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MONTHLY RUBBER STATISTICS, MALAYSIA

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Malaysia natural rubber production decreased by 37.3 per cent in April 2025

PUTRAJAYA, JUNE 12, 2025 – The Department of Statistics, Malaysia (DOSM) released the **Monthly Rubber Statistics, Malaysia, April 2025.** This publication consists of statistics on production, imports, exports, domestic consumption, stocks, prices, number of employees, salaries & wages and productivity of rubber estates.

Chief Statistician Malaysia, Dato' Sri Dr. Mohd Uzir Mahidin said, Natural Rubber (NR) production decreased by 37.3 per cent in April 2025 (18,008 tonnes) as compared to March 2025 (28,739 tonnes). Year-on-year comparison showed that the production of NR decreased by 15.6 per cent (April 2024: 21,325 tonnes). Production of NR in April 2025 for Malaysia was mainly contributed by smallholders sector (86.0%) as compared to estates sector (14.0%).

Total stocks of NR in April 2025 decreased by 6.7 per cent to 203,728 tonnes as compared to 218,253 tonnes in March 2025. Rubber processors factory contributed 87.6 per cent of the stocks followed by rubber consumers factory (12.3%) and rubber estates (0.1%).

Exports of Malaysia's NR amounted to 35,901 tonnes in April 2025, decreased 31.7 per cent as against March 2025 (52,531 tonnes). P.R. China remained as the main destination for NR exports which accounted 33.3 per cent of total exports in April 2025 followed by the United Arab Emirates (14.9%), Germany (14.2%), India (6.5%) and the United States of America (5.1%). The exports performance was contributed by NR-based product such as gloves, tyre, tube and rubber thread. Gloves were the main exports of

rubber-based products with a value of RM1.1 billion in April 2025, a decrease of 19.2 per cent as compared to March 2025 (RM1.3 billion).

monthly price average showed that Concentrated Latex Analysis of the recorded a 7.0 per cent (April 2025: 647.20 sen per kg; decrease of March 2025: 696.05 sen per kg) while Scrap decreased by 15.8 per cent (April 2025: 641.27 sen per kg; March 2025: 761.92 sen per kg). Trend of prices for all Standard Malaysian Rubber (S.M.R) is decreased between 6.9 per cent and 13.5 per cent. The World Bank Commodity Price Data reported the prices for TSR 20 (Technically Specified Rubber) has decreased 13.9 per cent (from USD1.98/kg to USD1.71/kg) and SGP/MYS (Singapore/Malaysia) decreased 10.1 per cent (from USD2.36/kg to USD2.13/kg).

According to the Malaysia Rubber Board Digest published in April 2025, the Kuala Lumpur Rubber Market experienced mixed trends of declines and recovery throughout April 2025, influenced by fluctuating signals from regional rubber futures markets in response to the uncertainties of the U.S. trade policies. Market sentiment remained subdued amid ongoing global economic uncertainties and escalating China-U.S. trade tensions. Additionally, a stronger ringgit against the U.S. dollar and declining crude oil prices further weighed on sentiment.

ASEAN-Malaysia 2025 Chairmanship: The Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM) will chair the 15th ASEAN Community Statistical System Committee (ACSS15) which aims to strengthen the statistical cooperation towards sustainable regional development.

Malaysia, for the first time, ranked as number one (1) globally in the biennial Open Data Inventory (ODIN) 2024/25 report released by Open Data Watch (ODW), surpassing 198 other countries. This achievement marks a significant leap from its 67th position in the ODIN 2022/23 assessment.

The Government of Malaysia has declared October 20th as National Statistics Day (MyStats Day), with the theme 'Statistics is the Essence of Life'. Meanwhile, the Fourth World Statistics Day will be celebrated on 20th October 2025, with the theme 'Driving Change with Quality Statistics and Data for Everyone'.

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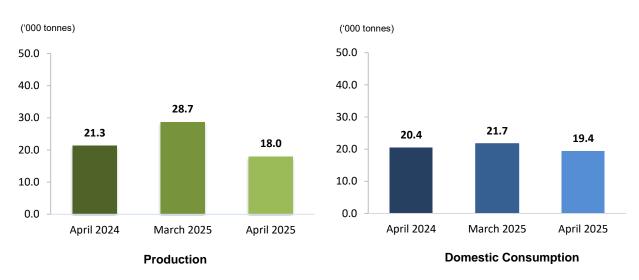
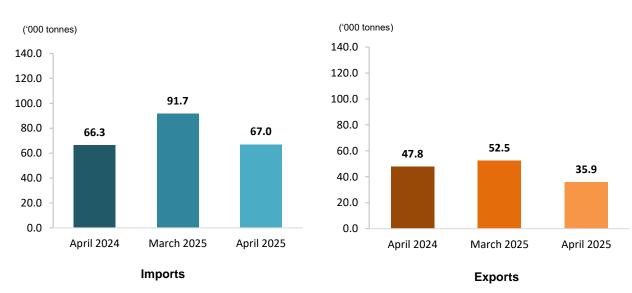


Chart 1: Production and domestic consumption of natural rubber April 2024, March - April 2025 ('000 tonnes)

Chart 2: Imports and exports of natural rubber April 2024, March - April 2025 ('000 tonnes)



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