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## MONTHLY RUBBER STATISTICS MALAYSIA, SEPTEMBER 2020

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### **Production of natural rubber increased 3.7 per cent in September 2020**

Production of natural rubber increased **3.7** per cent in September 2020 to **46,187** tonnes as compared to **44,543** tonnes in the previous month. Meanwhile, compared to the same month in the previous year, it recorded a decrease of **25.2** per cent.

Exports of Malaysia's natural rubber amounted **48,720** tonnes in September 2020, an increase of **14.2** per cent against **42,658** tonnes in August 2020. People's Republic of China remains as the main destination for natural rubber exports, with a share of **46.0** per cent of total exports in September 2020 followed by Germany (**13.2%**), Iran (**3.8%**), Finland (**3.3%**) and Brazil (**3.1%**).

Rubber gloves was the main export item with export value increasing by **25.6** per cent from **RM3.0 billion** in August 2020 to **RM3.8 billion** in September 2020. Among the highest exports of rubber gloves were to the United States, Germany and United Kingdom.

The stocks of natural rubber inclined in September 2020 with **255,140** tonnes as compared to **233,492** tonnes in August 2020 with an increase of **9.3** per cent.

Average price of Latex Concentrate recorded an increase of **484.57** sen per kilogramme as compared to August 2020 (**467.71** sen per kilogramme). Standard Malaysian Rubber 20 (S.M.R. 20) also increased to **558.50** sen per kilogramme as compared to **538.68** sen per kilogramme for the same period.

Total domestic consumption for natural rubber was **45,207** tonnes, a decrease of **2.9** per cent as compared to the previous month. Rubber gloves industry dominates the use of natural rubber with **34,016** tonnes or **75.2** per cent from the total domestic consumption.



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### PRODUCTION tonnes

SEPTEMBER 2020<sup>p</sup> : 46,187  
AUGUST 2020 : 44,543

↑ 3.7%

### AVERAGE PRICE sen/kg

SEPTEMBER 2020 : 484.57  
AUGUST 2020 : 467.71

↑ 3.6%

SEPTEMBER 2020 : 558.50  
AUGUST 2020 : 538.68

↑ 3.7%



Concentrate  
Latex



S.M.R 20

### STOCKS tonnes

SEPTEMBER 2020<sup>p</sup> : 255,140



Rubber  
Estates

0.1%



Rubber  
Consumer

9.9%



Rubber  
Processors

90.0%

### DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION tonnes

SEPTEMBER 2020<sup>p</sup> : 45,207



75.2%

Rubber gloves



8.4%

Rubber thread



7.4%

Tyres and tube



9.0%

Others

### Production of natural rubber by main producing countries\* September 2020 ('000 tonnes)



**MALAYSIA**  
46.2<sup>p</sup>



Thailand  
399.3<sup>e</sup>



Sri Lanka  
6.1<sup>e</sup>



Cambodia  
31.8<sup>e</sup>



India  
68.0<sup>e</sup>



P.R. China  
109.3<sup>e</sup>



Vietnam  
150.0<sup>e</sup>



Philippines  
9.5<sup>e</sup>



Indonesia  
235.0<sup>e</sup>



\*Association of Natural Rubber Producing Countries (ANRPC)

Source : Ministry of Plantation Industries and Commodities, MPIC

p : provisional | e : estimate

Source : Monthly Rubber Statistics, Malaysia, September 2020

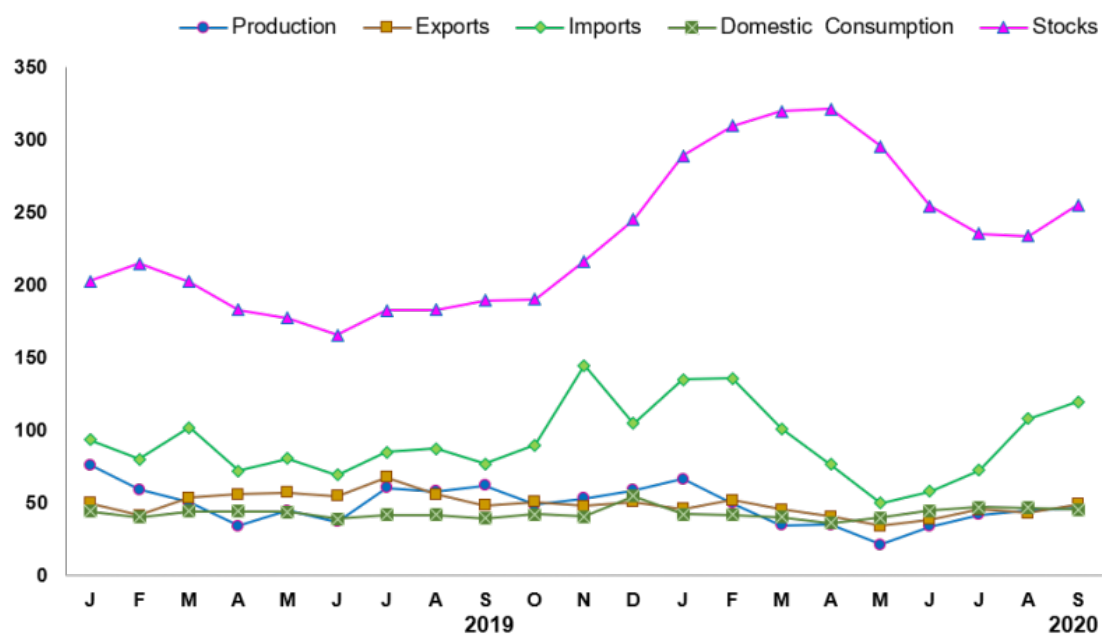
Table 1 presents the principal statistics of rubber for September 2020 while Chart 1 shows the monthly time series from September 2019 to September 2020.

**Table 1: Principal statistics of rubber, September 2020**

| Principal Statistics               | September 2019 | August 2020 | September 2020 | Change month-on-month September 2020/ August 2020 (%) | Change year-on-year September 2020/ September 2019 (%) |
|------------------------------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|---|--|
| Production (tonnes)                | 61,731         | 44,543      | 46,187         | 3.7   | -25.2  |
| Exports (tonnes)                   | 48,058         | 42,658      | 48,720         | 14.2  | 1.4  |
| Imports (tonnes)                   | 76,578         | 107,947     | 119,539        | 10.7  | 56.1   |
| Domestic consumption (tonnes)      | 39,264         | 46,535      | 45,207         | -2.9  | 15.1   |
| Closing stocks (tonnes)            | 189,507        | 233,492     | 255,140        | 9.3   | 34.6   |
| Number of paid workers (estate)    | 11,073         | 10,397      | 10,114         | -2.7  | -8.7   |
| Salaries & wages (estate) (RM'000) | 18,199         | 17,133      | 16,357         | -4.5  | -10.1  |

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

('000 tonnes)



\*Notes:

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

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