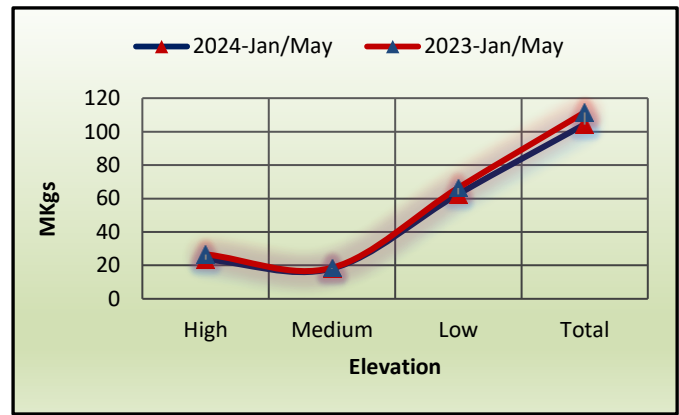
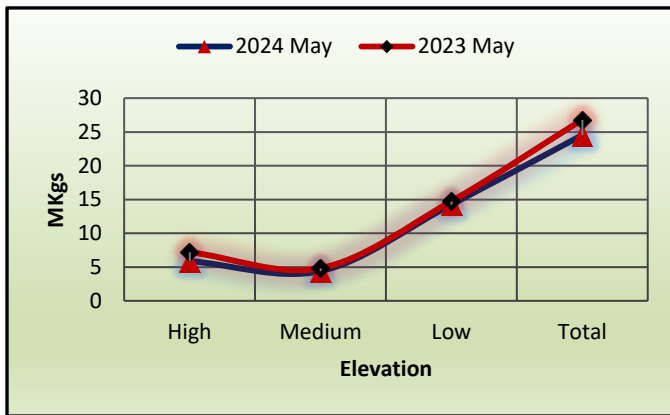


Sri Lanka has produced 24.5 MKGS of tea in May, 2024 which reflects a decline when compared to the corresponding month of May, 2023 by approx. 2.3 MKGS. During the month under review, the highest loss has been recorded in the High Grown category by as much as approx. 1.3MKGS, whilst in the Medium and Low categories, the losses are 0.43MKGS and 0.50 MKGS respectively. During the first 5 months of the current year (January/May, 2024), the total crop of 104.0 MKGS is much lower than the January/May, 2023 production of 111.0 MKGS which shows a deficit of approx. 7.2MKGS.

Given below are more comprehensive details relating to tea production.

Sri Lanka Tea Production-May 2024 vs. 2023 (In Kgs)

	2024-May	2023-May	+/-	%	Jan/ May 2024	Jan/May 2023	+/-	%
High	5,883,170	7,228,331	(1,345,160)	(18.6)	23,553,848	26,547,728	(2,993,881)	(11.3)
Medium	4,405,081	4,835,697	(430,616)	(8.9)	18,135,327	18,573,685	(438,358)	(2.4)
Low	14,261,481	14,761,062	(499,581)	(3.4)	62,688,569	66,455,854	(3,767,285)	(5.7)
Total	24,549,732	26,825,090	2,275,358	(8.5)	104,377,743	111,577,267	(7,199,524)	(6.5)



During the period January to May, 2024 the larger crop harvests have been from the following regions.

Crop Harvest Data - Top 20 Districts May 2024 & 2023

DISTRICT	TEA CROP 2024 (KGS)	TEA CROP 2023(KGS)	(+/-)
Ratnapura	13,880,530.0	16,942,512.0	(3,061,982.0)
Galle	11,033,509.0	16,416,871.0	(5,383,362.0)
Gampola/Nawalapitiya/Dolosbage	5,908,284.0	7,309,054.0	(1,400,770.0)
Kalutara	4,983,610.0	6,943,758.0	(1,960,148.0)
Deniyaya	3,584,180.0	4,869,843.0	(1,285,663.0)
Matara	3,280,224.0	5,246,038.0	(1,965,814.0)
Demodara/Haliella/Badulla	2,843,126.0	3,660,707.0	(817,581.0)
Balangoda/Rakwana	2,276,637.0	2,930,095.0	(653,458.0)
Nanuoya/Lindula/Talawakelle	2,232,885.0	3,504,947.0	(1,272,062.0)
Kelani Valley	2,188,798.0	3,005,869.0	(772,984.0)
Hatton /Dickoya	1,971,668.0	3,161,190.0	(1,189,522.0)
Bogawantalawa	1,692,568.0	2,319,053.0	(626,485.0)
Kegalle	1,679,554.0	2,306,125.0	(626,571.0)
Upcot/Maskeliya	1,551,304.0	2,041,712.0	(490,408.0)
Morawaka	1,516,000.0	2,554,640.0	(1,038,640.0)
Pundaluoya	1,481,041.0	1,793,250.0	(312,209.0)
Pussellawa/Hewaheta	1,377,433.0	2,275,248.0	(897,815.0)
Agarapathana	1,302,418.0	2,099,795.0	(797,377.0)
Kadugannawa	1,302,093.0	1,920,136.0	(618,043.0)
Haputale	1,207,377.0	1,644,291.0	(436,914.0)