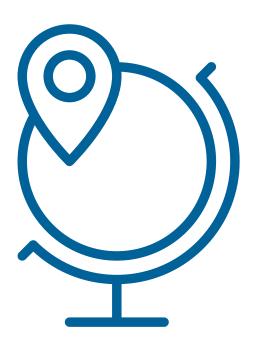


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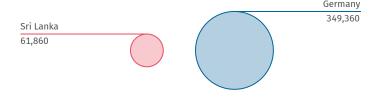
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General information

Capital city	Official language	Currency
Colombo	Sinhala, Tamil	Sri-Lanka-Rupie

Land area in relation to Germany km²



Source: WB-WDI

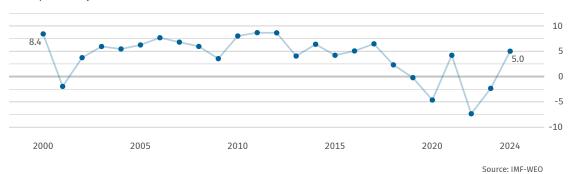


Economy and finance

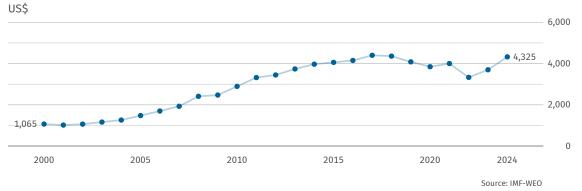


Gross domestic product, real change

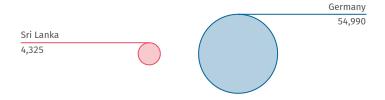
% on previous year



Gross domestic product per capita



Gross domestic product per capita in relation to Germany, 2024 US\$



Source: IMF-WEO

Inflation rate (change of consumer price index) % on previous year

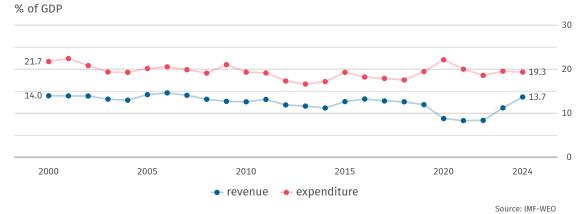
> **-0.4** (2024) Source: IMF-IFS

General government gross debt

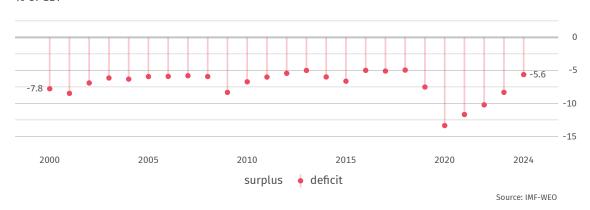
% of GDP **99.4** (2024) Source: IMF-WEO General government net lending / borrowing

% of GDP **-5.6** (2024) Source: IMF-WEO

General government revenue and expenditure



General government net lending / borrowing % of GDP



Foreign direct investment (FDI): inward stocks

> 14.831 (2023) Source: UNCTAD

Foreign direct investment (FDI): outward stocks bn US\$

1.560

(2023) Source: UNCTAD Foreign direct investment (FDI): net flow, inward bn US\$

0.712 (2023) Source: UNCTAD

Foreign direct investment (FDI): net flow, outward

bn US\$

0.034 (2023) Source: UNCTAD

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Population

Population total

21,916

(2024) Source: WB-WDI Population density inhabitants per km²

359

(2022) Source: WB-WDI Life expectancy at birth (women)

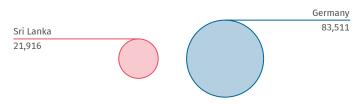
80.6

(2023) Source: WB-WDI Life expectancy at birth (men)

74.2

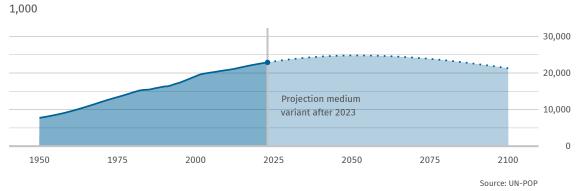
(2023) Source: WB-WDI

Population in relation to Germany, 2024 1,000

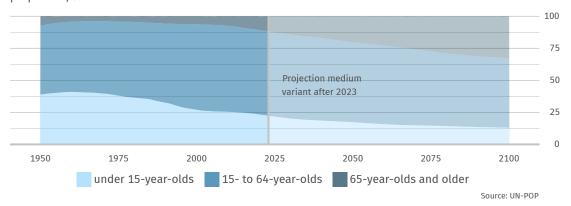


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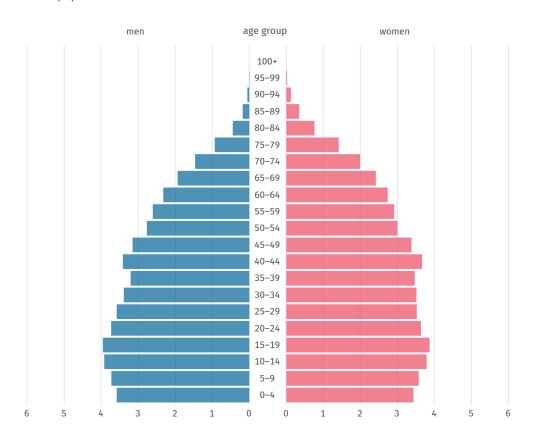
Population



Population by age group proportion, %



Population pyramid, 2024 % of total population



Source: UN-POP



Health

Practising physicians
per 1,000 inhabitants

(2021) Source: WHO Hospital beds
per 1,000 inhabitants

4.0 (2020) Source: WHO Prevalence of raised blood pressure

30.1 (2019) Source: WHO Prevalence of obesity (BMI >= 30)

10.6 (2022) Source: WHO



Education

Government expenditure on education

% of GDP **1.8**

(2023) Source: UNESCO Pupil-teacher ratio (primary education)

> **21.9** (2023) Source: UNESCO

Pupil-teacher ratio (secondary education)

17.1

(2023) Source: UNESCO Students (tertiary education)

per 100,000 inhabitants

2,070 (2023) Source: UNESCO*



Labour force

Employment rate (persons aged 15+)

[%] 47.3

(2024) Source: ILOSTAT Labour force (persons aged 15+)

1,000 **8,959**

(2024) Source: ILOSTAT Labour force participation rate (persons aged 15+)

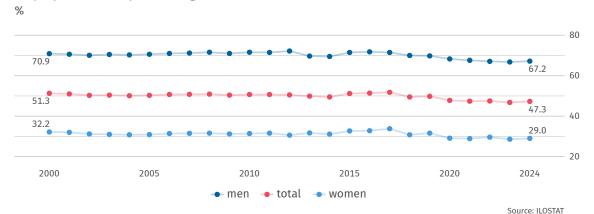
49.7

(2024) Source: ILOSTAT Self-employment (persons aged 15+)

% **41.8**

(2023) Source: ILOSTAT

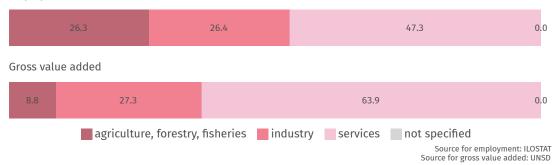
Employment rate (persons aged 15+)



Employment and gross value added by sector, 2023

%

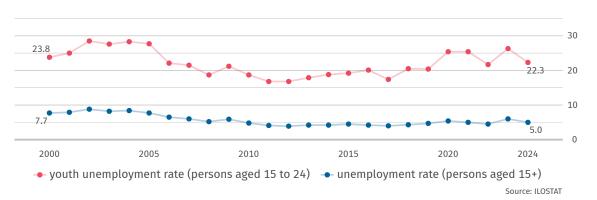
Employment



Unemployment rate Unemployment rate Long-term unemployment rate (persons aged 15 to 24) (persons aged 15+) (persons aged 15+) % of unemployed persons **5.0** 22.3 31.9 (2024) (2022) (2024)Source: ILOSTAT Source: ILOSTAT Source: ILOSTAT

Unemployment rate and youth unemployment rate

%





Living conditions

Human Development Index (HDI) value (0 low to 1 high)

> 0.776 (2023)Source: UNDP

Human Development Index (HDI) rank (of 193 countries)

> 89 (2023) Source: UNDP

Income distribution: Gini coefficient

value (0 to 100; 0=equal distribution)

37.7 (2019)Source: WB-WDI



Manufacturing

Index of industrial production 2010=100

No data

Source: IMF-IFS



Agriculture and forestry

Change in agricultural production % since 2000

+42

(2023)

Source: FAO*

Agricultural land % of land area

48.6

(2023)Source: FAO* Forest area

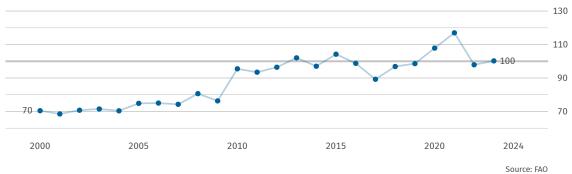
% of land area

34.0

(2023) Source: FAO*

Index of agricultural production

2014 to 2016 = 100





Foreign trade

Export of goods
bn US\$

12.110 (2024)

Source: UN Comtrade

Import of goods
bn US\$

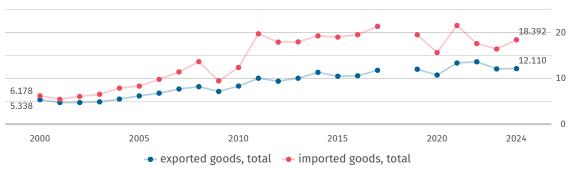
18.392

(2024) Source: UN Comtrade Trade balance, goods
bn US\$

-6.282

(2024) Source: UN Comtrade*

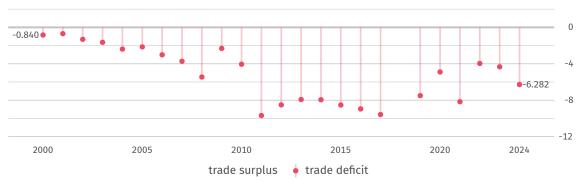
Export and import of goods bn US\$



2018: Missing data. Source: UN Comtrade

Foreign trade balance

bn US\$



2018: Missing data. Source: UN Comtrade

Goods exported to Germany

mn US\$

626 (2024)

(2024) Source: UN Comtrade Goods exported to Germany

% of all goods exported

5.2

(2024) Source: UN Comtrade* Goods imported from Germany

mn US\$

296 (2024)

Source: UN Comtrade

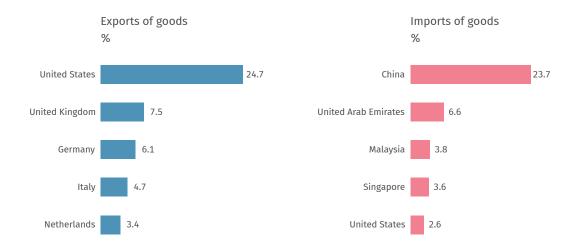
Goods imported from Germany

% of all goods imported

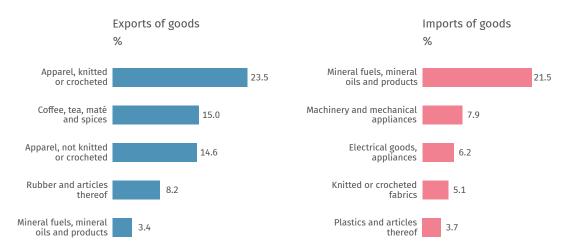
1.6 (2024)

Source: UN Comtrade*

Main trading partners, 2024



Main commodities traded, 2024



Source: UN Comtrade*

Classification of commodities: Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding Systems (HS2).

Transport

Passenger cars per 1,000 inhabitants 32 (2015)

Source: OICA*

Total rail network km per 1 mn inhabitants
72
(2019)

Source: WB-WDI*

Air transport, passengers
per 1,000 inhabitants

39
(2021)
Source: WB-WDI*

Pump price for gasoline in relation to Germany US\$ per litre



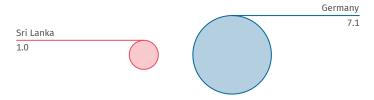
Source: GPP, 2025-09-08



Environment and energy

Carbon dioxide emissions	Total primary energy supply	Gross electricity consumption	Renewable energy
tonnes per capita	kg oil equivalent per capita	kWh per capita	% of total final energy consumption
1.0	474	684	48.8
(2023)	(2022)	(2022)	(2021)
Source: EDGAR	Source: WB-WDI	Source: WB-WDI	Source: WB-WDI

Carbon dioxide emissions in relation to Germany, 2023 tonnes per capita



Source: EDGAR



Science, research and technology

Gross domestic expenditure on R&D

% of GDP

0.1 (2022)Source: UNESCO

Researchers per 1 mn inhabitants

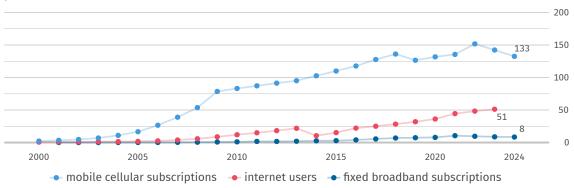
> 94 (2022)Source: UNESCO

Resident patent applications per 1 mn inhabitants

> (2023)Source: WIPO

Dissemination of communication technology





Source: ITU



EDGAR Emissions Database for Global Atmospheric Research, European Commission

United Nations, Food and Agricultural Organization FAO

GPP GlobalPetrolPrices.com

ILOSTAT International Labour Organization, ILOSTAT - Database

IMF-IFS International Monetary Fund, International Financial Statistics

IMF-WEO International Monetary Fund, World Economic Outlook United Nations, International Telecommunication Union ITU OICA International Organization of Motor Vehicle Manufacturers

UN Comtrade United Nations, Comtrade Database

United Nations, Conference on Trade and Development **UNCTAD**

UNDP **United Nations Development Programme**

UNESCO United Nations, Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

UNPOP United Nations, Population Division UNSD **United Nations, Statistics Division**

WB-WDI World Bank, World Development Indicators

WHO World Health Organization, Global Health Observatory

World Intellectual Property Organization **WIPO**

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