

XIII. FOREIGN ECONOMIC ACTIVITY

Foreign trade turnover of the Republic for January-March 2019 amounted to 9,409. 2 million dollars including exports – 4,132.3 million dollars and imports – 5,276. 9 million dollars.

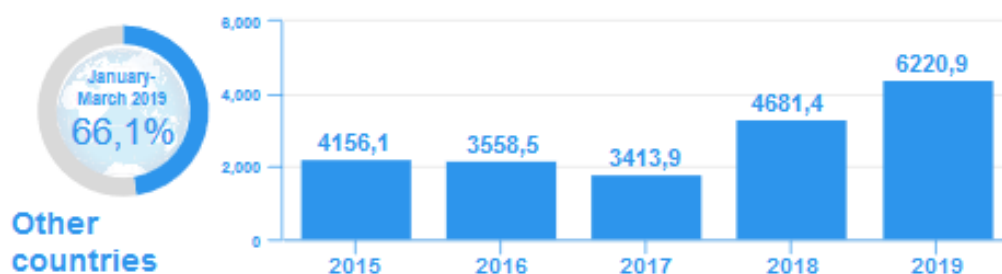
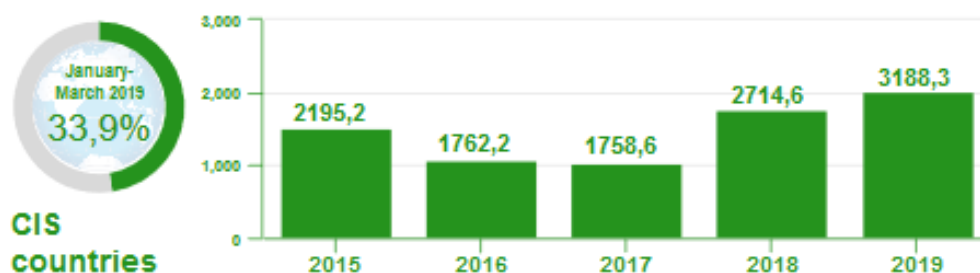
The foreign trade balance was minus 1,144. 6 million dollars, including the CIS countries – minus 632.0 million dollars and other countries – minus 512.6 million dollars.

Foreign trade turnover of the Republic of Uzbekistan (for January-March 2019)

	<i>Million dollars</i>	<i>% by January- March 2018</i>	<i>percentage, %</i>
Foreign trade turnover	9 409.2	127.2	100
CIS countries	3188.3	117.4	33.9
other countries	6220.9	132.9	66.1
Exports	4132.3	120.6	100
CIS countries	1278.1	135.8	30.9
other countries	2854.1	114.8	69.1
Imports	5276.9	132.9	100
CIS countries	1910.1	107.7	36.2
other countries	3366.7	153.3	63.8
Balance	-1144.6	x	x
CIS countries	-632.0	x	x
other countries	-512.6	x	x

Dynamics of CIS countries' volume and other foreign countries in the foreign trade turnover of the Republic of Uzbekistan

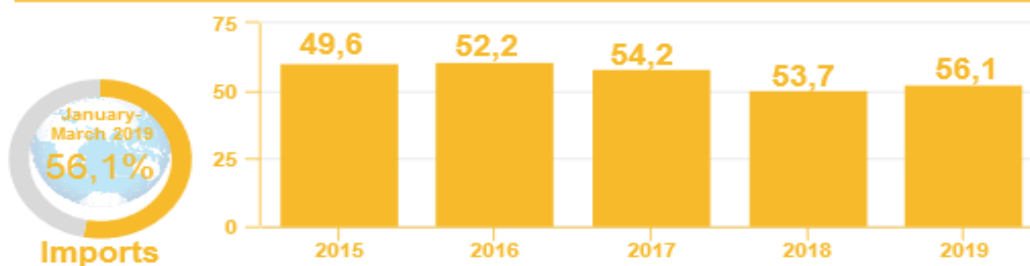
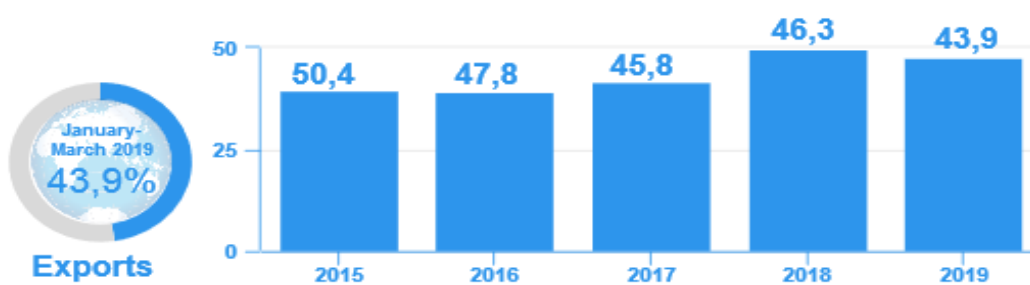
(January-March, mln. USD)



Foreign trade operations of residents in the Republic are mainly carried out with the countries of Asia (51.8 % of total turnover), Europe (40.2 %), which account to 92.8 % of total turnover.

The percentage of exports and imports in foreign trade turnover, %

(January-March)



**Distribution of foreign trade of the Republic of Uzbekistan
by the continents of the world
(for January-March 2019)**

(million dollars)

	<i>Export</i>	<i>Import</i>	<i>Foreign trade turnover</i>	
			<i>% by January-March 2018</i>	<i>% of total</i>
Total ¹⁾	4132.3	5276.9	127.2	100.0
<i>including:</i>				
Europe	2037.5	1741.6	107.1	40.2
Asia	1824.3	3048.1	148.3	51.8
America	6.0	72.8	129.9	0.8
Africa	2.9	3.8	133.7	0.1
Australia and Oceania	0.04	0.6	300.8	0.0

Among the CIS countries, the main foreign trade partners are Russia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Ukraine, Belarus, Tajikistan, which account for 30.4% of foreign trade turnover, among other countries - China, Turkey, the Republic of Korea, Germany, Afghanistan, Japan, Latvia, the USA, Iran, France, Italy, which account for 42.7% of total foreign trade turnover.

**Dynamics of large partner countries in foreign trade of the Republic of Uzbekistan
(January-March)**

(million dollars)

<i>Countries</i>	<i>2015</i>	<i>2016</i>	<i>2017</i>	<i>2018</i>	<i>2019</i>
China	1080.1	1064.9	941.5	1269.8	1863.9
exports	463.9	561.5	436.2	519.1	826.6
imports	616.2	503.4	505.3	750.7	1037.3
balance	-152.3	58.2	-69.1	-231.6	-210.7
The Russian Federation	967.5	918.8	968.1	1386.7	1480.7

¹⁾ Including unallocated data

(million dollars)

<i>Countries</i>	<i>2015</i>	<i>2016</i>	<i>2017</i>	<i>2018</i>	<i>2019</i>
exports	342.1	388.8	447.9	389.3	561.5
imports	625.3	530.0	520.1	997.4	919.2
balance	-283.2	-141.2	-72.2	-608.0	-357.7
Kazakhstan	682.9	332.8	360.6	605.6	782.9
exports	439.6	130.9	156.2	257.3	282.6
imports	243.3	201.9	204.4	348.4	500.2
balance	196.3	-71.0	-48.1	-91.1	-217.6
The Republic of Korea	420.0	289.9	260.0	323.8	696.8
exports	32.1	61.9	27.1	18.9	20.8
imports	388.0	228.0	232.9	304.9	676.0
balance	-355.9	-166.1	-205.7	-286.0	-655.2
Turkey	282.5	244.8	328.2	395.5	507.9
exports	180.5	133.2	186.1	214.7	238.2
imports	102.0	111.6	142.0	180.8	269.6
balance	78.5	21.5	44.1	33.8	-31.4
Kyrgyzstan	22.3	30.0	42.7	70.0	138.2
exports	15.3	25.2	33.3	39.9	113.8
imports	7.0	4.8	9.4	30.1	24.5
balance	8.3	20.4	23.9	9.9	89.3
Germany	125.9	112.2	114.6	149.8	137.8
exports	5.7	5.4	5.4	7.3	9.4

(million dollars)

<i>Countries</i>	<i>2015</i>	<i>2016</i>	<i>2017</i>	<i>2018</i>	<i>2019</i>
imports	120.2	106.8	109.2	142.4	128.5
balance	-114.6	-101.5	-103.7	-135.1	-119.1
Turkmenistan	42.0	49.4	27.1	41.7	123.9
exports	32.5	18.9	10.5	9.8	17.3
imports	9.5	30.5	16.6	31.9	106.7
balance	23.0	-11.6	-6.1	-22.1	-89.4
Afghanistan	127.7	133.2	159.9	174.9	117.4
exports	127.6	133.1	159.7	174.5	117.0
imports	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.3
balance	127.4	133.1	159.4	174.0	116.7
Belarus	30.2	19.9	27.3	114.5	108.1
exports	5.7	3.6	5.4	9.1	10.0
imports	24.4	16.3	22.0	105.4	98.1
balance	-18.7	-12.6	-16.6	-96.3	-88.0
Latvia	38.6	112.5	81.1	87.2	106.4
exports	11.1	12.3	31.6	10.6	12.4
imports	27.5	100.2	49.5	76.6	93.9
balance	-16.4	-87.9	-17.9	-66.1	-81.5
Iran	153.3	122.6	98.5	69.5	96.3
exports	135.5	107.4	85.8	49.8	55.5
imports	17.8	15.2	12.7	19.6	40.8
balance	117.7	92.2	73.1	30.2	14.7

(million dollars)

<i>Countries</i>	<i>2015</i>	<i>2016</i>	<i>2017</i>	<i>2018</i>	<i>2019</i>
Lithuania	77.7	47.0	72.5	62.7	94.7
exports	0.6	1.3	0.8	1.5	6.3
imports	77.2	45.8	71.7	61.1	88.4
balance	-76.6	-44.5	-70.9	-59.6	-82.1
Ukraine	123.5	59.9	59.0	95.5	94.5
exports	23.3	9.1	21.6	28.4	29.9
imports	100.2	50.8	37.4	67.1	64.7
balance	-77.0	-41.7	-15.8	-38.7	-34.8
India	70.7	93.9	91.3	57.4	84.6
exports	9.3	8.1	12.5	6.3	4.0
imports	61.4	85.9	78.8	51.2	80.6
balance	-52.1	-77.8	-66.3	-44.9	-76.6
Japan	42.4	63.8	35.7	27.5	84.6
exports	0.7	1.3	3.5	1.7	6.3
imports	41.7	62.5	32.2	25.9	78.3
balance	-41.0	-61.2	-28.7	-24.2	-72.1
Singapore	20.5	11.4	14.5	13.8	78.1
exports	15.9	8.4	12.1	9.7	12.4
imports	4.6	2.9	2.3	4.0	65.7
balance	11.3	5.5	9.8	5.7	-53.3

(million dollars)

<i>Countries</i>	<i>2015</i>	<i>2016</i>	<i>2017</i>	<i>2018</i>	<i>2019</i>
USA	65.3	69.5	47.7	58.7	74.2
exports	5.9	24.3	3.6	6.4	5.7
imports	59.3	45.2	44.1	52.3	68.5
balance	-53.4	-20.8	-40.5	-45.9	-62.8
France	69.8	65.5	66.1	63.7	73.8
exports	31.2	26.4	39.3	42.5	51.3
imports	38.6	39.1	26.8	21.2	22.5
balance	-7.4	-12.7	12.5	21.3	28.9
Tajikistan	34.2	40.8	55.9	71.3	72.5
exports	32.8	38.8	40.2	45.6	54.5
imports	1.5	2.0	15.6	25.7	18.0
balance	31.3	36.7	24.6	20.0	36.5

Foreign trade turnover with the countries having the largest share in trade turnover of the Republic of Uzbekistan
(January-March 2019)

(million dollars)

	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Foreign trade turnover</i>	
			<i>share in commodity turnover of the republic, %</i>	<i>% by January-March 2018</i>
China	826.6	1037.3	21.2	146.8
Russian Federation	561.5	919.2	16.8	106.8
Kazakhstan	282.6	500.2	8.9	129.3
The Republic of Korea	20.8	676.0	7.9	215.2
Turkey	238.2	269.6	5.8	128.4
Kyrgyzstan	113.8	24.5	1.6	197.4
Germany	9.4	128.5	1.6	92.0
Turkmenistan	17.3	106.7	1.4	297.3
Afghanistan	117.0	0.3	1.3	67.1
Belarus	10.0	98.1	1.2	94.4
Latvia	12.4	93.9	1.2	122.0
Iran	55.5	40.8	1.1	138.6
Lithuania	6.3	88.4	1.1	151.1
Ukraine	29.9	64.7	1.1	99.0
India	4.0	80.6	1.0	147.4
Japan	6.3	78.3	1.0	307.2
Singapore	12.4	65.7	0.9	566.9
USA	5.7	68.5	0.8	126.5
France	51.3	22.5	0.8	115.8
Tajikistan	54.5	18.0	0.8	101.7
Italy	5.7	62.9	0.8	155.9

(million dollars)

	<i>Exports</i>	<i>Imports</i>	<i>Foreign trade turnover</i>	
			<i>share in commodity turnover of the republic, %</i>	<i>% by January-March 2018</i>
Brazil	0.0	61.3	0.7	21.6 t.
Great Britain	32.1	26.6	0.7	179.6
UAE	19.6	22.8	0.5	150.1
Poland	10.2	20.9	0.4	93.6
Netherlands	0.9	26.8	0.3	115.2
Switzerland	2.3	22.9	0.3	85.0
Georgia	4.9	20.3	0.3	153.6
Malaysia	1.4	22.3	0.3	152.9
China	0.9	22.5	0.3	189.7
Russian Federation	5.4	17.1	0.3	129.7
Kazakhstan	0.6	21.4	0.2	162.2
The Republic of Korea	5.1	15.2	0.2	168.7
Turkey	9.3	9.8	0.2	109.5
Kyrgyzstan	1.1	17.1	0.2	131.9
Germany	0.6	16.5	0.2	4.4 t.
Turkmenistan	0.3	13.8	0.2	103.0

The exports volume of food products increased by 45.0 % due to an increase in exports of fruits and vegetables by 68.5 %.

Services accounted for 16.1 % of total exports, with 8.5 % of transport services and 6.0 % of travel.

The export of energy carriers and oil products increased, as compared to the same period of last year, by 89.8% due to the export of natural gas by 2.1 times.

In the structure of imports, the main share is accounted for machinery and equipment - 42.6%, chemical products and products thereof–13.0%.

**Exports structure
(January-March 2019)**

	<i>Million dollars</i>	<i>% by January-March 2018</i>	<i>% of total</i>
Exports	4132.3	120.6	100.0
cotton fiber	110.2	110.3	2.7
foodstuffs	247.3	145.0	6.0
including fruits and vegetables	178.4	168.4	4.3
chemical products and products thereof	222.9	94.5	5.4
energy carriers and oil products	750.6	189.8	18.2
ferrous metals and products thereof	71.4	270.6	1.7
non-ferrous metals and products thereof	228.1	141.4	5.5
machinery and equipment, including parts and components	83.9	117.1	2.0
textiles and textile products	369.3	116.6	8.9
gold	1231.4	96.1	29.8
services	666.4	107.6	16.1
including travel	246.1	138.6	6.0
others	150.8	308.6	3.6

Exports structure by CIS countries and other countries
(January-March 2019)

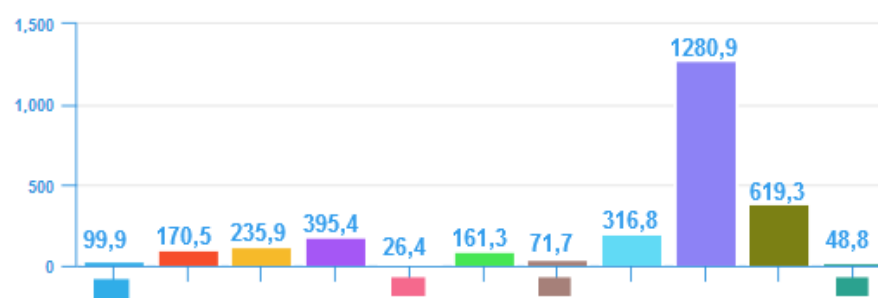
	<i>CIS countries</i>		<i>Other countries</i>	
	<i>million dollars</i>	<i>% of total</i>	<i>million dollars</i>	<i>% of total</i>
Exports	1278.1	135.8	2854.1	114.8
cotton fiber	0.2	25.0	110.0	111.0
foodstuffs	148.7	205.4	98.5	100.4
including fruits and vegetables	120.8	205.2	57.6	122.4
chemical products and products thereof	100.4	108.3	122.5	85.6
energy carriers and oil products	316.1	158.3	434.5	222.0
ferrous metals and products thereof	7.2	257.3	64.3	272.2
non-ferrous metals and products thereof	53.3	180.2	174.9	132.8
machinery and equipment, including parts and components	59.6	107.1	24.3	151.6
textiles and textile products	195.3	110.6	174.1	124.1
gold	-	-	1231.4	96.1
services	331.8	114.8	334.7	101.4
including travel	196.9	129.9	49.2	188.7
others	65.7	296.5	85.1	318.7

Structure of goods and services exports

(mln. USD)

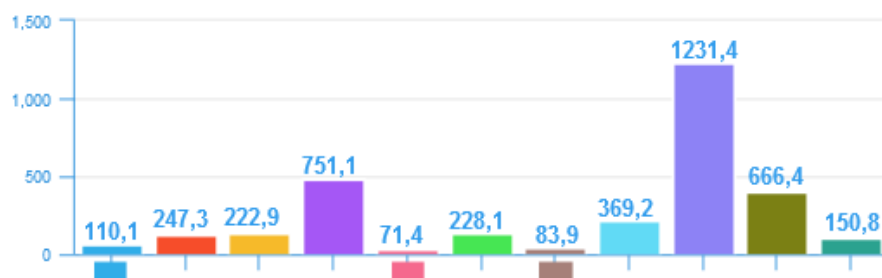
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Dynamics of export structure

(January-March 2019, million dollars)

Structure	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Exports	261.7	203.5	184.4	99.9	110.2
cotton fiber	266.4	83.7	117.0	170.5	247.3
foodstuffs	238.5	62.1	73.0	105.9	178.5
including fruits and vegetables	154.3	211.8	214.8	235.9	222.9

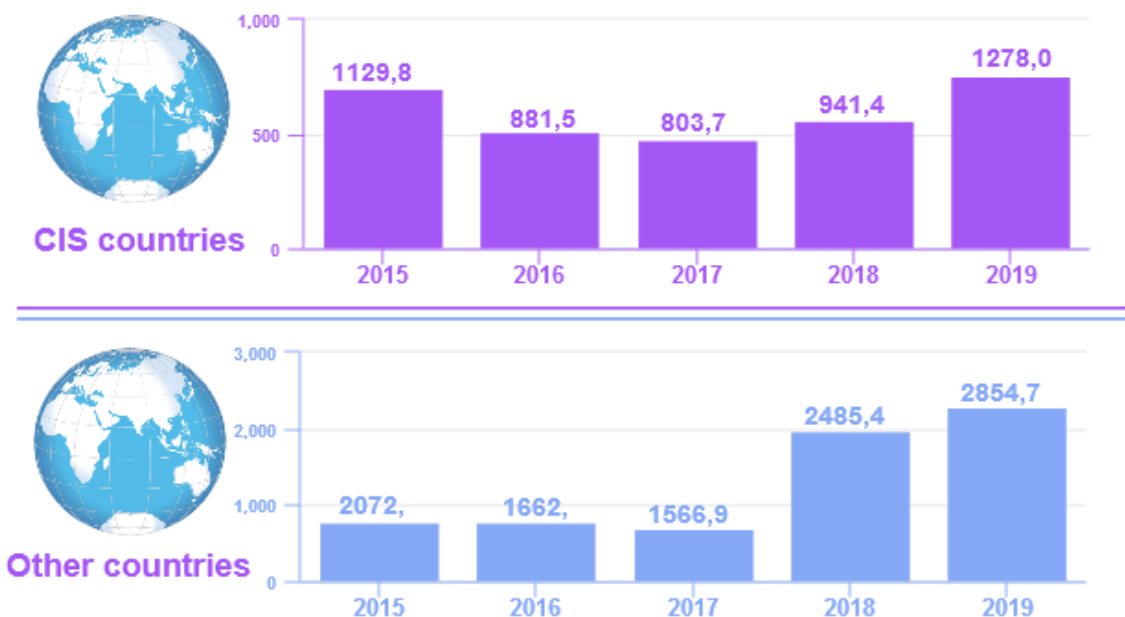
<i>Structure</i>	<i>2015</i>	<i>2016</i>	<i>2017</i>	<i>2018</i>	<i>2019</i>
chemical products and products thereof	491.4	459.7	290.7	395.4	750.6
energy carriers and oil products	27.7	35.7	36.3	26.4	71.4
ferrous metals and products thereof	149.8	109.7	160.5	161.3	228.1
non-ferrous metals and products thereof	39.8	30.3	53.7	71.7	83.9
machinery and equipment, including parts and components	213.6	195.4	276.4	316.8	369.3
textiles and textile products	823.9	375.1	388.7	1 280.9	1 231.4
gold	676.0	747.0	591.3	619.3	666.4
services	59.8	62.5	56.9	48.8	150.8

As a result of measures taken by the Government of the Republic to strengthen cooperation with the CIS countries and comprehensive support for foreign trade, the share of CIS countries in foreign trade in January-March 2019 amounted to 33.9% and, compared to the same period of last year, the growth rate of foreign trade turnover reached 117.4%.

The share of other countries in foreign trade turnover in January-March 2019 increased by 32.9% and, compared to the same period of last year, was 66.1%.

The volume of exports to the CIS countries and other foreign countries

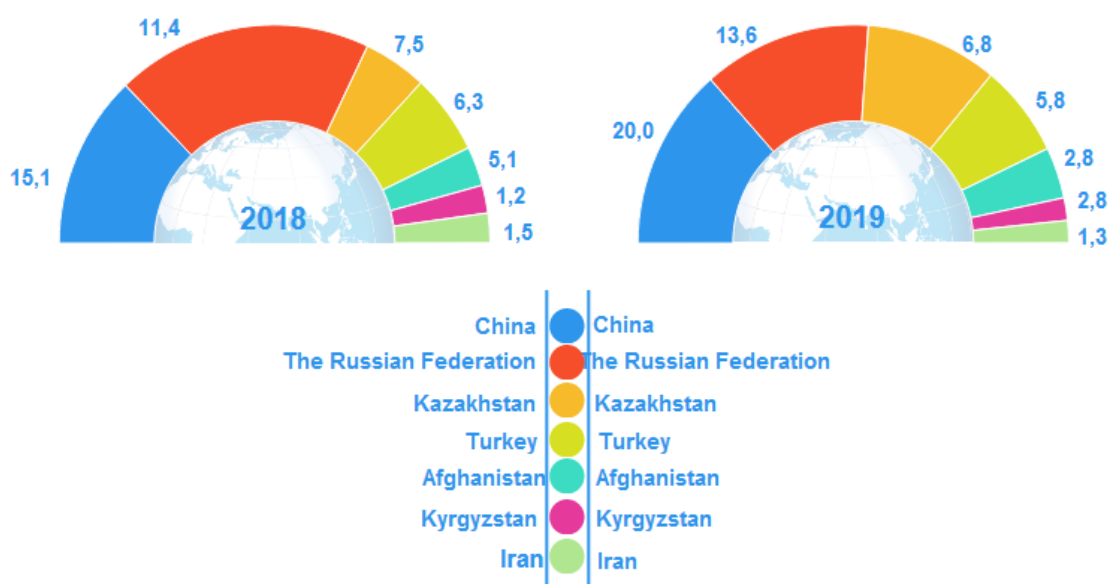
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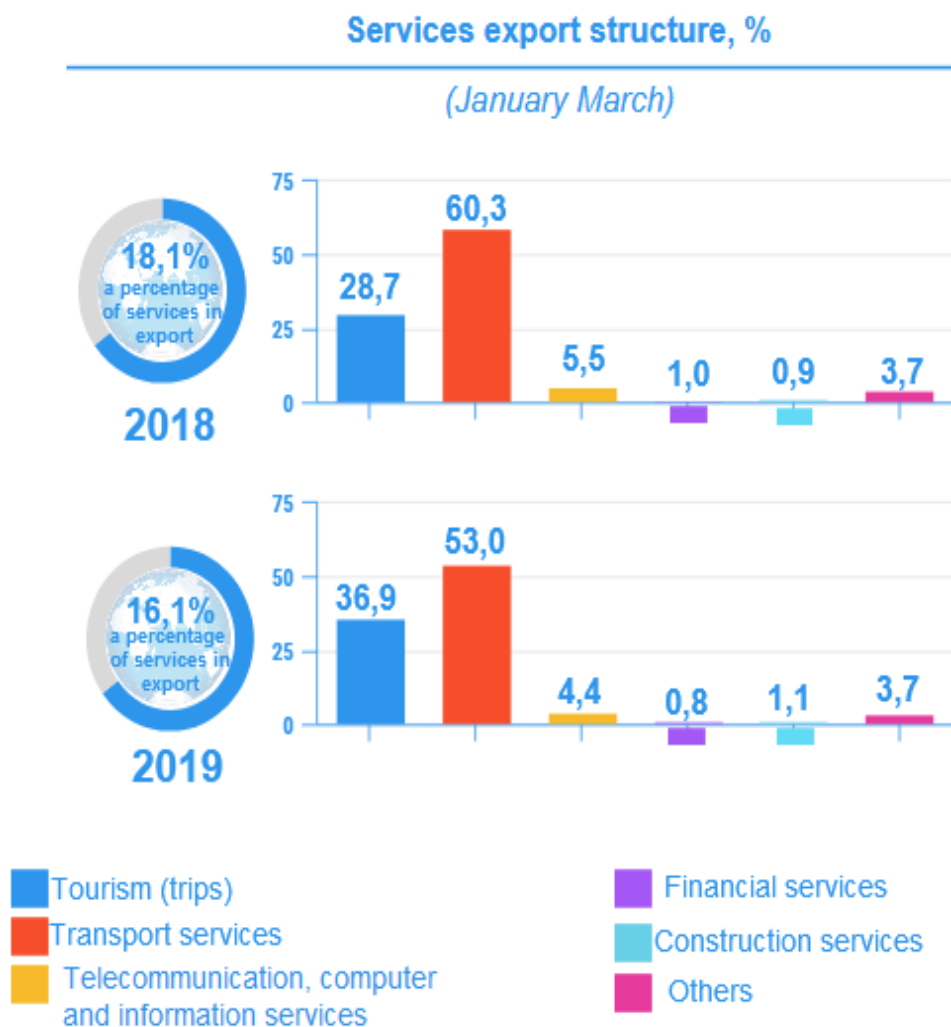
Among the countries of the world, the main partners in exports are China, Russia, Kazakhstan, Turkey, Afghanistan, Kyrgyzstan and Iran, which accounted for 53.1 %, in imports – China, Russia, the Republic of Korea, Kazakhstan, Turkey, Germany and Turkmenistan, which accounted for 69.0 %.

The percentage of seven major partner countries in goods and services export, %

(January March)



The volume of exports of services in January-March 2019 amounted to 666.4 million dollars, or 16.1% of total volume and increased by 7.6%, compared to the same period of last year. Transport services and tourism, as well as telecommunication, information, computer and financial services, account for the largest share in the export of services.



Export of fruits and vegetables

The volume of exports of fruits and vegetables amounted to more than 308.8 thousand tons and reached 178.5 million dollars (growth rate - 68.5%).

More than 250.5 thousand tons of vegetables were exported in the amount of 100.0 million dollars, fruits and berries - 58.2 thousand tons (physical volume increased by 21.4%) in the amount of 78.4 million dollars (growth rates in terms of value, compared to the same period of last year, were 165.2% and 172.8%, respectively).

Export of fruits and vegetables

(January-March 2019)



Export geography of fruits and vegetables
(January-March)

<i>Countries</i>	<i>January-March 2018</i>			<i>January-March 2019</i>		
	<i>thousand tons</i>	<i>million dollars</i>	<i>percentage, %</i>	<i>thousand tons</i>	<i>million dollars</i>	<i>percentage, %</i>
Kazakhstan	88.5	38.0	49.3	85.1	39.1	27.6
Turkey	7.1	6.5	4.0	38.3	11.6	12.4
The Russian Federation	17.9	11.6	10.0	34.9	18.7	11.3
Ukraine	2.9	2.2	1.6	31.0	12.2	10.0
China	4.8	4.1	2.7	14.6	9.9	4.7
Kyrgyzstan	7.2	2.8	4.0	13.7	42.7	4.4
Turkmenistan	0.7	0.7	0.4	11.5	2.3	3.7
Afghanistan	19.7	14.5	11.0	11.1	8.7	3.6
Syria	-	-	-	10.5	1.6	3.4
Pakistan	3.1	2.3	1.7	10.2	7.1	3.3
Iraq	1.4	1.6	0.8	8.8	3.0	2.9
Iran	3.0	2.7	1.7	5.6	4.2	1.8
Georgia	1.2	1.0	0.7	5.7	1.5	1.8
Poland	0.1	0.1	0.1	4.7	1.7	1.5
Belarus	1.8	2.1	1.0	4.3	2.2	1.4
Azerbaijan	1.1	1.2	0.6	2.7	1.9	0.9
Others	18.9	14.6	10.5	16.0	10.0	5.2

Textile exports

In January-March 2019, exports of textile products amounted to 369.3 million dollars and increased, compared to the same period of 2018, by 16.6%, which was 8.9% of total exports. The main share in export structure of textile products was cotton yarn (57.0%), as well as finished knitwear and garments (22.6%). Since the beginning of the year, more than 272 types of goods have been exported to 46 countries of the world.

Dynamics of textile exports
(million USD)

<i>Structure</i>	<i>January-March 2017</i>	<i>January-March 2018</i>	<i>January-March 2019</i>
Cotton yarn	155.2	186.5	210.4
Ready knitted and garments	65.9	67.4	83.6
Knittwear fabric	15.4	15.2	19.7
Cotton fabrics	13.5	15.1	17.4
Silk	5.2	10.0	11.6
Other made-up textile articles, rags	7.5	9.1	12.6
Carpets	5.1	6.2	6.3
Cotton wool, felt and nonwoven materials, rope products	7.0	5.0	6.3

Dynamics of structure of textile products exports
(January-March 2019, million dollars)

<i>Countries</i>	<i>2017</i>	<i>2018</i>	<i>2019</i>
The Russian Federation	136.1	140.6	150.3
China	59.9	67.9	102.2
Turkey	17.3	39.7	31.7
Kyrgyzstan	12.6	13.9	19.6
Iran	5.5	1.6	10.7
Kazakhstan	10.5	10.5	9.7

<i>Countries</i>	<i>2017</i>	<i>2018</i>	<i>2019</i>
Poland	4.8	6.2	6.3
Ukraine	2.8	3.7	5.4
Belarus	3.6	4.7	5.2
Bangladesh	2.3	7.3	4.9
Italy	0.8	1.8	3.3
Vietnam	1.5	0.5	2.5
Egypt	0.0	0.0	2.3
Germany	0.6	0.9	2.1
The Republic of Korea	7.0	4.1	2.0
Azerbaijan	0.2	1.0	1.7
Tajikistan	0.8	0.7	1.7
The Republic of Moldova	0.8	1.1	1.3
Pakistan	0.2	0.9	0.9
Afghanistan	0.7	1.5	0.8

In January-March 2019, the imports volume in the Republic of Uzbekistan amounted to 5276.9 million dollars (growth rate - 33.0%). In imports structure, the main share was occupied by machinery and equipment (42.6%), chemical products and products thereof (13.0%), as well as ferrous metals and products thereof (7.7%).

Imports structure
(January-March 2019)

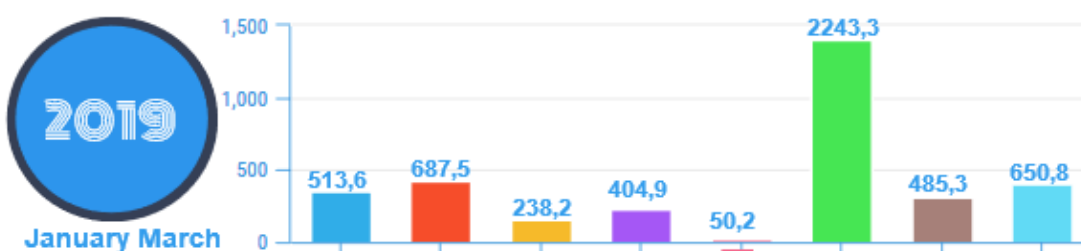
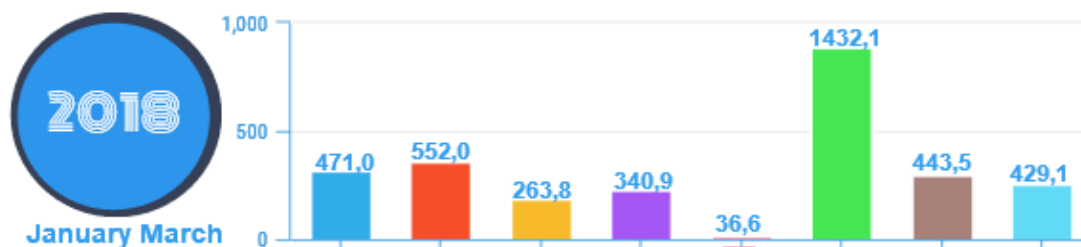
	<i>million dollars</i>	<i>% by January-March 2018</i>	<i>% of total</i>
Imports	5276.9	133.0	100.0
Food products	513.6	109.0	9.7
Chemical products and articles thereof	687.6	124.6	13.0
Energy carries and oil products	238.2	90.3	4.5
Ferrous metals and articles thereof	404.9	118.8	7.7
Non-ferrous metals and articles thereof	50.2	137.0	1.0
Machinery and equipment, including parts and components	2246.3	156.9	42.6
Services	485.3	109.4	9.2
Others	650.8	151.7	12.3

Dynamics of imports structure
(million dollars)

<i>Structure</i>	<i>2017</i>	<i>2018</i>	<i>2019</i>
Food products	343.8	471.0	513.6
Chemical products and articles thereof	481.7	552.0	687.6
Energy carries and oil products	70.5	263.8	238.2
Ferrous metals and articles thereof	234.3	340.9	404.9
Non-ferrous metals and articles thereof	26.1	36.6	50.2
Machinery and equipment, including parts and components	1 008.4	1 432.1	2246.3
Services	337.7	443.5	485.3
Others	299.4	429.1	650.8

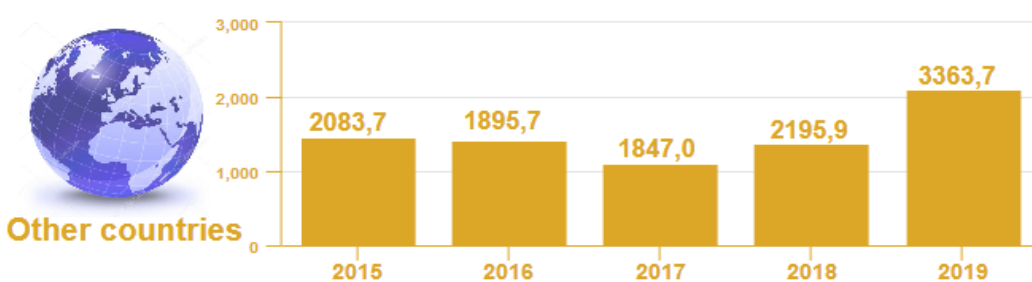
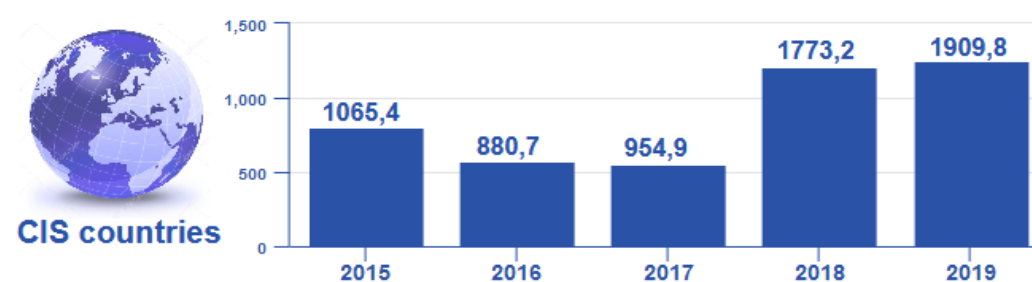
Structure of goods and services imports

(mln. dollars)



Import volume from the CIS countries and other foreign countries

(January March, mln. USD)



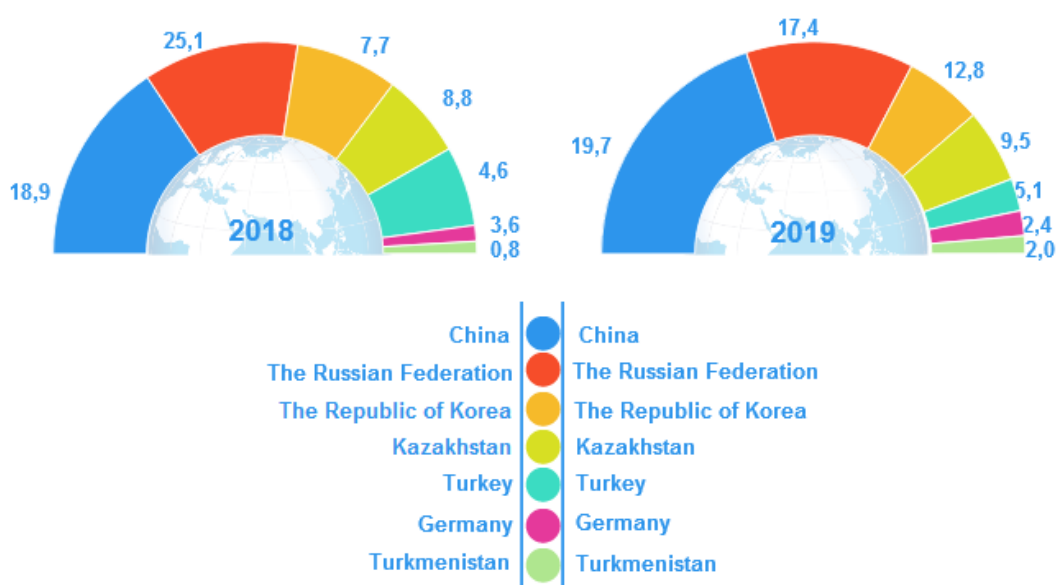
Import structure by CIS countries and other countries

(January-March 2019)

	CIS countries		Other countries	
	million dollars	% of total	million dollars	% of total
Imports	1910.1	100	3366.7	100
Food products	346.6	18.1	167.0	5.0
Chemical products and articles thereof	146.4	7.7	541.1	16.1
Energy carries and oil products	229.8	12.0	8.5	0.3
Ferrous metals and articles thereof	284.1	14.9	120.9	3.6
Non-ferrous metals and articles thereof	35.8	1.9	14.4	0.4
Machinery and equipment, including parts and components	297.3	15.6	1949.0	57.6
Services	213.0	11.2	272.3	8.1
Others	357.9	18.7	293.7	8.7

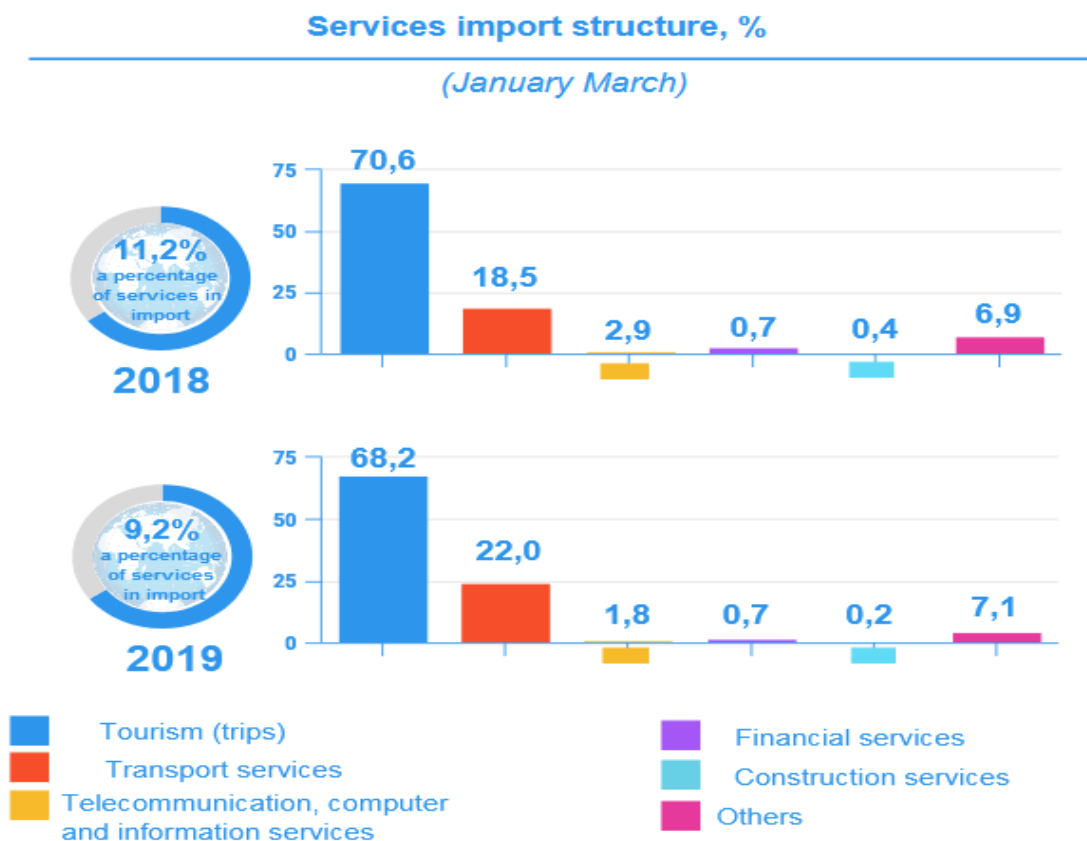
The percentage of seven major partner countries in goods and services imports, %

(January March)



In January-March 2019, goods and services from 132 countries were imported into the republic.

Five major partner countries (the Russian Federation, the People's Republic of China, the Republic of Korea, Kazakhstan and Turkey) in total volume of imports had a share of 64.5%, which amounted to 3402.4 million dollars.



The volume of imports of services in January-March 2019 amounted to 485.3 million dollars, or 9.2% of total imports and increased by 9.4%, compared to the same period of last year. Transport services, tourism, as well as telecommunication, information, computer, construction and financial services had the largest share of services imports.

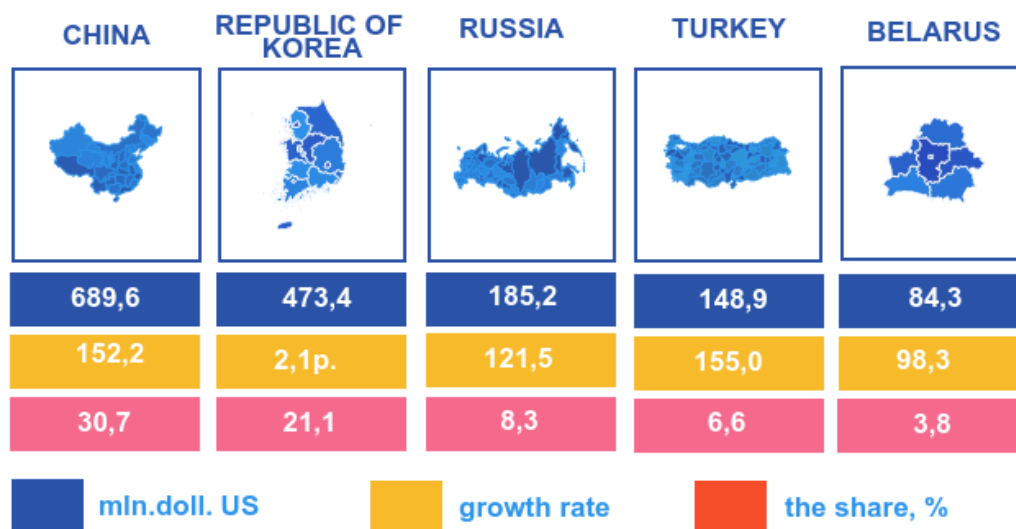
Imports of construction materials

In January-March 2019, the volume of construction materials imports amounted to 291.3 million USD and increased by 11.4%, as compared to the same period of 2018. The share of imports of building materials in total volume reached 5.5%.

In the structure of imports of building materials, the largest share was occupied by wood and wood products (50.4%), cement (10.7%), glass and glass products (5.2%), as well as asbestos (2.5%).

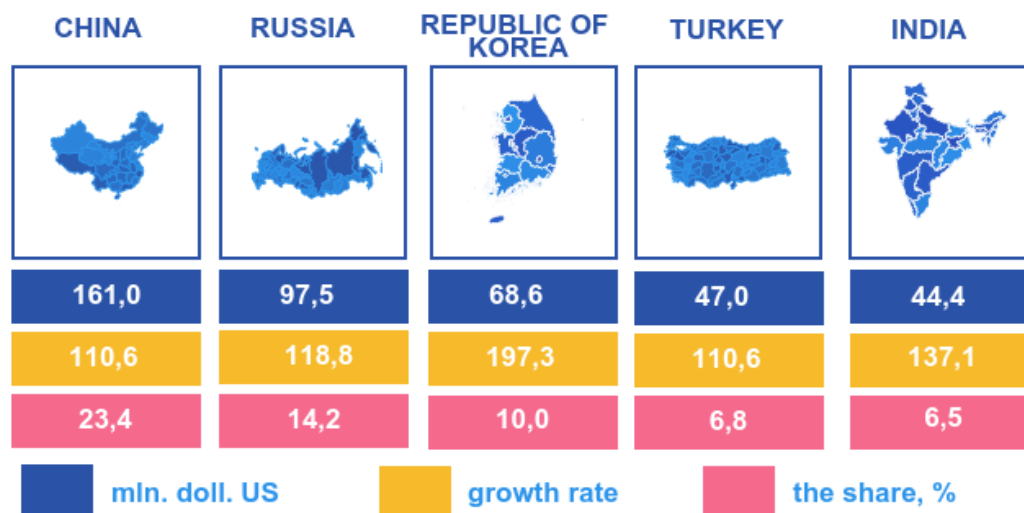
Below was given information on major partner countries, which imported machinery, equipment, food products and have a major share in imports to the Republic of Uzbekistan.

Main partner countries exporting machinery and equipment to the Republic of Uzbekistan



In January-March 2019, in the structure of imports, the volume of machinery and equipment reached 2,246.3 million dollars and increased by 56.9%, as compared to the same period of last year, the share in total imports amounted to 42.6 %

Main partner countries exporting chemical products and products from it to the Republic of Uzbekistan



In January-March 2019, the volume of imports of chemical products and products from it reached 687.6 million dollars and increased by 24.6%, as compared to the same period of last year, the share in total imports amounted to 13.0%.

