

Main indicators of seaports and terminals

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2. Metadata update	
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3. Statistical presentation	
3.1. Data description	
<p>The following indicators are published about seaports and terminals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Passenger carried in seaports and terminals of Georgia, including number of entered and departed passenger; • Volume of carried freight in seaports and terminals of Georgia by types; • Number of ships entering in ports and terminals of Georgia by type, by registered tonnage (GT) and by DWT. <p>The source of data on seaports and terminals is Maritime Transport Agency of Georgia. Data are published at the country level.</p>	
3.2. Classification system	
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3.3. Sector coverage	
Seaports and terminals of Georgia.	
3.4. Statistical concepts and definitions	
<p>Passenger Carried – The number of passengers served by the seaports of Georgia. Excluding cruise passengers. Carried freight – The volume of cargo loaded and unloaded on ships in the seaports and terminals of Georgia. Deadweight (DWT) – A measure of how much weight a ship can carry. Registered tonnage (GT) – The total internal volume of a ship.</p>	
3.5. Statistical unit	
Seaports and terminals.	
3.6. Statistical population	
Seaports and terminals of Georgia; Ships entering in ports and terminals of Georgia.	
3.7. Reference area	
The entire territory of Georgia except the occupied regions.	
3.8. Time coverage	
From 2020.	
3.9. Base period	
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4. Unit of measure	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Passengers carried – thsd. Passengers; • Carried freight – thsd. Tons; • Number of ships – thsd. Unit. 	

5. Reference period
Quarterly.

6. Institutional mandate
6.1. Legal acts and other agreements
The Law of Georgia on Official Statistics; https://www.geostat.ge/media/20817/latest-Law-of-Georgia_2018.pdf Statistical Work Programme (annual); https://www.geostat.ge/en/modules/categories/307/statistical-work-programme Charter of the National Statistics Office of Georgia. https://www.geostat.ge/media/20845/10%2Csaqstatis-konsolidirebuli-debuleba.pdf
6.2. Data sharing
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7. Confidentiality
7.1. Confidentiality – policy
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> The Law of Georgia on Official Statistics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> According to the article 4 of the law individual data collected by statistical agencies for statistical compilation, whether they refer to natural or legal persons, are to be strictly confidential and used exclusively for statistical purposes. According to the article 28 (Observing Confidentiality of Statistical Data) of the law 1. The data collected for the purpose of producing official statistics shall be confidential if it allows for identification of observation unit or it is possible to identify such data through it. 2. The confidential statistical data shall not be issued or disseminated or used for a non-statistical purpose but for the exceptions envisaged by the Georgian legislation. 3. When producing the official statistics, it is obligatory to destroy or store separately the identity data including the questionnaires containing such data and used for statistical surveys according to the rules defined in the Georgian legislation. According to the article 29 (The Obligations and Responsibilities of the Employees of the Geostat) of the law the confidential statistical data collected and processed for the purpose of statistical survey shall not be used or disseminated by the employees of the units of the Geostat. https://www.geostat.ge/media/20817/latest-Law-of-Georgia_2018.pdf Data Confidentiality Policy at Geostat https://www.geostat.ge/media/20860/Data-Confidentiality-Policy-at-Geostat_Eng.pdf Public Use Microdata Dissemination Policy at Geostat https://www.geostat.ge/media/20862/Microdata-Dissemination-Policy_Eng.pdf The Law of Georgia on Personal Data Protection https://matsne.gov.ge/en/document/view/1561437?publication=9
7.2. Confidentiality – data treatment
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confidentiality guidelines. Written undertakings by an employee of Geostat on ensuring confidentiality of gained/collected data as a result of official duties.

8. Release policy
8.1. Release calendar
Data dissemination dates are defined by the calendar developed on the basis of the Statistical Work Programme, which is published on the website of Geostat and is publicly available.
8.2. Release calendar access
https://www.geostat.ge/en/calendar
8.3. User access
All users have the equal access to the statistical data simultaneously.

9. Frequency of dissemination

Data published quarterly.

10. Accessibility and clarity
10.1. News release
The press release is available on the Geostat website: https://www.geostat.ge/en/single-news/2838/seaports-and-terminals-of-georgia-2023-i-quarter
10.2. Publications
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10.3. On-line database
Data is available on the Geostat website: https://www.geostat.ge/en/modules/categories/802/maritime-transport-statistics
10.4. Micro-data access
Micro-data is not available.
10.5. Other
Data is disseminated through the social network (Facebook) as well.
10.6. Documentation on methodology
Documentation on methodology is available on the Geostat website: https://www.geostat.ge/media/55715/Statistical-Requirements-Compendium_2023-edition.pdf
10.7. Quality documentation
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11. Quality management
11.1. Quality assurance
To ensure the quality of the statistical processes and products Geostat follows Article 4 – Basic principles of official statistics – of the Law of Georgia on Official Statistics, as well as the European Statistics Code of Practice, the UN Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics and Quality Assurance Framework of the European Statistical System (QAF).
11.2. Quality assessment
Methodology and Quality Management Division of Geostat, along with the sectoral departments, is responsible for the quality of the produced statistical products and processes. The Division carries out quality audit of statistical processes and assesses the risks for the quality of statistical processes and products. Geostat has developed policy documents, guidelines and standard routine descriptions. These documents ensure the standardization of statistical processes and products and the establishment of a unified quality assurance system.

12. Relevance
12.1. User needs
The main users are: business sector, researchers and students, international organizations, state institutions, media outlets, etc. They need these data to carry out different types of statistical analysis, to plan a marketing strategy or to evaluate and study the economic situation.
12.2. User satisfaction
In 2021 user satisfaction survey was conducted, the target of the survey was to analyze the assessment of quality of statistical data by users and explore ways to improve user services. The survey report is available on the website of Geostat (in Georgian): https://www.geostat.ge/ka/page/customer-service
12.3. Completeness
The data comply to international standards.

13. Accuracy and reliability
13.1. Overall accuracy
Data series are analyzed regularly at the micro level. In some cases, data is verified with the data sources.
13.2. Sampling error
The survey is held with entire coverage.

13.3. Non-sampling error
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14. Timeliness and punctuality
14.1. Timeliness
Data are published on the 50th day after the end of the reporting period.
14.2. Punctuality
The data are published according to the date specified by the Statistical Work Programme. There has not been any violation of publication dates.
15. Coherence and comparability
15.1. Comparability – geographical
Same methodology and approaches, consistent with international ones have been used for country.
15.2. Comparability – over time
The data are comparable over time.
15.3. Coherence – cross domain
The data are coherent.
15.4. Coherence – internal
The data are coherent.
16. Cost and burden
The data are received and processed within the framework of the Geostat budget.
17. Data revision
17.1. Data revision – policy
Statistical data revision policy is available on the website of Geostat: https://www.geostat.ge/media/56517/Data-Revision-Policy-and-Error-Correction-at-Geostat_Eng.pdf
17.2. Data revision – practice
Planned revision of data is not carried out. An unplanned revision (to clarify data) was not carried out in practice.
18. Statistical processing
18.1. Source data
The source of data on seaports and terminals is the Georgian Maritime Transport Agency.
18.2. Frequency of data collection
Georgian Maritime Transport Agency transmits data on quarterly basis.
18.3. Data collection
The source of data on seaports and terminals is the Georgian Maritime Transport Agency.
18.4. Data validation
Primary data control is carried out based on arithmetic and logical controls in the database. Secondary control is carried out by the staff-members of the Service Statistics Division. In some cases, data is verified with the data sources.
18.5. Data compilation
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18.6. Adjustment
Not applied.
19. Comment
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