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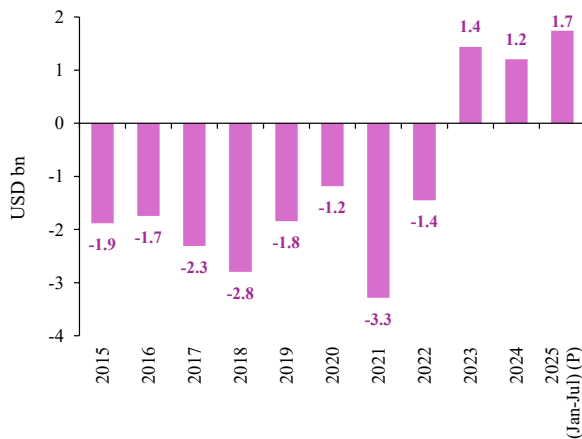
Current Account

Summary of Current Account (a)

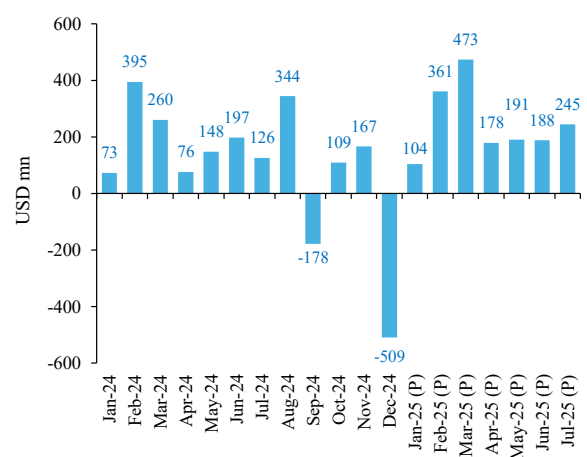
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Current Account Balance	125.6	244.6	94.6	1,274.1	1,739.6	36.5
Trade Balance	-603.8	-580.0		-3,143.8	-3,850.1	
Merchandise Exports	1,130.3	1,302.2	15.2	7,274.7	7,794.3	7.1
Merchandise Imports	1,734.1	1,882.2	8.5	10,418.5	11,644.4	11.8
Services Account (net)	394.9	316.7	-19.8	2,300.4	2,375.8	3.3
Services Account - Inflows	677.7	618.0	-8.8	3,996.0	4,227.5	5.8
Services Account - Outflows	282.8	301.3	6.5	1,695.6	1,851.7	9.2
Primary Income Account (net)	-219.8	-182.6		-1,510.4	-1,143.0	
Primary Income Account - Inflows	52.3	54.6	4.5	303.9	422.1	38.9
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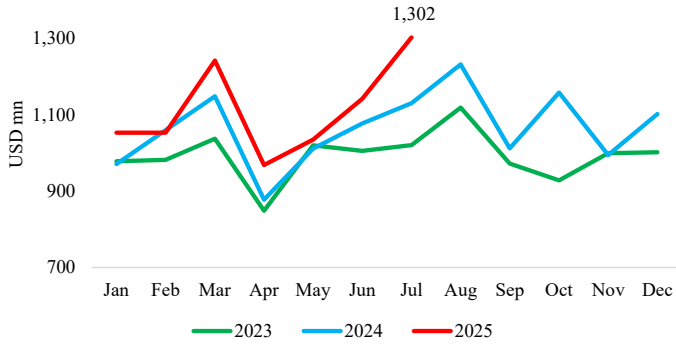


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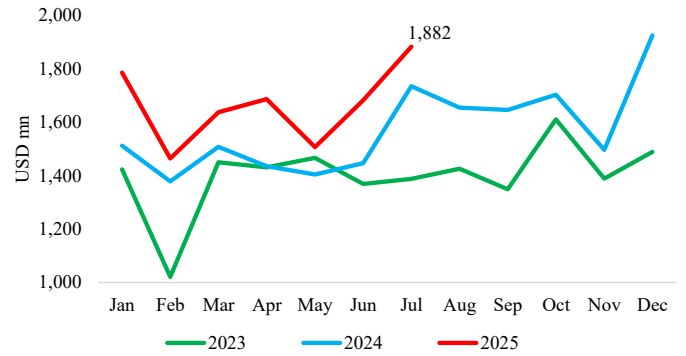


Merchandise Trade Highlights

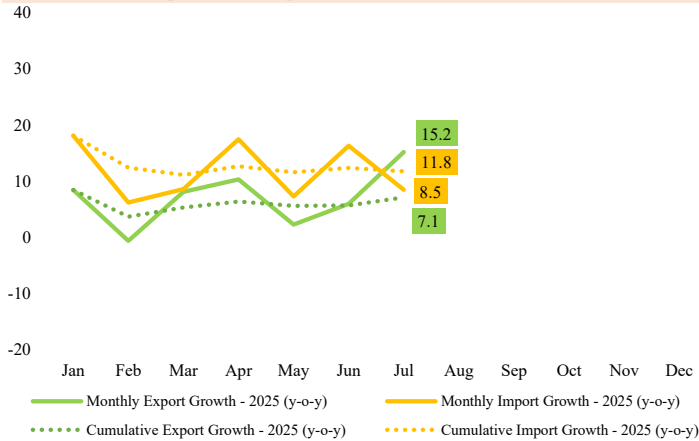
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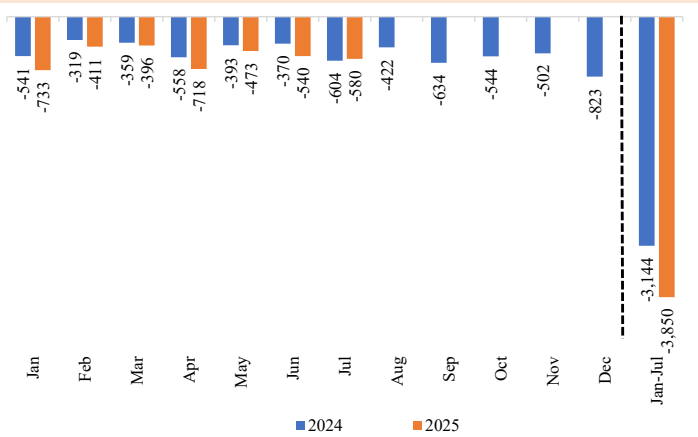
Monthly Import Performance



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

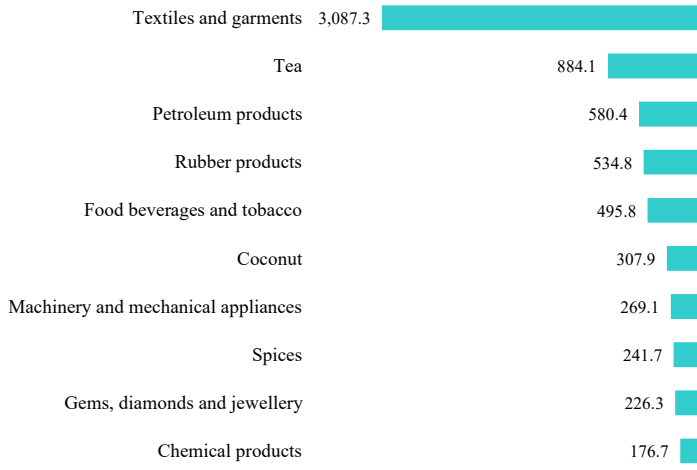


Trade Balance (USD mn)

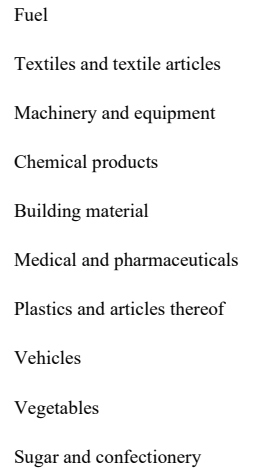


Major Merchandise Export and Import Categories - January - July 2025

Exports (USD mn)

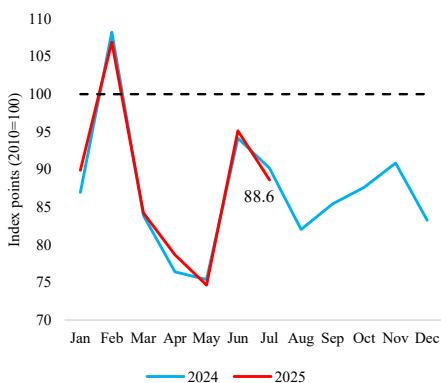


Imports (USD mn)

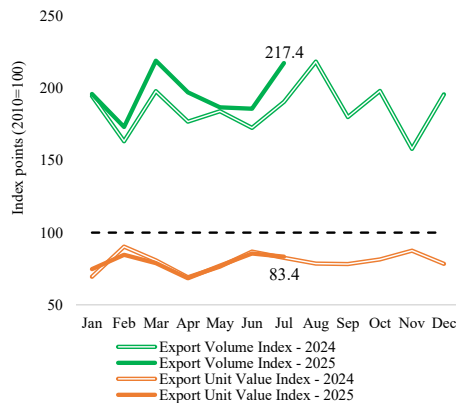


Terms of Trade and Merchandise Trade Indices (in USD terms)

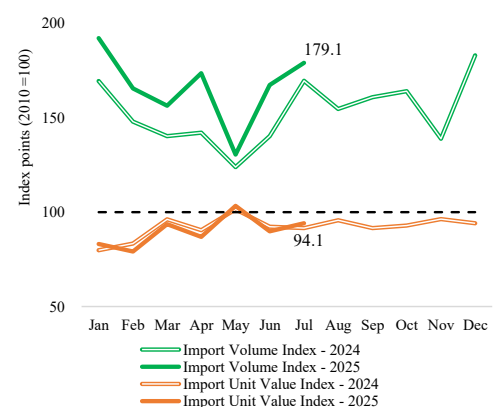
Terms of Trade



Export Volume and Unit Value Indices

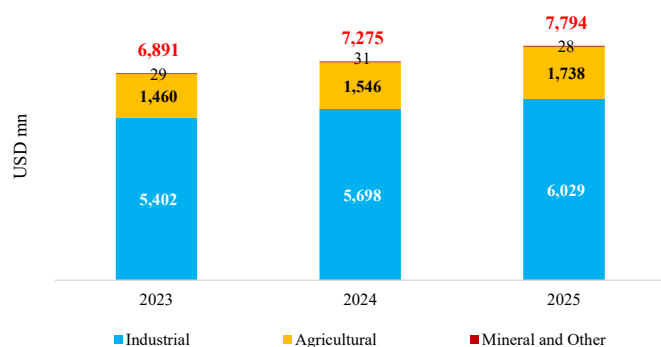


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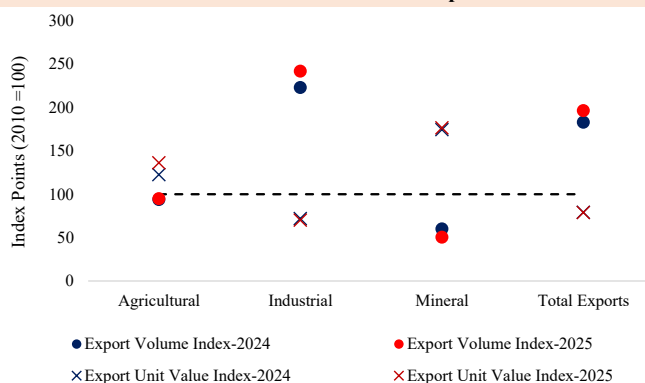


Merchandise Export Performance

Export Performance - Jan-Jul

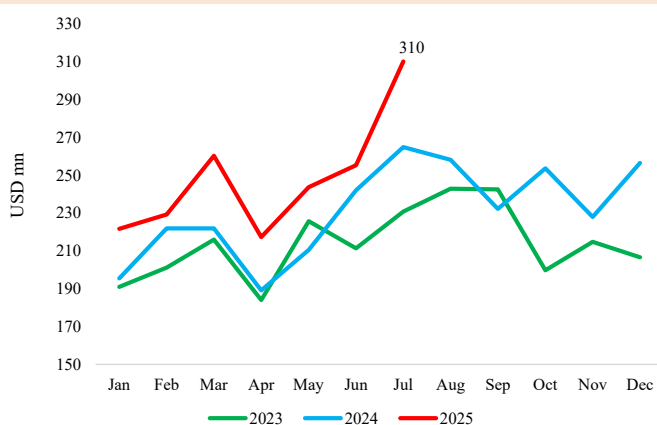


Volume and Unit Value Indices of Exports - Jan- Jul

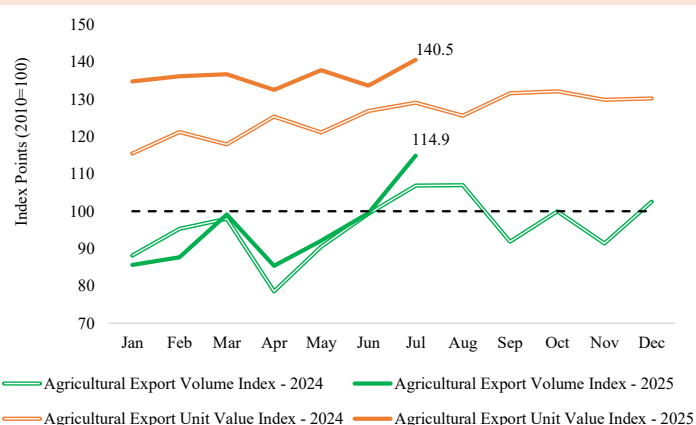


Agricultural Exports

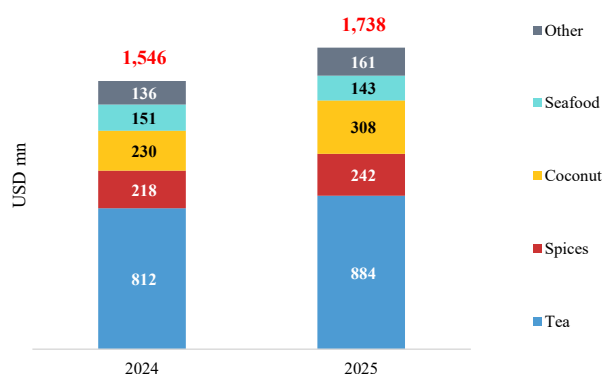
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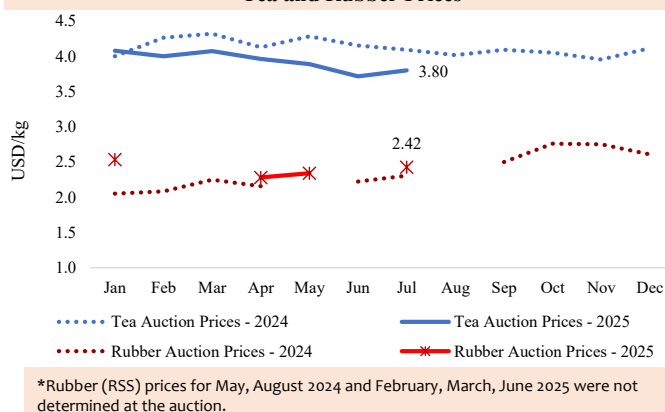
Volume and Unit Value Indices of Agricultural Exports



Performance of Agricultural Exports - Jan- Jul



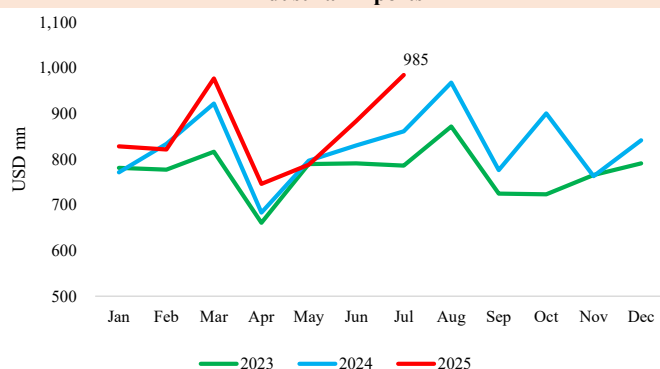
Tea and Rubber Prices



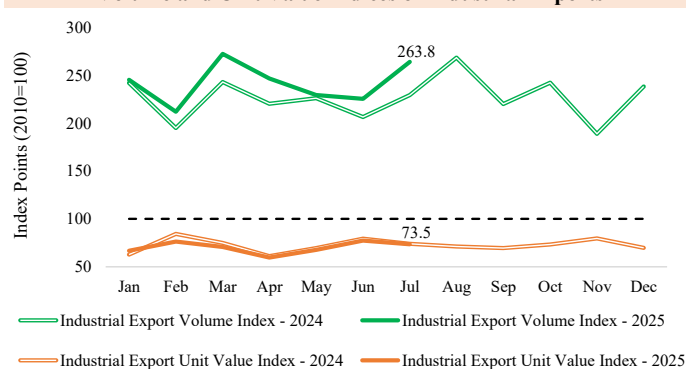
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Industrial Exports

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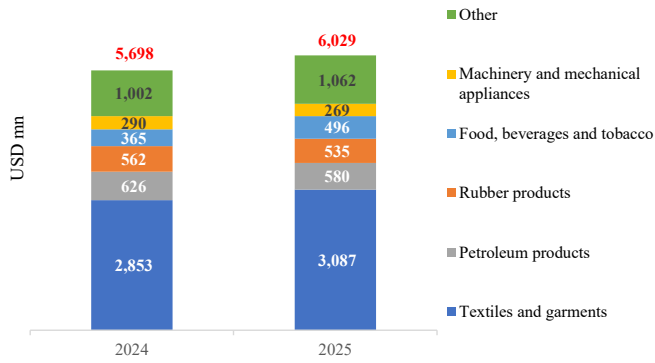


Volume and Unit Value Indices of Industrial Exports

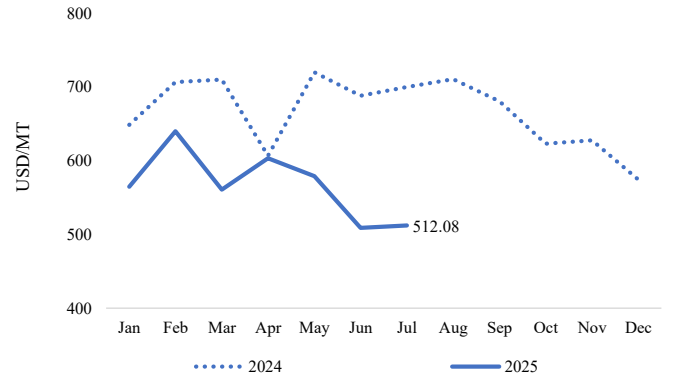


Industrial Exports (Continued...)

Performance of Industrial Exports - Jan- Jul

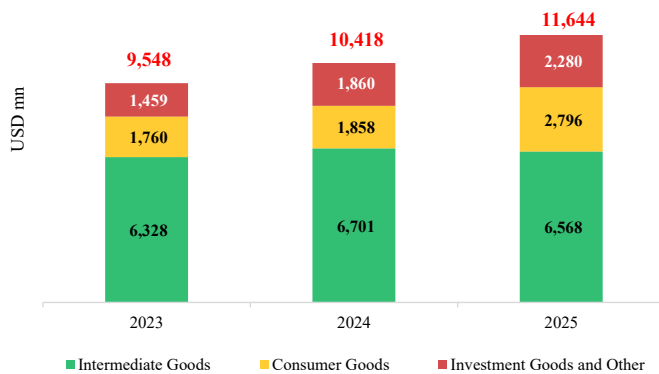


Bunker and Aviation Fuel Export Prices

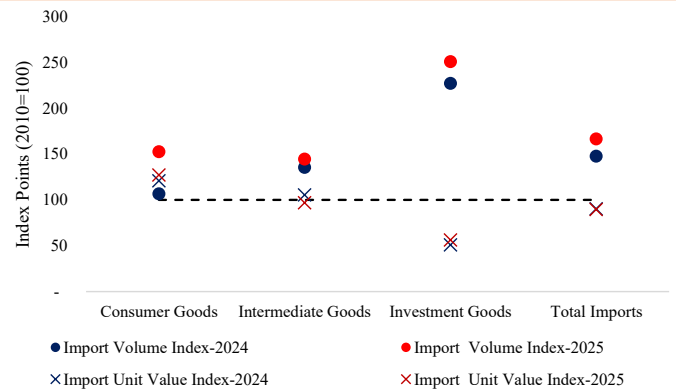


Merchandise Import Performance

Import Performance - Jan- Jul

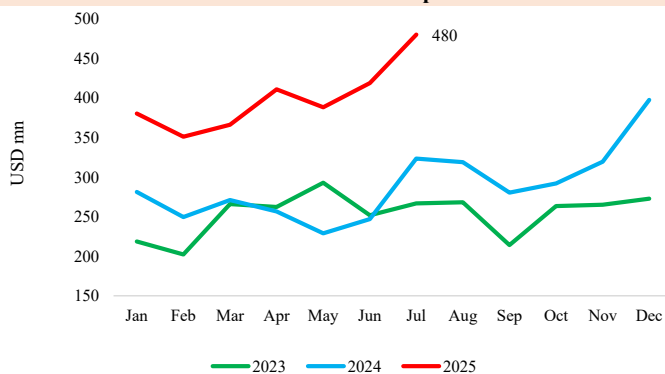


Volume and Unit Value Indices of Imports - Jan- Jul

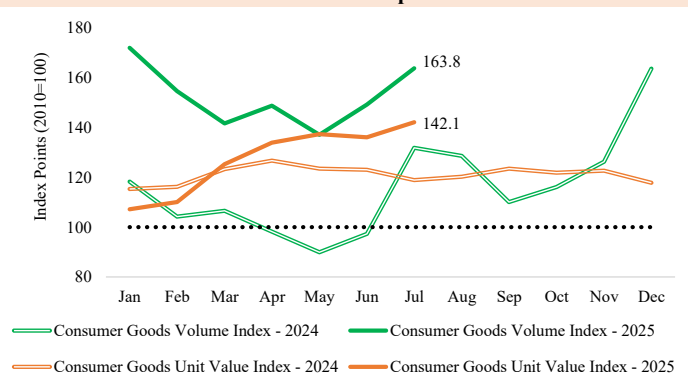


Consumer Goods Imports

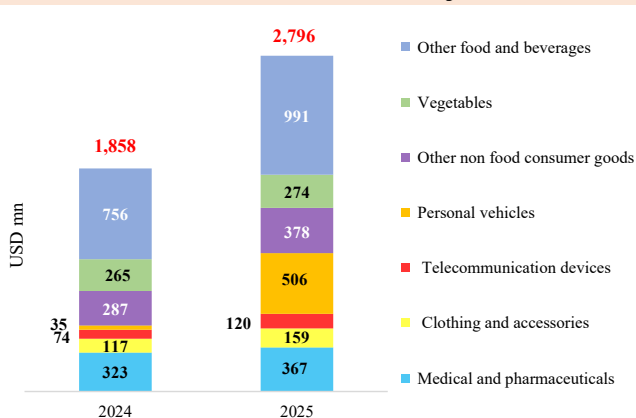
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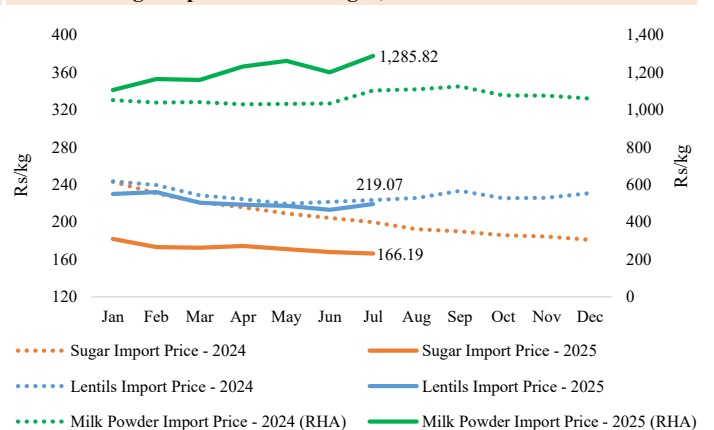
Volume and Unit Value Indices of Imports of Consumer Goods



Performance of Consumer Goods Imports - Jan- Jul

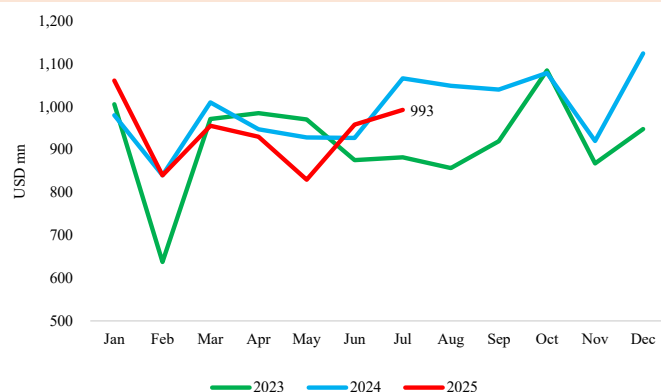


Average Import Prices of Sugar, Lentils and Milk Powder

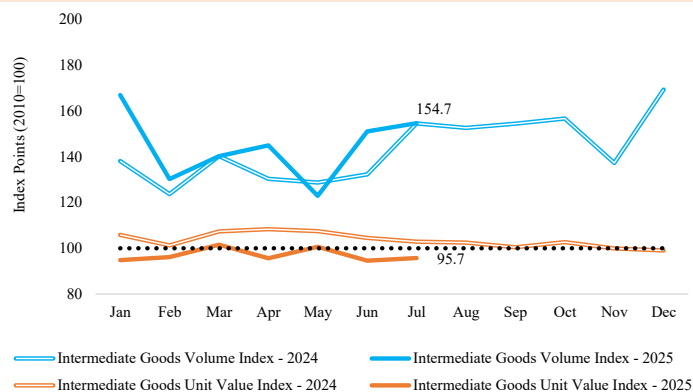


Intermediate Goods Imports

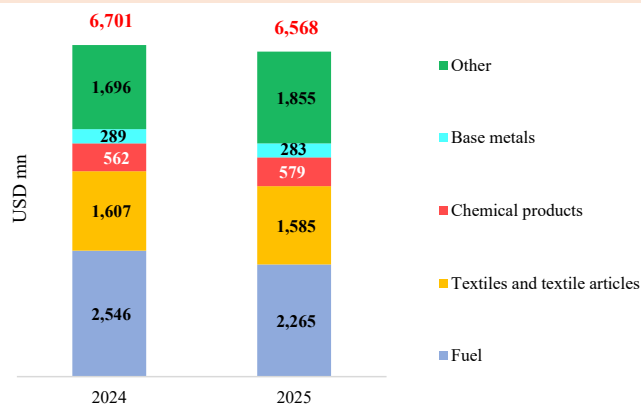
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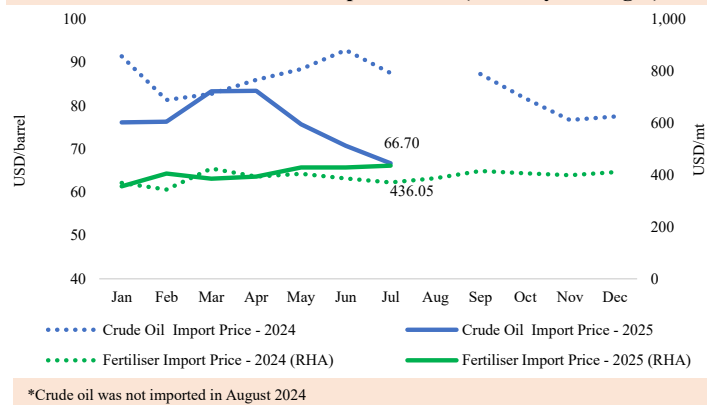
Volume and Unit Value Indices of Intermediate Goods Imports



Performance of Intermediate Goods Imports - Jan- Jul

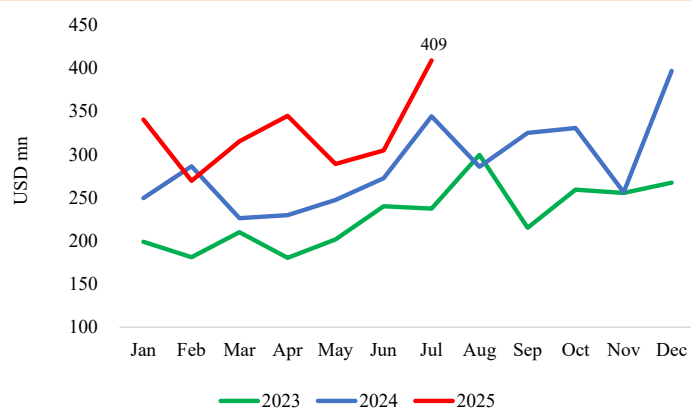


Crude Oil and Fertiliser Import Prices (Monthly Averages)

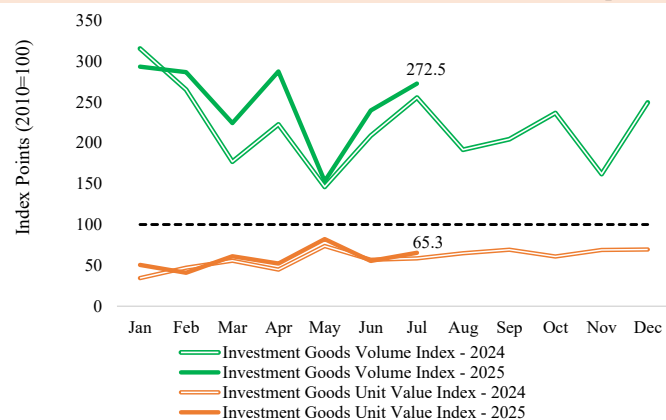


Investment Goods Imports

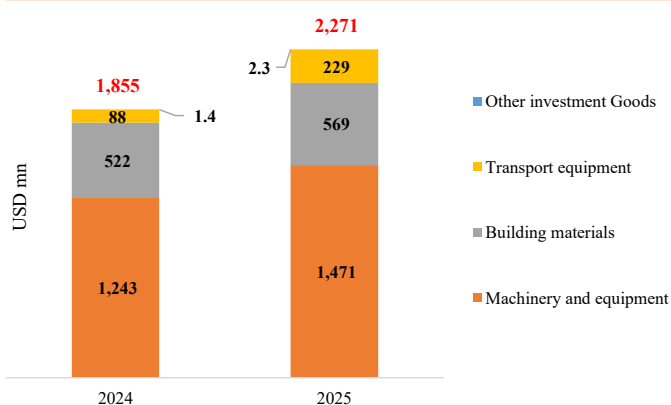
Imports of Investment Goods



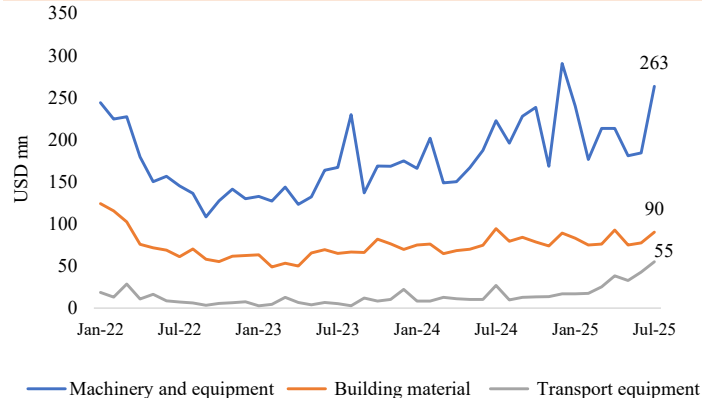
Volume and Unit Value Indices of Investment Goods Imports



Performance of Investment Goods Imports - Jan-Jul



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	Jul-24	Jul-25	Y-O-Y Change (%)	Jan-Jul 2024	Jan-Jul 2025	Y-O-Y Change (%)
Agricultural Exports	264.9	310.1	17.1	1,545.9	1,737.7	12.4
o/w Tea	124.7	141.0	13.1	811.7	884.1	8.9
Coconut	38.4	59.2	54.0	229.6	307.9	34.1
Spices	60.8	35.8	-41.1	217.7	241.7	11.0
Seafood	22.0	39.3	78.1	150.7	143.4	-4.8
Industrial Exports	860.9	984.6	14.4	5,698.0	6,029.1	5.8
o/w Textiles and garments	444.6	481.4	8.3	2,852.7	3,087.3	8.2
Rubber products	74.9	81.7	9.0	562.0	534.8	-4.8
Petroleum products	93.4	115.1	23.3	626.5	580.4	-7.3
Food, beverages and tobacco	52.1	88.2	69.3	364.7	495.8	35.9
Machinery and mechanical appliances	43.3	43.8	1.0	290.4	269.1	-7.3
Gems, diamonds and jewellery	32.5	37.4	15.1	245.2	226.3	-7.7
Leather, travel goods and footwear	4.3	11.2	158.9	34.8	41.4	18.8
Mineral and Other Exports	4.5	7.5	65.7	30.7	27.5	-10.3
Total Exports	1,130.3	1,302.2	15.2	7,274.7	7,794.3	7.1
Import Performance (USD mn)						
Item	Jul-24	Jul-25	Y-O-Y Change (%)	Jan-Jul 2024	Jan-Jul 2025	Y-O-Y Change (%)
Consumer goods	323.3	480.1	48.5	1,857.5	2,795.6	50.5
Food and beverages	177.7	171.1	-3.7	1,021.3	1,265.7	23.9
o/w Vegetables (b)	38.7	41.4	7.1	264.8	274.4	3.6
Rice	2.7	1.4	-48.5	32.3	60.5	87.6
Non-food consumer goods	145.6	309.0	112.2	836.3	1,529.9	82.9
o/w Medical and Pharmaceuticals	53.6	57.1	6.5	322.9	367.2	13.7
Intermediate goods	1,066.6	992.8	-6.9	6,700.8	6,568.4	-2.0
o/w Fuel	336.9	269.7	-20.0	2,546.1	2,265.4	-11.0
Textiles and textile articles	279.4	248.7	-11.0	1,607.0	1,585.1	-1.4
Fertiliser	17.1	27.6	61.4	64.5	121.7	88.6
Wheat and maize	30.6	67.5	120.6	165.5	189.3	14.4
Investment goods and other	344.3	409.3	18.9	1,860.2	2,280.4	22.6
o/w Machinery and equipment	222.5	263.1	18.3	1,242.7	1,471.2	18.4
Total Imports	1,734.1	1,882.2	8.5	10,418.5	11,644.4	11.8
Trade Balance (USD mn)						
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Trade Indices and Terms of Trade (2010 = 100) (In USD terms)						
Item	Jul-24	Jul-25	Y-O-Y Change (%)	Jan-Jul 2024	Jan-Jul 2025	Y-O-Y Change (%)
Export						
Value index	157.3	181.2	15.2	144.6	155.0	7.1
Volume index	190.6	217.4	14.0	182.9	196.5	7.5
Unit value index	82.5	83.4	1.0	79.1	78.9	-0.3
Import						
Value index	155.2	168.5	8.5	133.2	148.9	11.8
Volume index	169.6	179.1	5.6	147.6	166.4	12.7
Unit value index	91.5	94.1	2.8	90.2	89.5	-0.8
Terms of Trade	90.2	88.6	-1.7	87.7	88.2	0.6

(a) Provisional

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

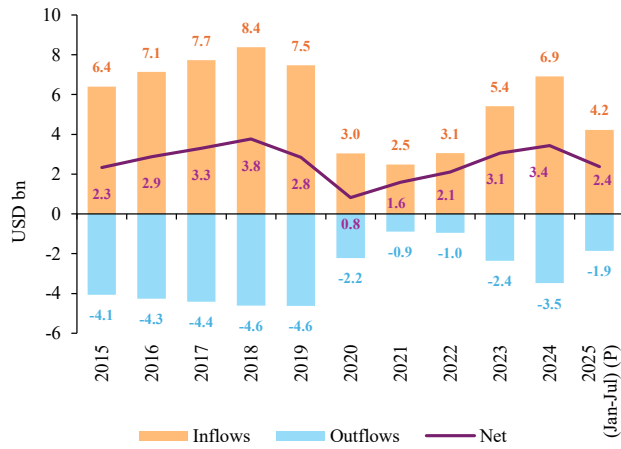
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Note 2: Longer series of Merchandise Trade data can be accessed through :

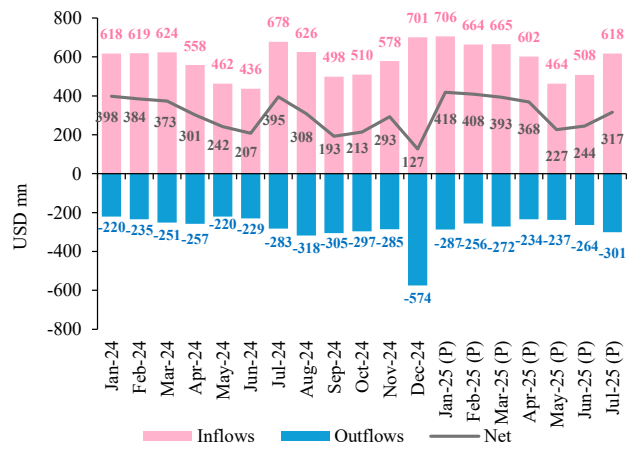
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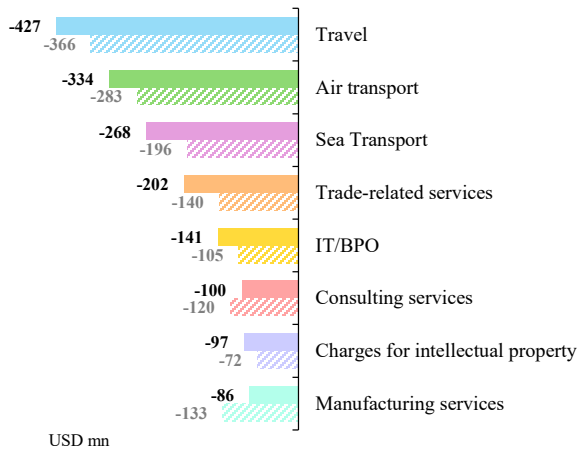
Services Account - Annual



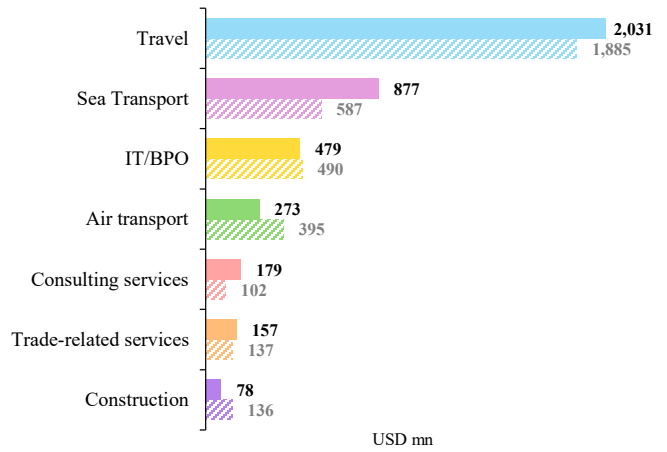
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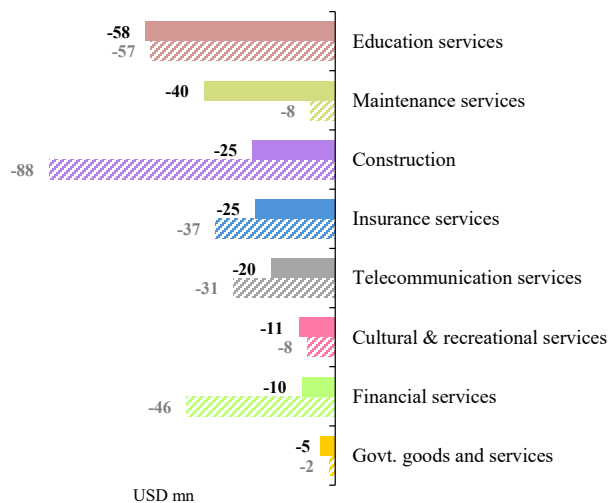
Major Services Outflows



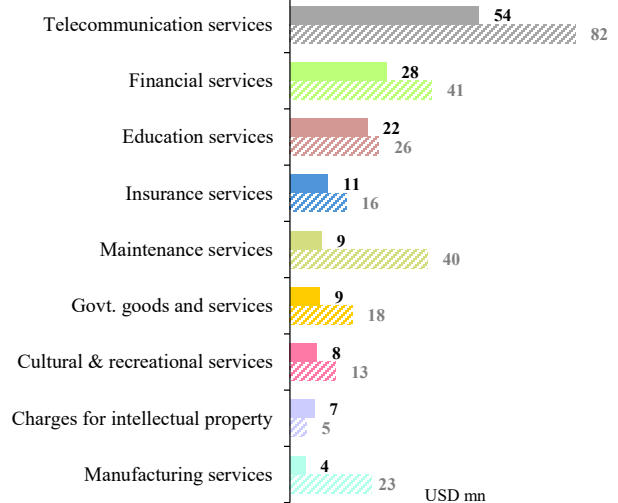
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Minor Services Outflows



Minor Services Inflows



Jan-Jul 2024

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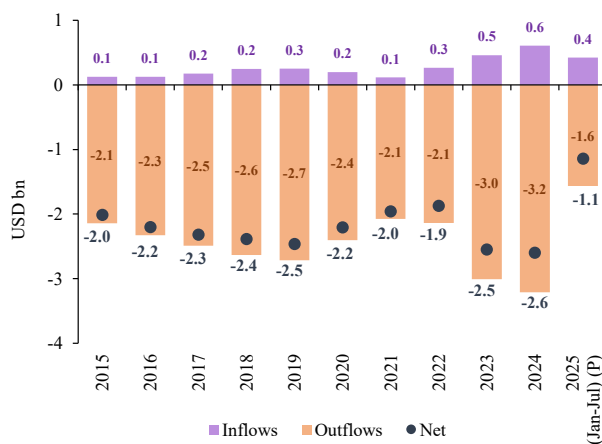
Primary Income Account

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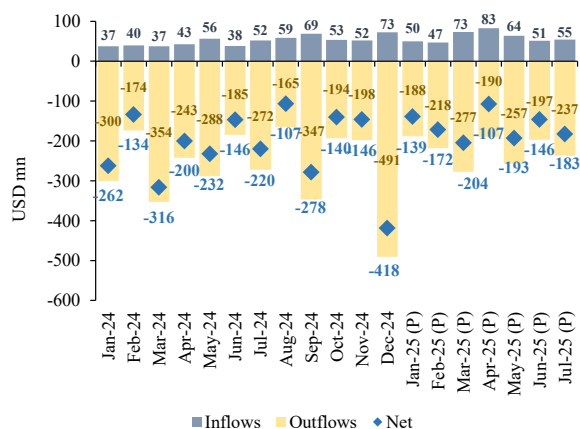
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<i>of which,</i>						
Direct Investment related Outflows	137.7	78.1	-43.3	488.8	599.7	22.7
Dividends	125.6	59.3	-52.8	412.9	466.8	13.1
Reinvested Earnings	12.0	18.8	56.4	76.0	132.9	74.9
Portfolio Investment related Outflows	59.8	38.5	-35.6	535.6	298.2	-44.3
<i>of which,</i>						
Government Bond Outflows	52.0	19.1	-63.3	478.4	232.9	-51.3
Other Investment Interest	72.8	118.7	63.1	779.0	652.3	-16.3
Interest on Foreign Loans						
Government	44.8	106.9	138.4	548.7	433.6	-21.0
Central Bank	15.6	7.7	-50.8	162.1	99.7	-38.5
Deposit-taking Corporations	6.7	1.6	-75.4	52.0	20.6	-60.3
Other Sectors	5.6	2.5	-55.1	16.3	98.4	

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Primary Income Account - Annual



Primary Income Account - Monthly

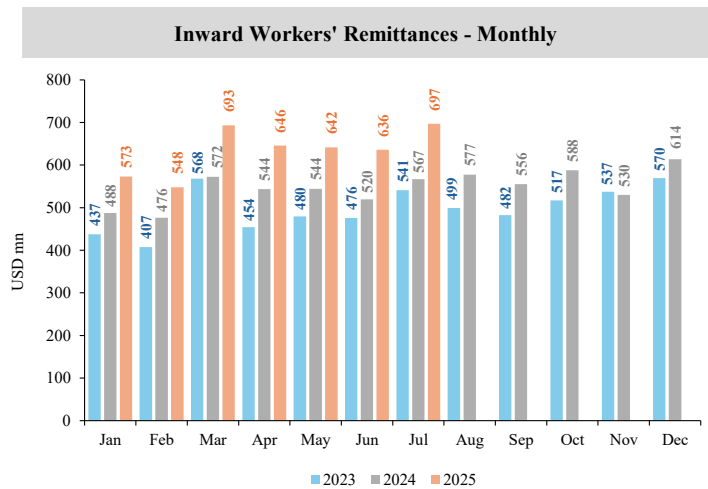
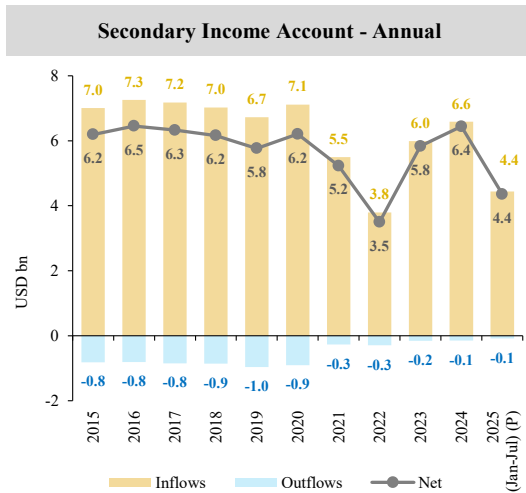


Secondary Income Account

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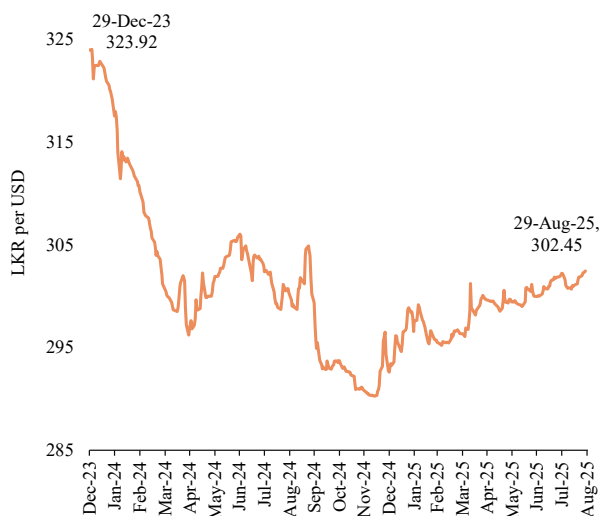
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General Government	0.8	0.8	1.1	4.3	3.7	-13.9
Worker's Remittances	566.8	697.3	23.0	3,710.8	4,435.2	19.5
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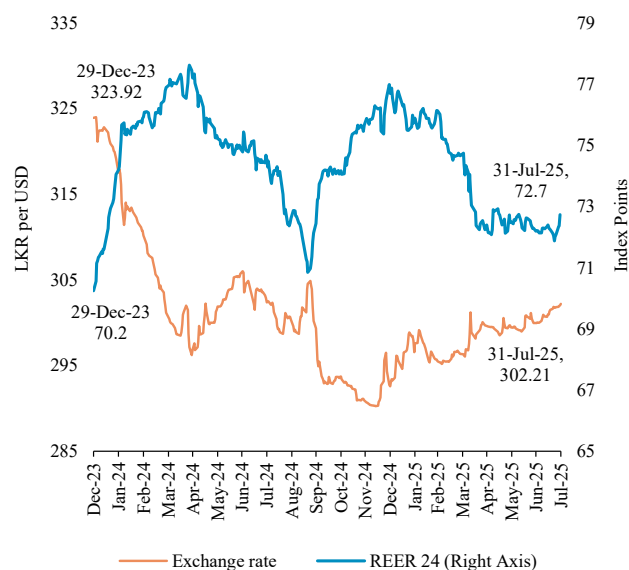


Exchange Rate Movements (a)

Movement of the Sri Lanka rupee against the US dollar



Movement of Exchange rate and REER 24 (End Dec 2023 - End Jul 2025)



Movement of the Sri Lanka rupee against Selected Currencies *

Currency	2023	2024	2025 (up to 29 Aug)
US dollar	12.1%	10.7%	-3.3%
Euro	7.9%	17.8%	-13.6%
Pound sterling	6.0%	12.3%	-10.0%
Chinese yuan (Renminbi)	14.3%	13.9%	-5.5%
Japanese yen	19.5%	22.5%	-9.2%
Australian dollar	10.8%	21.7%	-7.9%
Indian rupee	12.6%	13.9%	-0.9%

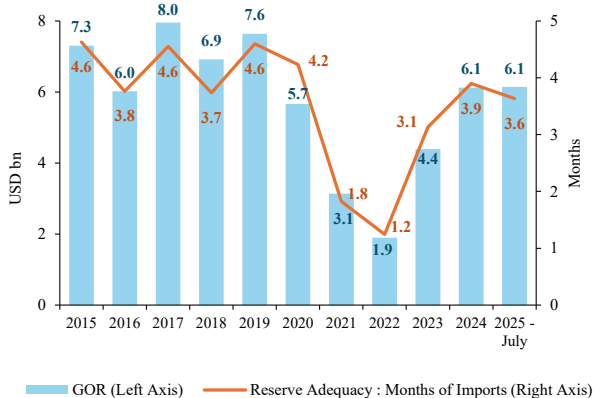
* Depreciation (-) / Appreciation (+)

(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

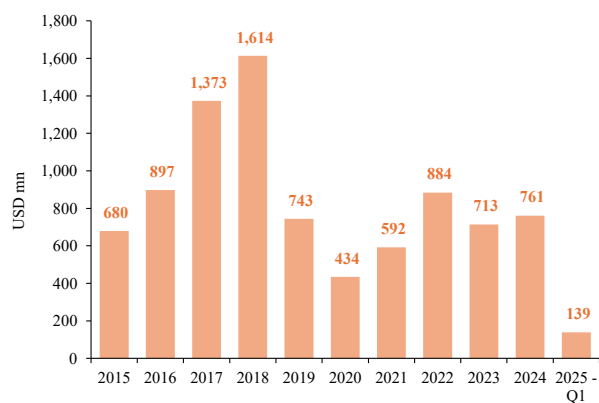
Gross Official Reserves (GOR) and Reserve Adequacy - End Period (a)



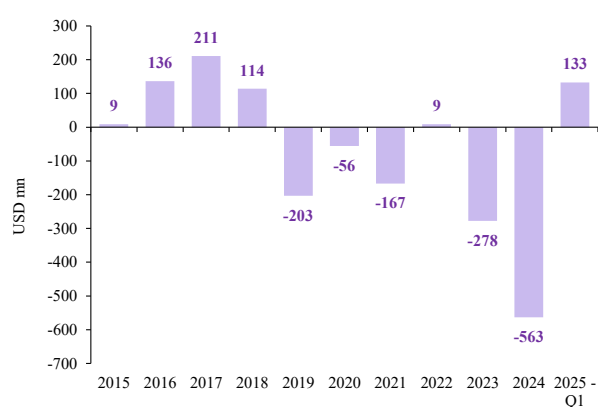
Foreign Assets and Liabilities of the Banking Sector



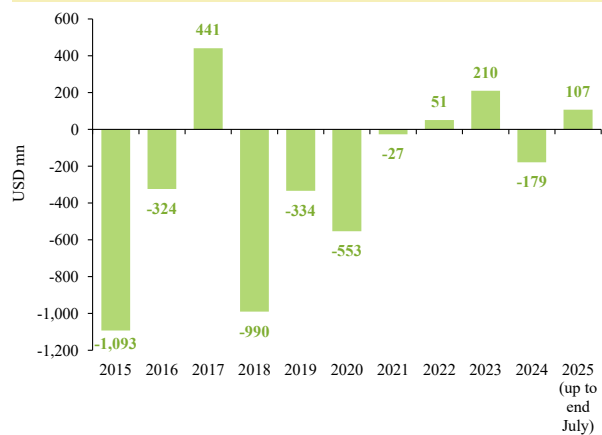
Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) (b)



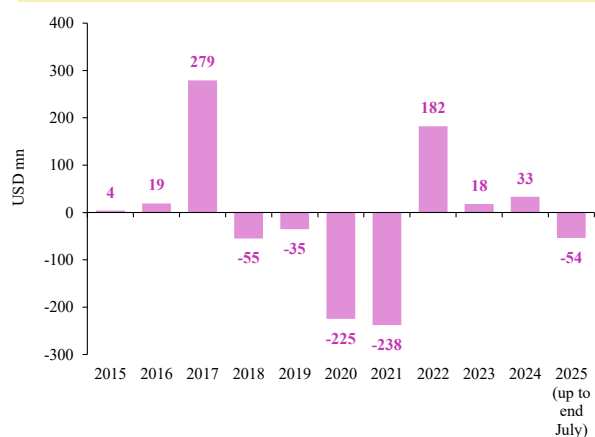
Foreign Loans to Private Sector (net)



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	July 2024 (USD mn)	July 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Jul 2024 (USD mn)	Jan-Jul 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)
1. Industrial exports	860.9	984.6	14.4	5,698.0	6,029.1	5.8
Food, beverages and tobacco	52.1	88.2	69.3	364.7	495.8	35.9
Animal fodder	6.8	18.1	167.8	76.9	94.4	22.8
Textiles and garments	444.6	481.4	8.3	2,852.7	3,087.3	8.2
o/w Garments	406.2	445.2	9.6	2,612.6	2,848.5	9.0
Textiles	29.6	25.5	-13.7	176.2	167.7	-4.8
Other made-up textile articles	8.8	10.7	21.6	64.0	71.0	11.0
Rubber products	74.9	81.7	9.0	562.0	534.8	-4.8
Gems, diamonds and jewellery	32.5	37.4	15.1	245.2	226.3	-7.7
Machinery and mechanical appliances	43.3	43.8	1.0	290.4	269.1	-7.3
Transport equipment	18.4	7.2	-60.6	62.3	61.2	-1.7
Petroleum products	93.4	115.1	23.3	626.5	580.4	-7.3
Chemical products	20.4	27.0	32.4	130.7	176.7	35.2
Wood and paper products	11.4	10.5	-7.7	74.7	70.8	-5.3
Printing industry products	4.8	5.6	16.1	25.9	25.9	0.0
Leather, travel goods and footwear	4.3	11.2	158.9	34.8	41.4	18.8
Plastics and articles thereof	4.3	5.5	28.3	30.8	30.9	0.3
Base metals and articles	17.0	17.8	4.4	110.3	115.3	4.5
Ceramic products	3.6	2.6	-27.2	17.9	16.9	-5.4
Other industrial exports	29.2	31.6	8.1	192.2	202.1	5.1
2. Agricultural exports	264.9	310.1	17.1	1,545.9	1,737.7	12.4
Tea	124.7	141.0	13.1	811.7	884.1	8.9
Rubber	1.9	2.9	53.5	13.6	17.6	29.0
Coconut	38.4	59.2	54.0	229.6	307.9	34.1
Spices	60.8	35.8	-41.1	217.7	241.7	11.0
Vegetables	2.2	6.3	183.9	16.5	19.9	20.4
Unmanufactured tobacco	2.1	1.4	-36.3	13.4	12.2	-9.1
Minor agricultural products	12.7	24.4	92.3	92.6	111.0	19.8
Seafood	22.0	39.3	78.1	150.7	143.4	-4.8
3. Mineral exports	2.4	2.5	2.1	14.8	12.6	-14.8
4. Unclassified exports	2.1	5.0	140.3	15.9	14.9	-6.0
Total exports	1,130.3	1,302.2	15.2	7,274.7	7,794.3	7.1

(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

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Detailed Breakdown of Import Expenditure Classified as per Central Bank of Sri Lanka's Trade Classification (a)						
Category	July 2024 (USD mn)	July 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Jul 2024 (USD mn)	Jan-Jul 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)
1. Consumer goods	323.3	480.1	48.5	1,857.5	2,795.6	50.5
Food and beverages	177.7	171.1	-3.7	1,021.3	1,265.7	23.9
Cereals and milling industry products	17.2	7.1	-58.8	75.0	85.9	14.6
Dairy products	19.3	30.8	59.9	121.0	213.4	76.3
Vegetables (b)	38.7	41.4	7.1	264.8	274.4	3.6
Seafood	8.5	11.4	33.6	70.5	63.4	-10.1
Sugar and confectionery	46.4	27.0	-41.8	206.7	228.5	10.6
Spices	10.6	10.9	3.2	65.4	57.9	-11.4
Oils and Fats	22.4	22.8	1.8	106.8	205.8	92.6
Other food and beverages	14.7	19.7	34.0	111.1	136.3	22.7
Non-food consumer goods	145.6	309.0	112.2	836.3	1,529.9	82.9
Personal vehicles	6.1	145.7	2,278.5	34.8	506.1	1,354.6
Medical and pharmaceuticals	53.6	57.1	6.5	322.9	367.2	13.7
Home appliances	12.5	17.0	35.5	83.4	121.3	45.5
Clothing and accessories	18.4	26.7	45.4	117.3	158.6	35.2
Telecommunication devices	16.3	19.6	20.5	73.7	120.5	63.4
Household and furniture items	13.7	13.9	1.9	71.7	89.1	24.2
Other non-food consumables	25.0	28.9	15.8	132.4	167.2	26.3
2. Intermediate goods	1,066.6	992.8	-6.9	6,700.8	6,568.4	-2.0
Fuel	336.9	269.7	-20.0	2,546.1	2,265.4	-11.0
o/w Crude oil	63.8	46.7	-26.8	570.1	492.6	-13.6
Refined petroleum	273.0	222.9	-18.3	1,805.5	1,643.3	-9.0
Coal	0.1	0.08	-30.6	170.5	129.6	-24.0
Diamonds, precious stones, and metals	15.6	14.3	-8.0	144.5	79.8	-44.8
Textiles and textile articles	279.4	248.7	-11.0	1,607.0	1,585.1	-1.4
Paper and paperboard and articles thereof	40.6	37.0	-8.8	249.7	231.9	-7.1
Agricultural inputs	23.7	22.1	-6.7	149.9	156.6	4.5
Wheat and maize	30.6	67.5	120.6	165.5	189.3	14.4
Base metals	56.7	37.9	-33.1	289.2	283.4	-2.0
Plastics and articles thereof	59.4	57.9	-2.5	327.6	356.2	8.7
Chemical products	97.9	90.9	-7.2	562.1	579.5	3.1
Fertiliser	17.1	27.6	61.4	64.5	121.7	88.6
Rubber and articles thereof	35.0	29.0	-17.0	167.7	165.2	-1.5
Mineral products	9.9	14.8	50.0	68.6	79.6	16.0
Other intermediate goods	63.9	75.4	18.0	358.4	474.7	32.5
3. Investment goods	343.9	408.7	18.8	1,854.8	2,271.3	22.5
Machinery and equipment	222.5	263.1	18.3	1,242.7	1,471.2	18.4
Building material	94.2	90.1	-4.4	522.5	569.2	8.9
Transport equipment	26.9	55.0	104.5	88.2	228.7	159.2
o/w Commercial Vehicles	6.1	47.8	684.2	27.1	162.2	498.0
Other investment goods	0.3	0.4	52.3	1.4	2.3	63.6
4. Unclassified imports	0.4	0.6	68.5	5.4	9.1	69.3
Total imports	1,734.1	1,882.2	8.5	10,418.5	11,644.4	11.8
o/w Non-fuel imports	1,397.2	1,612.5	15.4	7,872.4	9,379.0	19.1

(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	July 2024 (USD mn)	July 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Jul 2024 (USD mn)	Jan-Jul 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)
0. Food and live animals	277.8	343.4	23.6	1,675.0	1,909.5	14.0
03 Fish and fish preparations	26.0	47.0	80.7	178.8	178.0	-0.5
04 Cereals and cereal preparations	6.3	6.2	-1.7	42.7	46.3	8.2
05 Vegetables and fruit	40.8	75.7	85.4	269.5	377.9	40.3
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	184.7	174.9	-5.3	1,029.8	1,126.1	9.4
1. Beverages and tobacco	10.7	13.7	27.7	92.4	95.9	3.8
11 Beverages	5.4	5.8	8.6	44.5	43.6	-2.0
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	5.4	7.9	46.8	47.9	52.3	9.2
2. Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	33.7	46.7	38.3	223.2	255.7	14.6
23 Crude rubber	2.0	3.0	52.6	14.5	18.6	28.3
26 Textile fibres and their wastes	20.2	24.5	21.1	130.6	147.7	13.1
3. Mineral fuels, lubricants, and related materials	93.4	115.1	23.3	626.5	580.4	-7.3
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	85.4	115.1	34.9	578.1	580.4	0.4
34 Gas, natural and manufactured	8.0	-		48.4	0.00001	
4. Animal and vegetable oils, fats, and waxes	8.0	20.1	151.8	46.2	109.5	137.0
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated	7.2	16.6	130.2	43.9	79.7	81.6
5. Chemicals and related products, n.e.s.	25.3	33.3	31.5	158.3	205.3	29.7
6. Manufactured goods classified chiefly by materials	150.2	157.2	4.6	1,074.9	1,007.1	-6.3
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.	52.0	57.6	10.7	416.1	364.9	-12.3
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, etc., n.e.s.	37.2	34.6	-6.9	229.9	230.5	0.2
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.	37.9	41.9	10.5	278.2	260.6	-6.3
7. Machinery, transport equipment	60.2	49.2	-18.3	344.7	320.1	-7.1
77 Electric machinery, apparatus, and appliances, n.e.s. and electrical parts thereof	22.3	27.2	22.0	162.8	167.1	2.7
8. Miscellaneous manufactured articles	470.9	523.5	11.2	3,033.4	3,310.7	9.1
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	431.5	477.9	10.8	2,779.1	3,042.7	9.5
9. Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere in the SITC	-	-	-	0.1	0.1	-49.3
Total exports	1,130.3	1,302.2	15.2	7,274.7	7,794.3	7.1

(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/cn/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	July 2024 (USD mn)	July 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Jul 2024 (USD mn)	Jan-Jul 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)
0. Food and live animals	220.6	248.4	12.6	1,272.5	1,461.0	14.8
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	19.3	30.8	59.7	127.2	213.6	68.0
03 Fish and fish preparations	8.6	11.6	34.1	71.3	64.3	-9.8
04 Cereals and cereal preparations	47.3	74.3	57.0	238.3	272.3	14.3
05 Vegetables and fruit	44.0	48.4	10.1	304.4	319.4	4.9
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey	46.4	27.0	-41.8	206.7	228.6	10.6
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	18.0	19.5	8.0	101.8	114.4	12.4
1. Beverages and tobacco	9.9	15.9	59.8	65.2	72.9	11.8
2. Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	47.0	50.2	6.9	244.9	276.5	12.9
23 Crude rubber	30.8	24.7	-19.7	140.5	141.6	0.8
26 Textile fibres and their wastes	1.4	3.1	126.7	9.2	12.1	31.3
3. Mineral fuels, lubricants, and related materials	336.9	269.7	-20.0	2,546.1	2,265.4	-11.0
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	302.6	239.9	-20.7	2,170.5	1,877.5	-13.5
34 Gas, natural and manufactured	34.2	29.7	-13.1	205.1	258.3	26.0
4. Animal and vegetable oils, fats, and waxes	25.5	28.3	10.9	124.0	261.4	110.8
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated	23.5	27.4	16.5	115.0	249.9	117.2
5. Chemicals and related products, n.e.s.	223.9	228.3	2.0	1,250.8	1,394.4	11.5
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products	48.1	52.1	8.3	292.7	335.6	14.7
56 Fertilisers, manufactured	17.1	27.6	61.9	64.0	121.6	90.0
57 Plastics in primary forms	39.5	35.5	-10.2	220.8	229.7	4.1
58 Plastics in non-primary forms	14.5	17.1	17.7	79.3	95.2	20.0
6. Manufactured goods classified chiefly by materials	503.5	442.5	-12.1	2,910.7	2,845.6	-2.2
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles thereof	38.9	35.0	-10.0	238.0	217.1	-8.8
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, etc., n.e.s.	274.3	241.4	-12.0	1,571.8	1,550.0	-1.4
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.	37.2	41.9	12.5	301.1	247.8	-17.7
67 Iron and steel	66.6	45.5	-31.7	377.6	354.1	-6.2
7. Machinery, transport equipment	285.6	500.6	75.3	1,532.8	2,455.1	60.2
72 Machinery specialized for particular industries	45.1	48.4	7.2	217.2	269.8	24.2
74 General industrial machinery and equipment and machine parts, n.e.s.	48.5	84.2	73.7	334.3	443.6	32.7
75 Office machines and automatic data-processing machines	15.2	18.8	23.6	92.4	122.4	32.6
76 Telecommunications and sound-recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	42.0	41.9	-0.4	213.1	256.6	20.4
77 Electric machinery, apparatus and appliances, n.e.s. and electrical parts thereof	61.6	55.0	-10.6	329.5	363.7	10.4
78 Road vehicles	20.0	206.0	928.0	115.7	751.8	550.0
8. Miscellaneous manufactured articles	78.2	97.4	24.5	465.2	604.9	30.0
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	16.1	22.8	40.9	102.1	139.2	36.4
87 Professional, scientific, and controlling instruments and apparatus n.e.s.	15.3	18.9	23.3	86.6	116.6	34.6
9. Commodities and transactions not elsewhere specified in SITC	2.9	1.0	-66.3	6.1	7.3	19.1
Total imports	1,734.1	1,882.2	8.5	10,418.5	11,644.4	11.8

(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)

	Jul 2024 (USD mn)	Jul 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Jul 2024 (USD mn)	Jan-Jul 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)
Services	677.7	618.0	-8.8	3,996.0	4,227.5	5.8
Manufacturing services	3.5	0.9	-73.1	23.4	4.4	-81.1
Maintenance and repair services	11.2	0.6	-94.7	39.6	9.1	-76.9
Transport	156.3	138.2	-11.6	982.6	1,150.7	17.1
Sea transport	95.4	99.5	4.3	586.8	877.4	49.5
Passenger	0.1	0.2	121.7	1.1	0.4	-68.0
Freight	57.0	65.0	14.1	350.6	471.5	34.5
Other	38.3	34.3	-10.5	235.1	405.5	72.5
Air transport	60.9	38.7	-36.5	395.2	272.8	-31.0
Passenger	21.7	26.0	20.0	163.2	192.6	18.0
Freight	3.9	2.6	-34.1	31.0	21.5	-30.7
Other	35.3	10.1	-71.5	201.0	58.8	-70.8
Postal services	0.03	0.02	-43.1	0.5	0.5	-6.3
Travel	328.3	318.5	-3.0	1,884.9	2,031.1	7.8
Construction	18.5	10.0	-46.0	135.7	77.8	-42.6
Construction abroad	0.1	0.6	381.8	12.7	10.4	-18.6
Construction in the reporting economy	9.1	4.2	-54.2	62.8	25.0	-60.2
Architectural, engineering & other technical services	9.3	5.2	-43.9	60.1	42.5	-29.4
Insurance and pension services	1.1	1.4	27.6	16.2	10.9	-32.8
Direct insurance	1.1	1.4	31.3	13.8	9.2	-33.8
Reinsurance	0.1	0.04	-38.9	2.4	1.7	-27.1
Financial services	2.9	4.9	67.3	40.8	27.7	-32.1
Charges for the use of intellectual property	0.1	1.4		4.8	7.0	45.3
Telecommunications, computer, and information services	102.1	67.2	-34.2	572.3	533.5	-6.8
Telecommunications services	6.6	6.5	-0.7	82.1	54.3	-33.9
Computer & IT/BPO related services	95.6	60.7	-36.5	490.1	479.2	-2.2
Computer services	94.9	60.3	-36.5	486.5	474.1	-2.5
Information services	0.7	0.4	-32.4	3.6	5.1	40.3
Other business services	46.2	72.8	57.4	264.7	359.0	35.6
Education services	3.1	3.4	7.8	25.6	22.3	-13.0
Professional and management consulting services	20.8	41.0	97.3	102.0	179.2	75.7
Technical, trade-related, and other business services	22.4	28.4	27.2	137.0	157.4	14.9
Personal, cultural, and recreational services	0.6	1.3	114.2	13.2	7.8	-40.8
Audiovisual and related services	0.3	0.8	192.4	4.4	3.2	-26.1
Other personal, cultural, and recreational services	0.3	0.5	52.4	8.8	4.6	-48.2
Government goods and services	6.8	0.8	-87.8	17.9	8.5	-52.4

(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)

	Jul 2024 (USD mn)	Jul 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Jul 2024 (USD mn)	Jan-Jul 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)
Services	282.8	301.3	6.5	1,695.6	1,851.7	9.2
Manufacturing services	13.1	14.3	9.6	133.3	86.4	-35.2
Maintenance and repair services	0.7	5.9		7.6	40.4	432.7
Transport	96.6	76.9	-20.4	482.7	603.1	24.9
Sea transport	39.1	25.4	-35.0	196.4	268.3	36.6
Passenger	0.1	0.02	-63.0	0.5	0.1	-80.0
Freight	36.1	22.3	-38.2	186.1	248.7	33.6
Other	3.0	3.1	3.8	9.9	19.5	98.3
Air transport	57.3	51.4	-10.2	283.3	333.8	17.8
Passenger	29.6	20.7	-30.1	163.1	123.9	-24.0
Freight	17.0	26.9	57.9	51.1	169.0	230.7
Other	10.7	3.8	-64.1	69.1	40.8	-40.9
Postal services	0.2	0.02	-92.0	3.0	1.0	-66.5
Travel	55.3	81.0	46.4	366.0	427.1	16.7
Construction	23.8	1.6	-93.4	88.1	25.5	-71.1
Construction abroad	0.8	0.01	-98.7	21.6	2.2	-89.9
Construction in the reporting economy	1.4	0.05	-96.6	12.1	4.6	-61.7
Architectural, engineering & other technical services	21.5	1.5	-93.0	54.4	18.7	-65.6
Insurance and pension services	7.6	4.6	-39.0	36.8	24.6	-33.1
Direct insurance	0.6	0.8	36.4	6.9	6.9	0.3
Reinsurance	7.0	3.9	-45.1	29.9	17.7	-40.8
Financial services	3.0	1.4	-53.7	45.7	10.3	-77.5
Charges for the use of intellectual property	11.9	21.9	84.7	72.2	96.9	34.1
Telecommunications, computer, and information services	17.4	26.9	54.2	136.2	161.1	18.3
Telecommunications services	3.2	2.8	-12.9	31.2	19.7	-36.8
Computer & IT/BPO related services	14.2	24.1	69.3	105.1	141.4	34.6
Computer services	12.2	23.2	89.9	88.4	137.5	55.6
Information services	2.0	0.9	-56.5	16.7	3.9	-76.7
Other business services	52.2	65.0	24.4	316.9	360.6	13.8
Education services	9.4	8.9	-6.3	56.8	58.4	2.7
Professional and management consulting services	25.6	13.6	-47.0	120.1	100.4	-16.4
Technical, trade-related, and other business services	17.2	42.6	147.5	139.9	201.8	44.3
Personal, cultural, and recreational services	1.0	1.7	66.8	8.4	11.2	32.9
Audiovisual and related services	0.5	1.7	213.1	7.6	10.7	41.3
Other personal, cultural, and recreational services	0.5	0.004	-99.1	0.9	0.5	-39.9
Government goods and services	0.2	0.2	-26.5	1.8	4.6	160.7

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Services Account – Net (a)

	Jul 2024 (USD mn)	Jul 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Jul 2024 (USD mn)	Jan-Jul 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)
Services	394.9	316.7	-19.8	2,300.4	2,375.8	3.3
Manufacturing services	-9.6	-13.4	39.9	-109.9	-81.9	-25.4
Maintenance and repair services	10.5	-5.3	-150.6	32.0	-31.3	-197.7
Transport	59.7	61.3	2.7	499.9	547.6	9.6
Sea transport	56.3	74.1	31.7	390.4	609.1	56.0
Passenger	0.03	0.2	480.7	0.6	0.3	-59.2
Freight	20.9	42.7	104.1	164.6	222.8	35.4
Other	35.3	31.2	-11.7	225.2	386.0	71.4
Air transport	3.6	-12.7	-450.8	111.9	-60.9	-154.4
Passenger	-7.9	5.4	-168.0	0.1	68.7	
Freight	-13.1	-24.3	85.4	-20.1	-147.6	
Other	24.6	6.2	-74.7	131.9	18.0	-86.4
Postal services	-0.2	0.004	-102.5	-2.5	-0.5	-78.7
Travel	273.0	237.5	-13.0	1,519.0	1,604.0	5.6
Construction	-5.3	8.4	-260.5	47.6	52.3	9.9
Construction abroad	-0.7	0.6	-187.7	-8.9	8.2	-192.6
Construction in the reporting economy	7.7	4.1	-46.3	50.7	20.3	-59.9
Architectural, engineering & other technical services	-12.2	3.7	-130.2	5.8	23.8	312.1
Insurance and pension services	-6.5	-3.2	-50.4	-20.6	-13.7	-33.4
Direct insurance	0.5	0.6	25.2	6.9	2.2	-67.8
Reinsurance	-7.0	-3.8	-45.1	-27.5	-16.0	-42.0
Financial services	-0.1	3.5		-4.9	17.4	-455.9
Charges for the use of intellectual property	-11.8	-20.6	74.4	-67.4	-89.8	33.3
Telecommunications, computer, and information services	84.7	40.3	-52.4	436.0	372.4	-14.6
Telecommunications services	3.4	3.7	11.0	51.0	34.6	-32.1
Computer & IT/BPO related services	81.3	36.6	-55.0	385.0	337.7	-12.3
Computer services	82.7	37.0	-55.2	398.1	336.6	-15.5
Information services	-1.3	-0.4	-68.3	-13.1	1.2	-109.1
Other business services	-6.0	7.8	-229.4	-52.2	-1.6	-96.9
Education services	-6.3	-5.5	-13.2	-31.2	-36.1	15.7
Professional and management consulting services	-4.8	27.4		-18.1	78.8	
Technical, trade-related, and other business services	5.2	-14.1	-373.7	-2.9	-44.4	
Personal, cultural, and recreational services	-0.4	-0.4	-7.3	4.7	-3.4	-172.9
Audiovisual and related services	-0.3	-0.9	234.4	-3.2	-7.5	133.0
Other personal, cultural, and recreational services	-0.1	0.5		7.9	4.0	-49.1
Government goods and services	6.5	0.7	-89.9	16.2	3.9	-75.8

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