

WEEKLY ECONOMIC INDICATORS

20 OCTOBER 2023



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Highlights of the Week

Real Sector

In September 2023, Purchasing Managers' Indices for Manufacturing and Services activities recorded index values of 45.7 and 54.7, respectively, indicating a contraction in Manufacturing activities and an expansion in Services activities, on a month-on-month basis.

During the period under review (14.10.2023 to 20.10.2023), crude oil prices largely showed an increasing trend. Prices increased owing to worries about supply disruptions from the Middle East due to the deepening Israel-Hamas conflict. Overall, Brent and WTI prices increased by US dollars 2.52 per barrel and US dollars 2.90 per barrel, respectively, during the review period.

Monetary Sector

Weekly Average Weighted Prime Lending Rate (AWPR) for the week ending 20th October 2023 decreased by 32 bps to 13.68 per cent compared to the previous week.

The reserve money increased compared to the previous week mainly due to the increase in the deposits held by the commercial banks with the Central Bank.

The total outstanding market liquidity was a deficit of Rs. 6.724 bn by 20th October 2023, compared to a deficit of Rs. 12.225 bn by the end of last week.

By 20th October 2023, the All Share Price Index (ASPI) increased by 0.35 per cent to 10,850.53 points and the S&P SL 20 Index increased by 0.27 per cent to 3,050.20 points, compared to the index values of last week.

Fiscal Sector

During the week, a slight decline was observed in the primary market yields of T-Bills. However, a mixed behavior was observed in the yields of T-Bonds in the secondary market.

The outstanding stock of T-Bills and T-Bonds held by foreigners has increased by 6.64 per cent in rupee terms during the reporting week compared to the week before.

The weekly T-Bill auction was oversubscribed by 2.08 times during the reporting week.

The total volume of secondary market transactions in T-Bills and T-Bonds has decreased by 4.75 per cent in the reporting week compared to the week before.

External Sector

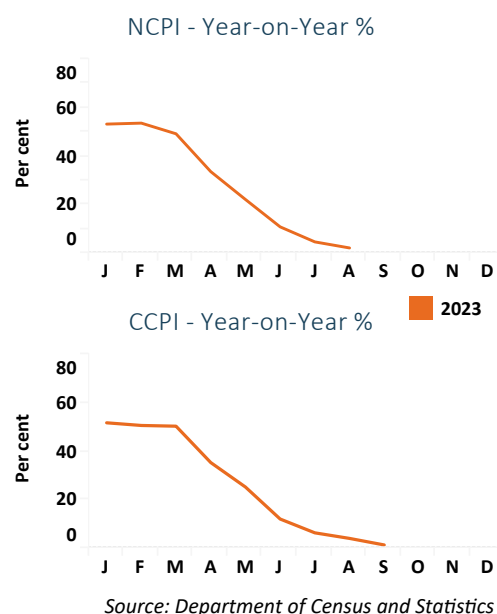
During the year up to 20th October 2023, the Sri Lanka rupee appreciated against the US dollar by 11.7 per cent. Given the cross currency exchange rate movements, the Sri Lanka rupee appreciated against the Japanese yen by 26.3 per cent, the pound sterling by 10.9 per cent, the Euro by 12.6 per cent and the Indian rupee by 12.3 per cent during this period.

REAL SECTOR

1.1 Price Indices

NCPI (2021=100)	2022		2023	
	August	July	August	
National Consumer Price Index (NCPI) - Headline	197.7	201.9	201.9	
Monthly Change %	2.4	(0.7)	0.0	
Annual Average Change %	-	-	-	
Year-on-Year Change %	-	4.6	2.1	
National Consumer Price Index (NCPI) - Core	181.2	188.0	188.7	
Annual Average Change %	-	-	-	
Year-on-Year Change %	-	6.3	4.1	

CCPI (2021=100)	2022		2023	
	September	August	September	
Colombo Consumer Price Index (CCPI) - Headline	189.3	190.1	191.8	
Monthly Change %	3.6	(0.1)	0.9	
Annual Average Change %	-	-	-	
Year-on-Year Change %	-	4.0	1.3	
Colombo Consumer Price Index (CCPI) - Core	168.8	171.2 ^(a)	172.0	
Annual Average Change %	-	-	-	
Year-on-Year Change %	-	4.6 ^(a)	1.9	



1.2 Prices

1.2.1 Pettah Market

Item (Rs./kg)	Average Wholesale Prices				Average Retail Prices			
	Year Ago	Month Ago	Week Ago	This Week	Year Ago	Month Ago	Week Ago	This Week
Samba	223.00	220.00	221.80	223.40	235.00	230.00	236.00	240.00
Kekulu (Red)	210.00	175.00	174.20	174.20	220.00	190.00	191.00	195.00
Beans	324.00	337.50	370.00	424.00	374.00	387.50	420.00	474.00
Cabbage	224.00	57.50	60.00	84.00	288.00	97.50	110.00	138.00
Carrot	300.00	130.00	140.00	146.00	350.00	175.00	184.00	194.00
Tomato	255.00	115.00	128.00	164.00	312.00	157.50	158.00	220.00
Pumpkin	170.00	57.50	50.00	50.00	200.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Snake Gourd	254.00	182.50	210.00	258.00	302.00	225.00	258.00	308.00
Brinjal	250.00	287.50	340.00	286.00	300.00	337.50	390.00	336.00
Green Chilli	308.00	387.50	360.00	370.00	362.00	437.50	410.00	420.00
Lime	490.00	950.00	1,200.00	1,340.00	590.00	1,150.00	1,400.00	1,540.00
Red Onion (Local)	482.60	302.00	328.40	344.80	550.00	385.00	350.00	374.00
Big Onion (Imported)	197.20	173.50	196.40	219.80	212.00	210.00	242.00	236.00
Potato (Local)	308.80	230.75	220.60	234.80	364.00	307.50	232.20	260.00
Dried Chilli (Imported)	1,467.20	1,033.00	1,033.00	1,034.80	1,650.00	1,150.00	1,156.00	1,180.00
Red Dhal	394.60	301.50	296.20	298.00	400.00	330.00	320.00	320.00
Eggs White (Each)	48.00	44.50	47.00	45.80	49.00	45.00	47.50	46.30
Coconut (Each)	85.00	85.00	85.00	87.00	90.00	120.00	120.00	120.00

1.2.2 Marandagahamula Market

Item (Rs./kg)	Average Wholesale Price of Rice			
	Year Ago	Month Ago	Week Ago	This Week
Samba	214.60	213.00	213.40	216.40
Kekulu (White)	200.80	186.25	184.60	186.40
Kekulu (Red)	210.00	182.00	177.00	174.80
Nadu	206.80	196.00	193.20	196.80

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(a) Revised by Department of Census and Statistics

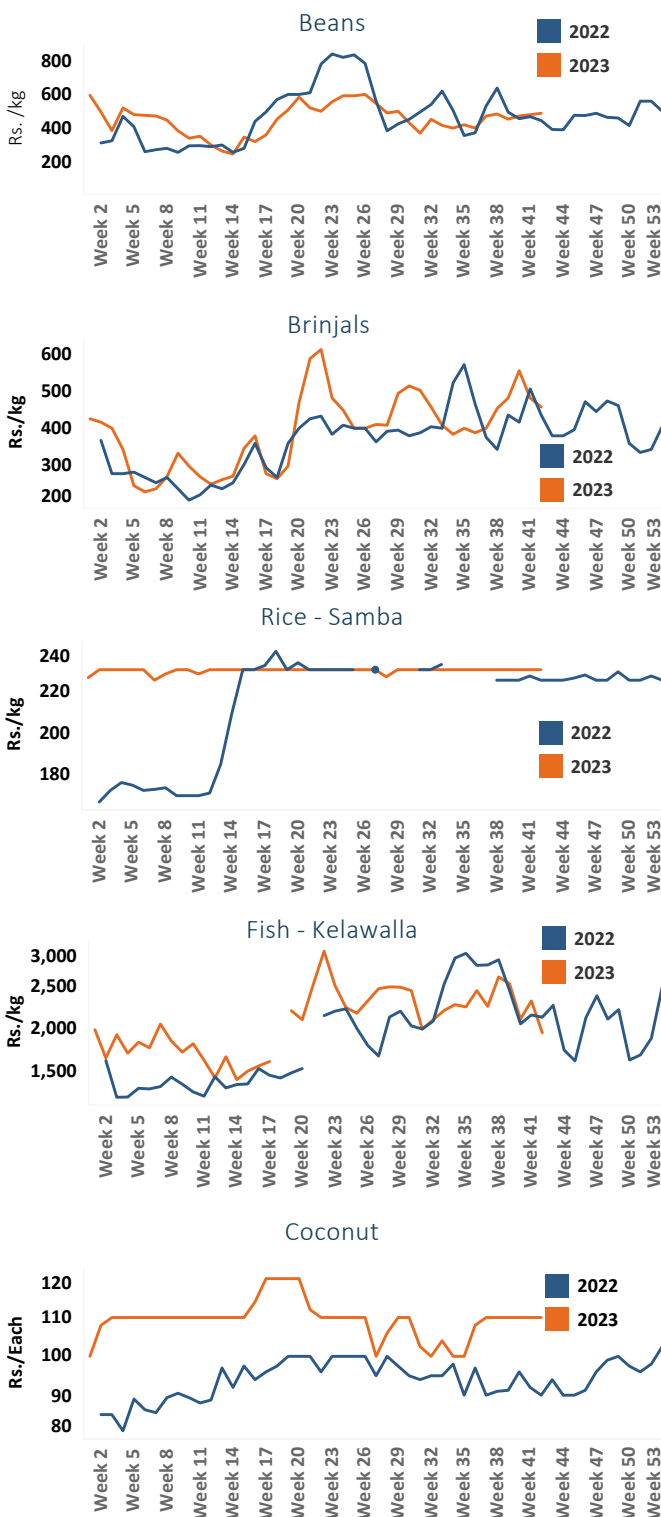
1.2.3 Dambulla Market

Item (Rs./kg)	Average Wholesale Prices	
	Week Ago	This Week
Samba	229.00	229.00
Kekulu (Red)	180.00	180.00
Beans	338.00	346.00
Cabbage	71.60	68.60
Carrot	149.00	150.00
Tomato	128.00	101.00
Pumpkin	40.00	42.40
Snake Gourd	113.00	150.00
Brinjal	210.00	180.00
Ash Plantain	192.00	177.60
Red Onion (Local)	275.00	306.00
Red Onion (Imported)	n.a.	n.a.
Big Onion (Imported)	192.60	195.00
Potatoes (Local)	215.00	223.33
Potatoes (Imported)	181.60	179.60
Dried Chillies (Imported)	1,042.00	1,005.00
Coconut (Each)	74.40	72.80

1.2.4 Narahenpita Economic Centre

Item (Rs./kg)	Average Retail Prices	
	Week Ago	This Week
Samba	230.00	230.00
Kekulu (Red)	185.00	185.00
Beans	480.00	488.00
Cabbage	216.00	224.00
Carrot	312.00	280.00
Tomato	224.00	288.00
Pumpkin	116.00	128.00
Snake Gourd	328.00	376.00
Brinjal	480.00	456.00
Green Chilli	620.00	640.00
Red Onion (Local)	480.00	480.00
Big Onion (Imported)	240.00	240.00
Potato (Local)	320.00	320.00
Potato (Imported)	200.00	200.00
Dried Chilli (Imported)	1,200.00	1,200.00
Red Dhal	340.00	340.00
Sugar White	260.00	260.00
Egg White (Each)	43.20	45.80
Coconut (Each)	110.00	110.00

Narahenpita Economic Centre - Retail Prices



1.2.5 Fish Markets

	Peliyagoda		Negombo		Narahenpita			
	Avg. Wholesale Prices Week Ago	This Week	Avg. Wholesale Prices Week Ago	This Week	Avg. Retail Prices Week Ago	This Week		
Kelawalla	1,040.00	930.00	1,140.00	1,070.00	1,740.00	1,596.00	2,320.00	1,948.00
Balaya	587.50	512.50	657.50	572.50	835.00	757.50	840.00	780.00
Salaya	270.00	160.00	200.00	200.00	346.00	344.00	352.00	292.00
Hurulla	336.00	344.00	324.00	336.00	510.00	534.00	624.00	512.00

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1.3 GDP by Industrial Origin at Constant (2015) Prices - Growth Rates

Item	Annual		Quarterly	
	2021 ^{(a)(b)}	2022 ^(b)	2022 Q2 ^{(a)(b)}	2023 Q2 ^(b)
Agriculture	0.9	(4.6)	(7.9)	3.6
Industry	5.7	(16.0)	(10.1)	(11.5)
Services	3.5	(2.0)	(1.8)	(0.8)
Taxes less subsidies on products	(3.6)	(27.1)	(40.6)	12.6
GDP	3.5	(7.8)	(7.4)	(3.1)

(a) Revised
(b) Provisional

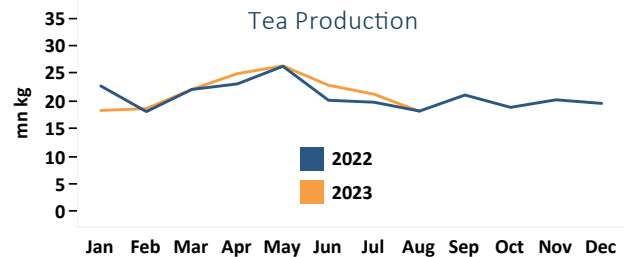


Source: Department of Census and Statistics

1.4 Agricultural Production

Item	August		% Change
	2022 ^(a)	2023 ^(a)	
Tea (mn kg)	18.3	18.3	-0.4
Rubber (mn kg)	6.5	6.0	-8.1
Coconut (mn nuts)	296.4	275.9	(6.9)

(a) Provisional

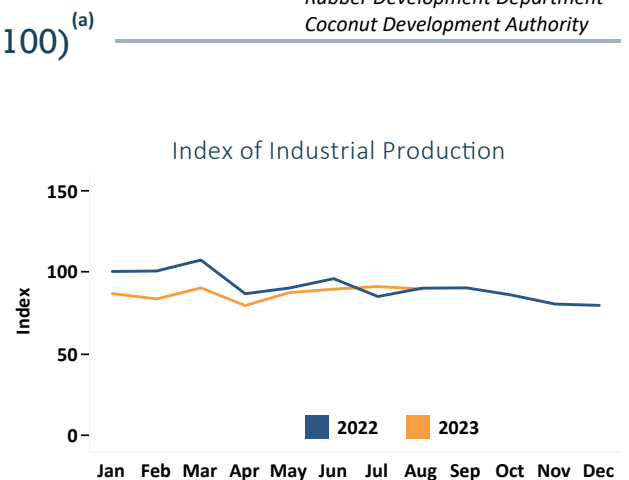


Sources: Sri Lanka Tea Board
Rubber Development Department
Coconut Development Authority

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

Item	August		% Change
	2022 ^(b)	2023 ^(c)	
Index of Industrial Production	90.7	90.2	(0.6)
Food products	93.7	94.5	0.8
Wearing apparel	98.7	70.1	(28.9)
Other non-metallic mineral products	121.7	107.2	(11.9)
Coke and refined petroleum products	31.7	113.8	259.1
Rubber and plastic products	95.6	82.6	(13.6)
Chemicals and chemical products	98.0	72.2	(26.3)
Beverages	129.6	129.7	0.1

(a) Major 7 sub divisions
(b) Revised
(c) Provisional



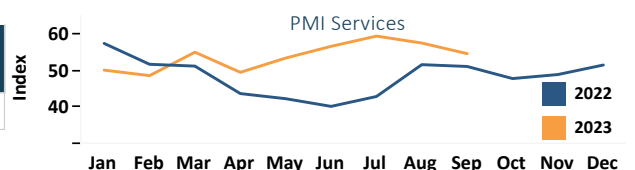
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1.6 Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI)

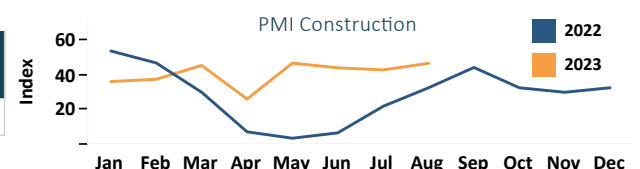
PMI Manufacturing	2022		2023	
	Aug	Sep	Aug	Sep
Index	49.6	42.6	49.3	45.7



PMI Services	2022		2023	
	Aug	Sep	Aug	Sep
Index	51.7	51.2	57.6	54.7



PMI Construction	2022		2023	
	Jul	Aug	Jul	Aug
Total Activity Index	22.2	32.9	43.2	47.0

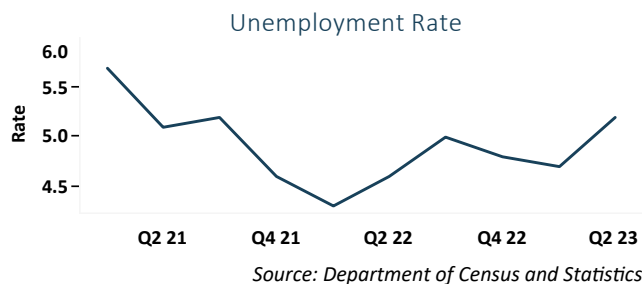


1.7 Employment (a)

Item	2022	2023 Q1	2023 Q2
Labour Force Participation rate	49.8	49.9	48.6
Unemployment rate	4.7	4.7	5.2

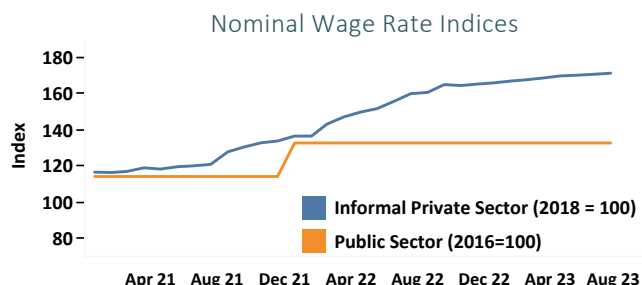
Employed Persons by Sectors (b) (as a % of Total Employment)

	2022	2022 Q4	2023 Q1
Agriculture	26.5	28.2	26.7
Industry	26.5	24.3	25.5
Services	47.0	47.5	47.8



1.8 Wage Rate Indices

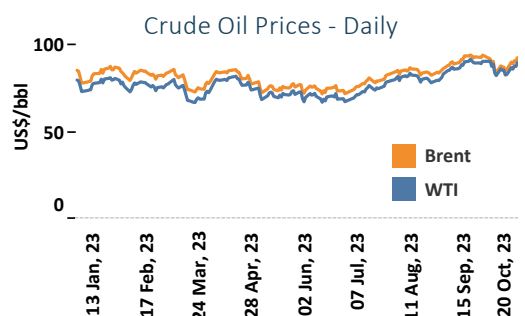
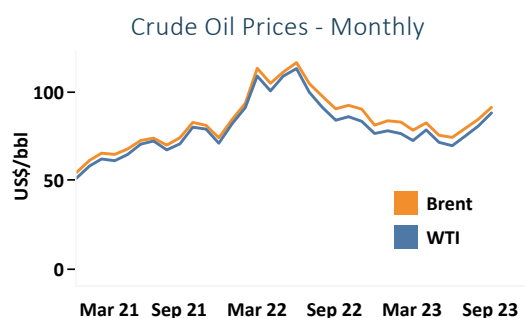
Item	2022 August	2023 August	Change %
Public Sector Employees' Wage Rate Index (2016 = 100) - Nominal	133.1	133.1	0.0
Informal Private Sector Employees' Wage Rate Index (2018 = 100) - Nominal	160.3	171.6	7.1
Agriculture	160.4	170.5	6.3
Industry	160.8	171.9	6.9
Services	159.1	172.4	8.4



1.9 Average Crude Oil Prices

Month	2022			2023		
	Futures Prices (US\$/bbl)		CPC Import Prices (CIF) (US\$/bbl) (c)	Futures Prices (US\$/bbl)		CPC Import Prices (CIF) (US\$/bbl) (c)(d)
	Brent (Benchmark Price)	WTI (Benchmark Price)		Brent (Benchmark Price)	WTI (Benchmark Price)	
January	84.96	82.55	84.09	84.28	78.60	97.93
February	94.17	91.74	76.41	83.52	76.97	-
March	114.05	109.66	-	78.93	73.05	84.05
April	105.56	101.23	-	83.09	79.10	90.49
May	111.91	109.64	109.94	76.05	72.05	86.90
June	117.29	113.89	-	74.85	70.13	90.90
July	105.39	100.47	-	79.90	75.52	81.29
August	98.07	91.79	114.71	85.09	81.28	81.53
September	91.03	84.58	119.71	91.89	88.72	-
October	93.04	86.60	-	-	-	-
November	90.89	83.96	98.77	-	-	-
December	81.80	77.06	97.03	-	-	-

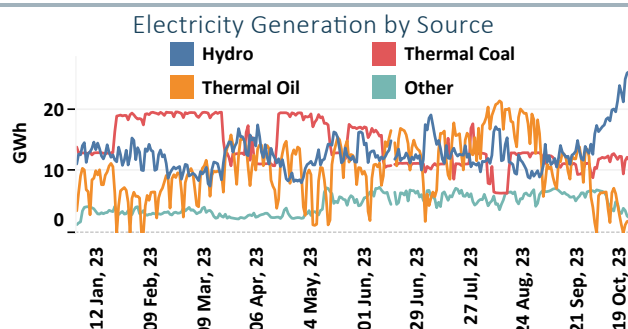
Date	2022		2023	
14-Oct	94.31	88.86	-	-
15-Oct	-	-	-	-
16-Oct	-	-	90.68	87.43
17-Oct	92.41	86.30	89.71	86.58
18-Oct	91.87	85.70	91.47	88.41
19-Oct	90.92	84.09	91.02	88.09
20-Oct	92.22	86.03	93.20	90.33



Sources: Bloomberg, Ceylon Petroleum Corporation

1.10 Daily Electricity Generation

	16-Oct-23	17-Oct-23	18-Oct-23	19-Oct-23
Peak Demand (MW)	2,129.10	2,073.10	2,005.20	2,062.50
Total Energy (GWh)	41.97	43.18	42.76	42.02
Hydro	24.94	25.93	26.13	25.94
Thermal Coal	11.74	12.29	11.86	11.93
Thermal Oil	1.33	1.90	1.95	1.38
Wind	1.03	0.31	0.17	0.11
Solar	2.62	2.46	2.35	2.43
Biomass	0.31	0.30	0.31	0.23



Source: Ceylon Electricity Board

(a) The household population aged 15 and above

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

(c) CPC import prices are not directly comparable with futures prices of WTI and Brent, as CPC's import prices include freight charges and the price is weighted for average prices of different types of crude oil. Also, a part of the imports of CPC is on a term contract basis. Crude oil was not imported in the months of March, April, June, July, October 2022 and February and September 2023.

(d) Provisional

MONETARY SECTOR

2.1 Interest Rates (% p.a.)

Policy Interest Rates	Year Ago	Week Ago	This Week
Standing Deposit Facility Rate	14.50	10.00	10.00
Standing Lending Facility Rate	15.50	11.00	11.00

Call Money Market	Year Ago	Week Ago	This Week
Average Weighted Call Money Rate (AWCMR) (Weekly Average)	15.50	10.46	10.39

Treasury Bill Yields (Primary Market)	Year Ago	Week Ago	This Week
91 Day	33.05	16.64	16.30
182 Day	32.53	14.96	14.94
364 Day	29.60	13.10	13.02

Licensed Commercial Banks	Year Ago	Week Ago	This Week
Average Weighted Prime Lending Rate (AWPR)	29.51	14.00	13.68

	August 2022	July 2023	August 2023
Savings Deposits	0.05 - 6.00	0.25 - 12.00	0.25 - 12.00
One Year Fixed Deposits	0.15 - 28.00	1.00 - 24.80	1.00 - 24.80

	September 2022	August 2023	September 2023
Average Weighted Deposit Rate (AWDR)	11.63	14.15	13.39
Average Weighted Fixed Deposit Rate (AWFDR)	15.41	18.26	17.24

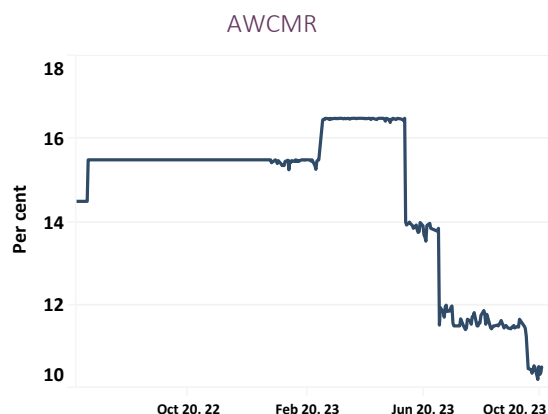
	August 2022	July 2023	August 2023
Average Weighted New Deposit Rate (AWNDR)	21.29	12.45	11.46
Average Weighted New Fixed Deposit Rate (AWNFRD)	21.62	12.76	11.81
Average Weighted Lending Rate (AWLR)	16.86	16.90	16.20
Average Weighted New Lending Rate (AWNLR)	24.18	19.30	17.89

National Savings Banks (NSB)	Year Ago	Week Ago	This Week
Savings Deposits	3.00	3.00	3.00
One Year Fixed Deposits	12.00	10.00	9.00

Treasury Bond Auction	02 Year 10 Months 12-Oct-2023	06 Years 07 Months 12-Oct-2023
Coupon Rate	11.50	11.00
Weighted Average Yield	15.24	13.56

Bank wise Average Weighted Prime Lending Rate	Week Ago	This Week	Week Ago	This Week	
Bank of Ceylon	15.04	15.03	Cargills Bank	14.33	14.00
People's Bank	15.59	13.62	HSBC	13.65	13.51
Hatton National Bank	13.91	13.98	Standard Chartered Bank	11.91	11.86
Commercial Bank of Ceylon	13.54	13.47	Citi Bank ^(a)	14.50	14.50
Sampath Bank	14.83	15.65	Deutsche Bank	13.41	13.91
Seylan Bank	17.03	16.56	Habib Bank	15.63	15.83
Union Bank of Colombo	14.44	14.23	Indian Bank	15.96	15.96
Pan Asia Banking Corporation	15.64	14.80	Indian Overseas Bank	15.46	15.46
Nations Trust Bank	14.20	13.84	MCB Bank	14.30	14.24
DFCC Bank	15.46	16.60	State Bank of India	12.17	16.02
NDB Bank	15.10	15.04	Public Bank	22.30	14.25
Amana Bank	13.55	13.34	Bank of China	-	-

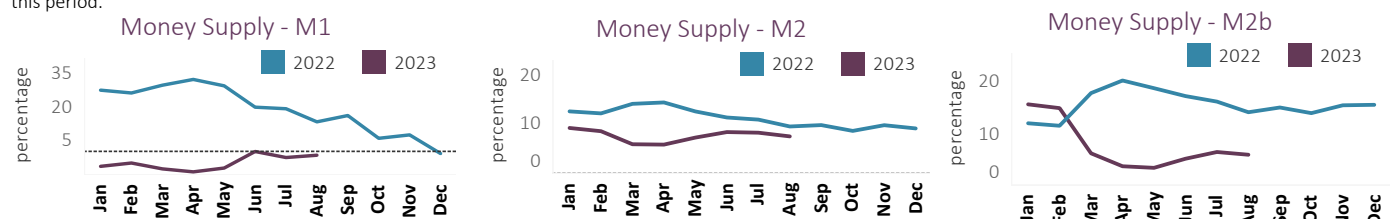
(a) The bank has not granted loans during this week to prime customers, hence the latest available rate has been provided.



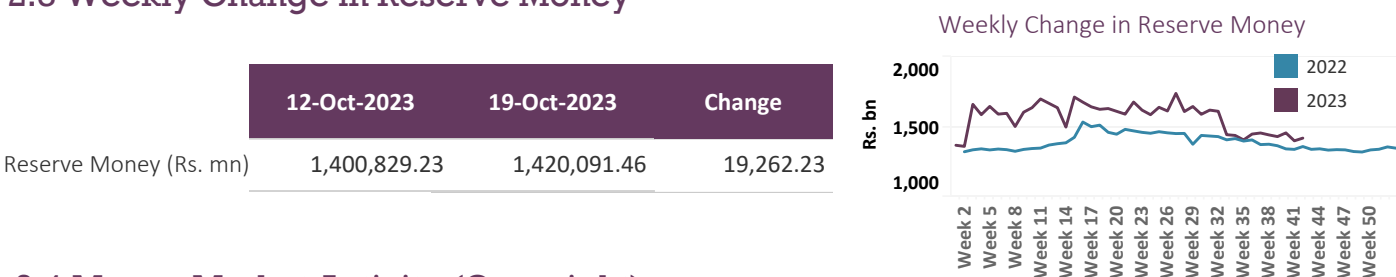
2.2 Money Supply

	Rs. bn			Annual Change (%)		
	Aug 2022	Jul 2023	Aug 2023 ^(a)	Aug 2022	Jul 2023	Aug 2023 ^(a)
Reserve Money	1,386.2	1,373.8	1,407.3	27.3	-4.4	1.5
M1	1,534.1	1,531.5	1,516.4	13.2	-2.1	-1.2
M2	10,285.9	11,080.8	11,041.4	9.3	8.1	7.4
M2b	11,986.9	12,726.3	12,697.9	14.0	6.5	5.9
Net Foreign Assets of the Banking System ^(b)	-2,035.1	-707.0	-611.5	-190.3	66.7	70.0
Monetary Authorities	-1,614.9	-982.4	-957.7	-1,825.2	41.7	40.7
Commercial Banks	-420.2	275.4	346.2	31.9	162.9	182.4
Domestic Banking Units (DBUs)	-596.8	-355.2	-290.2	-72.8	39.5	51.4
Offshore Banking Units (OBUs)	176.6	630.6	636.4	165.0	322.9	260.4
Net Domestic Assets of the Banking System ^(b)	14,022.0	13,433.3	13,309.4	25.0	-4.6	-5.1
Net Credit to the Government	6,990.1	8,549.4	8,465.3	26.4	25.2	21.1
Monetary Authorities	3,311.1	3,206.5	3,054.7	115.8	-1.8	-7.7
Commercial Banks	3,679.0	5,343.0	5,410.5	-8.0	50.0	47.1
DBUs	3,212.5	5,022.6	5,141.0	-10.4	64.3	60.0
OBUs	466.5	320.4	269.5	13.2	-36.6	-42.2
Credit to Public Corporations	1,699.8	1,097.2	1,091.0	49.5	-37.4	-35.8
DBUs	1,578.3	1,038.7	1,033.9	140.5	-36.3	-34.5
OBUs	121.5	58.6	57.1	-74.7	-53.1	-53.0
Credit to the Private Sector	7,614.2	7,092.8	7,098.3	12.1	-7.6	-6.8
DBUs	6,887.2	6,557.0	6,587.8	9.9	-5.6	-4.4
OBUs	726.9	535.8	510.5	37.6	-26.4	-29.8
Other Items (Net)	-2,282.1	-3,306.1	-3,345.2	-1.5	-52.1	-46.6

Note: Valuation changes arising from the depreciation of the Sri Lanka Rupee in June and July 2023 have led to the expansion of monetary and credit aggregates during this period.



2.3 Weekly Change in Reserve Money



2.4 Money Market Activity (Overnight)

Call Money Market	16-Oct-2023	17-Oct-2023	18-Oct-2023	19-Oct-2023	20-Oct-2023
Average Weighted Call Money Rate (AWCMR)	10.21	10.52	10.33	10.37	10.51
Gross volume (Rs. bn)	0.72	6.50	11.55	10.89	4.56
Repo Market	16-Oct-2023	17-Oct-2023	18-Oct-2023	19-Oct-2023	20-Oct-2023
Weighted Average Rate (% p.a.)	10.79	10.66	10.81	10.71	10.52
Gross Volume (Rs. bn)	22.55	10.90	5.20	23.70	18.60

2.5 CBSL Securities Portfolio

	16-Oct-2023	17-Oct-2023	18-Oct-2023	19-Oct-2023	20-Oct-2023
CBSL Treasury Bill/Bond Holdings -Face Value (Rs. bn)	2,839	2,839	2,839	2,839	2,839
CBSL Treasury Bill/Bond Holdings -Book Value (Rs. bn)	1,746	1,745	1,732	1,731	1,731

(a) Provisional

(b) In relation to M2b

2.6 Open Market Operations

Item	16-Oct-2023	17-Oct-2023	18-Oct-2023	19-Oct-2023	20-Oct-2023
Short-Term Auction					
Repo Amount Offered (Rs. bn)					
Reverse Repo Amount Offered (Rs. bn)	50.00	60.00	50.00	40.00	40.00
Tenure (No. of Days)	1	1	1	1	3
Bids Received (Rs. bn)	48.55	50.15	36.90	27.05	53.28
Amount Accepted (Rs. bn)	48.55	50.15	36.90	27.05	40.00
Minimum Accepted Rate (% p.a.)	10.02	10.01	10.01	10.03	10.05
Maximum Accepted Rate (% p.a.)	10.55	10.55	10.45	10.30	11.00
Weighted Average Yield Rate (% p.a.)	10.29	10.26	10.10	10.08	10.37
Outright Auctions					
Outright Sales Amount Offered (Rs. bn)					
Outright Purchase Amount Offered (Rs. bn)					
Settlement Date					
Maturity Date					
Tenure (No. of Days)					
Bids Received (Rs. bn)					
Amount Accepted (Rs. bn)					
Minimum Accepted Rate (% p.a.)					
Maximum Accepted Rate (% p.a.)					
Weighted Average Yield Rate (% p.a.)					
Long Term Auction					
Repo Amount Offered (Rs. bn)					
Reverse Repo Amount Offered (Rs. bn)		40.000			
Settlement Date		18.10.2023			
Maturity Date		17.11.2023			
Tenure (No. of Days)		30			
Bids Received (Rs. bn)		36.2500			
Amount Accepted (Rs. bn)		36.2500			
Minimum Accepted Rate (% p.a.)		12.65			
Maximum Accepted Rate (% p.a.)		13.50			
Weighted Average Yield Rate (% p.a.)		13.29			
Liquidity Support Facility Auction					
Reverse Repo Amount Offered (Rs. bn)					
Settlement Date					
Maturity Date					
Tenure (No. of Days)					
Bids Received (Rs. bn)					
Amount Accepted (Rs. bn)					
Minimum Accepted Rate (% p.a.)					
Maximum Accepted Rate (% p.a.)					
Weighted Average Yield Rate (% p.a.)					
Standing Facility					
Standing Deposit Facility (Rs. bn)	11.518	-	-	-	195.665
Standing Lending Facility (Rs. bn)	51.471	56.466	53.629	36.967	48.639
Total Overnight Market Liquidity (Rs. bn)	(88.503)	(106.616)	(90.529)	(64.017)	107.026
Total Outstanding Market Liquidity (Rs. bn)^(a)	(187.503)	(205.616)	(204.279)	(177.767)	(6.724)

(a) Total Outstanding Market Liquidity represents overnight liquidity adjusted for outstanding amounts of term repo/reverse repo transactions of the Central Bank with market participants.

2.7 Credit Cards and Commercial Paper Issues

2.7.1 Credit Cards ^(a)

	December 2022	July 2023	August 2023 ^(b)
Total Number of Active Cards	1,952,991	1,919,771	1,917,336
Local (accepted only locally)	13,028	11,437	11,316
Global (accepted globally)	1,939,963	1,908,334	1,906,020
Outstanding balance (Rs.mn) - Credit Cards	143,098	143,035	144,470
Local (accepted only locally)	37,328	34,912	34,965
Global (accepted globally)	105,770	108,123	109,505

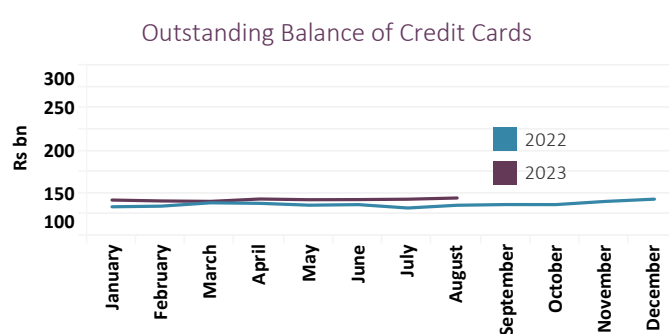
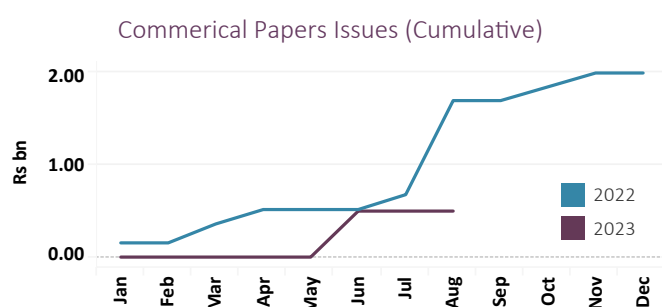
2.7.2 Commercial Paper Issues ^(c)

	December 2022	July 2023	August 2023 ^(b)
Total Issues - Cumulative ^(d) (Rs. bn)	2.0	0.5	0.5
Outstanding (as at end of the period) (Rs. bn)	0.2	0.5	0.5

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

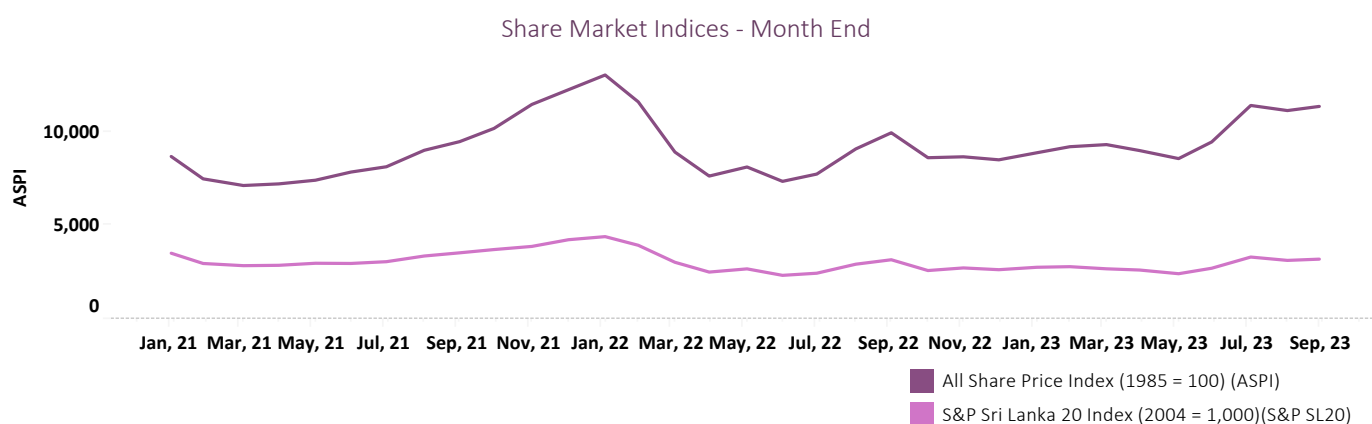
(c) Based on the information provided by LCBs and Licensed Specialised Banks (LSBs)

(d) Year-to-date total



2.8 Share Market

	21-Oct-2022	13-Oct-2023	20-Oct-2023
All Share Price Index (1985 = 100) (ASPI)	8,685.52	10,813.03	10,850.53
S&P Sri Lanka 20 Index (2004 = 1,000)(S&P SL20)	2,597.87	3,042.10	3,050.20
Daily Turnover (Rs. mn)	1,315.95	823.44	909.95
Market Capitalisation (Rs.bn)	3,809.46	4,362.28	4,360.23
Foreign Purchases (Rs. mn)	212.75	102.08	86.25
Foreign Sales (Rs. mn)	2.05	48.47	122.18
Net Foreign Purchases (Rs. mn)	210.70	53.61	-35.92

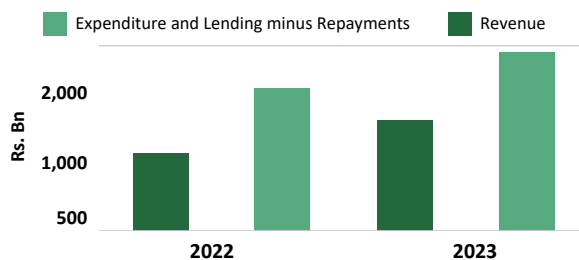


FISCAL SECTOR

3.1 Government Finance (Rs. Bn)

Item	2022	2023
	Jan. - Jul.	Jan. - Jul. (a)
Revenue and Grants	1,093.26	1,516.80
Revenue	1,092.16	1,512.83
Tax Revenue	960.67	1,376.87
Non Tax Revenue	131.49	135.96
Grants	1.09	3.97
Expenditure and Lending minus Repayments	2,103.36	2,987.67
Recurrent Expenditure	1,827.55	2,674.75
Capital and Lending minus Repayments	275.81	312.92
Primary Balance	(247.30)	(27.41)
Overall Budget Balance	(1,010.10)	(1,470.86)

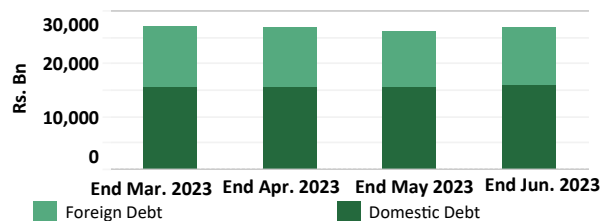
Government Fiscal Operations
January - July



3.2 Outstanding Central Government Debt (Rs. Bn)^(b)

Item	End (a)(c)	End Jun. (a)(c)
	2022	2023
Total Domestic Debt ^(d)	15,033.88	15,961.41
of which; Treasury Bills	4,113.91	5,140.94
Treasury Bonds	8,709.06	9,019.97
Rupee Loans	24.09	-
Total Foreign Debt ^{(e)(f)}	12,458.16	10,954.82
Total Outstanding Government Debt	27,492.03	26,916.23

Central Government Debt
End Mar. 2023 - End Jun. 2023



Sources : Ministry of Finance, Economic Stabilisation and National Policies
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3.3 Government Securities - Primary and Secondary Market Yield Rates

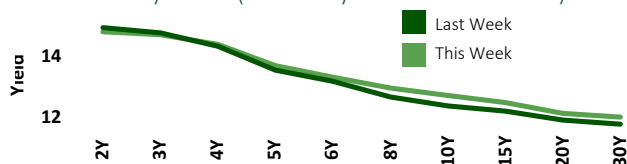
3.3.1 Treasury Bills and Treasury Bonds for the week ending - 19 October 2023

Security	Maturity	Primary Market (g) %		Secondary Market (h) %			
		Last Week	This Week	Buying	This Week Selling	Average	Last Week Average
Treasury Bills	91 Day	16.64	16.30	16.37	15.83	16.10	16.48
	182 Day	14.96	14.94	14.93	14.29	14.61	14.82
	364 Day	13.10	13.02	13.21	12.59	12.90	12.96
	< 2 Years	-	-	14.91	14.39	14.65	14.76
	< 3 Years	15.24	-	14.78	14.36	14.57	14.62
	< 4 Years	-	-	14.53	14.08	14.31	14.26
	< 5 Years	-	-	13.93	13.54	13.74	13.62
	< 6 Years	-	-	13.74	13.12	13.43	13.32
Treasury Bonds	< 7 Years	13.56	-	-	-	-	-
	< 8 Years	-	-	13.45	12.83	13.14	12.90
	< 10 Years	-	-	13.31	12.56	12.94	12.66
	< 15 Years	-	-	13.14	12.35	12.75	12.52
	< 20 Years	-	-	12.87	12.05	12.46	12.28
< 30 Years	-	-	12.76	11.95	12.36	12.17	

Treasury Bills (Secondary Market Yield Curves)



Treasury Bonds (Secondary Market Yield Curves)



(a) Provisional

(b) As per the guidelines of compiling government debt statistics in the Manual of Government Finance Statistics published by the IMF in 2014, non resident holdings of outstanding SLDBs and ISBs of the Sri Lankan Government have been classified under foreign debt and resident holdings of outstanding SLDBs and ISBs of the Sri Lankan Government have been classified under domestic debt.

(c) The outstanding central government debt excludes several debt service payments that became overdue after 12 April 2022, the date of which the Interim Policy regarding the servicing of Sri Lanka's external public debt was announced by the Ministry of Finance, Economic Stabilisation and National Policies. These debt service payments comprise of overdue interest payments of affected debt which deemed to be capitalised as per the Interim Policy. Further, the December 2022 balance excluded the value of principal payments yet to be settled in relation to Sri Lanka Development Bonds from April 2022 till end 2022.

(d) Includes outstanding balance of the government guaranteed foreign currency debt of the Ceylon Petroleum Corporation that was absorbed into central government debt w.e.f. December 2022

(e) From December 2022 onwards, several outstanding project loans which were previously classified under Ceylon Electricity Board, Airport and Aviation Services Ltd. and Sri Lanka Ports Authority were absorbed into central government debt.

(f) Foreign loan debt statistics are prepared based on the data sourced from the Commonwealth Secretariat Debt Recording and Management System (CS-DRMS) maintained by the Ministry of Finance, Economic Stabilisation and National Policies.

(g) Primary market transactions during the week ending 19 October 2023

(h) Average of the secondary market quotes

3.3.2 International Sovereign Bonds

Security	Maturity Date	Coupon Rate	Secondary Market	
			Last Week	This Week
International Sovereign Bonds	14-Mar-24	6.850	-	-
	28-Jun-24	6.350	-	-
	03-Jun-25	6.125	-	-
	03-Nov-25	6.850	-	47.05
	18-July-26	6.825	38.22	35.62
	11-May-27	6.200	32.59	30.48
	18-Apr-28	6.750	28.89	25.22
	14-Mar-29	7.850	25.86	24.37
	28-Mar-30	7.550	23.06	21.75

3.4 Government Securities - Weekly Summary of Primary and Secondary Market Transactions (Week ending 19 October 2023)

Item	Volume in Rs. Mn	
	Last Week	This Week
Outstanding Stock of Government Securities		
Treasury Bills	3,818,671	3,827,900
Treasury Bonds ^(a)	11,959,820	11,987,320
of which T-Bills and T-Bonds held by Foreigners	146,172	155,872
Total	15,778,491	15,815,220
Sri Lanka Development Bonds (SLDBs) ^(b)	7,598	7,610

Primary Market Activities ^(c)	Volume in Rs. Mn	
	Last Week	This Week

Treasury Bills

Phase I, Price based Competitive Bidding Auction

Amount Offered	90,000	65,000
Total Bids Received	166,990	134,886
Amount Accepted	85,712	56,651

Phase II, Non-competitive Allocation

Amount Raised	5,093	24,599
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Treasury Bonds

Phases I, II and III

Amount Offered	25,000.00	-
Total Bids Received	83,699.00	-
Amount Accepted	25,000.00	-

Direct Issuance Window

Amount Raised	2,500.00	-
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Secondary Market Activities	Volume in Rs. Mn	
	Last Week	This Week

Treasury Bills

Outright Transaction (Sales/Purchases)	149,996	154,328
Repo Transaction (Sales/Purchases)	319,241	306,402

Treasury Bonds

Outright Transaction (Sales/Purchases)	190,425	219,239
Repo Transaction (Sales/Purchases)	860,528	768,064

(a) Includes Treasury Bonds amounting to Rs. 31,445.60 million issued to CPC to be matured on 01.01.2032.

(b) The outstanding SLDBs as of 19.10.2023 are subsequent to the settlement of exchange of outstanding eligible SLDBs for five (5) New LKR Treasury Bonds pursuant to the Domestic Debt Optimization Programme (DDO) on 15.08.2023 and, includes principal and coupon payments pending settlement.

(c) Limited to T-Bill and T-Bond issuances under regular issuance process.

n.a. - not available

3.5 Two Way Quotes (Treasury Bills) - 20 October 2023

Remaining Maturity	Average Buying Price	Yield %	Average Selling Price	Yield %	Buying & Selling Spread
1-7 Days	99.7139	14.92	99.7394	13.59	0.0255
1 Month	98.7839	14.94	98.8729	13.83	0.0891
2 Month	97.3757	16.35	97.5146	15.46	0.1389
3 Month	96.0811	16.32	96.2290	15.68	0.1479
4 Month	94.9821	16.03	95.1534	15.45	0.1713
5 Month	93.9711	15.57	94.2174	14.89	0.2463
6 Month	93.0569	14.92	93.3344	14.28	0.2775
7 Month	92.1730	14.72	92.5823	13.89	0.4092
8 Month	91.2738	14.50	91.6807	13.76	0.4069
9 Month	90.4783	14.19	91.0243	13.29	0.5460
10 Month	89.7796	13.81	90.2932	13.04	0.5136
11 Month	89.1406	13.44	89.5931	12.81	0.4525
12 Month	88.3349	13.21	88.8143	12.59	0.4794

3.6 Two Way Quotes (Treasury Bonds) - 20 October 2023

Treasury Bond By Series	Maturity Period (Years)	Maturity Date (DD/MM/YY)	Days to Maturity	Average Buying Price	Yield %	Average Selling Price	Yield %	Buying & Selling Spread
06.30%2023A	3	15-Nov-23	26	99.3224	15.58	99.4056	14.41	0.0833
11.60%2023A	5	15-Dec-23	56	99.3578	15.28	99.5437	14.08	0.1858
11.40%2024A	10	01-Jan-24	73	99.1834	15.12	99.3517	14.27	0.1683
10.90%2024A	5	15-Mar-24	147	98.3373	15.11	98.6599	14.26	0.3226
22.50%2024A	2	01-May-24	194	103.4515	15.45	103.8333	14.71	0.3818
10.25%2024A	5	15-Jun-24	239	96.9136	15.33	97.3796	14.54	0.4660
11.00%2024A	8	01-Aug-24	286	96.9026	15.28	97.6294	14.24	0.7268
09.85%2024A	5	15-Sep-24	331	95.3223	15.56	95.9156	14.81	0.5934
22.00%2024A	2	15-Nov-24	392	106.3647	15.28	107.3249	14.33	0.9601
06.00%2024A	10	01-Dec-24	408	90.6338	15.45	91.3623	14.66	0.7285
22.50%2025A	3	15-Jan-25	453	108.1591	14.94	108.7289	14.45	0.5698
10.25%2025A	10	15-Mar-25	512	94.3973	14.79	95.0237	14.26	0.6263
09.00%2025A	12	01-May-25	559	92.3030	14.79	92.9704	14.26	0.6674
17.00%2025A	3	01-Jun-25	590	102.7012	15.02	103.2707	14.62	0.5695
18.00%2025A	3	01-Jul-25	620	104.2661	15.01	104.7718	14.67	0.5057
11.00%2025A	10	01-Aug-25	651	94.1700	14.81	94.8653	14.34	0.6953
10.35%2025A	8	15-Oct-25	726	92.6337	14.76	93.4705	14.24	0.8367
06.75%2026A	5	15-Jan-26	818	85.2854	14.69	85.9913	14.27	0.7059
09.00%2026A	13	01-Feb-26	835	89.2708	14.68	90.0105	14.26	0.7397
05.35%2026A	15	01-Mar-26	863	81.8959	14.67	82.6250	14.25	0.7291
22.50%2026A	4	15-May-26	938	115.6050	14.94	116.5827	14.52	0.9777
11.00%2026A	11	01-Jun-26	955	91.9410	14.81	92.4978	14.53	0.5568
11.50%2026A	10	01-Aug-26	1,016	92.3626	14.93	93,0440	14.61	0.6814
11.40%2027A	8	15-Jan-27	1,183	91.7249	14.68	92.8214	14.23	1.0965
12%9%2027A	4	15-Mar-27	1,242	93.5077	14.47	94.9256	13.91	1.4180
18.00%2027A	5	01-May-27	1,289	108.8404	14.70	109.9585	14.30	1.1181
11.75%2027A	10	15-Jun-27	1,334	92.1801	14.57	93.4758	14.08	1.2957
07.80%2027A	7	15-Aug-27	1,395	80.6783	14.56	81.9135	14.07	1.2352
20.00%2027A	5	15-Sep-27	1,426	115.1170	14.75	116.4628	14.33	1.3458
10.30%2027A	8	15-Oct-27	1,456	87.5265	14.53	88.8665	14.04	1.3400
11.25%2027A	10	15-Dec-27	1,517	90.1051	14.49	91.5437	13.99	1.4386
18.00%2028A	6	15-Jan-28	1,548	110.6782	14.51	112.2427	14.04	1.5645
10.75%2028A	10	15-Mar-28	1,608	89.2516	14.10	90.6350	13.64	1.3834
12%9%2028A	5	15-Apr-28	1,639	93.5094	14.00	94.9479	13.54	1.4385
09.00%2028B	15	01-May-28	1,655	83.1589	14.16	83.8682	13.91	0.7093
09.00%2028A	15	01-Jul-28	1,716	82.3018	14.29	83.0048	14.05	0.7030
11.50%2028A	13	01-Sep-28	1,778	91.1598	14.06	92.0302	13.79	0.8704
13.00%2029A	15	01-Jan-29	1,900	97.6913	13.62	99.3246	13.17	1.6333
12.4%7.5%5%2029A	5	15-Mar-29	1,973	96.0500	13.44	98.5446	12.77	2.4945
13.00%2029B	15	01-May-29	2,020	97.7805	13.58	99.4487	13.14	1.6683
12%9%2029A	6	15-May-29	2,034	93.5164	13.70	96.3066	12.95	2.7902
20.00%2029A	7	15-Jul-29	2,095	123.1363	13.98	126.0263	13.34	2.8900
12.4%7.5%5%2030A	5	15-Apr-30	2,369	96.0941	13.32	98.1963	12.82	2.1022
11.00%2030A	15	15-May-30	2,399	88.6888	13.66	90.7964	13.13	2.1076
12%9%2030A	8	15-Jun-30	2,430	94.1991	13.33	96.7813	12.72	2.5822
12%9%2031A	8	15-Jan-31	2,644	93.8958	13.33	96.6124	12.72	2.7166
11.25%2031A	12	15-Mar-31	2,703	89.8029	13.46	92.3667	12.87	2.5637
18.00%2031A	9	15-May-31	2,764	120.2928	13.61	123.3302	13.05	3.0374
12.4%7.5%5%2031A	6	15-May-31	2,764	95.9285	13.26	98.1671	12.78	2.2386
12.00%2031A	10	01-Dec-31	2,964	92.9058	13.46	95.6829	12.87	2.7771
08.00%2032A	20	01-Jan-32	2,995	73.1722	13.50	76.1809	12.76	3.0087
12%9%2032A	8	15-Feb-32	3,040	93.1641	13.38	97.0306	12.58	3.8665
12.4%7.5%5%2032A	8	15-Jun-32	3,161	95.2484	13.33	98.9237	12.60	3.6754
18.00%2032A	10	01-Jul-32	3,177	121.5834	13.67	125.8745	12.94	4.2910
09.00%2032A	20	01-Oct-32	3,269	77.0521	13.49	80.3978	12.73	3.3457
11.20%2033A	15	15-Jan-33	3,375	87.8962	13.53	91.6817	12.75	3.7854
12.4%7.5%5%2033A	8	15-Jan-33	3,375	95.6662	13.22	99.4142	12.50	3.7480
12%9%2033A	10	15-Mar-33	3,434	93.1833	13.29	97.2776	12.50	4.0944
09.00%2033A	20	01-Jun-33	3,512	77.5646	13.18	80.9793	12.44	3.4147
13.25%2033A	20	01-Jul-33	3,542	100.3480	13.18	104.4662	12.44	4.1182
09.00%2033B	20	01-Nov-33	3,665	77.1169	13.17	80.6271	12.43	3.5102
13.25%2034A	20	01-Jan-34	3,726	100.3803	13.17	104.6558	12.42	4.2755
12.4%7.5%5%2034A	8	15-Feb-34	3,771	95.4963	13.20	99.6328	12.46	4.1366
12%9%2034A	15	15-Apr-34	3,830	93.8846	13.09	98.3830	12.28	4.4984
10.25%2034A	15	15-Sep-34	3,983	83.3315	13.17	87.2004	12.42	3.8688
11.50%2035A	20	15-Mar-35	4,164	89.9830	13.22	94.6813	12.38	4.6983
12.4%7.5%5%2035A	10	15-Mar-35	4,164	95.3757	13.19	99.7308	12.44	4.3551
12%9%2035A	15	15-May-35	4,225	93.6259	13.08	98.3626	12.27	4.7366
12.4%7.5%5%2036A	10	15-Apr-36	4,561	95.2208	13.19	99.7656	12.44	4.5448
12%9%2036A	15	15-Jun-36	4,622	93.3644	13.08	98.2805	12.27	4.9161
12%9%2037A	15	15-Jan-37	4,836	93.2539	13.08	98.2578	12.26	5.0039
12.4%7.5%5%2037A	10	15-May-37	4,956	95.0646	13.19	99.7612	12.43	4.6966
12%9%2038A	15	15-Feb-38	5,232	93.0600	13.08	98.2078	12.26	5.1478
12.4%7.5%5%2038A	10	15-Jun-38	5,352	94.9310	13.18	99.7378	12.43	4.8068
10.50%2039A	20	15-Aug-39	5,778	83.0089	13.06	88.1071	12.21	5.0982
12.00%2041A	25	01-Jan-41	6,283	94.3302	12.82	99.9220	12.01	5.5918
09.00%2043A	30	01-Jun-43	7,164	72.8232	12.81	77.5189	12.00	4.6956
13.50%2044A	30	01-Jan-44	7,378	105.0660	12.79	111.4722	11.98	6.4062
13.50%2044B	30	01-Jun-44	7,530	105.1961	12.78	111.6461	11.96	6.4500
12.50%2045A	30	01-Mar-45	7,803	98.1412	12.75	104.2809	11.94	6.1397

3.7 New LKR Treasury Bonds issued pursuant to the Domestic Debt Optimisation Programme

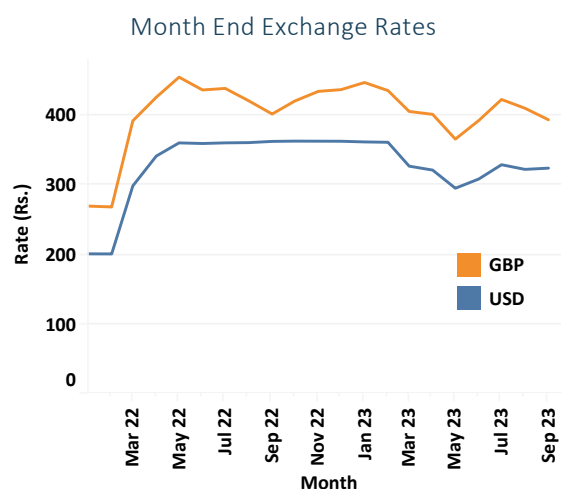
Series	Maturity Period (Years)	Maturity Date (DD/MM/YY)	Days to Maturity	Average Buying Price	Yield %	Average Selling Price	Yield %	Buying & Selling Spread
1.00%2025A	2	15-Jul-25	634	93.4485	14.67	94.1569	13.67	0.7084
1.00%2027A	4	15-Jul-27	1,364	89.0596	14.17	91.0167	12.83	1.9571
1.00%2029A	6	15-Jul-29	2,095	85.7804	14.00	88.3771	12.67	2.5967
1.00%2031A	8	15-Jul-31	2,825	83.5749	13.83	86.0427	12.67	2.4678
1.00%2033A	10	15-Jul-33	3,556	81.8977	13.67	85.3427	12.33	3.4451

EXTERNAL SECTOR

4.1 Exchange Rate

Item (Rs Per Unit) ^(a)	20-Oct-23			Average Rate	
	Buying Rate	Selling Rate	Average Rate	Week Ago	Year Ago
USD	319.65	330.42	325.03	323.45	365.86
GBP	386.85	402.82	394.83	395.15	409.52
Yen	2.13	2.22	2.17	2.16	2.44
EURO	336.55	351.54	344.04	341.35	356.70
INR ^(b)			3.91	3.89	4.38
SDR as at 19-Oct-23			425.02	425.97	463.75

Central Bank Purchases and Sales (USD mn) ^{(c) (d)}	2022	2023	2023
	September	August	September
Purchases	237.0	296.5	83.0
Sales	172.0	467.0	-



Item	Year Ago	Week Ago	20-Oct-23
Average Daily Interbank Volume (USD mn)	23.94	25.26	29.28

(spot, tom and cash transactions among commercial banks)

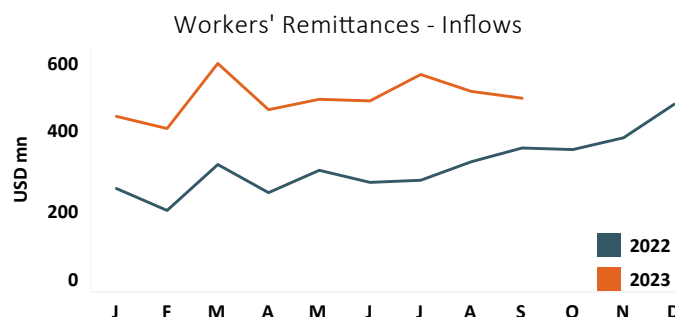
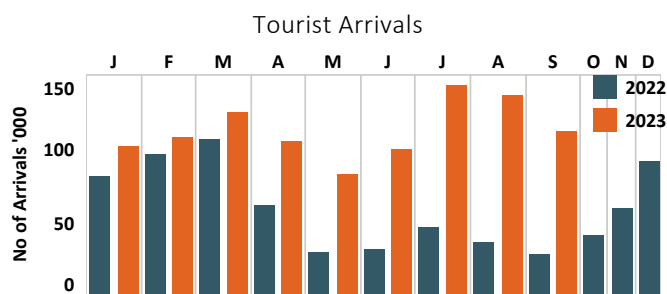
Forward Transactions

Forward Rates (Rs per USD) ^(e)			
	Year Ago	Week Ago	20-Oct-23
1 Month	363.22	326.30	326.78
3 Month	-	-	-
Average Daily Interbank Forward Volume (USD mn)	20.19	20.08	24.60
Outstanding Forward Volume (USD mn) as at 19-Oct-23	248.59	579.31	604.34

4.2 Tourism & Workers' Remittances

		2022	2023	2022	2023	Y-o-Y %
		September	September ^(f)	Jan - Sep	Jan - Sep ^(f)	Change
Tourist Arrivals	Number	29,802	111,938	526,232	1,016,256	93.1
Earnings from Tourism	USD mn	40.5	152.2 ^(g)	873.1	1,456.7 ^(g)	66.8
	Rs. bn	14.7	49.1 ^(g)	242.4	478.7 ^(g)	97.5

		2022	2023	2022	2023	Y-o-Y %
		September	September ^(f)	Jan - Sep	Jan - Sep ^(f)	Change
Workers' Remittances (Inflows)	USD mn	359.3	482.4	2,574.1	4,345.1	68.8
	Rs bn	130.2	155.7	811.0	1,420.2	75.1



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

(b) Central Bank middle exchange rate

(c) Total monthly purchases and sales of foreign exchange by the Central Bank from commercial banks at market rates.

(d) Central Bank sales of foreign exchange during August 2023 include the effect of a temporary facilitation of foreign exchange during the process of restructuring Sri Lanka Development Bonds.

(e) Weekly average based on actual transactions.

(f) Provisional

(g) Based on the survey conducted by the Sri Lanka Tourism Development Authority in 2023.

4.3 Official Reserve Assets as at end September 2023^(a) (USD Mn)

Official Reserve Assets ^(b)	3,530
Foreign Currency Reserves	3,493
Reserve position in the IMF	4
SDRs	4
Gold	28
Other Reserve Assets	1

4.4 International Reserves & Foreign Currency Liquidity as at end August 2023^(a) (USD Mn)

Official Reserve Assets ^(c)	3,600
Foreign Currency Reserves	3,562
(a) Securities	278
(b) Total currency and deposits with	3,284
(i) other national central banks, BIS and IMF	2,648
(ii) banks headquartered inside the reporting country of which located abroad	0.1
(iii) banks headquartered outside the reporting country	635
Reserve position in the IMF	4
SDRs	5
Gold	29
Other Reserve Assets	0.4

Predetermined Short-Term Net Drains on Foreign Currency Assets ^(d) (USD mn)

Item	Total	Maturity breakdown (residual maturity)		
		Up to 1 month	More than 1 and up to 3 months	More than 3 months and up to 1 year
1. Foreign currency loans, securities, and deposits ^(e)	(3,312)	(73)	(237)	(3,002)
outflows (-) Principal	(2,762)	(54)	(139)	(2,569)
outflows (-) Interest	(550)	(19)	(98)	(434)
inflows (+) Principal				
inflows (+) Interest				
2. Aggregate short and long positions in forwards and futures in foreign currencies vis-à-vis the domestic currency (including the forward leg of currency swaps)	(2,164)	(598)	(156)	(1,410)
Short positions (-) ^(f)	(2,314)	(748)	(156)	(1,410)
Long positions (+)	150	150	0	0
3. Other	(3)	(3)		
inflows related to reverse repos (+)				
outflows related to repos (-)				
other accounts payable (-)	(3)	(3)		

(a) Provisional

(b) This includes proceeds from the PBOC swap equivalent to around US dollars 1.4 billion, which is subject to conditionalities on usability

(c) This includes proceeds from the PBOC swap equivalent to around US dollars 1.3 billion, which is subject to conditionalities on usability

(d) This mainly includes the predetermined outflows.

(e) Includes projected short-term net drains after the announcement of the suspension of selected external debt servicing by the Government for an interim period.

(f) A major share of SWAP outstanding will be rolled over.

4.5 External Trade ^(a)

Item	Jan - Aug (USD mn)			Jan - Aug (Rs mn)		
	2022	2023 ^(b)	% Change	2022	2023 ^(b)	% Change
Exports	8,912.1	8,010.1	(10.1)	2,712,318.1	2,629,157.6	(3.1)
Agricultural	1,708.5	1,702.9	(0.3)	523,009.4	557,825.3	6.7
Industrial	7,167.7	6,273.6	(12.5)	2,178,787.0	2,060,228.4	(5.4)
Food, Beverages & Tobacco	366.0	354.4	(3.2)	110,716.1	115,987.8	4.8
Textiles and Garments	4,095.6	3,325.7	(18.8)	1,248,160.1	1,093,032.5	(12.4)
Petroleum Products	409.8	325.7	(20.5)	119,758.6	107,385.3	(10.3)
Leather, Rubber Products, etc.	730.4	635.8	(13.0)	222,242.4	208,830.0	(6.0)
Other	1,565.8	1,632.0	4.2	477,909.9	534,992.8	11.9
Mineral	21.1	15.7	(25.7)	5,978.9	5,225.5	(12.6)
Unclassified	14.8	17.9	21.2	4,542.9	5,878.4	29.4
Imports	12,800.9	10,974.1	(14.3)	3,744,196.9	3,591,884.1	(4.1)
Consumer Goods	1,945.7	2,028.3	4.2	557,377.4	662,340.3	18.8
Intermediate Goods	8,584.0	7,185.5	(16.3)	2,534,622.4	2,354,183.7	(7.1)
Investment Goods	2,263.5	1,747.9	(22.8)	649,631.6	571,437.0	(12.0)
Unclassified	7.7	12.4	60.0	2,565.5	3,923.0	52.9
Trade Balance	(3,888.7)	(2,964.0)		(1,031,878.9)	(962,726.5)	

4.6 Trade Indices (2010 = 100) ^(c)

Item	Year Ago	Month Ago	2023 August
Total Exports			
Value	170.5	142.0	155.7
Quantity	181.0	164.3	200.2
Unit Value	94.2	86.5	77.8
Total Imports			
Value	133.0	124.2	127.6
Quantity	116.9	131.4	129.0
Unit Value	113.7	94.5	98.9
Terms of Trade	82.8	91.5	78.6



4.7 Commodity Prices

	USD		% Change	LKR		% Change
	August 2022	August 2023		August 2022	August 2023	
Colombo Tea Auctions						
Tea Prices (per kg)	4.25	3.49	(17.9)	1,534.00	1,122.04	(26.9)
Imports (CIF)						
Rice (per MT)	379.43	917.93	141.9	136,974.42	295,185.69	115.5
Sugar (per MT)	586.58	757.73	29.2	211,754.66	243,669.03	15.1
Wheat (per MT)	432.00	478.78	10.8	155,949.76	153,964.12	(1.3)
Crude Oil (per barrel)	114.71	81.53	(28.9)	41,409.03	26,216.78	(36.7)



(a) Values in some tables have been rounded off to the nearest final digit.

(b) Provisional

(c) In USD Terms

(d) Crude oil was not imported in March, April, June, July, October 2022 and February 2023.