

SRI LANKA TEA PRODUCTION – APRIL 2023

Positive variance on monthly production vis-à-vis April 2022

APRIL 2023/2022/2021

* Sri Lanka tea production for the month of April 2023 totalled 24.72 M/Kgs, showing an increase of 1.82 M/Kgs vis-à-vis 22.90 M/Kgs of April 2022. All elevations have shown a steady growth in volume in comparison with the corresponding period of 2022.

* When compared to 30.03 M/Kgs of April 2021, the same period of 2023 shows a decrease of 5.30 M/Kgs (Refer table below).

ELEVATION	TOTAL	TOTAL	(2023-2022)		TOTAL	(2023-2021)	
	2023	2022	Variance (M/kg)	%	2021	Variance (M/kg)	%
HIGH	6,044,062	5,642,913	0.40	7.11%	6,898,609	-0.85	-12.39%
MEDIUM	4,376,628	4,117,750	0.26	6.29%	5,463,205	-1.09	-19.89%
LOW	14,101,867	13,052,379	1.05	8.04%	17,477,184	-3.38	-19.31%
GREEN TEA	206,167	96,548	0.11	113.54%	193,762	0.01	6.40%
TOTAL	24,728,724	22,909,590	1.82	7.94%	30,032,760	-5.30	-17.66%

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* January-April 2023 cumulative production totalled 84.09 M/Kgs, recording a decrease of 2.14 M/Kgs vis-à-vis 86.23 M/Kgs of January-April 2022. When compared to 2022, all elevations barring the Low Grown and Green Tea segments have shown negative variances in the year 2023.

* When compared to 104.54 M/Kgs of January-April 2021, cumulative production of 2023 shows a decrease of 20.46 M/Kgs. On a cumulative basis, whilst all elevations show a decrease over the corresponding period of 2021, green tea production has seen a marginal increase vs. the corresponding period in the previous year (Refer table below).

ELEVATION	TOTAL	TOTAL	(2023-2022)		TOTAL	(2023-2021)	
	2023	2022	Variance (M/kg)	%	2021	Variance (M/kg)	%
HIGH	18,626,165	20,348,435	-1.72	-8.46%	22,628,579	-4.00	-17.69%
MEDIUM	13,300,865	14,091,040	-0.79	-5.61%	17,199,637	-3.90	-22.67%
LOW	51,355,260	51,206,574	0.15	0.29%	63,945,441	-12.59	-19.69%
GREEN TEA	806,447	586,117	0.22	37.59%	772,080	0.03	4.45%
TOTAL	84,088,737	86,232,166	-2.14	-2.49%	104,545,737	-20.46	-19.57%

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