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MONTHLY RUBBER STATISTICS, MALAYSIA, MAY 2026

Malaysia natural rubber production increased by 9.1 per cent in May 2026

PUTRAJAYA, 13TH JULY 2026 – The Department of Statistics, Malaysia (DOSM) released the **Monthly Rubber Statistics, Malaysia, May 2026**. This publication consists of statistics on production, imports, exports, domestic consumption, stocks, prices, number of employees, salaries & wages and productivity of rubber.

DOSM stated Natural Rubber (NR) production increased by 9.1 per cent in May 2026 (20,198 tonnes) as compared to April 2026 (18,515 tonnes). Year-on-year comparison showed that the production of NR decreased by 16.7 per cent (May 2025: 24,256 tonnes). Production of NR in May 2026 for Malaysia was mainly contributed by smallholders (89.4%) as compared to estates (10.6%).

Total stocks of NR in May 2026 decreased by 6.2 per cent to 122,658 tonnes as compared to 130,698 tonnes in April 2026. Rubber processors factory contributed 77.8 per cent of the stocks followed by rubber consumers factory (22.0%) and rubber estates (0.2%).

Exports of Malaysia's NR amounted to 28,741 tonnes in May 2026, decreased by 23.1 per cent as against April 2026 (37,360 tonnes). P.R. China remained as the main destination for NR exports which accounted 42.7 per cent of total exports in May 2026 followed by Germany (14.6%), the United States of America (11.2%), Turkiye (4.3%) and India (3.8%). 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 May 2026, a decrease of 14.1 per cent as compared to April 2026 (RM1.4 billion).

In term of the average monthly price showed that concentrated latex recorded 763.16 sen per kilogram in May 2026 as compared to 754.69 sen per kilogram in April 2026 (+1.1 per cent). Meanwhile scrap recorded the average monthly price 747.78 sen per kilogram in May 2026 as compared to 691.26 sen per kilogram in April 2026 (+8.2 per cent). The World Bank Commodity Price Data reported the prices May for TSR 20 (Technically Specified Rubber) was USD2.21/kg has increased 7.3 per cent from USD2.06/kg and SGP/MYS (Singapore/Malaysia) was USD2.69/kg has increased 7.2 per cent from USD2.51/kg in previous month.

According to the Malaysia Rubber Board Digest published in May 2026, the Kuala Lumpur rubber market maintained an upward trend throughout this month, supported by persistent concerns over tight natural rubber supply during the seasonal wintering period, elevated crude oil prices amid ongoing disruptions linked to the United States of America-Iran conflict, and improving demand indicators from key manufacturing and automotive markets. Market sentiment was further underpinned by higher natural rubber prices in regional markets, expectations of tighter supply due to prolonged dry weather conditions in major producing countries, and concerns over potential El Niño impacts in the second half of the year. Rising petroleum prices continued to increase synthetic rubber production costs, encouraging substitution towards natural rubber.

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 May 2025, April - May 2026 ('000 tonnes)

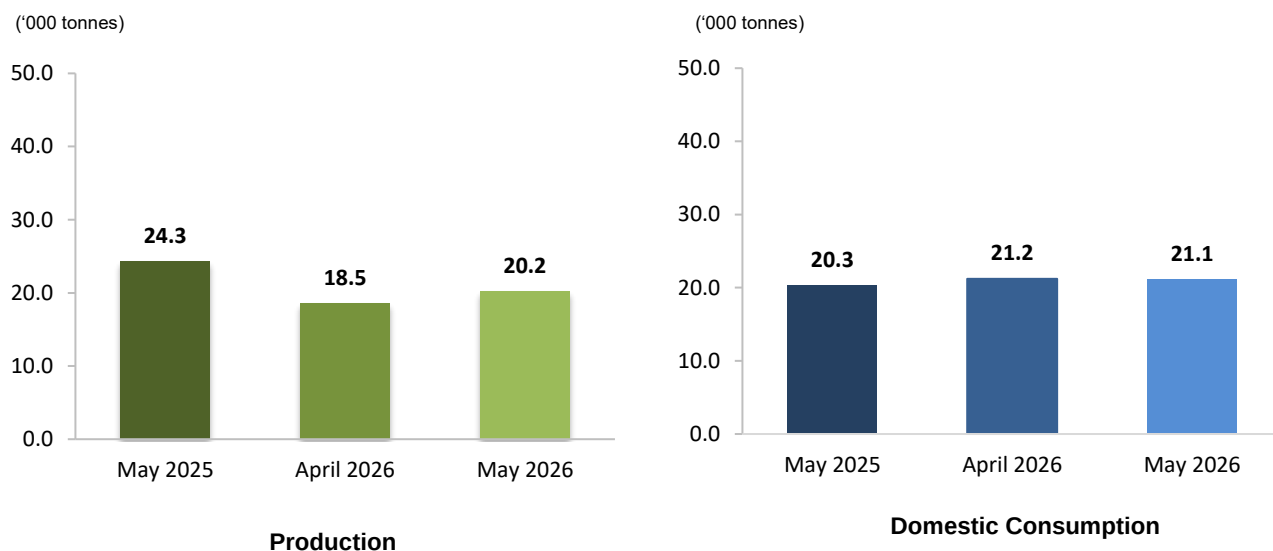
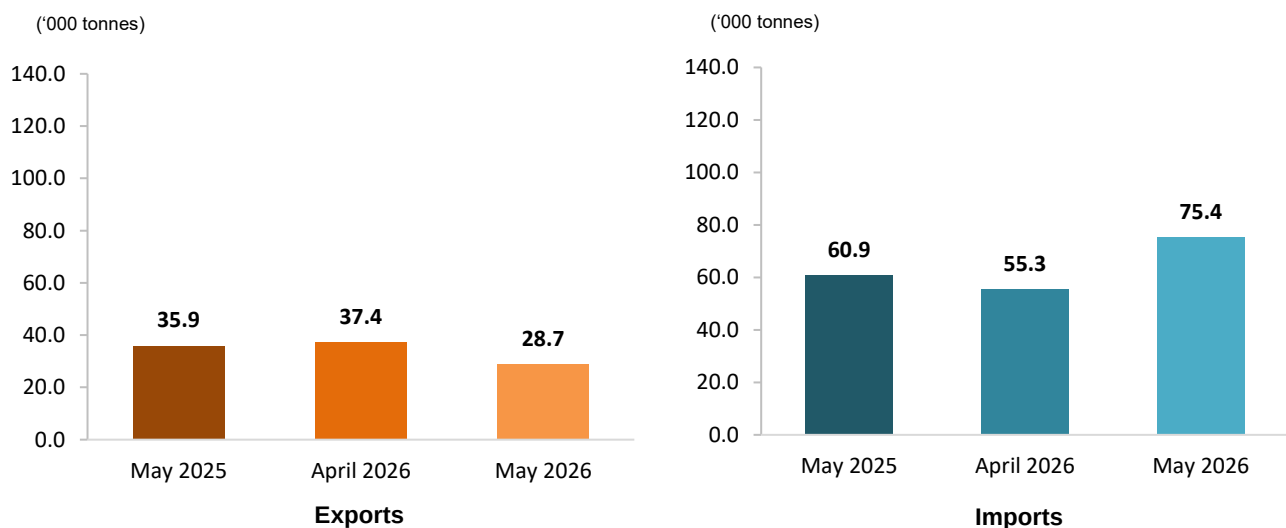


Chart 2: Exports and imports of natural rubber May 2025, April - May 2026 ('000 tonnes)



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