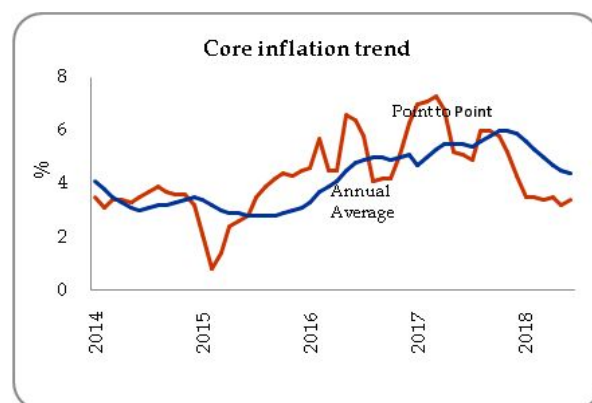
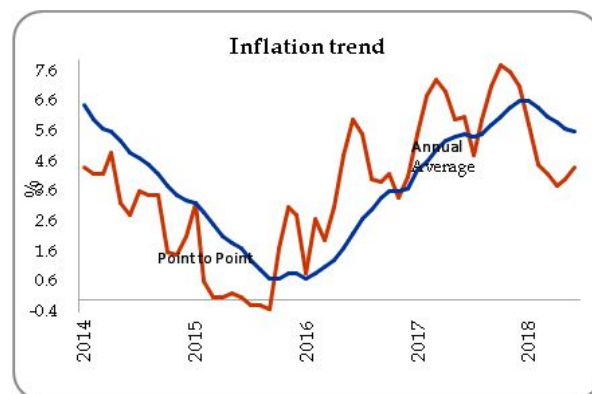




# INFLATION, INTEREST RATES & EXCHANGE RATES

Month	CCPI (%)		Core Inflation (%)		NCPI (%)	
	(2013=100)		(2013=100)		(2013=100)	
	Point to Point	Annual Average	Point to Point	Annual Average	Monthly Change	Point to Point
Aug	4.4	3.7	3.8	4.9	-1.6	4.5
Sep	4.2	3.9	3.7	4.8	0.2	4.7
Oct	4.1	4.0	3.8	4.6	4.0	5.0
Nov	4.0	4.0	4.8	4.5	4.0	4.1
Dec	4.5	4.0	5.8	4.4	4.0	4.2
Jan-17	5.5	4.3	7.0	4.7	1.1	6.5
Feb	6.8	4.6	7.1	5.0	0.5	8.2
Mar	7.3	5.0	7.3	5.3	-0.3	8.6
Apr	6.9	5.3	6.8	5.5	1.3	8.4
May	6.0	5.4	5.2	5.5	0.7	7.1
June	6.1	5.5	5.1	5.5	1.3	6.3
July	4.8	5.4	4.9	5.4	-0.8	6.3
Aug	6.0	5.5	6.0	5.6	-0.1	7.9
Sep	7.1	5.8	6.0	5.8	0.8	8.6
Oct	7.8	6.1	5.8	6.0	1.2	8.8
Nov	7.6	6.4	5.2	6.0	1.3	8.4
Dec	7.1	6.6	4.3	5.9	0.2	7.3
Jan-18	5.8	6.6	3.5	5.6	-0.6	5.4
Feb	4.5	6.4	3.5	5.3	-1.7	3.2
Mar	4.2	6.1	3.4	5.0	-0.7	2.8
Apr	3.8	5.9	3.5	4.7	0.1	1.6
May	4.0	5.7	3.2	4.5	1.1	2.1
June	4.4	5.6	3.4	4.4		



Source: Department of Census and Statistics

The point to point inflation of CCPI increased to 4.4 per cent in June 2018. The annual average of CCPI decreased to 5.6 per cent in June 2018. The National Consumer Price Index (NCPI) covering provinces of the country increased to 2.1 percent in May 2018, on year on year basis.

## Contribution of Food Items to CCPI from May 2018 to June 2018

Commodity	Value Change Rs.	Change %
<b>Food</b>	<b>979.79</b>	<b>1.32</b>
Rice	-3.74	-0.01
Chicken	17.15	0.02
Sea Fish	262.98	0.35
Milk Powder	71.42	0.10
Potatoes	26.66	0.04
Vegetables	599.21	0.81
Red Onions	-11.52	-0.02
Big onions	16.57	0.02
Dried Fish	6.25	0.01
Banana	-64.43	-0.09
Eggs	27.04	0.04
Limes	12.87	0.02
Papaw	-20.13	-0.03

Source: Department of Census and Statistics

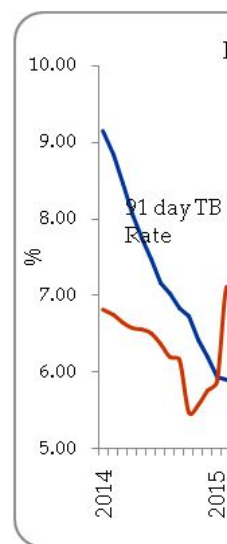
## Movements of the CCPI in Food Items (2013=100)

Month	% Change Month to Month	Inflation	
		Point to Point	Annual Average
Dec	0.8	4.1	6.1
Jan-17	1.6	4.5	6.4
Feb	1.2	7.7	6.9
Mar	-0.7	9.2	7.4
Apr	1.7	8.6	7.5
May	2.3	9.3	7.6
Jun	4.8	9.1	7.6
Jul	-1.7	4.8	7.0
Aug	-2.5	6.9	6.9
Sep	1.6	10.4	7.1
Oct	2.6	12.6	7.6
Nov	1.7	13.8	8.4
Dec	1.3	14.4	9.3
Jan-18	-1.9	10.5	9.8
Feb	-2.9	6.0	9.6
Mar	-1.5	5.1	9.2
Apr	-0.4	3.0	8.8
May	2.6	3.3	8.3
June	4.4	2.9	7.7

Source: Department of Census and Statistics

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)
Dec	114.7	4.5	4.0	8.72	4.22	4.72
Jan-17	116.1	5.5	4.3	9.03	3.53	4.73
Feb	116.7	6.8	4.6	9.32	2.52	4.73
Mar	116.5	7.3	5.0	9.63	2.33	4.63
Apr	117.1	6.9	5.3	9.73	2.83	4.43
May	118.2	6.0	5.4	9.62	3.62	4.22
June	120.1	6.1	5.5	9.60	3.50	4.10
July	119.4	4.8	5.4	9.44	4.64	4.04
Aug	118.8	6.0	5.5	8.87	2.87	3.37
Sep	119.7	7.1	5.8	8.71	1.61	2.91
Oct	120.8	7.8	6.1	8.76	0.96	2.66
Nov 1.80	122.2	7.6	6.4	8.20	8.20	0.60
Dec 1.09	122.9	7.1	6.6	7.69	7.69	0.59
Jan-18 1.09	122.8	5.8	6.6	7.69	7.69	1.89
Feb 1.84	121.9	4.5	6.4	8.24	8.24	3.74
Mar 2.07	121.4	4.2	6.1	8.17	8.17	3.97
Apr 2.20	121.5	3.8	5.9	8.10	8.10	4.30
May 2.64	122.9	4.0	5.7	8.34	8.34	4.34
June	125.4	4.4	5.6	8.32	3.92	2.72

Sources : Central Bank of Sri Lanka and Department of Census and Statistics

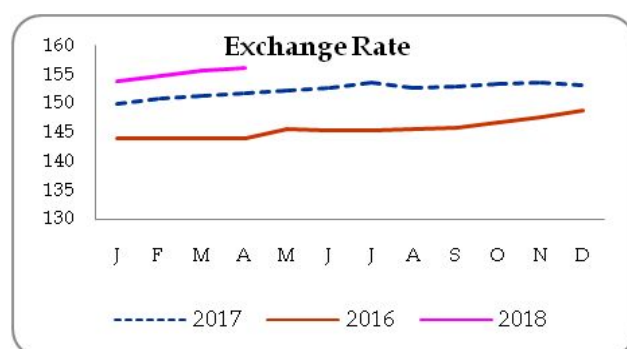


Category	Week Ending 22 <sup>nd</sup> June 2018	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago
Standing Deposit Facility	7.25	7.25	7.25	7.25
Standing Lending Facility	8.5	8.50	8.50	8.75
Call Money Weekly Average	8.44	8.35	7.89	8.75
Treasury Bill (Yield rate)				
91 Days	8.32	8.34	8.34	9.60
182 Days	8.85	8.87	8.93	10.29
364 Days	9.37	9.44	9.62	10.47
Prime Lending Rate	10.92	11.33	11.42	11.88
	<b>May-18</b>		<b>Month Ago</b>	<b>Year Ago</b>
Commercial Bank Average Weighted Deposit Rate (AWDR)	8.91		8.98	8.99

Source : Central Bank of Sri Lanka

Currency	Week Ending 22 <sup>nd</sup> June 2018	Week Ago	Year Ago	% Change 2017/18
US Dollar	159.38	159.38	153.12	4.1
Sterling Pound	211.41	213.35	194.04	8.9
Euro	185.04	188.06	171.00	8.2
Japanese Yen	1.45	1.45	1.38	5.1
Indian Rupee	2.35	2.36	2.38	-1.3

Source : Central Bank of Sri Lanka



## Money

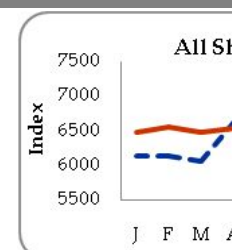
Item	Mar 2018	Feb 2018	Jan 2018	Mar 2017	Feb 2017	Jan 2017	Growth 2017 Mar/2018 Mar (%)
M <sub>1</sub> (RsBn)	812.55	841.18	773.42	765.20	744.60	742.85	6.19
M <sub>2</sub> (RsBn)	6,043.7	5,995.4	5,739.0	5,146.8	4,951.3	4,866.0	17.43
M <sub>2b</sub> (RsBn)	6,691.7	6,606.6	6,378.3	5,730.7	5,551.9	5,460.4	16.77

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

Item	Mar 2018	Month Ago	Year Ago
Credit to Private Sector (Rs.bn)	5,066.4	5,043.9	4,866.0
DBUs	7	5	4
OBU's	2	3	4
	360.05	357.02	

Indicator	Week Ending 22 <sup>nd</sup> June 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 (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 Capitalization (Rs.Bn.)	2,909.4	2,956.6	3,026.6

Source: Colombo Stock Exchange



All Share Price Index (ASPI) decreased by 102.9 index points and closed at 6,228 points compared to the third week of June 2018. The S & P Sri Lanka 20 Index (S & P SL20) decreased by 98.9 to 3,428 index points. The Average Daily Turnover increased by Rs.92.2 million and stationed at Rs.593.2 million. Market Capitalization increased by Rs.132.8 billion in the fourth week of June 2018.

## Equity Trading Statistics

Indicator	May 2018	May 2017	Jan-May 2018	Jan-May 2017
<b>Turnover -Equity (Rs. Mn.)</b>	<b>15,741.9</b>	<b>17,496.7</b>	<b>97,807.9</b>	<b>89,219.1</b>
Domestic (Rs. Mn.)	8,452.7	12,583.2	53,920.8	48,207.6
Foreign (Rs. Mn.)	7,289.2	4,913.5	43,887.1	41,011.5
Market Days	21	20	98	99
Daily Turnover Avg. Equity (Rs. Mn.)	749.6	874.8	998.0	901.2
<b>Trade Equity</b>	<b>80,737</b>	<b>104,904</b>	<b>417,586</b>	<b>357,703</b>
Domestic	76,039	100,468	396,087	336,822
Foreign	4,698	4,436	21,499	20,881
<b>Shares Traded _Equity</b>	<b>605.2</b>	<b>800.6</b>	<b>3,034.8</b>	<b>3,567.5</b>
Domestic (Rs. Mn.)	466.1	702.0	2,470.8	2,597.2
Foreign (Rs. Mn.)	139.1	98.6	564.0	970.3
Companies Traded	275	276	279	278
Companies Listed	299	296	299	296

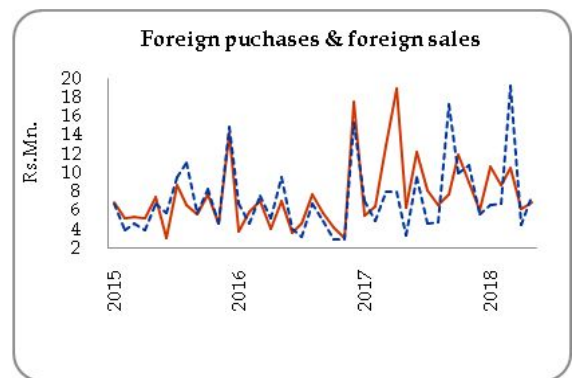
Price Indices	May 2018	Apr 2018	Oct 2017
ASPI	6,398.44	6,531.06	6,531.06
S&P SL 20	3,567.04	3,660.10	3,660.10
<b>Total Return Indicators</b>			
ASTRI	8,515.44	8,686.81	8,686.81
S&P SL20 (TRI)	5,262.69	5,385.47	5,385.47
Market PER	10.73	10.74	10.74
Dividend Yield	3.01	2.96	2.96
Market Capitalization (Rs.Bn.)	2,989.02	3,049.25	3,049.25

Source: Colombo Stock Exchange

## Stock Market - Foreign Purchases and Foreign Sales

Indicator	May 2018	Jan-May 2018
Purchases by Foreigners (Rs. Mn)	6,977.2	43,101.2
Sales by Foreigners (Rs. Mn)	7,608.5	44,680.9
Net Foreign Purchases (Rs. Mn)	-631.3	-1,579.7

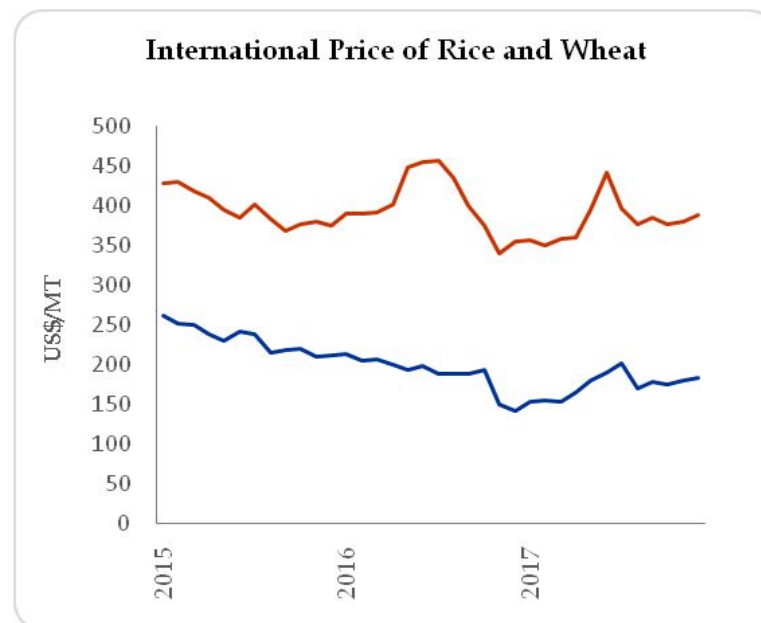
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## COMMODITY PRICES

Inter

Month	Rice Thai,100%US\$/MT	Wheat (HRW) US\$/MT
Jun-2016	456	198
Jul	457	188
Aug	435	188
Sep	399	188
Oct	375	193
Nov	339	151
Dec	354	142
Jan-2017	356	153
Feb	349	155
Mar	358	154
Apr	359	166
May	395	180
Jun	440	190
Jul	397	202
Aug	376	171
Sep	385	179
Oct	376	176
Nov	379	180
Dec	388	184



Source: FAO Web Site, Available at [fao.org/worldfoodsituation/foodpricesindex](http://fao.org/worldfoodsituation/foodpricesindex)

Commodity	Unit	Annual Averages			Monthly Averages		
		Jan-Dec	Jan-Dec	Jan-Dec	Oct	Nov	Dec
		2015	2016	2017	2017	2017	2017
<b>Non Energy, Agriculture, Beverages</b>							
Cocoa	\$/kg	3.14	2.89	2.03	2.10	2.13	1.92
Coffee, Arabica	\$/kg	3.53	3.61	3.32	3.10	3.11	3.03
Tea, auctions (3) average	\$/kg	2.71	2.64	3.10	3.26	3.17	3.07
Tea, Colombo auctions	\$/kg	2.96	3.24	4.07	4.22	4.08	4.06
<b>Food, Fats &amp; Oils</b>							
Coconut Oil	\$/mt	1,110	1,475	1,602	1,485	1,549	1,443
Copra	\$/mt	735	982	1,065	989	1,038	960
Palm Oil	\$/mt	623	700	1,365	721	716	665
<b>Grains</b>							
Barley	\$/mt	194.3	158.5	140.8	...	...	...
Maize	\$/mt	169.8	159.2	154.5	148.6	148.7	149.0
Wheat, US HRW	\$/mt	204.5	166.6	174.2	175.6	179.7	184.1
<b>Other Food</b>							
Meat, Beef	\$/kg	4.42	3.93	4.23	4.17	4.20	4.13
Meat, Chicken	\$/kg	2.53	2.46	2.51	...	...	...
Sugar, World	\$/kg	0.30	0.40	0.35	0.32	0.33	0.32
<b>Raw Materials, Timber</b>							
Plywood	¢/sheets	451.2	503.3	486.9	483.5	484.0	483.5
Wood pulp	\$/mt	875.0	875.0	875.0	875.0	875.0	875.0
<b>Other Raw Materials</b>							
Rubber RSS3, US	\$/kg	1.57	1.61	2.00	1.64	1.57	1.65
<b>Fertilizers</b>							
Phosphate Rock	\$/mt	117.5	112.2	89.7	80.0	80.0	80.0
TSP	\$/mt	385.0	290.5	276.3	222.0	222.0	222.0
Urea	\$/mt	272.9	199.3	219.8	263.0	246.0	219.0
<b>Metals and Minerals</b>							
Aluminum	\$/mt	1,665	1,604	1,968	2,131	2,097	2,080
Gold	\$/toz	1,161	1,249	1,258	1,280	1,282	1,264
Iron ore	\$/dmt	55.8	58.4	71.8	61.7	64.2	72.3

Source: The World Bank, Available at [worldbank.org/WBSITE/EXTERNAL/EXTDEC/EXTDECPROPECTS](http://worldbank.org/WBSITE/EXTERNAL/EXTDEC/EXTDECPROPECTS)

¢= US cent

\$= US dollar

## Crude Oil Prices - Singapore

Item	June 18	June 19	June 20	June 21	June 22	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago
Brent (New York Closing Prices)(US \$/bbl.)	72.54	74.97	75.28	74.51	73.89	76.66	79.40	44.95
WTI (US\$/bbl.)	63.37	65.60	65.30	65.61	66.38	66.69	72.50	42.69
Petrol	79.05	79.25	79.25	77.85	78.50	83.00	89.75	54.10
Diesel	82.10	83.39	84.16	82.10	82.51	86.02	90.75	54.05

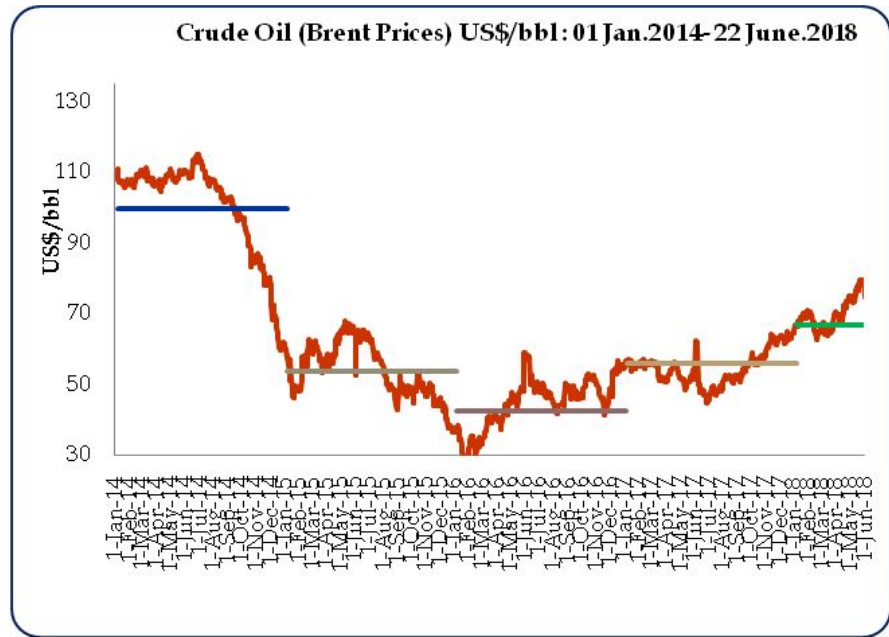
Kerosene	84.36	85.65	86.61	84.52	84.74	87.86	92.71	54.30
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Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

Crude O

Month	WTI European Market (US\$/bbl)	Brent (US\$/bbl)
Oct-16	49.91	51.38
Nov	45.85	45.96
Dec	54.74	52.04
Jan-17	52.83	55.67
Feb	53.41	55.99
Mar	49.92	52.76
Apr	51.27	53.98
May	51.59	48.77
Jun	47.71	45.34
July	49.02	46.93
Aug	51.87	48.18
Sep	49.76	55.44
Oct	54.04	60.83
Nov	56.68	62.80
Dec	63.92	57.82
Jan-18	63.55	69.02
Feb	62.26	65.80
Mar	66.69	62.80
Apr	66.21	71.55
May	76.88	69.92
June*	65.65	75.50

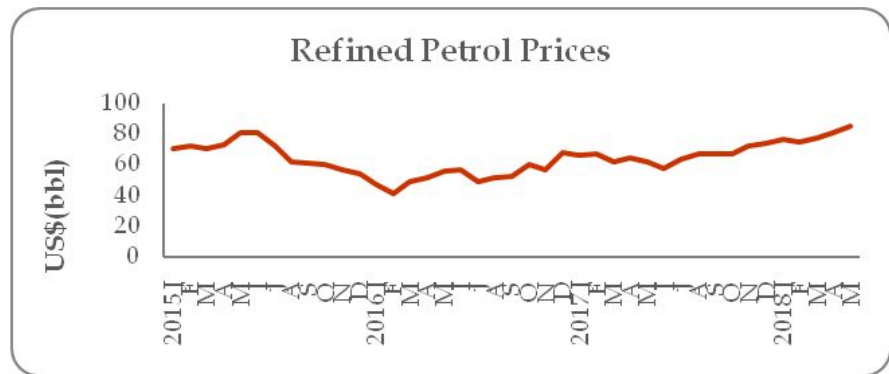
Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka  
\*up to 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2018



Monthly Average Refined Product Prices -Singapore

Month	Petrol	Diesel	Kerosene
Oct-16	60.15	60.63	60.98
Nov	56.63	56.03	56.62
Dec	67.80	66.34	64.87
Jan-17	66.75	64.70	65.13
Feb	67.55	66.31	66.25
Mar	61.93	62.43	61.85
Apr	64.83	63.92	63.92
May	61.60	60.45	60.84
Jun	57.38	56.81	57.12
July	59.10	59.76	59.87
Aug	64.73	62.02	61.11
Sep	67.66	66.53	67.97
Oct	70.15	69.68	71.33
Nov	73.05	71.80	74.06
Dec	73.45	74.49	75.61
Jan-18	76.65	80.05	80.91
Feb	74.17	76.52	79.98
Mar	74.24	76.74	79.03
Apr	78.36	82.58	85.14
May	85.37	88.26	90.16
June*	81.75	84.98	87.03

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka  
\*up to 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2018



Item	Unit	End 2015	End 2016	End 2017	Current Price 2018
Auto Diesel	1 liter	95.00	95.00	95.00	109.00
Petrol (Octane 92)	1 liter	117.00	117.00	117.00	137.00
Kerosene oil	1 liter	49.00	49.00	44.00	70.00
L P Gas	12.5 kg	1,346.00	1,321.00	1,321.00	1,676.00

Week E

Pettah Market

Average Wholesale Prices	Week Ending 22/06/2018	Week Ago	% Change	Year Ago Annual Avg.
Rice (Rs/Kg)				

Food Item	Wholesale (Average)
Rice (Rs/Kg)	
Samba	109.70
Kekulu (Red)	79.80

Samba	106.00	106.00	-	94.82
Kekulu (Red)	69.00	71.00	-2.9	80.30
<b>Vegetable</b>				
Beans	215.00	187.00	14.9	118.56
Cabbage	127.00	90.00	4.1	75.37
Carrots	257.00	243.00	5.8	120.95
Tomatoes	200.00	220.00	-9.1	93.73
Pumpkins	31.00	25.00	24.0	61.84
Snake Gourd	100.00	120.00	-16.7	96.74
Brinjals	93.00	187.00	-50.3	94.90
Ash Plantains	75.00	100.00	-25.0	73.41

<b>Other Foods</b>				
Red-Onions (Local)	123.00	120.00	2.5	250.84
Big Onions (Local)	n.a.	n.a.	-	110.80
Potatoes (N'Eliya)	133.00	157.00	-15.3	127.34
Dried Chillies (Imported)	255.00	250.00	2.0	189.80
Dhal (Indian)	104.00	108.00	-3.7	135.31
Eggs (Red) (Each)	15.00	14.70	2.0	11.96
Coconut (Each)	66.00	69.00	-4.3	61.72

<b>Fish (Rs/Kg)</b>				
Kelawalla	700.00	650.00	7.7	540.63
Balaya	350.00	380.00	-7.9	301.46
Salaya	200.00	250.00	-20.0	116.88
Paraw (Small)	700.00	n.a.	-	538.02

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

<b>Vegetables</b>	
Pumpkins	25.70
Snake Gourd	97.00
Ash Plantains	53.00
Beans	197.00
Carrots	242.50
Tomatoes	188.50
<b>Other Foods</b>	
Potatoes (N'Eliya)	131.00
Dried Chillies (Imported)	248.50
Big-Onions (Local)	n.a.
Red-Onions (Local)	110.50
Coconut (Each)	61.00

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

## Marandagaha

Item	Week Ending 22/06/2018	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

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

## Weekly Retail Commodity Prices -1<sup>st</sup> Week of June 2018

Rs.

Item	Unit	This Week	Week Ago	% Change	Year Ago
Rice					
Samba(Avg.)	1 kg	109.46	111.16	-1.5	99.56
No. 1	1 kg	111.35	114.87	-3.1	102.98
No. 2	1kg	107.57	107.44	0.1	96.15
Nadu Red	1kg	99.00	100.85	-1.8	97.91



Raw Red (Avg)	1kg	84.57	85.14	-0.7	87.64
No. 1	1kg	90.56	91.00	-0.5	90.37
No. 2	1kg	78.59	79.28	-0.9	84.92
Wheat Flour	1 kg	89.90	89.63	0.3	89.24
Bread	450g	58.71	58.71	0.0	58.18
Sugar	1 kg	105.92	106.81	-0.8	106.87
Lakspray	400g	345.00	345.00	0.0	325.00
Potatoes (Import)	1 kg	108.39	109.66	-1.2	124.16
Potatoes (Local)	1kg	169.28	171.27	-1.2	180.13
Red Dhal(Avg)	1kg	149.96	152.03	-1.4	182.16
Cowpea (Avg)	1kg	287.39	248.12	1.1	324.41
Green Gram(Avg)	1kg	256.37	253.53	1.1	258.62
Kadalai (Avg)	1kg	288.91	287.22	0.6	316.10
Meat					
Beef	1kg	963.57	969.44	-0.6	922.89
Chicken					
Fresh	1kg	600.00	595.56	0.7	569.64
Broiler	1kg	420.00	420.00	0.0	420.00
Fresh Fish					
Paraw	1 kg	1107.14	1066.25	3.8	1,123.00
Balaya	1 kg	593.33	607.14	-2.3	780.96
Kelawalla	1 kg	991.50	952.61	4.1	1,119.04
Salaya	1 kg	227.86	205.63	10.8	226.88
Dried Fish					
Spratts	1 kg	713.24	734.06	-2.8	752.97
Eggs	Each	16.02	15.89	0.9	13.64
Coconut	Each	76.98	77.56	-0.8	64.76
Coconut Oil	750ml	291.18	286.21	1.7	292.96
Red Onions	1 kg	183.75	188.02	-2.3	357.05
B- Onions (Import)	1 kg	102.43	100.76	1.7	96.50
Brinjal	1kg	180.12	178.76	0.8	194.58
Beans Green	1 kg	334.55	370.06	-9.6	227.95
Cabbage	1 kg	176.77	163.78	7.9	213.52
Leeks	1 kg	314.44	304.76	3.2	145.76
Beet Root	1kg	197.93	187.41	5.6	199.15
Carrot	1kg	293.53	293.71	-0.1	296.15
Tomatoes	1kg	185.63	193.53	-4.1	166.35
Green Chillies	1kg	347.05	278.26	24.7	628.39
Raddish	1kg	172.00	178.33	-3.6	174.50
Beans Butter	1kg	460.00	440.00	4.5	333.33
Bitter Guard	1kg	265.45	256.57	3.5	255.62
Anamalu	1kg	163.64	175.00	-6.5	164.59
Pineapple	1kg	110.00	127.78	-13.9	158.89
Papaw	1kg	80.91	91.67	-11.7	83.31

Source: Department of Census and Statistics

## FISCAL SECTOR AND GOVERNMENT DEBT

### Summary of Government Revenue

**Tax Revenue**

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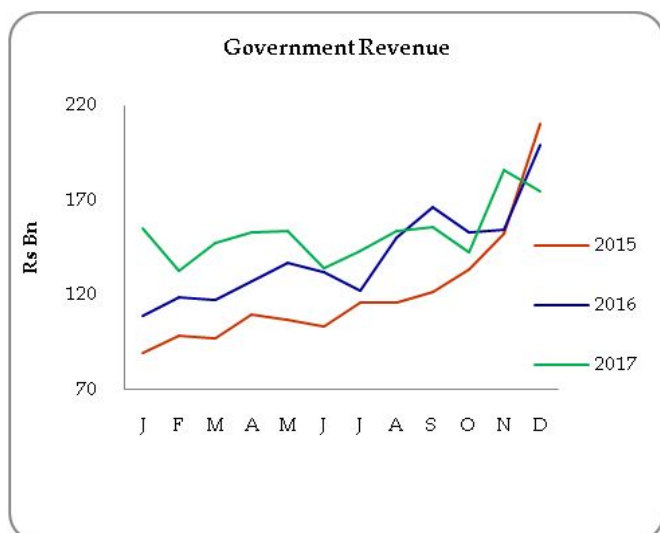
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License Fee and Other

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## Non Tax Revenue

## Total Revenue



Source: Department of Fiscal Policy

(a) provisional

## Government Debt

Government Debt (Rs.bn)	End 2017	End 2018 Q1(a)
Total Domestic Debt	5,594.4	5,770.9
Total Foreign Debt	4,718.6	4,883.2
<b>Total Government Debt</b>	<b>10,313.0</b>	<b>10,654.1</b>

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

(a) provisional

## Key Fiscal Indicators 2015-2016-2017

Indicator	Unit	2015	2016	2017(a)
Budget Deficit	RsMn	-829,502	-640,326	-733,494
	% of GDP	-7.6	-5.4	-5.5
Total Revenue	RsMn	1,454,878	1,686,061	1,831,531
	% of GDP	13.3	14.2	13.8
Tax Revenue	RsMn	1,355,779	1,463,689	1,670,178
	% of GDP	12.4	12.3	12.6
Non Tax Revenue	RsMn	99,099	222,372	161,353
	% of GDP	0.9	1.9	1.2
Recurrent Expenditure	RsMn	1,701,657	1,757,782	1,927,692

	% of GDP	15.5	14.8	14.5
Public Investment	RsMn	602,768	594,012	657,386
	% of GDP	5.5	5.0	4.9
Government Debt	RsMn	8,503,227	9,387,303	10,313,046
	% of GDP	77.7	78.8	77.6

Compiled by Department of Fiscal Policy

## EXTERNAL SECTOR

### External Trade

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### Exports

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**Mineral**

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**Imports**

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**Consumer Goods**

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**Intermediate Goods**

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**Investment Goods**

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Machinery and Equipment

Transport Equipment

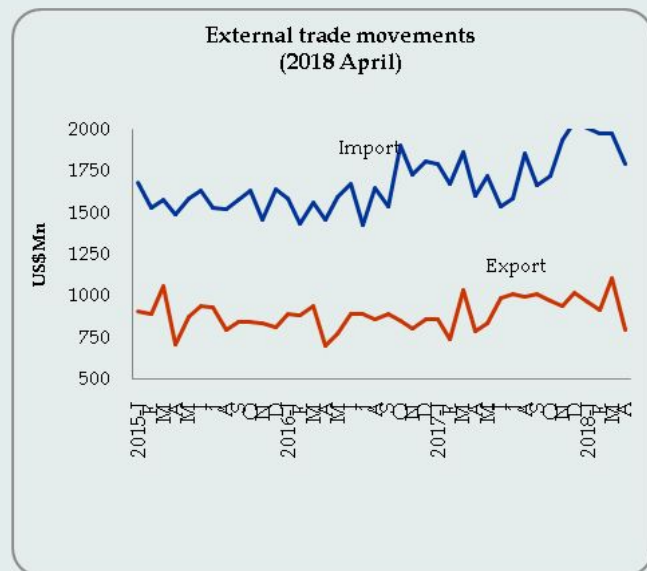
Building Material

Other Investment Goods

Unclassified

## Trade Balance

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

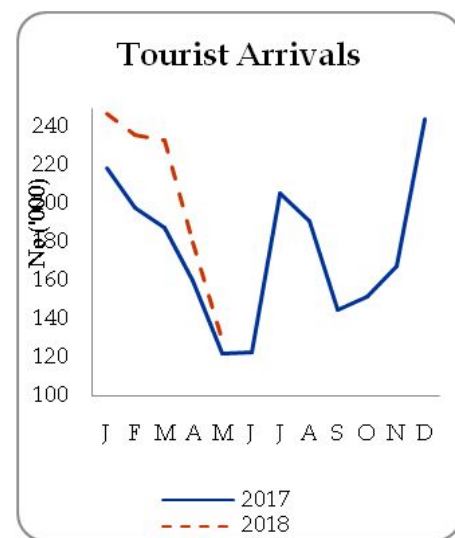


- Export earnings during January to April 2018 increased by 6.0 percent mainly due to the expansion of earnings from agriculture, industry and mineral exports. The Industrial export earnings for the month of April 2018 increased by 1.1 percent, compared to the respective period of 2017.
- On a cumulative basis, expenditure on imports increased by 12.8 percent for the period during January to April 2018. Expenditure on imports for the month of April 2018 increased by 11.8 percent reflecting the performance of imports of intermediate goods and consumer goods.
- Trade deficit contracted to US\$ 998.5 Mn in April 2018 over the same period of 2017.

Tourist Arrivals

Month	Arrivals				Earnings US\$ Mn			
	2016	2017	2018	% change 2017/18	2016	2017	2018	% change 2017/18
Jan	194,280	219,360	246,972	12.6	333.3	376.3	423.7	12.6
Feb	197,697	197,517	235,618	19.3	339.0	366.3	436.9	19.3
Mar	192,841	188,076	233,382	24.1	330.8	348.8	432.8	24.1
Apr	136,367	160,249	180,429	12.6	226.0	297.2	334.6	12.6
May	125,044	121,891	129,466	6.2	214.5	226.1	240.1	6.2
Jun	118,038	123,351			195.6	211.6		
July	209,351	205,482			359.2	352.5		
Aug	186,288	190,928			319.6	327.6		
Sep	148,499	145,077			254.8	248.9		
Oct	150,419	152,429			249.3	261.5		
Nov	167,217	167,511			277.1	287.4		
Dec	224,791	244,536			385.7	419.5		
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,050,832</b>	<b>1,871,871</b>	<b>888,353</b>	<b>16.1</b>	<b>3,518.5</b>	<b>3,631.0</b>	<b>1,647.5</b>	<b>16.1</b>

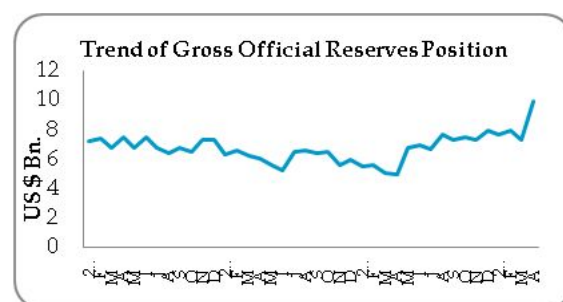
Source: Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority



## External Assets

External Assets (US\$ Mn)	Apr 2018	Mar 2018	Feb 2018
Total Reserves	n.a.	9,575.97	10,062.35
Gross Official Reserves	9,935.77	7,319.75	7,922.37

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka



## Private Remittances

Category	2017 May (b)	2018 May (a)	2017 Jan- May (b)	2018 Jan- May (a)	% Change
Inflow 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

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

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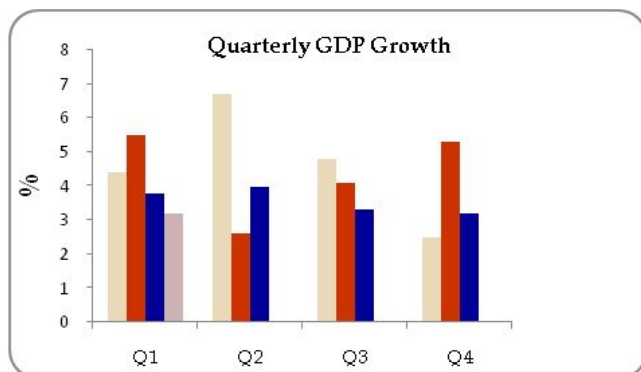
(b) Revised

## PRODUCTION

	1 <sup>st</sup> Q	2 <sup>nd</sup> Q	3 <sup>rd</sup> Q	4 <sup>th</sup> Q	Annual
<b>2014</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>10.3</b>	<b>5.0</b>
Agriculture	7.3	4.1	3.2	5.0	4.6
Industry	-1.5	-2.8	7.8	11.7	4.7
Service	1.9	4.0	3.0	11.7	4.8
<b>2015</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>5.0</b>
Agriculture	5.9	10.4	7.3	-0.5	4.7
Industry	1.4	3.9	4.9	1.9	2.2
Service	5.4	6.9	6.5	2.7	6.0
<b>2016</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>4.5</b>
Agriculture	1.9	-5.6	-1.9	-8.4	-3.8
Industry	8.3	2.2	6.8	9.2	5.8
Service	4.9	4.9	4.7	4.6	4.7
<b>2017</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>3.2</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>3.3</b>
Agriculture	-4.4	-3.1	-3.0	7.1	-0.8
Industry	3.7	5.6	5.3	4.1	4.6
Service	4.3	2.7	2.8	3.2	3.2
<b>2018</b>	<b>3.2</b>				
Agriculture	4.8				
Industry	0.9				
Service	4.4				

Source: Department of Census & Statistic

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



### GDP grew by 3.2%

The Sri Lankan economy grew by 3.2% in first quarter 2018 compared to 3.4% growth recorded in first quarter 2017. The growth was mainly supported by the expansion of Agriculture sector by 4.8 % and Services sector by 4.4%. However, Industry sector contracted by 1.0%.

## Employment

Labour Force Participation Rate

Unemployment Rate

### By Gender

male

female

### By Age Group

0-29

0-24



Source: Department of Census & Statistics

(a) Data cover the entire island

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Category

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**Production**

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**Exports (US\$ Mn)**

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## Factory Industrial Production Index (2015=100)

Item (a)	2017 April (b)	2018 April (c)	Growth %
Manufacture of Food Products	102.2	102.8	0.5
Manufacture of Beverages	91.9	94.9	3.3
Manufacture of Tobacco Products	79.2	76.0	-4.0
Manufacture of Textiles	99.4	90.1	-9.4
Manufacture of Wearing Apparel	96.0	102.0	6.3
Manufacture of Leather and Related Products	98.2	109.2	11.2
Manufacture of Wood products ,except Furniture; Articles of Straw & plaiting materials	75.0	95.7	27.6
Manufacture of Paper and Paper Products	103.2	96.6	-6.3
Printing and Reproduction of Recorded Media	99.8	96.8	-3.0
Manufacture of Coke and Refined Petroleum Products	93.4	96.0	2.7
Manufacture of Chemicals and Chemical Products	71.9	78.5	9.2
Manufacture of Pharmaceuticals, Medicinal Chemicals	98.7	89.0	-9.8
Manufacture of Rubber and Plastic Products	95.6	82.2	-14.0
Manufacture of Other Non-Metallic Mineral Products	111.7	94.8	-15.1
Manufacture of Basic Metals	102.1	107.9	5.6
Manufacture of Fabricated Metal Products	100.8	90.6	-10.1
Manufacture of Electrical Equipment	100.7	98.2	-2.5
Manufacture of Machinery and Equipment n.e.c	93.8	98.7	5.3
Manufacture of Furniture	100.0	89.3	-10.7
Manufacture of other Manufacturing	89.0	94.8	6.5
<b>Factory Industry Production Index</b>	<b>98.3</b>	<b>97.7</b>	<b>-0.7</b>

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

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

(b) Revised

(c) Provisional