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## MONTHLY RUBBER STATISTICS MALAYSIA, NOVEMBER 2017

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### **Production of natural rubber dropped 12.6 per cent in November 2017**

Natural rubber (NR) production dropped by **12.6** per cent in November 2017 to **58,733** tonnes compared to October 2017. Smallholding sector is the main contributor of NR production which is more than **90** per cent.

Average monthly price of latex concentrate and S.M.R. 20 in November 2017 were **474.89** sen per kilogramme and **581.20** sen per kilogramme, decreased by **3.0** per cent and **3.3** per cent respectively compared to October 2017.

Exports of NR in November 2017 recorded at **47,589** tonnes, increased by **0.9** per cent than the previous month. Five main destinations of NR exports were China, Germany, Iran, U.S.A. and Turkey.

Domestic consumption of NR in November 2017 decreased by **0.7** per cent to **42,268** tonnes as compared to the previous month. The largest industry using NR was rubber glove industry of **30,991** tonnes (**73.3%**).

Meanwhile in terms of stocks, the level of NR stocks increased **4.9** per cent to **216,413** tonnes at the end of November 2017.



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93.1% of NR production was from the smallholding sector.

October 2017



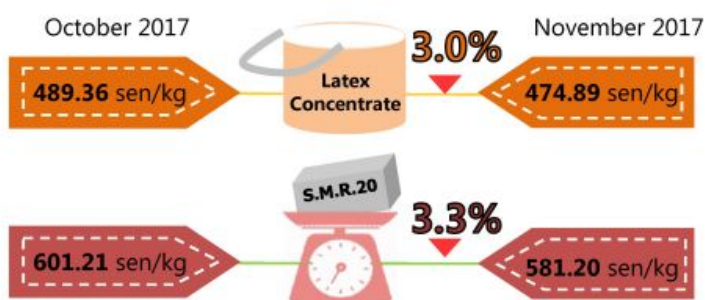
67,219 tonnes

November 2017



58,733 tonnes

## Average price



## Domestic consumption

Total : 42,268 tonnes

Rubber gloves industry was the largest consumer of NR which is 73.3%.



Rubber  
Gloves

73.3%



Rubber  
Thread

9.5%



Tyres and  
Tubes

7.3%

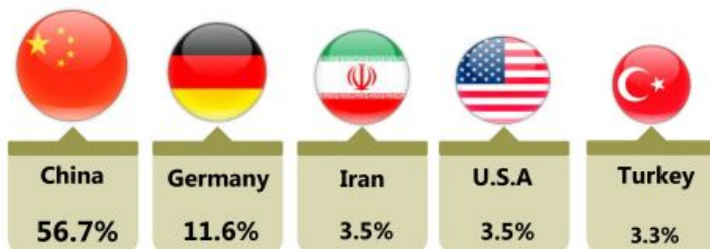


Others

9.9%

## Eksport

Exports of NR increased by 0.9% as compared to October 2017. The main destination of NR exports was China.

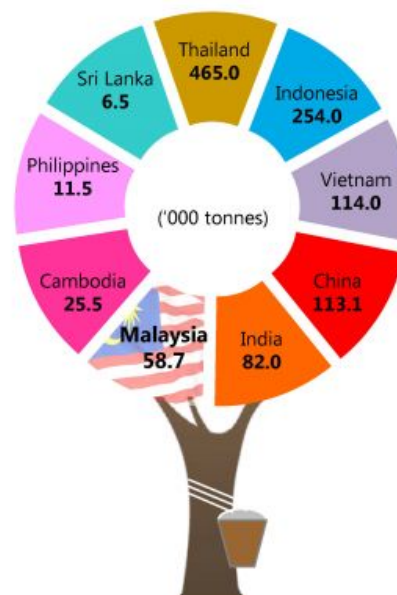


Total exports : 47,589 tonnes

## Stocks



## Production of Natural Rubber by Association of Natural Rubber Producing Countries (ANRPC)



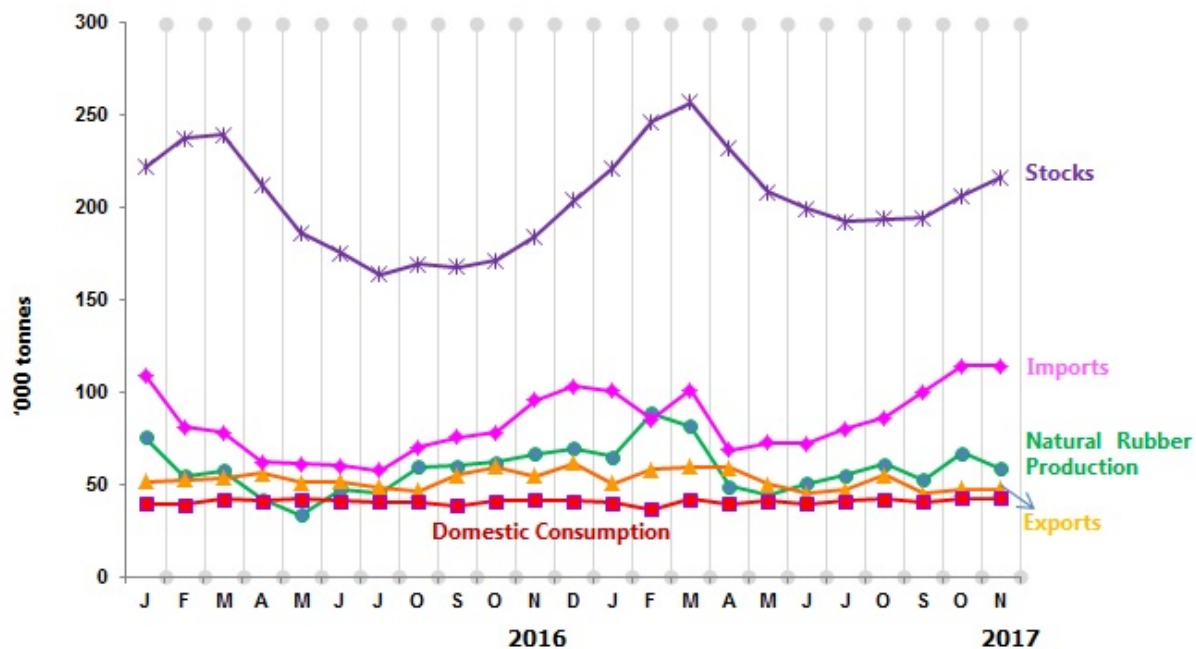
Source: Ministry of Plantation Industries and Commodities

Table 1 presents the principal statistics of rubber for November 2017 while Chart 1 shows the monthly time series from November 2016 to November 2017.

Table 1: Principal statistics of rubber, November 2017

Principal Statistics	November 2016	October 2017	November 2017	Change month-on-month November 2017/October 2017 (%)	Change year-on-year November 2017/November 2016 (%)
Production (tonnes)	66,293	67,219	58,733	-12.6	-11.4
Exports (tonnes)	54,624	47,162	47,589	0.9	-12.9
Imports (tonnes)	95,452	113,930	113,942	0.0	19.4
Domestic consumption (tonnes)	41,196	42,562	42,268	-0.7	2.6
Closing stocks (tonnes)	184,264	206,224	216,413	4.9	17.4
Number of paidworkers (estate)	10,202	10,115	10,088	-0.3	-1.1
Salaries & wages (RM'000) (estate)	13,212	14,330	13,064	-8.8	-1.1

Chart 1: Monthly production, exports, imports, domestic consumption and stocks of natural rubber 2016/2017



\*Notes:

Data for November 2017 is **provisional**.

The data will be updated based on the latest available figures and subsequently published in the December 2017 publication.

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