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1. INTRODUCTION TO TRADE BETWEEN SRI LANKA & UNITED KINGDOM

The United Kingdom is the 03rd largest export destination for Sri Lanka. Total exports from Sri Lanka to the United Kingdom amounted to USD 929.03 million in 2025, while total imports from the United Kingdom to Sri Lanka were USD 237.22 million. The United Kingdom ranked as the 19th largest import origin for Sri Lanka.

Sri Lanka's exports to the United Kingdom increased by 2.80% in 2025 compared to 2024, while imports from the United Kingdom grew by 41.07% during the same period.

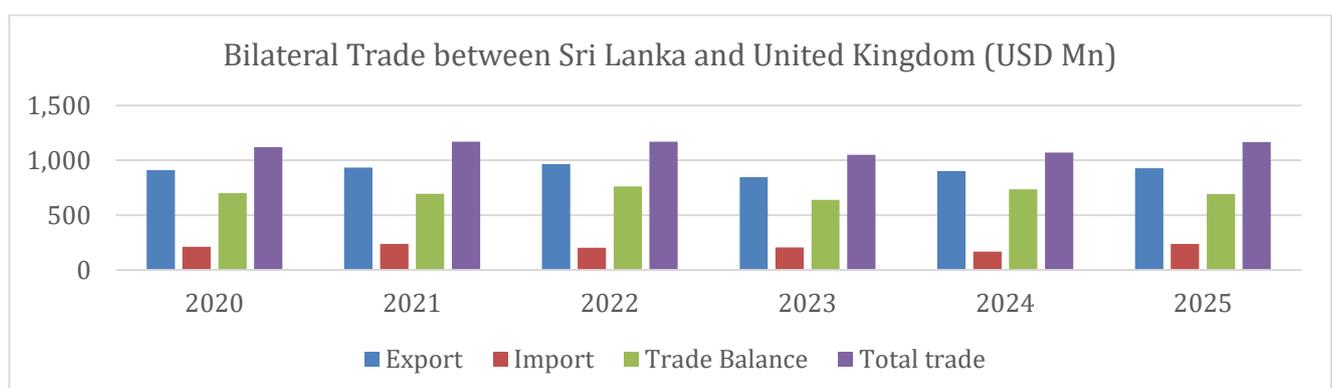
The main export products from Sri Lanka to the United Kingdom included women's outerwear, men's and women's undergarments, babies' garments, men's outerwear, T-shirts, activewear and sportswear, motor vehicles and parts, warm clothes such as jerseys and pullovers, industrial and surgical gloves of rubber, liquid coconut milk, and gloves, mitts and mittens of textile.

The main import products from the United Kingdom to Sri Lanka comprised other electrical and electronic products, alcoholic beverages, products of base metal, pharmaceutical products, chemical products, plastics, paper and paper products, miscellaneous edible preparations, switches, boards and panels, motor vehicles and parts, and woven fabrics.

2. SRI LANKA'S BILATERAL TRADE WITH UNITED KINGDOM (2020-2025)

Values in USD Million

Year	Export	Import	Trade Balance	Total Trade
2020	910.47	210.45	700.02	1120.92
2021	933.72	236.98	696.74	1170.7
2022	966.04	204.42	761.62	1170.46
2023	846.16	206.09	640.07	1052.25
2024	903.72	168.17	735.55	1071.89
2025	929.03	237.22	691.81	1166.25



Source: Sri Lanka Customs

3. SRI LANKA'S TOP EXPORT PRODUCTS TO UNITED KINGDOM (2023-2025)

Values in USD Million

No	Product	2023	2024	2025	% Avg. Growth
1	Women's Outerwear	201.92	197.54	209.41	1.82
2	Men's and Women's Under Garments	114.97	130.42	132.63	7.14
3	Babies' Garments	112.72	127.69	126.68	5.84
4	Men's Outerwear	82.81	91.12	85.24	1.44
5	T-shirts	42.01	49.89	49.38	8.08
6	Liquid Coconut Milk	12.41	14.63	24.03	33.03
7	Activewear/Sportswear	21.44	20.9	17.49	-10.16
8	Industrial & Surgical Gloves of Rubber	14.26	18.52	17.27	9.57
9	Warm Cloths (Jerseys, Pullovers etc)	15.43	17.38	16.93	4.66
10	Gloves, Mitts & Mittens of Textile	13.78	14.28	15.25	5.05
11	Made-up Textile Articles (Blankets, Rugs, Linen, Curtains etc)	12.11	14.6	14.96	10.56
12	Other Manufactures nes	9.38	14.03	14.27	21
13	Fish Fresh or Chilled	2.95	9.57	12.65	72.78
14	Coco Peat, Fiber Pith & Moulded products	7.88	10.6	11.51	18.91
15	Pneumatic & Retreated Rubber Tyres & Tubes	13.76	13.13	11.2	-10.29
16	Tea Packets	9.83	11	10.85	4.91
17	Other Electrical & Electronic Products	9.65	6.8	10.08	2.21
18	Frozen Fish	10.95	7.57	10.03	-4.4
19	Coconut Cream	3.35	3.96	7.34	39.16
20	Coconut Milk Powder	2.54	2.96	6.9	49.98
	Other Products	132.01	127.13	124.95	-2.75
	Total :	846.16	903.72	929.03	4.67

Source: Sri Lanka Customs

4. SRI LANKA'S TOP IMPORT PRODUCTS FROM UNITED KINGDOM (2023-2025)

Values in USD Million

No	Product	2023	2024	2025	% Avg. Growth
1	Motor Vehicles & Parts	6.02	5.72	54.03	109.73
2	Alcoholic Beverages	29.37	30.93	34.09	7.45
3	Other Products of Plastics	7.85	9.67	21.4	50.16
4	Other Electrical & Electronic Products	67.15	19.88	18.76	-63.75
5	Switches, Boards & Panels	4.28	6.36	11.29	48.46
6	Pharmaceutical Products	8.67	13.84	10.18	8.02
7	Other Chemical Products	8.64	10.06	9.65	5.54
8	Miscellaneous Edible Preparations	6.2	8.03	8.31	14.63
9	Other Products of Base Metal	8.96	8.58	7.78	-7.09
10	Other Manufactures	5.34	3.97	5.37	0.33
11	Woven Fabrics	5.5	5.54	5.25	-2.38
12	Paints, Varnishes and Dyeing Extracts	3.21	4.42	4.11	12.33
13	Aircrafts & Parts	0.51	1.42	3.73	99.67
14	Knitted Fabrics	1.79	2.85	3.47	33.11
15	Printed Books & Printed Matter	1.69	2.81	3.46	35.66
16	Other Textile Articles	2.37	2.42	3.09	13.21
17	Perfumes, Cosmetics, Shampoos & Makeup Preparations	1.94	2.17	2.66	15.75
18	Other Mineral Products	1.37	2.49	2.48	29.53
19	Inorganic Chemicals	1.23	1.65	2.46	34.72
20	Other Paper & Paper Products	6.58	2.07	2.15	-55.99
	Other Products	27.41	23.29	23.5	-7.69
	Total :	206.09	168.17	237.22	7.03

Source: Sri Lanka Customs

5. POTENTIAL PRODUCTS FROM SRI LANKA TO UNITED KINGDOM

- Apparel
- Tea
- Plastics & rubber products
- Electrical machinery & equipment
- Fruits, Nuts
- Textile products
- Spices
- Jewellery & precious metal articles
- Vegetal textile fibers

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

6. TOP SRI LANKAN EXPORTERS TO UNITED KINGDOM- 2025

No	Company Details	Products Exported within this Period
1	MAS CAPITAL PVT LTD	Men's and Women's Under Garments, T-shirts, Women's Outerwear, Men's Outerwear, Warm Cloths (Jerseys, Pullovers etc), Activewear/Sportswear, Other Garments Other Electrical & Electronic Products
2	HELA CLOTHING PVT LTD	Women's Outerwear, T-shirts, Warm Cloths (Jerseys, Pullovers etc), Men's Outerwear, Babies' Garments, Men's and Women's Under Garments, Activewear/Sportswear, Other Electrical & Electronic Products
3	JAY JAY MILLS LANKA PVT LTD	Babies' Garments, Other Garments, Men's and Women's Under Garments, Women's Outerwear, Made-up Clothing Accessories (Handkerchief, Shawls, Scarves, Ties etc), Made-up Textile Articles (Blankets, Rugs, Linen, Curtains etc), Men's Outerwear, T-shirts
4	PRIME STAR TRADING PVT LTD	Made-up Textile Articles (Blankets, Rugs, Linen, Curtains etc), Women's Outerwear, Men's Outerwear, Men's and Women's Under Garments , Footwear, Activewear/Sportswear, T-shirts, Babies' Garments, Textile Floor Coverings (Carpets, Mats, Floor Coverings etc), Other Products of Plastics, Travel Goods, Bags etc., Other Ceramic Products, Lamps and Lighting Fittings, Warm Cloths (Jerseys, Pullovers etc), Hosiery, Other Toys, Games & Sport Requisites, Mattresses & Mattress Supporters, Soap, Washing Preparations, Waxes, Candles etc., Gloves, Mitts & Mittens of Textile, Glass & Glassware, Perfumes, Cosmetics, Shampoos & Makeup

		Preparations, Other Wood & Wooden Products, Other Products of Base Metal, Other Articles of Stones, Woven Fabrics, Articles Apparel & Clothing of Leather, Other Manufactures Tableware & Kitchenware, Jewellery Boxes, Cloth Hangers and Handicraft, Other Garments Gaskets, Washers, Seals etc. of Hard Rubber, Made-up Clothing Accessories (Handkerchief, Shawls, Scarves, Ties etc), Cartons, Boxes & Bags, Printed Books & Printed Matter, Other Paper & Paper Products
5	HIRDARAMANI INTERNATIONAL EXPORTS PVT LTD	Men's Outerwear, Women's Outerwear, Men's and Women's Under Garments, T-shirts, Activewear/Sportswear, Warm Cloths (Jerseys, Pullovers etc), Other Garments, Babies' Garments
6	MIAMI EXPORTS PVT LTD	Women's Outerwear, Babies' Garments, Warm Cloths (Jerseys, Pullovers etc), T-shirts, Men's Outerwear, Other Garments
7	NEXT MANUFACTURING PVT LTD	Babies' Garments, Women's Outerwear, T-shirts, Men's Outerwear, Other Manufactures, Made-up Textile Articles (Blankets, Rugs, Linen, Curtains etc), Warm Cloths (Jerseys, Pullovers etc), Men's and Women's Under Garments
8	FIRST STEPS BABYWEAR LANKA PVT LTD	Babies' Garments, Men's and Women's Under Garments
9	WINTER QUILTS PVT LTD	Men's Outerwear, Men's and Women's Under Garments, Women's Outerwear
10	EMJAY INTERNATIONAL PVT LTD	Men's and Women's Under Garments, T-shirts, Women's Outerwear, Warm Cloths (Jerseys, Pullovers etc), Other Garments, Men's Outerwear
11	MIAMI CLOTHING PVT LTD	Babies' Garments, Women's Outerwear, Men's Outerwear, T-shirts, Hosiery, Other Garments, Warm Cloths (Jerseys, Pullovers etc), Other Manufactures, Men's and Women's Under Garments, Activewear/Sportswear, Made-up Clothing Accessories (Handkerchief, Shawls, Scarves, Ties etc)
12	RASUKI APPAREL PVT LTD	Women's Outerwear, Men's Outerwear, Men's and Women's Under Garments, T-shirts, Warm Cloths (Jerseys, Pullovers etc), Other Garments
13	ORIGINAL APPAREL PVT LTD	Women's Outerwear, Babies' Garments, T-shirts, Men's and Women's Under Garments, Other Garments, Warm Cloths (Jerseys, Pullovers etc), Men's Outerwear
14	CRYSTAL MARTIN CEYLON PVT LTD	Activewear/Sportswear, Men's and Women's Under Garments, Women's Outerwear, Other Garments, Warm Cloths (Jerseys, Pullovers etc), T-shirts, Men's Outerwear, Babies' Garments
15	EAM MALIBAN TEXTILES PVT LTD	Men's Outerwear, Women's Outerwear, Made-up Textile Articles (Blankets, Rugs, Linen, Curtains etc)

Source: Sri Lanka Customs