

# **National Statistics Office of Georgia**

# EXTERNAL MERCHANDISE TRADE IN GEORGIA

# 2021 JANUARY-OCTOBER

(PRELIMINARY RESULTS)

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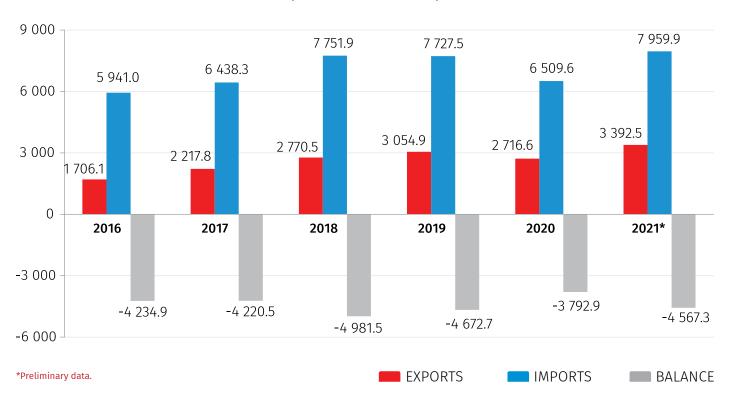
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In January-October 2021 the external merchandise trade (excluding non-declared trade) of Georgia amounted to USD 11 352.4 million, 23.0 percent higher to the same period of 2020. The exports equaled USD 3 392.5 million (24.9 percent higher), while the imports stood at USD 7 959.9 million (22.3 percent higher). The negative trade balance was USD 4 567.3 million in January-October 2021 and its share in external trade turnover constituted 40.2 percent.

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

# GENERAL DATA ON EXTERNAL TRADE OF GEORGIA IN JANUARY-OCTOBER 2016-2021

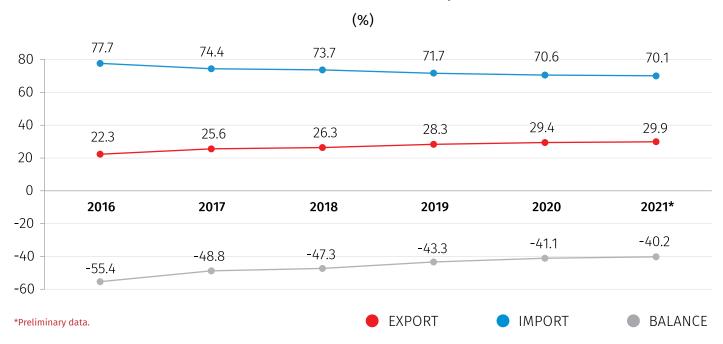
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#### SHARE OF EXTERNAL TRADE INDICATORS IN TURNOVER JANUARY-OCTOBER 2016-2021



The table below shows monthly data for 2019-2021 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	236 525.1	6.2	620 570.6	1.9	
	February	265 207.8	18.3	670 955.4	3.0	
	March	325 866.7	11.2	786 722.9	-9.3	
	April	310 993.4	35.1	778 967.4	3.1	
	May	340 724.3	4.8	793 820.4	-4.5	
2040	June	310 352.9	0.2	738 598.7	-7.6	
2019	July	323 977.4	15.5	812 032.5	-0.5	
	August	316 102.4	13.8	797 253.4	1.0	
	September	305 522.8	1.0	804 250.6	8.8	
	October	319 610.6	4.9	924 362.0	3.4	
	November	347 557.7	25.2	818 442.0	6.6	
	December	395 953.2	19.4	973 190.6	15.6	



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		EXPO	ORTS	IMPORTS		
		THSD. US DOLLARS	CHANGES M-O-M (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	CHANGES M-O-M (%)	
	January	267 908.8	13.3	645 375.6	4.0	
	February	262 649.1	-1.0	704 514.0	5.0	
	March	249 477.5	-23.4	670 900.2	-14.7	
	April	222 463.7	-28.5	478 425.4	-38.6	
	May	234 421.8	-31.2	529 418.7	-33.3	
2020	June	268 465.0	-13.5	608 961.1	-17.6	
2020	July	274 559.4	-15.3	727 588.7	-10.4	
	August	292 452.9	-7.5	664 896.0	-16.6	
	September	331 328.8	8.4	750 204.5	-6.7	
	October	312 916.9	-2.1	729 287.5	-21.1	
	November	301 148.1	-13.4	721 334.4	-11.9	
	December	325 650.9	-17.8	821 976.2	-15.5	
	January	224 491.9	-16.2	561 728.3	-13.0	
	February	267 676.1	1.9	648 304.6	-8.0	
	March	325 682.9	30.5	774 964.3	15.5	
	April	377 689.5	69.8	756 180.7	58.1	
2024*	May	339 996.4	45.0	769 826.6	45.4	
2021*	June	350 669.3	30.6	863 647.6	41.8	
	July	386 340.1	40.7	881 955.8	21.2	
	August	335 138.2	14.6	866 159.8	30.3	
	September	373 618.9	12.8	933 115.3	24.4	
	October	411 216.0	31.4	903 976.6	24.0	

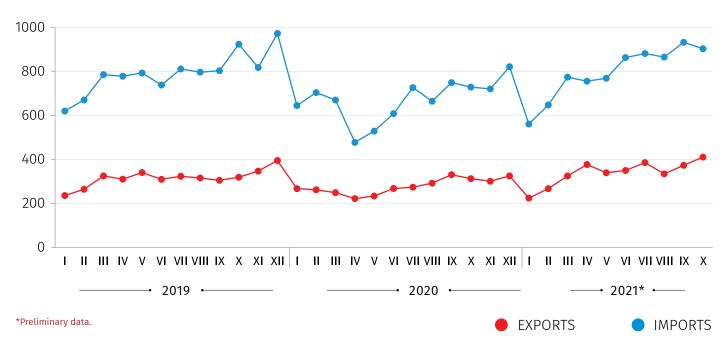
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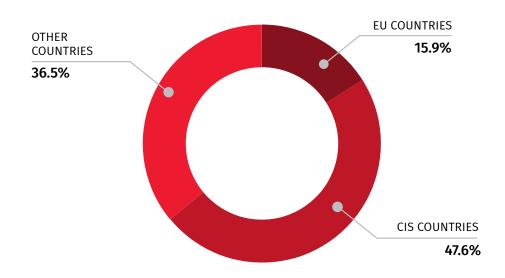
#### **EXPORTS AND IMPORTS DYNAMICS BY MONTHS, 2019-2021**

(MILLION US DOLLARS)



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

# GEORGIAN EXPORT BY COUNTRY GROUPS IN JANUARY-OCTOBER 2021\*



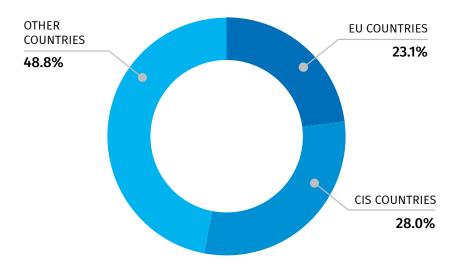
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# GEORGIAN IMPORT BY COUNTRY GROUPS IN JANUARY-OCTOBER 2021\*



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In January-October 2021 the share of the top ten trading partners by exports in the total exports of Georgia amounted to 77.4 percent. The top partners were China (USD 520.6 million), Russia (USD 481.8 million) and Azerbaijan (USD 443.4 million).

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# TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY EXPORTS IN JANUARY-OCTOBER 2021

	JANUARY-OCTOBER 2020		JANUARY- 20:	CHANGE (%)	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL EXPORTS	2 716 643.9	100.0	3 392 519.4	100.0	24.9
Of which:					
China	419 839.9	15.5	520 571.0	15.3	24.0
Russia	351 215.0	12.9	481 822.6	14.2	37.2
Azerbaijan	364 598.9	13.4	443 379.9	13.1	21.6
Turkey	156 275.9	5.8	260 098.5	7.7	66.4
Ukraine	164 648.2	6.1	245 308.9	7.2	49.0
Armenia	151 697.5	5.6	197 048.5	5.8	29.9
Bulgaria	255 775.8	9.4	184 371.7	5.4	-27.9
United States	61 064.4	2.2	151 222.8	4.5	147.6
Kazakhstan	42 125.0	1.6	72 166.3	2.1	71.3
Uzbekistan	58 742.0	2.2	70 293.1	2.1	19.7
Other countries	690 661.2	25.4	766 236.1	22.6	10.9

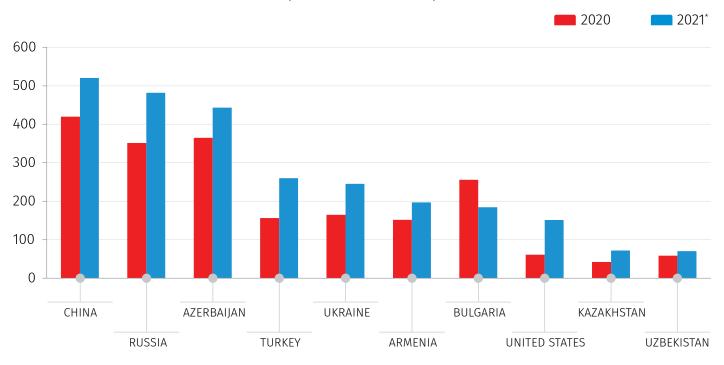
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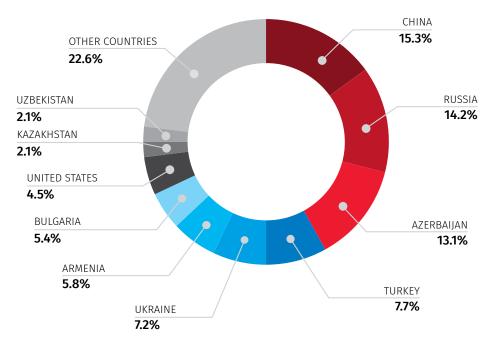
#### TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY EXPORTS IN JANUARY-OCTOBER 2020-2021

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\*Preliminary data.

# SHARE OF THE TOP TRADING PARTNERS IN TOTAL EXPORTS IN JANUARY-OCTOBER 2021\*



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In January-October 2021 the share of the top ten trading partners by imports in the total imports of Georgia amounted to 67.3 percent. The top partners were Turkey (USD 1 418.5 million), Russia (USD 812.2 million) and China (USD 705.2 million).

# **TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY IMPORTS IN JANUARY-OCTOBER 2021**

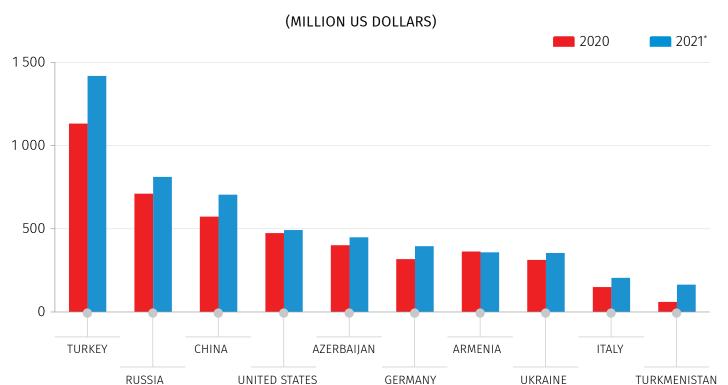
	JANUARY-OCTOBER 2020		JANUAR) 20	CHANGE (%)	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL IMPORTS	6 509 571.5	100.0	7 959 859.5	100.0	22.3
Of which:					
Turkey	1 131 984.2	17.4	1 418 509.6	17.8	25.3
Russia	710 696.2	10.9	812 185.2	10.2	14.3
China	573 277.7	8.8	705 232.2	8.9	23.0
United States	473 651.8	7.3	492 489.9	6.2	4.0
Azerbaijan	401 433.4	6.2	448 743.6	5.6	11.8
Germany	317 714.4	4.9	394 954.8	5.0	24.3
Armenia	363 567.9	5.6	358 089.8	4.5	-1.5
Ukraine	312 681.5	4.8	354 282.6	4.5	13.3
Italy	149 320.2	2.3	204 989.1	2.6	37.3
Turkmenistan	60 752.3	0.9	164 285.4	2.1	170.4
Other countries	2 014 491.9	30.9	2 606 097.4	32.7	29.4

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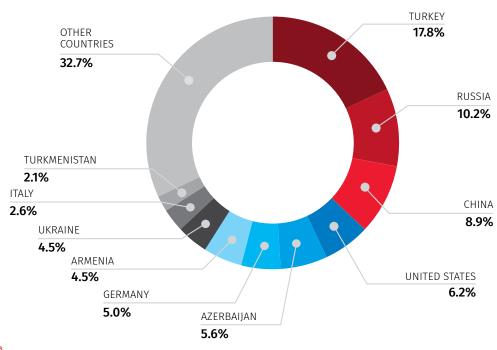
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#### **TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY IMPORTS IN JANUARY-OCTOBER 2020-2021**



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# SHARE OF THE TOP TRADING PARTNERS IN TOTAL IMPORTS IN JANUARY-OCTOBER 2021\*



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In January-October 2021 the share of the top ten trading partners in the total external trade turnover of Georgia amounted to 69.7 percent. The top trading partners were Turkey (USD 1 678.6 million), Russia (USD 1 294.0 million) and China (USD 1 225.8 million).

# TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY TURNOVER IN JANUARY-OCTOBER 2021\*

	EXP	ORTS	IMPORTS		TURNOVER	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)
TOTAL	3 392 519.4	100.0	7 959 859.5	100.0	11 352 378.9	100.0
Of which:						
Turkey	260 098.5	7.7	1 418 509.6	17.8	1 678 608.1	14.8
Russia	481 822.6	14.2	812 185.2	10.2	1 294 007.8	11.4
China	520 571.0	15.3	705 232.2	8.9	1 225 803.2	10.8
Azerbaijan	443 379.9	13.1	448 743.6	5.6	892 123.5	7.9
United States	151 222.8	4.5	492 489.9	6.2	643 712.8	5.7
Ukraine	245 308.9	7.2	354 282.6	4.5	599 591.5	5.3
Armenia	197 048.5	5.8	358 089.8	4.5	555 138.3	4.9
Germany	49 784.2	1.5	394 954.8	5.0	444 738.9	3.9
Bulgaria	184 371.7	5.4	151 442.7	1.9	335 814.3	3.0
Italy	42 103.7	1.2	204 989.1	2.6	247 092.8	2.2
Other countries	816 807.5	24.1	2 618 940.2	32.9	3 435 747.7	30.3

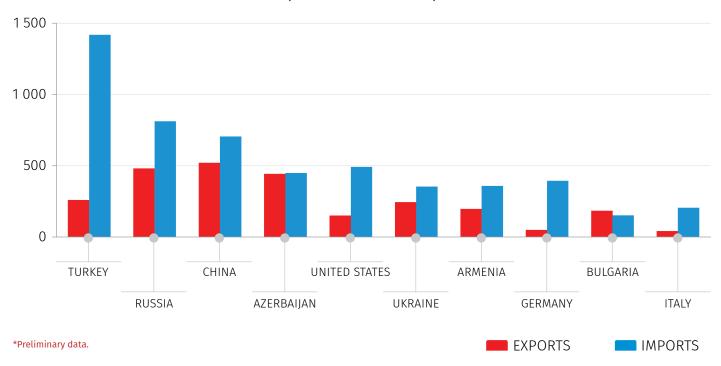
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#### **TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY TURNOVER IN JANUARY-OCTOBER 2021\***

(MILLION US DOLLARS)



In January-October 2021 copper ores and concentrates reclaimed the first place in the list of top export items, equaling USD 655.6 million with 19.3 percent of total exports. The exports of Ferro-alloys totaled USD 377.9 million and their share in the total exports amounted to 11.1 percent. The Motor cars exports occupied the third place standing at USD 373.3 million and constituting 11.0 percent of the total exports.

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#### MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY EXPORTS

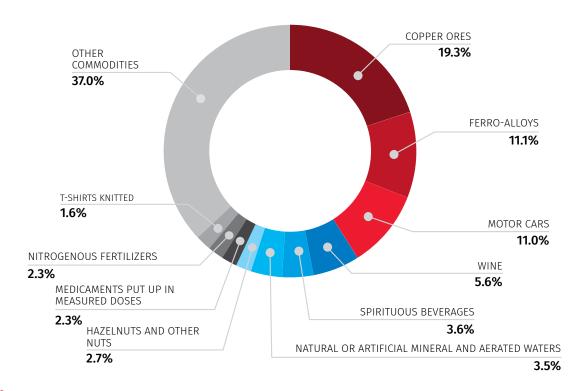
	JANUARY-OCTOBER 2020		JANUARY 202	CHANGE (%)	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL EXPORTS	2 716 643.9	100.0	3 392 519.4	100.0	24.9
Of which:					
Copper ores and concentrates	667 792.8	24.6	655 611.9	19.3	-1.8
Ferro-alloys	198 258.3	7.3	377 927.7	11.1	90.6
Motor cars	335 575.4	12.4	373 289.6	11.0	11.2
Wine of fresh grapes	163 151.0	6.0	189 105.6	5.6	15.9
Spirituous beverages	99 727.8	3.7	121 986.0	3.6	22.3
Natural or artificial mineral and aerated waters, not containing added sugar	93 476.1	3.4	118 372.9	3.5	26.6
Hazelnuts and other nuts	68 164.6	2.5	90 030.1	2.7	32.1
Medicaments put up in measured doses	78 518.7	2.9	79 558.3	2.3	1.3
Nitrogenous fertilizers	58 259.4	2.1	76 444.9	2.3	31.2
T-shirts knitted	31 799.7	1.2	54 055.3	1.6	70.0
Other commodities	921 920.2	33.9	1 256 137.1	37.0	36.3

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## **SHARE OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY EXPORTS IN JANUARY-OCTOBER 2021\***



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The top import commodities in January-October 2021 were motor cars whose imports equaled USD 706.7 million (8.9 percent of the total imports). The petroleum and petroleum oils followed in the list with USD 651.9 million (8.2 percent of imports). The copper ores and concentrates were third in the top import commodity list with USD 564.8 million (7.1 percent of imports).

#### **MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY IMPORTS**

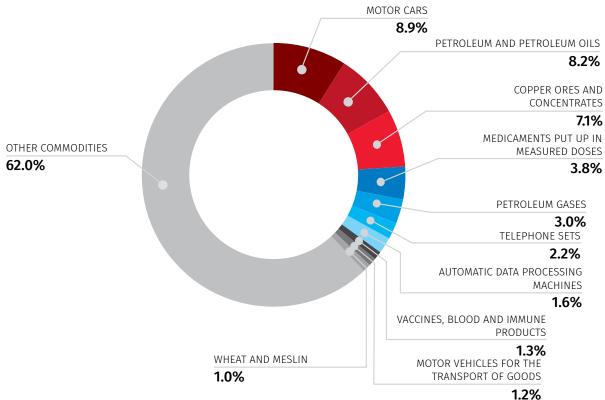
	JANUARY-OCTOBER 2020		JANUARY 202	CHANGE (%)	
	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	THSD. US DOLLARS	SHARE IN TOTAL (%)	
TOTAL IMPORTS	6 509 571.5	100.0	7 959 859.5	100.0	22.3
Of which:					
Motor cars	665 420.4	10.2	706 743.8	8.9	6.2
Petroleum and petroleum oils	412 506.0	6.3	651 917.7	8.2	58.0
Copper ores and concentrates	462 912.2	7.1	564 822.9	7.1	22.0
Medicaments put up in measured doses	252 793.9	3.9	298 728.6	3.8	18.2
Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons	239 321.8	3.7	235 802.5	3.0	-1.5
Telephone sets	131 917.2	2.0	173 554.0	2.2	31.6
Automatic data processing machines and units thereof	52 391.8	0.8	123 931.8	1.6	136.5
Vaccines, blood and immune products	31 933.0	0.5	100 344.2	1.3	214.2
Motor vehicles for the transport of goods	54 183.4	0.8	91 702.7	1.2	69.2
Wheat and meslin	88 334.9	1.4	78 647.1	1.0	-11.0
Other commodities	4 117 857.1	63.3	4 933 664.3	62.0	19.8

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# SHARE OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS BY IMPORTS IN JANUARY-OCTOBER 2021\*



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#### **TOP TRADING PARTNERS BY TURNOVER**

#### **TURKEY**

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

		OCTOBER 20	JANUARY-OCTOBER 2021*	
* * * » C*	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL EXPORTS	156 275.9		260 098.5	
Of which:				
T-shirts knitted	31 334.2	1 041.5	53 213.3	1 756.9
Ferro-alloys	28 016.8	29 320.0	42 369.2	29 436.6
Men's or boys' suits, ensembles, trousers, knitted or crocheted	12 885.6	514.0	26 195.4	1 067.7
Ferrous waste and scrap; remelting scrap ingots of iron or steel	1 142.7	3 811.9	25 681.2	60 419.9
Semi-finished products of iron or non-alloy steel	9 597.4	26 450.7	20 344.8	37 742.8
Other commodities	73 299.2		92 294.5	

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#### IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM TURKEY

		OCTOBER 20	JANUARY-OCTOBER 2021*	
C* >> * * *	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL IMPORTS	1 131 984.2		1 418 509.6	
Of which:				
Motor vehicles for the transport of ten or more persons (Unit)	34 120.8	529	55 039.9	816
Other tubes, pipes and hollow profiles, of iron or steel	36 359.1	58 551.6	40 663.6	39 620.0
Other made up articles, including dress patterns	24 988.2	1 186.3	37 125.0	1 773.8
Medicaments put up in measured doses	36 403.8	413.7	36 162.7	362.6
Structures and parts of structures of iron or steel	29 607.6	19 858.1	31 572.6	16 718.2
Other commodities	970 504.7		1 217 945.9	

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#### **RUSSIA**

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

	· ·	7-OCTOBER 20	JANUARY-OCTOBER 2021*	
* * * * *	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL EXPORTS	351 215.0		481 822.6	
Of which:				
Ferro-alloys	92 136.1	91 897.5	134 316.8	87 881.1
Wine of fresh grapes	95 140.5	32 760.1	106 030.0	38 227.3
Natural or artificial mineral and aerated waters, not containing added sugar	33 650.6	60 228.8	50 506.0	89 403.3
Spirituous beverages	25 258.6	5 372.7	29 640.8	7 122.0
Apricots, cherries, peaches, plums and sloes, fresh	19 936.1	20 105.6	26 670.6	24 896.2
Other commodities	85 093.1		134 658.4	

<sup>\*</sup>Preliminary data.

## IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM RUSSIA

	JANUARY-OCTOBER 2020		JANUARY-OCTOBER 2021*	
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TOTAL IMPORTS	710 696.2		812 185.2	
Of which:				
Petroleum and petroleum oils	107 970.2	292 604.4	104 553.0	180 636.2
Wheat and meslin	88 258.5	407 605.8	73 135.1	291 605.4
Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons	30 358.9	102 103.5	72 106.9	263 538.7
Sunflower-seed oil	27 108.5	30 468.6	35 180.2	24 219.8
Telephone sets	24 050.1	21.8	32 122.2	35.7
Other commodities	432 950.1		495 087.8	

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#### **CHINA**

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

		7-OCTOBER 020	JANUARY-OCTOBER 2021*	
**** ****	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL EXPORTS	419 839.9		520 571.0	
Of which:				
Copper ores and concentrates	355 193.3	241 231.1	426 284.8	222 652.0
Precious metal ores and concentrates	29 636.6	9 281.5	36 298.3	8 921.7
Instruments and appliances used in medicine	7 301.1	25.0	16 988.9	72.7
Wine of fresh grapes	10 866.7	2 825.8	11 975.5	3 264.8
Unwrought aluminium	3 455.6	2 459.8	7 964.8	3 631.7
Other commodities	13 386.7		21 058.6	

<sup>\*</sup>Preliminary data.

### IMPORTS OF MAJOR COMMODITY GROUPS FROM CHINA

	JANUARY-OCTOBER 2020		JANUARY-OCTOBER 2021*	
*	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS	THSD. US DOLLARS	TONS
TOTAL IMPORTS	573 277.7		705 232.2	
Of which:				
Moving, grading, extracting or boring machinery, for earth, minerals or ores	2 816.1	485.7	42 493.0	4 805.0
Flat-rolled products of non-alloy steel, of a width of more than 600mm, clad or coated	21 609.0	30 903.2	38 233.5	36 546.7
Vaccines, blood and immune products	13.4	0.1	33 924.8	15.7
New pneumatic tyres, of rubber	16 028.3	6 960.9	23 081.1	8 558.6
Automatic data processing machines and units thereof	16 719.5	261.6	20 438.6	218.1
Other commodities	516 091.4		547 061.1	

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#### **EXTERNAL TRADE BALANCE**

	NUMBER OF COUNTRIES	EXTERNAL TRADE BALANCE MIL. US DOLLARS
NEGATIVE TRADE BALANCE		
January-October 2020	92	4 134.7
January-October 2021*	87	4 841.4
POSITIVE TRADE BALANCE		
January-October 2020	50	341.7
January-October 2021*	55	274.1
TOTAL		
January-October 2020	142	3 792.9
January-October 2021*	142	4 567.3

<sup>\*</sup>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;
- ... Data are confidential.



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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 Nº4);
- 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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