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Malaysia natural rubber production decreased by 0.4 per cent in January 2026

PUTRAJAYA, 12TH MARCH 2026 – The Department of Statistics, Malaysia (DOSM) released the Monthly Rubber Statistics, Malaysia, January 2026. This publication consists of statistics on production, imports, exports, domestic consumption, stocks, prices, number of employees, salaries & wages and productivity of rubber.

Chief Statistician Malaysia, Dato' Sri Dr. Mohd Uzir Mahidin said, Natural Rubber (NR) production decreased by 0.4 per cent in January 2026 (28,579 tonnes) as compared to December 2025 (28,684 tonnes). Year-on-year comparison showed that the production of NR decreased by 5.9 per cent (January 2025: 30,357 tonnes). Production of NR in January 2026 for Malaysia was mainly contributed by smallholders (87.6%) as compared to estates (12.4%).

Total stocks of NR in January 2026 increased by 9.3 per cent to 133,042 tonnes as compared to 121,686 tonnes in December 2025. Rubber processors factory contributed 80.5 per cent of the stocks followed by rubber consumers factory (19.3%) and rubber estates (0.1%).

Exports of Malaysia's NR amounted to 41,983 tonnes in January 2026, increased 30.6 per cent as against December 2025 (32,139 tonnes). P.R. China remained as the main destination for NR exports which accounted 40.3 per cent of total exports in January 2026 followed by the United Arab Emirates (15.2%), Germany (13.6%), the United States of America (5.6%) and Brazil (3.6%). The exports performance was contributed by NR-based product such as rubber gloves, tyre, tube and rubber thread. Rubber gloves were the main exports of rubber-based products with a value of RM1.2 billion in January 2026, a decrease of 8.5 per cent as compared to December 2025 (RM1.3 billion).

The analysis of the average monthly price showed that concentrated latex recorded a decrease of 0.01 per cent (January 2026: 576.14 sen per kg; December 2025: 576.20 sen per kg) while scrap increased by 4.5 per cent (January 2026: 618.72 sen per kg; December 2025: 592.08 sen per kg). The World Bank Commodity Price Data reported the prices January for TSR 20 (Technically Specified Rubber) has increased 5.9 per cent (from USD1.74/kg to USD1.84/kg) and SGP/MYS

(Singapore/Malaysia) increased 3.9 per cent (from USD2.06/kg to USD2.14/kg).

According to the Malaysia Rubber Board Digest published in January 2026, the Kuala Lumpur rubber market traded on a mixed but generally stable trend in January 2026. Prices were supported by tightening raw material supply due to wet weather in major producing countries, higher regional rubber futures, and positive U.S. and Chinese economic indicators, including supportive developments in China's automobile sector. However, gains were capped by uncertainty over U.S. trade and tariff policies, geopolitical tensions, volatile crude oil prices, profit-taking in futures markets, and a stronger ringgit against the U.S. dollar. Overall, supply-side constraints and supportive macroeconomic factors helped cushion downside risks, resulting in a stable-to-slightly firmer market for the month.

The Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM) is conducting the **Economic Census 2026 (BE2026)**, with themed “*Data Nadi Ekonomi Rakyat*”. The sixth Economic Census, will be carried out from **5th January to 31st December 2026**. BE2026 aims to collect comprehensive and structured data from all registered and unregistered business establishments in Malaysia to assess the nation's economic performance, structure and characteristics in an evidence-based manner.

Malaysia has, for the first time, successfully secured the **top position** globally in the biennial **Open Data Inventory (ODIN) 2024/25** report released by Open Data Watch (ODW), surpassing 197 other countries. This achievement marks a significant leap from its 67th position in the ODIN 2022/23 assessment.

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Chart 1: Production and domestic consumption of natural rubber January 2025, December 2025 - January 2026 ('000 tonnes)

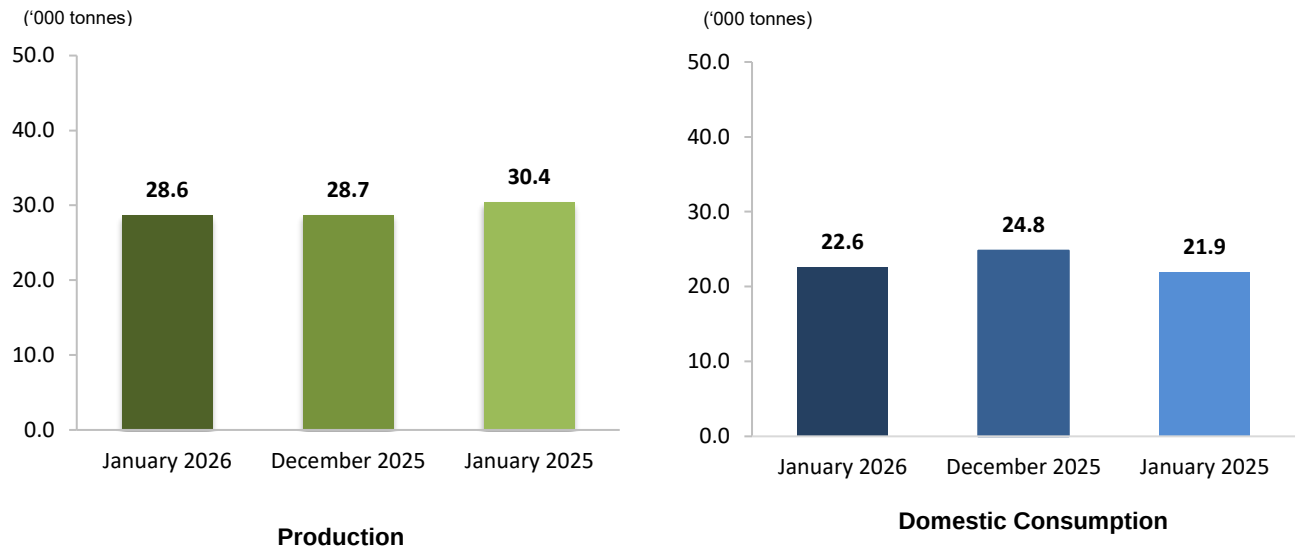
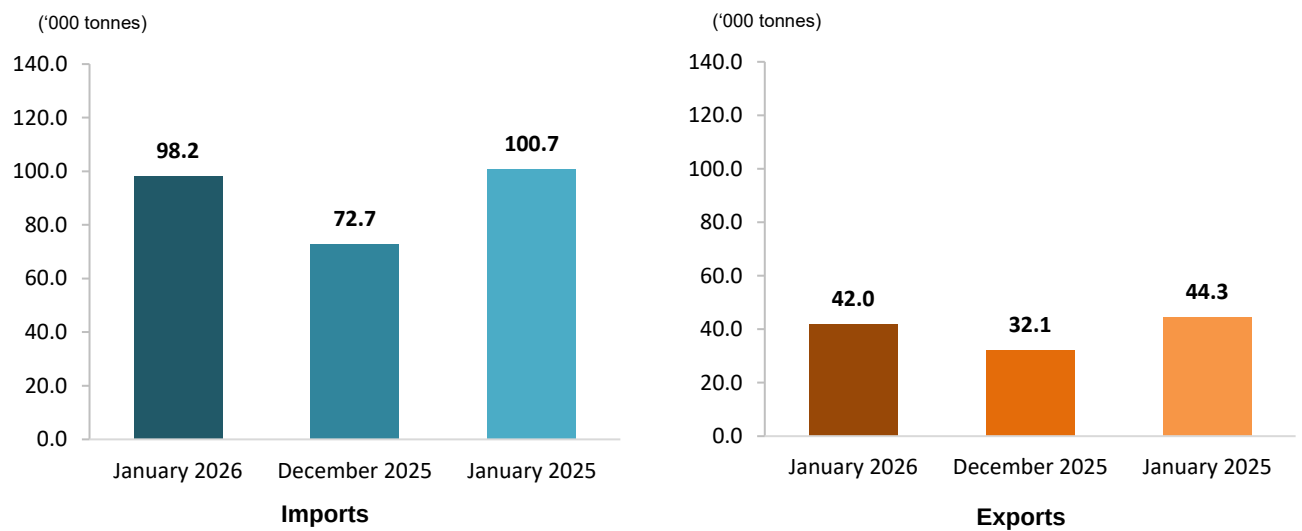


Chart 2: Imports and exports of natural rubber January 2025, December 2025 - January 2026 ('000 tonnes)



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