



# WEEKLY ECONOMIC BULLETIN

## DEPARTMENT OF FISCAL POLICY

### MINISTRY OF FINANCE

#### SRI LANKA

The Week in Review  
05 August – 09 August 2024

### REAL SECTOR

- Economy expanded by 5.3 percent in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2024.
- Price of Brent Crude Oil declined by 0.7 USD bbl and WTI declined by 0.1 USD bbl, respectively.
- CCPI - Headline (2021=100) increased to 2.4 percent (YoY) in July, 2024 from 1.7 percent (YoY) in June, 2024
- NCPI - Headline (YoY%) (2021=100) increased to 2.5 percent (YoY) in July, 2024 from 2.4 percent (YoY) in June, 2024

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### EXTERNAL SECTOR

- Sri Lankan rupee slightly appreciated to USD 1=Rs. 300.87 from USD 1=Rs. 302.29
- Exports increased to USD 1.08 bn in June 2024 compared to USD 1.01 bn in May 2024
- Imports increased to USD 1.45 bn in June 2024 compared to USD 1.41 bn in May 2024
- Trade deficit
  - USD 369.6 mn in June, 2024
- The gross official reserves stood at USD 5.7 bn as end of June 2024.
- Workers' remittances recorded USD 566.8 mn in July, 2024.

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### FISCAL SECTOR

#### Revenue (Provisional)

Jan - June 2024

▪ Total Revenue	- Rs. 1,860.6 bn
(Excluding Grants)	
Tax Revenue	- Rs. 1,709.3 bn
Non-Tax Revenue	- Rs. 151.3 bn

#### Expenditure (Provisional)

Jan - June 2024

▪ Total Expenditure	- Rs.2,559.6 bn
Recurrent Expenditure	- Rs.2, 325.5 bn
Capital Expenditure	- Rs. 234.1 bn

#### Debt (Provisional)

▪ End of May 2024

Total Outstanding Government Debt	- Rs. 28,062.82 bn
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### MONETARY SECTOR

- All Share Price Index (ASPI) declined by 1.22 percent to 11,303.22 points as at 09<sup>th</sup> August 2024 from 11,633.38 points as at 02<sup>nd</sup> August, 2024
- S&P SL 20 Index declined by 1.98 percent to 3,224.96 points as at 09<sup>th</sup> August, 2024 from 3,290.15 points as at 02<sup>nd</sup> August, 2024
- Credit to the private sector increased by 6.2 percent (YoY) in June, 2024

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# REAL SECTOR

## PRODUCTION

	1 <sup>st</sup> Q	2 <sup>nd</sup> Q	3 <sup>rd</sup> Q	4 <sup>th</sup> Q	Annual
<b>2020</b>	-0.9	-17.1	-1.1	-0.5	-4.6
Agriculture	-4.2	-3.8	4.2	-0.1	-0.9
Industry	-4.5	-19.0	-0.7	1.8	-5.3
Service	2.9	-13.2	0.5	1.1	-1.9
<b>2021</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>13.2</b>	<b>-2.1</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>4.2</b>
Agriculture	4.4	11.7	-3.1	-7.0	1.0
Industry	6.6	22.7	-1.8	0.1	5.7
Services	4.4	7.3	-1.6	4.3	3.4
<b>2022</b>	<b>-0.6</b>	<b>-5.3</b>	<b>-11.2</b>	<b>-12.4</b>	<b>-7.3</b>
Agriculture	-3.7	-7.1	-8.2	2.3	-4.2
Industry	-3.5	-10.2	-21.5	-30.2	-16.0
Services	1.4	-1.9	-5.3	-4.6	-2.6
<b>2023</b>	<b>-10.7</b>	<b>-3.0</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>-2.3</b>
Agriculture	1.6	4.2	4.2	0.6	2.6
Industry	-24.3	-11.7	-0.7	7.9	-9.2
Services	-4.6	-0.5	1.7	2.8	-0.2
<b>2024</b>	<b>5.3</b>				
Agriculture	1.1				
Industry	11.8				
Services	2.6				



### GDP expanded by 5.3 % in 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2024

In the first quarter of 2024, the Sri Lankan economy experienced a growth of 5.3 percent, a notable improvement from the 10.7 percent contraction recorded in the same period of 2023. This expansion was observed across all economic sectors recording a 1.1 percent, 11.8 percent, and 2.6 percent growth in the agriculture, industry and services sectors, respectively.

Source: Department of Census & Statistics

Note : Growth rate of value added terms based on year 2010 up to 2021

Growth rate of value added terms based on year 2015 from 2022

## PADDY PRODUCTION

Category	Unit	2021			2022			2023		
		2020/ 2021 Maha	2021 Yala	Total	2021/ 2022 Maha	2022 Yala	Total	2022/ 2023 Maha	2023 Yala	Total
Production	Mn.Mt	3,061	2,09	5,15	1,93	1,46	3,39	2,70	1,82	4,52
	Bushels Mn.	146.72	100.1	246.82	92.56	70.05	162.61	129.2	87.1	216.3
Net Extent Harvested	Hectares (*000)	681.5	445.1	1,126.9	685.2	429.0	1,114.2	722.5	440.3	722.5
	Acres (*000)	1,684.1	1,099.8	2,784.6	1,693.1	1,060.2	2,753.3	1,785.3	1,088.0	2,873.3
Average Yield	kg per ha	4,307	4,309	4,307	2,853	3,207	6,060	3,554	3,822	7,376

Source: Department of Census & Statistics

(a)provisional

## TEA, RUBBER & COCONUT PRODUCTION

Category	Crop	May 2023	May 2024	% Change
Production	Tea (Mn. Kg)	26.5	24.5	-7.4
	Rubber (Mn. Kg)	6.0	4.4	-27.0
	Coconut (Mn. Nuts)	269.4	268.0	-0.5
		May 2023	May 2024	% Change
Exports (USD Mn)	Tea	116.3	115.0	-1.1
	Rubber	2.5	1.9	-22.1
	Coconut	31.4	32.6	3.6
		May 2023	May 2024	% Change
Average Gross Prices	Tea (Rs./ Kg)	1,058.06	1,283.03	21.3
	Rubber (Rs./ Kg)	485.00	-	-
	Coconut (Rs/nut)	66.20	67.43	1.9

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

## FACTORY INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION INDEX (2015=100)

Item (a)	2023 May (b)	2024 May (c)	Change %
Manufacture of Food Products	91.1	105.7	16.0
Manufacture of Beverages	115.0	121.9	5.9
Manufacture of Tobacco Products	88.6	80.6	-9.0
Manufacture of Textiles	90.4	109.9	21.7
Manufacture of Wearing Apparel	88.8	80.0	-9.9
Manufacture of Leather and Related Products	94.3	100.5	6.5
Manufacture of Wood products, except Furniture; Articles of Straw & plaiting materials	41.3	79.3	92.1
Manufacture of Paper and Paper Products	24.4	44.0	80.2
Printing and Reproduction of Recorded Media	122.5	106.1	-13.4
Manufacture of Coke and Refined Petroleum Products	101.9	86.6	-15.1
Manufacture of Chemicals and Chemical Products	70.9	83.5	17.8
Manufacture of Basic Pharmaceuticals, Pharmaceutical preparations	122.3	137.3	12.3
Manufacture of Rubber and Plastic Products	71.9	86.0	19.6
Manufacture of Other Non-Metallic Mineral Products	90.1	93.9	4.2
Manufacture of Basic Metals	95.5	107.9	13.0
Manufacture of Fabricated Metal Products (except machines and equipment)	46.5	64.6	38.9
Manufacture of Electrical Equipment	40.5	77.3	91.1
Manufacture of Machinery and Equipment (n.e.c)	128.8	103.7	-19.4
Manufacture of Furniture	59.1	56.9	-3.7
Other Manufacturing	64.1	64.2	0.2
<b>Overall Factory Industrial Production Index</b>	<b>88.0</b>	<b>93.9</b>	<b>6.8</b>

Source: Department of Census and Statistics

(a) The Factory Industrial Production Index (FIPI) has been replaced with the Index of Industrial Production (IIP)

(b) Revised

(c) Provisional

## LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

Employment	2020 Annual	2021 Annual	2022 Annual	2023 Annual	2023 Q1	2024 Q1
Labour Force Participation Rate	50.6	49.9	49.8	48.6	49.9	47.1
Unemployment Rate	5.5	5.1	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.5
Male	4.0	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.4	3.1
Female	8.5	7.9	6.5	7.0	7.0	7.4
20-29	18.1	18.3	16.2	17.0	17.1	16.8
20-24	25.2	26.8	21.8	21.6	21.5	20.7
25-29	12.0	11.4	11.7	13.0	13.6	13.7

Source: Department of Census & Statistics



## CRUDE OIL PRICES

### CRUDE OIL PRICES – SINGAPORE PLATTS PRICES (USD/BBL)

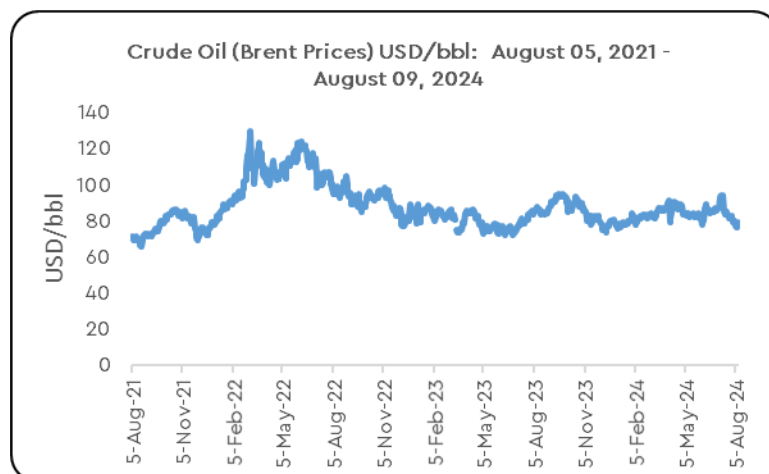
Item	Aug 05	Aug 06	Aug 07	Aug 08	Aug 09	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago
Brent (New York Closing Prices)	76.94	77.27	76.40	78.47	79.21	79.94	85.60	n.a.
WTI	73.55	74.13	73.06	75.45	76.24	76.34	82.17	n.a.
Petrol	82.85	83.50	82.30	84.90	84.90	88.30	93.80	n.a.
Diesel	84.76	85.21	85.29	86.84	86.84	89.19	94.71	n.a.
Kerosene	89.85	90.28	90.41	92.01	92.01	94.24	99.87	n.a.

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka  
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### CRUDE OIL PRICES (MONTHLY AVERAGE) (USD/BBL)

Month	WTI European Market	Brent
Feb - 2023	81.24	87.35
Mar	80.13	86.20
Apr	80.02	85.88
May	79.20	84.87
Jun	78.18	83.73
July	77.92	83.37
Aug	78.25	86.86
Sep	84.15	79.00
Oct	88.49	79.53
Nov	84.36	79.41
Dec	83.97	79.01
Jan - 2024	83.66	78.68
Feb	83.54	78.56
Mar	83.66	78.72
April	83.76	78.83
May	83.76	78.86
June	83.74	78.89
July	83.73	78.94
Aug	83.65	78.88

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka (up to Aug 09, 2024)



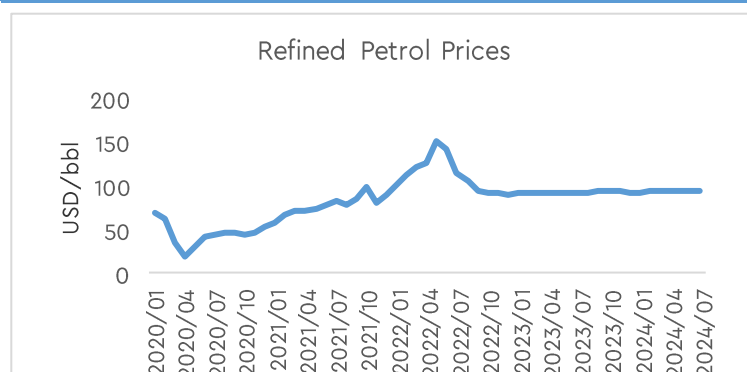
### MONTHLY AVERAGE REFINED PRODUCT PRICES – SINGAPORE PLATTS PRICES (USD/BBL)

Month	Petrol	Diesel	Kerosene
Feb - 2023	95.94	104.45	111.55
Mar	95.22	101.16	106.96
Apr	95.27	99.06	104.84
May	93.16	95.39	101.37
June	92.33	93.60	99.55
July	92.48	93.72	99.52
Aug	93.67	96.00	101.77
Sep	94.83	98.14	103.98
Oct	94.70	99.25	105.06
Nov	94.39	99.26	105.19
Dec	93.82	98.81	104.90
Jan	93.62	98.56	104.67
Feb	93.77	98.64	104.59
Mar	94.17	98.63	104.47
April	94.48	98.61	104.40
May	94.34	98.14	103.85
June	94.01	97.81	103.50
July	93.89	97.54	103.21
Aug	93.73	97.35	103.00

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka (up to Aug 09, 2024)

### LOCAL MARKET PRICES OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS (RS.)

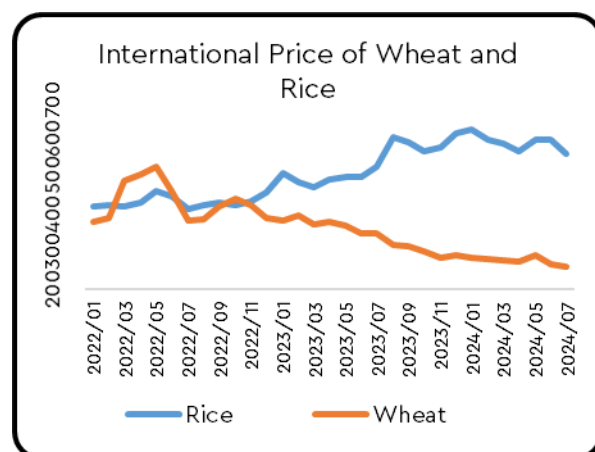
Item	Unit	End 2021	End 2022	End 2023	Current Price 2024
Auto Diesel	1 liter	121.00	405.00	329.00	317.00
Petrol (Octane 92)	1 liter	177.00	370.00	346.00	344.00
Kerosene oil	1 liter	87.00	355.00	247.00	202.00
L P Gas	12.5 kg	2,675.00	4,409.00	3,565.00	3,690.0



## COMMODITY PRICES

### INTERNATIONAL COMMODITY PRICES

Month	Rice Thai,25% USD/MT	Wheat (HRW) USD/MT
Jan -2023	507.00	380.40
Feb	482.00	394.80
Mar	468.00	369.90
Apr	490.00	378.20
May	495.00	367.70
June	496.00	345.50
July	524.00	345.50
Aug	600.00	315.80
Sep	587.00	314.70
Oct	563.00	298.10
Nov	573.00	283.60
Dec	610.00	291.10
Jan - 2024	620.00	283.90
Feb	594.00	278.50
Mar	584.00	274.80
Apr	564.00	272.30
May	593.00	289.40
June	595.00	265.60
July	557.00	260.30



Source: FAO Web Site, Available at <https://foma.apps.fao.org/qiews/food-prices/tool/public/#/dataset/international>

Category	Commodity	Unit	Annual Averages				
			Apr - Jun 2023	Jul - Sep 2023	Oct - Dec 2023	Jan - Mar 2024	Apr - Jun 2024
Energy	Crude Oil average	USD/mt	76.6	85.3	82.1	80.6	83.6
Non-Energy, Agriculture, Beverages	Cocoa	USD/kg	3.01	3.01	3.96	5.68	8.52
	Coffee, Arabica	USD/kg	4.83	4.14	4.35	4.56	5.28
	Tea, average	USD/kg	2.79	2.72	2.74	2.68	3.15
	Tea, Colombo auctions	USD/kg	3.52	3.23	3.53	4.20	4.19
Food, Fats & Oils	Coconut Oil	USD/mt	1,045	1,073	1,090	1,197	1,408
	Soybean Oil	USD/mt	1,008	1,125	1,105	949	986
	Palm Oil	USD/mt	919	856	816	882	890
Grains	Maize	USD/mt	275.4	224.6	216.2	192.8	194.0
	Wheat, US HRW	USD/mt	363.8	325.3	290.9	279.1	275.8
Other Food	Meat, Beef	USD/kg	5.43	5.02	4.88	5.37	5.93
	Meat, Chicken	USD/kg	3.34	2.95	1.63	1.54	1.45
	Sugar, World	USD/kg	0.54	0.54	0.54	0.49	0.43
Raw Materials, Timber	Plywood	¢/sheets	398.1	378.0	369.5	367.8	350.5
Other Raw Materials	Rubber RSS3, US	USD /kg	1.54	1.51	1.65	2.07	2.23
Fertilizers	Phosphate Rock	USD/mt	344.8	345.4	250.0	250.5	152.5
	TSP	USD/mt	475.2	434.8	459.4	451.3	450.4
	Urea	USD/mt	310.0	366.8	383.6	338.9	313.7
Metals and Minerals	Aluminium	USD/mt	2,266	2,160	2,192	2,199	2,523
	Gold	USD /toz	1,978	1,929	1,976	2,072	2,336
	Iron ore	USD /dmt	112.0	115.2	129.0	123.3	113.0

Source: The World Bank, Available at <https://thedocs.worldbank.org/en/doc/5d903e848db1d1b83e0ec8f744e55570-0350012021/related/CMO-Pink-Sheet-September-2023.pdf>, <https://3mgas.vn/news/saudi-aramco-lpg-prices-per-metric-tonne-mt-n150.html> and <https://www.globaldairytrade.info/en/product-results/whole-milk-powder/?c=US-cent> USD = US dollar

**WHOLESALE PRICES**  
**WEEK ENDING 09<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2024 (RS /KG)**

**PETTAH MARKET**

**DAMBULLA MARKET**

Average Wholesale Prices	Week Ending 09/08/2024	Week Ago	Year Ago, Annual Avg.	Food Item	Wholesale (Average)
<b>Rice (Rs/Kg)</b>				<b>Rice (Rs/Kg)</b>	
Samba	230.00	230.00	196.50	Samba	249.00
Kekulu (Red)	193.40	195.00	148.00	Kekulu (Red)	186.00
<b>Vegetable</b>				<b>Vegetables</b>	
Beans	390.00	450.00	325.00	Pumpkins	114.00
Cabbage	262.00	298.00	152.50	Snake Gourd	124.00
Carrots	260.00	288.00	415.00	Ash Plantains	185.00
Tomatoes	208.00	196.00	197.50	Beans	373.00
Pumpkin	152.00	160.00	120.00	Carrots	173.00
Snake Guard	176.00	164.00	127.50	Tomatoes	158.00
Brinjals	336.00	290.00	255.00	Cabbage	204.00
<b>Other Foods</b>				<b>Other Foods</b>	
Red-Onions (Local)	292.20	336.20	247.25	Potatoes (Local)	336.67
Big Onions (Imported)	187.80	181.40	116.50	Dried Chillies (Imported)	712.00
Potatoes (Local)	393.60	391.40	353.75	Big-Onions (Imported)	197.60
Dried Chillies (Imported)	778.20	779.80	1,073.00	Red-Onions (Local)	224.00
Dhal	276.00	277.00	279.25	Coconut (Each)	86.60
Eggs (White) (Each)	36.80	39.60	43.00	<i>Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka</i>	
Coconut (Each)	97.20	95.00	85.00	<b>MARANDAGAHAMULA AVERAGE PRICE OF RICE (RS/KG)</b>	
Green Chillies	336.00	400.00	437.50		
Lime	440.00	500.00	512.50		

<b>FISH MARKET – PELIYAGODA</b>				Item	Week Ending 09/08/2024	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago
Kelawalla	1,380.00	1,470.00	-	Samba	222.00	225.80	230.60	202.25
Balaya	682.50	772.00	-	Kekulu (White)	195.00	197.00	202.00	161.00
Salaya	275.00	358.00	-	Kekulu (Red)	190.00	191.60	200.60	150.00
Hurulla	700.00	760.00	-	Nadu	205.00	206.80	211.00	175.50

*Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka*

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WEEKLY RETAIL COMMODITY PRICES – 2<sup>ND</sup> WEEK OF AUGUST 2024

Item	Unit	This Week	Week Ago	% Change	Year Ago
Rice					
Samba (Avg.)	1 kg	276.91	272.14	1.8	230.08
No. 1	1 kg	245.19	245.58	-0.2	225.77
No. 2	1kg				
Nadu Red	1kg	225.40	224.38	0.5	213.12
Raw Red (Avg)	1kg	208.39	207.28	0.5	163.93
No. 1	1kg	208.39	207.28	0.5	163.93
No. 2	1kg				
Wheat Flour	1 kg	194.26	202.41	-4.0	212.84
Bread	450g	145.83	145.83	0.0	150.71
Sugar	1 kg	262.30	268.56	-2.3	255.79
Milk Powder (Imported)	400g	1,050.00	1,050.00	0.0	1,080.00
Milk Powder (Local)	400g	1,110.00	1,110.00	0.0	1,080.00
Infant Milk Powder	300g	1,800.00	1,800.00	0.0	1,950.00
Potatoes (Import)	1 kg	229.26	246.40	-7.0	225.23
Potatoes (Local)	1kg	492.50	498.18	-1.1	412.38
Mysore Dhal (Avg)	1kg	354.81	365.38	-2.9	346.15
Cowpea (Avg)	1kg	969.74	963.71	-1.3	1,050.24
Green Gram (Avg)	1kg	1,039.27	1,091.61	-4.8	1,117.67
Kadalai (Avg)	1kg	568.19	564.35	0.7	643.83
Meat					
Beef	1kg	2,500.00	2,522.22	-0.9	2,340.92
Chicken					
Fresh	1kg	1,239.38	1,184.00	4.7	1,421.52
Broiler	1kg	1,147.50	1,138.33	0.8	1,365.00
Fresh Fish					
Paraw	1 kg	2,258.33	2,400.00	-5.9	2,773.01
Balaya	1 kg	1,236.00	1,317.14	-6.2	1,522.62
Kelawalla	1 kg	2,086.50	2,433.89	-14.3	2,537.31
Salaya	1 kg	432.40	466.50	-7.3	688.10
Dried Fish					
Sprats	1 kg	1,200.00	1,244.00	-3.5	1,267.12
Eggs	Each	39.86	41.15	-3.1	47.57
Coconut	Each	116.80	116.04	0.7	99.34
Coconut Oil	750ml	503.89	507.12	-0.6	451.25
Red Onions	1 kg	446.00	450.16	-0.9	455.65
B- Onions (Import)	1 kg	267.14	262.50	2.0	164.40
Brinjal	1kg	412.33	410.69	0.4	411.90
Beans Green	1 kg	515.71	546.15	--5.6	462.62
Bandakka	1 kg	279.31	283.79	-1.6	260.72
Leeks	1 kg	459.31	508.00	-9.6	291.29
Beet Root	1kg	369.33	433.33	-14.8	286.43
Carrot	1kg	419.33	444.62	-5.7	519.22
Green Chillies	1kg	659.23	788.46	-16.4	698.68
Raddish	1kg	240.34	275.38	-12.7	209.29
Vetakolu	1kg	394.29	393.85	0.1	300.76
Bitter Guard	1kg	401.38	397.50	1.0	401.07
Snake Guard	1kg	388.15	384.07	1.1	314.20
Kolikuttu	1kg	507.86	546.92	-7.1	556.51
Papaw	1kg	253.46	250.74	1.1	255.46
Pineapple	1kg	564.62	610.83	-7.6	685.56

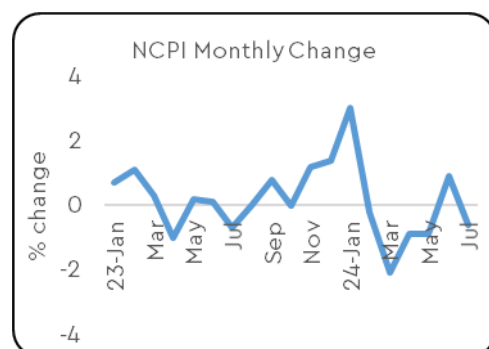
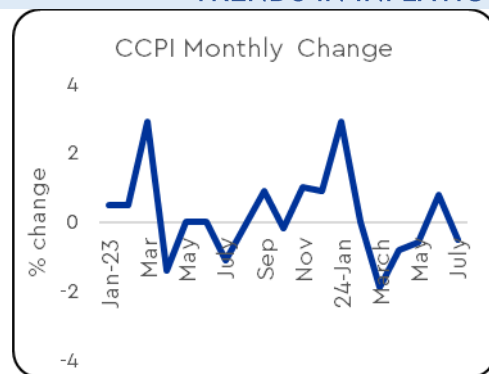
Source: Department of Census and Statistics

## INFLATION

### TRENDS IN INFLATION

Month	CCPI (%)			NCPI (%)		
	(2021=100)			(2021=100)		
	Index Number	% Change Month on Month	Y on Y %	Index Number	% Change Month on Month	Y on Y %
Jan-23	188.6	0.5		201.8	0.7	53.2
Feb	189.5	0.5	50.6	204.1	1.1	53.6
Mar	195.0	2.9	50.3	204.8	0.3	49.2
Apr	192.3	-1.4	35.3	202.7	-1.0	33.6
May	192.3	0.0	25.2	203.1	0.2	22.1
Jun	192.3	0.0	12.0	203.3	0.1	10.8
July	190.2	-1.1	6.3	201.9	-0.7	4.6
August	190.1	-0.1	4.0	201.9	0.0	2.1
Sep	191.8	0.9	1.3	203.5	0.8	0.8
Oct	191.4	-0.2	1.5	203.6	0.0	1.0
Nov	193.4	1.0	3.4	206.0	1.2	2.8
Dec	195.1	0.9	4.0	208.8	1.4	4.2
Jan - 24	200.7	2.9	6.4	215.0	3.0	6.5
Feb	200.6	0.0	5.9	214.5	-0.2	5.1
Mar	196.7	-1.9	0.9	210.0	-2.1	2.5
Apr	195.2	-0.8	1.5	208.2	-0.9	2.7
May	194.1	-0.6	0.9	206.3	-0.9	1.6
June	195.6	0.8	1.7	208.1	0.9	2.4
July	194.7	-0.5	2.4	206.9	-0.6	2.5

Source: Department of Census and Statistics



### CONTRIBUTION OF FOOD ITEMS TO CCPI FROM JUNE 2024 TO JULY 2024 (Base 2021=100)

Commodity	Value Change Rs.	Change %
Food	58.06	0.03
Rice	84.63	0.05
Coconut Oil	101.91	0.06
Fresh Fish	-405.17	-0.23
Chicken	-88.00	-0.05
Fresh Fruits	166.49	0.09
Vegetables	143.35	0.08
Eggs	64.61	0.04
Milk Powder	46.44	0.03
Potatoes	63.00	0.04
Big Onions	15.37	0.01
Ginger	-21.42	0.01
Limes	-146.82	-0.08

Source: Department of Census and Statistics

### MOVEMENTS OF THE CCPI IN FOOD ITEM (2021=100)

Month	Index Number	% Change Month to Month	Inflation
			Y on Y
Jan -23	240.0	0.8	
Feb	234.7	-2.2	54.4
Mar	229.0	-2.4	47.6
Apr	228.8	-0.1	30.6
May	232.7	1.7	21.5
Jun	235.7	1.3	4.1
July	235.8	0.0	-1.4
Aug	232.8	-1.3	-4.8
Sep	234.1	0.6	-5.2
Oct	229.5	-2.0	-5.2
Nov	230.3	0.3	-3.6
Dec	238.9	3.7	0.3
Jan - 24	247.9	3.8	3.3
Feb	242.8	-2.1	3.5
Mar	237.8	-2.1	3.8
Apr	235.4	-1.0	2.9
May	232.6	-1.2	0.0
June	239.1	2.8	1.4
July	239.4	0.1	1.5

Source :Department of Census and Statistics



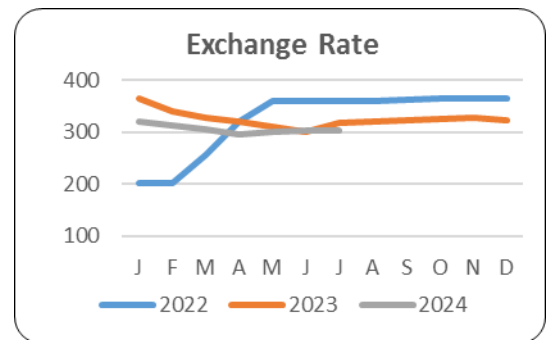


# EXTERNAL SECTOR

## EXCHANGE RATES

Currency	Week Ending 09 <sup>th</sup> Aug 2024	Week Ago	Year Ago	% Change 2023/24
US Dollar	300.87	302.29	321.23	-6.3
Sterling Pound	383.74	384.53	409.45	-6.3
Euro	328.61	326.19	351.99	-6.6
Japanese Yen	2.04	2.02	2.24	-8.9
Indian Rupee	3.59	3.61	3.88	-7.5

Source : Central Bank of Sri Lanka

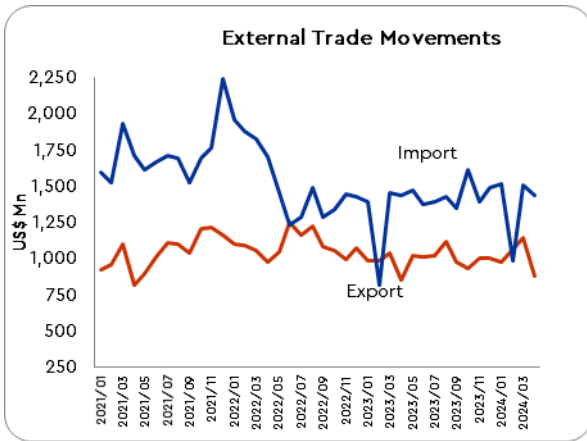


## EXTERNAL TRADE

Category	June 2023 (USD mn)	June 2024 (USD mn)	Growth Rate (%)	Jan - June 2023 (USD mn)	Jan - June 2024 (USD mn)	Growth Rate (%)
<b>Exports</b>	<b>1,005.3</b>	<b>1,077.0</b>	<b>7.1</b>	<b>5,871.0</b>	<b>6,144.4</b>	<b>4.7</b>
<b>Agricultural</b>	<b>211.3</b>	<b>242.0</b>	<b>14.5</b>	<b>1,229.2</b>	<b>1,281.0</b>	<b>4.2</b>
Tea	111.5	115.0	9.2	635.5	687.0	8.1
Other	99.8	127.0	27.3	593.7	594.0	0.1
<b>Industrial</b>	<b>790.8</b>	<b>830.3</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>4,616.0</b>	<b>4,837.2</b>	<b>4.8</b>
Rubber Products	72.1	80.9	12.2	432.6	487.1	12.6
Textiles and Garments	430.0	447.2	4.0	2,460.6	2,408.1	-2.1
Food, Beverage and Tobacco	40.3	51.7	28.2	248.9	312.6	25.6
Other	248.4	250.5	0.8	1,473.9	1,629.4	10.6
<b>Mineral</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>98.2</b>	<b>11.9</b>	<b>12.4</b>	<b>4.1</b>
<b>Unclassified</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>18.0</b>	<b>13.9</b>	<b>13.8</b>	<b>-0.3</b>
<b>Imports</b>	<b>1,369.1</b>	<b>1,446.6</b>	<b>5.7</b>	<b>8,160.5</b>	<b>8,684.4</b>	<b>6.4</b>
<b>Consumer Goods</b>	<b>251.7</b>	<b>246.9</b>	<b>-1.9</b>	<b>1,493.5</b>	<b>1,534.2</b>	<b>2.7</b>
Food and Beverages	146.8	142.7	-2.8	845.5	843.6	-0.2
Other Consumer Goods	104.9	104.2	-0.7	648.0	690.7	6.6
<b>Intermediate Goods</b>	<b>875.4</b>	<b>927.4</b>	<b>5.9</b>	<b>5,446.5</b>	<b>5,634.2</b>	<b>3.4</b>
Petroleum	290.0	365.4	26.0	2,354.8	2,209.2	-6.2
Textiles & Textile Articles	194.1	233.3	20.2	1,194.0	1,327.5	11.2
Other Intermediate Goods	391.3	328.7	-16.0	1,897.7	2,097.5	10.5
<b>Investment Goods</b>	<b>239.9</b>	<b>272.3</b>	<b>13.5</b>	<b>1,211.2</b>	<b>1,510.9</b>	<b>24.7</b>
Machinery and Equipment	163.7	187.2	14.4	822.4	1,020.2	24.0
Transport Equipment	6.6	10.4	57.6	37.4	61.3	63.9
Building Material	69.4	74.5	7.4	350.0	428.3	22.3
Other Investment Goods	0.2	0.1	-35.8	1.3	1.1	-15.7
<b>Unclassified</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>-95.6</b>	<b>9.4</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>-46.5</b>
<b>Trade Balance</b>	<b>-363.7</b>	<b>-369.6</b>		<b>-2,289.5</b>	<b>-2,540.0</b>	

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Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka



### Highlights

- Export earnings increased by 6.5 percent to USD 1,077.0 mn in June 2024 compared to USD 1,011.3 mn in May 2024.
- Import expenditure increased by 3.0 percent to USD 1,446.6 mn in June 2024 compared to USD 1,404.6 mn in May 2024.
- Trade deficit narrowed to USD 369.6 mn in June 2024 compared to USD 393.3 mn in May 2024.

### EXTERNAL ASSETS

External Assets (USD bn)	July 2023	Aug 2023	Sep 2023	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Dec 2023	Jan 2024	Feb 2024	Mar 2024	Apr 2024	May 2024
Total Reserves	8.5	8.5	8.7	8.6	8.4	9.4	9.4	9.6	9.9	10.2	10.4
Gross Official Reserves	3.77	3.60	3.54	3.57	3.57	4.39	4.5	4.5	5.0	5.5	5.4

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

The Gross official reserves were USD 5.7 bn at the end of June 2024.

### PRIVATE REMITTANCES

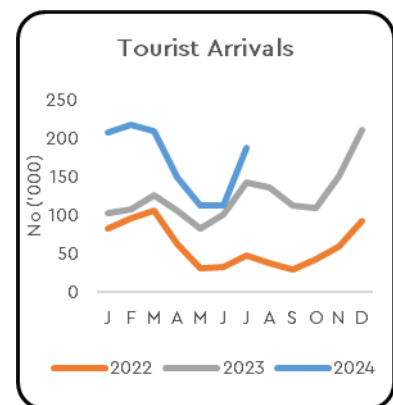
Category	2023 July	2024 July	2023 Jan- July	2024 Jan- July	% Change
Inflow USD mn	541.0	566.8	3,363.6	3,710.8	10.3
Rs. bn	172.7	172.2	1,104.0	1,136.4	2.9

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(a) Provisional

### TOURIST ARRIVALS

Month	Arrivals				Earnings USD mn			
	2022	2023	2024	% change 2023/24	2022	2023	2024	% change 2023/24
Jan	82,327	102,545	208,253	103.1	151.7	153.5	341.80	122.7
Feb	96,507	107,639	218,350	103.0	169.4	161.6	345.70	118.2
Mar	106,500	125,495	209,181	89.4	161.2	188.8	338.40	103.6
Apr	62,980	105,498	148,867	77.9	108.7	148.2	225.7	91.9
May	30,207	83,309	112,128	71.0	43.5	100.0	154.0	86.9
Jun	32,856	100,388	113,470	61.7	45.0	122.9	151.1	77.9
July	47,293	143,039	187,810	56.0	85.0	219.0	328.3	72.3
Aug	37,760	136,405			67.9	210.5		
Sep	29,802	111,938			40.5	152.2		
Oct	42,026	109,199			54.9	136.7		
Nov	59,759	151,496			81.0	205.3		
Dec	91,961	210,352			127.4	269.3		
<b>Total</b>	<b>719,978</b>	<b>1,487,303</b>	<b>1,198,059</b>		<b>1,136.3</b>	<b>2,068.0</b>	<b>1,884.9</b>	



Source: Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority



# FISCAL SECTOR

## GOVERNMENT REVENUE (Rs. Mn)

Item	2021	2022	Jan – Dec <sup>(a)</sup> 2023	Jan - June 2024 (a)
<b>Tax Revenue</b>	<b>1,298,019</b>	<b>1,751,132</b>	<b>2,720,563</b>	<b>1,709,305</b>
Income Tax	302,115	534,021	911,355	447,252
VAT	308,213	463,062	694,460	616,944
Excise Duty	306,861	342,523	469,622	282,331
PAL	154,125	180,595	175,486	85,992
Customs Duty	64,339	50,009	105,120	48,758
SCL	55,828	40,194	51,327	45,500
CESS	75,543	70,318	57,184	37,914
SSCL	-	36,111	216,181	119,302
Other	31,429	34,712	39,827	25,313
<b>Non-Tax Revenue</b>	<b>159,052</b>	<b>228,052</b>	<b>328,259</b>	<b>151,327</b>
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>1,457,071</b>	<b>1,979,184</b>	<b>3,048,822</b>	<b>1,860,632</b>

Source: Department of Fiscal Policy  
(a) Provisional

## GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE (Rs. Mn)

Item	2021	2022	Jan – Dec 2023 <sup>(a)</sup>	Jan - June 2024 (a)
<b>Government Expenditure</b>	<b>3,521,735</b>	<b>4,472,556</b>	<b>5,356,591</b>	<b>2,559,619</b>
<b>Recurrent Expenditure</b>	<b>2,747,512</b>	<b>3,519,634</b>	<b>4,699,679</b>	<b>2,325,514</b>
Salaries & Wages	845,680	956,211	939,496	459,991
Goods & Services	168,932	182,857	299,700	136,503
Interest	1,048,382	1,565,190	2,455,600	1,273,291
Subsidies & Transfers	684,518	815,376	1,004,884	455,756
<b>Capital &amp; Net Lending</b>	<b>774,223</b>	<b>952,923</b>	<b>656,912</b>	<b>234,078</b>
Public Investments	789,636	1,014,293	932,745	258,812
<b>Other</b>	<b>-15,413</b>	<b>-61,370</b>	<b>-275,833</b>	<b>-24,734</b>

Compiled by Department of Fiscal Policy  
(a) provisional

## GOVERNMENT DEBT

Government Debt (Rs.bn)	End 2022	End 2023 (a)	End Jan. 2024	End March 2024	End April 2024	End May 2024
Total Domestic Debt	15,033.9	17,051.9	17,256.56	17,292.79	17,312.82	17,349.51
Total Foreign Debt	12,458.1	11,644.1	11,335.79	10,720.77	10,531.98	10,713.32
<b>Total Government Debt</b>	<b>27,492.0</b>	<b>28,695.9</b>	<b>28,592.34</b>	<b>28,013.56</b>	<b>27,844.80</b>	<b>28,062.82</b>

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka  
(a) provisional

## KEY FISCAL INDICATORS 2021 -2023

Indicator	2021		2022		2023 <sup>(a)</sup>	
	Rs.mn.	% of GDP	Rs.mn.	% of GDP	Rs.mn.	% of GDP
Total Revenue	1,457,071	8.3	1,979,184	8.2	3,048,822	11.03
Tax Revenue	1,298,019	7.4	1,751,132	7.3	2,720,563	9.85
Non-Tax Revenue	159,052	0.9	228,052	0.9	328,259	1.19
Recurrent Expenditure	2,747,512	15.6	3,519,633	14.6	4,699,679	17.01
Budget Deficit	2,057,925	-11.7	-2,459,967	-10.2	2,282,267	8.26
Public Investment	789,636	4.5	1,014,293	4.2	932,745	3.38
Government Debt	17,614,181	100.1	27,492,031	113.8	28,695.9	103.9

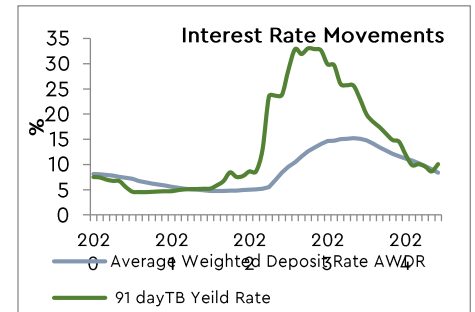
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# MONETARY SECTOR

## REAL INTEREST RATES

Month	CCPI (2013 =100)	CCPI Point to Point Change	CCPI Annual Average Change	91 Days T Bill Rate	Real Interest Rate (Y on Y)	Real Interest Rate (Annual Avg)
Jan -23	188.6	51.7	49.6	29.91	21.79	2.1
Feb	189.5	50.6	n.a	29.72	20.88	-
Mar	195.0	50.3	n.a	25.99	24.31	-
Apr	192.3	35.3	n.a	25.74	9.56	-
May	192.3	25.2	n.a	25.65	-0.45	-
Jun	192.3	12.0	n.a	23.00	-11.00	-
Jul	190.2	6.3	n.a	19.96	-13.66	-
Aug	190.1	4.0	n.a	18.48	-14.48	-
Sep	191.8	1.3	n.a	17.42	-16.12	-
Oct	191.4	1.5	n.a	16.10	-14.6	-
Nov	193.4	3.4	n.a	14.86	-11.46	-
Dec	195.1	4.0	n.a	14.45	-10.45	-
Jan - 24	200.7	6.4	14.2	11.97	-5.57	-7.8
Feb	200.6	5.9	11.3	9.87	-3.97	-5.4
Mar	196.7	0.9	8.0	10.07	-9.17	-7.1
Apr	195.2	1.5	5.7	9.61	-8.11	-4.2
May	194.1	0.9	3.9	8.62	-7.72	-3.0
June	195.6	1.7	3.1	10.07	-8.37	-1.4
July	194.7	2.4	2.8			



Sources : Central Bank of Sri Lanka and Department of Census and Statistics  
From January 2023 CCPI & NCPI (2021=100)

## INTEREST RATE MOVEMENTS

Category	Week Ending 09 <sup>th</sup> Aug 2024	Week Ago	Year Ago
Standing Deposit Facility	8.25	8.25	11.00
Standing Lending Facility	9.25	9.25	12.00
Average Weighted Call Money Rate (AWCMR)	8.58	8.53	11.82
Treasury Bill (Yield rate)			
91 Days	9.22	9.14	19.78
182 Days	9.56	9.34	17.11
364 Days	10.06	9.95	13.94
Average Weighted Prime Lending Rate (AWPR)	9.05	9.04	13.94
	<b>July</b>	<b>Month ago</b>	<b>Year ago</b>
Average Weighted Deposit Rate (AWDR)	8.04	8.38	14.76

Source : Central Bank of Sri Lanka

## MONEY SUPPLY AND CREDIT GROWTH

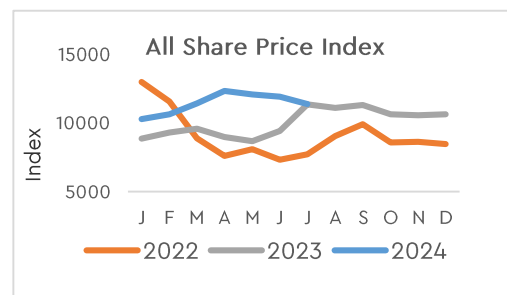
MONEY SUPPLY (RS. bn.)								CREDIT TO PRIVATE SECTOR (RS. bn.)				
Item	June 2024	May 2024	April 2024	Mar 2024	Feb 2024	Jan 2024	Growth 2023 Apr/2024 Apr (%)	Item	June 2024	Month Ago	Year Ago	Growth 2023 /2024 (%)
M <sub>1</sub>	1,768.4	1,732.6	1,736.9	1,720.5	1,626.8	1,606.6	13.9	Credit to Private Sector	7,512.4	7,437.9	7,072.7	6.2
M <sub>2</sub>	12,121.5	12,029.8	11,870.4	11,737.5	11,567.0	11,449.6	10.5	DBUs	6,961.0	6,904.1	6,552.7	6.2
M <sub>2b</sub>	13,747.9	13,616.4	13,420.0	13,324.6	13,201.1	13,114.9	9.8	OBU's	551.4	533.8	520.0	6.0

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

## SHARE MARKET

Indicator	Week Ending 09 <sup>th</sup> Aug 2024	Week Ago	Year Ago
All Share Price Index (1985 = 100) (ASPI)	11,303.22	11,442.55	11,631.97
S & P Sri Lanka 20 Index (S & P SL20)	3,224.96	3,290.15	3,447.96
Average Daily Turnover (Rs.Mn)	403.36	776.65	1,960.54
Market Capitalization (Rs.Bn.)	4,468.03	4,526.66	4,581.08

Source: Colombo Stock Exchange



## EQUITY TRADING STATISTICS

Indicator	July 2024	July 2023	Jan-July 2024	Jan-July 2023
<b>Turnover -Equity (Rs. Mn.)</b>	23,210.3	73,098.7	227,523.2	249,036.2
Domestic (Rs. Mn.)	17,127.3	68,044.8	189,859.2	227,470.0
Foreign (Rs. Mn.)	6,083.0	5,053.9	37,664.0	21,566.2
Market Days	23	20	138	139
Daily Turnover Avg. Equity (Rs. Mn.)	1,009.1	3,654.9	1,648.7	1,791.6
<b>Trade Equity</b>	173,656	538,908	1,642,402	2,293,269
Domestic	167,920	529,238	1,602,142	2,252,498
Foreign	5,736	9,670	40,260	40,771
<b>Shares Traded -Equity (Mn)</b>	937.9	2,825.5	10,191.8	11,154.0
Domestic (Mn.)	713.3	2,709.0	8,959.1	10,424.1
Foreign (Mn.)	224.6	116.5	1,232.7	729.9
Companies Traded	269	265	272	272
Companies Listed	285	289	285	289

## MARKET INDICATORS

Price Indices	July 2024	June 2024	May 2024
ASPI	11,406.56	12,144.54	12,106.49
S&P SL 20	3,265.55	3,588.54	3,569.04
<b>Total Return Indicators</b>			
ASTRI	16,313.16	17,268.12	17,128.99
S&P SL20 (TRI)	6,349.15	6,945.92	6,862.61
Market PER	9.20	9.73	10.02
Dividend Yield	4.15	3.93	3.78
Market Capitalization (Rs.Bn.)	4,504.26	4,760.0	4,780.99

Source: Colombo Stock Exchange

## STOCK MARKET - FOREIGN PURCHASES AND FOREIGN SALES

Indicator	July 2024	Jan - July 2024
Purchases by Foreigners (Rs. Mn)	7,649.2	34,717.9
Sales by Foreigners (Rs. Mn)	4,516.8	40,610.1
Net Foreign Purchases (Rs. Mn)	3,132.4	-5,692.2

Source: Colombo Stock Exchange

