# MONTHLY RUBBER STATISTICS





Natural Rubber (NR) production increased by 8.9 per cent in December 2022 (30,556 tonnes) as compared to November 2022 (28,048 tonnes). Year-on-year comparison showed the production of NR decreased by 26.7 per cent (December 2021: 41,690 tonnes). The production of NR in December 2022 for Malaysia was mainly contributed by smallholders sector (86.7%) as compared to estates sector (13.3%).

Total stock of NR in December 2022 increased by 4.1 per cent to 201,359 tonnes as compared to 193,396 tonnes in November 2022. Rubber processors factory contributed 90.9 per cent of the stock followed by rubber consumers factory (9.0%) and rubber estates (0.1%).

Exports of Malaysia's NR amounted to 48,797 tonnes in December 2022, decreased 4.2 per cent as against November 2022 (50,927 tonnes). P.R. China remained as the main destination for NR exports which accounted 47.6 per cent of total exports in December 2022 followed by Germany (4.2%), the United States of America (4.2%), Iran (4.1%) and Brazil (2.6%).

Analysis of the average monthly price showed that Latex Concentrated recorded a decrease of 0.5 per cent (December 2022: 470.21 sen per kg, November 2022: 472.58 sen per kg) while, Scrap increased by 4.0 per cent (December 2022: 461.20 sen per kg, November 2022: 443.36 sen per kg). Prices for all Standard Malaysian Rubber (S.M.R) is ranged between -0.5 per cent to 1.1 per cent.

The performance of the fourth quarter of 2022 showed natural rubber production decreased by 18.5 per cent to 90,399 tonnes as compared to 110,969 tonnes in the third quarter of 2022. The annual performance of Malaysia's natural rubber production in the fourth quarter of 2022 recorded a decrease of 21.6 per cent as compared to 2021 (115,310 tonnes).

In addition, the overall performance of natural rubber production in 2022 showed a decrease of 19.7 per cent to 377,047 tonnes as compared to 469,669 tonnes in 2021.

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