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EXTERNAL MERCHANDISE TRADE IN GEORGIA

2020 JANUARY (PRELIMINARY RESULTS)

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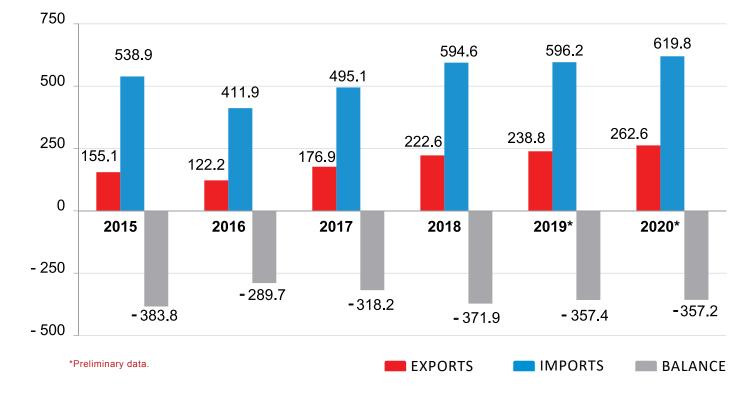


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EXTERNAL MERCHANDISE TRADE OF GEORGIA IN JANUARY 2020 (PRELIMINARY)

In January 2020 the external merchandise trade (excluding non-declared trade) of Georgia amounted to USD 882.5 million, 5.7 percent higher to the same month of 2019. The exports equaled USD 262.6 million (10.0 percent higher), while the imports stood at USD 619.8 million (4.0 percent higher). The negative trade balance was USD 357.2 million in January 2020 and its share in external trade turnover constituted 40.5 percent.

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

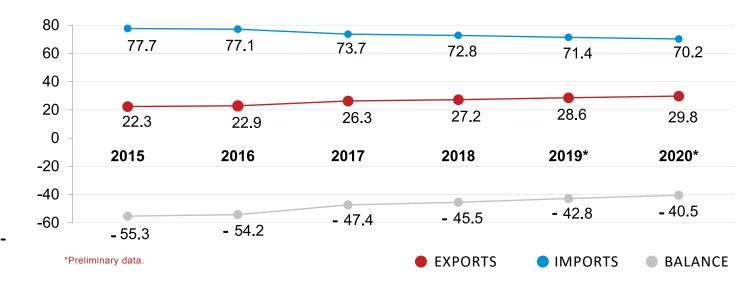


GENERAL DATA ON EXTERNAL TRADE OF GEORGIA IN JANUARY 2015-2020 (MILLION US DOLLARS)



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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.





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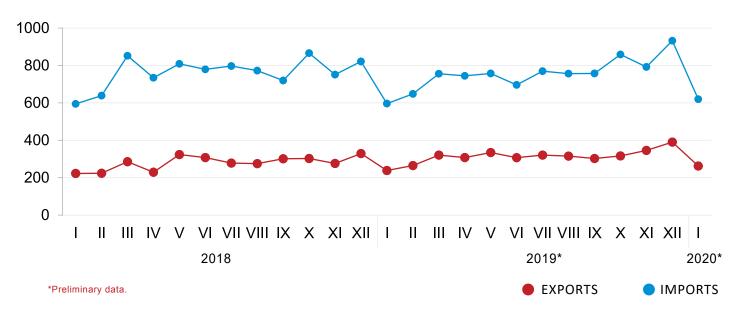
EXPORTS AND IMPORTS OF GEORGIA

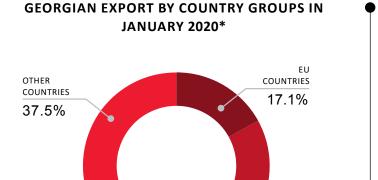
| | | EXPC | DRTS | IMPORTS | | |
|-------|-----------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| | | | | | | |
| | | THSD. US DOLLARS | CHANGES m-o-m (%) | THSD. US DOLLARS | CHANGES m-o-m (%) | |
| | January | 222 649.9 | 25.9 | 594 574.0 | 20.1 | |
| | February | 223 657.0 | 24.3 | 638 951.0 | 8.4 | |
| | March | 285 811.5 | 29.2 | 851 801.8 | 37.9 | |
| | April | 229 176.7 | 8.3 | 734 348.5 | 23.6 | |
| | Мау | 323 793.9 | 50.4 | 809 023.6 | 26.9 | |
| 2018 | June | 307 811.0 | 30.6 | 779 221.5 | 21.0 | |
| 2010 | July | 278 175.9 | 30.8 | 797 002.0 | 24.1 | |
| | August | 275 376.0 | 16.5 | 772 797.5 | 9.8 | |
| | September | 301 179.5 | 16.9 | 719 718.8 | 4.6 | |
| | October | 302 920.2 | 15.0 | 866 185.7 | 18.5 | |
| | November | 276 196.5 | 16.6 | 751 094.2 | -1.3 | |
| | December | 328 964.1 | 14.1 | 821 760.9 | -2.0 | |
| | January | 238 766.2 | 7.2 | 596 197.0 | 0.3 | |
| | February | 264 972.7 | 18.5 | 648 194.5 | 1.4 | |
| | March | 320 940.2 | 12.3 | 755 870.0 | -11.3 | |
| | April | 307 401.7 | 34.1 | 744 758.1 | 1.4 | |
| | Мау | 334 480.8 | 3.3 | 757 260.6 | -6.4 | |
| 2019* | June | 307 249.4 | -0.2 | 696 327.2 | -10.6 | |
| | July | 320 771.5 | 15.3 | 769 797.7 | -3.4 | |
| | August | 315 707.4 | 14.6 | 756 480.7 | -2.1 | |
| | September | 302 616.2 | 0.5 | 757 390.9 | 5.2 | |
| | October | 316 257.5 | 4.4 | 858 874.5 | -0.8 | |
| | November | 345 928.7 | 25.2 | 792 013.8 | 5.4 | |
| | December | 390 353.1 | 18.7 | 932 361.5 | 13.5 | |
| 2020* | January | 262 649.4 | 10.0 | 619 832.9 | 4.0 | |



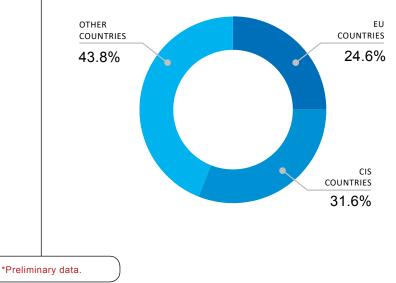
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GEORGIAN IMPORT BY COUNTRY GROUPS IN JANUARY 2020*



Note: As of 1 February 2020, the United Kingdom is no longer part of the European Union. In this regard, since February 2020, the UK will not be included in the EU. In statistical publications it will be presented in the group of "other countries".

CIS COUNTRIES

45.3%



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In January 2020 the share of the top ten trading partners by exports in the total exports of Georgia amounted to 82.8 percent. The top partners were China (USD 44.4 million), Azerbaijan (USD 44.0 million) and Russia (USD 33.4 million).

TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY EXPORTS IN JANUARY 2020

| | JANUARY 2019* | | JANUARY 2020* | | CHANGE (%) |
|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| | THSD. US DOLLARS | SHARE IN TOTAL (%) | THSD. US DOLLARS | SHARE IN TOTAL (%) | |
| TOTAL EXPORTS | 238 766.2 | 100.0 | 262 649.4 | 100.0 | 10.0 |
| Of which: | | | | | |
| China | 2 898.1 | 1.2 | 44 386.7 | 16.9 | 1 431.6 |
| Azerbaijan | 34 458.3 | 14.4 | 43 981.5 | 16.7 | 27.6 |
| Russia | 39 196.9 | 16.4 | 33 445.6 | 12.7 | -14.7 |
| Bulgaria | 9 979.3 | 4.2 | 24 104.4 | 9.2 | 141.5 |
| Turkey | 21 324.5 | 8.9 | 19 862.5 | 7.6 | -6.9 |
| Ukraine | 15 065.7 | 6.3 | 18 422.0 | 7.0 | 22.3 |
| Armenia | 17 296.1 | 7.2 | 12 033.7 | 4.6 | -30.4 |
| Switzerland | 5 208.5 | 2.2 | 9 064.2 | 3.5 | 74.0 |
| United Arab Emirates | 4 249.8 | 1.8 | 6 353.8 | 2.4 | 49.5 |
| Peru | - | 0.0 | 5 882.2 | 2.2 | - |
| Other countries | 89 089.0 | 37.3 | 45 112.8 | 17.2 | -49.4 |

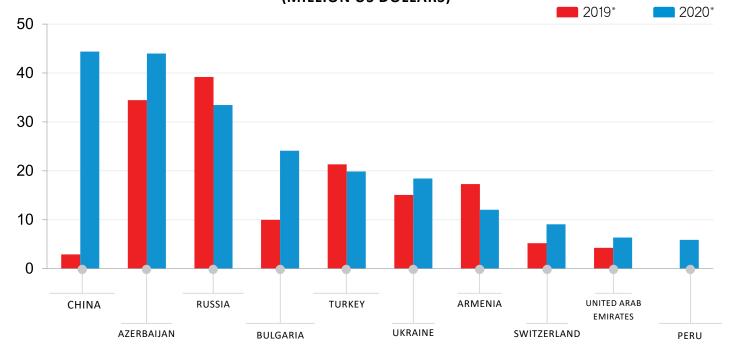
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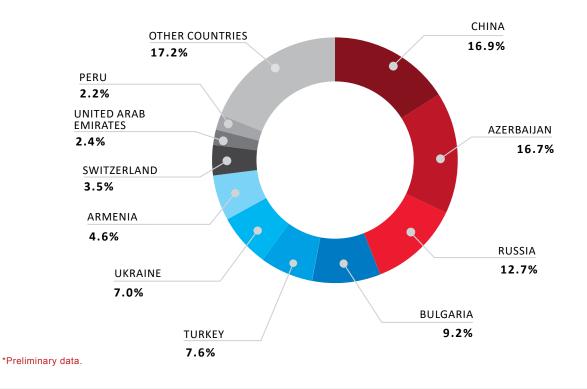
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SHARE OF THE TOP TRADING PARTNERS IN TOTAL EXPORTS IN JANUARY 2020*





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In January 2020 the share of the top ten trading partners by imports in the total imports of Georgia amounted to 70.4 percent. The top partners were Turkey (USD 97.2 million), Russia (USD 72.6 million) and China (USD 65.0 million).

TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY IMPORTS IN JANUARY 2020

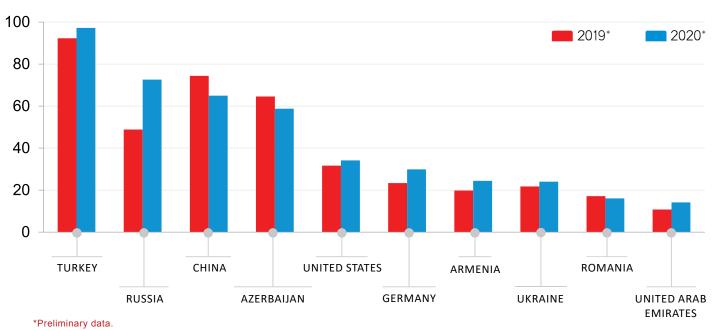
| | JANUARY 2019* | | JANUARY 2020* | | CHANGE (%) |
|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| | THSD. US DOLLARS | SHARE IN TOTAL (%) | THSD. US DOLLARS | SHARE IN TOTAL (%) | |
| TOTAL IMPORTS | 596 197.0 | 100.0 | 619 832.9 | 100.0 | 4.0 |
| Of which: | | | | | |
| Turkey | 92 283.3 | 15.5 | 97 210.8 | 15.7 | 5.3 |
| Russia | 48 858.5 | 8.2 | 72 599.9 | 11.7 | 48.6 |
| China | 74 403.4 | 12.5 | 64 996.0 | 10.5 | -12.6 |
| Azerbaijan | 64 589.7 | 10.8 | 58 767.9 | 9.5 | -9.0 |
| United States | 31 650.3 | 5.3 | 34 157.4 | 5.5 | 7.9 |
| Germany | 23 357.1 | 3.9 | 29 894.6 | 4.8 | 28.0 |
| Armenia | 19 823.1 | 3.3 | 24 408.4 | 3.9 | 23.1 |
| Ukraine | 21 755.3 | 3.6 | 24 009.3 | 3.9 | 10.4 |
| Romania | 17 140.9 | 2.9 | 16 072.8 | 2.6 | -6.2 |
| United Arab Emirates | 10 796.7 | 1.8 | 14 144.8 | 2.3 | 31.0 |
| Other countries | 191 538.8 | 32.1 | 183 571.1 | 29.6 | -4.2 |

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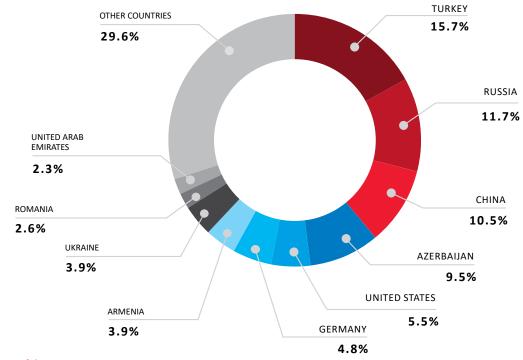


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TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY IMPORTS IN JANUARY 2019-2020 (MILLION US DOLLARS)

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





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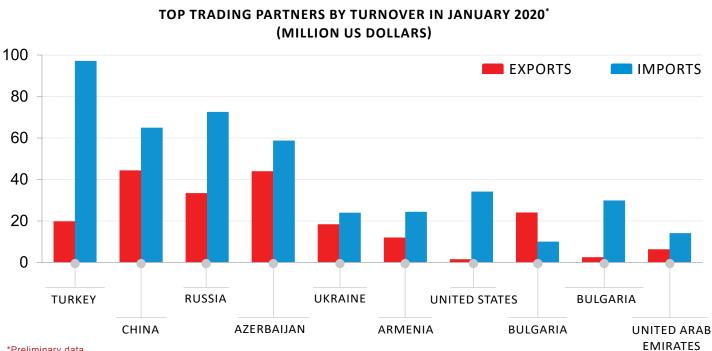
In January 2020 the share of the top ten trading partners in the total external trade turnover of Georgia amounted to 72.2 percent. The top trading partners were Turkey (USD 117.1 million), China (USD 109.4 million) and Russia (USD 106.0 million).

| | EXP | ORTS | IMPORTS | | TURN | OVER |
|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| | | | | | | |
| | THSD. US DOLLARS | SHARE IN TOTAL (%) | THSD. US DOLLARS | SHARE IN TOTAL (%) | THSD. US DOLLARS | SHARE IN TOTAL (%) |
| TOTAL | 262 649.4 | 100.0 | 619 832.9 | 100.0 | 882 482.3 | 100.0 |
| Of which: | | | | | | |
| Turkey | 19 862.5 | 7.6 | 97 210.8 | 15.7 | 117 073.3 | 13.3 |
| China | 44 386.7 | 16.9 | 64 996.0 | 10.5 | 109 382.8 | 12.4 |
| Russia | 33 445.6 | 12.7 | 72 599.9 | 11.7 | 106 045.5 | 12.0 |
| Azerbaijan | 43 981.5 | 16.7 | 58 767.9 | 9.5 | 102 749.4 | 11.6 |
| Ukraine | 18 422.0 | 7.0 | 24 009.3 | 3.9 | 42 431.3 | 4.8 |
| Armenia | 12 033.7 | 4.6 | 24 408.4 | 3.9 | 36 442.0 | 4.1 |
| United States | 1 578.8 | 0.6 | 34 157.4 | 5.5 | 35 736.2 | 4.0 |
| Bulgaria | 24 104.4 | 9.2 | 10 043.6 | 1.6 | 34 147.9 | 3.9 |
| Germany | 2 523.0 | 1.0 | 29 894.6 | 4.8 | 32 417.6 | 3.7 |
| United Arab Emirates | 6 353.8 | 2.4 | 14 144.8 | 2.3 | 20 498.6 | 2.3 |
| Other countries | 55 957.4 | 21.3 | 189 600.2 | 30.6 | 245 557.7 | 27.8 |

TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY TURNOVER IN JANUARY 2020*



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*Preliminary data.

In January 2020 motor cars reclaimed the first place in the list of top export items, equaling USD 51.8 million or 19.7 percent of total exports. The exports of copper ores and concentrates totaled USD 49.4 million and their share in the total exports amounted to 18.8 percent. The Precious metal ores and concentrates exports occupied the third place standing at USD 16.0 million and constituting 6.1 percent of the total exports.

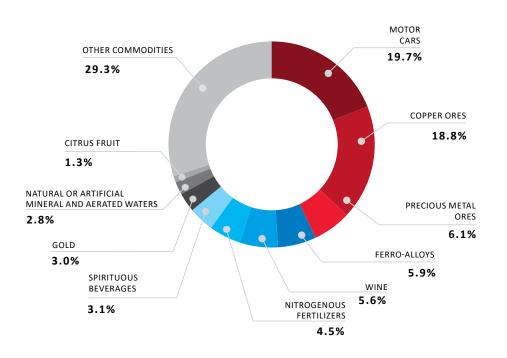
| | JANUARY 2019* | | JANUARY 2020* | | CHANGE (%) |
|--|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| | THSD. US DOLLARS | SHARE IN TOTAL (%) | THSD. US DOLLARS | SHARE IN TOTAL (%) | |
| TOTAL EXPORTS | 238 766.2 | 100.0 | 262 649.4 | 100.0 | 10.0 |
| Of which: | | | | | |
| Motor cars | 26 175.7 | 11.0 | 51 767.8 | 19.7 | 97.8 |
| Copper ores and concentrates | 42 501.5 | 17.8 | 49 353.9 | 18.8 | 16.1 |
| Precious metal ores and concentrates | - | 0.0 | 16 008.3 | 6.1 | - |
| Ferro-alloys | 18 167.4 | 7.6 | 15 419.1 | 5.9 | -15.1 |
| Wine of fresh grapes | 15 775.4 | 6.6 | 14 764.4 | 5.6 | -6.4 |
| Mineral or chemical fertilizers, nitrogenous | 8 924.4 | 3.7 | 11 736.9 | 4.5 | 31.5 |
| Spirituous beverages | 6 569.4 | 2.8 | 8 075.4 | 3.1 | 22.9 |
| Gold | 6 293.2 | 2.6 | 7 925.9 | 3.0 | 25.9 |
| Waters, natural or artificial mineral and aerated waters | 7 846.9 | 3.3 | 7 432.5 | 2.8 | -5.3 |
| Citrus fruit, fresh or dried | 1 819.4 | 0.8 | 3 331.8 | 1.3 | 83.1 |
| Other commodities | 104 692.9 | 43.8 | 76 833.3 | 29.3 | -26.6 |

MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY EXPORTS



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SHARE OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY EXPORTS IN JANUARY 2020*



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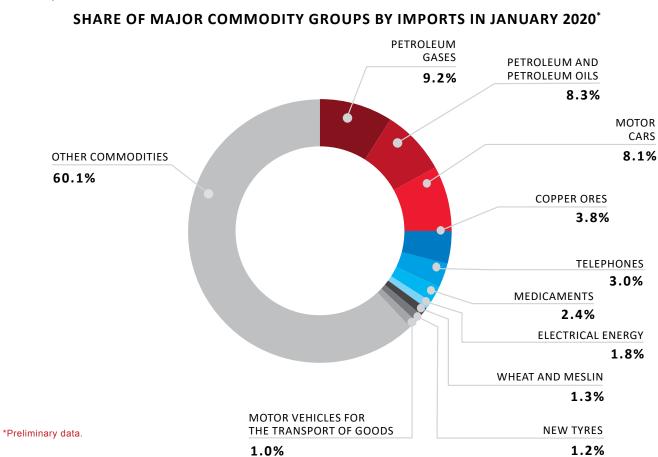
The top import commodities in January 2020 were Petroleum gases and other gaseous whose imports equaled USD 56.8 million (9.2 percent of the total imports). The petroleum and petroleum oils followed in the list with USD 51.6 million or 8.3 percent of imports. The motor cars were third in the top import commodity list with USD 50.0 million (8.1 percent of imports).



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MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY IMPORTS

| | JANUARY 2019* | | JANUARY 2020* | | CHANGE (%) |
|---|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| | THSD. US DOLLARS | SHARE IN TOTAL (%) | THSD. US DOLLARS | SHARE IN TOTAL (%) | |
| TOTAL IMPORTS | 596 197.0 | 100.0 | 619 832.9 | 100.0 | 4.0 |
| Of which: | | | | | |
| Petroleum gases and other gaseous | 45 217.9 | 7.6 | 56 761.8 | 9.2 | 25.5 |
| Petroleum and petroleum oils | 46 120.1 | 7.7 | 51 597.3 | 8.3 | 11.9 |
| Motor cars | 38 592.7 | 6.5 | 49 968.8 | 8.1 | 29.5 |
| Copper ores and concentrates | 32 789.1 | 5.5 | 23 648.5 | 3.8 | -27.9 |
| Telephone sets | 13 529.2 | 2.3 | 18 809.0 | 3.0 | 39.0 |
| Medicaments put up in measured doses | 16 459.3 | 2.8 | 14 601.7 | 2.4 | -11.3 |
| Electrical energy | 9 013.1 | 1.5 | 10 868.1 | 1.8 | 20.6 |
| Wheat and meslin | 7 578.1 | 1.3 | 7 775.5 | 1.3 | 2.6 |
| New pneumatic tyres, of rubber | 8 199.6 | 1.4 | 7 361.0 | 1.2 | -10.2 |
| Motor vehicles for the transport of goods | 3 895.3 | 0.7 | 6 171.0 | 1.0 | 58.4 |
| Other commodities | 374 802.5 | 62.9 | 372 270.2 | 60.1 | -0.7 |





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TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY TURNOVER

TURKEY

EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS TO TURKEY

| | JANU 201 | | JANUARY 2020* | |
|---|---------------------|---------|---------------------|---------|
| + + ≫ C+ | THSD. US DOLLARS | TONS | THSD. US DOLLARS | TONS |
| TOTAL EXPORTS | 21 324.5 | | 19 862.5 | |
| Of which: | | | | |
| Ferro-alloys | 1 140.5 | 1 058.8 | 3 320.4 | 3 467.6 |
| T-shirts knitted | 2 224.4 | 119.5 | 3 002.9 | 95.2 |
| Flours, meals and pellets, unfit for human consumption; greaves | 856.0 | 673.9 | 1 989.6 | 1 654.0 |
| Semi-finished products of iron or non-alloy steel | 2 304.7 | 6 584.9 | 1 502.3 | 4 006.2 |
| Fats and oils and their fractions, of fish or marine mam- mals | - | - | 1 350.3 | 818.4 |
| Other commodities | 14 798.9 | | 8 697.1 | |

*Preliminary data.

IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM TURKEY

| C* » * * | JANUARY 2019* | | JANUARY 2020* | |
|--|---------------------|---------|---------------------|---------|
| | THSD. US DOLLARS | TONS | THSD. US DOLLARS | TONS |
| TOTAL IMPORTS | 92 283.3 | | 97 210.8 | |
| Of which: | | | | |
| Other tubes, pipes and hollow profiles, of iron or steel | 1 792.1 | 2 648.0 | 3 222.0 | 4 845.7 |
| Other made up articles, including dress patterns | 2 980.4 | 191.6 | 2 744.0 | 111.2 |
| Medicaments put up in measured doses | 4 557.8 | 91.7 | 2 628.3 | 31.0 |
| Petroleum and petroleum oils | 1 937.8 | 2 637.8 | 2 621.8 | 4 124.4 |
| Citrus fruit | 851.7 | 1 650.6 | 2 160.8 | 4 595.6 |
| Other commodities | 80 163.5 | | 83 834.0 | |

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CHINA

EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS TO CHINA

| | JANUARY 2019* | | JANUARY 2020* | |
|--|---------------------|-------|---------------------|----------|
| * * * * * >> * | THSD. US DOLLARS | TONS | THSD. US DOLLARS | TONS |
| TOTAL EXPORTS | 2 898.1 | | 44 386.7 | |
| Of which: | | | | |
| Copper ores and concentrates | - | - | 40 109.7 | 26 075.3 |
| Precious metal ores and concentrates | - | - | 1 496.9 | 579.8 |
| Wine of fresh grapes | 1 406.5 | 390.0 | 678.8 | 186.9 |
| Ginger, saffron, turmeric, thyme, bay leaves, curry and other spices | 153.7 | 94.9 | 581.8 | 241.7 |
| Composite diagnostic or laboratory reagents | 128.5 | 0.4 | 410.7 | 0.9 |
| Other commodities | 1 209.5 | | 1 108.7 | |

*Preliminary data.

IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM CHINA

| *) >> + + | JANUARY 2019* | | JANUARY 2020* | |
|--|---------------------|---------|---------------------|---------|
| | THSD. US DOLLARS | TONS | THSD. US DOLLARS | TONS |
| TOTAL IMPORTS | 74 403.4 | | 64 996.0 | |
| Of which: | | | | |
| Hormones, natural or reproduced by synthesis; deriva- tives thereof | - | - | 2 950.0 | 0.1 |
| Copper ores and concentrates | - | - | 2 744.8 | 2 323.1 |
| New pneumatic tyres, of rubber | 1 824.2 | 762.8 | 2 204.7 | 936.5 |
| Flat-rolled products of non-alloy steel, of a width of more than 600mm, clad or coated | 1 299.5 | 1 582.9 | 2 028.6 | 2 837.5 |
| Parts and accessories of the motor vehicles | 706.8 | 209.4 | 1 551.6 | 517.7 |
| Other commodities | 70 573.0 | | 53 516.4 | |

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RUSSIA

EXPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS TO RUSSIA

| | JANUARY 2019* | | JANUARY 2020* | |
|--|---------------------|---------|---------------------|----------|
| | THSD. US DOLLARS | TONS | THSD. US DOLLARS | TONS |
| TOTAL EXPORTS | 39 196.9 | | 33 445.6 | |
| Of which: | | | | |
| Wine of fresh grapes | 10 329.7 | 3 486.9 | 9 773.1 | 3 258.1 |
| Ferro-alloys | 9 139.2 | 8 639.5 | 9 452.3 | 10 567.9 |
| Waters, natural or artificial mineral and aerated waters, not containing added sugar | 4 378.9 | 6 015.6 | 3 002.2 | 4 624.1 |
| Citrus fruit, fresh or dried | 1 567.8 | 2 782.3 | 2 469.7 | 4 212.4 |
| Spirituous beverages | 1 993.3 | 400.6 | 2 437.7 | 521.3 |
| Other commodities | 11 787.9 | | 6 310.6 | |

*Preliminary data.

IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM RUSSIA

| → + + + | JANUARY 2019* | | JANUARY 2020* | |
|--|---------------------|----------|---------------------|----------|
| | THSD. US DOLLARS | TONS | THSD. US DOLLARS | TONS |
| TOTAL IMPORTS | 48 858.5 | | 72 599.9 | |
| Of which: | | | | |
| Petroleum and petroleum oils | 8 611.7 | 16 213.3 | 14 111.1 | 23 403.0 |
| Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons | 674.9 | 1 811.5 | 9 279.3 | 32 529.0 |
| Electrical energy | 348.9 | | 6 844.7 | |
| Wheat and meslin | 4 995.1 | 22 070.3 | 6 104.3 | 27 731.9 |
| Telephone sets | 1 941.0 | 1.4 | 3 148.0 | 2.1 |
| Other commodities | 32 287.0 | | 33 112.5 | |

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EXTERNAL TRADE BALANCE

| | NUMBER OF COUNTRIES | EXTERNAL TRADE BALANCE MIL. US DOLLARS |
|------------------------|------------------------|---|
| NEGATIVE TRADE BALANCE | | |
| January 2019* | 79 | 382.8 |
| January 2020* | 77 | 392.1 |
| POSITIVE TRADE BALANCE | | |
| January 2019* | 21 | 25.4 |
| January 2020* | 30 | 34.9 |
| TOTAL | | |
| January 2019* | 100 | 357.4 |
| January 2020* | 107 | 357.2 |

*Preliminary data.

Sources:

LEPL Revenue Service of Ministry of Finance of Georgia;

- 😤 Georgian State Electric System JSC;
- Electricity System Commercial Operator JSC;
- GGTC Georgian Gas Transportation Company LTD.

Explanation of symbols:

- Not applicable;
- * Data are preliminary and subject to revisions;
- ... Data are confidential
- 0.0 Negligible magnitude



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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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