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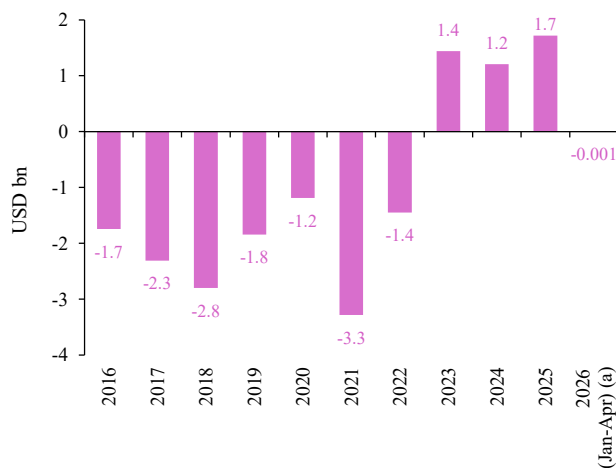
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Current Account

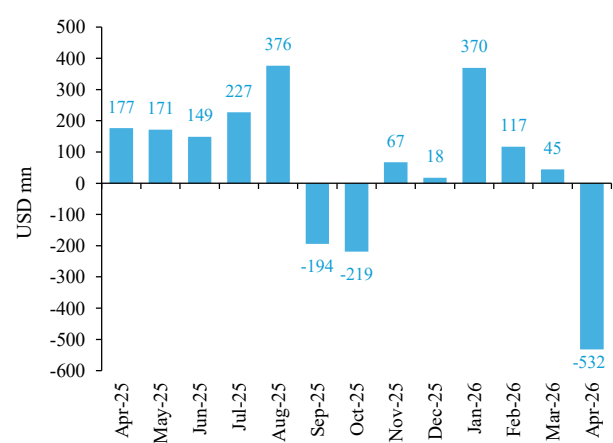
Summary of Current Account (a)

Category	Apr 2025 (USD mn)	Apr 2026 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Apr 2025 (USD mn)	Jan-Apr 2026 (USD mn)	Change (%)
Current Account Balance	176.6	-532.4	-401.4	1,124.4	-0.9	-100.1
Trade Balance	-717.7	-1,382.6		-2,257.3	-3,692.9	
Merchandise Exports	968.2	1,074.1	10.9	4,315.6	4,534.9	5.1
Merchandise Imports	1,685.9	2,456.7	45.7	6,572.9	8,227.9	25.2
Services Account (net)	368.2	229.2	-37.8	1,588.2	1,202.3	-24.3
Services Account - Inflows	602.5	513.7	-14.7	2,637.6	2,443.5	-7.4
Services Account - Outflows	234.3	284.5	21.4	1,049.4	1,241.2	18.3
Primary Income Account (net)	-108.0	-133.3		-613.6	-528.7	
Primary Income Account - Inflows	82.5	43.9	-46.8	232.6	227.5	-2.2
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Current Account Balance - Annual



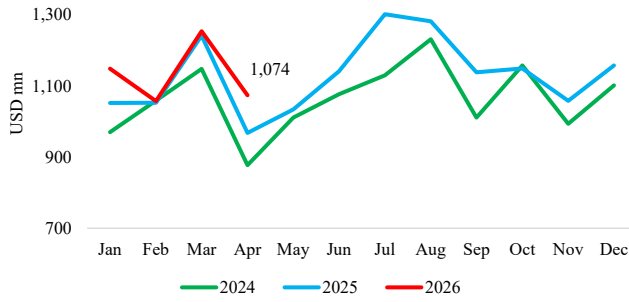
Current Account Balance - Monthly (a)



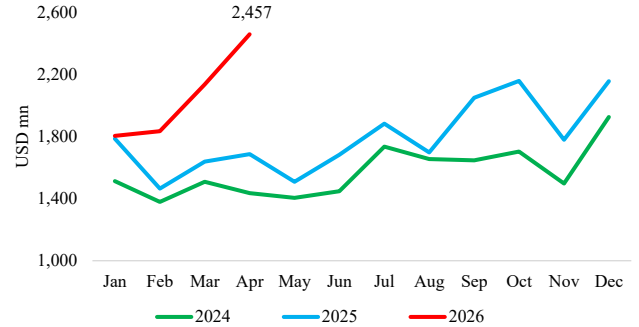
(a) Provisional

Merchandise Trade Highlights

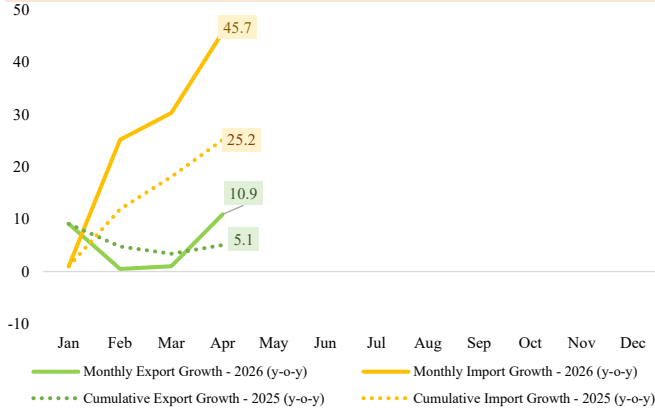
Monthly Export Performance



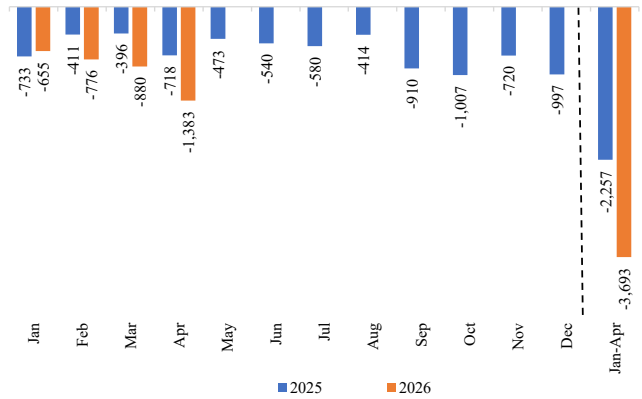
Monthly Import Performance



Export and Import (y-o-y) Growth Rates (%)



Trade Balance (USD mn)



Major Merchandise Export and Import Categories - Jan - Apr 2026

Exports (USD mn)

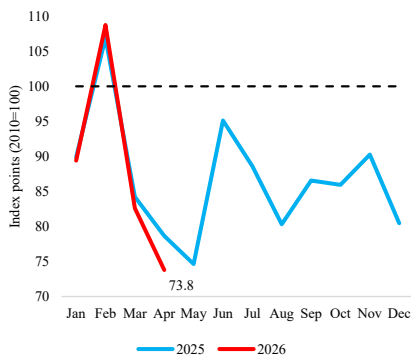
Textiles and garments	1,624.7
Tea	451.6
Petroleum products	449.3
Rubber products	302.2
Food beverages and tobacco	315.2
Machinery and mechanical appliances	203.2
Coconut	185.7
Spices	133.8
Gems, diamonds and jewellery	132.7
Chemical products	116.1

Imports (USD mn)

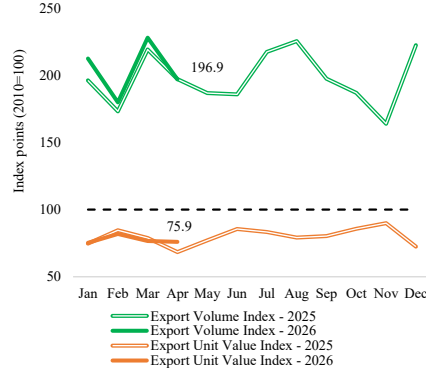
Fuel	2,167.7
Machinery and equipment	934.2
Textiles and textile articles	899.4
Vehicles	821.3
Chemical products	375.2
Building material	332.8
Medical and pharmaceuticals	232.9
Plastics and articles thereof	205.6
Dairy products	144.4
Base metals	142.2

Terms of Trade and Merchandise Trade Indices (in USD terms)

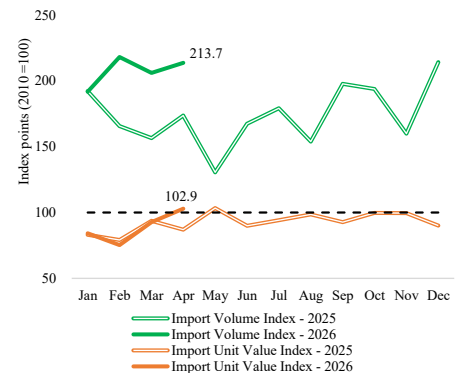
Terms of Trade



Export Volume and Unit Value Indices

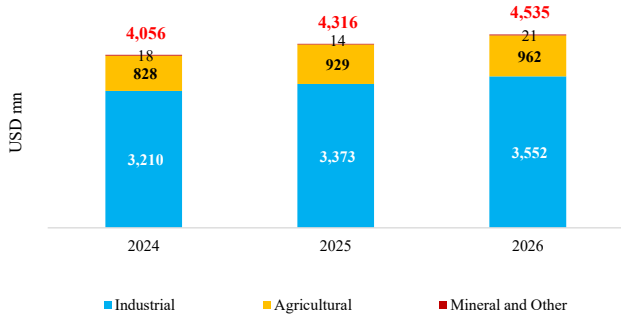


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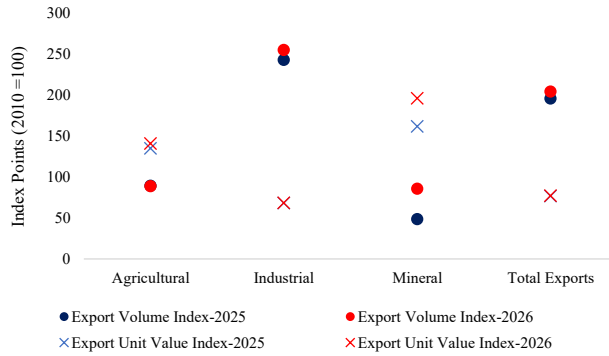


Merchandise Export Performance

Export Performance - Jan.-Apr.

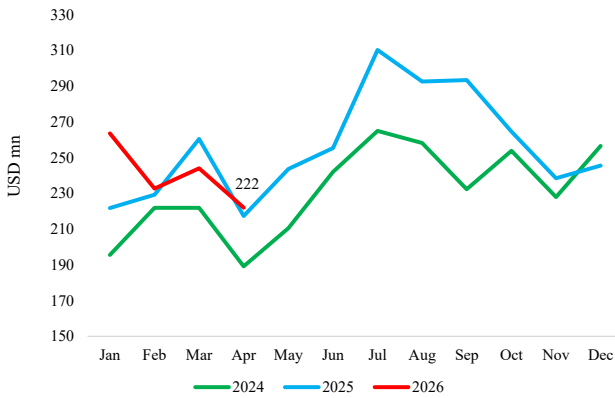


Volume and Unit Value Indices of Exports - Jan.-Apr.

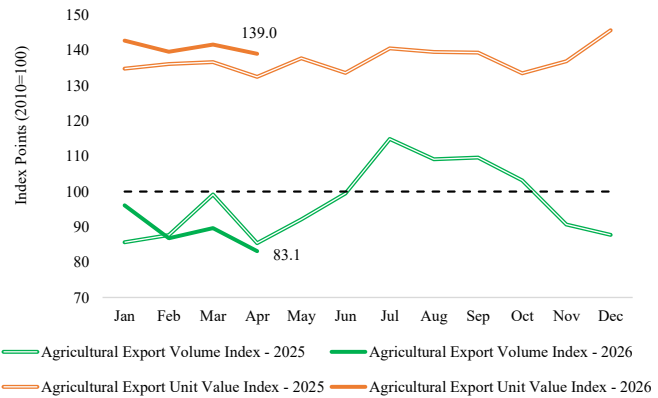


Agricultural Exports

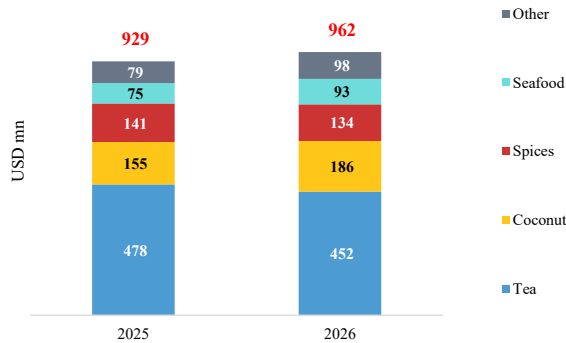
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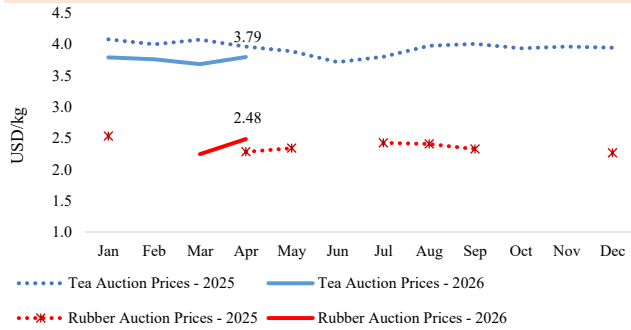
Volume and Unit Value Indices of Agricultural Exports



Performance of Agricultural Exports - Jan.-Apr.



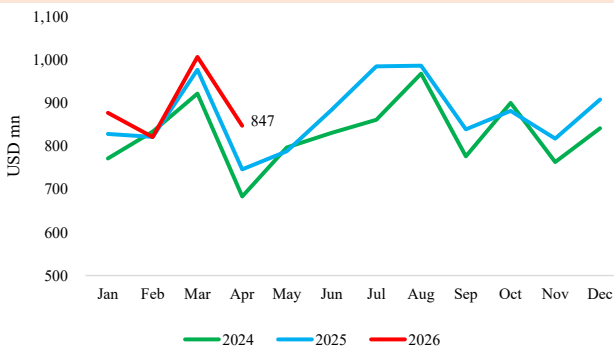
Tea and Rubber Prices



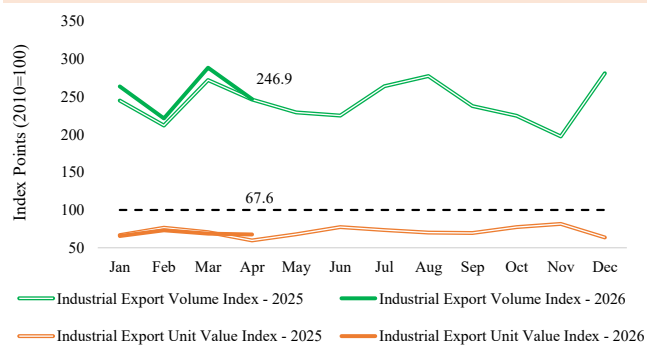
*Rubber (RSS) prices for February, March, June, October and November 2025 and January and February 2026 were not determined at the auction.

Industrial Exports

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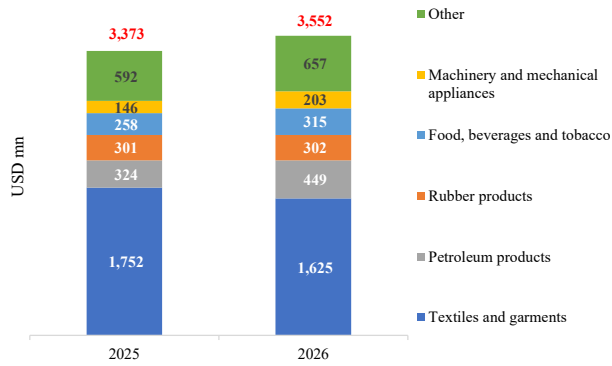


Volume and Unit Value Indices of Industrial Exports

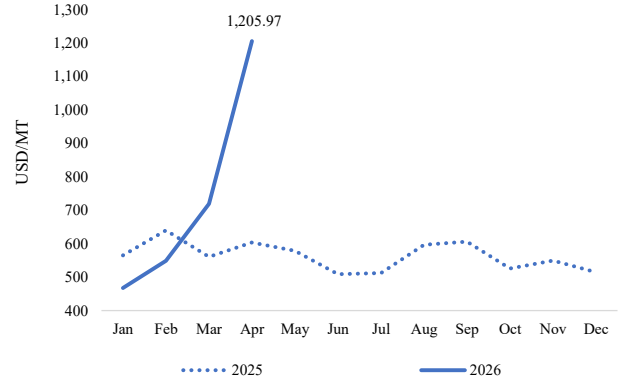


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Performance of Industrial Exports - Jan.-Apr.

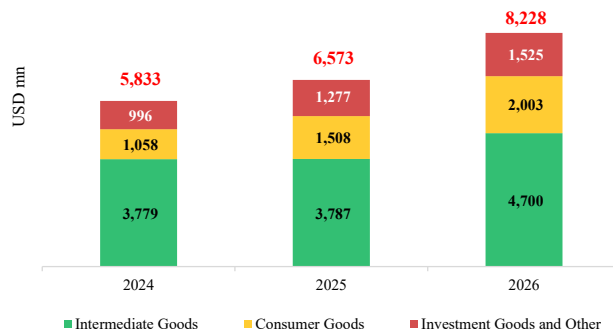


Bunker and Aviation Fuel Export Prices

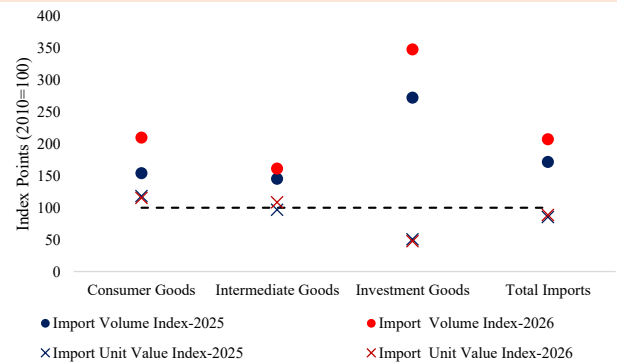


Merchandise Import Performance

Import Performance - Jan.-Apr.

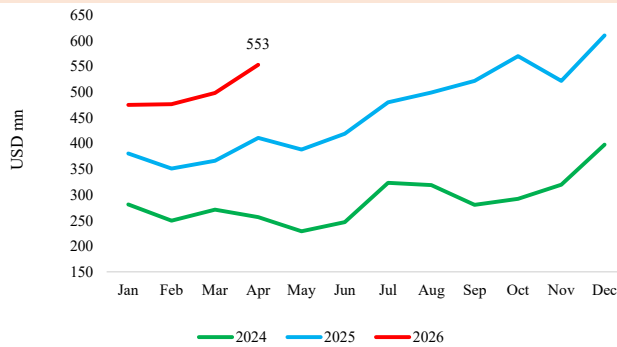


Volume and Unit Value Indices of Imports - Jan.-Apr.

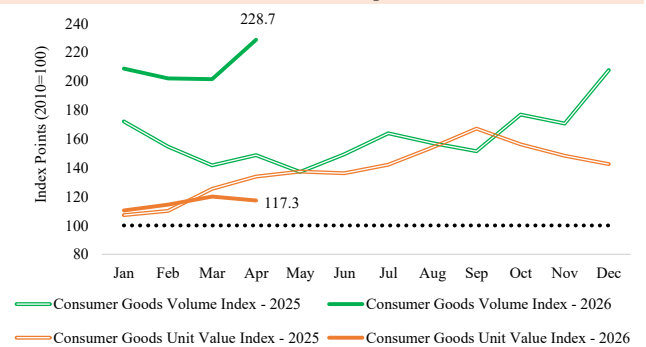


Consumer Goods Imports

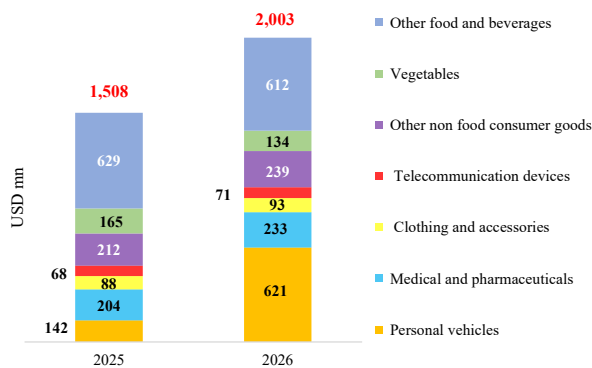
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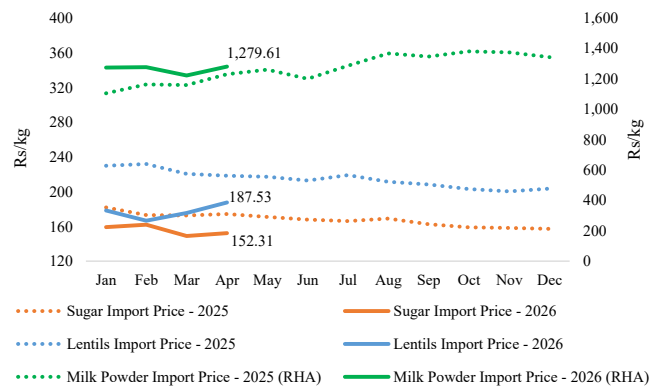
Volume and Unit Value Indices of Imports of Consumer Goods



Performance of Consumer Goods Imports - Jan.-Apr.

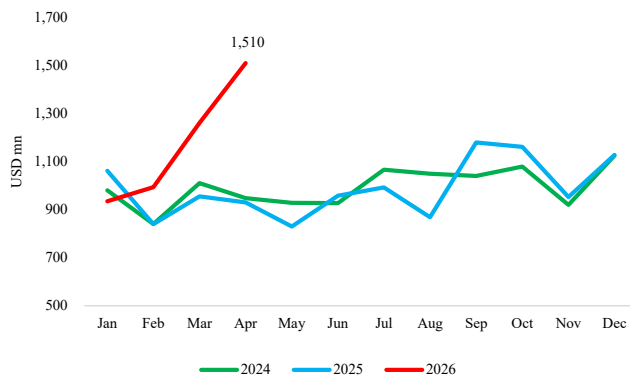


Average Import Prices of Sugar, Lentils and Milk Powder

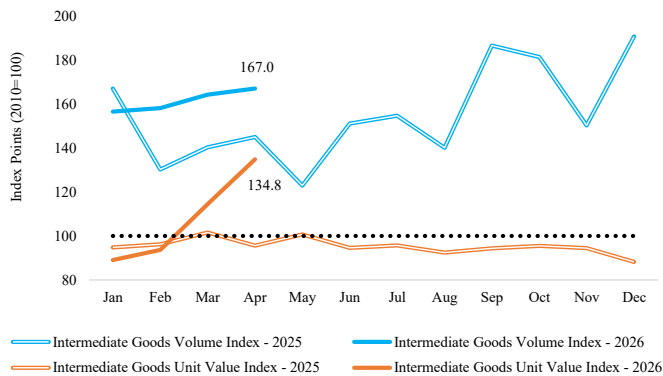


Intermediate Goods Imports

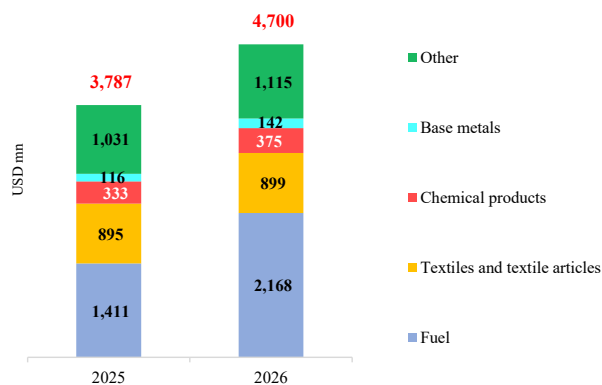
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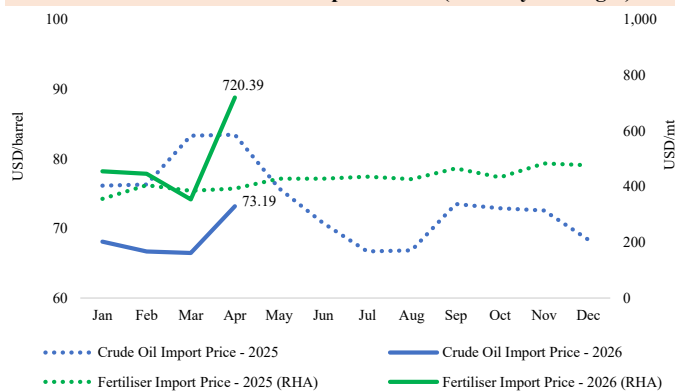
Volume and Unit Value Indices of Intermediate Goods Imports



Performance of Intermediate Goods Imports - Jan.-Apr.

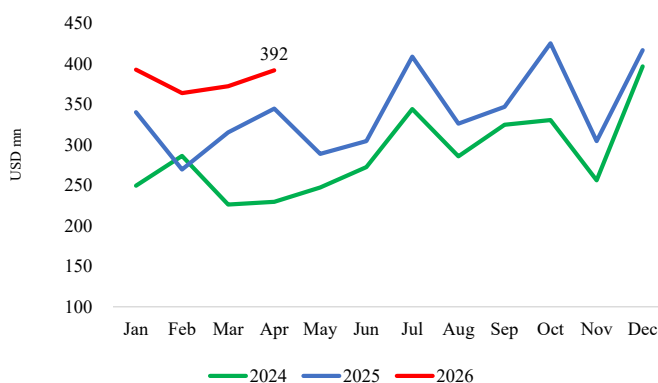


Crude Oil and Fertiliser Import Prices (Monthly Averages)

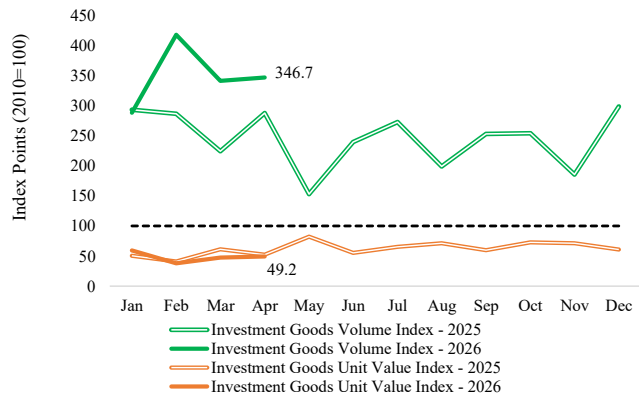


Investment Goods Imports

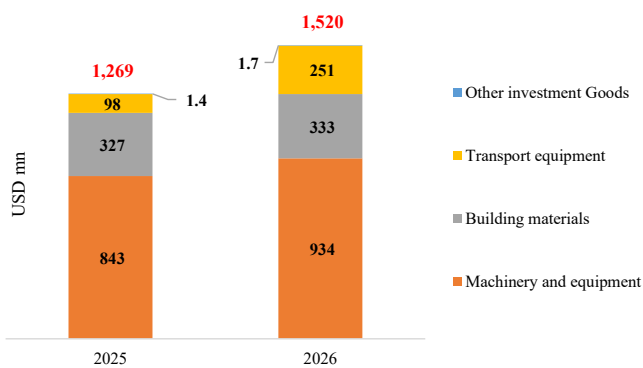
Imports of Investment Goods



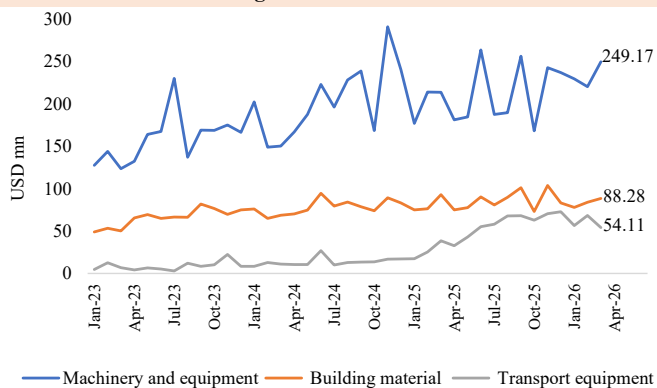
Volume and Unit Value Indices of Investment Goods Imports



Performance of Investment Goods Imports - Jan.-Apr.



Sub Categories of Investment Goods



Summary of Merchandise Trade Statistics - as per Central Bank Sri Lanka's Merchandise Trade Classification (a)							
Export Performance (USD mn)							
	Item	Apr-25	Apr-26	Y-O-Y Change (%)	Jan-Apr 2025	Jan-Apr 2026	Y-O-Y Change (%)
Agricultural Exports		217.3	222.0	2.1	928.6	962.1	3.6
o/w	Tea	107.3	100.0	-6.8	478.3	451.6	-5.6
	Coconut	34.1	43.6	27.8	155.0	185.7	19.8
	Spices	23.9	24.0	0.4	140.8	133.8	-5.0
	Seafood	26.7	30.2	13.1	75.0	93.3	24.5
Industrial Exports		746.0	847.0	13.5	3,372.9	3,551.8	5.3
o/w	Textiles and garments	365.3	348.0	-4.7	1,751.8	1,624.7	-7.3
	Rubber products	59.1	61.9	4.7	301.2	302.2	0.3
	Petroleum products	65.1	140.4	115.4	324.1	449.3	38.6
	Food, beverages and tobacco	57.5	81.2	41.2	258.0	315.2	22.2
	Machinery and mechanical appliances	34.5	46.3	34.5	145.6	203.2	39.5
	Gems, diamonds and jewellery	30.7	31.1	1.1	122.9	132.7	7.9
	Leather, travel goods and footwear	4.2	4.4	6.7	18.0	18.3	1.6
Mineral and Other Exports		4.9	5.1	5.6	14.1	21.0	48.8
Total Exports		968.2	1,074.1	10.9	4,315.6	4,534.9	5.1
Import Performance (USD mn)							
	Item	Apr-25	Apr-26	Y-O-Y Change (%)	Jan-Apr 2025	Jan-Apr 2026	Y-O-Y Change (%)
Consumer goods		410.9	553.1	34.6	1,508.3	2,002.7	32.8
Food and beverages		159.7	235.7	47.6	794.1	746.0	-6.1
o/w	Vegetables (b)	38.6	38.1	-1.5	165.3	134.1	-18.8
	Rice	1.2	36.5	2,872.9	57.0	41.3	-27.5
Non-food consumer goods		251.2	317.3	26.3	714.2	1,256.6	75.9
o/w	Medical and Pharmaceuticals	59.6	51.8	-13.1	204.3	232.9	14.0
Intermediate goods		930.1	1,510.2	62.4	3,787.2	4,699.8	24.1
o/w	Fuel	354.7	886.2	149.9	1,411.4	2,167.7	53.6
	Textiles and textile articles	217.3	191.5	-11.9	895.2	899.4	0.5
	Fertiliser	12.7	39.7	213.6	64.0	67.8	5.9
	Wheat and maize	9.4	11.8	25.0	92.2	106.8	15.8
Investment goods and other		344.8	393.4	14.1	1,277.4	1,525.4	19.4
o/w	Machinery and equipment	213.3	249.2	16.8	843.0	934.2	10.8
Total Imports		1,685.9	2,456.7	45.7	6,572.9	8,227.9	25.2
Trade Balance (USD mn)							
	Item	Apr-25	Apr-26		Jan-Apr 2025	Jan-Apr 2026	
Trade Balance		-717.7	-1,382.6		-2,257.3	-3,692.9	
Trade Indices and Terms of Trade (2010 = 100) (In USD terms)							
	Item	Apr-25	Apr-26	Y-O-Y Change (%)	Jan-Apr 2025	Jan-Apr 2026	Y-O-Y Change (%)
Export							
	Value index	134.8	149.5	10.9	150.2	157.8	5.1
	Volume index	196.5	196.9	0.2	195.7	204.3	4.4
	Unit value index	68.6	75.9	10.7	76.7	77.2	0.7
Import							
	Value index	150.9	219.9	45.7	147.1	184.1	25.2
	Volume index	173.6	213.7	23.1	171.9	207.4	20.6
	Unit value index	86.9	102.9	18.3	85.5	88.8	3.8
Terms of Trade		78.9	73.8		89.7	87.0	

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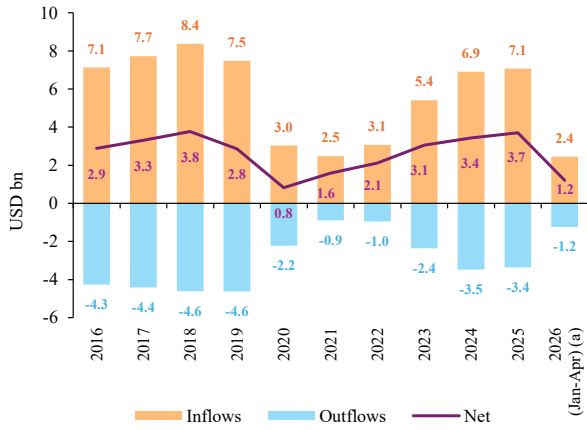
(b) includes lentils, onions, potatoes, leguminous vegetables and others

Note 1: Detailed CBSL merchandise trade classification and the classification based on the Standard International Trade Classification are presented in Annexure.

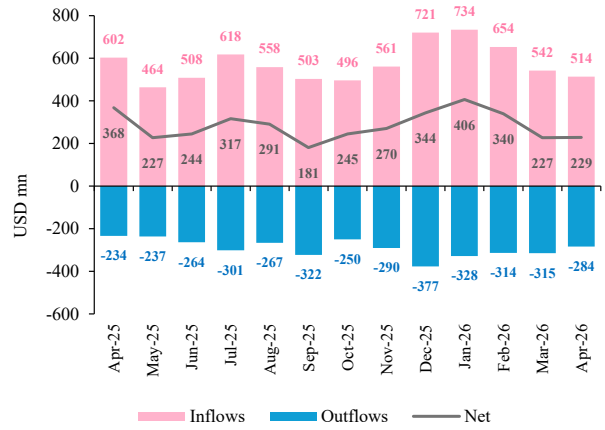
Note 2: Longer series of Merchandise Trade data can be accessed through : <https://www.cbsl.gov.lk/en/statistics/statistical-tables/external-sector>

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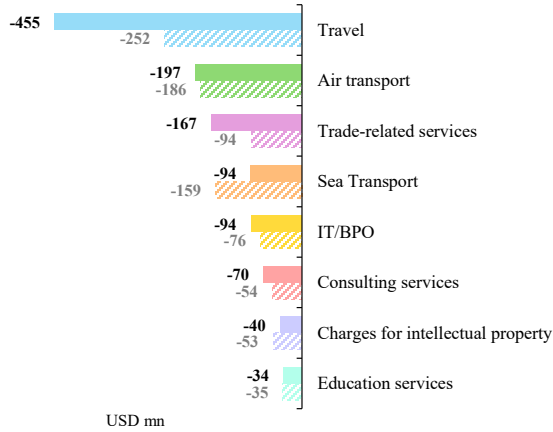
Services Account - Annual



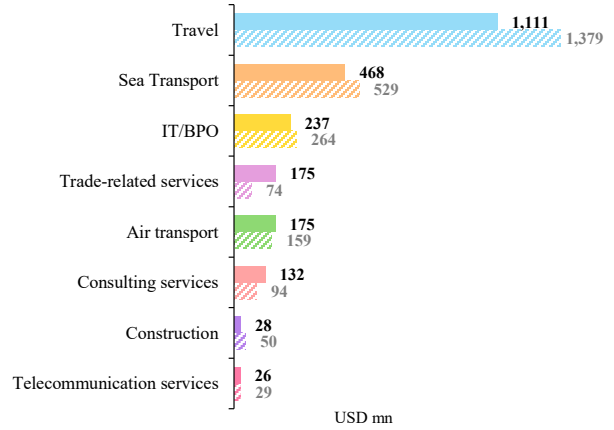
Services Account - Monthly (a)



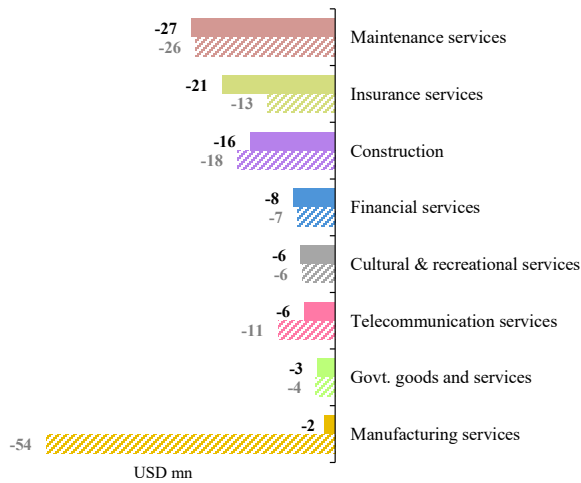
Major Services Outflows



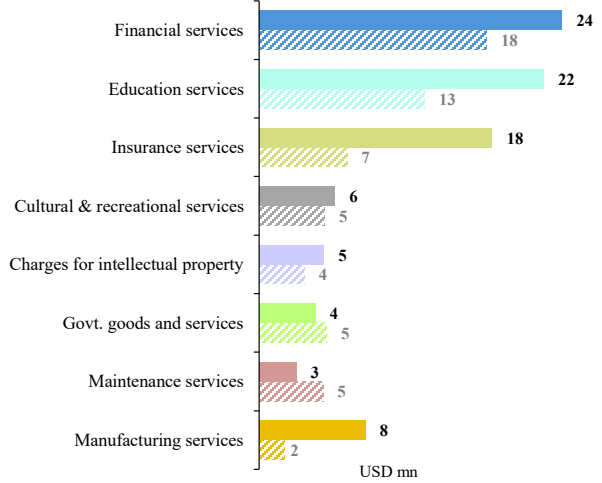
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Minor Services Outflows



Minor Services Inflows



Jan-Apr 2025

Jan-Apr 2026 (a)

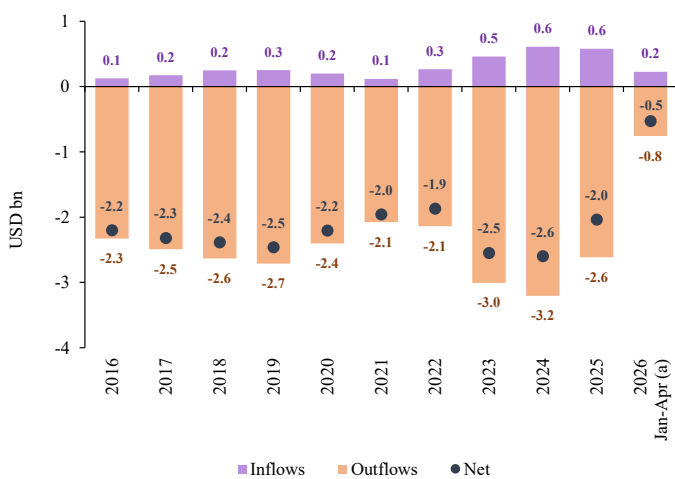
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Primary Income Account

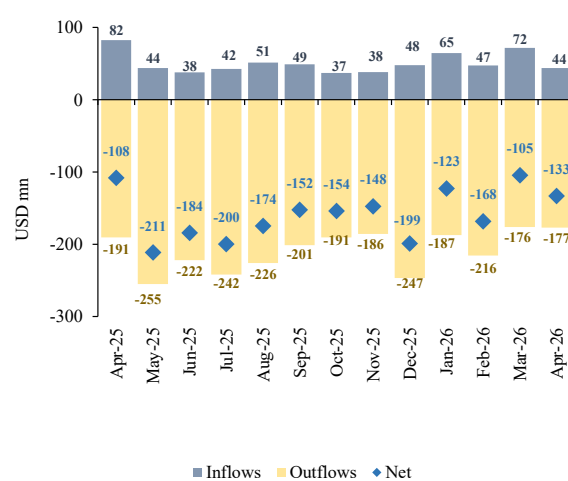
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Primary Income Account Outflows	190.5	177.1	-7.0	846.2	756.2	-10.6
<i>of which,</i>						
Direct Investment related Interest Outflows	80.0	91.2	14.0	357.9	310.1	-13.3
Dividends	64.9	62.2	-4.2	288.1	180.8	-37.2
Reinvested Earnings	15.1	29.0	92.5	69.8	129.3	85.2
Portfolio Investment related Outflows	40.3	34.9	-13.5	157.4	190.9	21.3
<i>of which,</i>						
Government Bond Outflows	34.4	30.3	-11.8	145.2	123.7	-14.9
Other Investment Interest	67.5	48.4	-28.3	321.5	247.1	-23.2
<i>Interest on Foreign Loans</i>						
Government	45.7	43.6	-4.7	195.4	196.4	0.5
Central Bank	9.6	2.7	-72.0	57.3	32.9	-42.6
Deposit-taking Corporations	4.6	1.5	-66.5	20.0	8.9	-55.5
Other Sectors	7.6	0.6	-91.7	48.8	8.9	-81.8

Primary Income Account - Annual



Primary Income Account - Monthly (a)



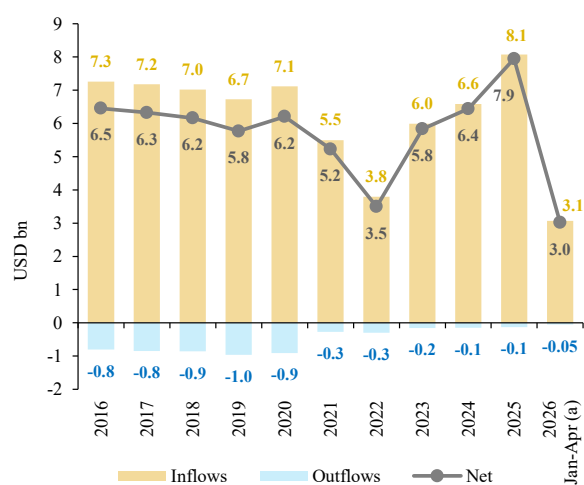
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Secondary Income Account

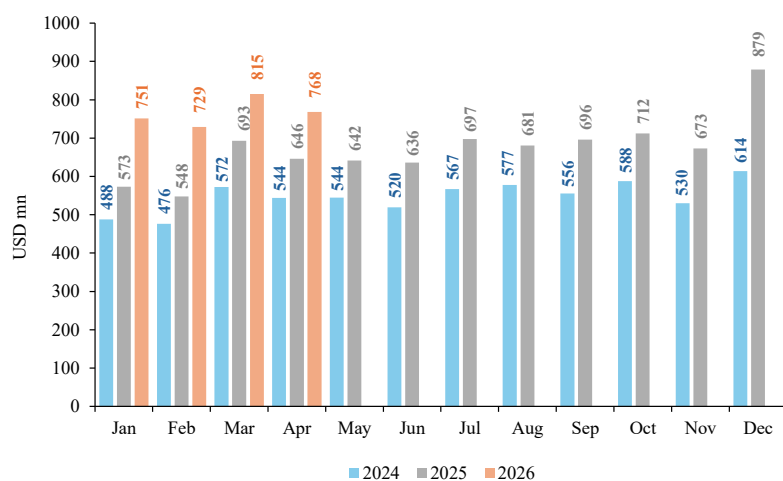
Summary of Secondary Income Account (a)

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Secondary Income Account (net)	634.1	754.3	18.9	2,407.1	3,018.5	25.4
Secondary Income Account Inflows	646.2	771.2	19.3	2,461.2	3,066.3	24.6
General Government	0.1	3.3		0.6	3.5	443.5
Worker's Remittances (b)	646.1	767.9	18.8	2,460.5	3,062.8	24.5
Secondary Income Account Outflows	12.1	16.9	39.6	54.1	47.8	-11.7

Secondary Income Account - Annual



Inward Workers' Remittances - Monthly

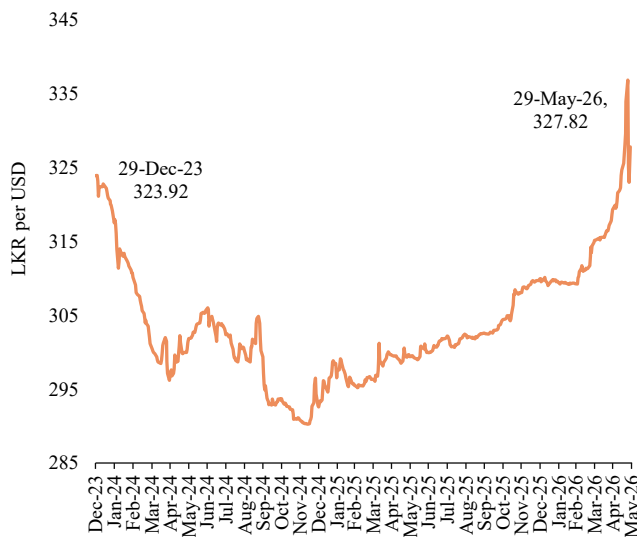


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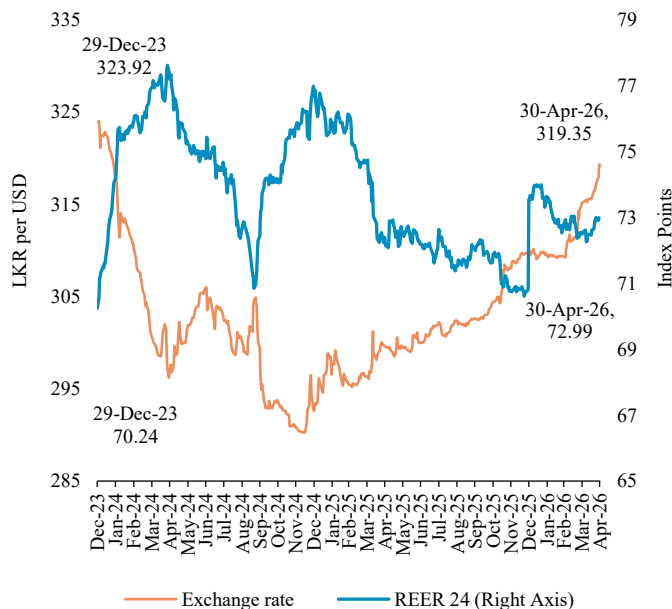
(b) Workers' remittances may include other remittances, such as those received following Cyclone Ditwah.

Exchange Rate Movements ^(a)

Movement of the Sri Lanka rupee against the US dollar



Movement of Exchange rate and REER 24 ^(b) (End Dec 2023 - End Apr 2026)



Movement of the Sri Lanka rupee against Selected Currencies *

Currency	2024	2025	2026 (up to 29 May)
US dollar	+10.7%	-5.6%	-5.4%
Euro	+17.8%	-16.3%	-4.7%
Pound sterling	+12.3%	-12.0%	-5.3%
Chinese yuan (Renminbi)	+13.9%	-9.6%	-8.4%
Japanese yen	+22.5%	-5.6%	-3.7%
Australian dollar	+21.7%	-12.2%	-11.5%
Indian rupee	+13.9%	-1.0%	+0.8%

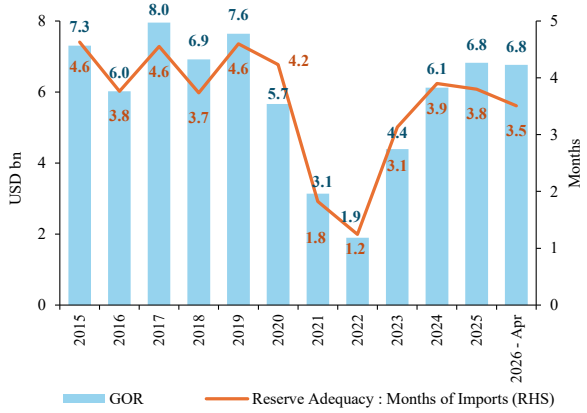
* Depreciation (-) / Appreciation (+)

(a) Historical data on exchange rate is published in the CBSL website and can be accessed via the following link.
<https://www.cbsl.gov.lk/rates-and-indicators/exchange-rates>

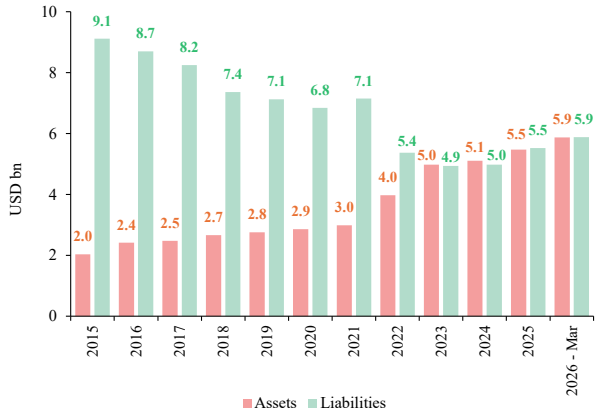
(b) Data for 2026 are revised based on the rebased CPI figures of several trading partner countries included in the currency basket

Financial Flows and International Reserves

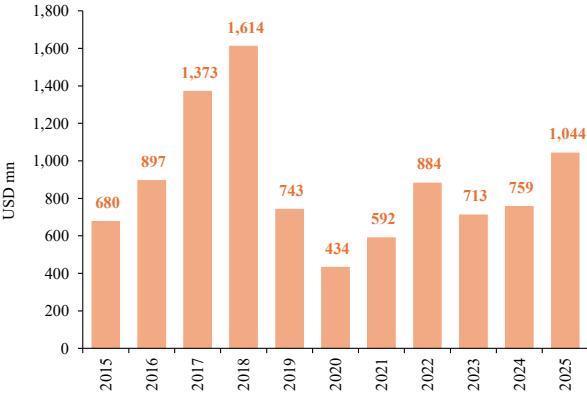
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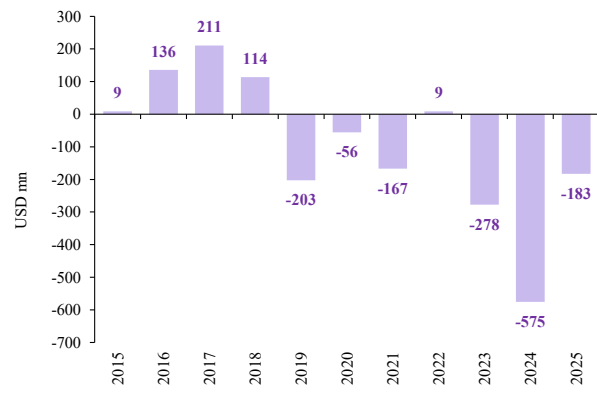
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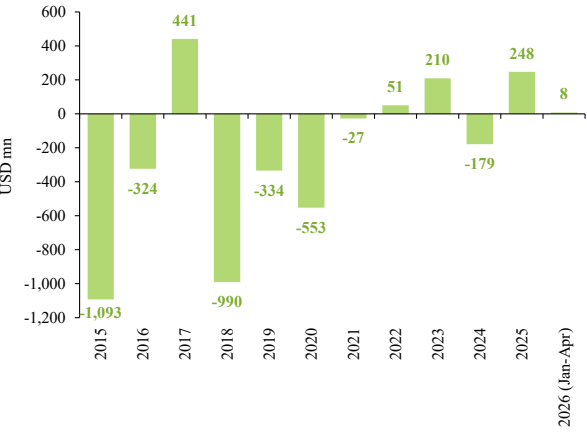
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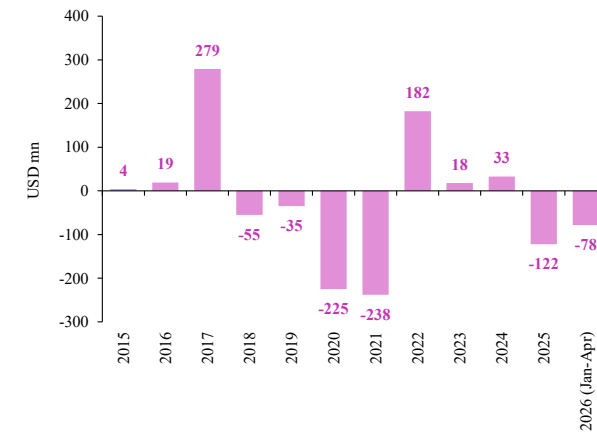
Foreign Loans to Private Sector (net)



Net Inflows to the G-Sec. Market (c)



Net Inflows to the CSE (Primary + Secondary) (c)



(a) Historical monthly data on GOR is published in the National Summary Data Page of Special Data Dissemination Standard (SDDS) >> External Sector >> International Reserve Position or Reserve Data Template and can be accessed via the following link

http://erd.cbsl.gov.lk/presentation/htm/english/erd/sdds/rpt_sdds.aspx

(b) FDI excluding foreign loans from unrelated parties to BOI companies

(c) Historical monthly data can be accessed via the following link

<https://www.cbsl.gov.lk/en/statistics/statistical-tables/external-sector>

ANNEXURES

Detailed Breakdown of Export Earnings Classified as per Central Bank of Sri Lanka's Trade Classification (a)

Category	April 2025 (USD mn)	April 2026 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Apr 2025 (USD mn)	Jan-Apr 2026 (USD mn)	Change (%)
1. Industrial exports	746.0	847.0	13.5	3,372.9	3,551.8	5.3
Food, beverages and tobacco	57.5	81.2	41.2	258.0	315.2	22.2
Animal fodder	12.7	12.4	-2.6	48.8	64.3	31.7
Textiles and garments	365.3	348.0	-4.7	1,751.8	1,624.7	-7.3
o/w Garments	336.1	321.2	-4.4	1,619.6	1,499.7	-7.4
Textiles	20.5	19.1	-7.1	93.8	88.5	-5.6
Other made-up textile articles	8.6	7.8	-10.2	38.5	36.4	-5.3
Rubber products	59.1	61.9	4.7	301.2	302.2	0.3
Gems, diamonds and jewellery	30.7	31.1	1.1	122.9	132.7	7.9
Machinery and mechanical appliances	34.5	46.3	34.5	145.6	203.2	39.5
Transport equipment	19.3	24.8	28.4	39.0	47.7	22.2
Petroleum products	65.1	140.4	115.4	324.1	449.3	38.6
Chemical products	37.8	26.5	-29.8	103.8	116.1	11.9
Wood and paper products	10.5	9.7	-7.4	41.7	44.7	7.1
Printing industry products	3.2	3.0	-8.4	14.4	15.5	7.4
Leather, travel goods and footwear	4.2	4.4	6.7	18.0	18.3	1.6
Plastics and articles thereof	3.9	5.2	33.4	16.3	21.4	31.3
Base metals and articles	17.4	25.4	46.1	64.0	78.6	22.9
Ceramic products	2.1	2.1	1.1	9.6	8.7	-9.4
Other industrial exports	22.8	24.6	8.1	113.5	109.2	-3.8
2. Agricultural exports	217.3	222.0	2.1	928.6	962.1	3.6
Tea	107.3	100.0	-6.8	478.3	451.6	-5.6
Rubber	2.0	2.4	19.2	11.2	11.0	-1.6
Coconut	34.1	43.6	27.8	155.0	185.7	19.8
Spices	23.9	24.0	0.4	140.8	133.8	-5.0
Vegetables	4.5	4.0	-11.3	9.7	11.3	16.9
Unmanufactured tobacco	1.5	1.0	-33.9	6.7	8.7	30.0
Minor agricultural products	17.2	16.7	-2.7	51.9	66.6	28.2
Seafood	26.7	30.2	13.1	75.0	93.3	24.5
3. Mineral exports	1.5	2.6	75.2	6.4	13.6	113.3
4. Unclassified exports	3.4	2.5	-25.6	7.8	7.5	-3.9
Total exports	968.2	1,074.1	10.9	4,315.6	4,534.9	5.1

(a) Provisional

Sources: Sri Lanka Customs (SLC), National Gem and Jewellery Authority (NGJA), Ceylon Petroleum Corporation (CPC) and Other Exporters of Petroleum, CBSL

Note : Longer series of Merchandise Trade data on Exports under Central Bank of Sri Lanka's Merchandise Trade Classification can be accessed through

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Detailed Breakdown of Import Expenditure Classified as per Central Bank of Sri Lanka's Trade Classification (a)						
Category	April 2025 (USD mn)	April 2026 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Apr 2025 (USD mn)	Jan-Apr 2026 (USD mn)	Change (%)
1. Consumer goods	410.9	553.1	34.6	1,508.3	2,002.7	32.8
Food and beverages	159.7	235.7	47.6	794.1	746.0	-6.1
Cereals and milling industry products	3.2	39.2	1,113.2	70.4	51.2	-27.2
Dairy products	29.5	45.1	52.7	121.1	144.4	19.3
Vegetables (b)	38.6	38.1	-1.5	165.3	134.1	-18.8
Seafood	6.0	10.1	67.7	33.7	59.1	75.4
Sugar and confectionery	29.9	45.0	50.3	159.8	105.6	-33.9
Spices	4.6	10.9	137.5	33.5	50.9	51.9
Oils and Fats	30.6	24.7	-19.4	137.0	111.1	-18.9
Other food and beverages	17.2	22.7	32.0	73.4	89.4	21.8
Non-food consumer goods	251.2	317.3	26.3	714.2	1,256.6	75.9
Personal vehicles	107.1	161.3	50.7	141.8	621.1	338.1
Medical and pharmaceuticals	59.6	51.8	-13.1	204.3	232.9	14.0
Home appliances	17.9	30.7	71.0	75.2	95.2	26.6
Clothing and accessories	16.1	16.7	3.7	88.2	92.8	5.2
Telecommunication devices	15.7	16.5	5.3	67.9	71.2	4.9
Household and furniture items	12.7	15.1	18.4	50.5	55.1	9.0
Other non-food consumables	22.0	25.2	14.5	86.3	88.2	2.3
2. Intermediate goods	930.1	1,510.2	62.4	3,787.2	4,699.8	24.1
Fuel	354.7	886.2	149.9	1,411.4	2,167.7	53.6
o/w Crude oil	60.8	108.1	77.7	288.7	299.1	3.6
Refined petroleum	268.9	734.6	173.2	993.3	1,754.3	76.6
Coal	24.9	43.4	74.2	129.4	114.2	-11.7
Diamonds, precious stones, and metals	15.2	17.1	12.4	41.9	63.9	52.5
Textiles and textile articles	217.3	191.5	-11.9	895.2	899.4	0.5
Paper and paperboard and articles thereof	32.5	39.1	20.2	131.1	130.6	-0.4
Agricultural inputs	19.3	23.1	19.8	90.3	107.6	19.2
Wheat and maize	9.4	11.8	25.0	92.2	106.8	15.8
Base metals	26.6	30.9	16.0	116.4	142.2	22.2
Plastics and articles thereof	57.0	59.1	3.6	205.4	205.6	0.1
Chemical products	86.0	105.8	23.0	333.2	375.2	12.6
Fertiliser	12.7	39.7	213.6	64.0	67.8	5.9
Rubber and articles thereof	21.0	26.2	24.5	94.0	95.0	1.1
Mineral products	12.7	13.4	5.5	46.0	62.6	36.3
Other intermediate goods	65.6	66.5	1.3	266.1	275.2	3.4
3. Investment goods	344.7	391.8	13.7	1,269.4	1,520.2	19.8
Machinery and equipment	213.3	249.2	16.8	843.0	934.2	10.8
Building material	92.6	88.3	-4.7	326.8	332.8	1.9
Transport equipment	38.3	54.1	41.2	98.1	251.4	156.2
o/w Commercial Vehicles	26.9	47.0	74.7	52.2	200.2	283.6
Other investment goods	0.4	0.3	-33.2	1.4	1.7	19.4
4. Unclassified imports	0.2	1.6	836.2	8.0	5.3	-34.0
Total imports	1,685.9	2,456.7	45.7	6,572.9	8,227.9	25.2
o/w Non-fuel imports	1,331.2	1,570.5	18.0	5,161.5	6,060.2	17.4

(a) Provisional

(b) Includes lentils, onions, potatoes, leguminous and other vegetables

Sources: SLC, CPC, Lanka IOC PLC, CBSL

Note : Longer series of Merchandise Trade data under Central Bank of Sri Lanka's Merchandise Trade Classification can be accessed through

<https://www.cbsl.gov.lk/en/statistics/statistical-tables/external-sector>

Detailed Breakdown of Export Earnings Classified as per the Standard International Trade Classification Revision 4 (a)						
Category	April 2025 (USD mn)	April 2026 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Apr 2025 (USD mn)	Jan-Apr 2026 (USD mn)	Change (%)
0. Food and live animals	238.1	258.6	8.6	1,008.1	1,093.2	8.4
03 Fish and fish preparations	32.6	40.3	23.7	94.0	133.7	42.3
04 Cereals and cereal preparations	6.6	4.9	-25.2	27.0	27.6	2.2
05 Vegetables and fruit	44.6	47.4	6.4	178.4	213.9	19.9
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	131.6	125.5	-4.7	618.7	587.3	-5.1
1. Beverages and tobacco	12.1	13.2	8.6	53.1	56.4	6.2
11 Beverages	6.8	5.3	-23.2	25.6	21.3	-17.1
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	5.3	7.9	49.7	27.4	35.1	28.1
2. Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	33.9	40.6	19.5	140.4	161.6	15.1
23 Crude rubber	2.2	2.6	17.0	11.8	11.5	-2.5
26 Textile fibres and their wastes	17.7	16.0	-9.6	83.0	60.3	-27.3
3. Mineral fuels, lubricants, and related materials	65.1	140.4	115.4	324.1	449.3	38.6
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	65.1	140.4	115.4	324.1	443.6	36.8
34 Gas, natural and manufactured	0	0		0	5.7	
4. Animal and vegetable oils, fats, and waxes	11.1	10.7	-3.4	55.9	62.5	11.7
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated	9.2	9.3	0.4	38.2	48.5	27.0
5. Chemicals and related products, n.e.s.	41.0	32.2	-21.5	119.7	137.7	15.0
6. Manufactured goods classified chiefly by materials	128.0	130.9	2.3	561.0	572.8	2.1
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.	41.4	40.2	-2.9	203.0	207.2	2.1
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, etc., n.e.s.	28.2	24.9	-11.8	128.0	116.9	-8.7
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.	35.7	35.2	-1.4	144.2	145.1	0.6
7. Machinery, transport equipment	52.2	69.3	32.8	179.7	243.0	35.3
77 Electric machinery, apparatus, and appliances, n.e.s. and electrical parts thereof	20.2	29.7	47.3	90.0	113.3	25.9
8. Miscellaneous manufactured articles	386.6	378.6	-2.1	1,873.6	1,759.5	-6.1
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	355.8	345.3	-2.9	1,727.3	1,605.9	-7.0
9. Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere in the SITC	0.001	0		0.1	0	
Total exports	968.2	1,074.1	10.9	4,315.7	4,535.9	5.1

(a) Provisional

n.e.s. not elsewhere specified

Sources: SLC, NGJA, CPC and Other Exporters of Petroleum, CBSL

Note 1: The first digit indicates the 'section' and the first two digits indicate the 'division' of SITC. The above table shows only selected divisions of SITC. For further information on SITC, please see CBSL Annual Report 2017 Box Article 04.

https://www.cbsl.gov.lk/sites/default/files/cbslweb_documents/publications/annual_report/2017/en/9_Chapter_05.pdf

Note 2: Longer series of Merchandise Trade data under SITC can be accessed through

<https://www.cbsl.gov.lk/en/statistics/statistical-tables/external-sector>

Detailed Breakdown of Import Expenditure Classified as per the Standard International Trade Classification Revision 4 (a)						
Category	April 2025 (USD mn)	April 2026 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Apr 2025 (USD mn)	Jan-Apr 2026 (USD mn)	Change (%)
0. Food and live animals	167.3	254.5	52.1	876.4	884.0	0.9
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	29.6	45.1	52.6	121.2	144.6	19.3
03 Fish and fish preparations	6.2	10.3	66.4	34.3	59.9	74.5
04 Cereals and cereal preparations	12.2	50.5	313.2	160.6	156.4	-2.6
05 Vegetables and fruit	43.7	44.6	2.1	192.6	165.9	-13.9
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey	29.9	45.0	50.3	159.8	105.6	-33.9
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	12.8	19.5	52.3	66.1	84.4	27.7
1. Beverages and tobacco	10.6	12.4	17.4	35.8	46.3	29.3
2. Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	33.0	42.5	28.6	148.2	171.1	15.5
23 Crude rubber	17.4	23.2	33.2	80.3	82.9	3.2
26 Textile fibres and their wastes	2.4	0.9	-62.1	5.2	6.2	20.3
3. Mineral fuels, lubricants, and related materials	354.7	886.2	149.9	1,411.4	2,167.7	53.6
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	289.3	803.4	177.7	1,126.4	1,936.3	71.9
34 Gas, natural and manufactured	40.4	39.4	-2.6	155.6	117.2	-24.7
4. Animal and vegetable oils, fats, and waxes	37.5	28.7	-23.4	164.3	116.8	-28.9
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated	35.9	28.0	-22.1	156.3	114.0	-27.1
5. Chemicals and related products, n.e.s.	210.4	254.9	21.2	789.3	873.1	10.6
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products	54.5	44.7	-18.1	183.5	211.8	15.4
56 Fertilisers, manufactured	12.7	39.7	213.7	64.0	67.4	5.4
57 Plastics in primary forms	39.3	40.2	2.2	132.7	133.6	0.7
58 Plastics in non-primary forms	13.3	15.7	17.9	54.8	58.7	7.0
6. Manufactured goods classified chiefly by materials	399.8	385.0	-3.7	1,566.6	1,649.5	5.3
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles thereof	30.0	37.6	25.3	121.7	125.0	2.7
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, etc., n.e.s.	210.9	186.8	-11.4	875.5	881.4	0.7
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.	40.4	41.6	2.9	139.7	178.9	28.0
67 Iron and steel	42.9	34.2	-20.4	163.1	158.1	-3.0
7. Machinery, transport equipment	392.1	509.0	29.8	1,231.9	1,987.1	61.3
72 Machinery specialized for particular industries	41.7	44.0	5.4	147.6	204.0	38.2
74 General industrial machinery and equipment and machine parts, n.e.s.	51.1	52.0	1.9	275.6	234.2	-15.0
75 Office machines and automatic data-processing machines	21.3	40.1	87.9	71.2	113.0	58.8
76 Telecommunications and sound-recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	35.0	44.7	27.6	152.7	203.0	33.0
77 Electric machinery, apparatus and appliances, n.e.s. and electrical parts thereof	52.2	68.2	30.5	199.0	228.4	14.7
78 Road vehicles	145.6	216.4	48.6	250.9	871.0	247.1
8. Miscellaneous manufactured articles	80.3	81.7	1.6	343.9	328.2	-4.6
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	14.4	14.2	-1.1	79.9	78.2	-2.2
87 Professional, scientific, and controlling instruments and apparatus n.e.s.	16.3	27.0	65.0	68.0	79.7	17.2
9. Commodities and transactions not elsewhere specified in SITC	0.2	2.0	744.2	5.1	4.0	-20.6
Total imports	1,685.9	2,456.7	45.7	6,572.9	8,227.9	25.2

(a) Provisional

n.e.s. not elsewhere specified

Sources: SLC, NGJA, CPC and Other Exporters of Petroleum, CBSL

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Note 2: Longer series of Merchandise Trade data under SITC can be accessed through

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Services Account – Inflows (a)

	Apr 2025 (USD mn)	Apr 2026 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Apr 2025 (USD mn)	Jan-Apr 2026 (USD mn)	Change (%)
Services	602.5	513.7	-14.7	2,637.6	2,443.5	-7.4
Manufacturing services	0.6	1.2	88.2	1.9	8.3	326.8
Maintenance and repair services	1.0	0.3	-66.4	5.0	2.9	-41.4
Transport	199.6	181.2	-9.2	688.9	643.2	-6.6
Sea transport	161.7	137.7	-14.9	529.0	468.0	-11.5
Passenger	0.01	0.01	47.5	0.01	0.03	148.5
Freight	72.7	62.1	-14.7	294.7	246.7	-16.3
Other	89.0	75.6	-15.0	234.3	221.3	-5.6
Air transport	37.7	43.3	14.8	159.5	174.7	9.6
Passenger	27.3	30.6	12.0	116.6	120.9	3.7
Freight	4.5	2.9	-37.1	13.9	8.7	-37.2
Other	5.9	9.8	68.0	28.9	45.1	55.9
Postal services	0.2	0.2	-3.0	0.4	0.4	8.5
Travel	256.7	157.1	-38.8	1,379.0	1,111.0	-19.4
Construction	16.5	4.6	-72.3	50.1	27.8	-44.5
Construction abroad	1.5	0.3	-78.5	7.9	7.3	-7.4
Construction in the reporting economy	6.0	1.4	-75.8	15.2	8.6	-43.7
Architectural, engineering & other technical services	9.0	2.8	-68.9	27.0	11.9	-55.9
Insurance and pension services	2.4	6.6	179.1	6.8	18.1	164.6
Direct insurance	1.9	5.8	206.5	5.2	15.5	196.2
Reinsurance	0.5	0.8	66.6	1.6	2.6	62.5
Financial services	4.8	1.7	-63.5	17.7	23.5	33.1
Charges for the use of intellectual property	1.3	0.7	-43.6	3.5	5.0	43.1
Telecommunications, computer, and information services	69.8	67.2	-3.7	292.8	263.6	-10.0
Telecommunications services	8.2	7.4	-9.1	29.1	26.4	-9.4
Computer & IT/BPO related services	61.6	59.8	-3.0	263.7	237.2	-10.0
Computer services	60.9	59.5	-2.4	260.2	236.5	-9.1
Information services	0.7	0.3	-57.6	3.5	0.7	-80.8
Other business services	47.2	90.5	91.9	181.6	329.8	81.6
Education services	4.4	5.3	20.0	12.9	22.1	72.0
Professional and management consulting services	25.8	34.2	32.6	94.4	132.2	40.1
Technical, trade-related, and other business services	17.0	51.0	200.6	74.3	175.4	136.0
Personal, cultural, and recreational services	1.2	1.2	-3.4	5.1	5.9	15.7
Audiovisual and related services	0.5	1.0	97.6	2.0	4.7	134.5
Other personal, cultural, and recreational services	0.7	0.2	-75.0	3.1	1.2	-60.2
Government goods and services	1.4	1.3	-1.9	5.3	4.4	-16.7

(a) Provisional. All data except travel inflows, are based on ITRS data. Travel inflows data are based on the survey conducted by the Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority.

Sources: SLTDA, ITRS – CBSL

Services Account – Outflows (a)

	Apr 2025 (USD mn)	Apr 2026 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Apr 2025 (USD mn)	Jan-Apr 2026 (USD mn)	Change (%)
Services	234.3	284.5	21.4	1,049.4	1,241.2	18.3
Manufacturing services	13.6	0.1	-99.0	54.3	2.0	-96.2
Maintenance and repair services	4.6	6.3	37.4	26.2	27.0	2.9
Transport	75.9	87.7	15.5	345.5	291.7	-15.6
Sea transport	41.0	26.3	-35.8	158.9	94.0	-40.9
Passenger	0.02	0.02	-19.2	0.03	0.1	269.8
Freight	37.6	17.8	-52.7	149.7	83.9	-43.9
Other	3.4	8.5	150.3	9.2	9.9	7.3
Air transport	34.7	61.4	76.9	186.1	196.7	5.7
Passenger	16.6	17.1	2.8	71.0	54.2	-23.7
Freight	15.7	30.8	95.8	89.5	98.1	9.6
Other	2.4	13.5	472.4	25.7	44.5	73.4
Postal services	0.2	0.01	-94.1	0.5	1.1	103.6
Travel	53.1	86.1	62.0	252.3	455.3	80.4
Construction	5.6	1.8	-67.3	18.4	16.0	-13.1
Construction abroad	1.8	0.05	-97.6	2.1	3.4	64.5
Construction in the reporting economy	2.2	0.0		4.3	2.5	-42.5
Architectural, engineering & other technical services	1.5	1.8	16.6	12.0	10.1	-16.0
Insurance and pension services	2.9	3.6	22.5	12.6	21.2	67.4
Direct insurance	1.4	1.6	21.1	4.4	6.7	51.7
Reinsurance	1.6	1.9	22.1	8.2	14.4	75.4
Financial services	2.1	4.0	93.2	7.1	7.8	10.0
Charges for the use of intellectual property	11.0	12.8	16.6	53.2	40.0	-24.8
Telecommunications, computer, and information services	18.3	19.4	5.7	86.9	99.4	14.5
Telecommunications services	1.2	1.1	-5.5	10.7	5.8	-46.1
Computer & IT/BPO related services	17.2	18.3	6.5	76.2	93.7	23.0
Computer services	16.9	17.9	6.2	73.8	90.3	22.4
Information services	0.3	0.4	19.9	2.4	3.4	42.6
Other business services	45.2	60.7	34.2	183.1	270.9	47.9
Education services	7.5	3.9	-47.8	35.1	33.6	-4.4
Professional and management consulting services	12.4	18.4	47.7	54.5	70.4	29.2
Technical, trade-related, and other business services	25.3	38.4	51.7	93.6	167.0	78.5
Personal, cultural, and recreational services	1.5	1.5	-1.1	6.2	6.5	4.7
Audiovisual and related services	1.5	1.5	0.2	5.8	6.1	5.7
Other personal, cultural, and recreational services	0.1	0.03	-37.7	0.4	0.4	-8.4
Government goods and services	0.4	0.4	4.7	3.6	3.3	-8.1

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Sources: SLTDA, ITRS – CBSL

Services Account – Net (a)

	Apr 2025 (USD mn)	Apr 2026 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Apr 2025 (USD mn)	Jan-Apr 2026 (USD mn)	Change (%)
Services	368.2	229.2	-37.8	1,588.2	1,202.3	-24.3
Manufacturing services	-12.9	1.1	-108.1	-52.3	6.2	-111.9
Maintenance and repair services	-3.6	-5.9	66.5	-21.3	-24.1	13.2
Transport	123.7	93.5	-24.5	343.4	351.5	2.4
Sea transport	120.7	111.4	-7.7	370.1	374.1	1.1
Passenger	-0.01	-0.003	-73.1	-0.02	-0.1	338.6
Freight	35.2	44.3	26.0	145.1	162.8	12.2
Other	85.6	67.1	-21.6	225.1	211.4	-6.1
Air transport	3.0	-18.1		-26.6	-22.0	-17.4
Passenger	10.7	13.5	26.3	45.7	66.8	46.1
Freight	-11.2	-27.9	150.0	-75.6	-89.4	18.2
Other	3.5	-3.7	-205.7	3.3	0.6	-80.3
Postal services	-0.1	0.1	-314.9	-0.1	-0.6	361.5
Travel	203.6	71.0	-65.1	1,126.6	655.7	-41.8
Construction	10.9	2.8	-74.8	31.7	11.8	-62.7
Construction abroad	-0.3	0.3	-184.1	5.8	3.9	-32.9
Construction in the reporting economy	3.8	1.4	-61.6	10.9	6.1	-44.2
Architectural, engineering & other technical services	7.5	1.0	-86.3	14.9	1.8	-88.0
Insurance and pension services	-0.6	3.0		-5.8	-3.0	-47.5
Direct insurance	0.5	4.2		0.8	8.8	
Reinsurance	-1.1	-1.1	3.2	-6.6	-11.8	78.6
Financial services	2.7	-2.3	-184.7	10.6	15.7	48.6
Charges for the use of intellectual property	-9.6	-12.1	24.9	-49.6	-34.9	-29.7
Telecommunications, computer, and information services	51.5	47.8	-7.1	205.9	164.1	-20.3
Telecommunications services	7.0	6.3	-9.7	18.4	20.6	11.9
Computer & IT/BPO related services	44.5	41.5	-6.7	187.5	143.5	-23.5
Computer services	44.1	41.5	-5.7	186.3	146.2	-21.5
Information services	0.4	-0.1	-117.1	1.2	-2.7	-327.8
Other business services	1.9	29.8		-1.6	58.8	
Education services	-3.1	1.4	-144.4	-22.3	-11.4	-48.6
Professional and management consulting services	13.3	15.8	18.5	39.9	61.9	54.9
Technical, trade-related, and other business services	-8.3	12.6	-251.6	-19.2	8.4	-143.5
Personal, cultural, and recreational services	-0.3	-0.3	7.5	-1.1	-0.6	-46.9
Audiovisual and related services	-1.0	-0.5	-49.7	-3.8	-1.4	-62.0
Other personal, cultural, and recreational services	0.7	0.1	-77.9	2.7	0.9	-68.1
Government goods and services	1.0	0.9	-4.4	1.7	1.1	-35.4

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