

## 8. TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATION

### 8.1 Domestic and International Transport, 2017-2020

	2017	2018	2019	2020
<b>Passengers (Thousand Persons)</b>				
Railway	136,663	137,524	128,476	65,080
Ominibus Services	2,940,413	3,233,443	3,159,088	1,106,011
Sri Lanka Transport Board	1,005,205	952,778**	916,964	600,512*
National Carrier (Sri Lankan Airlines)	5,361	5,882	5,579	1,238
Foreign Airlines	4,559	4,917	4,321	1,135
<b>Freight (Thousand metric tons)</b>				
Railway	1,998	1,837	1,802	1,784
National Carrier (Sri Lankan Airlines)	128.87	135.64	122.82	56.15
Foreign Airlines	137.68	132.86	123.59	79.94

\* Provisional \*\* Revised

Source : Sri Lanka Transport Board, National Transport Commission  
Department of Railways, Civil Aviation Authority of Sri Lanka

## 8.2 Registered Motor Vehicles, 2016-2020

	2016	2017	2018	2019	(No) 2020
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,795,469</b>	<b>7,247,122</b>	<b>7,727,921</b>	<b>8,095,224</b>	<b>8,297,852</b>
Passenger Cars	717,674	756,856	837,632	875,864	896,885
Three Wheelers	1,115,987	1,139,524	1,159,587	1,175,077	1,182,227
Buses					
(SLTB+Private)	104,104	107,435	110,392	112,005	112,583
Motor Cycles	3,699,630	4,044,010	4,383,773	4,668,074	4,819,708
Lorries(a)	346,200	357,574	366,618	371,552	375,487
Ambulances and Hearses	3,274	3,332	3,659	3,948	3,954
Dual Purpose Vehicles	391,888	408,630	425,561	439,020	448,552
Tractors & Engines(b)	416,712	429,761	440,043	447,709	456,011
Quadricycle	-	-	654	1,972	2,442
Motor Home	-	-	2	3	3
Passenger Cars					
Per 100 Population (%)	3.38	3.53	3.87	4.02	4.09

(a) Include lorry proper, lorry tractors (prime movers), lorry trailers, fork lift and lorry others.

(b) Include land vehicle tractors (4 and 2 wheelers) and land vehicle trailers

Source: Department of Motor Traffic

### 8.3 Postal Services, 2016-2020

	Unit	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
<b>1. Postal Service</b>						
Post Offices	No.	652	653	653	653	653
Sub-post Offices	No.	3,410	3,409	3,410	3,390	3,409
Agency Post Offices	No.	524	523	307	136*	134
Rural Agency Post Offices	No.	101	101	101		
Estate Agency Post Offices	No.	4	4	4		
<b>2. Mail Traffic</b>						
Letters and Parcels Inland *	000	369,445	373,283	382,771	388,978	324,004
Letters and Parcels Foreign (inward & outward)	'000	6,723	6,849	5,227	5,718	2,939

\* Estimated

Source: Department of Posts

## 8.4 Telecommunication Services, 2017-2020

	2017	2018	2019	2020*
<b>1. Fixed Access Services (No.)</b>				
Wire line Telephone Lines in Service	1,198,483	1,215,967	1,244,549	1,246,045
Wireless Local Loop Telephones & CDMA	1,404,695	1,268,649	1,055,218	1,367,095
<b>2. Cellular Mobile (No. of subscribers)</b>	<b>28,199,083</b>	<b>32,528,104</b>	<b>32,884,099</b>	<b>28,739,277</b>
<b>3. Telephone Density</b>				
(Telephones per 100 persons, including cellular subscriptions)	143.6	161.5	161.3	143.0
<b>4. Other Services</b>				
Public Pay Phones (No. of Booths)	5,137	2,135	476	461
Fixed Internet and E-mail (No. of Subscribers)	1,221,960	1,530,099	1,654,237	1,956,383
Mobile Broad Band (No. of Subscribers) **	5,525,194	9,032,576	11,754,166	15,567,665

\* Provisional

\*\* Subscriptions rebased

Source : Telecommunications Regulatory Commission of Sri Lanka