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MONTHLY RUBBER STATISTICS, MALAYSIA, MARCH 2026

Malaysia natural rubber production decreased by 8.2 per cent in March 2026

PUTRAJAYA, 13TH MAY 2026 – The Department of Statistics, Malaysia (DOSM) released the **Monthly Rubber Statistics, Malaysia, March 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 8.2 per cent in March 2026 (21,310 tonnes) as compared to February 2026 (22,124 tonnes). Year-on-year comparison showed that the production of NR decreased by 29.3 per cent (March 2025: 28,739 tonnes). Production of NR in March 2026 for Malaysia was mainly contributed by smallholders (87.8%) as compared to estates (12.2%).

Total stocks of NR in March 2026 decreased by 1.8 per cent to 139,174 tonnes as compared to 141,697 tonnes in February 2026. Rubber processors factory contributed 79.1 per cent of the stocks followed by rubber consumers factory (20.8%) and rubber estates (0.1%).

Exports of Malaysia's NR amounted to 33,137 tonnes in March 2026, decreased by 2.2 per cent as against February 2026 (33,897 tonnes). P.R. China remained as the main destination for NR exports which accounted 44.0 per cent of total exports in March 2026 followed by Germany (18.1%), Portugal (4.6%), the United States of America (4.4%) and Brazil (3.9%). 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 RM0.92 billion in March 2026, an increase of 3.8 per cent as compared to February 2026 (RM0.88 billion).

In term of the average monthly price showed that concentrated latex recorded 665.40 sen per kilogram in March 2026 as compared to 586.69 sen per kilogram in February 2026 (+13.4 per cent). Meanwhile scrap recorded the average monthly price 654.27 sen per kilogram in March 2026 as compared to 631.13 sen per kilogram in February 2026 (+3.7 per cent). The World Bank Commodity Price Data reported the prices March for TSR 20 (Technically Specified Rubber) was USD1.95/kg has

increased 1.5 per cent from USD1.93/kg and SGP/MYS (Singapore/Malaysia) was USD2.39/kg has increased 5.8 per cent from USD2.26/kg in previous month.

The natural rubber production in the first quarter of 2026 declined by 10.4 per cent to 71,013 tonnes as compared to 79,247 tonnes in the fourth quarter 2025. Meanwhile, the performance of the first quarter of 2026 also recorded a decrease of 25.3 per cent as compared to the same period in the previous year.

According to the Malaysia Rubber Board Digest published in March 2026, the Kuala Lumpur rubber market showed an increase trend during March 2026. Positive market sentiment was further underpinned by concerns over potential rubber supply shortages and firmer synthetic rubber prices, which encouraged substitution towards natural rubber. Prices were also supported by accommodative Chinese economic policies, positive economic data from China, and constructive developments in the United States of America–China trade talks, alongside expectations by the Association of Natural Rubber Producing Countries (ANRPC) of higher natural rubber consumption in 2026.

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 October 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 March 2025, February - March 2026 ('000 tonnes)

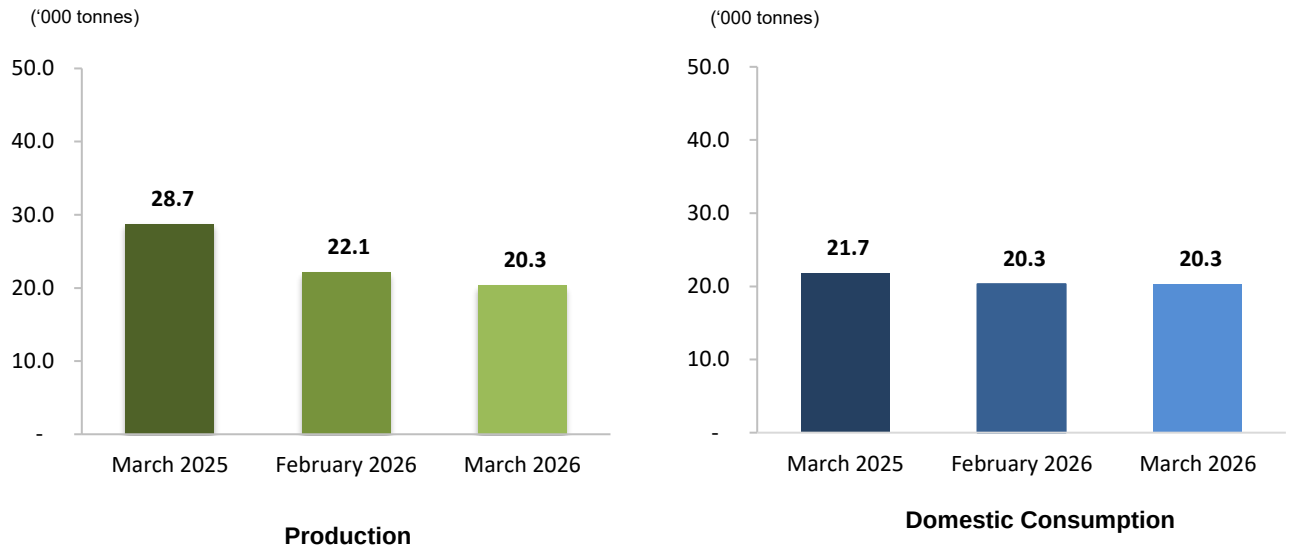


Chart 2: Exports and imports of natural rubber March 2025, February - March 2026 ('000 tonnes)

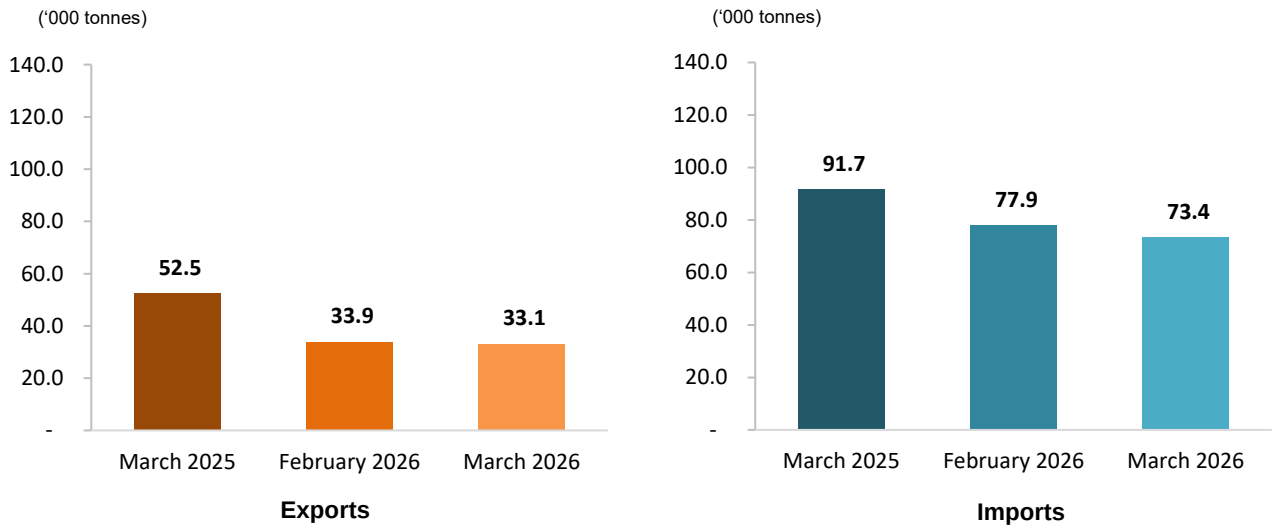
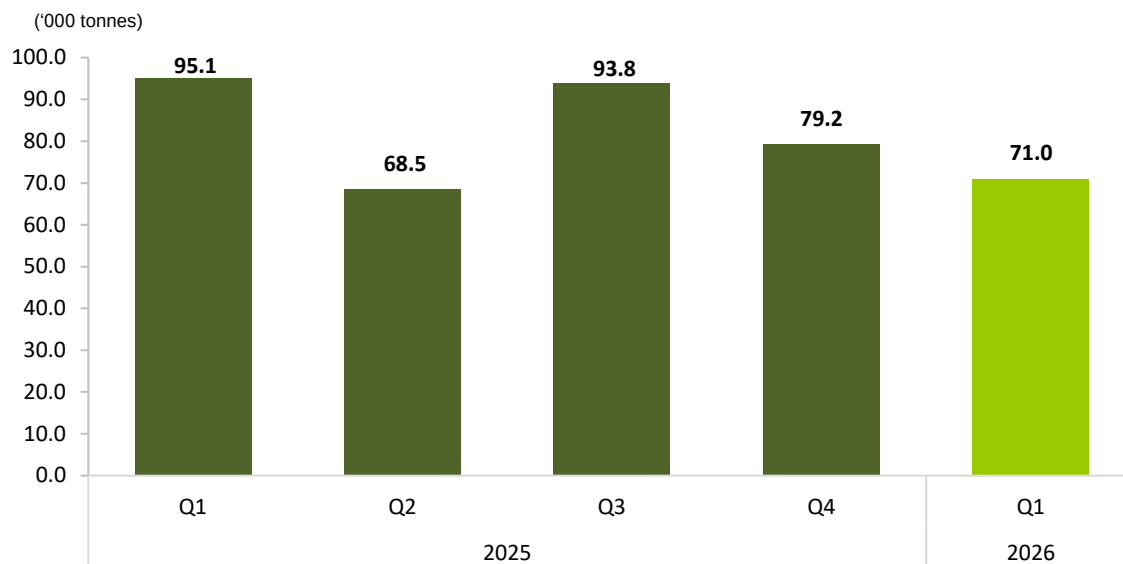


Chart 3: Natural rubber production Quarterly 2026/2025 ('000 tonnes)



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