

MONTHLY ECONOMIC INDICATORS

September
2020

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SUMMARY OF SELECTED ECONOMIC INDICATORS

September 2020

Item	Period	Unit	2019	2020	Y-o-Y Change
Real Sector					
Tea	August	Mn. Kg	26.2	22.4	(14.4)
Rubber	August		5.1	6.2	20.8
Coconut	August		261.5	244.6	(6.5)
Fish	August		41.5	41.3	(0.6)
Paddy			2019	2020	
Paddy	Maha ^(a)	Mn. Kg	3,072.6	3,196.8	4.0
	Yala ^(b)	Mn. Kg	1,519.5	-	-
Electricity Generation			2019	2020	
Electricity Generation	August	GWh.	1,373	1,353	(1.4)
Index of Industrial Production	August	2015 = 100	112.2	102.1	(9.0)
NCPI (Year-On-Year % Change)	September	2013 = 100	5.0	6.4	
CCPI (Year-On-Year % Change)	September	2013 = 100	5.0	4.0	
Fiscal Sector					
Revenue and Grants	Jan-July	Rs. Mn.	1,033,008	765,393	(25.9)
Recurrent Expenditure	Jan-July	Rs. Mn.	1,343,728	1,457,727	8
Monetary Sector					
Money Supply			2019	2020	
Narrow Money M ₁	End August	Rs. Mn.	818,128.20	1,058,461.34	29.4
Broad Money M ₂	End August	Rs. Mn.	6,733,743.01	7,858,435.87	16.7
Consolidated Broad Money(M _{2b}) ^(c)	End August	Rs. Mn.	7,396,866.28	8,692,021.18	17.5
Broad Money M ₄	End August	Rs. Mn.	9,132,823.39	10,637,616.47	16.5
Share Market					
ASPI	End September	1985 = 100	5,738.24	5,984.84	4.3
S&P SL20	End September	2004 = 1000	2,759.72	2,463.27	(10.7)
Market Capitalisation	End September	Rs. Bn.	2,709.22	2,595.84	(4.2)
External Sector					
External Trade			2019	2020	
Exports	August	US\$ Mn.	1,033	947	(8.3)
Imports	August	US\$ Mn.	1,574	1,289	(18.1)
Balance of Trade	August	US\$ Mn.	(541)	(342)	
Balance of Payments					
Trade Account	1 st Half	US\$ Mn.	(2,051)	(2,361)	15.1
Current Account	1 st Half	US\$ Mn.	(351)	(792)	125.9
Current & Capital Accounts	1 st Half	US\$ Mn.	(333)	(789)	137.1
Financial Account (net)	1 st Half	US\$ Mn.	(587)	(424)	(27.8)
Total Reserves ^(d)			2020 End June	2020 End July	2020 End August
Total Reserves ^(d)		US\$ Mn.	9,513	10,032	10,345

(a) Sep.\Oct. - Mar.\Apr.

(b) Apr.\May - Aug.\Sep.

(c) Inclusive of FCBUs

(d) Including ACU receipts

1. GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT AT CONSTANT (2010) PRICES

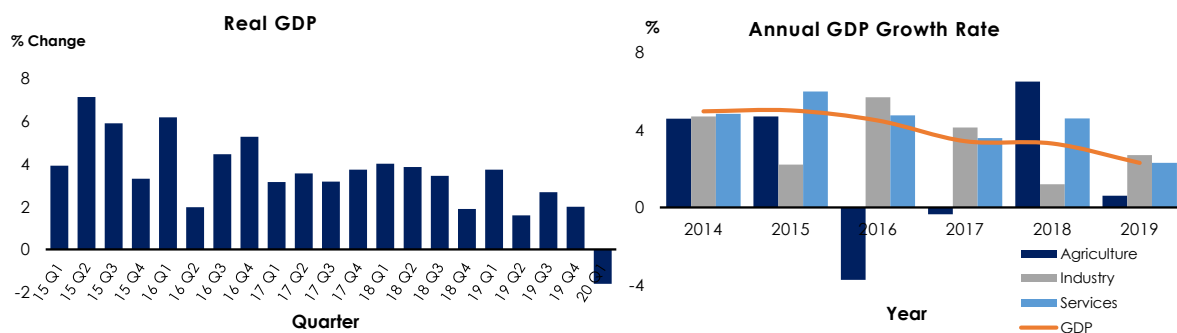
Economic Activity	1 st Quarter - 2020 ^(a)					
	(Rs. Mn)		Growth (%)		Contribution to Growth (%)	
	2019 ^(b)	2020	19/18 ^(b)	20/19	2019 ^(b)	2020
Agriculture	162,787	153,735	5.0	(5.6)	0.3	(0.4)
Industry	736,946	679,127	3.9	(7.8)	1.2	(2.5)
Services	1,326,977	1,367,507	3.7	3.1	2.1	1.7
Taxes less subsidies on products	103,342	92,221	1.3	(10.8)	0.1	(0.5)
GDP	2,330,053	2,292,589	3.7	(1.6)	3.7	(1.6)

Economic Activity	Annual - 2019 ^(a)					
	(Rs. Mn)		Growth (%)		Contribution to Growth (%)	
	2018 ^(b)	2019	18/17 ^(b)	19/18	2018 ^(b)	2019
Agriculture	683,816	687,857	6.5	0.6	0.4	0.0
Industry	2,540,315	2,608,211	1.2	2.7	0.3	0.7
Services	5,555,303	5,680,757	4.6	2.3	2.6	1.3
Taxes less subsidies on products	889,166	912,553	(0.6)	2.6	(0.1)	0.2
GDP	9,668,600	9,889,379	3.3	2.3	3.3	2.3

(a) Provisional

Source: Department of Census and Statistics

(b) Revised



2. BUSINESS OUTLOOK SURVEY

Business Sentiment Index (BSI) ^(a)	2018				2019				2020		
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3
Business Condition (Level)	87 (107)	78 (101)	66 (101)	61 (73)	74 (81)	63 (72)	64 (80)	78 (89)	33 (103)	20 (10)	- (45)
Profitability (Q-o-Q)	89 (108)	72 (105)	- (106)	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)	- (-)
Profitability (Y-o-Y)	- (-)	- (-)	69 (-)	87 (97)	83 (110)	75 (103)	89 (92)	95 (101)	40 (115)	44 (17)	- (76)
Skilled Labour Availability (Y-o-Y)	96 (99)	95 (95)	93 (96)	93 (93)	100 (97)	99 (104)	102 (104)	94 (106)	78 (97)	102 (75)	- (120)
Demand (Y-o-Y)	122 (137)	111 (137)	116 (124)	125 (120)	120 (131)	86 (123)	87 (121)	101 (109)	42 (122)	28 (45)	- (110)
Sales (Y-o-Y)	119 (136)	118 (143)	120 (127)	127 (130)	125 (127)	90 (119)	94 (117)	110 (120)	45 (126)	36 (18)	- (108)
Capacity Utilization (Y-o-Y)	128 (126)	116 (127)	115 (123)	121 (126)	120 (128)	93 (121)	88 (115)	102 (109)	49 (112)	49 (32)	- (118)

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(a) BSIs presented in the above table are realised numbers while the numbers given within parenthesis show the respondent's expectations for the relevant quarter given during the preceding quarter.

3. AGRICULTURE

Item	Unit	2019	2020 ^(a)	Y-o-Y Change
Tea Production				
August	Mn. Kg	26.2	22.4	(14.4)
January - August		211.0	177.3	(16.0)
Rubber Production				
August	Mn. Kg	5.1	6.2	20.8
January - August		53.3	50.2	(5.9)
Coconut Production				
August	Mn. Nuts	261.5	244.6	(6.5)
January - August		2,104.0	1,866.5	(11.3)
Fish Production				
August	Mn. Kg	41.5	41.3	(0.6)
January - August		336.4	283.5	(15.7)
Paddy Production				
Maha ^(b)	Mn. Kg	3,072.6	3,196.8	4.0
Yala ^(c)		1,519.5	-	-

(a) Provisional

(b) Sep.\Oct. - Mar\, Apr.

(c) Apr. \, May - Aug.\Sep.

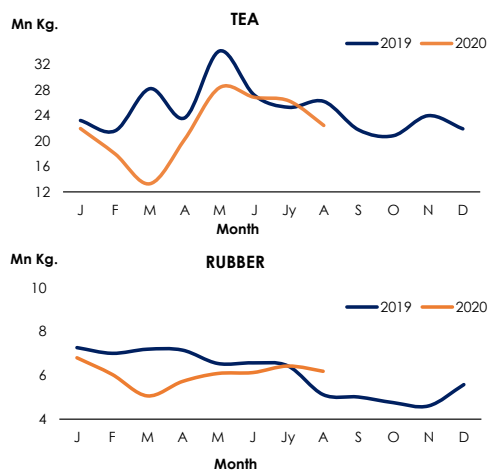
Sources: Sri Lanka Tea Board

Rubber Development Department

Coconut Development Authority

Department of Census & Statistics

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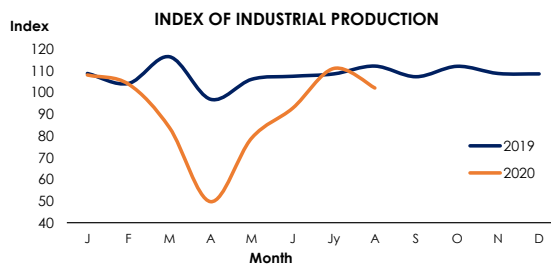


4. INDEX OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION (IIP) (2015=100)

Item	August		
	2019 ^(a)	2020 ^(b)	Y-o-Y Change
Food products	110.5	106.6	(3.5)
Beverages	102.1	109.9	7.6
Tobacco products	84.4	87.7	3.9
Textiles	124.0	127.0	2.4
Wearing apparels	116.8	78.2	(33.0)
Leather and related products	129.2	61.1	(52.7)
Wood and products of wood and cork except furniture; Articles of Straw and plaiting materials	124.6	64.1	(48.5)
Paper and paper products	95.9	80.0	(16.6)
Printing and reproduction of recorded media	101.2	123.2	21.8
Coke and refined petroleum products	120.7	112.2	(7.1)
Chemicals and chemical products	100.9	117.4	16.3
Basic pharmaceutical products and pharmaceutical preparations	101.0	111.9	10.8
Rubber and plastic products	94.2	94.2	0.0
Other non-metallic mineral products	140.4	126.9	(9.7)
Basic metals	122.2	132.4	8.4
Fabricated metal products (except machinery equipment)	103.4	89.5	(13.5)
Electrical equipment	83.2	70.6	(15.1)
Machinery and equipment (n.e.c)	116.1	104.8	(9.7)
Furniture	82.1	90.5	10.3
Other manufacturing	63.2	53.2	(15.8)
Overall Index of Industrial for the Manufacturing Sector	112.2	102.1	(9.0)

(a) Revised

(b) Provisional



Source: Department of Census and Statistics

5. PURCHASING MANAGERS' INDEX - MANUFACTURING

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2018	51.7	55.6	65.6	45.5	60.6	57.6	57.2	58.2	54.1	58.2	54.3	53.7
2019	54.4	50.6	66.9	41.0	50.7	53.9	55.7	56.6	54.7	57.6	56.0	54.3
2020	54.0	53.6	30.0	24.2	49.3	67.3	64.6	57.9	59.8			

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

6. HOUSING AND CONSTRUCTIONS

Item	Unit	2019	2020 ^(a)	Y-o-Y Change
Greater Colombo Housing Approvals Index ^(b)	1995 = 100			
Quarter 1		107.1	83.0	(22.5)
Quarter 2		99.3	40.7	(59.0)
Cement		2019	2020 ^(a)	
Local Production ^(c)	'000 MT			
August		334	392	17.4
January - August		2,310	2,448	6.0
Imports ^(d)	'000 MT			
August		507	306	(39.6)
January - August		3,428	2,242	(34.6)
Total	'000 MT			
August		841	699	(16.9)
January - August		5,738	4,691	(18.3)

(a) Provisional

(b) Includes housing approvals by five Municipal Councils, seven Urban Councils & eight Pradeshiya Sabhas in Greater Colombo.

(c) Total local production

(d) Total cement imports

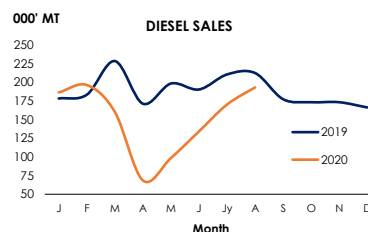
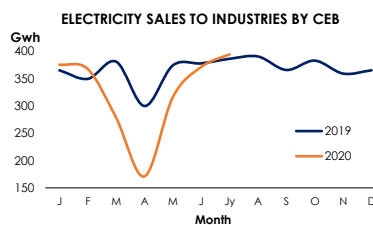
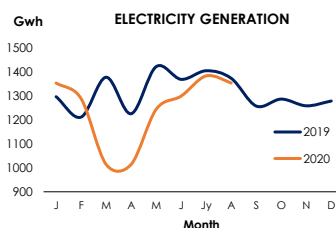
Sources: Colombo, Dehiwala-Mount Lavinia, Sri Jayawardanapura, Moratuwa and Kaduwela Municipal Councils
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Homagama, Kotikawatta-Mulleriyawa, Kelaniya, Attanagalla, Wattala-Mabole, Horana, Panadura Pradesheeya Sabhas
Sri Lanka Customs, Tokyo Cement Company Lanka PLC, Tokyo Eastern Cement Co. Ltd, Insee Cement Lanka Ltd

7. ENERGY

Item	Unit	2019	2020 ^(a)	Y-o-Y Change
Electricity Generation ^(b)	GWh			
July		1,404	1,383	(1.5)
CEB - Hydro		182	251	37.6
Fuel Oil		219	120	(45.1)
Coal		537	598	11.4
Wind		0	0	-
Private Sector		466	413	(11.2)
Non Conventional Renewable Energy		164	156	(5.4)
August		1,373	1,353	(1.4)
CEB - Hydro		299	468	56.9
Fuel Oil		149	105	(29.5)
Coal		430	401	(6.7)
Wind		0	0	-
Private Sector		495	379	(23.6)
Non Conventional Renewable Energy		191	172	(10.2)
January - August		10,758	10,339	(3.9)
CEB - Hydro		1,838	2,322	26.3
Fuel Oil		1,803	1,035	(42.6)
Coal		3,827	3,960	3.5
Wind		0	0	-
Private Sector		3,289	3,022	(8.1)
Non Conventional Renewable Energy		1,023	1,060	3.6
Electricity Sales to Industries	GWh			
July		386	394	2.1
January - July		2,531	2,273	(10.2)
Diesel Sales	'000 MT			
August		212	193	(9.2)
January - August		1,573	1,206	(23.3)
Petrol Sales	'000 MT			
August		120	123	3.1
January - August		922	800	(13.2)
Furnace Oil Sales	'000 MT			
August		90	52	(42.2)
January - August		740	573	(22.6)
Kerosene Sales	'000 MT			
August		17	16	(5.2)
January - August		140	119	(15.0)
Crude Oil Imports	'000 MT			
August		92	190	107.1
January - August		1,191	1,108	(7.0)
Other Petroleum Imports	'000 MT			
August		395	460	16.7
January - August		3,191	2,713	(15.0)

(a) Provisional

(b) Including rooftop solar generation



Lanka IOC PLC
Sri Lanka Customs
Central Bank of Sri Lanka

8. PURCHASING MANAGERS' INDEX - SERVICES

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2018	56.6	58.4	58.0	53.2	56.9	58.7	57.8	57.0	53.0	55.5	52.6	54.7
2019	55.8	53.0	56.3	45.3	44.7	53.1	57.1	52.9	52.7	56.9	57.4	60.2
2020	57.0	50.2	32.0	29.8	43.1	50.4	51.4	56.0	54.3			

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

9. TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Item	Unit	2 nd Quarter 2019	2 nd Quarter 2020 ^(a)	Y-o-Y Change
Telephones (Fixed lines)	Number	2,354,936	2,328,082	(1.1)
Wireline in service	Number	1,229,461	1,253,837	2.0
Wireless Local Loop Access	Number	1,125,475	1,074,245	(4.6)
Cellular Phones	Number	32,723,283	27,678,977	(15.4)
Public Pay Phones	Number	660	469	(28.9)
Internet Subscribers ^(b)	Number	11,991,333	13,295,306	10.9
Telephone Penetration (excluding Cellular Phones)	per 100 persons	10.8	10.6	(2.1)
Telephone Penetration (including Cellular Phones)	per 100 persons	160.9	136.3	(15.3)

(a) Provisional

(b) Including mobile internet connections

Sources: Telecommunications Regulatory Commission of Sri Lanka

Department of Census and Statistics

10. TRANSPORT

Item	Unit	2019	2020 ^(a)	Y-o-Y Change
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New Registration of Motor Vehicles

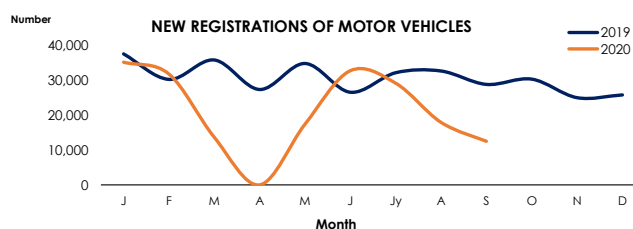
September	Number	28,829	12,513	(56.6)
Buses		260	62	(76.2)
Motor Cars		3,499	1,041	(70.2)
Three Wheelers		1,074	132	(87.7)
Dual Purpose Vehicles ^(b)		1,223	482	(60.6)
Motor Cycles		21,647	9,129	(57.8)
Goods Transport Vehicles ^(c)		396	446	12.6
Land Vehicles ^(d)		584	1,195	104.6
Other ^(e)		146	26	(82.2)
January -September	Number	286,126	190,442	(33.4)
Buses		1,099	507	(53.9)
Motor Cars		28,574	20,048	(29.8)
Three Wheelers		12,144	7,040	(42.0)
Dual Purpose Vehicles ^(b)		9,933	9,092	(8.5)
Motor Cycles		223,728	144,399	(35.5)
Goods Transport Vehicles ^(c)		4,136	3,102	(25.0)
Land Vehicles ^(d)		5,531	5,790	4.7
Other ^(e)		981	464	(52.7)

(a) Provisional (b) Including Single Cabs

(c) Lorries, Other Goods Transport Vehicles and Special Purpose Vehicles

(d) Tractors, Hand Tractors and Other Land Vehicles (e) Quadricycles and Motor Homes

Source: Department of Motor Traffic



11. PORT SERVICES

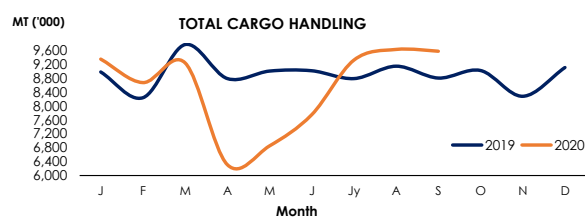
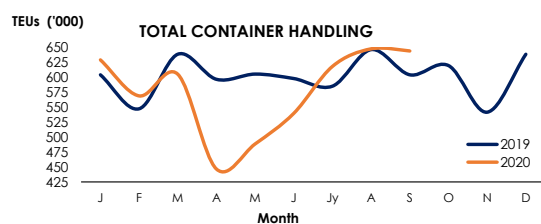
Item	Unit	2019	2020 ^(a)	Y-o-Y Change
Ship Traffic ^(b)				
September	Number	385	395	2.6
January - September		3,513	3,320	(5.5)
Container Handling				
Domestic	TEUs			
September		108,735	103,556	(4.8)
January - September		943,442	806,296	(14.5)
Transshipment	TEUs			
September		483,240	527,684	9.2
January - September		4,366,242	4,276,247	(2.1)
Re-stowing	TEUs			
September		12,425	13,122	5.6
January - September		118,134	107,275	(9.2)
Total Container Handling	TEUs			
September		604,400	644,362	6.6
January - September		5,427,818	5,189,818	(4.4)
Cargo Handling ^(b)				
Cargo Discharged	MT			
September		5,034,271	5,454,043	8.3
January - September		46,607,583	43,974,780	(5.6)
Cargo Loaded	MT			
September		3,767,172	4,118,399	9.3
January - September		33,971,265	32,700,250	(3.7)
Total Cargo Handling	MT			
September		8,801,443	9,572,442	8.8
January - September		80,578,848	76,675,030	(4.8)

(a) Provisional

(b) Excluding data from ports of Kankasanthurai, Myliddy, Point Pedro and Karainagar

TEUs = Twenty-foot Equivalent Container Units.

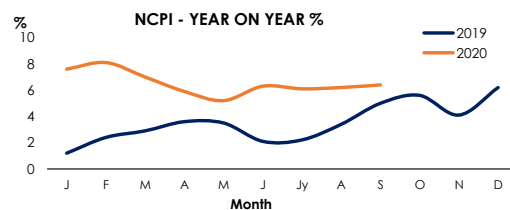
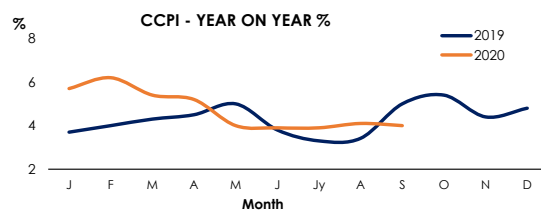
Source: Sri Lanka Ports Authority



12. PRICE INDICES

Item	Base Period	2019	2020	Y-o-Y Change
National Consumer Price Index (NCPI)				
September	2013=100			
Headline		130.6	138.9	6.4
Core		134.0	140.4	4.8
Colombo Consumers Price Index (CCPI)				
September	2013=100			
Headline		131.1	136.3	4.0
Core		135.2	139.1	2.9

Source: Department of Census and Statistics



13. AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES - PETTAH MARKET

Item	Unit	2019 September	2020 September	Y-o-Y Change
Rice	Rs/Kg			
Samba		85.25	100.67	18.1
Nadu		80.25	96.10	19.7
Kekulu (Red)		80.25	93.00	15.9
Other Food Items	Rs/Kg			
Dried Chillie (Imported)		402.00	445.71	10.9
Red Onion (Local)		131.75	189.43	43.8
Red Onion (Imported)		200.00	222.11	11.1
Big Onion (Local)		148.75	169.66	14.1
Big Onion (Imported)		158.63	178.58	12.6
Dhal		120.00	149.29	24.4
Potato (Local)		184.50	160.99	(12.7)
Egg - White (Each)		19.50	18.93	(2.9)
Sugar - White		105.13	134.57	28.0

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

14. UNEMPLOYMENT

Item	Unit	2019 Q ₂ ^(a)	2020 Q ₂ ^{(a)(b)}	%
Labour Force Participation Rate	Percentage	52.6	50.2	
Unemployment Rate		4.9	5.4	
Employment by Economic Activity^(c) (as a % of Total Employment)				
Agriculture		24.3	27.1	
Industry		28.3	26.9	
Services		47.5	46.0	



(a) Household population aged 15 and above (b) Provisional

Source: Department of Census and Statistics

(c) Based on the International Standard Industrial Classification (ISIC) - Revision 4

15. WAGE INDICES

Item	Unit	August	
		2019	2020 ^(a)
Public Sector Employees	2016 = 100		
Nominal Wage Rate Index		108.4	114.6
Real Wage Rate Index ^(b)		95.2	94.6
Informal Private Sector Employees	2012 = 100		
Nominal Wage Rate Index		181.2	186.3
Real Wage Rate Index ^(b)		139.3	134.8
Agriculture			
Nominal Wage Rate Index		190.9	195.8
Real Wage Rate Index ^(b)		146.7	141.7
Industry			
Nominal Wage Rate Index		183.0	189.1
Real Wage Rate Index ^(b)		140.7	136.8
Services			
Nominal Wage Rate Index		175.3	179.5
Real Wage Rate Index ^(b)		134.7	129.8

(a) Provisional

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(b) Based on National Consumer Price Index (2013=100)

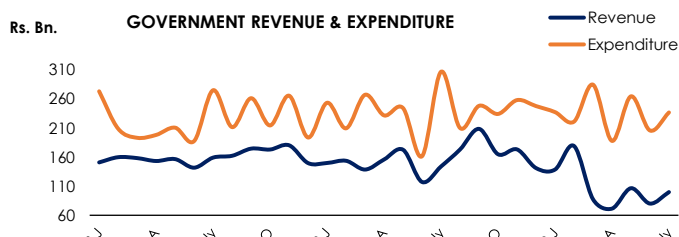
16. GOVERNMENT FINANCE

Item	Unit	2019 Jan-July	2020 Jan-July ^(a)	Change (%)
Total revenue and grants ^(b)	Rs. Mn.	1,033,008	765,393	(25.9)
Total revenue ^(b)	Rs. Mn.	1,031,944	763,246	(26.0)
Tax revenue		944,435	670,410	(29.0)
Non tax revenue		87,509	92,836	6.1
Grants ^(b)	Rs. Mn.	1,064	2,147	101.7
Recurrent expenditure ^(b)	Rs. Mn.	1,343,728	1,457,727	8.5
Capital expenditure and net lending ^(b)	Rs. Mn.	373,360	180,220	(51.7)
Financing ^(b)	Rs. Mn.	684,080	872,554	27.6
Domestic financing		571,366	1,067,028	86.8
Treasury bills		149,914	276,905	84.7
Treasury bonds		331,780	536,106	61.6
Other		89,672	254,017	183.3
Foreign financing		112,714	(194,475)	(272.5)
		2019 End Dec	2020 End July ^(a)	Change(%)
Total outstanding government debt	Rs. Mn.	13,031,543	14,261,024	9.4
Total domestic debt	Rs. Mn.	6,629,104	7,707,955	16.3
By Maturity				
Short term		1,270,374	1,860,182	46.4
o/w Treasury bills		873,943	1,149,470	31.5
Central bank advances		236,609	237,841	0.5
Medium & Long term		5,358,731	5,847,773	9.1
o/w Treasury bonds		4,606,232	5,118,510	11.1
Rupee loans		24,088	24,088	0.0
Sri Lanka Development Bonds		560,226	473,899	(15.4)
By Institution				
Non Bank		3,889,521	4,012,519	3.2
Bank		2,739,583	3,695,436	34.9
Total foreign debt	Rs.Mn	6,402,439	6,553,070	2.4
Concessional		2,767,459	2,911,641	5.2
Multilateral		1,356,925	1,426,048	5.1
o/w IDA		466,920	478,902	2.6
ADB		780,803	826,388	5.8
Bilateral		1,410,534	1,485,593	5.3
o/w Japan		579,044	615,783	6.3
Non Concessional		3,634,980	3,641,429	0.2

(a) Provisional

(b) Revenue, expenditure and financing figures are based on the economic classification

Sources: Ministry of Finance
Central Bank of Sri Lanka



17. MONETARY AGGREGATES & UNDERLYING FACTORS

Item	Unit	Beginning January	End August ^{(a)(b)}	Change (End August)	
				Absolute	Percentage
Narrow Money Supply (M_1)	Rs. Mn.				
2019		830,793.26	818,128.20	(12,665.06)	(1.5)
2020		865,466.99	1,058,461.34	192,994.35	22.3
Currency Held by the Public					
2019		473,066.13	470,147.98	(2,918.14)	(0.6)
2020		494,207.86	595,993.47	101,785.61	20.6
Demand Deposits Held by the Public					
2019		357,727.13	347,980.21	(9,746.92)	(2.7)
2020		371,259.13	462,467.87	91,208.74	24.6
Broad Money Supply (M_2) ⁽¹⁾	Rs. Mn.				
2019		6,427,329.58	6,733,743.01	306,413.43	4.8
2020		6,912,709.91	7,858,435.87	945,725.96	13.7
Time & Savings Deposits Held by the Public (Quasi Money)	Rs. Mn.				
2019		5,596,536.33	5,915,614.82	319,078.49	5.7
2020		6,047,242.92	6,799,974.53	752,731.61	12.4
Underlying Factors (M_2)	Rs. Mn.				
Net Foreign Assets ⁽²⁾					
2019		548,448.09	705,569.62	157,121.53	28.6
2020		413,592.72	331,565.18	(82,027.54)	(19.8)
Domestic Credit					
2019		7,684,402.67	8,005,564.81	321,162.13	4.2
2020		8,199,017.41	9,384,693.06	1,185,675.65	14.5
To Government (Net)		2,341,448.85	3,338,304.48	996,855.63	42.6
To Public Corporations		481,222.22	581,135.49	99,913.27	20.8
To Co-operatives		2,807.30	3,258.91	451.61	16.1
To Other Private Sector		5,373,539.03	5,461,994.17	88,455.14	1.6
Other Items (Net) ⁽³⁾					
2019		(1,805,521.18)	(1,977,391.42)	(171,870.24)	(9.5)
2020		(1,699,900.33)	(1,857,822.37)	(157,922.04)	(9.3)
Consolidated Broad Money Supply (M_{2b}) ⁽³⁾	Rs.Mn.				
2019		7,128,296.69	7,396,866.28	268,569.59	3.8
2020		7,624,120.67	8,692,021.18	1,067,900.51	14.0
Adjusted Time & Savings Deposits Held by the Public (Quasi Money)					
2019		6,297,503.43	6,578,738.08	281,234.65	4.5
2020		6,758,653.68	7,633,559.84	874,906.16	12.9
Underlying Factors (M_{2b})	Rs.Mn.				
Net Foreign Assets ⁽³⁾					
2019		(67,007.05)	111,355.38	178,362.43	266.2
2020		128,255.77	31,672.50	(96,583.27)	(75.3)
Domestic Credit					
2019		8,833,442.45	9,115,339.47	281,897.02	3.2
2020		9,383,185.05	10,712,820.97	1,329,635.92	14.2
To Government (Net)		2,767,103.36	3,781,192.37	1,014,089.01	36.6
To Public Corporations		817,953.31	1,022,928.53	204,975.22	25.1
To Co-operatives		2,807.30	3,258.91	451.61	16.1
To Other Private Sector		5,795,321.08	5,905,441.15	110,120.07	1.9
Other Items (Net) ⁽³⁾					
2019		(1,638,138.71)	(1,829,828.58)	(191,689.87)	(11.7)
2020		(1,887,320.26)	(2,052,472.29)	(165,152.02)	(8.8)
Reserve Money	Rs. Mn.				
2019		961,096.31	913,417.56	(47,678.75)	(5.0)
2020		932,604.46	879,828.42	(52,776.04)	(5.7)
Money Multipliers					
M_1 Multiplier					
2019		0.86	0.90		
2020		0.93	1.20		
M_2 Multiplier					
2019		6.69	7.37		
2020		7.41	8.93		
M_{2b} Multiplier					
2019		7.42	8.10		
2020		8.18	9.88		

(1) $M_2 = M_1 + \text{Time \& Savings Deposits}$

(2) Net Foreign Assets (NFA) of the Central Bank are based on market value from beginning of January 2002. This is reflected in NFA and net other items.

(3) Based on the consolidated monetary survey, which covers aggregated data pertaining to both Domestic Banking Units (DBUs) and Offshore Banking Units (OBUs) of commercial banks operating in Sri Lanka. It also includes foreign currency deposits held by residents. M_{2b} is the sum of M_1 and adjusted quasi money. M_1 is the same in both cases; i.e., DBU monetary survey and consolidated monetary survey.

(a) Provisional

(b) August 2019 data were revised

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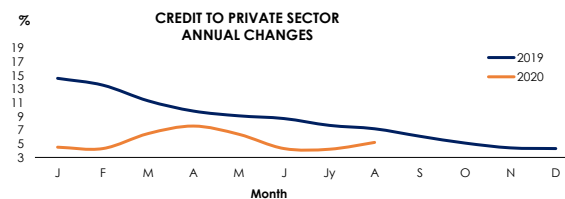
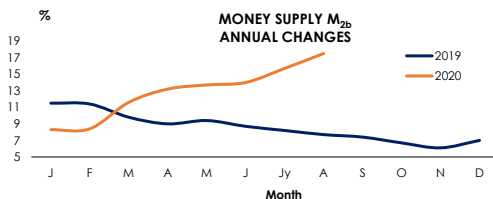
Item	Unit	Beginning January	End August ^{(a)(b)}	Change (End August)	
				Absolute	Percentage
Broad Money Supply (M₄) ⁽⁴⁾	Rs.Mn.				
2019		8,729,588.03	9,132,823.39	403,235.35	4.6
2020		9,444,524.88	10,637,616.47	1,193,091.59	12.6
Time & Savings Deposits (Quasi Money)					
2019		7,969,801.30	8,396,443.38	426,642.08	5.4
2020		8,644,200.68	9,659,200.85	1,015,000.17	11.7
Underlying Factors (M₄)					
Net Foreign Assets					
2019		(133,664.68)	51,453.85	185,118.53	138.5
2020		116,314.96	20,970.04	(95,344.92)	(82.0)
Domestic Credit					
2019		11,356,540.59	11,732,244.74	375,704.15	3.3
2020		12,066,601.03	13,490,253.50	1,423,652.48	11.8
To Government (Net)		3,454,127.40	4,515,903.62	1,061,776.22	30.7
To Public Corporations		817,953.31	1,022,928.53	204,975.22	25.1
To Private Sector		7,794,520.32	7,951,421.35	156,901.03	2.0
Other Items (Net)					
2019		(2,493,287.88)	(2,650,875.20)	(157,587.32)	(6.3)
2020		(2,738,391.23)	(2,873,607.08)	(135,215.85)	(4.9)
Money Multiplier					
M₄ Multiplier					
2019		9.08	10.00		
2020		10.13	12.09		

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(4) Based on the financial survey, which covers the consolidated monetary survey data (both DBUs & OBUs) and transactions of Licensed Finance Companies (LFCs) and Licensed Specialised Banks (LSBs)

(a) Provisional

(b) August 2019 data were revised



18. BANKING

Item	Unit	End August		Change (End August)	
		2019	2020 ^(a)	Absolute	Percentage
Domestic Banking Units (DBUs)					
Commercial Banks ⁽¹⁾					
Loans & Advances (Total Outstanding)	Rs. Mn.	5,814,893.51	6,500,041.33	685,147.82	11.8
Investment (Total Outstanding)					
Treasury Bills	Rs. Mn.	586,241.58	763,816.00	177,574.43	30.3
Other Govt. Securities ⁽²⁾		1,238,250.52	1,576,975.15	338,724.63	27.4
Other Investments		109,248.16	105,045.72	(4,202.43)	(3.8)
Total Deposits	Rs. Mn.	7,127,358.70	8,291,110.85	1,163,752.14	16.3
Commercial Banks' Liquidity					
Excess Reserves and Cash in Hand	Rs. Mn.	117,879.13	129,213.46	11,334.33	9.6
Call Market Borrowings-Last week of August	Rs. Bn.	83.88	8.10	(75.78)	(90.3)
Offshore Banking Units (OBUs)					
		2019 End August ^(b)	2020 End August ^(a)		
OBUs	Number	26	26		
Total Assets / Liabilities	Rs. Mn.	1,856,179.30	1,859,763.74	3,584.44	0.2
Assets					
Loans & Advances - Residents		1,491,419.17	1,429,954.69	(61,464.49)	(4.1)
Loans & Advances - Non-Residents		331,087.44	405,551.52	74,464.08	22.5
Other Assets		33,672.68	24,257.53	(9,415.15)	(28.0)
Liabilities					
Deposits & Borrowings - Residents		913,175.65	857,644.13	(55,531.52)	(6.1)
Deposits & Borrowings - Non-Residents		724,378.20	760,746.61	36,368.42	5.0
Other Liabilities		218,625.45	241,372.99	22,747.54	10.4
National Savings Bank					
Time & Savings Deposits	Rs. Mn.	906,470.89	1,123,235.46	216,764.58	23.9

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(1) Loans and advances include loans, overdrafts, bills (import, export and local bills, excluding sight bills) purchased and discounted.

(2) Includes Rupee Securities and Sri Lanka Development Bonds.

(a) Provisional

(b) Revised

19. INTEREST RATES

Item	Unit	September		Y-o-Y Absolute Change (Basis Points)
		2019	2020	
Treasury Bills ⁽¹⁾ (Last Week)	Yield			
91-Day	Per cent	7.62	4.51	(311)
182-Day		7.75	4.64	(311)
364-Day		8.41	4.89	(352)
Treasury Bonds ⁽¹⁾				
2-Year		-	5.65	-
3-Year		-	5.72	-
4-Year		-	-	-
5-Year		10.27	6.59	(368)
6-Year		-	-	-
10-Year		-	-	-
AWDR ⁽²⁾	Per cent	8.51	6.44	(207)
AWFDR ⁽³⁾	Per cent	10.46	7.90	(256)
		2019 August	2020 August	
AWNDR ⁽⁴⁾	Per cent	8.40	5.49	(291)
AWNDR ⁽⁵⁾	Per cent	8.67	5.66	(301)
		2019 September	2020 September	
AWPR ⁽⁶⁾ (Last Week)	Per cent	10.49	6.19	(430)
Call Money Rates (End Month)	Per cent	7.40-7.45	4.52-4.55	
Standing Deposit Facility Rate ⁽⁷⁾	Per cent	7.00	4.50	(250)
Standing Lending Facility Rate ⁽⁸⁾	Per cent	8.00	5.50	(250)
		2019 August	2020 August	
AWLR ⁽¹⁰⁾	Per cent	14.04	11.84	(220)
AWNLR ⁽¹¹⁾		13.84	9.12	(472)
Saving Rates	Per cent	2019 August	2020 August	
Commercial Banks		0.20-7.00	0.20-7.00	
National Savings Bank		4.00	3.50	
Fixed Deposit Rates	Per cent			
Commercial Banks (12 Months)		1.00-15.00	2.00-15.00	
National Savings Bank (12 Months)		9.83	5.75	
Long Term Lending Rates	Per cent	2019 August	2020 August	
SMIB		10.25-19.50	4.00-12.50	
NSB		3.46-15.25	7.00-10.00	
NHDA		5.00-6.00	6.00-9.00	

Sources: Central Bank of Sri Lanka
Respective Financial Institutions

(1) Average weighted yield rates at the last auction held during the month.

(2) AWDR (Average Weighted Deposit Rate) of commercial banks is computed monthly.

(3) AWFDR (Average Weighted Fixed Deposit Rate) of commercial banks is computed monthly.

(4) AWNDR (Average Weighted New Deposit Rate) of commercial banks is computed monthly.

(5) AWFNDR (Average Weighted New Fixed Deposit Rate) of commercial banks is computed monthly.

(6) AWPR (Average Weighted Prime Lending Rate) of commercial banks is computed weekly.

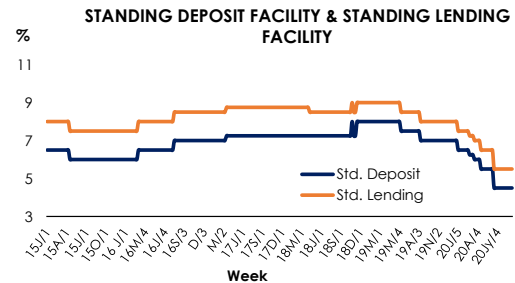
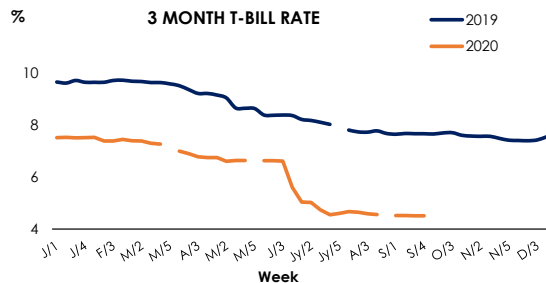
(7) Renamed w.e.f. 02 Jan 2014 as the Standing Deposit Facility Rate. Previously named as the Repo Rate.

(8) Renamed w.e.f. 02 Jan 2014 as the Standing Lending Facility Rate. Previously named as the Reverse Repo Rate.

(9) As at last working day of the month.

(10) AWLR (Average Weighted Lending Rate) of commercial banks is computed monthly.

(11) AWFNLR (Average Weighted New Lending Rate) of commercial banks is computed monthly.



20. CREDIT CARDS

Credit Cards ^(a)	Unit	2019 End December	2020 End July	2020 End August ^(b)
Total Number of Active Cards	Number	1,829,927	1,862,864	1,870,827
Local (accepted only locally)		18,538	17,988	17,812
Global (accepted globally)		1,811,389	1,844,876	1,853,015
Outstanding balance	Rs. Mn.	121,489.28	118,175.86	118,099.60
Local (accepted only locally)		31,386.04	32,505.75	32,688.72
Global (accepted globally)		90,103.24	85,670.11	85,410.88

(a) Issued by Licensed Commercial Banks (LCBs)

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(b) Provisional

21. COMMERCIAL PAPER ISSUES

Item	Unit	2019 End December	2020 End July	2020 End August ^(a)
Commercial Paper Issues ^(b)	Rs. Mn.			
Total Issues		3,361.33	3,007.38	3,269.03
Outstanding (at the end of the period)		1,437.66	2,149.33	2,144.16

(a) Provisional

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

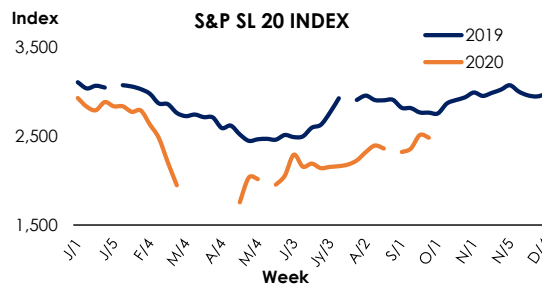
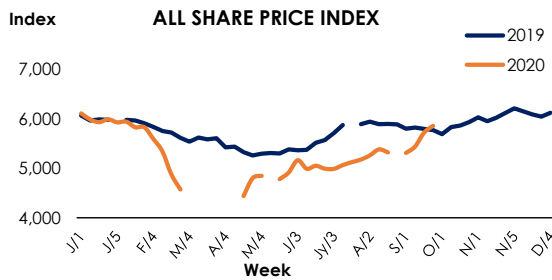
(b) Based on the information provided by LCBs and LSBs

22. SHARE MARKET

Item	Unit	September		Y-o-Y Change
		2019	2020	
All Share Price Index (ASPI)	1985=100	5,738.24	5,984.84	4.3
S&P Sri Lanka 20 (S&P SL20)	2004=1000	2,759.72	2,463.27	(10.7)
Market Capitalisation	Rs. Bn.	2,709.22	2,595.84	(4.2)
Non-national Transactions ^(a)				
Purchase	Rs. Mn.	6,543.51	2,571.70	(60.7)
Sales		7,787.78	10,315.62	32.5
Net Purchases		(1,244.27)	(7,743.92)	(522.4)

Source: Colombo Stock Exchange

(a) Total for the month



23. EXTERNAL TRADE

Item	Unit	2019	2020 ^(a)	Y-o-Y Change
Exports	Rs. Mn.			
August		183,755	175,137	(4.7)
January - August		1,427,263	1,190,996	(16.6)
Imports				
August		280,055	238,345	(14.9)
January - August		2,288,903	1,899,962	(17.0)
Trade Balance				
August		(96,300)	(63,208)	
January - August		(861,641)	(708,966)	
Exports	US \$ Mn.			
August		1,033	947	(8.3)
January - August		8,030	6,445	(19.7)
Imports				
August		1,574	1,289	(18.1)
January - August		12,886	10,257	(20.4)
Trade Balance				
August		(541)	(342)	
January - August		(4,855)	(3,812)	

(a) Provisional

Sources: Ceylon Petroleum Corporation and other exporters of petroleum
Lanka IOC PLC
National Gem and Jewellery Authority
Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority
Sri Lanka Customs
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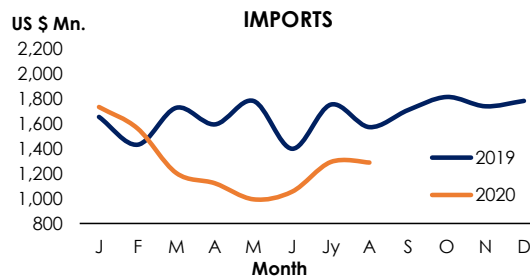
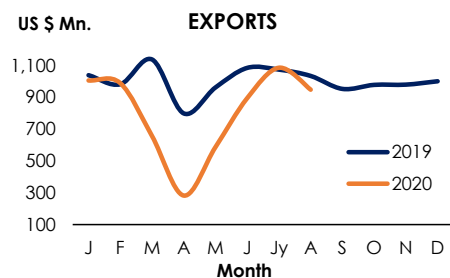
TRADE INDICES ^(a) (2010 = 100)

Item	August	
	2019	2020 ^(b)
Total Exports		
Value	143.8	131.8
Quantity	145.5	150.1
Unit Value	98.9	87.8
Total Imports		
Value	140.8	115.4
Quantity	153.2	147.8
Unit Value	91.9	78.1
Terms of Trade	107.6	112.5

(a) In US\$ Terms

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(b) Provisional



EXTERNAL TRADE - COMPOSITION OF IMPORTS

Item	Unit	2019	2020 ^(a)	Y-o-Y Change
Major Imports				
Consumer Goods - Total	Rs. Mn.			
August		59,101	42,270	(28.5)
January - August		443,842	426,775	(3.8)
Food and Beverages				
August		20,988	19,625	(6.5)
January - August		162,867	190,040	16.7
Vegetables				
August		3,997	3,393	(15.1)
January - August		33,327	45,803	37.4
Sugar				
August		2,299	3,409	48.3
January - August		22,286	29,998	34.6
Dairy Products				
August		6,760	4,255	(37.1)
January - August		38,309	42,488	10.9
Other Food and Beverages				
August		7,931	8,568	8.0
January - August		68,945	71,751	4.1
Non-food Consumer Goods				
August		38,113	22,645	(40.6)
January - August		280,975	236,735	(15.7)
Personal Vehicles				
August		13,657	233	(98.3)
January - August		88,119	52,178	(40.8)
Medical and Pharmaceuticals				
August		9,059	8,807	(2.8)
January - August		62,243	71,527	14.9
Other Non Food Consumables				
August		15,397	13,606	(11.6)
January - August		130,613	113,030	(13.5)
Intermediate Goods - Total				
August		153,735	146,311	(4.8)
January - August		1,310,966	1,053,721	(19.6)
Fuel				
August		46,481	45,764	(1.5)
January - August		457,796	311,814	(31.9)
Textile and Textile Articles				
August		41,551	35,945	(13.5)
January - August		333,478	269,730	(19.1)
Diamonds, Precious Stones and Metals				
August		1,590	1,466	(7.8)
January - August		21,034	10,591	(49.6)
Wheat				
August		3,542	8,411	137.5
January - August		33,709	39,541	17.3
Other Intermediate Goods				
August		60,572	54,724	(9.7)
January - August		464,950	422,045	(9.2)
Investment Goods - Total				
August		66,964	49,730	(25.7)
January - August		533,240	417,363	(21.7)
Machinery and Equipment				
August		32,814	32,837	0.1
January - August		286,169	245,118	(14.3)
Other Investment Goods				
August		34,150	16,894	(50.5)
January - August		247,071	172,245	(30.3)
Total Imports ^(b)				
August		280,055	238,345	(14.9)
January - August		2,288,903	1,899,962	(17.0)

(a) Provisional

(b) Data from the Sri Lanka Customs have been adjusted to include accurate monthly values of imports of fuel which are recorded with a lag in customs data. Those data are obtained directly from relevant institutions for the adjustment.

Sources: Ceylon Petroleum Corporation
Lanka IOC PLC
Sri Lanka Customs
Central Bank of Sri Lanka

EXTERNAL TRADE - COMPOSITION OF IMPORTS

Item	Unit	2019	2020 ^(a)	Y-o-Y Change
Major Imports				
Consumer Goods - Total	Rs. Mn.			
August		59,101	42,270	(28.5)
January - August		443,842	426,775	(3.8)
Food and Beverages				
August		20,988	19,625	(6.5)
January - August		162,867	190,040	16.7
Vegetables				
August		3,997	3,393	(15.1)
January - August		33,327	45,803	37.4
Sugar				
August		2,299	3,409	48.3
January - August		22,286	29,998	34.6
Dairy Products				
August		6,760	4,255	(37.1)
January - August		38,309	42,488	10.9
Other Food and Beverages				
August		7,931	8,568	8.0
January - August		68,945	71,751	4.1
Non-food Consumer Goods				
August		38,113	22,645	(40.6)
January - August		280,975	236,735	(15.7)
Personal Vehicles				
August		13,657	233	(98.3)
January - August		88,119	52,178	(40.8)
Medical and Pharmaceuticals				
August		9,059	8,807	(2.8)
January - August		62,243	71,527	14.9
Other Non Food Consumables				
August		15,397	13,606	(11.6)
January - August		130,613	113,030	(13.5)
Intermediate Goods - Total				
August		153,735	146,311	(4.8)
January - August		1,310,966	1,053,721	(19.6)
Fuel				
August		46,481	45,764	(1.5)
January - August		457,796	311,814	(31.9)
Textile and Textile Articles				
August		41,551	35,945	(13.5)
January - August		333,478	269,730	(19.1)
Diamonds, Precious Stones and Metals				
August		1,590	1,466	(7.8)
January - August		21,034	10,591	(49.6)
Wheat				
August		3,542	8,411	137.5
January - August		33,709	39,541	17.3
Other Intermediate Goods				
August		60,572	54,724	(9.7)
January - August		464,950	422,045	(9.2)
Investment Goods - Total				
August		66,964	49,730	(25.7)
January - August		533,240	417,363	(21.7)
Machinery and Equipment				
August		32,814	32,837	0.1
January - August		286,169	245,118	(14.3)
Other Investment Goods				
August		34,150	16,894	(50.5)
January - August		247,071	172,245	(30.3)
Total Imports ^(b)				
August		280,055	238,345	(14.9)
January - August		2,288,903	1,899,962	(17.0)

(a) Provisional

(b) Data from the Sri Lanka Customs have been adjusted to include accurate monthly values of imports of fuel which are recorded with a lag in customs data. Those data are obtained directly from relevant institutions for the adjustment.

Sources: Ceylon Petroleum Corporation
Lanka IOC PLC
Sri Lanka Customs
Central Bank of Sri Lanka

EXTERNAL TRADE - COMPOSITION OF EXPORTS

Item	Unit	2019	2020 ^(a)	Y-o-Y Change
Major Exports				
Tea	Rs. Mn.			
August		21,132	19,039	(9.9)
January - August		162,562	149,457	(8.1)
Rubber				
August		308	277	(9.9)
January - August		3,314	3,306	(0.2)
Coconut				
August		4,996	6,273	25.6
January - August		41,231	41,064	(0.4)
Spices				
August		5,930	7,345	23.9
January - August		36,172	36,064	(0.3)
Minor Agricultural Products				
August		1,588	2,231	40.5
January - August		12,436	18,544	49.1
Textile and Garments				
August		88,914	81,361	(8.5)
January - August		664,155	526,420	(20.7)
Gems Diamonds and Jewellery				
August		4,326	2,260	(47.8)
January - August		35,532	18,878	(46.9)
Rubber Products				
August		12,962	13,130	1.3
January - August		105,104	90,415	(14.0)
Petroleum Products				
August		7,576	4,061	(46.4)
January - August		58,168	49,293	(15.3)
Mineral Exports				
August		336	299	(10.7)
January - August		3,788	2,643	(30.2)
Total Exports ^(b)				
August		183,755	175,137	(4.7)
January - August		1,427,263	1,190,996	(16.6)
Major Exports				
Tea	US \$ Mn.			
August		118.7	103.0	(13.3)
January - August		915.0	805.6	(12.0)
Rubber				
August		1.7	1.5	(13.2)
January - August		18.6	17.9	(4.2)
Coconut				
August		28.1	33.9	20.9
January - August		232.1	221.5	(4.6)
Spices				
August		33.3	39.7	19.2
January - August		203.4	194.5	(4.4)
Minor Agricultural Products				
August		8.9	12.1	35.3
January - August		70.0	100.3	43.2
Textile and Garments				
August		499.6	440.0	(11.9)
January - August		3,736.6	2,853.1	(23.6)
Gems Diamonds and Jewellery				
August		24.3	12.2	(49.7)
January - August		199.9	102.7	(48.6)
Rubber Products				
August		72.8	71.0	(2.5)
January - August		591.2	488.9	(17.3)
Petroleum Products				
August		42.6	22.0	(48.4)
January - August		327.5	268.1	(18.1)
Mineral Exports				
August		1.9	1.6	(14.1)
January - August		21.3	14.3	(33.1)
Total Exports ^(b)				
August		1,032.5	947.2	(8.3)
January - August		8,030.2	6,445.0	(19.7)

(a) Provisional

(b) Data from the Sri Lanka Customs have been adjusted to include accurate monthly values of exports of petroleum products and gems, diamonds and jewellery which are recorded with a lag in customs data. Those data are obtained directly from relevant institutions for the adjustment.

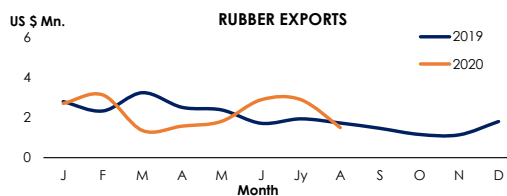
Sources: Ceylon Petroleum Corporation and other exporters of petroleum
National Gem and Jewellery Authority
Sri Lanka Customs
Central Bank of Sri Lanka

EXTERNAL TRADE - MAJOR EXPORTS & IMPORTS (VOLUMES AND PRICES)

EXTERNAL TABLE - MAJOR EXPORTS & IMPORTS (VOLUMES AND PRICES)				
Item	Unit	August		
		2019	2020 ^(a)	Y-o-Y Change
Export Volume				
Tea	Mn. Kg.	26.2	22.0	(16.0)
Rubber	Mn. Kg.	0.8	0.8	7.4
Coconut (Kernel Products)	Mn. Nuts	68.8	51.2	(25.6)
Export Prices				
Tea	Rs./ Kg.	806.40	864.99	7.3
	US \$/ Kg.	4.53	4.68	3.2
Rubber	Rs./ Kg.	390.44	327.67	(16.1)
	US \$/ Kg.	2.19	1.77	(19.2)
Coconut	Rs./ Nut	35.37	61.50	73.9
	US \$/ Nut	0.20	0.33	67.4
Average Gross Price				
Tea	Rs./ Kg.	507.70	622.40	22.6
Rubber	Rs./ Kg.	290.73	0.00	0.00
Coconut	Rs./ Nut	21.85	55.53	154.2
Quantity Sold				
Tea	Mn. Kg.	21.7	21.4	(1.6)
Import Volumes				
Rice	MT '000	1.7	0.7	(58.8)
Wheat & Maize	MT '000	96.2	182.6	89.8
Sugar	MT '000	33.4	45.4	35.8
Crude Oil	Barrels '000	699.8	1,451.0	107.3
Import Prices (Average)				
Rice	Rs./MT	84,990.17	171,800.90	102.1
	US\$/MT	477.55	929.19	94.6
Wheat and Maize	Rs./MT	46,047.87	46,605.83	1.2
	US\$/MT	258.74	252.07	(2.6)
Sugar	Rs./MT	68,767.84	75,060.86	9.2
	US\$/MT	386.40	405.97	5.1
Crude Oil	Rs./Barrel	11,529.59	8,826.44	(23.4)
	US\$/Barrel	64.78	47.74	(26.3)

(a) Provisional

Sources: Ceylon Petroleum Corporation and other exporters of petroleum
Lanka IOC PLC
National Gem and Jewellery Authority
Colombo Tea Brokers' Association
The Ceylon Chamber of Commerce
Coconut Development Authority
Sri Lanka Customs
Central Bank of Sri Lanka


24. TOURISM

Item	Unit	2019	2020 ^(a)	Y-o-Y Change
Tourist Arrivals				
September	Number	108,575	-	-
January - September		1,376,312	507,311	(63.1)
Earnings from Tourism				
September	US\$ Mn.	205 ^(b)	-	-
January - September		2,594 ^(b)	956 ^(c)	(63.1)
September	Rs. Mn.	36,994 ^(b)	-	-
January - September		463,026 ^(b)	174,007 ^(c)	(62.4)
Workers' Remittances (Inflows)				
August	US\$ Mn.	518	664	28.2
September		516	703	36.1
January - September		4,930	5,049	2.4

Sources: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(a) Provisional

Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority

(b) Revised based on survey results of Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority (SLTDA) on average stay period and average spending per day estimates for 2019.

(c) May be revised based on survey results of SLTDA on average stay period and average spending per day estimates for 2020.

25. INTERNATIONAL FINANCE

Item	Unit	2019 December	2020 June	2020 July	2020 August
External Assets ^{(a) (b)}					
Gross Official Reserves (GOR)	US\$ Mn.	7,642	6,695	7,096	7,430
	Rs. Mn.	1,388,108	1,246,736	1,317,527	1,383,168
Reserve Adequacy of GOR	Months of Imports	4.6	4.5	4.8	5.1
Total Reserves (TR)	US\$ Mn.	10,402	9,513	10,032	10,345
	Rs. Mn.	1,889,327	1,771,510	1,862,782	1,925,850
Reserve Adequacy of TR	Months of Imports	6.3	6.3	6.8	7.2
Exchange Rates (Period Avg.)		September 2019		September 2020	
	Rs./USD	180.7752		185.0317	
	Rs./GBP	223.2188		239.6956	
	Rs/INR	2.5316		2.5127	
	Rs/JPY	1.6830		1.7521	
	Rs/EUR	199.0033		218.1175	
	Rs./SDR	247.3551		261.2132	
Forward Exchange Rates ^(c)	Rs. / USD			September 2020	
One month				185.24	
Three months				-	
Six months				186.05	
Indices of Nominal Effective Exchange Rate (NEER) and Real Effective Exchange Rate (REER) - 24 Currency Basket (Period Avg.)					
				August 2019	August 2020
NEER (2017 = 100) ^(d)				89.45	85.83
REER (2017 = 100) ^(e)				91.84	91.73

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

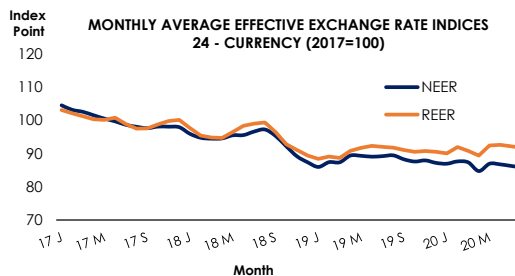
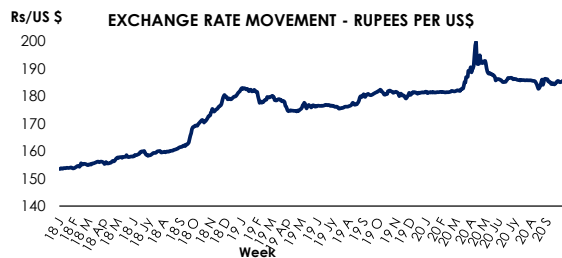
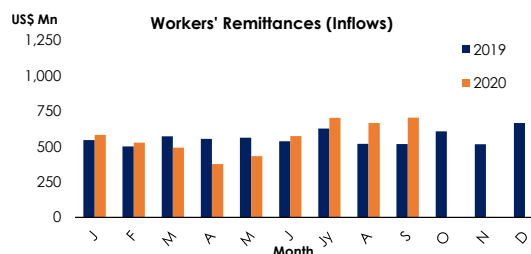
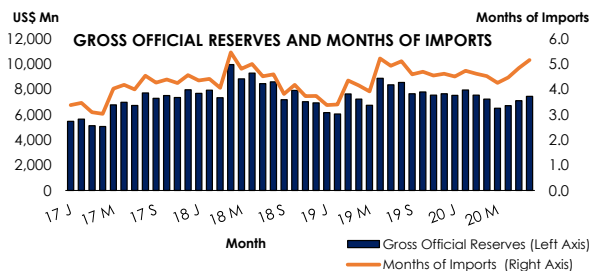
(a) Reserve data have been revised to include balances in DST's special yen accounts in consultation with IMF, and placement for war risk insurance. From October 2002 external assets are calculated at market values.

(b) Including ACU receipts.

(c) Average for the last five working days of the month of September based on actual

(d) The NEER is the weighted average of nominal exchange rates of the 24 trading partner and competitor countries. Weights are based on the trade shares reflecting the relative importance of each currency in the currency basket.

(e) The REER is computed by adjusting the NEER for inflation differentials (based on CCPI) with the countries whose currencies are included in the basket. The REER Indices for 2020 are provisional.



Balance of Payments - Standard presentation under BPM6 format ^(a)

US \$ Mn

CURRENT AND CAPITAL ACCOUNT	2019 1 st Half ^(b)			2020 1 st Half ^(c)			2018 ^(b)			2019 ^(c)		
	Credit	Debit	Net	Credit	Debit	Net	Credit	Debit	Net	Credit	Debit	Net
Goods and services	9,911	11,962	(2,051)	6,962	9,323	(2,361)	20,264	26,841	(6,577)	19,414	24,562	(5,148)
Goods ^(d)	5,999	9,596	(3,597)	4,413	7,675	(3,262)	11,890	22,233	(10,343)	11,940	19,937	(7,997)
General merchandise	5,999	9,594	(3,595)	4,413	7,674	(3,261)	11,890	21,794	(9,904)	11,940	19,935	(7,995)
Non-monetary gold		2	(2)		0.4	(0.4)		439	(439)		3	(3)
Services	3,912	2,366	1,545	2,549	1,648	901	8,374	4,608	3,766	7,474	4,625	2,849
Transport	1,247	890	357	816	540	275	2,486	1,737	750	2,339	1,710	630
Sea Transport	625	425	200	429	263	166	1,134	819	315	1,155	820	335
Freight	625	425	200	429	263	166	1,134	819	315	1,155	820	335
Air transport	622	465	157	387	277	110	1,353	918	435	1,184	889	295
Passenger	553	418	135	339	248	91	1,227	827	400	1,056	798	258
Freight	69	47	22	48	29	18	126	91	35	128	91	37
Travel ^(e)	1,901	807	1,094	956	493	463	4,381	1,660	2,721	3,607	1,638	1,969
Construction	37	17	20	20	9	11	65	33	32	67	35	32
Insurance and pension services	71	54	18	63	46	17	130	97	33	137	102	36
Financial services	93	255	(162)	90	227	(137)	242	447	(205)	213	470	(258)
Telecommunication, computer and information services	539	270	269	581	264	317	995	484	511	1,054	515	539
Telecommunication services	82	65	17	83	66	17	147	112	35	155	135	21
Computer services	457	206	252	498	198	300	848	372	475	899	380	519
Other business services	15	42	(27)	15	38	(23)	40	75	(34)	35	78	(43)
Government goods and services n.i.e.	8	31	(23)	8	31	(23)	35	75	(41)	21	77	(56)
Primary Income	133	1,252	(1,119)	113	1,154	(1,041)	249	2,633	(2,385)	252	2,678	(2,426)
Compensation of employees	15	66	(51)	15	59	(43)	28	102	(74)	31	130	(99)
Investment Income	118	1,186	(1,068)	97	1,095	(998)	221	2,532	(2,311)	220	2,548	(2,327)
Direct Investment	13	359	(346)	10	230	(219)	23	783	(760)	26	863	(837)
Dividends	7	205	(198)	7	145	(138)	13	558	(545)	14	599	(585)
Re-invested earnings	6	154	(148)	4	85	(81)	10	225	(215)	13	264	(252)
Portfolio Investment		454	(454)		521	(521)		1,037	(1,037)		1,007	(1,007)
Equity		18	(18)		5	(5)		70	(70)		31	(31)
Interest		436	(436)		515	(515)		967	(967)		976	(976)
short-term		5	(5)		2	(2)		4	(4)		8	(8)
long-term		431	(431)		513	(513)		963	(963)		969	(969)
Other Investment	56	373	(317)	38	345	(307)	88	711	(623)	97	677	(580)
Reserve assets	49		49	48		48	110		110	97		97
Secondary Income	3,277	457	2,820	2,980	370	2,610	7,023	860	6,163	6,726	960	5,766
General Governemnt ^(f)	7		7	0.4		0.4	8		8	9		9
Personal transfers	3,270	457	2,813	2,980	370	2,610	7,015	860	6,155	6,717	960	5,757
of which, worker's remittances	3,270			2,980			7,015			6,717		
Current Account	13,321	13,672	(351)	10,054	10,847	(792)	27,535	30,334	(2,799)	26,392	28,200	(1,808)
Capital Account	33	15	18	16	12	4	42	27	14	51	28	23
Capital Transfers	33	15	18	16	12	4	42	27	14	51	28	23
General Governemnt ^(g)	14		14	1		1	14		14	16		16
Private Capital Transfers	19	15	4	15	12	3	28	27	0	34	28	7
Current Account + Capital Account	13,354	13,686	(333)	10,070	10,859	(789)	27,577	30,362	(2,785)	26,443	28,228	(1,785)

(a) The above presentation conforms as far as possible to the Balance of Payments Manual (BPM), 6th edition (2009)
of the International Monetary Fund (IMF)

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(b) Revised

(c) Provisional

(d) Exports and imports are recorded on f.o.b. and c.i.f. valuation basis, respectively.

(e) Passenger services provided for non-residents are included in transport services.

(f) Includes outright grants received in the form of programme, food and commodity aid, cash and technical assistance.

(g) Includes outright grants received in the form of project aid.

Balance of Payments - Standard presentation under BPM6 format ^(a) (Contd..)

US \$ Mn

FINANCIAL ACCOUNT	2019 1 st Half ^(b)		2020 1 st Half ^(c)		2018 ^(b)		2019 ^(c)	
	Net incurrence of liabilities	Net acquisition of financial assets	Net incurrence of liabilities	Net acquisition of financial assets	Net incurrence of liabilities	Net acquisition of financial assets	Net incurrence of liabilities	Net acquisition of financial assets
Financial Account	2406	1819	(935)	(1359)	2816	(562)	2947	514
Direct Investments	377	39	237	17	1614	68	758	77
Equity and investment fund shares	170	32	101	13	463	58	384	65
Equity other than reinvestment of earnings	16	26	17	9	238	48	120	52
Direct investor in direct investment enterprise	16	26	17	9	238	48	120	52
- BOI companies	34		19		118		138	
- CSE Companies (not registered with BOI)	(20)		(2)		(51)		(20)	
- Other companies	1				171		2	
Reinvestment of earnings	154	6	85	4	225	10	264	13
Debt Instruments	207	6	135	4	1151	10	374	13
Direct investor in direct investment enterprise	207	6	135	4	1151	10	374	13
- BOI companies	177		135		1073		314	
Shareholder Advance	100		72		1414		216	
Intra Company Borrowings	77		63		89		115	
Debt Repayments	(0.02)				(430)		(17)	
- CSE Companies (not registered with BOI)	30				78		59	
- Other companies								
Portfolio Investments	2815		(578)		129		2303	
Equity and investment fund shares	9		(108)		(4)		(15)	
- CSE Companies (not registered with BOI)	9		(108)		(4)		(15)	
Debt securities	2805		(470)		134		2317	
Central Bank								
Deposit taking corporations, other than the Central Bank					(1350)		(250)	
Short-term								
Long-term					(1350)		(250)	
General Government	2805		(470)		1484		2567	
Short-term (Treasury Bills)	(1)		(115)		(96)		55	
Long-term	2806		(355)		1580		2513	
Treasury Bonds	(95)		(376)		(894)		(388)	
SLDBs	1		22		(26)		1	
Sovereign Bonds	2900				2500		2900	
Financial Derivatives	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Investment	(785)	(25)	(594)	138	1073	372	(114)	100
Currency & deposits	(187)	41	(636)	22	(632)	80	167	(93)
Central Bank	(0.1)		0.1		(1)		(0.1)	
Short term	(0.1)		0.1		(1)		(0.1)	
Long term								
Deposit taking corporations, other than the Central Bank	(187)	41	(636)	22	(631)	80	168	(93)
Short-term	(187)	6	(636)	229	(631)	(189)	168	6
Long-term		35		(208)		268		(99)
General Government								
Other sectors								
Loans	(632)		795		1620		(277)	
Central Bank	164				252		327	
Credit and loans with the IMF	164				252		327	
Other short term								
Other long term								
Deposit taking corporations, except the Central Bank	(489)		690		697		(281)	
Short-term	(263)		787		844		(1)	
Long-term	(226)		(97)		(146)		(280)	
General Government	(260)		118		557		(97)	
Short-term								
Long-term	(260)		118		557		(97)	
Other sectors ^(h)	(47)		(13)		114		(226)	
Short-term								
Long term	(47)		(13)		114		(226)	
Trade credits and advances	83	(4)	(570)	59	247	177	(28)	(4)
Deposit taking corporations, except the Central Bank		(6)		(21)		(10)		(8)
Short term		(6)		(21)		(10)		(8)
Other sectors ⁽ⁱ⁾	83	2	(570)	80	247	186	(28)	4
Short term	83	2	(570)	80	247	186	(28)	4
Other accounts receivable/payable	(48)	(62)	(183)	58	(162)	116	24	196
Central bank	(48)		(183)		(162)		24	
Short term ^(j)	(48)		(183)		(162)		24	
Deposit taking corporations, except the Central Bank		(62)		58		116		196
Short term		(62)		58		116		196
Special Drawing Rights	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reserve Assets		1805		(1515)		(1002)		337
Monetary gold				(667)		(103)		(14)
Special drawing rights		6		(5)		(3)		6
Reserve position in the IMF								
Other reserve assets		1799		(843)		(895)		346
Currency and deposits		2157		(575)		(1011)		361
Claims on monetary authorities		1127		(1083)		466		(174)
Claims on other entities		1030		508		(1477)		535
Securities		(363)		(272)		122		(19)
Debt securities		(363)		(272)		122		(19)
Long term		(363)		(272)		122		(19)
Other claims		5		4		(6)		3
FINANCIAL ACCOUNT (NET) (Assets - Liabilities)		(587)		(424)		(3378)		(2432)
Errors and Omissions		(254)		365		(593)		(647)

(h) Include State Owned Business Enterprises (SOEs) and private sector companies.

(i) Include trade credits received by the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation (CPC) and private sector companies.

(j) Net transactions of ACU liabilities

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka