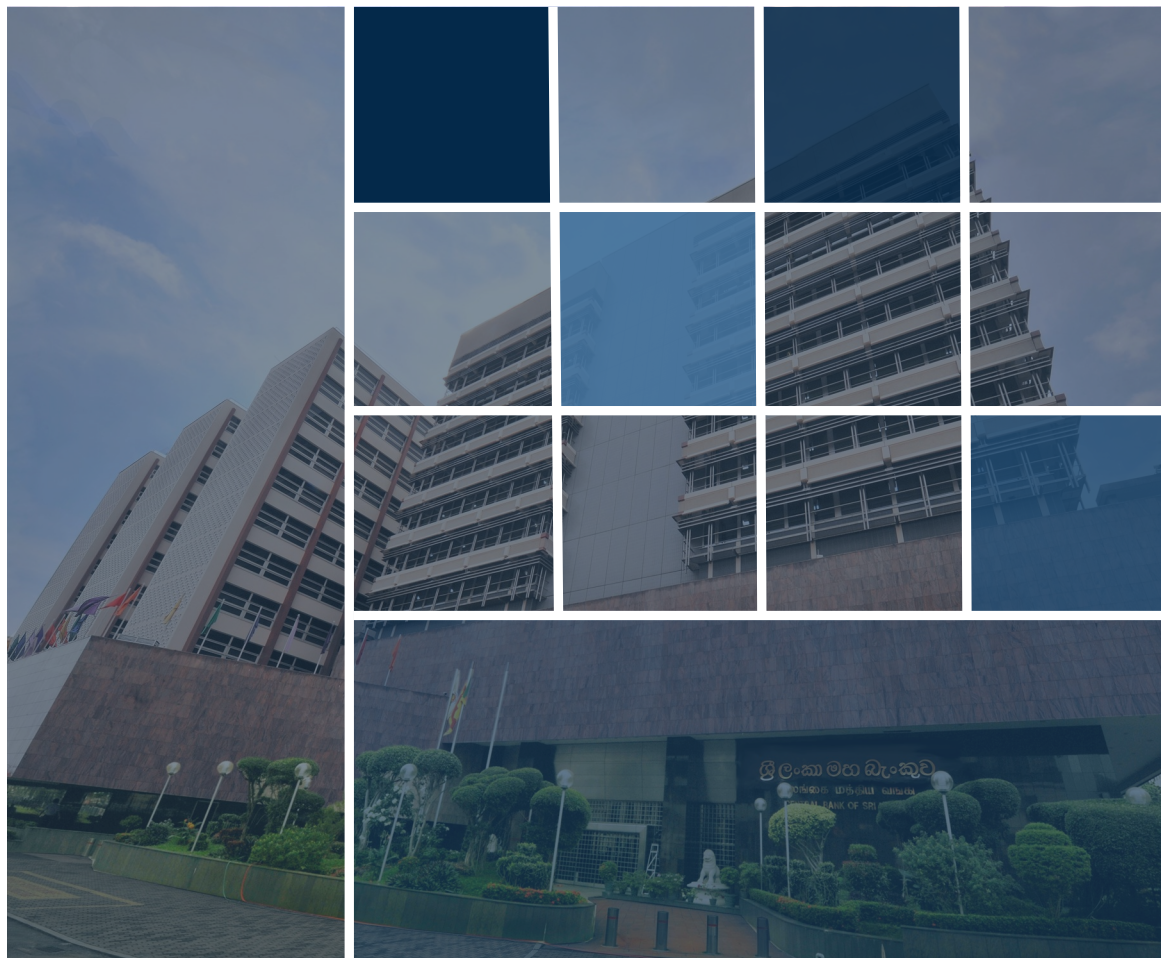


Weekly Economic Indicators

22nd June 2018



Highlights of the Week

Real Sector

The GDP grew by 3.2 per cent in real terms in 2018 Q1, mainly attributable to 4.4 per cent growth in Services activities, 4.8 per cent growth in Agriculture activities and 0.9 per cent growth in Industry activities in value added terms.

The Manufacturing Sector PMI recovered in May following the seasonal contraction observed in the previous month and recorded an index value of 60.6 in May with an increase of 15.1 index points from April. The recovery of PMI was largely attributable to the significant increase in production to cater both the new orders received during the month and the uncompleted orders received in April due to the new year holidays. The Services Sector PMI recorded 56.9 index points in May 2018 from 53.2 index points in April 2018. Services sector experienced a strong upturn in May following subdued activity levels seen in April and was mainly supported by the faster growth in New Businesses, Business Activity and Employment.

During the period, crude oil prices showed mixed performance. At the beginning of the period prices fell supported by expectations that OPEC and its allies including Russia will increase supply. However, prices subsequently rose due to escalating trade dispute between the US and China, and a drop in US commercial crude inventories. Later, prices showed mixed performance amidst speculation over whether OPEC would manage to agree a production increase on 22 June, where Saudi Arabia and Russia are in favour of raising output while Iran is resisting. Overall, Brent and WTI prices rose by US\$ 0.5 per barrel and US\$ 1.3 per barrel, respectively, within the period.

The year-on-year NCPI headline inflation increased to 2.1 per cent in May 2018 from 1.6 per cent in April 2018. The change in the NCPI measured on an annual average basis decreased from 6.1 per cent in April 2018 to 5.7 per cent in May 2018. When monthly change is considered, the NCPI increased from 122.9 index points in April 2018 to 124.3 index points in May 2018 largely due to the increase in prices of the items in the Non-food category and volatile food items. The NCPI Core inflation decreased to 1.7 per cent in May 2018 from 1.9 per cent in April 2018 on year-on-year basis.

Monetary Sector

Weekly AWPR for the week ending 22 June 2018 decreased by 41 bps to 10.92% compared to the previous week.

The reserve money increased compared to the previous week mainly due to increase in currency in circulation.

The total outstanding market liquidity increased to a deficit of Rs. 2.13 bn by end of the week, compared to a deficit of Rs. 8.30 bn by the end of last week.

By 22 June 2018, the All Share Price Index (ASPI) decreased by 1.63% to 6,228 points and the S&P SL 20 Index decreased by 2.80% to 3,428 points, compared to the previous week.

Broad money (M2b) expanded by 16.8 %, on a year-on-year basis, in April 2018.

Net Credit to the Government from the banking system showed a increase of Rs. 44.0 bn in April 2018.

Credit to public corporations recorded a increase of Rs. 23.9 bn in April 2018.

Credit extended to the private sector increased by Rs. 22.5 bn in April 2018



Fiscal Sector

Total government revenue declined to 3.2 per cent of GDP in Q1 2018 from 3.4 per cent in Q1 2017 as a result of the deceleration in tax revenue to 2.9 per cent of GDP in Q1 2018 from 3.2 per cent in Q1 2017. Non tax revenue marginally increased to 0.3 per cent of GDP in Q1 2018 from 0.2 per cent in Q1 2017 .

Total expenditure and net lending as a per cent of GDP declined to 4.7 per cent in Q1 2018 from 4.9 per cent in Q1 2017 reflecting efforts taken to rationalise expenditure. Accordingly, as a per cent of GDP, recurrent expenditure declined slightly to 3.6 per cent while capital expenditure and net lending declined to 1.0 per cent.

The overall budget deficit as a per cent of GDP declined to 1.4 per cent during Q1 2018 from 1.5 per cent in Q1 2017. In nominal terms, budget deficit increased to Rs. 205.8 billion in Q1 2018 from Rs. 199.7 billion in Q1 2017. As a per cent of GDP, both the primary surplus and the current account deficit remained unchanged at 0.1 per cent and 0.4 per cent, respectively, as recorded in Q1 2017.

Net domestic financing in Q1 2018 amounted to Rs. 204.1 billion compared to Rs. 250.3 billion in Q1 2017, whereas net foreign financing amounted to Rs. 1.7 billion in Q1 2018 in comparison to the net repayment of Rs. 50.7 billion in Q1 2017. Net financing from domestic banking sector declined to Rs. 83.1 billion in Q1 2018 from Rs. 218.8 billion in the previous year while non bank sector increased significantly to Rs. 121.0 billion in Q1 2018 from Rs. 31.6 billion in Q1 2017.

In absolute terms, the total outstanding central government debt increased by 3.3 per cent to Rs. 10,654.1 billion at end March 2018. Domestic debt increased by 3.2 per cent to Rs. 5,770.9 billion by end March 2018 while foreign debt increased by 3.5 per cent to Rs. 4,883.2 billion at the end March 2018.



External Sector

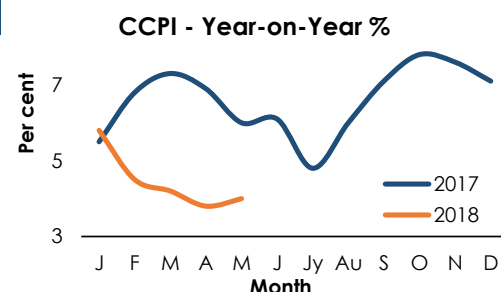
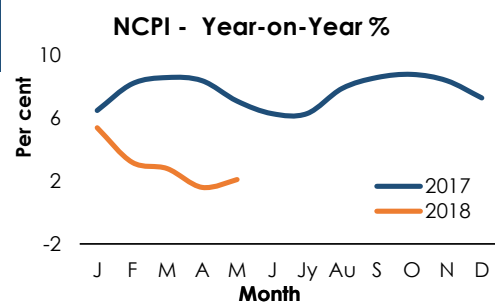
During the year up to 22 June 2018 the Sri Lanka rupee depreciated against the US dollar (4.2 per cent). Given the cross currency exchange rate movements, the Sri Lanka rupee depreciated against the pound sterling (2.9 per cent), euro (1.5 per cent) and Japanese yen (6.5 per cent) while appreciated against the Indian rupee (1.5 per cent) during this period.

India, China, UK, Germany and France were the top five sources of tourist arrivals, accounting for 52.2 per cent of total tourist arrivals upto the month of May 2018.

Real Sector

1.1 Price Indices

Item (2013=100)	May 2018	Month Ago	Year Ago
National Consumer Price Index (NCPI) - Headline	124.3	122.9	121.8
Monthly Change %	1.1	0.1	0.7
Annual Average Change %	5.7	6.1	6.1
Year - on - Year Change %	2.1	1.6	7.1
National Consumer Price Index (NCPI) - Core	125.1	124.8	123.0
Annual Average Change %	3.1	3.3	6.4
Year - on - Year Change %	1.7	1.9	4.7
Item (2013=100)	May 2018	Month Ago	Year Ago
Colombo Consumer Price Index (CCPI) - Headline	122.9	121.5	118.2
Monthly Change %	1.2	0.1	0.9
Annual Average Change %	5.7	5.9	5.4
Year - on - Year Change %	4.0	3.8	6.0
Colombo Consumer Price Index (CCPI) - Core	126.4	126.2	122.5
Annual Average Change %	4.5	4.7	5.5
Year - on - Year Change %	3.2	3.5	5.2



Source: Department of Census and Statistics

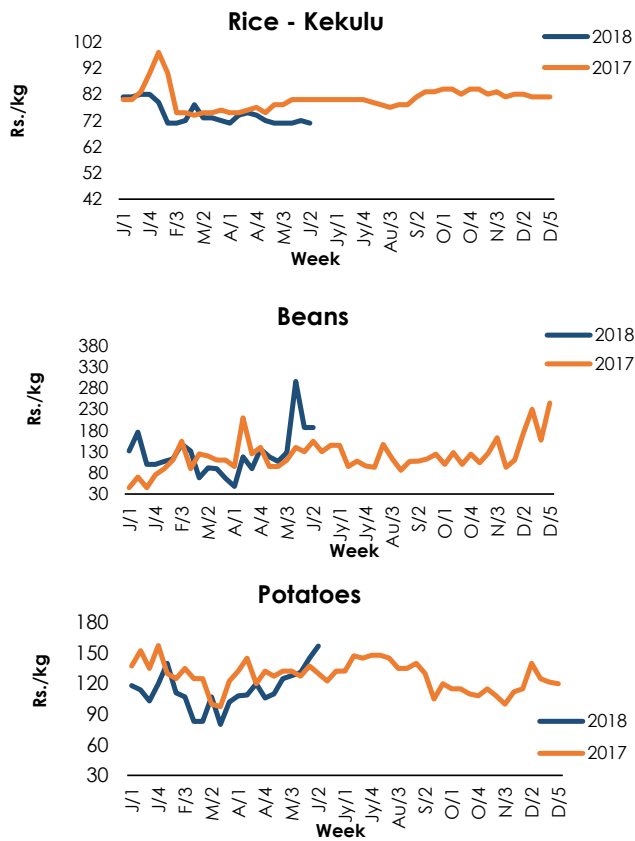
1.2 Prices

1.2.1 Pettah Market

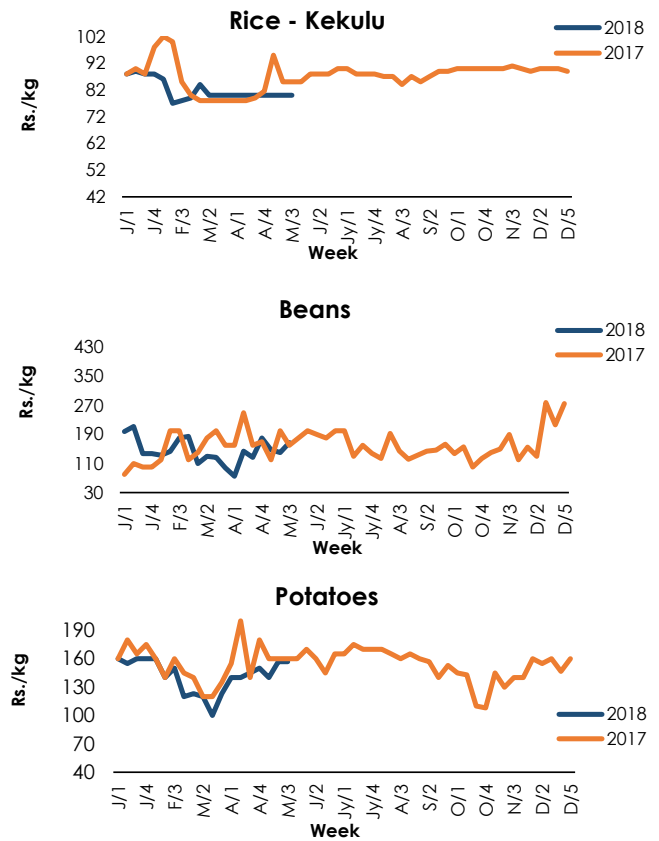
Food Item	Average Wholesale Prices				Average Retail Prices			
	Week Ending	Week	Month	Year Ago	Week Ending	Week	Month	Year Ago
	22 nd Jun 2018	Ago	Ago	Annual Avg	22 nd Jun 2018	Ago	Ago	Annual Avg
	Rs / Kg				Rs / Kg			
Rice								
Samba	106.00	106.00	105.00	94.82	114.00	113.00	111.75	99.92
Kekulu (Red)	69.00	71.00	71.00	80.30	75.00	80.00	80.00	86.84
Vegetables								
Beans	215.00	187.00	135.00	118.56	307.00	213.00	171.50	163.50
Cabbage	127.00	90.00	44.50	75.37	150.00	130.00	80.75	119.69
Carrots	257.00	243.00	142.75	120.95	300.00	293.00	179.25	163.42
Tomatoes	200.00	220.00	95.50	93.73	240.00	260.00	134.00	134.12
Pumpkins	31.00	25.00	29.50	61.84	63.00	50.00	52.25	90.00
Snake Gourd	100.00	120.00	87.25	96.74	150.00	150.00	127.50	134.00
Brinjals	93.00	187.00	71.00	94.90	160.00	230.00	108.25	132.54
Ash-Plantains	75.00	100.00	54.50	73.41	120.00	150.00	92.50	108.67
Other Foods								
Red-Onions (Local)	123.00	120.00	111.00	250.84	180.00	180.00	163.75	303.56
Big-Onions (Local)	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	110.80	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	137.20
Potatoes (N'Eliya)	133.00	157.00	124.00	127.34	160.00	200.00	136.00	155.00
Dried Chillies (Imported)	255.00	250.00	249.00	189.80	295.00	295.00	286.25	236.54
Dhal (Indian)	104.00	108.00	111.25	135.31	120.00	120.00	122.00	151.46
Eggs	15.00	14.70	11.00	11.96	16.00	15.50	12.00	12.63
Coconut (Each)	66.00	69.00	77.25	61.72	80.00	84.00	87.75	74.31
Fish*								
Kelawalla	700.00	650.00	570.00	540.63	980.00	920.00	882.50	807.87
Balaya	350.00	380.00	365.00	301.46	450.00	480.00	477.50	404.68
Salaya	200.00	250.00	145.00	116.88	250.00	350.00	200.00	179.79
Paraw (Small)	700.00	n.a.	450.00	538.02	800.00	n.a.	565.00	647.62

* Prices collected from the Fisheries Trade Centre, Peliyagoda.

Pettah Market-Wholesale Prices



Pettah Market-Retail Prices



1.2.2 Dambulla Market

Item (Rs / Kg)	Week Ending 21 st Jun 2018	
	Wholesale (Average)	Retail (Average)
Rice		
Samba	109.70	115.00
Kekulu (Red)	79.80	85.40
Vegetables		
Beans	197.00	219.00
Carrot	242.50	262.50
Tomatoes	188.50	209.50
Pumpkins	25.70	45.70
Snake Gourd	97.00	117.00
Ash-Plantains	53.00	73.00
Other Foods		
Red-Onions (Local)	110.50	123.50
Big-Onions (Local)	n.a	n.a
Potatoes (N'Eliya)	131.00	141.50
Dried Chillies (Imported)	248.50	258.50
Coconut (Each)	61.00	67.80

1.2.4 Marandagahamula Market

Average wholesale price of Rice				
Item (Rs / Kg)	Week Ending 22 nd Jun 2018	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago
Samba	101.20	100.63	98.98	92.96
Sudu Kekulu	77.90	78.00	78.21	83.16
Raw Red	74.60	74.50	75.40	80.21
Nadu	81.60	80.25	80.88	87.93

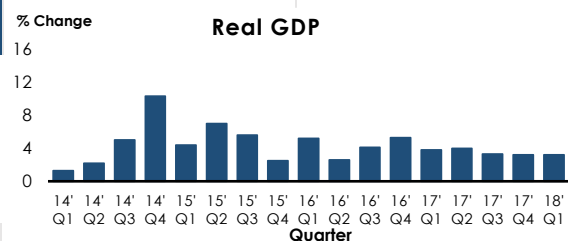
1.2.3 Narahenpita Economic Centre

Item (Rs / Kg)	Average Retail Prices	
	21 st Jun 2018	Week Ago
Rice		
Samba	109.33	108.33
Kekulu (Red)	79.33	78.67
Vegetables		
Beans	276.67	278.33
Cabbage	158.33	158.67
Carrots	356.67	318.33
Tomatoes	296.67	276.67
Pumpkins	78.33	56.67
Snake Gourd	238.33	198.33
Brinjals	236.67	238.33
Ash-Plantains	156.67	136.67
Other Foods		
Red-Onions (Imported)	178.33	176.67
Big-Onions (Imported)	93.33	88.33
Potatoes (Imported)	129.33	126.67
Dried Chillies (Imported)	276.67	276.67
Dhal (Indian)	116.67	116.67
Eggs (Red) (Each)	15.00	14.67
Coconut (Each)	83.33	83.33
Fish		
Kelawalla	976.67	886.67
Balaya	576.67	456.67
Salaya	316.67	276.67
Paraw (Small)	856.67	886.67

1.3 GDP by Industrial Origin at Constant (2010) Prices - Growth Rates in value added terms

Item	2016 Annual (a)(b)	2017 Annual (a) (b)	2017 1st Qtr (a)(b)	2018 1st Qtr (a)
Agriculture	-3.8	-0.8	-4.4	4.8
Industry	5.8	4.6	3.7	0.9
Services	4.7	3.2	4.3	4.4
Taxes less subsidies on products	6.3	3.2	2.3	1.2
GDP	4.5	3.3	3.4	3.2

(a) Provisional (b) Revised

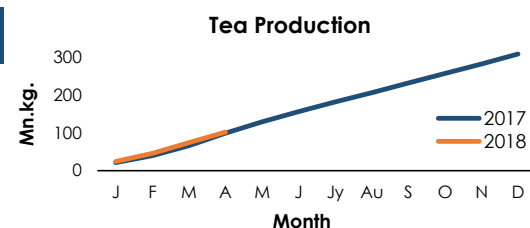


Source: Department of Census and Statistics

1.4 Agriculture Production

Item	Unit	2018 Jan-Apr(a)	2017 Jan-Apr	% Change
Tea	(Mn Kg)	101.74	99.37	2.38
Rubber	(Mn Kg)	26.22	30.89	-15.10
Coconut	(Mn Kg)	782.74	868.60	-9.89

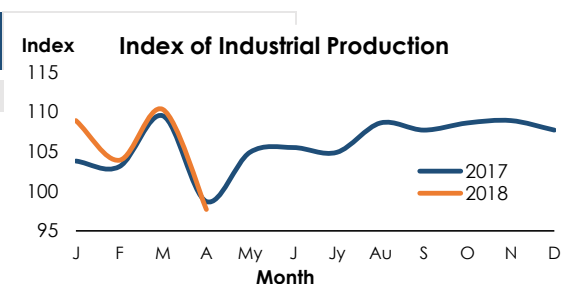
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1.5 Index of Industrial Production (IIP) (2015 = 100) (a)

Item	2017 Apr (b)(c)	2018 Apr (c)	% Change
Index of Industrial Production (IIP)	98.3	97.7	-0.7
Food products	102.2	102.8	0.5
Wearing apparel	96.0	102.0	6.3
Other non-metallic mineral products	111.7	94.8	-15.1
Coke and refined petroleum products	93.4	96.0	2.7
Rubber and plastic products	95.6	82.2	-14.0
Chemicals and chemical products	71.9	78.5	9.2
Beverages	91.9	94.9	3.3

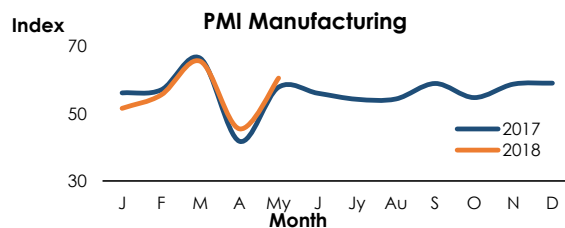
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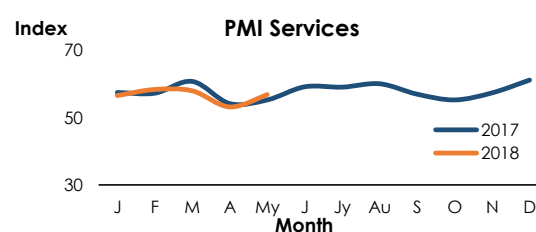
Source: Department of Census and Statistics

1.6 Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI)

Month/Year	PMI Manufacturing			
	May 2018	Apr. 2018	May 2017	Apr. 2017
Index	60.6	45.5	57.9	41.8



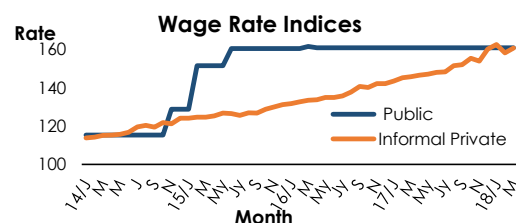
Month/Year	PMI Services			
	May 2018	Apr. 2018	May 2017	Apr. 2017
Index	56.9	53.2	55.3	54.2



1.7 Wages and Employment

1.7.1 Wage Rate Indices

Item	2018 March	2017 March	% Change
Public Sector Employees (2012 = 100)	160.8	160.8	0.0
Informal Private Sector Employees (2012 = 100)	160.7	145.7	10.3
Agriculture	160.1	144.7	10.7
Industry	168.5	151.3	11.4
Services	152.1	140.9	7.9



1.7.2 Employment (a)

Item	2016 4 th Qtr	2017 (b) 4 th Qtr	2017 (b)
Labour Force Participation rate	54.0	54.1	54.1
Unemployment rate	4.2	4.0	4.2

Employed Persons by Sectors (c) (as a % of total employment)

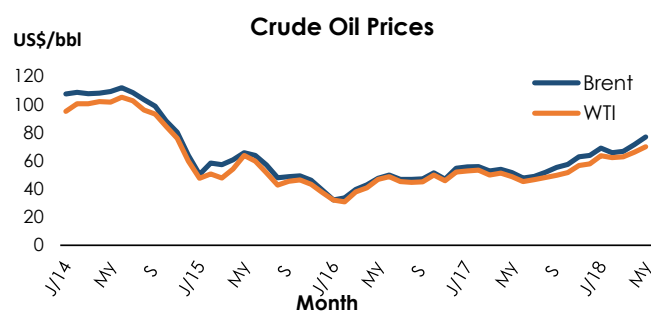
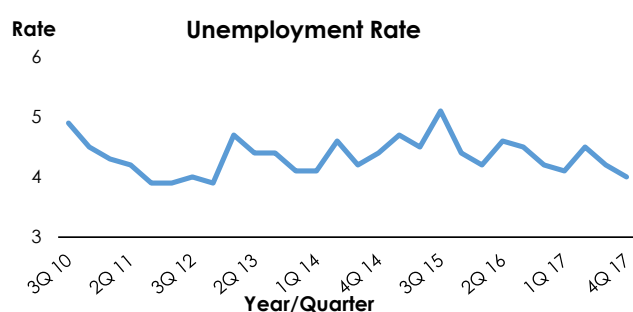
Agriculture	27.6	27.0	26.1
Industry	25.7	28.3	28.4
Services	46.7	44.7	45.5

(a) The working age population aged 15 and above

Source: Department of Census and Statistics

(b) Provisional

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



1.8 Average Crude Oil Prices (a)

Month	2017			2018		
	Futures Prices (US\$/bbl)		CPC Import Prices (CIF) (US\$/bbl)(*)	Futures Prices (US\$/bbl)		CPC Import Prices (CIF) (US\$/bbl)(*)
	Brent (Benchmark price)	WTI (Benchmark price)		Brent (Benchmark price)	WTI (Benchmark price)	
January	55.67	52.83	57.39	69.02	63.55	72.04
February	55.99	53.41	58.65	65.80	62.26	-
March	52.76	49.92	-	66.69	62.80	67.97
April	53.98	51.27	56.48	71.55	66.21	74.31
May	51.59	48.77	51.66	76.88	69.92	80.68
June	47.71	45.34	48.47	-	-	-
July	49.02	46.56	49.75	-	-	-
August	51.87	48.18	53.07	-	-	-
September	55.31	49.65	57.06	-	-	-
October	57.52	51.56	59.53	-	-	-
November	62.79	56.68	65.62	-	-	-
December	63.92	57.82	66.82	-	-	-
	2017			2018		
15 Jun	47.00	44.67		73.44	65.06	
16 Jun	46.92	44.43		-	-	
17 Jun	-	-		-	-	
18 Jun	-	-		72.54	63.37	
19 Jun	47.18	44.57		74.97	65.60	
20 Jun	47.01	44.25		75.28	65.30	
21 Jun	45.95	43.51		74.51	65.61	
22 Jun	44.95	42.69		73.89	66.38	

Sources: Bloomberg
Ceylon Petroleum Corporation

(a) Please note that crude oil prices are based on futures prices instead of spot prices, that have been published up to end 2017.

(*) CPC import prices are not directly comparable with futures prices of WTI and Brent as CPC's import prices include freight charges and the price is weighted for average prices of different types of crude oil. Also part of the imports of CPC are on a term contract basis.

Monetary Sector

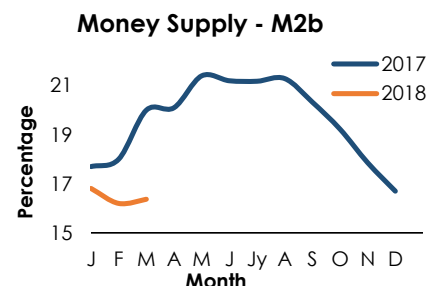
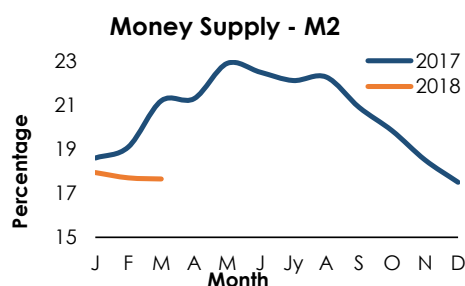
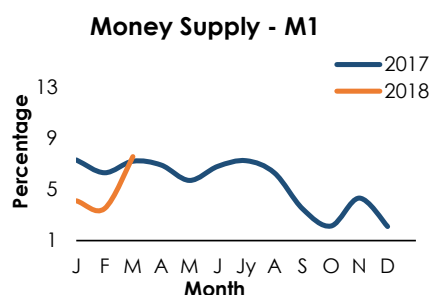
2.1 Interest Rates

Item	Week Ending 22 Jun 2018	Week Ago	Year Ago		
Policy Interest Rates					
Standing Deposit Facility Rate	7.25	7.25	7.25		
Standing Lending Facility Rate	8.50	8.50	8.75		
Average Weighted Call Money Rate (AWCMR) (Weekly Average)	8.44	8.35	8.75		
Sri Lanka Inter Bank Offered Rate (SLIBOR)					
1-day	8.50	8.37	8.75		
7-day	8.53	8.38	9.50		
1-Month	9.01	8.99	10.52		
3-Month	10.05	10.07	11.29		
6-Month	10.75	10.68	12.00		
12-Month	11.44	11.42	12.47		
Treasury Bill Yields					
91-day	8.32	8.34	9.60		
182-day	8.85	8.87	10.29		
364-day	9.37	9.44	10.47		
Licensed Commercial Banks					
Average Weighted Prime Lending Rate (AWPR)	10.92	11.33	11.88		
	May-2018	Month Ago	Year Ago		
Savings Deposits	0.50-10.50	0.50-09.50	0.50-9.00		
One Year Fixed Deposits	4.53-15.00	4.53-15.00	4.89-15.00		
	May-2018	Month Ago	Year Ago		
Average Weighted Deposit Rate (AWDR)	8.91	8.98	8.99		
Average Weighted Fixed Deposit Rate (AWFDR)	11.23	11.38	11.52		
	Apr-2018	Month Ago	Year Ago		
Average Weighted Lending Rate (AWLR)	14.13	14.04	13.52		
National Savings Bank (NSB)					
	May-2018	Month Ago	Year Ago		
Savings Deposits	4.00	4.00	4.25		
One Year Fixed Deposits	10.50	10.50	11.00		
Treasury Bond Auction		04 Y & 09 Months	09 Y & 09 Months		
		28/05/2018	28/05/2018		
Coupon rate	10.00		10.75		
Weighted Average Yield	10.51		10.72		
Bankwise- AWPR	Week ending 22 Jun 2018	Week Ago	Bankwise- AWPR	Week ending 22 Jun 2018	Week Ago
Bank of Ceylon	12.11	12.06	HSBC	9.22	9.39
People's Bank	11.49	11.62	Standard Chartered Bank	11.28	11.12
Hatton National Bank	11.92	11.86	Citi Bank	9.15	11.23
Commercial Bank of Ceylon	11.52	11.25	Deutsche Bank	9.59	9.96
Sampath Bank	12.01	13.69	Habib Bank	11.84	11.84
Seylan Bank	12.33	12.34	Indian Bank	12.83	12.83
Union Bank of Colombo	13.85	13.63	Indian Overseas Bank	13.34	13.34
Pan Asia Banking Corporation	16.50	16.50	MCB Bank	11.84	13.81
Nations Trust Bank	11.85	11.73	State Bank of India	10.73	10.73
DFCC Bank	13.31	13.61	Public Bank	13.25	13.50
NDB Bank	11.65	12.75	ICICI Bank	11.76	11.76
Amana Bank	12.62	12.59	Axis Bank	11.74	11.58
Cargills Bank	14.12	14.32			

2.2 Money Supply

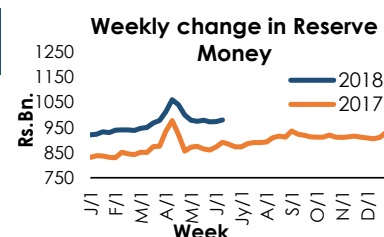
Item	Rs. bn			Annual Change (%)		
	2018 Apr(a)	Month Ago	Year Ago	2018 Apr(a)	Month Ago	Year Ago
Reserve Money	1,000.06	997.25	885.56	12.93	11.78	16.05
M1	812.55	841.18	765.20	6.19	7.56	6.94
M2	6,043.71	5,995.49	5,146.80	17.43	17.65	21.33
M2b	6,691.73	6,606.65	5,730.77	16.77	16.37	20.09
Net Foreign Assets of the Banking System (b)	119.45	106.18	-340.86	135.04	128.59	26.58
Monetary Authorities	835.20	858.70	511.19	63.38	59.99	16.82
Commercial Banks	-715.76	-752.52	-852.05	16.00	17.14	5.52
Domestic Banking Units (DBUs)	-339.96	-337.23	-321.36	-5.79	-5.26	-2.76
Offshore Banking Units (OBUs)	-375.80	-415.28	-530.69	29.19	29.35	9.91
Net Domestic Assets of the Banking System (b)	6,572.28	6,500.46	6,071.64	8.25	7.47	15.95
Net Credit to the Government	2,322.49	2,278.46	2,206.29	5.27	2.89	12.60
Monetary Authorities	291.83	261.92	477.11	-38.83	-43.89	12.49
Commercial Banks	2,030.66	2,016.54	1,729.18	17.43	15.38	12.63
DBUs	1,656.01	1,650.65	1,348.34	22.82	22.00	18.03
OBUs	374.64	365.90	380.84	-1.63	-7.32	-3.08
Credit to Public Corporations	559.01	535.14	557.36	0.30	-3.30	8.96
DBUs	340.15	337.54	302.64	12.40	10.87	16.87
OBUs	218.86	197.60	254.73	-14.08	-20.63	0.85
Credit to the Private Sector	5,066.47	5,043.95	4,394.12	15.30	15.29	19.99
DBUs	4,706.42	4,686.93	4,085.85	15.19	15.28	20.29
OBUs	360.05	357.02	308.26	16.80	15.38	16.18
Other Items (Net)	-1,375.68	-1,357.09	-1,086.13	-26.66	-24.01	-21.13

(a) Provisional (b) In relation to M2b



2.3 Weekly change in Reserve Money

Item	21 June 2018	Week Ago	Change
Reserve Money (Rs.Mn.)	988,550.48	988,516.57	33.91



2.4 Money Market Activity(Overnight)

Item	18.06.2018	19.06.2018	20.06.2018	21.06.2018	22.09.2018
Call Money Market					
Weighted Average Rate (% p.a.)	8.41	8.43	8.46	8.46	8.46
Gross Volume (Rs. Mn)	20,700	23,590	22,388	23,136	22,930
Repo Market					
Weighted Average Rate (% p.a.)	8.44	8.45	8.40	8.41	8.42
Gross Volume (Rs. Mn)	3,324	3,780	17,500	14,506	7,645

2.5 CBSL Securites Portfolio

Item	18.06.2018	19.06.2018	20.06.2018	21.06.2018	22.09.2018
CBSL Treasury Bill Holdings -Face Value (Rs. Mn)	35,191.00	35,191.00	35,191.00	35,191.00	35,726.94
CBSL Treasury Bill Holdings -Book Value (Rs. Mn)	34,390.33	34,399.53	34,408.66	34,417.79	34,943.21

2.6 Open Market Operations

Item	18.06.2018	19.06.2018	20.06.2018	21.06.2018	22.09.2018
Short-Term Auction					
Repo Amount Offered (Rs. bn)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Reverse Repo Amount Offered (Rs. bn)	15.00	25.00	18.00	15.00	8.00
Tenure (No. of Days)	1	1	1	1	1
Bids Received (Rs. bn)	22.17	34.66	25.04	17.14	16.05
Amount Accepted (Rs. bn)	15.00	25.00	18.00	15.00	8.00
Minimum Accepted Rate (% p.a)	8.50	8.50	8.40	8.30	8.45
Maximum Accepted Rate (% p.a)	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.50
Weighted Average Yield Rate (% p.a.)	8.50	8.50	8.48	8.46	8.49
Outright Auctions					
Outright Sales Amount Offered (Rs. bn)					
Outright Purchase Amount Offered (Rs. bn)					
Settlement Date					
Maturity Date					
Tenure (No. of Days)					
Bids Received (Rs. bn)					
Amount Accepted (Rs. bn)					
Minimum Accepted Rate (% p.a)					
Maximum Accepted Rate (% p.a)					
Weighted Average Yield Rate (% p.a.)					
Long Term Auction					
Repo Amount Accepted (Rs. bn)					
Reverse Repo Amount Accepted (Rs. bn)					
Settlement Date					
Maturity Date					
Tenure (No. of Days)					
Bids Received (Rs. bn)					
Amount Accepted (Rs. bn)					
Minimum Accepted Rate (% p.a)					
Maximum Accepted Rate (% p.a)					
Weighted Average Yield Rate (% p.a.)					
Standing Facility					
Standing Deposit Facility (Rs. bn)	18.825	17.638	12.172	14.935	19.393
Standing Lending Facility (Rs. bn)	22.391	12.062	7.123	6.677	13.519
Total Outstanding Market Liquidity (Rs. bn)	-18.566	-19.424	-12.951	-6.742	-2.126

2.7 Credit Cards (a)

Item	2018 End Apr (b)	2018 End Mar	2017 End Dec (c)
Total Number of Active Cards	1,519,303	1,502,710	1,459,883
Local (accepted only locally)	23,957	23,826	24,258
Global (accepted globally)	1,495,346	1,478,884	1,435,625
Outstanding balance (Rs.mn)	93,523	89,375	88,487
Local (accepted only locally)	699	692	725
Global (accepted globally)	92,824	88,683	87,762

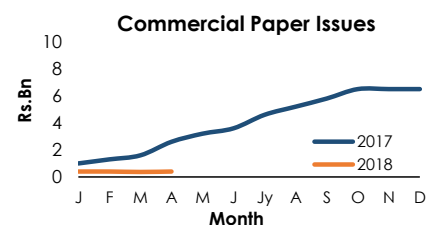
(a) Issued by Licensed Commercial Banks (LCBs) (b) Provisional

2.8 Commercial Paper Issues (a)

Item (Rs. bn.)	2018 End Apr (b)	2018 End Mar (b)	2017 End Dec
Total Issues - Cumulative (c)	0.4	0.4	6.5
Outstanding (as at end of the period)	1.0	1.1	1.7

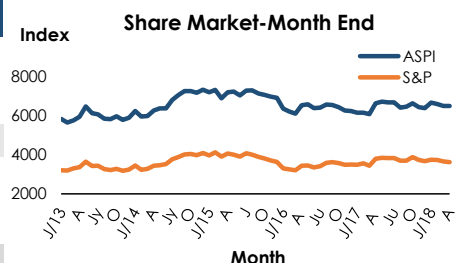
(a) Based on the information provided by LCBs and Licensed Specialised Banks (LSBs)

(b) Provisional (c) During the year



2.9 Share Market

Item	Week Ending 22 Jun 2018	Week Ago	Year Ago
All Share Price Index (1985 = 100) (ASPI)	6,228.2	6,331.1	6,714.7
S&P Sri Lanka 20 Index (2004 = 1,000) (S&P SL20)	3,428.0	3,526.9	3,913.6
Average Daily Turnover (Rs. mn)	593.2	501.0	1,018.4
Market Capitalisation (Rs.bn)	2,909.4	2,956.6	3,026.6
Foreign Purchases (Rs. mn)	50.1	56.3	156.0
Foreign Sales (Rs. mn)	122.8	88.8	170.6
Net Foreign Purchases (Rs. mn)	-72.7	-32.5	-14.6

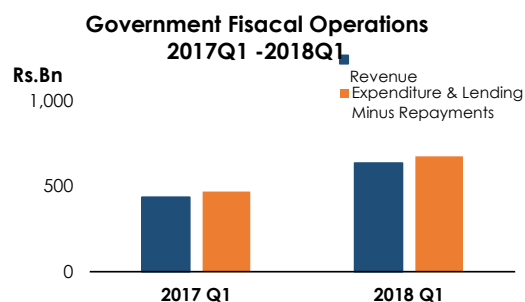


Fiscal Sector

3.1 Government Finance (Rs.bn)

Item	2017 Q1	2018 Q1 (a)
Revenue and Grants	436.7	469.4
Revenue	436.0	469.1
Tax	415.1	425.3
Non tax	20.9	43.8
Grants	0.7	0.3
Expenditure & Lending Minus Repayments	636.3	675.2
Recurrent	484.2	527.5
Capital & Lending Minus Repayments	152.1	147.7

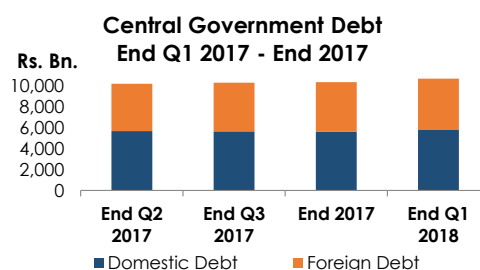
(a) Provisional



3.2 Outstanding Central Government Debt (Rs.bn)

Item	End 2017	End 2018 Q1(a)
Total domestic debt	5,594.4	5,770.9
of which		
Treasury bills	697.2	787.7
Treasury bonds	3,822.6	3,872.8
Rupee loans	24.1	24.1
Total foreign debt	4,718.6	4,883.2
Total outstanding govt. debt	10,313.0	10,654.1

(a) Provisional



3.3 Government Securities - Primary and Secondary Market Yield Rates for the week ending - 20th June 2018

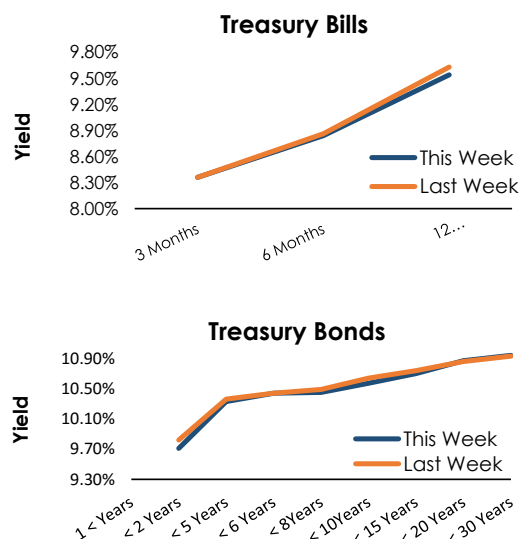
Security	Maturity	Primary Market(a)		Secondary Market			
		This Week	Last Week	This Week			Last Week Average
				Buying	Selling	Average	
Treasury Bills	3 Months	8.32%	8.34%	8.43%	8.26%	8.34%	8.34%
	6 Months	8.85%	8.87%	8.89%	8.76%	8.82%	8.83%
	12 Months	9.37%	9.44%	9.48%	9.34%	9.41%	9.44%
Treasury Bonds(b)	< 2 Years	-	-	9.68%	9.58%	9.63%	9.67%
	< 5 Years	-	-	10.40%	10.31%	10.35%	10.35%
	< 6 Years	-	-	10.53%	10.41%	10.47%	10.47%
	< 8 Years	-	-	10.52%	10.43%	10.48%	10.48%
	< 10 Years	-	-	10.65%	10.56%	10.61%	10.61%
	< 15 Years	-	-	10.75%	10.68%	10.71%	10.71%
	< 20 Years	-	-	10.94%	10.85%	10.89%	10.92%
< 30 Years	-	-	11.07%	10.94%	11.00%	10.94%	

(a) Primary market transactions during the week ending 20/06/2018

(b) Weighted Average Yield Rate is calculated, if there are two or more yield rates within same maturity period

The secondary market yield rates of T-bills and T-Bonds have shown a mixed behaviour during the reporting week.

Security	Maturity Date	Coupon Rate	Secondary Market	
			This Week	Last Week
International Sovereign Bonds	4-Oct-20	6.250%	5.51%	5.37%
	27-Jul-21	6.250%	5.85%	5.78%
	18-Jan-22	5.750%	6.08%	5.99%
	25-Jul-22	5.875%	6.16%	6.09%
	14-Jan-19	6.000%	4.81%	4.57%
	11-Apr-19	5.125%	4.79%	4.65%
	3-Jun-25	6.125%	7.06%	6.98%
	3-Nov-25	6.850%	7.15%	7.06%
	18-Jul-26	6.825%	7.26%	7.20%
	11-May-27	6.200%	7.22%	7.17%



3.4 Government Securities - Weekly Summary of Primary and Secondary Market Transactions (Week Ended - 20th June 2018)

Item	Volume in Rs Mn	
	This Week	Last Week
Outstanding Stock of Government Securities		
Treasury Bills	842,538.00	849,832.00
Treasury Bonds (a)	4,189,359.77	4,176,234.37
Total	5,031,897.76	5,026,066.36
T-bills and T-bonds held by Foreigners	298,858.48	301,733.48
Sri Lanka Development Bonds (SLDB)	604,589.22	603,699.88

The outstanding stock of T-bills and T-bonds held by foreigners has decreased by 0.95 per cent during the reporting week.

Primary Market Activities	Volume in Rs Mn	
	This Week	Last Week
Treasury Bills		
Amount Offered	14,000.00	12,000.00
Total Bids Received	52,517.00	48,525.00
Total Bids Accepted	14,000.00	12,000.00
Treasury Bonds		
Amount Offered	-	-
Total Bids Received	-	-
Total Bids Accepted	-	-

The weekly T-bill auction was over subscribed by 3.8 times during the reporting week

Secondary Market Activities	Volume in Rs Mn	
	This Week	Last Week
Treasury Bills		
Outright Transaction (Sales / Purchases)	24,646.34	22,702.91
Repo Transaction (Sales / Purchases)	119,876.43	158,270.48
Treasury Bonds		
Outright Transaction (Sales / Purchases)	45,256.80	70,353.08
Repo Transaction (Sales / Purchases)	495,602.52	600,661.24

The total secondary market transactions of T bills and T bonds decreased by 19.55 per cent in the reporting week compared to the previous week.

(a) Excludes Treasury bonds amounting to Rs. 69,787 million issued to settle dues of CPC and to capitalize Sri Lankan Airlines.

3.5 Two way Quotes (Treasury Bills) - 22/06/2018

Remaining Maturity	Average Buying Price	Yield %	Average Selling Price	Yield %	Buying & Selling Spread
1-7 Days	99.85	7.99	99.85	7.81	0.00
1 Month	99.33	8.16	99.34	7.97	0.02
2 Month	98.64	8.28	98.67	8.11	0.03
3 Month	97.92	8.43	97.96	8.26	0.04
4 Month	97.20	8.53	97.24	8.39	0.04
5 Month	96.42	8.70	96.48	8.56	0.06
6 Month	95.63	8.87	95.69	8.74	0.06
7 Month	94.79	9.06	94.88	8.90	0.09
8 Month	93.96	9.19	94.07	9.02	0.11
9 Month	93.14	9.27	93.26	9.11	0.12
10 Month	92.34	9.32	92.46	9.18	0.12
11 Month	91.51	9.39	91.63	9.26	0.12
12 Month	90.68	9.45	90.81	9.31	0.14

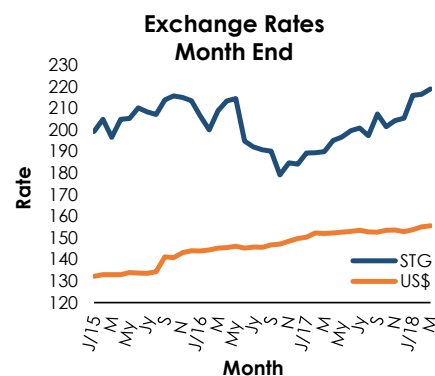
3.6 Two way Quotes (Treasury Bonds) - 22/06/2018

Treasury Bond By Series	Maturity Period (Years)	Maturity Date (DD/MM/YY)	Days to Maturity	Average Buying Price	Yield %	Average Selling Price	Yield %	Buying & Selling Spread
08.50%2018B	15	15-Jul-18	23	99.98	8.48	99.99	8.33	0.01
07.50%2018A	15	15-Aug-18	54	99.81	8.54	99.83	8.43	0.02
08.75%2018A	4	15-Oct-18	115	99.97	8.71	100.01	8.57	0.04
08.00%2018A	6	15-Nov-18	146	99.65	8.84	99.71	8.68	0.06
05.65%2019A	8	15-Jan-19	207	98.08	9.22	98.17	9.04	0.10
10.75%2019A	2	15-Jan-19	207	100.77	9.29	100.90	9.05	0.13
08.50%2019A	10	1-May-19	313	99.31	9.33	99.44	9.16	0.13
10.60%2019A	5	1-Jul-19	374	101.04	9.50	101.14	9.41	0.09
10.60%2019B	5	15-Sep-19	450	101.17	9.54	101.30	9.43	0.13
08.00%2019A	8	1-Nov-19	497	97.94	9.64	98.04	9.56	0.11
09.25%2020A	5	1-May-20	679	99.09	9.78	99.30	9.66	0.21
08.00%2020A	8	1-Jun-20	710	96.89	9.79	97.06	9.69	0.18
06.20%2020A	10	1-Aug-20	771	93.19	9.85	93.41	9.72	0.23
09.50%2020A	5	15-Dec-20	907	99.15	9.89	99.41	9.77	0.27
10.75%2021A	5	1-Mar-21	983	101.73	9.99	101.97	9.89	0.24
09.00%2021A	8	1-May-21	1,044	97.60	9.98	97.82	9.89	0.22
11.00%2021A	7	1-Aug-21	1,136	102.73	9.95	103.02	9.84	0.29
09.45%2021A	7	15-Oct-21	1,211	98.30	10.06	98.65	9.93	0.35
11.50%2021A	5	15-Dec-21	1,272	104.07	10.08	104.39	9.98	0.32
08.00%2022A	10	1-Jan-22	1,289	93.96	10.08	94.26	9.97	0.30
11.20%2022A	9	1-Jul-22	1,470	103.03	10.26	103.45	10.13	0.42
10.00%2022A	8	1-Oct-22	1,562	98.93	10.31	99.30	10.20	0.38
10.00%2023A	6	15-Mar-23	1,727	98.34	10.45	98.51	10.40	0.17
11.50%2023A	6	15-May-23	1,788	103.90	10.46	104.21	10.38	0.32
09.00%2023A	10	1-Sep-23	1,897	94.68	10.34	95.04	10.25	0.36
11.20%2023A	9	1-Sep-23	1,897	102.97	10.44	103.40	10.33	0.43
07.00%2023A	20	1-Oct-23	1,927	86.74	10.32	87.04	10.23	0.31
11.40%2024A	10	1-Jan-24	2,019	103.64	10.51	104.14	10.40	0.50
11.00%2024A	8	1-Aug-24	2,232	101.87	10.57	102.34	10.47	0.47
06.00%2024A	10	1-Dec-24	2,354	79.48	10.46	79.92	10.35	0.44
10.25%2025A	10	15-Mar-25	2,458	98.63	10.53	99.07	10.44	0.44
09.00%2025A	12	1-May-25	2,505	92.77	10.50	93.15	10.42	0.38
11.00%2025A	10	1-Aug-25	2,597	101.82	10.62	102.35	10.52	0.53
10.35%2025A	8	15-Oct-25	2,672	99.37	10.47	99.76	10.39	0.39
09.00%2026A	13	1-Feb-26	2,781	92.43	10.46	92.73	10.40	0.29
05.35%2026A	15	1-Mar-26	2,809	73.41	10.46	73.66	10.41	0.24
11.00%2026A	11	1-Jun-26	2,901	102.03	10.61	102.51	10.52	0.48
11.50%2026A	10	1-Aug-26	2,962	104.44	10.66	105.02	10.56	0.58
11.75%2027A	10	15-Jun-27	3,280	105.92	10.71	106.44	10.62	0.53
11.25%2027A	10	15-Dec-27	3,463	104.05	10.56	104.76	10.45	0.71
10.75%2028A	10	15-Mar-28	3,554	100.66	10.63	101.32	10.52	0.66
09.00%2028B	15	1-May-28	3,601	90.32	10.60	90.74	10.53	0.42
09.00%2028A	15	1-Jul-28	3,662	90.05	10.64	90.46	10.57	0.41
11.50%2028A	13	1-Sep-28	3,724	104.16	10.81	104.70	10.73	0.54
13.00%2029A	15	1-Jan-29	3,846	114.13	10.73	114.65	10.65	0.53
13.00%2029B	15	1-May-29	3,966	114.30	10.73	114.83	10.66	0.54
11.00%2030A	15	15-May-30	4,345	101.02	10.84	101.93	10.71	0.90
08.00%2032A	20	1-Jan-32	4,941	81.04	10.68	81.32	10.64	0.27
09.00%2032A	20	1-Oct-32	5,215	87.74	10.69	88.00	10.65	0.26
11.20%2033A	15	15-Jan-33	5,321	102.48	10.86	103.41	10.73	0.93
09.00%2033A	20	1-Jun-33	5,458	87.28	10.73	87.68	10.67	0.40
13.25%2033A	20	1-Jul-33	5,488	118.38	10.76	118.89	10.70	0.51
09.00%2033B	20	1-Nov-33	5,611	86.69	10.79	87.09	10.73	0.40
13.25%2034A	20	1-Jan-34	5,672	118.03	10.83	118.54	10.77	0.51
11.50%2035A	20	15-Mar-35	6,110	103.36	11.05	104.34	10.93	0.98
12.00%2041A	25	1-Jan-41	8,229	107.52	11.09	108.71	10.95	1.19
09.00%2043A	30	1-Jun-43	9,110	82.28	11.11	83.24	10.98	0.97
13.50%2044A	30	1-Jan-44	9,324	119.99	11.13	121.34	10.99	1.35
13.50%2044B	30	1-Jun-44	9,476	119.75	11.16	121.30	11.00	1.55
12.50%2045A	30	1-Mar-45	9,749	110.01	11.30	112.66	11.02	2.64

External Sector

4.1 Exchange Rates

Item (Rs Per Unit) (a)	Week Ending - 22 Jun 2018			Average Rate	
	Buying Rate	Selling Rate	Average Rate	Week Ago	Year Ago
US\$	157.83	160.93	159.38	159.38	153.12
STG	208.24	214.58	211.41	213.35	194.04
Yen	1.43	1.48	1.45	1.45	1.38
Euro	182.00	188.07	185.04	188.06	171.00
INR(1)			2.35	2.36	2.38
SDR (As at 21 June 2018)			225.03	226.51	211.31
Central Bank purchases and sales(b) (US\$ Mn.)			May 2018	Month Ago	Year Ago
Purchases			30.75	77.00	183.47
Sales			220.85	1.00	35.00



Item	Week Ending	Week Ago	Year Ago
	22 Jun 2018		
Average Daily Interbank Volume (US\$ Mn.) (spot, tom and cash transactions among commercial banks)	58.61	46.76	36.68

Forward Transactions

Forward Rates (US\$) (2)	Week Ending	Week Ago	Year Ago
1 Month	160.65	160.12	154.10
3 Months	-	-	156.11
Average Daily Interbank Forward Volume (US\$ mn)	25.28	31.63	40.14
Outstanding Forward Volume (US\$ mn) (As at 21 Jun 2018)	2,349.81	2,377.01	1,395.43

(a) Commercial Bank Avg. Middle Rate (prevailing at 9.30a.m.)

(b) Central Bank purchases and sales of foreign exchange from commercial banks at market rates total for the Month

(1) Central Bank indicative rate (2) Weekly average based on actual transactions.

4.2 Tourism & Workers' Remittances

Item		2017	2018	2017	2018	% Change
		May	May (a)(b)	Jan - May	Jan - May (a)(b)	
Tourist Arrivals	Number	121,891	129,466	887,093	1,017,819	14.7
Earnings from Tourism(d)	US\$ Mn.	226.1 (c)	240.1	1,645.1 (c)	1,887.6	14.7
	Rs.bn.	34.4 (c)	37.9	248.7 (c)	293.4	18.0
Workers' Remittances (Inflows)	US\$ Mn.	600.7	580.4	3,000.1	3,100.1	3.3
	Rs. bn.	91.5	91.6	453.7	482.4	6.3

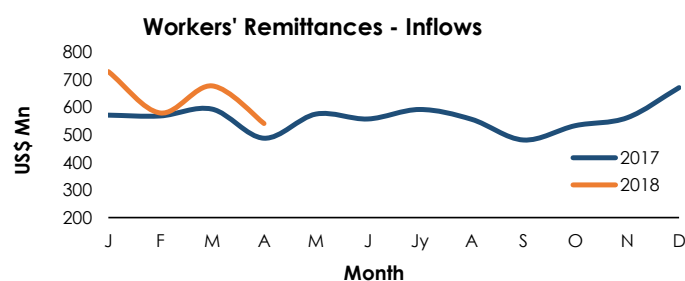
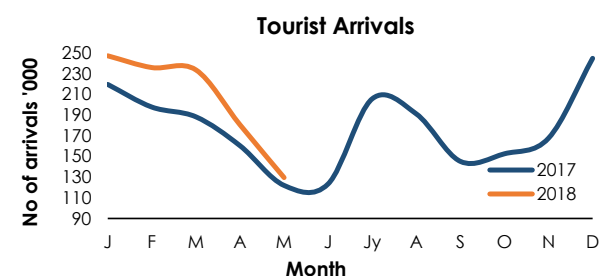
(a) Provisional

(b) May be revised based on Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority survey results on average stay period and average spending per day estimates for 2018

(c) Revised based on Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority survey results on average stay period and average spending per day estimates for 2017

(d) Revised

(e) February 2018 data has been revised based on revised data provided by a LCB



4.3 Official Reserve Assets as at 31st May 2018 (a)

Official Reserve Assets (USD Mn)	8,769.01
(1) Foreign Currency Reserves	7,860.96
(2) Reserve position in the IMF	67.79
(3) SDRs	5.25
(4) Gold	833.31
(5) Other Reserve Assets	1.70

(a) Provisional

4.4 International Reserves & foreign Currency Liquidity as at 27th April 2018 (a)

Official Reserve Assets (USD mn)	
Official Reserve Assets	9,935.77
(1) Foreign currency reserves	9,018.45
(a) Securities	4,661.86
(b) Total currency and deposits with	4,356.59
(i) other national central banks, BIS	3,542.22
(ii) banks headquartered inside the reporting country of which located abroad	1.25
(iii) banks headquartered outside the reporting country	813.12
(2) Reserve position in the IMF	68.81
(3) SDRs	5.32
(4) Gold	841.49
(5) Other reserve assets	1.70

Predetermined Short-Term Net Drains on Foreign Currency Assets (b)

Item	Total	Maturity breakdown (residual maturity)		
		Up to 1 month	More than 1 and up to 3 months	More than 3 months and up to 1 year
1. Foreign currency loans, securities, and deposits				
outflows (-) Principal	-5,433.81	-414.36	-1,459.98	-3,559.48
Interest	-1,553.58	-135.11	-262.55	-1,155.92
inflows (+) Principal				
Interest				
2. Aggregate short and long positions in forwards and futures in foreign currencies vis-à-vis the domestic currency (including the forward leg of currency swaps)				
(i) Short positions (-)(c)	-975.24	-30.00	-235.00	-710.24
(ii) Long positions (+)				
3. Other (specify)	-0.13	-0.13		
inflows related to reverse repos (+)				
other accounts payable (-)	-0.13	-0.13		

(a) Provisional

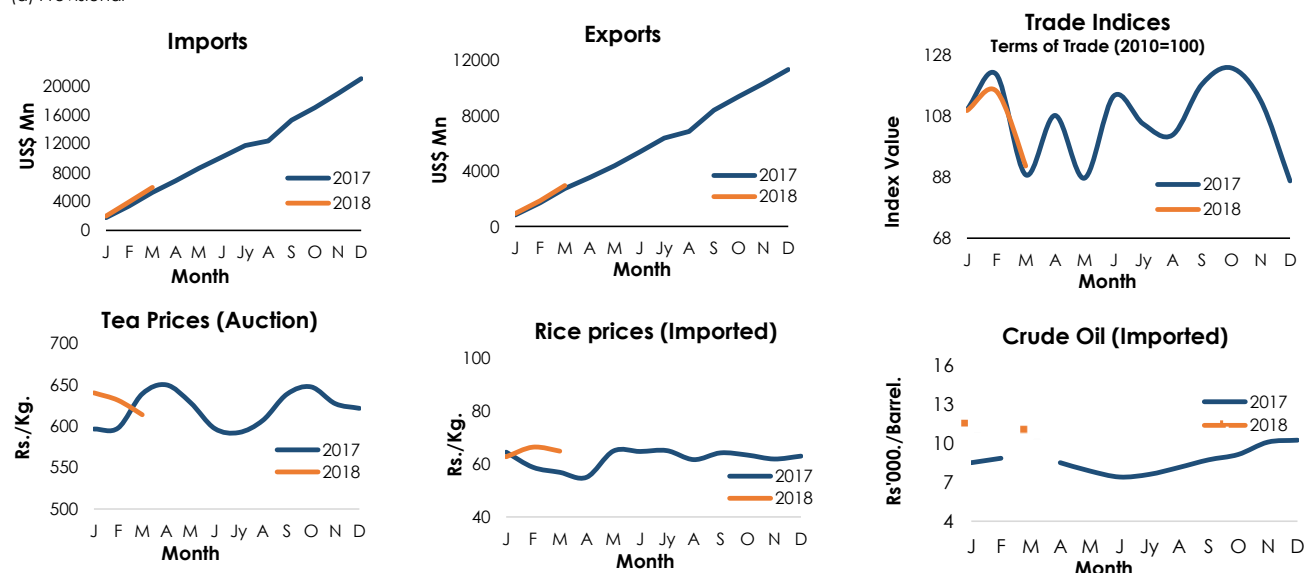
(b) This mainly includes only the predetermined outflows

(c) A major share of SWAP outstanding will be rolled over. This mainly includes SWAP arrangements with state banks which mobilised long-term foreign finance from international bond issuances

4.5 External Trade

Item	US\$ Mn			Rs Mn		
	Jan-Mar 2018(a)	Jan-Mar 2017	% Change	Jan-Mar 2018(a)	Jan-Mar 2017	% Change
Exports	2,988.68	2,774.34	7.73	462,766.23	418,429.68	10.60
Agricultural	653.09	655.89	-0.43	101,131.61	98,937.02	2.22
Industrial	2,321.95	2,106.59	10.22	359,521.98	317,702.99	13.16
Food, Beverages and Tobacco	121.53	76.51	58.84	18,806.62	11,541.99	62.94
Textiles and Garments	1,328.67	1,275.76	4.15	205,720.21	192,375.28	6.94
Petroleum Products	135.51	90.60	49.58	20,962.17	13,663.07	53.42
Leather, Rubber products etc.	266.83	240.41	10.99	41,318.43	36,265.96	13.93
Other	469.41	423.31	10.89	72,714.56	63,856.68	13.87
Mineral	8.42	7.25	16.11	1,304.08	1,094.27	19.17
Other	5.23	4.61	13.41	808.56	695.40	16.27
Imports	5,971.01	5,279.43	13.10	924,252.58	796,069.39	16.10
Consumer Goods	1,360.44	1,170.53	16.22	210,624.61	176,562.12	19.29
Intermediate Goods	3,351.39	2,806.49	19.42	518,768.98	423,159.22	22.59
Investment Goods	1,195.97	1,242.12	-3.72	185,072.91	187,294.88	-1.19
Other	63.21	60.29	4.84	9,786.09	9,053.16	8.10
Trade Balance	-2,982.32	-2,505.08	-	-461,486.35	-377,639.71	-

(a) Provisional



4.6 Trade Indices (2010=100) (a)

Item	2018(b) March	Month Ago (b)	Year Ago
Total Exports			
Value	154.2	127.4	145.0
Quantity	178.0	114.9	175.4
Unit Value	86.6	110.9	82.7
Total Imports			
Value	177.1	177.0	167.3
Quantity	187.4	185.6	180.7
Unit Value	94.5	95.4	92.6
Terms of Trade	91.7	116.3	89.3

(a) In US\$ Terms (b) Provisional (c) Revised

4.7 Commodity Prices

Item	2018 Mar (a)	2017 Mar	% Change	2018 Mar (a)	2017 Mar	% Change
	US\$ / Kg			Rs / Kg		
Colombo Tea Auction	3.94	4.22	-6.60	614.18	639.17	-3.9
Imports (C I F)	US\$ / MT			Rs / MT		
Rice	417.07	375.82	11.0	64,949.34	56,909.74	14.1
Sugar	421.74	580.89	-27.4	65,676.42	87,962.05	-25.3
Wheat	265.83	233.92	13.6	41,397.51	35,421.20	16.9
Crude Oil	US\$ / Barrel			Rs / Barrel		
	67.97	-	-	10,585.05	-	-

(a) Provisional