

Sri Lanka: Macroeconomic Developments in Charts

As at end December 2023

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**Note: From end September 2023 onwards, the Chart Pack (CP) will feature the latest data available for that respective quarter, by the date of release of the CP to ensure the timeliness of disseminated data.*

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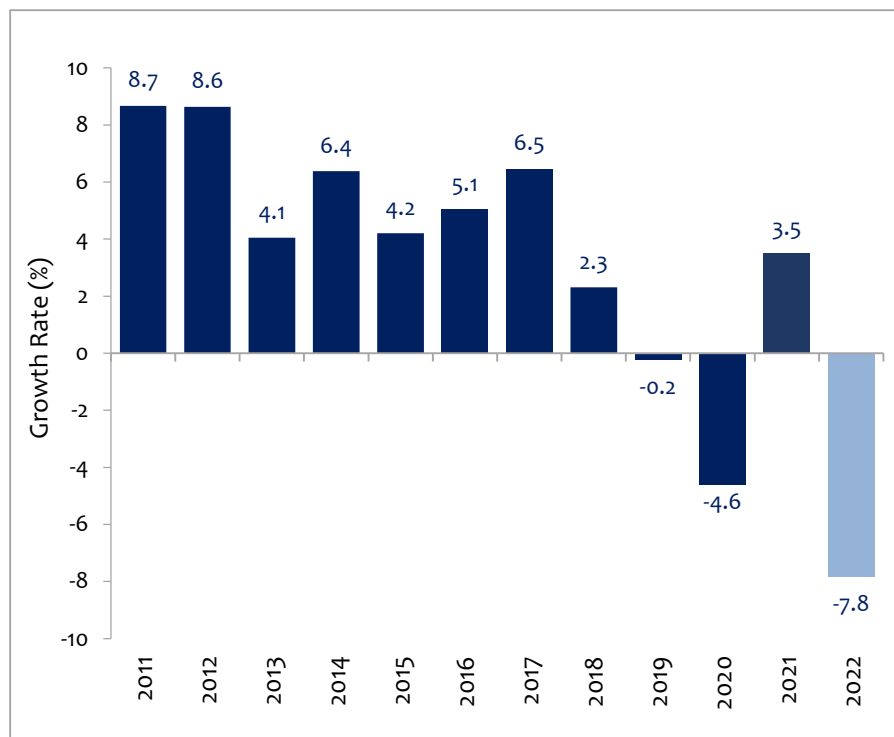


Real Sector and Inflation

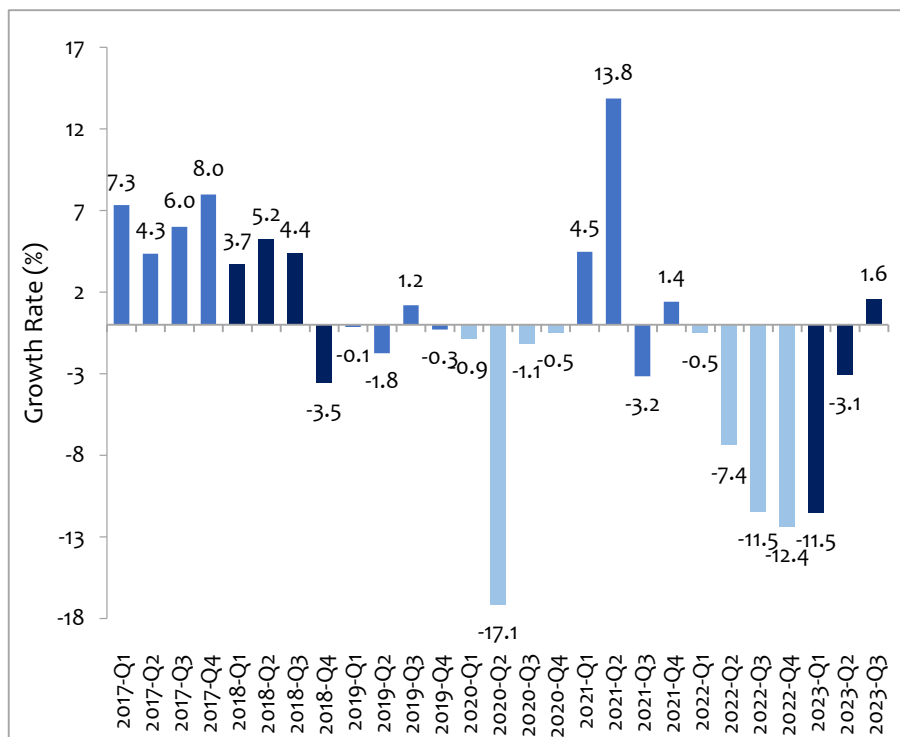


Real GDP Growth

Annual Real GDP Growth



Quarterly Real GDP Growth

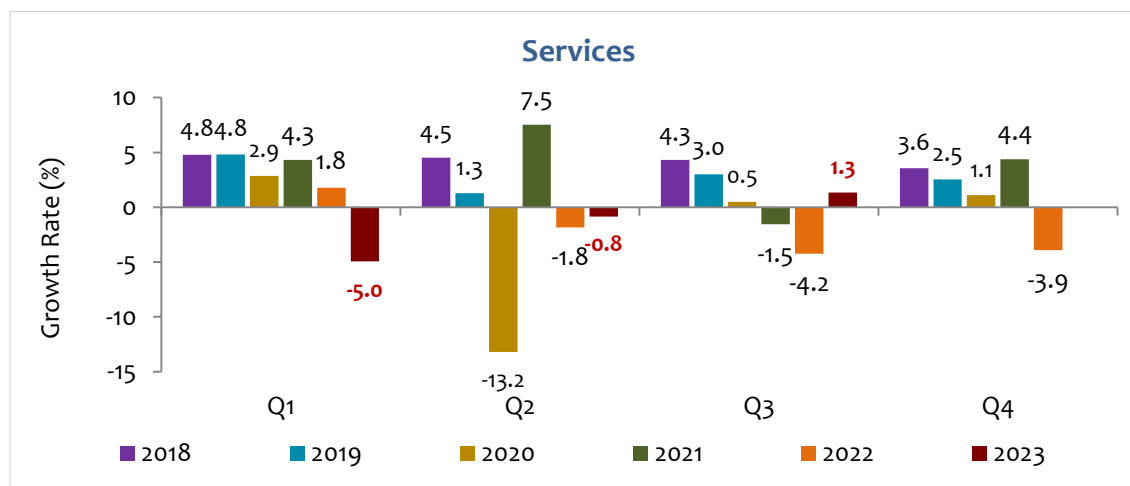
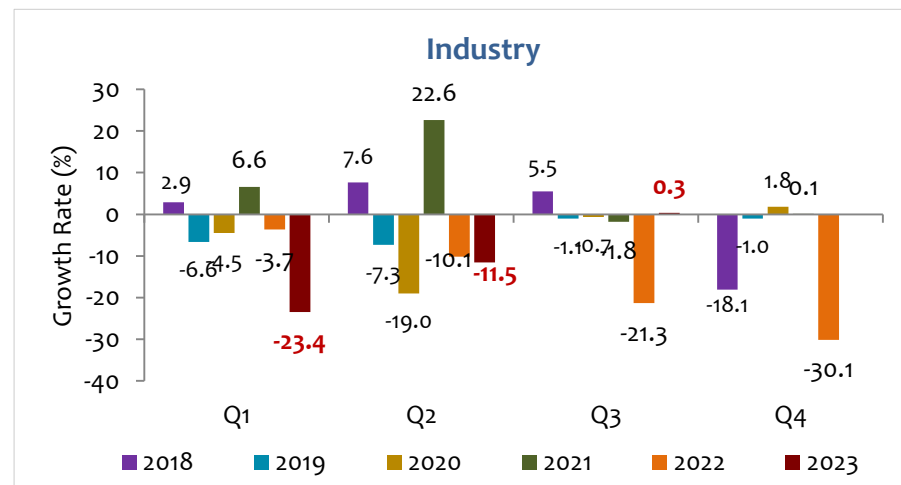
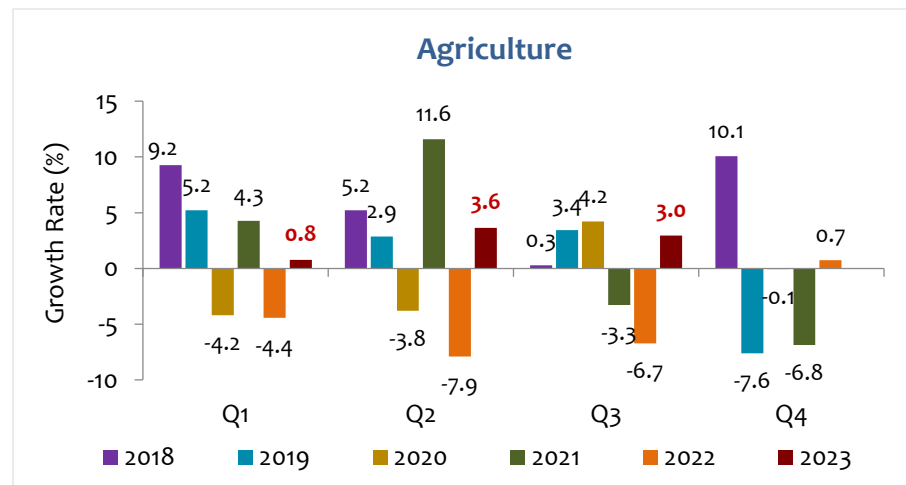


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Sectoral GDP Growth

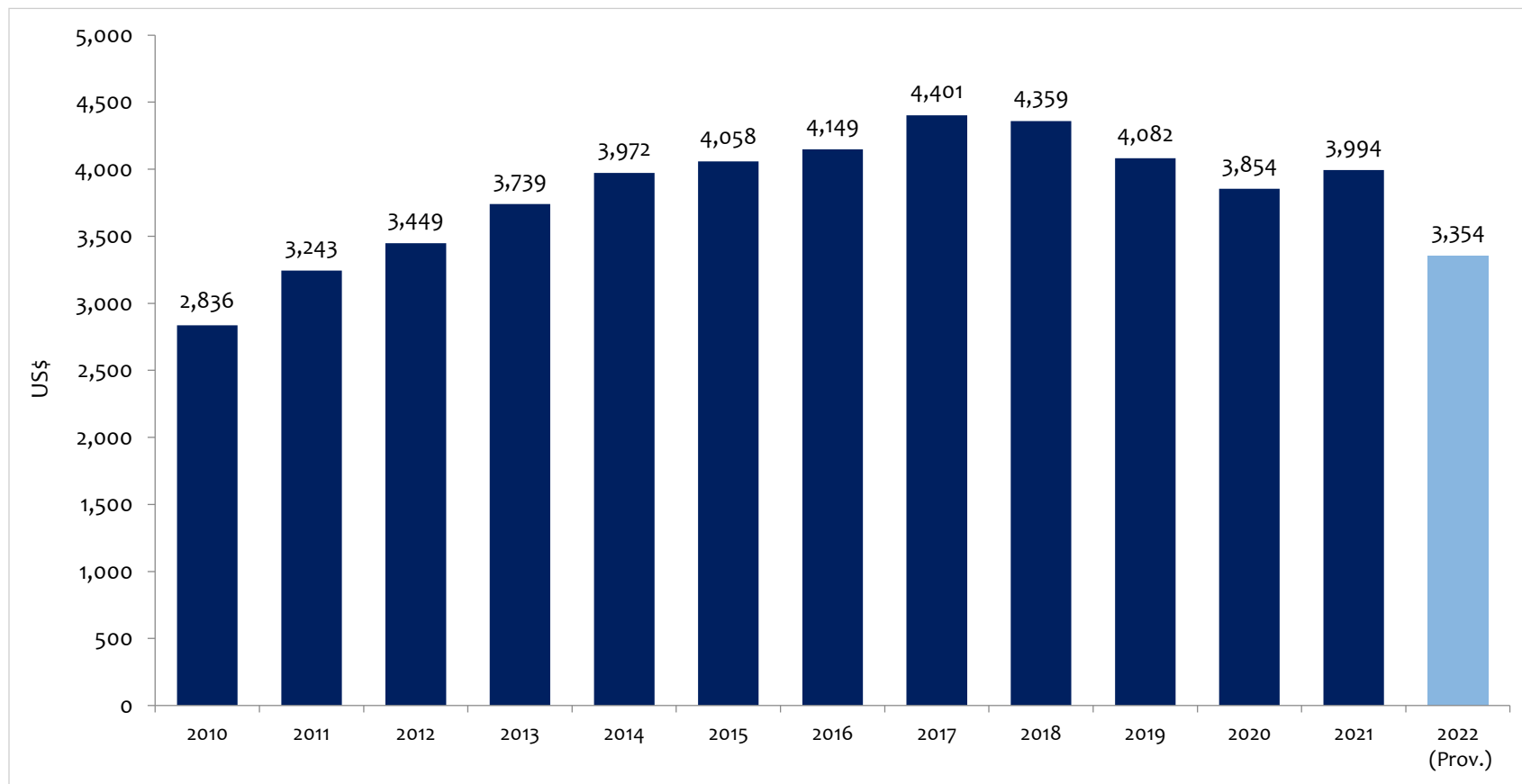


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Per Capita GDP



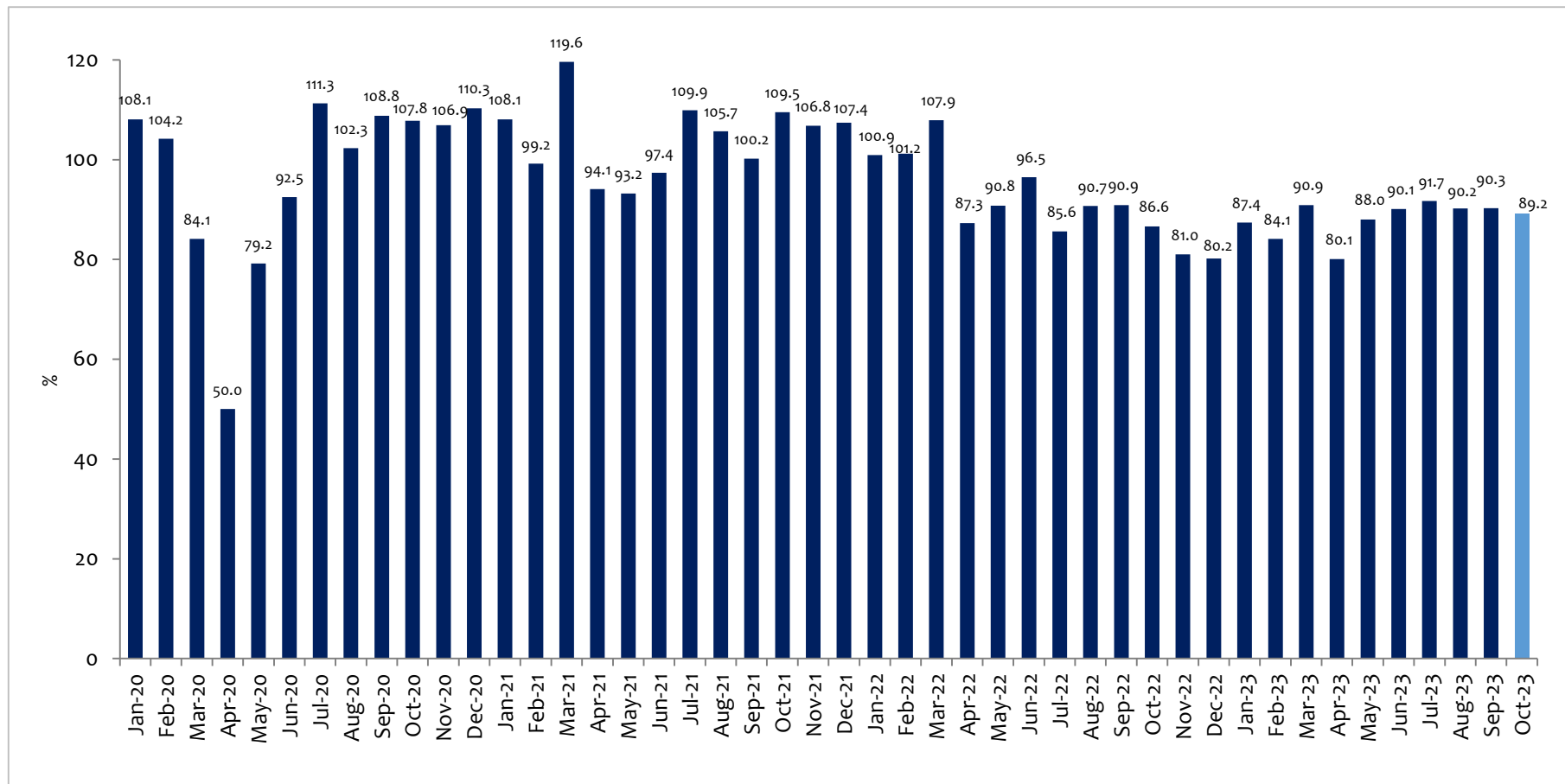
Sources: Department of Census and Statistics
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Note: Data are based on the base year 2015 GDP estimates on latest GDP estimates made available on 15 March 2023 by the Department of Census and Statistics and updated with latest population data. Average annual exchange rates published by the CBSL are used for the calculations.



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Index of Industrial Production (IIP)*

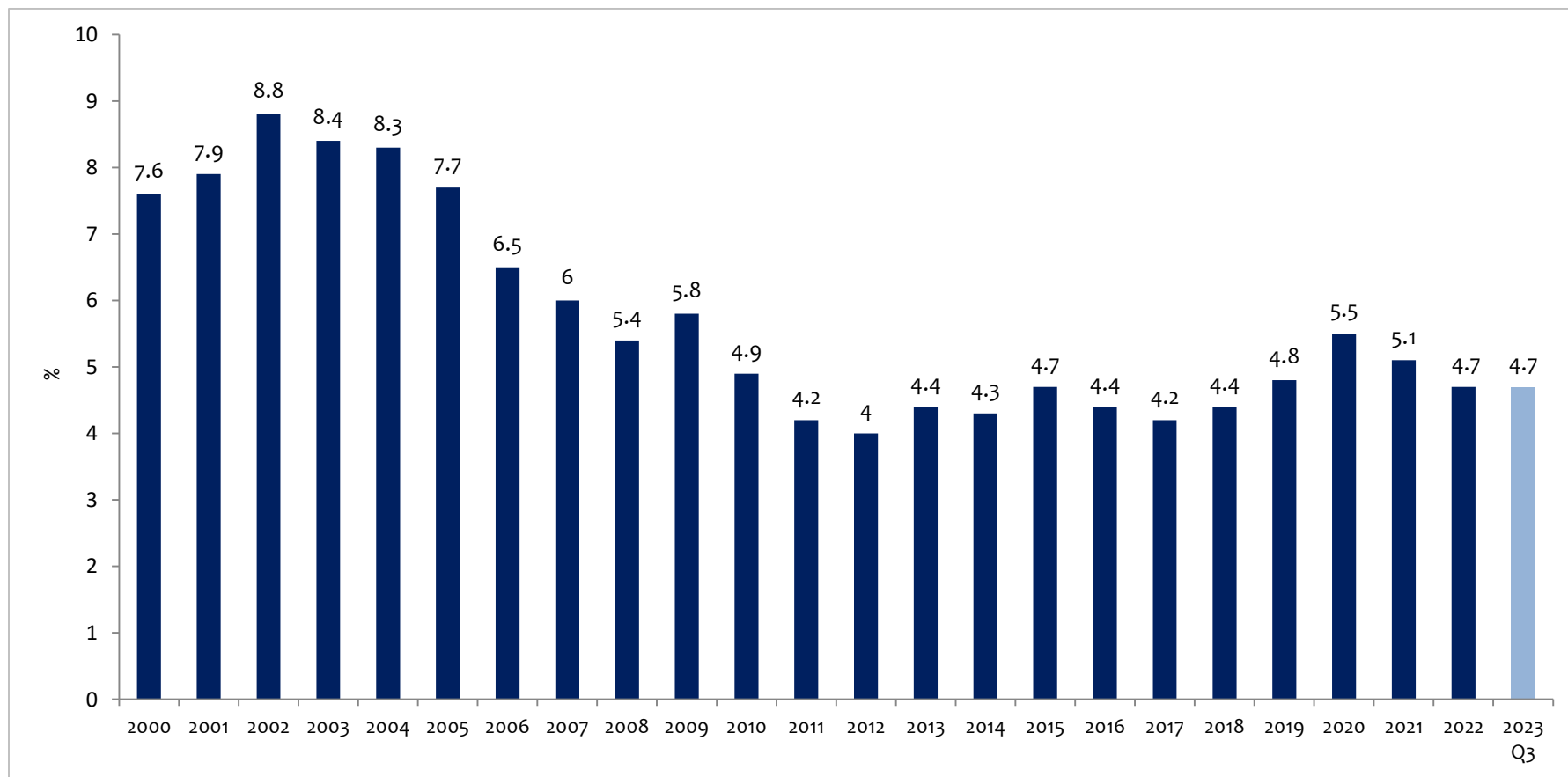


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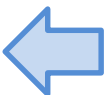
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Unemployment

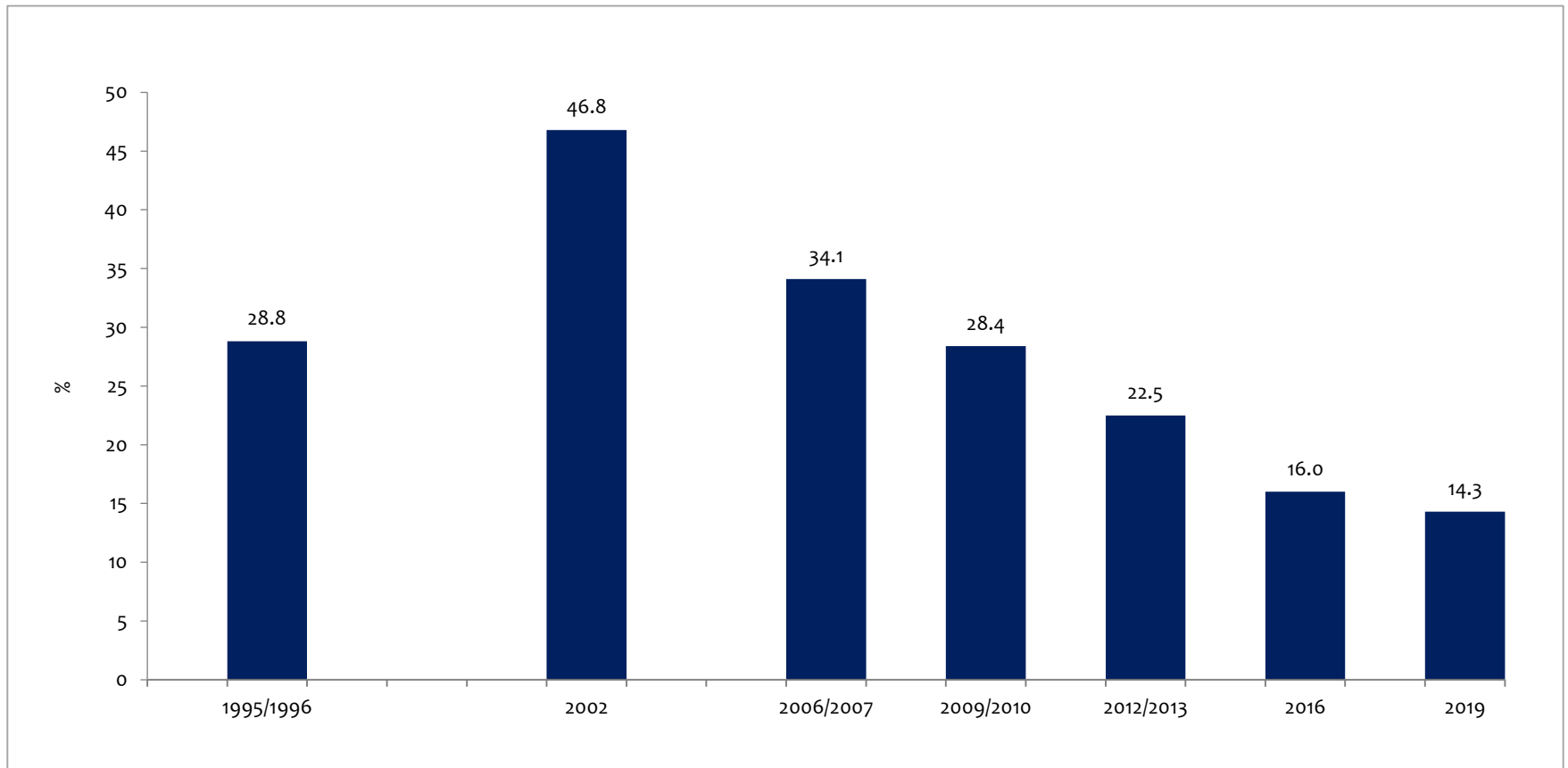


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Poverty

Poverty Headcount Ratio



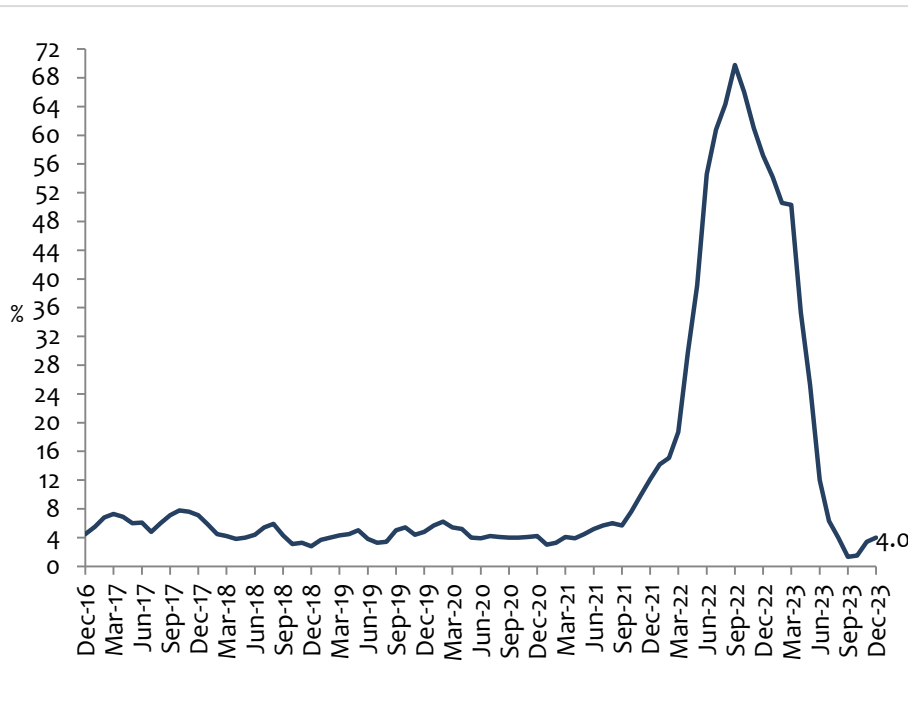
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Note: Based on official poverty line using HIES 2019 data

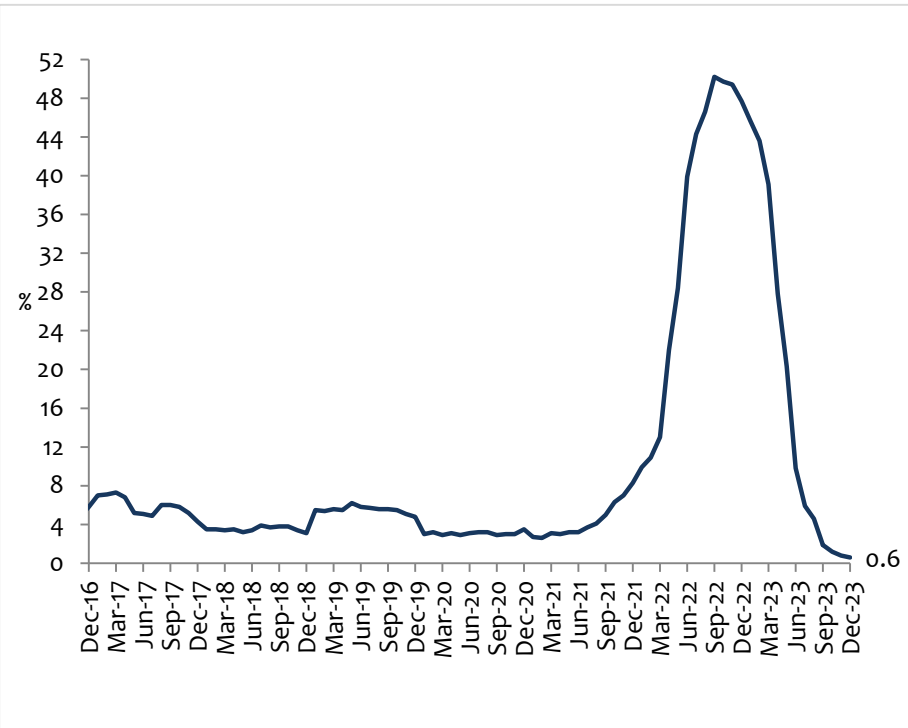


CCPI based Inflation

CCPI based Y-o-Y Headline Inflation



CCPI based Y-o-Y Core Inflation*



Source: Department of Census and Statistics

*Core Inflation is calculated by excluding volatile food, energy and transport categories from the CCPI

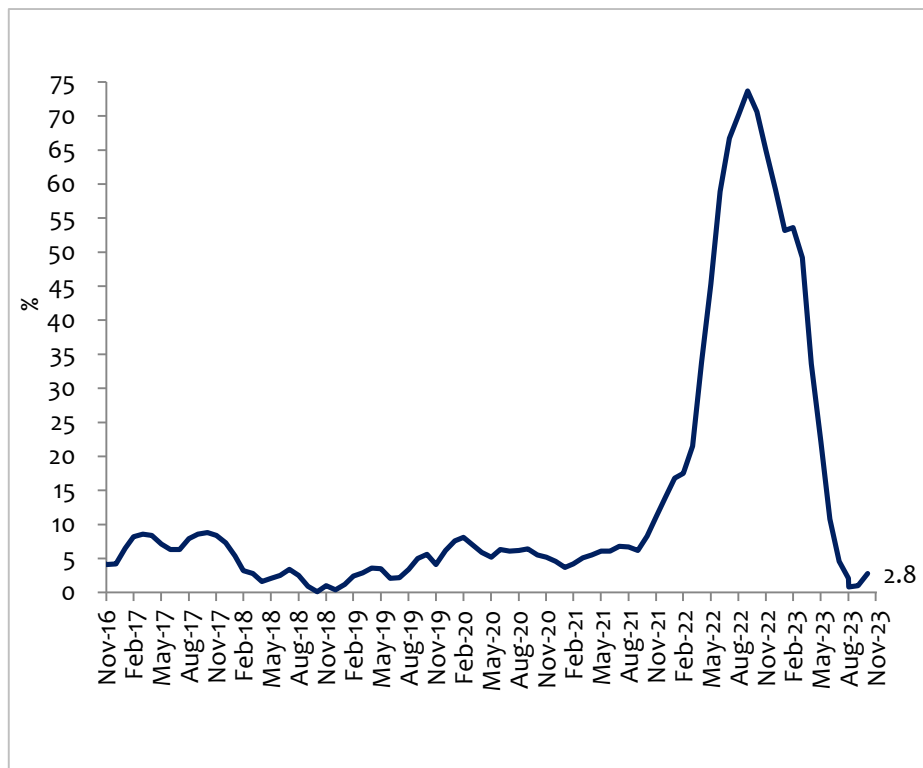
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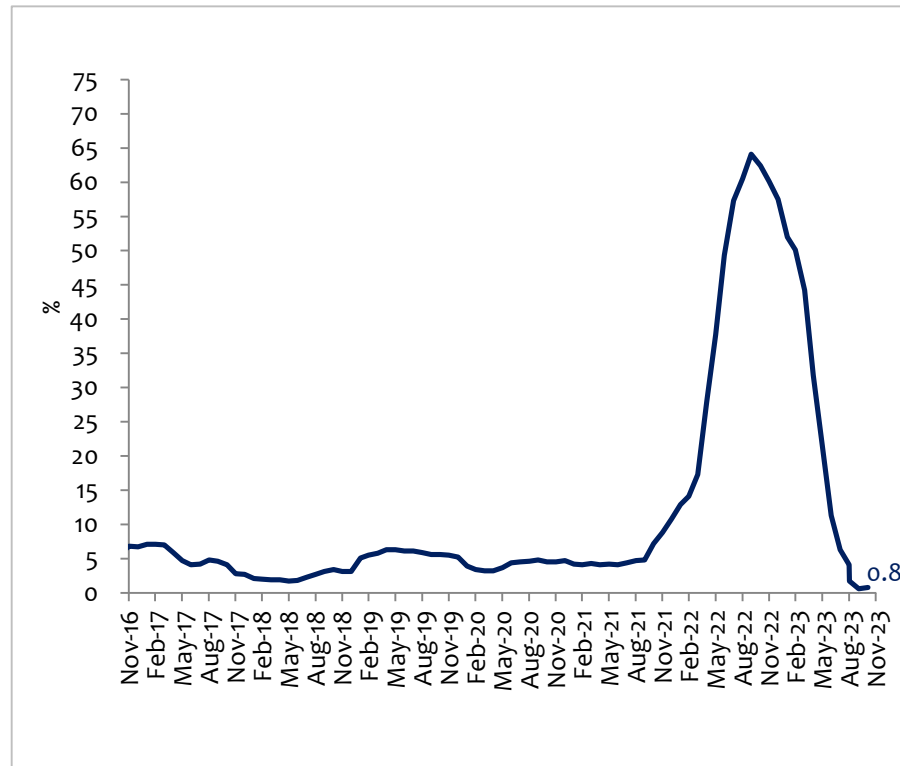
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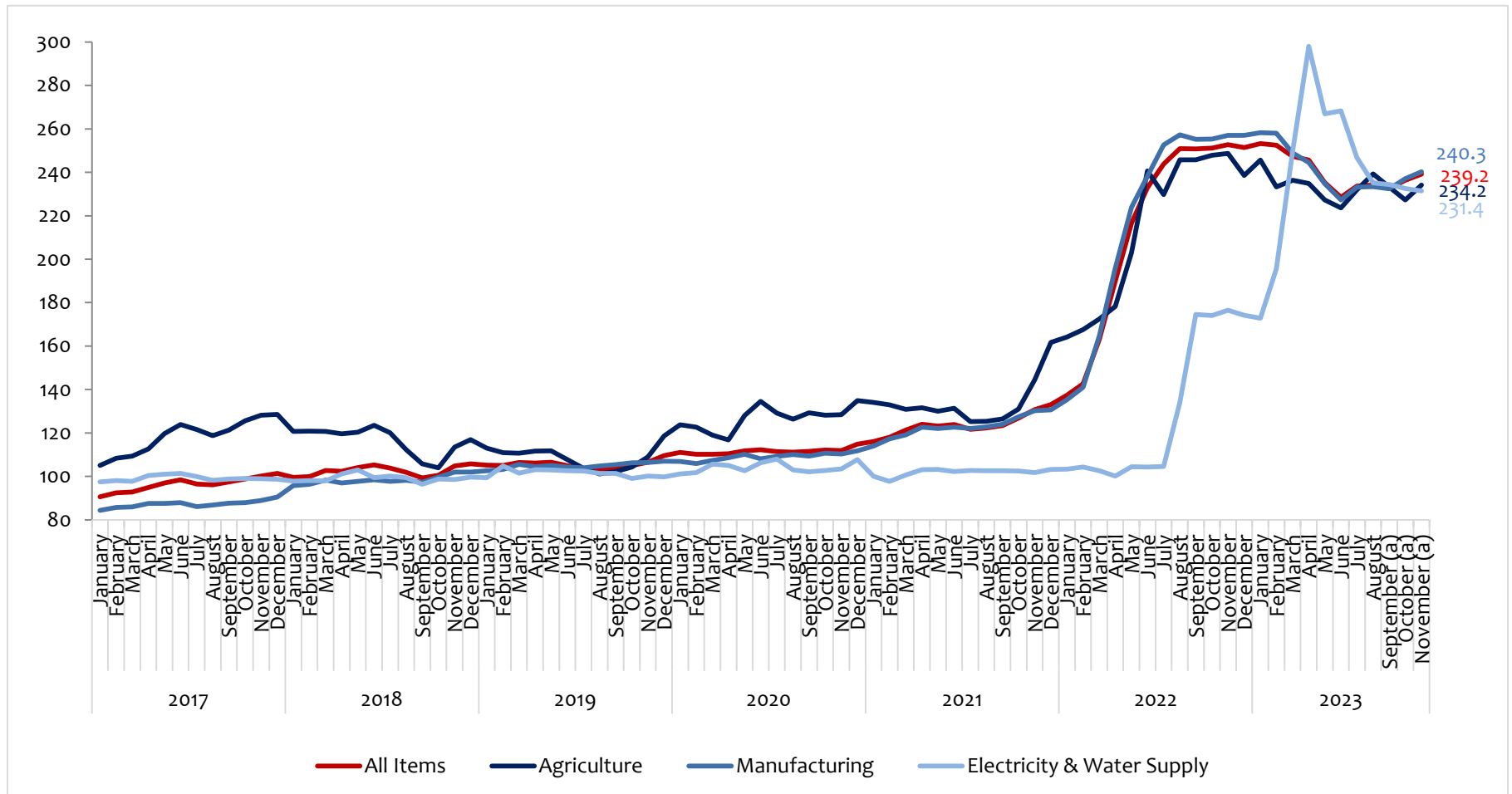


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Producer Price Index (PPI)*



(a) Revised

Source: Department of Census and Statistics

*Based on the Producer Price Index (PPI, 2018 Q4=100)

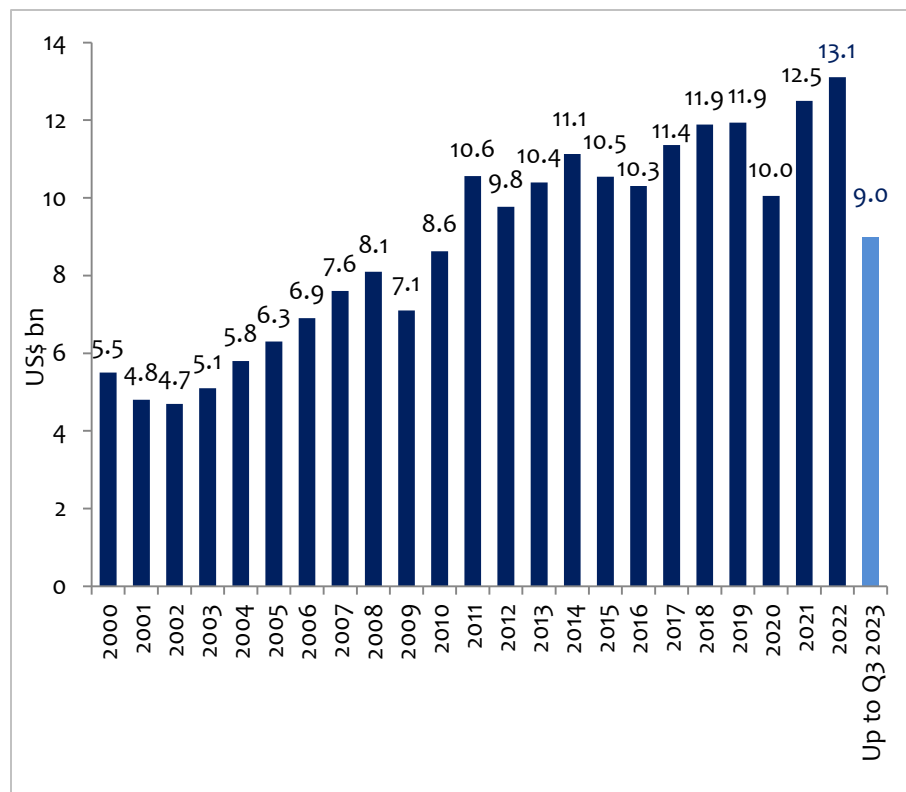


External Sector

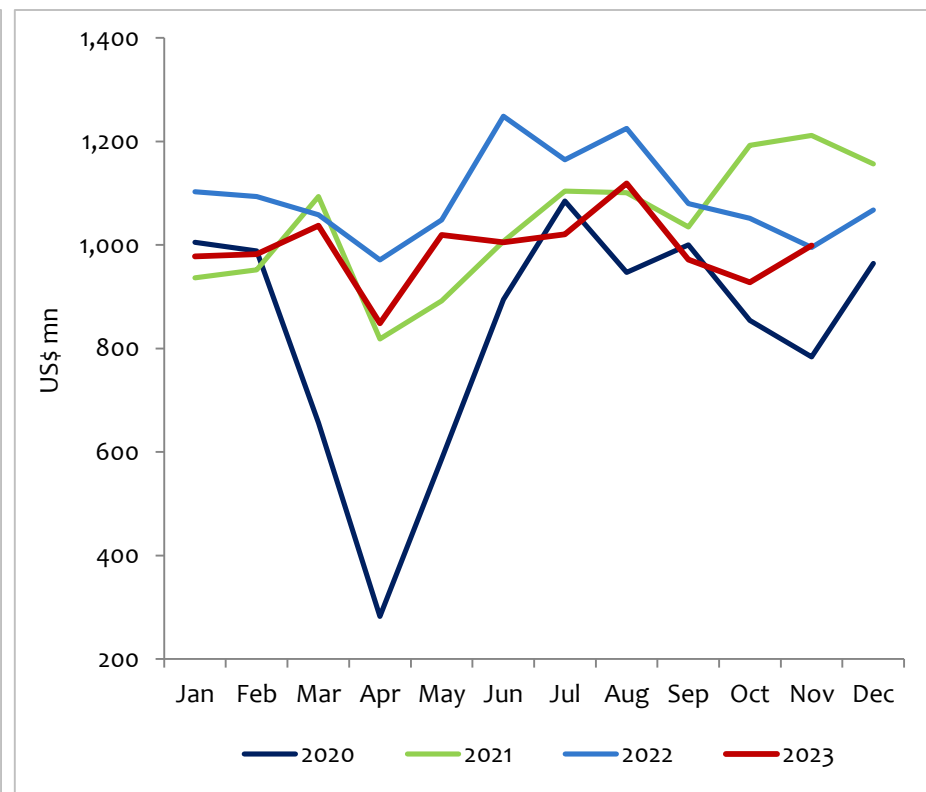


Earnings from Merchandise Exports

Merchandise Exports - Annual



Merchandise Exports - Monthly

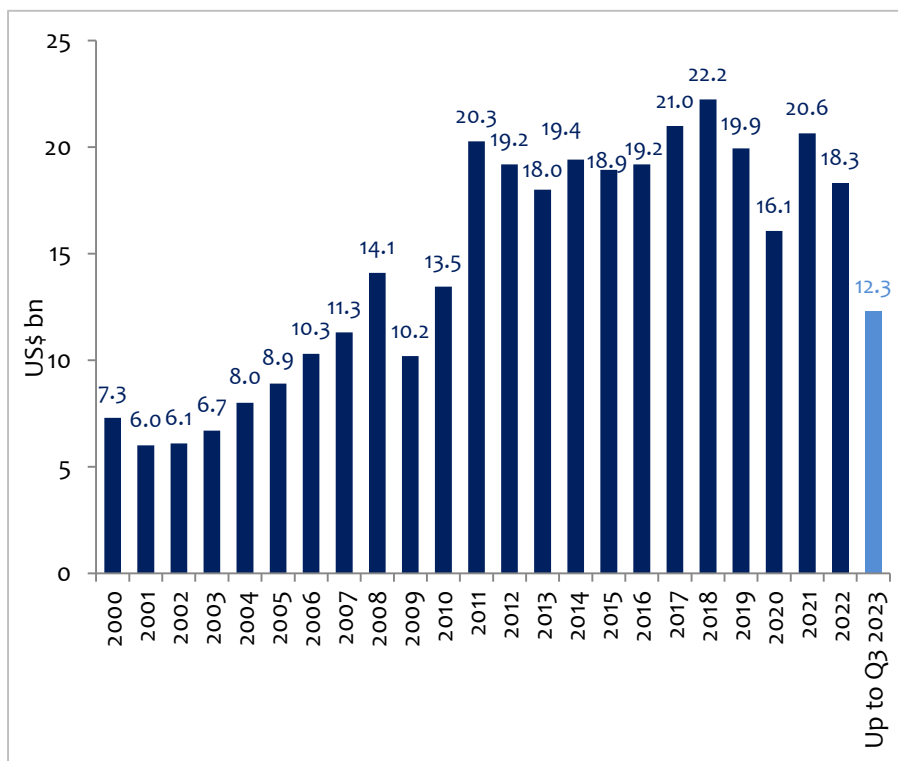


Sources: Central Bank of Sri Lanka and Sri Lanka Customs

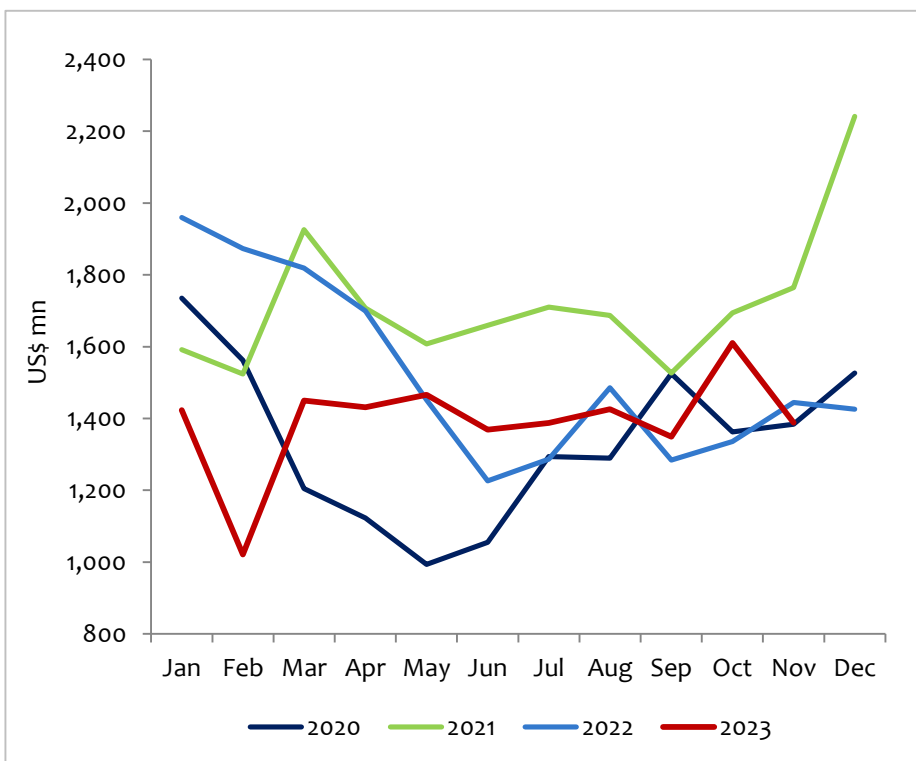


Expenditure on Merchandise Imports

Merchandise Imports - Annual



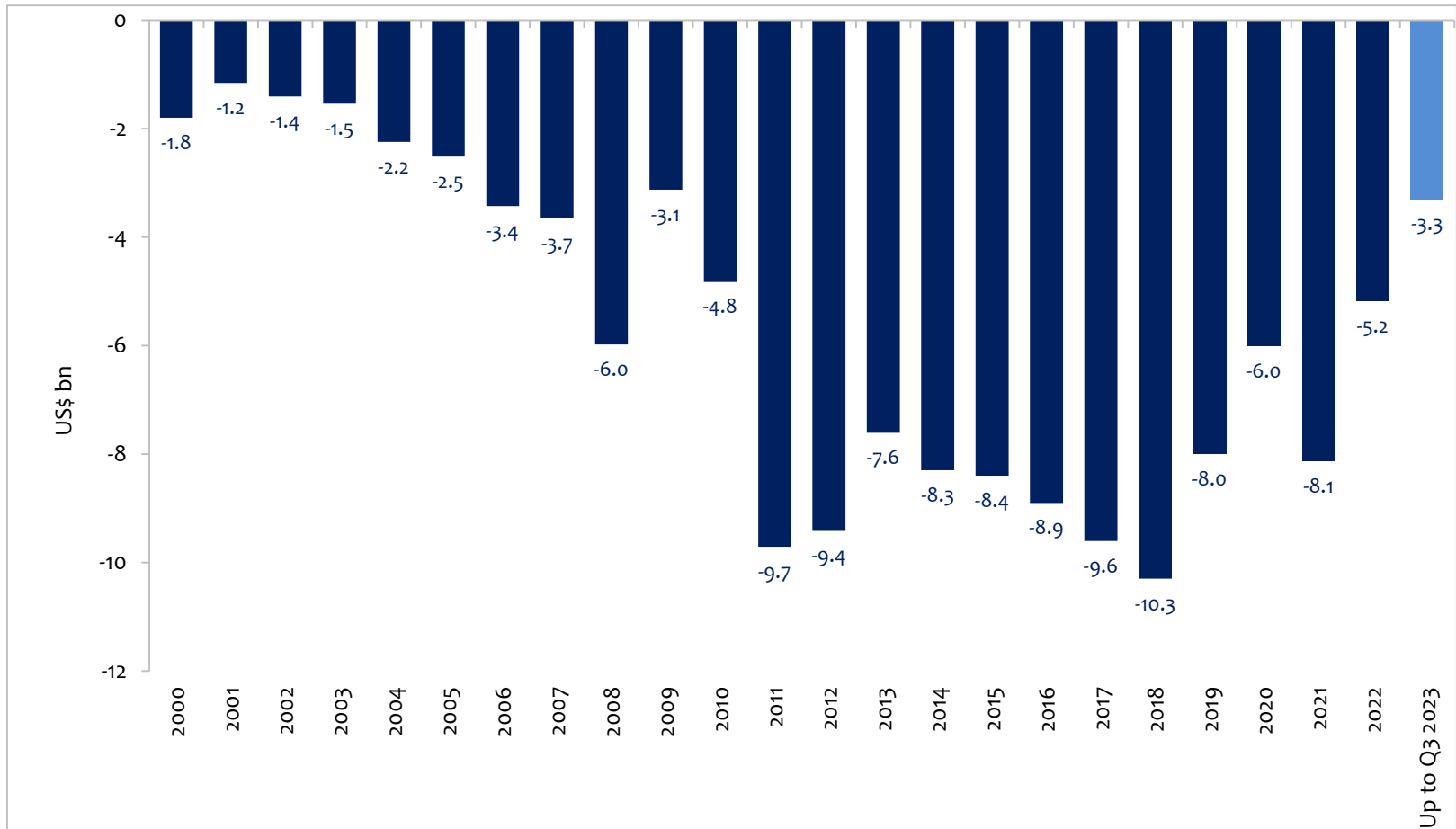
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Trade Balance

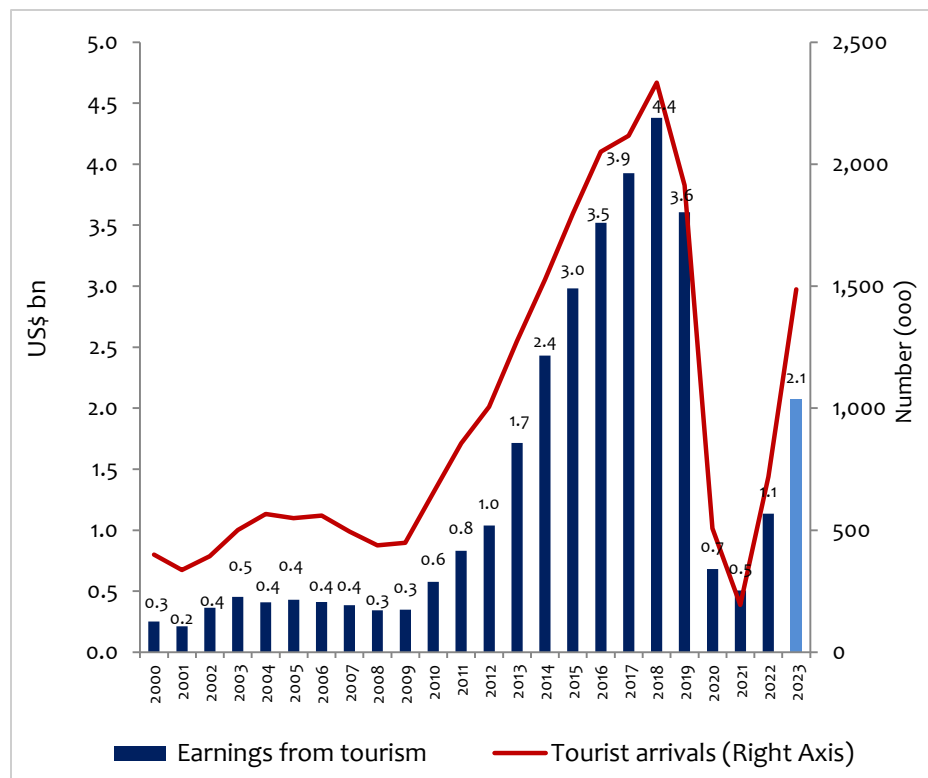


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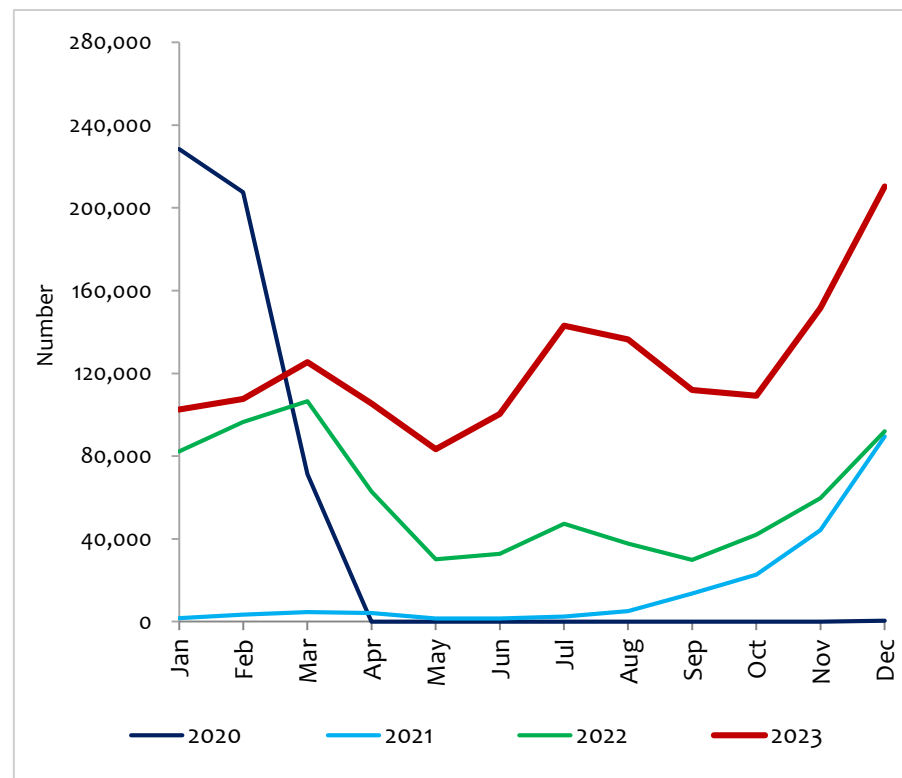
Tourism

Arrivals and Earnings



Sources: Central Bank of Sri Lanka
Sri Lanka Tourism Development
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Monthly Arrivals

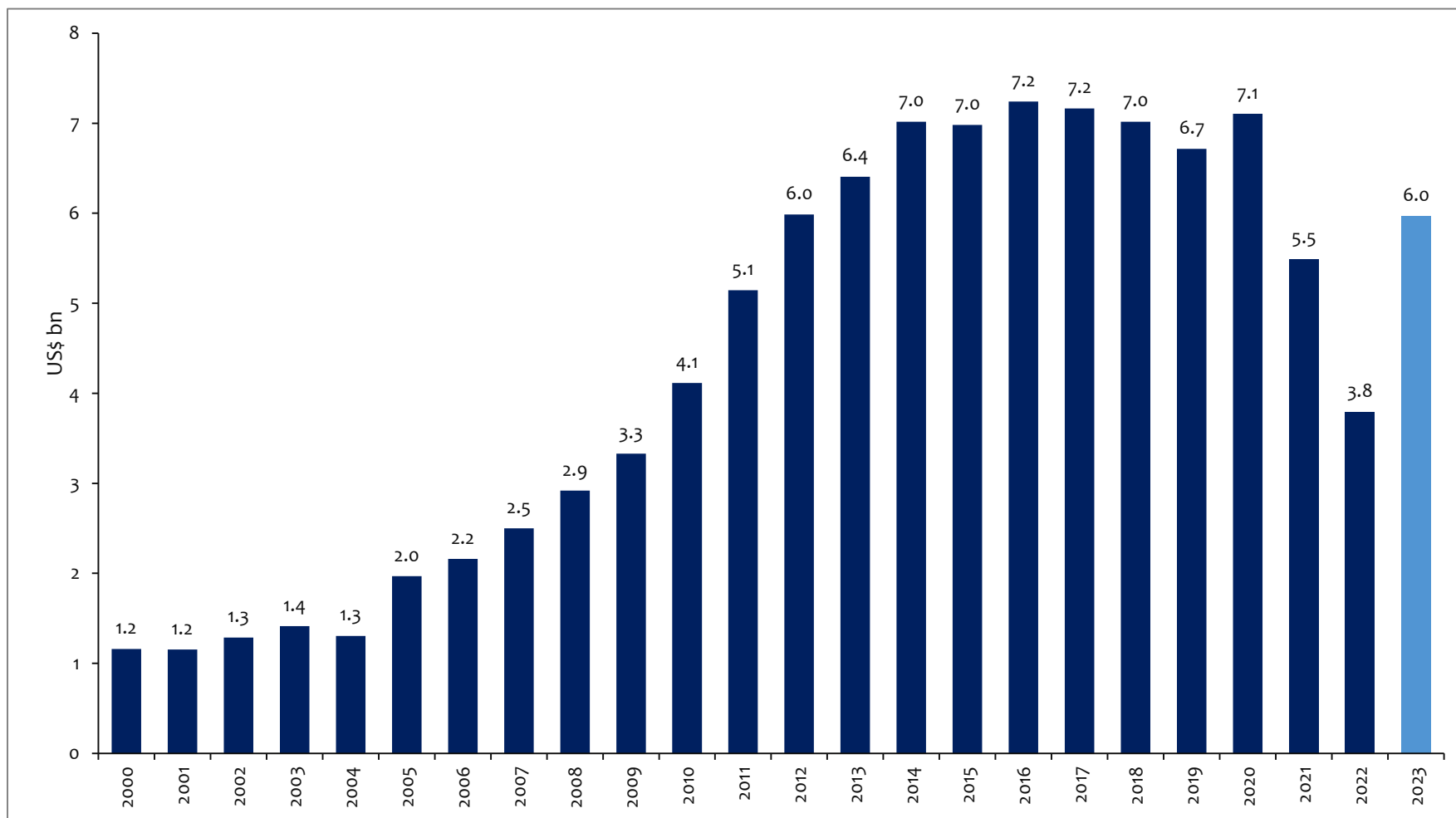


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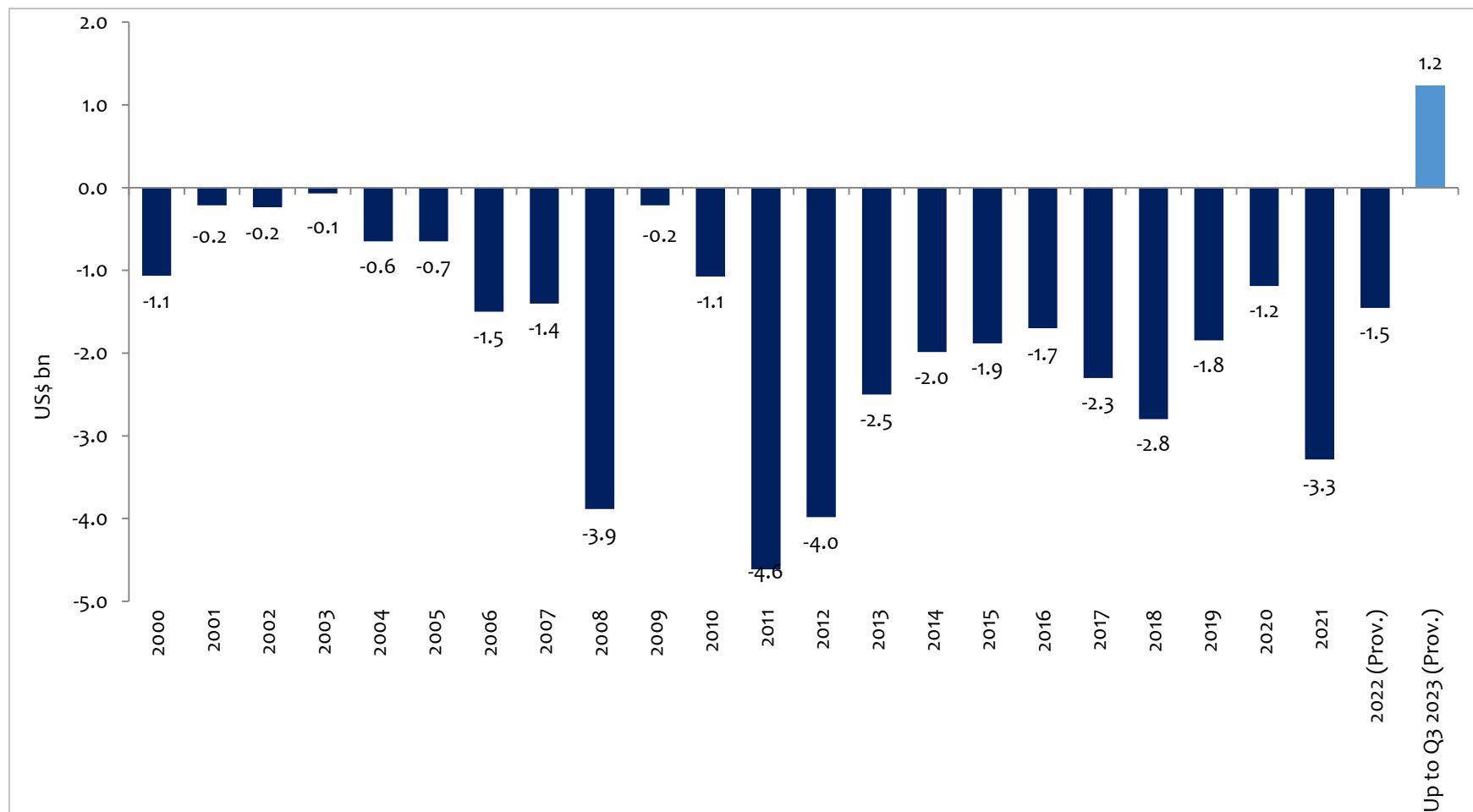
Workers' Remittances



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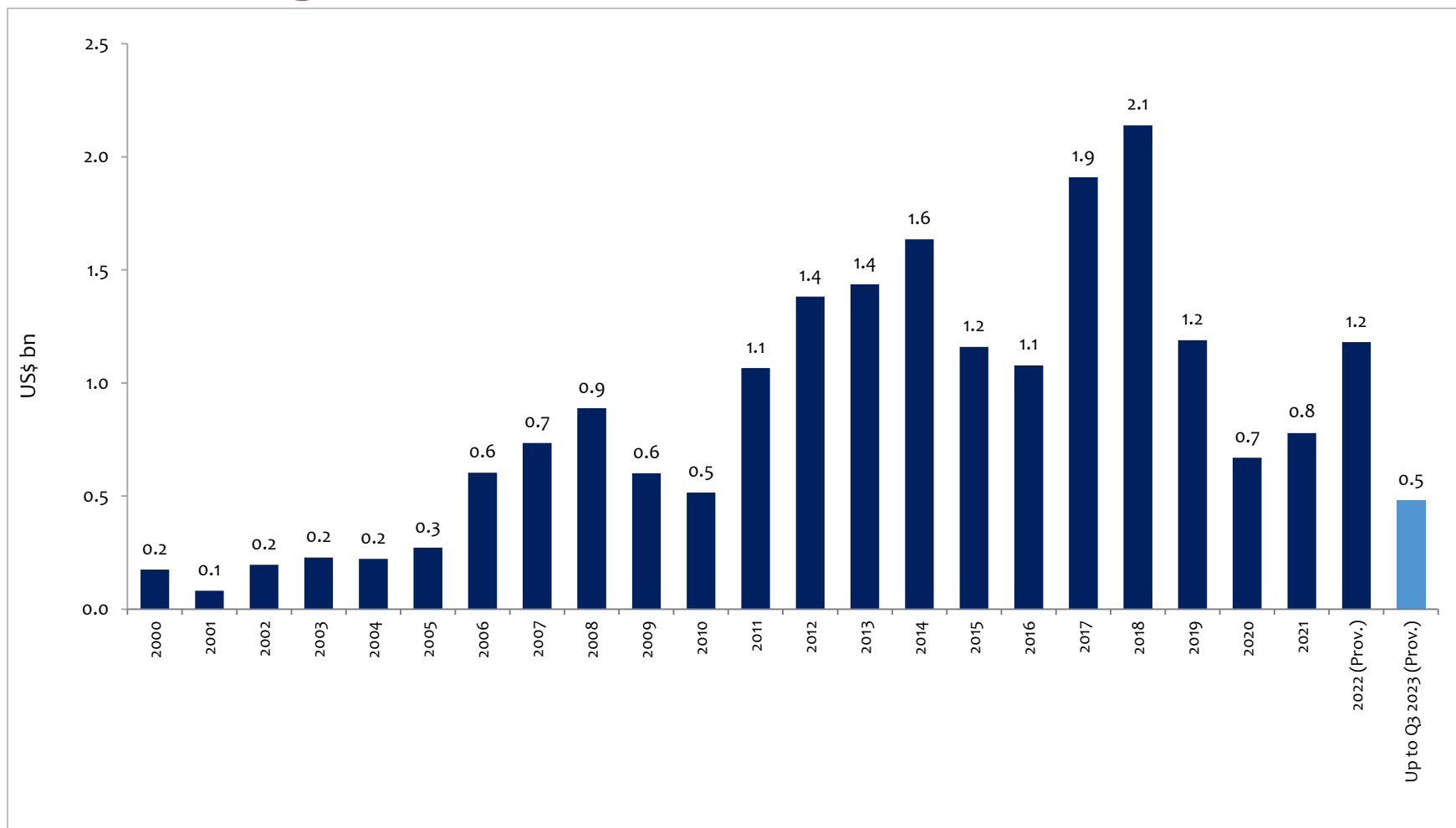
Current Account Balance



Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka



Foreign Direct Investment Inflows

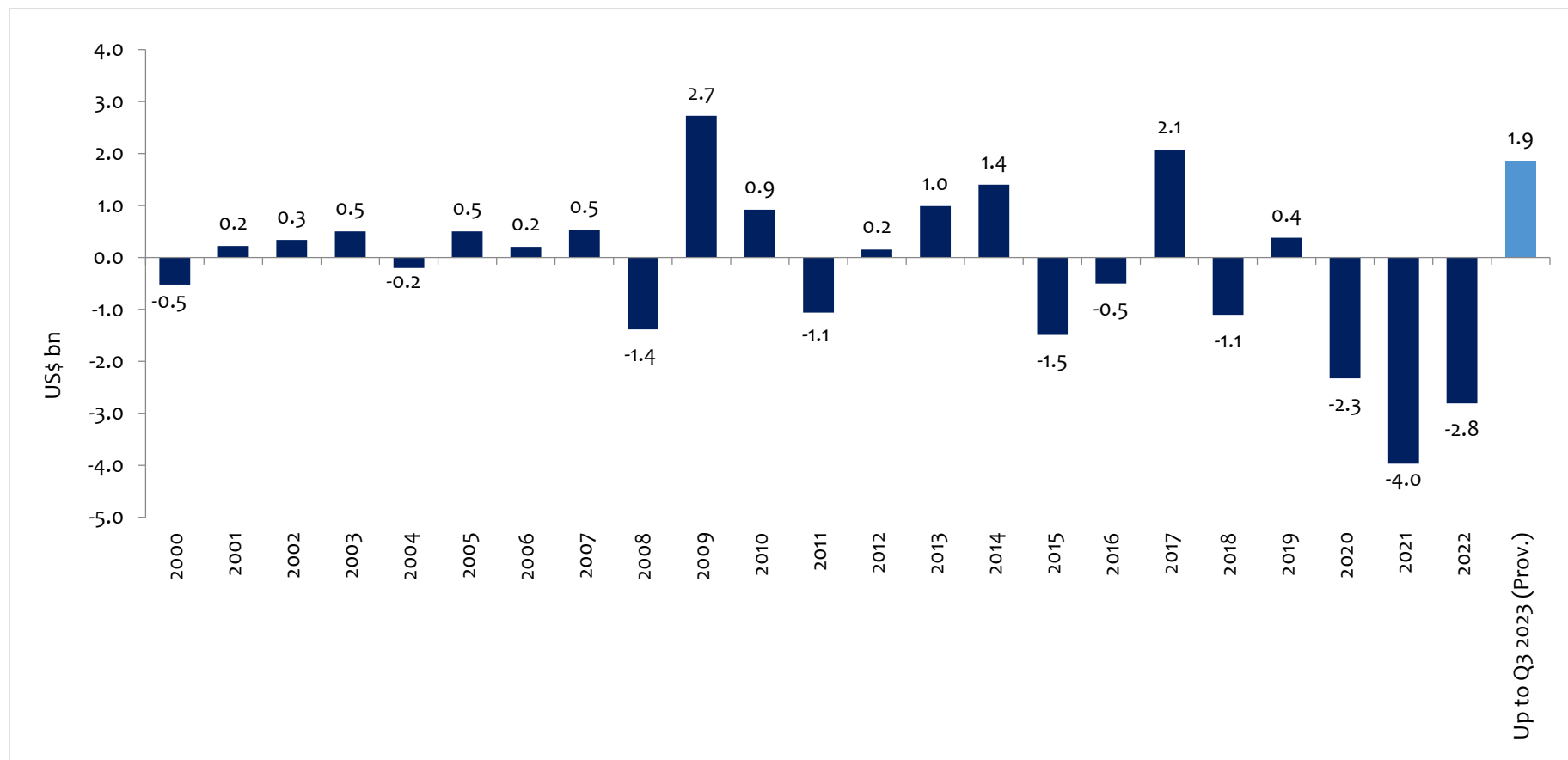


Sources: Central Bank of Sri Lanka,
Board of Investment and Colombo Stock Exchange



Balance of Payments

Overall Balance

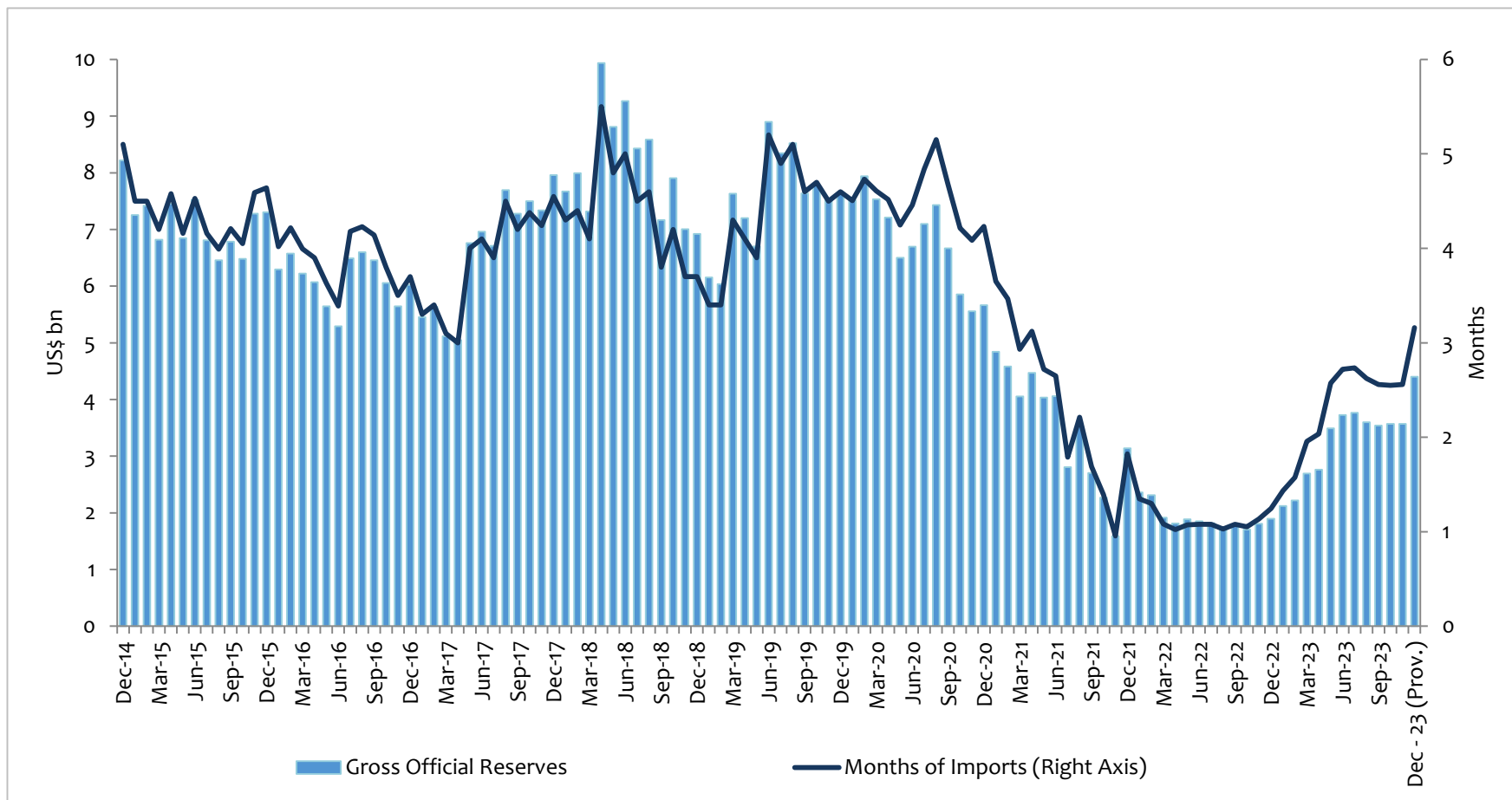


Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka



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Gross Official Reserves*

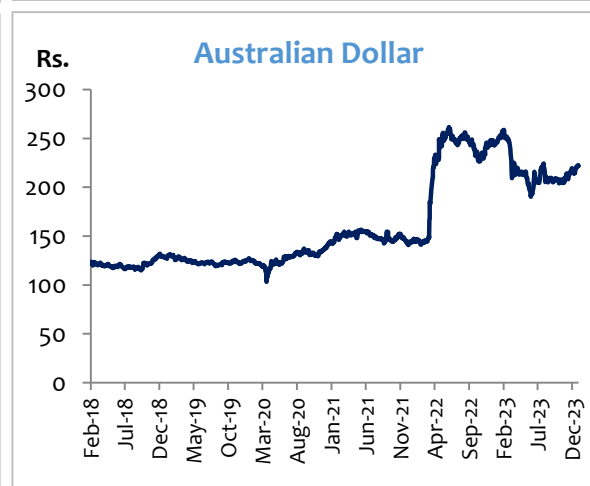
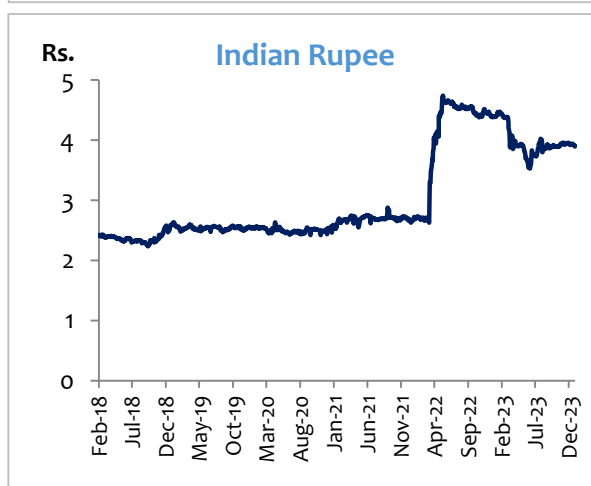
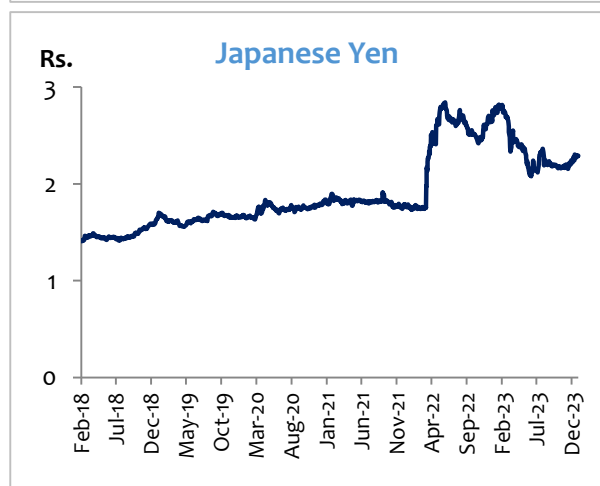
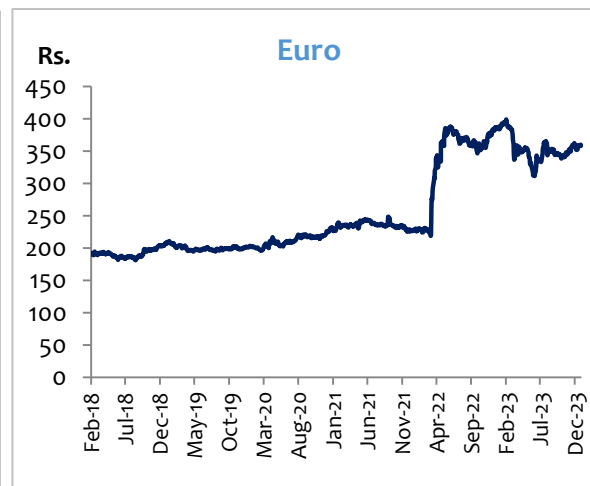
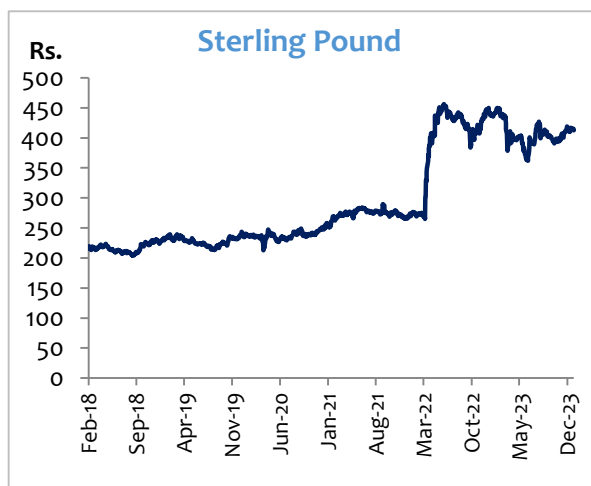
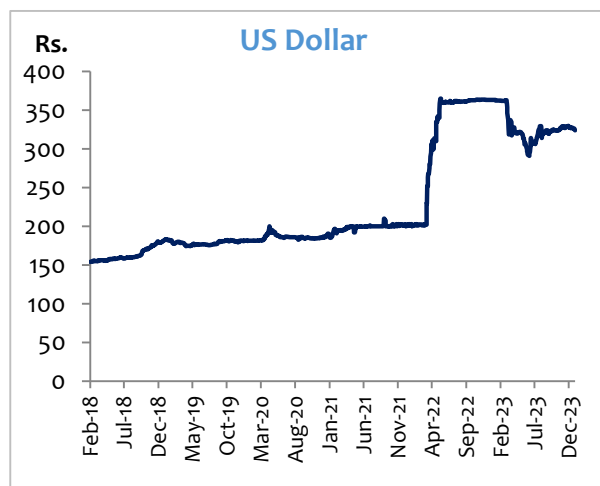


Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

* Proceeds from the People's Bank of China (PBOC) swap, which are subject to conditionalities on usability, are included in Gross Official Reserves since end 2021



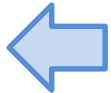
Exchange Rate Movements



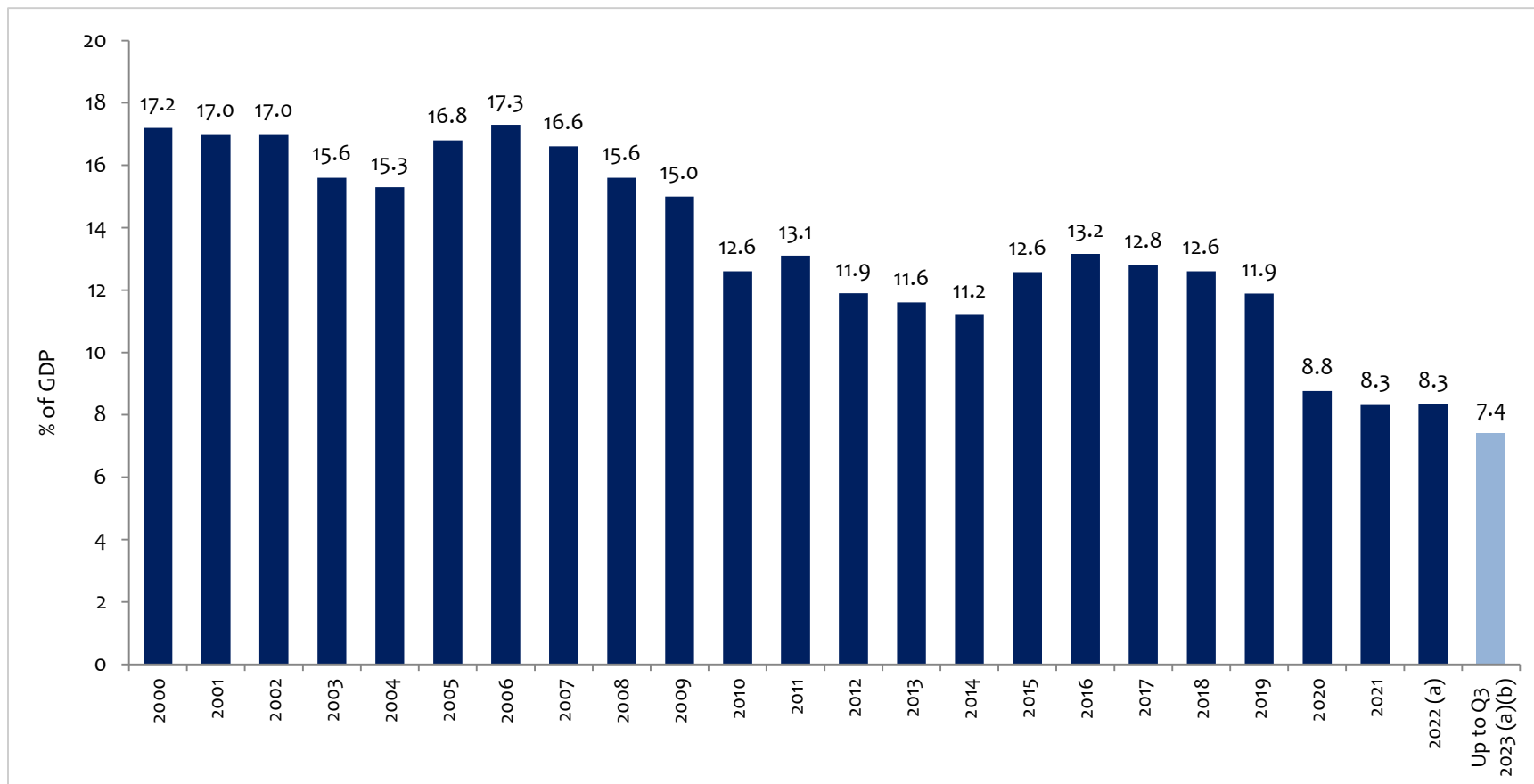
Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka



Fiscal Sector



Government Revenue



Source: Ministry of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies

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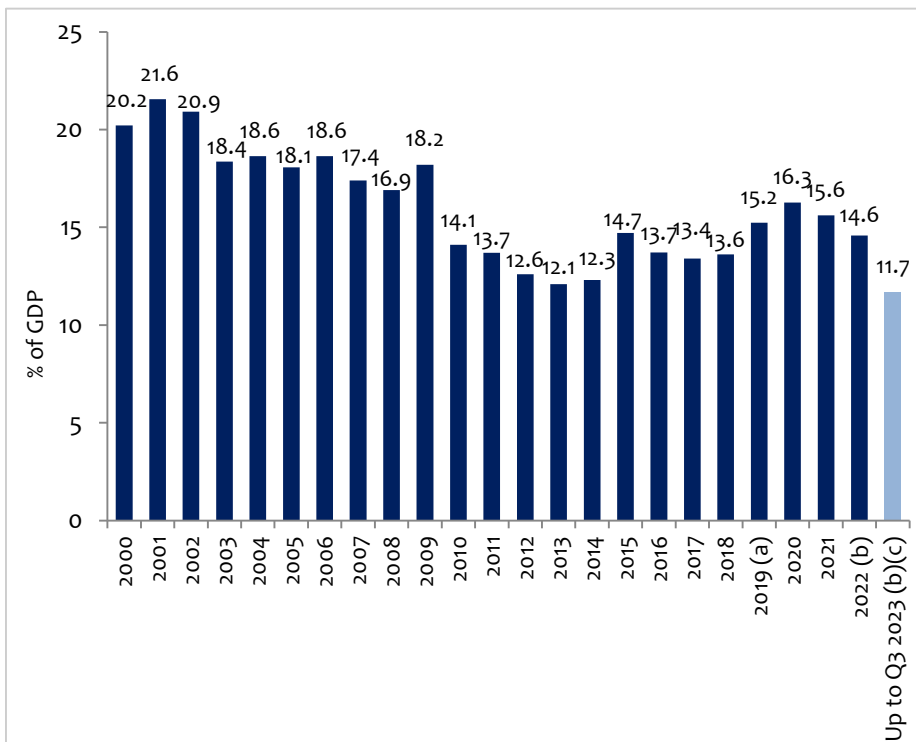
(a) Provisional

(b) Based on the nominal GDP projection of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka.

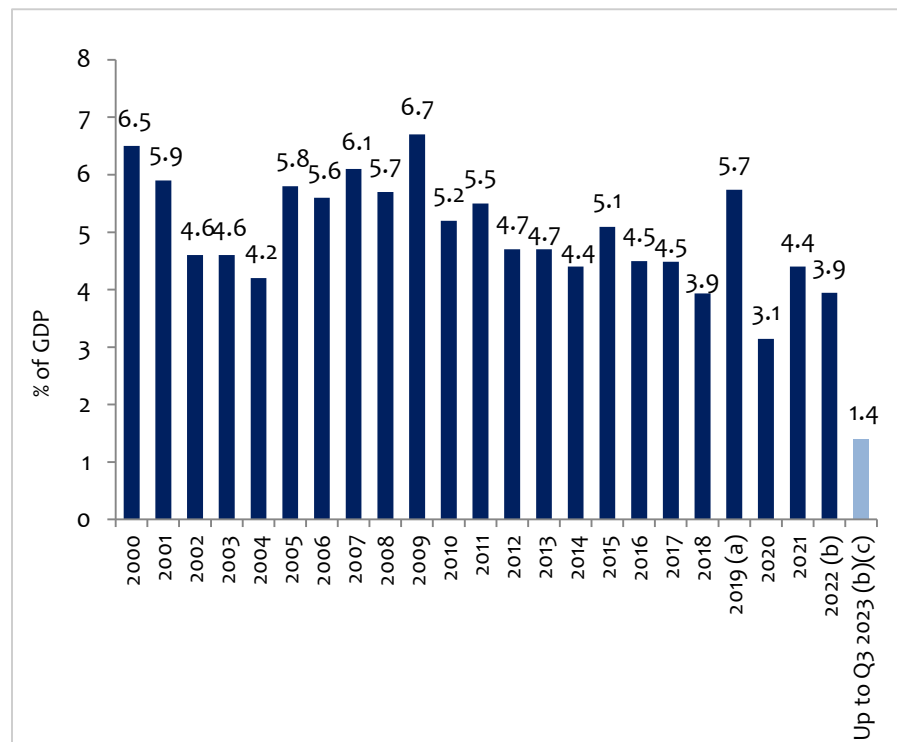


Government Expenditure

Recurrent Expenditure



Capital and Net Lending



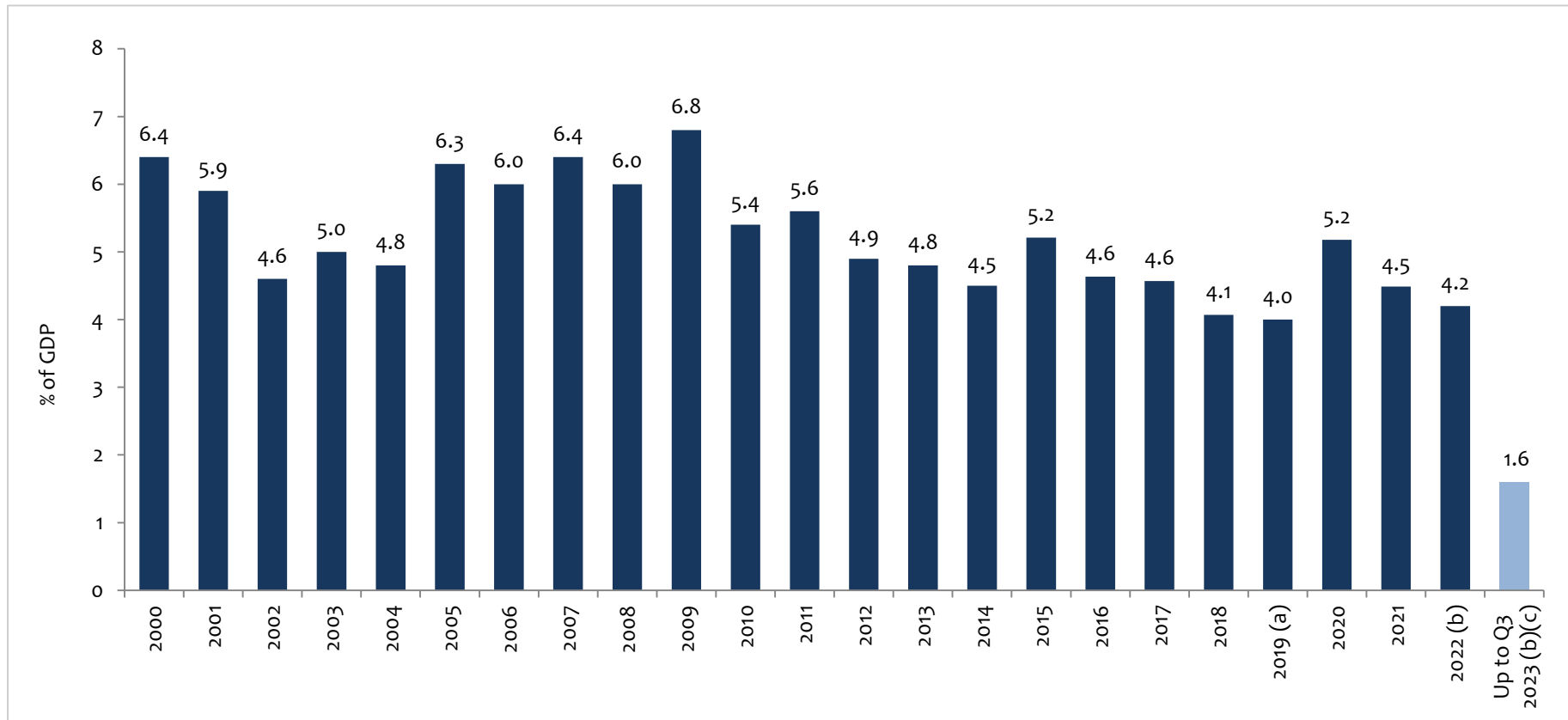
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Public Investment



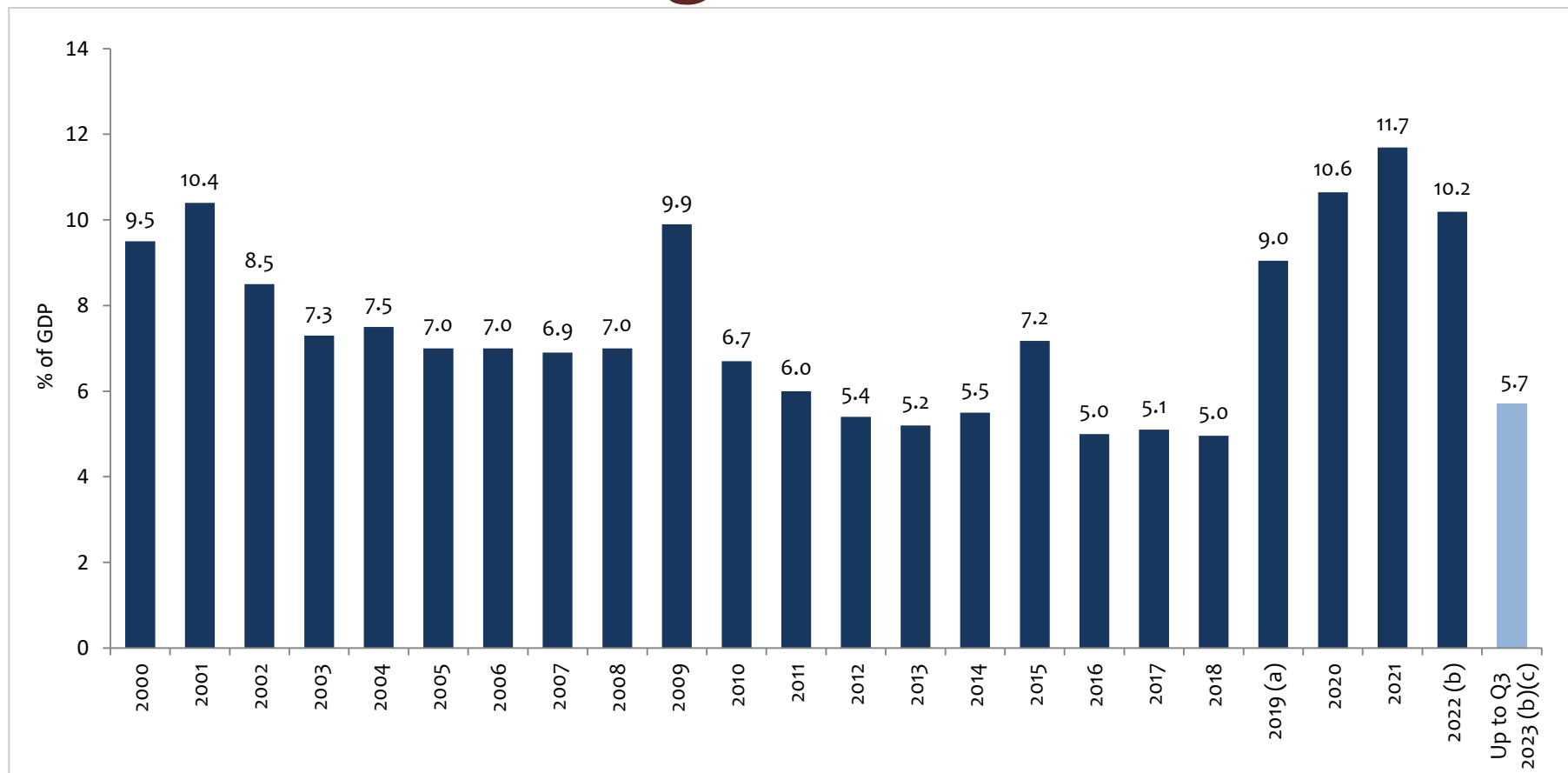
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Budget Deficit



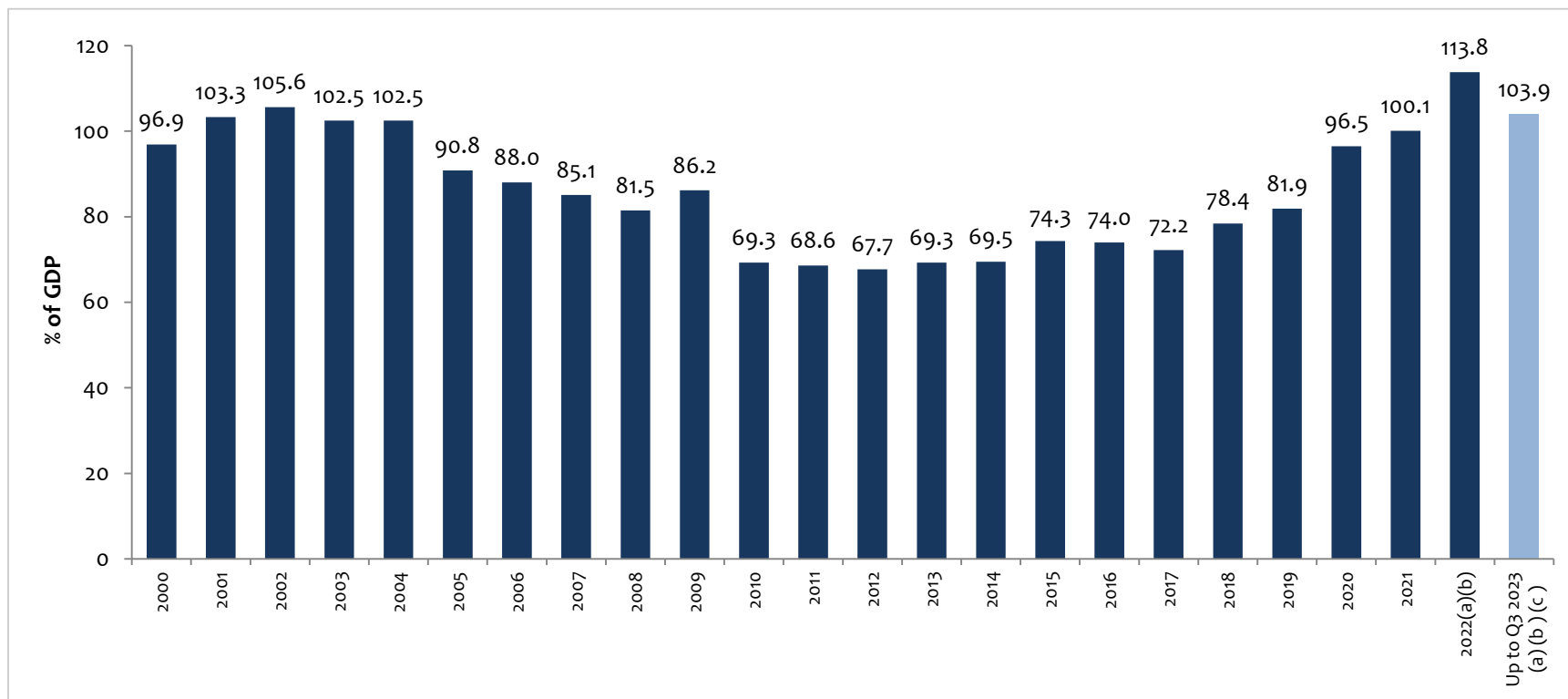
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Central Government Debt



Source: Ministry of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies
Central Bank of Sri Lanka

Note: From 2010 onwards, data are based on rebased GDP estimates (base year 2015) of the Department of Census and Statistics released on 15 March 2023.

(a) Provisional

(b) The outstanding central government debt excludes several debt service payments that became overdue after 12 April 2022, the date of which the Interim Policy regarding the servicing of Sri Lanka's external public debt was announced by the Ministry of Finance, Economic Stabilization and National Policies. These debt service payments comprise of overdue interest payments of affected debt which deemed to be capitalised as per the Interim Policy. Further, the December 2022 balance excludes the value of principal payments yet to be settled in relation to Sri Lanka Development Bonds from April 2022 till end 2022.

(c) The annual GDP estimate, based on the GDP estimates of the relevant quarter and the preceding three quarters, was used to compute the outstanding central government debt stock as a percentage of GDP.

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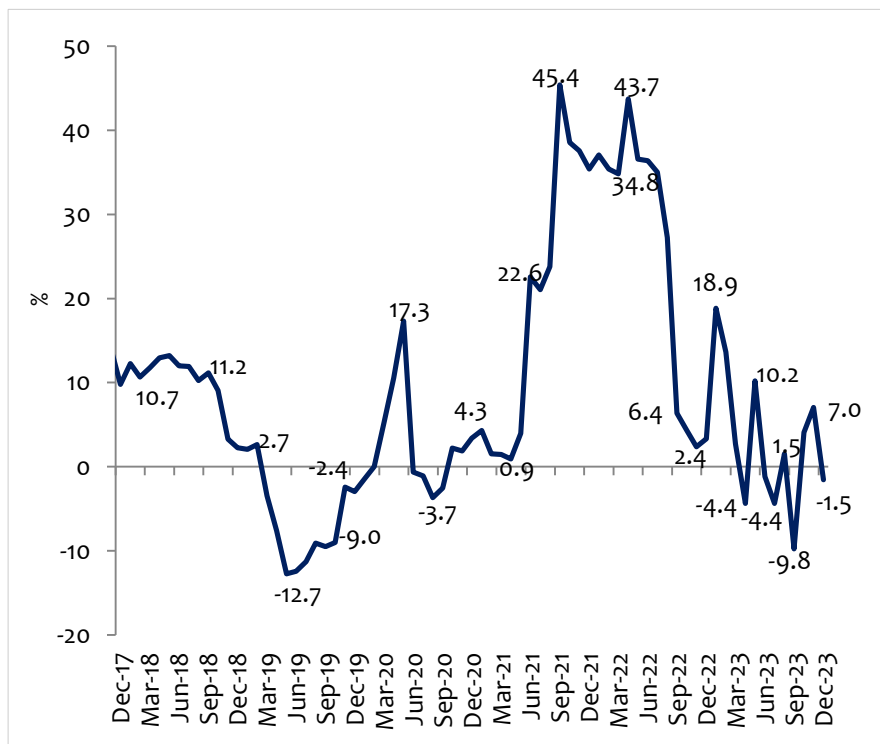


Monetary Sector

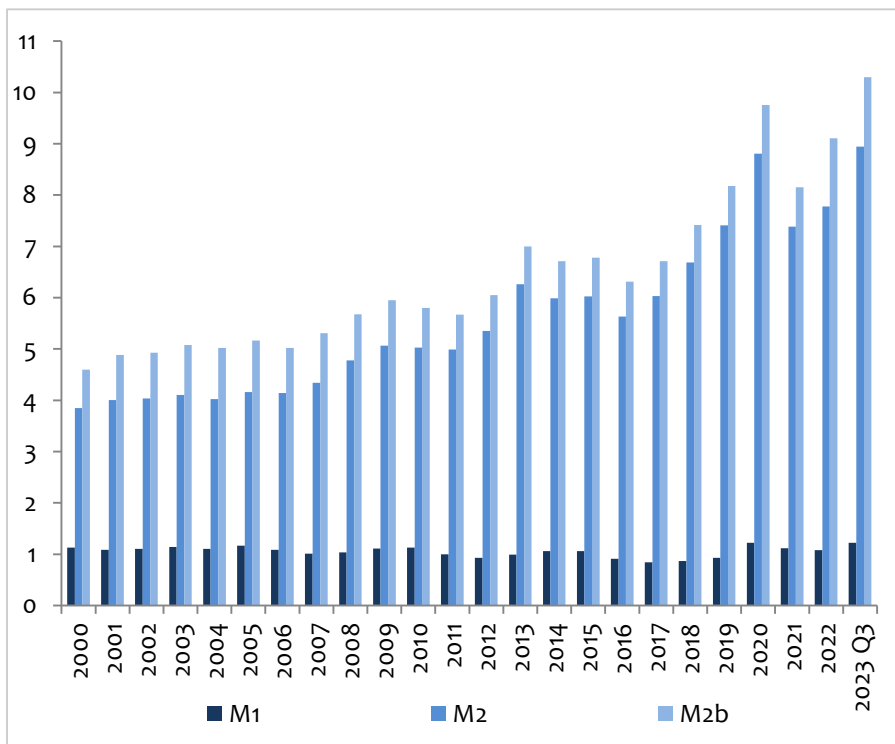


Reserve Money Growth and Money Multiplier

Reserve Money Growth (Y-O-Y)

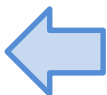


Money Multiplier



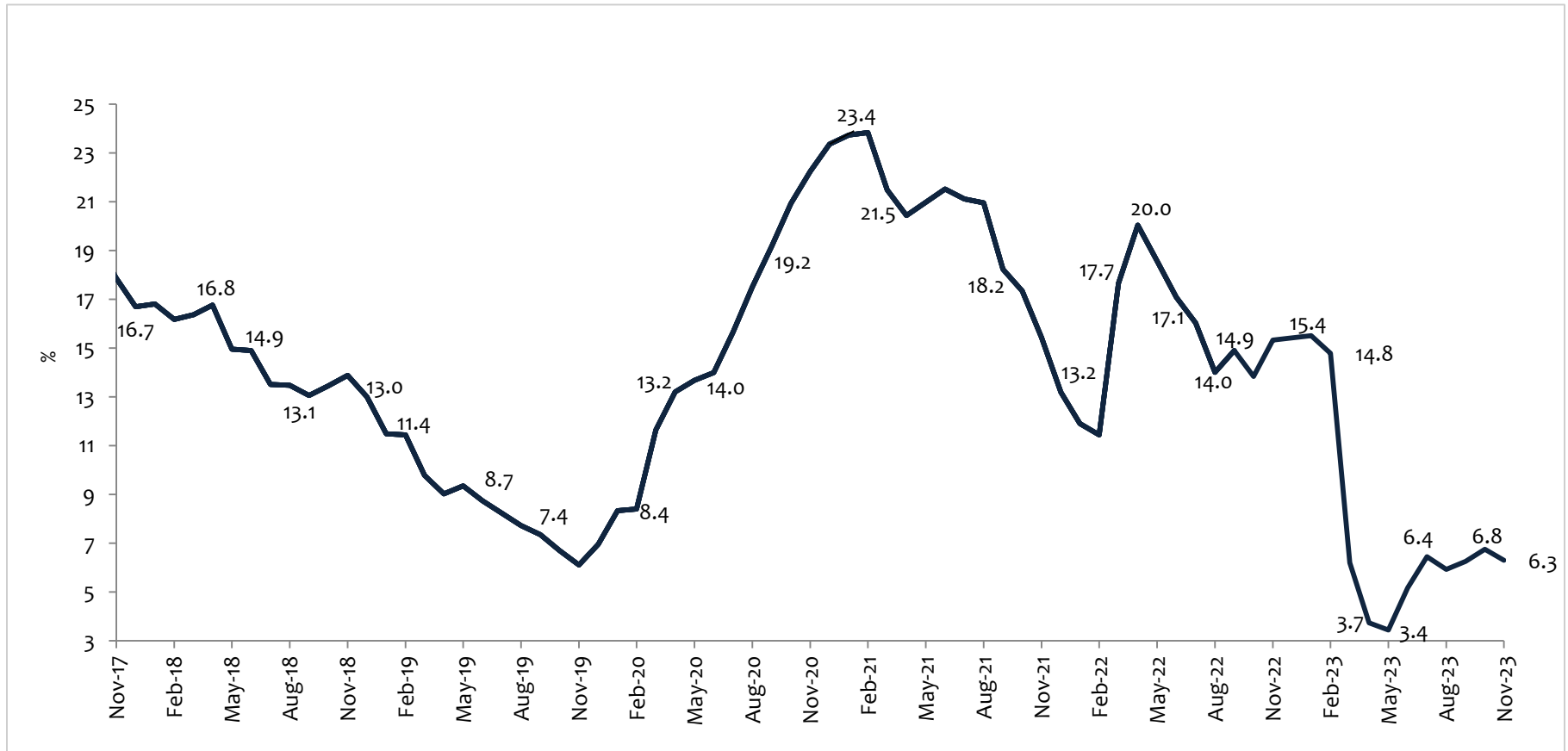
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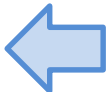


Broad Money Growth

Broad Money (M_{2b}) Growth (Y-O-Y)



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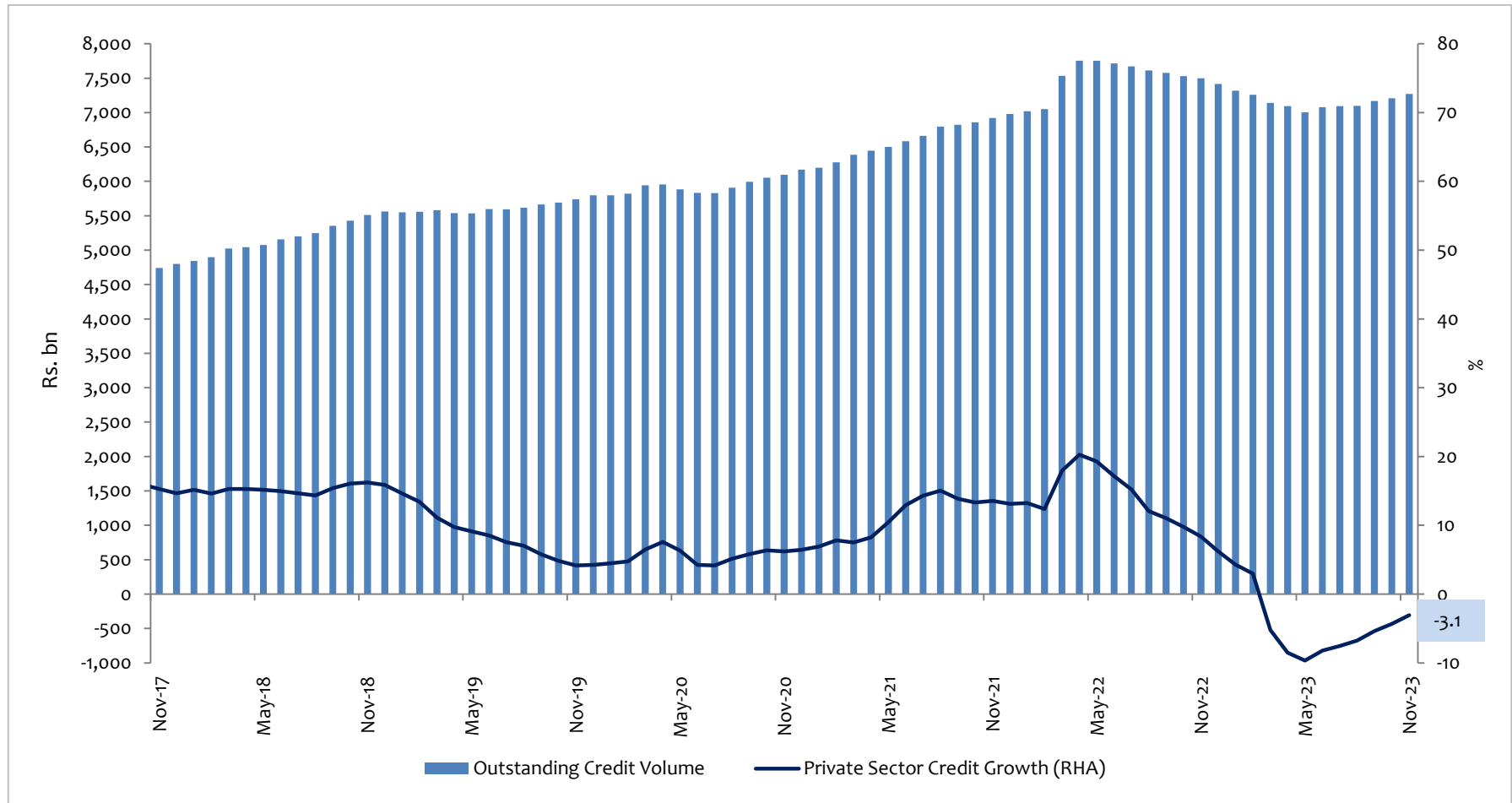


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Credit to the Private Sector

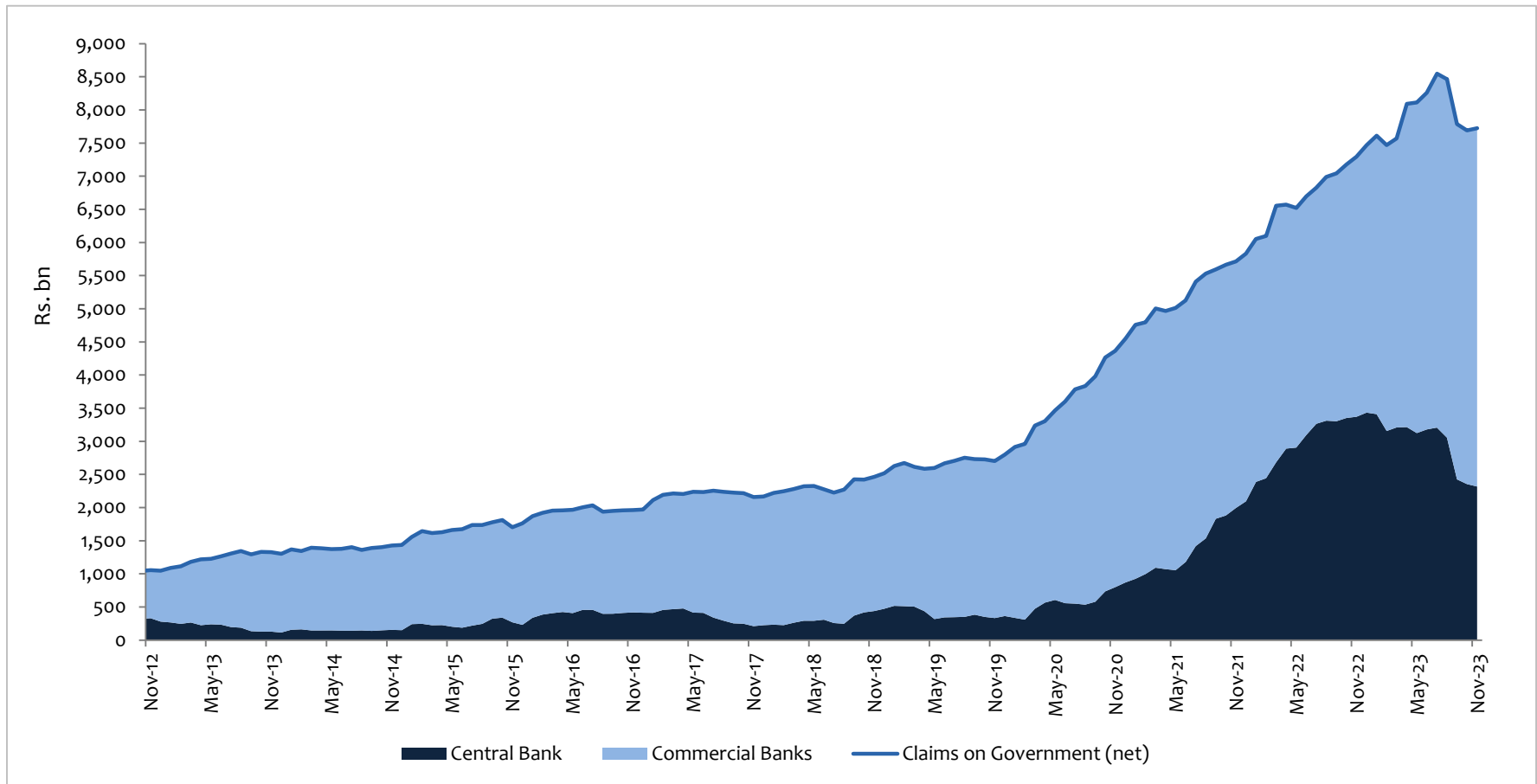


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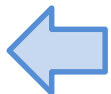
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Net Credit to the Government



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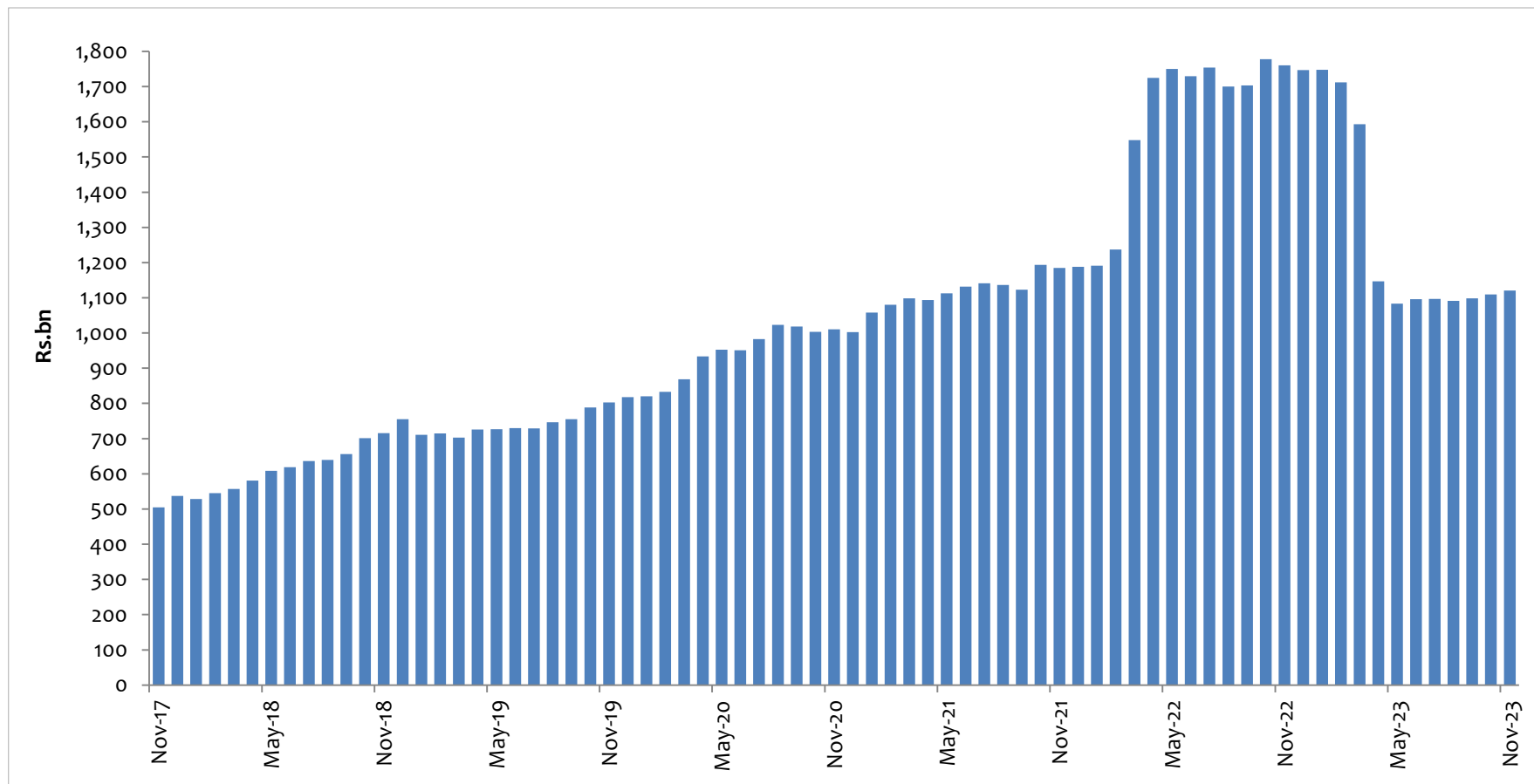


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Credit to Public Corporations



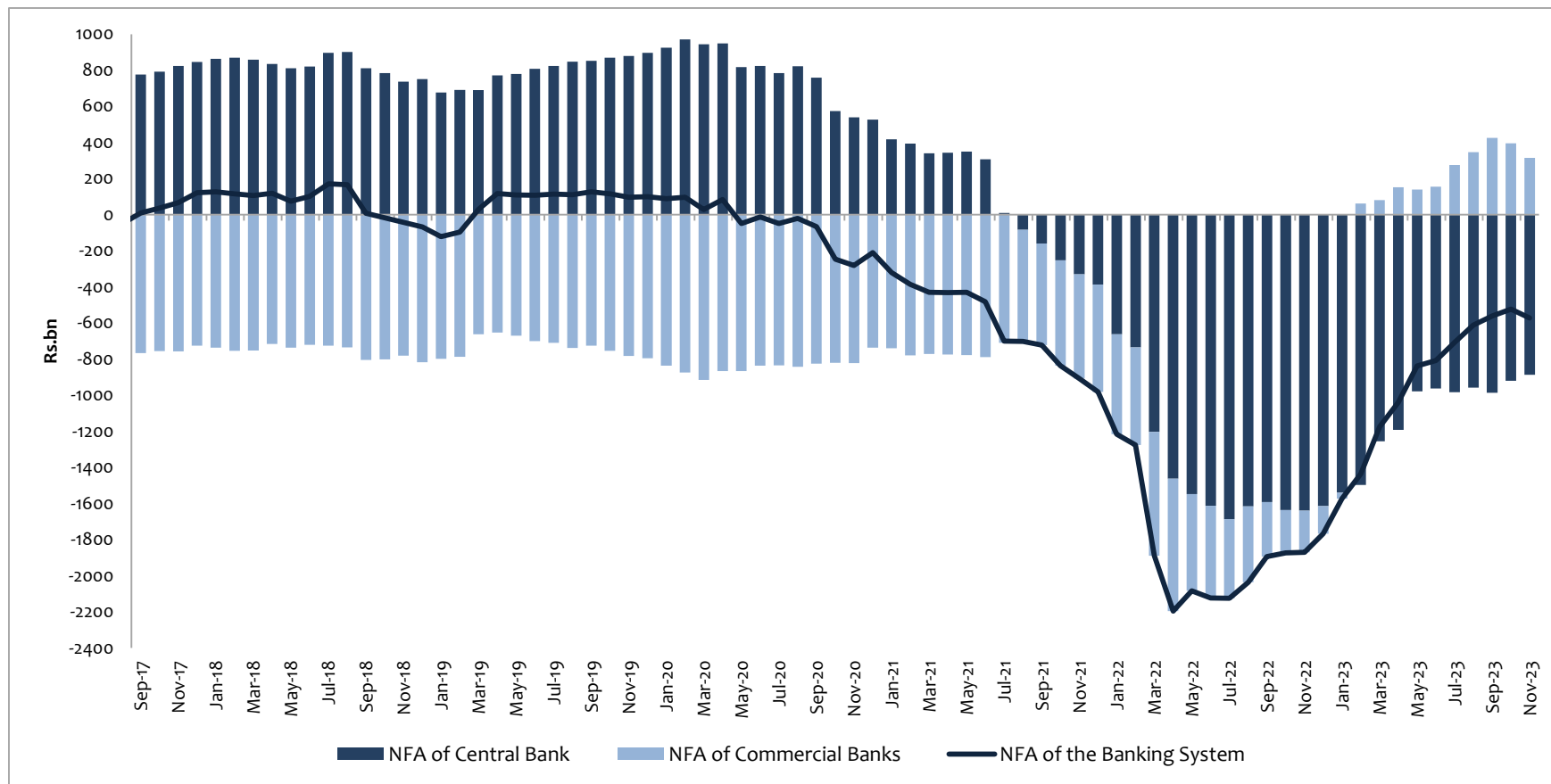
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Note: With the approval of the Cabinet of Ministers at its meeting held on 30 January 2023, the outstanding foreign currency guaranteed debt of the CPC was absorbed into central government debt with effect from December 2022, in line with the actions agreed under the IMF-EFF arrangement to restructure the balance sheets of selected SOBEs. Accordingly, a part of this adjustment was effected in April 2023, hence, was reflected in the balance sheet of the particular state-owned commercial bank, which caused a reduction in credit to public corporations/ SOBEs and an expansion in NCG.



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Net Foreign Assets (NFA)



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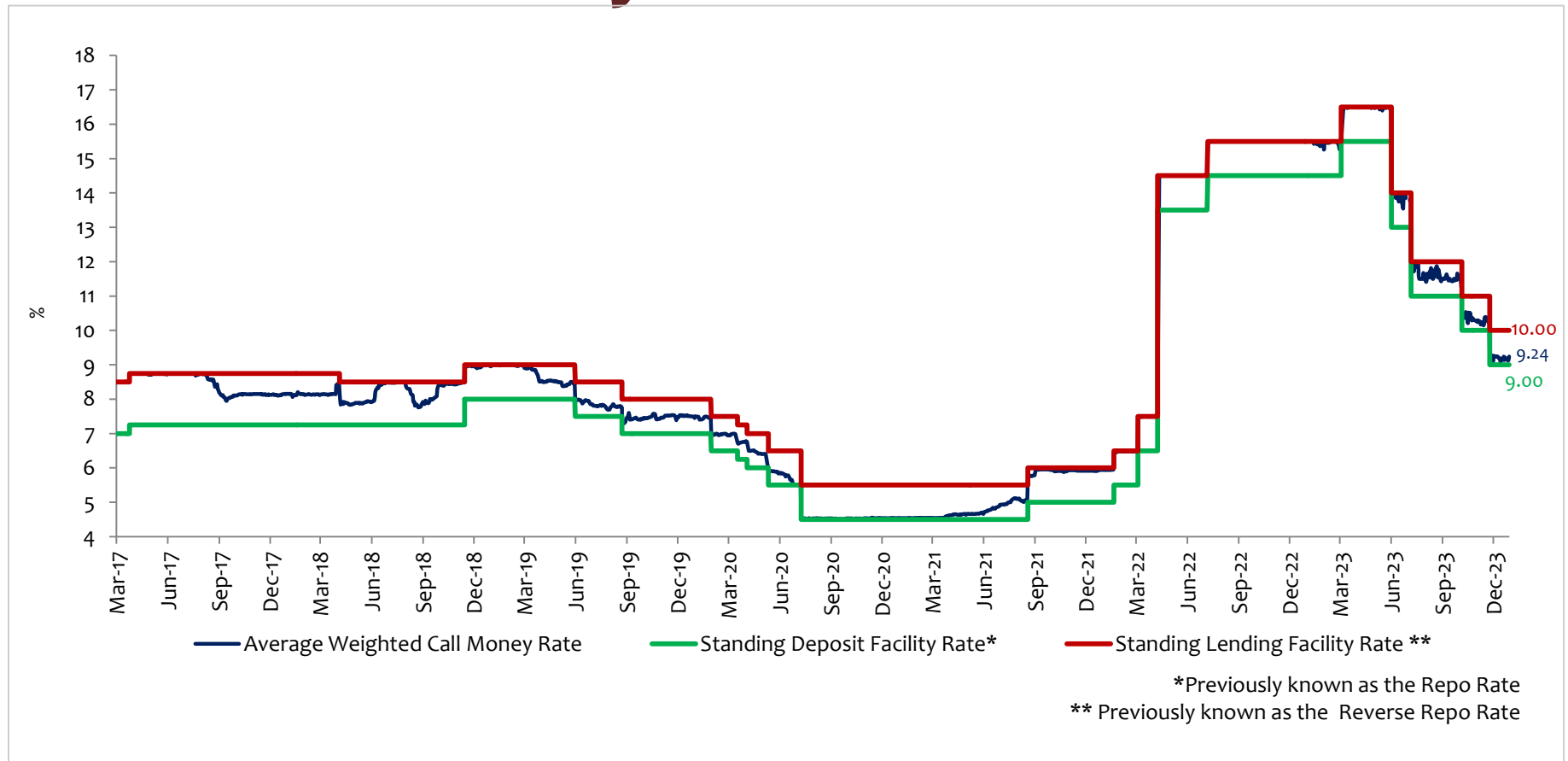


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Policy Interest Rates and Overnight Money Market Rates

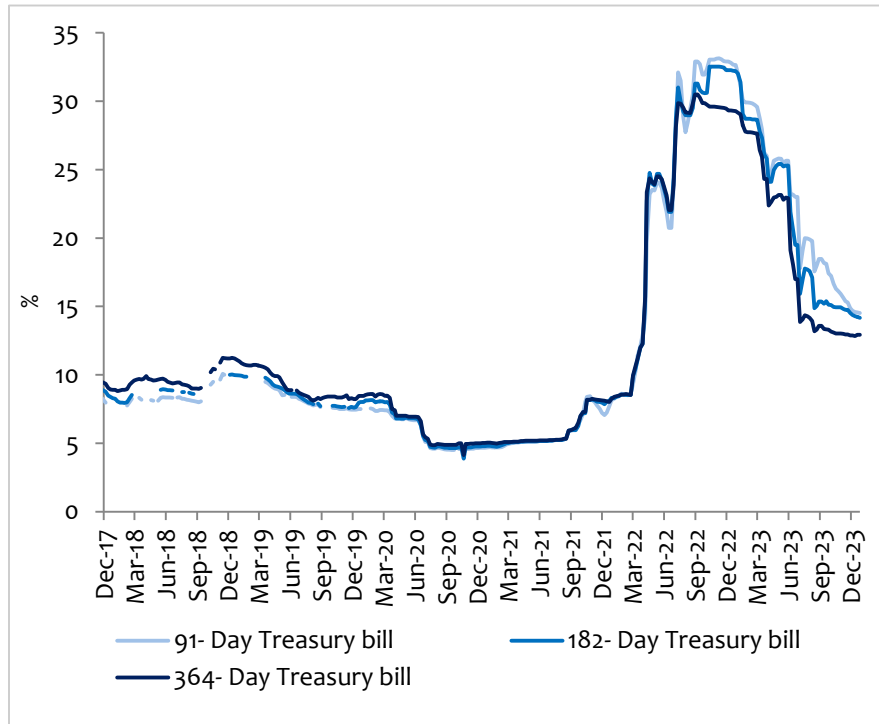


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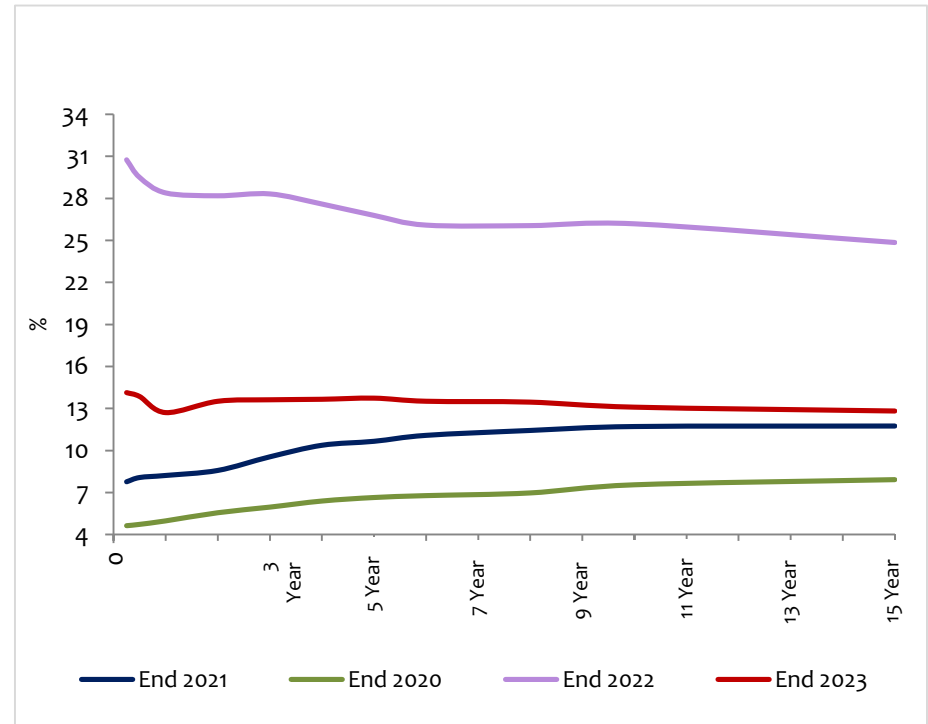


Treasury Bill Yields and the Yield Curve

Treasury Bill Yields (Primary Market)*



Secondary Market Yield Curve

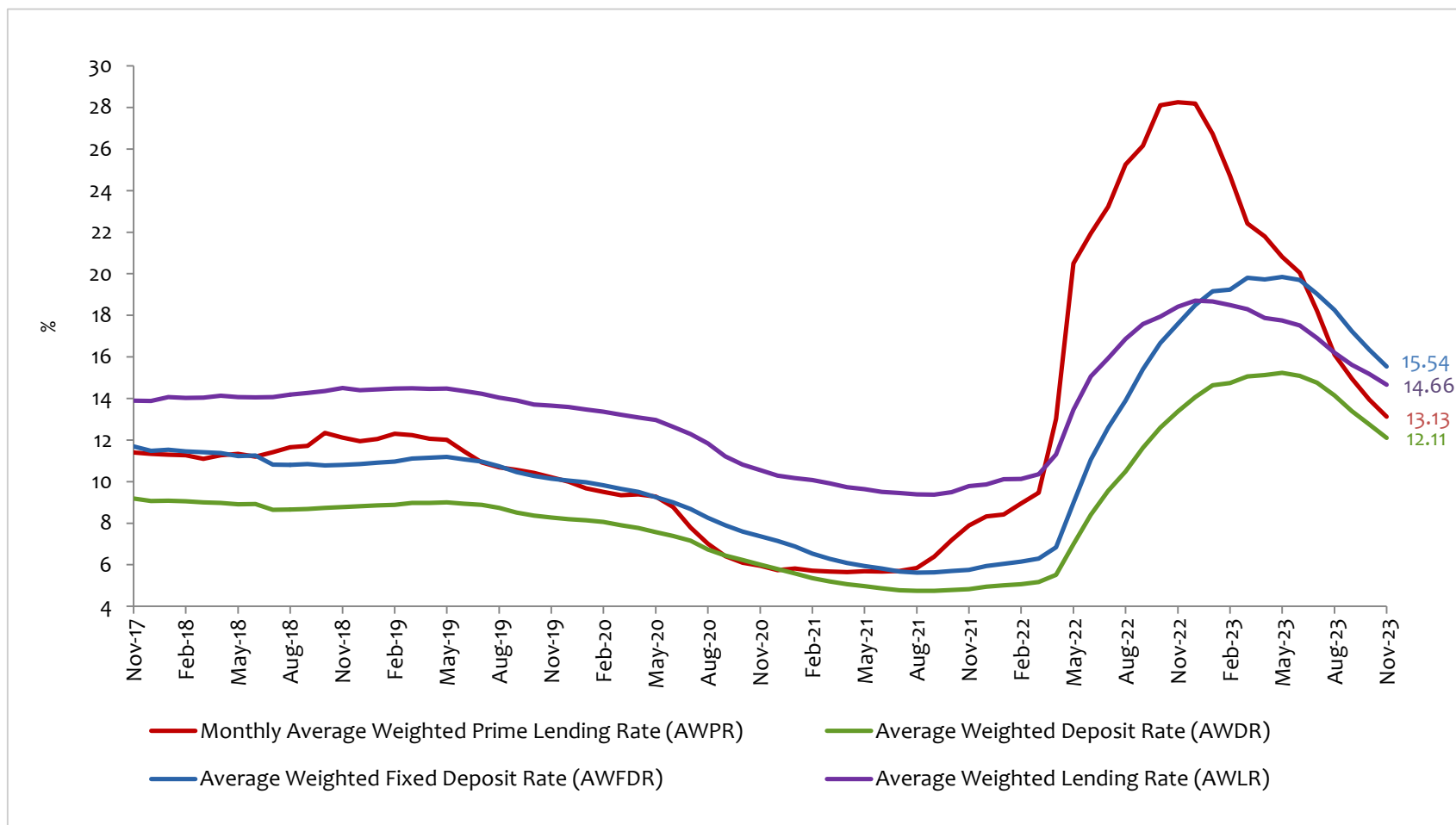


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*Yield rates for some weeks are not available due to non-acceptance of bids or not offering of relevant tenors



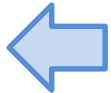
Market Interest Rates



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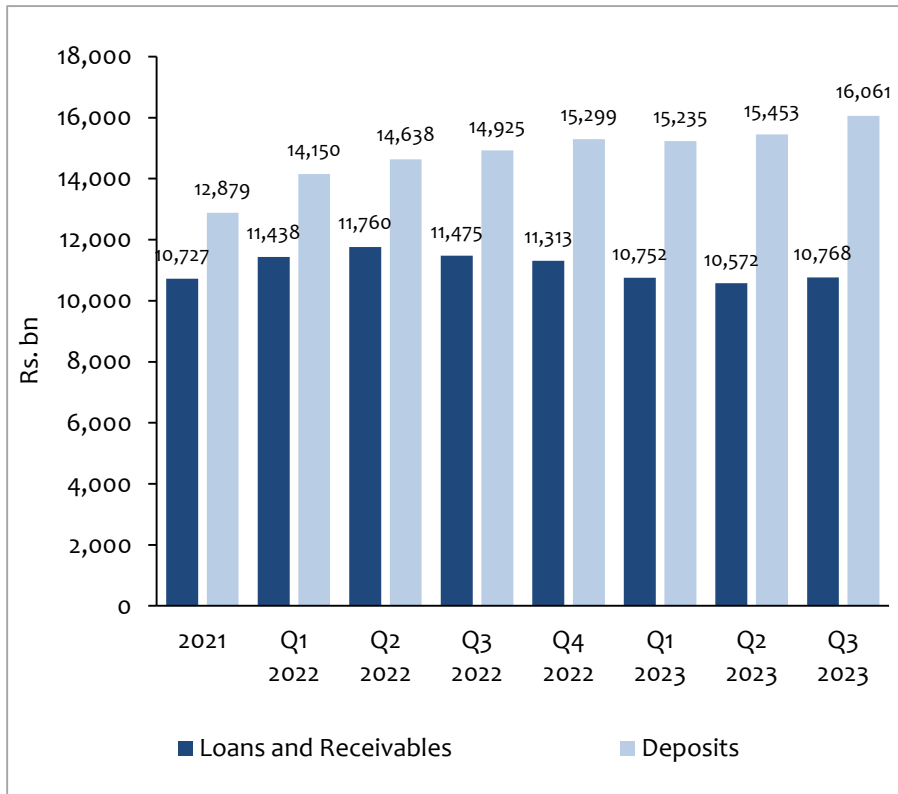


Financial Sector



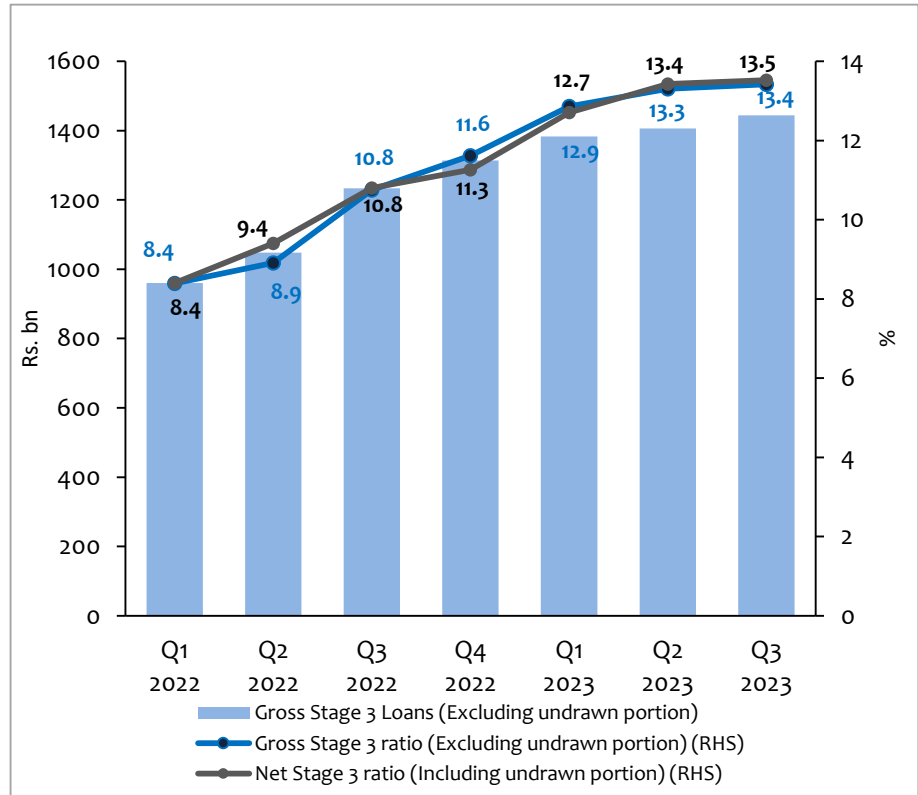
Banking Sector Indicators (i)

Assets and Liabilities of the Banking Sector

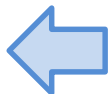


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Stage 3 Loans of the Banking Sector

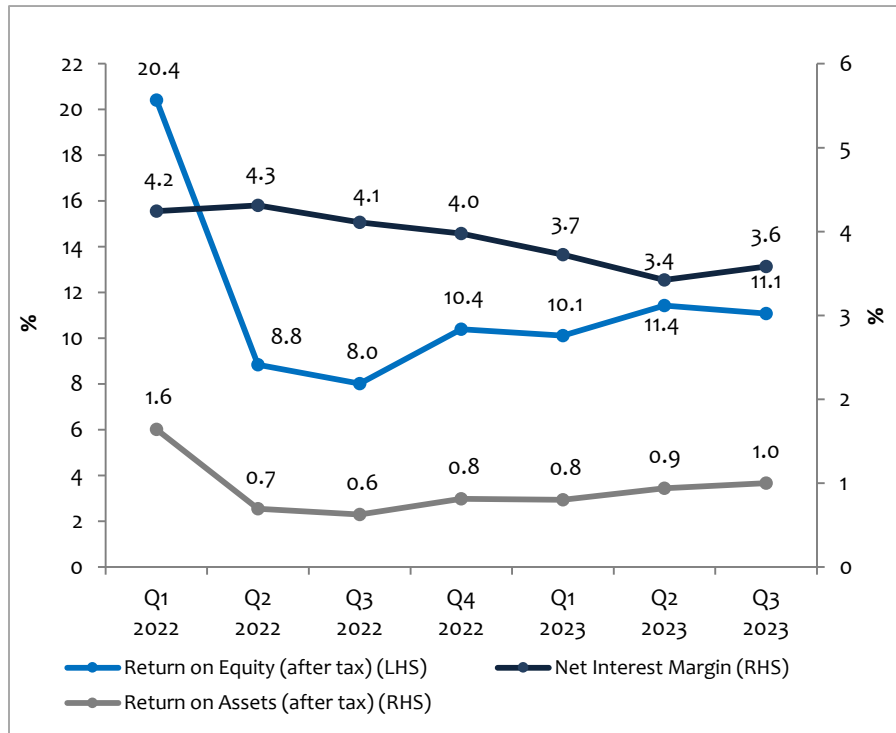


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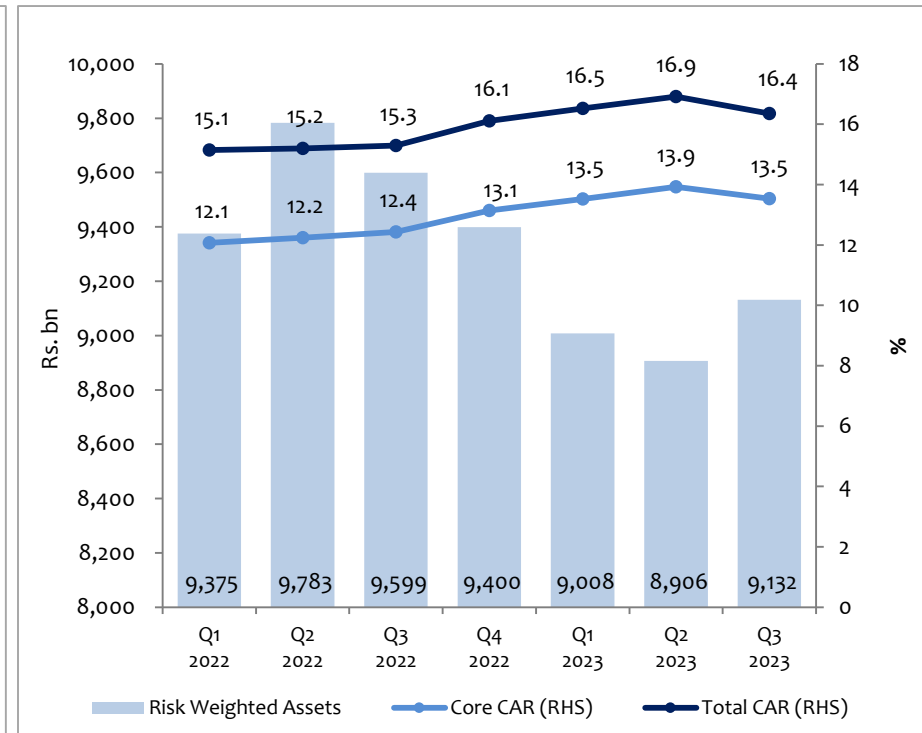
Banking Sector Indicators (ii)

Profitability Indicators



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Capital Adequacy Ratios

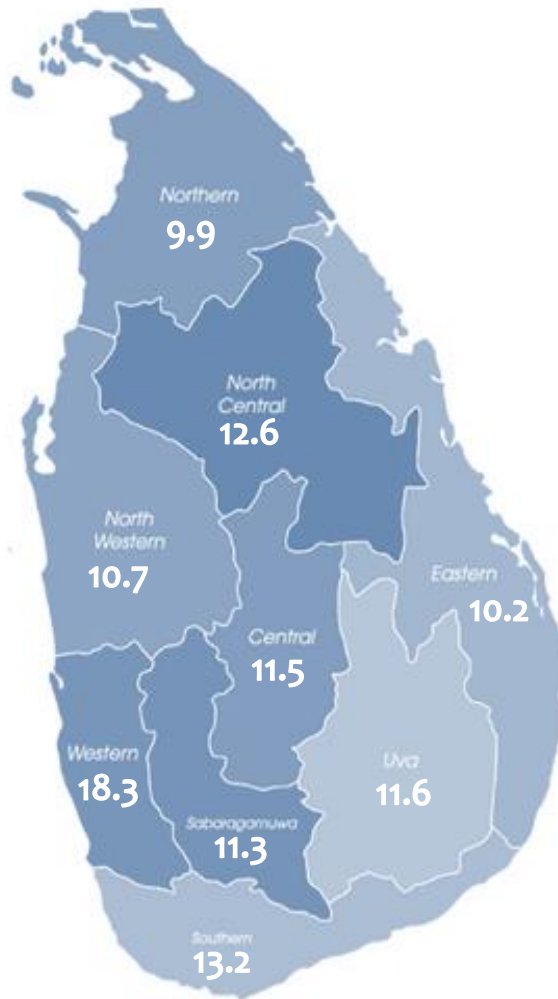


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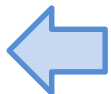
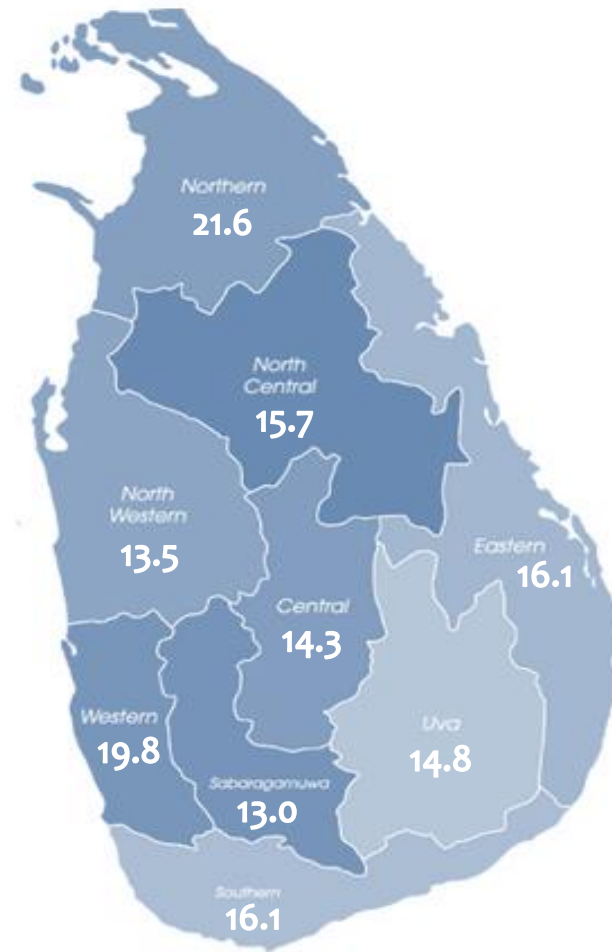


Banking Density by Province*

2009

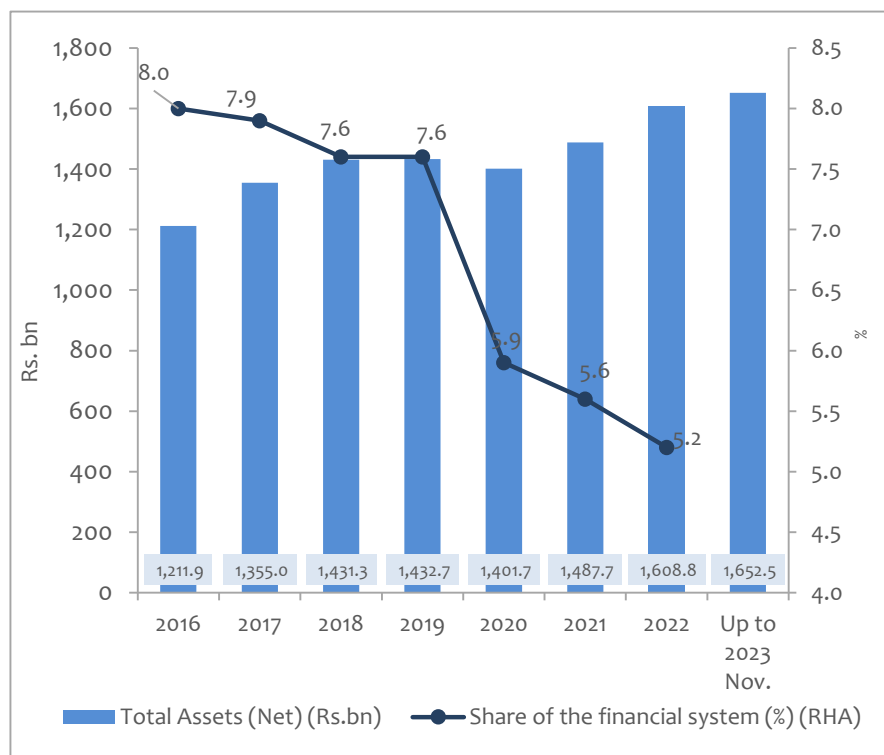


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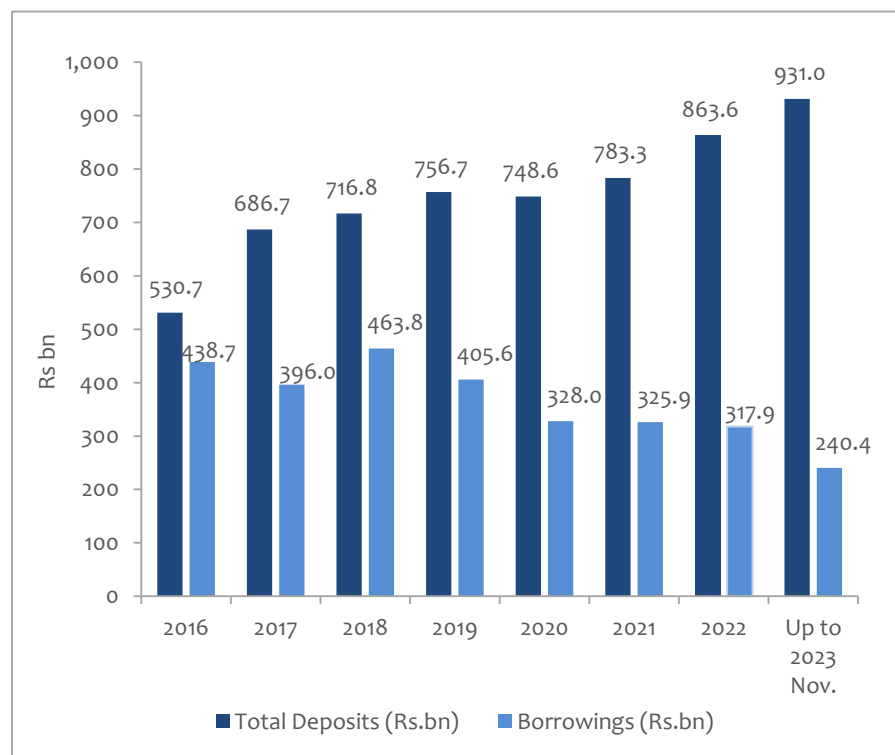


Non-Bank Financial Sector Indicators (i)

Assets of the LFC & SLC Sector



Total Deposits and Borrowings of the LFC & SLC Sector*



Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

* Deposits are only mobilised by the LFCs

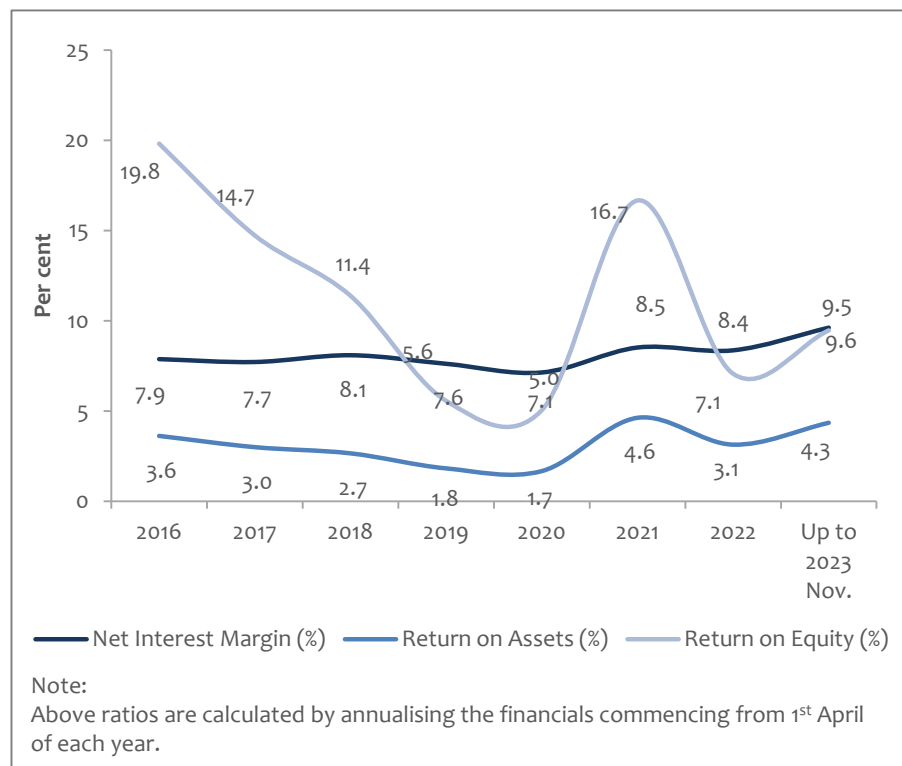
LFC: Licensed Finance Companies
SLC: Specialised Leasing Companies



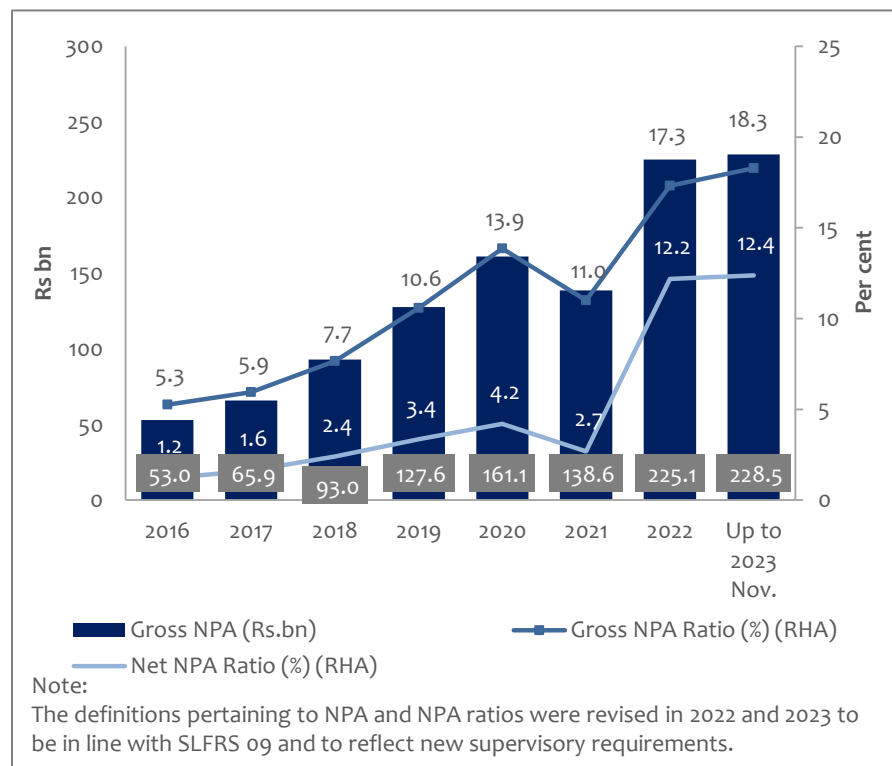
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Non-Bank Financial Sector Indicators (ii)

Profitability Indicators of the LFC and SLC Sector



Non-Performing Advances

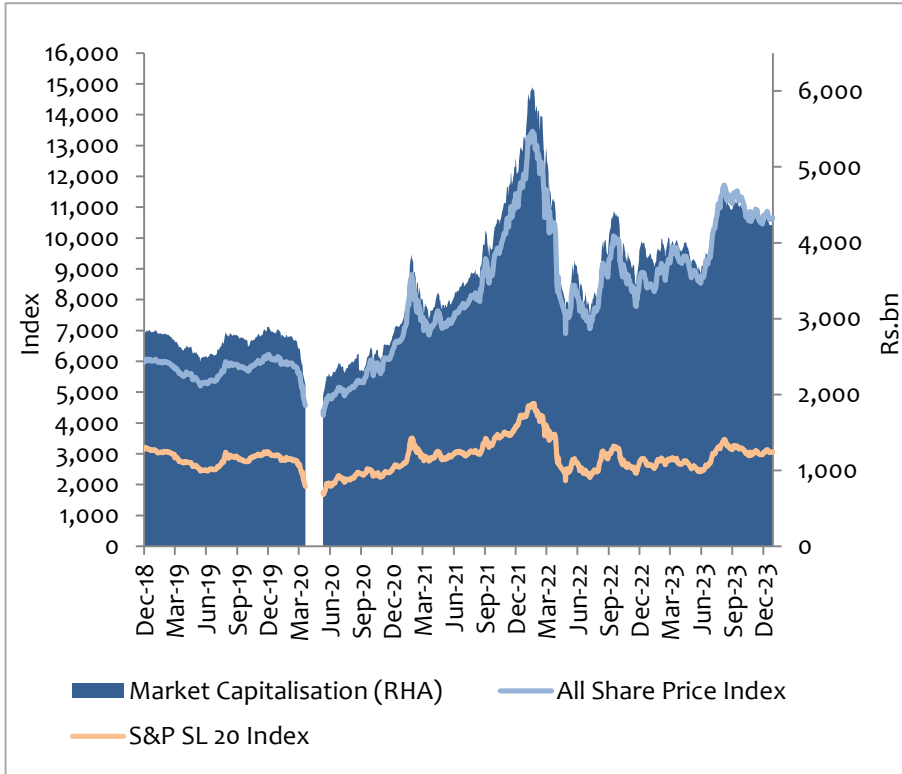


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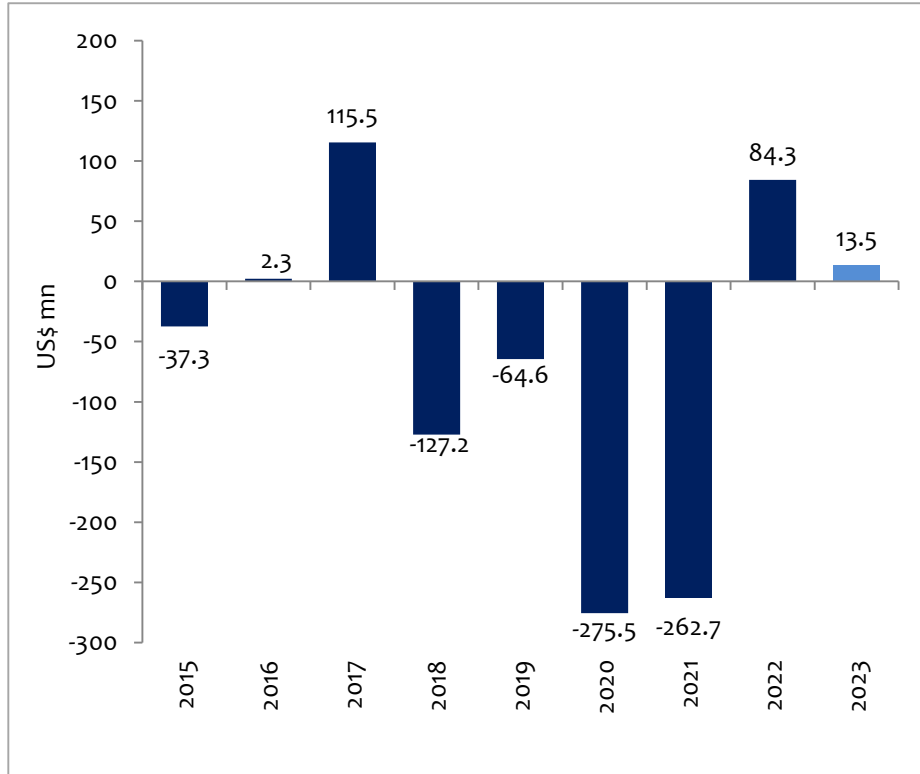


Stock Market Performance

Share Price Indices and Market Capitalisation (a)



Net Foreign Inflows to the Secondary Market



Source: Colombo Stock Exchange



(a) The CSE was not functioning during the period from 23 March 2020 to 6 May 2020 due to the prevailed conditions of the country with the spread of COVID-19



The set of graphs above summarises macroeconomic and financial market trends in Sri Lanka. These graphs do not contain source data. An extensive set of data is available on the CBSL website. Information for the last quarter of data is provisional.

