



# WEEKLY ECONOMIC BULLETIN

## DEPARTMENT OF FISCAL POLICY

### MINISTRY OF FINANCE

#### SRI LANKA

*The Week in Review*  
24<sup>th</sup> August – 28<sup>th</sup> August 2026

#### REAL SECTOR

- Economy expanded by 5.1 percent in the first quarter 2026.
- Price of Brent Crude Oil decreased by 4.50 USD bbl and WTI fell by 3.59 USD bbl, respectively.
- CCPI - Headline inflation (2021=100) increased to 7.3 percent (YoY) in July, 2026 from 6.8 percent (YoY) in June, 2026.
- NCPI – Headline inflation (2021=100) increased to 7.2 percent (YoY) in July, 2026 from 6.5 percent (YoY) in June 2026.

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#### EXTERNAL SECTOR

- The Sri Lankan rupee marginally appreciated to USD 1 = Rs. 328.09 from USD 1 = Rs. 329.67
- Exports decreased to USD 1,143.8 mn in June 2026 compared to USD 1,224.3 mn in May 2026.
- Imports decreased to USD 1,972.3 mn in June 2026 compared to USD 2,192.1 mn in May 2026.
- Trade deficit
  - USD 828.5 mn in June, 2026
- The gross official reserves stood at USD 6.6 bn as end of July 2026.
- Workers' remittances recorded USD 777.6 mn in July 2026.

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#### FISCAL SECTOR

##### Revenue (Provisional)

Jan - Jun 2026

|                        |                  |
|------------------------|------------------|
| ▪ <b>Total Revenue</b> | - Rs. 2,954.2 bn |
| (Excluding Grants)     |                  |
| Tax Revenue            | - Rs. 2,710.6 bn |
| Non-Tax Revenue        | - Rs. 243.6 bn   |

##### Expenditure (Provisional)

Jan - Jun 2026

|                            |                  |
|----------------------------|------------------|
| ▪ <b>Total Expenditure</b> | - Rs. 2,946.5 bn |
| Recurrent Expenditure      | - Rs. 2,669.9 bn |
| Capital Expenditure        | - Rs. 276.6 bn   |

##### Debt (Provisional)

▪ End of Mar 2026

|                                   |                    |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| Total Outstanding Government Debt | - Rs. 30,193.18 bn |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|

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#### MONETARY SECTOR

- All Share Price Index (ASPI) decreased by 0.47 percent to 21,315.91 points as at 28<sup>th</sup> August 2026 from 21,416.61 points as at 21<sup>st</sup> August 2026.
- S&P SL 20 Index decreased by 0.38 percent to 6,005.34 points as at 28<sup>th</sup> August 2026 from 6,028.09 points as at 21<sup>st</sup> August 2026.
- Credit to the private sector increased by 27.4 percent (YoY) in June, 2026

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# REAL SECTOR

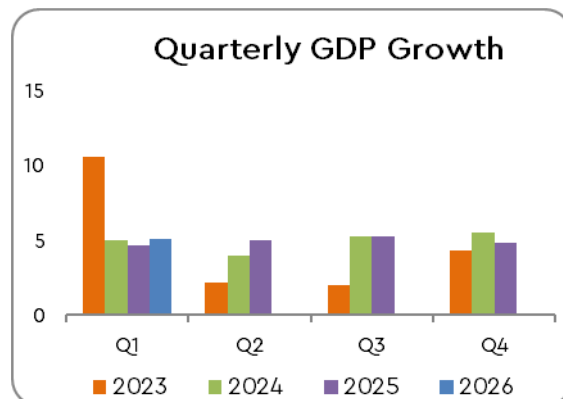
## PRODUCTION

|             | 1 <sup>st</sup> Q | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Q | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Q | 4 <sup>th</sup> Q | Annual      |
|-------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| <b>2022</b> | <b>-0.7</b>       | <b>-5.3</b>       | <b>-11.1</b>      | <b>-12.4</b>      | <b>-7.3</b> |
| 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        |
| <b>2023</b> | <b>-10.6</b>      | <b>-2.2</b>       | <b>2.0</b>        | <b>4.3</b>        | <b>-2.0</b> |
| Agriculture | 1.9               | 1.4               | -0.7              | -2.1              | 0.1         |
| Industry    | -24.3             | -12.4             | 0.1               | 7.9               | -9.2        |
| Services    | -4.5              | 1.6               | 2.8               | 3.0               | 0.5         |
| <b>2024</b> | <b>5.0</b>        | <b>4.0</b>        | <b>5.3</b>        | <b>5.5</b>        | <b>5.0</b>  |
| Agriculture | 1.6               | 1.7               | 2.2               | -2.8              | 0.6         |
| Industry    | 11.3              | 9.6               | 10.7              | 13.1              | 11.1        |
| Services    | 2.4               | 1.9               | 2.4               | 2.8               | 2.4         |
| <b>2025</b> | <b>4.7</b>        | <b>5.0</b>        | <b>5.3</b>        | <b>4.8</b>        | <b>5.0</b>  |
| Agriculture | -1.3              | 2.5               | 2.2               | 2.1               | 1.4         |
| Industry    | 9.8               | 5.7               | 7.9               | 7.3               | 7.8         |
| Services    | 2.7               | 4.0               | 3.6               | 3.1               | 3.3         |
| <b>2026</b> | <b>5.1</b>        |                   |                   |                   |             |
| Agriculture | 1.1               |                   |                   |                   |             |
| Industry    | 7.2               |                   |                   |                   |             |
| Services    | 3.4               |                   |                   |                   |             |

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 5.1 % in 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2026

In the first quarter of 2026, The Sri Lankan economy experienced a growth of 5.1 percent compared to 4.7 percent growth recorded in the same period of 2025. This expansion was observed recording 1.1 percent, 7.2 percent and 3.4 percent growth in the agriculture, industry and service sector, respectively.

## PADDY PRODUCTION

| Category                       | Unit                | 2024                  |              |         | 2025                  |              |          | 2026                  |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------|---------|-----------------------|--------------|----------|-----------------------|
|                                |                     | 2023/<br>2024<br>Maha | 2024<br>Yala | Total   | 2024/<br>2025<br>Maha | 2025<br>Yala | Total    | 2025/<br>2026<br>Maha |
| Production                     | Mn.Mt               | 2.72                  | 1.98         | 4.7     | 2.75                  | 2.31         | 5.06     | 3.13                  |
|                                | Bushels<br>Mn.      | 130.5                 | 94.7         | 225.2   | 131.6                 | 110.63       | 242.23   | 150.2                 |
| Forecasted<br>Production       | Mn. Mt              | 2.63                  | 1.77         | 4.4     | 2.57                  | 2.27         | 4.48     | 2.6                   |
| Difference<br>in<br>Production | Mn. Mt              | 0.09                  | 0.21         | 0.3     | 0.18                  | 0.04         | 0.58     | 0.53                  |
| Net Extent<br>Harvested        | Hectare<br>s ('000) | 702.1                 | 429.7        | 1,131.8 | 701.5                 | 485.0        | 1,186.5  | 691.7                 |
|                                | Acres<br>( '000)    | 1,735.0               | 1,061.9      | 2,796.9 | 1,733.3               | 1,198.5      | 2,931.80 | 1,709.20              |
| Average<br>Yield               | kg per<br>ha        | 3,712                 | 3,893        | 3,803   | 3,679                 | 4,760        | 8,439    | 4,531                 |

Source: Department of Census & Statistics

( a) Provisional

## TEA, RUBBER & COCONUT PRODUCTION

| Category             | Crop               | June 2025 | June 2026 | % Change |
|----------------------|--------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| Production           | Tea (Mn. Kg)       | 21.7      | 22.6      | 3.9      |
|                      | Rubber (Mn. Kg)    | 4.8       | 5.1       | 7.0      |
|                      | Coconut (Mn. Nuts) |           |           |          |
| Exports (USD Mn)     | Tea                | 133.0     | 118.9     | -10.6    |
|                      | Rubber             | 1.3       | 1.4       | 7.8      |
|                      | Coconut            | 50.6      | 47.8      | -5.4     |
| Average Gross Prices | Tea (Rs./ Kg)      | 1,113.82  | 1,169.94  | 5.0      |
|                      | Rubber (Rs./ Kg)   | -         | -         | -        |
|                      | Coconut (Rs./nut)  | 127.94    | 76.38     | -40.3    |

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

## FACTORY INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION INDEX (2015=100)

| Item (a)                                                                               | 2025 May<br>(c) | 2026 May<br>(c) | Change<br>% |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------|
| Manufacture of Food Products                                                           | 111.3           | 111.3           | 0.1         |
| Manufacture of Beverages                                                               | 121.5           | 110.6           | -8.9        |
| Manufacture of Tobacco Products                                                        | 67.5            | 75.2            | 11.4        |
| Manufacture of Textiles                                                                | 104.5           | 106.2           | 1.6         |
| Manufacture of Wearing Apparel                                                         | 85.7            | 90.7            | 5.8         |
| Manufacture of Leather and Related Products                                            | 100.7           | 117.6           | 16.8        |
| Manufacture of Wood products, except Furniture; Articles of Straw & plaiting materials | 68.8            | 73.1            | 6.3         |
| Manufacture of Paper and Paper Products                                                | 42.8            | 41.0            | -4.0        |
| Printing and Reproduction of Recorded Media                                            | 80.4            | 111.3           | 38.5        |
| Manufacture of Coke and Refined Petroleum Products                                     | 110.9           | 101.7           | -8.3        |
| Manufacture of Chemicals and Chemical Products                                         | 77.3            | 79.9            | 3.3         |
| Manufacture of Basic Pharmaceuticals, Pharmaceutical preparations                      | 126.5           | 94.6            | -25.2       |
| Manufacture of Rubber and Plastic Products                                             | 81.0            | 72.5            | -10.6       |
| Manufacture of Other Non-Metallic Mineral Products                                     | 105.7           | 123.4           | 16.7        |
| Manufacture of Basic Metals                                                            | 119.5           | 112.3           | -6.1        |
| Manufacture of Fabricated Metal Products (except machines and equipment)               | 71.6            | 90.3            | 26.2        |
| Manufacture of Electrical Equipment                                                    | 53.5            | 61.4            | 2.0         |
| Manufacture of Machinery and Equipment (n.e.c)                                         | 129.4           | 99.8            | -22.9       |
| Manufacture of Furniture                                                               | 53.0            | 54.0            | 2.0         |
| Other Manufacturing                                                                    | 51.2            | 54.7            | 6.9         |
| <b>Overall Factory Industrial Production Index</b>                                     | <b>98.4</b>     | <b>99.9</b>     | <b>1.6</b>  |

Source: Department of Census and Statistics

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

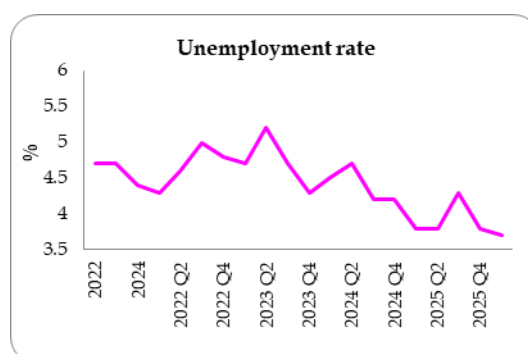
(b) Revised

(c) Provisional

## LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

| Employment                      | 2024<br>Annual | 2025<br>Annual | 2024<br>Q1 | 2025<br>Q1 | 2026<br>Q1 |
|---------------------------------|----------------|----------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Labour Force Participation Rate | 47.4           | 49.4           | 47.1       | 49.7       | 49.2       |
| Unemployment Rate               | 4.4            | 3.9            | 4.5        | 3.8        | 3.7        |
| Male                            | 3.0            | 2.8            | 3.1        | 2.5        | 2.4        |
| Female                          | 7.1            | 6.1            | 7.4        | 6.3        | 6.1        |
| 20-29                           | 16.1           | 13.9           | 16.8       | 13.8       | 13.7       |
| 20-24                           | 20.7           | 17.8           | 20.7       | 18.3       | 15.8       |
| 25-29                           | 12.5           | 10.6           | 13.7       | 10.1       | 11.8       |

Source : Department of Census & Statistics



## CRUDE OIL PRICES

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

| Item     | Aug 24 | Aug 25 | Aug 26 | Aug 27 | Aug 28 | Week Ago | Month Ago | Year Ago |
|----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------|-----------|----------|
| Brent    | 92.66  | 92.86  | n.a    | n.a    | 89.30  | 93.80    | 87.39     | 67.64    |
| WTI      | 85.36  | 85.77  | n.a    | n.a    | 83.16  | 86.75    | 81.50     | 63.75    |
| Petrol   | 112.85 | n.a    | n.a    | 112.20 | 114.00 | 113.97   | 111.00    | 78.60    |
| Diesel   | 162.05 | n.a    | n.a    | 150.69 | 153.43 | 162.78   | 152.82    | 79.76    |
| Kerosene | 154.58 | n.a    | n.a    | 143.61 | 147.37 | 154.68   | 147.37    | 84.04    |

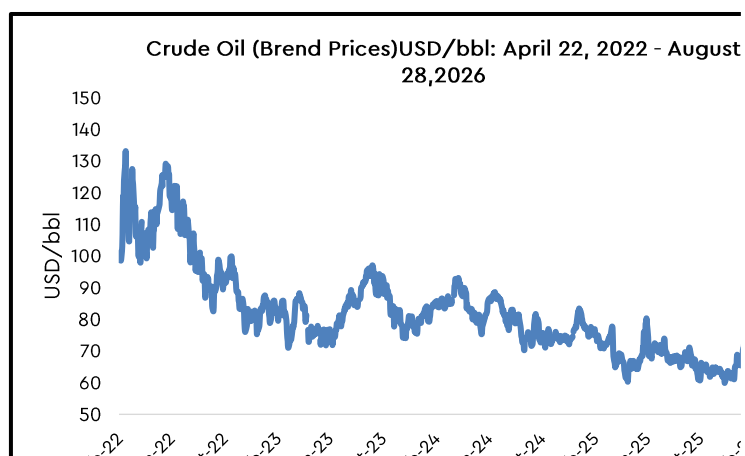
Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

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

| Month      | Brent Europe | WTI Cushing, Oklahoma |
|------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| Jan - 2025 | 79.27        | 75.74                 |
| Feb        | 75.44        | 71.53                 |
| Mar        | 72.73        | 68.24                 |
| Apr        | 68.13        | 63.54                 |
| May        | 64.45        | 62.17                 |
| June       | 71.44        | 68.17                 |
| July       | 71.04        | 68.39                 |
| Aug        | 67.87        | 64.86                 |
| Sep        | 67.99        | 63.96                 |
| Oct        | 64.54        | 60.89                 |
| Nov        | 63.80        | 60.06                 |
| Dec        | 62.54        | 57.97                 |
| Jan - 2026 | 66.60        | 60.04                 |
| Feb        | 70.89        | 64.51                 |
| Mar        | 103.13       | 91.38                 |
| Apr        | 117.29       | 100.32                |
| May        | 107.14       | 102.13                |
| June       | 85.40        | 84.81                 |
| July       | 83.76        | 80.46                 |

Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration via FRED®



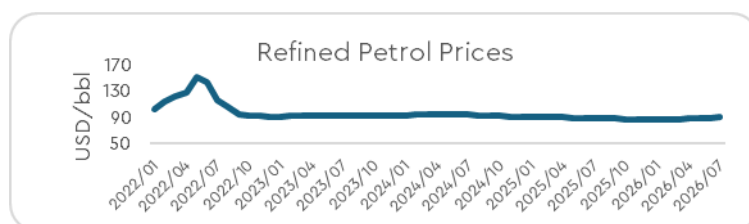
### MONTHLY AVERAGE REFINED PRODUCT PRICES – SINGAPORE PLATTS PRICES (USD/BBL)

| Month      | Petrol | Diesel | Kerosene |
|------------|--------|--------|----------|
| Feb - 2025 | 85.01  | 86.17  | 91.58    |
| Mar        | 79.71  | 80.88  | 85.34    |
| Apr        | 76.00  | 76.28  | 81.04    |
| May        | 74.61  | 73.46  | 78.15    |
| June       | 80.13  | 81.17  | 84.90    |
| July       | 77.91  | 84.20  | 87.23    |
| Aug        | 77.76  | 80.08  | 84.27    |
| Sep        | 79.53  | 82.96  | 87.08    |
| Oct        | 77.16  | 53.49  | 87.49    |
| Nov        | 78.88  | 0.00   | 93.22    |
| Dec        | 71.96  | 78.73  | 84.22    |
| Jan - 2026 | 72.50  | 80.55  | 83.53    |
| Feb        | 75.28  | 88.98  | 88.81    |
| Mar        | 87.44  | 88.42  | 97.82    |
| Apr        | 88.30  | 90.62  | 99.95    |
| May        | 89.19  | 92.09  | 101.19   |
| Jun        | 89.65  | 92.71  | 101.79   |
| Jul        | 90.09  | 93.95  | 102.75   |

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

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

| Item               | Unit    | End 2023 | End 2024 | End 2025 | Current Price 2026 |
|--------------------|---------|----------|----------|----------|--------------------|
| Auto Diesel        | 1 liter | 329.00   | 286.00   | 277.00   | 382.00             |
| Petrol (Octane 92) | 1 liter | 346.00   | 309.00   | 294.00   | 414.00             |
| Kerosene oil       | 1 liter | 247.00   | 188.00   | 180.00   | 285.00             |
| L P Gas            | 12.5 kg | 3,565.00 | 3,690.00 | 3,690.00 | 4,465.0            |

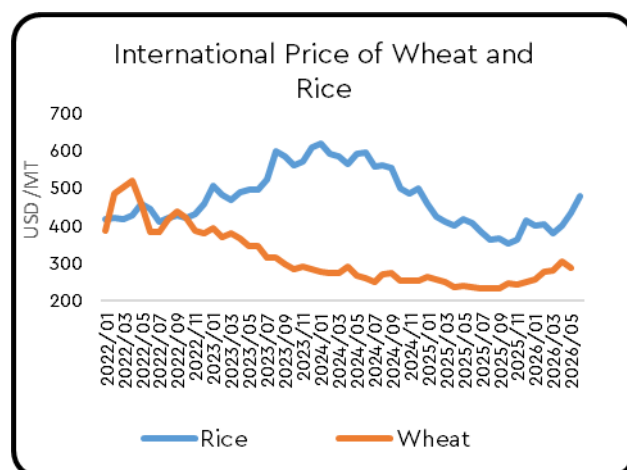


## COMMODITY PRICES

### INTERNATIONAL COMMODITY PRICES

| Month      | Rice<br>Thai,25% USD/MT | Wheat (HRW)<br>USD/MT |
|------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| Nov - 2024 | 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                |
| Aug        | 363.00                  | 231.10                |
| Sep        | 367.00                  | 233.80                |
| Oct        | 351.00                  | 230.80                |
| Nov        | 362.00                  | 245.90                |
| Dec        | 414.00                  | 242.80                |
| Jan - 2026 | 402.00                  | 249.90                |
| Feb        | 404.00                  | 257.60                |
| Mar        | 379.00                  | 276.00                |
| Apr        | 399.00                  | 282.00                |
| May        | 435.00                  | 303.00                |
| Jun        | 479.00                  | 286.00                |
| Jul        | 453.00                  | 310.00                |

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



| Category                                 | Commodity             | Unit     | Quarterly Averages |                   |                   |                   |                   |
|------------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                                          |                       |          | Apr – Jun<br>2025  | Jul – Sep<br>2025 | Oct – Dec<br>2025 | Jan – Mar<br>2026 | Jan – Jun<br>2026 |
| Energy                                   | Crude Oil average     | USD/mt   | 65.9               | 67.5              | 62.1              | 75.7              | 95.3              |
|                                          | Cocoa                 | USD/kg   | 8.51               | 7.33              | 5.78              | 3.93              | 3.98              |
| Non-Energy,<br>Agriculture,<br>Beverages | Coffee, Arabica       | USD/kg   | 8.47               | 8.03              | 8.78              | 7.49              | 7.01              |
|                                          | Tea, average          | USD/kg   | 2.97               | 3.00              | 2.96              | 2.71              | 2.93              |
|                                          | Tea, Colombo auctions | USD/kg   | 3.86               | 3.93              | 3.95              | 3.75              | 3.66              |
| Food, Fats & Oils                        | Coconut Oil           | USD/mt   | 2,650              | 2,727             | 2,437             | 2,268             | 2,161             |
|                                          | Soybean Oil           | USD/mt   | 1,154              | 1,237             | 1,125             | 1,310             | 1,730             |
|                                          | Palm Oil              | USD/mt   | 946                | 1,013             | 1,001             | 1,051             | 1,129             |
| Grains                                   | Maize                 | USD/mt   | 205.0              | 191.6             | 201.9             | 208.9             | 209.1             |
|                                          | Wheat, US HRW         | USD/mt   | 242.2              | 233.3             | 239.8             | 261.2             | 290.3             |
| Other Food                               | Meat, Beef            | USD/kg   | 6.67               | 6.83              | 7.33              | 8.10              | 7.87              |
|                                          | Meat, Chicken         | USD/kg   | 1.77               | 1.73              | 1.76              | 1.73              | 1.79              |
|                                          | Sugar, World          | USD/kg   | 0.39               | 0.36              | 0.32              | 0.32              | 0.32              |
| Raw Materials,<br>Timber                 | Plywood               | ¢/sheets | 378.0              | 370.2             | 354.3             | 348.2             | 342.7             |
| Other Raw<br>Materials<br>Fertilizers    | Rubber RSS3, US       | USD /kg  | 2.16               | 2.16              | 2.03              | 2.26              | 2.68              |
|                                          | Phosphate Rock        | USD/mt   | 152.5              | 250.0             | 152.5             | 152.5             | 154.0             |
|                                          | TSP                   | USD/mt   | 559.6              | 660.8             | 611.1             | 541.2             | 702.4             |
|                                          | Urea                  | USD/mt   | 399.8              | 488.3             | 398.7             | 537.7             | 693.5             |
| Metals and Minerals                      | Aluminium             | USD/mt   | 2,449              | 2,619             | 2,829             | 3,193             | 3,568             |
|                                          | Gold                  | USD /toz | 3,293              | 3,459             | 4,152             | 4,876             | 4,512             |
|                                          | Iron ore              | USD /dmt | 95.5               | 100.1             | 103.5             | 102.9             | 105.2             |

Source: The World Bank, Available at [https://thedocs.worldbank.org/en/doc/5d903e848db1d1b83e0ec8f744e55570-0350012021/related/CMO-Pink-Sheet-September 2023pdf](https://thedocs.worldbank.org/en/doc/5d903e848db1d1b83e0ec8f744e55570-0350012021/related/CMO-Pink-Sheet-September%2023pdf), <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 28<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2026 (RS /KG)**

**PETTAH MARKET**

| Average Wholesale Prices        | Week Ending 28/08/2026 | Week Ago | Year Ago, Annual Avg. |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|----------|-----------------------|
| <b>Rice (Rs/Kg)</b>             |                        |          |                       |
| Samba                           | 242.00                 | 242.00   | 235.60                |
| Kekulu (Red)                    | 175.00                 | 175.00   | 199.80                |
| <b>Vegetable</b>                |                        |          |                       |
| Beans                           | 383.33                 | 420.00   | 400.00                |
| Cabbage                         | 210.00                 | 116.00   | 180.00                |
| Carrots                         | 183.33                 | 150.00   | 296.00                |
| Tomatoes                        | 300.00                 | 330.00   | 180.00                |
| Pumpkin                         | 163.33                 | 170.00   | 50.00                 |
| Snake Gourd                     | 266.67                 | 290.00   | 156.00                |
| Brinjals                        | 400.00                 | 300.00   | 300.00                |
| <b>Other Foods</b>              |                        |          |                       |
| Red-Onions (Local)              | 294.33                 | 271.80   | 216.80                |
| Big Onions (Imported)           | 270.33                 | 231.00   | 122.40                |
| Potatoes (Local)                | 325.33                 | 316.40   | 308.60                |
| Dried Chillies (Imported)       | 1,045.67               | 1,069.00 | 615.00                |
| Dhal                            | 228.33                 | 228.00   | 245.00                |
| Eggs (White) (Each)             | 36.83                  | 37.90    | 27.20                 |
| Coconut (Each)                  | 137.67                 | 135.00   | 160.00                |
| Green Chillies                  | 466.67                 | 500.00   | 92.00                 |
| Lime                            | 416.67                 | 280.00   | 400.00                |
| <b>FISH MARKET – PELIYAGODA</b> |                        |          |                       |
| Kelawalla                       | 2,066.67               | 2,200.00 | -                     |
| Balaya                          | 1,033.33               | 1,310.00 | -                     |
| Salaya                          | 650.00                 | 800.00   | -                     |
| Hurulla                         | 1,200.00               | 1,160.00 | -                     |

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

**DAMBULLA MARKET**

| Food Item                 | Wholesale (Average) |
|---------------------------|---------------------|
| <b>Rice (Rs/Kg)</b>       |                     |
| Samba                     | 235.00              |
| Kekulu (Red)              | 179.00              |
| <b>Vegetables</b>         |                     |
| Pumpkins                  | 115.00              |
| Snake Gourd               | 135.00              |
| Ash Plantains             | 116.67              |
| Beans                     | 328.33              |
| Carrots                   | 188.33              |
| Tomatoes                  | 230.00              |
| Cabbage                   | 193.33              |
| <b>Other Foods</b>        |                     |
| Potatoes (Local)          | 276.00              |
| Dried Chillies (Imported) | 1,061.67            |
| Big-Onions (Imported)     | 269.67              |
| Red-Onions (Local)        | 200.00              |
| Coconut (Each)            | 115.00              |

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

**MARANDAGAHAMULA AVERAGE PRICE OF RICE (RS/KG)**

| Item                  | Week Ending 28/08/2026 | Week Ago | Month Ago | Year Ago |
|-----------------------|------------------------|----------|-----------|----------|
| <b>Samba</b>          | 227.67                 | 227.20   | 241.00    | 231.20   |
| <b>Kekulu (White)</b> | 180.67                 | 185.20   | 184.60    | 193.40   |
| <b>Kekulu (Red)</b>   | 172.00                 | 172.40   | 179.80    | 191.00   |
| <b>Nadu</b>           | 192.00                 | 187.60   | 194.60    | 199.40   |

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

# WEEKLY RETAIL COMMODITY PRICES – 4<sup>th</sup> WEEK OF AUGUST 2026

| Item               | Unit  | Week ending<br>28/08/2026 | Week<br>Ago | %<br>Change | Year<br>Ago |
|--------------------|-------|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Rice               |       |                           |             |             |             |
| Samba (Avg.)       | 1kg   | 244.11                    | 244.82      | -0.3%       | 254.27      |
| No. 1              | 1kg   | 244.78                    | 244.58      | 0.1%        | 242.80      |
| No. 2              | 1kg   | -                         | -           | 0.0%        | -           |
| Nadu Red           | 1kg   | 233.50                    | 230.91      | 1.1%        | 239.04      |
| Raw Red (Avg)      | 1kg   | 188.40                    | 191.45      | -1.6%       | 210.55      |
| No. 1              | 1kg   | 206.30                    | 209.57      | -1.6%       | 217.19      |
| No. 2              | 1kg   | 170.50                    | 173.33      | -1.6%       | 128.13      |
| Wheat Flour        | 1kg   | 187.59                    | 190.00      | -1.3%       | 182.99      |
| Bread              | 450g  | 133.13                    | 133.13      | 0.0%        | 128.67      |
| Sugar              | 1kg   | 245.16                    | 235.63      | 4.0%        | 230.94      |
| Maliban            | 400g  | 1,300.00                  | 1,300.00    | 0.0%        | 1,200.00    |
| Anchor             | 400g  | 1,300.00                  | 1,300.00    | 0.0%        | 1,200.00    |
| Pelwatta           | 400g  | 1,200.00                  | 1,200.00    | 0.0%        | 1,062.50    |
| Potatoes (Import)  | 1 kg  | 219.20                    | 217.60      | 0.7%        | 202.25      |
| Potatoes (Local)   | 1kg   | 396.54                    | 398.85      | -0.6%       | 395.06      |
| Mysore Dhal (Avg)  | 1kg   | 334.70                    | 333.88      | 0.2%        | 330.39      |
| Cowpea (Avg)       | 1kg   | 893.23                    | 902.71      | -1.0%       | 1,028.67    |
| Green Gram (Avg)   | 1kg   | 900.52                    | 911.39      | -1.2%       | 905.80      |
| Kadalai (Avg)      | 1kg   | 513.04                    | 520.67      | -1.5%       | 545.47      |
| Meat               |       |                           |             |             |             |
| Beef               | 1kg   | 3,030.77                  | 3,011.11    | 0.7%        | 2,736.66    |
| Chicken            |       |                           |             |             |             |
| Fresh              | 1kg   | 1,370.67                  | 1,395.33    | -1.8%       | 1,380.69    |
| Broiler            | 1kg   | 1,280.00                  | 1,280.00    | 0.0%        | 1,157.50    |
| Fresh Fish         |       |                           |             |             |             |
| Paraw              | 1kg   | 3,284.00                  | 3,275.71    | 0.3%        | 2,609.90    |
| Balaya             | 1kg   | 2,220.00                  | 2,233.33    | -0.6%       | 1,413.11    |
| Kelawalla          | 1kg   | 3,028.89                  | 3,094.29    | -2.1%       | 2,297.59    |
| Salaya             | 1kg   | 883.75                    | 940.95      | -6.1%       | 531.22      |
| Dried Fish         |       |                           |             |             |             |
| Spratts            | 1kg   | 2,072.00                  | 2,075.86    | -0.2%       | 1,431.91    |
| Eggs               | Each  | 43.36                     | 43.24       | 0.3%        | 33.61       |
| Coconut            | Each  | 169.13                    | 168.15      | 0.6%        | 189.19      |
| Coconut Oil        | 750ml | 674.44                    | 675.77      | -0.2%       | 686.54      |
| Red Onions         | 1kg   | 447.66                    | 448.33      | -0.1%       | 396.72      |
| B- Onions (Import) | 1kg   | 299.26                    | 247.22      | 21.1%       | 151.01      |
| Brinjal            | 1kg   | 440.00                    | 441.33      | -0.3%       | 448.75      |
| Beans Green        | 1kg   | 590.67                    | 610.00      | -3.2%       | 668.08      |
| Bandakka           | 1kg   | 342.67                    | 348.97      | -1.8%       | 288.99      |
| Leeks              | 1kg   | 413.33                    | 425.33      | -2.8%       | 308.68      |
| Beet Root          | 1kg   | 435.86                    | 495.33      | -12.0%      | 266.25      |
| Carrot             | 1kg   | 428.00                    | 433.33      | -1.2%       | 491.59      |
| Green Chillies     | 1kg   | 1,030.00                  | 1,258.21    | -18.1%      | 460.12      |
| Raddish            | 1kg   | 335.38                    | 341.43      | -1.8%       | 237.74      |
| Vetakolu           | 1kg   | 431.11                    | 428.15      | 0.7%        | 320.20      |
| Bitter Gourd       | 1kg   | 562.14                    | 634.29      | -11.4%      | 436.12      |
| Snake Gourd        | 1kg   | 437.04                    | 443.48      | -1.5%       | 350.69      |
| Kolikuttu          | 1kg   | 497.31                    | 494.80      | 0.5%        | 337.30      |
| Papaw              | 1kg   | 285.19                    | 284.44      | 0.3%        | 188.73      |
| Pineapple          | 1kg   | 428.89                    | 427.31      | 0.4%        | 390.04      |

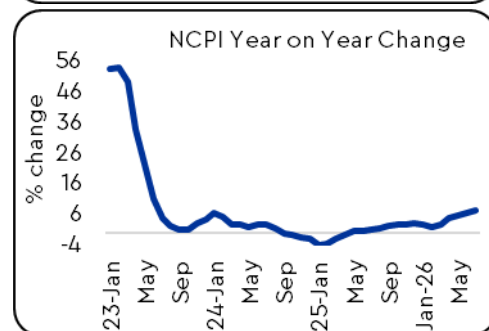
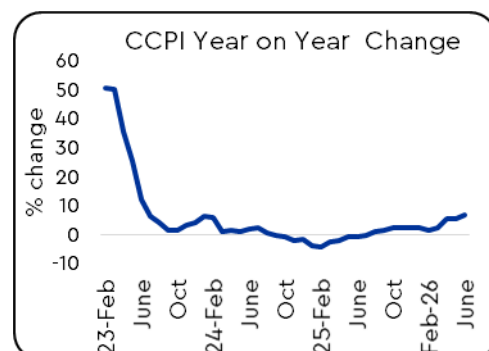
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## INFLATION

### 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 % |
| Nov -24  | 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      |
| Nov      | 193.4        | -0.2                    | 2.1      | 207.2        | -0.1                    | 2.4      |
| Dec      | 195.8        | 1.2                     | 2.1      | 210.5        | 1.6                     | 2.9      |
| Jan - 26 | 197.0        | 0.6                     | 2.3      | 211.4        | 0.4                     | 2.4      |
| Feb      | 195.3        | -0.9                    | 1.6      | 209.4        | -0.9                    | 1.6      |
| Mar      | 195.8        | 0.3                     | 2.2      | 210.9        | 0.7                     | 2.4      |
| Apr      | 201.6        | 3.0                     | 5.4      | 216.3        | 2.6                     | 4.7      |
| May      | 203.4        | 0.9                     | 5.5      | 218.8        | 1.2                     | 5.4      |
| Jun      | 207.7        | 2.1                     | 6.8      | 222.3        | 1.6                     | 6.5      |
| Jul      | 208.2        | 0.2                     | 7.3      | 223.4        | 0.5                     | 7.2      |

Source: Department of Census and Statistics



### CONTRIBUTION OF FOOD ITEMS TO CCPI FROM JULY 2025 TO JULY 2026 (Base 2021=100)

| Commodity      | Value Change Rs. | Change %    |
|----------------|------------------|-------------|
| <b>Food</b>    | <b>3,671.99</b>  | <b>2.06</b> |
| Rice           | -306.97          | -0.17       |
| Coconut        | -387.23          | -0.22       |
| Sea Fish       | 1,551.02         | 0.87        |
| Chicken        | 195.06           | 0.11        |
| Fresh Fruits   | n.a              | n.a         |
| Vegetables     | 284.23           | 0.16        |
| Dried Chillies | 170.73           | 0.10        |
| Eggs           | 139.57           | 0.08        |
| Red Onions     | -33.50           | -0.02       |
| Big Onions     | 295.54           | 0.17        |
| Potatoes       | -13.78           | -0.01       |
| Garlic         | n.a              | n.a         |

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    |
| Oct - 24 | 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       |
| Nov      | 238.6        | -0.6                    | 3.0       |
| Dec      | 247.9        | 3.9                     | 3.0       |
| Jan - 26 | 249.4        | 0.6                     | 3.3       |
| Feb      | 242.9        | -2.6                    | 0.2       |
| Mar      | 240.9        | -0.8                    | 0.7       |
| Apr      | 245.1        | 1.7                     | 2.8       |
| May      | 247.1        | 0.8                     | 0.9       |
| Jun      | 258.2        | 4.5                     | 3.6       |
| Jul      | 258.2        | 0.0                     | 6.3       |

Source :Department of Census and Statistics

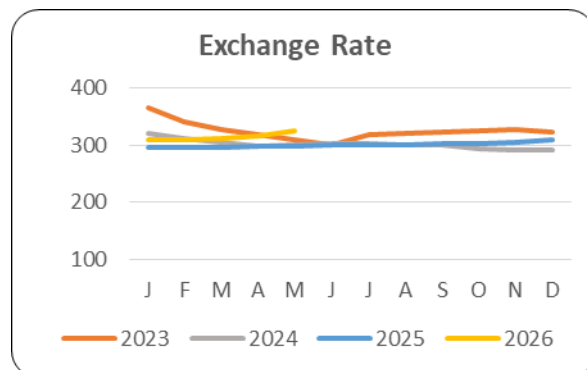


## EXTERNAL SECTOR

### EXCHANGE RATES (AVERAGE)

| Currency       | Week Ending<br>28 <sup>th</sup> July 2026 | Week<br>Ago | Year<br>Ago | %<br>Change<br>2025/26 |
|----------------|-------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|------------------------|
| US Dollar      | 328.09                                    | 329.67      | 302.41      | 8.49                   |
| Sterling Pound | 445.93                                    | 449.86      | 408.78      | 9.1                    |
| Euro           | 382.23                                    | 385.58      | 352.40      | 8.5                    |
| Japanese Yen   | 2.06                                      | 2.07        | 2.05        | 0.5                    |
| Indian Rupee   | 3.44                                      | 3.45        | 3.45        | -0.3                   |

Source : Central Bank of Sri Lanka

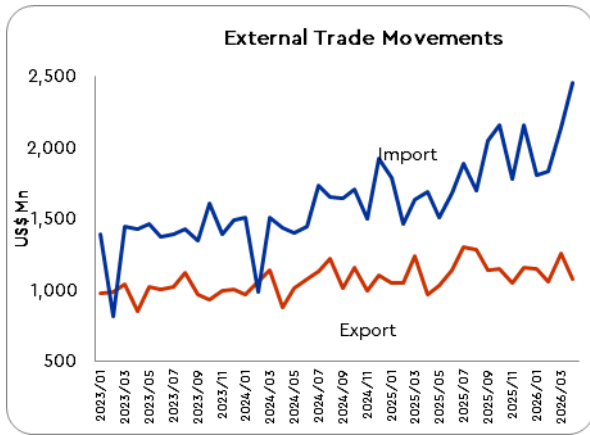


### EXTERNAL TRADE

| Category                    | June<br>2025<br>(USD mn) | June<br>2026<br>(USD mn) | Growth<br>Rate<br>(%) | Jan – Jun<br>2025<br>(USD mn) | Jan – Jun<br>2026<br>(USD mn) | Growth<br>Rate<br>(%) |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Exports</b>              | <b>1,141.8</b>           | <b>1,143.8</b>           | <b>0.2</b>            | <b>6,492.1</b>                | <b>6,903.2</b>                | <b>6.3</b>            |
| <b>Agricultural</b>         | <b>255.3</b>             | <b>243.6</b>             | <b>-4.6</b>           | <b>1,427.5</b>                | <b>1,450.4</b>                | <b>1.6</b>            |
| Tea                         | 133.0                    | 118.9                    | -10.6                 | 743.1                         | 700.8                         | -5.7                  |
| Other                       | 122.3                    | 124.7                    | 2.0                   | 684.4                         | 749.6                         | 9.5                   |
| <b>Industrial</b>           | <b>883.8</b>             | <b>897.1</b>             | <b>1.5</b>            | <b>5,044.5</b>                | <b>5,424.6</b>                | <b>7.5</b>            |
| Rubber Products             | 80.4                     | 86.2                     | 7.1                   | 453.1                         | 477.5                         | 5.4                   |
| Textiles and Garments       | 464.1                    | 410.3                    | -11.6                 | 2,605.8                       | 2,451.0                       | -5.9                  |
| Food, Beverage and Tobacco  | 80.8                     | 69.7                     | -13.7                 | 407.6                         | 461.0                         | 13.1                  |
| Other                       | 258.5                    | 330.9                    | 28.0                  | 1,578.0                       | 2,035.1                       | 29.0                  |
| <b>Mineral</b>              | <b>1.6</b>               | <b>1.5</b>               | <b>-2.3</b>           | <b>10.1</b>                   | <b>18.2</b>                   | <b>79.5</b>           |
| <b>Unclassified</b>         | <b>1.2</b>               | <b>1.6</b>               | <b>31.3</b>           | <b>9.9</b>                    | <b>10.1</b>                   | <b>1.4</b>            |
| <b>Imports</b>              | <b>1,682.1</b>           | <b>1,972.3</b>           | <b>17.3</b>           | <b>9,762.2</b>                | <b>12,392.3</b>               | <b>26.9</b>           |
| <b>Consumer Goods</b>       | <b>418.9</b>             | <b>473.4</b>             | <b>13.0</b>           | <b>2,315.5</b>                | <b>3,036.5</b>                | <b>31.1</b>           |
| Food and Beverages          | 140.5                    | 166.4                    | 18.4                  | 1,094.5                       | 1,113.8                       | 1.8                   |
| Other Consumer Goods        | 278.4                    | 307.0                    | 10.3                  | 1,221.0                       | 1,922.7                       | 57.5                  |
| <b>Intermediate Goods</b>   | <b>958.5</b>             | <b>1,089.4</b>           | <b>13.7</b>           | <b>5,575.6</b>                | <b>7,058.7</b>                | <b>26.6</b>           |
| Petroleum                   | 331.5                    | 464.7                    | 40.2                  | 1,995.7                       | 3,168.4                       | 58.8                  |
| Textiles & Textile Articles | 223.6                    | 208.1                    | -6.9                  | 1,336.4                       | 1,303.3                       | -2.5                  |
| Other Intermediate Goods    | 403.4                    | 416.6                    | 3.3                   | 2,243.5                       | 2,587.0                       | 15.3                  |
| <b>Investment Goods</b>     | <b>304.5</b>             | <b>403.0</b>             | <b>32.4</b>           | <b>1,862.6</b>                | <b>2,284.0</b>                | <b>22.6</b>           |
| Machinery and Equipment     | 184.1                    | 273.4                    | 48.5                  | 1,208.0                       | 1,422.8                       | 17.8                  |
| Transport Equipment         | 42.8                     | 50.0                     | 16.7                  | 173.7                         | 364.7                         | 110.0                 |
| Building Material           | 77.4                     | 79.4                     | 2.6                   | 479.1                         | 493.9                         | 3.1                   |
| Other Investment Goods      | 0.2                      | 0.2                      | 0.0                   | 1.8                           | 2.6                           | 44.4                  |
| <b>Unclassified</b>         | <b>0.2</b>               | <b>6.5</b>               | <b>3,450.2</b>        | <b>8.5</b>                    | <b>13.1</b>                   | <b>54.3</b>           |
| <b>Trade Balance</b>        | <b>-540.3</b>            | <b>-828.5</b>            |                       | <b>-3,270.1</b>               | <b>-5,489.1</b>               |                       |

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Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka



### Highlights

- Export earnings decreased by 6.6 percent to USD 1,143.8 mn in June 2026 compared to USD 1,224.3 mn in May 2026.
- Import expenditure decreased by 10.0 percent to USD 1,972.3 mn in June 2026 compared to USD 2,192.1 mn in May 2026.
- Trade deficit narrowed to USD 828.5 mn in June 2026 compared to USD 967.9 mn in May 2026.

## EXTERNAL ASSETS

| External Assets (USD bn) | June 2025 | July 2025 | Aug 2025 | Sep 2025 | Oct 2025 | Nov 2025 | Dec 2025 | Jan 2026 | Feb 2026 | March 2026 | Apr 2026 | May 2026 | June 2026 |
|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|------------|----------|----------|-----------|
| Total Reserves           | 11.8      | 11.7      | 11.9     | 11.7     | 11.5     | 11.3     | 12.3     | 12.4     | 13.0     | 12.9       | 12.8     | 12.8     | 12.4      |
| Gross Official Reserves  | 6.1       | 6.1       | 6.2      | 6.2      | 6.2      | 6.0      | 6.8      | 6.8      | 7.3      | 7.0        | 6.8      | 6.9      | 6.5       |

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

## WORKERS' REMITTANCES

| Category |        | 2025 July | 2026 July | Jan – July 2025 | Jan – July 2026 | % Change |
|----------|--------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|----------|
| Inflow   | USD mn | 697.3     | 777.6     | 4,435.2         | 5,382.4         | 21.4     |
|          | Rs. bn | 210.0     | 261.3     | 1,323.2         | 1,724.2         | 30.3     |

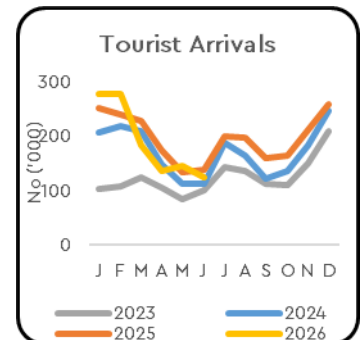
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(a) Provisional

## TOURIST ARRIVALS

| Month        | Arrivals         |                  |                  |                  | Earnings USD mn |                |                |                  |
|--------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
|              | 2024             | 2025             | 2026             | % change 2025/26 | 2024            | 2025           | 2026           | % change 2025/26 |
| Jan          | 208,253          | 252,761          | 277,327          | 9.7              | 341.80          | 400.7          | 378.3          | -5.6             |
| Feb          | 218,350          | 240,217          | 279,328          | 16.28            | 345.70          | 367.6          | 352.0          | -4.2             |
| Mar          | 209,181          | 229,298          | 183,979          | -19.8            | 338.40          | 354.0          | 223.7          | -36.8            |
| Apr          | 148,867          | 174,608          | 135,643          | -22.3            | 225.7           | 256.7          | 157.1          | -38.8            |
| May          | 112,128          | 132,919          | 145,745          | 9.6              | 154.0           | 164.1          | 155.7          | -5.1             |
| Jun          | 113,470          | 138,241          | 124,551          | -9.9             | 151.1           | 169.5          | 151.1          | -10.9            |
| July         | 187,810          | 200,244          | 196,845          | -1.7             | 328.3           | 318.5          | 285.5          | -10.4            |
| Aug          | 164,609          | 198,235          |                  |                  | 282.1           | 258.9          |                |                  |
| Sep          | 122,140          | 158,971          |                  |                  | 181.0           | 182.9          |                |                  |
| Oct          | 135,907          | 165,193          |                  |                  | 185.6           | 186.1          |                |                  |
| Nov          | 184,158          | 212,906          |                  |                  | 272.9           | 251.6          |                |                  |
| Dec          | 248,592          | 258,928          |                  |                  | 362.1           | 308.6          |                |                  |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>2,053,465</b> | <b>2,362,521</b> | <b>1,343,418</b> |                  | <b>3,168.6</b>  | <b>3,219.2</b> | <b>1,796.7</b> |                  |

Source: Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority





# FISCAL SECTOR

## GOVERNMENT REVENUE (Rs. Mn)

| Item                   | 2022             | 2023             | 2024             | 2025 (a)         | 2026 (a) Jan - Jun |
|------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Tax Revenue</b>     | <b>1,751,132</b> | <b>2,720,563</b> | <b>3,704,577</b> | <b>5,049,192</b> | <b>2,710,552</b>   |
| Income Tax             | 534,021          | 911,355          | 1,026,199        | 1,139,373        | 568,356            |
| VAT                    | 463,062          | 694,460          | 1,309,680        | 1,746,874        | 987,622            |
| Excise Duty            | 342,523          | 469,622          | 598,529          | 1,058,707        | 562,684            |
| PAL                    | 180,595          | 175,486          | 170,014          | 180,853          | 94,455             |
| Customs Duty           | 50,009           | 105,120          | 111,147          | 275,894          | 153,712            |
| SCL                    | 40,194           | 51,327           | 115,199          | 164,599          | 83,163             |
| CESS                   | 70,318           | 57,184           | 81,129           | 90,373           | 41,890             |
| SSCL                   | 36,111           | 216,181          | 250,869          | 294,520          | 172,104            |
| Other                  | 34,712           | 39,827           | 41,812           | 98,000           | 46,566             |
| <b>Non-Tax Revenue</b> | <b>228,052</b>   | <b>328,259</b>   | <b>326,261</b>   | <b>400,210</b>   | <b>243,637</b>     |
| <b>Total Revenue</b>   | <b>1,979,184</b> | <b>3,048,822</b> | <b>4,030,838</b> | <b>5,449,402</b> | <b>2,954,189</b>   |

Source: Department of Fiscal Policy  
(a) Provisional

## GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE (Rs. Mn)

| Item                             | 2022             | 2023             | 2024             | 2025 (a)         | 2026 (a) Jan - Jun |
|----------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Government Expenditure</b>    | <b>4,472,556</b> | <b>5,356,591</b> | <b>6,130,739</b> | <b>6,230,415</b> | <b>2,946,494</b>   |
| <b>Recurrent Expenditure</b>     | <b>3,519,634</b> | <b>4,699,679</b> | <b>5,339,941</b> | <b>5,232,388</b> | <b>2,669,889</b>   |
| Salaries & Wages                 | 956,211          | 939,496          | 1,066,048        | 1,163,942        | 621,734            |
| Goods & Services                 | 182,857          | 299,700          | 350,879          | 334,687          | 147,305            |
| Interest                         | 1,565,190        | 2,455,600        | 2,689,500        | 2,500,674        | 1,234,580          |
| Subsidies & Transfers            | 815,376          | 1,004,884        | 1,233,514        | 1,233,085        | 666,270            |
| <b>Capital &amp; Net Lending</b> | <b>952,923</b>   | <b>656,912</b>   | <b>790,798</b>   | <b>998,026</b>   | <b>276,605</b>     |
| Public Investments               | 1,014,293        | 932,745          | 817,092          | 1,015,825        | 280,071            |
| <b>Other</b>                     | <b>-61,370</b>   | <b>-275,833</b>  | <b>-26,294</b>   | <b>-17,798</b>   | <b>-3,467</b>      |

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## GOVERNMENT DEBT (Rs. Bn)

|                              | End 2023        | End 2024         | End Sep 2025 (a) | End Oct 2025 (a) | End Nov 2025 (a) | End 2025 (a)     | End Mar 2026 (a) |
|------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Total Domestic Debt          | 17,051.9        | 18,309.66        | 18,701.46        | 18,653.51        | 18,535.75        | 18,675.32        | 18,762.04        |
| Total Foreign Debt           | 11,644.1        | 10,429.04        | 10,974.34        | 11,018.72        | 11,079.53        | 11,319.36        | 11,431.14        |
| <b>Total Government Debt</b> | <b>28,695.9</b> | <b>28,738.70</b> | <b>29,675.81</b> | <b>29,672.23</b> | <b>29,615.28</b> | <b>29,994.69</b> | <b>30,193.18</b> |

Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka  
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## KEY FISCAL INDICATORS 2023 -2025

| Indicator                        | 2023          |            | 2024          |            | 2025          |            |
|----------------------------------|---------------|------------|---------------|------------|---------------|------------|
|                                  | Rs.bn.        | % of GDP   | Rs.bn.        | % of GDP   | Rs.bn.        | % of GDP   |
| Total Revenue                    | 3,048.82      | 11.1       | 4,030.84      | 13.4       | 5,449.40      | 16.6       |
| Tax Revenue                      | 2,720.56      | 9.9        | 3,704.58      | 12.3       | 5,049.19      | 15.4       |
| Non-Tax Revenue                  | 328.26        | 1.2        | 326.26        | 1.1        | 400.21        | 1.2        |
| Recurrent Expenditure            | 4,699.68      | 17.1       | 5,339.94      | 17.7       | 5,232.39      | 16.0       |
| <b>Capital &amp; Net Lending</b> | <b>656.91</b> | <b>2.4</b> | <b>790.80</b> | <b>2.6</b> | <b>988.03</b> | <b>3.0</b> |
| Public Investment                | 932.75        | 3.4        | 817.09        | 2.7        | 1,015.83      | 3.1        |
| Budget Deficit                   | -2,282,267    | -8.3       | -2,039.93     | -6.8       | -744.86       | -2.3       |
| Central Government Debt          | 28,695.95     | 104.2      | 28,738.70     | 95.5       | 29,994.69     | 91.6       |

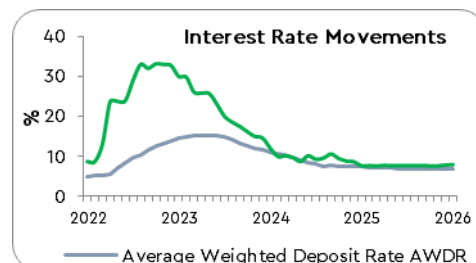
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# MONETARY SECTOR

## REAL INTEREST RATES

| Month      | CCPI (2013 =100) | CCPI Point to Point Change | CCPI Annual Average Change | 91 Days T Bill Rate |
|------------|------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| Jan - 2025 | 192.6            | -4.0                       | 0.4                        | 7.93                |
| Feb        | 192.2            | -4.2                       | -0.5                       | 7.57                |
| Mar        | 191.6            | -2.6                       | -0.8                       | 7.50                |
| Apr        | 191.2            | -2.0                       | -1.1                       | 7.65                |
| May        | 192.8            | -0.7                       | -1.2                       | 7.55                |
| June       | 194.5            | -0.6                       | -1.4                       | 7.55                |
| July       | 194.1            | -0.3                       | -1.6                       | 7.62                |
| Aug        | 193.3            | 1.2                        | -1.5                       | 7.58                |
| Sep        | 193.7            | 1.5                        | -1.4                       | 7.57                |
| Oct        | 193.8            | 2.1                        | -1.2                       | 7.52                |
| Nov        | 193.4            | 2.1                        | -0.8                       | 7.52                |
| Dec        | 195.8            | 2.1                        | -0.5                       | 7.74                |
| Jan - 2026 | 197.0            | 2.3                        | 0.0                        | 7.84                |
| Feb        | 195.3            | 1.6                        | 0.5                        | 7.63                |
| Mar        | 195.8            | 2.2                        | 0.9                        | 7.78                |
| Apr        | 201.6            | 5.4                        | 1.6                        | 8.20                |
| May        | 203.4            | 5.5                        | 2.1                        | 9.36                |
| Jun        | 207.7            | 6.8                        | 2.7                        | 10.14               |
| Jul        | 208.2            | 7.3                        | 3.3                        |                     |



Sources : Central Bank of Sri Lanka and Department of Census and Statistics  
From July 2024 CCPI & NCPI (2021=100)

## INTEREST RATE MOVEMENTS

| Category                                   | Week Ending 28 <sup>th</sup> of Aug 2026 | Week Ago         | Year Ago        |
|--------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Overnight Policy Rate (OPR)                | 8.75                                     | 8.75             | 7.75            |
| Standing Deposit Facility Rate             | 8.25                                     | 8.25             | 7.25            |
| Standing Lending Facility Rate             | 9.25                                     | 9.25             | 8.25            |
| Average Weighted Call Money Rate (AWCMR)   | 8.84                                     | 8.81             | 7.86            |
| Treasury Bill (Yield rate)                 |                                          |                  |                 |
| 91 Days                                    | 9.06                                     | 9.22             | 7.58            |
| 182 Days                                   | 9.44                                     | 9.60             | 7.89            |
| 364 Days                                   | 9.89                                     | 9.91             | 8.03            |
| Average Weighted Prime Lending Rate (AWPR) | 10.95                                    | 10.86            | 7.97            |
|                                            | <b>Jun</b>                               | <b>Month ago</b> | <b>Year ago</b> |
| Average Weighted Deposit Rate (AWDR)       | 7.20                                     | 6.95             | 6.93            |

Source : Central Bank of Sri Lanka

## MONEY SUPPLY AND CREDIT GROWTH

| Item            | Jun 2026 | May 2026 | Apr 2026 | Dec 2023 | Dec 2024 | Dec 2025 | Jun 2025 |
|-----------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| M <sub>1</sub>  | 2,366.4  | 2,358.1  | 2,367.2  | 1,658.0  | 1,925.6  | 2,288.0  | 2,079.8  |
| M <sub>2</sub>  | 14,833.9 | 14,730.6 | 14,671.8 | 11,485.1 | 12,660.6 | 14,093.4 | 13,337.4 |
| M <sub>2b</sub> | 16,918.0 | 16,761.4 | 16,660.4 | 13,189.1 | 14,321.7 | 15,975.0 | 15,175.8 |

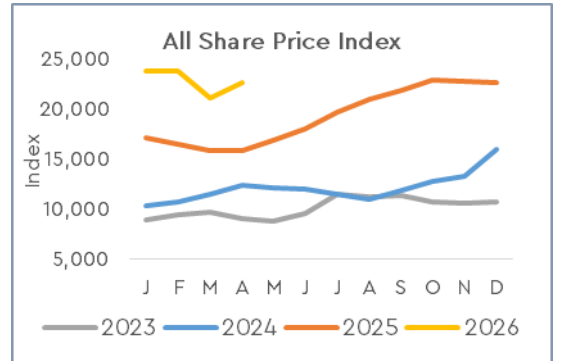
Source: Central Bank of Sri Lanka

| CREDIT TO PRIVATE SECTOR (RS. bn.) |          |           |          |                       |
|------------------------------------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------------------|
| Item                               | Jun 2026 | Month Ago | Year Ago | Growth 2024 /2025 (%) |
| Credit to Private Sector           | 11,281.5 | 11,036.2  | 8,856.1  | 27.4                  |
| DBUs                               | 10,702.3 | 10,472.5  | 8,256.4  | 29.6                  |
| OBUs                               | 579.2    | 563.8     | 599.7    | -3.4                  |

## SHARE MARKET

| Indicator                                 | Week Ending 28 <sup>th</sup> Aug - 2026 | Week Ago  | Year Ago  |
|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| All Share Price Index (ASPI) (1985 = 100) | 21,315.91                               | 21,416.61 | 20,800.26 |
| S & P Sri Lanka 20 Index (S & P SL20)     | 6,005.34                                | 6,028.09  | 6,045.77  |
| Average Daily Turnover (Rs.Mn)            | 2,204.05                                | 1,219.22  | 7,465.41  |
| Market Capitalization (Rs.Bn.)            | 7,716.27                                | 7,758.22  | 7,342.40  |

Source: Colombo Stock Exchange



## EQUITY TRADING STATISTICS

| Indicator                            | July 2026 | July 2025 | Jan - Jul 2026 | Jan - Jul 2025 |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|----------------|
| <b>Turnover -Equity (Rs. Mn.)</b>    | 40,813.5  | 157,486.0 | 563,594.3      | 623,229.7      |
| Domestic (Rs. Mn.)                   | 36,328.1  | 148,575.6 | 519,528.4      | 582,213.1      |
| Foreign (Rs. Mn.)                    | 4,485.4   | 8,910.4   | 44,065.9       | 41,016.7       |
| Market Days                          |           |           |                |                |
| Daily Turnover Avg. Equity (Rs. Mn.) | 1,855.2   | 7,158.5   | 4,054.6        | 4,582.6        |
| <b>Trade Equity</b>                  | 343,605   | 828,098   | 4,390,563      | 3,604,058      |
| Domestic                             | 335,130   | 819,441   | 4,322,778      | 3,545,603      |
| Foreign                              | 8,475     | 8,657     | 67,785         | 58,455         |
| <b>Shares Traded -Equity (Mn)</b>    | 1,497.0   | 5,942.1   | 23,020.2       | 24,546.1       |
| Domestic (Mn.)                       | 1,375.0   | 5,504.5   | 22,013.3       | 23,160.0       |
| Foreign (Mn.)                        | 122.0     | 437.7     | 1,006.9        | 1,386.2        |
| Companies Traded                     | 272       | 270       | 275            | 270            |
| Companies Listed                     | 290       | 290       | 286            |                |

Source: Colombo Stock Exchange

## MARKET INDICATORS

| Price Indices                  | Jul 2026  | Jun 2026  | May 2026  |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| ASPI                           | 21,129.21 | 22,263.28 | 22,310.80 |
| S&P SL 20                      | 5,939.98  | 6,205.05  | 6,159.15  |
| <b>Total Return Indicators</b> |           |           |           |
| ASTRI                          | 33,209.91 | 34,829.15 | 34,809.40 |
| S&P SL20 (TRI)                 | 12,604.37 | 13,139.89 | 12,987.88 |
| Market PER                     | 11.18     | 11.72     | 11.37     |
| Dividend Yield                 | 3.02      | 2.88      | 2.85      |
| Market Capitalization (Rs.Bn.) | 7,692.45  | 8,063.72  | 8,115.76  |

Source: Colombo Stock Exchange

## STOCK MARKET - FOREIGN PURCHASES AND FOREIGN SALES

| Indicator                        | July 2026 | July 2025 |
|----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Purchases by Foreigners (Rs. Mn) | 3,399.1   | 5,952.0   |
| Sales by Foreigners (Rs. Mn)     | 5,571.8   | 11,868.7  |
| Net Foreign Purchases (Rs. Mn)   | -2,172.7  | -5,916.7  |

Source: Colombo Stock Exchange

