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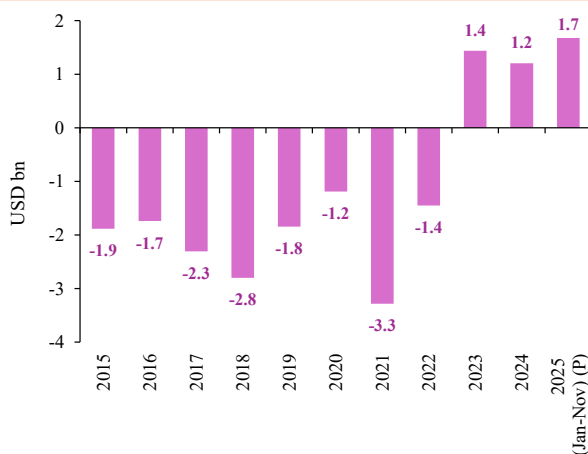
Current Account

Summary of Current Account (a)

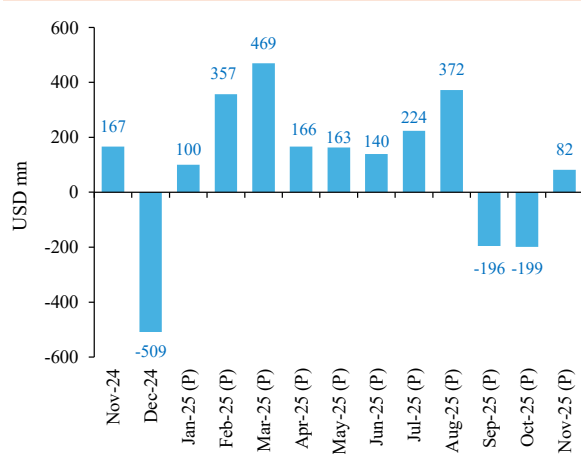
Category	Nov 2024 (USD mn)	Nov 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Nov 2024 (USD mn)	Jan-Nov 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)
Current Account Balance¹	166.7	81.7	-51.0	1,714.8	1,677.7	-2.2
Trade Balance	-502.2	-730.7		-5,246.7	-6,912.0	
Merchandise Exports	994.1	1,047.8	5.4	11,670.2	12,412.8	6.4
Merchandise Imports	1,496.3	1,778.5	18.9	16,916.9	19,324.7	14.2
Services Account (net)	293.2	270.4	-7.8	3,307.7	3,363.4	1.7
Services Account - Inflows	578.5	560.9	-3.0	6,208.6	6,345.0	2.2
Services Account - Outflows	285.3	290.5	1.8	2,900.9	2,981.7	2.8
Primary Income Account (net)	-145.8	-123.1		-2,180.7	-1,852.0	
Primary Income Account - Inflows	51.9	57.7	11.1	536.8	554.4	3.3
Primary Income Account - Outflows	197.7	180.8	-8.6	2,717.5	2,406.4	-11.4
Secondary Income Account (net)	521.4	665.1	27.5	5,834.6	7,078.2	21.3
Secondary Income Account - Inflows	530.8	674.2	27.0	5,971.4	7,199.6	20.6
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Current Account Balance - Annual



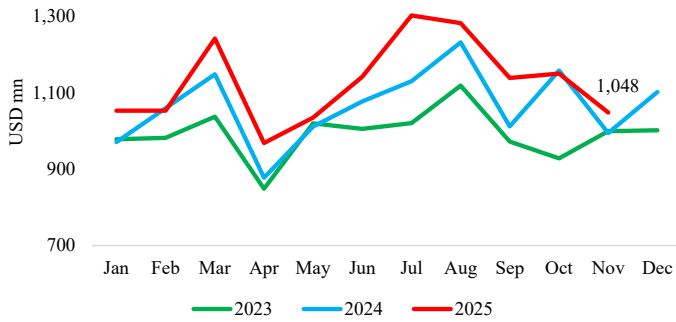
Current Account Balance - Monthly¹



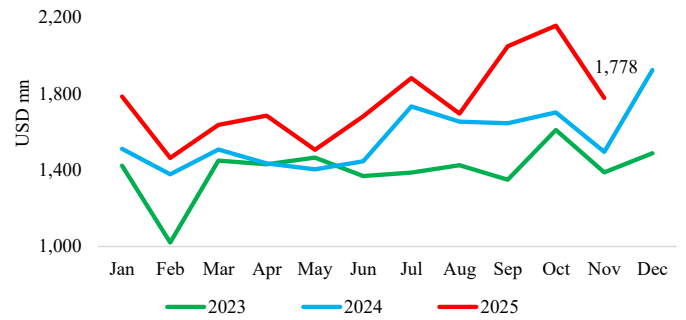
¹ The monthly current account data for January-September 2025 have been revised following the finalisation of estimates for the third quarter of 2025. The data for the fourth quarter will be revised by end March 2026, upon the finalisation of the respective quarterly estimates.

Merchandise Trade Highlights

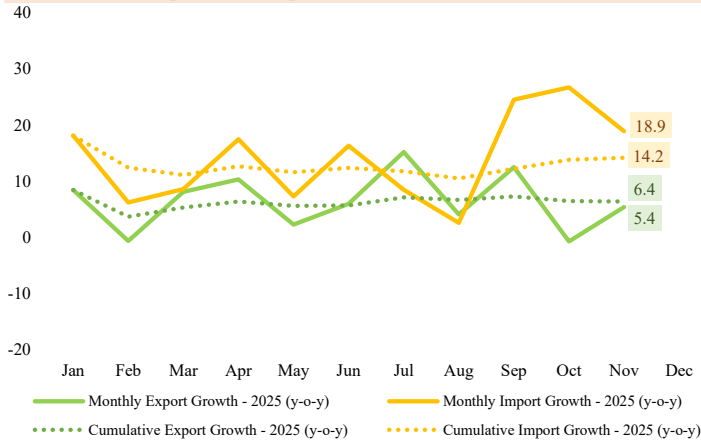
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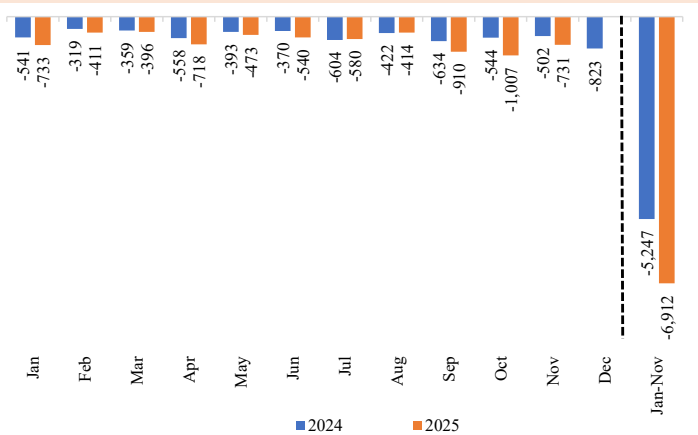
Monthly Import Performance



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



Trade Balance (USD mn)



Major Merchandise Export and Import Categories - January - November 2025

Exports (USD mn)

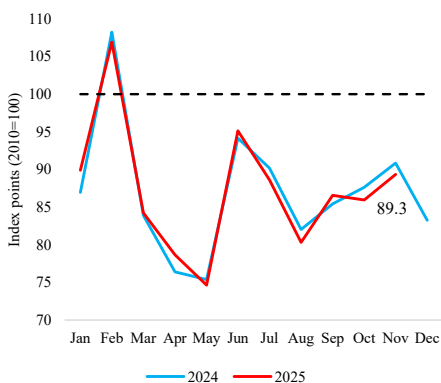
Textiles and garments	4,842.0
Tea	1,401.4
Petroleum products	880.9
Rubber products	840.4
Food beverages and tobacco	829.5
Coconut	529.2
Machinery and mechanical appliances	453.3
Spices	399.3
Gems, diamonds and jewellery	353.9
Chemical products	283.9

Imports (USD mn)

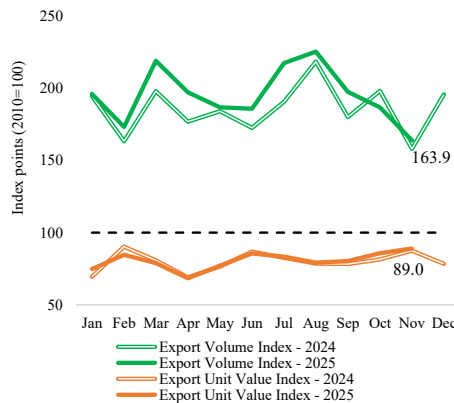
Fuel	3,652.4
Textiles and textile articles	2,497.6
Machinery and equipment	2,271.3
Vehicles	1,365.8
Chemical products	939.7
Building material	913.3
Medical and pharmaceuticals	596.8
Plastics and articles thereof	585.8
Base metals	459.8
Paper and paperboard and articles thereof	376.0

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

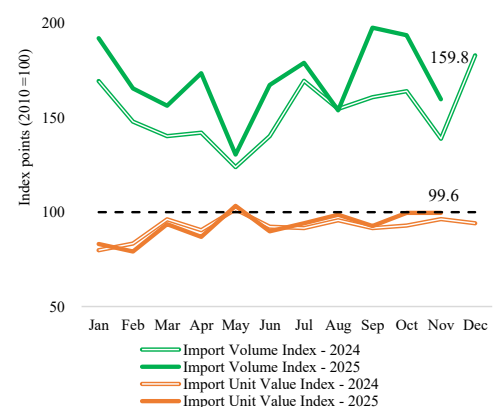
Terms of Trade



Export Volume and Unit Value Indices

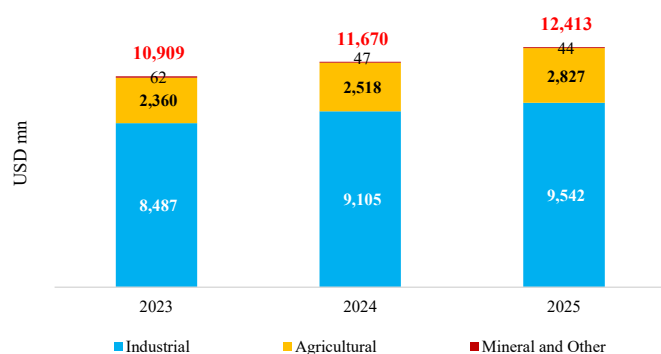


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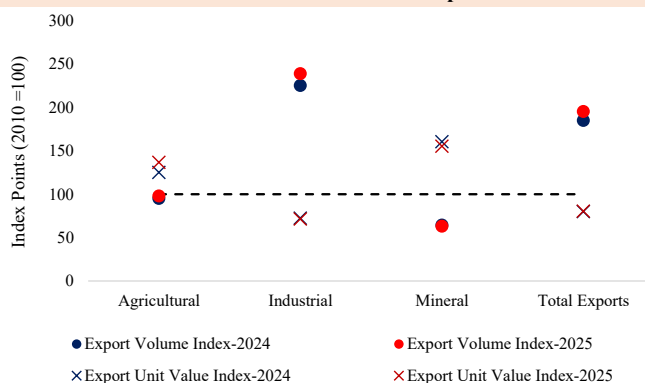


Merchandise Export Performance

Export Performance - Jan-Nov

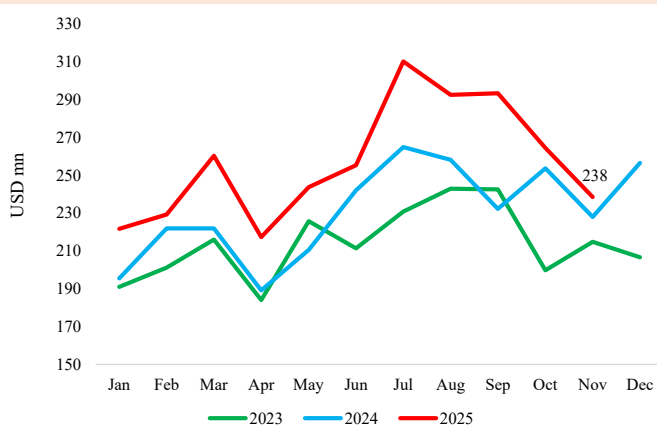


Volume and Unit Value Indices of Exports - Jan-Nov

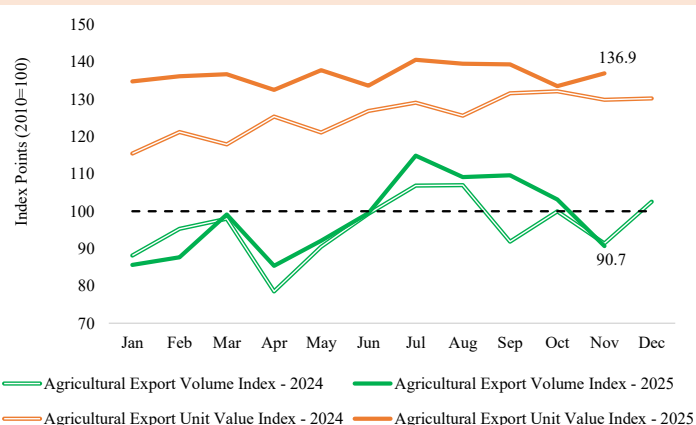


Agricultural Exports

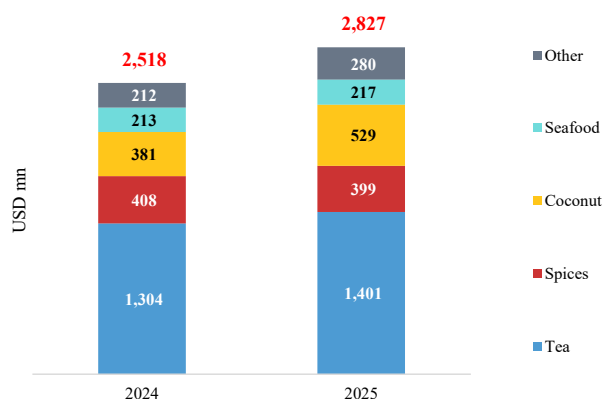
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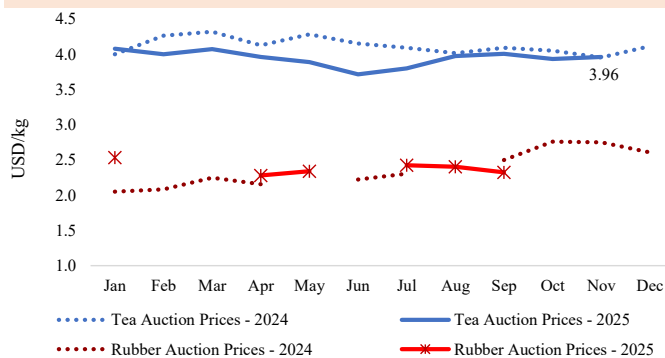
Volume and Unit Value Indices of Agricultural Exports



Performance of Agricultural Exports - Jan-Nov



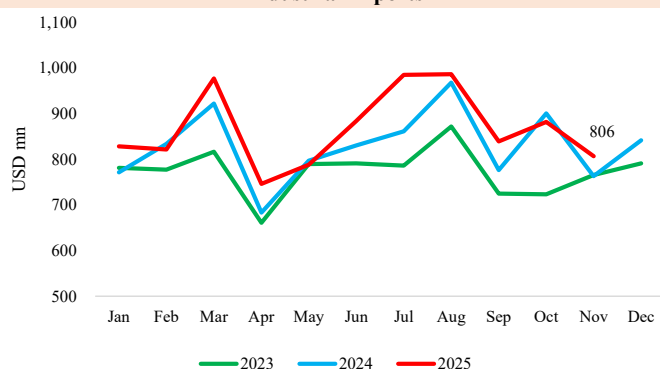
Tea and Rubber Prices



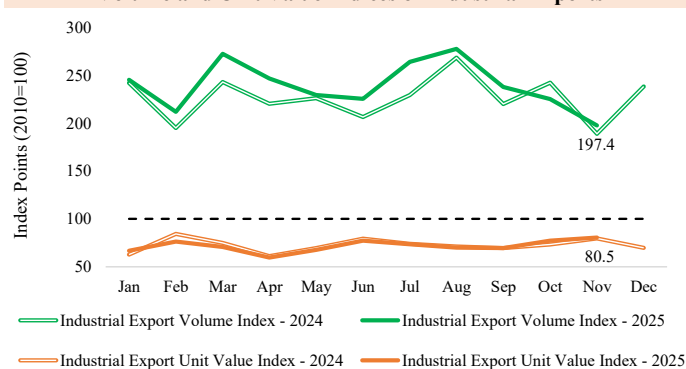
*Rubber (RSS) prices for May, August 2024 and February, March, June, October and November 2025 were not determined at the auction.

Industrial Exports

Industrial Exports

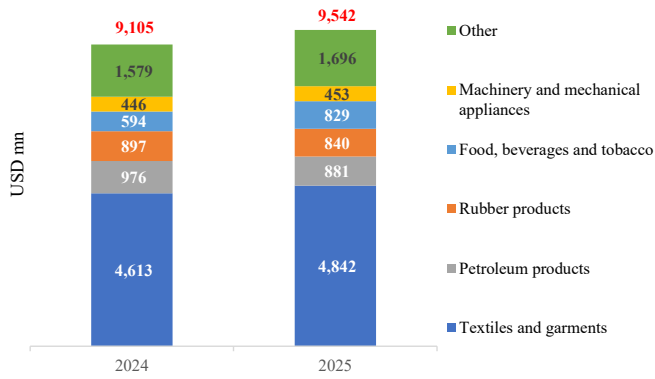


Volume and Unit Value Indices of Industrial Exports

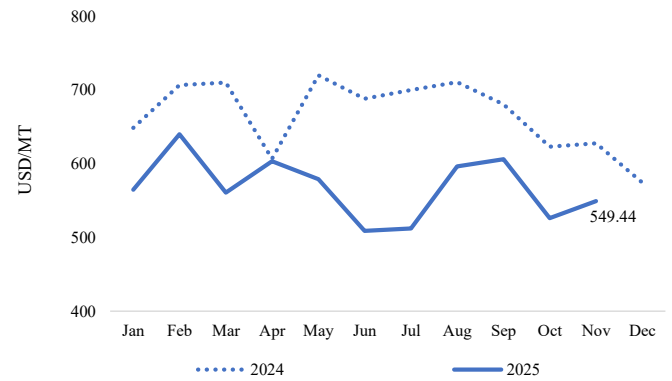


Industrial Exports (Continued...)

Performance of Industrial Exports - Jan- Nov

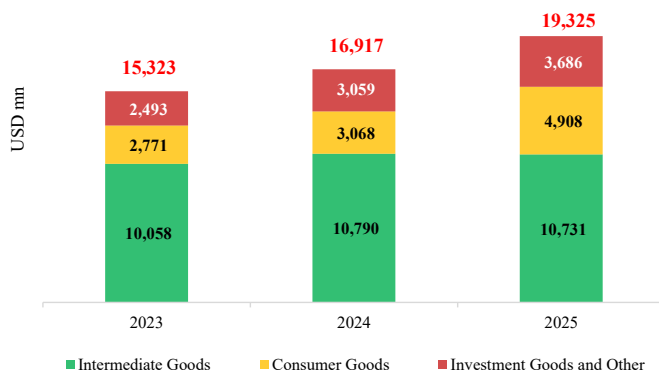


Bunker and Aviation Fuel Export Prices

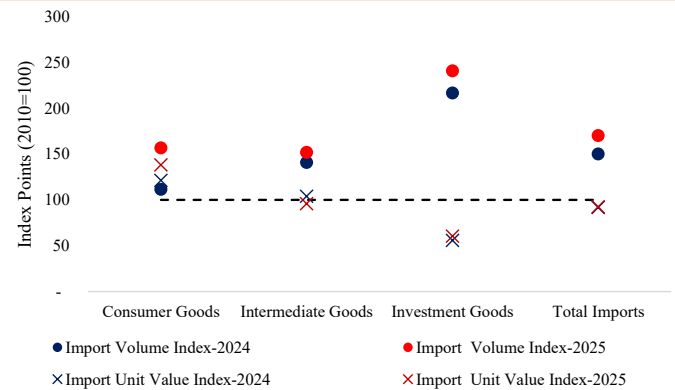


Merchandise Import Performance

Import Performance - Jan- Nov

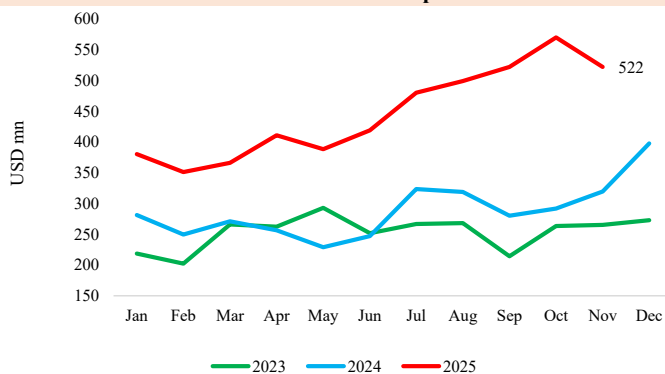


Volume and Unit Value Indices of Imports - Jan-Nov

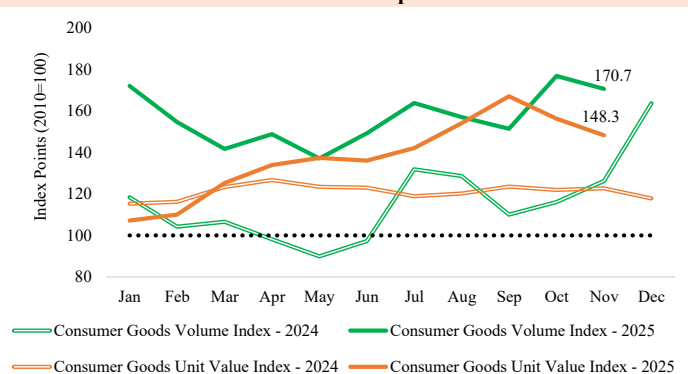


Consumer Goods Imports

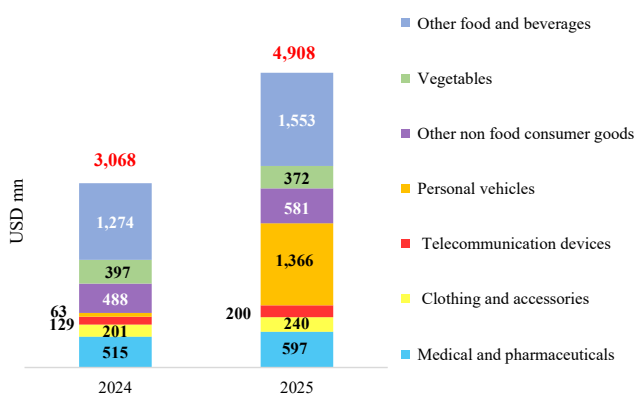
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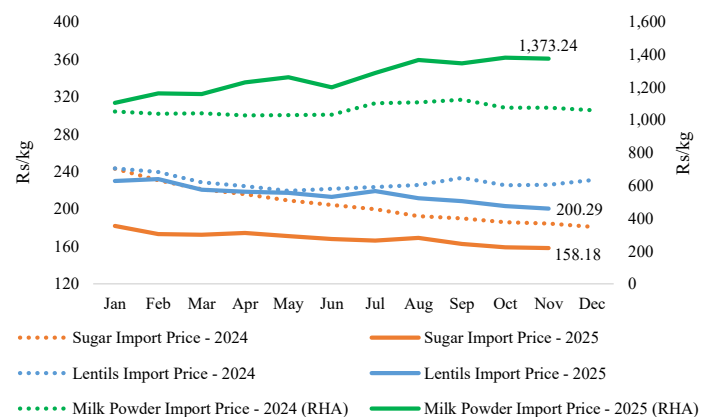
Volume and Unit Value Indices of Imports of Consumer Goods



Performance of Consumer Goods Imports - Jan-Nov

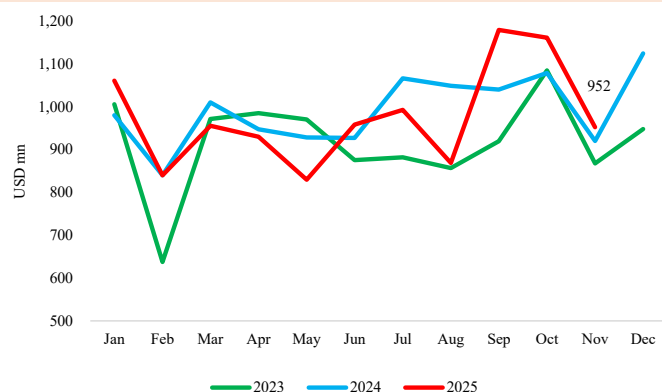


Average Import Prices of Sugar, Lentils and Milk Powder

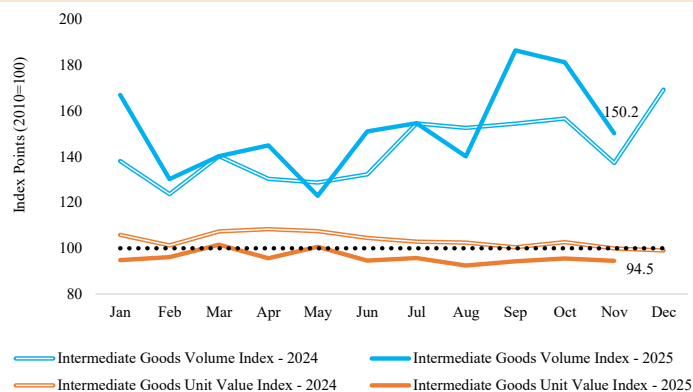


Intermediate Goods Imports

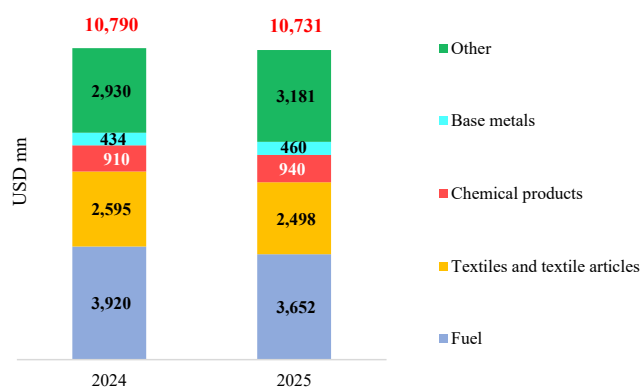
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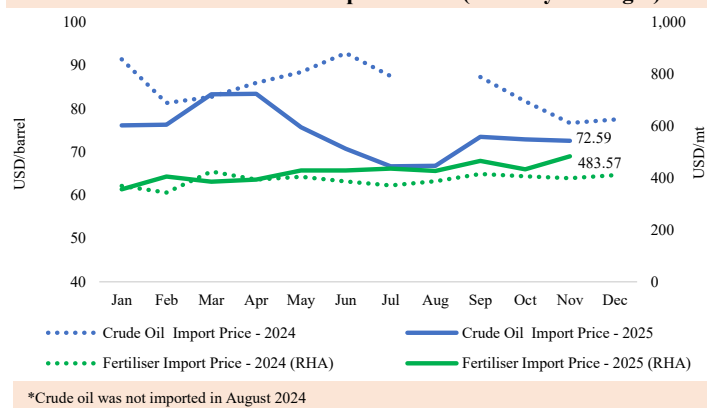
Volume and Unit Value Indices of Intermediate Goods Imports



Performance of Intermediate Goods Imports - Jan-Nov

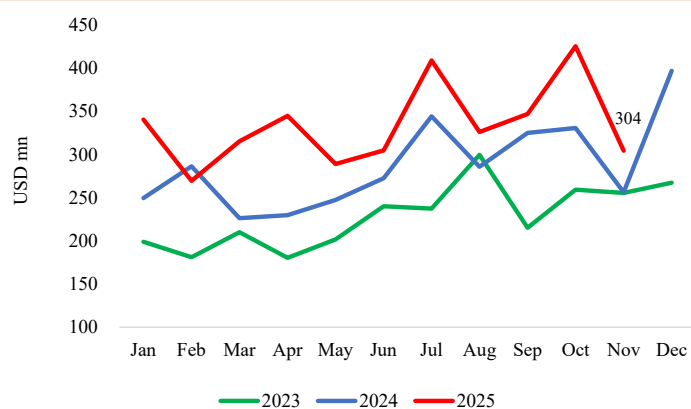


Crude Oil and Fertiliser Import Prices (Monthly Averages)

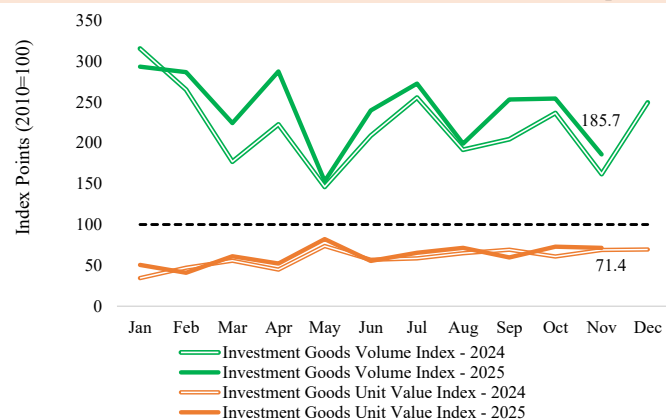


Investment Goods Imports

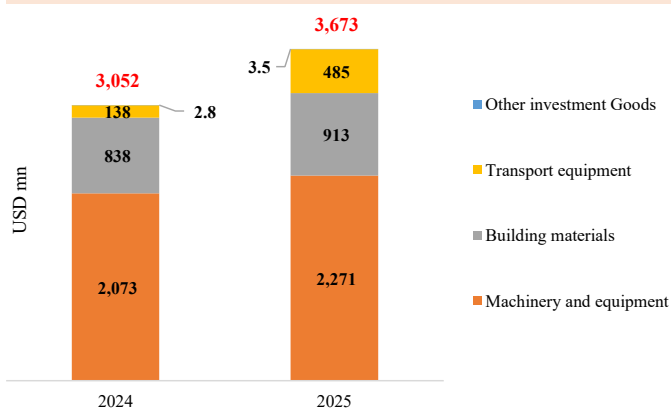
Imports of Investment Goods



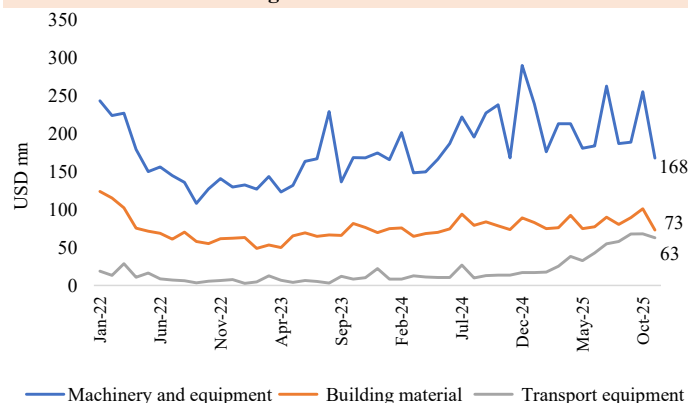
Volume and Unit Value Indices of Investment Goods Imports



Performance of Investment Goods Imports - Jan-Nov



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		Nov-24	Nov-25	Y-O-Y Change (%)	Jan-Nov 2024	Jan-Nov 2025	Y-O-Y Change (%)
Agricultural Exports		228.0	238.5	4.6	2,517.9	2,826.5	12.3
o/w	Tea	118.2	111.8	-5.4	1,304.3	1,401.4	7.4
	Coconut	32.7	47.1	44.1	380.5	529.2	39.1
	Spices	40.7	37.0	-9.0	407.9	399.3	-2.1
	Seafood	16.5	16.9	2.5	212.8	216.8	1.9
Industrial Exports		762.9	806.5	5.7	9,105.3	9,542.2	4.8
o/w	Textiles and garments	398.0	389.9	-2.0	4,613.4	4,842.0	5.0
	Rubber products	75.1	73.5	-2.1	897.2	840.4	-6.3
	Petroleum products	70.0	88.1	25.8	975.5	880.9	-9.7
	Food, beverages and tobacco	51.2	70.6	37.8	594.0	829.5	39.7
	Machinery and mechanical appliances	36.7	54.7	49.2	446.0	453.3	1.6
	Gems, diamonds and jewellery	27.9	13.5	-51.6	365.5	353.9	-3.2
	Leather, travel goods and footwear	4.9	4.2	-13.9	57.3	63.7	11.2
Mineral and Other Exports		3.3	2.9	-12.1	46.9	44.0	-6.2
Total Exports		994.1	1,047.8	5.4	11,670.2	12,412.8	6.4
Import Performance (USD mn)							
Item		Nov-24	Nov-25	Y-O-Y Change (%)	Jan-Nov 2024	Jan-Nov 2025	Y-O-Y Change (%)
Consumer goods		319.6	521.7	63.2	3,068.1	4,908.0	60.0
Food and beverages		164.0	157.1	-4.2	1,671.8	1,924.5	15.1
o/w	Vegetables (b)	32.4	22.8	-29.6	397.4	371.7	-6.5
	Rice	1.3	14.8	1,005.1	40.0	101.0	152.6
Non-food consumer goods		155.6	364.6	134.4	1,396.3	2,983.5	113.7
o/w	Medical and Pharmaceuticals	57.6	53.3	-7.6	515.1	596.8	15.9
Intermediate goods		920.1	952.3	3.5	10,789.7	10,730.9	-0.5
o/w	Fuel	310.7	333.3	7.3	3,920.4	3,652.4	-6.8
	Textiles and textile articles	241.6	203.2	-15.9	2,594.5	2,497.6	-3.7
	Fertiliser	10.8	48.1	344.2	173.9	290.1	66.8
	Wheat and maize	37.2	37.0	-0.5	324.3	356.2	9.9
Investment goods and other		256.6	304.4	18.6	3,059.2	3,685.8	20.5
o/w	Machinery and equipment	168.3	168.0	-0.1	2,072.8	2,271.3	9.6
Total Imports		1,496.3	1,778.5	18.9	16,916.9	19,324.7	14.2
Trade Balance (USD mn)							
Item		Nov-24	Nov-25		Jan-Nov 2024	Jan-Nov 2025	
Trade Balance		-502.2	-730.7		-5,246.7	-6,912.0	
Trade Indices and Terms of Trade (2010 = 100) (In USD terms)							
Item		Nov-24	Nov-25	Y-O-Y Change (%)	Jan-Nov 2024	Jan-Nov 2025	Y-O-Y Change (%)
Export							
Value index		138.4	145.8	5.4	147.7	157.1	6.4
Volume index		158.0	163.9	3.7	185.0	195.4	5.6
Unit value index		87.5	89.0	1.6	79.8	80.4	0.7
Import							
Value index		133.9	159.2	18.9	137.6	157.2	14.2
Volume index		139.0	159.8	15.0	150.2	170.0	13.2
Unit value index		96.4	99.6	3.3	91.6	92.5	0.9
Terms of Trade		90.8	89.3		87.1	86.9	

(a) Provisional

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

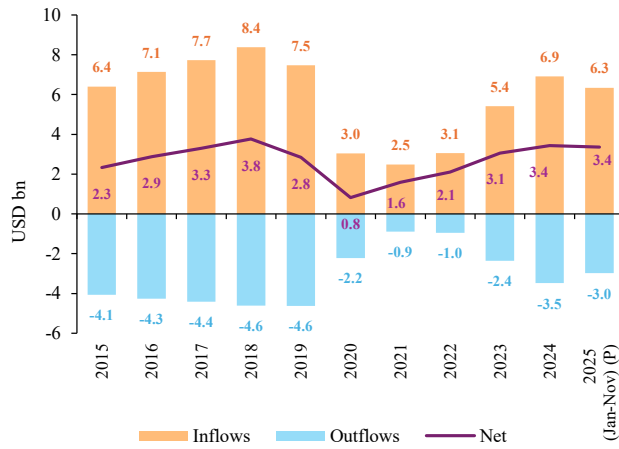
Note 1: Detailed CBSL merchandise trade classification and the classification based on the Standard International Trade Classification are presented in Annexure.

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

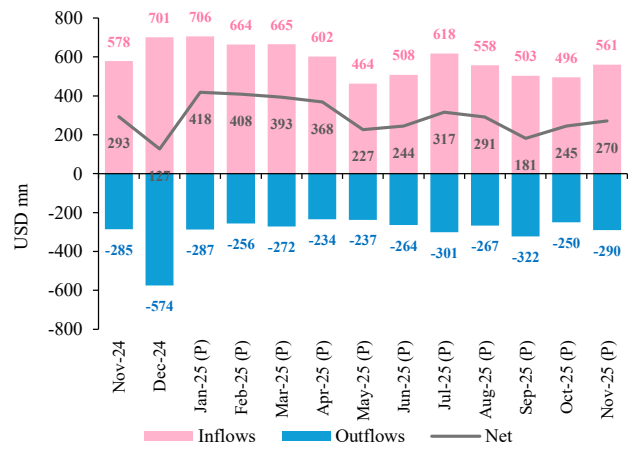
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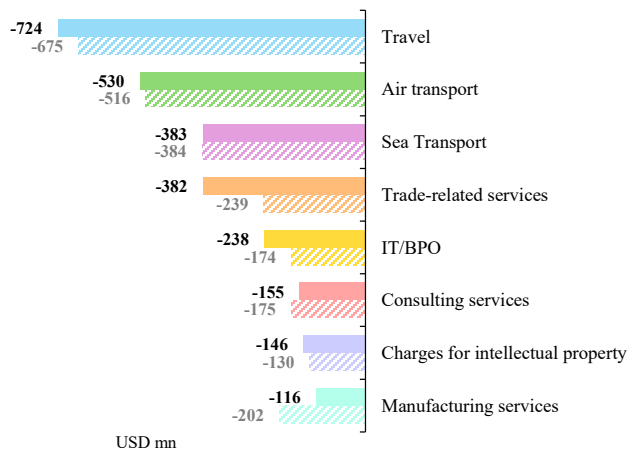
Services Account - Annual



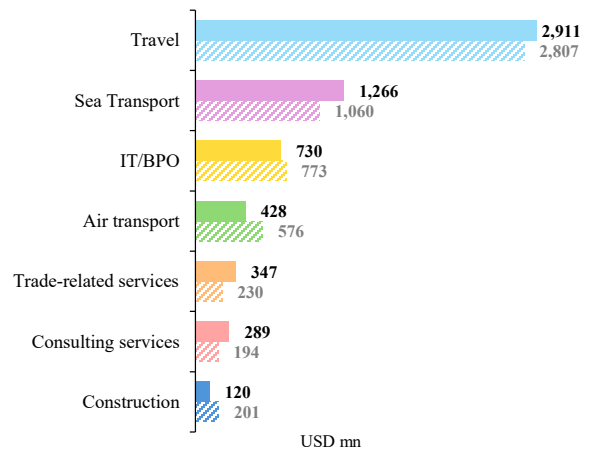
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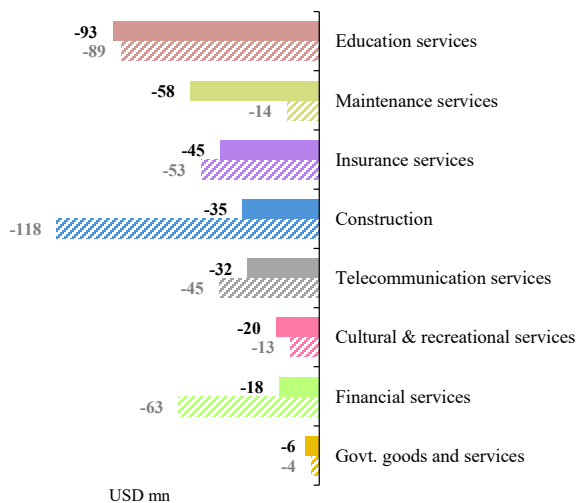
Major Services Outflows



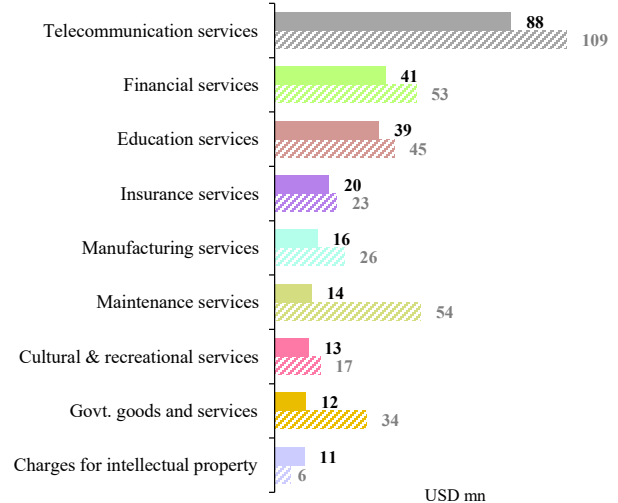
Major Services Inflows



Minor Services Outflows



Minor Services Inflows



Jan-Nov 2024

Jan-Nov 2025 (P)

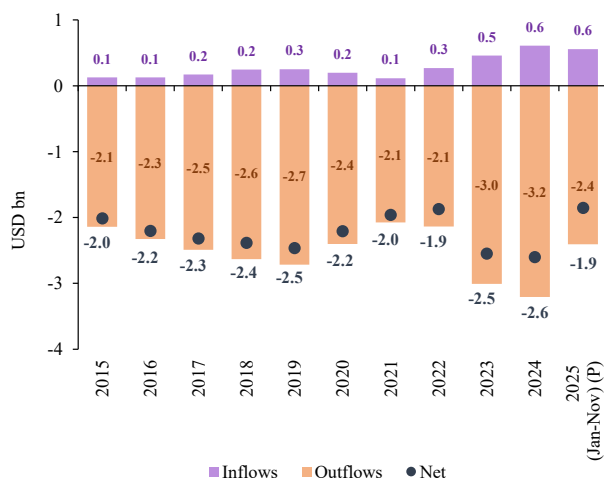
Primary Income Account

Summary of Primary Income Account (a)

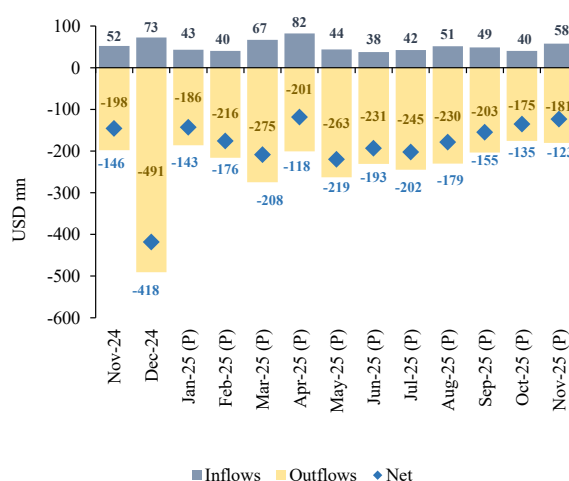
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Primary Income Account Outflows	197.7	180.8	-8.6	2,717.5	2,406.4	-11.4
<i>of which,</i>						
Direct Investment related Outflows	80.2	38.1	-52.5	778.4	953.5	22.5
Dividends	56.6	21.5	-62.1	631.1	743.2	17.8
Reinvested Earnings	23.6	16.6	-29.7	147.3	210.3	42.7
Portfolio Investment related Outflows	8.1	50.4		693.0	439.4	-36.6
<i>of which,</i>						
Government Bond Outflows	3.5	21.5		611.1	349.4	-42.8
Other Investment Interest	107.9	90.7	-15.9	1,227.6	989.1	-19.4
Interest on Foreign Loans						
Government	64.7	63.3	-2.1	864.9	681.0	-21.3
Central Bank	35.6	25.2	-29.2	264.1	163.1	-38.3
Deposit-taking Corporations	5.7	1.5	-73.4	76.3	41.4	-45.7
Other Sectors	1.8	0.6	-66.1	22.4	103.6	362.6

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Primary Income Account - Annual



Primary Income Account - Monthly



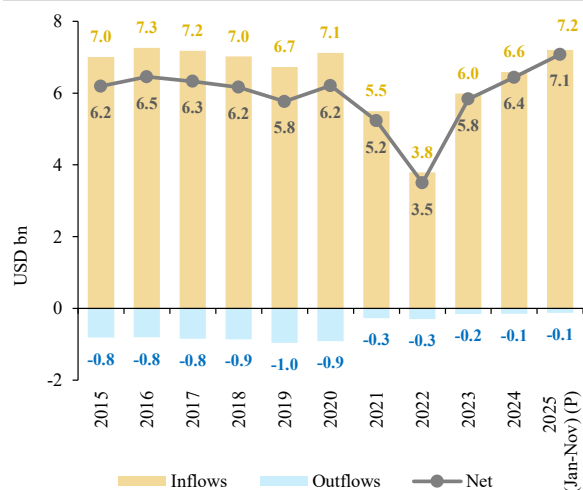
Secondary Income Account

Summary of Secondary Income Account (a)

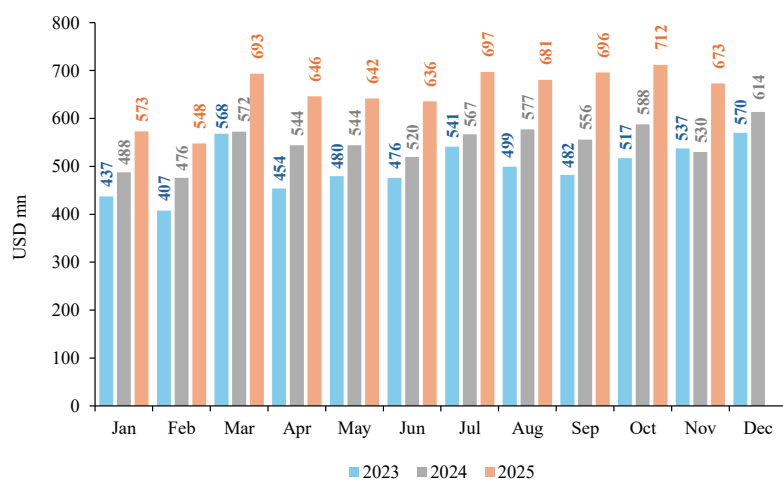
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Secondary Income Account Inflows	530.8	674.2	27.0	5,971.4	7,199.6	20.6
General Government	0.8	0.8	5.4	9.8	2.5	-75.0
Worker's Remittances	530.1	673.4	27.0	5,961.6	7,197.1	20.7
Secondary Income Account Outflows	9.4	9.1	-3.1	136.8	121.4	-11.3

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Secondary Income Account - Annual

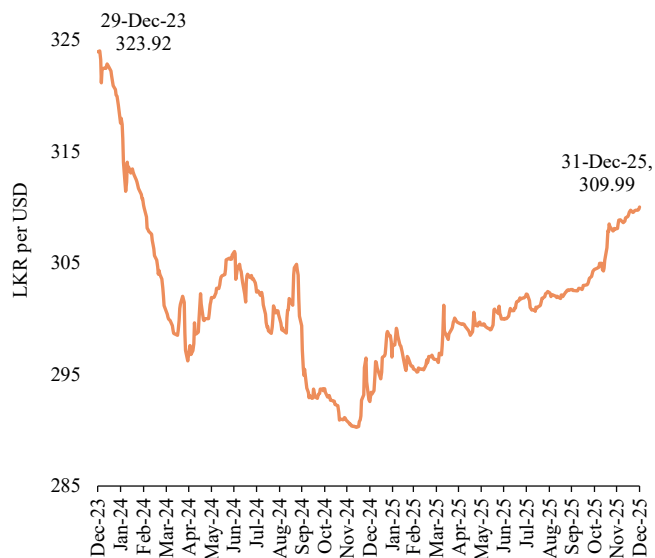


Inward Workers' Remittances - Monthly

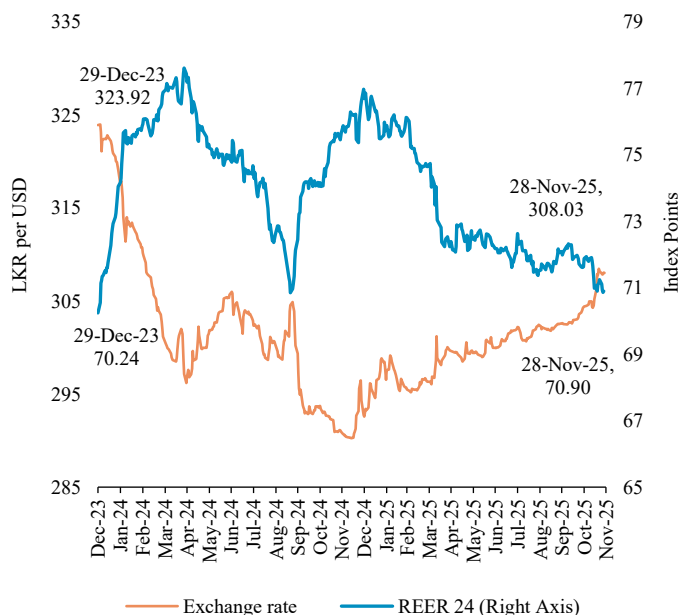


Exchange Rate Movements (a)

Movement of the Sri Lanka rupee against the US dollar



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



Movement of the Sri Lanka rupee against Selected Currencies *

Currency	2023	2024	2025 (up to 31 Dec)
US dollar	12.1%	10.7%	-5.6%
Euro	7.9%	17.8%	-16.3%
Pound sterling	6.0%	12.3%	-12.0%
Chinese yuan (Renminbi)	14.3%	13.9%	-9.6%
Japanese yen	19.5%	22.5%	-5.6%
Australian dollar	10.8%	21.7%	-12.2%
Indian rupee	12.6%	13.9%	-1.0%

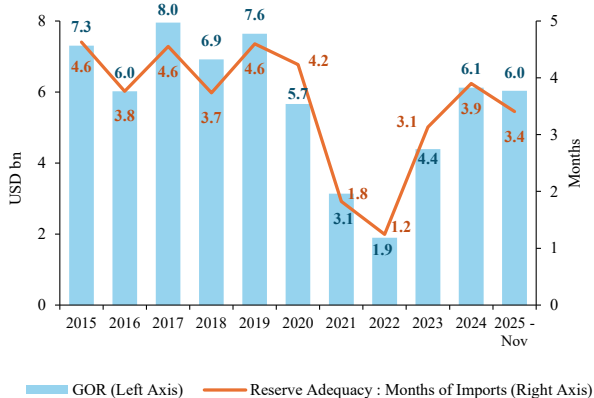
* Depreciation (-) / Appreciation (+)

(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

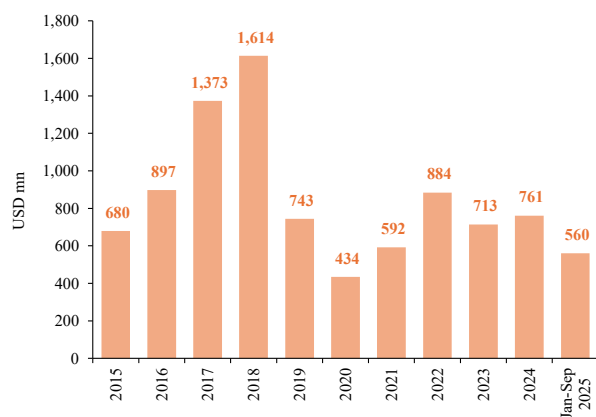
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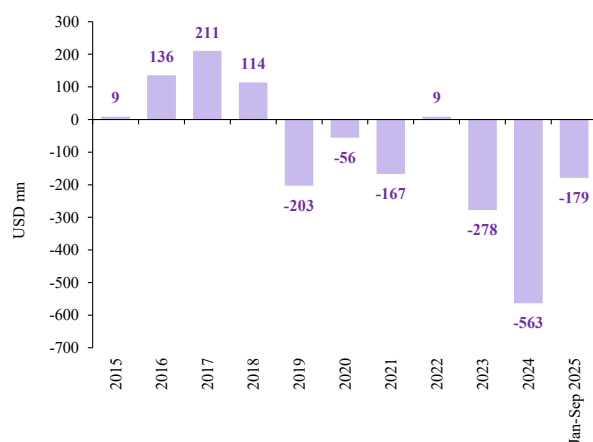
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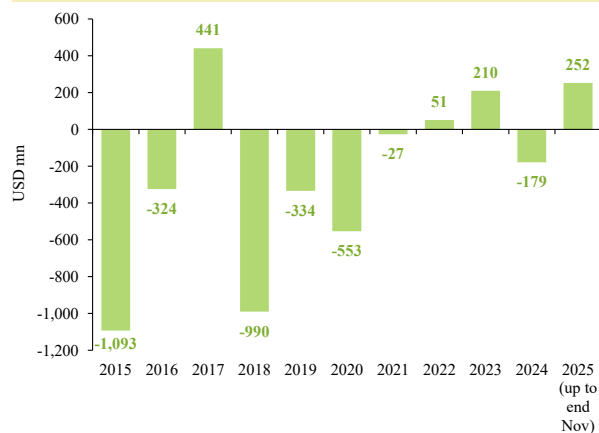
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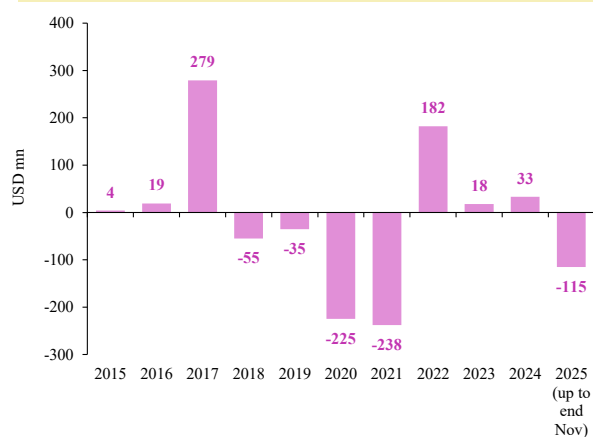
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Net Inflows to the G-Sec. Market ^(c)



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	November 2024 (USD mn)	November 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Nov 2024 (USD mn)	Jan-Nov 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)
1. Industrial exports	762.9	806.5	5.7	9,105.3	9,542.2	4.8
Food, beverages and tobacco	51.2	70.6	37.8	594.0	829.5	39.7
Animal fodder	9.4	14.6	56.3	121.4	150.7	24.2
Textiles and garments	398.0	389.9	-2.0	4,613.4	4,842.0	5.0
o/w Garments	367.8	361.0	-1.9	4,244.3	4,472.1	5.4
Textiles	22.8	21.6	-5.1	271.5	263.8	-2.8
Other made-up textile articles	7.4	7.3	-1.4	97.6	106.1	8.7
Rubber products	75.1	73.5	-2.1	897.2	840.4	-6.3
Gems, diamonds and jewellery	27.9	13.5	-51.6	365.5	353.9	-3.2
Machinery and mechanical appliances	36.7	54.7	49.2	446.0	453.3	1.6
Transport equipment	5.7	7.6	32.9	99.0	103.0	4.0
Petroleum products	70.0	88.1	25.8	975.5	880.9	-9.7
Chemical products	21.7	26.8	23.8	212.6	283.9	33.5
Wood and paper products	8.9	8.4	-5.7	113.8	108.2	-4.9
Printing industry products	3.9	5.0	29.5	44.6	49.4	10.9
Leather, travel goods and footwear	4.9	4.2	-13.9	57.3	63.7	11.2
Plastics and articles thereof	3.9	5.5	42.3	49.4	51.3	3.8
Base metals and articles	14.6	17.3	18.5	171.4	190.9	11.4
Ceramic products	2.6	2.5	-2.9	30.1	27.3	-9.1
Other industrial exports	28.6	24.2	-15.4	314.1	313.8	-0.1
2. Agricultural exports	228.0	238.5	4.6	2,517.9	2,826.5	12.3
Tea	118.2	111.8	-5.4	1,304.3	1,401.4	7.4
Rubber	2.1	2.0	-4.3	23.6	28.9	22.4
Coconut	32.7	47.1	44.1	380.5	529.2	39.1
Spices	40.7	37.0	-9.0	407.9	399.3	-2.1
Vegetables	2.5	2.5	-0.8	25.6	31.2	22.0
Unmanufactured tobacco	2.3	1.2	-47.7	22.4	23.3	3.8
Minor agricultural products	13.0	19.9	53.0	140.8	196.5	39.6
Seafood	16.5	16.9	2.5	212.8	216.8	1.9
3. Mineral exports	1.5	1.6	6.1	23.0	21.7	-5.3
4. Unclassified exports	1.8	1.3	-26.7	24.0	22.3	-7.1
Total exports	994.1	1,047.8	5.4	11,670.2	12,412.8	6.4

(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	November 2024 (USD mn)	November 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Nov 2024 (USD mn)	Jan-Nov 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)
1. Consumer goods	319.6	521.7	63.2	3,068.1	4,908.0	60.0
Food and beverages	164.0	157.1	-4.2	1,671.8	1,924.5	15.1
Cereals and milling industry products	4.1	22.3	443.1	114.5	147.8	29.1
Dairy products	28.3	26.8	-5.3	209.4	325.9	55.6
Vegetables (b)	32.4	22.8	-29.6	397.4	371.7	-6.5
Seafood	14.6	14.0	-4.5	108.9	114.5	5.1
Sugar and confectionery	27.0	21.7	-19.6	346.0	338.5	-2.2
Spices	9.9	9.8	-1.4	103.7	89.6	-13.6
Oils and Fats	27.6	21.6	-21.6	215.6	325.7	51.1
Other food and beverages	20.1	18.1	-9.8	176.3	210.9	19.6
Non-food consumer goods	155.6	364.6	134.4	1,396.3	2,983.5	113.7
Personal vehicles	4.6	227.6	4,835.4	62.7	1,365.8	2,078.4
Medical and pharmaceuticals	57.6	53.3	-7.6	515.1	596.8	15.9
Home appliances	17.9	14.0	-21.8	142.0	182.8	28.7
Clothing and accessories	23.1	16.6	-28.4	200.8	239.6	19.3
Telecommunication devices	15.5	21.5	38.7	129.4	199.9	54.5
Household and furniture items	12.9	11.1	-13.5	124.0	137.1	10.5
Other non-food consumables	23.9	20.5	-14.3	222.3	261.5	17.7
2. Intermediate goods	920.1	952.3	3.5	10,789.7	10,730.9	-0.5
Fuel	310.7	333.3	7.3	3,920.4	3,652.4	-6.8
o/w Crude oil	56.0	53.3	-4.7	749.8	747.8	-0.3
Refined petroleum	226.6	250.0	10.3	2,910.6	2,704.1	-7.1
Coal	28.0	29.95	6.9	260.1	200.6	-22.9
Diamonds, precious stones, and metals	7.8	6.9	-10.8	200.2	136.9	-31.6
Textiles and textile articles	241.6	203.2	-15.9	2,594.5	2,497.6	-3.7
Paper and paperboard and articles thereof	35.8	30.2	-15.8	410.5	376.0	-8.4
Agricultural inputs	20.2	21.7	7.2	238.7	242.7	1.7
Wheat and maize	37.2	37.0	-0.5	324.3	356.2	9.9
Base metals	29.5	48.9	65.8	434.1	459.8	5.9
Plastics and articles thereof	50.2	50.4	0.4	554.4	585.8	5.7
Chemical products	76.6	77.5	1.2	910.2	939.7	3.2
Fertiliser	10.8	48.1	344.2	173.9	290.1	66.8
Rubber and articles thereof	27.9	18.3	-34.3	291.7	270.8	-7.2
Mineral products	8.5	13.1	54.4	119.0	146.9	23.5
Other intermediate goods	63.5	63.8	0.5	617.7	776.0	25.6
3. Investment goods	256.1	304.4	18.8	3,051.6	3,673.3	20.4
Machinery and equipment	168.3	168.0	-0.1	2,072.8	2,271.3	9.6
Building material	73.8	73.0	-1.0	838.1	913.3	9.0
Transport equipment	13.5	62.8	363.6	137.8	485.3	252.0
o/w Commercial Vehicles	3.3	53.8	1,521.2	41.3	380.3	820.2
Other investment goods	0.6	0.5	-8.2	2.8	3.5	24.9
4. Unclassified imports	0.5	0.1	-85.3	7.6	12.4	63.9
Total imports	1,496.3	1,778.5	18.9	16,916.9	19,324.7	14.2
o/w Non-fuel imports	1,185.6	1,445.2	21.9	12,996.5	15,672.3	20.6

(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	November 2024 (USD mn)	November 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Nov 2024 (USD mn)	Jan-Nov 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)
0. Food and live animals	243.7	266.3	9.3	2,724.2	3,107.5	14.1
03 Fish and fish preparations	21.4	24.1	12.8	259.3	276.2	6.5
04 Cereals and cereal preparations	6.1	6.1	0.5	67.9	74.7	10.1
05 Vegetables and fruit	41.6	64.4	54.8	445.5	669.0	50.2
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	158.4	149.0	-5.9	1,712.4	1,799.0	5.1
1. Beverages and tobacco	12.0	13.7	14.0	148.3	160.0	7.9
11 Beverages	5.2	5.5	4.4	67.9	66.3	-2.3
12 Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	6.8	8.2	21.4	80.4	93.7	16.5
2. Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	26.4	34.9	31.8	346.2	421.9	21.9
23 Crude rubber	2.2	2.2	-1.7	24.9	30.5	22.1
26 Textile fibres and their wastes	15.7	15.5	-1.8	205.7	238.2	15.8
3. Mineral fuels, lubricants, and related materials	70.0	88.1	25.8	975.5	880.9	-9.7
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	70.0	67.3	-3.9	862.9	856.6	-0.7
34 Gas, natural and manufactured		20.8		112.6	24.4	-78.4
4. Animal and vegetable oils, fats, and waxes	10.0	14.8	48.3	83.9	185.4	120.9
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated	7.1	12.7	79.3	75.3	136.1	80.9
5. Chemicals and related products, n.e.s.	25.7	32.6	26.9	255.9	332.8	30.1
6. Manufactured goods classified chiefly by materials	129.8	116.6	-10.2	1,658.5	1,575.7	-5.0
62 Rubber manufactures, n.e.s.	47.6	51.7	8.4	645.2	571.4	-11.4
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, etc., n.e.s.	28.8	26.6	-7.6	354.7	354.7	
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.	33.3	17.5	-47.4	422.9	404.8	-4.3
7. Machinery, transport equipment	41.5	61.1	47.0	532.4	540.3	1.5
77 Electric machinery, apparatus, and appliances, n.e.s. and electrical parts thereof	24.5	27.8	13.3	260.0	279.7	7.6
8. Miscellaneous manufactured articles	434.9	419.8	-3.5	4,945.0	5,208.1	5.3
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	398.2	385.6	-3.2	4,531.4	4,779.5	5.5
9. Commodities and transactions not classified elsewhere in the SITC	0.04			0.3	0.1	-77.1
Total exports	994.1	1,047.8	5.4	11,670.2	12,412.8	6.4

(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	November 2024 (USD mn)	November 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Nov 2024 (USD mn)	Jan-Nov 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)
0. Food and live animals	201.7	203.2	0.7	2,093.9	2,293.0	9.5
02 Dairy products and birds' eggs	28.3	26.8	-5.3	215.7	326.3	51.3
03 Fish and fish preparations	14.7	14.1	-4.3	110.4	116.0	5.1
04 Cereals and cereal preparations	41.0	59.2	44.3	434.8	500.3	15.1
05 Vegetables and fruit	39.6	29.4	-25.9	458.7	441.1	-3.8
06 Sugars, sugar preparations and honey	27.0	21.7	-19.6	346.0	338.5	-2.2
07 Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices and manufactures thereof	17.7	16.5	-6.6	169.0	178.6	5.7
1. Beverages and tobacco	10.4	11.5	11.0	108.5	119.7	10.3
2. Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	39.7	33.4	-15.7	420.8	455.7	8.3
23 Crude rubber	23.6	15.2	-35.5	248.9	232.9	-6.4
26 Textile fibres and their wastes	1.8	1.1	-41.8	15.4	18.7	21.6
3. Mineral fuels, lubricants, and related materials	310.7	333.3	7.3	3,920.4	3,652.4	-6.8
33 Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	240.7	280.3	16.4	3,326.8	3,080.4	-7.4
34 Gas, natural and manufactured	41.9	23.1	-45.0	333.6	371.5	11.4
4. Animal and vegetable oils, fats, and waxes	34.0	25.5	-25.2	248.9	402.3	61.6
42 Fixed vegetable fats and oils, crude, refined or fractionated	32.3	24.6	-24.0	232.6	387.6	66.6
5. Chemicals and related products, n.e.s.	192.7	224.5	16.5	2,114.8	2,367.5	12.0
54 Medicinal and pharmaceutical products	54.9	48.0	-12.5	468.6	547.2	16.8
56 Fertilisers, manufactured	10.8	48.1	344.4	173.0	289.9	67.6
57 Plastics in primary forms	33.1	34.6	4.5	376.1	385.7	2.6
58 Plastics in non-primary forms	12.9	12.1	-5.6	134.4	152.5	13.4
6. Manufactured goods classified chiefly by materials	399.8	379.2	-5.2	4,649.0	4,554.3	-2.0
64 Paper, paperboard, and articles thereof	33.5	28.1	-16.3	391.4	352.7	-9.9
65 Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, etc., n.e.s.	234.9	199.2	-15.2	2,537.1	2,441.3	-3.8
66 Non-metallic mineral manufactures, n.e.s.	27.7	32.3	16.6	465.7	423.8	-9.0
67 Iron and steel	37.2	59.6	60.4	556.1	577.8	3.9
7. Machinery, transport equipment	223.9	500.7	123.7	2,576.5	4,549.9	76.6
72 Machinery specialized for particular industries	29.3	41.4	41.3	343.1	451.9	31.7
74 General industrial machinery and equipment and machine parts, n.e.s.	44.1	45.9	4.0	611.0	673.7	10.3
75 Office machines and automatic data-processing machines	19.1	20.7	8.3	162.4	200.1	23.2
76 Telecommunications and sound-recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	33.7	35.6	5.6	340.7	401.3	17.8
77 Electric machinery, apparatus and appliances, n.e.s. and electrical parts thereof	53.7	44.4	-17.3	550.7	591.6	7.4
78 Road vehicles	18.6	290.6	1,464.5	201.1	1,869.1	829.4
8. Miscellaneous manufactured articles	82.7	67.2	-18.7	775.3	913.5	17.8
84 Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	19.8	13.7	-30.7	175.5	209.1	19.1
87 Professional, scientific, and controlling instruments and apparatus n.e.s.	14.0	12.7	-9.0	143.8	177.7	23.6
9. Commodities and transactions not elsewhere specified in SITC	0.8	0.1	-91.0	8.8	16.4	86.5
Total imports	1,496.3	1,778.5	18.9	16,916.9	19,324.7	14.2

(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

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Services Account – Inflows (a)

	Nov 2024 (USD mn)	Nov 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Nov 2024 (USD mn)	Jan-Nov 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)
Services	578.5	560.9	-3.0	6,208.6	6,345.0	2.2
Manufacturing services	0.6	1.8	199.0	26.1	16.0	-38.9
Maintenance and repair services	0.9	1.1	29.5	54.5	13.7	-74.8
Transport	155.0	125.8	-18.9	1,637.2	1,695.1	3.5
Sea transport	113.9	87.9	-22.8	1,060.4	1,266.5	19.4
Passenger	0.1	0.00003	-100.0	1.4	0.4	-67.6
Freight	84.7	57.1	-32.6	683.8	717.9	5.0
Other	29.1	30.8	5.9	375.2	548.1	46.1
Air transport	41.0	37.8	-8.0	576.1	427.9	-25.7
Passenger	22.9	26.9	17.2	260.4	293.3	12.6
Freight	4.2	2.2	-48.1	47.2	32.2	-31.8
Other	14.0	8.7	-37.4	268.5	102.5	-61.8
Postal services	0.03	0.1	189.4	0.7	0.8	9.3
Travel	272.9	251.6	-7.8	2,806.5	2,910.6	3.7
Construction	9.3	11.2	19.7	200.8	120.4	-40.0
Construction abroad	1.0	2.1	112.9	18.8	14.9	-20.6
Construction in the reporting economy	3.5	2.8	-20.0	97.4	37.1	-61.9
Architectural, engineering & other technical services	4.9	6.3	29.6	84.7	68.4	-19.2
Insurance and pension services	1.8	1.7	-5.7	23.2	20.2	-13.1
Direct insurance	1.7	1.6	-6.3	20.3	15.7	-22.6
Reinsurance	0.1	0.1	1.7	2.9	4.5	53.1
Financial services	5.2	3.4	-33.9	52.7	41.3	-21.6
Charges for the use of intellectual property	0.9	0.9	-7.8	6.1	11.1	82.0
Telecommunications, computer, and information services	83.5	66.9	-19.9	881.8	817.9	-7.3
Telecommunications services	8.6	8.7	1.9	108.8	88.1	-19.0
Computer & IT/BPO related services	74.9	58.1	-22.4	773.0	729.7	-5.6
Computer services	74.2	58.1	-21.6	766.9	724.0	-5.6
Information services	0.7	0.0	-98.3	6.1	5.8	-5.2
Other business services	45.5	94.6	107.8	468.3	674.1	43.9
Education services	3.3	4.5	38.3	44.5	38.9	-12.7
Professional and management consulting services	22.3	38.8	74.3	193.8	288.6	48.9
Technical, trade-related, and other business services	20.0	51.2	156.4	230.0	346.7	50.8
Personal, cultural, and recreational services	1.3	1.2	-9.5	17.0	12.9	-24.1
Audiovisual and related services	0.9	0.8	-7.9	7.0	6.3	-9.1
Other personal, cultural, and recreational services	0.4	0.3	-13.2	10.0	6.6	-34.5
Government goods and services	1.6	0.9	-45.7	34.3	11.7	-65.9

(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)

	Nov 2024 (USD mn)	Nov 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Nov 2024 (USD mn)	Jan-Nov 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)
Services	285.3	290.5	1.8	2,900.9	2,981.7	2.8
Manufacturing services	14.2	4.8	-66.2	202.3	115.6	-42.8
Maintenance and repair services	1.6	5.2	225.1	14.5	58.2	302.0
Transport	109.5	70.6	-35.6	905.7	914.6	1.0
Sea transport	52.5	19.1	-63.7	384.4	382.9	-0.4
Passenger	0.1	0.0001	-99.7	1.2	0.1	-89.0
Freight	50.0	17.5	-65.0	359.8	340.9	-5.3
Other	2.5	1.6	-36.7	23.4	41.9	78.8
Air transport	56.6	51.5	-9.1	516.2	530.4	2.8
Passenger	24.3	14.3	-41.3	260.4	187.8	-27.9
Freight	22.8	28.1	23.2	145.3	270.3	86.1
Other	9.5	9.2	-3.9	110.5	72.3	-34.6
Postal services	0.4	0.03	-92.6	5.1	1.3	-74.9
Travel	68.9	97.8	41.8	674.7	723.7	7.3
Construction	2.8	1.3	-54.5	118.1	34.6	-70.7
Construction abroad	1.0	0.2	-78.9	30.2	2.7	-91.1
Construction in the reporting economy	0.0	0.1		13.4	6.6	-50.6
Architectural, engineering & other technical services	1.8	1.0	-43.6	74.6	25.3	-66.1
Insurance and pension services	2.9	2.4	-19.2	53.2	44.7	-15.9
Direct insurance	0.4	0.3	-18.7	10.4	11.5	10.2
Reinsurance	2.5	2.0	-19.3	42.7	33.2	-22.3
Financial services	1.6	1.3	-20.1	63.4	18.2	-71.2
Charges for the use of intellectual property	13.5	12.5	-7.3	130.5	145.9	11.9
Telecommunications, computer, and information services	22.0	23.4	6.1	218.8	269.9	23.4
Telecommunications services	1.4	2.6	79.1	45.1	32.3	-28.5
Computer & IT/BPO related services	20.6	20.8	0.9	173.7	237.7	36.8
Computer services	19.2	20.2	5.2	152.4	232.0	52.2
Information services	1.4	0.5	-60.1	21.4	5.7	-73.2
Other business services	45.7	69.7	52.5	502.9	630.3	25.3
Education services	7.2	10.1	40.8	89.2	93.0	4.2
Professional and management consulting services	13.6	15.1	11.2	174.6	155.2	-11.2
Technical, trade-related, and other business services	24.9	44.5	78.4	239.0	382.2	59.9
Personal, cultural, and recreational services	1.8	1.4	-25.3	13.1	19.5	48.5
Audiovisual and related services	1.7	1.3	-23.2	11.9	18.7	57.6
Other personal, cultural, and recreational services	0.1	0.1	-51.1	1.3	0.8	-37.2
Government goods and services	0.5	0.2	-62.4	3.7	6.3	70.9

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Sources: SLTDA, ITRS – CBSL

Services Account – Net (a)

	Nov 2024 (USD mn)	Nov 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)	Jan-Nov 2024 (USD mn)	Jan-Nov 2025 (USD mn)	Change (%)
Services	293.2	270.4	-7.8	3,307.7	3,363.4	1.7
Manufacturing services	-13.6	-3.0	-77.9	-176.2	-99.7	-43.4
Maintenance and repair services	-0.7	-4.1	458.2	40.0	-44.5	-211.3
Transport	45.5	55.2	21.4	731.5	780.6	6.7
Sea transport	61.4	68.8	12.1	676.0	883.6	30.7
Passenger	0.1	-0.0001	-100.2	0.2	0.3	59.5
Freight	34.7	39.6	14.0	324.0	377.1	16.4
Other	26.6	29.3	9.9	351.8	506.2	43.9
Air transport	-15.6	-13.7	-11.9	59.9	-102.5	-271.2
Passenger	-1.4	12.6		0.1	105.5	
Freight	-18.6	-25.9	39.1	-98.1	-238.2	142.7
Other	4.4	-0.4	-109.3	158.0	30.2	-80.9
Postal services	-0.4	0.1	-116.9	-4.4	-0.5	-88.3
Travel	203.9	153.8	-24.6	2,131.8	2,186.9	2.6
Construction	6.5	9.9	51.9	82.7	85.8	3.8
Construction abroad	-0.05	1.9		-11.4	12.2	-207.5
Construction in the reporting economy	3.5	2.7	-21.5	84.0	30.5	-63.7
Architectural, engineering & other technical services	3.1	5.3	73.0	10.1	43.1	328.6
Insurance and pension services	-1.2	-0.7	-40.0	-30.0	-24.5	-18.1
Direct insurance	1.3	1.2	-2.3	9.9	4.2	-57.2
Reinsurance	-2.4	-1.9	-20.4	-39.8	-28.8	-27.8
Financial services	3.6	2.2	-40.0	-10.6	23.1	-317.5
Charges for the use of intellectual property	-12.6	-11.7	-7.2	-124.4	-134.8	8.4
Telecommunications, computer, and information services	61.4	43.5	-29.2	663.0	547.9	-17.4
Telecommunications services	7.1	6.1	-13.8	63.7	55.9	-12.3
Computer & IT/BPO related services	54.3	37.3	-31.2	599.3	492.1	-17.9
Computer services	54.9	37.9	-31.0	614.6	492.0	-19.9
Information services	-0.6	-0.5	-14.5	-15.2	0.1	-100.5
Other business services	-0.2	24.9		-34.5	43.8	-226.9
Education services	-3.9	-5.6	43.0	-44.7	-54.1	21.0
Professional and management consulting services	8.7	23.7	173.2	19.2	133.4	
Technical, trade-related, and other business services	-4.9	6.8	-236.8	-9.0	-35.5	293.0
Personal, cultural, and recreational services	-0.5	-0.2	-63.2	3.9	-6.6	-272.0
Audiovisual and related services	-0.8	-0.5	-40.5	-4.9	-12.4	152.0
Other personal, cultural, and recreational services	0.3	0.3	6.8	8.8	5.8	-34.1
Government goods and services	1.0	0.7	-36.9	30.6	5.4	-82.3

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