



MINISTRY OF ECONOMY
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MONTHLY RUBBER STATISTICS MALAYSIA, DECEMBER 2020

Production of natural rubber increased 17.1 per cent in December 2020

Production of natural rubber increased **17.1** per cent in December 2020 to **49,825** tonnes as compared to **42,554** tonnes in the previous month. On the contrary, year on year showed a decrease of **14.7** per cent.

Exports of Malaysia's natural rubber amounted **61,547** tonnes in December 2020, an increase of **8.9** per cent against **56,522** tonnes in November 2020. P.R. China remains as the main destination for natural rubber exports with **53.8** per cent of total exports in December 2020 followed by Germany (**10.2%**), United States of America (**5.4%**), Taiwan (**2.7%**) and Iran (**2.5%**).

Rubber gloves was the main export item with export value **RM4.5** billion in November 2020, an increase of **3.6** per cent to **RM4.6** billion in December 2020. United States of America, P.R. China and Germany were among the highest importer of rubber gloves.

The stocks of natural rubber decreased in December 2020 to **249,555** tonnes as compared to **259,443** tonnes in November 2020 with a decrease of **3.8** per cent.

Average price of Latex Concentrate recorded a decrease of **582.79** sen per kilogramme as compared to November 2020 (**620.76** sen per kilogramme). Standard Malaysian Rubber 20 (S.M.R. 20) also decreased to **628.74** sen per kilogramme as compared to **632.74** sen per kilogramme for the same period.

Total domestic consumption for natural rubber was **42,356** tonnes, a decrease of **4.5** per cent as compared to the previous month. Rubber gloves industry continues to dominate the use of natural rubber with **31,498** tonnes or **74.4** per cent from the total domestic consumption.



MONTHLY RUBBER STATISTICS

DECEMBER 2020

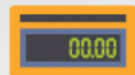


PRODUCTION

tonnes

DECEMBER 2020^p : 49,825
NOVEMBER 2020 : 42,554

↑ 17.1%



AVERAGE PRICE

sen/kg

DECEMBER 2020 : 582.79
NOVEMBER 2020 : 620.76

↓ 6.1%

DECEMBER 2020 : 628.74
NOVEMBER 2020 : 632.74

↓ 0.6%



Concentrate
Latex



S.M.R 20

STOCKS

tonnes

DECEMBER 2020^p : 249,555



Rubber
Estates

0.2%



Rubber
Consumer

9.6%



Rubber
Processors

90.2%

DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION

tonnes

DECEMBER 2020^p : 42,356



74.4%

Rubber gloves



9.6%

Rubber thread



6.6%

Tyres and tube



9.4%

Others

Production of natural rubber by main producing countries* December 2020 ('000 tonnes)



MALAYSIA
49.8^p



Thailand
490.3^e



Sri Lanka
7.0^e



Cambodia
48.3^e



India
90.0^e



P.R. China
55.0^e



Vietnam
135.0^e



Philippines
12.9^e



Indonesia
222.4^e



P.R. China
53.8%



Iran
2.5%



Germany
10.2%



U.S.A
5.4%



Taiwan
2.7%

EXPORTS

tonnes

DECEMBER 2020

61,547

*Association of Natural Rubber Producing Countries (ANRPC)

Source : Ministry of Plantation Industries and Commodities, MPIC

p : provisional | e : estimates

Source : Monthly Rubber Statistics, Malaysia, December 2020

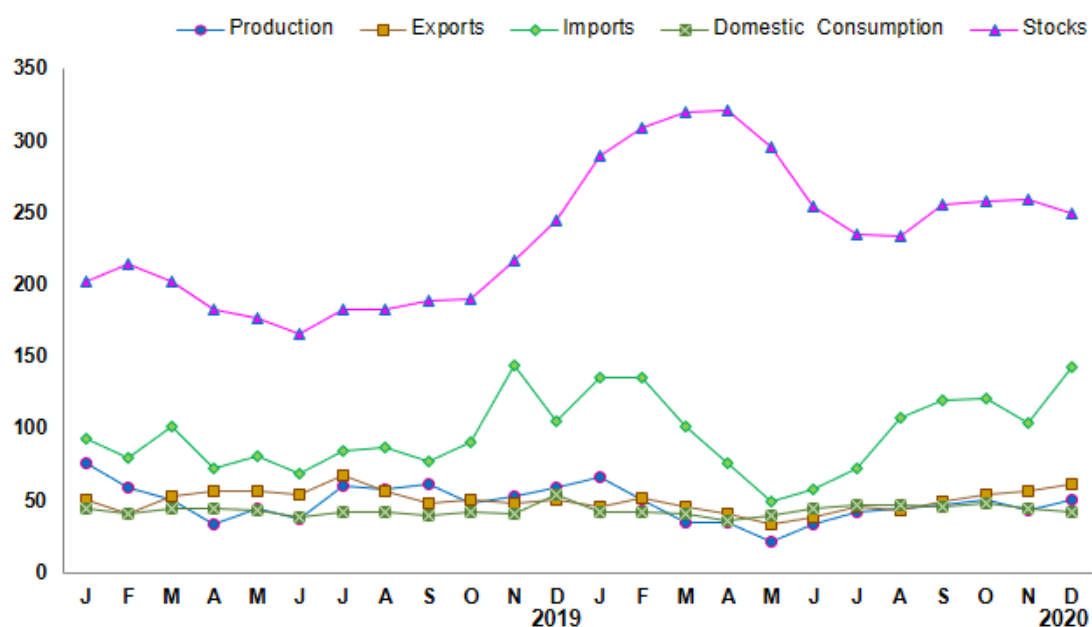
Table 1 presents the principal statistics of rubber for December 2020 while Chart 1 shows the monthly time series from December 2019 to December 2020.

Table 1: Principal statistics of rubber, December 2020

Principal Statistics	December 2019	November 2020	December 2020	Change month-on-month December 2020/ November 2020 (%)	Change year-on-year December 2020/ December 2019 (%)
Production (tonnes)	58,437	42,554	49,825	17.1	-14.7
Exports (tonnes)	50,516	56,522	61,547	8.9	21.8
Imports (tonnes)	104,524	104,038	142,441	36.9	36.3
Domestic consumption (tonnes)	54,477	44,355	42,356	-4.5	-22.2
Closing stocks (tonnes)	244,930	259,443	249,555	-3.8	1.9
Number of paid workers (estate)	11,059	9,908	9,728	-1.8	-12.0
Salaries & wages (estate) (RM'000)	20,714	15,243	18,334	20.3	-11.5

Chart 1: Monthly production, exports, imports, domestic consumption and stocks of natural rubber 2019/2020

('000 tonnes)



The full publication of the Monthly Rubber Statistics, December 2020 can be downloaded through eStatistik Portal.

For more details, please refer to the Department's portal: www.dosm.gov.my

*Notes:

Data for December 2020 is **provisional**. The data will be updated based on the latest available figures and subsequently published in the January 2021 publication.

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