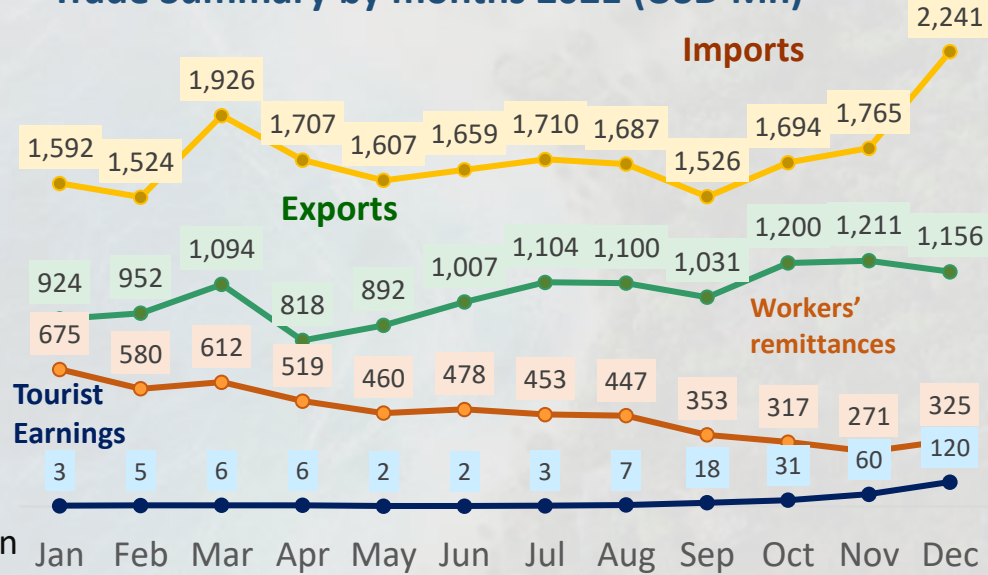


# SRI LANKA EXTERNAL TRADE

## SNAPSHOT : DECEMBER 2021

### Trade Summary by months 2021 (USD Mn)



▲ 19.9%  
USD  
1,156 Mn

Exports

Imports

▲ 46.8%  
USD  
2,241 Mn

USD  
1,085Mn

Trade balance  
(deficit)

Reserves by end  
October 2021

USD  
3.1Bn

### Exports & Imports by sector (USD)

#### Exports



Industrial



Agriculture



Mineral

#### Imports



Consumer  
Goods



Intermediate  
Goods



Investment  
Goods

Gross official reserves stood at USD 3.1 Bn by end of December, from USD 1.6 Bn at the end of November 2021.

Trade deficit amounted to USD 1,085Mn in December 2021. Export earnings reached USD 1,156 Mn which grew by 19.9% YoY. The increase in export earnings was mainly due to price effect with 19.7% value increment.

Imports hit USD 2,241 Mn in December ; a 46.8% increase over December 2020 and shows a 28.5% cumulative increment over the year amounting USD 20,637.4 Mn.

Import expenditure increased mainly due to import volume increment in the commodity market in December 2021.

Workers' remittances shows an increment to USD 325 Mn from USD 271 Mn in November 2021 but displayed a 60.0% decline of YoY in December.

The ratio of the price of exports to the price of imports, improved by 4.6% in December compared to December 2020.

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### Volume Index

▲ 0.2%

Exports

### Unit Value Index

▲ 19.7%

▲ 28.3%

Imports

▲ 14.4%

### Exchange Rates (Monthly Avg. )



USD/  
LKR 201.4

GBP/  
LKR 268.03

IND/  
LKR 2.67

JPY/  
LKR 1.77

▼ 7.60%

▼ 6.61%

▼ 5.46%

▲ 1.94%

▲ ▼ All changes are based on year- on-year