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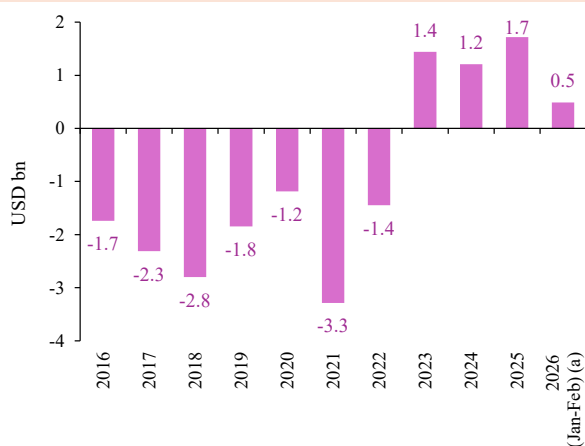
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Current Account

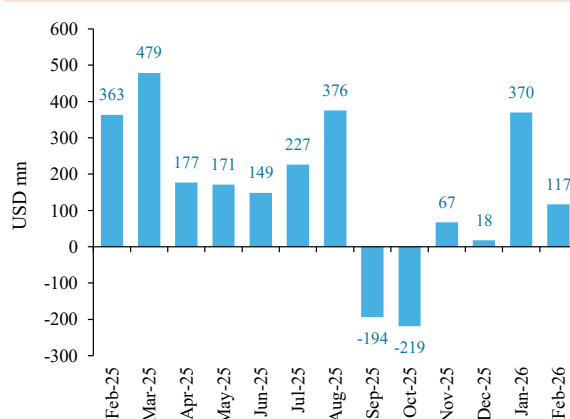
Summary of Current Account (a)

Category	Feb 2025 (USD mn)	Feb 2026 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Feb 2025 (USD mn)	Jan-Feb 2026 (USD mn)	Change (%)
Current Account Balance*	363.5	117.2	-67.8	468.9	486.9	3.8
Trade Balance	-411.3	-776.1		-1,144.0	-1,430.6	
Merchandise Exports	1,052.9	1,057.8	0.5	2,105.7	2,206.5	4.8
Merchandise Imports	1,464.2	1,833.8	25.2	3,249.7	3,637.1	11.9
Services Account (net)	408.4	340.1	-16.7	826.7	746.5	-9.7
Services Account - Inflows	664.5	653.7	-1.6	1,370.2	1,388.1	1.3
Services Account - Outflows	256.1	313.6	22.5	543.5	641.6	18.1
Primary Income Account (net)	-169.5	-168.3		-306.8	-290.9	
Primary Income Account - Inflows	40.3	47.4	17.4	83.4	112.0	34.3
Primary Income Account - Outflows	209.8	215.7	2.8	390.2	402.9	3.3
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Current Account Balance - Annual



Current Account Balance - Monthly (a)

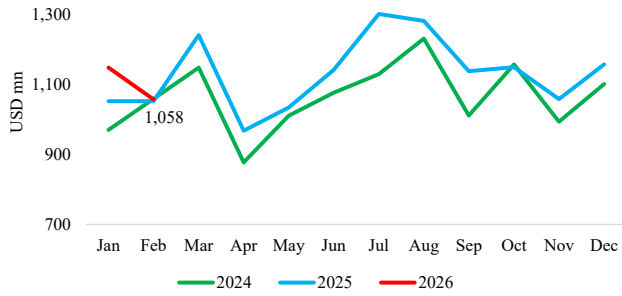


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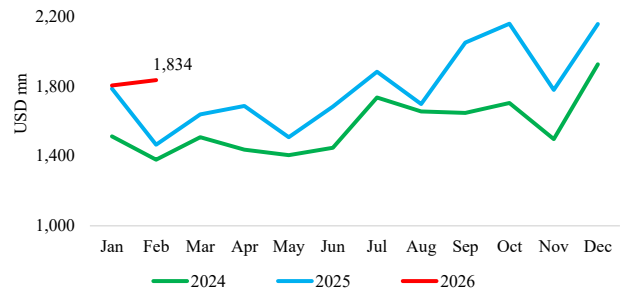
* The monthly current account data for 2025 have been revised following the finalisation of estimates for the fourth quarter of 2025. The data for the first quarter of 2026 will be revised by end June 2026, upon the finalisation of the respective quarterly estimates.

Merchandise Trade Highlights

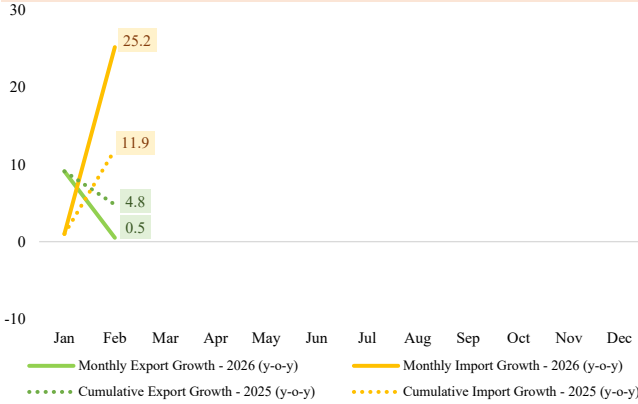
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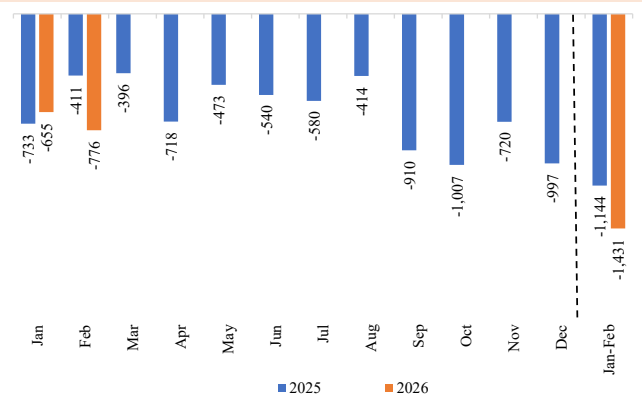
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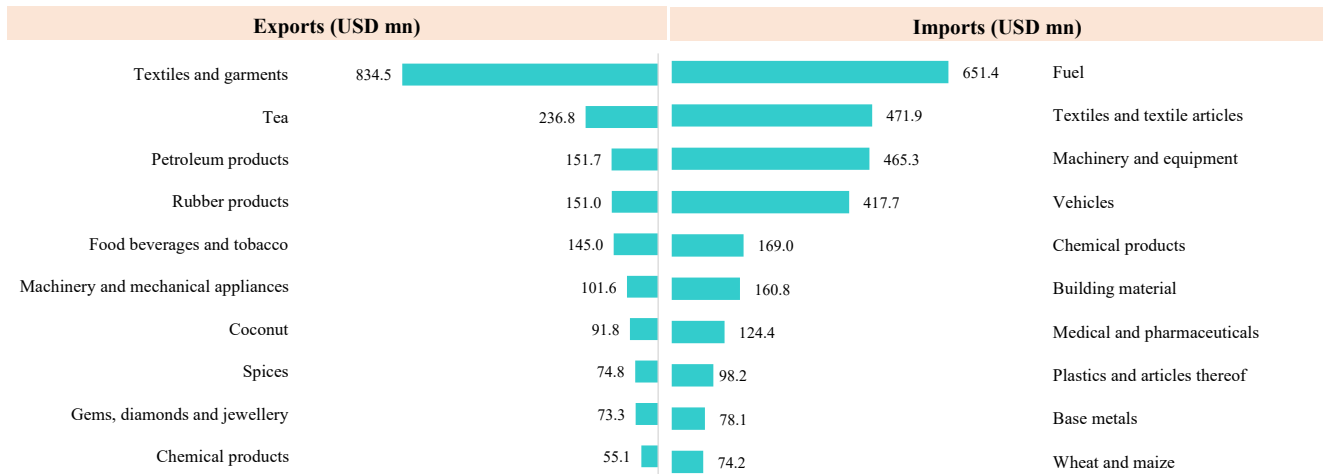
Export and Import (y-o-y) Growth Rates (%)



Trade Balance (USD mn)

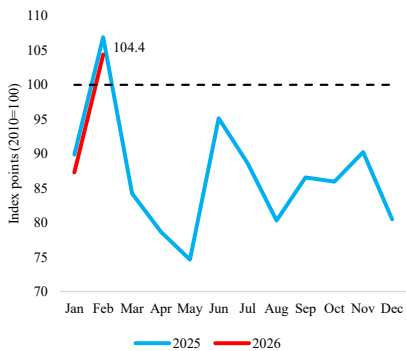


Major Merchandise Export and Import Categories - Jan - Feb 2026

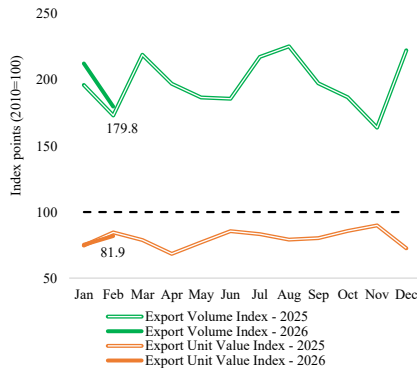


Terms of Trade and Merchandise Trade Indices (in USD terms)

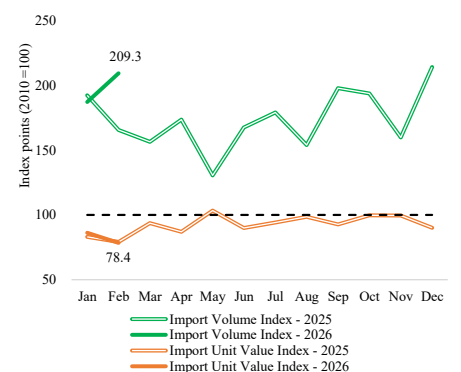
Terms of Trade



Export Volume and Unit Value Indices

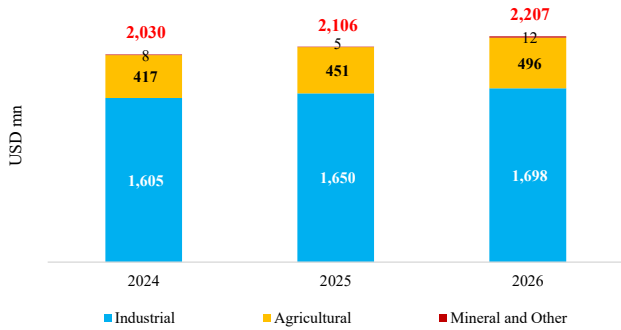


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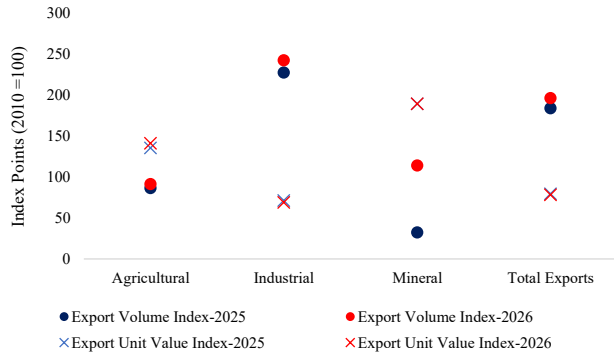


Merchandise Export Performance

Export Performance - Jan.-Feb.

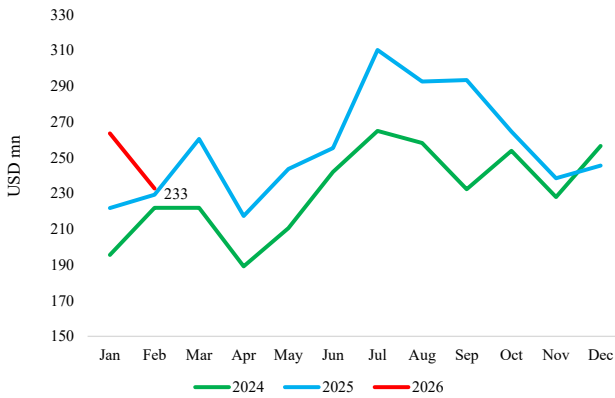


Volume and Unit Value Indices of Exports - Jan.-Feb.

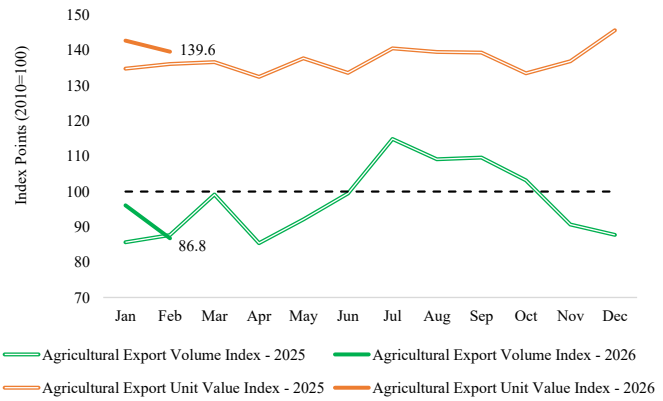


Agricultural Exports

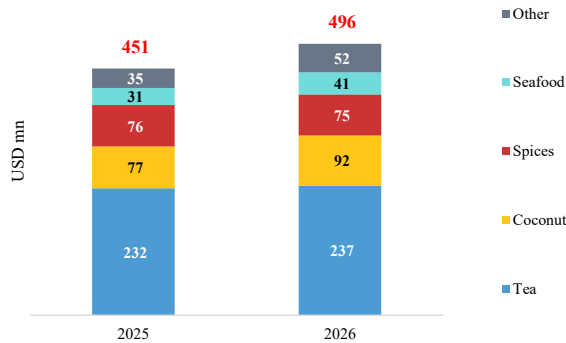
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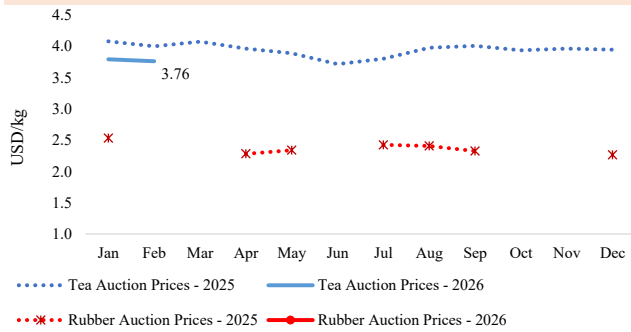
Volume and Unit Value Indices of Agricultural Exports



Performance of Agricultural Exports - Jan.-Feb.



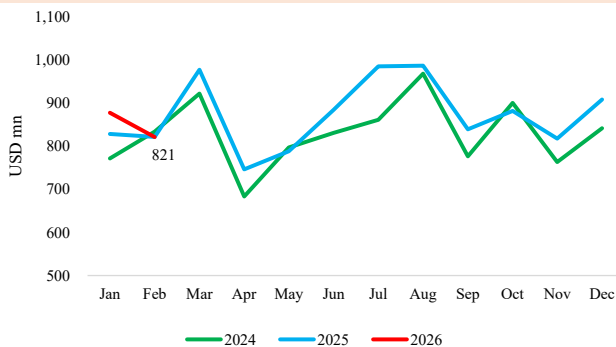
Tea and Rubber Prices



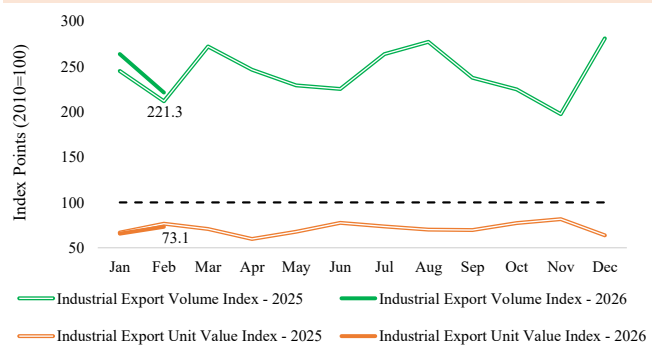
*Rubber (RSS) prices for February, March, June, October and November 2025 and January and February 2026 were not determined at the auction.

Industrial Exports

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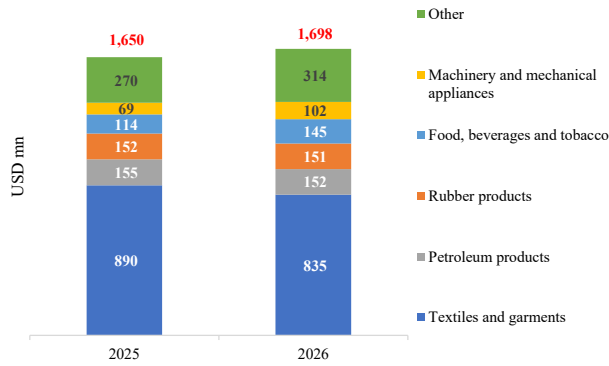


Volume and Unit Value Indices of Industrial Exports

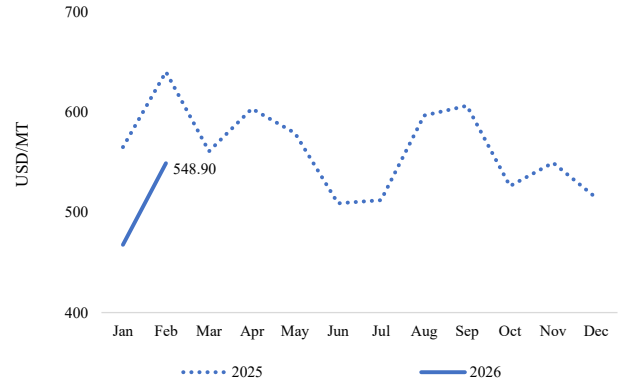


Industrial Exports (Continued...)

Performance of Industrial Exports - Jan.-Feb.

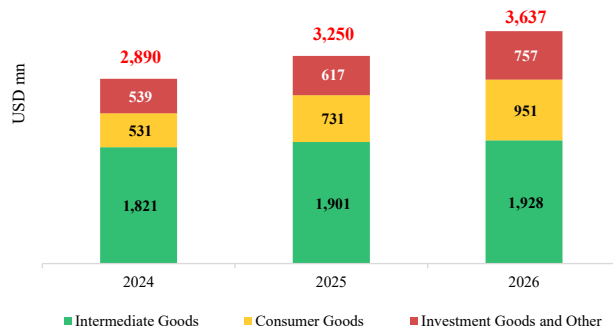


Bunker and Aviation Fuel Export Prices

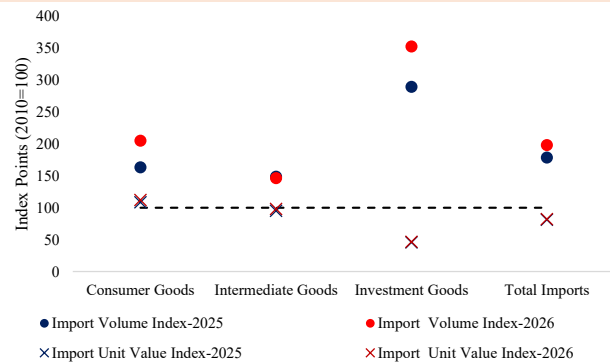


Merchandise Import Performance

Import Performance - Jan.-Feb.

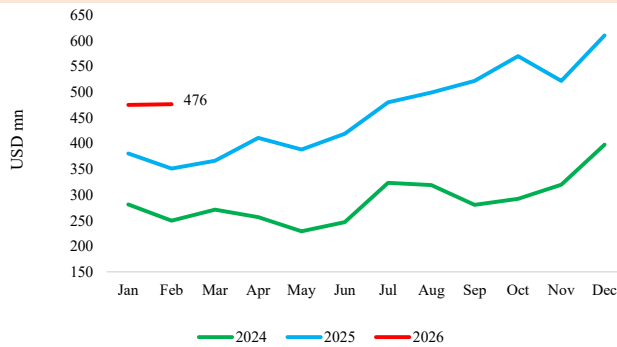


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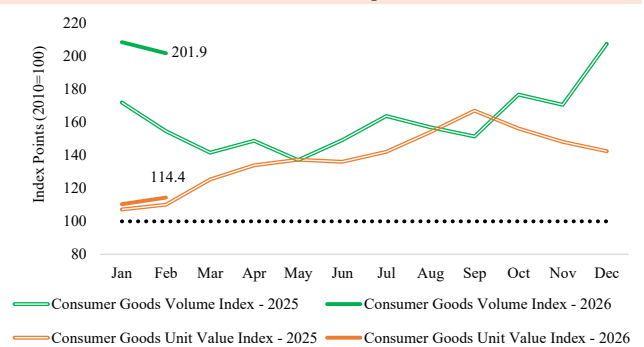


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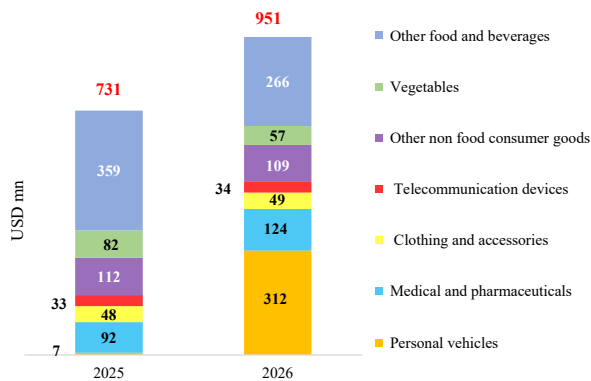
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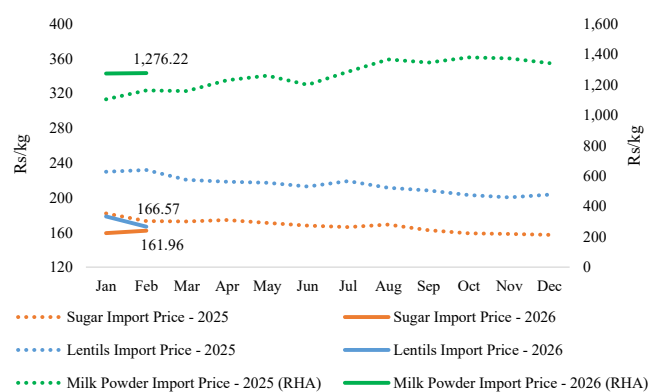
Volume and Unit Value Indices of Imports of Consumer Goods



Performance of Consumer Goods Imports - Jan.-Feb.

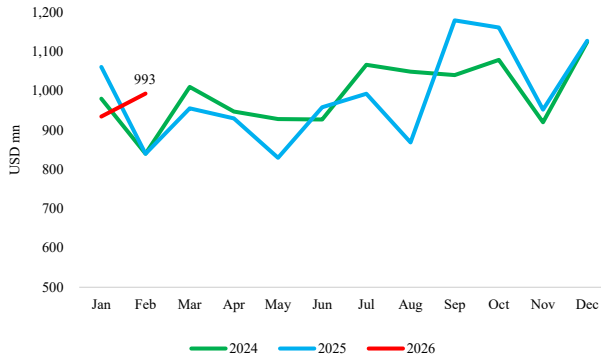


Average Import Prices of Sugar, Lentils and Milk Powder

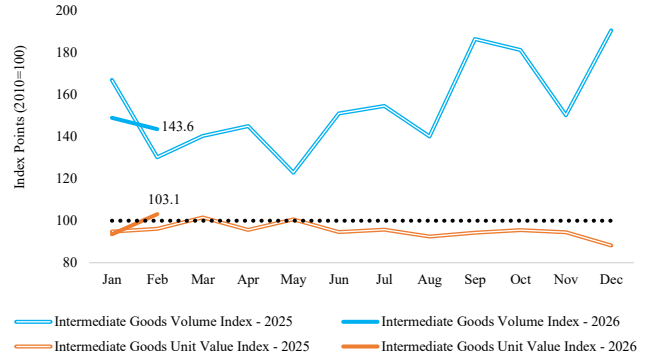


Intermediate Goods Imports

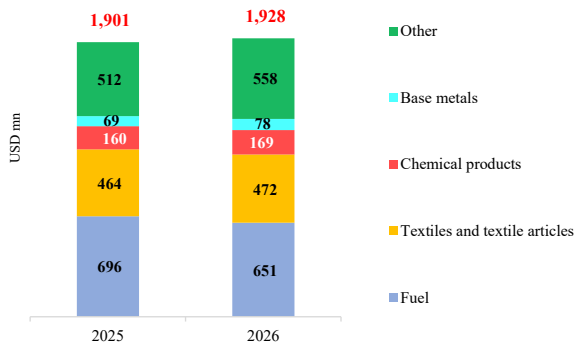
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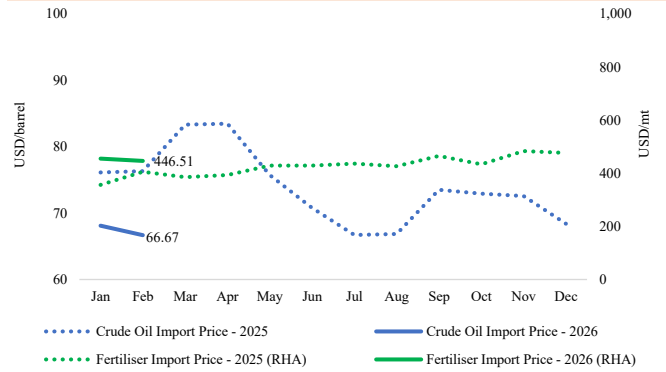
Volume and Unit Value Indices of Intermediate Goods Imports



Performance of Intermediate Goods Imports - Jan.-Feb.

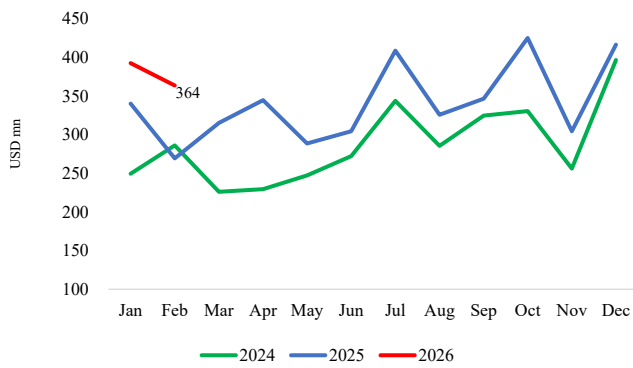


Crude Oil and Fertiliser Import Prices (Monthly Averages)

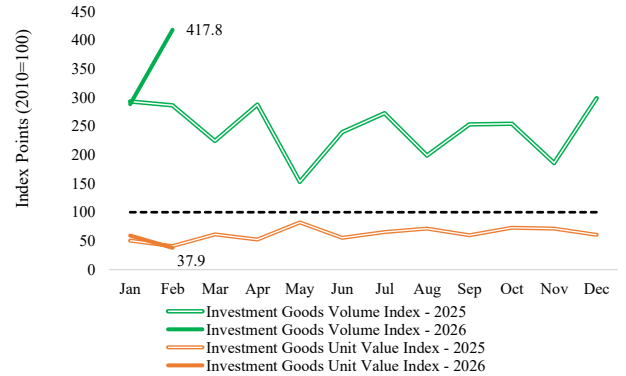


Investment Goods Imports

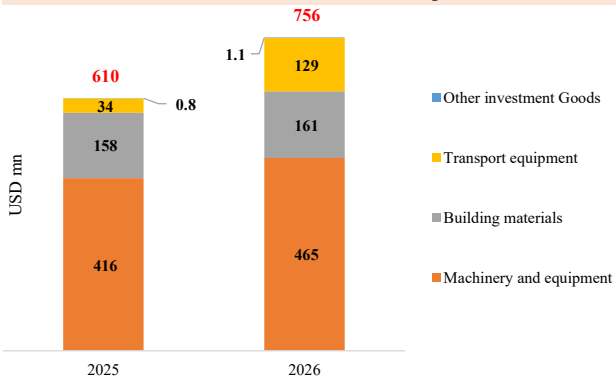
Imports of Investment Goods



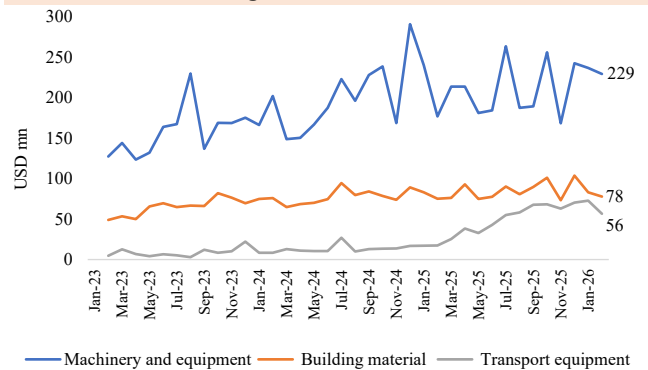
Volume and Unit Value Indices of Investment Goods Imports



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-25	Feb-26	Y-O-Y Change (%)	Jan-Feb 2025	Jan-Feb 2026	Y-O-Y Change (%)
Agricultural Exports		229.2	232.7	1.5	451.0	496.2	10.0
o/w	Tea	119.4	115.0	-3.7	232.1	236.8	2.0
	Coconut	41.6	47.6	14.4	76.6	91.8	19.8
	Spices	37.9	38.3	1.2	75.5	74.8	-0.9
	Seafood	13.6	11.3	-16.8	31.3	40.7	30.3
Industrial Exports		821.4	820.9	-0.1	1,649.7	1,698.2	2.9
o/w	Textiles and garments	428.3	385.9	-9.9	889.7	834.5	-6.2
	Rubber products	80.1	75.5	-5.8	151.9	151.0	-0.5
	Petroleum products	81.1	72.6	-10.5	154.6	151.7	-1.9
	Food, beverages and tobacco	58.3	73.9	26.8	114.2	145.0	27.0
	Machinery and mechanical appliances	36.7	52.4	42.7	69.2	101.6	46.8
	Gems, diamonds and jewellery	27.7	34.3	23.8	65.4	73.3	12.0
	Leather, travel goods and footwear	4.8	4.6	-3.3	9.0	8.2	-8.8
Mineral and Other Exports		2.3	4.1	82.7	5.0	12.2	142.5
Total Exports		1,052.9	1,057.8	0.5	2,105.7	2,206.5	4.8
Import Performance (USD mn)							
	Item	Feb-25	Feb-26	Y-O-Y Change (%)	Jan-Feb 2025	Jan-Feb 2026	Y-O-Y Change (%)
Consumer goods		351.0	476.3	35.7	731.3	951.3	30.1
Food and beverages		199.2	162.1	-18.7	440.6	322.9	-26.7
o/w	Vegetables (b)	38.7	25.6	-33.9	81.9	56.6	-30.9
	Rice	2.9	1.1	-63.5	54.5	3.8	-93.1
Non-food consumer goods		151.8	314.3	107.0	290.7	628.4	116.2
o/w	Medical and Pharmaceuticals	46.2	62.5	35.4	91.5	124.4	35.9
Intermediate goods		840.0	993.4	18.3	1,901.4	1,928.3	1.4
o/w	Fuel	278.4	398.0	43.0	696.0	651.4	-6.4
	Textiles and textile articles	230.8	228.9	-0.8	463.6	471.9	1.8
	Fertiliser	15.9	17.0	6.7	28.5	24.3	-14.6
	Wheat and maize	14.8	12.2	-17.7	56.2	74.2	32.2
Investment goods and other		273.2	364.1	33.3	617.1	757.5	22.8
o/w	Machinery and equipment	176.5	229.0	29.7	416.3	465.3	11.8
Total Imports		1,464.2	1,833.8	25.2	3,249.7	3,637.1	11.9
Trade Balance (USD mn)							
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Trade Balance		-411.3	-776.1		-1,144.0	-1,430.6	
Trade Indices and Terms of Trade (2010 = 100) (In USD terms)							
	Item	Feb-25	Feb-26	Y-O-Y Change (%)	Jan-Feb 2025	Jan-Feb 2026	Y-O-Y Change (%)
Export							
	Value index	146.5	147.2	0.5	146.5	153.5	4.8
	Volume index	172.3	179.8	4.4	184.0	196.1	6.6
	Unit value index	85.0	81.9	-3.7	79.6	78.3	-1.7
Import							
	Value index	131.0	164.1	25.2	145.4	162.8	11.9
	Volume index	165.6	209.3	26.4	178.9	198.2	10.8
	Unit value index	79.1	78.4	-0.9	81.3	82.1	1.0
Terms of Trade		107.4	104.4		98.0	95.4	

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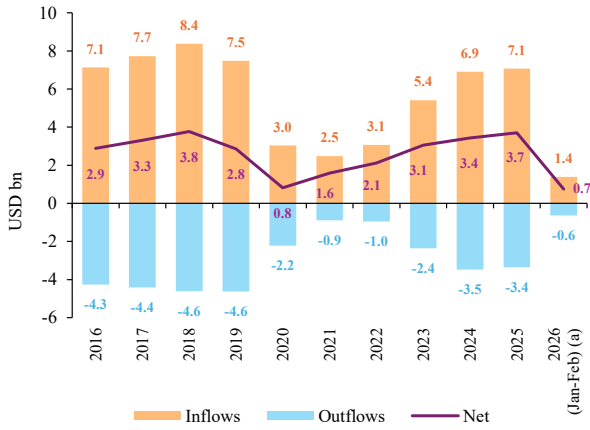
(b) includes lentils, onions, potatoes, leguminous vegetables and others

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

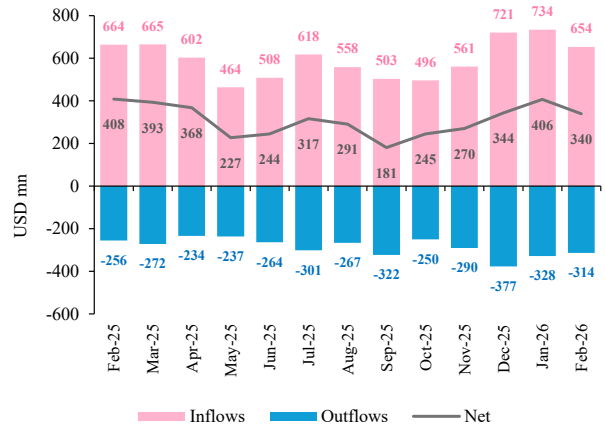
Note 2: Longer series of Merchandise Trade data can be accessed through : <https://www.cbsl.gov.lk/en/statistics/statistical-tables/external-sector>

Services Account

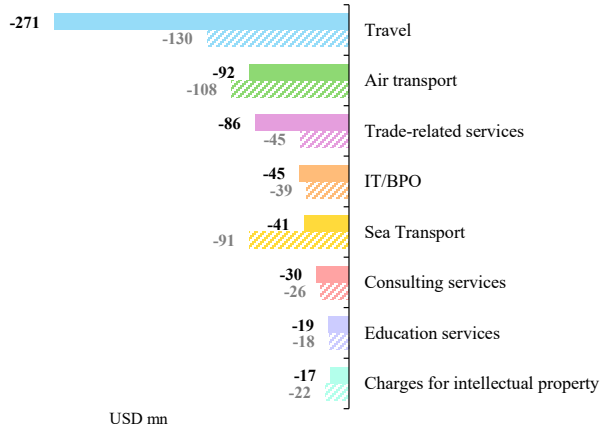
Services Account - Annual



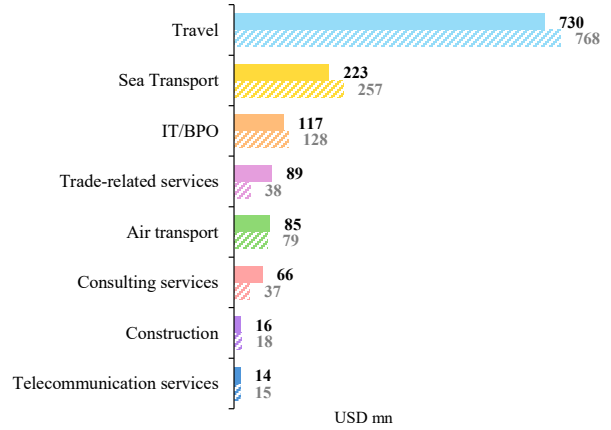
Services Account - Monthly (a)



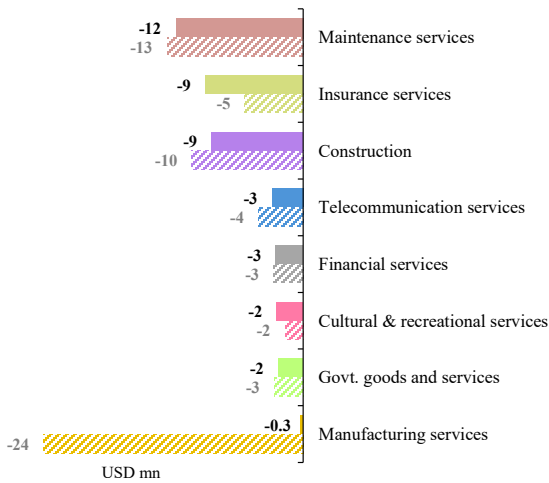
Major Services Outflows



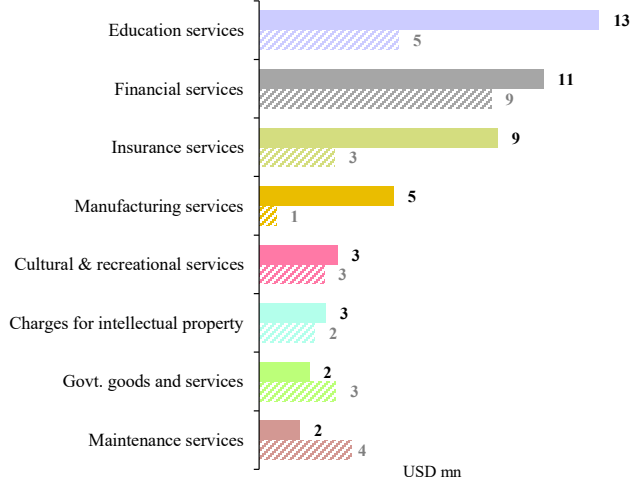
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Minor Services Inflows



Jan-Feb 2025

Jan-Feb 2026 (a)

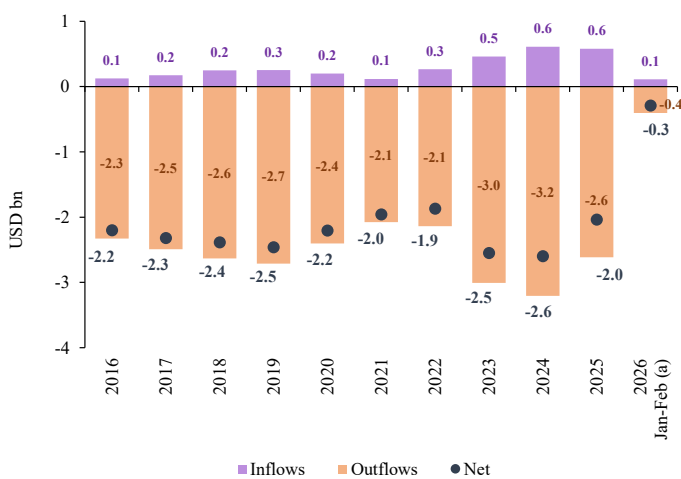
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Primary Income Account

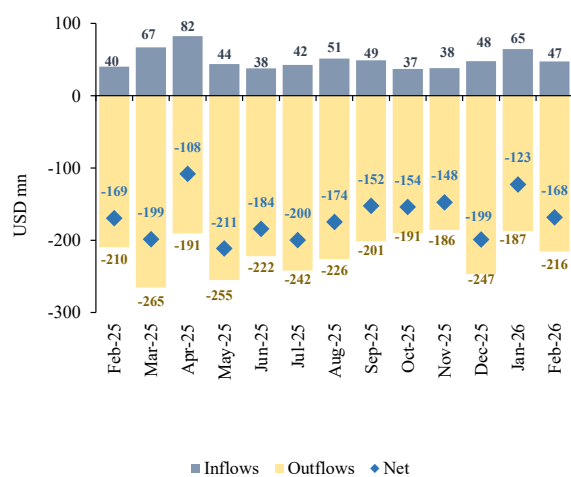
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Primary Income Account Outflows	209.8	215.7	2.8	390.2	402.9	3.3
<i>of which,</i>						
Direct Investment related Interest Outflows	68.1	68.1	0.1	147.2	133.6	-9.2
Dividends	49.8	39.1	-21.5	110.7	71.3	-35.6
Reinvested Earnings	18.2	29.0	59.1	36.5	62.3	70.6
Portfolio Investment related Outflows	38.5	65.7	70.7	76.7	113.4	47.9
<i>of which,</i>						
Government Bond Outflows	36.4	36.4	0.01	72.5	55.2	-23.8
Other Investment Interest	102.0	80.1	-21.4	163.0	151.6	-7.0
<i>Interest on Foreign Loans</i>						
Government	53.8	54.6	1.6	85.1	117.9	38.6
Central Bank	27.1	23.2	-14.4	38.6	27.4	-29.0
Deposit-taking Corporations	5.1	1.2	-77.1	10.4	2.6	-74.7
Other Sectors	16.0	1.1	-93.3	29.0	3.7	-87.1

Primary Income Account - Annual



Primary Income Account - Monthly (a)



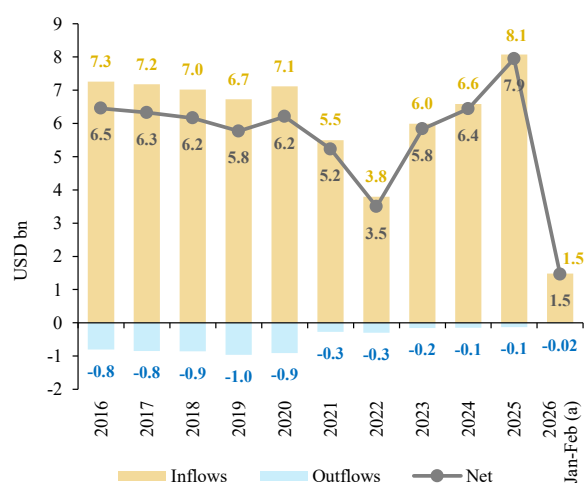
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Secondary Income Account

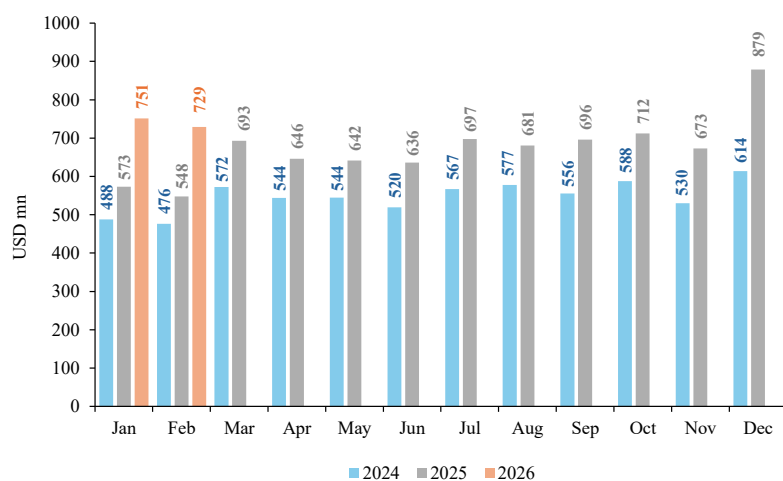
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General Government	0.1	0.1	-46.2	0.4	0.1	-60.9
Worker's Remittances (b)	548.1	729.0	33.0	1,121.1	1,480.1	32.0
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Secondary Income Account - Annual



Inward Workers' Remittances - Monthly

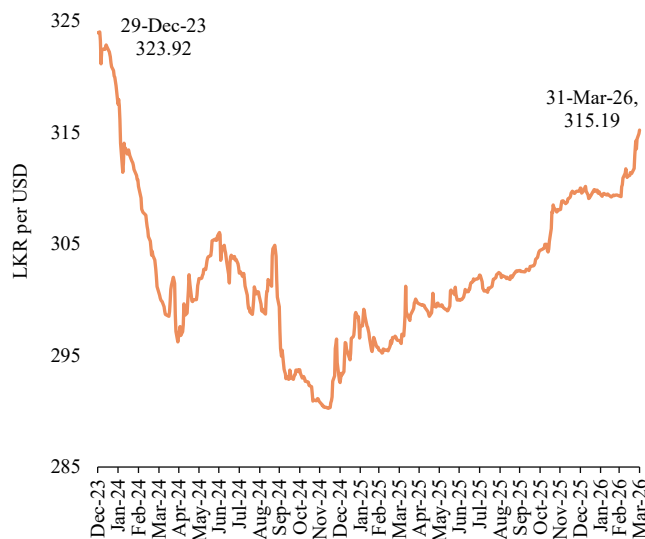


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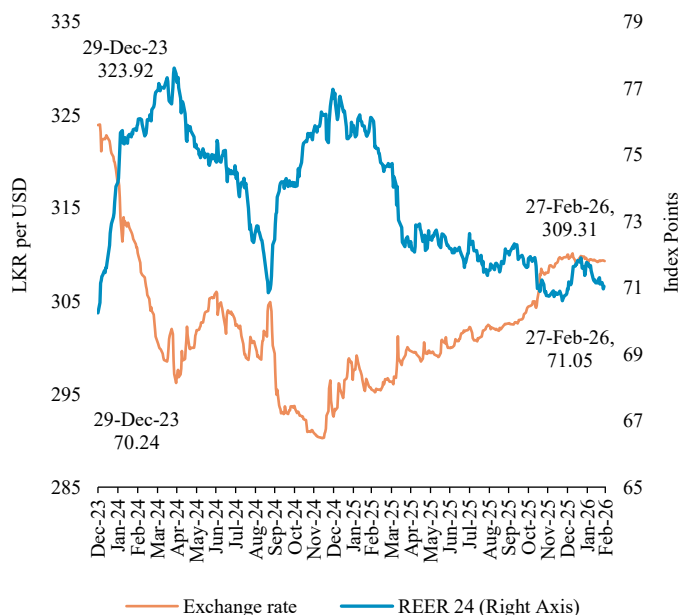
(b) Workers' remittances may include other remittances, such as those received following Cyclone Ditwah.

Exchange Rate Movements (a)

Movement of the Sri Lanka rupee against the US dollar



Movement of Exchange rate and REER 24 (End Dec 2023 - End Feb 2026)



Movement of the Sri Lanka rupee against Selected Currencies *

Currency	2024	2025	2026 (up to 31 Mar)
US dollar	10.7%	-5.6%	-1.6%
Euro	17.8%	-16.3%	0.6%
Pound sterling	12.3%	-12.0%	0.2%
Chinese yuan (Renminbi)	13.9%	-9.6%	-2.8%
Japanese yen	22.5%	-5.6%	0.4%
Australian dollar	21.7%	-12.2%	-4.1%
Indian rupee	13.9%	-1.0%	3.9%

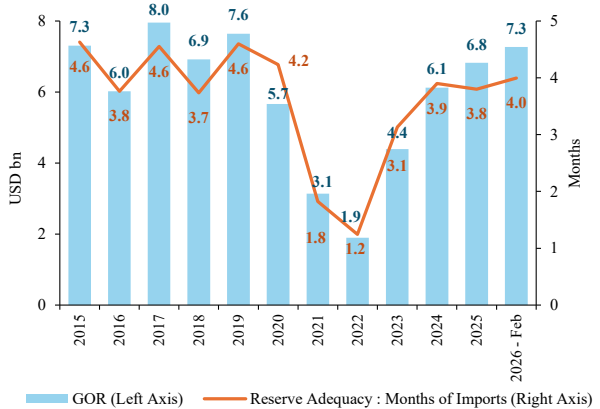
* Depreciation (-) / Appreciation (+)

(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

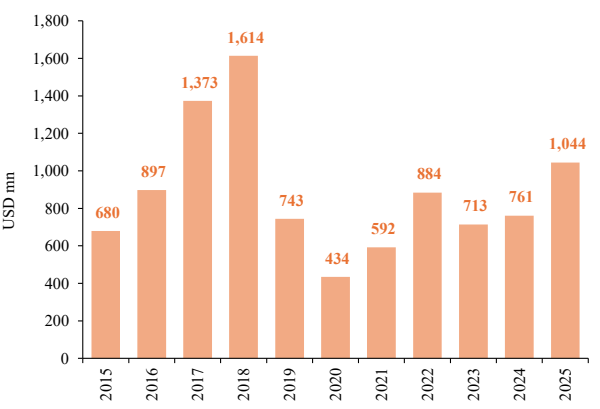
Gross Official Reserves (GOR) and Reserve Adequacy - End Period (a)



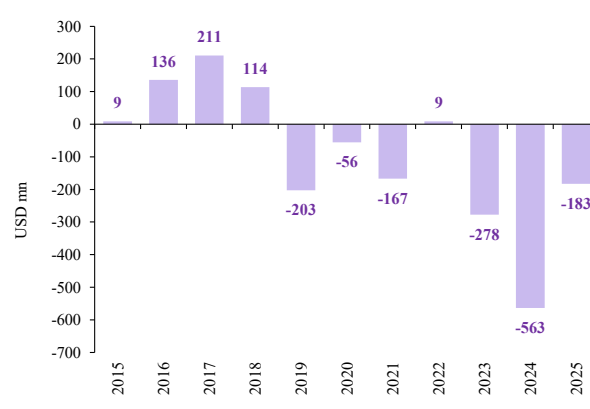
Foreign Assets and Liabilities of the Banking Sector



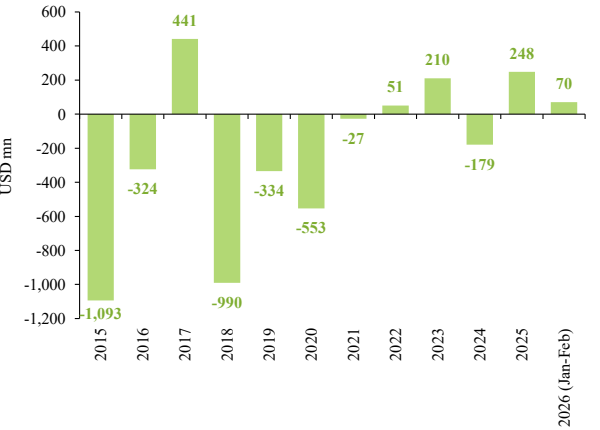
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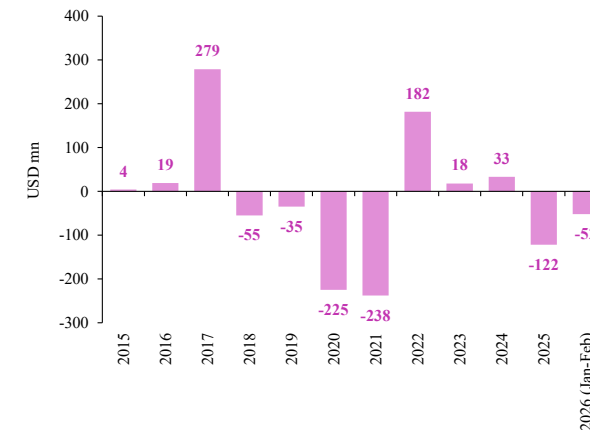
Foreign Loans to Private Sector (net)



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	February 2025 (USD mn)	February 2026 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Feb 2025 (USD mn)	Jan-Feb 2026 (USD mn)	Change (%)
1. Industrial exports	821.4	820.9	-0.1	1,649.7	1,698.2	2.9
Food, beverages and tobacco	58.3	73.9	26.8	114.2	145.0	27.0
Animal fodder	11.8	18.3	55.0	23.6	34.7	47.2
Textiles and garments	428.3	385.9	-9.9	889.7	834.5	-6.2
o/w Garments	398.8	352.3	-11.7	827.2	769.3	-7.0
Textiles	20.0	23.9	19.2	43.9	46.3	5.3
Other made-up textile articles	9.5	9.7	2.5	18.6	18.9	2.1
Rubber products	80.1	75.5	-5.8	151.9	151.0	-0.5
Gems, diamonds and jewellery	27.7	34.3	23.8	65.4	73.3	12.0
Machinery and mechanical appliances	36.7	52.4	42.7	69.2	101.6	46.8
Transport equipment	8.8	6.3	-28.2	13.3	14.7	11.1
Petroleum products	81.1	72.6	-10.5	154.6	151.7	-1.9
Chemical products	19.5	27.7	41.9	41.4	55.1	33.0
Wood and paper products	9.6	12.4	28.8	19.3	21.6	11.7
Printing industry products	2.8	2.8	1.9	3.5	3.9	12.5
Leather, travel goods and footwear	4.8	4.6	-3.3	9.0	8.2	-8.8
Plastics and articles thereof	3.9	4.8	23.8	8.0	10.2	27.5
Base metals and articles	13.4	17.3	28.9	27.2	34.0	24.9
Ceramic products	3.0	2.5	-16.5	4.6	4.7	1.0
Other industrial exports	31.5	29.6	-6.2	55.0	54.0	-1.8
2. Agricultural exports	229.2	232.7	1.5	451.0	496.2	10.0
Tea	119.4	115.0	-3.7	232.1	236.8	2.0
Rubber	3.0	2.9	-1.5	6.3	5.3	-15.8
Coconut	41.6	47.6	14.4	76.6	91.8	19.8
Spices	37.9	38.3	1.2	75.5	74.8	-0.9
Vegetables	1.2	1.0	-15.7	3.6	5.0	40.0
Unmanufactured tobacco	2.6	2.1	-19.9	3.7	5.7	52.8
Minor agricultural products	10.0	14.5	44.4	21.8	36.0	65.1
Seafood	13.6	11.3	-16.8	31.3	40.7	30.3
3. Mineral exports	1.4	3.4	142.7	2.5	8.7	250.9
4. Unclassified exports	0.8	0.7	-17.5	2.5	3.5	36.1
Total exports	1,052.9	1,057.8	0.5	2,105.7	2,206.5	4.8

(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

<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 2025 (USD mn)	February 2026 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Feb 2025 (USD mn)	Jan-Feb 2026 (USD mn)	Change (%)
1. Consumer goods	351.0	476.3	35.7	731.3	951.3	30.1
Food and beverages	199.2	162.1	-18.7	440.6	322.9	-26.7
Cereals and milling industry products	6.5	3.5	-46.5	63.0	8.5	-86.5
Dairy products	41.7	40.2	-3.6	59.4	71.5	20.4
Vegetables (b)	38.7	25.6	-33.9	81.9	56.6	-30.9
Seafood	7.9	17.3	120.7	19.4	37.3	91.9
Sugar and confectionery	43.0	15.0	-65.1	86.4	32.3	-62.6
Spices	6.4	15.4	140.4	16.7	25.8	54.7
Oils and Fats	38.3	25.2	-34.3	77.5	45.6	-41.2
Other food and beverages	16.8	19.9	18.6	36.3	45.3	24.7
Non-food consumer goods	151.8	314.3	107.0	290.7	628.4	116.2
Personal vehicles	3.5	148.4	4,100.2	6.5	312.2	4,696.8
Medical and pharmaceuticals	46.2	62.5	35.4	91.5	124.4	35.9
Home appliances	21.4	23.6	10.0	38.8	41.9	8.0
Clothing and accessories	25.6	27.5	7.6	48.2	49.3	2.3
Telecommunication devices	20.2	18.8	-6.7	32.6	33.6	3.1
Household and furniture items	14.1	13.0	-8.0	28.8	26.1	-9.3
Other non-food consumables	20.8	20.4	-1.9	44.2	40.9	-7.5
2. Intermediate goods	840.0	993.4	18.3	1,901.4	1,928.3	1.4
Fuel	278.4	398.0	43.0	696.0	651.4	-6.4
o/w Crude oil	55.8	96.8	73.7	167.3	146.9	-12.2
Refined petroleum	194.3	271.4	39.7	466.0	451.7	-3.1
Coal	28.3	29.7	4.8	62.8	52.8	-15.9
Diamonds, precious stones, and metals	7.1	13.5	90.0	13.6	29.5	116.2
Textiles and textile articles	230.8	228.9	-0.8	463.6	471.9	1.8
Paper and paperboard and articles thereof	31.5	31.1	-1.3	63.6	58.4	-8.1
Agricultural inputs	20.2	25.1	24.0	44.2	57.0	28.8
Wheat and maize	14.8	12.2	-17.7	56.2	74.2	32.2
Base metals	20.7	26.1	25.9	69.4	78.1	12.6
Plastics and articles thereof	46.1	47.0	1.8	101.0	98.2	-2.8
Chemical products	78.5	83.1	6.0	159.9	169.0	5.7
Fertiliser	15.9	17.0	6.7	28.5	24.3	-14.6
Rubber and articles thereof	22.4	21.6	-3.6	48.2	45.4	-6.0
Mineral products	11.7	22.8	95.5	24.3	36.2	48.6
Other intermediate goods	61.7	67.0	8.5	132.7	134.6	1.4
3. Investment goods	269.4	363.7	35.0	609.5	756.3	24.1
Machinery and equipment	176.5	229.0	29.7	416.3	465.3	11.8
Building material	74.9	77.8	3.8	158.0	160.8	1.7
Transport equipment	17.4	56.4	223.4	34.4	129.1	274.7
o/w Commercial Vehicles	6.2	45.2	627.9	13.9	105.4	660.2
Other investment goods	0.5	0.5	2.7	0.8	1.1	49.6
4. Unclassified imports	3.8	0.5	-87.8	7.5	1.2	-83.7
Total imports	1,464.2	1,833.8	25.2	3,249.7	3,637.1	11.9
o/w Non-fuel imports	1,185.8	1,435.9	21.1	2,553.7	2,985.7	16.9

(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 2025 (USD mn)	February 2026 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Feb 2025 (USD mn)	Jan-Feb 2026 (USD mn)	Change (%)
0. Food and live animals	238.6	263.0	10.2	475.0	553.7	16.6
03 Fish and fish preparations	16.8	20.7	23.6	39.5	60.7	53.8
04 Cereals and cereal preparations	6.8	7.4	8.1	13.2	15.3	16.1
05 Vegetables and fruit	40.1	53.4	33.0	79.0	112.3	42.2
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	156.1	154.5	-1.0	306.4	313.5	2.3
1. Beverages and tobacco	13.5	12.3	-9.2	25.1	27.1	7.9
11 Beverages	6.5	4.3	-33.0	12.6	9.8	-22.4
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	7.0	7.9	12.7	12.5	17.3	38.4
2. Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	38.1	39.5	3.8	70.6	80.9	14.6
23 Crude rubber	3.2	3.0	-3.4	6.6	5.5	-16.1
26 Textile fibres and their wastes	24.7	14.6	-41.1	44.2	29.1	-34.2
3. Mineral fuels, lubricants, and related materials	81.1	72.6	-10.5	154.6	151.7	-1.9
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	81.1	72.6	-10.5	154.6	146.0	-5.6
34 Gas, natural and manufactured	0.0	0.0		0.0	5.7	
4. Animal and vegetable oils, fats, and waxes	13.2	17.5	32.6	26.1	33.7	28.9
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated	8.8	11.9	35.3	16.2	24.8	53.5
5. Chemicals and related products, n.e.s.	23.9	32.7	36.6	49.9	65.2	30.6
6. Manufactured goods classified chiefly by materials	136.3	145.3	6.6	273.1	286.5	4.9
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.	56.2	52.7	-6.1	99.9	103.2	3.3
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, etc., n.e.s.	28.3	31.5	11.5	60.0	59.9	0.0
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.	34.0	36.8	8.2	75.8	77.9	2.8
7. Machinery, transport equipment	44.5	56.9	27.9	80.5	112.5	39.7
77 Electric machinery, apparatus, and appliances, n.e.s. and electrical parts thereof	22.0	25.9	18.2	43.6	52.6	20.7
8. Miscellaneous manufactured articles	463.7	418.2	-9.8	950.8	895.6	-5.8
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	425.4	378.0	-11.1	884.0	822.7	-6.9
9. Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere in the SITC	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	
Total exports	1,052.9	1,057.8	0.5	2,105.7	2,206.9	4.8

(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 2025 (USD mn)	February 2026 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Feb 2025 (USD mn)	Jan-Feb 2026 (USD mn)	Change (%)
0. Food and live animals	203.8	187.6	-8.0	479.6	427.1	-10.9
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	41.7	32.3	-22.6	59.4	71.7	20.6
03 Fish and fish preparations	8.1	8.4	4.4	19.7	37.7	91.3
04 Cereals and cereal preparations	20.7	30.4	46.5	118.1	81.9	-30.6
05 Vegetables and fruit	46.3	52.3	13.0	96.6	74.1	-23.3
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey	43.0	43.5	1.1	86.4	32.3	-62.6
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	13.4	20.9	56.0	32.4	43.8	34.9
1. Beverages and tobacco	6.5	8.2	25.4	17.1	22.0	28.9
2. Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	33.3	39.7	19.1	75.5	83.6	10.8
23 Crude rubber	18.7	21.6	15.4	41.2	39.3	-4.6
26 Textile fibres and their wastes	0.6	1.0	88.9	1.7	2.7	57.5
3. Mineral fuels, lubricants, and related materials	278.4	360.7	29.6	696.0	651.4	-6.4
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	218.8	271.3	24.0	565.8	551.1	-2.6
34 Gas, natural and manufactured	31.2	47.8	53.2	67.4	47.5	-29.5
4. Animal and vegetable oils, fats, and waxes	46.7	37.2	-20.4	89.6	44.7	-50.1
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated	44.6	35.2	-21.2	85.3	43.4	-49.1
5. Chemicals and related products, n.e.s.	184.1	205.9	11.8	373.1	412.1	10.5
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products	43.2	46.6	8.0	82.4	114.8	39.4
56 Fertilisers, manufactured	15.9	22.9	43.6	28.5	24.0	-15.8
57 Plastics in primary forms	28.0	31.7	13.3	61.6	62.4	1.4
58 Plastics in non-primary forms	13.6	11.3	-16.9	30.3	29.0	-4.1
6. Manufactured goods classified chiefly by materials	381.2	362.8	-4.8	804.0	840.7	4.6
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles thereof	29.7	32.1	8.2	59.5	56.2	-5.7
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, etc., n.e.s.	227.0	209.1	-7.9	455.4	463.4	1.8
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.	32.6	34.3	5.1	65.0	91.6	41.0
67 Iron and steel	23.0	28.8	24.9	91.4	90.3	-1.2
7. Machinery, transport equipment	236.3	305.1	29.2	534.7	994.5	86.0
72 Machinery specialized for particular industries	37.0	31.6	-14.5	74.2	107.6	45.0
74 General industrial machinery and equipment and machine parts, n.e.s.	45.9	75.7	64.7	148.9	123.1	-17.3
75 Office machines and automatic data-processing machines	13.2	20.9	58.8	28.9	52.9	83.0
76 Telecommunications and sound-recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	42.4	40.6	-4.2	77.1	107.7	39.7
77 Electric machinery, apparatus and appliances, n.e.s. and electrical parts thereof	47.1	49.5	5.0	97.3	102.3	5.1
78 Road vehicles	22.3	54.0	142.5	51.4	448.1	772.5
8. Miscellaneous manufactured articles	93.1	87.9	-5.7	175.7	159.9	-9.0
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	23.1	21.8	-5.6	43.8	41.2	-6.0
87 Professional, scientific, and controlling instruments and apparatus n.e.s.	16.3	19.4	19.2	32.3	35.0	8.3
9. Commodities and transactions not elsewhere specified in SITC	0.8	0.3	-55.9	4.5	1.0	-77.6
Total imports	1,464.2	1,833.8	25.2	3,249.7	3,637.1	11.9

(a) Provisional

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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

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

Services Account – Inflows (a)

	Feb 2025 (USD mn)	Feb 2026 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Feb 2025 (USD mn)	Jan-Feb 2026 (USD mn)	Change (%)
Services	664.5	653.7	-1.6	1,370.2	1,388.1	1.3
Manufacturing services	0.7	1.8	174.9	0.7	5.2	
Maintenance and repair services	0.6	0.9	55.3	3.6	1.6	-56.2
Transport	168.7	123.7	-26.7	336.7	308.1	-8.5
Sea transport	128.2	83.6	-34.8	257.2	223.4	-13.1
Passenger	0.003	0.01	71.9	0.003	0.01	125.3
Freight	66.9	46.5	-30.5	159.9	131.3	-17.9
Other	61.2	37.1	-39.5	97.2	92.1	-5.3
Air transport	40.4	40.1	-0.8	79.4	84.7	6.6
Passenger	29.9	26.6	-11.0	57.9	61.1	5.5
Freight	2.9	2.0	-32.8	5.9	3.8	-36.2
Other	7.6	11.6	51.7	15.6	19.8	26.6
Postal services	0.1	0.01	-86.0	0.1	0.1	7.5
Travel	367.6	352.0	-4.2	768.2	730.3	-4.9
Construction	6.9	11.2	62.0	17.9	15.7	-12.1
Construction abroad	1.3	5.0	281.8	3.3	5.3	60.4
Construction in the reporting economy	1.7	2.5	50.5	3.7	4.5	23.3
Architectural, engineering & other technical services	3.9	3.7	-5.9	10.9	5.9	-45.9
Insurance and pension services	0.9	6.8		2.9	9.3	215.2
Direct insurance	0.9	6.3		1.9	7.4	293.2
Reinsurance	0.05	0.5		1.0	1.8	74.0
Financial services	4.0	7.3	80.3	9.0	11.1	22.5
Charges for the use of intellectual property	0.2	1.6		2.2	2.6	19.5
Telecommunications, computer, and information services	71.2	56.6	-20.6	142.2	130.9	-7.9
Telecommunications services	8.7	6.6	-24.7	14.7	14.4	-2.1
Computer & IT/BPO related services	62.5	50.0	-20.0	127.5	116.5	-8.6
Computer services	61.6	49.9	-19.0	125.6	116.3	-7.4
Information services	0.9	0.1	-86.9	1.9	0.3	-85.6
Other business services	41.2	89.7	117.9	81.2	168.3	107.4
Education services	2.4	4.4	82.7	5.4	13.2	143.3
Professional and management consulting services	20.3	38.1	88.0	37.3	66.4	78.3
Technical, trade-related, and other business services	18.5	47.1	155.4	38.5	88.7	130.5
Personal, cultural, and recreational services	1.5	1.2	-21.0	2.5	3.0	20.1
Audiovisual and related services	0.8	0.9	21.1	0.8	2.3	202.6
Other personal, cultural, and recreational services	0.8	0.3	-61.5	1.8	0.8	-56.9
Government goods and services	1.0	0.9	-12.9	3.0	1.9	-34.9

(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)

	Feb 2025 (USD mn)	Feb 2026 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Feb 2025 (USD mn)	Jan-Feb 2026 (USD mn)	Change (%)
Services	256.1	313.6	22.5	543.5	641.6	18.1
Manufacturing services	10.4	0.2	-97.9	24.4	0.3	-98.9
Maintenance and repair services	5.8	5.3	-8.7	12.8	12.0	-6.4
Transport	87.5	61.2	-30.1	199.5	133.3	-33.2
Sea transport	37.4	18.7	-50.0	91.4	41.2	-55.0
Passenger	0.01	0.02	136.2	0.01	0.1	
Freight	35.1	17.9	-48.9	87.1	40.1	-54.0
Other	2.3	0.8	-66.8	4.3	1.0	-76.9
Air transport	50.0	42.4	-15.3	108.0	91.5	-15.3
Passenger	18.8	12.0	-36.4	40.8	24.0	-41.1
Freight	20.7	22.7	9.5	47.7	45.9	-3.8
Other	10.5	7.7	-26.7	19.5	21.6	10.8
Postal services	0.1	0.1	75.8	0.1	0.6	
Travel	78.0	137.5	76.3	130.4	270.9	107.7
Construction	2.5	5.4	119.7	10.5	8.6	-17.7
Construction abroad	0.2	3.1		0.2	3.3	
Construction in the reporting economy	0.1	0.3		2.1	0.4	-81.0
Architectural, engineering & other technical services	2.2	1.9	-13.5	8.2	4.9	-40.2
Insurance and pension services	2.5	4.4	75.1	5.5	9.2	67.8
Direct insurance	0.6	1.4	142.7	1.6	2.5	60.5
Reinsurance	1.9	3.0	55.1	3.9	6.7	70.8
Financial services	1.8	1.8	-1.9	2.8	2.6	-7.4
Charges for the use of intellectual property	7.6	10.3	35.8	21.6	16.9	-21.7
Telecommunications, computer, and information services	20.0	23.4	17.1	43.0	48.3	12.3
Telecommunications services	2.2	1.6	-27.6	4.2	2.9	-30.2
Computer & IT/BPO related services	17.7	21.8	22.7	38.7	45.3	17.0
Computer services	17.1	20.3	18.6	37.1	43.6	17.3
Information services	0.6	1.4	139.9	1.6	1.8	9.6
Other business services	38.8	61.6	58.9	88.8	134.8	51.9
Education services	8.0	9.5	19.1	18.0	18.7	4.0
Professional and management consulting services	9.0	13.3	47.1	26.0	29.8	14.6
Technical, trade-related, and other business services	21.7	38.8	78.4	44.7	86.3	92.9
Personal, cultural, and recreational services	0.7	1.3	88.2	1.7	2.5	45.6
Audiovisual and related services	0.7	1.2	69.1	1.7	2.2	29.8
Other personal, cultural, and recreational services	0.005	0.1		0.005	0.3	
Government goods and services	0.7	1.3	85.9	2.7	2.3	-13.7

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Sources: SLTDA, ITRS – CBSL

Services Account – Net (a)

	Feb 2025 (USD mn)	Feb 2026 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Feb 2025 (USD mn)	Jan-Feb 2026 (USD mn)	Change (%)
Services	408.4	340.1	-16.7	826.7	746.5	-9.7
Manufacturing services	-9.7	1.6	-116.4	-23.7	4.9	-120.8
Maintenance and repair services	-5.2	-4.4	-16.1	-9.2	-10.4	13.2
Transport	81.2	62.5	-23.0	137.2	174.8	27.4
Sea transport	90.8	64.9	-28.6	165.8	182.2	9.9
Passenger	-0.01	-0.02	164.5	-0.01	-0.1	
Freight	31.9	28.6	-10.3	72.9	91.2	25.1
Other	58.9	36.3	-38.4	92.9	91.1	-2.0
Air transport	-9.6	-2.2	-76.7	-28.6	-6.9	-76.0
Passenger	11.0	14.6	32.2	17.0	37.0	117.3
Freight	-17.8	-20.7	16.5	-41.8	-42.1	0.7
Other	-2.8	3.9	-237.4	-3.8	-1.8	-53.5
Postal services	0.003	-0.1		0.003	-0.5	
Travel	289.6	214.5	-25.9	637.9	459.4	-28.0
Construction	4.4	5.8	30.0	7.4	7.1	-4.3
Construction abroad	1.1	1.8	61.2	3.1	2.0	-35.9
Construction in the reporting economy	1.6	2.2	35.3	1.6	4.1	156.9
Architectural, engineering & other technical services	1.7	1.8	4.0	2.7	1.0	-63.1
Insurance and pension services	-1.5	2.5	-261.4	-2.5	0.1	-102.4
Direct insurance	0.3	4.9		0.3	4.9	
Reinsurance	-1.9	-2.4	31.0	-2.9	-4.9	69.6
Financial services	2.2	5.5	146.0	6.2	8.5	35.9
Charges for the use of intellectual property	-7.4	-8.7	17.3	-19.4	-14.3	-26.3
Telecommunications, computer, and information services	51.3	33.2	-35.3	99.3	82.7	-16.7
Telecommunications services	6.5	5.0	-23.7	10.5	11.5	9.2
Computer & IT/BPO related services	44.8	28.2	-37.0	88.8	71.2	-19.8
Computer services	44.5	29.5	-33.6	88.5	72.7	-17.8
Information services	0.3	-1.3		0.3	-1.5	
Other business services	2.4	28.1		-7.6	33.5	
Education services	-5.6	-5.1	-8.8	-12.6	-5.5	-56.3
Professional and management consulting services	11.2	24.8	121.0	11.2	36.6	226.0
Technical, trade-related, and other business services	-3.3	8.4	-355.7	-6.3	2.4	-138.0
Personal, cultural, and recreational services	0.8	-0.1	-114.7	0.8	0.6	-32.7
Audiovisual and related services	0.05	-0.3		-1.0	0.1	-106.4
Other personal, cultural, and recreational services	0.8	0.2	-79.6	1.8	0.5	-72.2
Government goods and services	0.3	-0.5	-269.8	0.3	-0.4	-244.2

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