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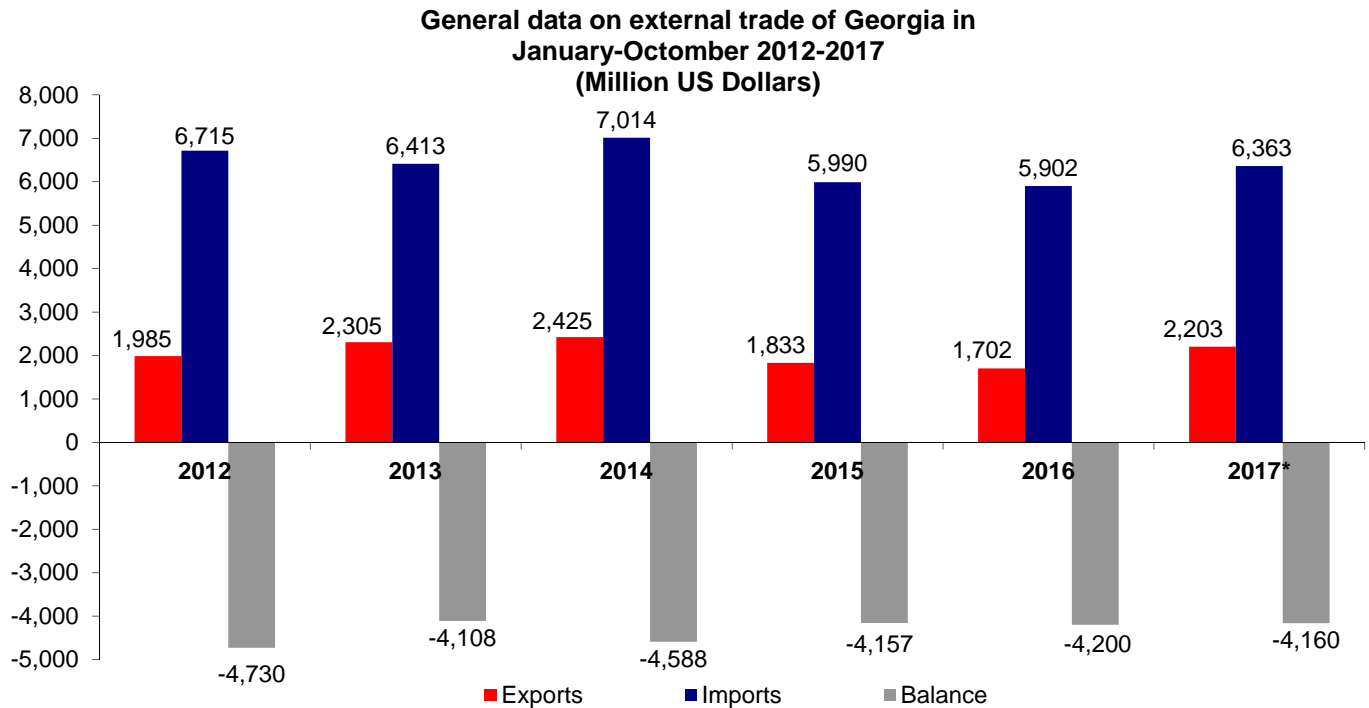
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External Trade of Georgia in January-October 2017 (Preliminary)

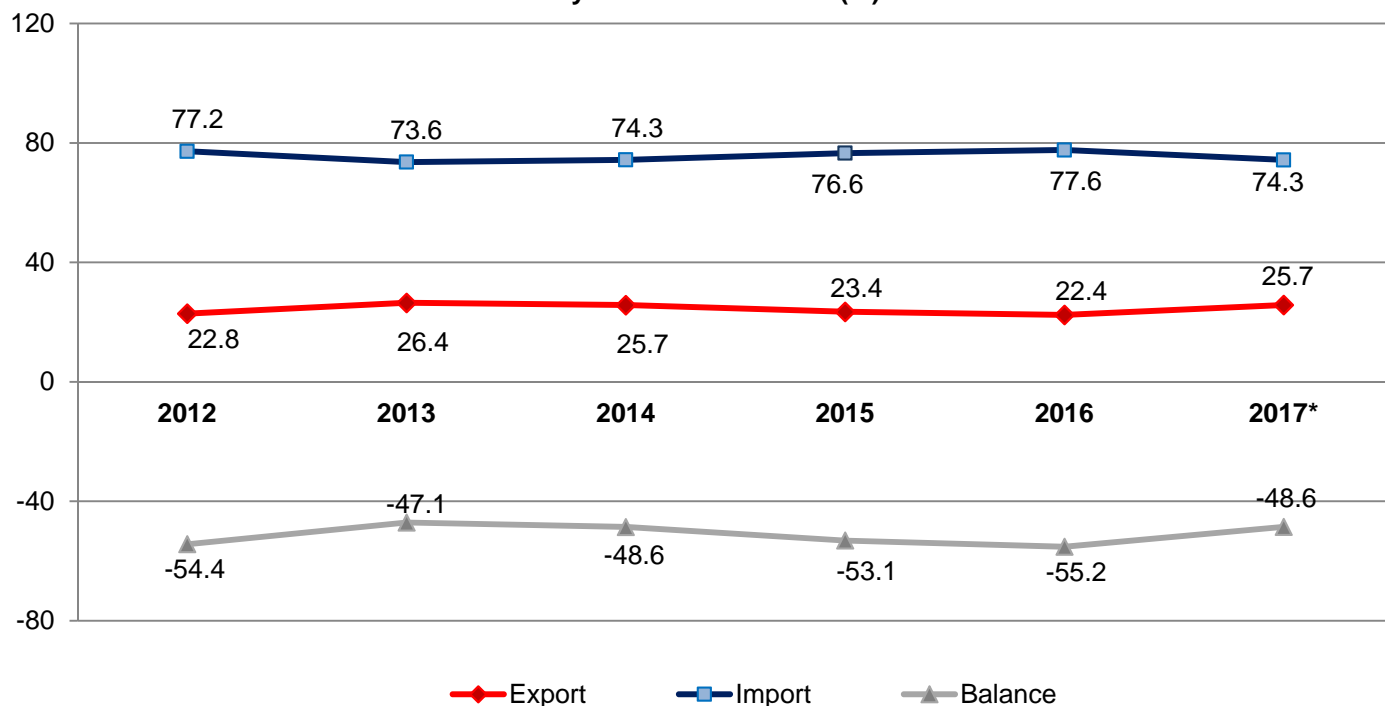
In January-October 2017 external merchandise trade (excluding non-declared trade) in Georgia amounted to USD 8566.1 million, 12.7 percent higher year-on-year. The exports equaled USD 2203.1 million (29.4 percent higher), while the imports stood at USD 6363.0 million (7.8 percent higher). The negative trade balance was USD 4160.0 million in January-October 2017 and its share in external trade turnover constituted 48.6 percent. Export excluding re-export amounted to USD 1700.6 million, 27.6 percent higher year-on-year.

The charts below reflect basic trends of the external trade of Georgia for 2012-2017:



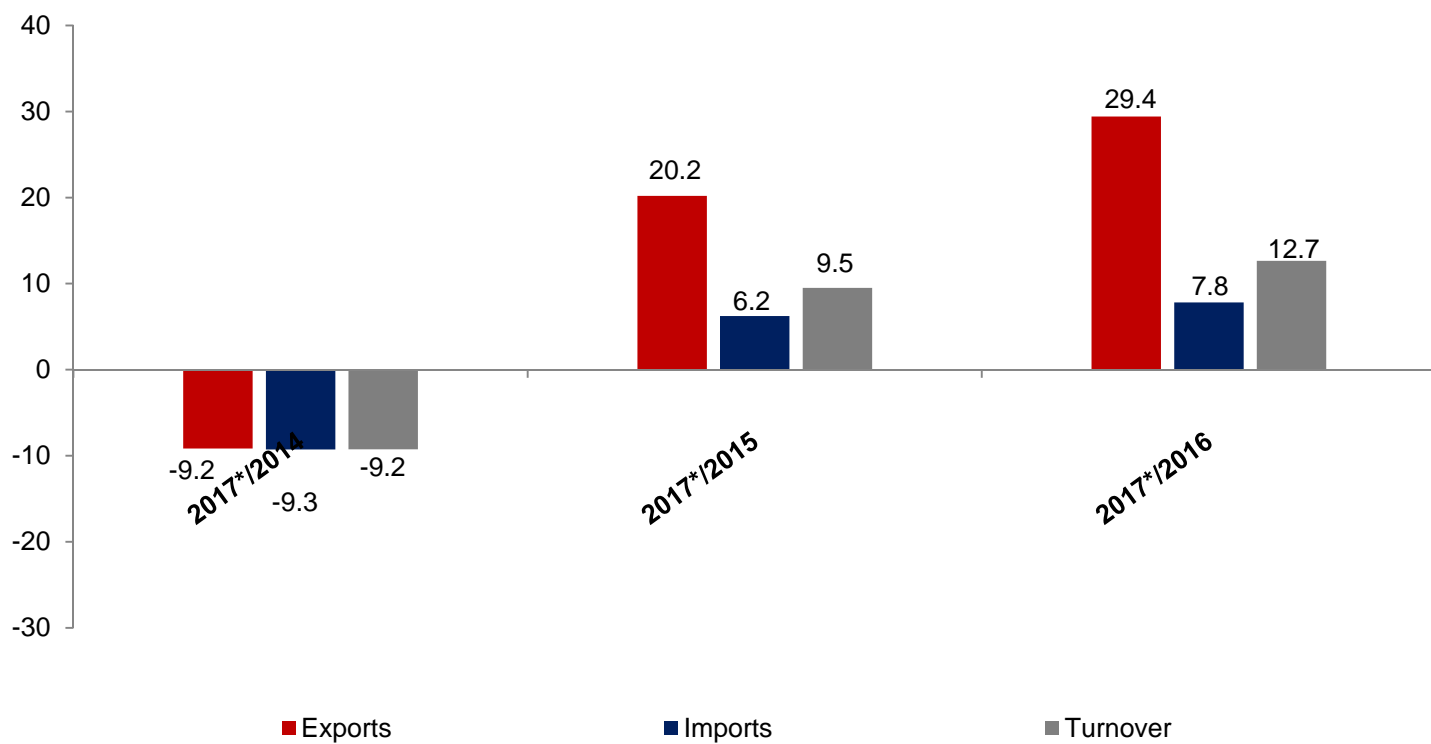
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**Share of external trade indicators in turnover
January-October 2012-2017 (%)**



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Percentage changes in January-October 2017 compared to the same period of the previous years (%)



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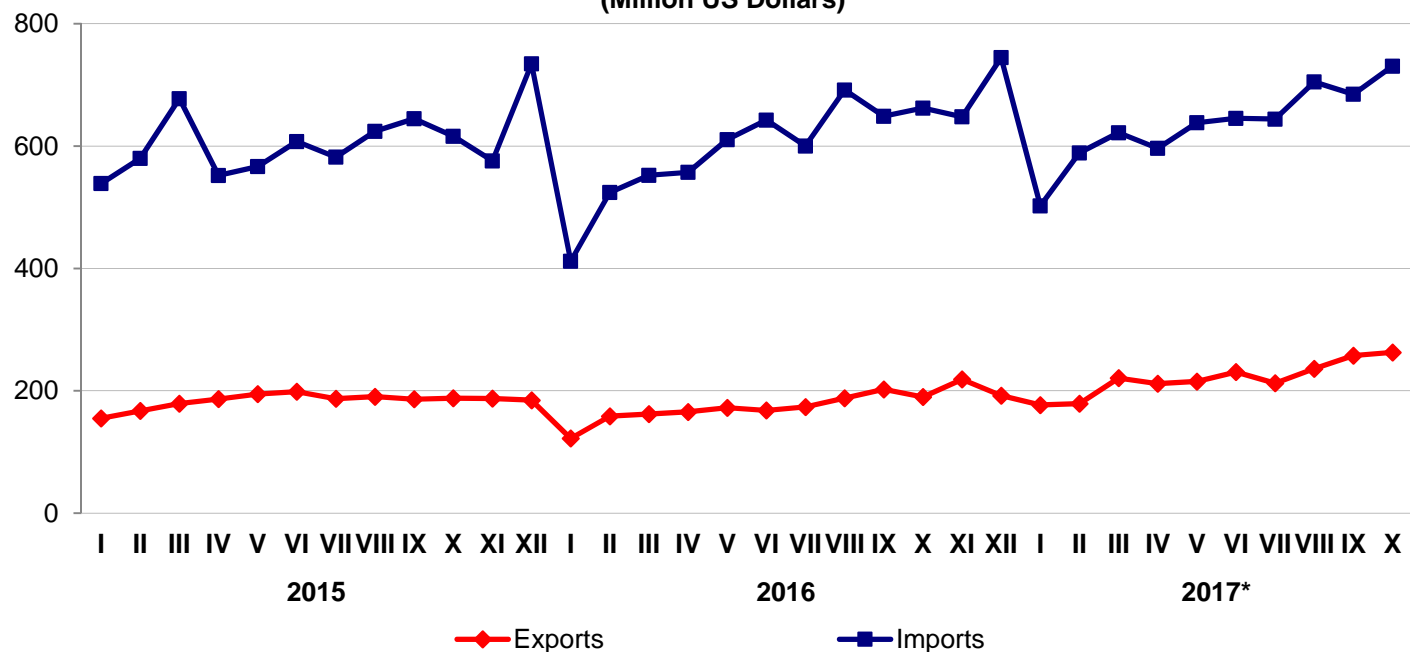
The table below shows monthly data for 2016-2017 exports and imports in absolute indicators and their change (in percentage) compared to the corresponding month of the previous year.

Exports and imports of Georgia

		Exports		Imports	
		Thsd. US Dollars	Changes m-o-m (%)	Thsd. US Dollars	Changes m-o-m (%)
2016	January	122 188.0	-21.2	411 902.7	-23.6
	February	158 392.0	-5.3	524 249.0	-9.6
	March	161 983.2	-9.5	552 359.4	-18.5
	April	165 488.7	-11.3	557 210.6	0.9
	May	172 267.9	-11.5	610 704.8	7.8
	June	167 996.4	-15.4	642 542.5	5.8
	July	173 586.4	-7.2	600 163.3	3.1
	August	187 931.1	-1.3	691 717.3	10.8
	September	202 368.7	8.6	648 854.4	0.6
	October	190 013.5	1.1	662 176.8	7.5
	November	218 736.2	16.8	647 979.2	12.5
	December	192 184.1	4.1	744 733.0	1.4
2017*	January	176 774.5	44.7	502 427.3	22.0
	February	178 910.1	13.0	588 959.9	12.3
	March	220 843.5	36.3	621 832.6	12.6
	April	211 605.9	27.9	596 404.2	7.0
	May	215 234.8	24.9	638 276.5	4.5
	June	230 813.3	37.4	645 419.4	0.4
	July	212 474.8	22.4	644 473.5	7.4
	August	236 122.3	25.6	705 876.3	2.0
	September	257 521.1	27.3	688 602.4	6.1
	October	262 771.5	38.3	730 756.2	10.4

*Preliminary data.

Exports and imports dynamics by months, 2015-2017
(Million US Dollars)



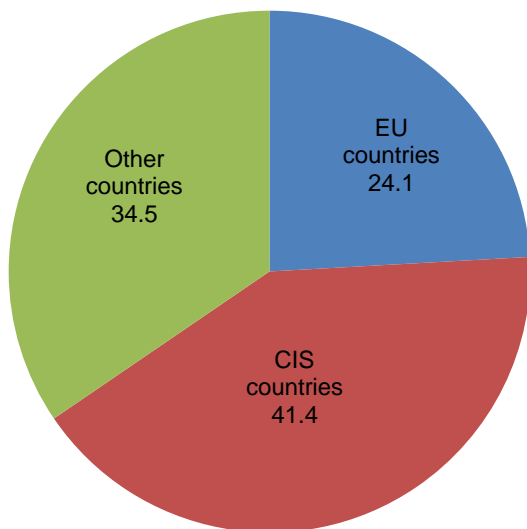
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In January-October 2017 the external trade turnover of Georgia with the EU countries amounted to USD 2324.2 million, grew by 4.2 percent compared to the corresponding indicator of the previous year. Exports amounted to USD 531.1 million (17.1 percent higher), while imports amounted to USD 1793.2 million (0.9 percent higher). The share of these countries in the external trade turnover of Georgia amounted to 27.1 percent, 24.1 percent in exports and 28.2 percent in imports (in January-October 2016 29.3, 26.7 and 30.1 percent correspondingly). 30.3 percent of the trade deficit came to the EU countries (31.5 percent in January-October 2016).

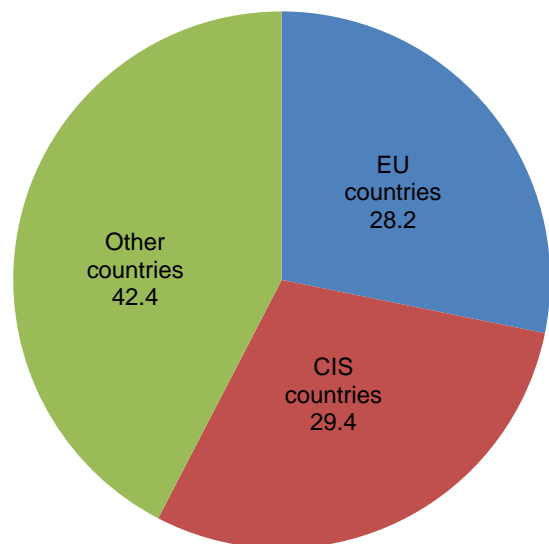
In January-October 2017 the external trade turnover of Georgia with the CIS countries totaled USD 2783.9 million (higher by 32.1 percent compared to January-October 2016). Exports stood at USD 911.5 million (59.6 percent higher), while imports equaled USD 1872.4 million (21.9 percent higher). The share of the CIS countries in the external trade turnover of Georgia constituted 32.5 percent, 41.4 percent in exports and 29.4 percent in imports (In January-October 2016 27.7, 33.5 and 26.0 percent, respectively). In January-October 2017 compared to the corresponding period of the previous year, CIS countries accounted for 23.1 percent of the overall trade deficit (23.0 percent in January-October 2016).

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

Georgian export by country January-October 2017* (%)



Georgian import by country January-October 2017* (%)



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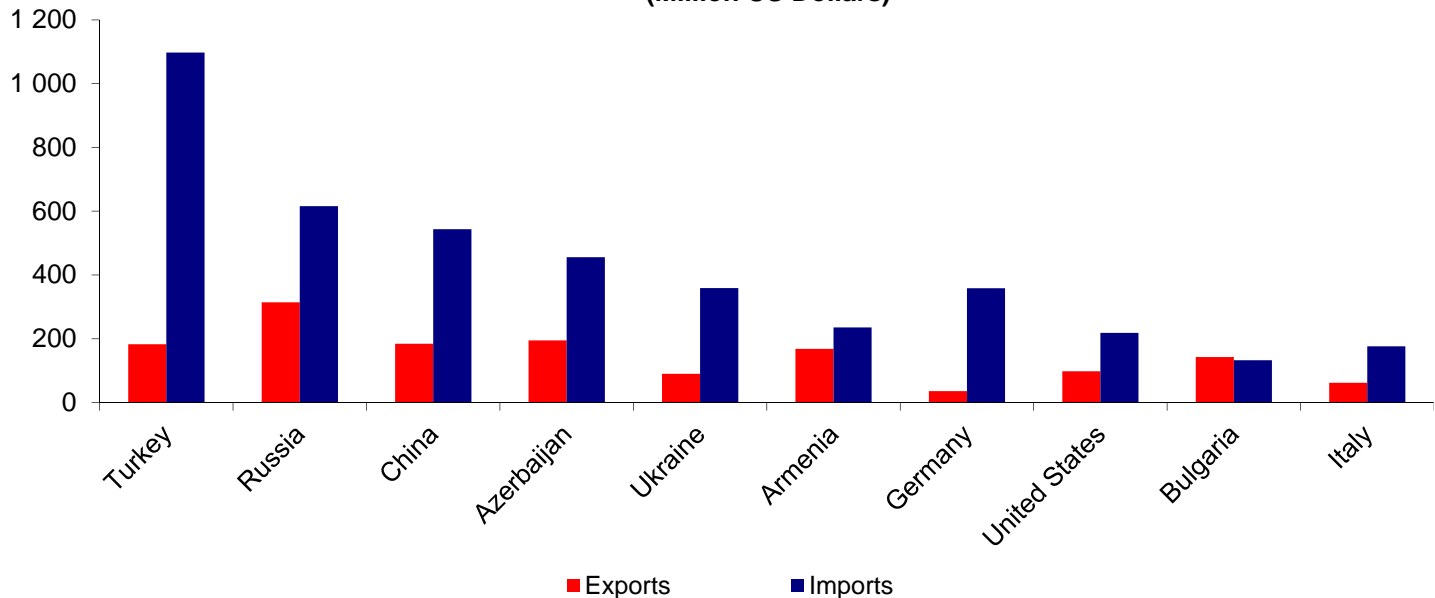
In January-October 2017 share of the top ten trading partners in the total external trade turnover of Georgia amounted to 66.1 percent. The top trading partners were Turkey (USD 1280.1 million), Russia (USD 929.6 million) and China (USD 728.0 million).

Top trading partners by turnover in January-October 2017*

	Exports		Imports		Turnover	
	Thsd. US Dollars	Share in total (%)	Thsd. US Dollars	Share in total (%)	Thsd. US Dollars	Share in total (%)
Total	2 203 071.7	100.0	6 363 028.3	100.0	8 566 100.0	100.0
Of which:						
Turkey	182 690.5	8.3	1 097 416.6	17.2	1 280 107.2	14.9
Russia	314 047.1	14.3	615 599.5	9.7	929 646.6	10.9
China	184 496.7	8.4	543 488.2	8.5	727 984.9	8.5
Azerbaijan	194 726.2	8.8	455 674.4	7.2	650 400.5	7.6
Ukraine	89 915.1	4.1	358 708.8	5.6	448 623.9	5.2
Armenia	168 536.8	7.7	235 684.0	3.7	404 220.8	4.7
Germany	35 673.6	1.6	358 478.9	5.6	394 152.5	4.6
United States	98 173.4	4.5	218 522.5	3.4	316 695.9	3.7
Bulgaria	142 913.9	6.5	132 920.9	2.1	275 834.8	3.2
Italy	61 807.5	2.8	176 146.1	2.8	237 953.6	2.8
Other countries	730 091.0	33.1	2 170 388.4	34.1	2 900 479.4	33.9

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**Top trading partners by turnover in January-October 2017*
(Million US Dollars)**



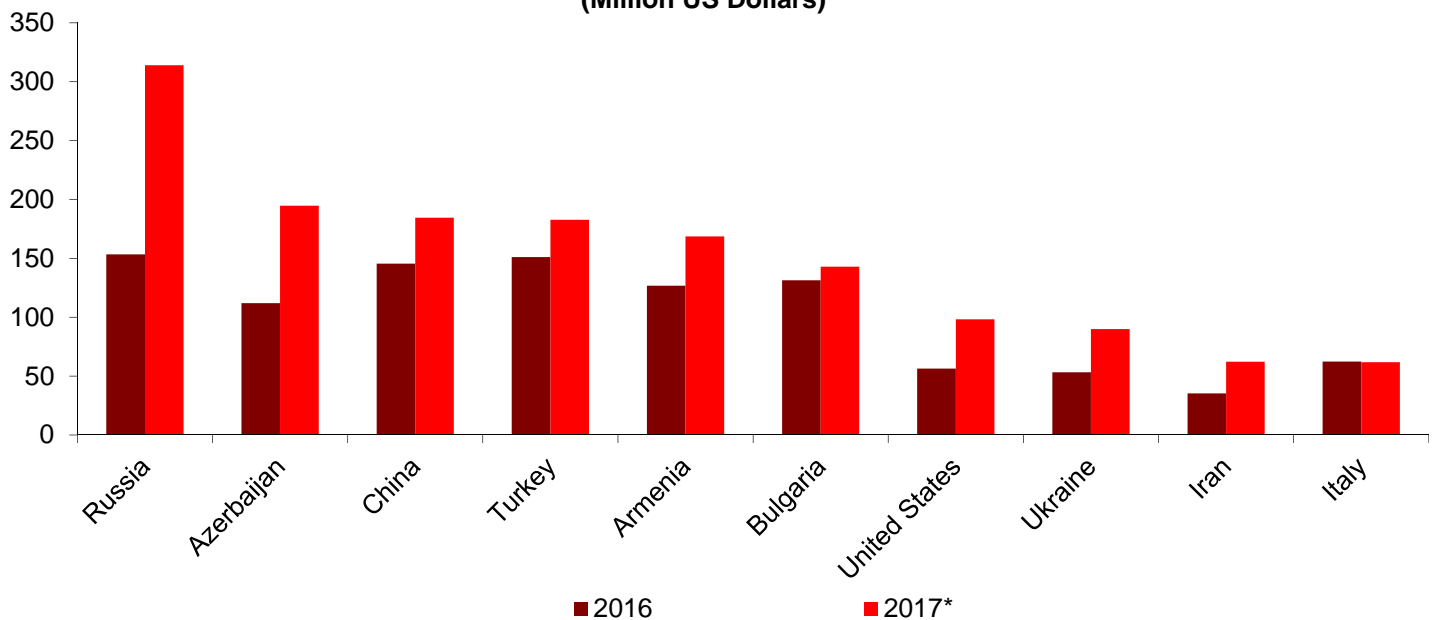
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Top trading partners by exports in January-October 2017

	January-October 2016		January-October 2017*	
	Thsd. US Dollars	Share in total (%)	Thsd. US Dollars	Share in total (%)
Total Exports	1 702 215.8	100.0	2 203 071.7	100.0
Of which:				
Russia	153 375.6	9.0	314 047.1	14.3
Azerbaijan	111 968.0	6.6	194 726.2	8.8
China	145 441.4	8.5	184 496.7	8.4
Turkey	151 074.5	8.9	182 690.5	8.3
Armenia	126 705.3	7.4	168 536.8	7.7
Bulgaria	131 338.2	7.7	142 913.9	6.5
United States	56 271.1	3.3	98 173.4	4.5
Ukraine	53 167.9	3.1	89 915.1	4.1
Iran	35 297.6	2.1	62 129.8	2.8
Italy	62 355.4	3.7	61 807.5	2.8
Other countries	675 220.9	39.7	703 634.8	31.9

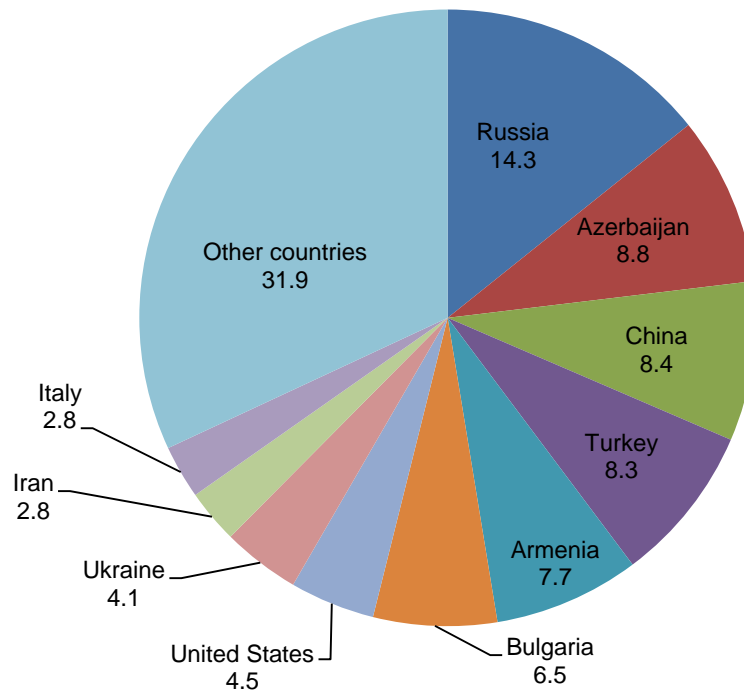
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Top trading partners by exports in January-October 2016-2017 (Million US Dollars)



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**Share of the top trading partners in total exports in January-October 2017*
(%)**



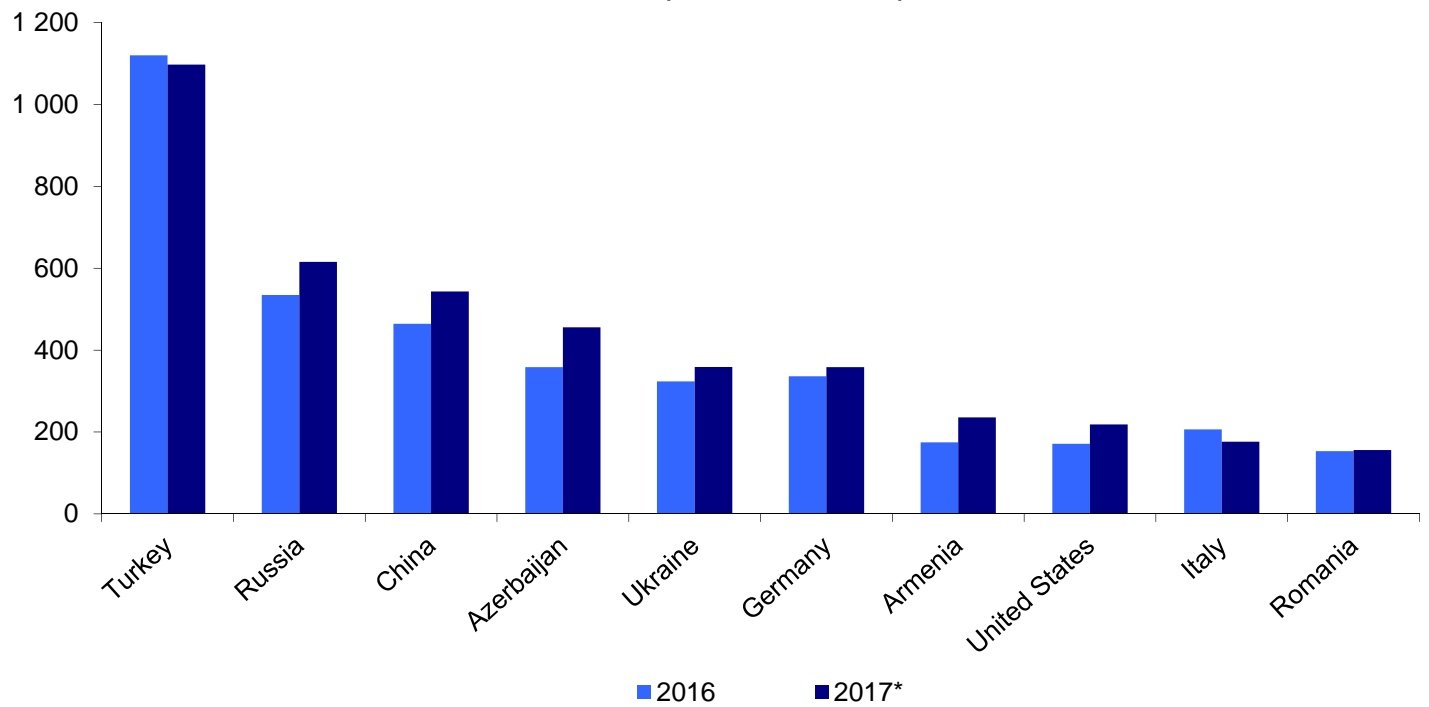
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Top trading partners by imports in January-October 2017

	January-October 2016		January-October 2017*	
	Thsd. US Dollars	Share in total (%)	Thsd. US Dollars	Share in total (%)
Total Imports	5 239 686.5	100.0	5 627 244.3	100.0
Of which:				
Turkey	1 120 400.1	19.0	1 097 416.6	17.2
Russia	534 800.8	9.1	615 599.5	9.7
China	464 304.4	7.9	543 488.2	8.5
Azerbaijan	358 274.4	6.1	455 674.4	7.2
Ukraine	323 770.6	5.5	358 708.8	5.6
Germany	336 076.4	5.7	358 478.9	5.6
Armenia	174 777.0	3.0	235 684.0	3.7
United States	171 015.2	2.9	218 522.5	3.4
Italy	206 525.9	3.5	176 146.1	2.8
Romania	153 067.1	2.6	155 985.4	2.5
Other countries	2 058 869.0	34.9	2 147 323.9	33.7

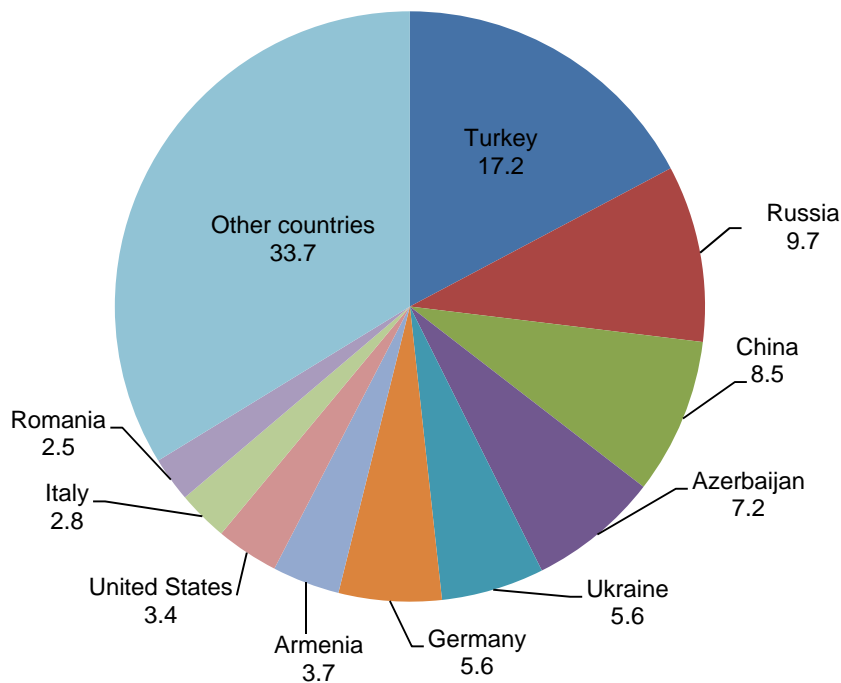
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**Top trading partners by imports in January-October 2016-2017
(Million US Dollars)**



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Share of the top trading partners in total imports in January-October 2017* (%)



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Major commodity groups by exports and imports

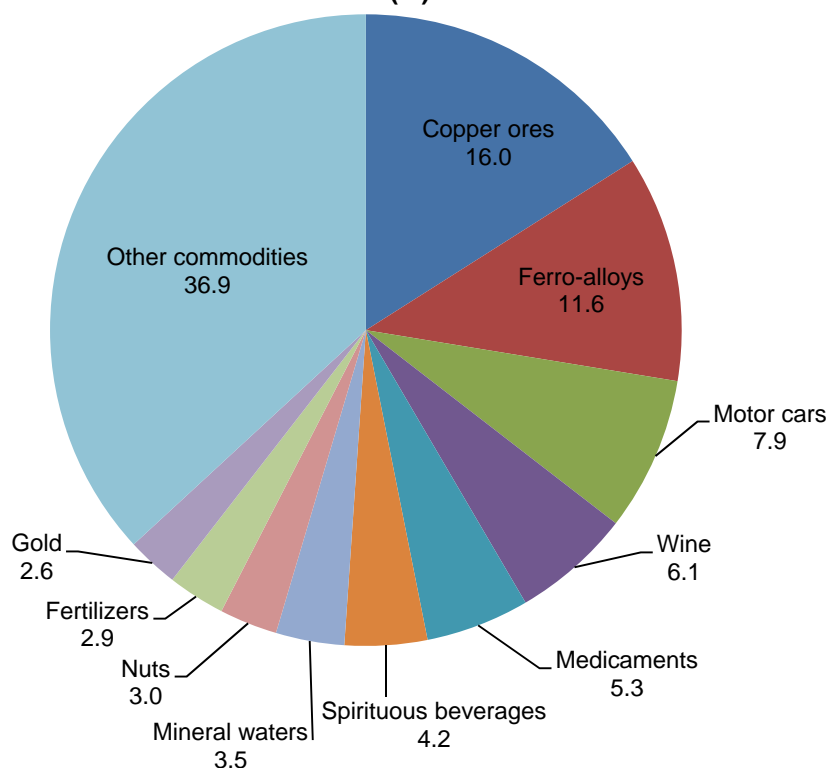
In January-October 2017 Copper ores and concentrates reclaimed the first place in the list of top export items, equaling USD 352.5 million, or 16.0 percent of total exports. Exports Ferro-alloys of totaled USD 255.1 million and its share in the total exports amounted to 11.6 percent. Motor cars occupied the third place. Exports of this commodity group stood at USD 173.9 million and 7.9 percent of the total exports.

Major commodity groups by exports

	January-October 2016		January-October 2017*	
	Thsd. US Dollars	Share in total (%)	Thsd. US Dollars	Share in total (%)
Total Exports	1 702 215.8	100.0	2 203 071.7	100.0
Of which:				
Copper ores and concentrates	265 022.2	15.6	352 529.0	16.0
Ferro-alloys	131 613.2	7.7	255 082.8	11.6
Motor cars	137 904.7	8.1	173 875.9	7.9
Wine of fresh grapes	87 199.3	5.1	134 070.8	6.1
Medicaments put up in measured doses	85 466.5	5.0	116 934.1	5.3
Undenatured ethyl alcohol, spirits, liqueurs and other spirituous beverages	70 200.2	4.1	93 093.6	4.2
Waters, natural or artificial mineral and aerated waters, not containing added sugar	64 902.9	3.8	77 167.9	3.5
Hazelnuts and other nuts	146 807.7	8.6	65 306.3	3.0
Mineral or chemical fertilizers, nitrogenous	55 796.7	3.3	64 677.0	2.9
Gold unwrought or in semi-manufactured forms, or in powder form	69 230.8	4.1	58 207.7	2.6
Other commodities	588 071.5	34.5	812 126.7	36.9

*Preliminary data.

Share of major commodity groups by exports in January-October 2017*
(%)



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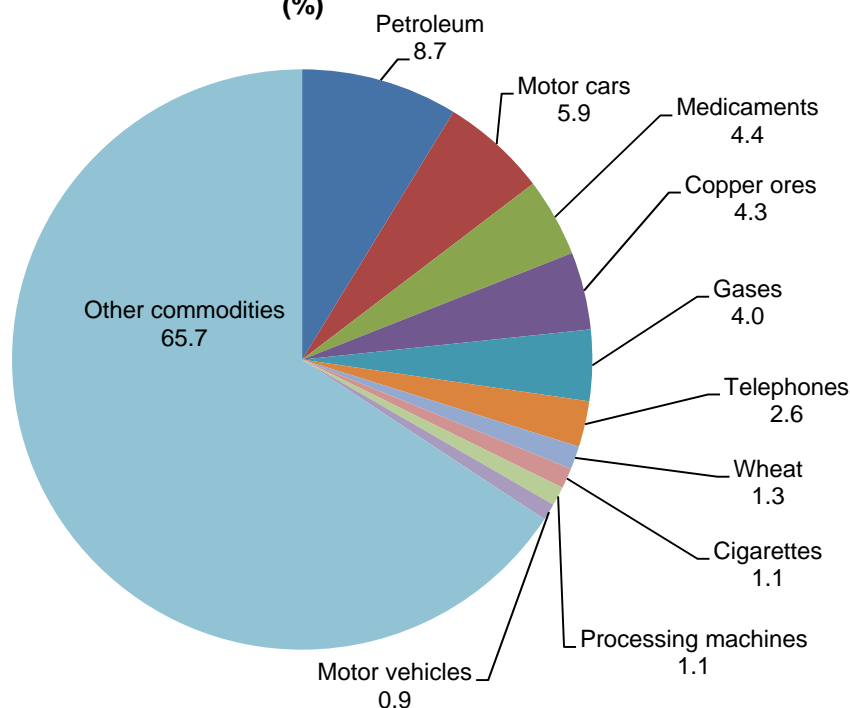
The top import commodity In January-October 2017 were, Petroleum and petroleum oils imports of which amounted to USD 555.6 million and 8.7 percent of the total imports. Motor cars commodity group followed in the list with USD 376.3 million, or 5.9 percent of imports. Medicaments came third with USD 278.5 million (4.4 percent of imports).

Major commodity groups by imports

	January-October 2016		January-October 2017*	
	Thsd. US Dollars	Share in total (%)	Thsd. US Dollars	Share in total (%)
Total Imports	5 901 880.9	100.0	6 363 028.3	100.0
Of which:				
Petroleum and petroleum oils	476 820.2	8.1	555 550.1	8.7
Motor cars	379 761.5	6.4	376 251.9	5.9
Medicaments put up in measured doses	267 209.9	4.5	278 531.5	4.4
Copper ores and concentrates	205 975.0	3.5	274 869.6	4.3
Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons	209 019.6	3.5	251 871.0	4.0
Telephone sets, including telephones for cellular networks or for other wireless networks	129 941.6	2.2	162 645.4	2.6
Wheat and meslin	69 109.3	1.2	82 552.2	1.3
Cigars, cheroots, cigarillos and cigarettes	80 694.7	1.4	71 889.9	1.1
Automatic data processing machines and units thereof	51 832.6	0.9	67 310.1	1.1
Sugar and chemically pure sucrose	54 005.4	0.9	59 918.5	0.9
Other commodities	3 977 511.0	67.4	4 181 638.1	65.7

*Preliminary data.

Share of major commodity groups by imports in January-October 2017* (%)



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Top trading partners by turnover

TURKEY

Exports of major commodity groups to Turkey

	January-October 2016		January-October 2017*	
	Thsd. US Dollars	Tons	Thsd. US Dollars	Tons
Total Exports	151 074.5		182 690.5	
Of which:				
T-shirts knitted	32 226.7	1 215.7	37 137.2	1 326.5
Semi-finished products of iron or non-alloy steel	9 468.1	30 748.4	24 314.3	60 391.9
Ferro-alloys	6 972.0	9 924.0	20 274.7	18 265.3
Electrical energy	13 106.3	...	11 939.6	...
Other bars and rods of iron or non-alloy steel	11 466.1	28 084.8	10 433.5	20 742.7
Other commodities	77 835.3		78 591.3	

*Preliminary data.

Imports of major commodity groups from Turkey

	January-October 2016		January-October 2017*	
	Thsd. US Dollars	Tons	Thsd. US Dollars	Tons
Total Imports	1 120 400.1		1 097 416.6	
Of which:				
Medicaments	41 353.1	612.1	54 274.4	633.7
Other tubes, pipes and hollow profiles, of iron or steel	35 967.2	55 574.0	37 915.4	55 050.0
Structures and parts of structures of iron or steel	48 907.4	24 864.7	31 598.9	16 308.0
Sanitary commodities	29 649.4	8 514.7	26 598.1	8 077.0
Other made up articles, including dress patterns	19 253.3	865.5	25 013.9	1 156.9
Other commodities	945 269.7		922 016.1	

*Preliminary data.

Exports of major commodity groups to Russia

	January-October 2016		January-October 2017*	
	Thsd. US Dollars	Tons	Thsd. US Dollars	Tons
Total Exports	153 375.6		314 047.1	
Of which:				
Ferro-alloys	25 739.0	36 467.3	106 904.5	281 311.7
Wine of fresh grapes	42 057.0	15 133.5	79 173.9	28 923.0
Waters, natural or artificial mineral and aerated waters	28 520.2	41 989.1	36 764.9	54 938.6
Undenatured ethyl alcohol, spirits, liqueurs and other spirituous beverages	9 460.6	1 877.9	17 453.3	5 474.4
Motor cars (units)	5 121.0	1 351	12 052.2	2 499
Other commodities	42 477.7		61 698.3	

*Preliminary data.

Imports of major commodity groups from Russia

	January-October 2016		January-October 2017*	
	Thsd. US Dollars	Tons	Thsd. US Dollars	Tons
Total imports	534 800.8		615 599.5	
Of which:				
Petroleum and petroleum oils	77 219.4	174 302.4	96 293.6	173 820.8
Wheat	69 066.2	365 600.4	82 450.1	433 117.2
Telephones for cellular networks or for other wireless networks	11 792.9	8.8	28 387.9	67.8
Petroleum gases and other gaseous	14 460.9	39 322.6	25 401.1	82 367.3
Sunflower oil	23 687.8	24 132.2	23 737.7	26 537.0
Other commodities	338 573.6		359 329.0	

*Preliminary data.

Exports of major commodity groups to China

	January-October 2016		January-October 2017*	
	Thsd. US Dollars	Tons	Thsd. US Dollars	Tons
Total Exports	145 441.4		184 496.7	
Of which:				
Copper ores and concentrates	127 541.1	102 379.4	155 432.9	120 998.2
Wine of fresh grapes	11 410.3	3 085.6	15 636.2	4 249.3
Motor cars (units)	1 961.9	25	5 917.9	123
Copper waste and scrap	3 550.2	1 037.1	2 426.4	647.0
Undenatured ethyl alcohol, spirits, liqueurs and other spirituous beverages	457.8	39.2	1 407.2	190.7
Other commodities	520.1		3 676.3	

*Preliminary data.

Imports of major commodity groups from China

	January-October 2016		January-October 2017*	
	Thsd. US Dollars	Tons	Thsd. US Dollars	Tons
Total Imports	464 304.4		543 488.2	
Of which:				
Flat-rolled products of iron or non-alloy steel	19 447.1	29 710.3	32 515.0	46 498.0
Automatic data processing machines	16 824.8	198.0	19 669.2	217.0
New pneumatic tyres, of rubber	12 664.4	5 458.0	18 104.7	7 542.2
Other footwear with outer soles and uppers of rubber or plastics	11 513.3	1 455.3	16 004.2	2 076.6
Air conditioning machines	14 721.3	2 824.3	13 334.5	2 466.8
Other commodities	389 133.5		443 860.5	

*Preliminary data.

External trade balance

	Number of countries	External trade balance Mil. US Dollars
Negative trade balance		
January-October 2016	93	4 410.1
January-October 2017*	93	4 348.2
Positive trade balance		
January-October 2016	39	210.4
January-October 2017*	46	188.2
Total		
January-October 2016	132	4 199.7
January-October 2017*	139	4 160.0

*Preliminary data.

Georgian external trade by countries In January-October 2017*

(Thsd. US Dollars)

	Exports (FOB)	Imports (CIF)	Balance
External trade – Total	2 203 071.7	6 363 028.3	-4 159 956.6
Of which:			
EU countries	531 057.0	1 793 171.4	-1 262 114.3
Austria	4 666.6	52 049.0	-47 382.5
Belgium	14 164.9	61 044.6	-46 879.7
Bulgaria	142 913.9	132 920.9	9 993.0
Croatia	5.0	3 685.9	-3 680.9
Cyprus	2 995.4	11 054.6	-8 059.2
Czech Republic	7 932.3	59 672.3	-51 740.0
Denmark	580.4	13 513.3	-12 932.9
Estonia	4 160.5	5 769.0	-1 608.5
Finland	115.6	14 833.6	-14 718.0
France	20 886.1	107 785.2	-86 899.1
Germany	35 673.6	358 478.9	-322 805.3
Greece	3 451.8	69 376.8	-65 925.0
Hungary	884.9	39 046.9	-38 162.0
Ireland	408.5	28 184.1	-27 775.6
Italy	61 807.5	176 146.1	-114 338.5
Latvia	7 527.1	16 193.8	-8 666.7
Lithuania	29 796.5	38 498.2	-8 701.7
Luxembourg	2 169.5	2 032.6	136.9
Malta	18 118.9	1 958.4	16 160.5
Netherlands	32 486.6	126 879.9	-94 393.3
Poland	15 950.7	102 307.8	-86 357.1
Portugal	85.5	9 782.9	-9 697.3
Romania	57 369.3	155 985.4	-98 616.1
Slovakia	2 404.9	10 786.4	-8 381.5
Slovenia	888.8	18 750.0	-17 861.2
Spain	51 892.0	84 391.0	-32 499.0
Sweden	246.8	10 436.6	-10 189.7
United Kingdom	11 473.4	81 607.1	-70 133.7
CIS countries	911 450.5	1 872 416.9	-960 966.4

	Exports (FOB)	Imports (CIF)	Balance
Armenia	168 536.8	235 684.0	-67 147.3
Azerbaijan	194 726.2	455 674.4	-260 948.2
Belarus	21 118.0	57 927.1	-36 809.1
Kazakhstan	39 362.5	28 067.3	11 295.3
Kyrgyzstan	7 619.1	1 406.9	6 212.1
Moldova	2 367.7	9 189.7	-6 822.0
Russia	314 047.1	615 599.5	-301 552.4
Tajikistan	2 677.3	-	2 677.3
Turkmenistan	15 570.3	105 038.3	-89 467.9
Ukraine	89 915.1	358 708.8	-268 793.8
Uzbekistan	55 510.5	5 121.0	50 389.5
Other countries	760 564.1	2 697 440.0	-1 936 875.9
Afghanistan	139.2	1.2	138.0
Albania	45.0	79.0	-34.0
Algeria	-	5.4	-5.4
Angola	5 433.7	-	5 433.7
Argentina	-	2 884.8	-2 884.8
Australia	589.0	1 234.6	-645.7
Bahamas	-	2 822.3	-2 822.3
Bahrain	146.6	0.7	145.8
Bangladesh	-	1 314.6	-1 314.6
Belize	-	51.2	-51.2
Bhutan	19.8	-	19.8
Bosnia and Herzegovina	3.6	326.5	-322.9
Botswana	-	0.6	-0.6
Brazil	-	76 602.0	-76 602.0
Cambodia	-	3.5	-3.5
Canada	1 248.8	27 567.5	-26 318.7
Chile	477.6	33 522.8	-33 045.2
China	184 496.7	543 488.2	-358 991.4
Colombia	682.0	10 167.1	-9 485.1
Congo	-	1.0	-1.0
Costa Rica	16.8	200.5	-183.7
Cote d'Ivoire	1.2	-	1.2
Cuba	2.7	112.4	-109.8
Djibouti	-	27.0	-27.0
Dominican Republic	-	14.5	-14.5
Ecuador	-	14 747.6	-14 747.6
Egypt	5 832.0	5 138.3	693.7
Ethiopia	227.5	205.0	22.6
French Polynesia	-	2.7	-2.7
Gabon	-	2 446.0	-2 446.0
Gambia	-	25.2	-25.2
Ghana	452.3	-	452.3
Gibraltar	6 343.7	-	6 343.7
Guatemala	92.7	-	92.7
Haiti	-	23.8	-23.8
Hong Kong, SAR of China	3 850.6	85 629.4	-81 778.8
Iceland	42.7	4 765.3	-4 722.6
India	8 249.9	41 514.5	-33 264.6

	Exports (FOB)	Imports (CIF)	Balance
Indonesia	0.3	9 054.9	-9 054.6
Iran	62 129.8	86 267.3	-24 137.5
Iraq	30 589.5	2 510.5	28 079.0
Israel	5 823.5	9 342.1	-3 518.6
Jamaica	-	0.6	-0.6
Japan	5 665.8	111 963.2	-106 297.4
Jordan	63.3	333.1	-269.8
Kenya	1 557.0	676.6	880.4
Korea, Republic of	12 971.3	61 434.1	-48 462.8
Kuwait	1 263.1	29.9	1 233.2
Lebanon	381.5	1 031.1	-649.6
Libya	714.3	312.9	401.4
Liechtenstein	60.1	338.1	-278.0
Macau	4.3	-	4.3
Macedonia (FYR)	145.7	423.7	-278.0
Malawi	2 954.7	68.1	2 886.6
Malaysia	66.3	8 725.5	-8 659.2
Marshall Islands	-	20.5	-20.5
Martinique	57.7	-	57.7
Mauritania	-	59.0	-59.0
Mexico	11 696.7	2 334.5	9 362.1
Mongolia	605.8	-	605.8
Montenegro	125.4	11.0	114.4
Morocco	2 770.9	2 150.8	620.1
Nepal	0.2	13.9	-13.7
New Zealand	-	1 313.4	-1 313.4
Niger	92.5	0.1	92.4
Nigeria	16.7	16.7	0.0
Norway	782.2	9 907.7	-9 125.5
Oman	9.5	206.5	-197.0
Pakistan	78.0	1 932.6	-1 854.6
Panama	1 780.7	90.2	1 690.5
Paraguay	0.1	-	0.1
Peru	3 869.1	45.2	3 823.8
Philippines	172.0	387.7	-215.7
Qatar	1 092.6	610.5	482.1
San Marino	-	139.7	-139.7
Saudi Arabia	3 761.9	2 765.0	996.9
Senegal	181.1	-	181.1
Serbia	220.5	6 159.3	-5 938.8
Sierra Leone	11.5	-	11.5
Singapore	10 812.2	12 360.9	-1 548.7
South Africa	43.1	13 974.5	-13 931.4
Sri Lanka	0.5	1 056.1	-1 055.6
State of Palestine	76.6	-	76.6
Sudan	1 790.4	12.5	1 777.9
Switzerland	58 500.3	36 518.4	21 982.0
Syrian	84.9	155.8	-70.9
Taiwan, Province of China	679.2	5 953.5	-5 274.4

	Exports (FOB)	Imports (CIF)	Balance
Tanzania,	779.9	-	779.9
Thailand	253.4	16 365.8	-16 112.5
Tunisia	2 119.1	320.2	1 798.9
Turkey	182 690.5	1 097 416.6	-914 726.1
Uganda	80.9	15.3	65.6
United Arab Emirates	32 492.4	111 985.2	-79 492.7
United States	98 173.4	218 522.5	-120 349.2
Uruguay	45.7	1 162.3	-1 116.6
Venezuela	0.7	-	0.7
Viet Nam	1 800.5	5 794.1	-3 993.6
Virgin Islands, British	-	225.2	-225.2
Zambia	1.2	-	1.2
Zimbabwe	29.8	-	29.8

*Preliminary data.

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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. Data for 2011-2014 are updated by the data of Special Customs Declarations;
 3. Information does not cover the data of Simplified Customs Declarations (Form №4);
 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.

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