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# EXTERNAL MERCHANDISE TRADE IN GEORGIA

**JANUARY-APRIL 2023  
(PRELIMINARY RESULTS)**



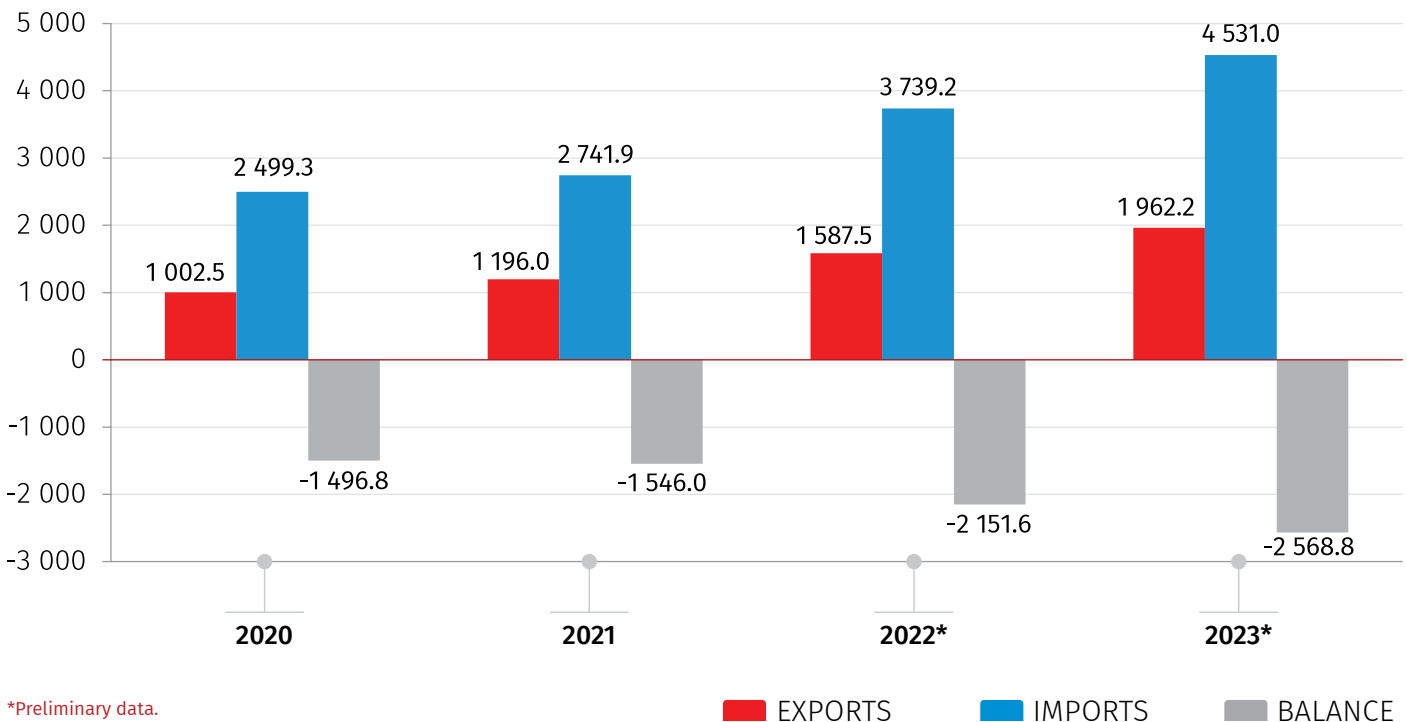
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**EXTERNAL MERCHANDISE TRADE OF GEORGIA  
IN JANUARY-APRIL 2023  
(PRELIMINARY)**

In January-April 2023 the external merchandise trade (excluding non-declared trade) of Georgia amounted to USD 6 493.3 million, 21.9 percent higher to the same period of 2022. The exports equaled USD 1 962.2 million (23.6 percent higher), while the imports stood at USD 4 531.0 million (21.2 percent higher). The negative trade balance was USD 2 568.8 million in January-April 2023 and its share in external trade turnover constituted 39.6 percent.

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

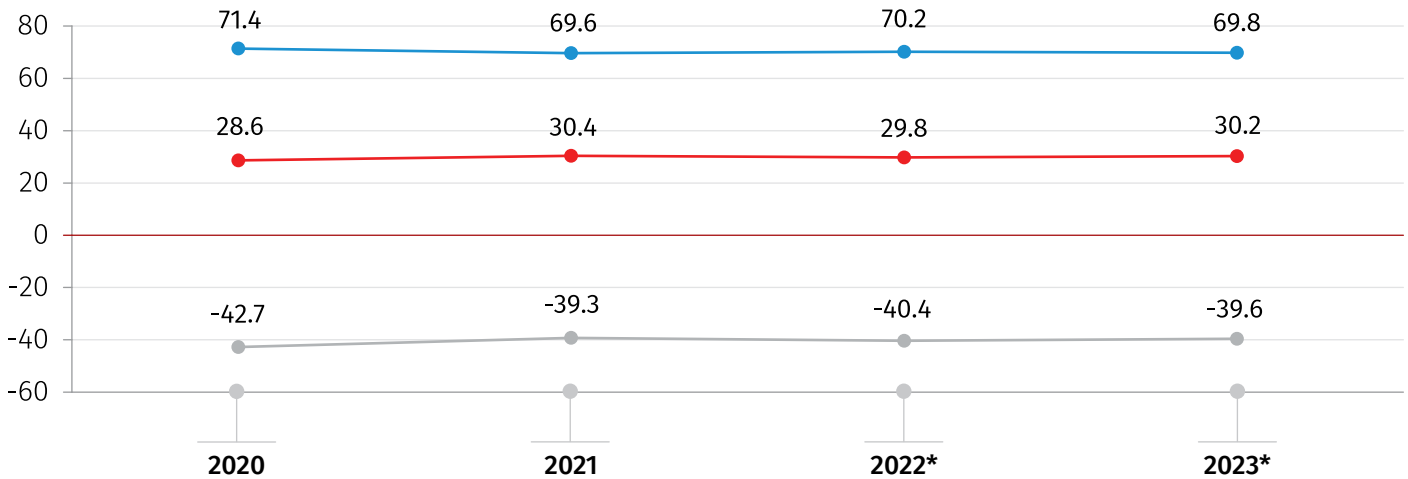
**GENERAL DATA ON EXTERNAL TRADE OF GEORGIA IN JANUARY-APRIL 2020-2023  
(MILLION US DOLLARS)**



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### SHARE OF EXTERNAL TRADE INDICATORS IN TURNOVER JANUARY-APRIL 2020-2023



\*Preliminary data.

● EXPORT ● IMPORT ● BALANCE

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

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		EXPORTS		IMPORTS	
		THSD. US DOLLARS	CHANGES M-O-M (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	CHANGES M-O-M (%)
2022*	January	331 346.1	47.6	801 009.8	42.6
	February	429 024.1	60.3	1 019 214.1	57.1
	March	411 408.3	26.2	926 108.7	19.5
	April	415 734.6	10.1	992 828.4	31.3
	May	522 625.0	53.7	1 181 026.4	53.3
	June	448 450.6	27.9	1 109 267.8	28.4
	July	542 134.2	40.3	1 173 785.9	33.0
	August	473 303.2	41.2	1 265 992.4	45.8
	September	523 169.9	40.0	1 137 484.3	19.4
	October	448 736.3	9.2	1 204 693.9	28.7
	November	491 076.6	14.1	1 310 802.9	26.8
	December	555 756.0	32.5	1 469 491.5	39.8
2023*	January	458 975.3	38.5	1 113 998.8	39.1
	February	455 853.9	6.3	1 066 203.6	4.6
	March	546 700.0	32.9	1 260 212.2	36.1
	April	500 710.6	20.4	1 090 598.2	9.8

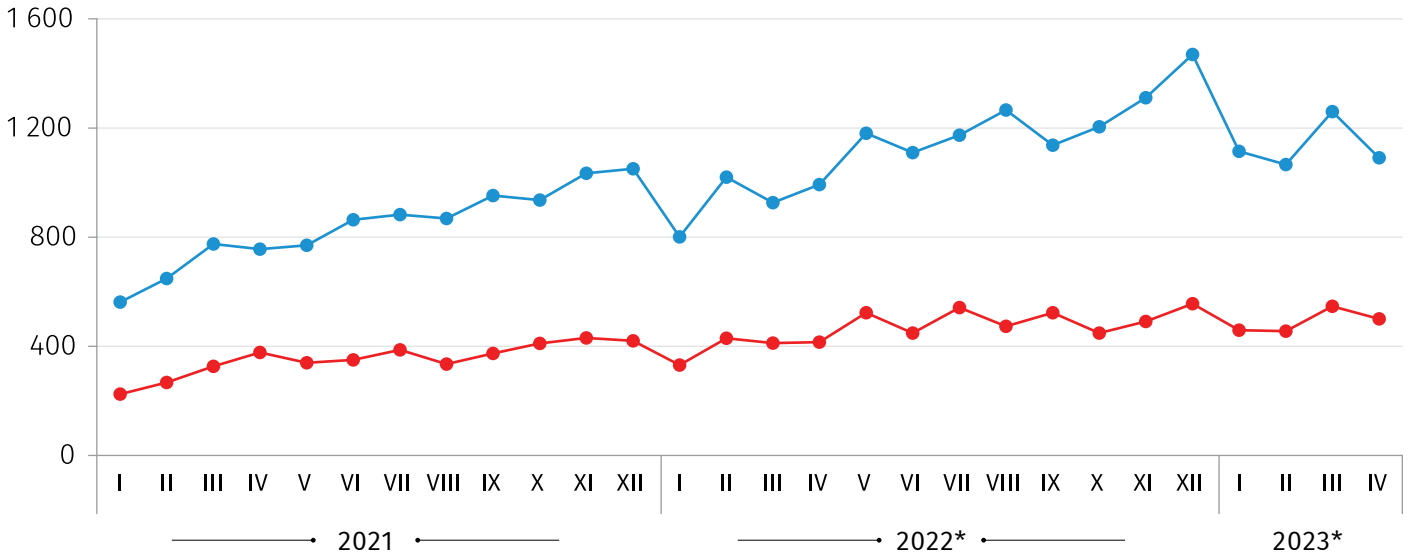
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### EXPORTS AND IMPORTS DYNAMICS BY MONTHS, 2021-2023

(MILLION US DOLLARS)



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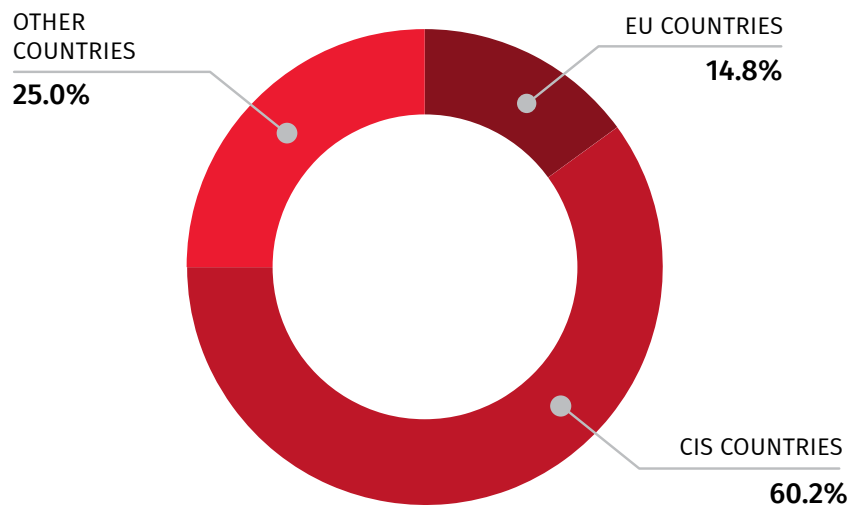
● EXPORTS

● IMPORTS

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

### GEORGIAN EXPORT BY COUNTRY GROUPS

IN JANUARY-APRIL 2023\*

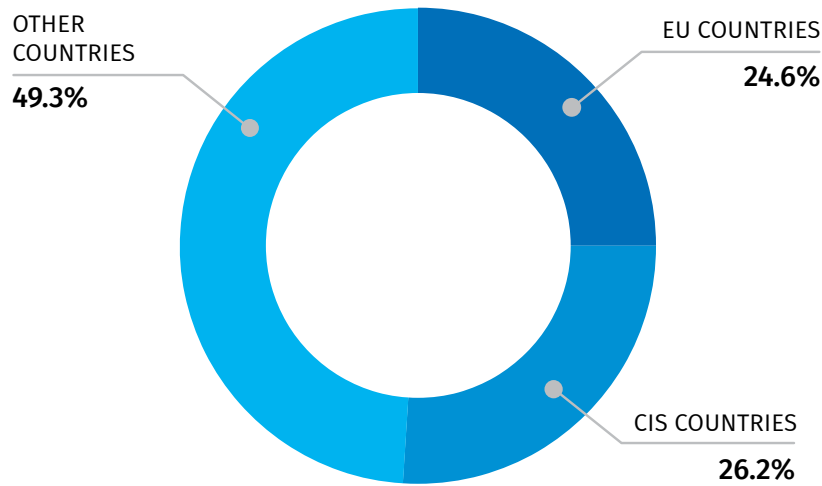


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Note: EU contains 27 countries.

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## GEORGIAN IMPORT BY COUNTRY GROUPS IN JANUARY-APRIL 2023\*



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In January-April 2023 the share of the top ten trading partners by exports in the total exports of Georgia amounted to 80.6 percent. The top partners were Armenia (USD 280.8 million), Azerbaijan (USD 261.9 million) and Russia (USD 226.2 million).

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

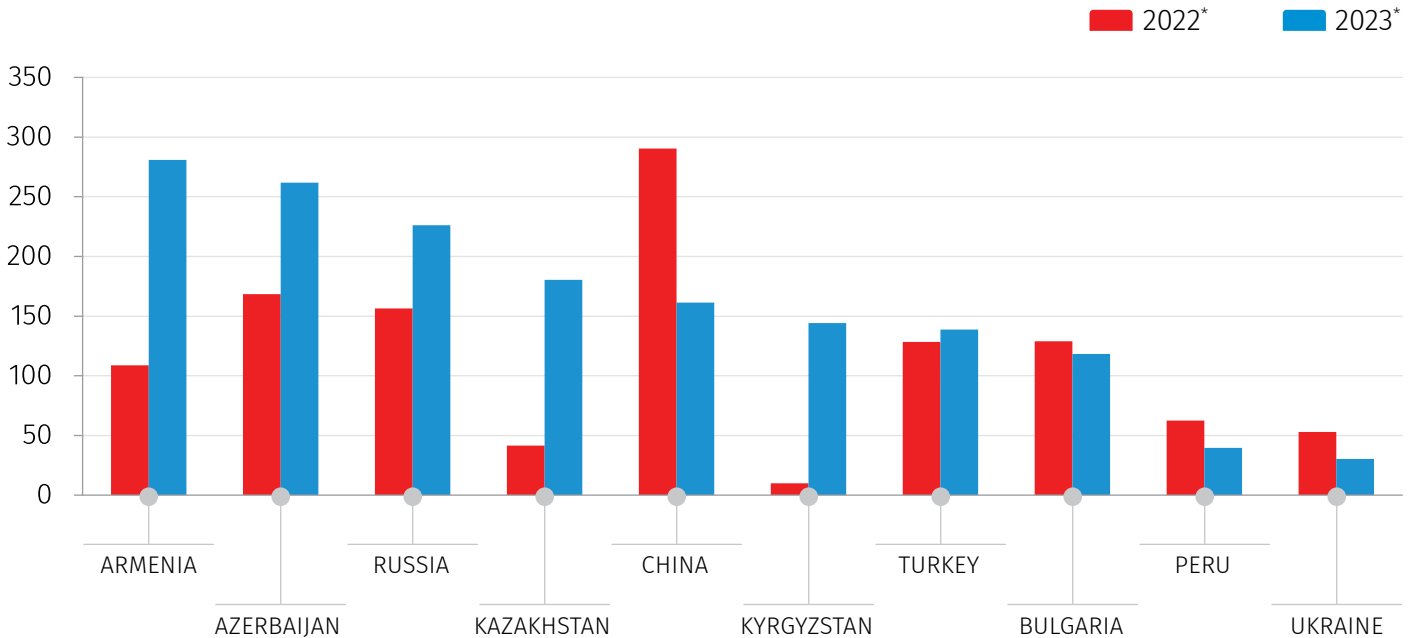
	JANUARY-APRIL 2022*		JANUARY-APRIL 2023*		CHANGE (%)
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
<b>TOTAL EXPORTS</b>	<b>1 587 513.2</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1 962 239.8</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>23.6</b>
Of which:					
Armenia	108 746.6	6.9	280 783.9	14.3	158.2
Azerbaijan	168 394.6	10.6	261 932.5	13.3	55.5
Russia	156 443.4	9.9	226 198.4	11.5	44.6
Kazakhstan	41 591.1	2.6	180 463.5	9.2	333.9
China	290 400.0	18.3	161 394.8	8.2	-44.4
Kyrgyzstan	9 982.9	0.6	144 049.2	7.3	1 343.0
Turkey	128 464.1	8.1	138 847.3	7.1	8.1
Bulgaria	128 994.9	8.1	118 328.0	6.0	-8.3
Peru	62 446.3	3.9	39 666.0	2.0	-36.5
Ukraine	52 965.8	3.3	30 448.9	1.6	-42.5
Other countries	439 083.5	27.7	380 127.4	19.4	-13.4

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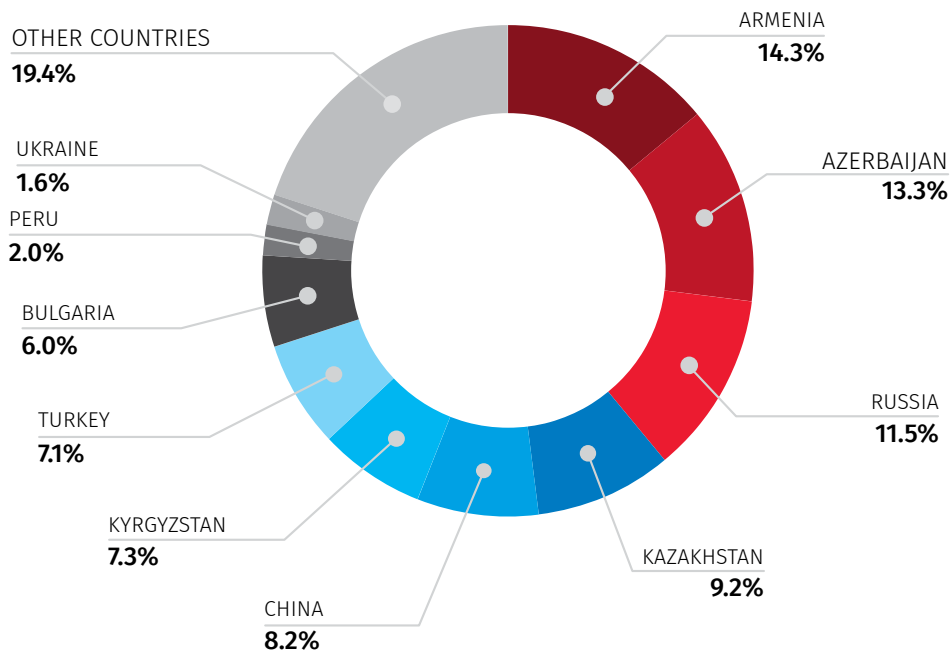
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### TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY EXPORTS IN JANUARY-APRIL 2022-2023 (MILLION US DOLLARS)



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



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In January-April 2023 the share of the top ten trading partners by imports in the total imports of Georgia amounted to 70.2 percent. The top partners were Turkey (USD 786.4 million), Russia (USD 622.3 million) and United States (USD 412.5 million).

### TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY IMPORTS IN JANUARY-APRIL 2023

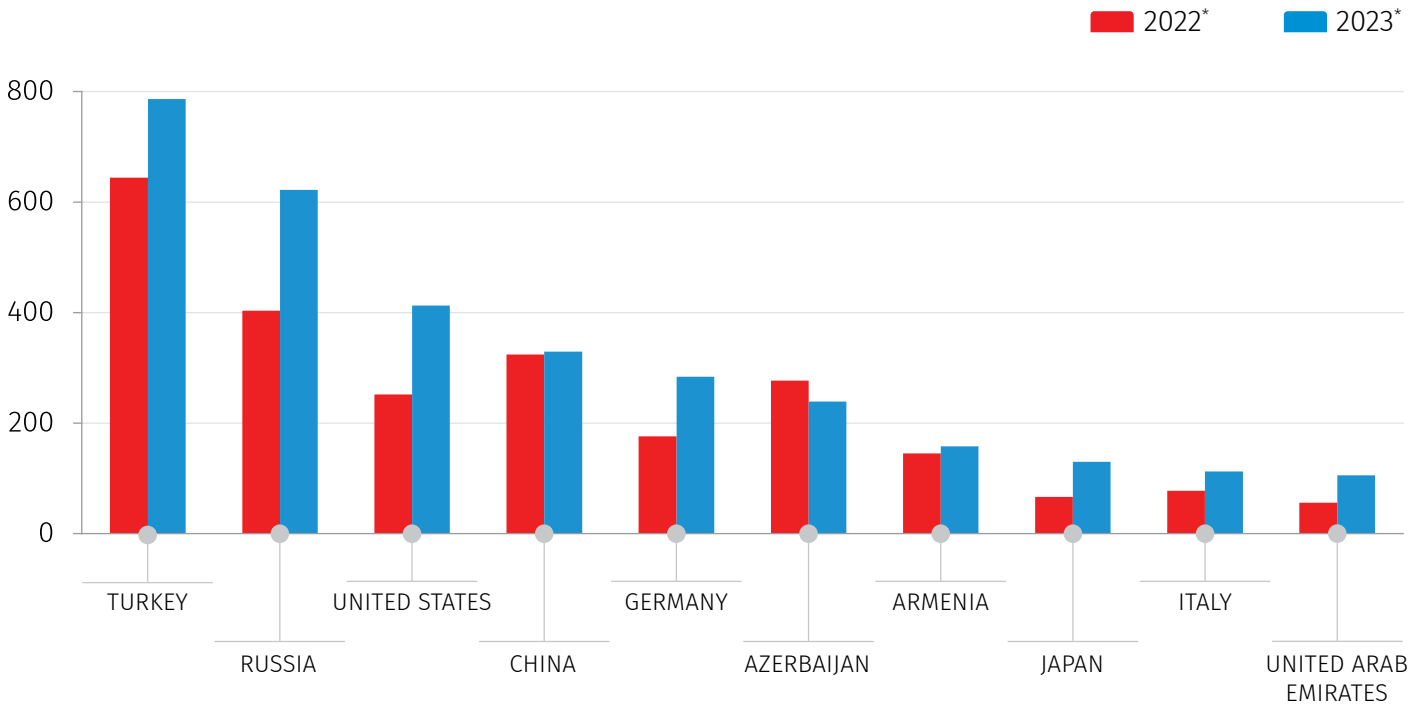
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<b>TOTAL IMPORTS</b>	<b>3 739 161.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>4 531 012.7</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>21.2</b>
Of which:					
Turkey	643 912.5	17.2	786 429.8	17.4	22.1
Russia	403 443.1	10.8	622 253.7	13.7	54.2
United States	251 670.6	6.7	412 535.8	9.1	63.9
China	324 349.7	8.7	329 222.4	7.3	1.5
Germany	176 081.3	4.7	283 645.9	6.3	61.1
Azerbaijan	277 027.7	7.4	238 961.7	5.3	-13.7
Armenia	145 033.3	3.9	157 654.6	3.5	8.7
Japan	66 447.4	1.8	130 039.9	2.9	95.7
Italy	77 637.4	2.1	112 499.4	2.5	44.9
United Arab Emirates	56 054.4	1.5	105 493.9	2.3	88.2
Other countries	1 317 503.7	35.2	1 352 275.8	29.8	2.6

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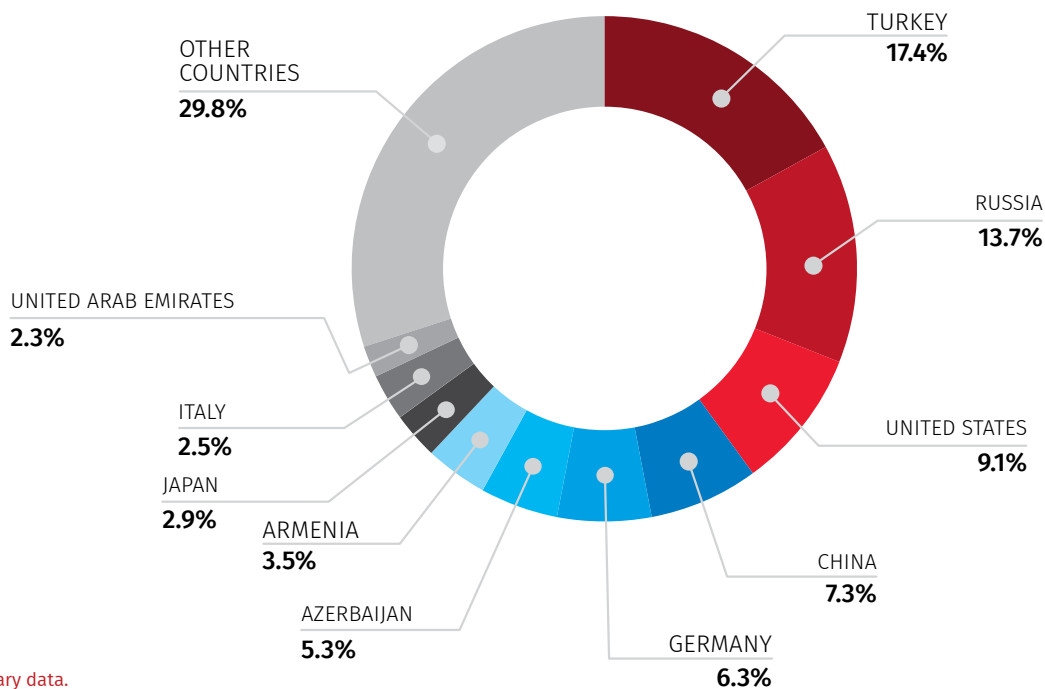
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### TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY IMPORTS IN JANUARY-APRIL 2022-2023 (MILLION US DOLLARS)



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



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In January-April 2023 the share of the top ten trading partners in the total external trade turnover of Georgia amounted to 68.2 percent. The top trading partners were Turkey (USD 925.3 million), Russia (USD 848.5 million) and Azerbaijan (USD 500.9 million).

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

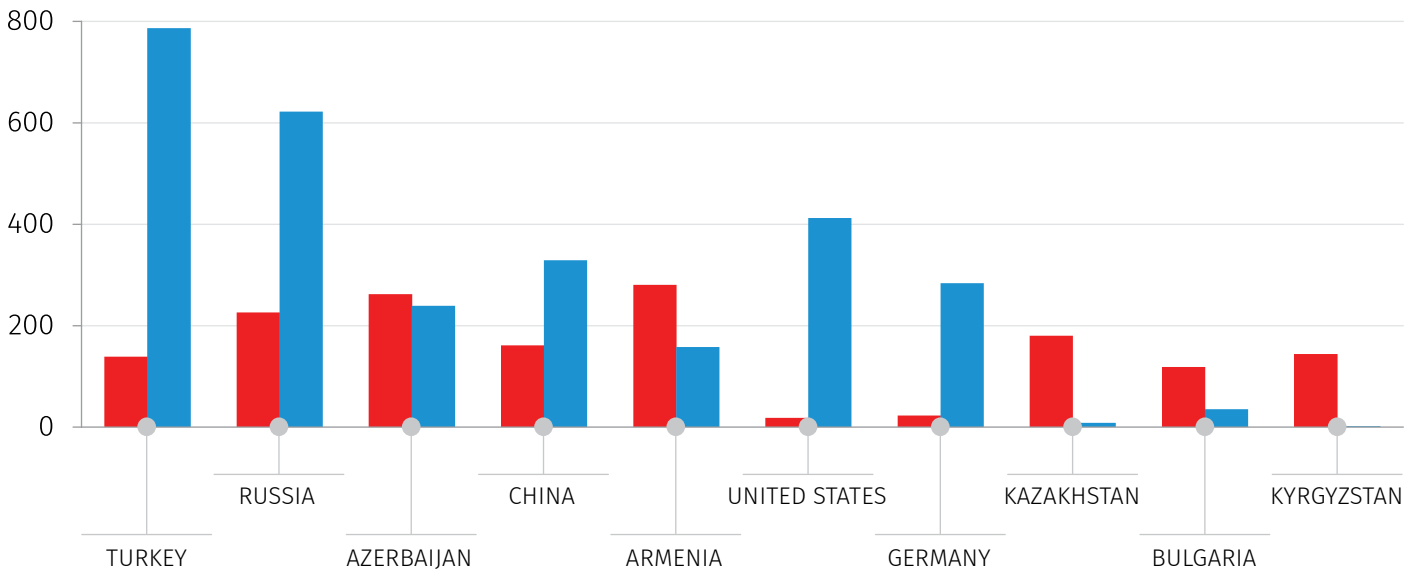
	EXPORTS		IMPORTS		TURNOVER	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1 962 239.8</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>4 531 012.7</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>6 493 252.5</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Of which:						
Turkey	138 847.3	7.1	786 429.8	17.4	925 277.1	14.2
Russia	226 198.4	11.5	622 253.7	13.7	848 452.2	13.1
Azerbaijan	261 932.5	13.3	238 961.7	5.3	500 894.1	7.7
China	161 394.8	8.2	329 222.4	7.3	490 617.2	7.6
Armenia	280 783.9	14.3	157 654.6	3.5	438 438.5	6.8
United States	18 322.8	0.9	412 535.8	9.1	430 858.6	6.6
Germany	23 050.1	1.2	283 645.9	6.3	306 696.0	4.7
Kazakhstan	180 463.5	9.2	8 463.4	0.2	188 926.9	2.9
Bulgaria	118 328.0	6.0	35 454.1	0.8	153 782.1	2.4
Kyrgyzstan	144 049.2	7.3	2 016.7	0.0	146 065.8	2.2
Other countries	408 869.3	20.8	1 654 374.7	36.5	2 063 244.0	31.8

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EXPORTS

IMPORTS

In January-April 2023 motor cars claimed the first place in the list of top export items, equaling USD 595.0 million with 30.3 percent of total exports. The exports of copper ores and concentrates totaled USD 257.8 million and their share in the total exports amounted to 13.1 percent. The exports ferro-alloys occupied the third place standing at USD 84.4 million and constituting 4.3 percent of the total exports.

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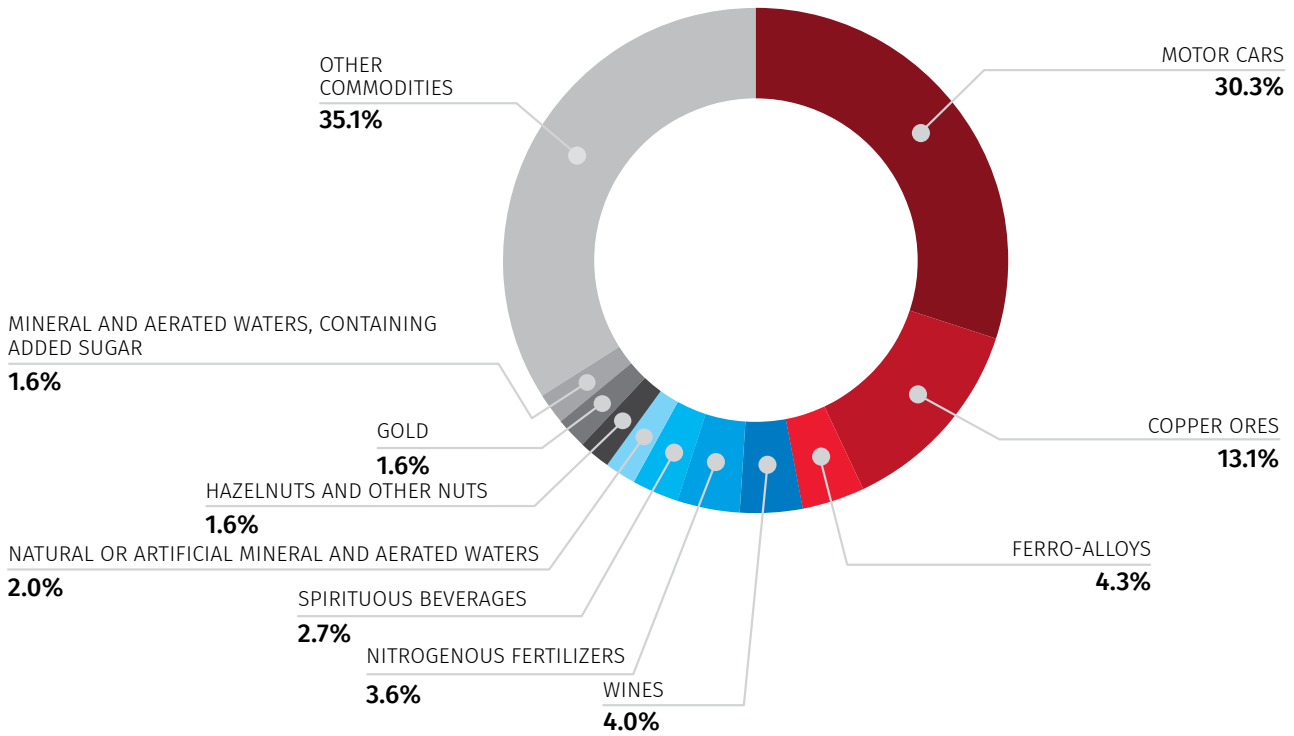
### MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY EXPORTS

	JANUARY-APRIL 2022*		JANUARY-APRIL 2023*		CHANGE (%)
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Of which:					
Motor cars	132 007.1	8.3	595 047.8	30.3	350.8
Copper ores and concentrates	363 280.6	22.9	257 782.3	13.1	-29.0
Ferro-alloys	195 422.4	12.3	84 400.0	4.3	-56.8
Wine of fresh grapes	60 393.0	3.8	78 604.4	4.0	30.2
Nitrogenous fertilizers	128 311.8	8.1	70 128.5	3.6	-45.3
Spirituuous beverages	29 016.8	1.8	53 549.1	2.7	84.5
Natural or artificial mineral and aerated waters	38 358.1	2.4	38 900.4	2.0	1.4
Hazelnuts and other nuts	28 075.4	1.8	31 998.3	1.6	14.0
Gold	28 070.5	1.8	31 529.5	1.6	12.3
Waters, mineral and aerated waters, containing added sugar	16 513.1	1.0	31 270.7	1.6	89.4
Other commodities	568 064.3	35.8	689 028.8	35.1	21.3

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**SHARE OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY EXPORTS  
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The top import commodities in January-April 2023 were motor cars, whose imports equaled USD 727.9 million (16.1 percent of the total imports). The petroleum and petroleum oils followed in the list with USD 318.0 million (7.0 percent of imports). The petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons were third in the top import commodity list with USD 250.6 million (5.5 percent of imports).

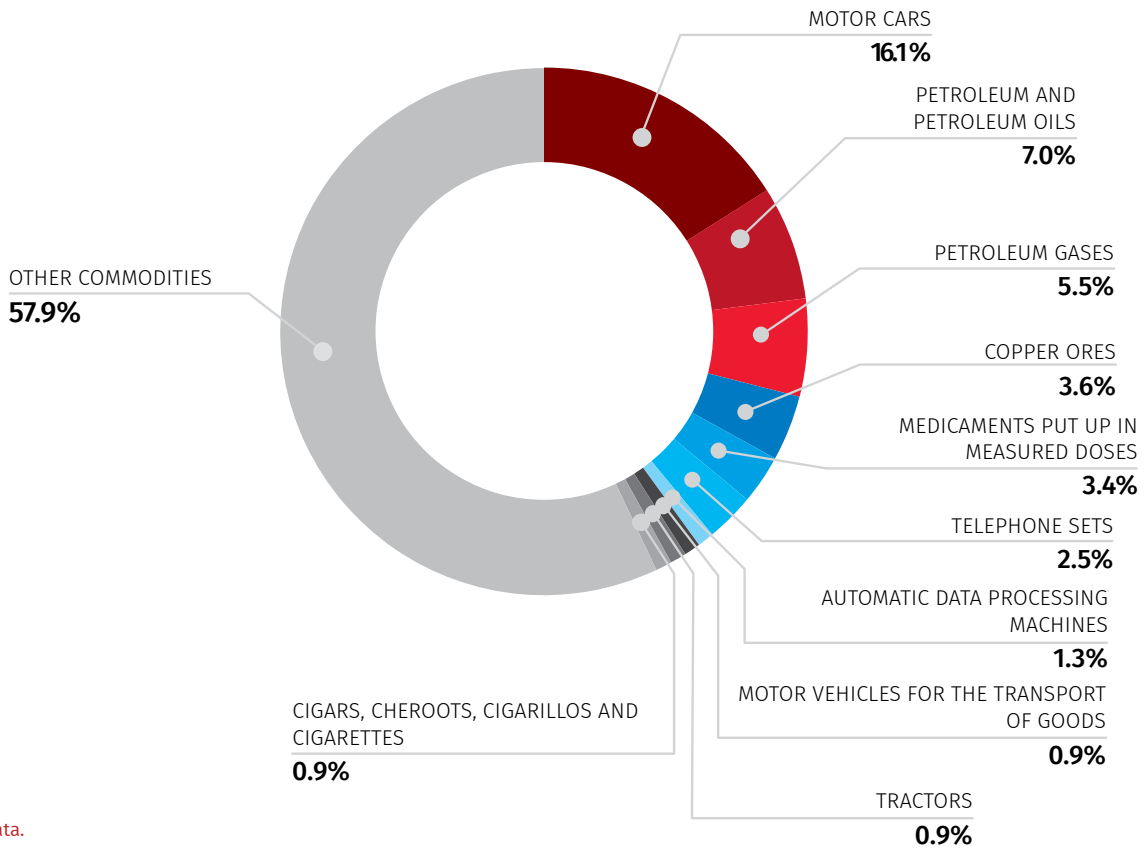
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<b>TOTAL IMPORTS</b>	<b>3 739 161.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>4 531 012.7</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>21.2</b>
Of which:					
Motor cars	388 175.1	10.4	727 919.1	16.1	87.5
Petroleum and petroleum oils	337 123.4	9.0	318 024.9	7.0	-5.7
Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons	205 403.8	5.5	250 628.6	5.5	22.0
Copper ores and concentrates	251 223.7	6.7	161 949.7	3.6	-35.5
Medicaments put up in measured doses	122 995.4	3.3	155 293.0	3.4	26.3
Telephone sets	80 794.5	2.2	113 339.0	2.5	40.3
Automatic data processing machines and units thereof	52 954.6	1.4	59 983.0	1.3	13.3
Motor vehicles for the transport of goods	27 389.6	0.7	41 365.7	0.9	51.0
Tractors	25 260.8	0.7	40 225.9	0.9	59.2
Cigars, cheroots, cigarillos and cigarettes	18 652.9	0.5	40 106.6	0.9	115.0
Other commodities	2 229 187.4	59.6	2 622 177.2	57.9	17.6

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### TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY TURNOVER

#### TURKEY

#### EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS TO TURKEY



	JANUARY-APRIL 2022*		JANUARY-APRIL 2023*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
<b>TOTAL EXPORTS</b>	<b>128 464.1</b>		<b>138 847.3</b>	
Of which:				
T-shirts knitted	27 788.4	791.9	23 256.9	593.6
Ferro-alloys	25 547.4	12 532.0	18 422.7	16 215.6
Electrical energy	194.5	...	12 236.0	...
Men's or boys' suits, ensembles, trousers, knitted or crocheted	14 794.9	550.8	10 478.4	352.7
Fats and oils and their fractions, of fish or marine mammals	4 155.1	1 897.0	6 820.0	1 781.2
Other commodities	55 983.8		67 633.5	

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#### IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM TURKEY



	JANUARY-APRIL 2022*		JANUARY-APRIL 2023*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
<b>TOTAL IMPORTS</b>	<b>643 912.5</b>		<b>786 429.8</b>	
Of which:				
Motor cars (Unit)	25 702.0	842	39 448.0	1 047
Medicaments put up in measured doses	19 185.1	290.7	37 769.9	594.4
Structures and parts of structures of iron or steel	14 586.8	6 869.7	21 526.0	9 239.9
Other made up articles, including dress patterns	16 926.6	896.9	14 106.4	597.8
Cigars, cheroots, cigarillos and cigarettes	1 189.7	81.6	13 975.3	672.1
Other commodities	566 322.4		659 604.2	

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### RUSSIA

#### EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS TO RUSSIA



	JANUARY-APRIL 2022*		JANUARY-APRIL 2023*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
<b>TOTAL EXPORTS</b>	<b>156 443.4</b>		<b>226 198.4</b>	
Of which:				
Wine of fresh grapes	33 670.9	12 264.0	52 371.1	19 044.1
Ferro-alloys	56 963.4	28 125.1	45 353.0	36 224.9
Motor cars (Unit)	3 670.6	439	30 554.9	2 150
Natural or artificial mineral and aerated waters	15 880.5	29 698.1	22 320.7	40 643.0
Waters, mineral and aerated waters, containing added sugar	6 250.3	9 510.0	17 036.5	23 024.3
Other commodities	40 007.7		58 562.3	

\*Preliminary data.

#### IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM RUSSIA



	JANUARY-APRIL 2022*		JANUARY-APRIL 2023*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
<b>TOTAL IMPORTS</b>	<b>403 443.1</b>		<b>622 253.7</b>	
Of which:				
Petroleum and petroleum oils	74 106.8	85 127.9	212 433.1	302 645.2
Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons	36 788.4	147 138.4	80 391.0	311 627.9
Wheat or meslin flour	16 135.1	47 673.6	17 240.6	57 163.7
Carboys, bottles, flasks and other closures, of glass.	5 292.7	12 907.1	15 004.2	27 796.7
Wheat and meslin	11 846.0	35 365.1	13 888.0	44 096.3
Other commodities	259 274.1		283 296.7	

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### AZERBAIJAN

#### EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS TO AZERBAIJAN



	JANUARY-APRIL 2022*		JANUARY-APRIL 2023*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
<b>TOTAL EXPORTS</b>	<b>168 394.6</b>		<b>261 932.5</b>	
Of which:				
Motor cars (unit)	69 437.5	8 787	150 158.2	11 663
Motor vehicles for the transport of goods (unit)	3 381.2	557	8 677.5	1 039
Medicaments put up in measured doses	7 047.0	236.0	7 593.3	143.5
Other manufactured tobacco and tobacco substitutes; tobacco extracts and essences	6 126.5	389.2	6 968.5	465.1
Cartons and other packing containers, of paper, paperboard or cellulose	5 443.3	233.7	6 685.8	272.2
Other commodities	76 959.0		81 849.3	

\*Preliminary data.

#### IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM AZERBAIJAN



	JANUARY-APRIL 2022*		JANUARY-APRIL 2023*	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
<b>TOTAL IMPORTS</b>	<b>277 027.7</b>		<b>238 961.7</b>	
Of which:				
Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons	168 590.4	882 564.0	170 148.2	790 549.3
Cement	8 402.0	166 488.8	12 461.2	199 633.6
Other bars and rods of iron or non-alloy steel	13 640.9	16 957.8	8 280.1	12 880.2
Petroleum and petroleum oils	43 526.1	52 795.4	7 219.1	7 922.4
Motor cars (unit)	381.3	24	4 666.5	46
Other commodities	42 487.0		36 186.5	

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### EXTERNAL TRADE BALANCE

	NUMBER OF COUNTRIES	EXTERNAL TRADE BALANCE MIL. US DOLLARS
<b>NEGATIVE TRADE BALANCE</b>		
January-April 2022*	94	2 371.7
January-April 2023*	92	3 206.5
<b>POSITIVE TRADE BALANCE</b>		
January-April 2022*	42	220.0
January-April 2023*	43	637.7
<b>TOTAL</b>		
January-April 2022*	136	-2 151.6
January-April 2023*	135	-2 568.8

\*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;
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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 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  
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