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1. INTRODUCTION TO TRADE BETWEEN SRI LANKA & SOUTH AFRICA

South Africa is the 43rd export destination for Sri Lanka. Total export value from Sri Lanka to South Africa was USD 41.14 Mn in 2021 and total imports from South Africa to Sri Lanka for the same period were USD 250.97 Mn. South Africa is the 20th import origin for Sri Lanka in 2021.

Sri Lanka's exports to South Africa has increased by 22.16% in 2021 when compared to the year 2020. Imports from South Africa has also increased by 9.01% in 2021 when compared to the year 2020.

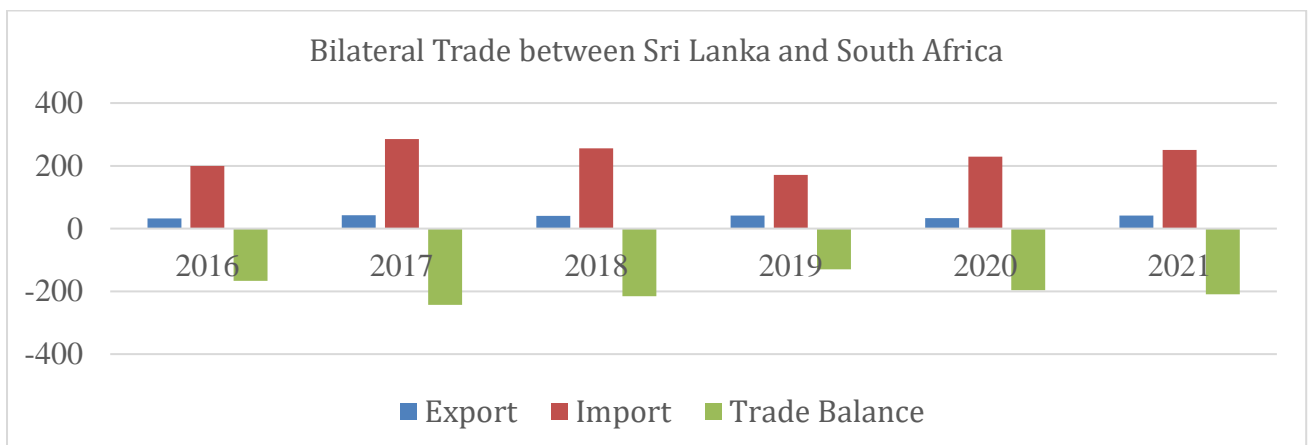
Sri Lanka's main export products to South Africa in 2021 were Apparel, Pneumatic Tyres & Tubes, Tea, Coco Peat, Fiber Pith products, Activated Carbon, Crepe Rubber, Lentils, Gaskets, Desiccated Coconut, Electrical & Electronic Products and Ornamental Fish.

Sri Lanka's main imports products from South Africa in 2021 were Petroleum Products Fruits, Products of Base Metal, Scrap of Ferrous, Aluminum, Copper & Other Metals, Organic Chemicals, Plants and Parts of Plants, Paper & Paper Products, Crops, Alcoholic Beverages, Cereals and its Products and Products of Plastics.

2. SRI LANKA'S BILATERAL TRADE WITH SOUTH AFRICA (2016-2021)

Values in USD Million

Year	Export	Import	Trade Balance	Total trade
2016	32.61	199.44	232.05	-166.83
2017	42.11	285.45	327.56	-243.34
2018	40.58	255.79	296.37	-215.21
2019	41.21	171.36	212.57	-130.15
2020	32.96	229.34	262.3	-196.38
2021	41.14	250.97	292.11	-209.83



Source: Sri Lanka Customs

3. SRI LANKA'S TOP EXPORT PRODUCTS TO SOUTH AFRICA (2019-2021)

Values in USD Million

No	Product	2019	2020	2021	% Avg. Growth
1	Petroleum Oils	11.33	4.96	9.07	-11.15
2	Apparel	7.77	5.16	6.38	-9.84
3	Pneumatic & Retreated Rubber Tyres & Tubes	5.71	5.58	5.46	-2.24
4	Tea in Bulk	5.69	6.47	4.8	-8.57
5	Coco Peat, Fiber Pith & Moulded products	2.3	2.64	3.4	19.6
6	Activated Carbon	0.96	1.36	2.8	53.37
7	Crepe Rubber	1.25	0.84	1.36	4.25
8	Lentils	0.09	0.43	1	119.91
9	Gaskets, Washers, Seals etc. of Hard Rubber	0.12	0.3	0.71	87.16
10	Desiccated Coconut	0.31	0.51	0.5	24.39
11	Other Electrical & Electronic Products	0.27	0.4	0.46	25.77
12	Ornamental Fish	0.3	0.24	0.46	21.67
13	Industrial & Surgical Gloves of Rubber	0.8	0.23	0.38	-36.93
14	Processed Vegetables, Fruits & Juices	0.46	0.43	0.38	-9.65
15	Tea Packets	0.44	0.21	0.32	-15.17
16	Cloves	0.14	0.38	0.31	37.95
17	Cinnamon	0.22	0.24	0.27	9.28
18	Motor Vehicles & Parts	0.27	0.07	0.24	-6.3
19	Registers, Account Books, Diaries	0.12	0.15	0.23	34.6
20	Miscellaneous Edible Preparations	0.15	0.07	0.19	12.75
	Other Products	2.51	2.29	2.43	-1.69
	Total :	41.21	32.96	41.14	-0.09

Source: Sri Lanka Customs

4. SRI LANKA'S TOP IMPORT PRODUCTS FROM SOUTH AFRICA (2019-2021)

Values in USD Million

No	Product	2019	2020	2021	% Avg. Growth
1	Other Petroleum Products	130.34	208.22	232.72	28.99
2	Fruits	8.35	5.88	7.28	-6.89
3	Products of Base Metal	4.65	5.88	1.76	-48.68
4	Scrap of Ferrous, Aluminum, Copper & Other Metals	1.51	0.59	1.52	0.33
5	Organic Chemicals	0.95	1	1.21	12.29
6	Plants and Parts of Plants	1.3	0.89	0.97	-15.07
7	Paper & Paper Products	-	0.12	0.74	332.22
8	Crops	0.26	0.74	0.59	41.57
9	Alcoholic Beverages	6.14	1.3	0.56	-119.48
10	Cereals and its Products	0.56	0.56	0.48	-7.2
11	Products of Plastics	0.58	0.49	0.46	-12.36
12	Chemical Products	0.32	0.16	0.39	9.95
13	Electrical & Electronic Products	0.24	0.59	0.32	14.49
14	Animal or Vegetable Fats and Oils and their Products	0.16	0.13	0.29	29.93
15	Processed Vegetables, Fruits & Juices	0.19	0.11	0.15	-13.12
16	Miscellaneous Edible Preparations	0.21	0.21	0.14	-20.47
17	Animal Feed	0.19	0.38	0.13	-18.11
18	Transport Equipment	-	-	0.13	-
19	Inorganic Chemicals	-	-	0.12	174.49
20	Floriculture Seeds	0.1	0.09	0.11	7.13
	Other Products	15.31	1.99	0.9	-141.52
	Total :	171.36	229.34	250.97	19.08

Source: Sri Lanka Customs

5. POTENTIAL PRODUCTS FROM SRI LANKA TO SOUTH AFRICA

- Men's trousers & shorts of cotton
- Desiccated coconuts
- New pneumatic tyres, of rubber
- Preparations used in animal feeding
- Black tea
- Solid/cushion tyres,
- Activated carbon
- Gloves with plastics

Source: ICT Trade Map -<https://exportpotential.intracen.org/>

6. TOP SRI LANKAN EXPORTERS TO SOUTH AFRICA- 2021

No	Company Details	Products Exported within this Period
1	LANKA MARINE SERVICES PVT LTD	Petroleum Oils
2	RANFER TEAS PVT LTD	Tea in Bulk, Instant Tea
3	CAMSO LOADSTAR PVT LTD	Pneumatic & Retreated Rubber Tyres & Tubes
4	COCOGREEN UK LANKA PVT LTD	Coco Peat, Fiber Pith & Moulded products
5	MAS ACTIVE TRADING PVT LTD	Apparel
6	MANISHA EN CARBON PVT LTD	Activated Carbon
7	A T G LANKA PVT LTD	Apparel
8	TRELLEBORG WHEEL SYSTEMS LANKA PVT LTD	Pneumatic & Retreated Rubber Tyres & Tubes
9	PULSES SPLITTING AND PROCESSING INDUSTRY PVT LTD	Lentils
10	HAYCARB PLC	Activated Carbon
11	TRELLEBORG LANKA PVT LTD	Pneumatic & Retreated Rubber Tyres & Tubes
12	ROLEX APPARELS PVT LTD	Apparel
13	SUN INDUSTRIAL TYRES PVT LTD	Pneumatic & Retreated Rubber Tyres & Tubes
14	CINNATOPIA PVT LTD	Cloves, Cinnamon
15	WORKWEAR LANKA PVT LTD	Apparel, Made-Up Textile Articles

Source: Sri Lanka Customs