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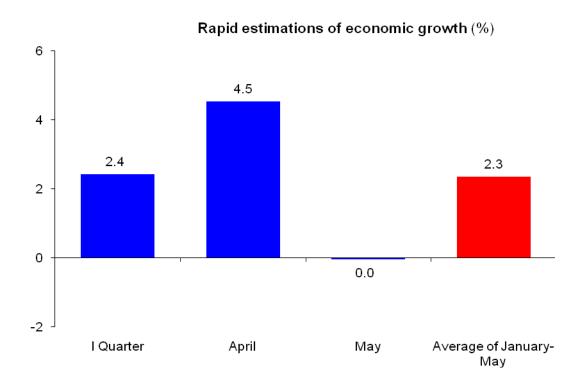
## **Rapid Estimates of Economic Growth May 2013**

The estimated real Gross Domestic Product (GDP) growth rate amounted to 0.0 percent y-o-y in May 2013. The real GDP growth equaled 2.2 percent in April-May 2013.

The real GDP growth 2013 equaled 2.3 percent in January-May.

The Geostat produces monthly rapid estimations of real GDP growth using administrative data on VAT taxpayers' turnover, fiscal and monetary statistics. The compilation of rapid estimates is an internationally adopted practice to obtain preliminary monthly growth of real GDP. For those sectors, where preliminary monthly data do not exist (e.g. agriculture, non-observed economy etc.), the estimations are based on the data for previous periods. Therefore, the actual quarterly real GDP growth may significantly differ from monthly rapid estimates.

Furthermore, the data on VAT taxpayers' turnover for the previous months might be updated on a monthly basis, implying corresponding adjustments of real GDP growth estimates.



# **Monthly Economic Statistics**

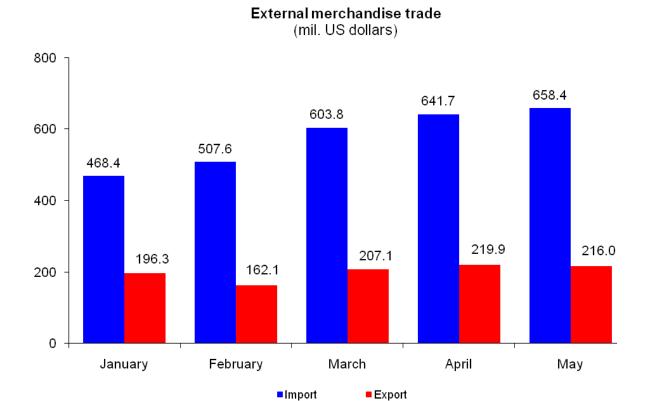
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### Indicators of price statistics

Indicator	Y-o-Y	M-o-M
Consumer Price Index (CPI)	99.9	100.7
Producer Price Index (PPI) on the industrial goods	99.5	100.0

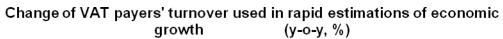
#### Indicators of external merchandise trade statistics in January-May, 2013

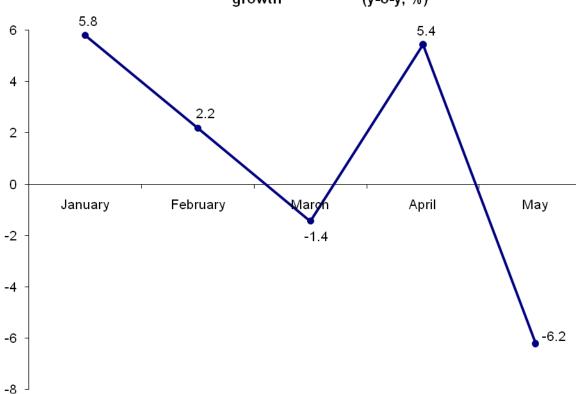
Indicator	Mil. US dollars	Change (y-o-y, %)
Exports of goods (FOB)	1001.4	4.4
Imports of goods (CIF)	2879.9	-7.0
External merchandise trade turnover	3881.3	-4.3



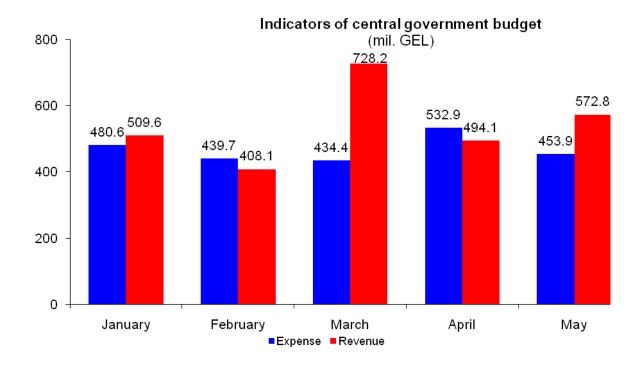
#### Indicators of business statistics

	May
Number of currently registered enterprises (unit)	3720
Change of currently registered enterprises number (y-o-y,%)	-17,0
Value Added Tax (VAT) payers' turnover used in rapid estimations of economic growth (mil. GEL)	3550.8
Change of VAT payers' turnover used in rapid estimations of economic growth (y-o-y, %)	-6.2

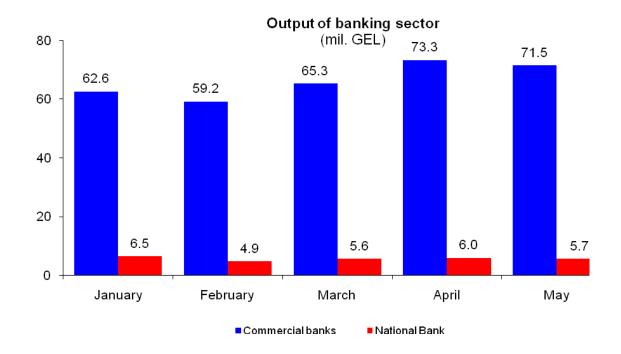




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Note: Preliminary data subject to revisions.

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