

MONTHLY ECONOMIC INDICATORS



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SUMMARY OF SELECTED ECONOMIC INDICATORS

January 2025

Item	Period	Unit	2023 ^(a)	2024 ^(a)	Y-o-Y Change
Real Sector					
Gross Domestic Products (GDP)	3 rd Quarter	Rs. Mn	2,987,543.9	3,151,941.3	
GDP Growth	3 rd Quarter	%	1.6	5.5	
Tea	December	Mn. kg	19.8	21.7	9.6
Rubber	December	Mn. kg	3.4	4.5	32.4
Coconut	December	Mn. Nuts	254.1	170.1	(33.1)
Fish	December	Mn. kg	36.4	32.7	(10.2)
			2023	2024^(a)	
Paddy	Maha ^(b)	Mn. kg	2,696.0	2,722.0	1.0
	Yala ^(c)	Mn. kg	1,817.4	-	-
Index of Industrial Production	December	2015 = 100	87.2	94.9	8.8
Electricity Generation	November	GWh	1,267	1,322	4.3
			2024	2025^(a)	
NCPI (Year-On-Year % Change)	January	2021 = 100	6.5	(4.0)	
CCPI (Year-On-Year % Change)	January	2021 = 100	6.4	(4.0)	
Fiscal Sector					
			2023	2024^(a)	
Revenue and Grants	Jan - Nov	Rs. Mn.	2,771,362	3,664,644	32.2
Recurrent Expenditure	Jan - Nov	Rs. Mn.	4,292,754	4,276,030	(0.4)
Monetary Sector					
			2023	2024^(a)	
Money Supply					
Narrow Money M ₁	End December	Rs. Mn.	1,658,042.54	1,925,563.39	16.1
Broad Money M ₂	End December	Rs. Mn.	11,485,068.74	12,660,563.55	10.2
Consolidated Broad Money(M _{2b}) ^(d)	End December	Rs. Mn.	13,189,113.21	14,321,701.01	8.6
Broad Money M ₄	End December	Rs. Mn.	15,829,163.76	17,260,680.33	9.0
Share Market			2024	2025	
ASPI	End January	1985 = 100	10,311.15	17,122.73	66.1
S&P SL20	End January	2004 = 1000	2,896.48	5,114.35	76.6
Market Capitalisation	End January	Rs. Bn.	4,045.80	6,113.93	51.1
External Sector					
			2023	2024^(a)	
External Trade					
Exports	December	US\$ Mn.	1,002	1,102	10.0
Imports	December	US\$ Mn.	1,489	1,924	29.3
Balance of Trade	December	US\$ Mn.	(487)	(823)	
Balance of Payments					
Trade Account	January - Sep	US\$ Mn.	(855)	(1,414)	(65.3)
Current Account	January - Sep	US\$ Mn.	1,322	1,488	12.6
Current & Capital Accounts	January - Sep	US\$ Mn.	1,376	1,526	10.9
Financial Account (net)	January - Sep	US\$ Mn.	1,147	1,033	(9.9)
			2024 End October	2024 End November	2024 End December
Total Reserves ^(e)		US\$ Mn.	11,625	11,560	11,230

(a) Provisional

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

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

(d) Inclusive of FCBUs

(e) Including ACU receipts

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

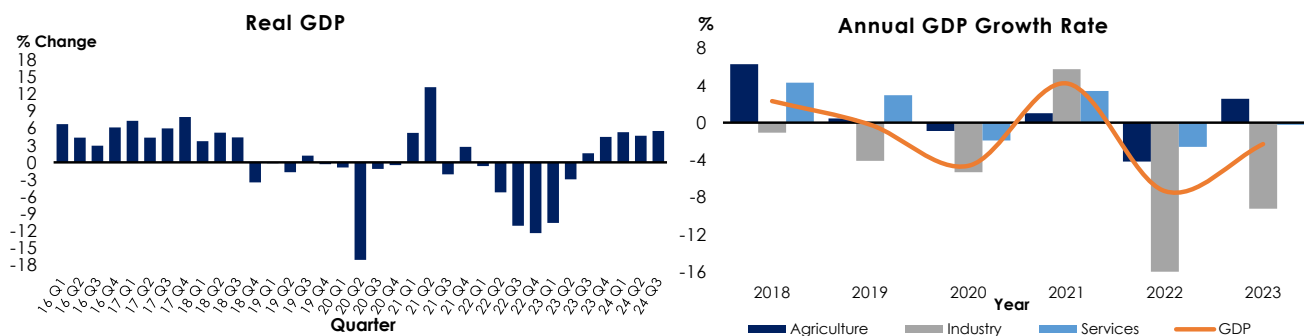
Economic Activity	3 rd Quarter ^(a)					
	Rs. Mn		Growth (%)		Contribution to Growth (%)	
	2023 ^(b)	2024	23/22 ^(b)	24/23	2023 ^(b)	2024
Agriculture	226,505	233,389	4.2	3.0	0.3	0.2
Industry	810,750	898,642	(0.7)	10.8	(0.2)	2.9
Services	1,778,118	1,824,831	1.7	2.6	1.0	1.6
Taxes less subsidies on products	172,171	195,080	8.5	13.3	0.5	0.8
GDP	2,987,544	3,151,941	1.6	5.5	1.6	5.5

Economic Activity	Annual ^(a)					
	Rs. Mn		Growth (%)		Contribution to Growth (%)	
	2022 ^(b)	2023	22/21 ^(b)	23/22	2022 ^(b)	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

(b) Revised



2. BUSINESS OUTLOOK SURVEY ^(a)

Business Sentiment Index (BSI)	2022				2023				2024			
	Q ₁	Q ₂	Q ₃	Q ₄	Q ₁	Q ₂	Q ₃	Q ₄	Q ₁	Q ₂	Q ₃	Q ₄
Business Condition												
Realised	53	28	35	34	63	74	81	93	99	102	108	-
Expectation ^(b)	(103)	(40)	(33)	(30)	(40)	(74)	(84)	(89)	(80)	(102)	(107)	(118)
Profitability												
Realised	97	81	86	80	85	94	98	111	124	123	116	-
Expectation ^(b)	(125)	(76)	(78)	(82)	(76)	(98)	(108)	(105)	(101)	(120)	(129)	(123)
Skilled Labour Availability												
Realised	88	85	82	70	75	70	88	85	85	88	85	-
Expectation ^(b)	(108)	(89)	(81)	(83)	(74)	(77)	(72)	(86)	(83)	(90)	(97)	(91)
Demand												
Realised	143	80	93	86	101	108	108	137	132	120	136	-
Expectation ^(b)	(154)	(110)	(93)	(94)	(90)	(123)	(131)	(138)	(128)	(133)	(151)	(137)
Sales Value												
Realised	135	96	115	106	115	114	107	128	141	124	138	-
Expectation ^(b)	(149)	(107)	(95)	(107)	(106)	(131)	(131)	(137)	(127)	(137)	(148)	(137)
Capacity Utilization												
Realised	121	83	87	92	96	103	114	125	125	124	122	-
Expectation ^(b)	(134)	(107)	(85)	(91)	(86)	(110)	(108)	(119)	(127)	(124)	(137)	(130)

Source: Central Bank of 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.

3. AGRICULTURE

Item	Unit	2023 ^(a)	2024 ^(a)	Y-o-Y Change (%)
Tea Production	Mn. kg			
December		19.8	21.7	9.6
January - December		254.7	260.8	2.4
Rubber Production	Mn. kg			
December		3.4	4.5	32.4
January - December		64.4	69.2	7.4
Coconut Production	Mn. Nuts			
December		254.1	170.1	(33.1)
January - December		3,168.1	2,790.1	(11.9)
Fish Production	Mn. kg			
December		36.4	32.7	(10.2)
January - December		407.1	408.3	0.3
Paddy Production	Mn. kg	2023	2024 ^(a)	
Maha ^(b)		2,696.0	2,722.0	1.0
Yala ^(c)		1,817.4	-	-

(a) Provisional

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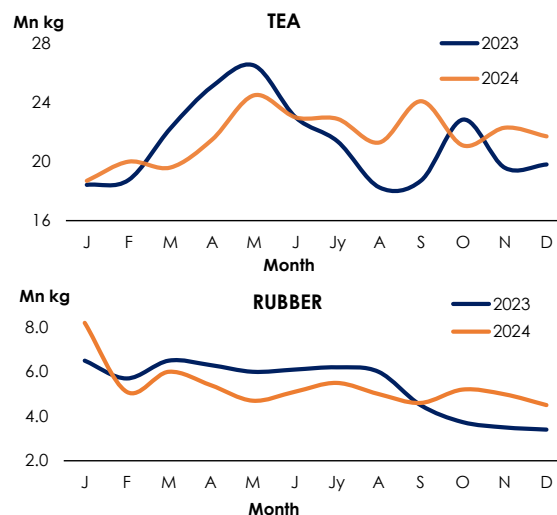
Sources: Sri Lanka Tea Board

Rubber Development Department

Coconut Development Authority

Department of Census & Statistics

Ministry of Fisheries



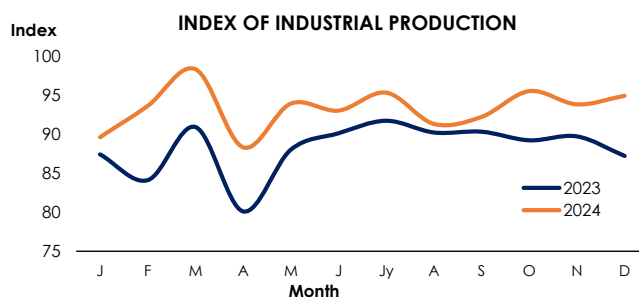
4. INDEX OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION (IIP) (2015=100)

Item	December		
	2023 ^(a)	2024 ^(b)	Y-o-Y Change (%)
Food products	85.4	99.1	16.1
Beverages	130.4	140.1	7.4
Tobacco products	75.3	77.8	3.4
Textiles	80.9	110.0	36.0
Wearing apparels	83.5	92.0	10.1
Leather and related products	130.0	100.9	-22.4
Wood and products of wood and cork except furniture; Articles of Straw and plaiting materials	90.9	70.9	-22.0
Paper and paper products	40.3	56.4	39.9
Printing and reproduction of recorded media	135.2	86.8	-35.8
Coke and refined petroleum products	114.2	102.6	-10.2
Chemicals and chemical products	65.5	77.0	17.6
Basic pharmaceutical products and pharmaceutical preparations	46.7	46.8	0.1
Rubber and plastic products	76.5	76.0	-0.7
Other non-metallic mineral products	91.7	104.9	14.3
Basic metals	108.6	89.6	-17.5
Fabricated metal products (except machinery equipment)	60.4	58.6	-3.0
Electrical equipment	55.8	61.7	10.4
Machinery and equipment (n.e.c)	110.0	103.5	-5.9
Furniture	58.8	68.3	16.2
Other manufacturing	44.5	50.0	12.5
Overall Index of Industrial Production for the Manufacturing Sector	87.2	94.9	8.8

(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
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	42.0	58.2	56.6	59.5	55.5	54.1	58.1	53.3	57.2
2025	59.0											

Source: Central Bank 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	52.9	57.1	55.9	31.9	54.5	59.5	62.9	51.4	48.6	54.3	51.4	51.4
2025	52.9											

(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

7. HOUSING AND CONSTRUCTIONS

Item	Unit	2022	2023 ^(a)	Y-o-Y Change (%)	
Greater Colombo Housing Approvals Index ^(b)	1995 = 100				
Quarter 3			51.0	55.3	8.4
Quarter 4			51.0	59.7	17.1
Cement		2023	2024 ^(a)		
Total Local Production	'000 MT				
December			217	339	56.3
January - December			2,678	3,509	31.0
Total Imports	'000 MT				
December			46	90	96.7
January - December			966	943	(2.5)
Total	'000 MT				
December			263	429	63.3
January - December			3,644	4,452	22.2

(a) Provisional

Sources: 5 Municipal Councils (Colombo, Dehiwala-Mount Lavinia, Sri Jayawardanepura, Moratuwa and Kaduwela)

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

7 Urban Councils (Wattala-Mabole, Peliyagoda, Panadura, Maharagama, Kesbawa, Harana and Boralesgamuwa)

8 Pradeshiya Sabha (Homagama, Kotikawatta-Mulleriyawa, Kelaniya, Attanagalla, Wattala-Mabole,

Harana, Panadura, Mahara)

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8. ENERGY

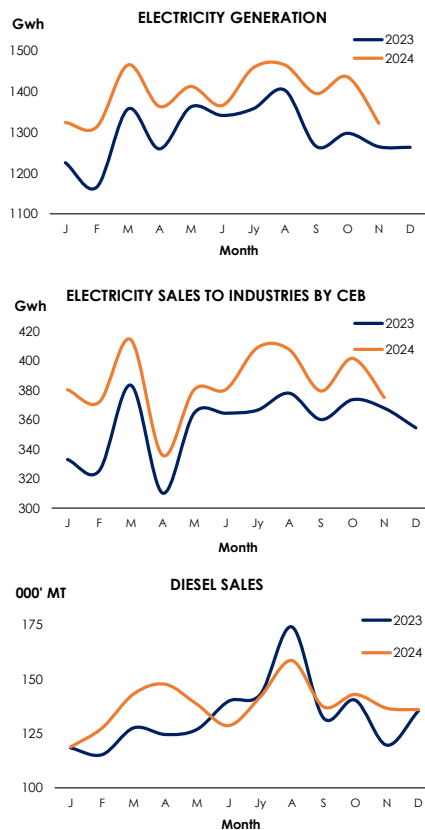
Item	Unit	2023 ^(a)	2024 ^(b)	Y-o-Y Change (%)
Electricity Generation ^(c)	GWh			
November		1,267	1,322	4.3
CEB - Hydro		720	498	(30.8)
Fuel Oil		10	113	1,065.5
Coal		227	353	56.0
Wind		10	18	77.0
Private Sector		301	340	12.8
Non Conventional Renewable Energy		288	302	4.9
January - November		14,319	15,323	7.0
CEB - Hydro		3,818	4,735	24.0
Fuel Oil		1,953	1,512	(22.6)
Coal		4,490	5,149	14.7
Wind		361	365	1.0
Private Sector		3,696	3,563	(3.6)
Non Conventional Renewable Energy		2,569	2,827	10.1
Electricity Sales to Industries	GWh			
November		368	375	2.0
January - November		3,926	4,235	7.9
Diesel Sales	'000 MT			
December		135,492	135,996	0.4
January - December		1,598,521	1,657,603	3.7
Petrol Sales	'000 MT			
December		113,491	117,414	3.5
January - December		1,248,632	1,371,800	9.9
Furnace Oil Sales	'000 MT			
December		33,218	28,559	(14.0)
January - December		620,061	735,305	18.6
Kerosene Sales	'000 MT			
December		9,098	12,579	38.3
January - December		84,561	138,687	64.0
Crude Oil Imports	'000 MT			
December		190	192	0.8
January - December		1,663	1,331	(20.0)
Other Petroleum Imports	'000 MT			
December		305	378	23.9
January - December		3,779	4,249	12.4

Sources: Ceylon Electricity Board, Ceylon Petroleum Corporation, Lanka IOC PLC, Sinopec Energy Lanka (Pvt.) Ltd, RM Parks (Pvt.) Ltd, United Petroleum Lanka (Pvt) Ltd, Sri Lanka Customs

(a) Revised

(b) Provisional

(c) Including rooftop solar generation



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	56.7	55.0	63.5	71.1	65.2	53.4	60.3	60.5	71.1
2025	58.5											

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Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

10. TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Item	Unit	3 rd Quarter		Y-o-Y Change (%)
		2023	2024 ^(a)	
Telephones (Fixed lines)	Number	2,389,398	2,525,650	5.7
Wireline in service	Number	1,178,400	1,076,462	(8.7)
Wireless Local Loop Access	Number	1,210,998	1,449,188	19.7
Cellular Phones	Number	29,034,505	28,884,470	(0.5)
Internet Subscribers ^(b)	Number	22,083,896	22,958,232	4.0
Telephone Penetration (excluding Cellular Phones)	per 100 persons	10.8	11.5	6.3
Telephone Penetration (including Cellular Phones)	per 100 persons	142.6	143.3	0.5

(a) Provisional

Sources: Telecommunications Regulatory Commission of Sri Lanka

(b) Including mobile internet connections

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Note: Mid year population for 2024: 21,916,000

11. TRANSPORT

Item	Unit	2023	2024 ^(a)	Y-o-Y Change (%)
New Registration of Motor Vehicles				
December		4,192	8,856	111.3
Buses		49	22	(55.1)
Motor Cars		203	114	(43.8)
Three Wheelers		6	9	50.0
Dual Purpose Vehicles ^(b)		109	87	(20.2)
Motor Cycles		3,331	8,149	144.6
Goods Transport Vehicles ^(c)		79	156	97.5
Land Vehicles ^(d)		415	319	(23.1)
Other ^(e)		-	-	-
January - December	Number	27,890	74,410	166.8
Buses		685	146	(78.7)
Motor Cars		1,816	1,644	(9.5)
Three Wheelers		60	94	56.7
Dual Purpose Vehicles ^(b)		586	1,027	75.3
Motor Cycles		20,200	65,289	223.2
Goods Transport Vehicles ^(c)		523	1,284	145.5
Land Vehicles ^(d)		4,020	4,925	22.5
Other ^(e)		-	1	-

(a) Provisional

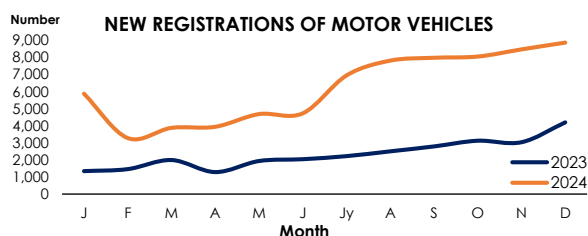
(b) Including Single Cabs

Source: Department of Motor Traffic

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

(d) Tractors, Hand Tractors and Other Land Vehicles

(e) Quadricycles and Motor Homes



12. PORT SERVICES

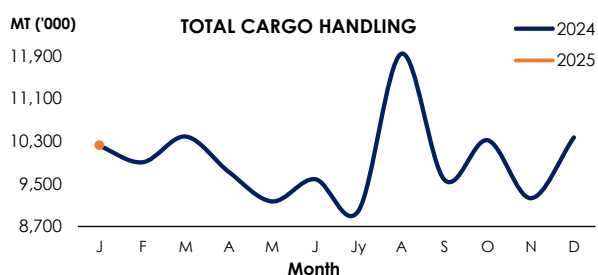
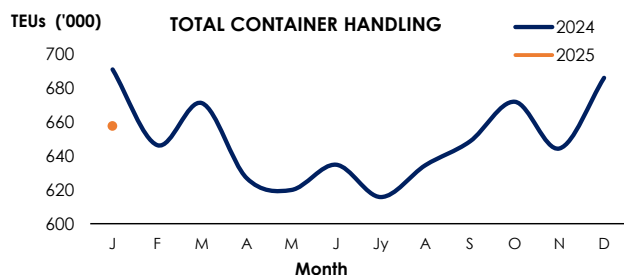
Item	Unit	2023 ^(a)	2024 ^(b)	Y-o-Y Change (%)
Ship Traffic				
January	Number	400	411	2.8
Container Handling				
Domestic				
January	TEUs	90,859	109,786	20.8
Transshipment				
January	TEUs	562,527	525,768	(6.5)
Re-stowing				
January	TEUs	37,764	22,174	(41.3)
Total Container Handling				
January	TEUs	691,150	657,728	(4.8)
Cargo Handling				
Cargo Discharged				
January	MT	5,590,941	5,713,440	2.2
Cargo Loaded				
January	MT	4,619,970	4,509,738	(2.4)
Total Cargo Handling				
January	MT	10,210,911	10,223,178	0.1

(a) Revised

(b) Provisional

Source: Sri Lanka Ports Authority

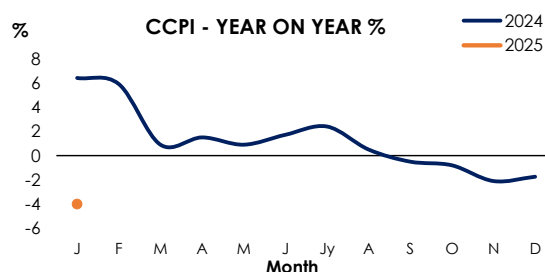
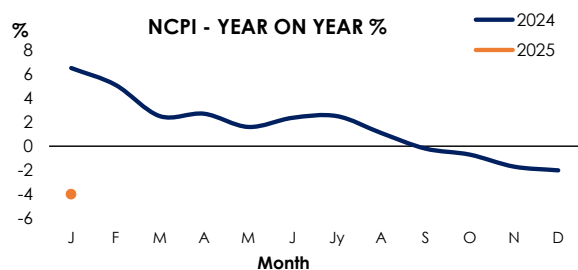
TEUs = Twenty-foot Equivalent Container Units



13. PRICE INDICES

Item	Base Period	2024	2025	Y-o-Y Change (%)
National Consumer Price Index (NCPI)				
January	2021=100			
Headline		215.0	206.4	(4.0)
Core		193.9	193.6	(0.2)
Colombo Consumers Price Index (CCPI)				
January	2021=100			
Headline		200.7	192.6	(4.0)
Core		176.2	178.4	1.2

Source: Department of Census and Statistics



14. AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES - PETTAH MARKET

Item	Unit	January		Y-o-Y Change(%)
		2024	2025	
Rice	Rs/kg			
Samba		251.75	250.00	(0.7)
Nadu		220.00	250.00	13.6
Kekulu (Red)		200.00	n.a.	-
Other Food Items	Rs/kg			
Dried Chillie (Imported)		1,100.00	900.00	(18.2)
Red Onion (Local)		466.67	n.a.	-
Red Onion (Imported)		452.63	503.62	11.3
Big Onion (Local)		n.a.	n.a.	-
Big Onion (Imported)		445.25	226.67	(49.1)
Dhal		316.75	290.00	(8.4)
Potato (Local)		394.00	436.67	10.8
Egg - White (Each)		50.55	31.26	(38.2)
Sugar - White		300.00	245.00	(18.3)

n.a. - not available

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

15. EMPLOYMENT (a)

Item	Unit	2 nd Quarter	
		2023	2024
Labour Force Participation Rate	Percentage	48.6	47.8
Unemployment Rate		5.2	4.7
Employment by Economic Activity (b) (as a % of Total Employment)		2 nd Quarter	
		2023	2024
Agriculture		25.7	25.0
Industry		26.3	26.5
Services		48.1	48.5



Source: Department of Census and Statistics

(a) Household population aged 15 and above

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

16. WAGE INDICES

Item	Unit	December	
		2023	2024 ^(a)
Public Sector Employees	2016 = 100		
Nominal Wage Rate Index		133.1	161.3
Real Wage Rate Index ^(b)		56.7	70.2
Informal Private Sector Employees ^(c)	2018 = 100		
Nominal Wage Rate Index		175.3	184.5
Real Wage Rate Index ^(b)		82.2	88.3
Agriculture			
Nominal Wage Rate Index		173.7	186.0
Real Wage Rate Index ^(b)		81.4	89.0
Industry			
Nominal Wage Rate Index		175.8	183.8
Real Wage Rate Index ^(b)		82.4	88.0
Services			
Nominal Wage Rate Index		176.2	184.4
Real Wage Rate Index ^(b)		82.6	88.2

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(a) Provisional

(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

Item	Unit	2023 January - November	2024 January - November ^(a)
Total revenue and grants ^(b)	Rs. Mn.	2,771,362	3,664,644
Total revenue ^(b)	Rs. Mn.	2,757,981	3,650,905
Tax revenue		2,511,975	3,370,458
Non tax revenue		246,006	280,446
Grants ^(b)	Rs. Mn.	13,381	13,739
Recurrent expenditure ^(b)	Rs. Mn.	4,292,754	4,276,030
Capital expenditure and net lending ^(b)	Rs. Mn.	498,906	605,909
Financing ^(b)	Rs. Mn.	2,020,298	1,217,295
Domestic financing		1,993,850	889,522
Foreign financing		26,448	327,773

(a) Provisional

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

		2023 ^{(a)(b)} End December	2024 ^{(a)(b)} End Sep
Total outstanding government debt ^(c)	Rs. Mn.	28,695,949	28,574,653
Total domestic debt	Rs. Mn.	17,051,854	17,595,054
By Maturity			
Short term		3,616,227	3,150,380
o/w Treasury bills		4,017,035	3,932,089
Central bank advances		0	0
Medium & Long term		12,646,945	13,715,807
o/w Treasury bonds		12,002,337	13,198,506
Sri Lanka Development Bonds		0	0
Other Domestic ^(d)		788,682	728,868
By Institution ^(e)		17,051,854	17,595,054
o/w Bank (Excluding Licensed Specialised Banks)		9,102,839	8,864,939
Non Bank		7,506,289	8,061,799
Total foreign debt ^{(f)(g)}	Rs.Mn	11,644,094	10,979,599
Multilateral		3,816,950	3,733,464
Bilateral and Commercial		7,827,144	7,246,136
o/w International Sovereign Bonds		3,498,371	3,239,623
Sri Lanka Development Bonds		0	0
Foreign Currency Term Financing Facilities		709,741	656,853

Sources: Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development
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, Planning and Economic Development. These debt service payments comprise of certain 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

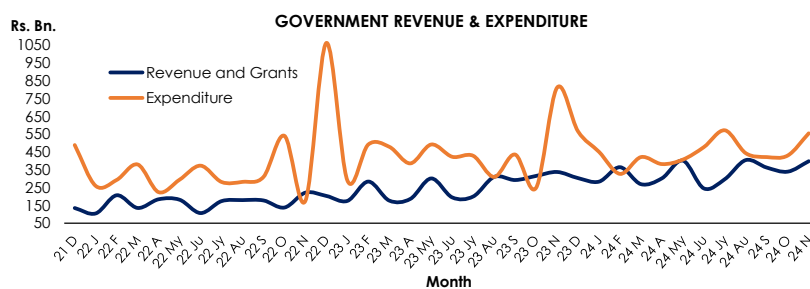
(c) As per the guidelines of compiling government debt statistics in the Manual of Government Finance Statistics published by the IMF in 2014, non resident holdings of outstanding SLDBs have been classified under foreign debt and resident holdings of outstanding of ISBs of the Sri Lankan Government have 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, Planning and Economic Development.

(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	Unit	Beginning January	End December ^(a)	Change (End December)	
				Absolute	Percentage
Narrow Money Supply (M₁)	Rs. Mn.				
2023		1,453,597.2	1,658,042.5	204,445.3	14.1
2024		1,658,042.5	1,925,563.4	267,520.8	16.1
Currency Held by the Public					
2023		742,041.8	900,136.0	158,094.3	21.3
2024		900,136.0	1,051,069.9	150,933.8	16.8
Demand Deposits Held by the Public					
2023		711,555.4	757,906.5	46,351.1	6.5
2024		757,906.5	874,493.5	116,587.0	15.4
Broad Money Supply (M₂) ^(b)	Rs. Mn.				
2023		10,497,052.4	11,485,068.7	988,016.3	9.4
2024		11,485,068.7	12,660,563.5	1,175,494.8	10.2
Time & Savings Deposits Held by the Public (Quasi Money)	Rs. Mn.				
2023		9,043,455.2	9,827,026.2	783,571.0	8.7
2024		9,827,026.2	10,735,000.2	907,974.0	9.2
Underlying Factors (M₂) Net Foreign Assets ^(c)	Rs. Mn.				
2023		(2,842,427.1)	(1,865,716.7)	976,710.4	34.4
2024		(1,865,716.7)	(810,319.5)	1,055,397.2	56.6
Domestic Credit					
2023		15,493,500.5	15,612,709.9	119,209.4	0.8
2024		15,612,709.9	16,376,330.6	763,620.8	4.9
To Government (Net)		8,065,549.2	8,211,093.8	145,544.7	1.8
To Public Corporations		712,343.2	605,080.7	(107,262.4)	(15.1)
To Co-operatives		2,068.8	1,654.5	(414.3)	(20.0)
To Other Private Sector		6,832,748.8	7,558,501.6	725,752.8	10.6
Other Items (Net)					
2023		(2,154,020.9)	(2,261,924.4)	(107,903.5)	(5.0)
2024		(2,261,924.4)	(2,905,447.6)	(643,523.1)	(28.5)
Consolidated Broad Money Supply (M_{2b}) ^(d)	Rs.Mn.				
2023		12,289,636.9	13,189,113.2	899,476.3	7.3
2024		13,189,113.2	14,321,701.0	1,132,587.8	8.6
Adjusted Time & Savings Deposits Held by the Public (Quasi Money)					
2023		10,836,039.7	11,531,070.7	695,031.0	6.4
2024		11,531,070.7	12,396,137.6	865,066.9	7.5
Underlying Factors (M_{2b}) Net Foreign Assets ^(d)	Rs.Mn.				
2023		(1,766,812.8)	(456,098.0)	1,310,714.8	74.2
2024		(456,098.0)	573,251.3	1,029,349.4	225.7
Domestic Credit					
2023		16,632,272.7	16,421,219.5	(211,053.2)	(1.3)
2024		16,421,219.5	17,082,817.4	661,597.8	4.0
To Government (Net)		8,284,991.3	8,270,108.3	(14,883.0)	(0.2)
To Public Corporations		769,810.3	656,664.2	(113,146.1)	(14.7)
To Co-operatives		2,068.8	1,654.5	(414.3)	(20.0)
To Other Private Sector		7,364,349.1	8,154,390.3	790,041.2	10.7
Other Items (Net) ^(d)					
2023		(2,575,823.0)	(2,776,008.3)	(200,185.3)	(7.8)
2024		(2,776,008.3)	(3,334,367.7)	(558,359.4)	(20.1)
Reserve Money	Rs. Mn.				
2023		1,349,388.6	1,328,736.9	(20,651.6)	(1.5)
2024		1,328,736.9	1,539,338.3	210,601.3	15.8
Money Multipliers					
M₁ Multiplier					
2023		1.08	1.25		
2024		1.25	1.25		
M₂ Multiplier					
2023		7.78	8.64		
2024		8.64	8.22		
M_{2b} Multiplier					
2023		9.11	9.93		
2024		9.93	9.30		

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_{2b} is the sum of M₁ and adjusted quasi money. M₁ is the same in both cases; i.e., DBU monetary survey and consolidated monetary survey.

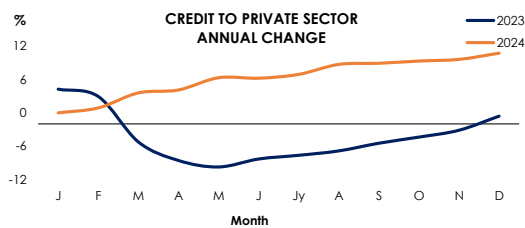
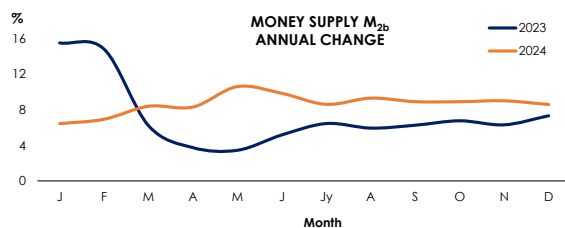
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Item	Unit	Beginning January	End December ^(a)	Change (End December)	
				Absolute	Percentage
Broad Money Supply (M₄) ^(e)	Rs.Mn.				
2023		14,839,802.9	15,829,163.8	989,360.8	6.7
2024		15,829,163.8	17,260,680.3	1,431,516.6	9.0
Time & Savings Deposits (Quasi Money)					
2023		13,432,065.7	14,244,759.2	812,693.5	6.1
2024		14,244,759.2	15,397,135.4	1,152,376.3	8.1
Underlying Factors (M₄)					
Net Foreign Assets					
2023		(1,766,812.8)	(456,098.0)	1,310,714.8	74.2
2024		(456,098.0)	552,154.2	1,008,252.2	221.1
Domestic Credit					
2023		20,135,822.2	20,092,350.3	(43,471.8)	(0.2)
2024		20,092,350.3	21,036,265.2	943,914.9	4.7
To Government (Net)		9,507,223.3	9,469,658.0	(37,565.3)	(0.4)
To Public Corporations		769,810.3	656,664.2	(113,146.1)	(14.7)
To Private Sector		9,815,316.7	10,909,943.0	1,094,626.3	11.2
Other Items (Net)					
2023		(3,529,206.4)	(3,807,088.6)	(277,882.1)	(7.9)
2024		(3,807,088.6)	(4,327,739.1)	(520,650.6)	(13.7)
Money Multiplier					
M₄ Multiplier					
2023		11.00	11.91		
2024		11.91	11.21		

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(a) Provisional

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



19. BANKING

Item	Unit	2023 End December	2024 End December ^(a)	Change (End December)	
				Absolute	Percentage
Domestic Banking Units(DBUs)					
Commercial Banks ^(b)					
Loans & Advances (Total Outstanding)	Rs. Mn.	8,354,232.3	8,704,712.3	350,480.0	4.2
Investment (Total Outstanding)					
Treasury Bills	Rs. Mn.	1,813,970.9	2,626,151.9	812,181.0	44.8
Other Govt. Securities ^(c)		3,614,518.8	4,255,187.0	640,668.2	17.7
Other Investments		131,521.0	159,423.9	27,902.9	21.2
Total Deposits	Rs. Mn.	13,307,369.7	14,759,679.2	1,452,309.5	10.9
Commercial Banks' Liquidity					
Excess Reserves and Cash in Hand	Rs. Mn.	218,244.9	244,208.2	25,963.4	11.9
Call Market Borrowings-Last week of month	Rs. Bn.	48.5	70.3	21.9	45.1
Offshore Banking Units (OBUs)					
OBUs	Number	24	24		
Total Assets / Liabilities	Rs. Mn.	1,819,601.2	1,608,351.4	(211,249.7)	(11.6)
Assets					
Loans & Advances - Residents		824,055.9	725,898.3	(98,157.6)	(11.9)
Loans & Advances - Non-Residents		962,433.4	857,144.9	(105,288.5)	(10.9)
Other Assets		33,111.8	25,308.2	(7,803.6)	(23.6)
Liabilities					
Deposits & Borrowings - Residents		859,298.9	735,811.1	(123,487.8)	(14.4)
Deposits & Borrowings - Non-Residents		318,646.1	272,068.2	(46,577.9)	(14.6)
Other Liabilities		641,656.2	600,472.1	(41,184.0)	(6.4)
National Savings Bank					
Time & Savings Deposits	Rs. Mn.	1,482,532.6	1,556,269.9	73,737.3	5.0

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(a) Provisional

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

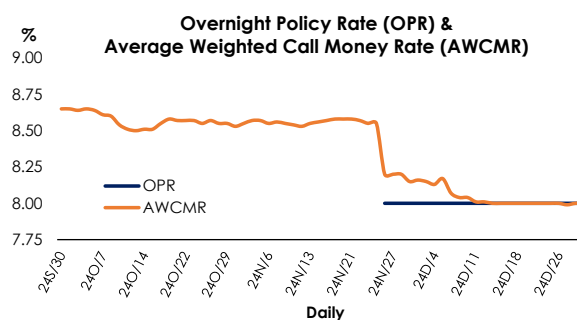
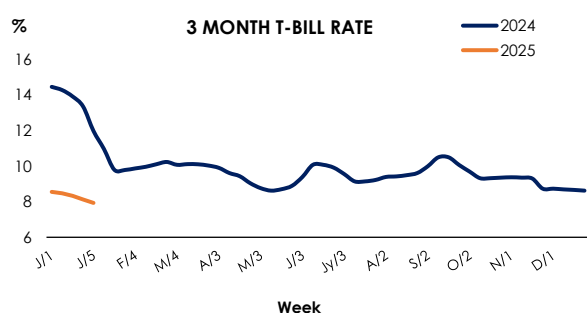
(c) Includes Rupee Securities and International Sovereign Bonds.

20. INTEREST RATES

Item	Unit	January		Y-o-Y Absolute Change (Basis Points)
		2024	2025	
Treasury Bills ^(a) (Last Week)				
	Yield			
91-Day	Per cent	11.97	7.93	(404)
182-Day		12.20	8.09	(411)
364-Day		12.00	8.47	(353)
Treasury Bonds ^(a)				
2-Year		13.83	-	-
3-Year		13.08	-	-
4-Year		14.21	10.42	(379)
5-Year		13.65	10.73	(292)
6-Year		14.22	11.23	(299)
10-Year		-	-	-
		2023 December	2024 December	
AWDR ^(b)	Per cent	11.64	7.53	(411)
AWFDR ^(c)	Per cent	14.88	9.27	(561)
AWNDR ^(d)	Per cent	11.06	6.52	(454)
AWNFDR ^(e)	Per cent	11.33	6.57	(476)
		2024 January	2025 January	
AWPR ^(f) (Last Week)	Per cent	11.91	8.56	(335)
Overnight Policy Rate (OPR)	Per cent	-	8.00	-
Call Money Rates (End Month)	Per cent	9.10-9.10	8.0-8.0	-
Standing Deposit Facility Rate	Per cent	9.00	7.50	(150)
Standing Lending Facility Rate	Per cent	10.00	8.50	(150)
		2023 December	2024 December	
AWLR ^(g)	Per cent	14.21	11.93	(228)
AWNLR ^(h)		14.38	10.77	(361)
		2023 December	2024 December	
Saving Rates	Per cent			
Commercial Banks		0.25-13.00	0.25-9.00	
National Savings Bank		3.00	3.00	
Fixed Deposit Rates	Per cent			
Commercial Banks (12 Months)		1.00-22.0	2.50-18.39	
National Savings Bank (12 Months)		8.00	7.00	
		2023 December	2024 December	
Long Term Lending Rates	Per cent			
State Mortgage & Investment Bank		9.50-21.00	9.00-20.00	
National Savings Bank		15.00-20.00	12.75-18.00	
National Housing Development Authority		12.00-14.00	12.00-16.00	

*Sources: Central Bank 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.



21. CREDIT CARDS

Credit Cards ^(a)	Unit	2023	2024	2024
		End December	End November	End December ^(b)
Total Number of Active Cards	Number	1,917,085	1,951,654	1,970,130
Local (accepted only locally)		10,768	9,862	9,772
Global (accepted globally)		1,906,317	1,941,792	1,960,358
Outstanding balance	Rs. Mn.	151,372.79	151,614.40	157,957.42
Local (accepted only locally)		35,838.46	33,501.27	34,847.40
Global (accepted globally)		115,534.33	118,113.13	123,110.02

(a) Issued by Licensed Commercial Banks (LCBs)

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(b) Provisional

22. COMMERCIAL PAPER ISSUES

Item	Unit	2023	2024	2024
		End December	End November	End December ^(a)
Commercial Paper Issues ^(b)	Rs. Mn.			
Total Issues ^(c)		1,250.00	2,250.00	3,125.00
Outstanding (at the end of the period)		650.00	875.00	875.00

(a) Provisional

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

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

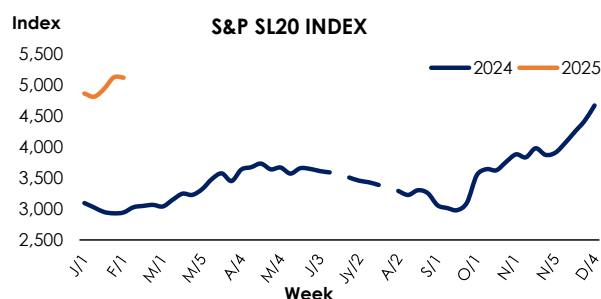
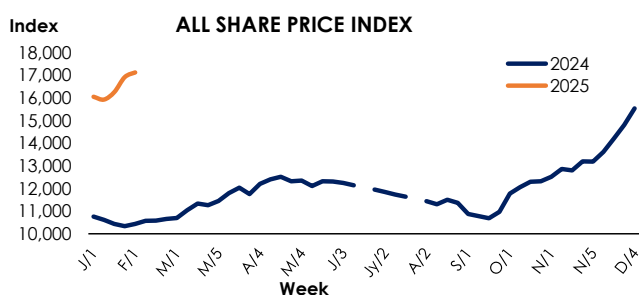
(c) Year-to-date total

23. SHARE MARKET

Item	Unit	End January		Y-o-Y Change (%)
		2024	2025	
All Share Price Index (ASPI)	1985=100	10,311.15	17,122.73	66.1
S&P Sri Lanka 20 (S&P SL20)	2004=1000	2,896.48	5,114.35	76.6
Market Capitalisation	Rs. Bn.	4,045.80	6,113.93	51.1
Non-national Transactions ^(a)				
Purchase	Rs. Mn.	1,564.10	5,233.06	234.6
Sales	Rs. Mn.	3,690.67	11,693.83	216.8
Net Purchases	Rs. Mn.	(2,126.58)	(6,460.77)	(203.8)

(a) Total for the month

Source: Colombo Stock Exchange



24. BANKING SECTOR

Item	Unit	2023	2024	Change (End December)	
		End December	End December ^(a)	Absolute	Percentage
Assets and Liabilities					
Assets					
Total Assets	Rs. Bn	20,394.4	22,175.7	1,781.2	8.7
Cash and Due From Banks	Rs. Bn	2,131.1	1,778.0	(353.1)	(16.6)
Investments	Rs. Bn	7,299.9	9,083.7	1,783.8	24.4
Net Loans and Receivables	Rs. Bn	10,063.4	10,494.4	431.0	4.3
Investment Properties	Rs. Bn	4.5	7.4	2.9	64.6
Property, Plant and Equipment	Rs. Bn	214.9	229.5	14.6	6.8
Other Assets	Rs. Bn	680.6	582.7	(97.9)	(14.4)
Liabilities					
Deposits	Rs. Bn	16,630.5	17,969.4	1,338.9	8.1
Borrowings	Rs. Bn	1,397.4	1,280.0	(117.4)	(8.4)
Other Liabilities	Rs. Bn	601.1	883.1	282.1	46.9
Equity Capital & Reserves	Rs. Bn	1,765.5	2,043.2	277.7	15.7
Income & Expenses					
Net Interest Income	Rs. Bn	714.6	912.1	197.5	27.6
Non-interest Income	Rs. Bn	207.4	182.2	(25.2)	(12.1)
Operating Expenses	Rs. Bn	373.4	444.0	70.6	18.9
Impairment for Loans & Other Losses	Rs. Bn	171.6	(67.4)	(239.0)	(139.3)
Profit Before Corporate Taxes	Rs. Bn	291.1	562.3	271.2	93.2
Profits After Corporate Tax	Rs. Bn	192.6	309.3	116.7	60.6
Soundness Indicators					
Asset Quality (%)					
Stage 3 Loans to Total Loans Ratio (Including Undrawn Amounts and Net of Stage 3 Impairment)	%	12.8	12.3		(0.5)
Stage 3 Loans to Total Loans Ratio (Excluding Undrawn Amounts)	%	12.8	12.1		(0.7)
Stage 3 Impairment Coverage (Including Undrawn Amounts)	%	49.0	54.1		5.1
Total Impairment Coverage (Including Undrawn Amounts)	%	8.6	8.5		(0.2)
Profitability (%)					
Return on Equity – after tax	%	11.5	16.6		5.1
Return on Assets – before tax	%	1.5	2.7		1.2
Efficiency (operating cost) Ratio	%	40.5	40.6		0.1
Net Interest Income to Average Assets (Net Interest Margin)	%	3.7	4.4		0.7
Liquidity (%)					
Liquid Assets to Total Assets	%	32.2	38.6		6.4
Liquidity Coverage Ratio – LKR	%	340.9	349.9		9.1
Liquidity Coverage Ratio – All Currency	%	288.4	313.8		25.4
Net Stable Funding Ratio	%	158.4	164.8		6.5
Credit to Total Deposits	%	66.3	63.9		(2.4)
Capital Adequacy (%)					
Capital Adequacy Ratio	%	18.4	18.4		0.0
Tier 1 Capital Ratio	%	15.2	14.9		(0.3)
Common Equity Tier 1 Ratio	%	14.9	14.6		(0.3)

(a) Provisional

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

25. FINANCE COMPANIES SECTOR

Item	Unit	2023	2024	Change (End December)	
		End December	End December ^(a)	Absolute	Percentage
Assets and Liabilities					
Assets	Rs. Bn	1,695.5	1,930.7	235.2	13.9
Cash and Cash Equivalents	Rs. Bn	43.4	35.6	-7.8	-17.9
Loans	Rs. Bn	1,164.8	1,430.2	265.4	22.8
Investments	Rs. Bn	385.7	352.2	-33.5	-8.7
Other Assets	Rs. Bn	101.6	112.6	11.1	10.9
Liabilities	Rs. Bn	1,283.5	1,461.4	177.8	13.9
Deposits	Rs. Bn	935.1	1,056.4	121.4	13.0
Borrowings	Rs. Bn	264.8	305.4	40.5	15.3
Other Liabilities	Rs. Bn	83.6	99.5	15.9	19.1
Equity	Rs. Bn	412.0	469.4	57.4	13.9
Income & Expenses (9 months ending December)					
Net Interest Income	Rs. Bn	118.8	145.2	26.4	22.2
Non Interest Income	Rs. Bn	25.3	24.9	-0.3	-1.4
Impairment	Rs. Bn	10.2	5.2	-4.9	-48.6
Operating Expenses	Rs. Bn	72.7	85.3	12.6	17.4
Share of Profit/Loss of Associates and Joint Ventures	Rs. Bn	0.1	0.1	0.0	19.8
Profit/Loss for the Period (Before VAT and Income Tax)	Rs. Bn	61.4	79.7	18.3	29.9
Profit/Loss the Period (After VAT and Income Tax)	Rs. Bn	34.9	43.1	8.2	23.6
Soundness Indicators					
Asset Quality					
Gross Non Performing Loans (Stage 03 Loans) to Total Loans	%	18.0	11.3		-6.7
Net Non Performing Loans (Stage 03 Loans net of Stage 03 Impairment) to Total Loans	%	12.1	6.6		-5.5
Stage 03 Impairment Coverage Ratio (Stage 03 Impairment to Stage 03 Loans)	%	32.6	41.9		9.3
Profitability					
Return on Assets (ROA) (Annualized)	%	5.0	5.9		0.9
Return on Equity (ROE) (Annualized)	%	12.0	13.0		1.0
Net Interest Margin (NIM) (Net Interest Income to Average Assets) (Annualized)	%	9.7	10.7		1.0
Liquidity					
Liquid Assets to Total Assets	%	15.0	11.4		-3.6
Liquid Assets to External Funds (Total Deposits and Borrowings)	%	21.2	16.2		-5.0
Excess/Deficit in Liquid Assets to Required Liquid Assets	%	146.6	90.7		-55.8
Liquid Assets to Short Term Liabilities (less than 03 Months)	%	68.6	48.7		-19.9
Capital Adequacy					
TIER 1 Capital after Adjustments to Risk Weighted Assets (Core Capital Ratio)	%	21.1	20.4		-0.7
Total Capital to Risk Weighted Assets (Total Capital Ratio)	%	22.3	21.2		-1.1
TIER 1 Capital after Adjustments to Assets (Leverage Ratio)	%	18.4	17.8		-0.6
Net Non Performing Loans to TIER 1 Capital after Adjustments	%	49.0	29.1		-19.9

(a) Provisional

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

26. EXTERNAL TRADE

Item	Unit	2023	2024 ^(a)	Y-o-Y Change (%)
Exports	Rs. Mn.			
December		327,317	321,364	(1.8)
January - December		3,899,427	3,857,195	(1.1)
Imports				
December		486,381	561,332	15.4
January - December		5,492,606	5,685,531	3.5
Trade Balance				
December		(159,063)	(239,968)	
January - December		(1,593,179)	(1,828,336)	
Exports	US \$ Mn.			
December		1,002	1,102	10.0
January - December		11,911	12,772	7.2
Imports				
December		1,489	1,924	29.3
January - December		16,811	18,841	12.1
Trade Balance				
December		(487)	(823)	
January - December		(4,900)	(6,069)	

(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
Central Bank of Sri Lanka

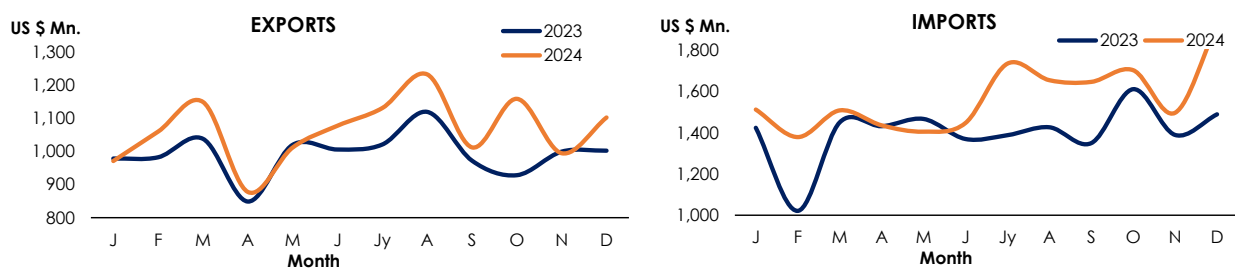
TRADE INDICES ^(a) (2010 = 100)

Item	December	
	2023	2024 ^(b)
Total Exports		
Value	139.4	153.3
Quantity	167.0	196.8
Unit Value	83.5	77.9
Total Imports		
Value	133.2	172.2
Quantity	141.2	183.1
Unit Value	94.3	94.1
Terms of Trade	88.5	82.8

(a) In US\$ Terms

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(b) Provisional



EXTERNAL TRADE - COMPOSITION OF IMPORTS

Item	Unit	2023	2024 ^(a)	Y-o-Y Change (%)
Major Imports				
Consumer Goods - Total	Rs. Mn.			
December		89,128	115,971	30.1
January - December		993,212	1,045,135	5.2
Food and Beverages				
December		49,667	70,745	42.4
January - December		551,669	577,196	4.6
Vegetables				
December		10,472	14,185	35.5
January - December		116,581	134,539	15.4
Sugar				
December		14,736	12,672	(14.0)
January - December		142,301	117,351	(17.5)
Dairy Products				
December		5,523	8,829	59.9
January - December		88,624	72,185	(18.5)
Other Food and Beverages				
December		18,936	35,059	85.1
January - December		204,163	253,121	24.0
Non-food Consumer Goods				
December		39,462	45,227	14.6
January - December		441,543	467,938	6.0
Personal Vehicles				
December		1,017	1,035	1.7
January - December		9,132	20,042	119.5
Medical and Pharmaceuticals				
December		15,250	17,632	15.6
January - December		217,786	173,740	(20.2)
Other Non Food Consumables				
December		23,194	26,560	14.5
January - December		214,625	274,156	27.7
Intermediate Goods - Total				
December		309,864	328,097	5.9
January - December		3,598,166	3,596,591	(0.0)
Fuel				
December		135,325	126,587	(6.5)
January - December		1,539,240	1,316,260	(14.5)
Textile and Textile Articles				
December		59,853	73,679	23.1
January - December		776,225	859,502	10.7
Diamonds, Precious Stones and Metals				
December		10,020	4,870	(51.4)
January - December		87,704	65,556	(25.3)
Wheat				
December		3,689	8,813	138.9
January - December		89,014	88,336	(0.8)
Other Intermediate Goods				
December		100,977	114,147	13.0
January - December		1,105,983	1,266,937	14.6
Investment Goods - Total				
December		87,274	115,684	32.6
January - December		896,096	1,039,914	16.0
Machinery and Equipment				
December		57,138	84,689	48.2
January - December		609,770	712,397	16.8
Other Investment Goods				
December		30,136	30,995	2.9
January - December		286,325	327,517	14.4
Total Imports ^(b)				
December		486,381	561,332	15.4
January - December		5,492,606	5,685,531	3.5

(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 Contd...)

Item	Unit	2023	2024 ^(a)	Y-o-Y Change (%)
Major Imports				
Consumer Goods - Total	US \$ Mn.			
December		272.8	397.6	45.8
January - December		3,043.9	3,465.7	13.9
Food and Beverages				
December		152.0	242.5	59.6
January - December		1,693.0	1,914.3	13.1
Vegetables				
December		32.1	48.6	51.7
January - December		358.6	446.0	24.4
Sugar				
December		45.1	43.4	(3.7)
January - December		434.8	388.6	(10.6)
Dairy Products				
December		16.9	30.3	79.1
January - December		273.7	239.7	(12.4)
Other Food and Beverages				
December		58.0	120.2	107.4
January - December		626.0	840.0	34.2
Non-food Consumer Goods				
December		120.8	155.1	28.4
January - December		1,350.9	1,551.4	14.8
Personal Vehicles				
December		3.1	3.5	14.0
January - December		27.7	66.2	139.2
Medical and Pharmaceuticals				
December		46.7	60.5	29.5
January - December		667.0	575.6	(13.7)
Other Non Food Consumables				
December		71.0	91.1	28.3
January - December		656.3	909.6	38.6
Intermediate Goods - Total				
December		948.3	1,124.9	18.6
January - December		11,006.6	11,914.5	8.2
Fuel				
December		414.2	434.0	4.8
January - December		4,702.6	4,354.4	(7.4)
Textile and Textile Articles				
December		183.2	252.6	37.9
January - December		2,371.2	2,847.1	20.1
Diamonds, Precious Stones and Metals				
December		30.7	16.7	(45.6)
January - December		268.4	216.9	(19.2)
Wheat				
December		11.3	30.2	167.6
January - December		274.8	295.1	7.4
Other Intermediate Goods				
December		309.0	391.3	26.6
January - December		3,389.5	4,201.0	23.9
Investment Goods - Total				
December		267.1	396.6	48.5
January - December		2,744.6	3,448.2	25.6
Machinery and Equipment				
December		174.9	290.3	66.0
January - December		1,867.6	2,363.1	26.5
Other Investment Goods				
December		92.2	106.3	15.2
January - December		876.9	1,085.1	23.7
Total Imports ^(b)				
December		1,488.6	1,924.5	29.3
January - December		16,811.1	18,841.4	12.1

(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	2023	2024 ^(a)	Y-o-Y Change (%)
Major Exports				
Tea	Rs. Mn.			
December		36,308	38,386	5.7
January - December		428,292	433,473	1.2
Rubber				
December		486	697	43.4
January - December		9,288	7,832	(15.7)
Coconut				
December		7,569	10,486	38.5
January - December		109,864	125,602	14.3
Spices				
December		10,216	13,632	33.4
January - December		128,917	136,812	6.1
Minor Agricultural Products				
December		3,055	3,909	28.0
January - December		58,453	46,592	(20.3)
Textile and Garments				
December		143,735	130,550	(9.2)
January - December		1,598,979	1,528,517	(4.4)
Gems Diamonds and Jewellery				
December		8,002	4,772	(40.4)
January - December		163,605	115,881	(29.2)
Rubber Products				
December		25,528	22,853	(10.5)
January - December		295,482	294,916	(0.2)
Petroleum Products				
December		19,958	25,639	28.5
January - December		177,014	321,224	81.5
Mineral Exports				
December		640	455	(29.0)
January - December		12,680	7,412	(41.5)
Other Exports				
December		71,820	69,985	(2.6)
January - December		916,853	838,933	(8.5)
Total Exports ^(b)				
December		327,317	321,364	(1.8)
January - December		3,899,427	3,857,195	(1.1)
Major Exports				
Tea	US \$ Mn.			
December		111.1	131.6	18.4
January - December		1,309.9	1,435.9	9.6
Rubber				
December		1.5	2.4	60.6
January - December		28.0	26.0	(7.4)
Coconut				
December		23.2	36.0	55.2
January - December		336.8	416.5	23.7
Spices				
December		31.3	46.7	49.5
January - December		392.9	454.7	15.7
Minor Agricultural Products				
December		9.4	13.4	43.3
January - December		180.9	154.2	(14.8)
Textile and Garments				
December		439.9	447.6	1.7
January - December		4,878.9	5,061.0	3.7
Gems Diamonds and Jewellery				
December		24.5	16.4	(33.2)
January - December		500.0	381.9	(23.6)
Rubber Products				
December		78.1	78.3	0.3
January - December		902.2	975.6	8.1
Petroleum Products				
December		61.1	87.9	43.9
January - December		539.4	1,063.5	97.2
Mineral Exports				
December		2.0	1.6	(20.5)
January - December		38.5	24.5	(36.2)
Other Exports				
December		219.8	239.9	9.2
January - December		2,803.3	2,778.3	(0.9)
Total Exports ^(b)				
December		1,001.8	1,101.8	10.0
January - December		11,910.7	12,772.0	7.2

(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

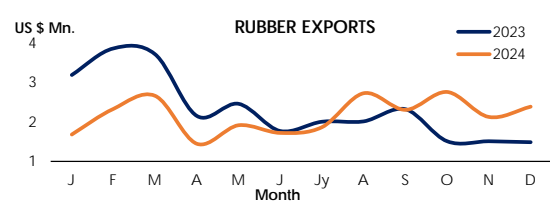
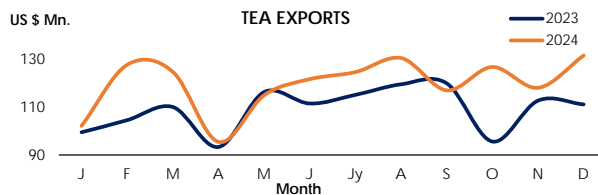
EXTERNAL TRADE - MAJOR EXPORTS & IMPORTS (VOLUMES AND PRICES)

Item	Unit	December		
		2023	2024 ^(a)	Y-o-Y Change (%)
Export Volume				
Tea	Mn. Kg	20.8	22.6	8.7
Rubber	Mn. Kg	0.5	0.7	31.4
Coconut	Mn. Nuts	56.5	54.7	(3.1)
Export Prices				
Tea	Rs./ kg	1,749.40	1,701.05	(2.8)
	US \$/ kg	5.35	5.83	8.9
Rubber	Rs./ kg	911.68	995.06	9.1
	US \$/ kg	2.79	3.41	22.3
Coconut	Rs./ Nut	73.85	102.09	38.2
	US \$/ Nut	0.23	0.35	54.9
Average Gross Price				
Tea	Rs./ kg	1,196.50	1,200.09	0.3
Rubber	Rs./ kg	793.33	760.00	(4.2)
Coconut ^(b)	Rs./ Nut	70.60	-	-
Quantity Sold				
Tea	Mn. Kg	13.0	14.7	12.9
Import Volumes				
Rice	MT '000	0.9	82.7	8,838.6
Wheat & Maize	MT '000	65.6	196.3	199.2
Sugar	MT '000	57.2	70.1	22.5
Crude Oil	Barrels '000	1,458.17	1,469.38	0.8
Import Prices (Average)				
Rice	Rs./MT	369,721.54	160,610.58	(56.6)
	US\$/MT	1,131.54	550.64	(51.3)
Wheat and Maize	Rs./MT	99,354.77	86,599.04	(12.8)
	US\$/MT	304.08	296.90	(2.4)
Sugar	Rs./MT	257,674.95	180,856.85	(29.8)
	US\$/MT	788.62	620.05	(21.4)
Crude Oil	Rs./Barrel	31,895.17	22,604.70	(29.1)
	US\$/Barrel	97.62	77.50	(20.6)

(a) Provisional

(b) Auctions were not held in December 2024.

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



27. TOURISM

Item	Unit	2024	2025 ^(a)	Y-o-Y Change
Tourist Arrivals				
January	Number	208,253	252,761	21.4
Earnings from Tourism				
January	US\$ Mn.	342	401 ^(b)	17.2
January	Rs. Mn.	109,773	118,669 ^(b)	8.1
Workers' Remittances (Inflows)				
January	US\$ Mn.	488	573	17.5

(a) Provisional

(b) Based on the survey conducted by the Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority in 2025

Sources: Central Bank of Sri Lanka
Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority

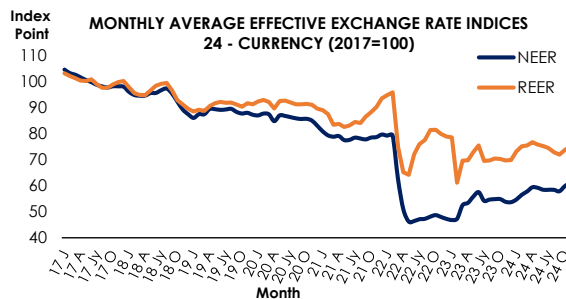
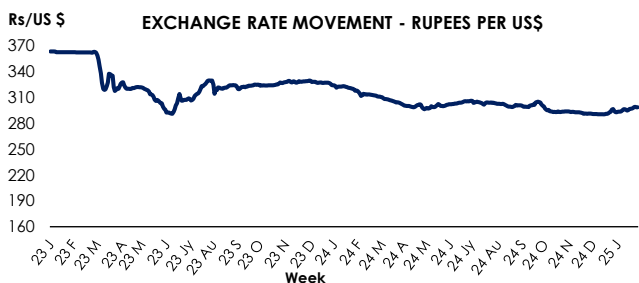
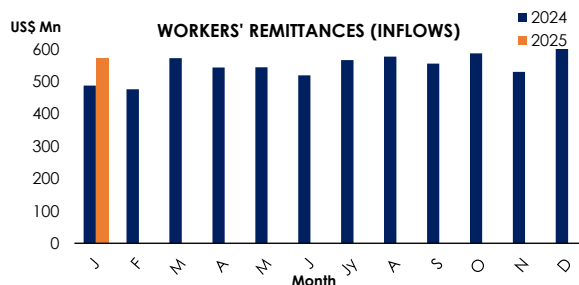
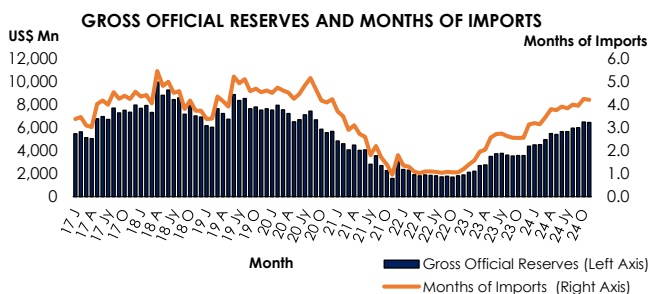
28. INTERNATIONAL FINANCE

Item	Unit	2023	2024	2024	2024
		December	October	November	December
External Assets ^(a)					
Gross Official Reserves (GOR) ^(b)	US\$ Mn.	4,392	6,472	6,451	6,122
	Rs. Mn.	1,422,802	1,900,994	1,876,734	1,791,191
Reserve Adequacy of GOR	Months of Imports	3.1	4.2	4.2	3.9
Total Reserves (TR)	US\$ Mn.	9,373	11,625	11,560	11,230
	Rs. Mn.	3,036,261	3,414,463	3,363,070	3,285,710
Reserve Adequacy of TR	Months of Imports	6.7	7.6	7.5	7.2
Exchange Rates (Period Avg.)		2024 January		2025 January	
	Rs./USD	321.1706		296.1796	
	Rs./GBP	408.0637		366.5726	
	Rs./INR	3.8632		3.4353	
	Rs./JPY	2.2043		1.8933	
	Rs./EUR	350.6517		306.9170	
	Rs./SDR	428.4116		385.6691	
Forward Exchange Rates ^(c)		Rs. / USD		2025 January	
One month				298.20	
Three months				298.85	
Six months				-	

Indices of Nominal Effective Exchange Rate (NEER) and Real Effective Exchange Rate (REER) - 24 Currency Basket (Period Avg.)		
	2023 December	2024 December
NEER (2017 = 100) ^(d)	53.65	61.50
REER (2017 = 100) ^(e)	70.23	76.46

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) This includes proceeds from the PBOC swap arrangement, which is subject to conditionalities on usability
- (c) Average for the last five working days of the month of January based on actual transactions.
- (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 2024 are provisional.



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

US \$ Mn

CURRENT AND CAPITAL ACCOUNT	2023 (Jan-Sep) ^(b)			2024 (Jan-Sep) ^(b)			2022 ^(c)			2023 ^(b)		
	Credit	Debit	Net	Credit	Debit	Net	Credit	Debit	Net	Credit	Debit	Net
Goods and services	12,936	13,791	(855)	14,623	16,037	(1,414)	16,169	19,244	(3,075)	17,327	18,823	(1,496)
Goods^(d)	8,982	12,323	(3,341)	9,518	13,718	(4,200)	13,106	18,291	(5,185)	11,911	16,811	(4,900)
General merchandise	8,982	12,319	(3,337)	9,518	13,714	(4,196)	13,106	18,289	(5,183)	11,911	16,807	(4,896)
Non-monetary gold	-	4	(4)	-	4	(4)	-	2	(2)	-	5	(5)
Services	3,954	1,468	2,486	5,105	2,319	2,786	3,062	953	2,110	5,416	2,012	3,404
Manufacturing services	13	149	(136)	25	176	(151)	-	-	-	17	194	(177)
Maintenance and repair services n.i.e	32	7	25	50	11	38	-	-	-	45	8	37
Transport	1,147	527	621	1,300	689	611	676	333	343	1,550	732	818
Sea Transport	580	193	387	821	274	547	410	137	272	813	286	528
Passenger	0.1	2	(2)	1	1	0.3	-	-	-	0.1	3	(3)
Freight	299	166	133	510	257	254	410	137	272	432	252	180
Other	281	24	256	310	16	293	-	-	-	381	31	350
Air transport	567	330	238	478	411	67	266	195	71	736	440	296
Passenger	232	191	41	212	213	(0.4)	221	180	41	304	241	63
Freight	65	57	8	39	106	(68)	46	15	30	81	78	3
Other	270	82	188	227	92	135	-	-	-	351	120	230
Postal and courier services	0.2	4	(4)	0.6	4	(3)	-	-	-	0.5	6	(6)
Travel ^(e)	1,457	109	1,347	2,348	535	1,813	1,136	244	893	2,068	152	1,916
Construction	274	78	196	169	109	60	9	11	(2)	355	111	244
Insurance and pension services	27	38	(11)	19	46	(28)	19	36	(18)	35	51	(16)
Financial services	45	38	7	45	50	(5)	92	96	(5)	64	57	7
Charges for the use of intellectual property	9	59	(50)	5	105	(100)	-	-	-	15	94	(79)
Telecommunication, computer and information services	693	194	499	730	181	549	1,097	161	936	917	251	666
Telecommunication services	100	38	62	94	42	52	31	28	3	122	53	69
Computer services	593	156	438	636	139	498	1,066	133	933	795	198	597
Other business services	226	255	(29)	369	405	(36)	15	16	(1)	310	344	(33)
Personal, cultural and recreational services	26	8	18	14	9	5	-	-	-	35	11	24
Government goods and services n.i.e.	4	6	(2)	31	2	29	18	56	(38)	7	7	(1)
Primary Income	337	2,234	(1,897)	427	2,259	(1,832)	266	2,136	(1,870)	463	3,027	(2,564)
Compensation of employees	42	24	17	91	15	76	30	69	(39)	53	30	23
Investment Income	295	2,210	(1,915)	337	2,244	(1,907)	237	2,068	(1,831)	410	2,997	(2,587)
Direct Investment	10	544	(534)	47	570	(523)	15	549	(534)	12	888	(876)
Dividends	5	417	(412)	42	472	(430)	12	385	(374)	6	621	(615)
Re-invested earnings	5	128	(122)	5	98	(93)	3	164	(161)	6	267	(261)
Portfolio Investment	-	644	(644)	-	623	(623)	-	778	(778)	-	866	(866)
Equity	-	80	(80)	-	16	(16)	-	17	(17)	-	86	(86)
Interest	-	564	(564)	-	607	(607)	-	761	(761)	-	780	(780)
short-term	-	7	(7)	-	25	(25)	-	1	(1)	-	20	(20)
long-term	-	557	(557)	-	582	(582)	-	761	(761)	-	760	(760)
Other Investment	251	1,022	(770)	204	1,051	(847)	217	741	(523)	349	1,243	(894)
Reserve assets	34	-	34	87	-	87	5	-	5	49	-	49
Secondary Income	4,364	289	4,074	4,851	117	4,733	3,793	296	3,496	5,989	371	5,619
General Government ^(f)	19	-	19	7	-	7	3	-	3	20	-	20
Personal transfers	4,345	289	4,056	4,844	117	4,726	3,789	296	3,493	5,970	371	5,599
of which, worker's remittances	4,345	-	-	4,844	-	-	3,789	-	-	5,970	-	-
Current Account	17,636	16,315	1,322	19,901	18,413	1,488	20,228	21,677	(1,448)	23,780	22,221	1,559
Capital Account	77	22	55	60	21	38	38	19	19	94	31	63
Capital Transfers	77	22	55	60	21	38	38	19	19	94	31	63
General Government ^(g)	35	-	35	13	-	13	6	-	6	36	-	36
Private Capital Transfers	42	22	20	47	21	26	32	19	13	57	31	27
Current Account + Capital Account	17,713	16,337	1,376	19,961	18,435	1,526	20,266	21,695	(1,429)	23,873	22,251	1,622

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(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)

(b) Provisional

(c) Revised

(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..)

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FINANCIAL ACCOUNT	2023 (Jan-Sep) ^(b)		2024 (Jan-Sep) ^(b)		2022 ^(c)		2023 ^(b)	
	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	1,764	2,911	1,102	2,136	1,652	84	2,171	3,474
Direct Investments	461	25	560	22	884	15	712	34
Equity and investment fund shares	251	22	436	18	275	11	496	29
Equity other than reinvestment of earnings	124	17	338	14	111	7	228	22
Direct investor in direct investment enterprise ^(h)	124	17	338	14	111	7	228	22
- BOI companies	122	-	96	-	72	-	146	-
- CSE Companies (not registered with BOI)	2	-	242	-	31	-	10	-
- Other companies	-	-	-	-	8	-	72	-
Reinvestment of earnings	128	5	98	5	164	3	267	7
- BOI companies	110	-	75	-	153	-	179	-
- CSE Companies (not registered with BOI)	17	-	23	-	(39)	-	38	-
- Other companies	-	-	-	-	50	-	50	-
Debt Instruments	210	3	124	3	610	5	216	5
Direct investor in direct investment enterprise ^(h)	210	3	124	3	610	5	216	5
- BOI companies	210	-	124	-	568	-	364	-
Shareholder Advance	156	-	68	-	204	-	285	-
Intra Company Borrowings	54	-	56	-	365	-	79	-
Debt Repayments	-	-	-	-	(0.1)	-	-	-
- CSE Companies (not registered with BOI)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- Other companies	-	-	-	-	41	-	(148)	-
Portfolio Investments	886	0.0002	330	356	370	-	931	173
Equity and investment fund shares	9	-	11	-	151	-	8	-
- CSE Companies (not registered with BOI)	9	-	11	-	151	-	8	-
Debt securities	877	0.0002	319	356	218	-	923	173
Deposit taking corporations, other than the Central Bank	-	0.0002	-	356	-	-	-	173
Long term	-	0.0002	-	356	-	-	-	173
General Government	870	-	313	-	212	-	910	-
Short-term (Treasury Bills)	297	-	(236)	-	30	-	132	-
Long-term	574	-	550	-	183	-	778	-
Treasury Bonds	38	-	(20)	-	21	-	78	-
SLDBs	(4)	-	-	-	2	-	(27)	-
Sovereign Bonds	540	-	570	-	159	-	727	-
Other Sectors	6	-	6	-	6	-	12	-
Long-term	6	-	6	-	6	-	12	-
Financial Derivatives	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Investment	417	1,234	212	66	398	1,302	528	1,022
Currency & deposits	11	344	(445)	(281)	(583)	514	(143)	114
Central Bank	(200)	-	(675)	-	402	-	(350)	-
Short term	0.2	-	(0.2)	-	(1)	-	0.1	-
Long term	(191)	-	(675)	-	403	-	(341)	-
Deposit taking corporations, other than the Central Bank	(200)	-	(675)	-	400	-	(350)	-
Short-term	9	-	-	-	3	-	9	-
Long-term	211	344	230	(281)	(985)	514	207	114
International swaps	211	(162)	230	(269)	(985)	605	207	(472)
Accrued Interest on International Swaps	-	505	-	(12)	-	(91)	-	586
General Government	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other sectors	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loans	600	-	731	-	385	-	1,056	-
Central Bank	(93)	-	(118)	-	(140)	-	(172)	-
Credit and loans with the IMF	(93)	-	(118)	-	(140)	-	(172)	-
Deposit taking corporations, except the Central Bank	(601)	-	(173)	-	(1,163)	-	(644)	-
Short-term	(420)	-	(45)	-	(824)	-	(397)	-
Long-term	(181)	-	(128)	-	(337)	-	(248)	-
General Government	1,178	-	1,230	-	1,679	-	1,845	-
Short-term	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Long-term	1,178	-	1,230	-	1,679	-	1,845	-
Credit and loans with the IMF	341	-	335	-	-	-	681	-
Disbursements	1,157	-	924	-	2,391	-	1,822	-
Accrued Interest	320	-	384	-	133	-	384	-
Repayments	(640)	-	(412)	-	(845)	-	(1,041)	-
Other sectors ⁽ⁱ⁾	117	-	(208)	-	9	-	27	-
Long term	117	-	(208)	-	9	-	27	-
Disbursements	287	-	268	-	332	-	331	-
Accrued Interest	-	-	-	-	16	-	-	-
Repayments	(170)	-	(475)	-	(339)	-	(304)	-
Trade credits and advances	(365)	33	(73)	179	(895)	282	(555)	186
Deposit taking corporations, except the Central Bank	-	(7)	-	36	-	(27)	-	(4)
Short term	-	(7)	-	36	-	(27)	-	(4)
Other sectors ^(j)	(365)	40	(73)	143	(895)	310	(555)	190
Short term	(365)	40	(73)	143	(895)	310	(555)	190
Other accounts receivable/payable	171	857	-	167	1,492	506	171	721
Central Bank	171	-	-	-	1,492	-	171	-
Short term ^(k)	171	-	-	-	1,492	-	171	-
Deposit taking corporations, except the Central Bank	-	857	-	167	-	506	-	721
Short term	-	857	-	167	-	506	-	721
Special Drawing Rights	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reserve Assets	-	1,652	-	1,692	-	(1,234)	-	2,245
Monetary gold	-	-	-	-	-	(152)	-	-
Special drawing rights	-	4	-	(34)	-	(118)	-	33
Reserve position in the IMF	-	-	-	-	-	(58)	-	-
Other reserve assets	-	1,648	-	1,726	-	(906)	-	2,212
Currency and deposits	-	1,393	-	60	-	(895)	-	1,802
Claims on monetary authorities	-	144	-	14	-	(526)	-	(383)
Claims on other entities	-	1,249	-	46	-	(369)	-	2,185
Securities	-	248	-	1,652	-	(11)	-	422
Debt securities	-	248	-	1,652	-	(11)	-	422
Long term	-	248	-	1,652	-	(11)	-	422
Other claims	-	6	-	14	-	(0.3)	-	(11)
FINANCIAL ACCOUNT (NET) (Assets - Liabilities)	-	1,147	-	1,033	-	(1,569)	-	1,304
Errors and Omissions	-	(229)	-	(493)	-	(139)	-	(318)

(h) Include Direct Investment to BOI, CSE and other private companies.

(i) Include State Owned Business Enterprises (SOBEs) and private sector companies.

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

(k) Net transactions of ACU liabilities