

# MONTHLY ECONOMIC INDICATORS



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## SUMMARY OF SELECTED ECONOMIC INDICATORS

### September 2021

Item	Period	Unit	2020	2021 <sup>(a)</sup>	Y-o-Y Change
<b>Real Sector</b>					
Tea	August	Mn. kg	22.5	23.7	5.5
Rubber	August	Mn. kg	6.2	6.1	(1.8)
Coconut	August	Mn. Nuts	244.6	271.9	11.2
Fish	August	Mn. kg	41.3	36.1	(12.5)
Paddy	Maha <sup>(b)</sup>	Mn. kg	3,196.8	3,061.4	(4.2)
	Yala <sup>(c)</sup>	Mn. kg	1,924.2	-	-
Electricity Generation	August	GWh	1,371	1,345	(1.9)
	January - August		10,406	10,946	5.2
Index of Industrial Production	August	2015 = 100	102.3	105.2	2.9
NCPI (Year-On-Year % Change)	September	2013 = 100	6.4	6.2	-
CCPI (Year-On-Year % Change)	September	2013 = 100	4.0	5.7	-
<b>Fiscal Sector</b>					
Revenue and Grants	January-July	Rs. Mn.	765,393	799,806	4.5
Recurrent Expenditure	January-July	Rs. Mn.	1,457,727	1,578,030	8.3
<b>Monetary Sector</b>					
Money Supply					
Narrow Money M <sub>1</sub>	End August	Rs. Mn.	1,058,461.34	1,355,196.49	28.0
Broad Money M <sub>2</sub>	End August	Rs. Mn.	7,858,435.87	9,412,400.62	19.8
Consolidated Broad Money (M <sub>2b</sub> ) <sup>(d)</sup>	End August	Rs. Mn.	8,692,021.18	10,513,644.48	21.0
Broad Money M <sub>4</sub>	End August	Rs. Mn.	10,637,616.47	12,790,062.60	20.2
Share Market					
ASPI	End September	1985 = 100	5,984.84	9,459.94	58.1
S&P SL20	End September	2004 = 1000	2,463.27	3,534.82	43.5
Market Capitalisation	End September	Rs. Bn.	2,595.84	4,215.63	62.4
<b>External Sector</b>					
External Trade					
Exports	August	US\$ Mn.	947	1,100	16.2
Imports	August	US\$ Mn.	1,289	1,687	30.8
Balance of Trade	August	US\$ Mn.	(342)	(586)	71.5
Balance of Payments					
Trade Account	1 <sup>st</sup> Half	US\$ Mn.	(2,533)	(3,767)	48.7
Current Account	1 <sup>st</sup> Half	US\$ Mn.	(1,054)	(1,536)	45.8
Current & Capital Accounts	1 <sup>st</sup> Half	US\$ Mn.	(1,037)	(1,525)	47.0
Financial Account (net)	1 <sup>st</sup> Half	US\$ Mn.	(1,566)	(1,535)	(1.9)
			<b>2021 End June</b>	<b>2021 End July</b>	<b>2021 End August</b>
Total Reserves <sup>(e)</sup>		US\$ Mn.	6,824	5,947	7,309

(a) Provisional

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

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

(d) Inclusive of FCBUs

(e) Including ACU receipts

## 1. GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT AT CONSTANT (2010) PRICES

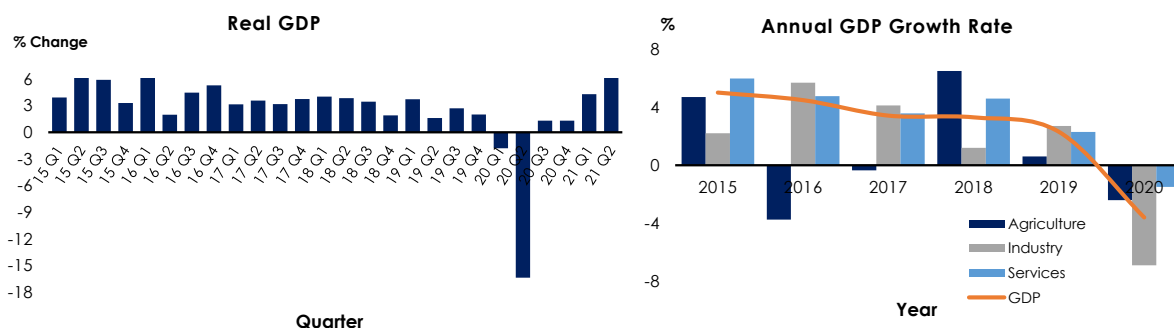
Economic Activity	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter <sup>(a)</sup>					
	Rs. Mn		Growth (%)		Contribution to Growth (%)	
	2020 <sup>(b)</sup>	2021	20/19 <sup>(b)</sup>	21/20	2020 <sup>(b)</sup>	2021
Agriculture	152,302	164,573	(8.2)	8.1	(0.6)	0.6
Industry	447,448	546,207	(23.1)	22.1	(5.8)	5.1
Services	1,213,373	1,303,929	(12.9)	7.5	(7.8)	4.7
Taxes less subsidies on products	119,196	155,342	(30.4)	30.3	(2.3)	1.9
<b>GDP</b>	<b>1,932,319</b>	<b>2,170,052</b>	<b>(16.4)</b>	<b>12.3</b>	<b>(16.4)</b>	<b>12.3</b>

Economic Activity	Annual <sup>(a)</sup>					
	Rs. Mn		Growth (%)		Contribution to Growth (%)	
	2019 <sup>(b)</sup>	2020	19/18 <sup>(b)</sup>	20/19	2019 <sup>(b)</sup>	2020
Agriculture	686,412	669,802	1.0	(2.4)	0.1	(0.2)
Industry	2,608,211	2,427,844	2.6	(6.9)	0.7	(1.8)
Services	5,678,485	5,595,469	2.2	(1.5)	1.3	(0.8)
Taxes less subsidies on products	910,242	837,491	2.4	(8.0)	0.2	(0.7)
<b>GDP</b>	<b>9,883,350</b>	<b>9,530,606</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>(3.6)</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>(3.6)</b>

(a) Provisional

(b) Revised

Source: Department of Census and Statistics



## 2. BUSINESS OUTLOOK SURVEY

Business Sentiment Index (BSI) <sup>(a)</sup>	2019				2020				2021		
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3
Business Condition (Level)	74	63	64	78	33	20	57	57	88	68	-
	(81)	(72)	(80)	(89)	(103)	(10)	(45)	(55)	(82)	(119)	(90)
Profitability (Y-o-Y)	83	75	89	95	40	44	79	75	102	104	-
	(110)	(103)	(92)	(101)	(115)	(17)	(76)	(68)	(98)	(143)	(130)
Skilled Labour Availability (Y-o-Y)	100	99	102	94	78	102	99	102	100	103	-
	(97)	(104)	(104)	(106)	(97)	(75)	(120)	(97)	(107)	(103)	(103)
Demand (Y-o-Y)	120	86	87	101	42	28	81	70	130	127	-
	(131)	(123)	(121)	(109)	(122)	(45)	(110)	(74)	(103)	(158)	(138)
Sales (Y-o-Y)	125	90	94	110	45	36	81	72	133	122	-
	(127)	(119)	(117)	(120)	(126)	(18)	(108)	(78)	(99)	(155)	(140)
Capacity Utilization (Y-o-Y)	120	93	88	102	49	49	74	76	118	119	-
	(128)	(121)	(115)	(109)	(112)	(32)	(118)	(70)	(100)	(150)	(127)

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

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

### 3. AGRICULTURE

Item	Unit	2020	2021 <sup>(a)</sup>	Y-o-Y Change (%)
<b>Tea Production</b>	Mn. kg			
August		22.5	23.7	5.5
January - August		179.4	211.5	17.9
<b>Rubber Production</b>	Mn. kg			
August		6.2	6.1	(1.8)
January - August		50.2	56.3	12.1
<b>Coconut Production</b>	Mn. Nuts			
August		244.6	271.9	11.2
January - August		1,848.3	2,034.6	10.1
<b>Fish Production</b>	Mn. kg			
August		41.3	36.1	(12.5)
January - August		283.5	282.8	(0.2)
<b>Paddy Production</b>	Mn. kg			
Maha <sup>(b)</sup>		3,196.8	3,061.4	(4.2)
Yala <sup>(c)</sup>		1,924.2	-	-

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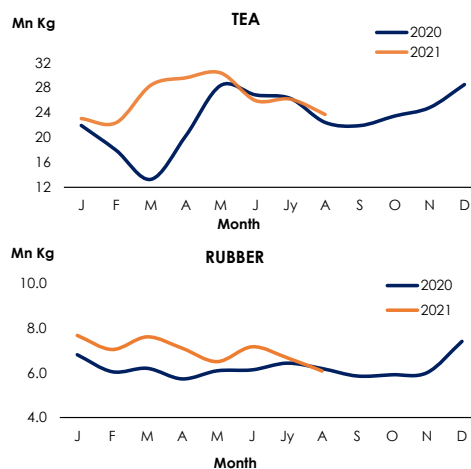
Sources: Sri Lanka Tea Board

Rubber Development Department

Coconut Development Authority

Department of Census & Statistics

Ministry of Fisheries



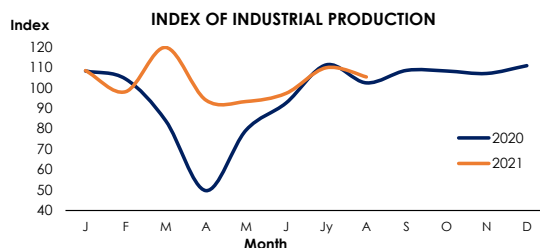
### 4. INDEX OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION (IIP) (2015=100)

Item	August		
	2020 <sup>(a)</sup>	2021 <sup>(b)</sup>	Y-o-Y Change (%)
Food products	107.0	105.5	(1.4)
Beverages	109.9	95.2	(13.4)
Tobacco products	87.7	85.0	(3.1)
Textiles	127.0	137.7	8.4
Wearing apparels	78.2	95.4	21.9
Leather and related products	61.1	77.7	27.3
Wood and products of wood and cork except furniture; Articles of Straw and plaiting materials	64.1	48.3	(24.7)
Paper and paper products	80.0	68.6	(14.3)
Printing and reproduction of recorded media	123.2	93.2	(24.3)
Coke and refined petroleum products	112.2	114.8	2.4
Chemicals and chemical products	117.5	94.6	(19.5)
Basic pharmaceutical products and pharmaceutical preparations	111.9	111.9	0.0
Rubber and plastic products	94.2	92.8	(1.4)
Other non-metallic mineral products	126.9	144.5	13.9
Basic metals	132.4	140.7	6.3
Fabricated metal products (except machinery equipment)	89.5	101.1	13.0
Electrical equipment	70.6	67.7	(4.2)
Machinery and equipment (n.e.c)	104.8	117.9	12.5
Furniture	90.5	76.7	(15.3)
Other manufacturing	53.2	67.5	26.7
<b>Overall Index of Industrial Production for the Manufacturing Sector</b>	<b>102.3</b>	<b>105.2</b>	<b>2.9</b>

(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
2019	54.4	50.6	66.9	41.0	50.7	53.9	55.7	56.6	54.7	57.6	56.0	54.3
2020	54.0	53.6	30.0	24.2	49.3	67.3	64.6	57.9	59.8	40.3	57.6	61.2
2021	60.2	59.4	67.0	44.3	42.1	50.4	57.8	45.1	54.3			

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

## 6. HOUSING AND CONSTRUCTIONS

Item	Unit	2019	2020 <sup>(a)</sup>	Y-o-Y Change (%)
<b>Greater Colombo Housing Approvals Index<sup>(b)</sup></b>	1995 = 100			
Quarter 3		123.3	119.0	(3.5)
Quarter 4		109.7	77.4	(29.4)
<b>Cement</b>		<b>2020</b>	<b>2021<sup>(a)</sup></b>	
Local Production	'000 MT			
August		392	408	3.9
January - August		2,448	2,958	20.8
Imports	'000 MT			
August		306	216	(29.5)
January - August		2,242	1,838	(18.0)
Total	'000 MT			
August		699	624	(10.7)
January - August		4,691	4,796	2.3

(a) Provisional

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

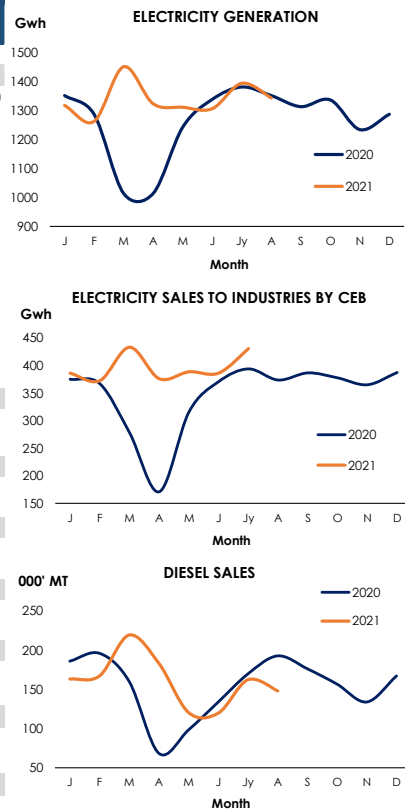
Sources: Colombo, Dehiwala-Mount Lavinia, Sri Jayawardanapura, Moratuwa and Kaduwela Municipal Councils  
Wattala-Mabole, Peliyagoda, Panadura, Maharagama, Kesbewa, Horana and Boralesgamuwa Urban Councils  
Homagama, Kalikawatta-Mulleriyawa, Kelaniya, Altanagalla, Wattala-Mabole, Horana and Panadura  
Pradesheya Sabhas  
Central Bank of Sri Lanka  
Sri Lanka Customs  
Participants of Cement Industry

## 7. ENERGY

Item	Unit	2020	2021 <sup>(a)</sup>	Y-o-Y Change (%)
<b>Electricity Generation<sup>(b)</sup></b>	GWh			
August		1,371	1,345	(1.9)
CEB - Hydro		468	489	4.4
Fuel Oil		105	66	(37.6)
Coal		401	557	38.9
Wind		-	54	(100.0)
Private Sector		397	180	(54.7)
Non Conventional Renewable Energy		190	156	(17.6)
January - August		10,406	10,946	5.2
CEB - Hydro		2,322	3,215	38.5
Fuel Oil		1,036	879	(15.2)
Coal		3,960	4,020	1.5
Wind		-	204	(100.0)
Private Sector		3,089	2,629	(14.9)
Non Conventional Renewable Energy		1,125	1,445	28.4
<b>Electricity Sales to Industries</b>	GWh			
July		394	431	9.3
January - July		2,273	2,774	22.0
<b>Diesel Sales</b>	'000 MT			
August		193	148	(23.3)
January - August		1,206	1,283	6.4
<b>Petrol Sales</b>	'000 MT			
August		123	95	(22.8)
January - August		800	853	6.6
<b>Furnace Oil Sales</b>	'000 MT			
August		52	31	(40.4)
January - August		573	465	(18.8)
<b>Kerosene Sales</b>	'000 MT			
August		16	16	0.0
January - August		119	122	2.5
<b>Crude Oil Imports</b>	'000 MT			
August		190	188	(0.9)
January - August		1,108	1,004	(9.4)
<b>Other Petroleum Imports</b>	'000 MT			
August		460	379	(17.6)
January - August		2,713	3,004	10.7

(a) Provisional

(b) Including rooftop solar generation



Sources: Ceylon Electricity Board  
Ceylon Petroleum Corporation  
Lanka IOC PLC  
Sri Lanka Customs

## 8. PURCHASING MANAGERS' INDEX - SERVICES

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2019	55.8	53.0	56.3	45.3	44.7	53.1	57.1	52.9	52.7	56.9	57.4	60.2
2020	57.0	50.2	32.0	29.8	43.1	50.4	51.4	56.0	54.3	41.8	48.8	55.6
2021	56.2	56.5	62.1	48.9	39.5	51.3	55.7	46.2	52.2			

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

## 9. TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Item	Unit	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter		Y-o-Y Change (%)
		2020	2021 <sup>(a)</sup>	
Telephones (Fixed lines)	Number	2,328,082	2,870,036	23.3
Wireline in service	Number	1,253,837	1,251,552	(0.2)
Wireless Local Loop Access	Number	1,074,245	1,618,484	50.7
Cellular Phones	Number	27,678,977	29,048,708	4.9
Public Pay Phones	Number	469	0	(100.0)
Internet Subscribers <sup>(b)</sup>	Number	13,295,306	20,628,897	55.2
Telephone Penetration (excluding Cellular Phones)	per 100 persons	10.6	13.0	22.1
Telephone Penetration (including Cellular Phones)	per 100 persons	136.9	144.2	5.3

(a) Provisional

(b) Including mobile internet connections

Sources: Telecommunications Regulatory Commission of Sri Lanka

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## 10. TRANSPORT

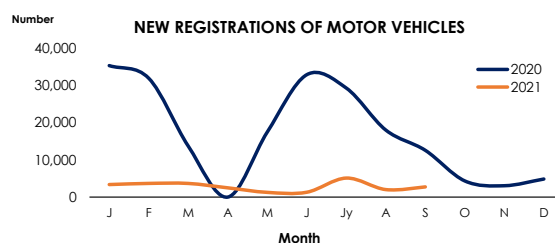
Item	Unit	2020	2021 <sup>(a)</sup>	Y-o-Y Change (%)
<b>New Registration of Motor Vehicles</b>				
<b>August</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>17,938</b>	<b>2,005</b>	<b>(88.8)</b>
Buses		40	10	(75.0)
Motor Cars		1,611	138	(91.4)
Three Wheelers		234	417	78.2
Dual Purpose Vehicles <sup>(b)</sup>		767	20	(97.4)
Motor Cycles		14,035	298	(97.9)
Goods Transport Vehicles <sup>(c)</sup>		382	286	(25.1)
Land Vehicles <sup>(d)</sup>		837	836	(0.1)
Other <sup>(e)</sup>		32	0	(100.0)
<b>September</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>12,513</b>	<b>2,726</b>	<b>(78.2)</b>
Buses		62	5	(91.9)
Motor Cars		1,041	279	(73.2)
Three Wheelers		132	4	(97.0)
Dual Purpose Vehicles <sup>(b)</sup>		482	18	(96.3)
Motor Cycles		9,129	369	(96.0)
Goods Transport Vehicles <sup>(c)</sup>		446	482	8.1
Land Vehicles <sup>(d)</sup>		1,195	1,569	31.3
Other <sup>(e)</sup>		26	0	(100.0)
<b>January - September</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>190,442</b>	<b>25,505</b>	<b>(86.6)</b>
Buses		507	237	(53.3)
Motor Cars		20,048	2,905	(85.5)
Three Wheelers		7,040	2,080	(70.5)
Dual Purpose Vehicles <sup>(b)</sup>		9,092	594	(93.5)
Motor Cycles		144,399	6,031	(95.8)
Goods Transport Vehicles <sup>(c)</sup>		3,102	3,241	4.5
Land Vehicles <sup>(d)</sup>		5,790	10,415	79.9
Other <sup>(e)</sup>		464	2	(99.6)

(a) Provisional (b) Including Single Cabs

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

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

Source: Department of Motor Traffic



## 11. PORT SERVICES

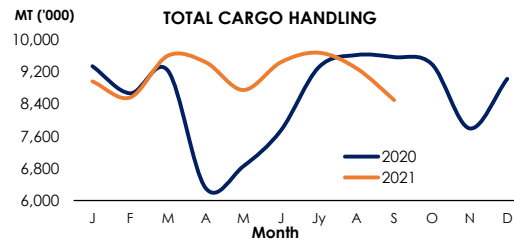
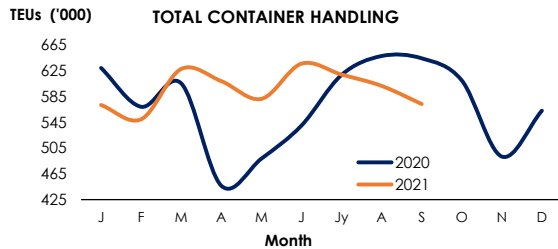
Item	Unit	2020	2021 <sup>(a)</sup>	Y-o-Y Change (%)
<b>Ship Traffic <sup>(b)</sup></b>				
	Number			
September		396	323	(18.4)
January - September		3,321	3,146	(5.3)
<b>Container Handling</b>				
<b>Domestic</b>				
	TEUs			
September		103,556	85,069	(17.9)
January - September		806,296	894,771	11.0
<b>Transshipment</b>				
	TEUs			
September		527,684	472,193	(10.5)
January - September		4,276,247	4,327,280	1.2
<b>Re-stowing</b>				
	TEUs			
September		13,122	16,102	22.7
January - September		107,275	147,852	37.8
<b>Total Container Handling</b>				
	TEUs			
September		644,362	573,364	(11.0)
January - September		5,189,818	5,369,903	3.5
<b>Cargo Handling <sup>(b)</sup></b>				
<b>Cargo Discharged</b>				
	MT			
September		5,454,043	4,632,121	(15.1)
January - September		44,011,815	47,135,093	7.1
<b>Cargo Loaded</b>				
	MT			
September		4,118,399	3,869,658	(6.0)
January - September		32,663,215	35,132,162	7.6
<b>Total Cargo Handling</b>				
	MT			
September		9,572,442	8,501,779	(11.2)
January - September		76,675,030	82,267,255	7.3

(a) Provisional

Source: Sri Lanka Ports Authority

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

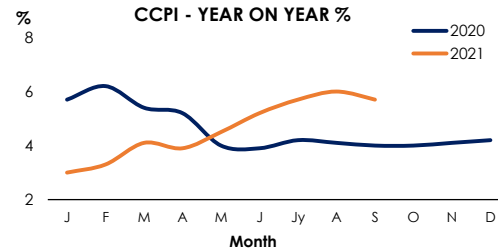
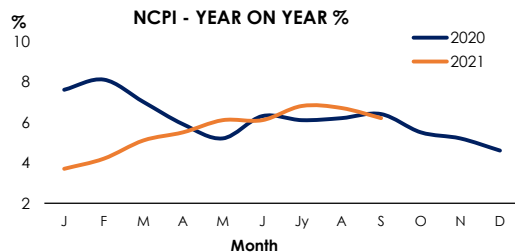
TEUs = Twenty-foot Equivalent Container Units



## 12. PRICE INDICES

Item	Base Period	2020	2021	Y-o-Y Change (%)
<b>National Consumer Price Index (NCPI)</b>				
	2013=100			
<b>September</b>				
Headline		138.9	147.5	6.2
Core		140.4	147.2	4.8
<b>Colombo Consumers Price Index (CCPI)</b>				
	2013=100			
<b>September</b>				
Headline		136.3	144.1	5.7
Core		139.1	146.0	5.0

Source: Department of Census and Statistics





### 13. AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES - PETTAH MARKET

Item	Unit	September		Y-o-Y Change(%)
		2020	2021	
<b>Rice</b>	Rs/kg			
Samba		100.67	n.a.	-
Nadu		96.10	n.a.	-
Kekulu (Red)		93.00	n.a.	-
<b>Other Food Items</b>	Rs/kg			
Dried Chillie (Imported)		445.71	529.38	18.8
Red Onion (Local)		189.43	274.38	44.8
Red Onion (Imported)		222.11	280.00	26.1
Big Onion (Local)		169.66	117.50	(30.7)
Big Onion (Imported)		178.58	134.06	(24.9)
Dhal		149.29	n.a.	-
Potato (Local)		160.99	166.88	3.7
Egg - White (Each)		18.93	15.34	(18.9)
Sugar - White		134.57	122.00	(9.3)

n.a - not available

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

### 14. EMPLOYMENT

Item	Unit	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter		%
		2020 <sup>(a)</sup>	2021 <sup>(a)(b)</sup>	
Labour Force Participation Rate	Percentage	50.2	49.8	
Unemployment Rate		5.4	5.1	
<b>Employment by Economic Activity<sup>(c)</sup> (as a % of Total Employment)</b>		<b>2019<sup>(a)</sup></b>	<b>2020<sup>(a)(b)</sup></b>	
Agriculture		25.3	27.1	
Industry		27.6	26.9	
Services		47.1	46.0	

**UNEMPLOYMENT RATE**

Quarter

(a) The working age population aged 15 and above (b) Provisional

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

Source: Department of Census and Statistics

### 15. WAGE INDICES

Item	Unit	August	
		2020	2021 <sup>(a)</sup>
<b>Public Sector Employees</b>	2016 = 100		
Nominal Wage Rate Index		114.6	114.6
Real Wage Rate Index <sup>(b)</sup>		94.6	88.7
<b>Informal Private Sector Employees</b>	2012 = 100		
Nominal Wage Rate Index		186.3	201.1
Real Wage Rate Index <sup>(b)</sup>		134.8	136.3
<b>Agriculture</b>			
Nominal Wage Rate Index		195.8	205.6
Real Wage Rate Index <sup>(b)</sup>		141.7	139.4
<b>Industry</b>			
Nominal Wage Rate Index		189.1	204.8
Real Wage Rate Index <sup>(b)</sup>		136.8	138.8
<b>Services</b>			
Nominal Wage Rate Index		179.5	195.6
Real Wage Rate Index <sup>(b)</sup>		129.8	132.6

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

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

## 16. GOVERNMENT FINANCE (a)

Item	Unit	2020 Jan. - Jul. (a)	2021 Jan. - Jul. (b)
<b>Total revenue and grants (c)</b>	Rs. Mn.	765,393	799,806
<b>Total revenue (c)</b>	Rs. Mn.	763,246	798,908
Tax revenue		670,410	716,704
Non tax revenue		92,836	82,204
<b>Grants (c)</b>	Rs. Mn.	2,147	898
<b>Recurrent expenditure (c)</b>	Rs. Mn.	1,457,727	1,578,030
<b>Capital expenditure and net lending (c)</b>	Rs. Mn.	180,220	236,323
<b>Financing (c)</b>	Rs. Mn.	872,554	1,014,547
Domestic financing		1,067,028	1,204,619
Foreign financing		(194,475)	(190,072)
		<b>2020 End Dec.</b>	<b>2021 End Jul (a)</b>
<b>Total outstanding government debt (d)</b>	Rs. Mn.	15,117,247	16,751,660
<b>Total domestic debt</b>	Rs. Mn.	9,065,068	10,317,494
By Maturity			
Short term		2,197,594	2,997,090
o/w Treasury bills		1,620,705	2,006,213
Central bank advances		153,079	198,182
Medium & Long term		6,867,473	7,320,405
o/w Treasury bonds		5,713,300	6,257,026
Rupee loans		24,088	24,088
Sri Lanka Development Bonds		486,870	462,191
By Institution			
Non Bank		4,329,330	4,737,110
Bank		4,735,738	5,580,385
<b>Total foreign debt</b>	Rs. Mn.	6,052,179	6,434,166
Concessional		2,988,113	3,124,176
Multilateral		1,445,230	1,547,027
o/w IDA		485,638	510,046
ADB		832,880	894,761
Bilateral		1,542,883	1,577,148
o/w Japan		619,757	615,981
Non Concessional		3,064,066	3,309,990

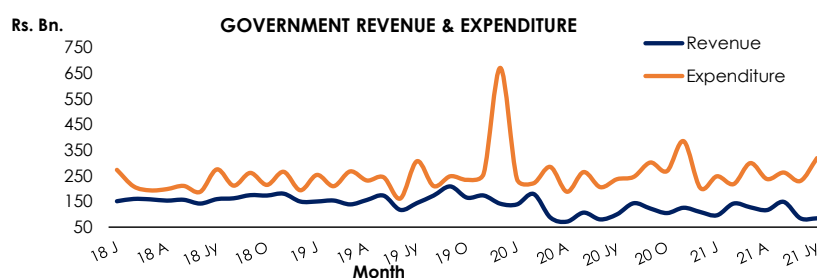
Sources: Ministry of Finance  
Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(a) Excluding the adjustment for fiscal statistics as announced in the Budget Speech for 2020

(b) Provisional

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

(d) 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 and outstanding ISBs have been classified under foreign debt and resident holdings of outstanding of SLDBs and outstanding ISBs of the Sri Lankan Government have been classified under domestic debt.



## 17. MONETARY AGGREGATES & UNDERLYING FACTORS

Item	Unit	Beginning January <sup>(a)</sup>	End August <sup>(a)(b)</sup>	Change (End August)	
				Absolute	Percentage
<b>Narrow Money Supply (M<sub>1</sub>)</b>	Rs. Mn.				
2020		865,466.99	1,058,461.34	192,994.35	22.3
2021		1,177,150.04	1,355,196.49	178,046.45	15.1
Currency Held by the Public					
2020		494,207.86	595,993.47	101,785.61	20.6
2021		641,010.04	750,195.67	109,185.64	17.0
Demand Deposits Held by the Public					
2020		371,259.13	462,467.87	91,208.74	24.6
2021		536,140.00	605,000.81	68,860.81	12.8
<b>Broad Money Supply (M<sub>2</sub>) <sup>(1)</sup></b>	Rs. Mn.				
2020		6,912,709.91	7,858,435.87	945,725.96	13.7
2021		8,495,788.29	9,412,400.62	916,612.33	10.8
<b>Time &amp; Savings Deposits Held by the Public (Quasi Money)</b>	Rs. Mn.				
2020		6,047,242.92	6,799,974.53	752,731.61	12.4
2021		7,318,638.25	8,057,204.14	738,565.89	10.1
<b>Underlying Factors (M<sub>2</sub>)</b>	Rs. Mn.				
<b>Net Foreign Assets <sup>(2)</sup></b>					
2020		413,592.83	331,565.18	(82,027.66)	(19.8)
2021		54,205.73	(523,779.52)	(577,985.24)	(1,066.3)
<b>Domestic Credit</b>					
2020		8,199,017.41	9,384,693.06	1,185,675.65	14.5
2021		10,404,976.03	12,193,199.72	1,788,223.70	17.2
To Government (Net)		4,072,585.49	5,269,801.23	1,197,215.74	29.4
To Public Corporations		584,273.52	656,301.65	72,028.13	12.3
To Co-operatives		3,222.63	2,747.60	(475.03)	(14.7)
To Other Private Sector		5,744,894.39	6,264,349.24	519,454.85	9.0
<b>Other Items (Net) <sup>(3)</sup></b>					
2020		(1,699,900.33)	(1,857,822.37)	(157,922.04)	(9.3)
2021		(1,963,393.46)	(2,257,019.59)	(293,626.12)	(15.0)
<b>Consolidated Broad Money Supply (M<sub>2b</sub>) <sup>(3)</sup></b>	Rs.Mn.				
2020		7,624,120.67	8,692,021.18	1,067,900.51	14.0
2021		9,405,733.97	10,513,644.48	1,107,910.51	11.8
<b>Adjusted Time &amp; Savings Deposits Held by the Public (Quasi Money)</b>					
2020		6,758,653.68	7,633,559.84	874,906.16	12.9
2021		8,228,583.93	9,158,448.00	929,864.06	11.3
<b>Underlying Factors (M<sub>2b</sub>)</b>	Rs.Mn.				
<b>Net Foreign Assets <sup>(3)</sup></b>					
2020		100,701.82	(19,572.27)	(120,274.10)	(119.4)
2021		(209,468.36)	(700,954.67)	(491,486.31)	(234.6)
<b>Domestic Credit</b>					
2020		9,410,739.11	10,764,065.74	1,353,326.63	14.4
2021		11,721,172.79	13,614,517.36	1,893,344.57	16.2
To Government (Net)		4,548,061.37	5,682,123.76	1,134,062.39	24.9
To Public Corporations		1,002,174.16	1,136,866.81	134,692.65	13.4
To Co-operatives		3,222.63	2,747.60	(475.03)	(14.7)
To Other Private Sector		6,167,714.63	6,792,779.20	625,064.57	10.1
<b>Other Items (Net) <sup>(3)</sup></b>					
2020		(1,887,320.26)	(2,052,472.29)	(165,152.02)	(8.8)
2021		(2,105,970.46)	(2,399,918.21)	(293,947.75)	(14.0)
<b>Reserve Money</b>	Rs. Mn.				
2020		932,604.46	879,828.42	(52,776.04)	(5.7)
2021		964,439.73	1,089,265.64	124,825.90	12.9
<b>Money Multipliers</b>					
<b>M<sub>1</sub> Multiplier</b>					
2020		0.93	1.20		
2021		1.22	1.24		
<b>M<sub>2</sub> Multiplier</b>					
2020		7.41	8.93		
2021		8.81	8.64		
<b>M<sub>2b</sub> Multiplier</b>					
2020		8.18	9.88		
2021		9.75	9.65		

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(1) M<sub>2</sub> = M<sub>1</sub> + Time & Savings Deposits

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

(3) Based on the consolidated monetary survey, which covers aggregated data pertaining to both Domestic Banking Units (DBUs) and Offshore Banking Units (OBUs) of commercial banks operating in Sri Lanka. It also includes foreign currency deposits held by residents. M<sub>2b</sub> is the sum of M<sub>1</sub> and adjusted quasi money. M<sub>1</sub> is the same in both cases; i.e., DBU monetary survey and consolidated monetary survey.

(a) 2020 data were revised.

(b) August 2021 data are provisional.

(Monetary Aggregates & Underlying Factors Contd ...)

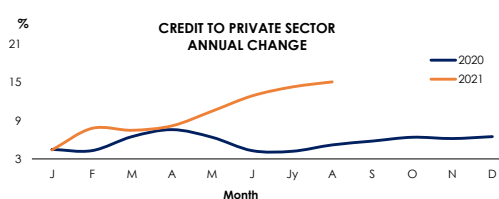
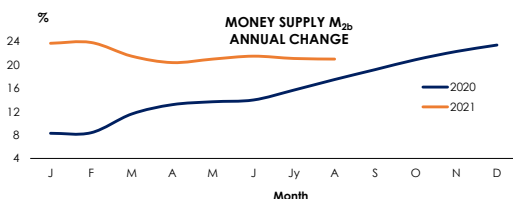
Item	Unit	Beginning January <sup>(a)</sup>	End August <sup>(a)(b)</sup>	Change (End August)	
				Absolute	Percentage
<b>Broad Money Supply (M<sub>4</sub>) <sup>(4)</sup></b>	Rs. Mn.				
2020		9,444,524.88	10,637,616.47	1,193,091.59	12.6
2021		11,461,881.28	12,790,062.60	1,328,181.33	11.6
<b>Time &amp; Savings Deposits (Quasi Money)</b>					
2020		8,644,200.68	9,659,200.85	1,015,000.17	11.7
2021		10,374,005.10	11,498,855.88	1,124,850.78	10.8
<b>Underlying Factors (M<sub>4</sub>)</b>					
<b>Net Foreign Assets</b>					
2020		88,761.02	(30,274.73)	(119,035.75)	(134.1)
2021		(217,108.95)	(712,947.39)	(495,838.44)	(228.4)
<b>Domestic Credit</b>					
2020		12,094,155.09	13,541,500.49	1,447,345.40	12.0
2021		14,652,435.33	16,764,565.03	2,112,129.70	14.4
To Government (Net)		5,365,745.76	6,594,574.68	1,228,828.92	22.9
To Public Corporations		1,002,174.16	1,136,866.81	134,692.65	13.4
To Private Sector		8,284,515.41	9,033,123.54	748,608.13	9.0
<b>Other Items (Net)</b>					
2020		(2,738,391.23)	(2,873,609.29)	(135,218.06)	(4.9)
2021		(2,973,445.11)	(3,261,555.03)	(288,109.93)	(9.7)
<b>Money Multiplier</b>					
<b>M<sub>4</sub> Multiplier</b>					
2020		10.13	12.09		
2021		11.88	11.74		

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

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

(a) 2020 data were revised.

(b) August 2021 data are provisional.



18. BANKING

Item	Unit	End August		Change (End August)	
		2020 <sup>(a)</sup>	2021 <sup>(b)</sup>	Absolute	Percentage
<b>Domestic Banking Units (DBUs)</b>					
<b>Commercial Banks <sup>(1)</sup></b>					
<b>Loans &amp; Advances (Total Outstanding)</b>	Rs. Mn.	6,500,041.33	7,771,133.50	1,271,092.16	19.6
<b>Investment (Total Outstanding)</b>					
Treasury Bills	Rs. Mn.	763,816.00	640,092.10	(123,723.90)	(16.2)
Other Govt. Securities <sup>(2)</sup>		1,579,391.63	2,242,880.54	663,488.91	42.0
Other Investments		102,629.24	114,583.37	11,954.13	11.6
<b>Total Deposits</b>	Rs. Mn.	8,291,110.85	10,043,983.84	1,752,872.99	21.1
<b>Commercial Banks' Liquidity</b>					
<b>Excess Reserves and Cash in Hand</b>	Rs. Mn.	129,213.46	161,245.68	32,032.21	24.8
<b>Call Market Borrowings - Last week of August</b>	Rs. Bn.	8.10	221.97	213.87	2,640.4
<b>Offshore Banking Units (OBUs)</b>					
		<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>		
		<b>End August <sup>(a)</sup></b>	<b>End August <sup>(b)</sup></b>		
<b>OBUs</b>	Number	26	24		
<b>Total Assets / Liabilities</b>	Rs. Mn.	1,859,763.74	2,053,853.94	194,090.20	10.4
<b>Assets</b>					
Loans & Advances - Residents		1,481,199.46	1,553,965.55	72,766.09	4.9
Loans & Advances - Non-Residents		354,306.75	467,004.21	112,697.46	31.8
Other Assets		24,257.53	32,884.18	8,626.65	35.6
<b>Liabilities</b>					
Deposits & Borrowings - Residents		857,644.13	1,000,821.27	143,177.13	16.7
Deposits & Borrowings - Non-Residents		760,746.61	738,761.90	(21,984.72)	(2.9)
Other Liabilities		241,372.99	314,270.77	72,897.79	30.2
		<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>Change (End August)</b>	
		<b>End August</b>	<b>End August <sup>(b)</sup></b>	<b>Absolute</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>National Savings Bank</b>					
Time & Savings Deposits	Rs. Mn.	1,123,235.46	1,356,531.81	233,296.35	20.8

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

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

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

(a) Revised

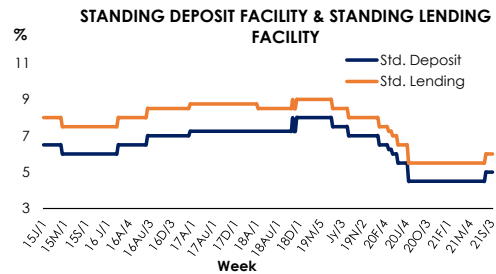
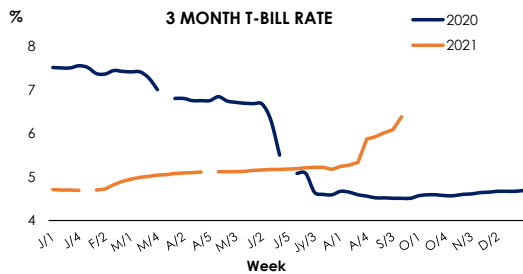
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## 19. INTEREST RATES

Item	Unit	September		Y-o-Y Absolute Change (Basis Points)
		2020	2021	
<b>Treasury Bills <sup>(1)</sup> (Last Week)</b>				
	Yield			
91-Day	Per cent	4.51	6.70	219
182-Day		4.64	6.99	235
364-Day		4.89	7.01	212
<b>Treasury Bonds <sup>(1)</sup></b>				
2-Year		5.65	8.12	247
3-Year		5.72	8.10	238
4-Year		-	-	-
5-Year		6.59	-	-
6-Year		-	-	-
10-Year		-	-	-
<b>AWDR <sup>(2)</sup></b>	Per cent	6.44	4.75	(169)
<b>AWFDR <sup>(3)</sup></b>	Per cent	7.90	5.64	(226)
		<b>2020 August</b>	<b>2021 August</b>	
<b>AWNDR <sup>(4)</sup></b>	Per cent	5.49	5.19	(30)
<b>AWNFR <sup>(5)</sup></b>	Per cent	5.66	5.35	(31)
		<b>2020 September</b>	<b>2021 September</b>	
<b>AWPR <sup>(6)</sup> (Last Week)</b>	Per cent	6.19	6.42	23
<b>Call Money Rates (End Month)</b>	Per cent	4.52-4.55	5.90-5.95	
<b>Standing Deposit Facility Rate <sup>(7)</sup></b>	Per cent	4.50	5.00	50
<b>Standing Lending Facility Rate <sup>(8)</sup></b>	Per cent	5.50	6.00	50
		<b>2020 August</b>	<b>2021 August</b>	
<b>AWLR <sup>(9)</sup></b>	Per cent	11.84	9.38	(246)
<b>AWNLR <sup>(10)</sup></b>		9.12	8.04	(108)
<b>Saving Rates</b>				
	Per cent	<b>2020 August</b>	<b>2021 August</b>	
Commercial Banks		0.20-7.00	0.10-6.00	
National Savings Bank		3.50	3.50	
<b>Fixed Deposit Rates</b>				
	Per cent			
Commercial Banks (12 Months)		2.00-15.00	0.25-15.00	
National Savings Bank (12 Months)		5.75	5.00	
<b>Long Term Lending Rates</b>				
	Per cent	<b>2020 August</b>	<b>2021 August</b>	
SMIB		4.00-12.50	7.50-12.50	
NSB		7.00-10.00	6.25-10.00	
NHDA		6.00-9.00	6.00-9.00	

*Sources: Central Bank of Sri Lanka  
Respective Financial Institutions*

- (1) Average weighted yield rates at the last auction held during the month.  
 (2) AWDR (Average Weighted Deposit Rate) of commercial banks is computed monthly.  
 (3) AWFDR (Average Weighted Fixed Deposit Rate) of commercial banks is computed monthly.  
 (4) AWNDR (Average Weighted New Deposit Rate) of commercial banks is computed monthly.  
 (5) AWFNDR (Average Weighted New Fixed Deposit Rate) of commercial banks is computed monthly.  
 (6) AWPR (Average Weighted Prime Lending Rate) of commercial banks is computed weekly.  
 (7) Renamed w.e.f. 02 Jan 2014 as the Standing Deposit Facility Rate. Previously named as the Repo Rate.  
 (8) Renamed w.e.f. 02 Jan 2014 as the Standing Lending Facility Rate. Previously named as the Reverse Repo Rate.  
 (9) AWLR (Average Weighted Lending Rate) of commercial banks is computed monthly.  
 (10) AWNLR (Average Weighted New Lending Rate) of commercial banks is computed monthly.



## 20. CREDIT CARDS

Credit Cards <sup>(a)</sup>	Unit	2020 End December	2021 End July	2021 End August <sup>(b)</sup>
<b>Total Number of Active Cards</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>1,879,255</b>	<b>1,941,431</b>	<b>1,949,378</b>
Local (accepted only locally)		17,291	16,454	16,364
Global (accepted globally)		1,861,964	1,924,977	1,933,014
<b>Outstanding balance</b>	<b>Rs. Mn.</b>	<b>117,260.10</b>	<b>121,663.23</b>	<b>121,797.41</b>
Local (accepted only locally)		32,760.14	34,824.94	34,874.75
Global (accepted globally)		84,499.96	86,838.29	86,922.66

(a) Issued by Licensed Commercial Banks (LCBs)

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(b) Provisional

## 21. COMMERCIAL PAPER ISSUES

Item	Unit	2020 End December	2021 End July	2021 End August <sup>(a)</sup>
<b>Commercial Paper Issues <sup>(b)</sup></b>	<b>Rs. Mn.</b>			
Total Issues <sup>(c)</sup>		4,525.00	3,329.81	3,585.49
Outstanding (at the end of the period)		1,517.62	1,569.84	1,571.16

(a) Provisional

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

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

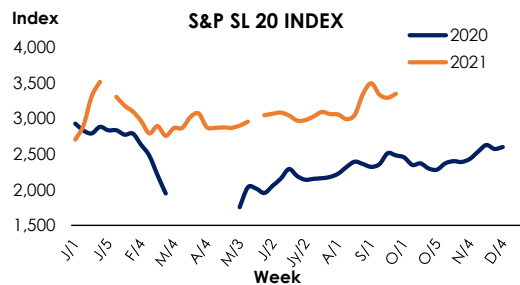
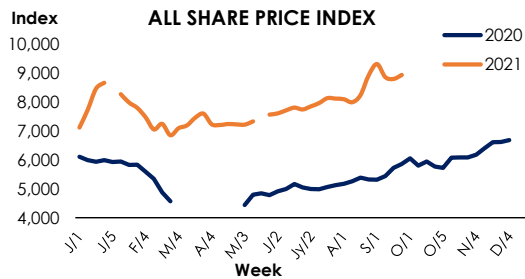
(c) Year-to-date total

## 22. SHARE MARKET

Item	Unit	End September		Y-o-Y Change (%)
		2020	2021	
<b>All Share Price Index (ASPI)</b>	1985=100	5,984.84	9,459.94	58.1
<b>S&amp;P Sri Lanka 20 (S&amp;P SL20)</b>	2004=1000	2,463.27	3,534.82	43.5
<b>Market Capitalisation</b>	Rs. Bn.	2,595.84	4,215.63	62.4
<b>Non-national Transactions <sup>(a)</sup></b>				
Purchase	Rs. Mn.	2,571.70	2,465.99	(4.1)
Sales	Rs. Mn.	10,315.62	9,370.09	(9.2)
Net Purchases	Rs. Mn.	(7,743.92)	(6,904.09)	10.8

(a) Total for the month

Source: Colombo Stock Exchange



## 23. EXTERNAL TRADE

Item	Unit	2020	2021 <sup>(a)</sup>	Y-o-Y Change (%)
<b>Exports</b>				
	Rs. Mn.			
August		175,137	220,631	26.0
January - August		1,190,988	1,560,601	31.0
<b>Imports</b>				
August		238,345	338,171	41.9
January - August		1,899,962	2,647,743	39.4
<b>Trade Balance</b>				
August		(63,208)	(117,540)	86.0
January - August		(708,974)	(1,087,142)	53.3
<b>Exports</b>				
	US \$ Mn.			
August		947	1,100	16.2
January - August		6,445	7,903	22.6
<b>Imports</b>				
August		1,289	1,687	30.8
January - August		10,257	13,411	30.7
<b>Trade Balance</b>				
August		(342)	(586)	71.5
January - August		(3,812)	(5,509)	44.5

(a) Provisional

Sources: Ceylon Petroleum Corporation and other exporters of petroleum  
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Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority  
Sri Lanka Customs  
Central Bank of Sri Lanka

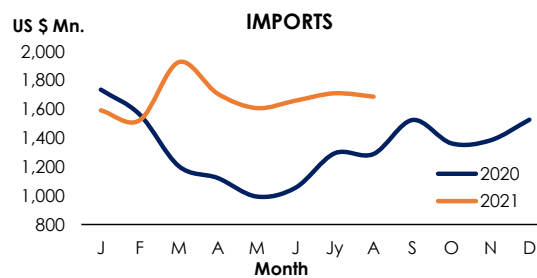
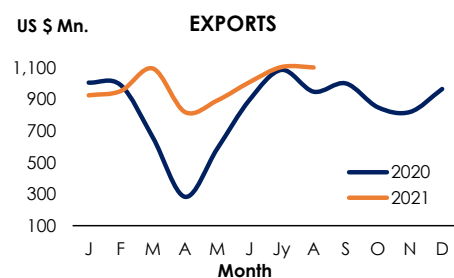
## TRADE INDICES <sup>(a)</sup> ( 2010 = 100 )

Item	August	
	2020	2021 <sup>(b)</sup>
<b>Total Exports</b>		
Value	131.8	153.2
Quantity	149.9	170.7
Unit Value	88.0	89.7
<b>Total Imports</b>		
Value	115.4	151.0
Quantity	147.8	153.1
Unit Value	78.1	98.6
<b>Terms of Trade</b>	<b>112.7</b>	<b>91.0</b>

(a) In US\$ Terms

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(b) Provisional



**EXTERNAL TRADE - COMPOSITION OF IMPORTS**

Item	Unit	2020	2021 <sup>(a)</sup>	Y-o-Y Change (%)
<b>Major Imports</b>				
<b>Consumer Goods - Total</b>	Rs. Mn.			
<b>August</b>		<b>42,270</b>	<b>65,011</b>	<b>53.8</b>
<b>January - August</b>		<b>426,775</b>	<b>509,061</b>	<b>19.3</b>
<b>Food and Beverages</b>				
August		19,625	23,889	21.7
January - August		190,040	226,941	19.4
<b>Vegetables</b>				
August		3,393	7,244	113.5
January - August		45,803	54,990	20.1
<b>Sugar</b>				
August		3,409	630	(81.5)
January - August		29,998	41,137	37.1
<b>Dairy Products</b>				
August		4,255	6,133	44.2
January - August		42,488	45,655	7.5
<b>Other Food and Beverages</b>				
August		8,568	9,882	15.3
January - August		71,751	85,160	18.7
<b>Non-food Consumer Goods</b>				
August		22,645	41,123	81.6
January - August		236,735	282,120	19.2
<b>Personal Vehicles</b>				
August		233	218	(6.3)
January - August		52,178	1,543	(97.0)
<b>Medical and Pharmaceuticals</b>				
August		8,807	19,746	124.2
January - August		71,527	105,445	47.4
<b>Other Non Food Consumables</b>				
August		13,606	21,159	55.5
January - August		113,030	175,132	54.9
<b>Intermediate Goods - Total</b>				
<b>August</b>		<b>146,311</b>	<b>202,499</b>	<b>38.4</b>
<b>January - August</b>		<b>1,053,721</b>	<b>1,567,874</b>	<b>48.8</b>
<b>Fuel</b>				
August		45,764	70,710	54.5
January - August		311,814	472,239	51.4
<b>Textile and Textile Articles</b>				
August		35,945	48,386	34.6
January - August		269,730	383,782	42.3
<b>Diamonds, Precious Stones and Metals</b>				
August		1,466	1,359	(7.4)
January - August		10,591	16,102	52.0
<b>Wheat</b>				
August		8,411	10,828	28.7
January - August		39,541	51,125	29.3
<b>Other Intermediate Goods</b>				
August		54,724	71,217	30.1
January - August		422,045	644,626	52.7
<b>Investment Goods - Total</b>				
<b>August</b>		<b>49,730</b>	<b>70,510</b>	<b>41.8</b>
<b>January - August</b>		<b>417,363</b>	<b>569,315</b>	<b>36.4</b>
<b>Machinery and Equipment</b>				
August		32,837	44,913	36.8
January - August		245,118	359,861	46.8
<b>Other Investment Goods</b>				
August		16,894	25,597	51.5
January - August		172,245	209,454	21.6
<b>Total Imports <sup>(b)</sup></b>				
<b>August</b>		<b>238,345</b>	<b>338,171</b>	<b>41.9</b>
<b>January - August</b>		<b>1,899,962</b>	<b>2,647,743</b>	<b>39.4</b>

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Sources: Ceylon Petroleum Corporation  
Lanka IOC PLC  
Sri Lanka Customs  
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Item	Unit	2020	2021 <sup>(a)</sup>	Y-o-Y Change (%)
<b>Major Imports</b>				
<b>Consumer Goods - Total</b>	US \$ Mn.			
<b>August</b>		<b>228.6</b>	<b>324.3</b>	<b>41.8</b>
<b>January - August</b>		<b>2,300.3</b>	<b>2,579.3</b>	<b>12.1</b>
<b>Food and Beverages</b>				
August		106.1	119.1	12.3
January - August		1,023.7	1,151.9	12.5
<b>Vegetables</b>				
August		18.4	36.1	96.9
January - August		246.3	278.7	13.1
<b>Sugar</b>				
August		18.4	3.1	(83.0)
January - August		161.9	210.5	30.0
<b>Dairy Products</b>				
August		23.0	30.6	32.9
January - August		228.9	231.2	1.0
<b>Other Food and Beverages</b>				
August		46.3	49.3	6.4
January - August		386.5	431.6	11.7
<b>Non-food Consumer Goods</b>				
August		122.5	205.1	67.5
January - August		1,276.7	1,427.3	11.8
<b>Personal Vehicles</b>				
August		1.3	1.1	(13.6)
January - August		280.8	7.8	(97.2)
<b>Medical and Pharmaceuticals</b>				
August		47.6	98.5	106.8
January - August		385.3	532.0	38.1
<b>Other Non Food Consumables</b>				
August		73.6	105.5	43.4
January - August		610.6	887.5	45.4
<b>Intermediate Goods - Total</b>				
<b>August</b>		<b>791.3</b>	<b>1,010.0</b>	<b>27.6</b>
<b>January - August</b>		<b>5,692.4</b>	<b>7,942.4</b>	<b>39.5</b>
<b>Fuel</b>				
August		247.5	352.7	42.5
January - August		1,691.2	2,395.9	41.7
<b>Textile and Textile Articles</b>				
August		194.4	241.3	24.1
January - August		1,457.2	1,943.7	33.4
<b>Diamonds, Precious Stones and Metals</b>				
August		7.9	6.8	(14.6)
January - August		57.4	81.7	42.3
<b>Wheat</b>				
August		45.5	54.0	18.7
January - August		212.7	258.3	21.4
<b>Other Intermediate Goods</b>				
August		296.0	355.2	20.0
January - August		2,273.9	3,262.8	43.5
<b>Investment Goods - Total</b>				
<b>August</b>		<b>269.0</b>	<b>351.7</b>	<b>30.8</b>
<b>January - August</b>		<b>2,253.2</b>	<b>2,882.3</b>	<b>27.9</b>
<b>Machinery and Equipment</b>				
August		177.6	224.0	26.1
January - August		1,324.6	1,822.5	37.6
<b>Other Investment Goods</b>				
August		91.4	127.7	39.7
January - August		928.6	1,059.8	14.1
<b>Total Imports <sup>(b)</sup></b>				
<b>August</b>		<b>1,289.1</b>	<b>1,686.7</b>	<b>30.8</b>
<b>January - August</b>		<b>10,257.4</b>	<b>13,411.5</b>	<b>30.7</b>

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**EXTERNAL TRADE - COMPOSITION OF EXPORTS**

Item	Unit	2020	2021 <sup>(a)</sup>	Y-o-Y Change (%)
<b>Major Exports</b>				
<b>Tea</b>	Rs. Mn.			
August		19,039	23,416	23.0
January - August		149,457	174,268	16.6
<b>Rubber</b>				
August		277	749	170.1
January - August		3,306	5,376	62.6
<b>Coconut</b>				
August		6,273	8,034	28.1
January - August		41,064	54,775	33.4
<b>Spices</b>				
August		7,345	7,954	8.3
January - August		36,064	55,702	54.5
<b>Minor Agricultural Products</b>				
August		2,231	3,143	40.9
January - August		18,544	18,031	(2.8)
<b>Textile and Garments</b>				
August		81,361	98,900	21.6
January - August		526,420	677,958	28.8
<b>Gems Diamonds and Jewellery</b>				
August		2,260	4,355	92.8
January - August		18,871	35,115	86.1
<b>Rubber Products</b>				
August		13,130	17,764	35.3
January - August		90,415	134,632	48.9
<b>Petroleum Products</b>				
August		4,061	9,276	128.4
January - August		49,293	58,338	18.4
<b>Mineral Exports</b>				
August		299	628	109.7
January - August		2,643	6,061	129.4
<b>Other Exports</b>				
August		38,860	46,411	19.4
January - August		254,911	340,344	33.5
<b>Total Exports <sup>(b)</sup></b>				
August		<b>175,137</b>	<b>220,631</b>	<b>26.0</b>
January - August		<b>1,190,988</b>	<b>1,560,601</b>	<b>31.0</b>
<b>Major Exports</b>				
<b>Tea</b>	US \$ Mn.			
August		103.0	116.8	13.4
January - August		805.6	882.4	9.5
<b>Rubber</b>				
August		1.5	3.7	149.1
January - August		17.9	27.3	52.7
<b>Coconut</b>				
August		33.9	40.1	18.1
January - August		221.5	276.9	25.0
<b>Spices</b>				
August		39.7	39.7	(0.1)
January - August		194.5	282.4	45.2
<b>Minor Agricultural Products</b>				
August		12.1	15.7	29.9
January - August		100.3	91.1	(9.1)
<b>Textile and Garments</b>				
August		440.0	493.3	12.1
January - August		2,853.1	3,434.8	20.4
<b>Gems Diamonds and Jewellery</b>				
August		12.2	21.7	77.8
January - August		102.6	178.0	73.4
<b>Rubber Products</b>				
August		71.0	88.6	24.8
January - August		488.9	681.7	39.4
<b>Petroleum Products</b>				
August		22.0	46.3	110.7
January - August		268.1	294.9	10.0
<b>Mineral Exports</b>				
August		1.6	3.1	93.3
January - August		14.3	30.7	115.3
<b>Other Exports</b>				
August		210	231	10.1
January - August		1,378	1,723	25.0
<b>Total Exports <sup>(b)</sup></b>				
August		<b>947.2</b>	<b>1,100.4</b>	<b>16.2</b>
January - August		<b>6,445.0</b>	<b>7,903.0</b>	<b>22.6</b>

(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.

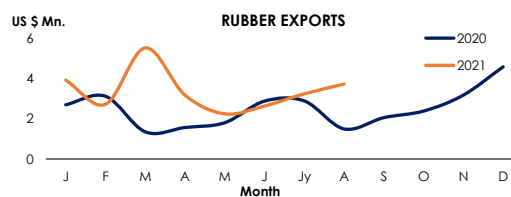
Sources: Ceylon Petroleum Corporation and other exporters of petroleum  
National Gem and Jewellery Authority  
Sri Lanka Customs  
Central Bank of Sri Lanka

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

Item	Unit	August		Y-o-Y Change (%)
		2020	2021 <sup>(a)</sup>	
<b>Export Volume</b>				
Tea	Mn. kg.	22.01	25.69	16.7
Rubber	Mn. kg.	0.85	1.40	66.0
Coconut (Kernel Products)	Mn. Nuts	57.13	58.92	3.1
<b>Export Prices</b>				
Tea	Rs./ kg.	864.99	911.44	5.4
	US \$/ kg.	4.68	4.55	(2.8)
Rubber	Rs./ kg.	327.67	533.15	62.7
	US \$/ kg.	1.77	2.66	50.0
Coconut	Rs./ Nut	55.11	66.40	20.5
	US \$/ Nut	0.30	0.33	11.1
<b>Average Gross Price</b>				
Tea	Rs./ kg.	622.40	592.28	(4.8)
Rubber	Rs./ kg.	-	456.50	-
Coconut	Rs./ Nut	55.53	51.82	(6.7)
<b>Quantity Sold</b>				
Tea	Mn. kg.	21.37	27.64	29.3
<b>Import Volumes</b>				
Rice	MT '000	0.70	0.51	(27.8)
Wheat & Maize	MT '000	182.65	174.13	(4.7)
Sugar	MT '000	45.41	5.93	(86.9)
Crude Oil	Barrels '000	1,450.95	1,437.67	(0.9)
<b>Import Prices (Average)</b>				
Rice	Rs./MT	171,800.90	162,439.83	(5.4)
	US\$/MT	929.19	810.19	(12.8)
Wheat and Maize	Rs./MT	46,605.83	63,298.69	35.8
	US\$/MT	252.07	315.71	25.2
Sugar	Rs./MT	75,060.86	106,092.64	41.3
	US\$/MT	405.97	529.15	30.3
Crude Oil	Rs./Barrel	8,826.44	15,013.62	70.1
	US\$/Barrel	47.74	74.88	56.9

(a) Provisional

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


**24. TOURISM**

Item	Unit	2020	2021 <sup>(a)</sup>	Y-o-Y Change
<b>Tourist Arrivals</b>				
September	Number	-	13,547	-
January- September		507,311	37,924	(92.5)
<b>Earnings from Tourism</b>				
September	US\$ Mn.	-	18 <sup>(c)</sup>	-
January- September		682 <sup>(b)</sup>	51 <sup>(c)</sup>	(92.5)
September	Rs. Mn.	-	3,678 <sup>(c)</sup>	-
January- September		124,090 <sup>(b)</sup>	10,152 <sup>(c)</sup>	(91.8)
<b>Workers' Remittances (Inflows)</b>				
August	US\$ Mn.	664	447	(32.8)
September		703	353	(49.7)
January - September		5,049	4,577	(9.3)

(a) Provisional

(b) Revised based on Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority survey results on average stay period and average spending per day estimates for 2020.

(c) May be revised based on Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority survey results on average stay period and average spending per day estimates for 2021.

Sources: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority

## 25. INTERNATIONAL FINANCE

Item	Unit	2020 December	2021 June	2021 July	2021 August
<b>External Assets <sup>(a) (b)</sup></b>					
Gross Official Reserves (GOR)	US\$ Mn.	5,664	4,060	2,806	3,544
	Rs. Mn.	1,055,872	816,629	560,895	744,137
Reserve Adequacy of GOR	Months of Imports	4.2	2.6	1.8	2.2
Total Reserves (TR)	US\$ Mn.	8,521	6,824	5,947	7,309
	Rs. Mn.	1,588,343	1,372,509	1,188,711	1,534,965
Reserve Adequacy of TR	Months of Imports	6.4	4.5	3.8	4.6
<b>Exchange Rates (Period Avg.)</b>		<b>2020 September</b>		<b>2021 September</b>	
	Rs./USD	185.0317		201.9858	
	Rs./GBP	239.6956		277.5996	
	Rs./INR	2.5127		2.7458	
	Rs./JPY	1.7521		1.8340	
	Rs./EUR	218.1175		237.9603	
	Rs./SDR	261.2132		287.0517	
<b>Forward Exchange Rates <sup>(c)</sup></b>				<b>2021 September</b>	
One month	Rs. / USD			201.80	
Three months				202.10	
Six months				200.58	

<b>Indices of Nominal Effective Exchange Rate (NEER) and Real Effective Exchange Rate (REER) - 24 Currency Basket (Period Avg.)</b>		
	2020 August	2021 August
NEER (2017 = 100) <sup>(d)</sup>	85.83	78.08
REER (2017 = 100) <sup>(e)</sup>	91.32	84.02

*Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka*

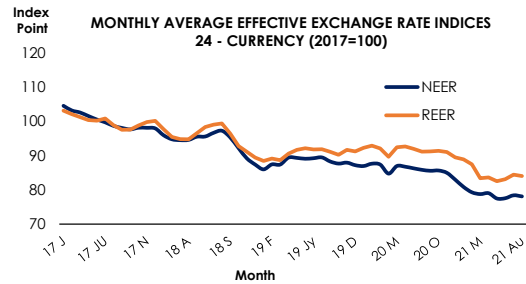
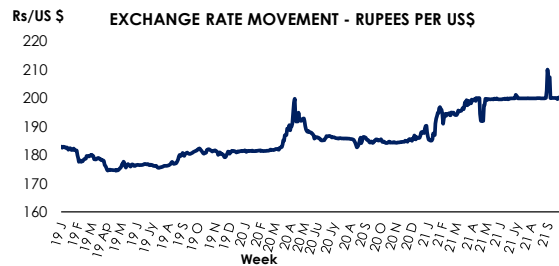
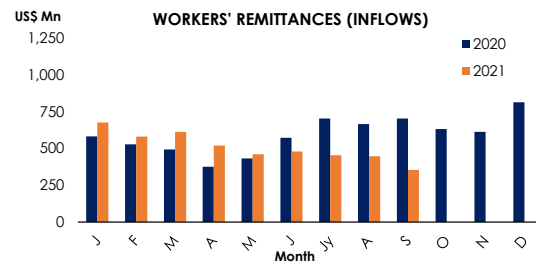
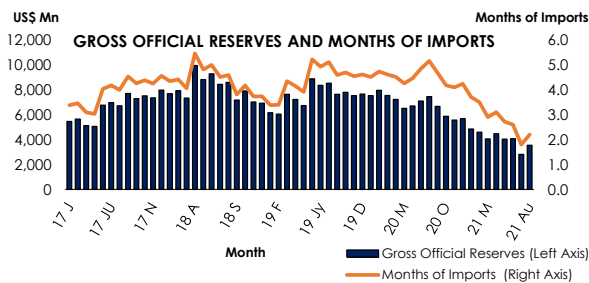
(a) Reserve data have been revised to include balances in DST's special yen accounts in consultation with IMF, and placement for war risk insurance. From October 2002 external assets are calculated at market values.

(b) Including ACU receipts.

(c) Average for the last five working days of the month of September based on actual 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 2020 are provisional.



Balance of Payments - Standard presentation under BPM6 format <sup>(a)</sup>

US \$ Mn

CURRENT AND CAPITAL ACCOUNT	2020			2021			2019 <sup>(b)</sup>			2020 <sup>(c)</sup>		
	1 <sup>st</sup> Half <sup>(b)</sup>			1 <sup>st</sup> Half <sup>(c)</sup>			Credit	Debit	Net	Credit	Debit	Net
<b>Goods and services</b>	<b>6,449</b>	<b>8,981</b>	<b>(2,533)</b>	<b>7,071</b>	<b>10,838</b>	<b>(3,767)</b>	<b>19,414</b>	<b>24,562</b>	<b>(5,148)</b>	<b>13,083</b>	<b>18,271</b>	<b>(5,189)</b>
<b>Goods <sup>(d)</sup></b>	<b>4,413</b>	<b>7,675</b>	<b>(3,262)</b>	<b>5,699</b>	<b>10,015</b>	<b>(4,316)</b>	<b>11,940</b>	<b>19,937</b>	<b>(7,997)</b>	<b>10,047</b>	<b>16,055</b>	<b>(6,008)</b>
General merchandise	4,413	7,674	(3,261)	5,699	10,014	(4,315)	11,940	19,935	(7,995)	10,047	16,047	(5,999)
Non-monetary gold		0.4	(0.4)		0.6	(0.6)		3	(3)		9	(9)
<b>Services</b>	<b>2,036</b>	<b>1,307</b>	<b>729</b>	<b>1,372</b>	<b>823</b>	<b>549</b>	<b>7,474</b>	<b>4,625</b>	<b>2,849</b>	<b>3,035</b>	<b>2,216</b>	<b>819</b>
Transport	758	612	145	671	486	185	2,339	1,710	630	1,174	1,059	114
Sea Transport	400	328	71	440	285	155	1,155	820	335	702	635	67
Freight	400	328	71	440	285	155	1,155	820	335	702	635	67
Air transport	358	284	74	231	201	30	1,184	889	295	472	424	48
Passenger	314	248	66	182	169	13	1,056	798	258	394	354	40
Freight	44	36	8	49	32	17	128	91	37	78	71	7
Travel <sup>(e)</sup>	682	289	393	23	12	11	3,607	1,638	1,969	682	449	234
Construction	3	6	(3)	4	6	(2)	67	35	32	7	10	(3)
Insurance and pension services	22	46	(24)	13	42	(28)	137	102	36	39	82	(42)
Financial services	51	129	(78)	50	95	(45)	213	470	(258)	96	220	(125)
Telecommunication, computer and information services	505	167	338	594	136	459	1,054	515	539	995	288	706
Telecommunication services	18	18	1	18	19	(1)	155	135	21	24	32	(8)
Computer services	486	149	337	576	116	459	899	380	519	971	257	714
Other business services	8	22	(13)	8	16	(8)	35	78	(43)	16	37	(21)
Government goods and services n.i.e.	8	36	(28)	10	32	(22)	21	77	(56)	26	70	(44)
<b>Primary Income</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>1,212</b>	<b>(1,101)</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>1,026</b>	<b>(957)</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>2,713</b>	<b>(2,462)</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>2,300</b>	<b>(2,101)</b>
Compensation of employees	15	59	(43)	15	41	(26)	31	130	(99)	36	132	(96)
Investment Income	95	1,153	(1,058)	55	986	(931)	220	2,583	(2,363)	162	2,167	(2,006)
Direct Investment	8	325	(316)	8	296	(288)	26	855	(828)	17	619	(602)
Dividends	7	228	(221)	6	155	(149)	14	595	(581)	14	428	(414)
Re-invested earnings	2	96	(95)	2	141	(139)	13	260	(247)	3	191	(188)
Portfolio Investment		482	(482)		404	(404)		1,044	(1,044)		932	(932)
Equity		10	(10)		7	(7)		67	(67)		18	(18)
Interest		472	(472)		397	(397)		976	(976)		914	(914)
short-term		2	(2)		0.1	(0.1)		8	(8)		2	(2)
long-term		470	(470)		397	(397)		969	(969)		911	(911)
Other Investment	38	346	(308)	23	285	(262)	97	685	(588)	56	617	(560)
Reserve assets	48		48	23		23	97		97	89		89
<b>Secondary Income</b>	<b>2,987</b>	<b>407</b>	<b>2,580</b>	<b>3,327</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>3,187</b>	<b>6,726</b>	<b>960</b>	<b>5,766</b>	<b>7,117</b>	<b>910</b>	<b>6,207</b>
General Governemnt <sup>(f)</sup>	7.2		7.2	3		3	9		9	13		13
Personal transfers	2,980	407	2,573	3,324	140	3,184	6,717	960	5,757	7,104	910	6,194
of which, worker's remittances	2,980			3,324			6,717			7,104		
<b>Current Account</b>	<b>9,546</b>	<b>10,600</b>	<b>(1,054)</b>	<b>10,468</b>	<b>12,004</b>	<b>(1,536)</b>	<b>26,392</b>	<b>28,236</b>	<b>(1,843)</b>	<b>20,398</b>	<b>21,481</b>	<b>(1,083)</b>
<b>Capital Account</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>28</b>
Capital Transfers	29	12	16	25	14	11	51	28	23	51	23	28
General Governemnt <sup>(g)</sup>	13		13	5.3		5.3	16		16	24		24
Private Capital Transfers	15	12	3	19	14	6	34	28	7	27	23	4
<b>Current Account + Capital Account</b>	<b>9,575</b>	<b>10,612</b>	<b>(1,037)</b>	<b>10,493</b>	<b>12,018</b>	<b>(1,525)</b>	<b>26,443</b>	<b>28,263</b>	<b>(1,820)</b>	<b>20,449</b>	<b>21,504</b>	<b>(1,055)</b>

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

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(b) Revised

(c) Provisional

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

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

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

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

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US \$ Mn

FINANCIAL ACCOUNT	2020 1 <sup>st</sup> Half <sup>(b)</sup>		2021 1 <sup>st</sup> Half <sup>(c)</sup>		2019 <sup>(d)</sup>		2020 <sup>(e)</sup>	
	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
<b>Financial Account</b>	<b>(873)</b>	<b>(1,566)</b>	<b>385</b>	<b>(1,535)</b>	<b>2,974</b>	<b>514</b>	<b>(1,566)</b>	<b>(1,825)</b>
<b>Direct Investments</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>743</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>434</b>	<b>15</b>
Equity and investment fund shares	107	5	155	6	370	65	211	10
Equity other than reinvestment of earnings	11	4	14	4	110	52	20	7
Direct investor in direct investment enterprise	11	4	14	4	110	52	20	7
- BOI companies	19		12	-	138		29	
- CSE Companies (not registered with BOI)	(8)		2	-	(31)		(9)	
- Other companies	-		-		2		-	
Reinvestment of earnings	96	2	141	2	260	13	191	3
Debt Instruments	135	2	147	2	374	13	223	4
Direct investor in direct investment enterprise	135	2	147	2	374	13	223	4
- BOI companies	135		147		314		223	
- Shareholder Advance	72		82		216		117	
- Intra Company Borrowings	63		65		115		106	
- Debt Repayments	-		-		(17)		-	
- CSE Companies (not registered with BOI)	-		-		59		-	
- Other companies	-		-		-		-	
<b>Portfolio Investments</b>	<b>(771)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(84)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,313</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(2,383)</b>	<b>-</b>
Equity and investment fund shares	(103)		(116)		(4)		(217)	
- CSE Companies (not registered with BOI)	(103)		(116)		(4)		(217)	
Debt securities	(669)		32		2,317		(2,166)	
Central Bank	-		-		-		-	
Deposit taking corporations, other than the Central Bank	-		-		(250)		-	
Short-term	-		-		-		-	
Long-term	-		-		(250)		-	
General Government	(669)		32		2,567		(2,166)	
Short-term (Treasury Bills)	(117)		(0.4)		55		(122)	
Long-term	(552)		33		2,513		(2,044)	
Treasury Bonds	(375)		(24)		(388)		(431)	
SLDBs	22		(0.01)		1		22	
Sovereign Bonds	(199)		57		2,900		(1,635)	
<b>Financial Derivatives</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Other Investment</b>	<b>(344)</b>	<b>(58)</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>(82)</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>(136)</b>
<b>Currency &amp; deposits</b>	<b>(636)</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>(177)</b>	<b>(52)</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>(93)</b>	<b>(15)</b>	<b>64</b>
Central Bank	0.1		(399)		(0.1)		400	
Short term	0.1		0.6		(0.1)		(0.03)	
Long term	-		(400)		-		400	
Deposit taking corporations, other than the Central Bank	(636)	22	222	(52)	168	(93)	(415)	64
Short-term	(636)	229	222	123	168	6	(415)	259
Long-term	-	(208)	-	(174)	-	(99)	-	(194)
General Government	-		-		-		-	
Other sectors	-		-		-		-	
<b>Loans</b>	<b>723</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(12)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(245)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>327</b>	<b>-</b>
Central Bank	0		(29)		327		(14)	
Credit and loans with the IMF	0		(29)		327		(14)	
Other short term	0		0		-		-	
Other long term	0		0		-		-	
Deposit taking corporations, except the Central Bank	690		(368)		(281)		75	
Short-term	787		(377)		(1)		403	
Long-term	(97)		8		(280)		(328)	
General Government	131		390		(89)		169	
Short-term	0		0		-		-	
Long-term	131		390		(89)		169	
Other sectors <sup>(h)</sup>	(98)		(5)		(203)		96	
Short-term	-		-		-		-	
Long term	(98)		(5)		(203)		96	
<b>Trade credits and advances</b>	<b>(248)</b>	<b>(137)</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>(28)</b>	<b>(4)</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>(224)</b>
Deposit taking corporations, except the Central Bank	-	(21)	-	(30)	-	(8)	-	9
Short term	-	(21)	-	(30)	-	(8)	-	9
Other sectors <sup>(i)</sup>	(248)	(116)	238	130	(28)	4	185	(233)
Short term	(248)	(116)	238	130	(28)	4	185	(233)
<b>Other accounts receivable/payable</b>	<b>(183)</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>(11)</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>(114)</b>	<b>24</b>
Central bank	(183)		118		24		(114)	
Short term <sup>(j)</sup>	(183)		118		24		(114)	
Deposit taking corporations, except the Central Bank	-	58	-	(11)	-	196	-	24
Short term	-	58	-	(11)	-	196	-	24
<b>Special Drawing Rights</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Reserve Assets</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(1,515)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(1,581)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(1,704)</b>
Monetary gold	-	(667)	-	-	-	(14)	-	(667)
Special drawing rights	-	(5)	-	6.0	-	6	-	(5)
Reserve position in the IMF	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other reserve assets	-	(843)	-	(1,587)	-	346	-	(1,032)
Currency and deposits	-	(575)	-	1,793	-	361	-	(177)
Claims on monetary authorities	-	(1,083)	-	933	-	(174)	-	(1,092)
Claims on other entities	-	508	-	860	-	535	-	914
Securities	-	(272)	-	(3,384)	-	(19)	-	(856)
Debt securities	-	(272)	-	(3,384)	-	(19)	-	(856)
Long term	-	(272)	-	(3,384)	-	(19)	-	(856)
Other claims	-	4	-	4	-	3	-	1
<b>FINANCIAL ACCOUNT (NET) (Assets - Liabilities)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(693)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(1,920)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(2,460)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(260)</b>
Errors and Omissions	-	344	-	(395)	-	(640)	-	795

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

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

(j) Net transactions of ACU liabilities

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