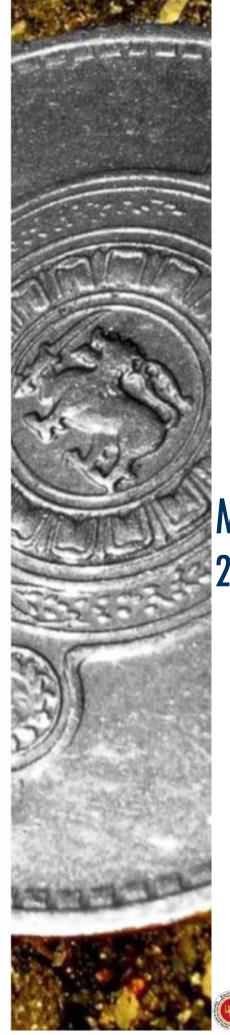
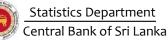
# MONTHLY Economic Indicators



# March 2024



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SUMMARY OF SELECTED ECONOMIC INDICATORS
March 2024

Item	Period	Unit	2023	2024 <sup>(a)</sup>	Y-o-Y Change
eal Sector					
Теа	February	Mn. kg	18.8	20.0	6.
Rubber	February	Mn. kg	5.7	4.5	(20.
Coconut	February	Mn. Nuts	259.1	260.7	0.0
Fish	February	Mn. kg	34.2	34.1	(0.
	5	C	2022	2023 <sup>(a)</sup>	
Paddy	Maha <sup>(b)</sup>	Mn. kg	1,931.2	2,696.0	39.
	Yala <sup>(c)</sup>	Mn. kg	1,461.7	-	
			2023	2024 <sup>(a)</sup>	
Index of Industrial Production	February	2015 = 100	84.2	93.6	11.
Electricity Generation	February	GWh	1,165	1,300	11.
			2023	2024 <sup>(a)</sup>	
NCPI (Year-On-Year % Change)	March	2021 = 100	49.2	2.5	
CCPI (Year-On-Year % Change)	March	2021 = 100	50.3	0.9	
scal Sector			2022	2023 <sup>(a)</sup>	
Revenue and Grants	Jan - Dec	Rs. Mn.	2,012,589	3,074,324	52.
Recurrent Expenditure	Jan - Dec	Rs. Mn.	3,519,633	4,699,679	33.
onetary Sector			2023	2024 <sup>(a)</sup>	
Money Supply					
Narrow Money M <sub>1</sub>	End February	Rs. Mn.	1,439,319.98	1,626,764.44	13
Broad Money M <sub>2</sub>	End February	Rs. Mn.	10,549,863.95	11,566,975.46	9
Consolidated Broad Money( $M_{2b}$ ) <sup>(d)</sup>	End February	Rs. Mn.	12,345,802.73	13,201,129.64	6
	5 J 5 J	5.14	2022	2023 <sup>(a)</sup>	
Broad Money $M_4$	End December	Rs. Mn.	14,839,802.93	15,829,163.76	6
Share Market			2023	2024 <sup>(a)</sup>	
ASPI	End March	1985 = 100	9,301.09	11,444.38	23
S&P SL20	End March	2004 = 1000	2,682.83	3,317.62	23
Market Capitalisation	End March	Rs. Bn.	3,903.54	4,534.65	16
ternal Sector			2023	2024 <sup>(a)</sup>	
External Trade					
Exports	February	US\$ Mn.	982	1,059	7
Imports	February	US\$ Mn.	1,021	1,378	35
Balance of Trade	February	US\$ Mn.	(39)	(319)	
Balance of Payments			2022	2023 <sup>(a)</sup>	
Trade Account	January - December	US\$ Mn.	(3,075)	(1,496)	51
Current Account	January - December	US\$ Mn.	(1,448)	1,559	207
Current & Capital Accounts	January - December	US\$ Mn.	(1,429)	1,622	213
Financial Account (net)	January - December	US\$ Mn.	(1,569)	1,304	183
			2023 End December	2024 End January	2024 End February
Total Reserves <sup>(e)</sup>		US\$ Mn.	9,373	9,407	9,62
a) Provisional (b) Sep.\Oct Mar.\Ag d) Inclusive of FCBUs (e) Including ACU receip		\Sep.			

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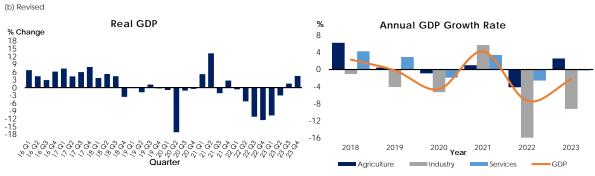
# 1. GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT AT CONSTANT (2015) PRICES

	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter <sup>(a)</sup>											
Economic Activity	Rs. Mn			th (%)	Contribution to Growth (%)							
	2022 <sup>(b)</sup>	2023	22/21 <sup>(b)</sup>	23/22	2022 <sup>(b)</sup>	2023						
Agriculture	245,020	246,416	2.3	0.6	0.2	0.0						
Industry	639,148	689,902	(30.2)	7.9	(8.2)	1.7						
Services	1,890,595	1,944,088	(4.6)	2.8	(2.7)	1.8						
Taxes less subsidies on products	180,627	207,582	(23.6)	14.9	(1.7)	0.9						
GDP	2,955,390	3,087,989	(12.4)	4.5	(12.4)	4.5						

		Annual <sup>(a)</sup>											
Economic Activity	Rs.	Mn	Grow	th (%)	Contribution to Growth (%)								
	2022 <sup>(b)</sup>	2023	22/21 <sup>(b)</sup>	23/22	2022 <sup>(b)</sup>	2023							
Agriculture	910,842	934,248	(4.2)	2.6	(0.3)	0.2							
Industry	3,308,578	3,003,096	(16.0)	(9.2)	(4.8)	(2.5)							
Services	7,218,205	7,200,438	(2.6)	(0.2)	(1.5)	(0.1)							
Taxes less subsidies on products	723,576	743,954	(12.4)	2.8	(0.8)	0.2							
GDP	12,161,201	11,881,736	(7.3)	(2.3)	(7.3)	(2.3)							

(a) Provisional

Source: Department of Census and Statistics



# 2. BUSINESS OUTLOOK SURVEY (a)

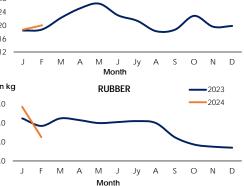
Business Sentiment		2021			20	22			20	)23		2024
Index (BSI)	Q <sub>2</sub>	Q <sub>3</sub>	Q <sub>4</sub>	Q <sub>1</sub>	Q <sub>2</sub>	Q <sub>3</sub>	Q <sub>4</sub>	Q <sub>1</sub>	Q <sub>2</sub>	Q <sub>3</sub>	Q <sub>4</sub>	Q <sub>1</sub>
Business Condition												
Realised	68	71	100	53	28	35	34	63	74	81	93	-
Expectation <sup>(b)</sup>	(119)	(90)	(104)	(103)	(40)	(33)	(30)	(40)	(74)	(84)	(89)	(80)
Profitability												
Realised	104	94	137	97	81	86	80	85	94	98	111	-
Expectation <sup>(b)</sup>	(143)	(130)	(134)	(125)	(76)	(78)	(82)	(76)	(98)	(108)	(105)	(101)
Skilled Labour Availability												
Realised	103	99	95	88	85	82	70	75	70	88	85	-
Expectation <sup>(b)</sup>	(103)	(103)	(100)	(108)	(89)	(81)	(83)	(74)	(77)	(72)	(86)	(83)
Demand												
Realised	127	112	159	143	80	93	86	101	108	108	137	-
Expectation <sup>(b)</sup>	(158)	(138)	(145)	(154)	(110)	(93)	(94)	(90)	(123)	(131)	(138)	(128)
Sales												
Realised	122	101	160	135	96	115	106	115	114	107	128	-
Expectation <sup>(b)</sup>	(155)	(140)	(135)	(149)	(107)	(95)	(107)	(106)	(131)	(131)	(137)	(127)
Capacity Utilization												
Realised	119	102	138	121	83	87	92	96	103	114	125	-
Expectation <sup>(b)</sup>	(150)	(127)	(132)	(134)	(107)	(85)	(91)	(86)	(110)	(108)	(119)	(127)
									So	urce: Cen	tral Bank o	f Sri Lanka

(a) Respondents were asked to rate their business sentiments compared to the relevant quarter of the previous year.

(b) Expectations of respondents for the relevant quarter given during the preceding quarter.

Item	Unit	2023 <sup>(a)</sup>	2024 <sup>(a)</sup>	Y-o-Y Change (%)	Mn kg				TEA				:	2023	
Tea Production	Mn. kg				32								;	2024	
February		18.8	20.0	6.6	28				_						
January - February		37.2	38.7	4.1	24								~		
Rubber Production	Mn. kg				20							/			_
February		5.7	4.5	(20.8)	16										
January - February		12.2	12.2	0.2	12 -										
Coconut Production	Mn. Nuts					J F	М	А	M J	Jy	А	S	Ο	Ν	D
February		259.1	260.7	0.6					Mont	h					
January - February		515.9	506.2	(1.9)	Mn kg				RUBB	ER			_	-2023	
Fish Production	Mn. kg				8.0								_	-2024	
February		34.2	34.1	(0.3)		2	$\sim$								
January - February		67.7	70.4	4.1	6.0	$\sim$									
Paddy Production	Mn. kg	2022	2023 <sup>(a)</sup>		4.0	•									
Maha <sup>(b)</sup>		1,931.2	2,696.0	39.6	2.0 -										
Yala <sup>(c)</sup>		1,461.7	-	-	2.0 -	J F	Μ	А	M J	Jy	А	S	0	Ν	D
(a) Provisional		S	Sources: Sri Lanka Tea	a Board					Month	-					
(b) Sep.\Oct Mar\ Apr.			Rubber Dev	elopment Departm	ent										
(c) Apr. \ May - Aug.\Sep.			Coconut De	evelopment Authorit	ty										
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# 3. AGRICULTURE



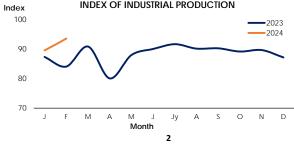
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# 4. INDEX OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION (IIP) (2015=100)

		February	
Item	2023 <sup>(a)</sup>	2024 <sup>(b)</sup>	Y-o-Y Change (%)
Food products	87.3	87.9	0.7
Beverages	108.8	111.2	2.2
Tobacco products	83.6	75.3	(9.9)
Textiles	80.9	98.8	22.1
Wearing apparels	79.6	85.1	6.9
Leather and related products	89.2	95.0	6.4
Wood and products of wood and cork except furniture; Articles of Straw and plaiting materials	92.2	96.0	4.1
Paper and paper products	29.1	31.0	6.8
Printing and reproduction of recorded media	147.3	70.4	(52.2)
Coke and refined petroleum products	81.4	178.9	119.8
Chemicals and chemical products	74.3	85.8	15.4
Basic pharmaceutical products and pharmaceutical preparations	118.6	142.7	20.3
Rubber and plastic products	87.7	92.4	5.3
Other non-metallic mineral products	89.8	90.0	0.2
Basic metals	101.3	96.9	(4.4)
Fabricated metal products (except machinery equipment)	39.4	68.7	74.2
Electrical equipment	48.2	65.6	36.1
Machinery and equipment (n.e.c)	96.9	97.5	0.7
Furniture	53.1	54.3	2.2
Other manufacturing	80.7	73.3	(9.2)
Overall Index of Industrial Production for the Manufacturing Sector	84.2	93.6	11.2
(a) Revised		Source: Dep	artment of Census and Statistics



INDEX OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION



#### 5. PURCHASING MANAGERS' INDEX - MANUFACTURING

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2022	58.7	52.5	57.8	36.4	50.3	44.1	41.4	49.6	42.6	38.4	42.1	44.8
2023	40.8	42.3	51.4	34.7	46.2	47.3	44.6	49.3	45.7	49.5	57.0	52.7
2024	55.6	56.0	62.5									
											Source: Central B	ank of Sri Lanka

#### 6. PURCHASING MANAGERS' INDEX - CONSTRUCTION - TOTAL ACTIVITY INDEX (a)

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2022	54.1	47.2	30.3	7.5	3.8	6.9	22.2	32.9	44.6	32.9	30.3	32.9
2023	36.5	37.8	45.8	26.4	47.1	44.4	43.2	47.0	44.3	50.0	44.3	48.6
2024	<b>2024</b> 52.9 57.1 55.9											
(a) As per the international be											Source: Central B	Rank of Sri Lank

a) A per the international best practices, headine PMIs for Services and Construction are Services Business Activity Index and Construction Total Activity Index, respectively, while for PMI - Manufacturing, it is a weighted average of five sub-indices. Further, Manufacturing Production Index, Services Business Activity Index and Construction Total Activity Index are the comparable figures of PMI.

#### 7. HOUSING AND CONSTRUCTIONS

Item	Unit	2022	2023 <sup>(a)</sup>	Y-o-Y Change (%)
Greater Colombo Housing Approvals Index (b)	1995 = 100			
Quarter 1		98.4	55.1	(44.1)
Quarter 2		62.6	43.3	(30.7)
Cement		2023	2024 <sup>(a)</sup>	
Total Local Production	'000 MT			
February		230	272	18.0
January - February		449	544	21.1
Total Imports	'000 MT			
February		95	59	(38.2)
January - February		193	176	(8.6)
Total	'000 MT			
February		326	331	1.6
January - February		642	720	12.2

(a) Provisional

Sources: 5 Municipal Councils (Colombo, Dehiwala-Mount Lavinia, Sri Jayewardenepura, Moratuwa and Kaduwela) 7 Urban Councils (Wattala-Mabole, Peliyagoda, Panadura, Maharagama, Kesbewa, Horana and Boralesgamuwa) 8 Pradeshiya Sabba (Hormagama, Kotikawatta-Mulieriyawa, Kelaniya, Attanagalia, Wattala-Mabole, Horana, Panadura, Mahana) Central Bank of Sri Lanka Sri Lanka Custors Participants of Cerment Industry (b) Includes housing approvals by five Municipal Councils, seven Urban Councils & eight Pradeshiya Sabhas in Greater Colombo.

		8. ENER	KGY			
ltem	Unit	2023 <sup>(a)</sup>	2024 <sup>(b)</sup>	Y-o-Y Change (%)	Gwh	ELECTRICITY GENERATION
Electricity Generation (c)	GWh				1500	
January		1,225	1,321	7.8		
CEB - Hydro		328	630	91.8	1400	$\land$
Fuel Oil		171	57	(66.7)		$\sim \sim 1$
Coal		465	322	(30.9)	1300	$\sim$ / \ / \ \ $\sim$
Wind		25	22	(11.6)		
Private Sector		236	291	23.5	1200	$\sim$ /
Non Conventional Renewable Energy		180	245	36.4	1200	$\vee$
February		1,165	1,300	11.5		
CEB - Hydro		270	306	13.1	1100 —	JFMAMJJYASOND
Fuel Oil		104	101	(3.0)		
Coal		537	556	3.5		Month
Wind		19	22	17.5		
Private Sector		235	315	34.1		
Non Conventional Renewable Energy		159	193	21.0	<b>C</b> t	ELECTRICITY SALES TO INDUSTRIES BY CEB
					Gwh	2023
January - February		2,391	2,621	9.6	440	
CEB - Hydro		599	936	56.2	420	2024
Fuel Oil		275	158	(42.6)		
Coal		1,002	878	(12.4)	400	
Wind		44	44	1.0	380	$\cdot \land \cdot \land \circ \circ$
Private Sector		470	606	28.8	360	$\wedge \sim \sim \sim$
Non Conventional Renewable Energy		339	438	29.2	340	
Electricity Sales to Industries	GWh				320	$\sim$ $\langle \rangle$
January		333	380	14.2	300	V
Diesel Sales	'000 MT					J F M A M J Jy A S O N D
February		115	128	10.6		Month
January - February		234	245	4.9		
Petrol Sales	'000 MT					DIESEL SALES
February		89	104	16.6	000' MT	DIESEL SALES
January - February		187	206	10.4		0000
Furnace Oil Sales	'000 MT				250	
February		39	79	103.0		2024
January - February		73	104	43.6	200	
Kerosene Sales	'000 MT					_
February		5	10	108.0		$\wedge$
January - February		10	21	108.6	150	
Crude Oil Imports	'000 MT				100	
February		-	95	-	100	
January - February		191	285	49.8		
Other Petroleum Imports	'000 MT				50 —	JFMAMJJYASOND
February		184	264	43.7		
January - February		507	588	15.8		Month
sandary resideny		Sources: Ceylon E				
(a) Revised			Petroleum Cor			
(b) Provisional		Lanka k				
(c) Including rooftop solar generation			c Energy Lanka	(Pvt.) Ltd		
		Sri Lanka	a Customs			

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8. ENERGY

# 9. PURCHASING MANAGERS' INDEX - SERVICES - BUSINESS ACTIVITY INDEX (a)

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2022	62.0	56.5	52.1	40.5	39.0	35.1	36.9	53.1	58.3	54.2	53.0	54.0
2023	51.5	45.0	56.1	51.0	57.4	61.9	67.5	58.9	53.4	63.0	63.6	71.0
2024	60.1	53.0	67.7									

(a) As per the international best practices, headline PMIs for Services and Construction are Services Business Activity Index and Construction Total Activity Index, respectively, while for PMI - Manufacturing, it is a weighted average of five sub-indices. Further, Manufacturing Production Index, Services Business Activity Index and Construction Total Activity Index are the comparable figures of PMI. Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

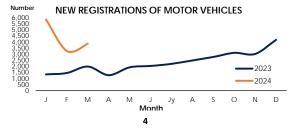
#### **10. TELECOMMUNICATIONS**

Item	11	4 <sup>th</sup> Qu			
liem	Unit	2022	2023 <sup>(a)</sup>	Y-o-Y Change (%)	
Telephones (Fixed lines)	Number	2,651,287	2,307,741	(13.0)	
Wireline in service	Number	1,263,068	1,145,238	(9.3)	
Wireless Local Loop Access	Number	1,388,219	1,162,503	(16.3)	
Cellular Phones	Number	28,838,038	28,986,361	0.5	
Internet Subscribers <sup>(b)</sup>	Number	21,667,616	22,864,173	5.5	
Telephone Penetration (excluding Cellular Phones)	per 100 persons	12.0	10.5	(12.4)	
Telephone Penetration	per 100 persons	142.0	142.0	0.03	
(including Cellular Phones)					
(a) Provisional			Sources: Telecommunications Reg	gulatory Commission of Sri Lanka	
(b) Including mobile internet connection	S	Department of Census and Statistics			

11.	TRANSPORT			
Item	Unit	2023 <sup>(a)</sup>	2024 <sup>(a)</sup>	Y-o-Y Change (%)
New Registration of Motor Vehicles				
February	Number	1,458	3,275	124.6
Buses		53	17	(67.9)
Motor Cars		220	127	(42.3)
Three Wheelers		8	5	(37.5)
Dual Purpose Vehicles <sup>(b)</sup>		40	47	17.5
Motor Cycles		886	2,568	189.8
Goods Transport Vehicles <sup>(c)</sup>		28	74	164.3
Land Vehicles <sup>(d)</sup>		223	437	96.0
Other <sup>(e)</sup>		-	-	-
March	Number	1,990	3,872	94.6
Buses		115	23	(80.0)
Motor Cars		374	92	(75.4)
Three Wheelers		8	5	(37.5)
Dual Purpose Vehicles <sup>(b)</sup>		43	27	(37.2)
Motor Cycles		1,167	3,118	167.2
Goods Transport Vehicles <sup>(c)</sup>		29	148	410.3
Land Vehicles <sup>(d)</sup>		254	459	80.7
Other <sup>(e)</sup>		-	-	-
January - March	Number	4,789	13,016	171.8
Buses		239	69	(71.1)
Motor Cars		680	378	(44.4)
Three Wheelers		22	17	(22.7)
Dual Purpose Vehicles <sup>(b)</sup>		106	219	106.6
Motor Cycles		2,893	10,564	265.2
Goods Transport Vehicles <sup>(c)</sup>		90	319	254.4
Land Vehicles <sup>(d)</sup>		759	1,449	90.9
Other (e)		-	1	-
(a) Provisional (b) Including Single Cabs			Source: Depar	tment of Motor Traffic

(a) Provisional(b) Including Single Cabs(c) Lorries, Other Goods Transport Vehicles and Special Purpose Vehicles

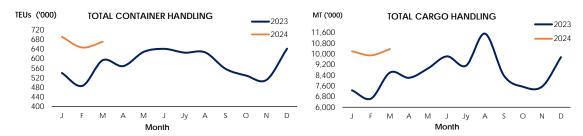
(d) Tractors, Hand Tractors and Other Land Vehicles (e) Quadricycles and Motor Homes

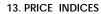


ltem	Unit	2023 <sup>(a)</sup>	2024 <sup>(b)</sup>	Y-o-Y Change (%)
Ship Traffic	Number			
March		403	393	(2.5)
January - March		1,149	1,169	1.7
Container Handling				
Domestic	TEUs			
March		83,181	96,518	16.0
January - March		227,336	279,474	22.9
Transshipment	TEUs			
March		488,554	549,182	12.4
January - March		1,346,005	1,640,057	21.8
Re-stowing	TEUs			
March		21,600	25,531	18.2
January - March		46,412	89,257	92.3
Total Container Handling	TEUs			
March		593,335	671,231	13.1
January - March		1,619,753	2,008,788	24.0
Cargo Handling				
Cargo Discharged	MT			
March		4,824,998	5,582,481	15.7
January - March		12,450,601	16,568,797	33.1
Cargo Loaded	MT			
March		3,792,015	4,803,430	26.7
January - March		10,204,918	13,931,719	36.5
Total Cargo Handling	MT			
March		8,617,013	10,385,911	20.5
January - March		22,655,519	30,500,516	34.6
(a) Revised			Source	e: Sri Lanka Ports Authority
(b) Provisional				

# 12. PORT SERVICES

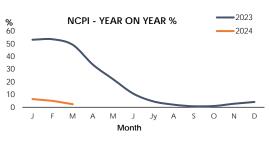
TEUs = Twenty-foot Equivalent Container Units

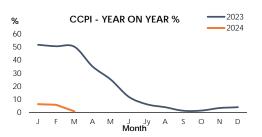




ltem	Base Period	2023	2024	Y-o-Y Change (%)
National Consumer Price Index (NCPI)	2021=100			
March Headline	2021-100	204.8	210.0	2.5
Core		188.1	194.5	3.4
Colombo Consumers Price Index (CCPI)	2021=100			
March				
Headline		195.0	196.7	0.9
Core		171.9	177.3	3.1

Source: Department of Census and Statistics





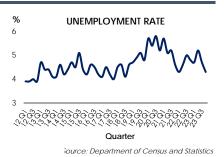
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# 14. AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES - PETTAH MARKET

ll a ser	11-21	Ma	rch		
ltem	Unit	2023	2024	Y-o-Y Change(%)	
Rice	Rs/kg				
Samba		221.14	253.16	14.5	
Nadu		208.30	221.58	6.4	
Kekulu (Red)		176.65	200.00	13.2	
Other Food Items	Rs/kg				
Dried Chillie (Imported)		1,276.14	944.74	(26.0)	
Red Onion (Local)		n.a.	350.00	-	
Red Onion (Imported)		345.91	315.26	(8.9)	
Big Onion (Local)		n.a.	n.a.	-	
Big Onion (Imported)		114.20	549.21	380.9	
Dhal		343.18	315.79	(8.0)	
Potato (Local)		263.77	380.00	44.1	
Egg - White (Each)		44.00	47.13	7.1	
Sugar - White		211.59	284.21	34.3	
n.a not available			Source: C	Central Bank of Sri Lanka	

### 15. EMPLOYMENT (a)

Item	4 <sup>th</sup> Qua		uarter	
liem	Unit	2022	2023 <sup>(b)</sup>	
Labour Force Participation Rate	Percentage	48.9	47.1	
Unemployment Rate		4.8	4.3	
Employment by Economic Activity (c) (as		4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter		
a % of Total Employment)		2022	2023 <sup>(b)</sup>	
Agriculture		28.2	26.5	
Industry		24.3	25.3	
Services		47.5	48.2	



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

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

# 16. WAGE INDICES

ll a sea	11-21	January		February	
Item	Unit	2023	2024 <sup>(a)</sup>	2023	2024 <sup>(a)</sup>
Public Sector Employees	2016 = 100				
Nominal Wage Rate Index		133.1	147.2	133.1	147.2
Real Wage Rate Index $^{(b)}$		58.7	60.9	58.0	61.1
Informal Private Sector Employees (c)	2018 = 100				
Nominal Wage Rate Index		166.3	177.9	167.3	179.2
Real Wage Rate Index <sup>(b)</sup>		80.7	81.0	80.2	81.8
Agriculture					
Nominal Wage Rate Index		167.9	176.7	168.7	179.0
Real Wage Rate Index <sup>(b)</sup>		81.4	80.5	80.9	81.7
Industry					
Nominal Wage Rate Index		166.1	178.0	167.5	179.3
Real Wage Rate Index <sup>(b)</sup>		80.5	81.1	80.4	81.8
Services					
Nominal Wage Rate Index		165.1	179.1	164.9	179.3
Real Wage Rate Index <sup>(b)</sup>		80.1	81.6	79.1	81.8
(a) Provisional				Source: Cei	ntral Bank of Sri Lanka

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

(c) Informal private sector wage rate index was rebased to 2018 (from 2012) in order to capture

the recent changes in the informal private sector wages and the employment structure.

#### **17. GOVERNMENT FINANCE**

ltem	Unit	2022 JanDec.	2023 JanDec. <sup>(a)</sup>
Total revenue and grants <sup>(b)</sup>	Rs. Mn.	2,012,589	3,074,324
Total revenue <sup>(b)</sup>	Rs. Mn.	1,979,184	3,048,822
Tax revenue Non tax revenue		1,751,132 228,052	2,720,563 328,259
Grants <sup>(b)</sup>	Rs. Mn.	33,405	25,502
Recurrent expenditure (b)	Rs. Mn.	3,519,633	4,699,679
Capital expenditure and net lending <sup>(b)</sup>	Rs. Mn.	952,923	656,912
Financing <sup>(b)</sup>	Rs. Mn.	2,459,967	2,282,267
Domestic financing Foreign financing		2,035,145 424,822	1,787,612 494,655

(a) Provisional

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

		2022 <sup>(a)(b)</sup> End Dec.	2023 <sup>(a)(b)</sup> End Dec.
Total outstanding government debt $^{\rm (c)}$	Rs. Mn.	27,492,031	28,695,949
Total domestic debt	Rs. Mn.	15,033,876	17,051,854
By Maturity			
Short term		4,267,724	3,616,227
o/w Treasury bills		4,113,907	4,017,035
Central bank advances		235,639	0
Medium & Long term		9,882,058	12,646,945
o/w Treasury bonds		8,709,057	12,002,337
Rupee loans		24,088	0
Sri Lanka Development Bonds		382,092	0
Other Domestic <sup>(d)</sup>		884,093	788,682
By Institution (e)		15,033,876	17,051,854
o/w Bank (Excluding Licensed Specialised Ban	ks)	8,525,718	9,102,839
Non Bank		6,164,063	7,506,289
Total foreign debt <sup>(f)(g)</sup>	Rs.Mn	12,458,155	11,644,094
Multilateral		3,611,552	3,816,950
Bilateral and Commercial		8,846,603	7,827,144
o/w International Sovereign Bonds		3,921,587	3,498,371
Sri Lanka Development Bonds		9,645	0
Foreign Currency Term Financing Facilities		797,589	709,741

Sources: Ministry of Finance, Economic Stabilisation and National Policies Central Bank of Sri Lanka

Note: From 2023 onwards, debt statistics details given in this format will only be available to be published on a quarterly basis

(a) 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, December 2022 balances excluded certain coupon payments pending settlement in relation to Sri Lanka Development Bonds from April 2022 till end 2022.

(b) Provisional

(c) As per the guidelines of compiling government debt statistics in the Manual of Government Finance Statistics published by the IMF in 2014, non resident holdings of outstanding SLDBs have been classified under foreign debt and resident holdings of outstanding of ISBs of the Sri Lankan Government have been classified under domestic debt. Further, debt statistics are presented on net basis (net of deposits).

(d) Data for 2022 includes outstanding balance of the government guaranteed foreign currency debt of the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation that was absorbed into central government debt w.e.f. December 2022.

(e) Institution wise classification was revised based on records of the Central Depository System.

(f) Foreign loan debt statistics and classification of foreign debt are prepared based on the data sourced from the Commonwealth Secretariat Debt Recording and Management System (CS-DRMS) maintained by the Ministry of Finance, Economic Stabilisation and National Policies.

(g) From December 2022 onwards, several outstanding project loans which were previously classified under Ceylon Electricity Board, Airport and Aviation Services Ltd. and Sri Lanka Ports Authority were absorbed into central government debt.



# 18. MONETARY AGGREGATES & UNDERLYING FACTORS

Item	n Unit		End	Change (End February)		
	Onit	January	February <sup>(a)</sup>	Absolute	Percentage	
Narrow Money Supply (M1)	Rs. Mn.					
2023		1,453,597.21	1,439,319.98	(14,277.23)	(1.0	
2024		1,658,042.54	1,626,764.44	(31,278.10)	(1.9	
Currency Held by the Public						
2023		742,041.79	779,298.82	37,257.04	5.0	
2024		900,136.04	903,847.35	3,711.31	0.4	
Demand Deposits Held by the Public						
2023		711,555.42	660,021.16	(51,534.27)	(7.2	
2024		757,906.50	722,917.09	(34,989.41)	(4.0	
Broad Money Supply $(M_2)^{(b)}$	Rs. Mn.					
2023		10,497,052.43	10,549,863.95	52,811.52	0.	
2024		11,485,068.74	11,566,975.46	81,906.72	0.	
Time & Savings Deposits Held by the Public	D. M.					
(Quasi Money)	Rs. Mn.	0.042.455.21	0 110 542 04	47 000 7E	0	
2023 2024		9,043,455.21 9,827,026.20	9,110,543.96 9,940,211.02	67,088.75 113,184.82	0. 1.	
Underlying Factors (M <sub>2</sub> )	Rs. Mn.	9,027,020.20	7,740,211.02	113,104.02		
Net Foreign Assets <sup>(c)</sup>	KS. IVITT.					
2023		(2,842,427.15)	(2,685,785.11)	156,642.03	5.	
2023		(1,865,716.72)	(1,676,022.14)	189,694.58	10.	
Domestic Credit		(1,003,710.72)	(1,070,022.14)	107,074.30	10.	
2023		15,493,500.52	15,408,307.34	(85,193.18)	(0.	
2024		15,612,709.89	15,598,523.96	(14,185.92)	(0.	
To Government (Net)		8,065,549.17	8,128,091.72	62,542.56	0.	
To Public Corporations		712,343.15	678,535.79	(33,807.37)	(4.	
To Co-operatives		2,068.80	2,168.50	99.70	4.	
To Other Private Sector		6,832,748.77	6,789,727.96	(43,020.81)	(0.	
Other Items (Net) (d)			-,	(	(1)	
2023		(2,154,020.95)	(2,172,658.28)	(18,637.33)	(0.	
2024		(2,261,924.43)	(2,355,526.37)	(93,601.93)	(4.1	
Consolidated Broad Money Supply (M <sub>2b</sub> ) <sup>(d)</sup>	Rs.Mn.					
2023		12,289,636.90	12,345,802.73	56,165.83	0.5	
2024		13,189,113.21	13,201,129.64	12,016.43	0.1	
Adjusted Time & Savings Deposits						
Held by the Public (Quasi Money)						
2023		10,836,039.68	10,906,482.74	70,443.06	0.	
2024		11,531,070.67	11,574,365.20	43,294.53	0.	
Underlying Factors (M <sub>2b</sub> )	Rs.Mn.					
Net Foreign Assets <sup>(d)</sup>						
2023		(1,766,812.80)	(1,434,458.93)	332,353.87	18.	
2024		(456,098.04)	(320,232.72)	135,865.32	29.	
Domestic Credit						
2023		16,632,272.70	16,443,210.08	(189,062.62)	(1.	
2024		16,421,219.51	16,371,501.74	(49,717.77)	(0.	
To Government (Net)		8,284,991.28	8,316,998.29	32,007.01	0.	
To Public Corporations		769,810.32	733,021.08	(36,789.23)	(4.	
To Co-operatives		2,068.80	2,168.50	99.70	4.3	
To Other Private Sector		7,364,349.11	7,319,313.86	(45,035.24)	(0.	
Other Items (Net) (d)		(	(	(	1-	
2023		(2,575,823.00)	(2,662,948.43)	(87,125.42)	(3.4	
2024		(2,776,008.26)	(2,850,139.38)	(74,131.12)	(2.1	
Reserve Money	Rs. Mn.	1 240 200 50	1 504 / 04 74	155 00/ 15		
2023		1,349,388.58	1,504,684.74 1,413,718.36	155,296.15	11.	
2024 Money Multipliers		1,328,736.94	1,413,718.30	84,981.42	6.4	
Money Multiplier						
2023		1.08	0.96			
2023		1.08	1.15			
M <sub>2</sub> Multiplier		1.20	1.15			
		7.78	7.01			
2023		1.10	7.01			
2023 2024		Q 6.1	Q 1 P			
2024		8.64	8.18			
		8.64 9.11	8.18			

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(a) Provisional

(b) M2 = M1 + Time & Savings Deposits of DBUs

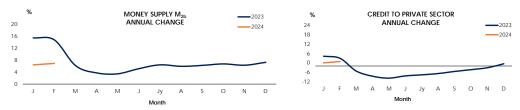
(c) Net Foreign Assets (NFA) of the Central Bank are based on market value from beginning of January 2002. This is reflected in NFA and net other items.

(d) 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<sub>2b</sub> is the sum of M<sub>1</sub> and adjusted quasi money. M<sub>1</sub> is the same in both cases; i.e., DBU monetary survey and consolidated monetary survey.

# (Monetary Aggregates & Underlying Factors Contd ...)

Item	Unit	Beginning	End	Change (End December)	
liem	Unit	January	December <sup>(a)</sup>	Absolute	Percentage
road Money Supply (M <sub>4</sub> ) <sup>(0)</sup>	Rs.Mn.				
2022		12,985,353.4	14,839,802.9	1,854,449.6	14.
2023		14,839,802.9	15,829,163.8	989,360.8	6.
Time & Savings Deposits (Quasi Money)					
2022		11,577,684.7	13,432,065.7	1,854,381.0	16.0
2023		13,432,065.7	14,244,759.2	812,693.5	6.1
Underlying Factors (M <sub>4</sub> )					
Net Foreign Assets					
2022		(998,620.9)	(1,766,812.8)	(768,191.9)	(76.
2023		(1,766,812.8)	(456,076.9)	1,310,735.9	74.2
Domestic Credit					
2022		17,296,375.2	20,135,822.2	2,839,447.0	16.4
2023		20,135,822.2	20,092,350.3	(43,471.8)	(0.2
To Government (Net)		8,468,629.7	9,507,223.3	1,038,593.6	12.
To Public Corporations		1,749,708.1	769,810.3	(979,897.8)	(56.0
To Private Sector		9,917,484.4	9,815,316.7	(102,167.7)	(1.)
Other Items (Net) 2022		(2.212.400.0)	(2 5 20 20 ( 4)	(216.805.6)	(6.5
2022 2023		(3,312,400.9)	(3,529,206.4)	(	(6.:
Aoney Multiplier		(3,529,206.4)	(3,807,109.7)	(277,903.3)	(7.5
Ma Multiplier					
2022		9.94	11.00		
2023		11.00	11.91		
2023		11.00	11.91		

(a) Provisional
 (f) 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).



19. BANKING

Item	Unit	2023	2024	Change (End	February)
liem	Unit	End February	End February <sup>(a)</sup>	Absolute	Percentage
Domestic Banking Units(DBUs)					
Commercial Banks <sup>(b)</sup>					
Loans & Advances (Total Outstanding)	Rs. Mn.	8,242,172.9	8,276,532.1	34,359.3	0.4
Investment (Total Outstanding) Treasury Bills	Rs. Mn.	790.969.7	1.994.317.9	1.203.348.2	152.1
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Other Govt. Securities (c)		3,355,694.0	3,760,723.9	405,029.8	12.1
Other Investments		121,526.0	141,586.2	20,060.2	16.5
Total Deposits	Rs. Mn.	12,077,571.6	13,365,089.4	1,287,517.8	10.7
Commercial Banks' Liquidity					
Excess Reserves and Cash in Hand	Rs. Mn.	180,426.4	226,300.6	45,874.2	25.4
		2023	2024		
		End February	End February <sup>(a)</sup>		
Call Market Borrowings-Last week of month	Rs. Bn.	36.9	54.5	17.6	47.6
Offshore Banking Units (OBUs)					
		2023	2024		
OBUs	Number	End February 24	End February <sup>(a)</sup> 24		
0003	Number	24	24		
Total Assets / Liabilities	Rs. Mn.	2,035,209.2	1,742,130.9	(293,078.3)	(14.4)
Assets Loans & Advances - Residents		1.078.682.0	784.527.1	(294,154.9)	(27.3)
Loans & Advances - Residents		922,192.8	921.921.5	(294,154.9) (271.3)	(27.3)
Other Assets		34.334.4	35.682.3	1.347.9	3.9
Liabilities		01,001.1	00,002.0	1,017.7	0.7
Deposits & Borrowings - Residents		966.067.5	786.044.1	(180,023.4)	(18.6)
Deposits & Borrowings - Non-Residents		413,769.8	322,199.8	(91,570.0)	(22.1)
Other Liabilities		655,372.0	633,887.0	(21,484.9)	(3.3)
		2022	2023	Change (End [	)ecember)
National Savings Bank		End December	End December <sup>(a)</sup>	Absolute	Percentage
Time & Savings Deposits	Rs. Mn.	1,476,739.6	1,482,532.6	5,793.0	0.4 e: Central Bank of Sri Lanka
(a) Provisional				SOUTC	e. Genildi balik ul sirtafika

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(a) Provisional

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

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

# 20. INTEREST RATES

		Marc	h	Y-o-Y
Item	Unit	2023	2024	Absolute Change (Basis Points)
Treasury Bills <sup>(a)</sup> (Last Week)	Yield			
91-Day	Per cent	25.99	10.07	(1,592)
182-Day		25.79	10.23	(1,556)
364-Day		24.31	10.28	(1,403)
Treasury Bonds <sup>(a)</sup>				
2-Year		29.99	-	-
3-Year			11.33	
4-Year		28.11	-	
5-Year			12.25	-
6-Year		-	-	-
10-Year		-	-	-
AWDR (b)	Per cent	15.06	10.30	(476)
AWFDR (C)	Per cent	19.80	13.10	(670)
		2023 February	2024 February	
AWNDR <sup>(d)</sup>	Per cent	21.56	9.52	(1,204)
AWNFDR <sup>(e)</sup>	Per cent	22.06	9.77	(1,229)
		2023 March	2024 March	
AWPR <sup>(1)</sup> (Last Week)	Per cent	21.40	10.69	(1,071)
Call Money Rates (End Month)	Per cent	16.25-16.50	8.65-9.00	
Standing Deposit Facility Rate	Per cent	15.50	8.50	(700)
Standing Lending Facility Rate	Per cent	16.50	9.50	(700)
		2023 February	2024 February	
AWLR <sup>(g)</sup>	Per cent	18.50	13.74	(476)
AWNLR <sup>(h)</sup>		25.31	13.44	(1,187)
Saving Rates	Per cent	2023 February	2024 February	
Commercial Banks		0.25-6.00	0.25-12.00	
National Savings Bank		3.00	3.00	
Fixed Deposit Rates	Per cent			
Commercial Banks (12 Months)		3.50-30.00	2.00-22.0	
National Savings Bank (12 Months)		12.00	7.75	
Long Term Lending Rates	Per cent	2023 February	2024 February	
SMIB		18.00-27.25	9.50-21.00	
NSB		28.00-32.00	15.00-19.00	
NHDA		12.00-14.00	12.00-14.00 ()	
			Sources: Central Ban	k of Sri Lanka

Respective Financial Institutions

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

(b) AWDR (Average Weighted Deposit Rate) of commercial banks is computed monthly based on previous month data.

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

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

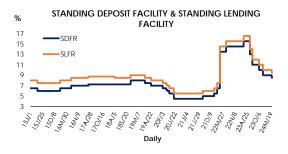
(e) AWNFDR (Average Weighted New Fixed Deposit Rate) of commercial banks is computed monthly.

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

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

(h) AWNLR (Average Weighted New Lending Rate) of commercial banks is computed monthly. (i) As at December 2023





# 21. CREDIT CARDS

Credit Cards <sup>(a)</sup>	Unit	2023 End December	2024 End January	2024 End Febuary <sup>(b)</sup>
Total Number of Active Cards	Number	1,917,085	1,913,675	1,910,096
Local (accepted only locally)		10,768	10,623	10,547
Global (accepted globally)		1,906,317	1,903,052	1,899,549
Outstanding balance	Rs. Mn.	151,372.79	149,909.29	148,626.70
Local (accepted only locally)		35,838.46	35,429.20	35,080.33
Global (accepted globally)		115,534.33	114,480.09	113,546.37
(a) Issued by Licensed Commercial Banks (LCBs)			Source	: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(b) Provisional

# 22. COMMERCIAL PAPER ISSUES

ltem	Unit	2023 End December	2024 End January	2024 End February <sup>(a)</sup>
Commercial Paper Issues (b)	Rs. Mn.			
Total Issues <sup>(c)</sup>		1,250.0	-	-
Outstanding (at the end of the period)		650.0	500.0	500.0

(a) Provisional

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

(c) Year-to-date total

# 23. SHARE MARKET

Item	Unit	End M	/larch	Y-o-Y Change (%)
llem	UTIIL	2023	2024	1-0-1 Change (%)
All Share Price Index (ASPI)	1985=100	9,301.09	11,444.38	23.0
S&P Sri Lanka 20 (S&P SL20)	2004=1000	2,682.83	3,317.62	23.7
Market Capitalisation	Rs. Bn.	3,903.54	4,534.65	16.2
Non-national Transactions <sup>(a)</sup>				
Purchase	Rs. Mn.	3,934.79	1,573.44	(60.0)
Sales	Rs. Mn.	6,527.83	5,835.36	(10.6)
Net Purchases	Rs. Mn.	(2,593.04)	(4,261.93)	(64.4)

(a) Total for the month

Source: Colombo Stock Exchange







# 24. EXTERNAL TRADE

ltem	Unit	2023	2024 <sup>(a)</sup>	Y-o-Y Change (%)		
Exports	Rs. Mn.					
February		355,447	331,122	(6.8)		
January - February		709,957	642,890	(9.4)		
Imports						
February		369,594	430,867	16.6		
January - February		885,455	916,408	3.5		
Trade Balance						
February		(14,147)	(99,745)			
January - February		(175,498)	(273,518)			
Exports	US \$ Mn.					
February		982	1,059	7.9		
January - February		1,960	2,030	3.6		
Imports						
February		1,021	1,378	35.0		
January - February		2,444	2,890	18.2		
Trade Balance						
February		(39)	(319)			
January - February	(484) (860)					
(a) Provisional		Sources: Ceylon Petrolet Lanka IOC PLC	um Corporation and other ex	porters of petroleum		

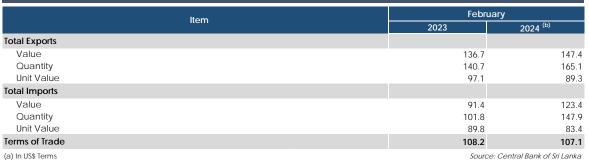
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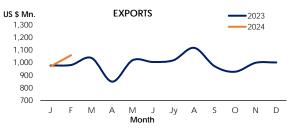
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# TRADE INDICES (a) ( 2010 = 100 )



(b) Provisional





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# EXTERNAL TRADE - COMPOSITION OF IMPORTS

ltem	Unit	2023	2024 <sup>(a)</sup>	Y-o-Y Change (%)
Major Imports				
Consumer Goods - Total	Rs. Mn.			
February		73,208	78,022	6.6
January - February		152,399	168,380	10.5
Food and Beverages				
February		41,546	39,573	(4.3
January - February		84,436	89,860	6.4
Vegetables				
February		7,237	9,056	25.
January - February		15,980	19,910	24.
Sugar				
February		12,676	9,831	(22.
January - February		24,544	19,478	(20.
Dairy Products				
February		4,741	4,632	(2.
January - February		10,618	11,060	4.
Other Food and Beverages		4/ 000	1/ 05/	(-
February		16,892	16,054	(5.
January - February		33,294	39,411	18.
Non-food Consumer Goods				
February		31,662	38,450	21.
January - February		67,963	78,520	15.
Personal Vehicles				
February		1,137	1,494	31.
January - February		1,693	2,994	76.
Medical and Pharmaceuticals		15 101	10.047	(10
February		15,191	12,247	(19.
January - February		33,676	30,311	(10.
Other Non Food Consumables		45.004	0.1.700	
February		15,334	24,709	61.
January - February		32,594	45,216	38.
Intermediate Goods - Total		230,831	2/2/45	10.1
February			262,645	13.8
January - February Fuel		595,385	577,539	(3.0
		70.041	90,795	22.
February		73,941	224,868	
January - February Textile and Textile Articles		261,134	224,808	(13.
February		60,071	76,919	28.0
January - February		138,887	149,027	20.1
Diamonds, Precious Stones and Metals		130,007	149,027	1
February		7,690	3,802	(50.
January - February		15,359	8,563	(44.)
Wheat		13,337	8,505	(++.
February		11,219	154	(98.
January - February		11,228	3,543	(68.
Other Intermediate Goods		11,220	3,343	(00.
February		77,909	90,975	16.
January - February		168,778	191,539	13.
Investment Goods - Total		100,770	171,557	15.
February		65,465	89,465	36.
January - February		137,535	169,575	23.2
Machinery and Equipment		107,000	107,575	23
February		46,039	63,071	37.
January - February		94,102	116,372	23.
Other Investment Goods		74,102	110,372	23.
February		19,426	26,394	35.
January - February		43,433	53,202	22.
Total Imports <sup>(b)</sup>		+3,433	55,202	22.
February		369,594	430,867	16.0
January - February		885,455	430,887 916,408	3.5
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(b) Data from the Si 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.

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Item	Unit	2023	2024 <sup>(a)</sup>	Y-o-Y Change (%)
Major Imports				
Consumer Goods - Total	US \$ Mn.			
February		202.2	249.6	23.4
January - February		420.7	530.9	26.2
Food and Beverages				
February		114.8	126.6	10.3
January - February		233.1	283.2	21.5
Vegetables				
February		20.0	29.0	44.9
January - February		44.1	62.8	42.3
Sugar				
February		35.0	31.4	(10.2
January - February		67.8	61.5	(9.3
Dairy Products		13.1	14.8	13.1
February		29.3		13.1
January - February		29.3	34.8	18.8
Other Food and Beverages February		46.7	51.4	10.1
January - February		91.9	124.1	35.0
Non-food Consumer Goods		71.7	127.1	55.0
February		87.5	123.0	40.6
January - February		187.6	247.8	32.1
Personal Vehicles				
February		3.1	4.8	52.1
January - February		4.7	9.4	102.1
Medical and Pharmaceuticals				
February		42.0	39.2	(6.6
January - February		93.0	95.4	2.6
Other Non Food Consumables				
February		42.4	79.0	86.6
January - February		90.0	142.9	58.8
Intermediate Goods - Total				
February		637.7	840.2	31.8
January - February		1,643.6	1,820.7	10.8
Fuel		201.2	2000 5	40.0
February		204.3	290.5	42.2
January - February Textile and Textile Articles		720.8	707.9	(1.8
February		166.0	246.1	48.3
January - February		383.4	470.6	40.3 22.7
Diamonds, Precious Stones and Metals		303.4	470.0	22.1
February		21.2	12.2	(42.7
January - February		42.4	27.0	(36.4
Wheat		72.7	21.0	(50.4
February		31.0	0.5	(98.4
January - February		31.0	11.0	(64.4
Other Intermediate Goods				(2
February		215.2	291.0	35.2
January - February		466.0	604.2	29.7
Investment Goods - Total				
February		180.9	286.2	58.3
January - February		379.7	535.6	41.1
Machinery and Equipment				
February		127.2	201.8	58.6
January - February		259.8	367.7	41.5
Other Investment Goods				
February		53.7	84.4	57.3
January - February		119.9	167.9	40.0
Total Imports <sup>(b)</sup>				
February		1,021.0	1,378.4	35.0
January - February		2,444.4	2,890.2	18.2
(a) Provisional			Sources: Cevin	n Petroleum Corporation
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(External Trade Contd...)

(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

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# **EXTERNAL TRADE - COMPOSITION OF EXPORTS**

Item	Unit	2023	2024 <sup>(a)</sup>	Y-o-Y Change (%)
Major Exports				
Tea	Rs. Mn.			
February		37,850	39,926	5.5
January - February Rubber		73,933	72,743	(1.6)
February		1,402	730	(47.9)
January - February		2,561	1,270	(50.4)
Coconut				
February		9,056	10,214	12.8
January - February Spices		17,018	18,188	6.9
February		12,385	6,915	(44.2)
January - February		24,738	15,874	(35.8)
Minor Agricultural Products				
February		3,208	4,082	27.2
January - February		6,137	8,020	30.7
Textile and Garments February		156,125	131,995	(15.5)
January - February		309,937	254,409	(17.9)
Gems Diamonds and Jewellary				( )
February		11,761	9,651	(17.9)
January - February		31,373	25,126	(19.9)
Rubber Products		26.315	27.009	2.6
February January - February		26,315 52,651	27,008 52,715	2.6
Petroleum Products		02,001	02,710	0.1
February		16,078	28,580	77.8
January - February		32,905	56,159	70.7
Mineral Exports		500	505	
February January - February		582 1,896	585 1,050	0.7 (44.7)
Other Exports		1,870	1,050	(44.7)
February		80,685	71,436	(11.5)
January - February		156,808	137,335	(12.4)
Total Exports (b)				
February		355,447	331,122	(6.8)
January - February		709,957	642,890	(9.4)
Major Exports Tea	US \$ Mn.			
February	00 \$ 1111.	104.6	127.7	22.2
January - February		204.1	229.9	12.6
Rubber				(*****)
February		3.9 7.1	2.3 4.0	(39.7)
January - February Coconut		7.1	4.0	(43.2)
February		25.0	32.7	30.6
January - February		47.0	57.5	22.4
Spices				
February		34.2	22.1 50.0	(35.3)
January - February Minor Agricultural Products		68.3	50.0	(26.8)
February		8.9	13.1	47.3
January - February		16.9	25.3	49.4
Textile and Garments				
February		431.3	422.3	(2.1)
January - February Gems Diamonds and Jewellary		855.7	803.4	(6.1)
February		32.5	30.9	(5.0)
January - February		86.6	79.1	(8.7)
Rubber Products				
February		72.7	86.4	18.9
January - February		145.4	166.4	14.5
Petroleum Products				
February		44.4	91.4	105.8
January - February		90.8	177.3	95.2
Mineral Exports				
February		1.6	1.9	16.6
January - February		5.2	3.3	(36.6)
Other Exports February		222.9	228.5	2.5
January - February		432.9	433.7	2.5
Total Exports <sup>(b)</sup>			10017	0.2
February		982.0	1,059.3	7.9
January - February		1,960.1	2,030.0	3.6

(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

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Unit	2023	2024 <sup>(a)</sup>	
		2024 (4)	Y-o-Y Change (%)
Mn. Kg	18.6	22.3	20.
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			(93.)
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			62.0
Rs./MT	139,936.69	101,968.31	(27.
US\$/MT	386.59	326.21	(15.
Rs./MT	195,339.39	230,597.40	18.
US\$/MT	539.65	737.72	36.
Rs./Barrel	-	25,422.21	
US\$/Barrel	-	81.33	
		Sources: Ceylon Petr	oleum Corporation and
		Other Expo	rters of Petroleum
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# EXTERNAL TRADE - MAJOR EXPORTS & IMPORTS (VOLUMES AND PRICES)

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Item	Unit	2023	2024 <sup>(a)</sup>	Y-o-Y Change	
Tourist Arrivals	Number				
March		125,495	209,181	66.7	
January - March		335,679	635,784	89.4	
Earnings from Tourism	US\$ Mn.				
March		189	338 <sup>(b)</sup>	79.2	
January - March		504	1,026 <sup>(b)</sup>	103.6	
	Rs. Mn.				
March		62,216	103,433 <sup>(b)</sup>	66.2	
January - March		176,347	321,265 <sup>(b)</sup>	82.2	
Workers' Remittances (Inflows)	US\$ Mn.				
March		568	572	0.7	
January - March		1,413	1,536	8.7	
(a) Provisional			Sources: Central Bank of S	iri Lanka	
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(b) Based on the survey conducted by the Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority in 2024.

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## **25. INTERNATIONAL FINANCE**

Unit	2023 November	2023 December	2024 January	2024 February
US\$ Mn.	3,571 <sup>(c)</sup>	4,392 <sup>(c)</sup>	4,496 <sup>(c)</sup>	4,520 <sup>(c)</sup>
Rs. Mn.	1,175,169	1,422,802	1,427,013	1,401,899
Months of Imports	2.6	3.1	3.2	3.1
US\$ Mn.	8,409	9,373	9,407	9,623
Rs. Mn.	2,766,835	3,036,261	2,985,956	2,984,568
Months of Imports	6.0	6.7	6.7	6.7
	2023 March		2024 N	/larch
Rs./USD	329.4	4709	305.6	650
Rs./GBP	399.9	9858	388.5587	
Rs/INR	4.00	023	3.6821	
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	352.8	3675	332.3	3664
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Indices of Nominal Effective Exchange Rate (NEER) and Real Effective Exchange Rate (REER) - 24 Currency Ba	sket (Period Avg.)	
	2023 February	2024 February
NEER (2017 = 100) <sup>(e)</sup>	47.34	56.48
REER (2017 = 100) <sup>(f)</sup>	61.74	75.11

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) This includes proceeds from the PBOC swap arrangement, which is subject to conditionalities on usability.

(d) Average for the last five working days of the month of March based on actual transactions.

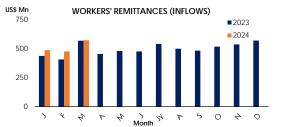
(e) The NEER is the weighted average of nominal exchange rates of the 24 trading partner and competitor countries. Weights are based on the

trade shares reflecting the relative importance of each currency in the currency basket.

(f) 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 2024 are provisional.









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

US \$ Mn

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

CURRENT AND CAPITAL ACCOUNT	2022 <sup>(b)</sup>			2023 <sup>(c)</sup>		
	Credit	Debit	Net	Credit	Debit	Net
Goods and services	16,169	19,244	(3,075)	17,327	18,823	(1,496
Goods <sup>(d)</sup>	13,106	18,291	(5,185)	11,911	16,811	(4,900
General merchandise	13,106	18,289	(5,183)	11,911	16,807	(4,896
Non-monetary gold		2	(2)		5	(5
Services	3,062	953	2,110	5,416	2,012	3,404
Manufacturing services	-	-	-	17	194	(17
Maintenance and repair services n.i.e	-	-	-	45	8	37
Transport	676	333	343	1,550	732	818
Sea Transport	410	137	272	813	286	528
Passenger	-	-	-	0.1	3	(:
Freight	410	137	272	432	252	180
Other	-	-	-	381	31	350
Air transport	266	195	71	736	440	296
Passenger	221	180	41	304	241	63
Freight	46	15	30	81	78	:
Other		-	-	351	120	230
Postal and courier services	-	-	-	0.5	6	(6
Travel <sup>(e)</sup>	1,136	244	893	2,068	152	1,916
Construction	9	11	(2)	355	111	244
Insuarance and pension services	19	36	(18)	35	51	(16
Financial services	92	96	(5)	64	57	(7)
Charges for the use of intellectual property	-	-	-	15	94	(79
Telecommunication, computer and	1,097	161	936	917	251	666
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Other business services	1,008	133	(1)	310	344	(33
Personal, cultural and recreational services	15	10	(1)	35	11	24
Government goods and services n.i.e.	18	56	(38)	7	7	(1
Primary Income	266	2,136	(1,870)	463	3,027	(2,564
Compensation of employees	30	69	(39)	53	30	23
Investment Income	237	2,068	(1,831)	410	2,997	(2,587
Direct Investment	15	549	(534)	12	888	(876
Dividends	12	385	(374)	6	621	(615
Re-invested earnings	3	164	(161)	6	267	(261
Portfolio Investment		778	(778)		866	(866
Equity		17	(17)		86	(86
Interest		761	(761)		780	(780
short-term		0.6	(0.6)		20	(20
long-term		761	(761)		760	(760
Other Investment	217	741	(523)	349	1,243	(894
Reserve assets	5		5	49		49
Secondary Income	3,793	296	3,496	5,989	371	5,619
General Governemnt <sup>(f)</sup>	3		3	20		20
Personal transfers	3,789	296	3,493	5,970	371	5,599
of which, worker's remittances	3,789			5,970		
Current Account	20,228	21,677	(1,448)	23,779	22,221	1,559
Capital Account	38	19	19	94	31	63
Capital Transfers	38	19	19	94	31	63
General Governemnt <sup>(g)</sup>	6		6	36		36
Private Capital Transfers	32	19	13	57	31	27
Current Account + Capital Account	20,266	21,695	(1,429)	23,873	22,251	1,622

(a) The above presentation conforms as far as possible to the Balance of Payments Manual (BPM), 6<sup>th</sup> edition (2009)

of the International Monetary Fund (IMF)

(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.

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 (ii) Include trade credits received by the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation (CPC) and private sector companies.
 (k) Net transactions of ACU liabilities