

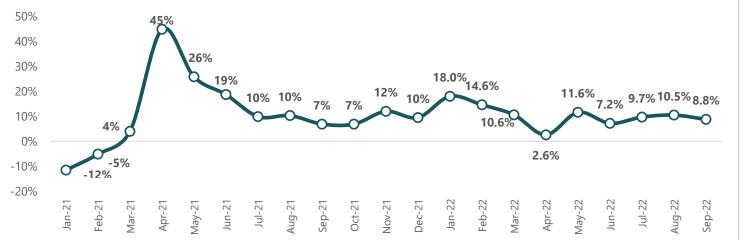
# MACROECONOMIC OVERVIEW

3Q22 & 9M22 RESULTS

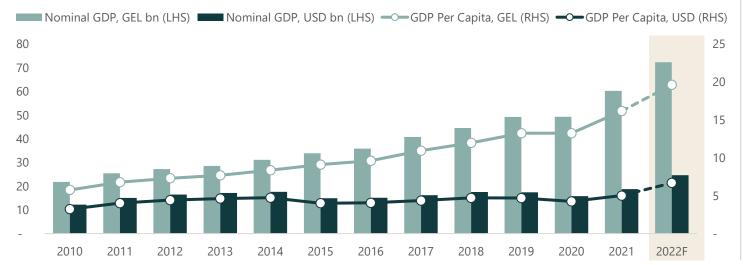
# **REAL GDP CONTINUING DOUBLE-DIGIT GROWTH IN 2022**

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#### **REAL GDP UP 10.2% Y-O-Y IN 9M22**



#### NOMINAL GDP IS EXPECTED TO ACCELERATE BOTH IN GEL AND USD TERMS



## **REAL GDP UP 10.2% Y-O-Y IN 9M22**

## **KEY DRIVERS**

- Strong external demand supplemented by the migration effect, as remittance inflows grew by 65% y-o-y in 9M22 on the back of a surge in inflows from Russia, while merchandise exports increased by 37% y-o-y in 9M22, and tourism revenues reached 98% of 2019 levels in 9M22, including 122% in July-September;
- Continued credit expansion despite the tight monetary stance (up 13.7% y-o-y in September w/o the exchange rate effect) both in retail and business sectors, aiding economic activity;
- Current expenditures growing by 9% y-o-y and capital expenditures expanding by 15% y-o-y in 9M22, facilitated by a 27% growth in fiscal revenues;
- Strong consumer and business sentiment supporting spending and investment decisions.

# IMF PROJECTS THE GEORGIAN ECONOMY TO GROW BY 9% Y-O-Y IN 2022, THE 8<sup>TH</sup> HIGHEST GROWTH IN THE WORLD

**GDP PER CAPITA BY COUNTRIES** 

## **REAL GDP GROWTH FORECASTS FOR 2022 | IMF**

#### **GDP growth forecast**, 2022 Country # Guyana 57.8 Fiji 12.5 2 Seychelles 10.9 Barbados 10.5 4 Saint Kitts and Nevis 9.8 5 6 Iraq 9.3 9.1 7 Saint Lucia Georgia 9.0 8 Ireland 9.0 9 Kuwait 8.7 10 Maldives 8.7 11 Bahamas 8.0 12 Colombia 7.6 13 7.6 Saudi Arabia 14 7.5 15 Panama 7.2 16 Bangladesh 7.2 Montenegro 17 7.0 18 Armenia 7.0 Vietnam 19 India 6.8 20 6.7 21 Niger 6.6 22 Andorra 23 Egypt 6.6 6.5 Philippines 24 6.5 South Sudan 25 Malta 6.2 26 6.2 27 Portugal 6.1 Congo 28 6.1 Israel 29 30 Mauritius 6.1

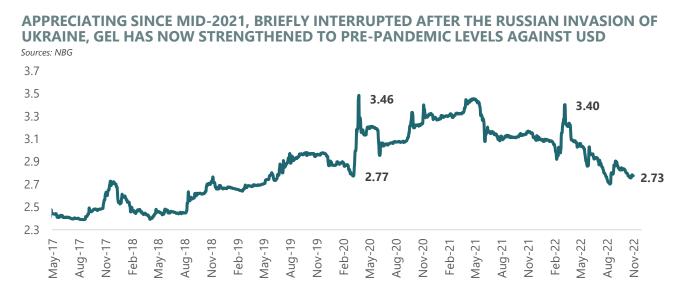
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Georgia Capital PLC | Source: IMF (October 2022)

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# **GEORGIAN LARI – BACK TO PRE-PANDEMIC LEVELS**





#### GEL HAS APPRECIATED AGAINST USD, DESPITE USD STRENGTHENING GLOBALLY

Sources: NBG, Bloomberg

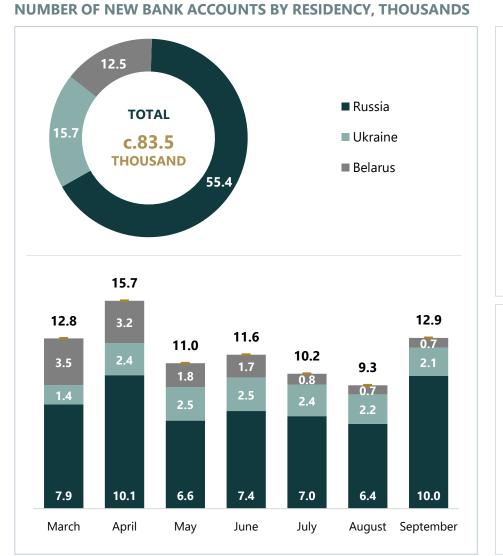


## **GEL APPRECIATION DRIVERS**

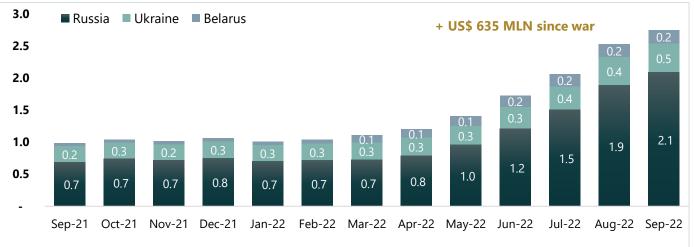
- Record high remittance inflows, increasing by 65% y-o-y in 9M22;
- Continued robust performance in merchandise exports, growing by 37% y-o-y in 9M22;
- Tourism revenues rebounding to 98% of 2019 level in 9M22 (including 121% in July, 127% in August and 118% in September), reflecting the global resumption of travel as well as the migration effect;
- Tight monetary policy (cumulative hike of 300 basis points since March 2021 to 11% as of November 2022), supporting stronger GEL and curbing negative expectations;
- Ample FX liquidity in the banking sector, facilitating foreign currency lending;
- Rebounding economic activity and significant interest rate differential aiding accelerated lending in foreign currency, as FX loans have been steadily increasing since April 2021, both in retail and business sectors.

# 83.5K MIGRANTS HAVE OPENED GEORGIAN BANK ACCOUNTS, WORTH OVER \$500 MN, SINCE THE START OF THE WAR





#### NON-RESIDENTS' DEPOSITS IN GEORGIAN BANKING SYSTEM BY RESIDENCY, GEL BLN



11%%

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7%



■ Russia ■ Belarus ■ Ukraine ■ Others

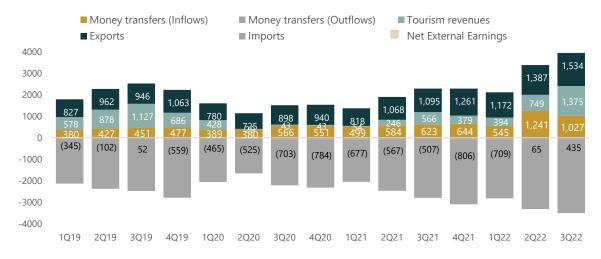
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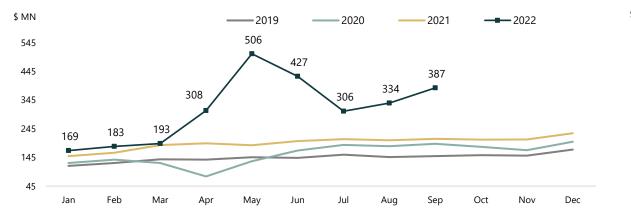
# NET EXTERNAL EARNINGS\* HAVE TURNED POSITIVE SINCE 2Q22, DELIVERING A RECORD-HIGH EXTERNAL SURPLUS



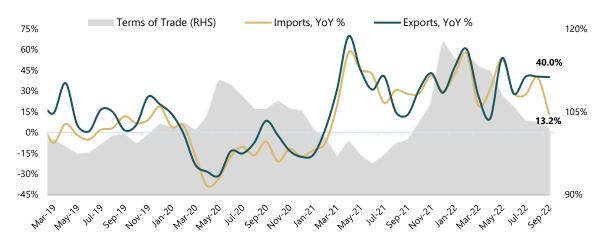
#### **EXTERNAL EARNINGS (US\$ MILLION)**



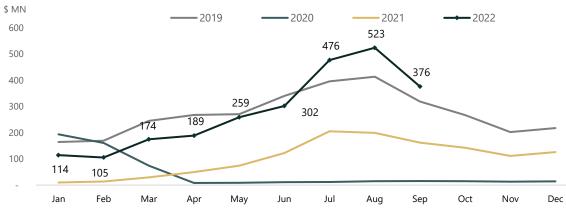
#### **REMITTANCE INFLOWS HAVE SURGED AT RECORD HIGH LEVELS SINCE APRIL 2022**



TERMS OF TRADE HAVE REACHED 109% ON AVERAGE IN 9M22, COMPARED TO 101% IN 2021 (JAN 2017=100)



#### TOURISM REVENUES HAVE BOUNCED BACK ABOVE 2019 LEVELS SINCE JULY



\*Net external earnings include merchandise exports and imports, remittance inflows and outflows, and tourism inflows.

Georgia Capital PLC | Source: NBG. Geostat

# **INFLATION TO DECELERATE GRADUALLY IN 2023**

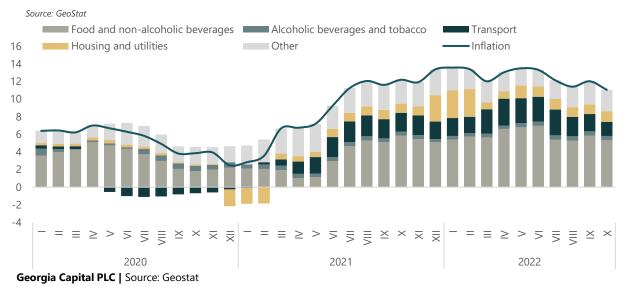


#### **INFLATION Y-O-Y VS. INFLATION TARGET**

Sources: NBG, GeoStat



#### **INFLATION COMPONENTS**



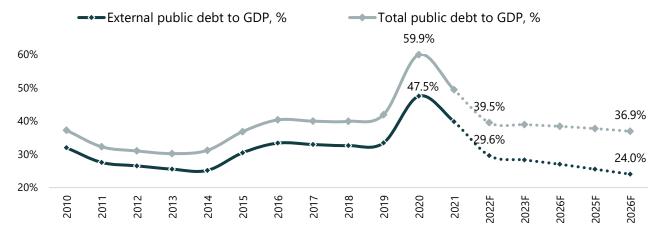
## INFLATION TO DECELERATE BUT REMAIN CLOSE TO DOUBLE DIGITS IN 2022

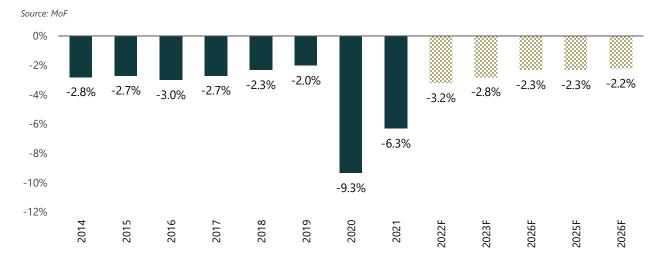
- Annual inflation reached 10.6% in October 2022 (12.3% on average in 10M22) and is expected to gradually decelerate, partially due to the base effect coming into play from July;
- Food, oil and utility prices have been the main drivers of rising prices throughout the year, albeit price pressures are expected to ease in the coming months as food and energy prices have been declining in a sustained manner at the global markets recently;
- Despite GEL strengthening, imported inflation has been the most significant driver of rising prices in 2022, with global food and energy prices contributing the most to elevated price pressures;
- Supply side price pressures are no longer abated by weak domestic demand, as the economic recovery has been rapid;
- Rising prices have been a widespread occurrence, with prices increasing annually on 82% of products in the consumer basket in October, including by more than 5% y-o-y for 71% of products and by more than 10% y-o-y for 49% of products.

# PUBLIC DEBT TO FALL BELOW 2019 LEVELS IN 2022, WITH THE DEFICIT PROJECTED AT 3.2% OF GDP

#### **PUBLIC DEBT**

Sources: MoF





#### **OVERALL BALANCE (IMF MODIFIED), % OF GDP**

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## FISCAL SUPPORT HAS BEGUN MODERATING

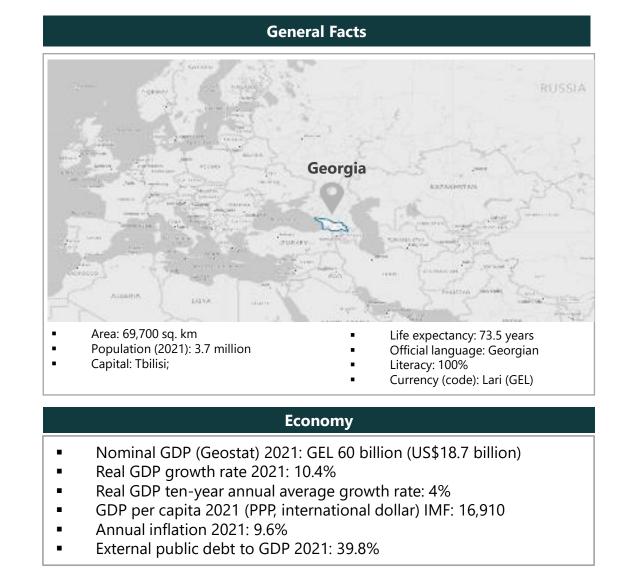
- Fiscal support moderated in 2022, with current expenditures growing by 9% y-o-y and capital expenditures expanding by 15% y-o-y in 9M22;
- As a result of double-digit economic growth, tax revenues grew by 27% y-o-y in 9M22, facilitating a 27% growth in overall fiscal revenues (consolidated budget);
- The overall fiscal deficit fell by 64% y-o-y in 9M22, on the back of a slowdown in expenditures and exceptional revenue performance, while the operating balance improved from GEL -139 mln in 9M21 to GEL 1.8 bln in 9M22;
- The government committed to reducing the fiscal deficit to 3.2% of GDP in 2022, with the deficit set to fall under 3% from next year;
- Public debt is projected to fall to under 40% of GDP in 2022, lower than the pre-COVID level of 42% in 2019, with external debt falling to under 30% of GDP, down from over 33% in 2019.

# SOVEREIGN RATINGS WITH FAVOURABLE MACRO FUNDAMENTALS



Key Ratings Highlights				
Rating Agency	Rating	Outlook	Affirmed	
Moody's	Ba2	Negative	April 2022	
S&P Global	BB	Stable	February 2022	
FitchRatings	BB	Stable	July 2022	

Georgia is favorably placed among peers				
Country	Country Rating	Fitch Rating Outlook		
Armenia	B+	Stable		
Azerbaijan	BB+	Stable		
Czech Republic	AA-	Negative		
Georgia	BB	Stable		
Kazakhstan	BBB	Stable		
Turkey	В	Negative		
Uzbekistan	BB-	Stable		



# **GEORGIA'S KEY ECONOMIC DRIVERS**

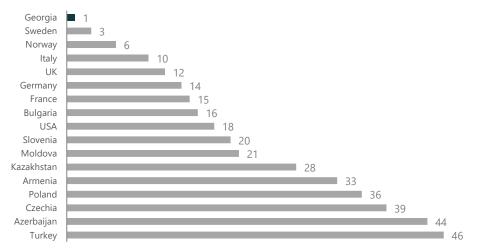


Liberal economic policy	<ul> <li>Top performer globally in WB Doing Business over the past 12 years</li> <li>Liberty Act (effective January 2014) ensures a credible fiscal framework; Fiscal deficit/GDP capped at 3%; Public debt/GDP capped at 60%.</li> <li>Following the emergency clause activation after the COVID-19 shock, the fiscal framework will return within the rule bounds in three years, as specified in the Liberty Act;</li> <li>Business friendly environment and low tax regime (attested by favourable international rankings);</li> </ul>
Regional logistics and tourism hub	<ul> <li>A natural transport and logistics hub, connecting land-locked energy rich countries in the east and European markets in the west</li> <li>Access to a market of 2.8 billion customers without customs duties: Free trade agreements with EU, China, Hong Kong, CIS and Turkey and GSP with USA, Canada, Japan, Norway and Switzerland; FTA with Israel and India under consideration.</li> <li>Tourism inflows fell sharply to US\$ 542 million in 2020 from US\$ 3.2 billion in 2019 due to COVID-19, but bounced back to US\$ 1.3 billion in 2021;</li> <li>Regional energy transit corridor accounting for 1.6% of the world's oil and gas transit volumes.</li> </ul>
Strong FDI	<ul> <li>An influx of foreign investors on the back of the economic reforms have boosted productivity and accelerated growth</li> <li>FDI stood at US\$ 1.2 (6.1% of GDP) in 2021;</li> <li>FDI has averaged 8% of GDP since 2010.</li> </ul>
Support from international community	<ul> <li>Georgia and the EU signed an Association Agreement and DCFTA in June 2014</li> <li>Visa-free travel to the EU is another major success in Georgian foreign policy. Georgian passport holders were granted free visa entrance to the EU countries from 28 March 2017.</li> <li>Discussions commenced with the USA to drive inward investments and exports.</li> <li>Strong political support from NATO, EU, US, UN and member of WTO since 2000; Substantial support from DFIs, the US and EU.</li> </ul>
Electricity transit hub potential	<ul> <li>Developed, stable and competitively priced energy sector</li> <li>Only 20% of hydropower capacity utilized; 155 renewable (HPPs/WPPs/SPPs) energy power plants are in various stages of construction or development.</li> <li>Georgia imports natural gas mainly from Azerbaijan.</li> <li>Significantly boosted transmission capacity in recent years, a new 400 kV line to Turkey and 500 kV line to Azerbaijan built, other transmission lines to Armenia and Russia upgraded.</li> <li>Additional 2,000 MW transmission capacity development in the pipeline, facilitating cross-border electricity trade and energy swaps to Eastern Europe.</li> </ul>
Political environment stabilised	<ul> <li>Georgia underscored its commitment to European values by securing a democratic transfer of political power in successive parliamentary, presidential, and local elections and by signing an Association Agreement and free trade agreement with the EU.</li> <li>New constitution amendments passed in 2013 to enhance governing responsibility of Parliament and reduce the powers of the Presidency.</li> <li>Continued economic relationship with Russia, although economic dependence is relatively low.</li> <li>Russia began issuing visas to Georgians in March 2009; Georgia abolished visa requirements for Russians – Russia announced the easing of visa procedures for Georgian's citizens effective December 23, 2015.</li> <li>Direct flights between the two countries resumed in January 2010. However, they have been banned again since July 2019 following the decision from Russia.</li> <li>Member of WTO since 2000, allowed Russia's access to WTO; In 2013 trade restored with Russia.</li> <li>In 2021, Russia accounted for 14% of Georgia's exports and 10% of imports.</li> </ul>

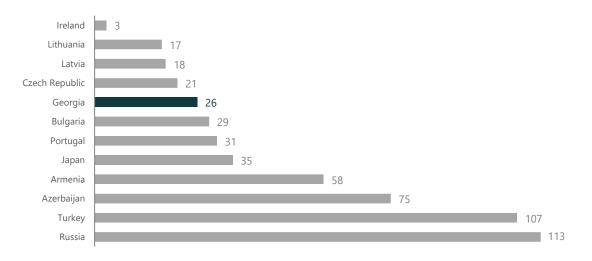
# **INSTITUTIONAL ORIENTED REFORMS**



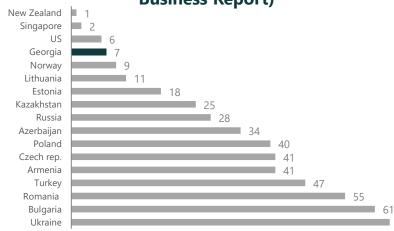
## Open Budget Index, 2021 | International Budget Partnership (Budget Transparency)



#### **Economic Freedom Index | 2022 (Heritage Foundation)**



#### Ease of Doing Business | 2020 (WB Doing Business Report)



### Corruption Perception Index | 2021 (TI)

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78

96

102

105

122

128

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Lithuania

Latvia

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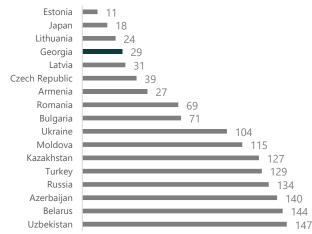
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Czech Republic

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### Business Bribery Risk, 2021 | Trace International

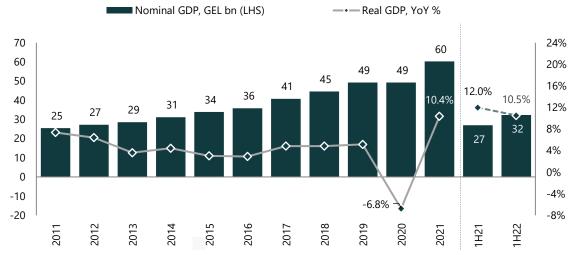


Sources: Transparency International, Heritage Foundation, World Bank, Trace International

# **ECONOMIC GROWTH CONTINUING AT PACE**

### **Gross domestic product**

According to preliminary estimates, real GDP grew by 10.5% y-o-y in 1H22



Source: Geostat

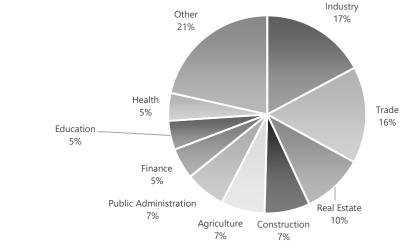
# Georgia's medium-term growth rate projected to be highest among peers by IMF (October 2022)

**Projected real GDP growth rates, % | IMF** 



Georgia Uzbekistan Moldova Armenia Kazakhstan Turkey Azerbaijan Belarus Russia Source: IMF. WEO (October 2022) Nominal GDP structure, 1H22

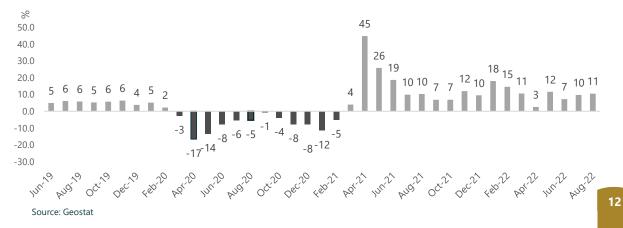




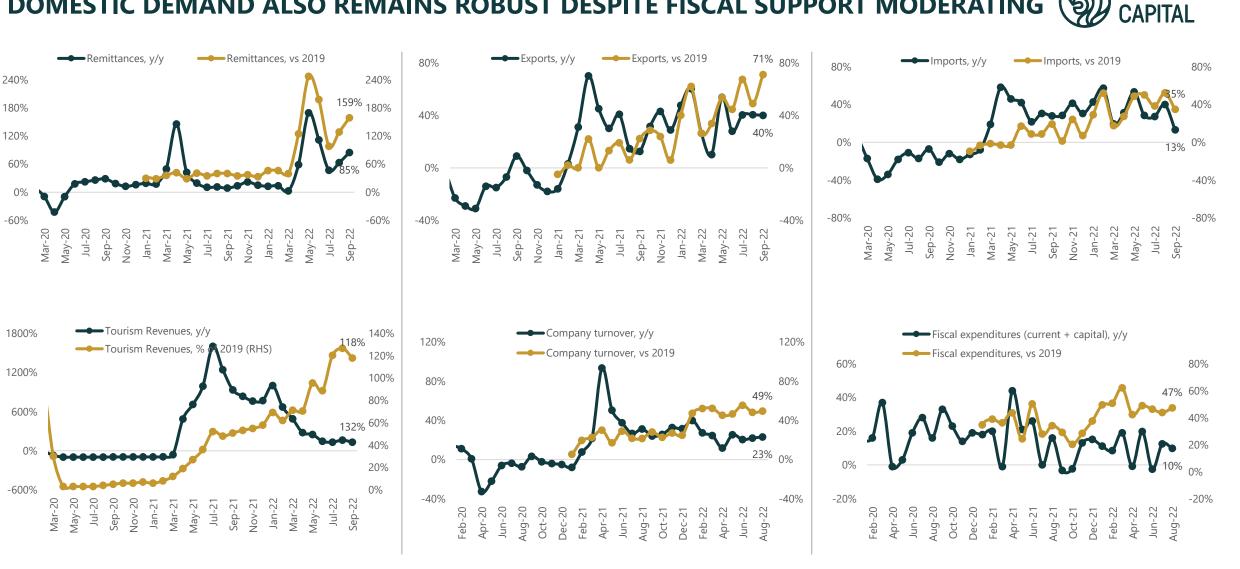
Source: Geostat

## Monthly Economic Activity Estimate, Y-o-Y growth

Flash estimates show the economy growing by 10.3% in 8M22



## STRONG EXTERNAL DEMAND EVIDENT IN ACCELERATING FX INFLOWS, WHILE DOMESTIC DEMAND ALSO REMAINS ROBUST DESPITE FISCAL SUPPORT MODERATING



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# EMPLOYMENT DYNAMICS CATCHING UP WITH RECOVERY IN WAGES

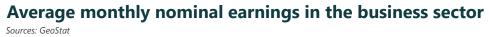
Sources: UNDP

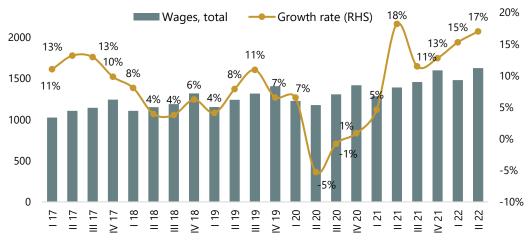
### Unemployment rate down since 2H21

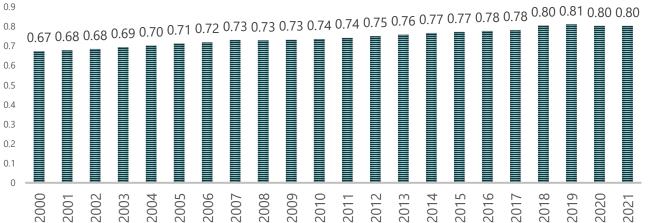
#### **UNDP Human Development Index**

Sources: GeoStat





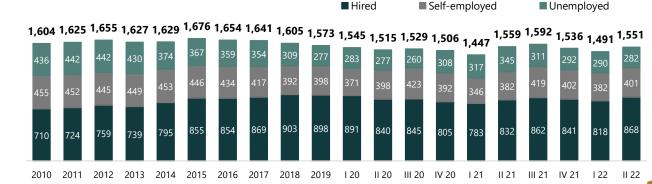




#### Labour force decomposition

Sources: GeoStat

The number of employed people rose by 55,000 y-o-y in 2Q22, and the number of unemployed fell by 63,000

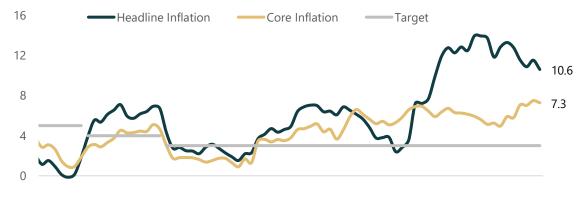


# **INFLATION TO DECELERATE GRADUALLY IN 2023**

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#### Inflation Y-o-Y vs. inflation target

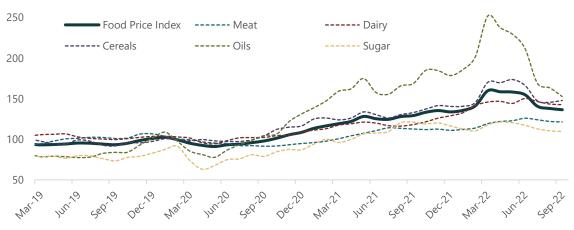
Sources: NBG, GeoStat



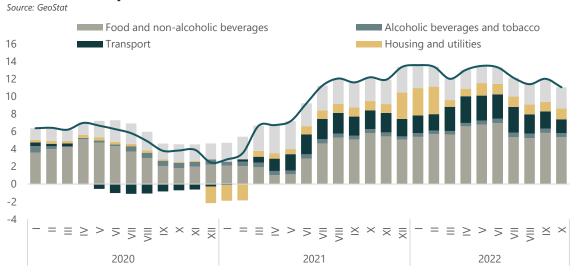
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## **FAO food price index**

Sources: FAO

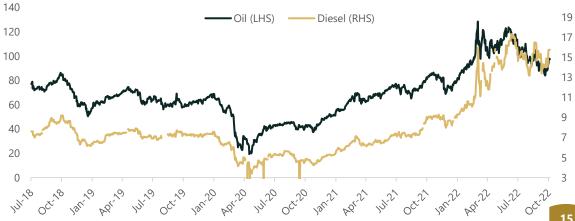


#### Inflation components



#### Brent crude oil and diesel prices

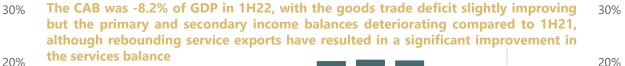
Sources: Bloomberg

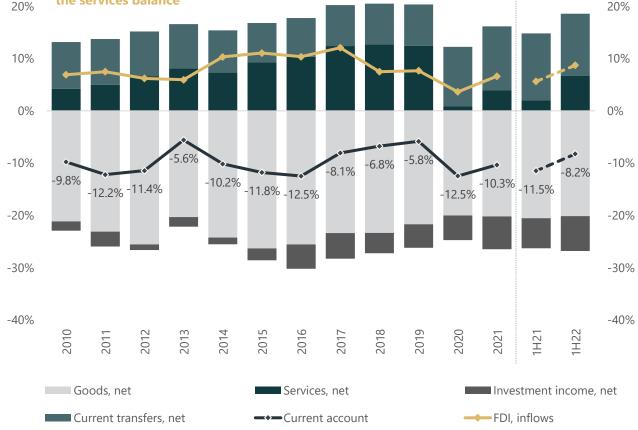


# CURRENT ACCOUNT DEFICIT 8.2% OF GDP IN 1H22 AND EXPECTED TO IMPROVE FURTHER FOR THE FULL YEAR

## **Current account balance (% of nominal GDP)**

#### Sources: NBG

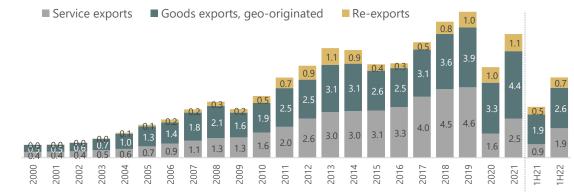




#### **Exports and Re-exports, US\$ billion**

Source: NBG

# Georgian-originated goods exports have continued to play a dominant role in rising export revenues



## FDI (components and % of nominal GDP)





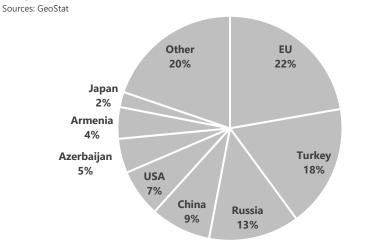
# **DIVERSIFIED FOREIGN TRADE**

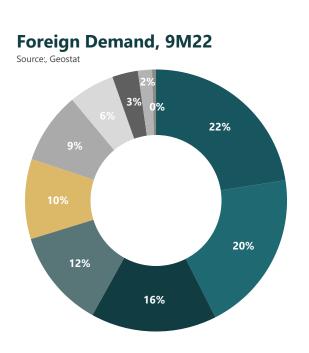
### Exports and imports of goods, Y-o-Y %

Source: Geostat

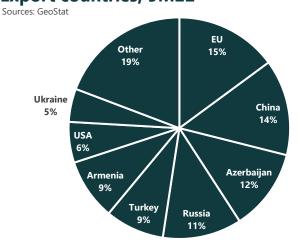


#### Import countries, 9M22





Export countries, 9M22





- Crude materials, inedible, except fuels
- Machinery and transport equipment
- Manufactured goods
- Beverages and tobacco
- Chemicals and related products
- Food and live animals
- Miscellaneous manufactured articles
- Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials
- Commodities not classified elsewhere
- Animal and vegetable oils, fats and waxes

After emerging as the single largest destination country for Georgian exports in 2020, China has retained the top position since, accounting for 14% of Georgian exports in 9M22

# REMITTANCES AT RECORD HIGH LEVELS DUE TO THE MIGRANT EFFECT AS TOURISM REVENUES ALSO BOUNCE BACK

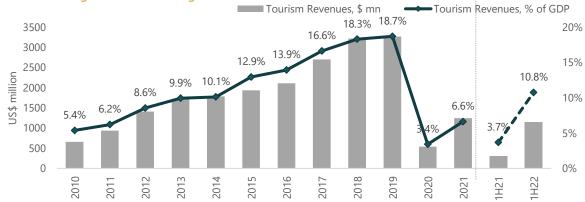


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#### **Tourism revenues to GDP**

#### Sources: NBG, Geostat

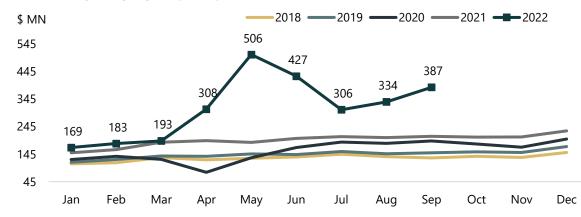
Tourism revenues have bounced back to 122% of 2019 levels on average since July 2022, aided by rebounding travel and the migrant effect



#### **Remittances at record high levels**

#### Source: NBG

Remittance inflows have surged at record high levels since April 2022, growing by 65% y-o-y in 9M22 and by 88% y-o-y in April-September 2022



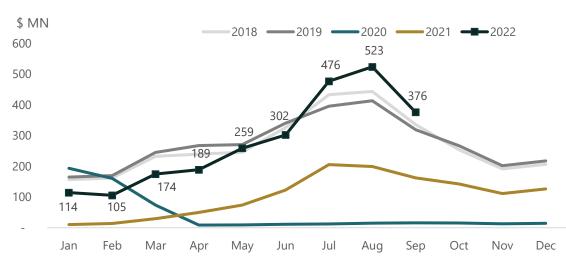
#### **Tourism revenues by country**

Sources: GNTA



#### Tourism revenues

Source: NBG

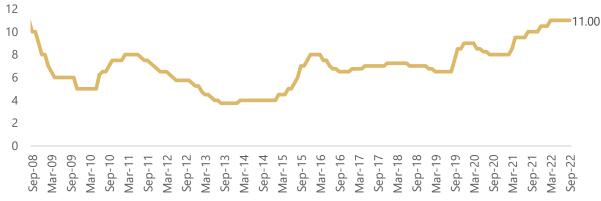


# **APPROPRIATE MONETARY POLICY STANCE** ENSURING MACROECONOMIC STABILITY

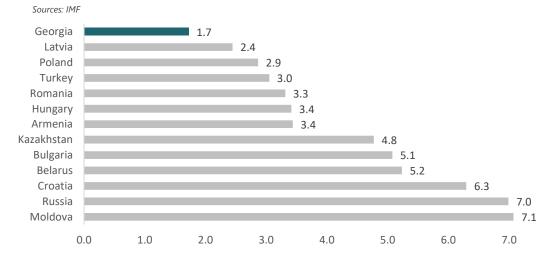
# Monetary policy rate

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NBG further increased the monetary policy rate to 11% in March 2022 and has left it unchanged since



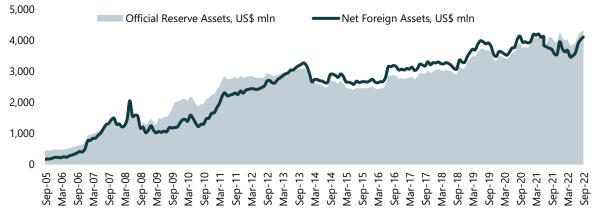
### Nonperforming loans to total gross loans, % (latest 2022)



#### International Reserves

Sources: NBG

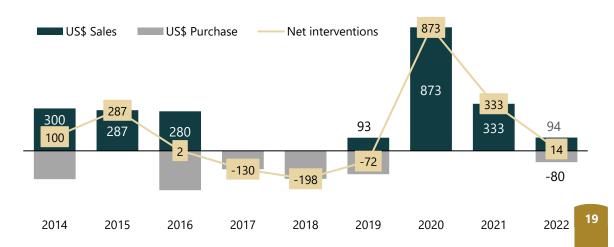
International reserves reached \$4.3 bn by the end of September 2022, up 5.8% y-o-y and providing ample cover



### Foreign exchange market interventions, \$US million

Sources: NBG

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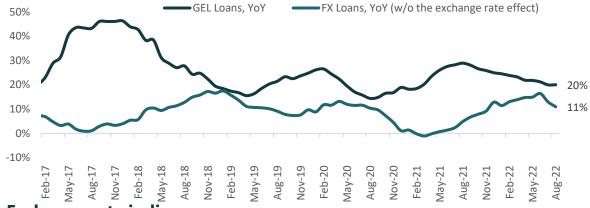


# GEL APPRECIATING SINCE MID-2021 AND BACK TO PRE-PANDEMIC LEVELS

#### Loans by currencies

Sources: NBG

Commercial bank lending has remained resilient throughout the year on the back of rebounding demand, with foreign currency loans further aided by tight monetary policy



#### **Exchange rate indices**

Sources: NBG, Bloomberg



## **Dollarization ratios**

Source: NBG

Both deposit and loan dollarization have fallen since May-June 2021, in parallel with GEL appreciation, with loan dollarization falling under 50% for the 1<sup>st</sup> time since April 2022



## Real (REER) and nominal (NEER) effective exchange rates

Source: NBG REER and NEER have been appreciating since mid-2021

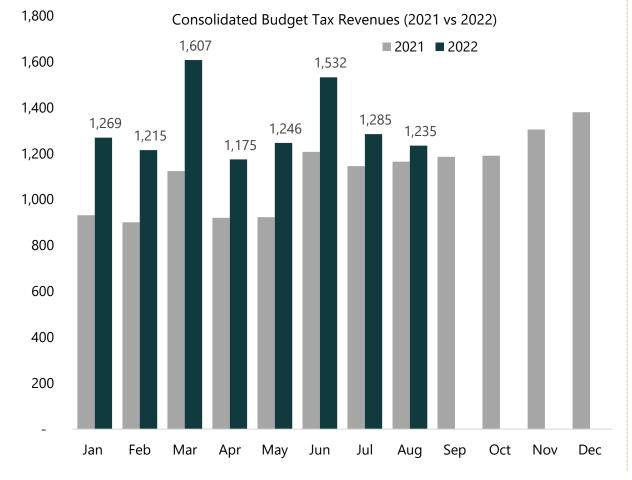




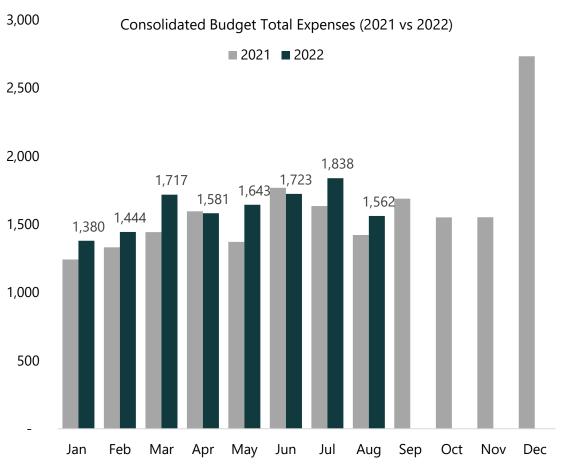
# TAX REVENUES CONTINUE OVERPERFORMANCE WHILE EXPENDITURE GROWTH HAS MODERATED



TAX REVENUES GREW BY 27% Y-O-Y IN 8M22, WITH VAT REVENUES GROWING BY 24% Y-O-Y AND INCOME TAX REVENUES GROWING BY 39% Y-O-Y



#### TOTAL EXPENSES GREW BY 9% Y-O-Y IN 8M22, WITH A 9% Y-O-Y GROWTH IN CURRENT AND 12% Y-O-Y GROWTH IN CAPITAL EXPENSES



# PUBLIC DEBT TO FALL BELOW 2019 LEVELS IN 2022, WHILE THE DEFICIT PROJECTED AT 3.2% OF GDP

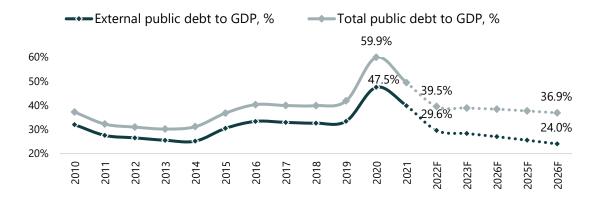
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#### **Public debt**

Sources: MOF

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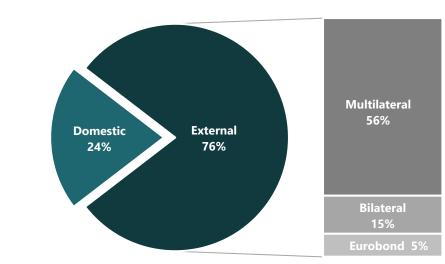
Public debt is projected to fall to under 40% on GDP in 2022, lower than the pre-COVID level of 42% in 2019, with external debt falling to under 30% of GDP, down from over 33% in 2019



## **Overall Balance (IMF Modified), % of GDP**

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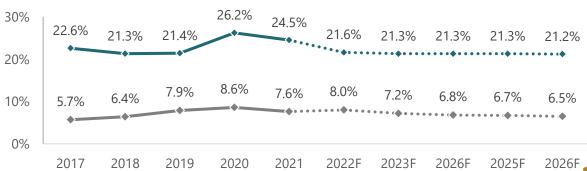
## AVERAGE WEIGHTED INTEREST RATE WAS 1.58%, WHILE REMAINING MATURITY TOTALED 9.4 YEARS AS OF 31 AUGUST 2022



Current vs Capital Expenditure, % of GDP

Source: MOF

••• Current Expenditures ••• Capital Expenditures (Acquisition of Non-financial Assets)



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