MARITIME PROFILE: SRI LANKA

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR 2021

Population: 21.773 Millions
Land area: (0) 61 860 Km²

GDP: 82 287 Millions current US$
GDP growth: 3.41 %

Merchandise trade: 33 136 Millions current US$
Transport services trade: (e) 5 428 Millions current US$

MARITIME KEY FIGURES FOR 2021

Coast/area ratio: 45.7 m/km²
Fleet - National flag: 322 Thousands DWT
Container port throughput: 6 850 000 TEU

Number of port calls: 5 195
Number of seafarers: (m) 21 793

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WORLD SHARES FOR 2021

Population: 0.28 %
Coastline (km): 0.17 %

Gross Domestic Product (current US$): 0.09 %
Merchandise exports (US$): 0.06 %
Merchandise imports (US$): 0.09 %

National flagged fleet (DWT): 0.02 %
National flagged fleet (US$): 0.01 %
Fleet ownership (DWT): 0.03 %
Fleet ownership (US$): 0.01 %
Ship building (GT): Less than 0.01% of the World total
Ship recycling (GT): ..

Seafarer supply: Officers (8): 0.27 %
Seafarer supply: Ratings (8): 1.88 %

Container port throughput (TEU): 0.86 %
Port calls: Container ships: 0.72 %
Port calls: Liquid bulk carriers: 0.17 %
Port calls: Dry breakbulk carriers: 0.06 %
Port calls: Dry bulk carriers: 0.13 %
Port calls: LPG carriers: 0.33 %

Not available or not separately reported
Total merchandise trade (millions of US$)

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<tr>
<td>Merchandise exports</td>
<td>6 347</td>
<td>8 602</td>
<td>10 547</td>
<td>12 499</td>
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<td>Merchandise imports</td>
<td>8 834</td>
<td>13 512</td>
<td>18 935</td>
<td>20 637</td>
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<td>Merchandise trade balance</td>
<td>-2 487</td>
<td>-4 909</td>
<td>-8 388</td>
<td>-8 139</td>
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Export structure by product group in 2021 (as % of total exports)

- All food items: 67%
- Manufactured goods: 25%
- Other: 8%

Top 5 partners in 2021 (exports, millions of US$)

1. United States of America: 3,299
2. United Kingdom: 1,003
3. India: 891
4. Germany: 811
5. Italy: 623

International trade in transport services (millions of US$)

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<td>Transport services exports</td>
<td>673</td>
<td>1,162</td>
<td>2,105</td>
<td>(e) 608</td>
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<td>Transport services imports</td>
<td>(e) 1,985</td>
<td>(e) 3,117</td>
<td>(e) 3,283</td>
<td>(e) 2,114</td>
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<td>Transport services trade balance</td>
<td>(e) -1,312</td>
<td>(e) -1,955</td>
<td>(e) -1,178</td>
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International trade in transport services growth rate in 2021 (as % of total exports)

- Transport services exports: -48.2%

NATIONAL FLEET

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<td>Total fleet</td>
<td>196.0</td>
<td>238.9</td>
<td>248.7</td>
<td>322.0</td>
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<td>Oil tankers</td>
<td>14.0</td>
<td>26.1</td>
<td>18.4</td>
<td>24.1</td>
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<td>Bulk carriers</td>
<td>..</td>
<td>75.3</td>
<td>110.3</td>
<td>225.5</td>
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<td>General cargo</td>
<td>129.0</td>
<td>122.4</td>
<td>70.4</td>
<td>30.5</td>
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<td>Container ships</td>
<td>42.0</td>
<td>..</td>
<td>16.9</td>
<td>0.0</td>
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<td>Other types of ships</td>
<td>11.0</td>
<td>15.1</td>
<td>32.7</td>
<td>41.9</td>
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Fleet growth rate in 2021

- Carrying capacity by type of ship: -18.5%
**Bilateral connectivity index - Top 10 partners in Q1 2021**

*Can only take values between 0 (minimum) and 1 (maximum)*

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<td>China</td>
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<td>Singapore</td>
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<td>China, Hong Kong SAR</td>
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<td>United States of America</td>
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<td>Belgium</td>
<td>0.425</td>
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**Liner shipping connectivity index**

*Maximum 2006=100 for China*

**Port calls and performance**

Port calls, time spent in ports, vessel age and size in 2021

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Type</th>
<th>Number of arrivals</th>
<th>Median time in port (days)</th>
<th>Avg age of vessels</th>
<th>Avg size (GT) of vessels</th>
<th>Avg cargo carrying capacity (DWT) per vessel</th>
<th>Avg container carrying capacity (TEU) per container ship</th>
<th>Maximum size (GT) of vessels</th>
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<tr>
<td>All ships</td>
<td>5 195</td>
<td>1.11</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>38 905</td>
<td>20 414</td>
<td>4 661</td>
<td>235 579</td>
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<td>Liquid bulk carriers</td>
<td>874</td>
<td>1.97</td>
<td>19</td>
<td>10 470</td>
<td>17 266</td>
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<td>161 175</td>
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<td>Liquefied petroleum gas carriers</td>
<td>190</td>
<td>1.13</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>6 321</td>
<td>7 278</td>
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<td>47 174</td>
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<td>Dry bulk carriers</td>
<td>380</td>
<td>3.20</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>23 421</td>
<td>39 506</td>
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<td>92 079</td>
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<td>Dry breakbulk carriers</td>
<td>263</td>
<td>1.23</td>
<td>17</td>
<td>10 117</td>
<td>13 646</td>
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<td>Roll-on/ roll-off ships</td>
<td>263</td>
<td>..</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>58 558</td>
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<td>Container ships</td>
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<td>Passenger ships</td>
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**Port liner shipping connectivity index - Top 5 ports in 2021**

*Maximum 2006=100 for China, Hong Kong SAR*
Source: Detailed data sources are available in the documentation of the corresponding tables in the Data Center (http://stats.unctad.org/data_center). A link to these tables is provided in each section of the profile.

Notes:
1 Sum of exports and imports.
2 Land area refers to the total area of a country excluding area under inland water bodies. It differs from the country area, that includes area under inland water bodies, but excludes offshore territorial waters. Coastline length based on data calculated in 2000 from the World Vector Shoreline database at 1:250,000 scale.
4 Propelled seagoing merchant vessels of 100 GT and above. Source: Clarksons Research (https://www.clarksons.com/services/research/).
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7 UNCTAD Secretariat, derived from various sources including Dynamar B.V. Publications, terminal operators and port authorities. Refers to year 2020.
9 UNCTAD Secretariat, based on data provided by MarineTraffic (http://marinetraffic.com). Ships of 1000 GT and above.
11 UNCTAD Secretariat, generated from data provided by MDS Transmodal (https://www.mdst.co.uk).
 e Estimated.
 m Estimated by BIMCO/ICS to be the same figure as in 2010.
o Estimated. Data refers to 2020.

Symbols for missing values:
0 Zero means that the amount is nil or negligible
.. Not available or not separately reported
_ Not applicable
... Not available, including no quotation
# Non-relevant calculation
- Not publishable
*** Negative accumulation of flows; Value included in regional and global totals

Abbreviations & acronyms:
DWT: Dead weight tons
 LNG: Liquefied natural gas
 LPG: Liquefied petroleum gas
 GDP: Gross domestic product
 GT: Gross tons
 TEU: Twenty foot equivalent unit

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