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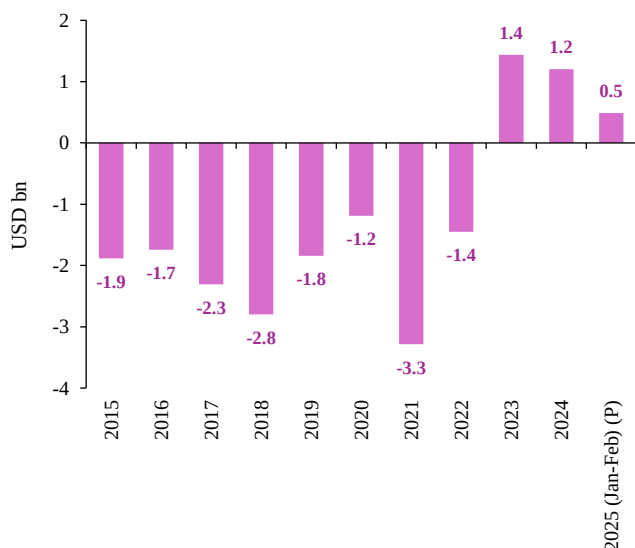
Current Account

Summary of Current Account (a)

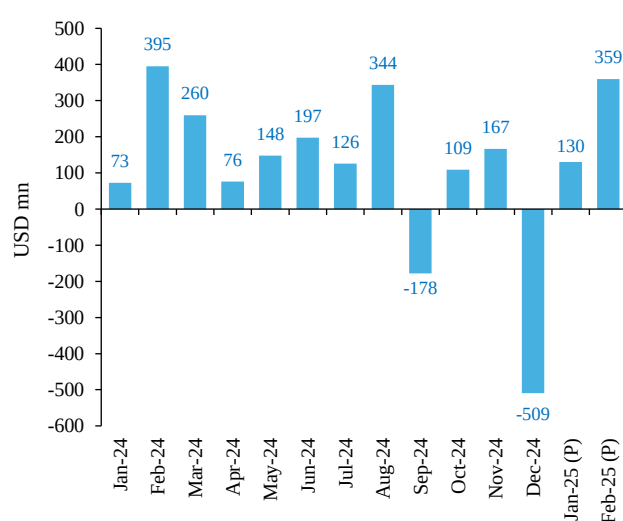
Category	Feb 2024 (USD mn)	Feb 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Feb 2024 (USD mn)	Jan-Feb 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)
Current Account Balance	394.7	359.3	-9.0	467.7	489.4	4.6
Trade Balance	-319.1	-411.3	28.9	-860.2	-1,144.0	33.0
Merchandise Exports	1,059.3	1,052.9	-0.6	2,030.0	2,105.7	3.7
Merchandise Imports	1,378.4	1,464.2	6.2	2,890.2	3,249.7	12.4
Services Account (net)	384.0	408.4	6.3	781.8	826.7	5.7
Services Account - Inflows	618.9	664.5	7.4	1,237.1	1,370.2	10.8
Services Account - Outflows	234.9	256.1	9.0	455.3	543.5	19.4
Primary Income Account (net)	-133.8	-174.4	30.3	-396.1	-287.5	-27.4
Primary Income Account - Inflows	39.8	49.3	23.8	77.3	103.8	34.3
Primary Income Account - Outflows	173.6	223.7	28.8	473.4	391.2	-17.4
Secondary Income Account (net)	463.6	536.5	15.7	942.2	1,094.2	16.1
Secondary Income Account - Inflows	476.2	548.9	15.3	964.8	1,122.6	16.4
Secondary Income Account - Outflows	12.6	12.4	-1.3	22.5	28.4	25.9

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Current Account Balance - Annual

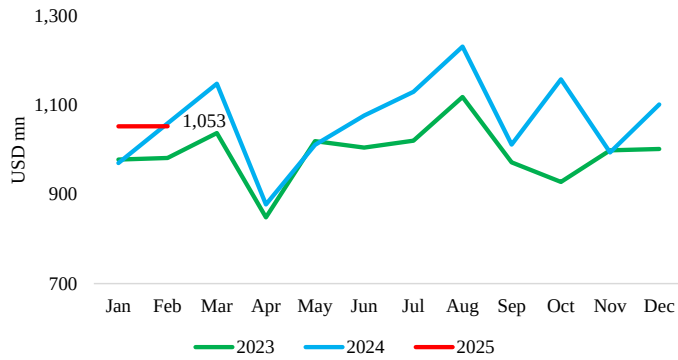


Current Account Balance - Monthly

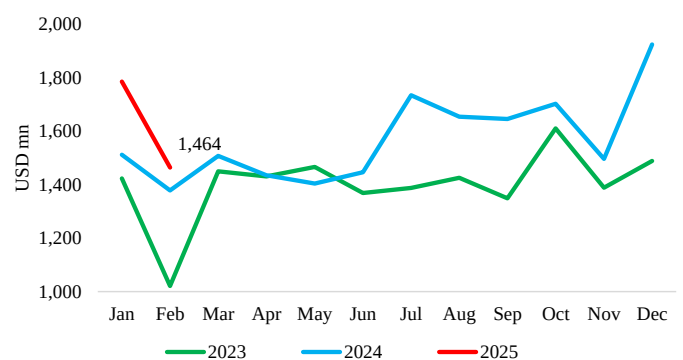


Merchandise Trade Highlights

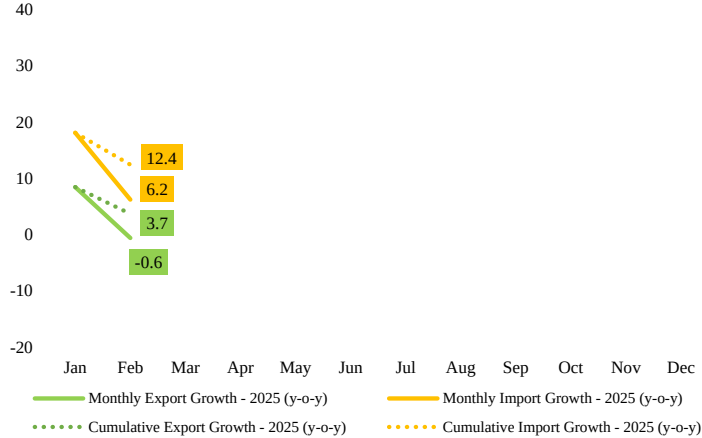
Monthly Export Performance



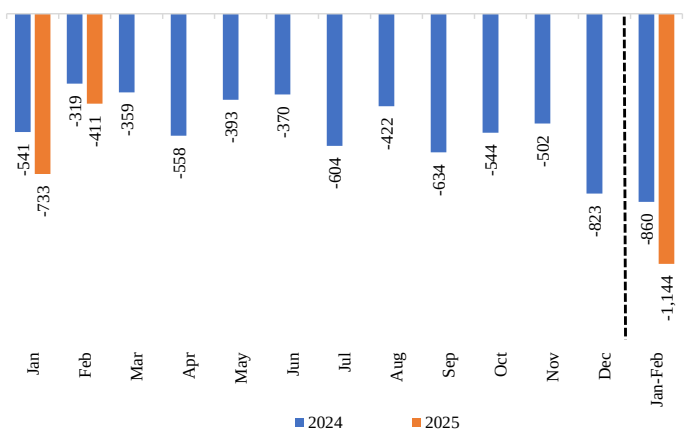
Monthly Import Performance



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



Trade Balance (USD mn)



Major Merchandise Export and Import Categories - January - February 2025

Exports (USD mn)

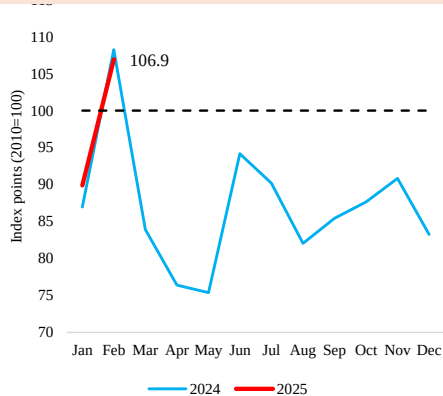
Textiles and garments	889.7
Tea	232.1
Petroleum products	154.6
Rubber products	151.9
Food beverages and tobacco	114.2
Coconut	76.6
Spices	75.5
Machinery and mechanical appliances	69.2
Gems, diamonds and jewellery	65.4
Chemical products	41.4

Imports (USD mn)

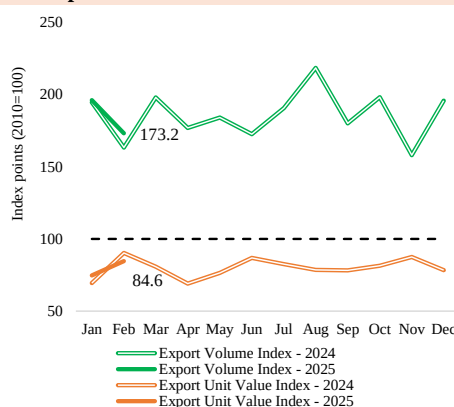
Fuel	696.0
Textiles and textile articles	463.6
Machinery and equipment	416.3
Chemical products	159.9
Building material	158.0
Plastics and articles thereof	101.0
Medical and pharmaceuticals	91.5
Sugar and confectionery	86.4
Vegetables	81.9
Oils and fats	77.5

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

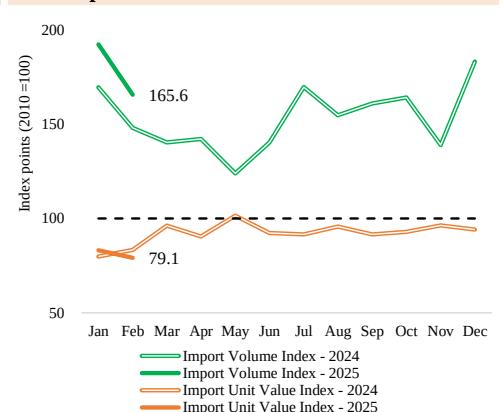
Terms of Trade



Export Volume and Unit Value Indices

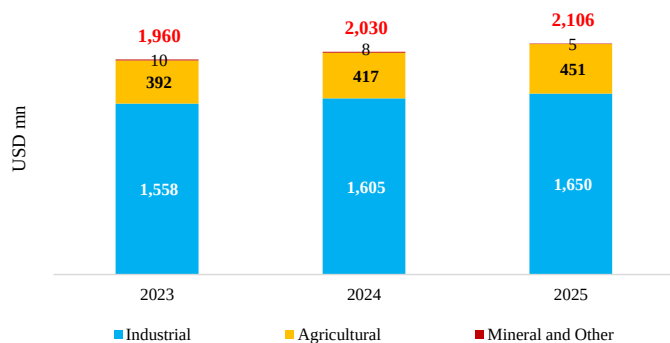


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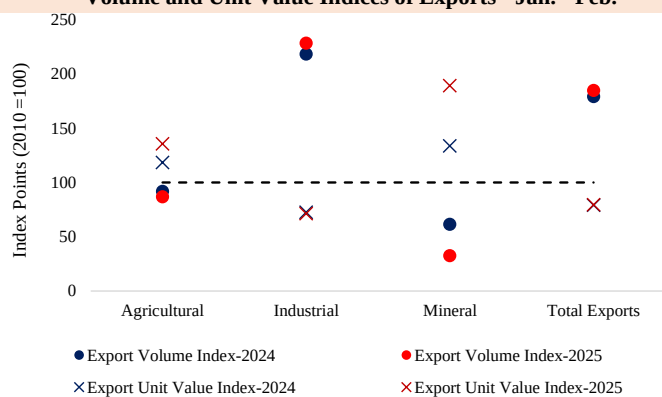


Merchandise Export Performance

Export Performance - Jan. - Feb.

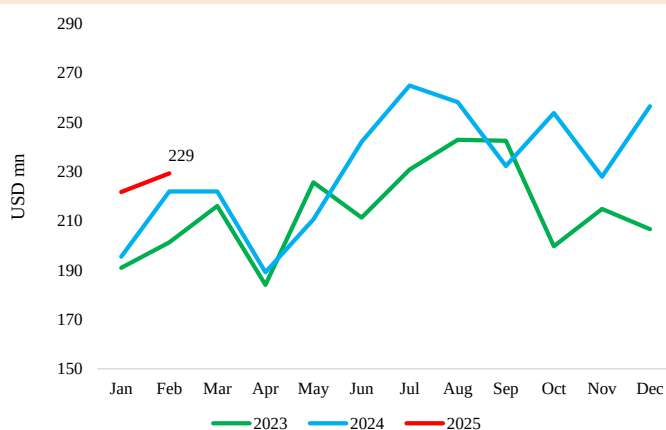


Volume and Unit Value Indices of Exports - Jan. - Feb.

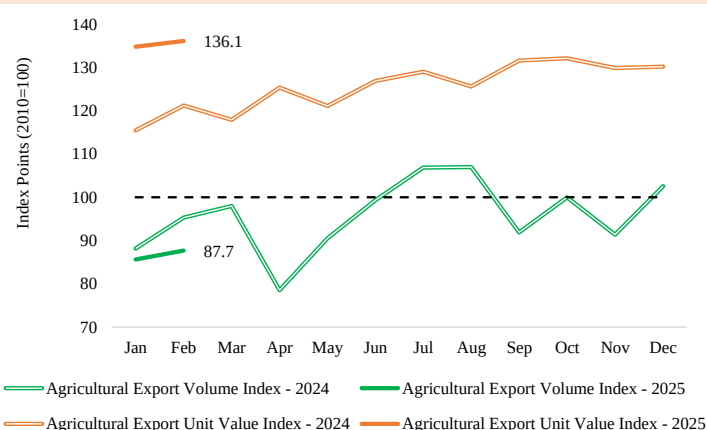


Agricultural Exports

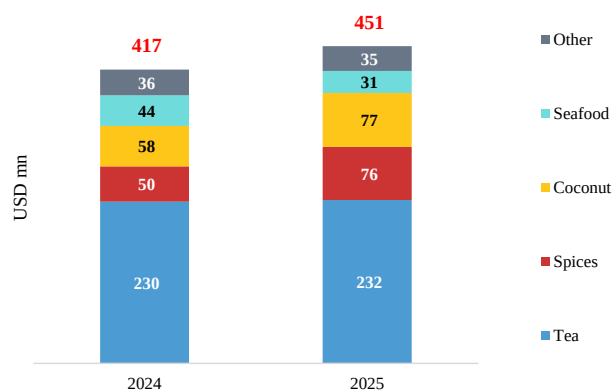
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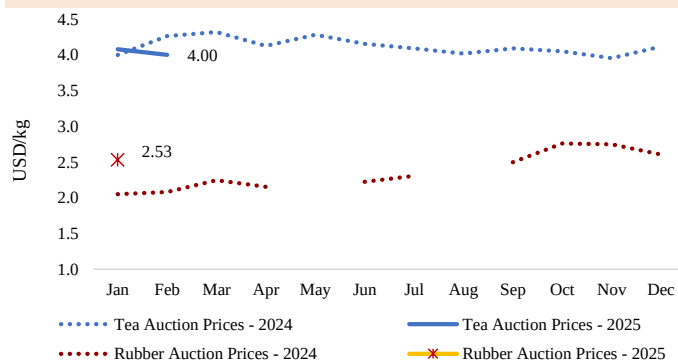
Volume and Unit Value Indices of Agricultural Exports



Performance of Agricultural Exports - Jan. - Feb.



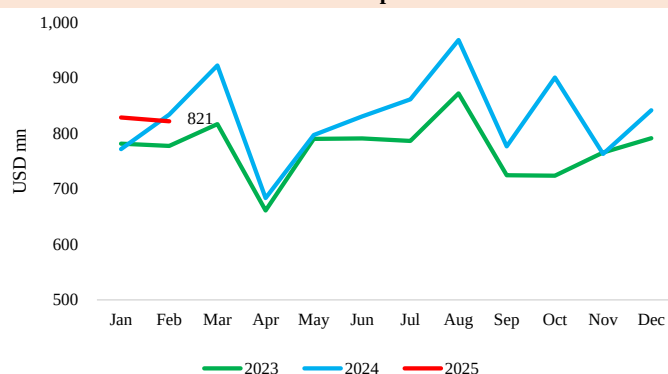
Tea and Rubber Prices



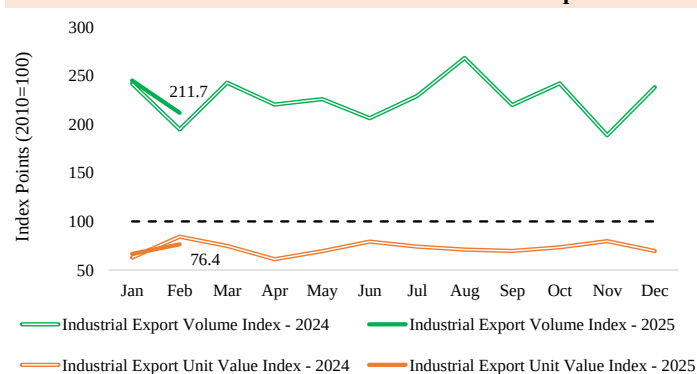
*Rubber (RSS) prices for May, August 2024 and February 2025 were not determined at the auction.

Industrial Exports

Industrial Exports

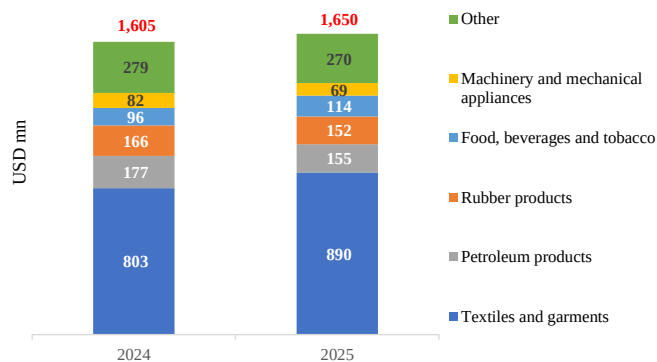


Volume and Unit Value Indices of Industrial Exports

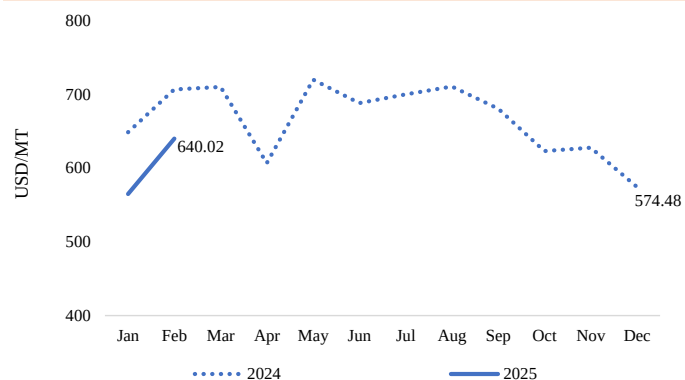


Industrial Exports (Continued...)

Performance of Industrial Exports - Jan. - Feb.

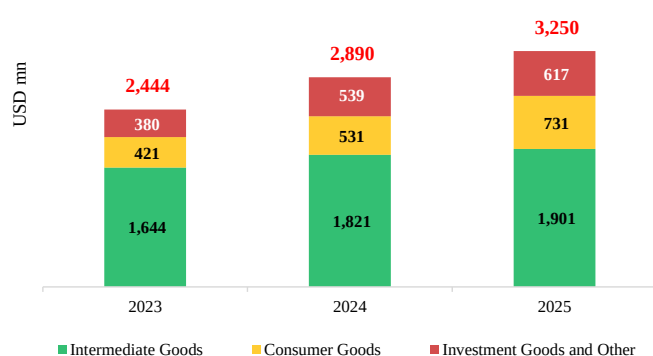


Bunker and Aviation Fuel Export Prices



Merchandise Import Performance

Import Performance - Jan. - Feb.

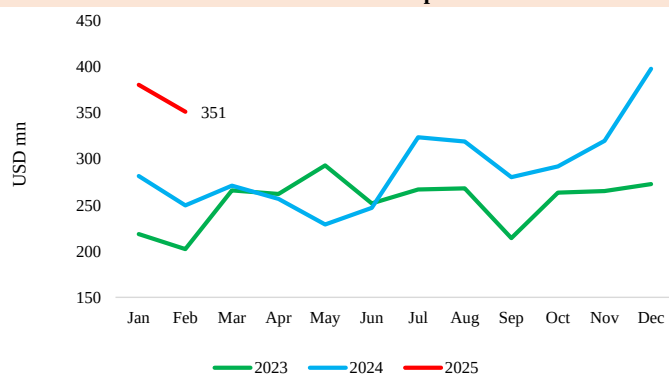


Volume and Unit Value Indices of Imports - Jan. - Feb.

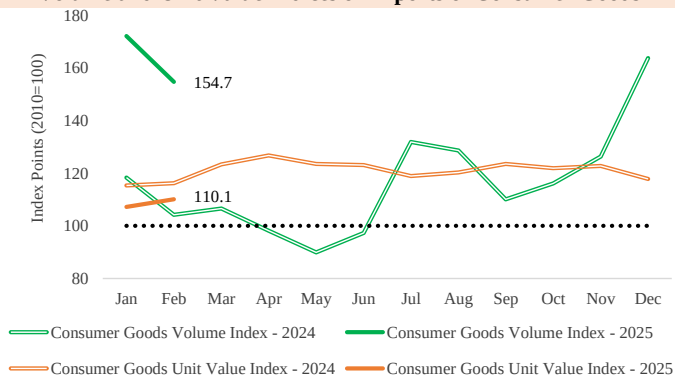


Consumer Goods Imports

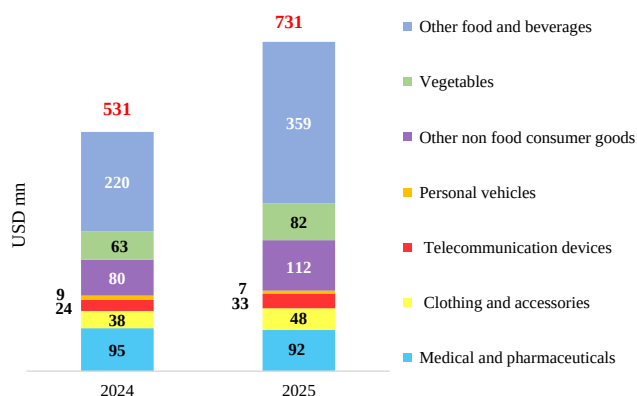
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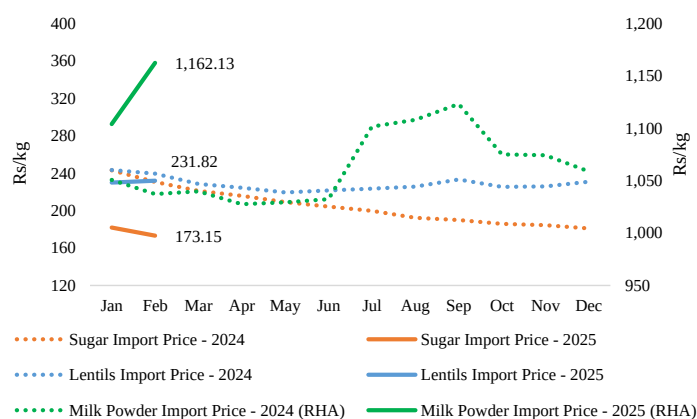
Volume and Unit Value Indices of Imports of Consumer Goods



Performance of Consumer Goods Imports - Jan. - Feb.

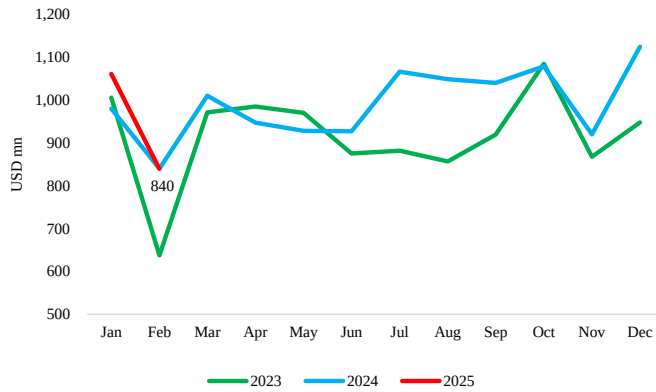


Average Import Prices of Sugar, Lentils and Milk Powder

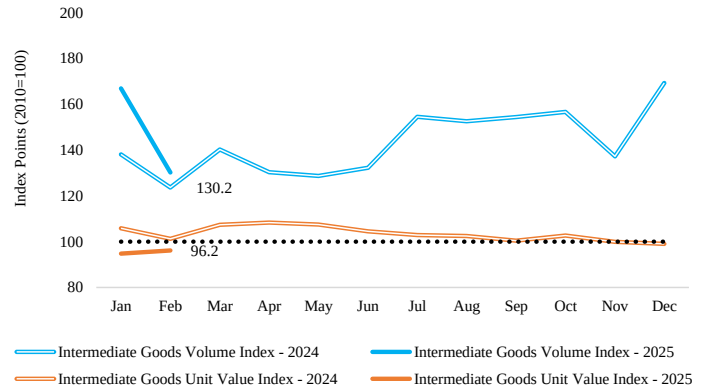


Intermediate Goods Imports

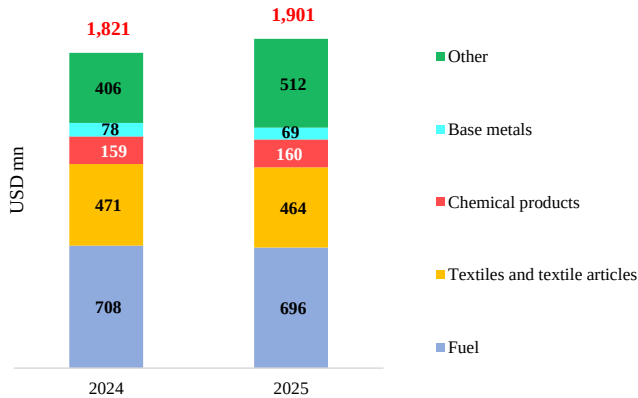
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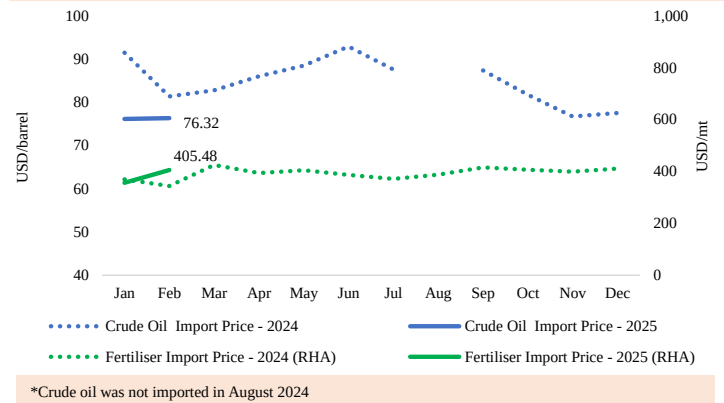
Volume and Unit Value Indices of Intermediate Goods Imports



Performance of Intermediate Goods Imports - Jan. - Feb.



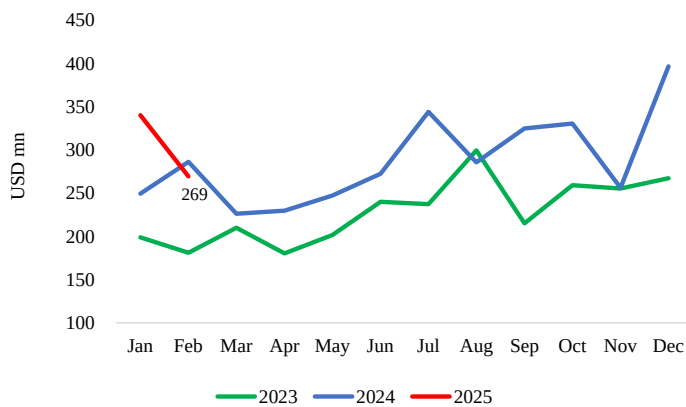
Crude Oil and Fertiliser Import Prices (Monthly Averages)



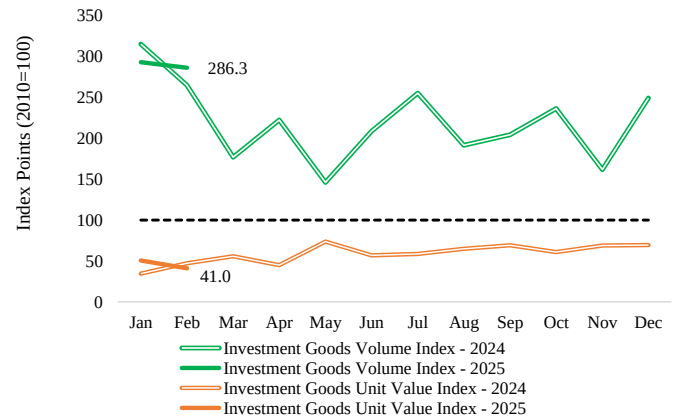
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Investment Goods Imports

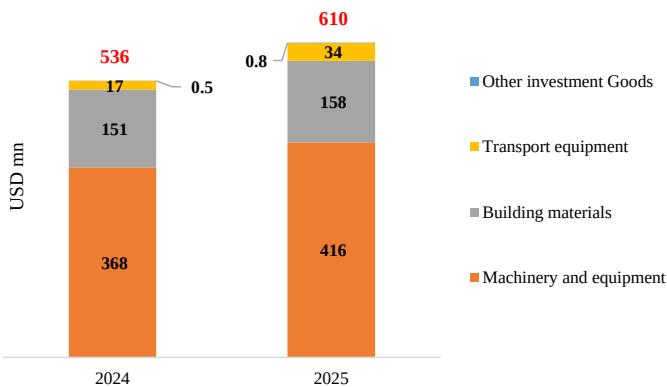
Imports of Investment Goods



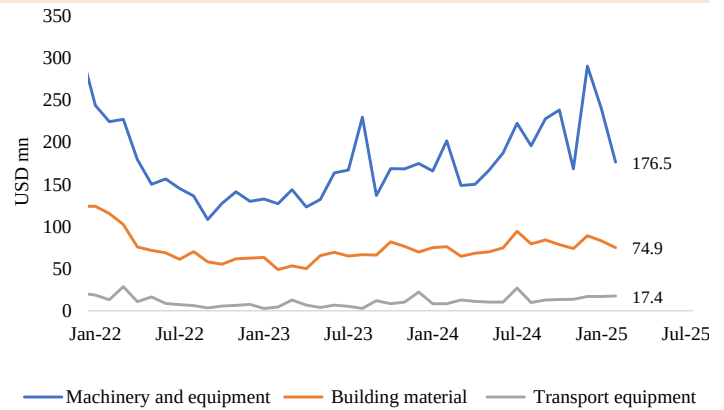
Volume and Unit Value Indices of Investment Goods Imports



Performance of Investment Goods Imports -Jan. - Feb.



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		Feb-24	Feb-25	Y-O-Y Change (%)	Jan-Feb 2024	Jan-Feb 2025	Y-O-Y Change (%)
Agricultural Exports		221.9	229.2	3.3	417.4	451.0	8.0
o/w	Tea	127.7	119.4	-6.5	229.9	232.1	1.0
	Coconut	32.7	41.6	27.2	57.5	76.6	33.3
	Spices	22.1	37.9	71.2	50.0	75.5	51.0
	Seafood	20.7	13.6	-34.3	43.7	31.3	-28.4
Industrial Exports		833.6	821.4	-1.5	1,605.1	1,649.7	2.8
o/w	Textiles and garments	422.3	428.3	1.4	803.4	889.7	10.7
	Rubber products	86.4	80.1	-7.3	166.4	151.9	-8.8
	Petroleum products	91.4	81.1	-11.3	177.3	154.6	-12.8
	Food, beverages and tobacco	52.4	58.3	11.1	96.4	114.2	18.4
	Machinery and mechanical appliances	42.2	36.7	-13.0	82.2	69.2	-15.9
	Gems, diamonds and jewellery	30.9	27.7	-10.3	79.1	65.4	-17.3
	Leather, travel goods and footwear	4.4	4.8	10.0	8.6	9.0	3.9
Mineral and Other Exports		3.8	2.3	-39.8	7.5	5.0	-33.2
Total Exports		1,059.3	1,052.9	-0.6	2,030.0	2,105.7	3.7
Import Performance (USD mn)							
Item		Feb-24	Feb-25	Y-O-Y Change (%)	Jan-Feb 2024	Jan-Feb 2025	Y-O-Y Change (%)
Consumer goods		249.6	351.0	40.6	530.9	731.3	37.7
Food and beverages		126.6	199.2	57.4	283.2	440.6	55.6
o/w	Vegetables (b)	29.0	38.7	33.6	62.8	81.9	30.5
	Rice	1.9	2.9	56.3	20.8	54.5	161.8
Non-food consumer goods		123.0	151.8	23.4	247.8	290.7	17.3
o/w	Medical and Pharmaceuticals	39.2	46.2	17.9	95.4	91.5	-4.1
Intermediate goods		840.2	840.0	0.0	1,820.7	1,901.4	4.4
o/w	Fuel	290.5	278.4	-4.2	707.9	696.0	-1.7
	Textiles and textile articles	246.1	230.8	-6.2	470.6	463.6	-1.5
	Fertiliser	4.5	15.9	254.1	13.5	28.5	110.6
	Wheat and maize	1.9	14.8	689.0	18.2	56.2	208.0
Investment goods and other		288.6	273.2	-5.3	538.6	617.1	14.6
o/w	Machinery and equipment	201.8	176.5	-12.5	367.7	416.3	13.2
Total Imports		1,378.4	1,464.2	6.2	2,890.2	3,249.7	12.4
Trade Balance (USD mn)							
Item		Feb-24	Feb-25		Jan-Feb 2024	Jan-Feb 2025	
Trade Balance		-319.1	-411.3		-860.2	-1,144.0	
Trade Indices and Terms of Trade (2010 = 100) (In USD terms)							
Item		Feb-24	Feb-25	Y-O-Y Change (%)	Jan-Feb 2024	Jan-Feb 2025	Y-O-Y Change (%)
Export							
Value index		147.4	146.5	-0.6	141.3	146.5	3.7
Volume index		163.3	173.2	6.0	179.0	184.6	3.2
Unit value index		90.3	84.6	-6.3	78.9	79.4	0.6
Import							
Value index		123.4	131.0	6.2	129.3	145.4	12.4
Volume index		147.9	165.6	11.9	158.7	178.9	12.7
Unit value index		83.4	79.1	-5.1	81.5	81.3	-0.2
Terms of Trade		108.2	106.9	-1.2	96.9	97.6	0.8

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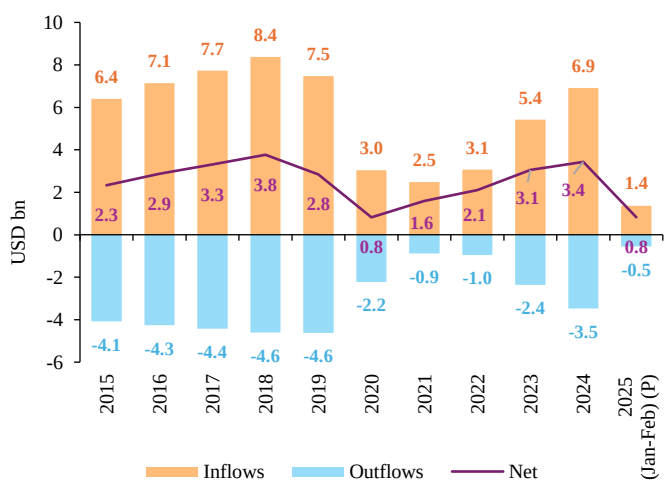
(b) includes lentils, onions, potatoes, leguminous vegetables and others

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

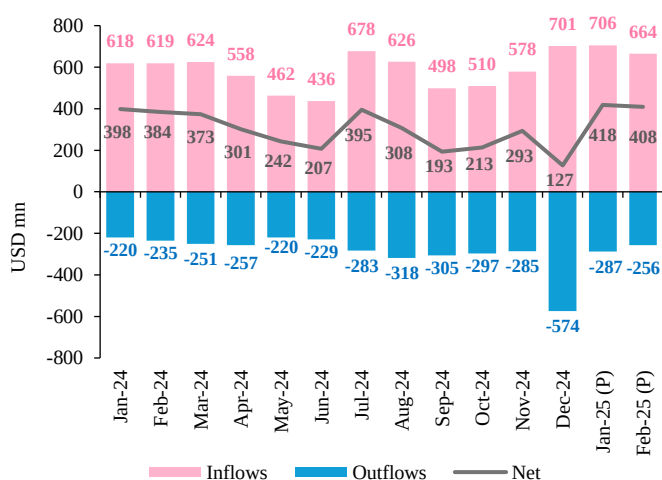
Note 2: Longer series of Merchandise Trade data can be accessed through : <https://www.cbsl.gov.lk/en/statistics/statistical-tables/external-sector>

Services Account

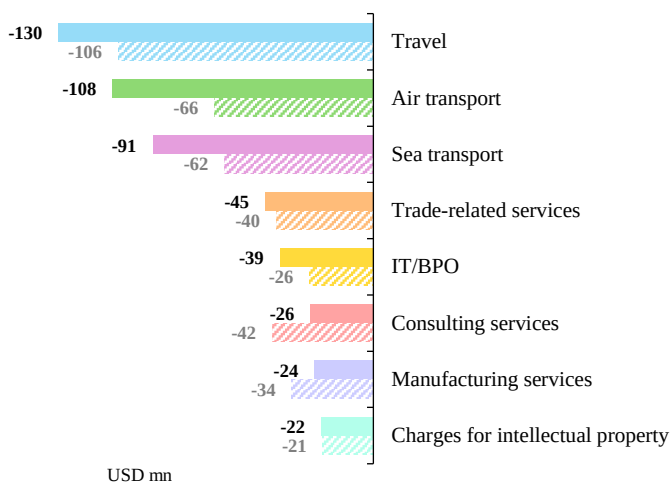
Services Account - Annual



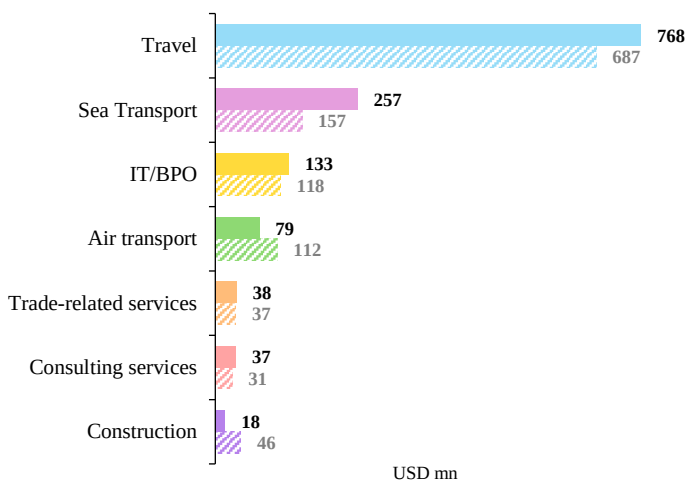
Services Account - Monthly



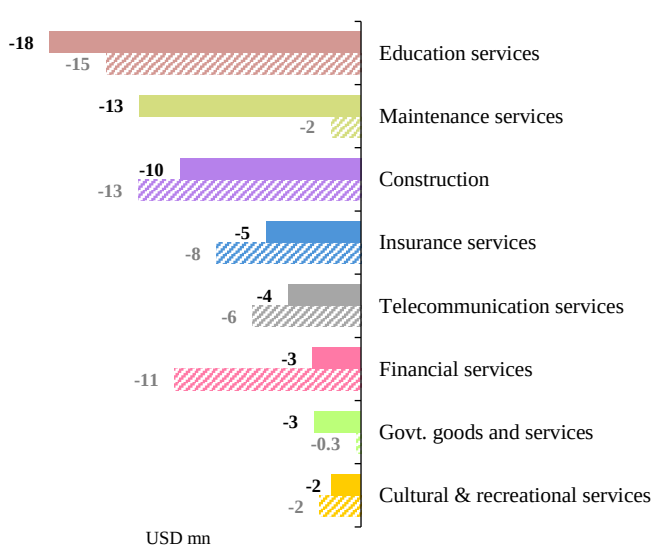
Major Services Outflows



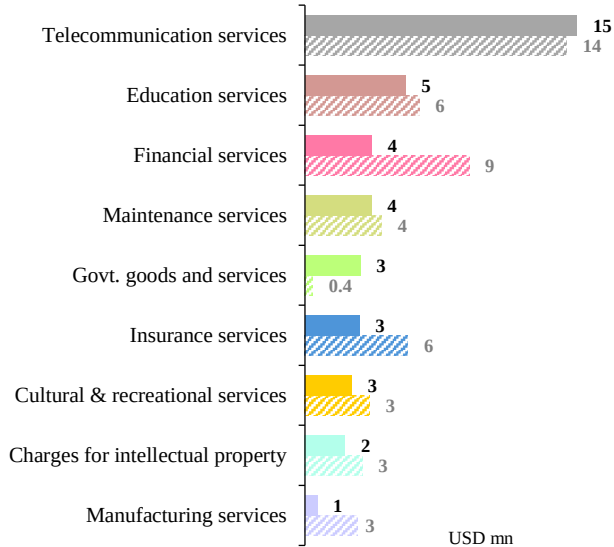
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Minor Services Outflows



Minor Services Inflows



Jan-Feb 2024

Jan-Feb 2025 (P)

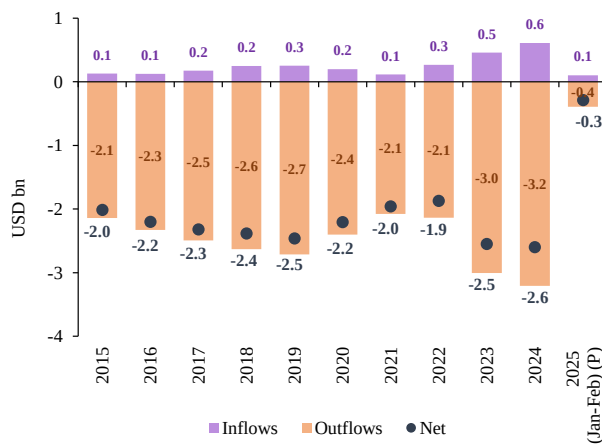
Primary Income Account

Summary of Primary Income Account (a)

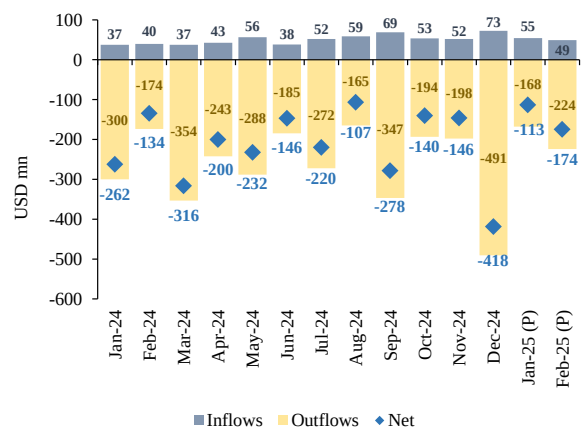
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<i>of which,</i>						
Direct Investment related Outflows	46.4	62.4	34.6	121.1	142.6	17.8
Dividends	35.1	43.3	23.3	98.5	97.6	-0.9
Reinvested Earnings	11.3	19.2	69.7	22.6	45.0	99.2
Portfolio Investment related Outflows	11.1	60.4	444.8	70.3	87.8	24.9
<i>of which,</i>						
Government Bond Outflows	5.0	41.0	714.9	58.3	61.5	5.6
Other Investment Interest	114.5	99.5	-13.1	278.6	157.5	-43.5
Interest on Foreign Loans						
Government	66.7	54.5	-18.3	200.3	85.8	-57.2
Central Bank	37.9	27.1	-28.4	57.7	38.6	-33.2
Deposit-taking Corporations	7.6	1.9	-74.4	15.2	4.2	-72.5
Other Sectors	2.3	16.0	592.8	5.4	29.0	434.9

(a) Provisional

Primary Income Account - Annual



Primary Income Account - Monthly

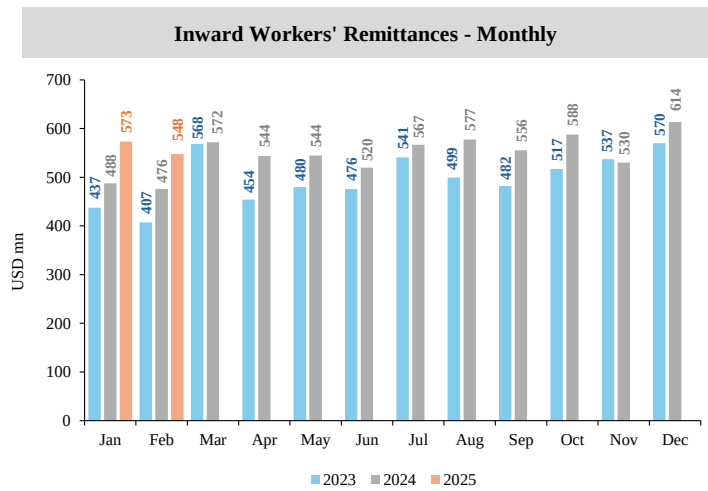
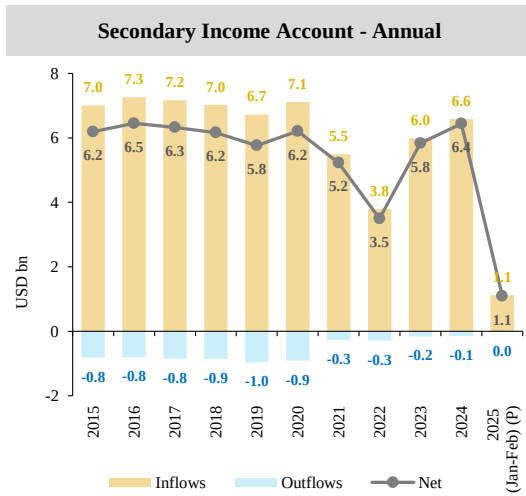


Secondary Income Account

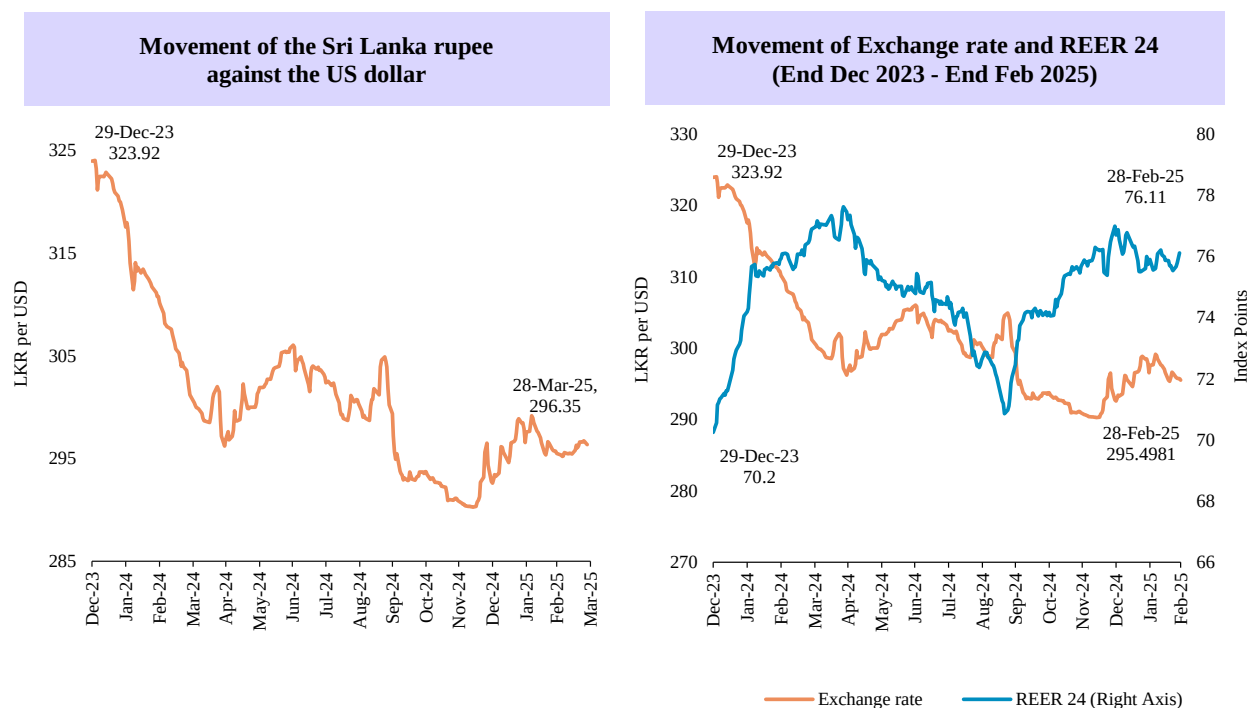
Summary of Secondary Income Account (a)

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Secondary Income Account (net)	463.6	536.5	15.7	942.2	1,094.2	16.1
Secondary Income Account Inflows	476.2	548.9	15.3	964.8	1,122.6	16.4
General Government	0.0	0.8	-	1.1	1.5	41.2
Worker's Remittances	476.2	548.1	15.1	963.7	1,121.1	16.3
Secondary Income Account Outflows	463.6	536.5	15.7	942.2	1,094.2	16.1

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Exchange Rate Movements (a)



Movement of the Sri Lanka rupee against Selected Currencies *

Currency	2023	2024	2025 (up to 28 Mar)
US dollar	12.1%	10.7%	-1.3%
Euro	7.9%	17.8%	-4.7%
Pound sterling	6.0%	12.3%	-4.0%
Chinese yuan (Renminbi)	14.3%	13.9%	-1.8%
Japanese yen	19.5%	22.5%	-5.2%
Australian dollar	10.8%	21.7%	-2.5%
Indian rupee	12.6%	13.9%	-1.0%

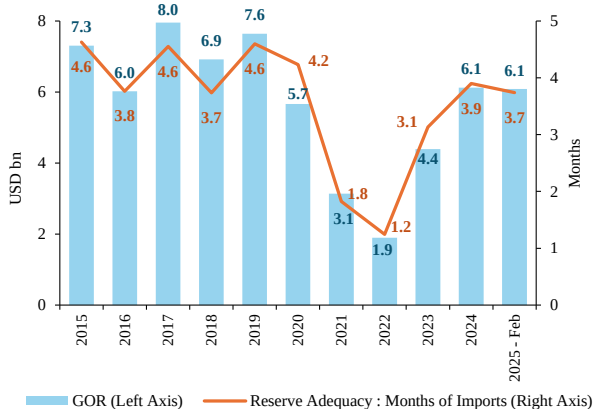
* Depreciation (-) / Appreciation (+)

(a) Historical data on exchange rate is published in the CBSL website and can be accessed via the following link.

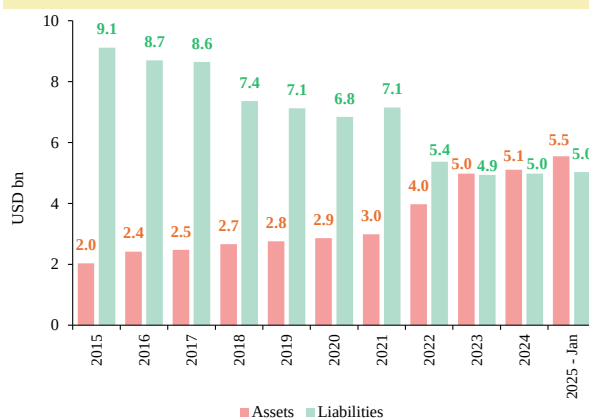
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Financial Flows and International Reserves

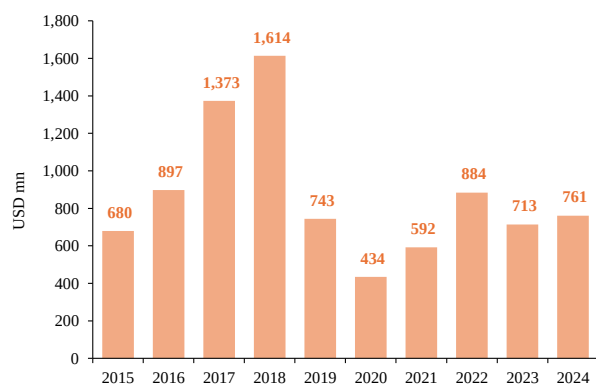
Gross Official Reserves (GOR) and Reserve Adequacy - End Period (a)



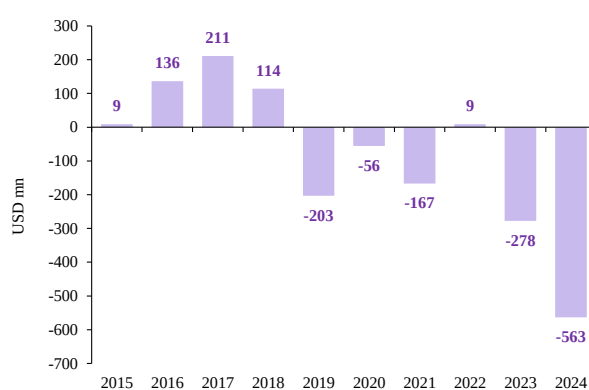
Foreign Assets and Liabilities of the Banking Sector



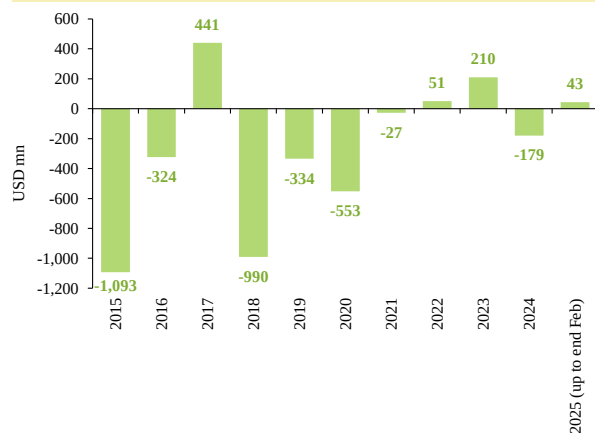
Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) (b)



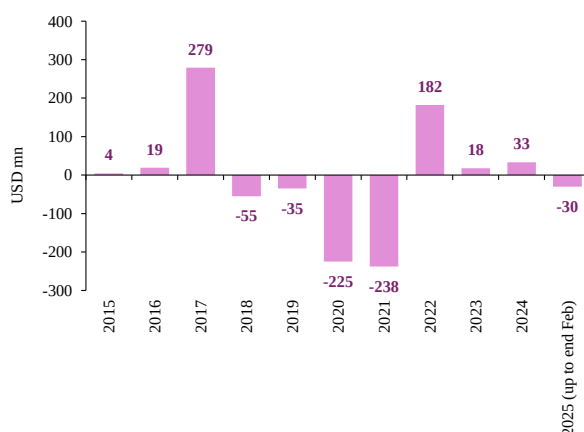
Foreign Loans to Private Sector (net)



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 to the direct investment enterprises.

(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	February 2024 (USD mn)	February 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan.-Feb. 2024 (USD mn)	Jan.-Feb. 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)
1. Industrial exports	833.6	821.4	-1.5	1,605.1	1,649.7	2.8
Food, beverages and tobacco	52.4	58.3	11.1	96.4	114.2	18.4
Animal fodder	15.6	11.8	-24.3	24.3	23.6	-2.9
Textiles and garments	422.3	428.3	1.4	803.4	889.7	10.7
o/w Garments	389.3	398.8	2.4	738.4	827.2	12.0
Textiles	23.0	20.0	-13.0	46.0	43.9	-4.5
Other made-up textile articles	10.0	9.5	-4.6	19.0	18.6	-2.5
Rubber products	86.4	80.1	-7.3	166.4	151.9	-8.8
Gems, diamonds and jewellery	30.9	27.7	-10.3	79.1	65.4	-17.3
Machinery and mechanical appliances	42.2	36.7	-13.0	82.2	69.2	-15.9
Transport equipment	6.7	8.8	31.7	11.5	13.3	15.1
Petroleum products	91.4	81.1	-11.3	177.3	154.6	-12.8
Chemical products	17.6	19.5	10.4	36.5	41.4	13.3
Wood and paper products	11.1	9.6	-13.4	19.9	19.3	-3.0
Printing industry products	2.1	2.8	33.1	5.7	3.5	-38.2
Leather, travel goods and footwear	4.4	4.8	10.0	8.6	9.0	3.9
Plastics and articles thereof	4.4	3.9	-13.1	9.0	8.0	-11.7
Base metals and articles	16.9	13.4	-20.8	31.0	27.2	-12.1
Ceramic products	2.7	3.0	12.4	4.5	4.6	3.3
Other industrial exports	26.4	31.5	19.4	49.2	55.0	11.8
2. Agricultural exports	221.9	229.2	3.3	417.4	451.0	8.0
Tea	127.7	119.4	-6.5	229.9	232.1	1.0
Rubber	2.3	3.0	27.8	4.0	6.3	57.5
Coconut	32.7	41.6	27.2	57.5	76.6	33.3
Spices	22.1	37.9	71.2	50.0	75.5	51.0
Vegetables	1.9	1.2	-37.2	3.8	3.6	-7.0
Unmanufactured tobacco	1.4	2.6	87.8	3.1	3.7	20.2
Minor agricultural products	13.1	10.0	-23.3	25.3	21.8	-13.9
Seafood	20.7	13.6	-34.3	43.7	31.3	-28.4
3. Mineral exports	1.9	1.4	-24.4	3.3	2.5	-25.1
4. Unclassified exports	1.9	0.8	-55.1	4.2	2.5	-39.6
Total exports	1,059.3	1,052.9	-0.6	2,030.0	2,105.7	3.7

(a) Provisional

Sources: 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

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

Detailed Breakdown of Import Expenditure Classified as per Central Bank of Sri Lanka's Trade Classification (a)						
Category	February 2024 (USD mn)	February 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan.-Feb. 2024 (USD mn)	Jan.-Feb. 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)
1. Consumer goods	249.6	351.0	40.6	530.9	731.3	37.7
Food and beverages	126.6	199.2	57.4	283.2	440.6	55.6
Cereals and milling industry products	6.9	6.5	-6.4	30.5	63.0	106.8
Dairy products	14.8	41.7	181.1	34.8	59.4	70.5
Vegetables (b)	29.0	38.7	33.6	62.8	81.9	30.5
Seafood	11.0	7.9	-28.3	19.6	19.4	-0.7
Sugar and confectionery	31.5	43.0	36.5	61.6	86.4	40.2
Spices	9.0	6.4	-28.9	19.9	16.7	-16.0
Oils and Fats	9.1	38.3	321.0	25.1	77.5	208.9
Other food and beverages	15.3	16.8	9.6	29.0	36.3	25.3
Non-food consumer goods	123.0	151.8	23.4	247.8	290.7	17.3
Personal vehicles	4.8	3.5	-26.0	9.4	6.5	-31.1
Medical and pharmaceuticals	39.2	46.2	17.9	95.4	91.5	-4.1
Home appliances	11.7	21.4	83.6	19.5	38.8	98.6
Clothing and accessories	20.1	25.6	27.3	38.4	48.2	25.5
Telecommunication devices	15.8	20.2	27.5	24.5	32.6	33.4
Household and furniture items	12.3	14.1	14.7	24.2	28.8	18.8
Other non-food consumables	19.2	20.8	8.6	36.3	44.2	21.9
2. Intermediate goods	840.2	840.0	0.0	1,820.7	1,901.4	4.4
Fuel	290.5	278.4	-4.2	707.9	696.0	-1.7
o/w Crude oil	59.4	55.8	-6.1	193.0	167.3	-13.3
Refined petroleum	208.4	194.3	-6.8	453.7	466.0	2.7
Coal	22.7	28.3	24.9	61.2	62.8	2.6
Diamonds, precious stones, and metals	12.2	7.1	-41.5	27.0	13.6	-49.5
Textiles and textile articles	246.1	230.8	-6.2	470.6	463.6	-1.5
Paper and paperboard and articles thereof	32.5	31.5	-3.2	68.8	63.6	-7.6
Agricultural inputs	19.9	20.2	1.8	40.5	44.2	9.4
Wheat and maize	1.9	14.8	689.0	18.2	56.2	208.0
Base metals	32.5	20.7	-36.2	77.5	69.4	-10.5
Plastics and articles thereof	43.6	46.1	5.9	84.6	101.0	19.5
Chemical products	82.0	78.5	-4.4	159.0	159.9	0.6
Fertiliser	4.5	15.9	254.1	13.5	28.5	110.6
Rubber and articles thereof	21.4	22.4	5.1	44.9	48.2	7.5
Mineral products	5.4	11.7	117.9	14.7	24.3	65.8
Other intermediate goods	47.9	61.7	28.8	93.5	132.7	41.9
3. Investment goods	286.2	269.4	-5.9	535.6	609.5	13.8
Machinery and equipment	201.8	176.5	-12.5	367.7	416.3	13.2
Building material	75.9	74.9	-1.3	150.7	158.0	4.8
Transport equipment	8.3	17.4	109.9	16.7	34.4	106.1
Other investment goods	0.2	0.5	139.7	0.5	0.8	64.3
4. Unclassified imports	2.3	3.8	62.3	2.9	7.5	159.1
Total imports	1,378.4	1,464.2	6.2	2,890.2	3,249.7	12.4
o/w Non-fuel imports	1,087.9	1,185.8	9.0	2,182.3	2,553.7	17.0

(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	February 2024 (USD mn)	February 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan.-Feb. 2024 (USD mn)	Jan.-Feb. 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)
0. Food and live animals	244.6	238.6	-2.5	455.7	475.0	4.2
03 Fish and fish preparations	24.2	16.8	-30.9	51.0	39.5	-22.6
04 Cereals and cereal preparations	7.0	6.8	-2.0	12.8	13.2	3.0
05 Vegetables and fruit	37.0	40.1	8.5	68.0	79.0	16.1
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	149.7	156.1	4.3	279.7	306.4	9.6
1. Beverages and tobacco	13.0	13.5	3.6	23.9	25.1	4.9
11 Beverages	6.3	6.5	3.7	12.3	12.6	2.7
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	6.8	7.0	3.6	11.6	12.5	7.3
2. Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	34.8	38.1	9.4	59.9	70.6	17.9
23 Crude rubber	2.5	3.2	27.7	4.3	6.6	54.9
26 Textile fibres and their wastes	20.1	24.7	23.0	33.6	44.2	31.7
3. Mineral fuels, lubricants, and related materials	91.4	81.1	-11.3	177.3	154.6	-12.8
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	91.4	81.1	-11.3	167.1	154.6	-7.5
34 Gas, natural and manufactured	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.2	0.0	-100.0
4. Animal and vegetable oils, fats, and waxes	5.7	13.2	130.7	11.9	26.1	120.2
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated	5.7	8.8	55.7	11.1	16.2	46.3
5. Chemicals and related products, n.e.s.	20.9	23.9	14.5	45.0	49.9	11.0
6. Manufactured goods classified chiefly by materials	154.6	136.3	-11.8	314.2	273.1	-13.1
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.	66.4	56.2	-15.4	126.8	99.9	-21.2
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, etc., n.e.s.	31.3	28.3	-9.8	61.8	60.0	-2.9
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.	34.7	34.0	-2.1	84.9	75.8	-10.7
7. Machinery, transport equipment	47.4	44.5	-6.2	91.5	80.5	-12.0
77 Electric machinery, apparatus, and appliances, n.e.s. and electrical parts thereof	24.4	22.0	-9.9	47.1	43.6	-7.6
8. Miscellaneous manufactured articles	446.8	463.7	3.8	850.7	950.8	11.8
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	411.9	425.4	3.3	782.9	884.0	12.9
9. Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere in the SITC	0.0	0.0	-153.0	0.1	0.0	-105.3
Total exports	1,059.3	1,052.9	-0.6	2,030.0	2,105.7	3.7

(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	February 2024 (USD mn)	February 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan.-Feb. 2024 (USD mn)	Jan.-Feb. 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)
0. Food and live animals	146.5	203.8	39.1	327.3	479.6	46.5
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	17.2	41.7	142.0	37.5	59.4	58.6
03 Fish and fish preparations	11.0	8.1	-26.7	19.7	19.7	0.0
04 Cereals and cereal preparations	8.2	20.7	153.0	47.6	118.1	147.8
05 Vegetables and fruit	34.2	46.3	35.2	73.2	96.6	32.0
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey	31.5	43.0	36.5	61.6	86.4	40.2
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	13.7	13.4	-2.4	28.2	32.4	14.9
1. Beverages and tobacco	6.1	6.5	7.0	13.4	17.1	27.3
2. Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	29.4	33.3	13.4	64.9	75.5	16.2
23 Crude rubber	16.8	18.7	11.0	37.6	41.2	9.6
26 Textile fibres and their wastes	0.5	0.6	5.1	2.5	1.7	-32.4
3. Mineral fuels, lubricants, and related materials	290.5	278.4	-4.2	707.9	696.0	-1.7
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	235.7	218.8	-7.1	587.7	565.8	-3.7
34 Gas, natural and manufactured	32.1	31.2	-2.9	59.0	67.4	14.2
4. Animal and vegetable oils, fats, and waxes	9.6	46.7	385.3	26.5	89.6	237.7
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated	8.3	44.6	437.2	24.4	85.3	250.2
5. Chemicals and related products, n.e.s.	166.8	184.1	10.4	344.8	373.1	8.2
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products	34.8	43.2	24.1	86.3	82.4	-4.6
56 Fertilisers, manufactured	4.5	15.9	254.1	13.5	28.5	111.0
57 Plastics in primary forms	28.4	28.0	-1.3	54.6	61.6	12.7
58 Plastics in non-primary forms	12.2	13.6	10.9	22.9	30.3	32.0
6. Manufactured goods classified chiefly by materials	412.6	381.2	-7.6	821.4	804.0	-2.1
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles thereof	31.2	29.7	-4.9	65.6	59.5	-9.3
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, etc., n.e.s.	241.6	227.0	-6.1	460.3	455.4	-1.1
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.	35.3	32.6	-7.6	78.0	65.0	-16.7
67 Iron and steel	46.2	23.0	-50.2	104.6	91.4	-12.6
7. Machinery, transport equipment	243.4	236.3	-2.9	440.2	534.7	21.5
72 Machinery specialized for particular industries	35.5	37.0	4.2	60.9	74.2	21.9
74 General industrial machinery and equipment and machine parts, n.e.s.	72.2	45.9	-36.3	106.5	148.9	39.8
75 Office machines and automatic data-processing machines	14.1	13.2	-6.4	27.3	28.9	6.0
76 Telecommunications and sound-recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	33.4	42.4	26.9	56.5	77.1	36.5
77 Electric machinery, apparatus and appliances, n.e.s. and electrical parts thereof	43.2	47.1	9.0	87.7	97.3	10.9
78 Road vehicles	15.8	22.3	40.5	31.7	51.4	62.0
8. Miscellaneous manufactured articles	73.2	93.1	27.3	142.7	175.7	23.1
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	17.2	23.1	33.9	34.1	43.8	28.6
87 Professional, scientific, and controlling instruments and apparatus n.e.s.	13.5	16.3	20.7	26.0	32.3	24.4
9. Commodities and transactions not elsewhere specified in SITC	0.4	0.8	94.6	1.0	4.5	365.0
Total imports	1,378.4	1,464.2	6.2	2,890.2	3,249.7	12.4

(a) Provisional

n.e.s. not elsewhere specified

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

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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>

Services Account – Inflows (a)

	February 2024 (USD mn)	February 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Feb 2024 (USD mn)	Jan-Feb 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)
Services	618.9	664.5	7.4	1,237.1	1,370.2	10.8
Manufacturing services	1.6	0.7	-59.2	2.9	0.7	-77.0
Maintenance and repair services	2.5	0.6	-76.0	4.1	3.6	-13.1
Transport	126.4	168.7	33.5	268.9	336.7	25.2
Sea transport	71.5	128.2	79.2	156.8	257.2	64.0
Passenger	0.2	0.003	-98.4	0.6	0.003	-99.5
Freight	43.5	66.9	54.0	98.7	159.9	62.1
Other	27.9	61.2	119.8	57.6	97.2	68.8
Air transport	54.7	40.4	-26.1	111.8	79.4	-29.0
Passenger	26.1	29.9	14.5	55.3	57.9	4.7
Freight	5.5	2.9	-46.8	8.2	5.9	-27.7
Other	23.1	7.6	-66.9	48.4	15.6	-67.7
Postal services	0.1	0.1	-37.7	0.2	0.1	-63.7
Travel	345.7	367.6	6.3	687.5	768.2	11.7
Construction	26.5	6.9	-73.9	46.0	17.9	-61.1
Construction abroad	2.8	1.3	-52.6	7.3	3.3	-54.6
Construction in the reporting economy	10.5	1.7	-84.2	20.1	3.7	-81.8
Architectural, engineering & other technical services	13.2	3.9	-70.1	18.6	10.9	-41.2
Insurance and pension services	3.7	0.9	-74.7	5.6	2.9	-47.2
Direct insurance	2.9	0.9	-69.3	4.0	1.9	-53.0
Reinsurance	0.8	0.05	-94.3	1.5	1.0	-32.1
Financial services	2.0	1.6	-21.0	8.9	3.6	-59.3
Charges for the use of intellectual property	1.3	0.2	-87.8	3.1	2.2	-30.5
Telecommunications, computer, and information services	69.2	73.7	6.5	132.0	147.7	11.9
Telecommunications services	7.2	8.7	20.4	14.1	14.7	4.1
Computer & IT/BPO related services	61.9	64.9	4.9	117.8	132.9	12.8
Computer services	61.3	64.0	4.4	116.8	131.0	12.1
Information services	0.6	0.9	55.0	1.0	1.9	91.4
Other business services	38.2	41.2	7.7	74.2	81.2	9.4
Education services	2.5	2.4	-3.5	6.2	5.4	-12.1
Professional and management consulting services	17.1	20.3	18.4	30.8	37.3	21.2
Technical, trade-related, and other business services	18.6	18.5	-0.6	37.3	38.5	3.2
Personal, cultural, and recreational services	1.5	1.5	-0.7	3.5	2.5	-27.5
Audiovisual and related services	0.6	0.8	17.9	1.5	0.8	-50.3
Other personal, cultural, and recreational services	0.9	0.8	-13.8	2.0	1.8	-10.1
Government goods and services	0.3	1.0	276.4	0.4	3.0	

(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)

	February 2024 (USD mn)	February 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Feb 2024 (USD mn)	Jan-Feb 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)
Services	234.9	256.1	9.0	455.3	543.5	19.4
Manufacturing services	17.0	10.4	-38.8	33.7	24.4	-27.7
Maintenance and repair services	1.5	5.8	294.8	1.7	12.8	
Transport	63.9	87.5	37.0	129.1	199.5	54.5
Sea transport	29.9	37.4	24.8	61.6	91.4	48.2
Passenger	0.1	0.01	-90.2	0.2	0.01	-94.0
Freight	28.7	35.1	22.3	59.5	87.1	46.4
Other	1.1	2.3	100.1	2.0	4.3	116.6
Air transport	33.1	50.0	51.2	65.8	108.0	64.2
Passenger	19.3	18.8	-2.6	38.5	40.8	6.0
Freight	4.3	20.7	378.9	8.5	47.7	464.0
Other	9.4	10.5	11.1	18.8	19.5	3.6
Postal services	0.8	0.1	-90.9	1.7	0.1	-95.4
Travel	57.3	78.0	36.0	105.6	130.4	23.4
Construction	8.8	2.5	-72.2	12.9	10.5	-18.6
Construction abroad	0.6	0.2	-73.8	1.4	0.2	-88.0
Construction in the reporting economy	1.9	0.1	-97.1	2.3	2.1	-10.0
Architectural, engineering & other technical services	6.4	2.2	-64.7	9.2	8.2	-10.5
Insurance and pension services	4.1	2.5	-39.1	8.3	5.5	-34.3
Direct insurance	0.6	0.6	-0.9	1.6	1.6	-0.3
Reinsurance	3.5	1.9	-45.4	6.8	3.9	-42.2
Financial services	4.0	1.8	-55.8	10.8	2.8	-74.1
Charges for the use of intellectual property	12.8	7.6	-40.7	20.9	21.6	3.2
Telecommunications, computer, and information services	17.0	20.0	17.2	32.7	43.0	31.4
Telecommunications services	3.0	2.2	-27.4	6.3	4.2	-32.7
Computer & IT/BPO related services	14.0	17.7	26.9	26.4	38.7	46.5
Computer services	11.7	17.1	46.9	22.5	37.1	65.4
Information services	2.3	0.6	-74.0	4.0	1.6	-59.9
Other business services	47.0	38.8	-17.5	96.9	88.8	-8.4
Education services	7.7	8.0	3.0	14.7	18.0	22.2
Professional and management consulting services	18.0	9.0	-49.7	41.9	26.0	-37.8
Technical, trade-related, and other business services	21.3	21.7	2.1	40.3	44.7	11.1
Personal, cultural, and recreational services	1.3	0.7	-46.2	2.4	1.7	-28.6
Audiovisual and related services	1.3	0.7	-43.9	2.2	1.7	-23.5
Other personal, cultural, and recreational services	0.1	0.005	-92.5	0.2	0.00	-97.2
Government goods and services	0.2	0.7	324.6	0.3	2.7	

(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 – Net (a)

	February 2024 (USD mn)	February 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Feb 2024 (USD mn)	Jan-Feb 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)
Services	384.0	408.4	6.3	781.8	826.7	5.7
Manufacturing services	-15.4	-9.7	-36.6	-30.9	-23.7	-23.1
Maintenance and repair services	1.0	-5.2		2.4	-9.2	-480.7
Transport	62.5	81.2	29.9	139.8	137.2	-1.8
Sea transport	41.6	90.8	118.4	95.2	165.8	74.2
Passenger	0.1	-0.01	-108.4	0.4	-0.01	-101.7
Freight	14.8	31.9	115.6	39.2	72.9	86.1
Other	26.7	58.9	120.6	55.6	92.9	67.1
Air transport	21.6	-9.6	-144.4	46.0	-28.6	-162.1
Passenger	6.8	11.0	63.4	16.7	17.0	1.9
Freight	1.2	-17.8		-0.3	-41.8	
Other	13.7	-2.8	-120.8	29.6	-3.8	-113.0
Postal services	-0.7	0.003	-100.5	-1.4	0.0	-100.2
Travel	288.4	289.6	0.4	581.8	637.9	9.6
Construction	17.6	4.4	-74.8	33.2	7.4	-77.6
Construction abroad	2.1	1.1	-46.4	5.9	3.1	-46.9
Construction in the reporting economy	8.6	1.6	-81.4	17.8	1.6	-91.0
Architectural, engineering & other technical services	6.9	1.7	-75.2	9.4	2.7	-71.3
Insurance and pension services	-0.4	-1.5	312.8	-2.8	-2.5	-8.3
Direct insurance	2.3	0.3	-86.1	2.5	0.3	-86.8
Reinsurance	-2.7	-1.9	-31.1	-5.2	-2.9	-45.1
Financial services	-2.0	-0.2	-91.2	-1.9	0.8	-143.8
Charges for the use of intellectual property	-11.4	-7.4	-35.2	-17.8	-19.4	9.1
Telecommunications, computer, and information services	52.1	53.7	3.0	99.3	104.7	5.5
Telecommunications services	4.2	6.5	55.1	7.9	10.5	33.3
Computer & IT/BPO related services	48.0	47.2	-1.6	91.4	94.2	3.1
Computer services	49.7	46.9	-5.6	94.4	93.9	-0.5
Information services	-1.7	0.3	-118.8	-3.0	0.3	-110.8
Other business services	-8.8	2.4	-127.4	-22.6	-7.6	-66.5
Education services	-5.2	-5.6	6.2	-8.5	-12.6	47.0
Professional and management consulting services	-0.8	11.2		-11.1	11.2	-201.0
Technical, trade-related, and other business services	-2.7	-3.3	20.8	-3.0	-6.3	110.2
Personal, cultural, and recreational services	0.2	0.8	262.9	1.1	0.8	-25.0
Audiovisual and related services	-0.6	0.05	-107.8	-0.7	-1.0	33.1
Other personal, cultural, and recreational services	0.8	0.8	-8.0	1.8	1.8	-2.1
Government goods and services	0.1	0.3	190.7	0.1	0.3	100.5

(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.

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