

**INTEREST RATES (%)**

	Week ending July 16	Week ago	Year ago
<b>Commercial Bank Average</b>			
Weighted Prime Lending Rate (APR)	10.25	10.31	15.20
Treasury Bill Yield (Excluding 1% withholding tax)			
- 91 days	7.98	8.07	11.28
- 182 days	8.75	8.86	11.28
- 364 days	9.47	9.29	12.35
Central Bank Overnight Repurchase rate (Repo)	9.25	7.50	8.50
Central Bank Overnight Reverse Repurchase rate	9.50	8.75	11.00
Call Money Weekly Average (CMW)	8.87	9.00	9.75
St Lanka Inter Bank Offer Rate (SLIBOR)			
1 day	8.84	9.10	9.84
1 month	9.23	9.46	11.02
3 months	9.46	9.53	11.50
6 months	9.71	9.89	12.11
12 months	9.98	10.16	13.29

**BUYING AND SELLING PRICES OF TREASURY BONDS**  
Quoted by primary dealers on 15/07/2010

Bond Series	Maturity Period (Years)	Maturity DM/Y	Average Buying Price	Yield**	Average Selling Price	Yield**
15.50% 2010 C	3	01/08/10	103.29	8.72	103.30	8.50
15.50% 2010 D	2	1/09/10	103.03	8.85	103.07	8.59
15.50% 2010 E	2	1/12/10	102.82	9.18	102.85	8.90
15.50% 2011 A	2	1/01/11	103.01	9.21	103.09	9.05
15.50% 2011 B	2	01/01/11	103.76	9.17	103.88	8.98
15.50% 2011 A	2	1/02/11	103.76	9.19	103.76	8.98
14.50% 2011 A	3	1/02/11	102.96	9.15	103.16	8.98
14.50% 2011 B	3	1/06/11	104.51	9.23	104.69	9.04
14.50% 2011 C	3	1/08/11	105.06	9.30	105.23	9.16
14.50% 2012 A	3	1/01/12	105.91	9.45	107.05	9.35
14.50% 2012 B	3	1/07/12	107.29	9.47	107.39	9.36
07.20% 2010 B	4	01/11/10	99.47	8.91	99.54	8.65
13.50% 2012 A	4	01/04/12	106.14	9.31	106.33	9.29
13.50% 2012 B	4	01/07/12	106.28	9.58	106.45	9.43
13.50% 2013 A	4	01/02/13	108.41	9.69	108.60	9.61
11.50% 2013 A	4	1/06/13	104.24	9.79	104.63	9.64

**AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICE OF RICE MANDAGAHAMULA**

Item	Week Ending 16.07.10	Week Ago	Month Ago	Rs/Kg
Samba	53.63	54.06	55.71	64.12
Saty Kishalu	41.00	41.70	46.31	55.62
Raw Red	46.40	46.80	49.75	54.35
Local	44.40	44.42	49.24	55.31

**MONEY MARKET ACTIVITY - VOLUMES (Rs. Mn)**

	Week ending 15 Jul. 10	Week ago	Year ago
Inter-Bank Call Money turnover	2,733	3,910	9,374
Central Bank Holdings (a)	20,442	26,855	179,707
(a) Daily average for week			

**CREDIT CARDS \***

	2010*	2010	2009
Total number of Active Cards	End Dec.	End Dec.	End Dec.
Local (excl. foreign)	826,151	827,983	840,639
Global (accepted locally)	58,806	58,714	58,302
Global (accepted globally)	767,345	769,269	782,267
Outstanding balance (Rs. Mn.)	30,218	29,775	31,375
Local (excl. foreign)	737	714	762
Global (accepted locally)	29,481	29,061	30,613

**SHARE MARKET**

	Week ending 15 Jul. 10	Week ago	Year ago
All Share Price Index (1985=100) (ASPI)	4,639	4,521	2,373
Market Price Index (MPI) (2000=100) (MPI)	5,232	5,114	2,540
Average Daily Turnover (Rs. Mn.)	1,569	2,435	227
Market Capitalization (Rs. Mn.)	1,521.1	1,482.4	758.6

**COMMERCIAL PAPER ISSUES (1)**

	2010*	2010	2010
Total issues (Rs. bn)	End Dec.	End Dec.	End Dec.
Outstanding (at the end of the period) (Rs. bn.)	4.1	4.3	5.8
Provisional			

**MONEY SUPPLY**

	2010(a)	Month ago	Year ago
M1 (Rs. bn)	May	Apr	May
Net Foreign Assets of the Banking System (Rs. bn) (b)	346.0	364.2	107.8
Net Domestic Assets of the Banking System (Rs. bn) (c)	1,530.3	1,504.7	1,516.5
Net Credit to Government (Rs. bn) (d)	67.3	65.0	74.9
Reserve Money (Rs. bn) (e)	330.0	325.0	280.1
Credit to the Private Sector (Rs. bn) (f)	30.5	30.0	13.0
Net Foreign Assets of the Banking System (Rs. bn) (g)	0.9	-1.8	24.8
Net Domestic Assets of the Banking System (Rs. bn) (h)	92.9	92.1	83.2
Credit to Corporations (Rs. bn) (i)	3.5	1.6	-1.5
Private Sector (Rs. bn) (j)	23.1	24.4	-3.2

**WAGE RATE INDICES**

	2010(a)	2009	
May	May	May	
Central Government Employees (1978=100)	4,611.6	4,473.1	4.0
Workers in Wages Based Industry (1978=100)	2,818.8	2,171.3	29.6
Industry & Commerce	3,219.4	2,349.3	41.3
Services	2,054.0	2,054.0	0.0

**INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION**

	2010	2009	
April	April	April	
Private Sector Industrial Production Index (1997=100)	186.6	173.3	7.7
Public Sector Major Industrial Output Index (1997=100)	80.0	78.7	1.7

**OPEN MARKET OPERATIONS**

	12.07.10	13.07.10	14.07.10	15.07.10	16.07.10
Repo Auction					
Amount offered (Rs.bn)	30.00	41.50	34.50	37.01	37.01
Bids received (Rs.bn)	28.85	40.47	33.97	35.38	35.91
Amount accepted (Rs.bn)	28.85	40.47	33.97	35.38	35.91
Weighted Average Yield (% p.a.)	8.04	8.06	8.08	8.09	8.09
Reserve Repo (Rs.bn)	0.23	0.15	0.41	1.67	1.05

**AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICES PETTAH MARKET**

	Week Ending 14.07.10	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago
Rice (Rs/Kg)				
Samba	62.50	58.00	62.50	68.11
Kishalu (Red)	51.50	48.00	52.00	58.13
Beans	90.00	87.50	83.75	76.86
Cabbage	80.00	80.00	61.25	75.73
Carrots	40.00	55.00	46.25	56.23
Pumpkins	35.00	35.00	25.50	38.77
Smalagourd	35.00	35.00	34.38	43.87
Bananas	50.00	60.00	58.13	48.17
Ash-Plantains	67.50	110.00	49.75	78.24
Red-Onions (Local)	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	64.68
Big-Onions (Local)	93.50	92.50	74.67	80.54
Pineapples (Imported)	152.00	158.00	149.63	180.89
Dried Chilies (Imported)	11.20	11.00	11.83	9.96
Eggs (Red) (Each)	23.00	23.00	24.13	21.74
Coconut (Each)	300.00	360.00	375.00	289.90
Fish (Rs/Kg)	150.00	200.00	206.67	210.94
Salmon	n.a.	n.a.	107.50	82.65
Parrot (Small)	400.00	370.00	350.00	321.60

**EXCHANGE RATES (Rs. per unit)**

	Week ending July 16	Week ago	Month ago	Year ago
Commercial Bank Average				
US\$ (Rs. 100 a.m.)	112.83	113.44	114.90	114.90
UK (Rs. 100)	174.10	171.87	188.41	188.41
EUR (Rs. 100)	145.72	143.93	161.65	161.65
SGD (Rs. 100)	2.44	2.44	2.44	2.38
INR (Rs. 100)	170.26	169.66	167.86	167.86
SGD (As at 15 July 10)				
Central Bank purchases and sales of foreign exchange from commercial banks at market rates (US\$ Mn.) - total for April	59.50	62.50	290.00	290.00
Purchases	25.85	9.00	0.00	0.00
Sales	33.65	53.50	290.00	290.00
Average Daily Interbank Volume (US\$ Mn.)	57.30	47.09	40.10	40.10
Forward Transactions (US\$ Mn.)	113.64	113.91	115.28	115.28
2 months	114.26	114.70	116.09	116.09
3 months	113.64	113.91	115.28	115.28
6 months	114.26	114.70	116.09	116.09
12 months	113.64	113.91	115.28	115.28
Outstanding Forward Volume (US\$ Mn.)	28.85	20.11	16.93	16.93
(As at 15 July 10)				

**TOURISM**

	2010*	2009	
Jan-May	Jan-May	Jan-May	
Tourist Arrivals	233,322	157,495	48.5
Earnings from Tourism	US\$ Mn. 205.9	121.9	68.8
Provisional	US\$ Mn. 230,565.1	143,564.4	62.2

**AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION**

	2010*	2009*	
Jan-May	Jan-May	Jan-May	
Tea (Mn. Kg.)	134.2	107.3	25.1
Rubber (Mn. Kg.)	64.8	59.8	8.4
Coconuts (Mn. Nuts)	89.0	89.0	0.0

**EXTERNAL FINANCE**

	2010	2009	Change
End Apr(a)	End Dec.	End Dec.	
External Assets			
Total Reserves (b)(c)	US\$ Mn. 6,578.0	6,788.6	-1.9
Reserve Money (b)	US\$ Mn. 749,750.7	774,336.3	-24.6
Government Securities (b)	US\$ Mn. 5,214.9	5,096.5	2.3
Other (b)	US\$ Mn. 93,383.9	982,929.3	-2.3
Workers Remittances	US\$ Mn. 1,989.8	1,046.9	14.9
Inflows	US\$ Mn. 136,941.2	120,232.2	13.9
Outflows	US\$ Mn. 199.5	113.4	21.1
Net	US\$ Mn. 1,059.3	933.5	12.8

**INTERNATIONAL COMMODITY PRICES**

	2010	2009	Change
Jan-Apr	Jan-Apr	Jan-Apr	
Colombo Auction Price	Rs/Kg 371.99	337.20	10.3
Tea Prices	US\$/Kg 3.27	2.87	13.9
Imports (C & F)			
Rice	US\$Mn 98,115.0	51,286.6	91.3
White Sugar	US\$Mn 61,990.7	48,898.9	24.2
Crude Oil	US\$Mn 6,682.1	6,391.2	5.1
Wheat	US\$Mn 85.0	54.5	56.1
USMT	US\$Mn 23,011.7	21,177.8	4.0
USMT	US\$Mn 247.6	211.7	16.1

**WEEKLY CHANGE IN RESERVE MONEY**

	16 Jul 10	Week Change	
Reserve Money (Rs. Mn)	328,100	324,410	3690

**GOVERNMENT DEBT**

	2010*	Month ago	Year ago
End Apr(a)	End Dec.	End Dec.	End Dec.
Total domestic debt	Rs. bn. 2,509.1	2,476.2	2,395.3
Treasury bills	511.5	497.3	485.1
Treasury bonds	1,026.1	1,017.5	1,024.2
Rupee loans	108.8	106.8	110.8
Total foreign debt	Rs. bn. 1,078.1	1,170.4	1,468.2
Total outstanding Govt. debt	Rs. bn. 4,287.2	4,246.6	3,863.5

**GOVERNMENT FINANCE**

	2010*	Month ago	Year ago
Mar.	Apr.	Mar.	Mar.
Revenue and Grants (Rs. bn)	243.3	189.9	189.9
Expenditure (Rs. bn)	240.7	204.0	204.0
Net	2.6	15.9	15.9
Expansures & Lending minus Repayments (Rs. bn)	410.9	402.5	377.0
Repayments	83.8	85.0	85.0

**TRADE INDICES\*\* (1997 = 100)**

	2010*	Month ago	Year ago
Mar.	Apr.	Mar.	Mar.
Total Exports Value	171.1	162.4	162.4
Unit Value	178.0	161.1	161.1
Unit Value	85.4	101.8	85.0
Total Imports Value	223.1	199.2	209