

Weekly Market Watch

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Economy

Exports up by 70.0% y/y in April 2021

In April 2021, exports surged by 70.0% y/y to US\$ 378.1mn after increasing by 30.6% y/y in previous month. Notably, exports were also up by 21.6% compared to April 2019 level. Imports also increased by 56.5% y/y to US\$ 749.1mn, after growing 18.5% y/y in previous month. As a result, trade deficit widened by 44.8% y/y to US\$ 371.0mn in April.

In April 2021, copper (+88.5% y/y), cars (+460.9% y/y), ferro-alloys (-17.5% y/y), wine (+104.0% y/y) and spirits (+84.5% y/y) were the top 5 exported commodities. A 14.5% of exports were directed to the EU (+28.2% y/y), 44.1% to the CIS (+78.7% y/y) and 41.4% to other countries (+81.5% y/y).

Petroleum (+161.7% y/y), cars (+86.3% y/y), copper (-18.8% y/y), pharmaceuticals (-2.7% y/y) and gases (-12.2% y/y) represented the top 5 imported commodities in April 2021. Overall in 4M21, trade deficit was up by 3.6% y/y to US\$ 1.5bn, as exports increased by 19.6% y/y to US\$ 1.2bn and imports increased by 10.1% y/y to US\$ 2.7bn.

Money transfers up by 145.4% y/y in April 2021

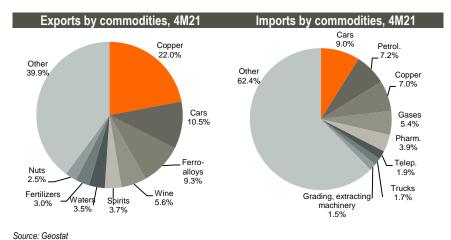
In April 2021, money transfers surged by 145.4% y/y to US\$ 194.1mn, after growing 49.5% y/y in previous month, according to NBG. Notably, remittances were also up by 41.5% compared to April 2019 level. From major remitting countries, money transfers increased strongly from Russia (+154.3% y/y, 17.2% of total), Italy (+137.4% y/y, 16.3% of total), USA (+155.4% y/y, 12.8% of total), Greece (+114.2% y/y, 11.2% of total) and Israel (+125.4% y/y, 8.0% of total). Overall, in 4M21 money transfers were up 48.2% y/y to US\$ 693.4mn.

Producer price index up 17.5% y/y in April 2021

Annual PPI for industrial goods was up 17.5% in April 2021 from 15.5% in previous month, according to Geostat. Price changes in manufacturing (+16.7% y/y) and electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning (+19.8% y/y) contributed the most to the overall index change.

Unemployment rate up by 3.7ppts y/y to 21.9% in 1Q21

Unemployment rate increased by 3.7ppts to 21.9% in 1Q21, according to Geostat. Out of employed persons, the share of hired labor declined by 1.3ppts y/y and accounted for 69.3% of total, while share of self-employed persons increased by 1.2ppts y/y to 30.6% of total.



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BB Negative Affirmed Feb-2021

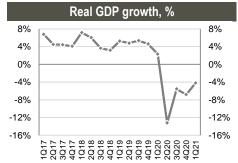
STANDARD

Ba2 Stable Affirmed Aug-2020 BB Negative Affirmed Feb-2021

Source: Rating agencies

Key macro indicators									
	2018	2019	2020						
GDP (% change)	4.8%	5.0%	-6.2%						
GDP per capita (ppp)	14,584	15,613	14,918						
GDP per capita (US\$)	4,722	4,696	4,275						
Population (mn)	3.7	3.7	3.7						
Inflation (eop)	1.5%	7.0%	2.4%						
Gross reserves (US\$ bn)	3.3	3.5	3.9						
CAD (% of GDP)	6.8%	5.5%	12.3%						
Fiscal deficit (% of GDP)	2.3%	2.1%	9.3%						
Total public debt (% of GDP)	38.9%	40.4%	60.0%						

Source: Official data



Source: Geostat

International ranking, 2019-21

Ease of Doing Business # 7 (Top 10)
Economic Freedom Index # 12 (mostly free)
Global Competitiveness Index # 74

Source: World Bank, Heritage Foundaition and World Economic Forum

Moody's

Georgia sovereign credit ratings

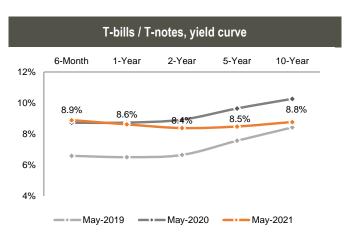


Money market

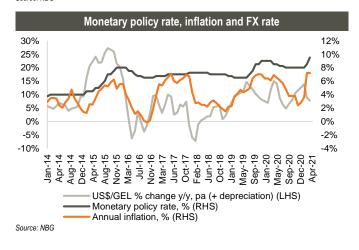
There was no treasury securities auction last week. The nearest treasury security auction is scheduled for May 25, 2021, where GEL 35.0mn nominal value 5-year Benchmark bonds will be sold.

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Maturity	YTD placements, GEL mn	Remaining placements, GEL mn	Outstanding amount, GEL mn*							
6-month	45	120	90							
1-year	45	120	540							
2-year	60	160	1,270							
5-year	148	280	2,373							
10-year	44	56	1,262							
Total Source: MoF	342	736	5,535							

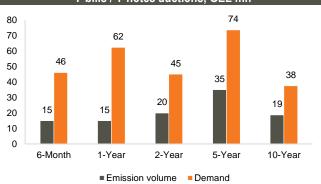
Note: * As of 31 March 2021



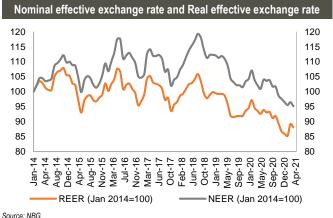




Emission volume vs. demand on latest T-bills / T-notes auctions, GEL mn



Source: NBG



Note: Index growth means appreciation of exchange rate, decline means depreciation of exchange rate

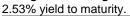


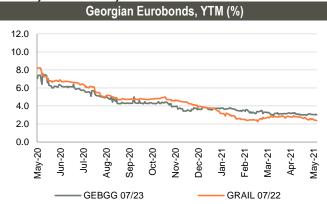
Fixed income

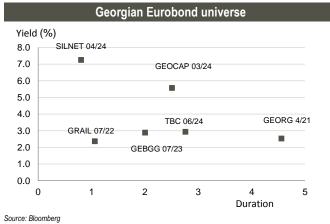
Corporate Eurobonds: Bank of Georgia Group Eurobonds (GEBGG) closed at 2.88% yield, trading at 106.51 (+0.31% w/w). Georgia Capital Eurobonds (GEOCAP) were trading at 101.40 (unchanged w/w), yielding 5.57%.

Georgian Railway Eurobonds (GRAIL) traded at a premium at 105.95 (+0.15% w/w), yielding 2.37%.

Georgian Sovereign Eurobonds (GEORG) closed at 100.99 (+0.23% w/w) at 2.50% yield to protein







Source: Bloomberg

Note: For Silknet duration calculation call date is taken as maturity.

Georgian bonds performance

Georgian Eurobonds performance									
Issuer	Currency	Amount, mn	Coupon	Maturity date	Ratings (Fitch/S&P/Moody/ Scope)	Mid price	Mid yield, %	Z-spread, bps	
GEORG 04/26	USD	500	2.750%	Apr-26	BB/BB/Ba2	100.99	2.53	165.89	
GRAIL 07/22	USD	500	7.750%	Jul-22	BB-/B+/-	105.95	2.37	219.75	
GEBGG 07/23	USD	350	6.000%	Jul-23	BB-/-/Ba2	106.51	2.88	260.26	
GEBGG 11 1/8 PERP	USD	100	11.125%	n/a	B-/-/-	108.73	9.19	743.71	
GEOCAP 03/24	USD	300	6.125%	Mar-24	-/B/B2	101.40	5.57	517.39	
SILKNET 04/24	USD	200	11.000%	Apr-24	B/-/B1	109.48	7.25	564.07	
TBC 06/24	USD	300	5.750%	Jun-24	BB-/-/Ba2	108.21	2.93	247.92	
TBC PERP	USD	125	10.775%	n/a	B-/-/-	109.55	9.31	699.22	
GGU 07/25	USD	250	7.750%	Jul-25	B+/B/-	105.89	6.13	539.82	
			Georgia	n local bonds p	erformance				
KTW 12/22	USD	10	9.00%	Dec-22	- - -	n/a	n/a	n/a	
GWP 12/21	GEL	30	12.50%	Dec-21	BB-/-/-	n/a	n/a	n/a	
M2CA 12/21	USD	30	7.50%	Dec-21	-/-/-	100.00	7.50	n/a	
M2RE 10/22	USD	35	7.50%	Oct-22	-/-/-	100.43	7.20	n/a	
GLC 06/21	USD	5	6.50%	Jun-21	-/-/-	n/a	n/a	n/a	
GLC 08/21	USD	10	7.50%	Aug-21	-/-/-	100.00	7.50	n/a	
GLC 08/22	USD	10	7.50%	Aug-22	-/-/-	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Nikora Trade 08/21	GEL	25	9.00%	Aug-21	-/-/-/B+	n/a	n/a	n/a	
SILKNET 04/24	GEL	34	12.50%	Apr-24	B+/-/B1/-	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Geo. Beer Company	GEL	25	13.00%	Dec-23	-/-/-/BB-	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Lisi Lake Development	USD	12	8.00%	Dec-21	-/-/-/B+	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Tegeta 04/22	GEL	30	10.75%	Apr-22	-/-/-/BB-	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Swiss Capital 09/21	GEL	10	14.25%	Sep-21	B-/-/-	100.00	14.25	n/a	
EVEX 11/24	GEL	50	12.10%	Nov-24	-/-/-/BB	n/a	n/a	n/a	

Source: Bloomberg

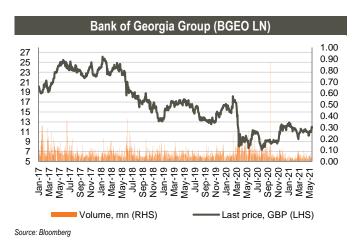


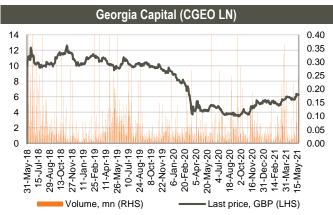
Equities

Bank of Georgia Group (BGEO LN) shares closed at GBP 12.00/share (+8.11% w/w and +9.69% m/m). More than 310k shares traded in the range of GBP 10.92 - 12.00/share. Average daily traded volume was 46k in the last 4 weeks. The volume of BGEO shares traded was at 0.63% of its capitalization.

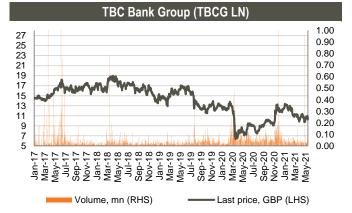
Georgia Capital (CGEO LN) shares closed at GBP 6.22/share (-0.48% w/w and +6.69% m/m). More than 563k shares traded in the range of GBP 6.20 - 6.40/share. Average daily traded volume was 79k in the last 4 weeks. The volume of CGEO shares traded was at 1.18% of its capitalization.

TBC Bank Group (TBCG LN) closed the week at GBP 10.70/share (-1.47% w/w and -4.46% m/m). More than 200k shares changed hands in the range of GBP 10.24 - 11.40/share. Average daily traded volume was 83k in the last 4 weeks. The volume of TBCG shares traded was at 0.36% of its capitalization.





Source: Bloomberg



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Equities, continued

Eastern European banks											
									/E	P/B	
	Ticker	Currency	Share price	Mcap, mn	6M chg	y/y chg	YTD chg	2020F	2021F	2020F	2021F
Bank of Georgia	BGEO	GBP	12.00	590	-0.3%	42.0%	-1.6%	8.98x	5.24x	1.08x	0.96x
TBC	TBC	GBP	10.70	590	-14.7%	40.6%	-14.4%	6.58x	4.86x	0.92x	0.81x
Sberbank	SBER	USD	16.49	88,965	27.5%	52.1%	13.5%	8.96x	6.48x	1.35x	1.26x
Halyk Bank	HSBK	USD	15.10	4,437	32.5%	65.6%	29.6%	6.06x	4.59x	1.23x	1.14x
VTB Bank	VTBR	USD	1.23	7,984	32.5%	29.5%	29.1%	8.26x	3.23x	0.43x	0.39x
Akbank	AKBNK	TRY	5.24	27,248	-19.4%	-4.6%	-24.4%	4.04x	3.54x	0.40x	0.38x
Garanti	GARAN	TRY	8.16	34,272	-13.7%	7.4%	-21.3%	4.53x	3.88x	0.48x	0.48x
Isbank	ISCTR	TRY	5.15	23,175	-24.5%	6.6%	-26.4%	3.07x	2.74x	0.31x	0.30x
PKO	PKO	PLN	37.00	46,250	37.9%	74.5%	28.8%	16.50x	12.64x	1.05x	1.03x
PEKAO	PEO	PLN	91.70	24,068	60.9%	77.0%	50.1%	20.48x	15.25x	0.97x	0.91x
Millennium	MIL	PLN	4.67	5,660	64.8%	79.9%	42.7%	81.91x	53.41x	0.63x	0.69x
Mbank	MBK	PLN	306.60	12,990	88.6%	65.7%	71.1%	53.67x	19.75x	0.78x	0.75x
BRD	BRD	RON	15.90	11,081	24.4%	35.0%	7.0%	13.91x	10.63x	1.23x	1.07x
Banca Transilvania	TLV	RON	2.67	15,320	25.9%	53.1%	18.7%	15.97x	10.65x	1.69x	1.41x
OTP	OTPD	USD	22.40	12,544	-1.8%	-1.8%	-1.8%	12.52x	9.41x	0.70x	0.61x
Komercni	KOMB	CZK	726.00	137,976	26.0%	43.5%	10.5%	17.71x	14.83x	1.25x	1.15x
Mean								17.70x	11.32x	0.91x	0.83x
Median								10.75x	7.95x	0.95x	0.86x

Source: Bloomberg, S&P Capital IQ

Investment management companies											
								P/E		P/B	
	Ticker	Currency	Share price	Mcap, mn	6M chg	y/y chg	YTD chg	2020F	2021F	2020F	2021F
Georgia Capital	CGEO	GBP	6.22	298	36.1%	48.4%	15.2%	na	na	na	na
Tinc Comm	TINC	EUR	12.44	452	-3.6%	-5.0%	-3.9%	na	na	na	na
Sabanci Holding	SAHOL	TRY	8.53	17,405	-21.1%	1.5%	-25.6%	3.22x	3.10x	0.42x	0.38x
Deutsche Beteiligungs	DBAN	EUR	34.45	518	9.1%	31.9%	10.6%	na	6.80x	1.22x	1.09x
Eurazeo	RF	EUR	71.30	5,634	38.3%	71.6%	28.5%	34.58x	9.81x	1.03x	0.90x
Carlyle Group	CG	USD	42.70	15,140	52.8%	61.1%	35.8%	23.00x	17.14x	7.05x	4.74x
Mean								20.27x	9.21x	2.43x	1.78x
Median								23.00x	8.31x	1.12x	0.99x

Source: Bloomberg, S&P Capital IQ



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