 266.2	2.6	10.5	
Automatic data processing machines and units thereof	32 161.7	1.8	22 637.7	1.1	-29.6	
Motor vehicles for the transport of ten or more persons	455.6	0.0	17 697.1	0.9	3 784.4	
Tractors	13 316.2	0.7	17 575.7	0.9	32.0	
Cigars, cheroots, cigarillos and cigarettes	9 439.2	0.5	16 523.4	0.8	75.1	
Other commodities	1 065 343.7	58.5	1 135 562.3	57.3	6.6	

#### MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY IMPORTS



SHARE OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY IMPORTS



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### TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY TURNOVER

#### **RUSSIA**

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

	JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2022*		JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2023*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL EXPORTS	92 878.2		128 245.4	
Of which:				
Ferro-alloys	32 709.6	17 658.0	45 327.6	36 204.1
Wine of fresh grapes	20 054.8	7 189.6	23 880.1	8 557.7
Motor cars (Unit)	1 733.3	209	13 514.9	978
Natural or artificial mineral and aerated waters	9 523.0	17 204.9	10 715.1	19 462.8
Spirituous beverages	4 117.4	1 004.8	8 844.1	2 039.8
Other commodities	24 740.2		25 963.5	

\*Preliminary data.

#### IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM RUSSIA

		-FEBRUARY 22*	JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2023*	
>> + + + +	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL IMPORTS	181 902.7		338 824.6	
Of which:				
Petroleum and petroleum oils	23 127.8	29 739.6	108 575.4	149 195.6
Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons	19 686.1	77 260.9	68 416.0	264 737.2
Wheat and meslin	6 491.7	20 065.1	10 119.2	32 014.5
Coal; briquettes and similar solid fuels manufactured from coal	181.9	813.9	8 242.4	47 264.8
Wheat or meslin flour	7 638.9	22 890.8	8 055.1	25 093.2
Other commodities	124 776.2		135 416.6	

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#### TÜRKIYE

### EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS TO TÜRKIYE

		FEBRUARY 22*	JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2023*	
* * * <b>&gt; C</b> *	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL EXPORTS	58 853.0		64 855.8	
Of which:				
Ferro-alloys	10 703.7	5 900.6	9 908.8	8 658.6
T-shirts knitted	13 039.5	385.1	9 284.5	261.2
Men's or boys' suits, ensembles, trousers, knitted or crocheted	7 055.2	268.7	5 233.3	178.8
Fats and oils and their fractions, of fish or marine mammals	223.8	110.1	4 440.5	1 163.2
Petroleum and petroleum oils	-	-	4 354.8	4 854.0
Other commodities	27 830.8		31 633.9	

\*Preliminary data.

### IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM TÜRKIYE

		FEBRUARY 22*	JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2023*	
C* >> + + +	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL IMPORTS	296 731.4		322 163.5	
Of which:				
Medicaments put up in measured doses	8 235.9	105.8	13 924.0	253.9
Motor cars (Unit)	12 970.3	384	9 847.3	335
Structures and parts of structures of iron or steel	8 265.4	4 244.9	7 708.6	3 431.0
Other made up articles, including dress patterns	8 373.5	429.4	7 458.8	317.5
Washing and cleaning preparations	3 132.9	3 764.2	6 406.6	6 533.8
Other commodities	255 753.4		276 818.2	



#### **CHINA**

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

		-FEBRUARY 22*	JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2023*	
<ul> <li>+ +</li> <li>+ →</li> <li>*)</li> </ul>	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL EXPORTS	95 403.7		112 355.6	
Of which:				
Copper ores and concentrates	73 808.5	30 351.5	92 137.9	50 502.1
Precious metal ores and concentrates	10 468.0	3 572.3	10 975.2	3 544.8
Instruments and appliances used in medicine	2 152.1	10.7	3 249.7	12.7
Wine of fresh grapes	1 456.6	376.4	1 727.2	452.1
Motor cars (Unit)	30.0	1	1 461.4	33
Other commodities	7 488.5		2 804.3	

\*Preliminary data.

### IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM CHINA

	JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2022*		JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2023*	
* * *	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL IMPORTS	143 009.7		133 997.1	
Of which:				
Automatic data processing machines and units thereof	4 276.0	29.3	10 878.8	83.6
Polyacetals and epoxide resins, and other polyesters in primary forms	1 997.0	1 384.0	6 526.9	4 638.3
Flat-rolled products of non-alloy steel, of a width of more than 600mm, clad or coated	3 799.5	2 876.0	3 559.9	4 086.3
New pneumatic tyres, of rubber	5 446.5	1 734.2	3 126.3	1 146.5
Television receivers	3 214.2	107.1	2 658.2	131.9
Other commodities	124 276.5		107 247.1	



#### **EXTERNAL TRADE BALANCE**

	NUMBER OF COUNTRIES	EXTERNAL TRADE BALANCE MIL. US DOLLARS
NEGATIVE TRADE BALANCE		
January-February 2022*	88	1 164.6
January-February 2023*	93	1 312.4
POSITIVE TRADE BALANCE		
January-February 2022*	34	104.8
January-February 2023*	32	243.9
TOTAL		
January-February 2022*	122	-1 059.8
January-February 2023*	125	-1 068.6

\*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.





#### 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 differences 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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