

MONTHLY ECONOMIC INDICATORS



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SUMMARY OF SELECTED ECONOMIC INDICATORS

April 2026

Item	Period	Unit	2024 ^(a)	2025 ^(b)	Y-o-Y Change
Real Sector					
Gross Domestic Products (GDP)	4 th Quarter	Rs. Mn	3,256,900	3,414,142	
GDP Growth	4 th Quarter	%	5.5	4.8	
			2025^(b)	2026^(b)	
Tea	March	Mn. kg	24.8	20.9	(15.7)
Rubber	March	Mn. kg	6.0	5.3	(11.0)
			2024^(b)	2025^(b)	
Coconut	December	Mn. Nuts	170.1	254.5	49.6
			2025^(a)	2026^(b)	
Marine Fish Production	March	Mn. kg	30.3	24.0	(20.8)
			2023/2024	2024/2025	
Paddy	Maha ^(c)	Mn. kg	2,722.0	2,745.3	0.9
	Yala ^(d)	Mn. kg	1,976.5	2,308.4	16.8
			2025^(a)	2026^(b)	
Index of Industrial Production	March	2015 = 100	103.8	106.9	3.0
Electricity Generation	February	GWh	1,309	1,392	6.4
NCPI (Year-On-Year % Change)	April	2021 = 100	(0.8)	4.7	
CCPI (Year-On-Year % Change)	April	2021 = 100	(2.0)	5.4	
Fiscal Sector					
			2025	2026^(b)	
Revenue and Grants	January - February	Rs. Mn.	760,875	1,031,160	35.5
Recurrent Expenditure	January - February	Rs. Mn.	791,337	802,913	1.5
Monetary Sector					
			2025	2026^(b)	
Money Supply					
Narrow Money M ₁	End March	Rs. Mn.	2,039.9	2,413.5	18.3
Broad Money M ₂	End March	Rs. Mn.	13,040.9	14,639.8	12.3
Consolidated Broad Money (M _{2b}) ^(e)	End March	Rs. Mn.	14,777.7	16,585.7	12.2
Broad Money M ₄	End March	Rs. Mn.	17,769.5	19,864.6	11.8
Share Market					
ASPI	End April	1985 = 100	15,799.94	22,549.53	42.7
S&P SL20	End April	2004 = 1000	4,643.66	6,207.56	33.7
Market Capitalisation	End April	Rs. Bn.	5,666.75	8,174.62	44.3
External Sector					
			2025	2026^(b)	
External Trade					
Exports	March	US\$ Mn.	1,242	1,254	1.0
Imports	March	US\$ Mn.	1,637	2,134	30.3
Balance of Trade	March	US\$ Mn.	(396)	(880)	
Balance of Payments			2024	2025^(b)	
Trade Account	January - December	US\$ Mn.	(2,635)	(4,191)	(59.1)
Current Account	January - December	US\$ Mn.	1,207	1,719	42.4
Current & Capital Accounts	January - December	US\$ Mn.	1,219	1,712	40.5
Financial Account (net)	January - December	US\$ Mn.	965	904	(6.3)
			2026	2026	2026
			End	End	End
			January	February	March
Total Reserves ^(f)		US\$ Mn.	12,408	12,970	12,900

(a) Revised

(b) Provisional

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

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

(e) Inclusive of Offshore Banking Units

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

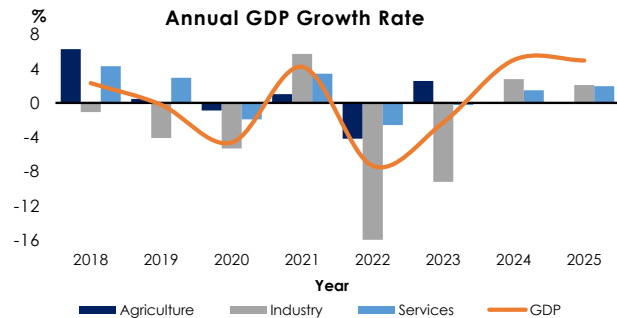
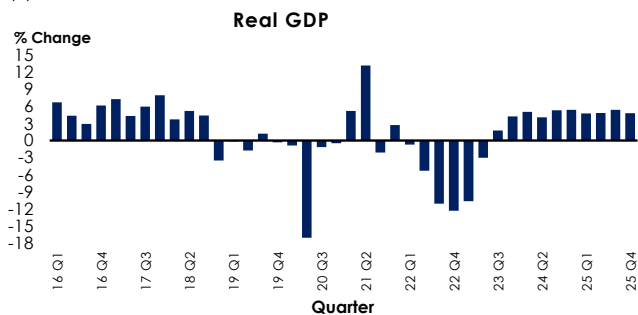
Economic Activity	4 th Quarter ^(a)					
	Rs. Mn		Growth (%)		Contribution to Growth (%)	
	2024 ^(b)	2025	24/23 ^(b)	25/24	2024 ^(b)	2025
Agriculture	233,846	238,854	(2.8)	2.1	(0.2)	0.2
Industry	780,306	837,540	13.1	7.3	2.9	1.8
Services	2,003,651	2,065,067	2.8	3.1	1.8	1.9
Taxes less subsidies on products	239,097	272,681	15.5	14.0	1.0	1.0
GDP	3,256,900	3,414,142	5.5	4.8	5.5	4.8

Economic Activity	Annual ^(a)					
	Rs. Mn		Growth (%)		Contribution to Growth (%)	
	2024 ^(b)	2025	24/23 ^(b)	25/24	2024 ^(b)	2025
Agriculture	916,971	929,668	0.6	1.4	0.0	0.1
Industry	3,337,231	3,597,326	11.1	7.8	2.8	2.1
Services	7,431,130	7,676,443	2.4	3.3	1.5	2.0
Taxes less subsidies on products	823,623	925,140	10.9	12.3	0.7	0.8
GDP	12,508,954	13,128,577	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0

(a) Provisional

Source: Department of Census and Statistics

(b) Revised



2. BUSINESS OUTLOOK SURVEY ^(a)

Business Sentiment Index (BSI)	2023			2024				2025				2026	
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	
Business Condition													
Realised	74	81	93	99	102	108	128	118	130	130	125	-	
Expectation ^(b)	(74)	(84)	(89)	(80)	(102)	(107)	(118)	(123)	(117)	(138)	(132)	(118)	
Profitability													
Realised	94	98	111	124	123	116	119	120	138	128	126	-	
Expectation ^(b)	(98)	(108)	(105)	(101)	(120)	(129)	(123)	(136)	(128)	(152)	(133)	(128)	
Skilled Labour Availability													
Realised	70	88	85	85	88	85	101	82	89	89	79	-	
Expectation ^(b)	(77)	(72)	(86)	(83)	(90)	(97)	(91)	(105)	(83)	(97)	(92)	(84)	
Demand													
Realised	108	108	137	132	120	136	132	133	143	140	152	-	
Expectation ^(b)	(123)	(131)	(138)	(128)	(133)	(151)	(137)	(132)	(141)	(160)	(142)	(138)	
Sales Value													
Realised	114	107	128	141	124	138	126	132	138	145	149	-	
Expectation ^(b)	(131)	(131)	(137)	(127)	(137)	(148)	(137)	(136)	(136)	(136)	(146)	(145)	
Capacity Utilization													
Realised	103	114	125	125	124	122	127	133	137	135	142	-	
Expectation ^(b)	(110)	(108)	(119)	(127)	(124)	(137)	(130)	(127)	(136)	(152)	(137)	(140)	

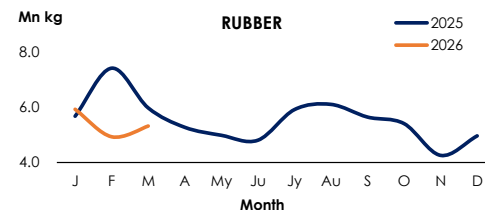
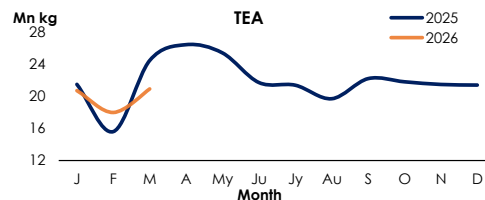
Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(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	2025 ^(a)	2026 ^(a)	Y-o-Y Change (%)
Tea Production	Mn. kg			
March		24.8	20.9	(15.7)
January - March		62.2	59.6	(4.2)
Rubber Production	Mn. kg			
March		6.0	5.3	(11.0)
January - March		19.1	16.2	(15.2)
Coconut Production^(b)	Mn. Nuts			
January - February		347.0	588.0	-
Marine Fish Production^(c)	Mn. kg			
March		30.3	24.0	(20.8)
January - March		91.3	67.9	(25.7)
Paddy Production	Mn. kg	2023/2024	2024/2025	
Maha ^(d)		2,722.0	2,745.3	0.9
Yala ^(e)		1,976.5	2,308.4	16.8



(a) Provisional
 (b) Data for 2025 and 2026 have been obtained from the Coconut Development Authority and Coconut Research Institute, respectively.
 (c) Inland Fish production data are not available since Jan 2026.
 (d) Sep.\Oct. - Mar\ Apr.
 (e) Apr. \ May - Aug.\Sep.

Sources: Sri Lanka Tea Board
 Rubber Development Department
 Coconut Development Authority
 Coconut Research Institute
 Department of Census & Statistics
 Ministry of Fisheries

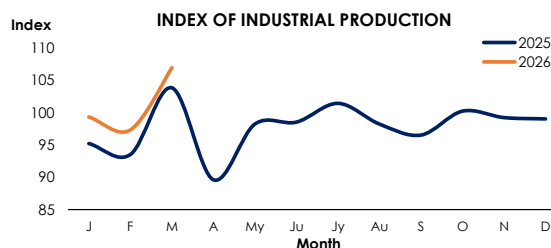
4. INDEX OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION (IIP) (2015=100)

Item	March		Y-o-Y Change (%)
	2025 ^(a)	2026 ^(b)	
Food products	113.3	114.1	0.7
Beverages	125.7	126.2	0.4
Tobacco products	72.6	73.9	1.7
Textiles	97.3	123.2	26.6
Wearing apparels	94.9	108.1	13.8
Leather and related products	100.1	117.0	16.9
Wood and products of wood and cork except furniture; Articles of Straw and plaiting materials	74.1	74.3	0.3
Paper and paper products	58.0	42.1	(27.3)
Printing and reproduction of recorded media	172.7	165.5	(4.2)
Coke and refined petroleum products	116.9	102.6	(12.3)
Chemicals and chemical products	77.3	71.4	(7.6)
Basic pharmaceutical products and pharmaceutical preparations	116.6	125.3	7.5
Rubber and plastic products	87.5	75.7	(13.6)
Other non-metallic mineral products	108.2	126.2	16.6
Basic metals	126.9	122.2	(3.7)
Fabricated metal products (except machinery equipment)	69.1	92.6	34.1
Electrical equipment	61.4	71.6	16.6
Machinery and equipment (n.e.c)	122.8	101.1	(17.7)
Furniture	64.2	54.6	(15.0)
Other manufacturing	68.2	76.4	12.1
Overall Index of Industrial Production for the Manufacturing Sector	103.8	106.9	3.0

n.e.c.-- not elsewhere classified

(a) Revised
 (b) Provisional

Source: Department of Census and Statistics



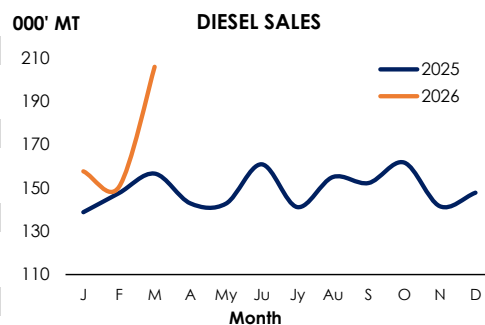
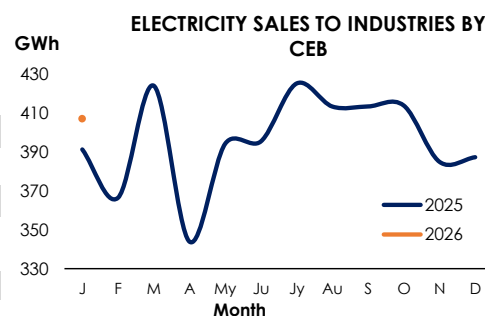
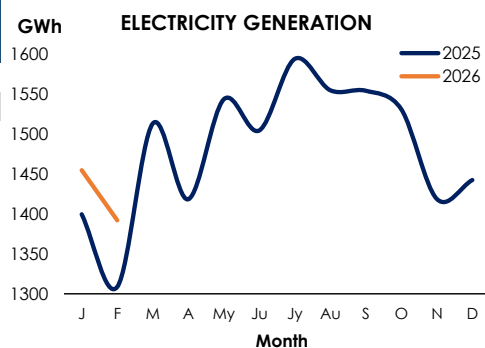
5. PURCHASING MANAGERS' INDEX - MANUFACTURING

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
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	56.8	63.9	40.1	55.5	51.9	62.2	55.2	55.4	61.0	55.5	60.9
2026	56.1	56.8	66.7	42.6								

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

6. ENERGY

Item	Unit	2025 ^(a)	2026 ^(b)	Y-o-Y Change (%)
Electricity Generation^(c)	GWh			
February		1,309	1,392	6.4
CEB - Hydro		381	333	(12.7)
Fuel Oil		158	135	(14.4)
Coal		392	501	27.8
Wind		16	18	13.8
Private Sector		362	405	12.0
Non Conventional Renewable Energy		229	281	23.0
January - February		2,708	2,847	5.1
CEB - Hydro		912	822	(9.9)
Fuel Oil		283	279	(1.3)
Coal		797	877	10.0
Wind		43	39	(9.4)
Private Sector		673	830	23.3
Non Conventional Renewable Energy		495	578	16.7
Electricity Sales to Industries	GWh			
January		391	407	4.0
Diesel Sales	'000 MT			
March		157	206	31.5
January - March		443	514	16.0
Petrol Sales	'000 MT			
March		121	146	20.8
January - March		352	402	14.3
Furnace Oil Sales	'000 MT			
March		65	67	3.1
January - March		185	214	15.7
Kerosene Sales	'000 MT			
March		13	17	23.8
January - March		39	42	6.4
Crude Oil Imports	'000 MT			
March		95	87	(8.6)
January - March		380	371	(2.3)
Other Petroleum Imports	'000 MT			
March		377	484	28.5
January - March		1,031	1,186	15.0



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

(a) Revised
 (b) Provisional
 (c) Including rooftop solar generation

7. PURCHASING MANAGERS' INDEX - CONSTRUCTION - TOTAL ACTIVITY INDEX ^(a)

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
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	55.6	54.3	41.4	59.7	58.6	60.0	61.1	67.6	64.3	66.2	67.1
2026	75.0	70.3	57.1	45.7								

(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

8. HOUSING AND CONSTRUCTIONS

Item	Unit	2024	2025 ^(a)	Y-o-Y Change (%)
Greater Colombo Housing Approvals Index ^(b)				
	1995 = 100			
Quarter 1		59.8	70.3	17.5
Quarter 2		46.4	62.1	34.0
Cement				
		2025	2026 ^(a)	
Local Production				
	'000 MT			
March		373	495	32.9
January - March		1,009	1,296	28.4
Imports				
	'000 MT			
March		80	87	9.7
January - March		218	180	(17.6)
Total				
	'000 MT			
March		452	582	28.8
January - March		1,228	1,476	20.2

(a) Provisional

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

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

Seven Urban Councils (Wattala-Mabole, Peliyagoda, Panadura, Maharagama, Kesbewa, Horana and Boralesgamuwa)

Eight Pradeshiya Sabha (Homagama, Kotikawatta-Mulleriyawa, Kelaniya, Attanagalla, Wattala-Mabole, Horana, Panadura, Mahara)

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9. PROPERTY PRICE INDICES

Item	Unit	2024	2025 ^(a)	Y-o-Y Change (%)								
Land Valuation Indicator ^(b)												
	First Half 2017 = 100											
First Half		230.1	256.4	11.4								
Second Half		236.8	261.9	10.6								
Price Index for New Condominiums ^(c) 2019 = 100												
Year	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4								
2023	182.3	184.5	200.1	205.9								
2024	210.8	240.9	235.7	238.4								
2025	240.0	271.8	265.7	270.1								
Asking Price Indices ^(d) (2019 = 100)												
Lands												
Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2023	118.2	114.2	110.4	106.0	104.1	105.1	109.1	106.7	104.6	101.8	105.5	110.8
2024	119.6	122.7	125.0	118.5	121.9	123.0	126.6	126.7	128.7	131.3	131.8	132.0
2025	132.9	134.5	134.1	136.4	142.1	150.4	155.3	159.9	157.7	162.2	164.0	169.8
Houses												
Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2023	157.1	157.4	158.4	159.3	159.2	159.0	157.5	157.4	157.6	160.5	161.9	163.6
2024	162.5	160.9	159.8	160.4	162.4	164.1	164.9	165.6	165.9	167.2	167.5	167.8
2025	167.6	172.3	175.8	178.3	177.3	176.9	176.3	177.8	179.0	181.0	181.0	182.4
Condominiums												
Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2023	170.4	169.9	171.0	170.6	171.9	170.3	171.7	173.6	173.7	173.8	173.6	178.0
2024	176.3	178.2	177.7	181.7	180.0	179.7	179.5	181.7	182.3	179.9	179.5	180.1
2025	182.6	184.7	187.5	191.4	193.3	194.8	193.5	195.0	197.1	200.7	202.1	202.8

(a) Provisional

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(b) Compiled based on per perch bare land prices obtained from the Government Valuation Department on a semi-annual basis covering 13 DS divisions in the Colombo District

(c) Compiled based on the information obtained through the Condominium Market Survey and the index covers the Colombo district

(d) Compiled based on the publicly available web based property advertisement data

10. PURCHASING MANAGERS' INDEX - SERVICES - BUSINESS ACTIVITY INDEX ^(a)

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
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	56.5	69.8	60.6	57.0	61.9	70.1	68.9	58.7	66.0	50.5	67.9
2026	64.5	54.4	59.4	46.7								

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Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

11. TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Item	Unit	4 th Quarter		Y-o-Y Change (%)
		2024	2025 ^(a)	
Telephones (Fixed lines)	Number	3,436,243	2,627,003	(23.6)
Wireline in service	Number	1,075,344	1,062,592	(1.2)
Wireless Local Loop Access	Number	2,360,899	1,564,411	(33.7)
Cellular Phones	Number	28,820,245	29,490,411	2.3
Internet Subscribers ^(b)	Number	23,149,380	23,854,859	3.0
Telephone Penetration (excluding Cellular Phones)	per 100 persons	15.8	12.1	(23.5)
Telephone Penetration (including Cellular Phones)	per 100 persons	148.1	147.6	(0.3)

(a) Provisional

Sources: Telecommunications Regulatory Commission of Sri Lanka

(b) Including mobile internet connections

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12. TRANSPORT

Item	Unit	2025	2026 ^(a)	Y-o-Y Change (%)
New Registration of Motor Vehicles				
February	Number	12,712	51,613	306.0
Buses		52	469	801.9
Motor Cars		92	10,552	11,369.6
Three Wheelers		9	3,980	44,122.2
Dual Purpose Vehicles ^(b)		57	946	1,559.6
Motor Cycles		11,857	34,093	187.5
Goods Transport Vehicles ^(c)		146	743	408.9
Land Vehicles ^(d)		499	830	66.3
Other ^(e)		-	-	-
March	Number	13,287	57,518	332.9
Buses		27	357	1,222.2
Motor Cars		327	11,084	3,289.6
Three Wheelers		181	3,701	1,944.8
Dual Purpose Vehicles ^(b)		177	1,147	548.0
Motor Cycles		11,614	39,618	241.1
Goods Transport Vehicles ^(c)		251	843	235.9
Land Vehicles ^(d)		710	766	7.9
Other ^(e)		-	2	-
April	Number	17,563	50,871	189.6
Buses		50	303	506.0
Motor Cars		2,510	9,411	274.9
Three Wheelers		697	1,796	157.7
Dual Purpose Vehicles ^(b)		276	913	230.8
Motor Cycles		13,126	36,961	181.6
Goods Transport Vehicles ^(c)		117	585	400.0
Land Vehicles ^(d)		787	896	13.9
Other ^(e)		-	6	-
January - April	Number	55,026	215,239	291.2
Buses		164	1,718	947.6
Motor Cars		3,040	44,143	1,352.1
Three Wheelers		916	13,088	1,328.8
Dual Purpose Vehicles ^(b)		606	3,989	558.3
Motor Cycles		47,118	146,160	210.2
Goods Transport Vehicles ^(c)		658	2,835	330.9
Land Vehicles ^(d)		2,524	3,298	30.7
Other ^(e)		-	8	-

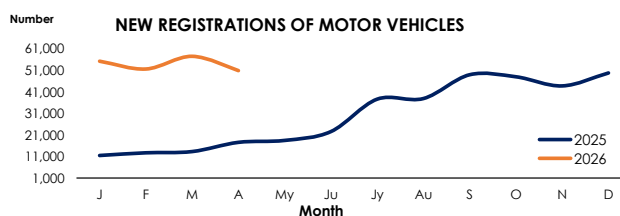
(a) Provisional

(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



13. PORT SERVICES^(a)

Item	Unit	2025 ^(b)	2026 ^(c)	Y-o-Y Change (%)
Ship Traffic				
	Number			
April		402	431	7.2
January - April		1,608	1,702	5.8
Container Handling^(d)				
Domestic				
	TEUs			
April		96,976	116,581	20.2
January - April		425,917	453,792	6.5
Transshipment				
	TEUs			
April		495,456	607,240	22.6
January - April		2,032,218	2,321,704	14.2
Re-stowing				
	TEUs			
April		31,287	37,275	19.1
January - April		101,712	139,508	37.2
Total Container Handling				
	TEUs			
April		623,719	761,096	22.0
January - April		2,559,847	2,915,004	13.9
Cargo Handling				
Cargo Discharged				
	MT			
April		5,639,583	6,603,366	17.1
January - April		22,605,198	24,990,115	10.6
Cargo Loaded				
	MT			
April		4,667,909	5,098,352	9.2
January - April		18,252,456	19,003,851	4.1
Total Cargo Handling				
	MT			
April		10,307,492	11,701,718	13.5
January - April		40,857,654	43,993,966	7.7

(a) Ports of Colombo, Galle, Trincomalee and Hambantota International Port

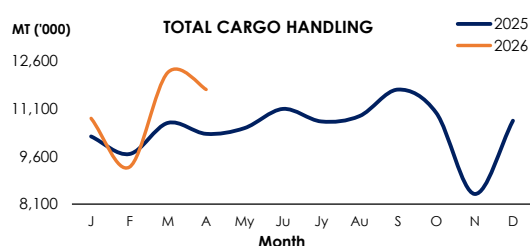
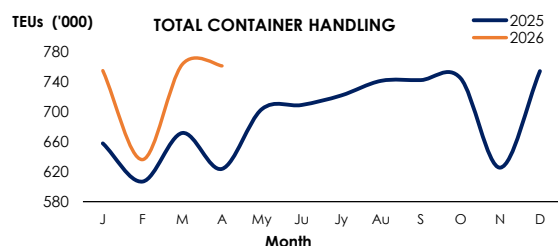
Source: Sri Lanka Ports Authority

(b) Revised

(c) Provisional

(d) Port of Colombo only

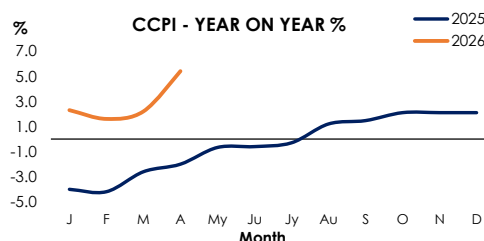
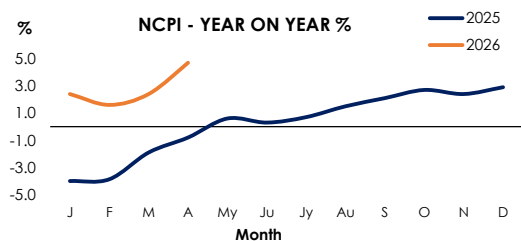
TEUs = Twenty-foot Equivalent Container Units



14. PRICE INDICES

Item	Base Period	2025	2026	Y-o-Y Change (%)
National Consumer Price Index (NCPI)				
	2021=100			
April				
Headline		206.5	216.3	4.7
Core		193.7	202.2	4.4
Colombo Consumers Price Index (CCPI)				
	2021=100			
April				
Headline		191.2	201.6	5.4
Core		178.8	185.6	3.8

Source: Department of Census and Statistics



15. AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES - PETTAH MARKET

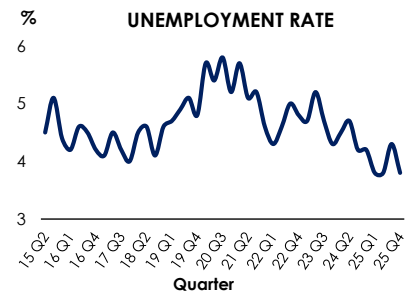
Item	Unit	April		Y-o-Y Change(%)
		2025	2026	
Rice	Rs/kg			
Samba		240.00	260.00	8.3
Nadu		230.00	230.00	0.0
Kekulu (Red)		220.00	215.83	(1.9)
Other Food Items	Rs/kg			
Dried Chillie (Imported)		700.00	1,012.33	44.6
Red Onion (Local)		300.00	326.00	8.7
Red Onion (Imported)		364.47	337.00	(7.5)
Big Onion (Local)		n.a.	n.a.	-
Big Onion (Imported)		145.26	169.83	16.9
Dhal		280.00	304.83	8.9
Potato (Local)		343.16	350.00	2.0
Egg - White (Each)		30.55	34.75	13.7
Sugar - White		235.00	221.83	(5.6)

n.a. - not available

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

16. EMPLOYMENT (a)

Item	Unit	4 th Quarter	
		2024	2025
Labour Force Participation Rate	Percentage	47.7	48.8
Unemployment Rate		4.2	3.8
Employment by Economic Activity^(b) (as a % of Total Employment)			
Agriculture		26.8	23.2
Industry		25.7	26.3
Services		47.6	50.6



(a) Household population aged 15 and above

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

Source: Department of Census and Statistics

17. WAGE INDICES

Item	Unit	April	
		2025	2026 ^(a)
Public Sector Employees	2016 = 100		
Nominal Wage Rate Index		183.4	192.6
Real Wage Rate Index ^(b)		79.1	79.3
Informal Private Sector Employees^(c)	2018 = 100		
Nominal Wage Rate Index		189.1	200.4
Real Wage Rate Index ^(b)		89.7	90.6
Agriculture			
Nominal Wage Rate Index		190.1	199.9
Real Wage Rate Index ^(b)		90.2	90.4
Industry			
Nominal Wage Rate Index		188.6	202.5
Real Wage Rate Index ^(b)		89.5	91.6
Services			
Nominal Wage Rate Index		189.2	195.6
Real Wage Rate Index ^(b)		89.7	88.5

(a) Provisional

Source: Central 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.

18. GOVERNMENT FINANCE

Item	Unit	2025	2026
		January - February	January - February ^(a)
Total revenue and grants ^(b)	Rs. Mn.	760,875	1,031,160
Total revenue ^(b)	Rs. Mn.	760,672	1,031,160
Tax revenue		707,001	959,904
Non tax revenue		53,671	71,256
Grants ^(b)	Rs. Mn.	204	0
Recurrent expenditure ^(b)	Rs. Mn.	791,337	802,913
Capital expenditure and net lending ^(b)	Rs. Mn.	56,157	58,534
Financing ^(b)	Rs. Mn.	86,619	(169,713)
Domestic financing		96,843	(130,702)
Foreign financing		(10,225)	(39,011)

(a) Provisional

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

	Rs. Mn.	2024 ^{(a)(b)}	2025 ^{(a)(b)}
		End December	End December
Total outstanding government debt ^(c)	Rs. Mn.	28,738,704	29,994,688
Total domestic debt	Rs. Mn.	18,309,660	18,675,325
By Maturity			
Short term		3,220,075	2,134,415
o/w Treasury bills		4,061,554	3,136,291
Central bank advances		0	0
Medium & Long term ^(d)		15,089,586	16,540,909
o/w Treasury bonds		14,079,198	15,427,749
By Institution ^(e)		18,309,660	18,675,325
o/w Bank (Excluding Licensed Specialised Banks)		9,411,206	9,183,454
Non Bank		8,158,550	8,490,763
Total foreign debt ^{(f)(g)}	Rs. Mn.	10,429,044	11,319,363
Multilateral		3,773,453	4,374,005
Bilateral and Commercial		6,655,590	6,945,358
o/w International Sovereign Bonds		2,725,389	2,745,011
Foreign Currency Term Financing Facilities		715,520	749,024

Sources: Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development
Central Bank of Sri Lanka

Note 1: With the establishment of the Public Debt Management Office (PDMO) under the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development (MOF), the responsibility for recording and publishing Sri Lanka's public debt now falls under the PDMO, as mandated by the provisions of the Public Debt Management Act, No. 33 of 2024. Accordingly, the Quarterly Statistical Debt Bulletin, published by the PDMO, will serve as the official source for debt statistics. The Central Bank compiles and present this table based on data received from the MOF to ensure data continuity.

Note 2: From 2023 onwards, debt statistics details given in this format will only be available to be published on a quarterly basis.

(a) Provisional

(b) The outstanding central government debt excludes several debt service payments that became overdue after 12 April 2022, the date of which the Interim Policy regarding the servicing of Sri Lanka's external public debt was announced by the Ministry of Finance, 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.

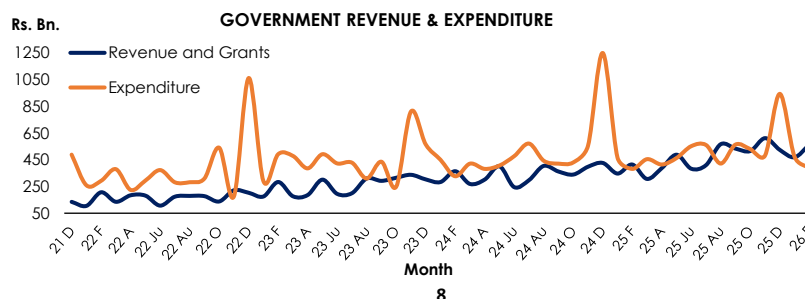
(c) As per the guidelines of compiling government debt statistics based on the Public Sector Debt Statistics Framework published by the IMF, resident holdings of outstanding ISBs of the Sri Lankan Government have been classified under domestic debt. Further, debt statistics are presented on net basis (net of deposits).

(d) Includes outstanding balance of the government guaranteed foreign currency debt of the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation that was absorbed into central government debt.

(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.



19. MONETARY AGGREGATES & UNDERLYING FACTORS

Item	Unit	Beginning January	End March ^(a)	Change (End March)	
				Absolute	Percentage
Narrow Money Supply (M₁)	Rs. Bn.				
2025		1,925.6	2,039.9	114.3	5.9
2026		2,288.0	2,413.5	125.5	5.5
Currency Held by the Public					
2025		1,051.1	1,160.2	109.2	10.4
2026		1,248.5	1,358.4	109.9	8.8
Demand Deposits Held by the Public					
2025		874.5	879.6	5.1	0.6
2026		1,039.5	1,055.1	15.6	1.5
Broad Money Supply (M₂) ^(b)	Rs. Bn.				
2025		12,660.6	13,040.9	380.4	3.0
2026		14,093.4	14,639.8	546.3	3.9
Time & Savings Deposits Held by the Public (Quasi Money)					
2025		10,735.0	11,001.0	266.0	2.5
2026		11,805.4	12,226.2	420.8	3.6
Underlying Factors (M₂)	Rs. Bn.				
Net Foreign Assets ^(c)					
2025		(810.7)	(510.9)	299.7	37.0
2026		(403.0)	(73.5)	329.6	81.8
Domestic Credit					
2025		16,376.3	16,727.5	351.1	2.1
2026		18,266.2	18,590.4	324.2	1.8
To Government (Net)		8,198.5	8,037.8	(160.7)	(2.0)
To Public Corporations		437.4	411.2	(26.2)	(6.0)
To Co-operatives		5.8	6.3	0.6	9.6
To Other Private Sector		9,624.6	10,135.1	510.5	5.3
Other Items (Net)					
2025		(2,905.1)	(3,175.6)	(270.5)	(9.3)
2026		(3,769.7)	(3,877.1)	(107.4)	(2.8)
Consolidated Broad Money Supply (M_{2b}) ^(d)	Rs. Bn.				
2025		14,321.7	14,777.7	456.0	3.2
2026		15,975.0	16,585.7	610.6	3.8
Adjusted Time & Savings Deposits Held by the Public (Quasi Money)					
2025		12,396.1	12,737.8	341.7	2.8
2026		13,687.0	14,172.1	485.1	3.5
Underlying Factors (M_{2b})	Rs. Bn.				
Net Foreign Assets					
2025		572.9	955.8 ^(e)	382.9	66.8
2026		1,066.8	1,428.9	362.2	34.0
Domestic Credit					
2025		17,082.8	17,421.8 ^(e)	339.0	2.0
2026		19,017.1	19,320.6	303.5	1.6
To Government (Net)		8,285.2	8,128.2	(157.0)	(1.9)
To Public Corporations		519.7	494.9	(24.8)	(4.8)
To Co-operatives		5.8	6.3	0.6	9.6
To Other Private Sector		10,206.4	10,691.2	484.8	4.8
Other Items (Net)					
2025		(3,334.0)	(3,599.9)	(265.9)	(8.0)
2026		(4,108.9)	(4,163.9)	(55.0)	(1.3)
Reserve Money	Rs. Bn.				
2025		1,539.3	1,668.6	129.3	8.4
2026		1,796.5	1,970.0	173.5	9.7
Money Multipliers					
M₁ Multiplier					
2025		1.25	1.22		
2026		1.27	1.23		
M₂ Multiplier					
2025		8.22	7.82		
2026		7.84	7.43		
M_{2b} Multiplier					
2025		9.30	8.86		
2026		8.89	8.42		

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.

(e) Revised

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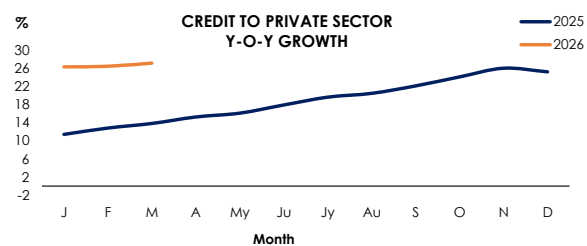
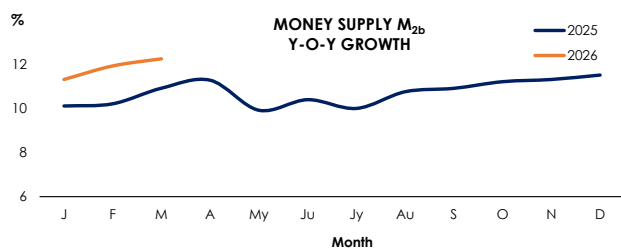
Item	Unit	Beginning January	End March ^(a)	Change (End March)	
				Absolute	Percentage
Broad Money Supply (M₄) ^(f)	Rs. Bn.				
2025		17,260.7	17,769.5	508.8	2.9
2026		19,177.0	19,864.6	687.6	3.6
Time & Savings Deposits (Quasi Money)					
2025		15,397.1	15,804.4	407.3	2.6
2026		16,973.2	17,546.8	573.5	3.4
Underlying Factors (M₄)					
Net Foreign Assets					
2025		551.8	931.5 ^(g)	379.7	68.8
2026		1,003.1	1,360.0	357.0	35.6
Domestic Credit					
2025		21,036.3	21,522.5 ^(g)	486.2	2.3
2026		23,807.6	24,366.8	559.2	2.3
To Government (Net)		9,494.0	9,326.6	(167.3)	(1.8)
To Public Corporations		519.7	494.9	(24.8)	(4.8)
To Private Sector		13,794.0	14,545.3	751.3	5.4
Other Items (Net)					
2025		(4,327.4)	(4,684.5)	(357.1)	(8.3)
2026		(5,633.7)	(5,862.2)	(228.5)	(4.1)
Money Multiplier					
M₄ Multiplier					
2025		11.21	10.65		
2026		10.67	10.08		

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(a) Provisional

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

(g) Revised

**20. BANKING ^{(a)(b)}**

Item	Unit	2025 End March	2026 End March ^(c)	Change (End March)	
				Absolute	Percentage
Commercial Banks					
Domestic Banking Units (DBUs)					
Loans & Advances (Total Outstanding) ^(d)	Rs. Bn.	8,969.7	11,100.4	2,130.7	23.8
Investment (Total Outstanding)					
Treasury Bills	Rs. Bn.	2,822.8	2,088.7	(734.1)	(26.0)
Other Govt. Securities ^(e)		4,382.3	4,824.8	442.5	10.1
Other Investments		164.1	164.4	0.4	0.2
Total Deposits	Rs. Bn.	15,374.9	16,898.7	1,523.8	9.9
Commercial Banks' Liquidity					
Excess Reserves and Cash in Hand	Rs. Bn.	244.2	315.5	71.2	29.2
Call Market Borrowings-Last week of the month	Rs. Bn.	77.6	286.7	209.1	269.3
Offshore Banking Units (OBUs)					
Total Assets / Liabilities	Rs. Bn.	1,743.4	2,135.3	391.8	22.5
Assets					
Placements, Loans & Advances - Residents		708.8 ^(f)	768.8	60.0	8.5
Placements, Loans & Advances - Non-Residents		985.1 ^(f)	1,326.1	341.0	34.6
Other Assets		49.6 ^(f)	40.4	(9.1)	(18.4)
Liabilities					
Deposits & Borrowings - Residents		864.6	1,070.9	206.4	23.9
Deposits & Borrowings - Non-Residents		292.1	350.8	58.7	20.1
Other Liabilities		586.8	713.6	126.8	21.6
National Savings Bank					
Time & Savings Deposits	Rs. Bn.	1,564.3	1,602.0	37.7	2.4

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(a) With the implementation of the Banking Act No. 24 of 2024, the demarcation of DBU and OBU was eliminated effective 14 June 2024. However, for the compilation of monetary aggregates, balance sheet data of LCBs are collected separately for DBUs and OBUs.

(b) Data presented in the Table may be different from Table 26 due to differences in compilation methodologies

(c) Provisional

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

(e) Includes Rupee Securities and International Sovereign Bonds.

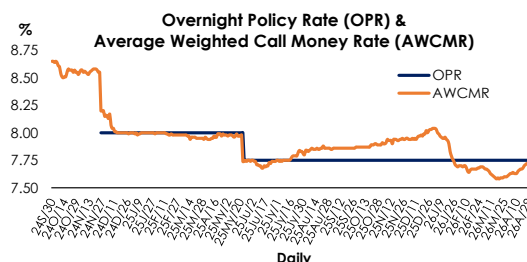
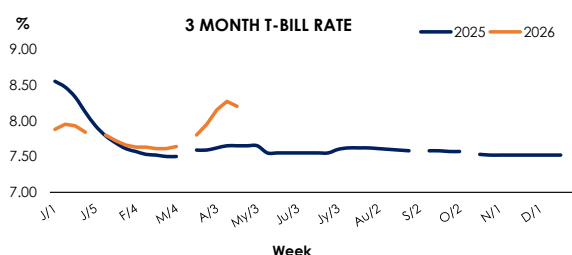
(f) Revised

21. INTEREST RATES

Item	Unit	April		Y-o-Y Absolute Change (Basis Points)
		2025	2026	
Overnight Policy Rate (OPR)	Per cent	8.00	7.75	(25)
Call Money Rates (End Month)	Per cent	7.98-7.98	7.45-7.80	
Standing Deposit Facility Rate	Per cent	7.50	7.25	(25)
Standing Lending Facility Rate	Per cent	8.50	8.25	(25)
Treasury Bills ^(a) (Last Week)	Yield			
91-Day	Per cent	7.65	8.20	55
182-Day		7.97	8.25	28
364-Day		8.30	8.52	22
Treasury Bonds ^(a)				
2-Year		-	-	-
3-Year		-	-	-
4-Year		10.30	10.12	(18)
5-Year		10.64	-	-
6-Year		10.96	-	-
10-Year		11.22	-	-
		2025 March	2026 March	
AWDR ^(b)	Per cent	7.15	6.83	(32)
AWFDR ^(c)	Per cent	8.79	8.51	(28)
AWNDR ^(d)	Per cent	6.33	6.35	2
AWNFR ^(e)	Per cent	6.75	7.02	27
		2025 April	2026 April	
AWPR ^(f) (Last Week)	Per cent	8.36	9.57	121
		2025 March	2026 March	
AWLR ^(g)	Per cent	11.80	11.76	(4)
AWNLR ^(h)		10.46	11.33	87
AWSR ⁽ⁱ⁾		12.14	11.75	(39)
AWSNR ⁽ⁱ⁾		11.31	11.35	4
Saving Rates	Per cent	2025 March	2026 March	
Commercial Banks		0.25-9.00	0.25-9.00	
National Savings Bank		3.00	3.00	
Fixed Deposit Rates	Per cent			
Commercial Banks (12 Months)		2.50-12.00	2.50-12.00	
National Savings Bank (12 Months)		7.00	6.75	
Long Term Lending Rates	Per cent	2025 March	2026 March	
State Mortgage & Investment Bank		9.00-18.50	9.00-18.50	
National Savings Bank		10.00-15.00	6.75-13.00	
National Housing Development Authority		12.00-14.00	12.00-14.00	

Sources: Central Bank of Sri Lanka
Public Debt Management Office
Respective Financial Institutions

- (a) Average weighted yield rates at the last auction held during the month.
- (b) The Average Weighted Deposit Rate (AWDR) is calculated by the Central Bank monthly, based on interest rates pertaining to all outstanding interest bearing rupee deposits held with licensed commercial banks (LCBs).
- (c) The Average Weighted Fixed Deposit Rate (AWFDR) is calculated by the Central Bank monthly, based on interest rates pertaining to all outstanding interest bearing rupee time deposits held with LCBs.
- (d) The Average Weighted New Deposit Rate (AWNDR) is calculated by the Central Bank monthly, based on interest rates pertaining to all new interest bearing rupee deposits mobilised by LCBs during a particular month.
- (e) The Average Weighted New Fixed Deposit Rate (AWNFR) is calculated by the Central Bank monthly, based on interest rates pertaining to all new interest bearing rupee time deposits mobilised by LCBs during a particular month.
- (f) The Average Weighted Prime Lending Rate (AWPR) is calculated by the Central Bank weekly, based on interest rates applicable to short term rupee loans and advances granted by LCBs to their prime customers during a particular week.
- (g) The Average Weighted Lending Rate (AWLR) is calculated by the Central Bank monthly, based on interest rates pertaining to all outstanding rupee loans and advances extended by LCBs.
- (h) The Average Weighted New Lending Rate (AWNLR) is calculated by the Central Bank monthly, based on interest rates pertaining to all new rupee loans and advances extended by LCBs during a particular month.
- (i) AWSR (Average Weighted SME Rate) and AWSNR (Average Weighted New SME Rate) of commercial banks are computed monthly, based on the SME survey conducted by the Economic Research Department of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka. AWSR reflects interest rates on all outstanding rupee loans extended by licensed banks to the MSME sector, while AWSNR captures rates on new rupee loans granted during a given month extended by licensed banks to the MSME sector. Both exclude government's refinance schemes and non-performing loans of the banks. This survey uses the criterion of annual turnover of not exceeding Rs. 1 billion to define MSMEs, in line with the standard definition.



22. DOMESTIC MONEY MARKET

Item	Unit	31-Mar-26	30-Apr-26	Change
Overnight Liquidity	Rs. Bn	277.95	218.70	(59.3)

Overnight liquidity decreased compared to the previous month mainly due to net foreign loan repayments.

23. CREDIT CARDS

Credit Cards ^(a)	Unit	2025 End December	2026 End February	2026 End March ^(b)
Total Number of Active Cards	Number	2,166,186	2,193,380	2,215,853
Local (accepted only locally)		8,915	8,780	8,601
Global (accepted globally)		2,157,271	2,184,600	2,207,252
Outstanding balance	Rs. Mn.	189,706.2	190,648.0	194,105.3
Local (accepted only locally)		39,492.1	39,473.2	39,411.9
Global (accepted globally)		150,214.1	151,174.8	154,693.4

(a) Issued by Licensed Commercial Banks (LCBs)

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(c) Provisional

24. COMMERCIAL PAPER ISSUES

Item	Unit	2025 End December	2026 End February	2026 End March ^(a)
Commercial Paper Issues ^(b)	Rs. Mn.			
Total Issues ^(c)		5,425.0	-	875.0
Outstanding (at the end of the period)		1,400.0	1,400.0	2,275.0

(a) Provisional

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

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

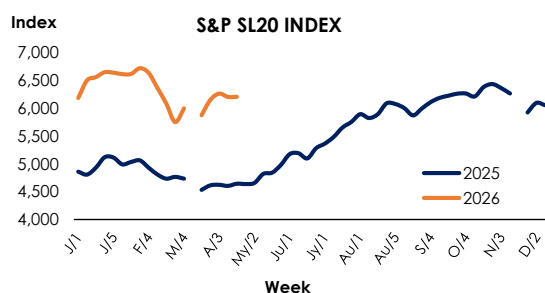
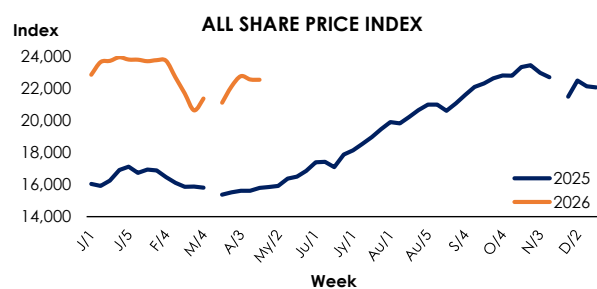
(c) Year-to-date total

25. SHARE MARKET

Item	Unit	End April		Y-o-Y Change (%)
		2025	2026	
All Share Price Index (ASPI)	1985=100	15,799.94	22,549.53	42.7
S&P Sri Lanka 20 (S&P SL20)	2004=1000	4,643.66	6,207.56	33.7
Market Capitalisation	Rs. Bn.	5,666.75	8,174.62	44.3
Non-national Transactions ^(a)				
Purchase	Rs. Mn.	3,903.41	2,393.63	(38.7)
Sales		3,104.06	7,528.84	142.5
Net Purchases		799.35	(5,135.21)	(742.4)

(a) Total for the month

Source: Colombo Stock Exchange



26. BANKING SECTOR

Item	Unit	2025 End March	2026 End March ^(a)	Change (End March)	
				Absolute	Percentage
Assets and Liabilities					
Assets					
Total Assets	Rs. Bn	23,191.6	25,804.5	2,612.9	11.3
Cash and Due From Banks	Rs. Bn	2,051.0	2,062.3	11.4	0.6
Investments	Rs. Bn	9,573.7	9,370.4	(203.4)	(2.1)
Net Loans and Receivables	Rs. Bn	10,701.6	13,514.0	2,812.4	26.3
Investment Properties	Rs. Bn	6.5	7.2	0.7	11.2
Property, Plant and Equipment	Rs. Bn	221.5	232.8	11.3	5.1
Other Assets	Rs. Bn	637.3	617.7	(19.6)	(3.1)
Liabilities					
Deposits	Rs. Bn	18,693.5	20,460.7	1,767.2	9.5
Borrowings	Rs. Bn	1,442.2	1,878.4	436.2	30.2
Other Liabilities	Rs. Bn	955.4	1,055.9	100.6	10.5
Equity Capital & Reserves	Rs. Bn	2,100.5	2,409.4	308.9	14.7
Income & Expenses					
Net Interest Income	Rs. Bn	246.4	270.3	23.9	9.7
Non-interest Income	Rs. Bn	69.8	68.9	(1.0)	(1.4)
Operating Expenses	Rs. Bn	112.8	131.3	18.5	16.4
Impairment for Loans & Other Losses	Rs. Bn	23.1	31.3	8.2	35.5
Profit Before Corporate Taxes	Rs. Bn	142.3	136.4	(5.9)	(4.1)
Profits After Corporate Tax	Rs. Bn	90.6	86.4	(4.2)	(4.6)
Soundness Indicators					
Asset Quality (%)					
Stage 3 Loans to Total Loans Ratio (Including Undrawn Amounts and Net of Stage 3 Impairment)	Per cent	12.7	9.4		(3.3)
Stage 3 Loans to Total Loans Ratio (Excluding Undrawn Amounts)	Per cent	12.5	9.4		(3.2)
Stage 3 Impairment Coverage (Including Undrawn Amounts)	Per cent	54.1	59.5		5.5
Total Impairment Coverage (Including Undrawn Amounts)	Per cent	8.5	7.2		(1.3)
Profitability (%)					
Return on Equity – after tax	Per cent	18.7	15.0		(3.6)
Return on Assets – before tax	Per cent	2.6	2.2		(0.4)
Efficiency (operating cost) Ratio	Per cent	35.7	38.7		3.1
Net Interest Income to Average Assets (Net Interest Margin)	Per cent	4.6	4.4		(0.2)
Liquidity (%)					
Liquid Assets to Total Assets	Per cent	38.1	32.2		(5.9)
Liquidity Coverage Ratio – LKR	Per cent	342.4	267.9		(74.4)
Liquidity Coverage Ratio – All Currency	Per cent	310.6	234.7		(75.9)
Net Stable Funding Ratio	Per cent	165.8	150.6		(15.2)
Credit to Total Deposits	Per cent	62.6	71.2		8.6
Capital Adequacy (%)					
Capital Adequacy Ratio	Per cent	19.4	18.3		(1.1)
Tier 1 Capital Ratio	Per cent	16.0	14.8		(1.2)
Common Equity Tier 1 Ratio	Per cent	15.7	14.5		(1.2)

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(a) Provisional

27. FINANCE COMPANIES SECTOR

Item	Unit	2025	2026	Change (End March)	
		End March	End March ^(a)	Absolute	Percentage
Assets and Liabilities					
Assets	Rs. Bn	2,089.3	3,059.6	970.4	46.4
Cash and Cash Equivalents	Rs. Bn	45.4	48.9	3.5	7.7
Loans	Rs. Bn	1,566.7	2,451.4	884.7	56.5
Investments	Rs. Bn	363.4	414.6	51.2	14.1
Other Assets	Rs. Bn	113.8	144.7	31.0	27.2
Liabilities	Rs. Bn	1,596.4	2,501.1	904.8	56.7
Deposits	Rs. Bn	1,120.7	1,376.9	256.2	22.9
Borrowings	Rs. Bn	357.5	982.7	625.2	174.9
Other Liabilities	Rs. Bn	118.2	141.6	23.4	19.8
Equity	Rs. Bn	492.9	558.5	65.6	13.3
Income & Expenses (12 months ending March)					
Net Interest Income	Rs. Bn	201.0	253.1	52.1	25.9
Non Interest Income	Rs. Bn	33.7	44.4	10.6	31.6
Impairment	Rs. Bn	(5.7)	1.3	7.0	(123.4)
Operating Expenses	Rs. Bn	116.7	139.4	22.7	19.4
Share of Profit/Loss of Associates and Joint Ventures	Rs. Bn	0.6	1.1	0.5	93.5
Profit/Loss for the Period (Before VAT and Income Tax)	Rs. Bn	124.2	157.8	33.6	27.0
Profit/Loss the Period (After VAT and Income Tax)	Rs. Bn	69.4	88.5	19.1	27.5
Soundness Indicators					
Asset Quality					
Gross Non Performing Loans (Stage 03 Loans) to Total Loans	Per cent	8.6	4.6		(3.9)
Net Non Performing Loans (Stage 03 Loans net of Stage 03 Impairment) to Total Loans	Per cent	4.5	2.5		(2.0)
Stage 03 Impairment Coverage Ratio (Stage 03 Impairment to Stage 03 Loans)	Per cent	47.4	46.6		(0.8)
Profitability					
Return on Assets (ROA) (Annualized)	Per cent	6.6	6.2		(0.4)
Return on Equity (ROE) (Annualized)	Per cent	15.2	17.0		1.8
Net Interest Margin (NIM) (Net Interest Income to Average Assets) (Annualized)	Per cent	10.7	9.9		(0.8)
Liquidity					
Liquid Assets to Total Assets	Per cent	11.8	8.9		(3.0)
Liquid Assets to External Funds (Total Deposits and Borrowings)	Per cent	16.7	11.5		(5.2)
Excess/Deficit in Liquid Assets to Required Liquid Assets	Per cent	99.3	65.7		(33.6)
Liquid Assets to Short Term Liabilities (less than 03 Months)	Per cent	41.4	39.3		(2.1)
Capital Adequacy					
TIER 1 Capital after Adjustments to Risk Weighted Assets (Core Capital Ratio)	Per cent	20.0	16.4		(3.5)
Total Capital to Risk Weighted Assets (Total Capital Ratio)	Per cent	20.9	18.3		(2.6)
TIER 1 Capital after Adjustments to Assets (Leverage Ratio)	Per cent	17.1	13.8		(3.3)
Net Non Performing Loans to TIER 1 Capital after Adjustments	Per cent	20.9	14.8		(6.1)

(a) Provisional

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

28. EXTERNAL TRADE

Item	Unit	2025	2026 ^(a)	Y-o-Y Change (%)
Exports^(b)	Rs. Mn.			
March		367,428	391,240	6.5
January - March		991,756	1,074,186	8.3
Imports^(c)				
March		484,494	665,644	37.4
January - March		1,447,911	1,791,352	23.7
Trade Balance				
March		(117,066)	(274,404)	
January - March		(456,154)	(717,166)	
Exports^(b)	US \$ Mn.			
March		1,242	1,254	1.0
January - March		3,347	3,461	3.4
Imports^(c)				
March		1,637	2,134	30.3
January - March		4,887	5,771	18.1
Trade Balance				
March		(396)	(880)	
January - March		(1,540)	(2,310)	

(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.

(c) 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 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

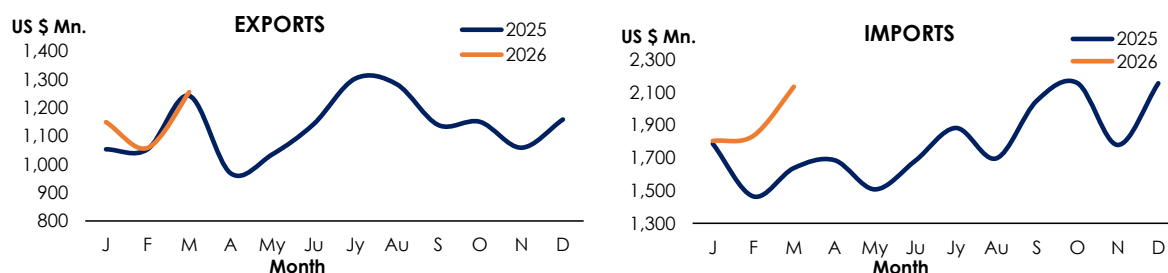
TRADE INDICES ^(a) (2010 = 100)

Item	March	
	2025	2026 ^(b)
Total Exports		
Value	172.8	174.6
Quantity	218.4	227.9
Unit Value	79.1	76.6
Total Imports		
Value	146.5	191.0
Quantity	156.5	206.0
Unit Value	93.7	92.7
Terms of Trade	84.5	82.6

(a) In US\$ Terms

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(b) Provisional



EXTERNAL TRADE - COMPOSITION OF IMPORTS

Item	Unit	2025	2026 ^(a)	Y-o-Y Change (%)
Major Imports				
Consumer Goods - Total	Rs. Mn.			
March		108,338	155,426	43.5
January - March		325,145	449,861	38.4
Food and Beverages				
March		57,343	58,456	1.9
January - March		187,970	158,393	(15.7)
Vegetables				
March		13,223	12,312	(6.9)
January - March		37,513	29,829	(20.5)
Sugar				
March		12,847	8,802	(31.5)
January - March		38,415	18,755	(51.2)
Dairy Products				
March		9,503	8,655	(8.9)
January - March		27,123	30,792	13.5
Other Food and Beverages				
March		21,770	28,688	31.8
January - March		84,918	79,017	(6.9)
Non-food Consumer Goods				
March		50,995	96,969	90.2
January - March		137,175	291,468	112.5
Personal Vehicles				
March		8,339	46,012	451.8
January - March		10,269	142,653	1,289.2
Medical and Pharmaceuticals				
March		15,719	17,700	12.6
January - March		42,863	56,199	31.1
Other Non Food Consumables				
March		26,938	33,258	23.5
January - March		84,044	92,616	10.2
Intermediate Goods - Total				
March		282,794	393,392	39.1
January - March		846,472	990,207	17.0
Fuel				
March		106,735	196,539	84.1
January - March		313,060	398,145	27.2
Textile and Textile Articles				
March		63,413	73,630	16.1
January - March		200,858	219,675	9.4
Diamonds, Precious Stones and Metals				
March		3,866	5,401	39.7
January - March		7,909	14,526	83.7
Wheat				
March		7,546	5,988	(20.6)
January - March		17,395	27,233	56.6
Other Intermediate Goods				
March		101,235	111,834	10.5
January - March		307,249	330,629	7.6
Investment Goods - Total				
March		93,274	116,059	24.4
January - March		273,970	350,135	27.8
Machinery and Equipment				
March		63,145	68,539	8.5
January - March		186,556	212,552	13.9
Other Investment Goods				
March		30,129	47,520	57.7
January - March		87,414	137,583	57.4
Total Imports ^(b)				
March		484,494	665,644	37.4
January - March		1,447,911	1,791,352	23.7

(a) Provisional

(Contd..)

(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.

(External Trade Contd...)

Item	Unit	2025	2026 ^(a)	Y-o-Y Change (%)
Major Imports				
Consumer Goods - Total	US \$ Mn.			
March		366.1	498.3	36.1
January - March		1,097.4	1,449.6	32.1
Food and Beverages				
March		193.8	187.4	(3.3)
January - March		634.4	510.3	(19.6)
Vegetables				
March		44.7	39.5	(11.7)
January - March		126.6	96.1	(24.1)
Sugar				
March		43.4	28.2	(35.0)
January - March		129.7	60.4	(53.4)
Dairy Products				
March		32.1	27.7	(13.6)
January - March		91.5	99.3	8.5
Other Food and Beverages				
March		73.6	92.0	25.0
January - March		286.6	254.6	(11.2)
Non-food Consumer Goods				
March		172.3	310.9	80.4
January - March		463.0	939.3	102.9
Personal Vehicles				
March		28.2	147.5	423.5
January - March		34.7	459.7	1,225.3
Medical and Pharmaceuticals				
March		53.1	56.7	6.8
January - March		144.7	181.1	25.2
Other Non Food Consumables				
March		91.0	106.6	17.1
January - March		283.6	298.4	5.2
Intermediate Goods - Total				
March		955.7	1,261.2	32.0
January - March		2,857.1	3,189.5	11.6
Fuel				
March		360.7	630.1	74.7
January - March		1,056.7	1,281.5	21.3
Textile and Textile Articles				
March		214.3	236.1	10.2
January - March		677.9	707.9	4.4
Diamonds, Precious Stones and Metals				
March		13.1	17.3	32.5
January - March		26.7	46.8	75.3
Wheat				
March		25.5	19.2	(24.7)
January - March		58.7	87.8	49.5
Other Intermediate Goods				
March		342.1	358.5	4.8
January - March		1,037.0	1,065.4	2.7
Investment Goods - Total				
March		315.2	372.1	18.0
January - March		924.7	1,128.4	22.0
Machinery and Equipment				
March		213.4	219.7	3.0
January - March		629.7	685.0	8.8
Other Investment Goods				
March		101.8	152.3	49.6
January - March		295.0	443.3	50.3
Total Imports ^(b)				
March		1,637.3	2,134.1	30.3
January - March		4,887.0	5,771.2	18.1

(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	2025	2026 ^(a)	Y-o-Y Change (%)
Major Exports				
Tea	Rs. Mn.			
March		41,082	35,788	(12.9)
January - March		109,902	109,089	(0.7)
Rubber				
March		838	1,018	21.5
January - March		2,714	2,667	(1.7)
Coconut				
March		13,124	15,729	19.8
January - March		35,845	44,131	23.1
Spices				
March		12,253	10,915	(10.9)
January - March		34,647	34,080	(1.6)
Minor Agricultural Products				
March		3,821	4,319	13.0
January - March		10,284	15,456	50.3
Textile and Garments				
March		147,040	137,915	(6.2)
January - March		410,806	396,220	(3.6)
Gems Diamonds and Jewellery				
March		7,935	8,835	11.3
January - March		27,319	31,512	15.3
Rubber Products				
March		26,710	27,830	4.2
January - March		71,736	74,578	4.0
Petroleum Products				
March		30,888	49,035	58.7
January - March		76,734	95,990	25.1
Mineral Exports				
March		701	688	(1.9)
January - March		1,438	3,388	135.5
Other Exports				
March		83,035	99,168	19.4
January - March		210,329	267,074	27.0
Total Exports^(b)				
March		367,428	391,240	6.5
January - March		991,756	1,074,186	8.3
Major Exports				
Tea	US \$ Mn.			
March		138.8	114.7	(17.4)
January - March		370.9	351.6	(5.2)
Rubber				
March		2.8	3.3	15.3
January - March		9.2	8.6	(6.2)
Coconut				
March		44.4	50.4	13.7
January - March		121.0	142.2	17.5
Spices				
March		41.4	35.0	(15.5)
January - March		116.9	109.8	(6.1)
Minor Agricultural Products				
March		12.9	13.8	7.2
January - March		34.7	49.8	43.5
Textile and Garments				
March		496.9	442.2	(11.0)
January - March		1,386.6	1,276.7	(7.9)
Gems Diamonds and Jewellery				
March		26.8	28.3	5.6
January - March		92.2	101.6	10.2
Rubber Products				
March		90.3	89.2	(1.2)
January - March		242.1	240.3	(0.8)
Petroleum Products				
March		104.4	157.2	50.6
January - March		259.0	308.9	19.3
Mineral Exports				
March		2.4	2.2	(7.0)
January - March		4.9	10.9	125.1
Other Exports				
March		280.6	317.9	13.3
January - March		709.9	860.4	21.2
Total Exports^(b)				
March		1,241.7	1,254.3	1.0
January - March		3,347.4	3,460.8	3.4

(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	March		
		2025	2026 ^(a)	Y-o-Y Change (%)
Export Volume				
Tea	Mn. Kg	23.4	19.7	(15.8)
Rubber	Mn. Kg	0.8	1.0	27.5
Coconut	Mn. Nuts	53.1	69.7	31.3
Export Prices				
Tea	Rs./ kg	1,753.16	1,813.84	3.5
	US \$/ kg	5.92	5.82	(1.8)
Rubber	Rs./ kg	1,047.66	999.03	(4.6)
	US \$/ kg	3.54	3.20	(9.5)
Coconut	Rs./ Nut	122.88	110.46	(10.1)
	US \$/ Nut	0.42	0.35	(14.7)
Average Gross Price				
Tea	Rs./ kg	1,204.64	1,148.28	(4.7)
Rubber ^(b)	Rs./ kg	-	700.00	-
Coconut	Rs./ Nut	146.04	89.09	(39.0)
Quantity Sold				
Tea	Mn. Kg	17.3	17.2	(0.6)
Import Volumes				
Rice	MT '000	1.4	1.2	(18.2)
Wheat & Maize	MT '000	87.9	73.5	(16.4)
Sugar	MT '000	74.5	59.1	(20.7)
Crude Oil	Barrels '000	727.2	663.7	(8.7)
Import Prices (Average)				
Rice	Rs./MT	264,944.75	289,824.79	9.4
	US\$/MT	895.36	929.19	3.8
Wheat and Maize	Rs./MT	89,733.35	88,019.38	(1.9)
	US\$/MT	303.25	282.19	(6.9)
Sugar	Rs./MT	172,474.66	148,941.85	(13.6)
	US\$/MT	582.86	477.51	(18.1)
Crude Oil	Rs./Barrel	24,658.10	20,734.41	(15.9)
	US\$/Barrel	83.33	66.48	(20.2)

(a) Provisional

(b) In March 2025, rubber (RSS) prices for were not determined at the auction

Sources: Ceylon Petroleum Corporation and other Exporters of Petroleum
Lanka IOC PLC
National Gem and Jewellery Authority
Colombo Tea Brokers' Association
Colombo Rubber Traders' Association
Coconut Development Authority
Sri Lanka Customs
Central Bank of Sri Lanka



29. TOURISM

Item	Unit	2025	2026 ^(a)	Y-o-Y Change
Tourist Arrivals				
	Number			
April		174,608	135,643	(22.3)
January - April		896,884	876,277	(2.3)
Earnings from Tourism				
	US\$ Mn.			
April		257	157 ^(b)	(38.8)
January - April		1,379	1,111 ^(b)	(19.4)
	Rs. Mn.			
April		76,630	49,703 ^(b)	(35.1)
January - April		409,157	345,501 ^(b)	(15.6)
Workers' Remittances (Inflows)^(c)				
	US\$ Mn.			
April		646	768	18.8
January - April		2,461	3,063	24.5

(a) Provisional

(b) Based on the survey conducted by the Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority in 2026

(c) Workers' remittances may include other remittances, such as those received following Cyclone Ditwah.

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

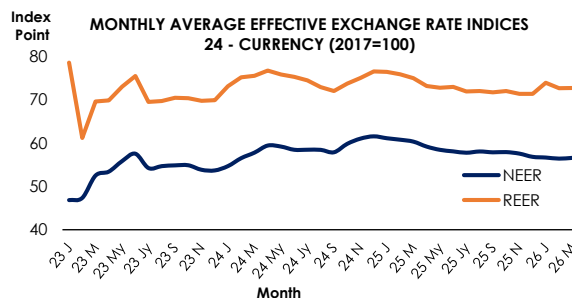
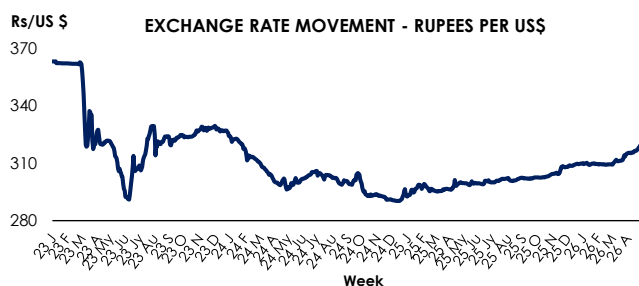
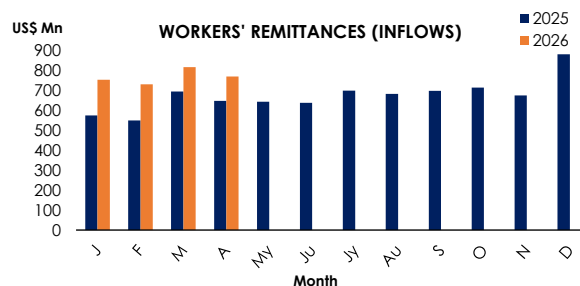
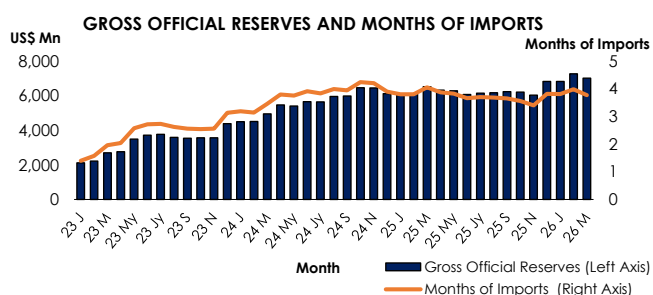
30. INTERNATIONAL FINANCE

Item	Unit	2025 December	2026 January	2026 February	2026 March
External Assets ^(a)					
Gross Official Reserves (GOR) ^(b)	US\$ Mn.	6,838	6,832	7,270	7,026
	Rs. Mn.	2,119,765	2,114,454	2,248,631	2,214,597
Reserve Adequacy of GOR	Months of Imports	3.8	3.8	4.0	3.8
Total Reserves (TR)	US\$ Mn.	12,306	12,408	12,970	12,900
	Rs. Mn.	3,814,648	3,840,281	4,011,593	4,065,910
Reserve Adequacy of TR	Months of Imports	6.9	6.9	7.1	6.9
Outstanding Forex Swap Liabilities					
International Swaps	US\$ Mn.	2,072	1,998	1,923	1,822
Domestic Swaps	US\$ Mn.	1,921	1,871	2,030	2,117
Exchange Rates (Period Avg.)		2025 April		2026 April	
	Rs./USD	298.5312		316.4515	
	Rs./GBP	392.1500		425.6386	
	Rs./INR	3.4871		3.3817	
	Rs./JPY	2.0663		1.9864	
	Rs./EUR	334.3058		370.0412	
	Rs./SDR	402.1871		433.3881	
Forward Exchange Rates ^(c)				2026 April	
One month	Rs. / USD			320.20	
Three months				322.61	
Six months				-	

Indices of Nominal Effective Exchange Rate (NEER) and Real Effective Exchange Rate (REER) - 24 Currency Basket (Period Avg.)		
	2025 March	2026 March
NEER (2017 = 100) ^(d)	60.28	56.54
REER (2017 = 100) ^(e)	74.88	72.64 ^(f)

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 April 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 2025 are provisional.
- (f) Revised based on the rebased CPI figures of several trading partner countries included in the currency basket.



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

US \$ Mn

CURRENT AND CAPITAL ACCOUNT	2024 ^(b)			2025 ^(c)		
	Credit	Debit	Net	Credit	Debit	Net
Goods and services	19,682	22,317	(2,635)	20,647	24,838	(4,191)
Goods ^(d)	12,772	18,841	(6,069)	13,581	21,480	(7,899)
General merchandise	12,772	18,837	(6,065)	13,581	21,471	(7,890)
Non-monetary gold		5	(5)		9	(9)
Services	6,910	3,475	3,435	7,066	3,359	3,707
Manufacturing services	27	213	(186)	20	116	(96)
Maintenance and repair services n.i.e	56	19	37	27	62	(35)
Transport	1,794	1,017	777	1,883	996	888
Sea Transport	1,177	441	736	1,393	409	985
Passenger	1	1	0.2	0.4	0.1	0.3
Freight	770	411	359	795	366	429
Other	406	29	377	598	43	555
Air transport	616	570	46	489	585	(97)
Passenger	281	279	2	337	202	135
Freight	51	173	(122)	35	297	(262)
Other	283	118	165	116	86	30
Postal and courier services	0.8	6	(6)	0.8	1	(1)
Travel ^(e)	3,169	755	2,413	3,219	829	2,391
Construction	212	127	86	132	37	96
Insurance and pension services	24	57	(34)	21	50	(29)
Financial services	55	65	(9)	46	21	25
Charges for the use of intellectual property	7	148	(141)	12	165	(153)
Telecommunication, computer and information services	971	244	727	903	297	606
Telecommunication services	123	51	73	103	34	69
Computer services	848	194	654	800	263	537
Other business services	540	563	(23)	774	756	18
Personal, cultural and recreational services	19	15	4	15	24	(9)
Government goods and services n.i.e.	36	251	(215)	13	7	5
Primary Income	609	3,207	(2,598)	580	2,616	(2,036)
Compensation of employees	146	20	126	229	28	201
Investment Income	463	3,187	(2,724)	350	2,587	(2,237)
Direct Investment	73	940	(868)	78	1,137	(1,059)
Dividends	61	770	(710)	61	871	(809)
Re-invested earnings	12	170	(158)	16	266	(250)
Portfolio Investment	-	877	(877)	-	449	(449)
Equity	-	86	(86)	-	51	(51)
Interest	-	791	(791)	-	398	(398)
short-term	-	25	(25)	-	0.5	(0.5)
long-term	-	766	(766)	-	398	(398)
Other Investment	271	1,369	(1,098)	125	1,002	(877)
Reserve assets	119	-	119	148	-	148
Secondary Income	6,585	146	6,439	8,077	130	7,947
General Government ^(f)	10	-	10	1	-	1
Personal transfers	6,575	146	6,429	8,076	130	7,946
Worker's remittances ^(g)	6,575	-	-	8,076	-	-
Current Account	26,877	25,669	1,207	29,304	27,584	1,719
Capital Account	20	8	12	2	9	(7)
Capital Transfers	20	8	12	2	9	(7)
General Government ^(h)	18	-	18	2	-	2
Private Capital Transfers	2	8	(7)	0.4	9	(9)
Current Account + Capital Account	26,896	25,678	1,219	29,306	27,593	1,712

(Contd..)

(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) 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) Workers' remittances may include other remittances, such as those received following Cyclone Dittwah.

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

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

US \$ Mn

FINANCIAL ACCOUNT	2024 ^(b)		2025 ^(c)	
	Net Incurrence of liabilities	Net acquisition of financial assets	Net Incurrence of liabilities	Net acquisition of financial assets
Financial Account	1,005	1,970	527	1,431
Direct Investments	759	110	1,044	98
Equity and investment fund shares	497	106	352	94
Equity other than reinvestment of earnings	327	94	85	78
Direct investor in direct investment enterprise ^(h)	327	94	85	78
- BOI companies	85	-	23	-
- CSE Companies (not registered with BOI)	242	-	62	-
- Other companies	-	-	-	-
Reinvestment of earnings	170	12	266	16
- BOI companies	135	-	194	-
- CSE Companies (not registered with BOI)	34	-	72	-
- Other companies	-	-	-	-
Debt Instruments	262	4	692	4
Direct investor in direct investment enterprise ^(h)	262	4	692	4
- BOI companies	262	-	735	-
Shareholder Advance	82	-	144	-
Intra Company Borrowings	180	-	592	-
Debt Repayments	-	-	-	-
- CSE Companies (not registered with BOI)	-	-	-	-
- Other companies	-	-	(43)	-
Portfolio Investments	302	180	(267)	(259)
Equity and investment fund shares	3	-	(184)	-
- CSE Companies (not registered with BOI)	3	-	(184)	-
Debt securities	299	180	(83)	(259)
Deposit taking corporations, other than the Central Bank	-	180	-	(259)
Long term	-	180	-	(259)
General Government	286	-	(95)	-
Short-term (Treasury Bills)	(217)	-	(24)	-
Long-term	504	-	(71)	-
Treasury Bonds	39	-	272	-
SLDBs	-	-	-	-
Sovereign Bonds	465	-	(343)	-
Other Sectors	13	-	12	-
Long-term	13	-	12	-
Financial Derivatives	-	-	-	-
Other Investment	(56)	(3)	(250)	973
Currency & deposits	(868)	(73)	(498)	(374)
Central Bank	(900)	-	(900)	-
Short term	(0.2)	-	(0.0)	-
Long term	(900)	-	(900)	-
Deposit taking corporations, other than the Central Bank	(900)	-	(900)	-
Short-term	-	-	-	-
Long-term	33	(73)	402	(374)
International swaps	33	(427)	402	(49)
Accrued Interest on International Swaps	-	354	-	(325)
General Government	-	-	-	-
Other sectors	-	-	-	-
Loans	981	-	446	-
Central Bank	(210)	-	(215)	-
Credit and loans with the IMF	(210)	-	(215)	-
Deposit taking corporations, except the Central Bank	14	-	138	-
Short-term	145	-	218	-
Long-term	(131)	-	(80)	-
General Government	1,752	-	707	-
Short-term	-	-	-	-
Long-term	1,752	-	707	-
Credit and loans with the IMF	335	-	891	-
Disbursements	1,552	-	893	-
Accrued Interest	455	-	-	-
Repayments	(589)	-	(1,077)	-
Other sectors ⁽ⁱ⁾	(575)	-	(183)	-
Long term	(575)	-	(183)	-
Disbursements	744	-	1,102	-
Accrued Interest	-	-	-	-
Repayments	(1,319)	-	(1,285)	-
Trade credits and advances	(170)	111	(199)	369
Deposit taking corporations, except the	-	61	-	14
Short term	-	61	-	14
Other sectors ⁽ⁱ⁾	(170)	50	(199)	355
Short term	(170)	50	(199)	355
Other accounts receivable/payable	-	(42)	-	978
Central Bank	-	-	-	-
Short term ^(k)	-	-	-	-
Deposit taking corporations, except the Central Bank	-	(42)	-	978
Short term	-	(42)	-	978
Special Drawing Rights	-	-	-	-
Reserve Assets	-	1,682	-	618
Monetary gold	-	-	-	19
Special drawing rights	-	(30)	-	(3)
Reserve position in the IMF	-	-	-	-
Other reserve assets	-	1,713	-	602
Currency and deposits	-	103	-	(134)
Claims on monetary authorities	-	437	-	(523)
Claims on other entities	-	(334)	-	388
Securities	-	1,569	-	763
Debt securities	-	1,569	-	763
Long term	-	1,569	-	763
Other claims	-	41	-	(28)
FINANCIAL ACCOUNT (NET) (Assets - Liabilities)	-	965	-	904
Errors and Omissions	-	(254)	-	(808)

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(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