



## Country Brief – Egypt

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## MARKET REPORT SUMMARY

### 1. Background of Egypt

Egypt is the most populous country in the Arab world and the second most populous on the African Continent and it is clustered around oases and historic trade and transportation routes.

Population	85 million
GDP Per Capita (PPP)	US \$ 6,500 (2012 est.)
Total Exports	US \$ 25,000 million
Total Imports	US \$ 60,260 million
Currency	Egyptian pounds

### 2. Bilateral Trade between Sri Lanka and Egypt (2009-2013), Value in US \$ '000

Year	Sri Lanka's Exports to Egypt	Sri Lanka's Imports from Egypt	Total Trade
2009	17,395	19,026	36,421
2010	23,245	9,309	32,554
2011	34,091	12,952	47,044
2012	40,965	36,156	77,122
2013	<b>44,1656</b>	<b>20,999</b>	<b>65,165</b>

### 3. Sri Lanka's major export products to Egypt (2012-2013), Value in US \$ '000

Major Products Export to Egypt	Value 2012	Value 2013
Pepper	9,553	18,334
Desiccated Coconut	7,494	6,267
Pneumatic & Retreated Rubber Tyres & Tubes	5,021	5,045
Tea Packets	4,781	4,941
Tea in Bulk	9,417	3,554
Nutmeg & Mace	800	1,162
Mixed Coir Fiber	715	868
Woven Fabrics	16	638
Sheet Rubber	526	385
MDF Boards	46	366
Cloves	62	344
Defatted Coconut	49	334
Transport Equipments	166	290
Inorganic Chemicals	170	247
Tableware & Kitchenware	263	244
Discharge Lamps	104	224
Books & Printed Matter	126	138
Cartons, Boxes & Bags	22	119
Textile Articles	16	108
Labels Printed	69	87
Electrical & Electronic Products	3	68

Activated Carbon	101	66
Processed Food	273	59
Products of Plastics		43
Apparel	70	39
Rubber Plates, Sheets Rods of Vulcanized or Unhardened Rubber	43	38
Carpets, Mats, Floor Coverings	24	29
Industrial & Surgical Gloves of Rubber	26	25
Refrigerators & Freezers		17
Green Tea	48	14
Tools, Implements, Cutlery & Parts		10
Products of Base Metal	2	9
Natural Sands		9
Cinnamon	26	9
Coconut Shell Charcoal		8
Sacs & Bags of Plastics	2	8
Ornamental Fish	18	6
Other Manufactures	1	5
Motor Vehicles & Parts		5
Furniture & Seats		3
Paper Products	22	3
Others	769	
<b>Total :</b>	<b>40,965</b>	<b>44,166</b>

#### 4. Sri Lanka's major import products from Egypt (2009-2013, Value in US \$ '000

Imports from Egypt						
Code	Description	Value	Value	Value	Value	Value
	<b>Egypt</b>	<b>19,026</b>	<b>9,309</b>	<b>12,952</b>	<b>36,156</b>	<b>20,999</b>
H.740811	-Copper wire.	2,443	4,519	2,504	17,640	8,906
H.33021010	-Food or drink	2,167	672	4,032	6,477	4,944
H.08051010	-Oranges, fresh					1,108
H.39075090	-Alkyd resins	619	639	1,148	1,151	910
H.390290	-Polymers of propylene					431
H.780200	-Lead waste and scrap.					377
H.07134012	-Red Lentils and Dhal					353
H.283630	-Carbonates.		16	184	365	302
H.680710	- Petroleum bitumen or coal tar pitch.	44	134	65	126	150
H.12119090	-Plants and parts					
H.040630	-Cheese and curd	119	102	184	108	141
H.210390	-Sauces and preparations				79	121
H.17029090	-Sugar Syrup and other inverts	84	30	69	147	113
H.090921	-Seeds of anise					97
H.960621	-Buttons and fasteners		23	42	61	95
H.390799	-Polyacetals		16		30	87
H.39202010	-Plastics plates, sheets			42	24	62
H.82122090	-Safety razor blades			16	33	55
H.85444990	-Electric conductors					50
H.210320	-Tomato ketchup and sauces				59	45

H.310590	-Mineral or chemical fertilizers			36		35
H.130220	-Vegetable saps and extracts			30	95	34
H.251512	-Marble and travertine merely c			85		30
H.252321	-White Portland cement				4	26

## 5. The major import products of Egypt from the world and Sri Lanka's exports

<b>EGYPT IMPORTS FROM SRI LANKA &amp; WORLD</b>				
(Value: Us \$'000)				
<b>HSNO</b>	<b>Products</b>	<b>From World 2012</b>	<b>From Sri Lanka 2012</b>	<b>Percentage (%)</b>
	<b>ALL PRODUCTS</b>	<b>69,865,552</b>	<b>40,433</b>	0.1
'0902	Tea	330,528	14,049	4.3
'0904	Pepper, peppers and capsicum	57,981	10,755	18.5
'0801	Brazil nuts, cashew nuts & coconuts	39,895	6,334	15.9
'4011	New pneumatic tires, of rubber	570,472	2,938	0.5
'4001	Natural rubber, balata, gutta-percha etc	77,777	867	1.1
'0908	Nutmeg, mace and cardamoms	14,075	840	6.0
'2703	Peat (incl peat litter), w/n agglomerated	2,711	664	24.5
'8716	Trailers & semi-trailers	33,018	653	2.0
'4012	Retreaded/used tire; solid tire, interchangeable tire treads & flaps	3,019	580	19.2

'2001	Cucumbers, gherkins and onions preserved by vinegar	1,309	340	26.0
'8705	Special pump motor vehicles	56,501	277	0.5
'3926	Article of plastic	124,790	223	0.2
'6911	Tableware, kitchenware, of porcelain/china	15,617	212	1.4
'4411	Fiberboard of wood or other ligneous materials	73,381	166	0.2
'3802	Activated carbon; activated natural mineral products; animal black	7,847	140	1.8
'2824	Lead oxides; red lead and orange lead	7,758	113	1.5
'0803	Bananas and plantains, fresh or dried	22,819	99	0.4
'5209	Woven cotton fabrics, 85% or more cotton, weight over 200 g/m2	273,405	92	0.0
'0306	Crustaceans	118,759	83	0.1
'8538	Part suitable for use solely/prince with boards, panels, fuses, switches	53,970	82	0.2
'3001	Glands & extracts, secretions for organ therapeutic uses; heparin & it	4,910	79	1.6
'4821	Paper or paperboard labels of all kinds	12,532	58	0.5
'6204	Women's suits, jackets, dresses skirts etc &shorts	112,270	54	0.0
'6006	Fabrics, knitted or crocheted, of a width of > 30 cm	19,294	53	0.3

'0907	Cloves	1,603	50	3.1
'8423	Weighing machinery	10,825	49	0.5
'4005	Compounded rubber, unvulcanised, in primary forms	19,031	45	0.2
'9401	Seat (o/t dentists' & barbers' chairs, etc), & parts	37,258	44	0.1
'4901	Printed books, brochures, leaflets & similar printed	52,487	38	0.1
'0802	Nuts	69,080	27	0.0
'8477	Machinery for wrkg rbr/plas/ for the mfr of prod from these	128,391	27	0.0
'4908	Transfers (decalcomanias)	7,174	26	0.4
'4903	Children's picture, drawing or coloring books	157	24	15.3
'4819	Packing containers, of paper, paperboard, cellulose wadding, webs	58,872	24	0.0
'5305	Coconut, abaca, ramie & other vegetable fibers, raw, processed, not sp	3,279	23	0.7
'1006	Rice	173,060	20	0.0
'6216	Gloves, mittens and mitts	858	19	2.2
'1211	Medicinal plants	8,409	19	0.2
'4601	Plaits & similar products of plaiting material mats, matting, screens	280	18	6.4
'9404	Mattress supports; mattresses, quilts,	20,331	15	0.1



'3204	Synthetic organic coloring matter &	98,997	15	0.0
'4015	Articles of apparel & clothing accessories of	15,750	14	0.1
'3824	Chemical industry products and	329,512	13	0.0
'2106	Food preparations	114,276	12	0.0
'6402	Footwear, outer soles and uppers of rubber	61,954	11	0.0
'0906	Cinnamon and cinnamon-tree	3,890	11	0.3
'6208	Women's singles, slips, briefs, pyjamas,	27,715	10	0.0
'4004	Waste, parings & scrap (excl. hard rubber) & powder/granul	54	9	16.7
'9403	Other furniture and parts	96,907	8	0.0
'8711	Motorcycles, side-cars	154,455	8	0.0
'9606	Buttons, press & snap fasteners, button	7,220	8	0.1
'6310	Rags, scrap twine, cordage, rope	3,016	3	0.1
'0301	Live fish	447	1	0.2

## 6. Sri Lanka's leading exporters to Egypt – 2013

Company Details	Product
SPICE OF LIFE PVT LTD	Pepper, Nutmeg & Mace, Cloves, Cinnamon
CEYLON TEA MARKETING PVT LTD	Tea Packets, Tea in Bulk Tools, Implements, Cutlery & Parts, Products Unclassified
ISHANA EXPORTS PVT LTD	Pepper, Nutmeg & Mace
ADAMEXPO	Desiccated Coconut, Tea Packets, Defatted Coconut
G P DE SILVA AND SONS SPICE PVT LTD	Desiccated Coconut, Pepper, Defatted Coconut, Cloves
ASSOCIATED CEAT PVT LTD	Pneumatic & Retreated Rubber Tyres & Tubes
J-CEY TEA PVT LTD	Tea in Bulk
LOAD STAR PVT LTD	Pneumatic & Retreated Rubber Tyres& Tubes, Motor Vehicles & Parts
SUBIKSHA IMPEX	Pepper
VECHENSON PVT LTD	Pneumatic & Retreated Rubber Tyres & Tubes
EXPOLANKA COMMODITIES PVT LTD	Pepper, Nutmeg & Mace, Cloves
CEYLON TEA SERVICES PLC	Tea Packets, Processed Food, Other Paper Products, Furniture & Seats, Tableware & Kitchenware, Books & Printed Matter, Sacs & Bags of Plastics, Metal Furniture & Seats, Products Unclassified
ADAMJEE LUKMANJEE PVT LTD	Pepper, Desiccated Coconut

<b>AKBAR BROTHERS PVT LTD</b>	Tea in bulk, Plastics
<b>RANFER TEAS PVT LTD</b>	Tea in Bulk
<b>MUFADDAL TRADERS</b>	Desiccated Coconut, Pepper, Defatted Coconut
<b>EXPO LANKA PVT LTD</b>	Desiccated Coconut
<b>GREEN HORIZON ENTERPRISES PVT LTD</b>	Tea in Bulk
<b>CEAT KELANI INTERNATIONAL PVT LTD</b>	Pneumatic & Retreaded Rubber Tyres & Tubes
<b>ORIENT TRADING COMPANY PVT LTD</b>	Pepper, Nutmeg & Mace
<b>MERBOK M D F LANKA PVT LTD</b>	MDF Boards
<b>SABOOR CHATOOR PVT LTD</b>	Pepper
<b>UNILEVER LIPTON CEYLON LTD</b>	Tea Packets, Tea in Bulk

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