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DEPARTMENT OF FISCAL POLICY

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SRI LANKA

The Week in Review
17th November – 21th November 2025

REAL SECTOR

- Economy expanded by 4.9 percent in the second quarter of 2025.
- Price of Brent Crude Oil decreased by 1.95 USD bbl and WTI decreased by 2.08 USD bbl, respectively.
- CCPI - Headline inflation (2021=100) increased to 2.1 percent (YoY) in October, 2025 from 1.5 percent (YoY) in September, 2025.
- NCPI - Headline inflation (2021=100) increased to 2.7 percent (YoY) in October, 2025 from 2.1 percent (YoY) in September, 2025.

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EXTERNAL SECTOR

- Sri Lankan rupee slightly depreciated to USD 1=Rs. 308.05 from USD 1=Rs. 305.76
- Exports decreased to USD 1,138.5 mn in September 2025 compared to USD 1,282.3 mn in August 2025.
- Imports increased to USD 2,048.6 mn in September 2025 compared to USD 1,696.5 mn in August 2025.
- Trade deficit
 - USD 910.1 mn in September, 2025
- The gross official reserves stood at USD 6.2 bn as end of August 2025.
- Workers' remittances recorded USD 712.0 mn in October 2025.

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FISCAL SECTOR

Revenue (Provisional)

Jan – Sep 2025

- **Total Revenue** - Rs. 3,827.0 bn
(Excluding Grants)
- Tax Revenue - Rs. 3,562.9 bn
- Non-Tax Revenue - Rs. 264.1 bn

Expenditure (Provisional)

Jan – Sep 2025

- **Total Expenditure** - Rs. 4,276.2 bn
- Recurrent Expenditure - Rs. 3,820.9 bn
- Capital Expenditure - Rs. 455.3 bn

Debt (Provisional)

End of June 2025

- Total Outstanding Government Debt - Rs. 29,634.78 bn

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MONETARY SECTOR

- All Share Price Index (ASPI) decreased by 2.0 percent to 22,982.72 points as at 21st November 2025 from 23,459.75 points as at 14th November, 2025
- S&P SL 20 Index decreased by 1.1 percent to 6,364.61 points as at 21st November, 2025 from 6,435.95 points as at 14th November, 2025
- Credit to the private sector increased by 22.1 percent (YoY) in September, 2025

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REAL SECTOR

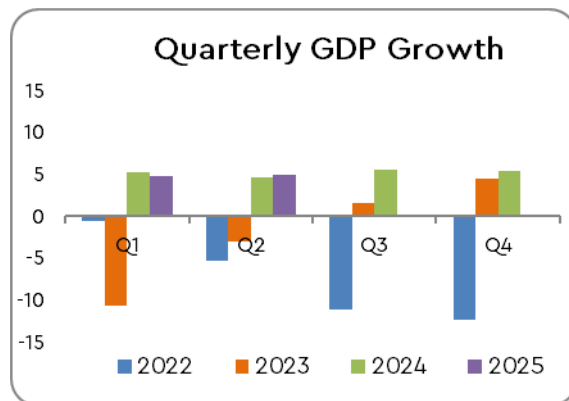
PRODUCTION

	1 st Q	2 nd Q	3 rd Q	4 th Q	Annual
2021	5.2	13.2	-2.1	2.7	4.2
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
2022	-0.7	-5.3	-11.1	-12.4	-7.3
Agriculture	-3.7	-7.3	-8.1	2.7	-4.1
Industry	-3.7	-10.2	-21.3	-30.2	-16.0
Services	1.3	-2.0	-5.3	-4.6	-2.6
2023	-10.7	-3.1	1.8	4.3	-2.3
Agriculture	1.6	4.2	4.2	0.6	2.6
Industry	-24.4	-12.1	0.0	7.7	-9.2
Services	-4.5	-0.4	1.8	2.8	-0.2
2024	5.1	4.1	5.3	5.4	5.0
Agriculture	0.9	2.7	3.7	-2.2	1.2
Industry	11.2	9.7	10.1	13.1	11.0
Services	2.5	1.9	2.6	2.5	2.4
2025	4.8	4.9			
Agriculture	-0.7	2.0			
Industry	9.7	5.8			
Services	2.8	3.9			

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



GDP expanded by 4.9 % in 2nd quarter 2025

In the second quarter of 2025, the Sri Lankan economy experienced a growth of 4.9 percent, compared to 4.1 percent growth recorded in the same period of 2024. This expansion was observed recording a 2.0 percent, 5.8 percent and 3.9 percent growth in the agriculture, industry and service sector, respectively.

PADDY PRODUCTION

Category	Unit	2022			2023			2024		
		2021/ 2022 Maha	2022 Yala	Total	2022/ 2023 Maha	2023 Yala	Total	2023/ 2024 Maha	2024 Yala	Total
Production	Mn.Mt	1.93	1.46	3.39	2.70	1.82	4.52	2.72	1.98	4.7
	Bushels Mn.	92.56	70.05	162.61	129.2	87.1	216.3	130.5	94.7	225.2
Forecasted Production	Mn. Mt	2.31	1.61	3.92	2.62	1.83	4.45	2.63	1.77	4.4
Difference in Production	Mn. Mt	-0.38	-0.15	-0.53	0.08	-0.01	0.07	0.09	0.21	0.3
Net Extent Harvested	Hectares ('000)	685.2	429.0	1,114.2	722.5	440.3	1,162.8	702.1	429.7	1,131.8
	Acres ('000)	1,693.1	1,060.2	2,753.3	1,785.3	1,088.0	2,873.3	1,735.0	1,061.9	2,796.9
Average Yield	kg per ha	2,853	3,207	3,030	3,554	3,822	3,688	3,712	3,893	3,803

Source: Department of Census & Statistics

(a) Provisional

TEA, RUBBER & COCONUT PRODUCTION

Category	Crop	September 2024	September 2025	% Change
Production	Tea (Mn. Kg)	24.4	22.2	-9.1
	Rubber (Mn. Kg)	5.4	5.7	4.0
	Coconut (Mn. Nuts)	205.3	292.7	42.6
Exports (USD Mn)	Tea	117.0	137.0	17.1
	Rubber	2.3	3.1	34.3
	Coconut	35.6	58.2	63.6
Average Gross Prices	Tea (Rs./ Kg)	1,231.57	1,210.61	-1.7
	Rubber (Rs./ Kg)	752.00	700.00	-6.9
	Coconut (Rs./nut)	88.23	137.35	55.7

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

FACTORY INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION INDEX (2015=100)

Item (a)	2024 August (b)	2025 August (c)	Change %
Manufacture of Food Products	97.0	92.3	-4.8
Manufacture of Beverages	128.4	128.8	0.3
Manufacture of Tobacco Products	76.5	70.5	-7.8
Manufacture of Textiles	114.4	119.5	4.4
Manufacture of Wearing Apparel	95.7	109.7	14.7
Manufacture of Leather and Related Products	99.8	102.6	2.8
Manufacture of Wood products, except Furniture; Articles of Straw & plaiting materials	71.4	70.8	-0.9
Manufacture of Paper and Paper Products	54.6	41.9	-23.3
Printing and Reproduction of Recorded Media	151.9	112.3	-26.1
Manufacture of Coke and Refined Petroleum Products	17.0	100.1	488.5
Manufacture of Chemicals and Chemical Products	85.4	86.8	1.7
Manufacture of Basic Pharmaceuticals, Pharmaceutical preparations	145.4	139.4	-4.1
Manufacture of Rubber and Plastic Products	92.4	80.5	-12.9
Manufacture of Other Non-Metallic Mineral Products	107.4	118.9	10.7
Manufacture of Basic Metals	100.7	100.5	-0.3
Manufacture of Fabricated Metal Products (except machines and equipment)	65.7	97.7	48.7
Manufacture of Electrical Equipment	65.6	52.9	-19.4
Manufacture of Machinery and Equipment (n.e.c)	114.5	125.2	9.3
Manufacture of Furniture	69.5	48.5	-30.3
Other Manufacturing	60.8	66.1	8.7
Overall Factory Industrial Production Index	91.2	98.2	7.6

Source: Department of Census and Statistics

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

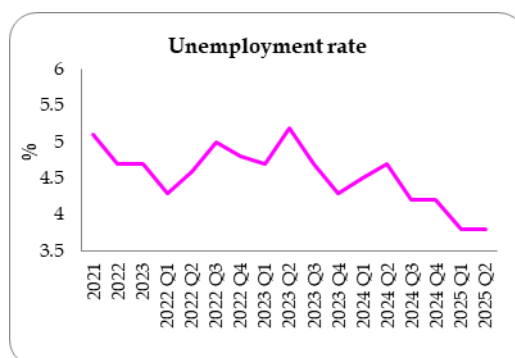
(b) Revised

(c) Provisional

LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

Employment	2024 Q1	2024 Q2	2024 Q3	2024 Q4	2024 Annual	2025 Q1	2024 Q2
Labour Force Participation Rate	47.1	47.8	46.9	47.7	47.4	49.7	49.3
Unemployment Rate	4.5	4.7	4.2	4.2	4.4	3.8	3.8
Male	3.1	3.6	2.6	2.8	3.0	2.5	2.6
Female	7.4	7.0	7.2	6.9	7.1	6.3	6.0
20-29	16.8	16.9	15.8	15.2	16.1	13.8	13.8
20-24	0.7	23.7	19.9	18.5	20.7	18.3	19.6
25-29	13.7	11.2	12.4	12.7	12.5	10.1	9.3

Source : Department of Census & Statistics



CRUDE OIL PRICES

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

Item	Nov 17	Nov 18	Nov 19	Nov 20	Nov 21	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago
Brent (New York Closing Prices)	63.78	63.80	64.56	63.73	62.74	64.69	60.80	73.03
WTI	59.46	59.52	60.45	59.68	58.37	60.45	57.22	69.26
Petrol	79.90	79.70	78.79	78.00	76.50	81.50	75.06	79.50
Diesel	n.a	n.a	n.a	n.a	n.a	n.a	77.10	79.30
Kerosene	95.28	97.12	99.92	98.59	92.15	94.94	84.00	86.20

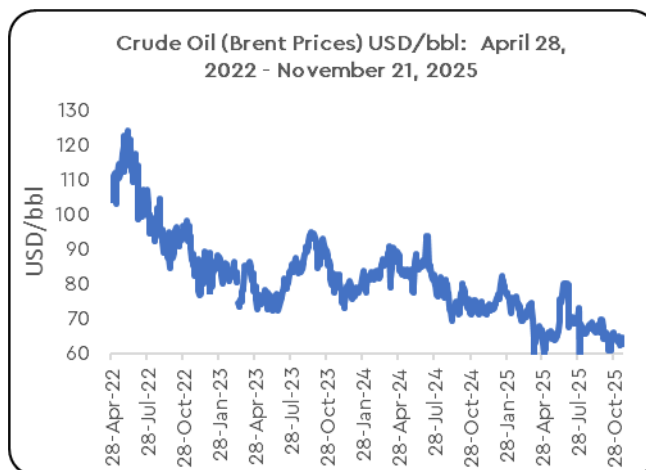
Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

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CRUDE OIL PRICES (MONTHLY AVERAGE) (USD/BBL)

Month	Brent	WTI European Market
May 2024	83.76	78.86
June	83.74	78.89
July	83.73	78.94
Aug	83.53	78.80
Sep	83.16	78.48
Oct	82.89	78.24
Nov	82.48	77.87
Dec	82.16	77.58
Jan - 2025	81.93	77.42
Feb	81.78	77.29
Mar	81.46	77.00
Apr	81.03	76.60
May	80.29	76.15
June	79.99	75.91
July	79.66	75.63
August	79.32	75.32
September	78.99	74.99
October	78.58	74.58
November	78.32	74.32

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka (up to November 21, 2025)



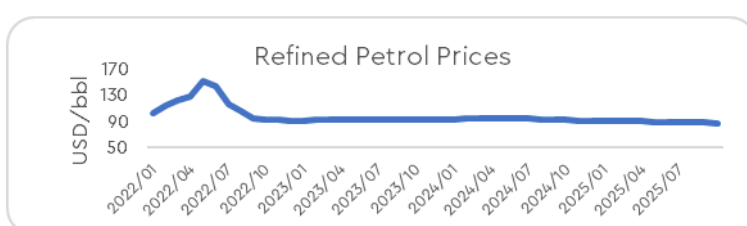
MONTHLY AVERAGE REFINED PRODUCT PRICES – SINGAPORE PLATTS PRICES (USD/BBL)

Month	Petrol	Diesel	Kerosene
June	94.01	97.81	103.50
July	93.89	97.54	103.21
Aug	93.47	97.00	102.66
Sep	92.82	96.20	101.88
Oct	92.25	95.56	101.26
Nov	91.60	94.90	100.65
Dec	91.24	94.42	100.11
Jan - 2025	90.85	94.07	99.70
Feb	90.70	93.88	99.50
Mar	90.31	93.42	99.02
Apr	89.84	92.85	98.42
May	89.35	92.23	97.78
June	89.03	91.85	97.33
July	88.63	91.58	96.97
August	88.28	91.21	96.57
September	88.00	90.94	96.26
October	87.65	89.76	95.98
November	87.48	87.92	95.96

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka (up to November 21, 2025)

LOCAL MARKET PRICES OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS (RS.)

Item	Unit	End 2022	End 2023	End 2024	Current Price 2025
Auto Diesel	1 liter	405.00	329.00	305.00	277.00
Petrol (Octane 92)	1 liter	370.00	346.00	309.00	294.00
Kerosene oil	1 liter	355.00	247.00	196.00	180.00
L P Gas	12.5 kg	4,409.00	3,565.00	3,690.00	3,690.00

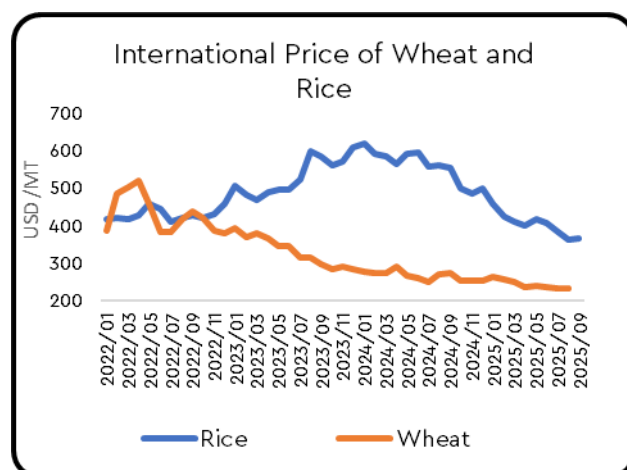


COMMODITY PRICES

INTERNATIONAL COMMODITY PRICES

Month	Rice Thai, 25% USD/MT	Wheat (HRW) USD/MT
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
Aug	560.00	250.90
Sep	556.00	269.70
Oct	499.00	272.90
Nov	487.00	253.80
Dec	500.00	252.20
Jan - 2025	459.00	254.10
Feb	424.00	264.60
Mar	410.00	255.40
Apr	401.00	249.60
May	416.00	237.00
June	408.00	240.10
July	382.00	235.00
August	363.00	231.10
September	367.00	233.80
October	351.00	230.80

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



Category	Commodity	Unit	Quarterly Averages				
			Jul – Sep 2024	Oct – Dec 2024	Jan – Mar 2025	Apr – Jun 2025	Jul – Sep 2025
Energy	Crude Oil average	USD/mt	77.9	72.9	74.2	65.9	67.5
Non-Energy, Agriculture, Beverages	Cocoa	USD/kg	6.83	8.29	9.56	8.51	7.33
	Coffee, Arabica	USD/kg	5.85	6.80	8.59	8.47	8.03
	Tea, average	USD/kg	3.26	3.06	2.72	2.97	3.00
	Tea, Colombo auctions	USD/kg	4.07	4.04	4.05	3.86	3.93
Food, Fats & Oils	Coconut Oil	USD/mt	1,610	1,860	2,108	2,672	2,724
	Soybean Oil	USD/mt	1,051	1,101	1,040	1,150	1,238
	Palm Oil	USD/mt	937	1,145	1,069	946	1,014
Grains	Maize	USD/mt	177.6	198.1	214.2	205.0	191.6
	Wheat, US HRW	USD/mt	260.3	259.6	258.0	242.2	233.3
Other Food	Meat, Beef	USD/kg	6.27	6.16	6.62	6.67	6.83
	Meat, Chicken	USD/kg	1.39	1.47	1.60	1.77	1.73
	Sugar, World	USD/kg	0.43	0.45	0.41	0.39	0.36
Raw Materials, Timber	Plywood	¢/sheets	366.9	358.4	358.3	378.0	370.2
Other Raw Materials	Rubber RSS3, US	USD /kg	2.37	2.44	2.38	2.16	2.16
Fertilizers	Phosphate Rock	USD/mt	152.5	152.5	250.0	152.5	152.5
	TSP	USD/mt	505.8	490.8	479.0	559.6	660.8
	Urea	USD/mt	340.8	359.7	403.8	399.8	488.3
Metals and Minerals	Aluminium	USD/mt	2,381	2,573	2,630	2,449	2,619
	Gold	USD /toz	2,480	2,663	2,863	3,293	3,340
	Iron ore	USD /dmt	99.9	101.4	101.6	95.5	100.1

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/¢= US cent USD = US dollar>

WHOLESALE PRICES
WEEK ENDING 21st November 2025 (RS /KG)

PETTAH MARKET

DAMBULLA MARKET

Average Wholesale Prices	Week Ending 21/11/2025	Week Ago	Year Ago, Annual Avg.
Rice (Rs/Kg)			
Samba	240.00	240.00	231.80
Kekulu (Red)	203.00	203.00	210.20
Vegetable			
Beans	420.00	260.00	452.00
Cabbage	96.00	100.00	56.00
Carrots	156.00	166.00	82.00
Tomatoes	110.00	88.00	200.00
Pumpkin	60.00	60.00	112.00
Snake Guard	310.00	390.00	192.00
Brinjals	200.00	240.00	196.00
Other Foods			
Red-Onions (Local)	270.40	264.00	315.40
Big Onions (Imported)	148.60	157.20	270.00
Potatoes (Local)	258.40	249.80	308.60
Dried Chillies (Imported)	775.00	745.00	708.40
Dhal	236.60	235.00	275.60
Eggs (White) (Each)	30.80	32.00	36.00
Coconut (Each)	161.00	167.40	130.00
Green Chillies	200.00	240.00	196.00
Lime	560.00	640.00	520.00
FISH MARKET – PELIYAGODA			
Kelawalla	1,616.67	1,490.00	-
Balaya	980.00	790.00	-
Salaya	380.00	306.00	-
Hurulla	925.00	687.50	-

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

Food Item	Wholesale (Average)
Rice (Rs/Kg)	
Samba	235.00
Kekulu (Red)	188.00
Vegetables	
Pumpkins	62.20
Snake Gourd	248.00
Ash Plantains	77.00
Beans	294.00
Carrots	127.60
Tomatoes	108.00
Cabbage	81.00
Other Foods	
Potatoes (Local)	211.00
Dried Chillies (Imported)	758.33
Big-Onions (Imported)	147.20
Red-Onions (Local)	245.00
Coconut (Each)	147.00

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

MARANDAGAHAMULA AVERAGE PRICE OF RICE (RS/KG)

Item	Week Ending 21/11/2025	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago
Samba	241.20	241.60	242.00	231.60
Kekulu (White)	199.20	198.60	203.00	219.00
Kekulu (Red)	204.60	203.60	200.50	222.40
Nadu	213.20	214.20	213.00	229.00

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

WEEKLY RETAIL COMMODITY PRICES – 3rd WEEK OF NOVEMBER 2025

Item	Unit	Week ending 21/11/2025	Week Ago	% Change	Year Ago
Rice					
Samba (Avg.)	1kg	242.61	243.64	-0.4%	269.59
No. 1	1kg	242.57	245.91	-1.4%	240.00
No. 2	1kg				
Nadu Red	1kg	231.82	235.83	-1.7%	235.72
Raw Red (Avg)	1kg	205.93	209.28	-1.6%	221.70
No. 1	1kg	217.87	218.89	-0.5%	221.70
No. 2	1kg	194.00	199.67	-2.8%	0.00
Wheat Flour	1kg	183.85	184.28	-0.2%	186.53
Bread	450g	132.00	132.00	0.0%	133.64
Sugar	1kg	222.80	225.93	-1.4%	255.75
Maliban	400g	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.0%	1,055.00
Anchor	400g	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.0%	1,050.00
Pelwatta	400g	1,125.00	1,125.00	0.0%	1,050.00
Potatoes (Import)	1 kg	220.00	221.90	-0.9%	220.89
Potatoes (Local)	1kg	357.50	341.33	4.7%	371.72
Mysore Dhal (Avg)	1kg	318.74	319.02	-0.1%	351.15
Cowpea (Avg)	1kg	1,103.76	1,100.82	0.3%	869.32
Green Gram (Avg)	1kg	857.29	883.23	-2.9%	822.63
Kadalai (Avg)	1kg	516.96	537.90	-3.9%	605.91
Meat					
Beef	1kg	2,727.78	2,715.38	0.5%	2409.17
Chicken					
Fresh	1kg	1,233.13	1,215.00	1.5%	1,087.26
Broiler	1kg	1,180.00	1,180.00	0.0%	11,05.27
Fresh Fish					
Paraw	1kg	1,956.32	1,887.14	3.7%	1,943.45
Balaya	1kg	1,160.00	1,123.33	3.3%	1,138.57
Kelawalla	1kg	2,432.50	2,382.22	2.1%	2,142.97
Salaya	1kg	425.45	426.09	-0.1%	425.32
Dried Fish					
Spratts	1kg	1,322.22	1,360.71	-2.8%	1,291.26
Eggs	Each	32.99	32.99	0.0%	37.89
Coconut	Each	195.55	200.26	-2.4%	150.27
Coconut Oil	750ml	665.63	658.91	1.0%	549.93
Red Onions	1kg	402.50	408.15	-1.4%	478.31
B- Onions (Import)	1kg	195.56	185.65	5.3%	359.02
Brinjal	1kg	403.45	454.48	-11.2%	398.51
Beans Green	1kg	497.93	472.33	5.4%	522.43
Bandakka	1kg	297.93	297.33	0.2%	287.15
Leeks	1kg	286.21	302.67	-5.4%	325.83
Beet Root	1kg	312.76	302.67	3.3%	306.57
Carrot	1kg	306.21	315.33	-2.9%	244.66
Green Chillies	1kg	507.59	510.34	-0.5%	627.23
Raddish	1kg	272.31	273.36	-0.4%	241.81
Vetakolu	1kg	512.00	520.43	-1.6%	431.85
Bitter Guard	1kg	707.60	656.92	7.7%	602.90
Snake Guard	1kg	493.33	512.50	-3.7%	421.81
Kolikuttu	1kg	321.11	334.00	-3.9%	348.18
Papaw	1kg	232.13	216.81	7.1%	195.83
Pineapple	1kg	337.24	355.56	-5.2%	477.42

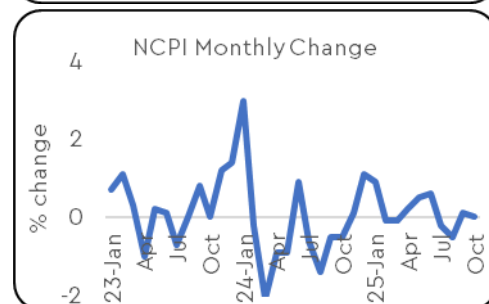
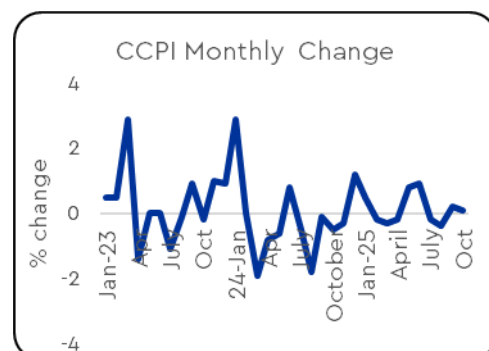
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INFLATION

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 %
Feb - 24	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
Aug	191.1	-1.8	0.5	204.1	-1.4	1.1
Sep	190.9	-0.1	-0.5	203.1	-0.5	-0.2
Oct	189.9	-0.5	-0.8	202.1	-0.5	-0.7
Nov	189.4	-0.3	-2.1	202.4	0.1	-1.7
Dec	191.7	1.2	-1.7	204.6	1.1	-2.0
Jan - 25	192.6	0.5	-4.0	206.4	0.9	-4.0
Feb	192.2	-0.2	-4.2	206.2	-0.1	-3.9
March	191.6	-0.3	-2.6	206.0	-0.1	-1.9
April	191.2	-0.2	-2.0	206.5	0.2	-0.8
May	192.8	0.8	-0.7	207.5	0.5	0.6
June	194.5	0.9	-0.6	208.7	0.6	0.3
July	194.1	-0.2	-0.3	208.3	-0.2	0.7
Aug	193.3	-0.4	1.2	207.2	-0.5	1.5
Sep	193.7	0.2	1.5	207.4	0.1	2.1
Oct	193.8	0.1	2.1	207.5	0.0	2.7

Source: Department of Census and Statistics



CONTRIBUTION OF FOOD ITEMS TO CCPI FROM OCTOBER 2024 TO OCTOBER 2025 (Base 2021=100)

Commodity	Value Change Rs.	Change %
Food	1,946.45	1.12
Rice	-74.99	-0.04
Coconut	1,422.30	0.82
Sea Fish	291.37	0.17
Chicken	243.07	0.14
Fresh Fruits	-	-
Vegetables	10.54	0.01
Dried Chillies	-51.54	-0.03
Eggs	-152.12	-0.09
Red Onions	-48.02	-0.03
Big Onions	-480.79	-0.28
Potatoes	-33.53	-0.02
Garlic	-56.16	-0.03

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
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
Aug	234.6	-2.0	0.8
Sep	233.3	-0.6	-0.3
Oct	231.9	-0.6	1.0
Nov	231.7	-0.1	0.6
Dec	240.7	3.9	0.8
Jan - 25	241.5	0.3	-2.6
Feb	242.3	0.3	-0.2
March	239.2	-1.3	0.6
April	238.4	-0.3	1.3
May	244.8	2.7	5.2
June	249.3	1.8	4.3
July	243.0	-2.5	1.5
Aug	239.4	-1.5	2.0
Sep	240.1	0.3	2.9
Oct	240.0	0.0	3.5

Source :Department of Census and Statistics

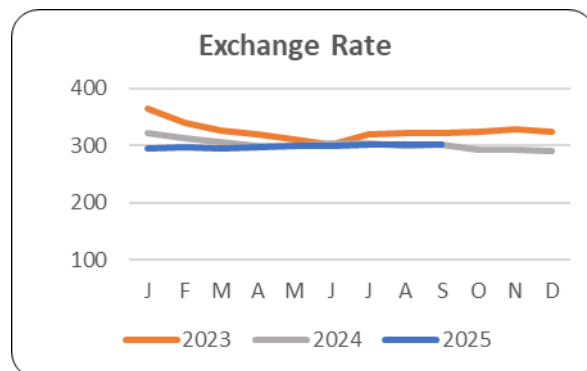


EXTERNAL SECTOR

EXCHANGE RATES

Currency	Week Ending 21 th November 2025	Week Ago	Year Ago	% Change 2024/25
US Dollar	308.05	305.76	291.05	5.84
Sterling Pound	403.09	402.09	368.48	9.39
Euro	355.46	355.84	307.15	15.73
Japanese Yen	1.96	1.98	1.88	4.26
Indian Rupee	3.48	3.44	3.45	0.87

Source : Central Bank of Sri Lanka

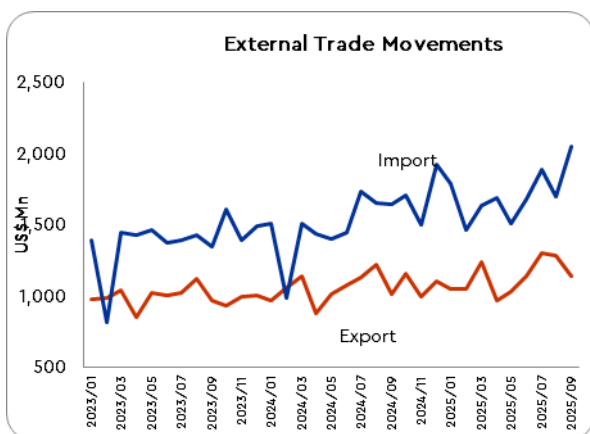


EXTERNAL TRADE

Category	September 2024 (USD mn)	September 2025 (USD mn)	Growth Rate (%)	Jan-Sep 2024 (USD mn)	Jan-Sep 2025 (USD mn)	Growth Rate (%)
Exports	1,011.7	1,138.5	12.5	9,518.1	10,215.1	7.3
Agricultural	232.3	293.4	26.3	2,036.3	2,323.6	14.1
Tea	117.0	137.0	17.1	1,163.0	425.8	-63.4
Other	115.3	156.4	35.6	873.3	1,897.8	117.3
Industrial	776.3	838.8	8.0	7,442.2	7,854.2	5.5
Rubber Products	77.2	71.2	-7.7	740.2	689.8	-6.8
Textiles and Garments	419.3	426.0	1.6	3,784.1	4,021.4	6.3
Food, Beverage and Tobacco	46.3	85.1	83.7	474.0	662.4	39.7
Other	233.6	256.6	9.9	2,443.9	2,480.6	1.5
Mineral	0.9	3.8	347.4	19.6	18.1	-7.7
Unclassified	2.3	2.5	8.6	20.0	19.2	-3.8
Imports	1,645.7	2,048.6	24.5	13,718.3	15,389.5	12.2
Consumer Goods	280.2	521.8	86.2	2,456.6	3,816.4	55.4
Food and Beverages	143.3	145.5	1.6	1,357.4	1,565.1	15.3
Other Consumer Goods	136.9	376.3	174.9	1,099.2	2,251.3	104.8
Intermediate Goods	1,040.4	1,179.8	13.4	8,790.4	8,617.2	-2.0
Petroleum	375.9	440.7	17.2	3,272.5	2,961.3	-9.5
Textiles & Textile Articles	241.3	243.8	1.0	2,080.6	2,037.3	-2.1
Other Intermediate Goods	423.2	495.3	17.0	3,437.3	3,618.6	5.3
Investment Goods	324.7	346.7	6.8	2,465.1	2,943.9	19.4
Machinery and Equipment	227.7	189.1	-16.9	1,666.3	1,847.5	10.9
Transport Equipment	12.8	67.7	428.1	110.9	354.4	219.6
Building Material	84.0	89.6	6.6	658.9	739.2	7.8
Other Investment Goods	0.6	-1.4	-333.3	35.2	14.8	-58.0
Unclassified	0.4	0.3	-2.5	6.2	12.0	92.6
Trade Balance	-634.0	-910.1		-4,200.2	-5,174.4	

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Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka



Highlights

- Export earnings decreased by 11.2 percent to USD 1,138.5 mn in September 2025 compared to USD 1,282.3 mn in August 2025.
- Import expenditure increased by 20.8 percent to USD 2,048.6 mn in September 2025 compared to USD 1,696.5 mn in August 2025.
- Trade deficit narrowed to USD 910.1 mn in September 2025 compared to USD 414.2 mn in August 2025.

EXTERNAL ASSETS

External Assets (USD bn)	Sep 2024	Oct 2024	Nov 2024	Dec 2024	Jan 2025	Feb 2025	Mar 2025	Apr 2025	May 2025	June 2025	July 2025	Aug 2025	Sep 2025
Total Reserves	11.3	11.6	11.6	11.2	11.6	11.6	12.4	12.4	12.0	11.8	11.7	11.9	11.7
Gross Official Reserves	6.0	6.5	6.5	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.5	6.3	6.3	6.1	6.1	6.2	6.2

Gross official Reserves USD 6.3 bn as end April 2025.

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

WORKERS' REMITTANCES

Category	2024 October	2025 October	Jan – Oct 2024	Jan – Oct 2025	% Change
Inflow USD mn	587.7	712.0	5,431.5	6,523.7	20.1
Rs. bn	172.7	215.8	1,650.0	1,954.5	18.5

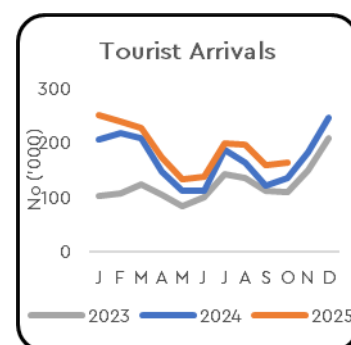
Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

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TOURIST ARRIVALS

Month	Arrivals				Earnings USD mn			
	2023	2024	2025	% change 2024/25	2023	2024	2025	% change 2024/25
Jan	102,545	208,253	252,761	21.4	153.5	341.80	400.7	17.2
Feb	107,639	218,350	240,217	15.6	161.6	345.70	367.6	11.7
Mar	125,495	209,181	229,298	13.6	188.8	338.40	354.0	9.4
Apr	105,498	148,867	174,608	17.3	148.2	225.7	256.7	13.7
May	83,309	112,128	132,919	18.5	100.0	154.0	164.1	6.6
Jun	100,388	113,470	138,241	21.8	122.9	151.1	169.5	12.2
July	143,039	187,810	200,244	6.6	219.0	328.3	318.5	-3.0
Aug	136,405	164,609	198,235	20.4	210.5	282.1	258.9	-8.2
Sep	111,938	122,140	158,971	30.2	152.2	181.0	182.9	1.0
Oct	109,199	135,907	165,193	16.7	136.7	185.6	186.1	4.9
Nov	151,496	184,158			205.3	272.9		
Dec	210,352	248,592			269.3	362.1		
Total	1,487,303	2,053,465	1,890,687		2,068.0	3,168.6	2,659.0	

Source: Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority





FISCAL SECTOR

GOVERNMENT REVENUE (Rs. Mn)

Item	2021	2022	2023	2024 (a)	2025 (a) Jan - Sep
Tax Revenue	1,298,019	1,751,132	2,720,563	3,704,577	3,562,923
Income Tax	302,115	534,021	911,355	1,026,199	831,014
VAT	308,213	463,062	694,460	1,309,680	1,238,582
Excise Duty	306,861	342,523	469,622	598,529	720,418
PAL	154,125	180,595	175,486	170,014	130,189
Customs Duty	64,339	50,009	105,120	111,147	179,033
SCL	55,828	40,194	51,327	115,199	116,796
CESS	75,543	70,318	57,184	81,129	64,330
SSCL	-	36,111	216,181	250,869	215,806
Other	31,429	34,712	39,827	41,812	66,755
Non-Tax Revenue	159,052	228,052	328,259	326,261	264,072
Total Revenue	1,457,071	1,979,184	3,048,822	4,030,838	3,826,995

Source: Department of Fiscal Policy
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GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE (Rs. Mn)

Item	2021	2022	2023	2024 (a)	2025 (a) Jan - Sep
Government Expenditure	3,521,735	4,472,556	5,356,591	6,130,739	4,276,273
Recurrent Expenditure	2,747,512	3,519,634	4,699,679	5,339,941	3,820,934
Salaries & Wages	845,680	956,211	939,496	1,066,048	860,555
Goods & Services	168,932	182,857	299,700	350,879	237,012
Interest	1,048,382	1,565,190	2,455,600	2,689,500	1,906,550
Subsidies & Transfers	684,518	815,376	1,004,884	1,233,514	816,817
Capital & Net Lending	774,223	952,923	656,912	790,798	455,339
Public Investments	789,636	1,014,293	932,745	817,092	463,648
Other	-15,413	-61,370	-275,833	-26,294	-8,309

Compiled by Department of Fiscal Policy
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GOVERNMENT DEBT (Rs.bn)

	End 2023	End Aug 2024	End Sep 2024 (a)	End Oct 2024 (a)	End Nov 2024 (a)	End 2024 (a)	End Jun 2025 (a)
Total Domestic Debt	17,051.9	17,725.91	17,595.05	17,497.73	17,571.96	18,309.66	18,806.08
Total Foreign Debt	11,644.1	10,980.85	10,979.60	10,789.37	10,668.26	10,429.04	10,828.70
Total Government Debt	28,695.9	28,706.76	28,574.65	28,287.10	28,240.22	28,738.70	29,634.78

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka
(a) provisional

KEY FISCAL INDICATORS 2022 -2024

Indicator	2022		2023		2024 (a)	
	Rs.mn.	% of GDP	Rs.mn.	% of GDP	Rs.mn.	% of GDP
Total Revenue	1,979,184	8.2	3,048,822	11.1	4,030,838	13.5
Tax Revenue	1,751,132	7.3	2,720,563	9.9	3,704,577	12.4
Non-Tax Revenue	228,052	0.9	328,259	1.2	326,261	1.1
Recurrent Expenditure	3,519,633	14.6	4,699,679	17.1	5,339,941	17.9
Capital & Net Lending	952,923	4.0	656,912	2.4	790,798	2.6
Public Investment	1,014,293	4.2	932,745	3.4	817,092	2.7
Budget Deficit	-2,459,967	-10.2	-2,282,267	-8.3	-2,039,931	-6.8
Government Debt	27,492,031	114.2	28,695,949	104.7	28,738,704	96.1

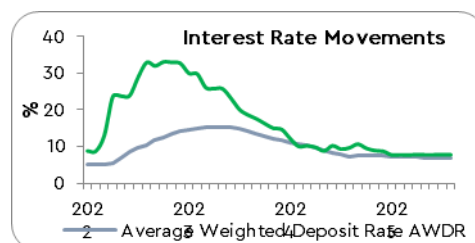
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MONETARY SECTOR

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)
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	9.14	-6.74	-0.4
Aug	191.1	0.5	2.5	9.49	-8.99	-2.0
Sep	190.9	-0.5	2.4	10.49	-10.99	-2.9
Oct	189.9	-0.8	2.2	9.35	-10.45	-3.0
Nov	189.4	-2.1	1.7	8.73	-10.83	-3.8
Dec	191.7	-1.7	1.2	8.55	-10.25	-2.9
Jan - 2025	192.6	-4.0	0.4	7.93	-11.93	-4.4
Feb	192.2	-4.2	-0.5	7.57	-11.77	-3.7
Mar	191.6	-2.6	-0.8	7.50	-10.1	-1.8
Apr	191.2	-2.0	-1.1	7.65	-9.65	-0.9
May	192.8	-0.7	-1.2	7.55	-8.25	0.5
June	194.5	-0.6	-1.4	7.55	-8.15	0.8
July	194.1	-0.3	-1.6	7.62	-7.92	1.3
August	193.3	1.2	-1.5	7.58	-6.38	2.7
September	193.7	1.5	-1.4	7.57	-6.07	2.9
October	193.8	2.1	-1.2			



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 21 st of November 2025	Week Ago	Year Ago
Overnight Policy Rate (OPR)	7.75	7.75	
Standing Deposit Facility	7.25	7.25	8.25
Standing Lending Facility	8.25	8.25	9.25
Average Weighted Call Money Rate (AWCMR)	7.94	7.94	8.58
Treasury Bill (Yield rate)			
91 Days	7.52	7.52	9.30
182 Days	9.71	7.91	9.60
364 Days	8.03	8.04	9.78
Average Weighted Prime Lending Rate (AWPR)			
	Sep	Month ago	Year ago
Average Weighted Deposit Rate (AWDR)	8.35	8.34	9.08

Source : Central Bank of Sri Lanka

MONEY SUPPLY AND CREDIT GROWTH

Item	Sep 2025	Aug 2025	July 2025	June 2025	May 2025	Sep 2024	Growth 2024 Sep/2025 Sep (%)
M ₁	2,119.4	2,123.1	2,097.4	1,660.1	2,038.6	1,809.4	17.1
M ₂	13,641.4	13,512.8	13,400.7	2,079.8	13,165.6	12,306.3	10.8
M _{2b}	15,465.0	15,367.9	15,205.8	13,337.4	14,965.6	13,949.9	10.9

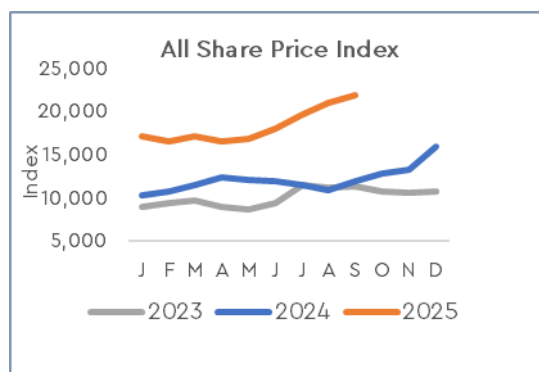
Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

CREDIT TO PRIVATE SECTOR (RS. bn.)				
Item	Sep 2025	Month Ago	Year Ago	Growth 2024 /2025 (%)
Credit to Private Sector	9,520.7	9,284.4	7,796.6	22.1
DBUs	8,935.4	8,688.3	7,229.8	23.6
OBU's	585.3	596.1	566.8	3.3

SHARE MARKET

Indicator	Week Ending 21 st November	Week Ago	Year Ago
All Share Price Index (1985 = 100) (ASPI)	22,982.72	23,459.75	12,982.10
S & P Sri Lanka 20 Index (S & P SL20)	6,364.61	6,435.93	3,860.92
Average Daily Turnover (Rs.Mn)	3,815.90	5,624.46	7,042.41
Market Capitalization (Rs.Bn.)	8,220.74	8,391.59	4,731.93

Source: Colombo Stock Exchange



EQUITY TRADING STATISTICS

Indicator	Oct 2025	Oct 2024	Jan - Oct 2025	Jan - Oct 2024
Turnover -Equity (Rs. Mn.)	157,219.9	57,895.3	1,061,107.5	331,611.2
Domestic (Rs. Mn.)	148,757.9	54,801.0	992,344.4	287,929.4
Foreign (Rs. Mn.)	8,462.0	3,094.3	68,763.1	43,681.8
Market Days	21	21	198	199
Daily Turnover Avg. Equity (Rs. Mn.)	7,486.7	2,756.9	5,959.1	1,666.4
Trade Equity	877,355	347,741	6,141,996	2,389,218
Domestic	865,904	340,969	6,051,919	2,332,048
Foreign	11,451	6,772	90,077	57,170
Shares Traded Equity (Mn)	6,670.6	2,091.2	41,165.1	14,212.8
Domestic (Mn.)	6,508.9	2,003.5	39,159.1	12,785.0
Foreign (Mn.)	161.7	87.7	2,006.0	1,427.9
Companies Traded	271	271	272	274
Companies Listed	286	284	284	

Source: Colombo Stock Exchange

MARKET INDICATORS

Price Indices	Oct 2025	Sep 2025	Aug 2025
ASPI	22,804.84	21,778.60	20,997.36
S&P SL 20	6,213.91	6,126.53	6,076.79
Total Return Indicators			
ASTRI	34,516.17	32,936.68	31,726.72
S&P SL20 (TRI)	12,657.61	12,479.62	12,373.22
Market PER	10.06	9.59	9.81
Dividend Yield	2.36	2.47	2.30
Market Capitalization (Rs.Bn.)	8,122.47	7,752.26	7,425.45

Source: Colombo Stock Exchange

STOCK MARKET - FOREIGN PURCHASES AND FOREIGN SALES

Indicator	Oct 2025	Oct 2024
Purchases by Foreigners (Rs. Mn)	5,617.5	2,909.9
Sales by Foreigners (Rs. Mn)	11,306.5	3,278.6
Net Foreign Purchases (Rs. Mn)	-5,689.0	-368.7

Source: Colombo Stock Exchange

