

XIII. FOREIGN ECONOMIC ACTIVITY

In January-December 2018, the republic's foreign trade turnover amounted to 33809.1 million USD, including exports - 14253.9 million USD, imports - 19555.2 million USD.

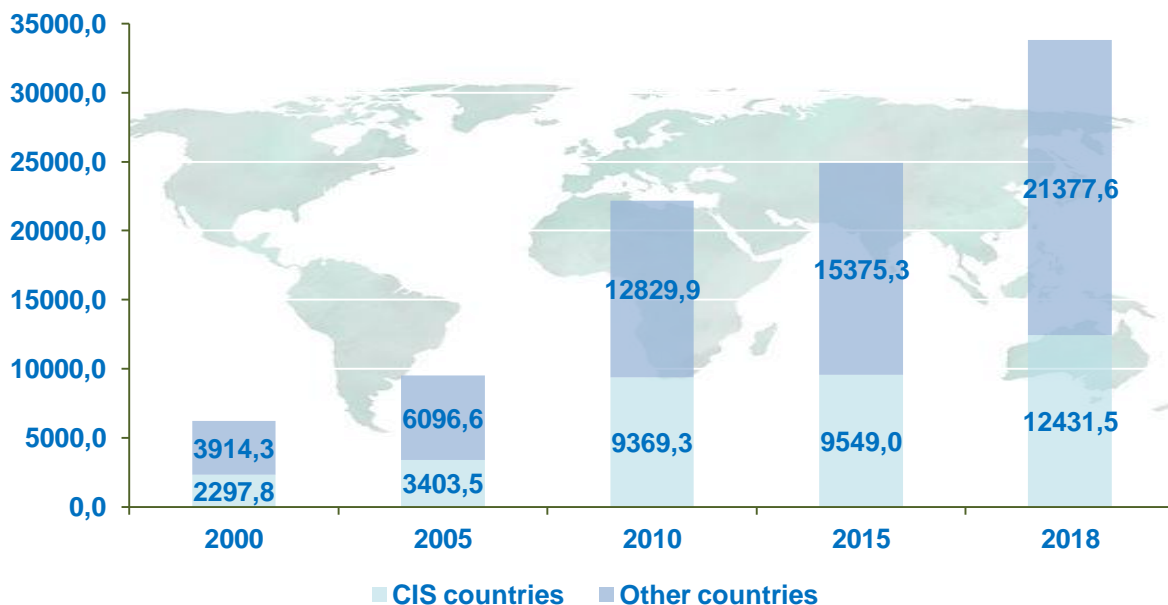
The balance of foreign trade amounted to minus 5301.3 million USD, including with CIS countries - minus 1846.5 million USD and with other countries - minus 3 454.8 million USD.

For reference: the data for the period of 2017 and the first half of 2018 are recalculated taking into account the results of a sample survey on inbound and outbound tourism conducted in the second quarter of 2018.

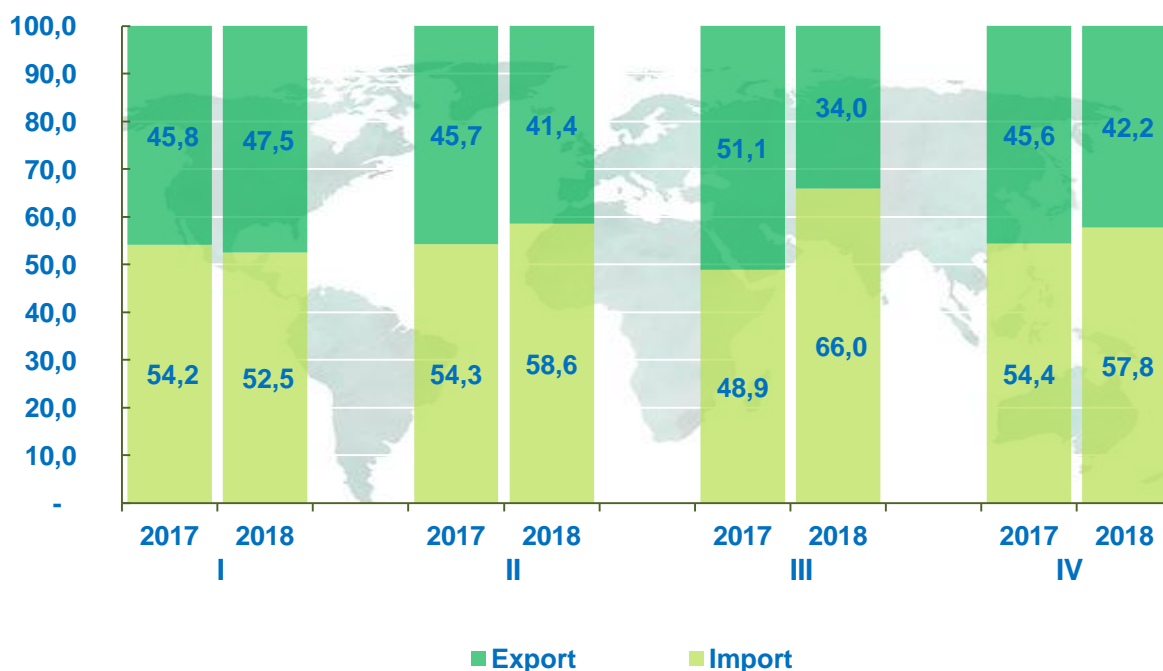
The turnover of foreign trade of the Republic of Uzbekistan (January-December 2018)

	<i>million USD</i>	<i>In % to the January-December 2017</i>	<i>The share, %</i>
Foreign trade turnover	33809,1	127,3	100
CIS countries	12431,5	136,9	36,8
other countries	21377,6	122,3	63,2
Export	14253,9	113,5	100
CIS countries	5292,5	129,7	37,1
other countries	8961,4	105,8	62,9
Import	19555,2	139,6	100
CIS countries	7139,0	142,7	36,5
other countries	12416,2	137,8	63,5
Balance	-5301,3	x	x
CIS countries	-1846,5	x	x
other countries	-3454,8	x	x

Dynamics of the volume of the CIS countries and other foreign countries in the foreign trade turnover of the Republic of Uzbekistan
(million USD)



The share of exports and imports in the foreign trade turnover of the Republic of Uzbekistan
(for quarter, in %)



Foreign trade operations of residents of the republic are mainly carried out with Asian countries (52.3 % of the total turnover), Europe (38.5 %) and America (1.5 %), which account for 92.3 % of the total turnover.

Distribution of foreign trade of the Republic of Uzbekistan by continents of the world
(January-December 2018)

(million USD)

	Export	Import	Foreign trade turnover	
			in % to January-December 2017	in % to the total
Total ¹⁾	14253,9	19555,2	127,3	100,0
<i>including:</i>				
Europe	5956,8	7056,4	113,4	38,5
Asia	7167,1	7018,6	140,1	52,3
America	37,2	470,3	79,4	1,5
Africa	11,6	15,9	97,0	0,1
Australia and Oceania	0,4	1,7	47,2	0,0

Among the CIS countries, the main foreign trade partners are Russia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Ukraine, Belarus, Tajikistan, which account for 31.0 % 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 43.1 % of the total foreign trade turnover.

Dynamics of indicators of monthly exports and imports of goods and services in January-December 2018
(million USD)



Compared with November 2018, the volume of exports of goods and services in December 2018 increased threefold. The main influencing factor of this increase was the export of gold to 1351.4 million USD.

Compared to the same period last year, gold exports decreased by 10.8 % and amounted to 2909.5 million USD. In January-December 2017, the volume of gold exports reached 3260.0 million USD.

¹⁾ Including unallocated data

**Dynamics of large partner countries in the external trade
of the Republic of Uzbekistan**

(million USD)

<i>Countries</i>	<i>2014</i>	<i>2015</i>	<i>2016</i>	<i>2017</i>	<i>January- December 2018</i>
China	4520,4	4730,4	4253,6	4754,2	6426,9
export	2123,6	2472,2	1999,3	2025,5	2869,0
import	2396,8	2258,1	2254,3	2728,7	3557,9
balance	-273,1	214,1	-255,0	-703,3	-688,9
Russian Federation	5858,5	4455,8	4192,7	4728,7	5729,8
export	2545,8	1821,1	1794,9	2019,2	2192,9
import	3312,7	2634,7	2397,8	2709,5	3536,9
balance	-766,9	-813,6	-602,9	-690,3	-1344,0
Kazakhstan	3496,4	2697,1	1898,9	2055,7	3022,2
export	2487,7	1849,4	945,0	1057,6	1457,7
import	1008,7	847,7	953,9	998,2	1564,5
balance	1479,0	1001,7	-8,9	59,4	-106,9
Turkey	1505,7	1202,7	1171,7	1552,5	2166,4
export	966,3	790,1	686,2	877,8	931,9
import	539,5	412,6	485,5	674,7	1234,5
balance	426,8	377,5	200,7	203,2	-302,7
Republic of Korea	2035,7	1739,6	1070,4	1387,6	2138,6
export	159,6	176,4	201,8	143,3	91,7
import	1876,1	1563,2	868,7	1244,3	2046,9
balance	-1716,5	-1386,8	-666,9	-1100,9	-1955,2

(million USD)

<i>Countries</i>	<i>2014</i>	<i>2015</i>	<i>2016</i>	<i>2017</i>	<i>January-December 2018</i>
Germany	692,8	526,7	529,1	620,0	771,7
export	71,0	38,0	36,9	32,5	46,9
import	621,8	488,8	492,2	587,5	724,8
balance	-550,8	-450,8	-455,3	-555,0	-677,9
Japan	190,4	255,7	264,1	166,2	700,4
export	15,9	10,4	15,8	14,5	13,2
import	174,5	245,2	248,3	151,7	687,2
balance	-158,6	-234,8	-232,5	-137,2	-674,0
Afghanistan	601,8	445,1	519,7	617,8	601,8
export	601,0	444,5	517,3	615,6	599,7
import	0,8	0,6	2,5	2,2	2,1
balance	600,2	443,9	514,8	613,4	597,6
Kyrgyzstan	225,9	136,0	167,4	253,7	481,0
export	164,1	99,9	121,5	178,3	348,2
import	61,8	36,1	46,0	75,4	132,8
balance	102,2	63,9	75,5	102,9	215,4
Ukraine	608,8	334,8	253,8	290,0	430,3
export	193,6	65,7	51,2	106,0	103,3
import	415,1	269,1	202,6	184,0	327,0
balance	-221,5	-203,3	-151,4	-77,9	-223,7

(million USD)

<i>Countries</i>	<i>2014</i>	<i>2015</i>	<i>2016</i>	<i>2017</i>	<i>January- December 2018</i>
Latvia	250,1	179,9	299,6	295,0	429,5
export	113,2	43,2	57,7	82,3	40,9
import	136,9	136,7	241,9	212,7	388,6
balance	-23,6	-93,4	-184,2	-130,4	-347,7
Belarus	177,8	109,1	112,6	182,4	420,0
export	24,7	20,1	18,2	27,4	43,2
import	153,0	89,0	94,4	155,0	376,8
balance	-128,3	-68,9	-76,1	-127,6	-333,6
USA	292,7	270,6	463,1	215,0	408,5
export	42,4	30,4	53,5	32,1	30,4
import	250,3	240,2	409,6	182,9	378,1
balance	-207,9	-209,8	-356,1	-150,8	-347,6
Tajikistan	160,2	167,3	197,0	237,9	389,1
export	153,4	160,3	164,8	186,1	236,1
import	6,8	7,0	32,2	51,8	152,9
balance	146,6	153,4	132,7	134,3	83,2
Iran	375,4	378,0	408,6	325,3	306,5
export	318,3	318,1	350,4	267,2	172,6
import	57,1	59,9	58,2	58,1	133,9
balance	261,2	258,2	292,2	209,1	38,6

(million USD)

<i>Countries</i>	<i>2014</i>	<i>2015</i>	<i>2016</i>	<i>2017</i>	<i>January- December 2018</i>
France	292,0	304,6	269,6	257,2	306,4
export	140,8	151,1	120,2	148,9	189,9
import	151,2	153,6	149,4	108,2	116,5
balance	-10,4	-2,5	-29,2	40,7	73,5
Italy	189,1	167,7	195,2	175,8	303,2
export	23,0	13,0	30,7	22,6	25,8
import	166,2	154,7	164,5	153,1	277,3
balance	-143,2	-141,7	-133,8	-130,5	-251,5
Turkmenistan	413,1	319,9	209,1	177,9	302,1
export	230,1	106,0	79,5	69,9	59,1
import	183,0	213,9	129,5	108,0	243,0
balance	47,1	-108,0	-50,0	-38,1	-183,8
Lithuania	95,4	270,1	282,7	265,7	289,7
export	4,2	6,1	4,7	6,2	11,6
import	91,2	264,0	278,0	259,5	278,1
balance	-87,1	-257,9	-273,3	-253,3	-266,5
India	316,7	319,3	366,5	325,0	284,6
export	67,9	58,7	48,3	33,8	23,3
import	248,8	260,6	318,2	291,1	261,3
balance	-180,9	-201,9	-269,9	-257,3	-238,0

Foreign trade turnover with the countries having the largest share in the trade turnover of the Republic of Uzbekistan (January-December 2018)

(million USD)

	<i>Export</i>	<i>Import</i>	<i>Foreign trade turnover</i>	
			<i>share in the commodity turnover of the republic, %</i>	<i>in % to January-December 2017</i>
China	2869,0	3557,9	19,0	135,2
Russian Federation	2192,9	3536,9	16,9	121,2
Kazakhstan	1457,7	1564,5	8,9	147,0
Turkey	931,9	1234,5	6,4	139,5
Republic of Korea	91,7	2046,9	6,3	154,1
Germany	46,9	724,8	2,3	124,5
Japan	13,2	687,2	2,1	421,4
Afghanistan	599,7	2,1	1,8	97,4
Kyrgyzstan	348,2	132,8	1,4	189,6
Ukraine	103,3	327,0	1,3	148,4
Latvia	40,9	388,6	1,3	145,6
Belorus	43,2	376,8	1,2	230,3
USA	30,4	378,1	1,2	190,0
Tajikistan	236,1	152,9	1,2	163,5
Iran	172,6	133,9	0,9	94,2
France	189,9	116,5	0,9	119,1
Italy	25,8	277,3	0,9	172,5
Turkmenistan	59,1	243,0	0,9	169,8
Lithuania	11,6	278,1	0,9	109,0
India	23,3	261,3	0,8	87,6
United Kingdom	164,4	71,4	0,7	137,4

(million USD)

	<i>Export</i>	<i>Import</i>	<i>Foreign trade turnover</i>	
			<i>share in the commodity turnover of the republic, %</i>	<i>in % to January-December 2017</i>
Switzerland	11,4	158,2	0,5	107,1
Poland	37,9	121,1	0,5	150,9
Netherlands	11,6	135,7	0,4	161,9
UAE	60,8	80,6	0,4	123,0
Austria	5,5	103,0	0,3	139,6
Pakistan	32,4	66,0	0,3	269,6
Belgium	26,5	61,3	0,3	120,2
Malaysia	7,7	70,6	0,2	119,5
Singapore	57,6	19,6	0,2	83,3
Czech Republic	5,6	64,3	0,2	80,1
Georgia	9,6	48,4	0,2	65,2
Spain	2,8	52,2	0,2	62,0
Vietnam	28,9	25,8	0,2	161,3
Israel	18,2	36,1	0,2	120,7
Bangladesh	38,4	14,6	0,2	81,0
Indonesia	41,0	10,8	0,2	143,5

The volume of exports of food products increased by 25.3 % due to an increase in exports of fruits and vegetables by 35.5 %.

The share of services in total exports amounted to 21.3 %, where transport services account for 11.8 %, and travel accounts for 7.3 %.

The export of energy carriers and petroleum products increased, as compared with the same period last year, by 65.8 % due to the export of natural gas by 74.4 %.

A certain place in the export structure is occupied by other goods - 34.7 %, where the export volume of textile products amounted to 1603.1 million USD, and compared to the same period last year, it increased by 41.4 %.

In the structure of imports, the main share is accounted for by machines and equipment - 42.5 %, chemical products and products from it –13.1 %.

Structure of export (January-December 2018)

	<i>Million USD</i>	<i>in % to January-December 2017.</i>	<i>in % to the total</i>
Export	14253,9	113,5	100,0
cotton fiber	222,1	46,6	1,6
foodstuffs	1097,7	125,3	7,7
chemical products and products from it	904,6	102,4	6,3
energy and oil products	2666,2	165,8	18,7
ferrous and non-ferrous metals	1167,1	127,6	8,2
cars and equipment	214,1	60,3	1,5
services	3029,9	122,4	21,3
other	4952,2	99,7	34,7

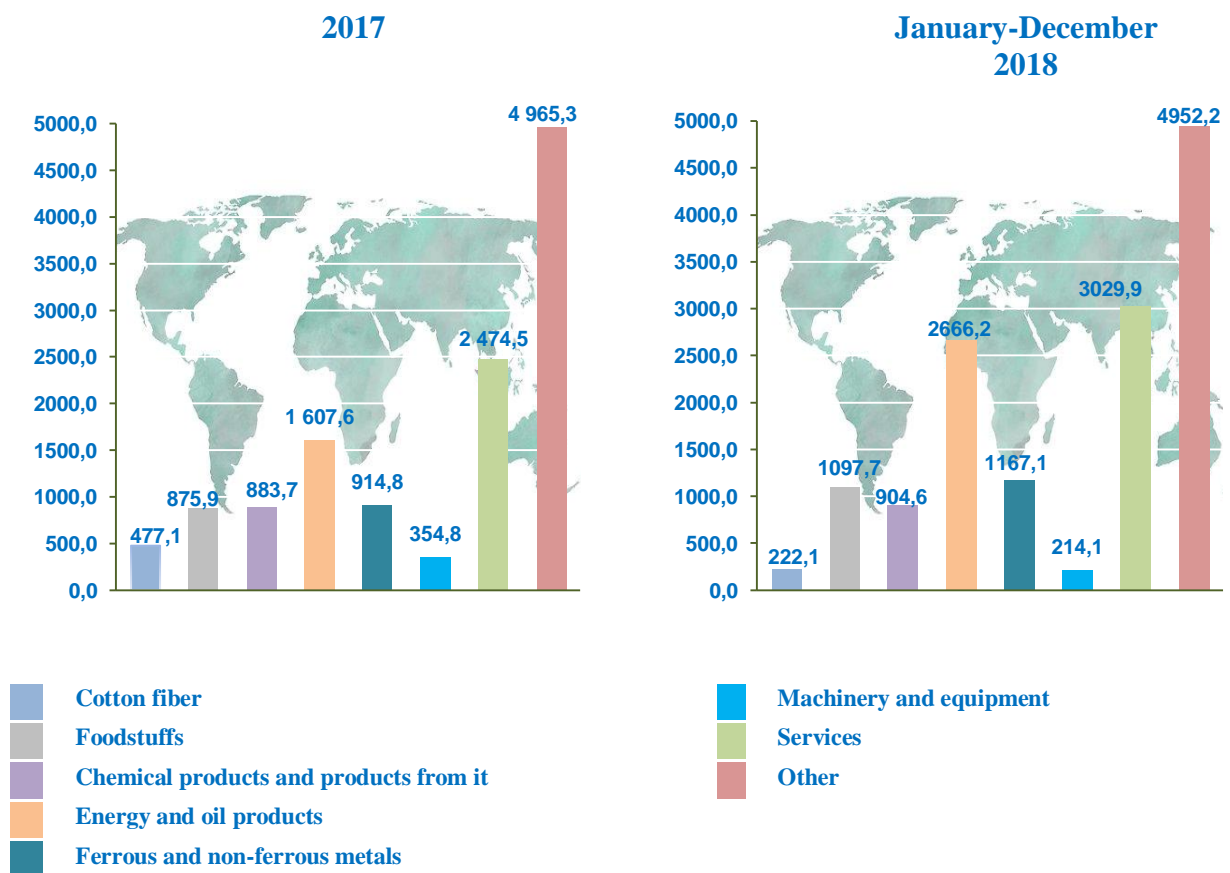
Structure of exports and imports by CIS countries and other countries

(January-December 2018)

	<i>CIS countries</i>		<i>Other countries</i>	
	<i>million USD</i>	<i>in % to total volume</i>	<i>million USD</i>	<i>in % to total volume</i>
Export	5292,5	37,1	8961,4	62,9
cotton fiber	3,2	0,1	218,9	2,4
foodstuffs	730,5	13,8	367,2	4,1

	<i>CIS countries</i>		<i>Other countries</i>	
	<i>million USD</i>	<i>in % to total volume</i>	<i>million USD</i>	<i>in % to total volume</i>
chemical products and products from it	380,4	7,2	524,2	5,8
energy and oil products	1182,6	22,3	1483,6	16,6
ferrous and non-ferrous metals	149,6	2,8	1017,5	11,4
cars and equipment	148,8	2,8	65,3	0,7
services	1517,5	28,7	1512,4	16,9
other	1179,9	22,3	3772,3	42,1

Structure of exports of goods and services
(*mln. USD*)



Dynamics of export structure
(million USD)

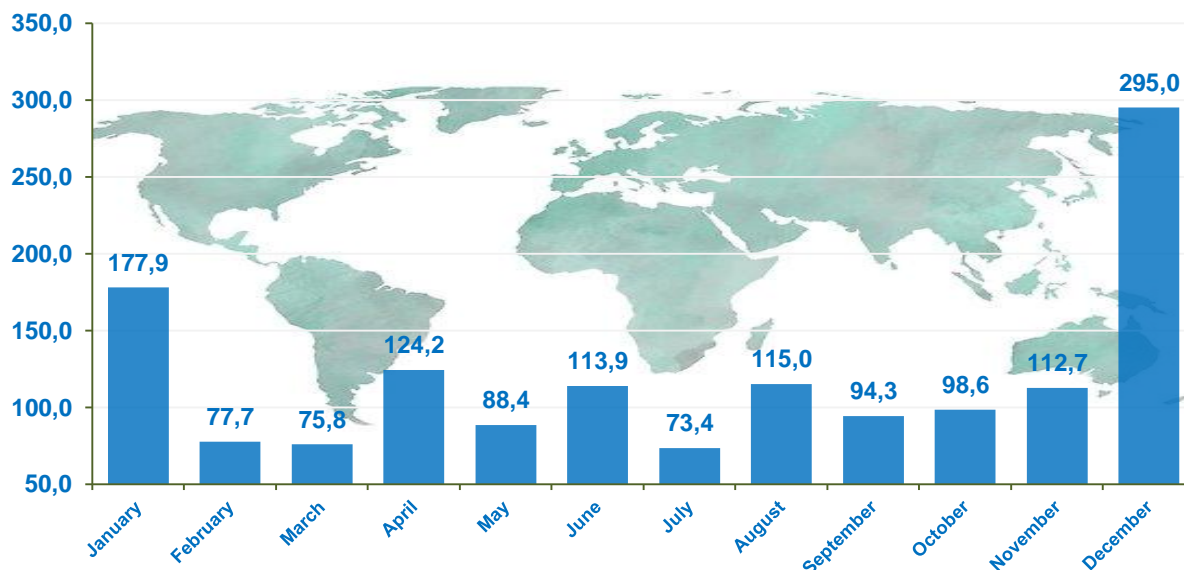
<i>Structure</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>2005</i>	<i>2010</i>	<i>2015</i>	<i>January-December 2018</i>
Cotton fiber	897,1	1 033,3	1 572,7	736,1	222,1
Foodstuffs	176,4	206,1	1 260,5	1 316,4	1097,7
Chemical products and products from it	93,4	285,0	661,3	613,0	904,6
Energy and oil products	335,2	623,0	2 973,8	2 685,2	2666,2
Ferrous and non-ferrous metals	216,7	499,9	894,4	824,2	1167,1
Machinery and equipment	111,8	452,8	715,4	159,3	214,1
Services	449,1	659,3	1 335,5	3 061,3	3029,9
Gold	554,2	1 164,7	2 618,1	1 920,6	2909,5
Textile products	235,6	203,5	637,2	883,7	1603,1
Other	195,2	281,2	354,5	307,8	439,6

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 turnover in January-December 2018 was 36.8 % and, compared to the same period last year, the growth rate of foreign trade turnover reached 136.8 %.

The share of other countries in foreign trade turnover in January-December 2018 decreased by 2.6 % and, compared to the same period last year, amounted to 63.2 %.

The following data indicate growth rates by months in terms of exported goods and services: the highest growth rates were recorded in January and December 2018.

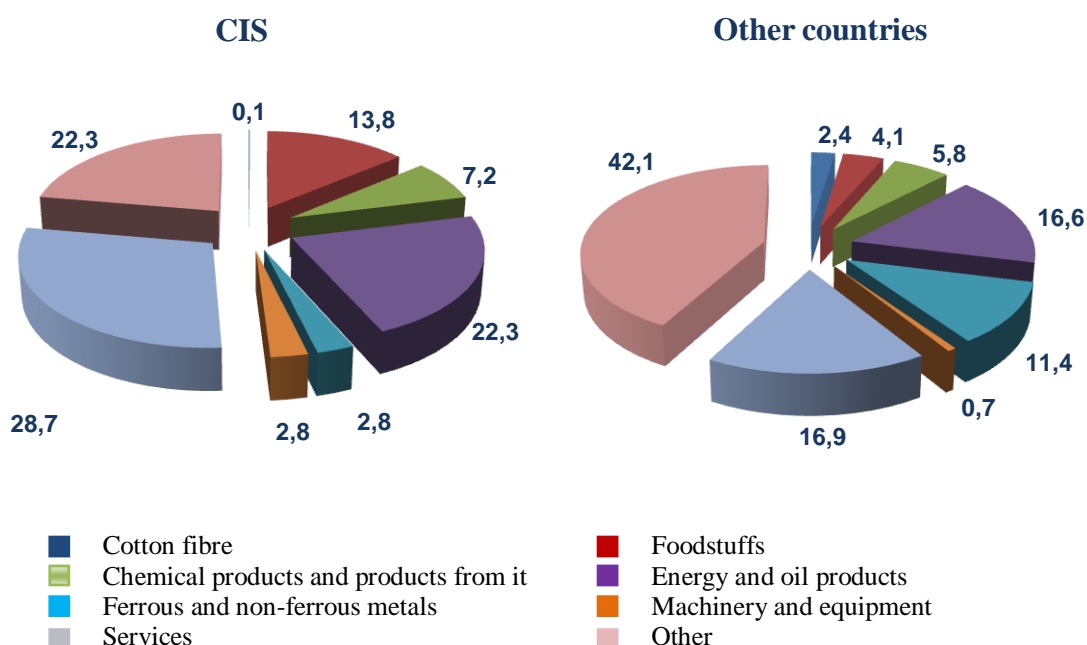
The growth rate of exports of goods and services (compared to the previous month, %)



An analysis of the structure of exported goods and services in January-December 2018 also showed that, compared with the corresponding period last year, there were no significant changes, but it should be noted that the share of exports of certain types of goods and services in total exports in January-December 2018, compared with the corresponding period last year, increased.

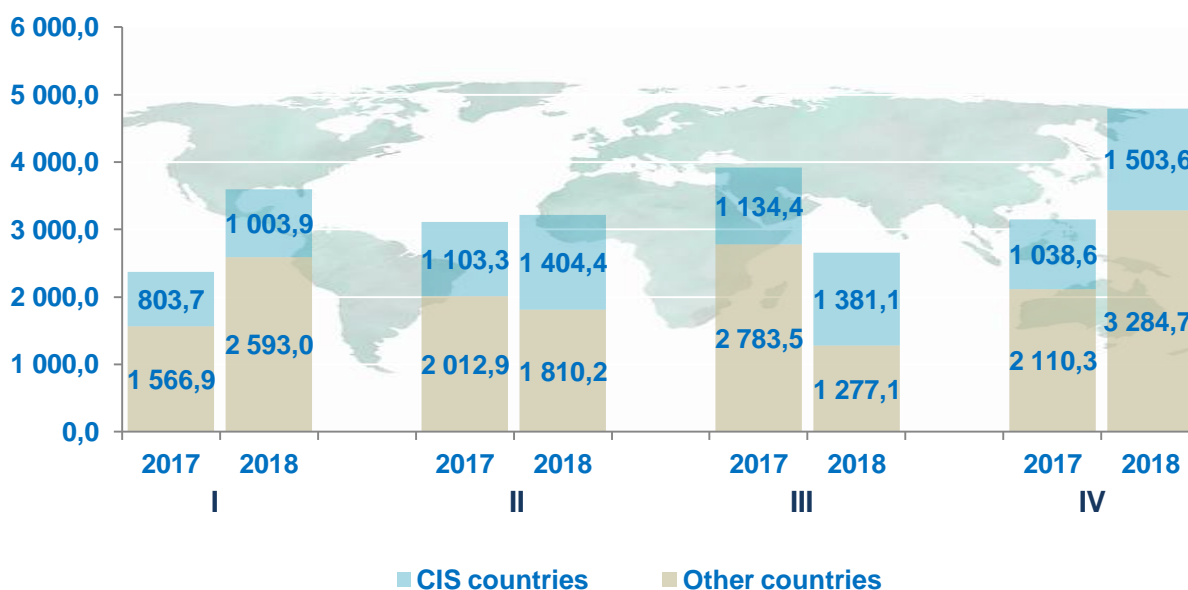
Export structure with CIS countries and other countries

(January-December 2018),%

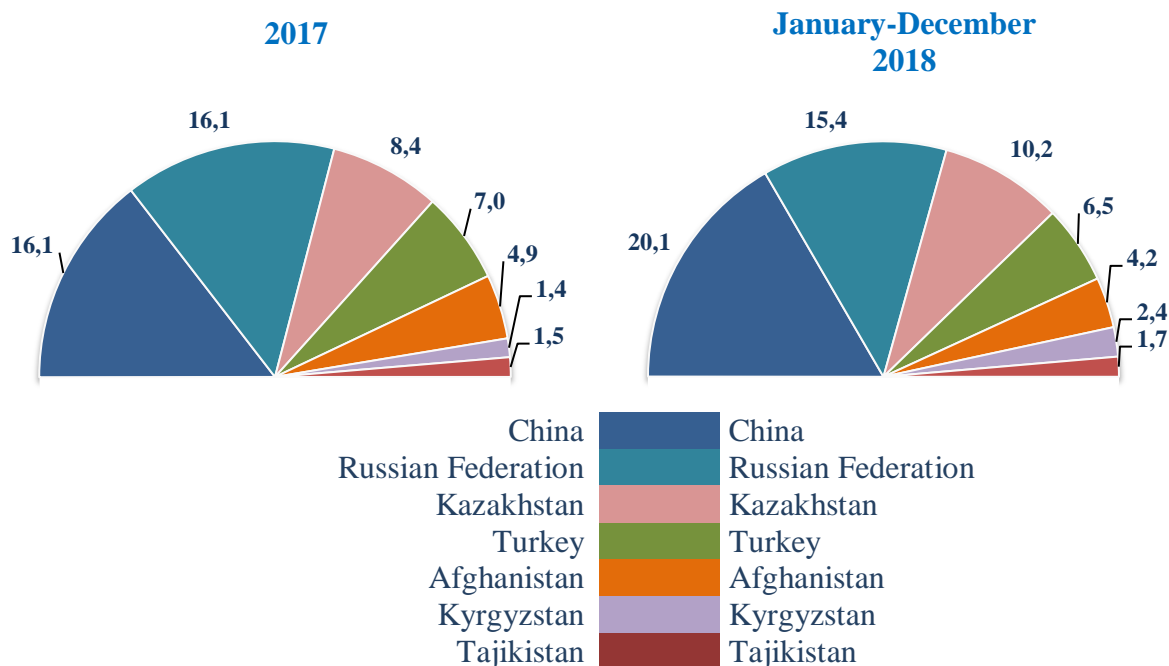


Among the countries of the world, the main partners in exports are China, Russia, Kazakhstan, Turkey, Afghanistan, Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan, which account for 60.6 %, while imports are Russia, China, the Republic of Korea, Kazakhstan, Turkey, Germany and Japan, which share accounted for 68.3 %.

Export volume from CIS countries and other foreign countries
(for quarter, million USD)

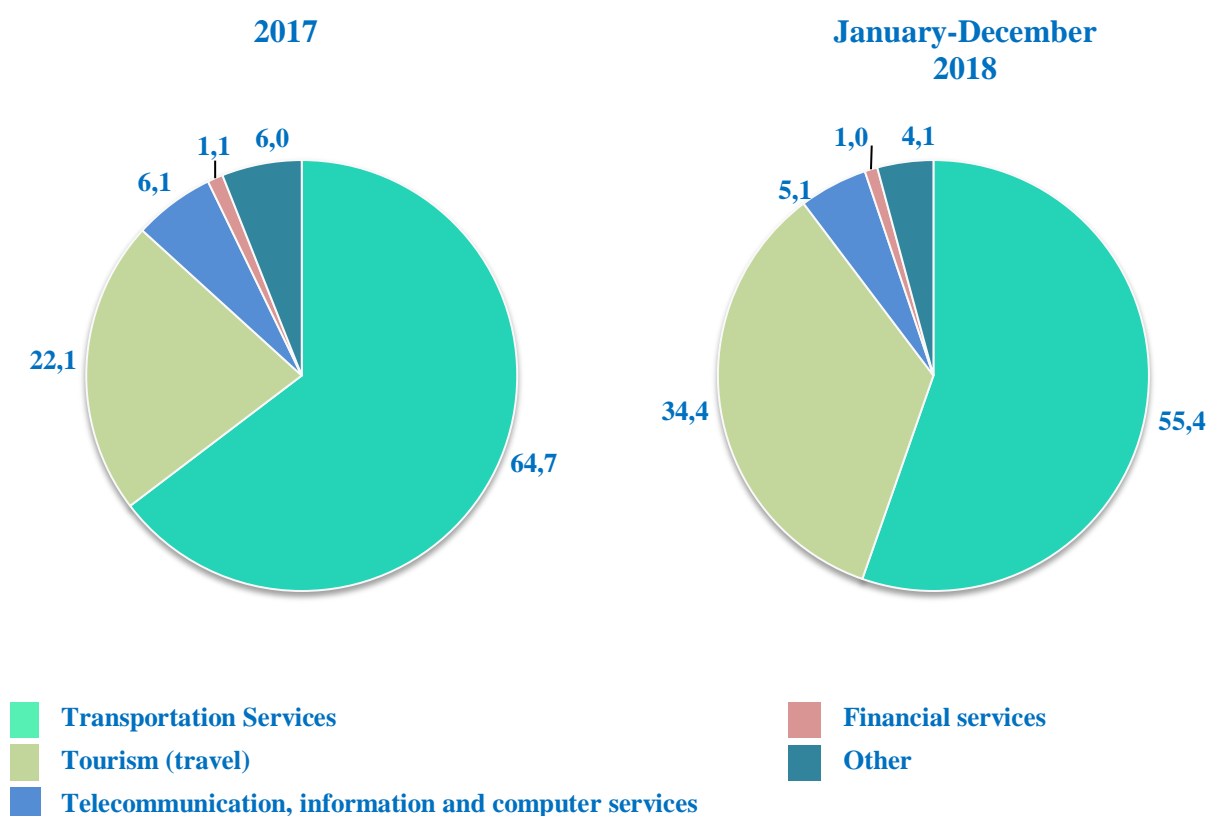


Share of seven major partner countries
in the export of goods and services



The volume of export services in January-December 2018 amounted to 3029.9 million USD, or 21.3 % of its total volume and increased, compared to the same period last year, by 22.4 %. As part of the export of services, the lion's share is taken up by transport services, tourism, as well as telecommunication, information, computer and financial services.

Structure of service exports, %



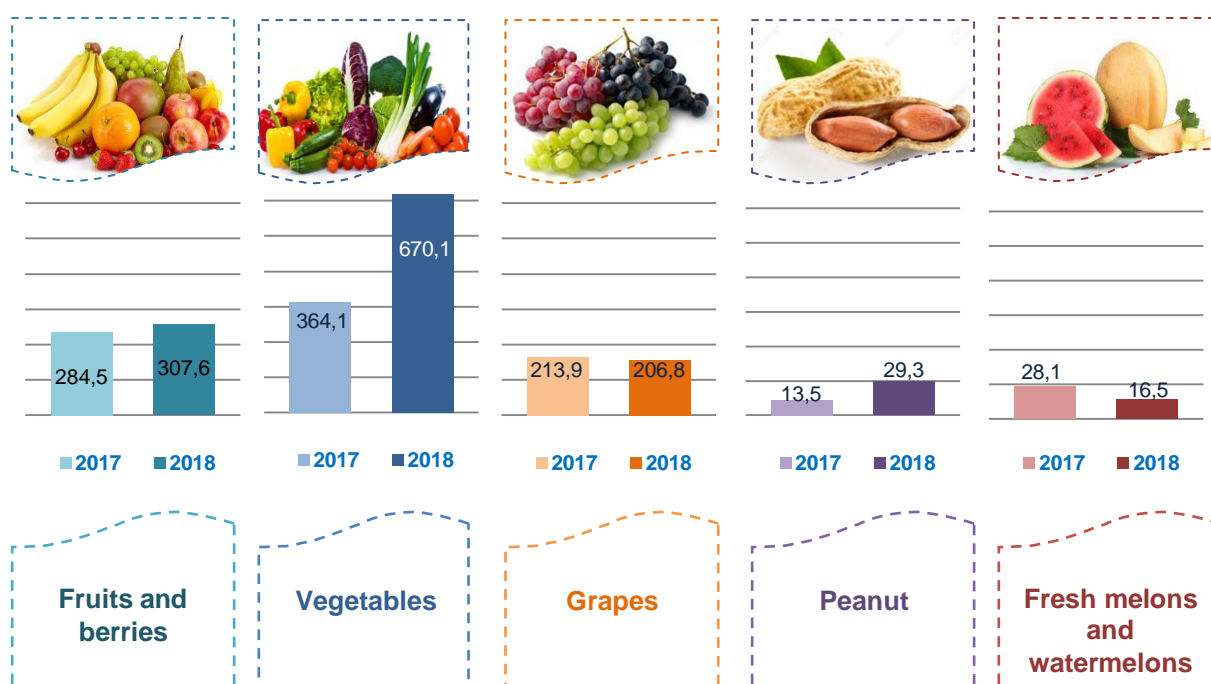
Export of fruits and vegetables

The volume of exports of fruits and vegetables amounted to more than 1230.6 thousand tons and reached 874.5 million USD (growth rate - 35.5 %).

Of the fruits and vegetables, more than 670.4 thousand tons of vegetables were exported (physical growth increased by 84.0 %) in the amount of 307.6 million USD, fruits and berries - 307.6 thousand tons (physical volume increased by 108.1 %) in the amount of 357.7 million USD (growth rates in terms of value, compared to the same period last year, were 141.3 % and 140.6 %, respectively).

It is noteworthy that as a result of the expansion of the export potential of the country and the development of new markets, exports of fruits and vegetables, grapes, melons, legumes, as well as dried vegetables and fruits, are growing. In January-December 2018, exports of fruits and berries, as well as vegetables, reached 665.3 million USD (40.9 % more than during the same period last year).

The structure of exports of fruits and vegetables (thousand tons)



Export geography of fruits and vegetables

Countries	January-December 2017			January-December 2018		
	ths. t	million USD	share, %	ths. t	million USD	share, %
Kazakhstan	472,0	315,1	52,2	584,7	388,6	47,5
Russia	165,2	113,8	18,3	238,2	164,8	19,4
Kyrgyzstan	52,9	29,3	5,9	88,2	80,1	7,2
Afghanistan	52,7	43,8	5,8	73,4	53,2	6,0
China	21,9	17,4	2,4	66,9	46,2	5,4
Turkey	27,7	31,5	3,1	23,0	23,5	1,9
Pakistan	6,2	4,4	0,7	29,8	22,2	2,4
Vietnam	12,4	8,3	1,4	22,4	14,5	1,8
Iran	12,6	10,8	1,4	13,0	10,0	1,1
Ukraine	7,3	5,3	0,8	14,8	8,7	1,2
Belarus	4,5	4,6	0,5	8,5	7,7	0,7
UAE	10,6	8,6	1,2	9,5	7,5	0,8

Countries	January-December 2017			January-December 2018		
	ths. t	million USD	share, %	ths. t	million USD	share, %
Iran	8,7	11,0	1,0	6,1	6,2	0,5
Turkmenistan	11,1	8,5	1,2	11,5	5,7	0,9
Azerbaijan	4,3	4,5	0,5	4,3	4,9	0,3
Latvia	4,7	3,6	0,5	6,2	4,6	0,5
Others	29,3	25,1	3,2	30,1	26,1	2,4

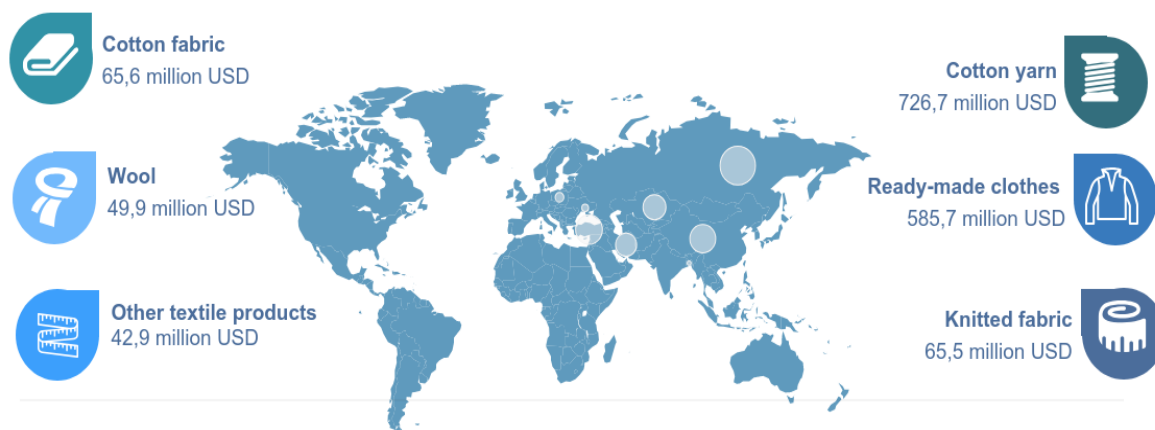
Textile exports

In January-December 2018, exports of textile products amounted to 1603.1 million USD and increased, compared to the same period in 2017, by 41.4 %, which is 11.2 % of its total volume. From the structure of textile exports, the main share is cotton yarn (45.3 %), as well as finished knitwear and garments (36.5 %). Since the beginning of the year, more than 349 types of goods have been exported to 57 countries of the world.

Export of textile products

(January-December 2018)

In January-December 2018, exports of textile products amounted to 1603.1 million USD



Dynamics of textile exports
(million USD)

<i>Structure</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>2005</i>	<i>2010</i>	<i>2015</i>	<i>January-December 2018</i>
Cotton fibre	81,8	120,7	386,8	545,9	726,7
Ready knitted and garments	16,1	20,8	116,5	184,0	585,7
Knitted fabrics	0,2	4,5	31,2	46,1	65,5
Cotton fabrics	33,5	28,3	42,0	33,8	65,6
Silk	34,6	10,5	20,4	20,2	49,9
Other made-up textile articles, rags	17,3	6,9	12,9	15,4	42,9
Carpets	0,3	0,1	7,3	13,6	31,0
Cotton wool, felt and nonwoven materials, rope products	33,4	9,4	17,0	16,4	26,8

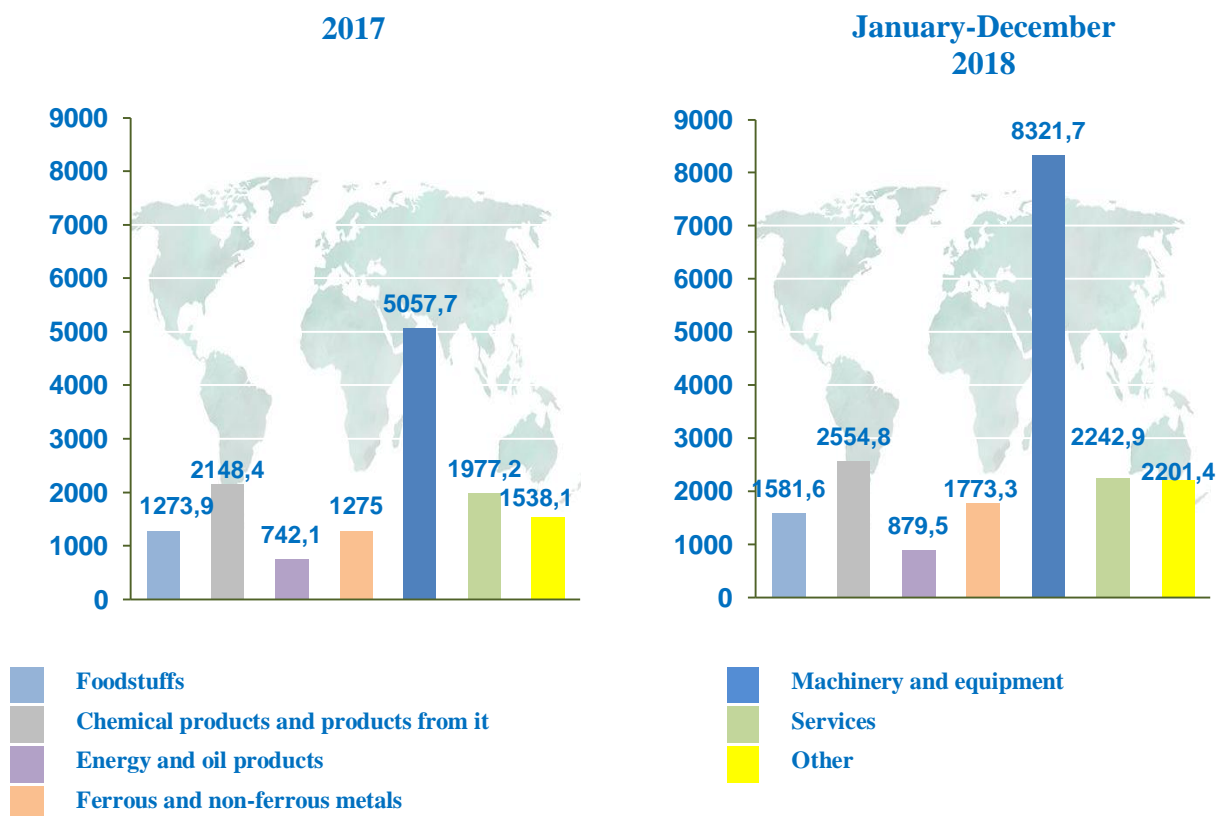
It is noteworthy that, in the first years of independence, exports of light industry products of the republic had a raw material focus, now our country occupies a leading position in the export of finished products of the textile and light industries.

In January-December 2018, the volume of imports in the Republic of Uzbekistan amounted to 19555.2 million USD (growth rate - 39.6 %). In the structure of imports, the main share is occupied by machinery and equipment (42.5 %), chemical products and products from it (13.1 %), as well as ferrous and non-ferrous metals (9.1 %).

Import structure (January-December 2018)

	Million USD	In % to January-December 2017	in % to the total
Import	19555,2	139,6	100,0
Food products	1581,6	124,2	8,1
chemical products and products from it	2554,8	118,9	13,1
energy and oil products	879,5	118,5	4,5
ferrous and non-ferrous metals	1773,3	139,1	9,1
machinery and equipment	8321,7	164,5	42,5
services	2242,9	113,4	11,5
other	2201,4	143,1	11,2

Structure of imports of goods and services (million USD)

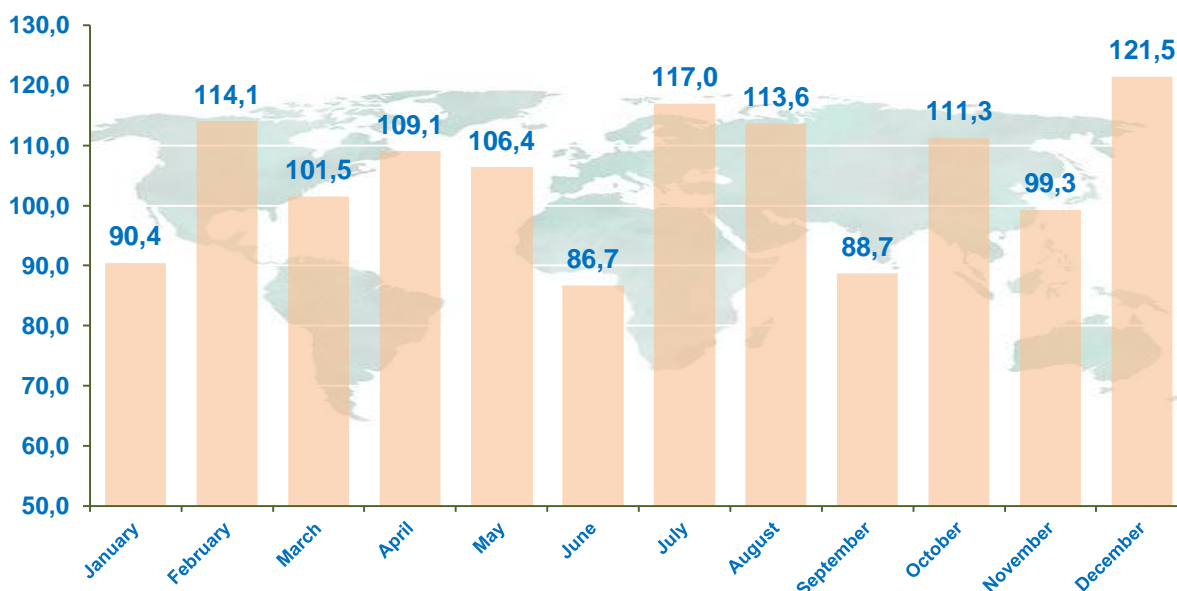


Dynamics of import structure
(million USD)

<i>Structure</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>2005</i>	<i>2010</i>	<i>2015</i>	<i>January-December 2018</i>
Foodstuffs	361,1	287,2	963,2	1 585,3	1581,6
Chemical products and products from it	399,5	558,7	1 265,7	2 108,2	2554,8
Energy and oil products	112,7	103,7	654,6	725,0	879,5
Ferrous and non-ferrous metals	253,5	419,4	742,1	919,4	1773,3
Cars and equipment	1 044,1	1 770,4	4 032,5	5 026,7	8321,7
Services	251,0	424,7	490,4	954,1	2242,9
Other	525,5	527,2	1 027,3	1 097,9	2201,4

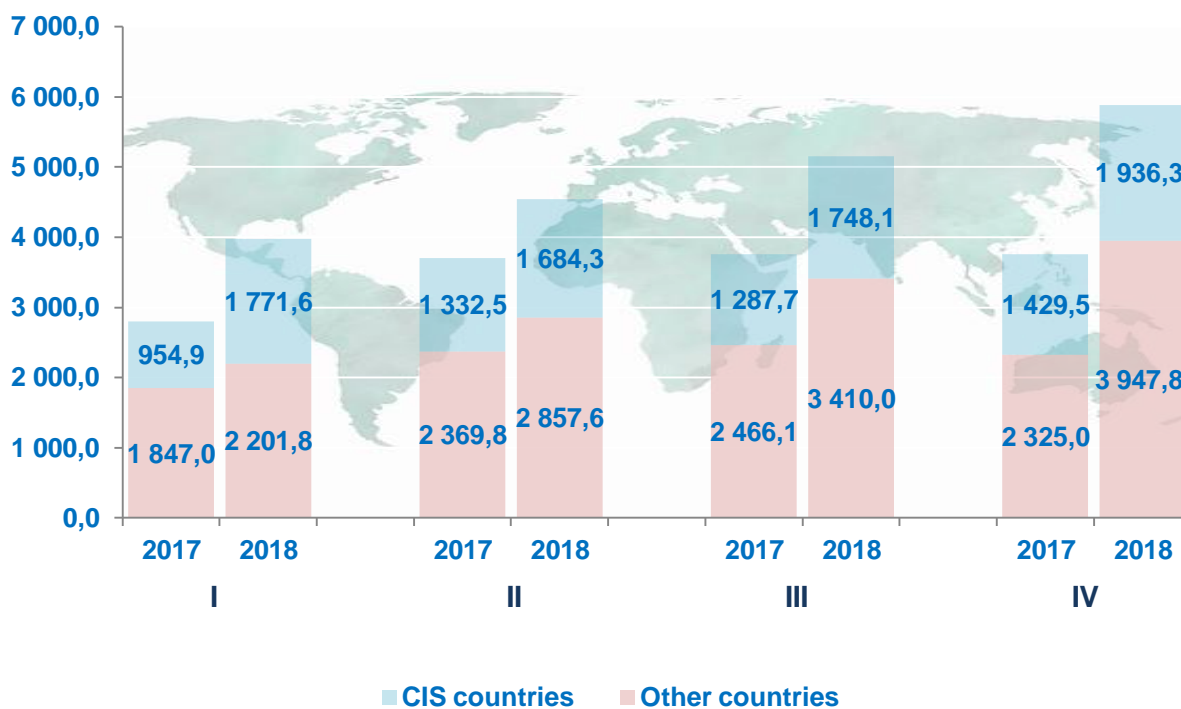
The following data shows that the highest growth rates of imports of goods and services were observed in February, July, August, October and December 2018.

The growth rate of imports of goods and services
(compared to last month, %)

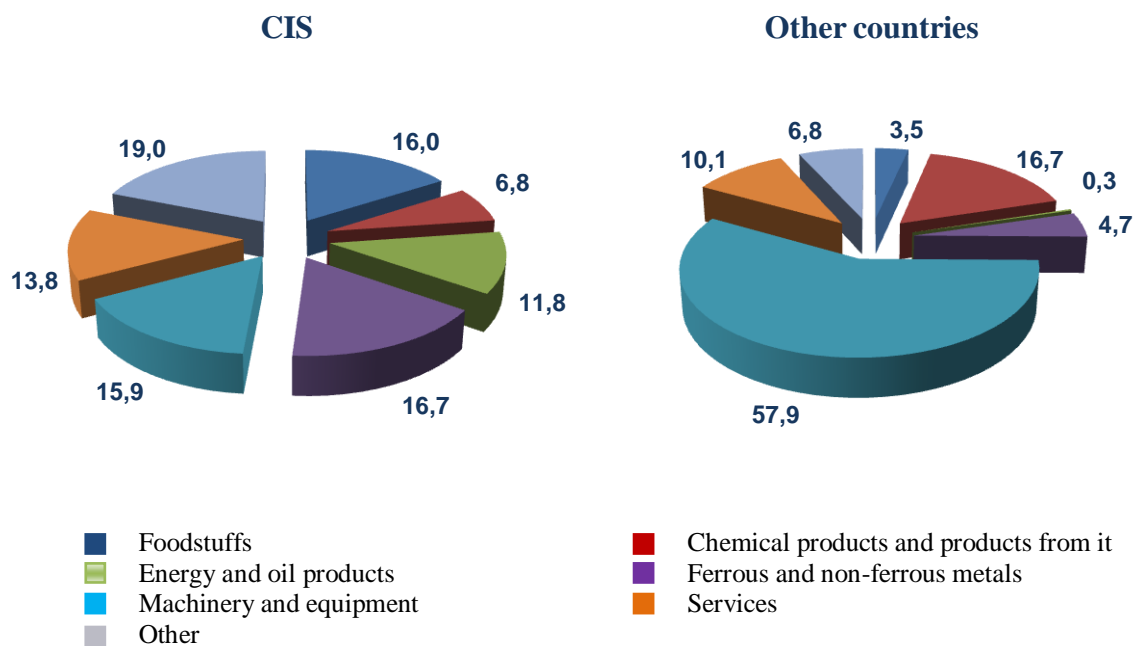


Analysis of the growth rate of imports of goods and services in December 2018 showed an increase, compared with November 2018, and amounted to 121.5 %.

**The volume of imports of goods and services from
the CIS countries and other foreign countries**
(for quarter, million USD)



Import structure with CIS countries and other countries
(January-December 2018), %

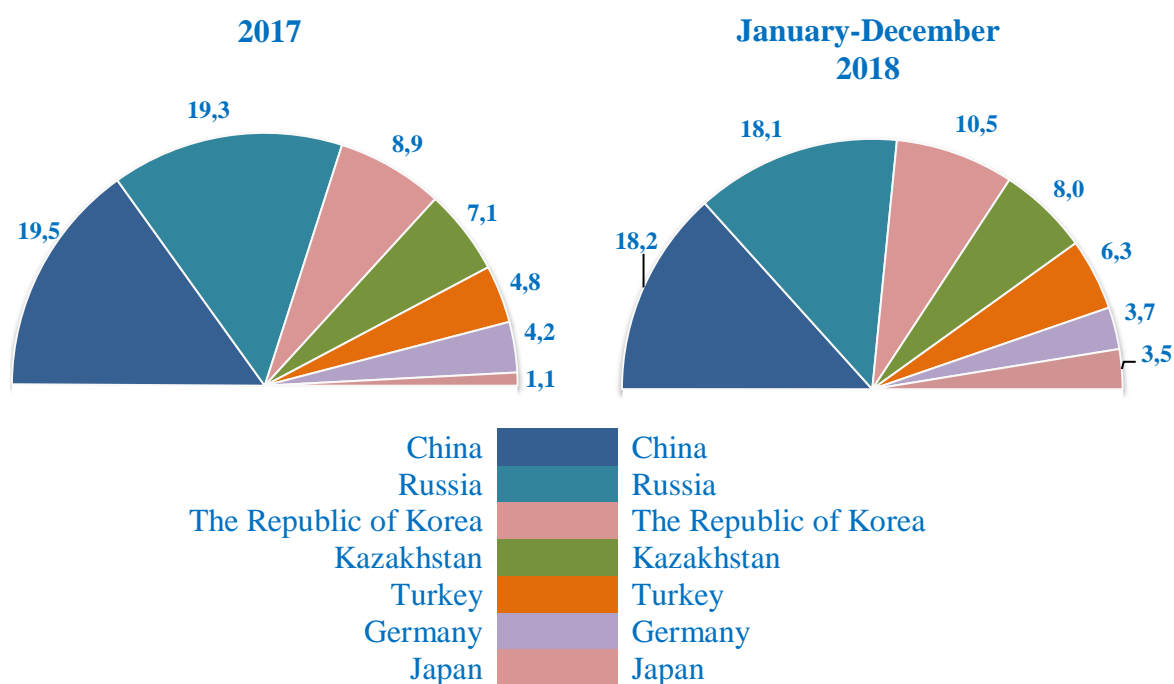


Import structure by CIS countries and other countries

(January-December 2018)

	<i>CIS countries</i>		<i>Other countries</i>	
	<i>million USD</i>	<i>in % to the total volume</i>	<i>million USD</i>	<i>in % to the total volume</i>
Import	7139,0	36,5	12416,2	63,5
foodstuffs	1145,8	16,0	435,8	3,5
chemical products and products from it	484,3	6,8	2070,5	16,7
energy and oil products	843,0	11,8	36,5	0,3
ferrous and non-ferrous metals	1191,3	16,7	582,0	4,7
machinery and equipment	1136,4	15,9	7185,3	57,9
services	984,3	13,8	1258,6	10,1
other	1353,9	19,0	847,5	6,8

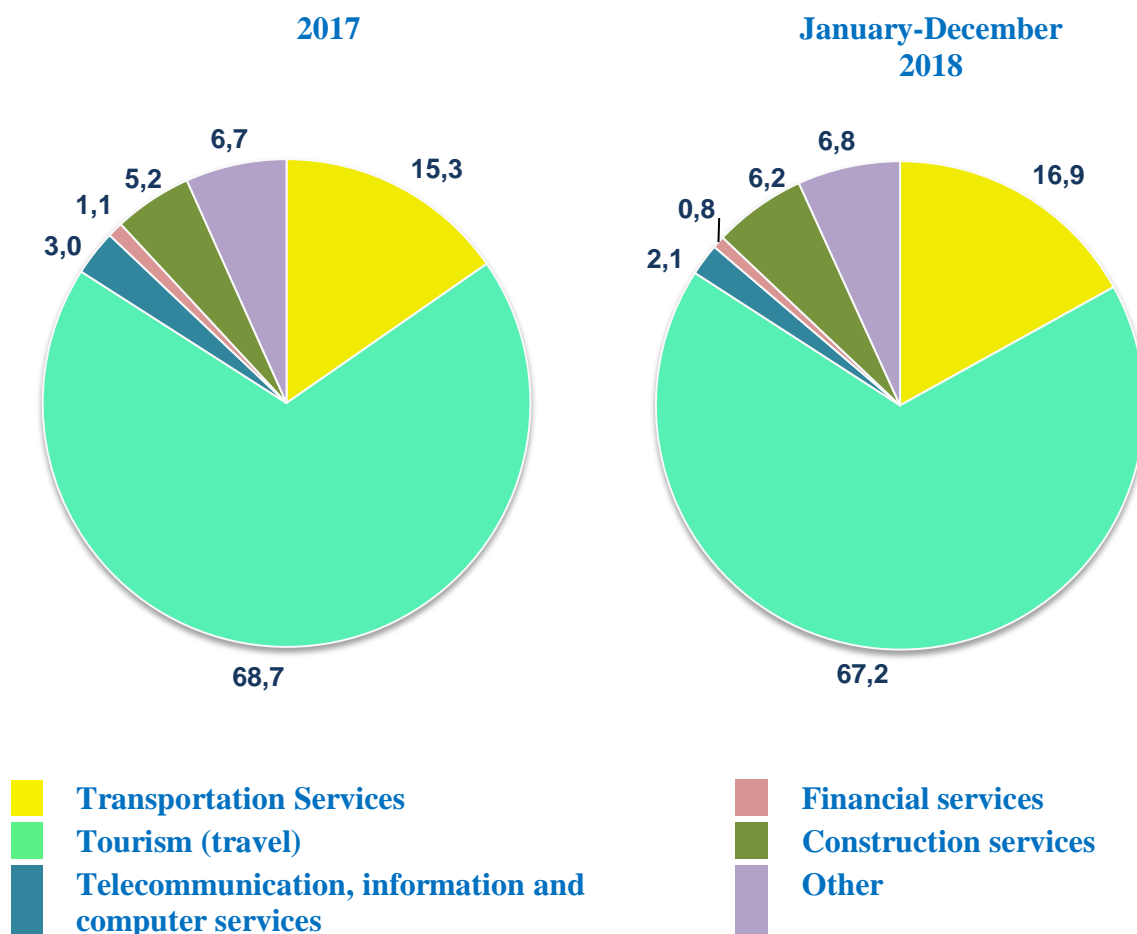
Share of seven major partner countries in the import of goods and services



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Five major partner countries (the Russian Federation, the People's Republic of China, the Republic of Korea, Kazakhstan and Turkey) in the total volume of imports have a share of 61.1 %, which amounts to 11940.8 million USD.

Structure of imports of services, in %



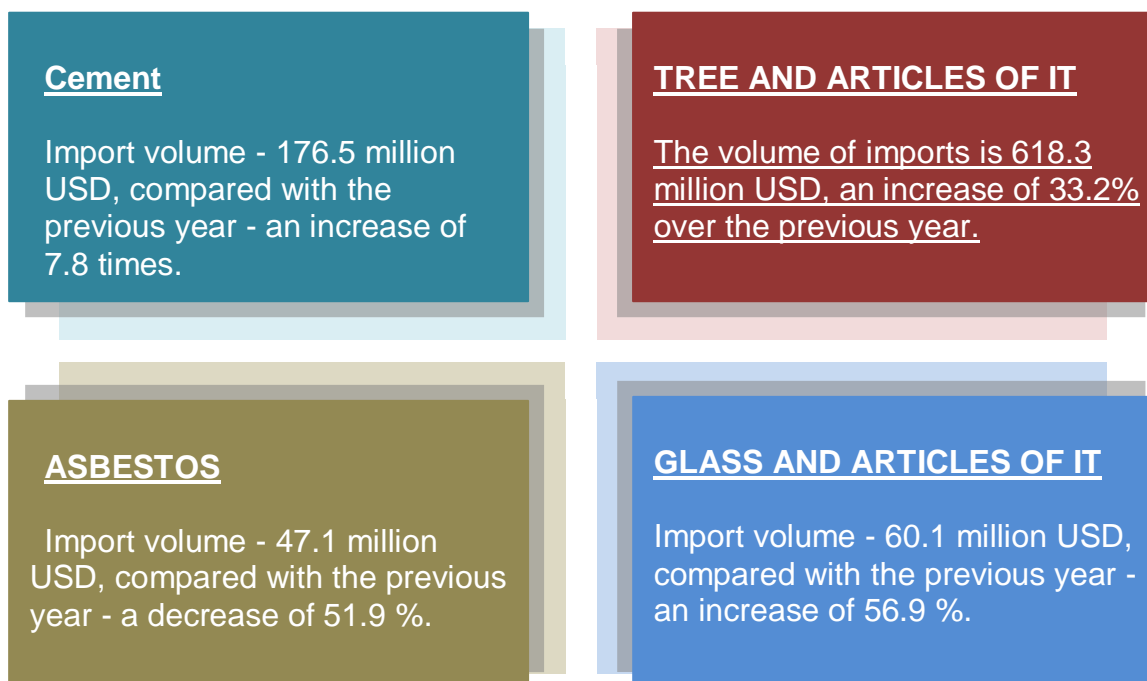
The volume of imports of services in January-December 2018 amounted to 2242.9 million USD, or 11.5 % of total imports and increased, compared to the same period last year, by 13.4 %. Transport services, tourism, as well as telecommunications, information, computer, construction and financial services, account for the bulk of imports of services.

Import of building materials

In January-December 2018, the volume of imports of construction materials amounted to 1187.6 million USD and increased, compared to the same period in 2017, by 28.1 %. The share of imports of building materials in the total volume is 6.1 %.

In the structure of imports of building materials, the main share is occupied by cement (14.9 %), wood and wood products (52.1 %), asbestos (4.0 %), as well as glass and wood products (5.1 %).

Structure of imports of building materials in January-December 2018



This infographic shows that the import of building materials in January-December 2018, compared with the corresponding period of 2017, has increased significantly. The growth in imports of construction materials is due to large-scale construction and reconstruction work in the country.

It should be noted that the government is implementing a number of reforms aimed at the production of building materials and products, as well as providing the domestic market with high-quality and, at the same time, low-cost construction materials.

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Below is information on major partner countries that import machinery, equipment, food products and have a major share in imports into the Republic of Uzbekistan.

**Major partner countries importing machinery and equipment
to the Republic of Uzbekistan
(January-December 2018)**

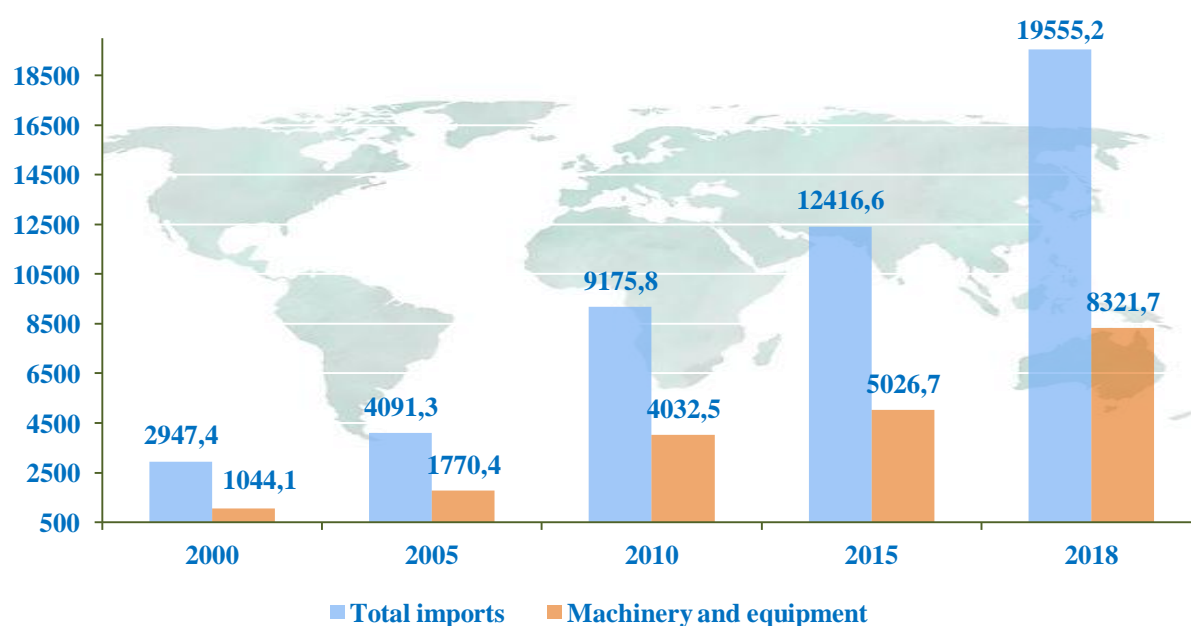
<i>Countries</i>	<i>million USD</i>	<i>compared to the same period last year, %</i>	<i>the share, %</i>
China	2 173,2	137,9	26,1
Republic of Korea	1 503,0	164,4	18,1
Russia	684,8	157,9	8,2
Japan	676,5	534,3	8,1
Turkey	668,5	230,4	8,0
Germany	551,8	141,8	6,6

According to the results of January-December 2018, in the structure of imports, the volume of machinery and equipment reached 8321.7 million USD and increased, as compared with the same period last year, by 64.6 %, the share in total imports amounted to 42.6 %.

The volume of import of cars and special equipment increased 2.5 times and reached 426.8 million USD imports of excavators and bulldozers increased 2.9 times and recorded at 306.3 million USD.

The increasing volume of imports of machinery and equipment is a reflection of industrialization policies, as well as an active policy to support foreign direct investment in the creation, modernization and increase in production capacity.

**Dynamics of import of machinery and equipment
(million USD)**



**The main partner countries are imported into the Republic of Uzbekistan
of chemical products and products made of it
(January-December 2018)**

<i>Countries</i>	<i>million USD</i>	<i>compared with the same period last year, %</i>	<i>specific weight, %</i>
China	641,5	120,1	25,1
Russia	366,1	129,8	14,3
Turkey	201,8	128,9	7,9
The Republic of Korea	199,0	122,7	7,8
India	148,7	76,3	5,8
Latvia	124,6	286,5	4,9
Other countries	873,1	x	34,2

According to the results of January-December 2018, the volume of imports of chemical products and products from it reached 2554.8 million USD and increased, as compared with the same period last year, by 18.9 %, the share in total imports amounted to 13.1 %.