MONTHLY RUBBER STATISTICS MALAYSIA, JANUARY 2020

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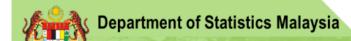
Malaysia's natural rubber production increased **13.3** per cent in January 2020 to **66,232** tonnes as compared to the previous month. Meanwhile comparison year on year showed a decrease of **13.0** per cent as compared to the same month in the previous year.

Exports of Malaysia's natural rubber amounted **45,827** tonnes, decreased by **9.3** per cent against **50,516** tonnes in December 2019. The primary natural rubber export destination is People's Republic of China with a share of **44.3** per cent from total exports in January 2020 followed by Germany (**13.4**%), Finland (**5.1**%), U.S.A (**4.1**%) and Italy (**3.3**%).

Stocks of natural rubber in January 2020 was **288,586** tonnes as compared to **245,002** tonnes in December 2019, an increase of **17.8** per cent.

Average price of Latex Concentrate was **459.60** sen per kilogramme in January 2020, increased by **1.0** per cent as compared to December 2019. Meanwhile the average price of Standard Malaysian Rubber 20 (S.M.R. 20) decreased by **0.9** per cent to **590.38** sen per kilogramme for the same period.

Total domestic consumption of natural rubber was **42,015** tonnes, a decrease of **22.9** per cent against **54,477** tonnes as reported in December 2019. Rubber gloves industry dominates the use of natural rubber with **31,686** tonnes or **75.4** per cent of the total domestic consumption.















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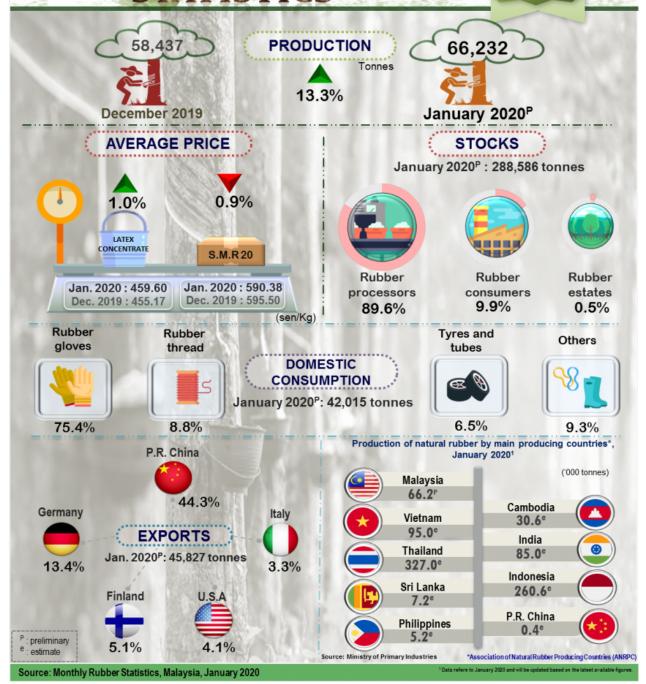
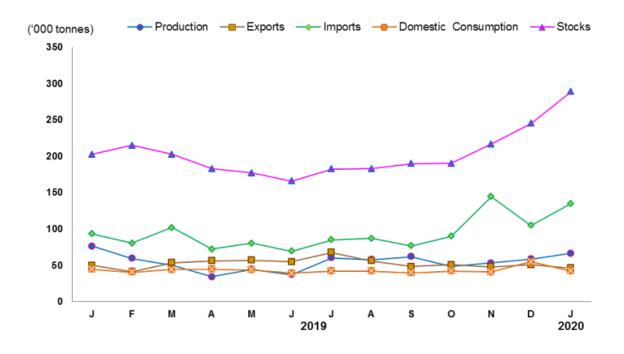


Table 1 presents the principal statistics of rubber for January 2020 while Chart 1 shows the monthly time series from January 2019 to January 2020.

Table 1: Principal statistics of rubber, January 2020

Principal Statistics	January 2019	December 2019	January 2019	Change month-on-month January 2020/ December 2019 (%)	Change year-on-year January 2020/ January 2019 (%)
Production (tonnes)	76,104	58,437	66,232	13.3	-13.0
Exports (tonnes)	49,797	50,516	45,827	-9.3	-8.0
Imports (tonnes)	93,127	104,524	134,868	29.0	44.8
Domestic consumption (tonnes)	44,140	54,477	42,015	-22.9	-4.8
Closing stocks (tonnes)	202,427	244,930	288,586	17.8	42.6
Number of paid workers (estate)	11,874	11,059	10,723	-3.0	-9.7
Salaries & wages (estate) (RM'000)	19,708	20,714	17,283	-16.6	-12.3

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



*Notes:

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

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