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# 1. Germany in brief

## Geographical Location

Germany - Map



Germany - Flag



Federal Republic of Germany is a federal parliamentary republic in western-central Europe. It includes 16 constituent states and covers an area of 357,022 square Kilometers with a largely temperate seasonal climate. Germany is bordered by the Baltic Sea and the North Sea, between the Netherlands and Poland, south of Denmark. Its capital and largest city is Berlin. Germany is the most populous member state in the European Union.

## Demography

Population : 80,594,017 (July 2017 est.)

Population growth rate : -0.16% (2017 est.)

## Economy

The German economy is the fifth largest economy in the world in PPP terms and Europe's largest it is both the world's third-largest exporter and importer of goods. Germany has a very high standard of living sustained by a skilled and productive society. It upholds a social security and universal health care system, environmental protection and a tuition-free university education. Germany was a founding member of the European Union in 1993. It is part of the Schengen Area, and became a co-founder of the Eurozone in 1999. Germany is a member of the United Nations, NATO, the G8, the G20, and the OECD.

**GDP - per capita (PPP)** : \$50,400 (2017 est.)  
\$49,700 (2016 est.)

## Exports

Amount: US \$ Bn 1,450(2017)  
US \$ Bn 1,340 (2016)

Export commodities:

- Motor vehicles
- Machinery
- Chemicals
- Computer and electronic products
- Electrical equipment
- Pharmaceuticals
- Metals
- Transport equipment
- Foodstuffs
- Textiles
- Rubber
- Plastic products

Export partners:

- US 8.8%
- France 8.2%
- China 6.8%
- Netherlands 6.7%
- UK 6.6%
- Italy 5.1%
- Austria 4.9%

- Poland 4.7%
- Switzerland 4.2%

## **Imports**

Amount: US \$ Bn 1,173 (2017 est.)  
US \$ Bn 1,060 (2016 est.)

### Import commodities:

- Machinery
- Data processing equipment
- Vehicles
- Chemicals
- Oil and gas
- Metals
- Electric equipment
- Pharmaceuticals
- Foodstuffs
- Agricultural products

### Import partners:

- Netherlands 13.8%
- China 7%
- France 6.6%
- Belgium 5.9%
- Italy 5.4%
- Poland 5.4%
- Czech Republic 4.8%
- US 4.5%
- Austria 4.3%
- Switzerland 4.2%

*Source: CIA World Factbook, Trade Map*

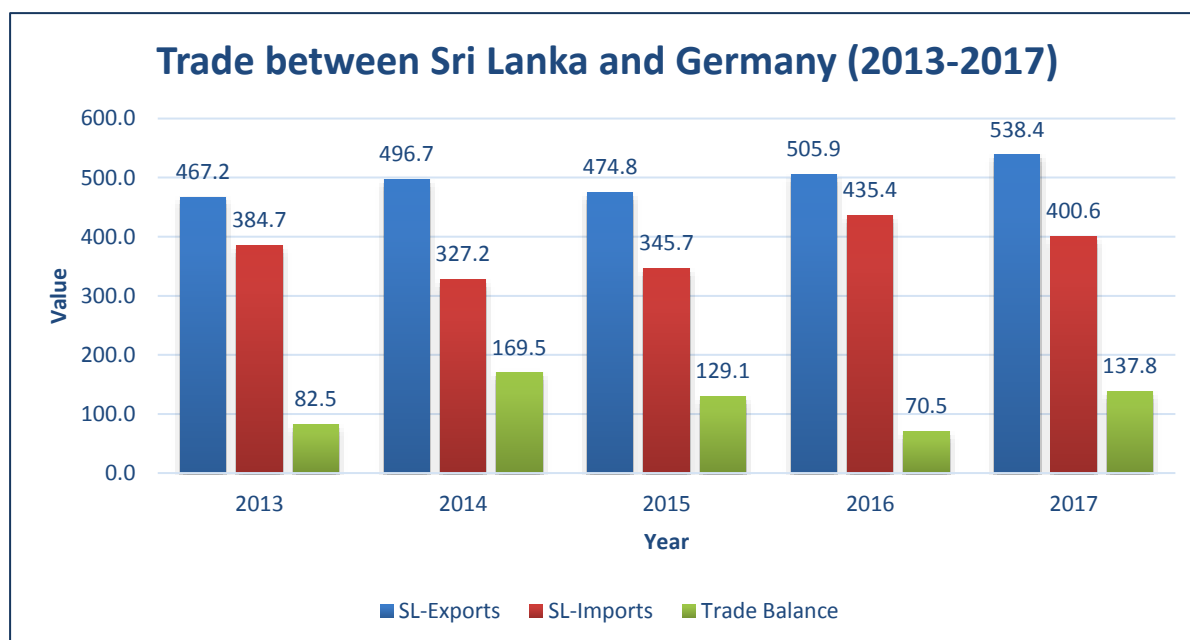
## 2. Trade between Sri Lanka & Germany

Germany is the 3<sup>rd</sup> export destination for Sri Lanka. Total export value from Sri Lanka to Germany was US \$ 538.4 million in 2017 and total imports from Germany to Sri Lanka for the same period were US \$ 400.6 million. Sri Lanka's exports have increased from US \$ 467.2 million to US \$ 538.4 million with reference to the 2013 & 2017.

## 3. Bilateral Trade between Sri Lanka and Germany (2013-2017)

Value in US \$ Million

Year	SL-Exports	SL-Imports	Trade Balance
2013	467.2	384.7	82.5
2014	496.7	327.2	169.5
2015	474.8	345.7	129.1
2016	505.9	435.4	70.5
2017	538.4	400.6	137.8



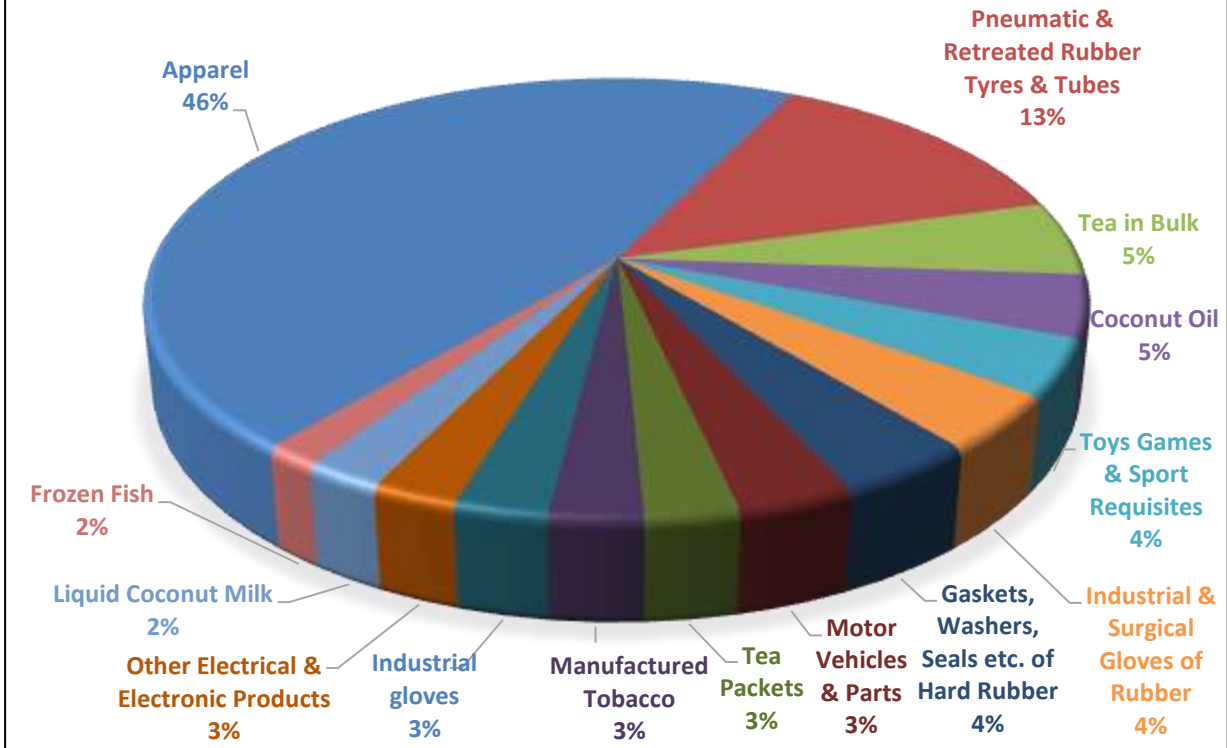
Source: Sri Lanka Customs

#### 4. Sri Lanka's Major Export Products to Germany (2013-2017)

Value in US \$ Million

Code	Product Description	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
S.0702	Apparel	189	184	197	194	202
S.020302	Pneumatic & Retreated Rubber Tyres & Tubes	64	68	53	58	59
S.0103	Tea in Bulk	21	20	18	15	24
S.030101	Coconut Oil	1	4	8	11	20
S.160303	Toys Games & Sport Requisites	13	16	15	16	18
S.020303	Industrial & Surgical Gloves of Rubber	23	18	15	18	18
S.020304	Gaskets, Washers, Seals etc. of Hard Rubber	8	11	12	15	18
S.160201	Motor Vehicles & Parts	9	13	9	14	15
S.0101	Tea Packets	11	11	11	12	12
S.0901	Manufactured Tobacco	6	7	7	11	12
S.1003	Industrial Gloves, Belts etc. of Leather	13	14	14	14	12
S.160199	Other Electrical & Electronic Products	10	10	10	10	11
S.030107	Liquid Coconut Milk	3	6	6	6	10
S.050101	Frozen Fish	15	12	2	3	7
S.040101	Pepper	5	7	9	9	7
S.0703	Made-Up Textile Articles	3	4	3	4	6
S.030102	Desiccated Coconut	3	8	6	7	6
S.160101	Electrical Transformers	5	5	4	4	5
S.040107	Oleoresins	2	2	4	4	5
S.030301	Activated Carbon	3	4	6	6	5
	Others	61	72	65	72	66
	<b>Total :</b>	<b>467</b>	<b>497</b>	<b>475</b>	<b>506</b>	<b>538</b>

### SRI LANKA'S MAJOR EXPORT PRODUCTS TO GERMANY - 2017



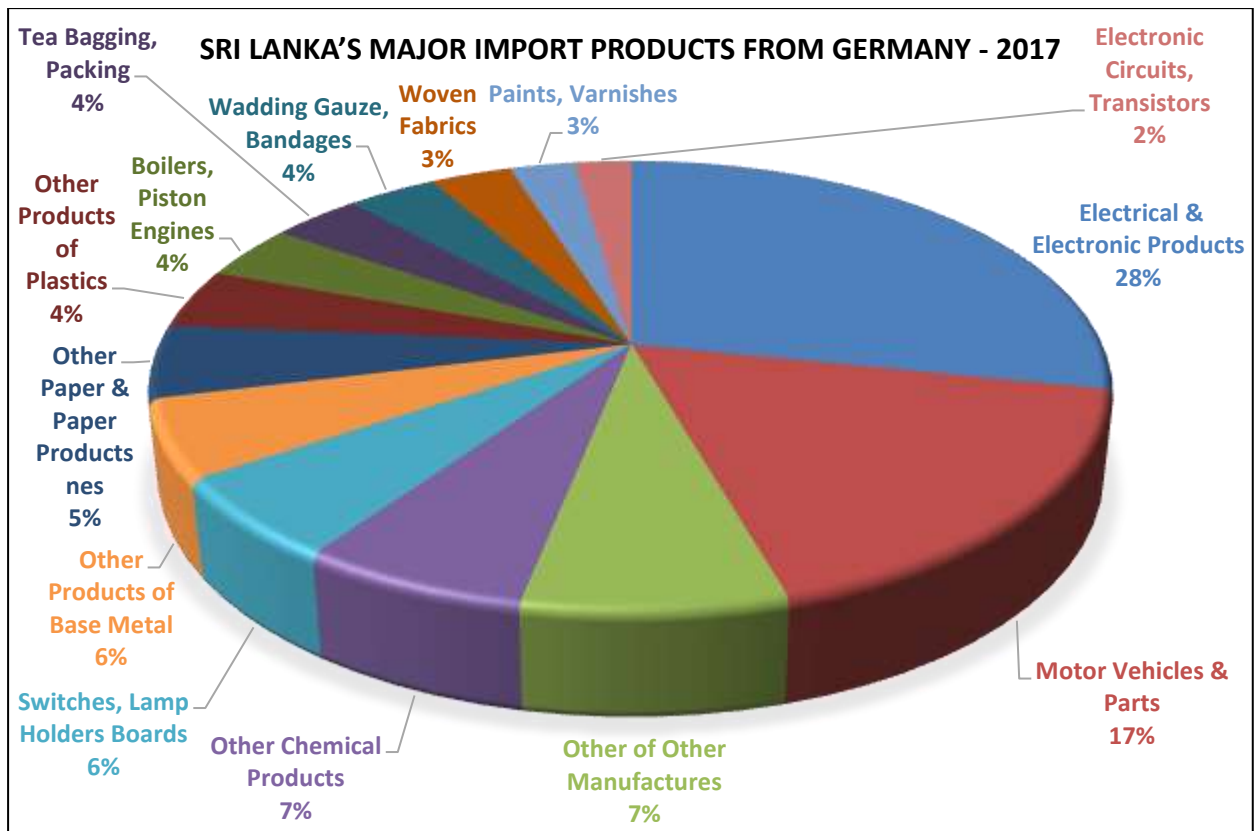
*Sri Lanka Customs*



## 5. Sri Lanka's Major Import Products from Germany (2013-2017)

Value in US \$ Million

Code	Product Description	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
S.160199	Other Electrical & Electronic Products	123	75	94	128	86
S.160201	Motor Vehicles & Parts	52	41	40	46	53
S.1999	Other of Other Manufactures	16	23	23	28	23
S.130199	Other Chemical Products	19	18	19	20	20
S.160104	Switches, Lamp Holders Boards & Panels	7	7	11	11	18
S.1599	Other Products of Base Metal	8	10	13	17	17
S.120399	Other Paper & Paper Products nes	9	15	17	14	16
S.130204	Other Products of Plastics	9	9	9	12	13
S.160108	Boilers, Piston Engines, Pumps & Vacuum Pumps	12	8	7	9	12
S.160111	Tea Bagging, Packing, Cleaning, Weighing Machines	20	10	9	14	11
S.130103	Wadding Gauze, Bandages & Similar Pharmaceutical Articles	9	9	11	13	11
S.0701	Woven Fabrics	10	13	6	9	10
S.130105	Paints, Varnishes and Dyeing Extracts	7	8	8	9	8
S.160106	Electronic Circuits, Transistors, Valves, Cathode Tubes etc.	3	2	1	3	7
S.130102	Organic Chemicals	6	7	5	7	7
S.130107	Soap, Washing Preparations, Waxes, Candles etc.	4	4	4	6	6
S.0799	Other Textile Articles	4	5	4	5	5
S.160101	Electrical Transformers	2	3	3	5	5
S.0802	Confectionary & Bakery Products	1	1	1	6	4
S.040599	Other of Other Export Crops nes	3	4	5	3	4
	Others	61	55	54	73	65
	<b>Total :</b>	<b>385</b>	<b>327</b>	<b>346</b>	<b>435</b>	<b>401</b>



## 6. Sri Lanka's Leading Exporters to Germany -2017

Company	Products
Camso Loadstar Pvt Ltd	Pneumatic & Retreated Rubber Tyres & Tubes,
Hirdaramani International Exports Pvt Ltd	Apparel, Other of Other Manufactures
Atg Hand Care Pvt Ltd	Apparel
Brandix Apparel Ltd	Apparel, Other Textile Articles
Dial Textile Industries Ltd	Apparel
Industrial Clothings Ltd	Industrial & Surgical Gloves of Rubber
Paradise Toys Pvt Ltd	Toys Games & Sport Requisites
Norwood Fashions Pvt Ltd	Apparel
Intexmode Pvt Ltd	Apparel
United Tobacco Processing Pvt Ltd	Manufactured Tobacco
Lanka Leather Fashion Ltd	Industrial Gloves, Belts etc. of Leather
Flintec Transducers Pvt Ltd	Other Electrical & Electronic Products
A T G Lanka Pvt Ltd	Apparel
Ceylon Tea Marketing Pvt Ltd	Tea
Eu Retec Pvt Ltd	Pneumatic & Retreated Rubber Tyres & Tubes

*Source: Sri Lanka Customs*

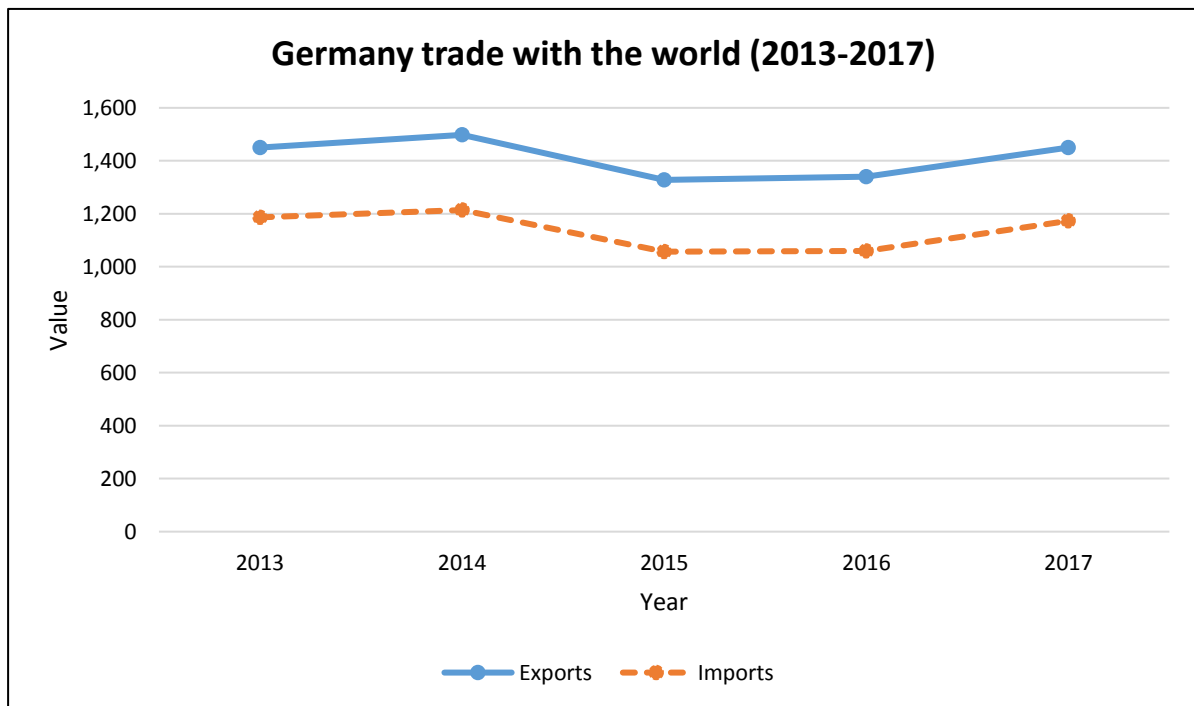
## 7. Potential Products to be exported from Sri Lanka

- Gloves, mittens and mitts
- Crude coconut oil
- Articles of vulcanized rubber
- Parts of fork-lift trucks and other works trucks
- Men's or boys' underpants and briefs of cotton
- Nuts and other seeds
- Smoking tobacco
- Babies' garments and clothing accessories of cotton
- T-shirts, singlets and other vests of cotton
- Extracted oleoresins
- Water-skis, surfboards and other water-sport equipment
- Desiccated coconuts
- Activated carbon
- Bicycles and other cycles
- Parachutes
- Men's or boys' shirts of cotton
- Women's or girls' trousers
- Boards, panels, consoles, desks and cabinet
- Made-up articles of textile materials
- Cloves, whole fruit, cloves and stems
- Parts of trailers and semi-trailers and other vehicles not mechanically propelled
- Fresh or chilled fillets of fish

## 8. Germany Trade with the World (2013-2017)

Value in US \$ Billion

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Exports	1,450	1,498	1,328	1,340	1,450
Imports	1,187	1,214	1,057	1,060	1,173



Source: Trade Map

## 9. Useful Addresses

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Source: <https://www.embassypages.com/>