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## MONTHLY RUBBER STATISTICS MALAYSIA, OCTOBER 2021

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### **Malaysia rubber production increased by 4.7 per cent in October 2021**

The Department of Statistics, Malaysia today released Monthly Rubber Statistics, Malaysia, October 2021. This publication consists of statistics on production, imports, exports, domestic consumption, stocks, prices, number of employees, salaries & wages and productivity of rubber estates.

Natural rubber production increased by 4.7 per cent in October 2021 (43,127 tonnes) as compared to September 2021 (41,180 tonnes). On the contrary, the production on an annual basis decreased by 13.6 per cent as against 49,943 tonnes in the same month in 2020. Production of natural rubber in October 2021 for Malaysia was mainly contributed by smallholders sector (90.5%) as compared to estates sector (9.5%).

Total stocks of natural rubber decreased 3.6 per cent in October 2021 to 281,723 tonnes as compared to 292,312 tonnes in September 2021. Rubber processors factory was contributing 92.0 per cent of the stocks followed by rubber consumers factory (7.9%) and rubber estates (0.1%).

Exports of Malaysia's natural rubber amounted to 62,167 tonnes in October 2021, decreased by 0.3 per cent as against September 2021 (62,332 tonnes). P.R. China continued to dominate as the highest importer of natural rubber with 56.8 per cent from total exports in October 2021 followed by Pakistan (3.2%), U.S.A (3.0%), Iran (2.7%) and Germany (2.1%). The exports performance was contributed by natural rubber-based product such as gloves, tyre, tube, rubber thread and condom. Gloves were the main exports of rubber-based products with a value of RM2.6 billion in October 2021, a decrease of 15.0 per cent as compared to September 2021 (RM3.1 billion).

Analysis of the average monthly price showed that Latex Concentrated recorded an increase of 4.8 per cent (October 2021: 521.20 sen per kg, September 2021: 497.24 sen per kg) and Scrap 7.5 per cent (October 2021: 578.52 sen per kg, September 2021: 538.08 sen per kg). A similar trend is also observed for all Standard Malaysian Rubber (S.M.R) which increased between 4.7 to 6.7 per cent. S.M.R. 20 recorded the highest increase of 6.7 per cent (October 2021: 714.08 sen per kg, September 2021: 668.98 sen per kg). The movement of global prices as reported by World Bank Commodity Price Data also showed that the prices for TSR 20 (Technically Specified Rubber) and SGP/MYS (Singapore/Malaysia) type increased 6.5 per cent (from USD1.63/kg to USD1.73/kg) and 4.6 per cent (from USD1.79/kg to USD1.87/kg) respectively. In addition, according to Malaysian Rubber Board Digest released in October 2021, the uptrend price in reference month were supported by some positive global economic developments led to gains in regional rubber futures markets.

The performance of Malaysia's natural rubber production in the first ten months of 2021 recorded a decrease of 5.9 per cent as compared to the same period in 2020 (January-October 2021: 397,486 tonnes, January-October 2020: 422,324 tonnes).

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### PRODUCTION (tonnes)

**October 2021<sup>P</sup> : 43,127**

↑ 4.7%

September 2021 : 41,180



### AVERAGE PRICE (sen/kg)

**October 2021: 714.08**

September 2021 : 668.98

↑ 6.7%

**October 2021: 521.20**

September 2021 : 497.24

↑ 4.8%

### STOCKS

**October 2021<sup>P</sup> : 281,723 tonnes**

September 2021 : 292,312 tonnes



**0.1%**

**Rubber Estates**  
October : 351 tonnes  
September : 336 tonnes



**7.9%**

**Rubber Consumers**  
October : 22,154 tonnes  
September : 23,205 tonnes



**Rubber Processors**  
October : 259,218 tonnes  
September : 268,771 tonnes

**92.0%**

### DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION

**October 2021<sup>P</sup> : 43,540 tonnes**

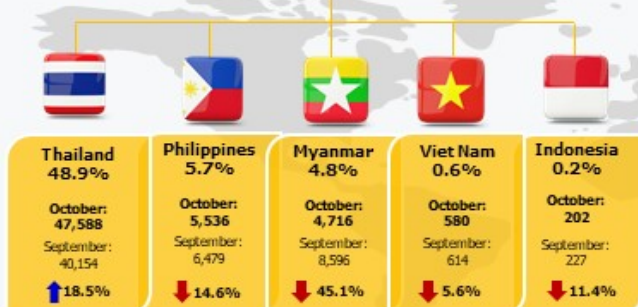
September 2021 : 41,421 tonnes



### IMPORTS

**October 2021<sup>P</sup> : 97,262 tonnes**

September 2021 : 81,190 tonnes



### EXPORTS

**October 2021<sup>P</sup> : 62,167 tonnes**

September 2021 : 62,332 tonnes



<sup>P</sup> : preliminary

Source: Monthly Rubber Statistics, Malaysia, October 2021

Table 1 presents the principal statistics of rubber for October 2021 while Chart 1 & 2 shows the monthly time series until October 2021.

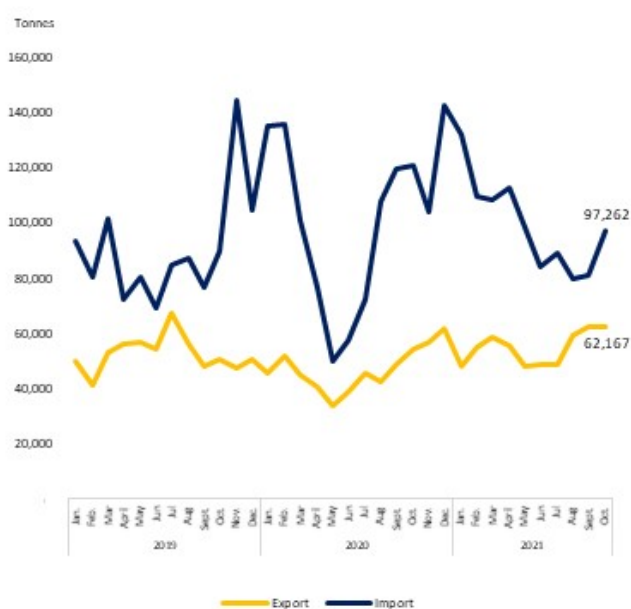
**Table 1: Principal statistics of rubber, October 2021**

Principal Statistics	October 2020	September 2021	October 2021	Change month-on-month October 2021/ September 2021 (%)	Change year-on-year October 2021/ October 2020 (%)
Production (tonnes)	49,943	41,180	43,127	4.7	(13.6)
Exports (tonnes)	54,492	62,332	62,167	(0.3)	14.1
Imports (tonnes)	120,876	81,190	97,262	19.8	(19.5)
Domestic consumption (tonnes)	48,270	41,421	43,540	5.1	(9.8)
Closing stocks (tonnes)	258,052	292,312	281,723	(3.6)	9.2
Number of paid workers (estate)	10,146	8,313	8,310	(0.04)	(18.1)
Salaries & wages (estate) (RM'000)	15,987	13,588	14,044	3.4	(12.2)

**Chart 1: Monthly production and domestic consumption of natural rubber 2019 - October 2021 (tonnes)**



**Chart 2: Monthly imports and exports of natural rubber 2019 - October 2021 (tonnes)**



The full publication of the Monthly Rubber Statistics, October 2021 can be downloaded through [eStatistik Portal](#).

For more details, please refer to the Department's portal: [www.dosm.gov.my](http://www.dosm.gov.my)

\*Notes:

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

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