

# PART I

## KEY ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017 (a)
<b>DEMOGRAPHY</b>							
Mid-year population ('000 persons) (b)(c)	20,892	20,425	20,585	20,771 (a)	20,966 (a)	21,203 (a)	21,444
Growth of mid-year population (per cent) (b)	1.1	1.0	0.8	0.9 (a)	0.9 (a)	1.1 (a)	1.1
Population density (persons per sq.km.) (b)	333	326	328	331 (a)	334 (a)	338 (a)	342
Labour force ('000 persons) (d)(e)(f)	7,926	7,798	8,034	8,049	8,214	8,311	8,567
Labour force participation rate (per cent) (d)(e)(f)	52.9	52.5	53.7	53.2	53.8	53.8	54.1
Unemployment rate (per cent of labour force) (d)(e)(f)	4.2	4.0	4.4	4.3	4.7	4.4	4.2
<b>OUTPUT (g)</b>							
GDP at current market price (Rs. billion)	7,219	8,732	9,592	10,361	10,951 (h)	11,907 (a)(h)	13,289
GNI at current market price (Rs. billion)	7,147	8,578	9,366	10,125	10,676 (h)	11,585 (a)(h)	12,933
GDP at current market price (US\$ billion)	65.3	68.4	74.3	79.4	80.6 (h)	81.8 (a)(h)	87.2
GNI at current market price (US\$ billion)	64.6	67.2	72.5	77.6	78.5 (h)	79.6 (a)(h)	84.8
Per capita GDP at current market price (Rs.) (i)	345,544	427,538	465,976	498,828	522,304 (h)	561,560 (a)(h)	619,729
Per capita GNI at current market price (Rs.) (i)	342,096	419,955	454,993	487,462	509,200 (h)	546,408 (a)(h)	603,114
Per capita GDP at current market price (US\$) (i)	3,125	3,351	3,609	3,821	3,842 (h)	3,857 (a)(h)	4,065
Per capita GNI at current market price (US\$) (i)	3,094	3,291	3,524	3,734	3,746 (h)	3,753 (a)(h)	3,956
<b>REAL OUTPUT (percentage change) (g)</b>							
GDP	8.4	9.1	3.4	5.0	5.0 (h)	4.5 (a)(h)	3.1
Major economic activities of GDP							
Agriculture	4.6	3.9	3.2	4.6	4.7 (h)	-3.8 (a)(h)	-0.8
Industry	9.3	9.0	4.1	4.7	2.2 (h)	5.8 (a)(h)	3.9
Services	8.9	11.2	3.8	4.8	6.0 (h)	4.7 (a)(h)	3.2
GNI	8.5	8.3	2.8	5.1	4.8 (h)	4.3 (a)(h)	3.1
<b>AGGREGATE DEMAND AND SAVINGS (per cent of GDP) (g)</b>							
Consumption	79.8	72.8	75.4	75.8	76.4 (h)	72.4 (a)(h)	70.7
Private	71.3	65.2	67.6	67.4	67.4 (h)	63.8 (a)(h)	62.2
Government	8.6	7.6	7.8	8.4	9.0 (h)	8.5 (a)(h)	8.5
Investment	33.4	39.1	33.2	32.3	31.2 (h)	35.0 (a)(h)	36.5
Net exports of goods and services	-13.2	-11.9	-8.6	-8.1	-7.5 (h)	-7.3 (a)(h)	-7.2
Exports of goods and services	20.9	19.8	20.3	21.1	21.0 (h)	21.3 (a)(h)	21.9
Imports of goods and services	34.1	31.7	28.9	29.2	28.5 (h)	28.7 (a)(h)	29.1
Domestic savings	20.2	27.2	24.6	24.2	23.6 (h)	27.6 (a)(h)	29.3
Net primary and secondary income from rest of the world	6.1	6.1	5.2	5.6	5.2 (h)	5.2 (a)(h)(i)	4.6 (i)
National savings	26.3	33.3	29.9	29.8	28.8 (h)	32.8 (a)(h)	33.9
<b>PRICES AND WAGES (percentage change)</b>							
National Consumer Price Index (2013 = 100) - annual average	-	-	-	-	3.8	4.0	7.7
National Consumer Price Index (2013 = 100) - year-on-year (end period)	-	-	-	-	4.2	4.2	7.3
Colombo Consumer Price Index (2013 = 100) - annual average	-	-	-	-	2.2	4.0	6.6
Colombo Consumer Price Index (2013 = 100) - year-on-year (end period)	-	-	-	-	4.6	4.5	7.1
Colombo Consumer Price Index (2006/07 = 100) - annual average (k)	6.7	7.6	6.9	3.3	0.9	3.7	-
Colombo Consumer Price Index (2006/07 = 100) - year-on-year (end period) (k)	4.9	9.2	4.7	2.1	2.8	4.1	-
Producer's Price Index (2013 Q4 = 100) - annual average	-	-	-	-	3.6	1.7	17.0
GDP deflator (g)	3.8	10.8	6.2	2.9	0.6 (h)	4.1 (a)(h)	8.2
GNI deflator (g)	3.8	10.9	6.2	2.9	0.6 (h)	4.1 (a)(h)	8.3
Nominal wage rate index for workers in all wages boards (1978 Dec = 100)	4.6	22.2	5.7	3.7	2.9	0.0	0.0
Nominal wage rate index for public sector employees (2012 = 100)	-	-	6.3	10.5	31.7	3.9	0.0
Nominal wage rate index for informal private sector employees (2012 = 100)	-	-	9.8	7.6	7.3	7.9	9.5
<b>EXTERNAL TRADE</b>							
Trade balance (US\$ million)	-9,710	-9,417	-7,609	-8,287	-8,388	-8,873 (h)	-9,619
Exports	10,559	9,774	10,394	11,130	10,546	10,310	11,360
Imports	20,269	19,190	18,003	19,417	18,935	19,183 (h)	20,980
Terms of trade (percentage change)	-8.9	-1.5	4.6	4.3	2.7	4.0 (h)	1.2
Export unit value index (2010 = 100) (percentage change)	11.1	-7.3	-0.3	2.7	-9.4	-1.5	2.4
Import unit value index (2010 = 100) (percentage change)	22.0	-5.8	-4.7	-1.5	-11.8	-5.3 (h)	1.2
Export volume index (2010 = 100) (percentage change)	10.2	-0.2	6.7	4.3	4.6	-0.7	7.6
Import volume index (2010 = 100) (percentage change)	23.6	0.5	-1.5	9.5	10.6	7.0 (h)	8.1
<b>EXTERNAL FINANCE (US\$ million)</b>							
Services and primary income account (net)	452	43	-572	72	312	678 (h)	983
Current private transfers (net)	4,583	5,339	5,619	6,199	6,167	6,434	6,316
Current official transfers (net)	60	53	21	28	27	19	11
Current account balance	-4,615	-3,982	-2,541	-1,988	-1,883	-1,742 (h)	-2,309
Overall balance	-1,059	151	985	1,369	-1,489	-500	2,068

(a) Provisional

(b) As reported by Registrar General's Department

(c) Mid-year population estimates until 2011 were prepared based on the Census of Population and Housing - 2001. Mid-year population estimates in 2012 onwards were based on the Census of Population and Housing - 2012.

(d) Household population aged 15 and above is considered for the calculation of labour force

(e) Data covers the entire island

(f) In July 2016, Department of Census and Statistics published a re-weighted and revised labour force data series for 2011 onwards.

(g) Rebased GDP estimates (base year 2010) of the Department of Census and Statistics have been used.

(h) Revised

(i) Estimates updated with latest population figures

(j) The difference with the BOP estimates is due to the time lag in compilation.

(k) Compilation of this index was discontinued since January 2017.

## KEY ECONOMIC INDICATORS (Contd.)

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017 (a)
Current account balance (per cent of GDP) (g)(l)	-7.1	-5.8	-3.4	-2.5	-2.3	-2.1(h)	-2.6
Total foreign assets (months of the same year imports) (m)	4.7	5.4	5.7	6.1	5.9	5.3	6.0
Gross official reserves (months of the same year imports)	4.0	4.4	5.0	5.1	4.6	3.8	4.6
Overall debt service ratio (n)							
As a percentage of export of goods and services	13.2	19.7	26.8	21.7 (h)	28.2(h)	25.6(h)	23.9
As a percentage of current receipts	9.3	13.5	18.7	15.2 (h)	19.8(h)	18.0(h)	17.2
Total external debt (per cent of GDP) (g)(l)	50.2	54.2	53.7	54.1	55.7	56.8(h)	59.5
<b>EXCHANGE RATES</b>							
Annual average							
Rs/US\$	110.57	127.60	129.11	130.56	135.94	145.60	152.46
Rs/SDR (o)	174.54	195.38	196.19	198.35	190.16	202.39	211.49
NEER (2010 = 100) (24 - currency basket) (p)	99.84	90.44	91.39	91.99	96.61	92.46	88.07
REER (2010 = 100) (24 - currency basket) (p)(q)	102.00	95.63	101.13	103.77	109.50	106.94	106.10
Year end							
Rs/US\$	113.90	127.16	130.75	131.05	144.06	149.80	152.85
Rs/SDR (o)	174.87	195.31	201.36	189.86	199.63	201.38	217.69
<b>GOVERNMENT FINANCE (per cent of GDP) (g) (r)</b>							
Revenue and grants	13.6	12.2	12.0	11.6	13.3	14.2	13.8
Revenue	13.4	12.0	11.9	11.5	13.3	14.2	13.8
o/w Tax revenue	11.7	10.4	10.5	10.1	12.4	12.3	12.6
Grants	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Expenditure and net lending	19.9	17.8	17.4	17.3	20.9	19.6	19.4
Recurrent expenditure	14.2	13.0	12.6	12.8	15.5	14.8	14.5
Capital expenditure and net lending	5.7	4.9	4.8	4.6	5.4	4.8	4.9
Current account deficit (-) / surplus (+)	-0.8	-0.9	-0.7	-1.2	-2.3	-0.6	-0.7
Primary deficit (-) / surplus (+)	-1.3	-0.9	-0.8	-1.5	-2.9	-0.2	0.0
Overall deficit (-) / surplus (+)	-6.2	-5.6	-5.4	-5.7	-7.6	-5.4	-5.5
Deficit financing	6.2	5.6	5.4	5.7	7.6	5.4	5.5
Foreign	3.0	3.3	1.3	2.1	2.2	3.3	3.3
Domestic	3.2	2.3	4.1	3.7	5.4	2.1	2.2
Central Government debt	71.1	68.7	70.8	71.3	77.7	78.8	77.6
Foreign	32.3	31.7	30.9	30.0	32.4	34.0	35.5
Domestic	38.8	37.0	40.0	41.3	45.3	44.9	42.1
<b>MONETARY AGGREGATES (year-on-year percentage change)</b>							
Reserve money	21.9	10.2	0.9	18.3	16.5	27.1	9.8
Narrow money (M <sub>1</sub> )	7.7	2.6	7.7	26.3	16.8	8.6	2.1
Broad money (M <sub>2b</sub> ) (s)	19.1	17.6	16.7	13.4	17.8	18.4	16.7
Net foreign assets of the banking system	-74.0	-126.3	-195.5	119.8	-2,071.2	22.4	152.6
Net domestic assets of the banking system	39.7	23.4	18.3	10.5	26.0	15.9	9.8
Domestic credit from the banking system to							
Government (net)	32.9	25.4	24.5	10.3	22.5	12.1	10.0
Public corporations	37.3	47.3	24.8	22.2	17.2	-5.3	3.9
Private sector	34.5	17.6	7.5	8.8	25.1	21.9	14.7
Money multiplier for M <sub>2b</sub> (end year)	5.67	6.05	7.00	6.71	6.78	6.31	6.71
Velocity of M <sub>2b</sub> (average for the year) (g)	3.15	3.17	2.99	2.85	2.62	2.41(h)	2.25
<b>INTEREST RATES (per cent per annum at year end)</b>							
Standing Deposit Facility Rate (SDFR) (t)	7.00	7.50	6.50	6.50	6.00	7.00	7.25
Standing Lending Facility Rate (SLFR) (t)	8.50	9.50	8.50	8.00	7.50	8.50	8.75
Money market rates							
Average weighted call money rate (AWCMR)	8.97	9.83	7.66	6.21	6.40	8.42	8.15
Treasury bill yields							
91 days	8.68	10.00	7.54	5.74	6.45	8.72	7.69
364 days	9.31	11.69	8.29	6.01	7.30	10.17	8.90
Deposit rates							
Commercial banks' average weighted deposit rate (AWDR)	7.24	10.10	9.37	6.20	6.20	8.17	9.07
Commercial banks' average weighted fixed deposit rate (AWFDR)	8.95	13.21	11.78	7.33	7.57	10.46	11.48
NSB savings rate	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.25	4.00
NSB 12 month fixed deposit rate	8.50	12.50	9.50	6.50	7.25	11.00	11.00
Lending rates							
Commercial banks' average weighted prime lending rate (AWPR)	10.77	14.40	10.13	6.26	7.53	11.52	11.55
Commercial banks' average weighted lending rate (AWLR)	13.44	15.98	15.18	11.91	11.00	13.20	13.88
<b>CAPITAL MARKET</b>							
All share price index (ASPI) (1985 = 100)	6,074.4	5,643.0	5,912.8	7,299.0	6,894.5	6,228.3	6,369.3
Milanka price index (MPI) (1998 Dec = 1,000) (u)	5,229.2	5,119.1	-	-	-	-	-
S&P SL 20 index (2004 Dec = 1,000) (u)	-	3,085.3	3,263.9	4,089.1	3,625.7	3,496.4	3,671.7
Value of shares traded (Rs. million)	546,256	213,827	200,468	340,917	253,251	176,935	220,591
Net purchases by non nationals (Rs. million)	-19,039	38,661	22,783	21,217	-5,372	338	17,655
Market capitalisation (Rs. billion)	2,213.9	2,167.6	2,459.9	3,104.9	2,938.0	2,745.4	2,899.3

(l) Based on GDP estimates in US dollars

(m) Excludes foreign assets in the form of direct investments abroad and trade credit and advances received

(n) Overall debt service ratios were reclassified to capture debt servicing in accordance with the External Debt Statistics Manual (2003) of the International Monetary Fund (IMF).

(o) Special Drawing Rights (SDR), the unit of account of the IMF

(p) Exchange rates have been defined in terms of indices so that the appreciation/depreciation of the rupee relative to other currencies is reflected by a rise/fall in the values of the effective exchange rate indices.

(q) CCPI is used for the computation of the Real Effective Exchange Rate (REER). The REER is computed by adjusting the Nominal Effective Exchange Rate (NEER) for inflation differentials with the countries whose currencies are included in the basket.

(r) Based on revised GDP estimates for 2015 and 2016 made available on 20 March 2018 by Department of Census and Statistics

(s) Figures from 2015 include assets/ liabilities of DFCC Bank PLC, which merged with DFCC Vardhana Bank, with effect from 1 October 2015.

(t) Repurchase rate and Reverse Repurchase rate renamed as Standing Deposit Facility Rate (SDFR) and Standing Lending Facility Rate (SLFR) respectively, with effect from 2 January 2014.

(u) With effect from 1 January 2013, the MPI was replaced by a newly introduced index, namely S&P SL 20 index.