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## MONTHLY RUBBER STATISTICS MALAYSIA, AUGUST 2021

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### **Malaysia rubber production decreased by 11.7 per cent in August 2021**

The Department of Statistics, Malaysia today released Monthly Rubber Statistics, Malaysia, August 2021. This publication consists of statistics on production, imports, exports, domestic consumption, stocks, prices, number of employees, salaries & wages and productivity of rubber estates.

Natural rubber production declined by 11.7 per cent in August 2021 (42,942 tonnes) as compared to July in the same year (48,610 tonnes). On an annual basis, the production also decreased by 3.6 per cent as against 44,543 tonnes in the same month of the preceding year. Production of natural rubber in Malaysia was mainly contributed by smallholders sector (90.9%) as compared to estates sector (9.1%).

Stocks of natural rubber increased 2.3 per cent in August 2021 to 287,380 tonnes as compared to 280,844 tonnes in July 2021. Rubber processors factory was contributing 91.5 per cent of the stocks followed by rubber consumers factory (8.4%) and rubber estates (0.1%).

Exports of Malaysia's natural rubber amounted to 59,172 tonnes in August 2021, rose by 21.6 per cent as against July 2021 (48,645 tonnes). P.R. China continued to dominate as the highest importer of natural rubber with 43.7 per cent from total exports in August 2021 followed by U.S.A (9.0%), France (8.4%), Turkey (3.1%) and Brazil (2.4%). The performance at national level was contributed by natural rubber-based product such as gloves, tyre, tube, rubber thread and condom. Gloves were the main exports of rubber-based products with a value of RM3.8 billion in August 2021, a decrease of 1.4 per cent as compared to July 2021 (RM3.9 billion).

The comparison of the average monthly price scenario showed that Latex Concentrated recorded an increase of 5.6 per cent (August 2021: 522.13 sen per kg, July 2021: 494.38 sen per kg) and Scrap 7.7 per cent (August 2021: 590.42 sen per kg, July 2021: 548.25 sen per kg). A similar trend is also observed for all Standard Malaysian Rubber (S.M.R) which increased between 5.5 to 5.7 per cent. S.M.R. 20 recorded the highest increase of 5.7 per cent (August 2021: 717.65 sen per kg, July 2021: 678.69 sen per kg). The movement of global prices as reported by World Bank Commodity Price Data also showed the prices for TSR 20 and SGP/MYS increased 4.6 per cent (from USD1.63/kg to USD1.71/kg) and 1.8 per cent (from USD1.87/kg to USD1.90/kg) respectively.

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### PRODUCTION (tonnes)

**August 2021<sup>P</sup> : 42,942**

↓ 11.7%

July 2021 : 48,610



### AVERAGE PRICE (sen/kg)

▶ **August 2021: 717.65**  
July 2021 : 678.69    ↑ 5.7%

▶ **August 2021: 522.13**  
July 2021 : 494.38    ↑ 5.6%

### STOCKS

**August 2021<sup>P</sup> : 287,380 tonnes**  
July 2021 : 280,844 tonnes



**0.1%**

**Rubber Estates**  
August : 418 tonnes  
July : 554 tonnes



**8.4%**

**Rubber Consumers**  
August : 24,059 tonnes  
July : 23,635 tonnes



**Rubber Processors**  
August : 262,904 tonnes  
July : 256,655 tonnes    **91.5%**

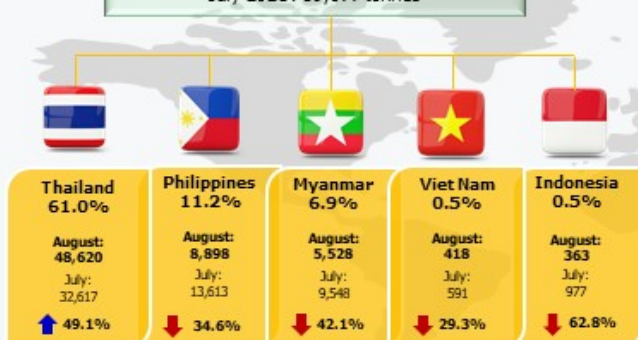
### DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION

**August 2021<sup>P</sup> : 37,777 tonnes**  
July 2021 : 26,276 tonnes



### IMPORTS

**August 2021<sup>P</sup> : 79,702 tonnes**  
July 2021 : 89,077 tonnes



### EXPORTS

**August 2021<sup>P</sup> : 59,172 tonnes**  
July 2021 : 48,645 tonnes



<sup>P</sup> : preliminary

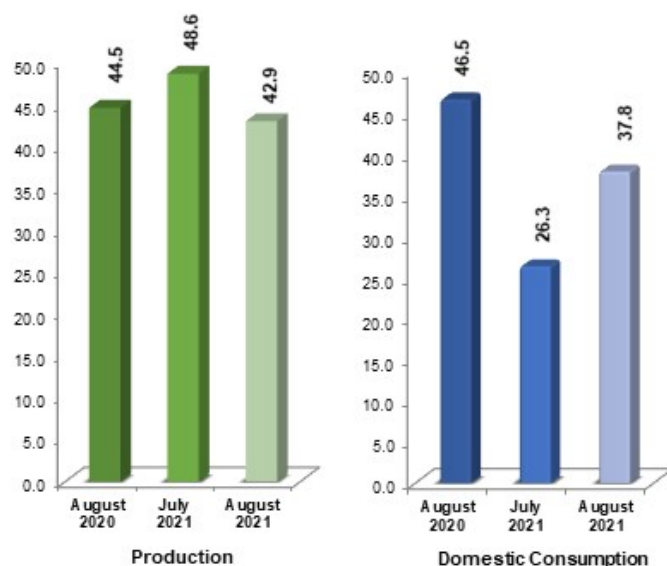
Source: Monthly Rubber Statistics, Malaysia, August 2021

Table 1 presents the principal statistics of rubber for August 2021 while Chart 1 & 2 shows the monthly time series until August 2021.

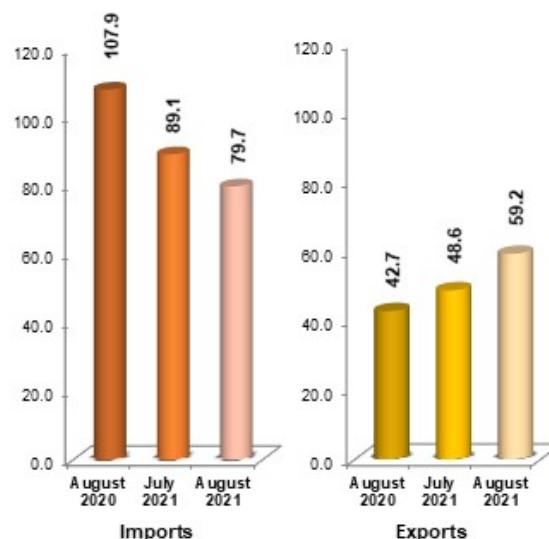
**Table 1: Principal statistics of rubber, August 2021**

Principal Statistics	August 2020	July 2021	August 2021	Change month-on-month August 2021/ July 2021 (%)	Change year-on-year August 2021/ August 2020 (%)
Production (tonnes)	44,543	48,610	42,942	-11.7	-3.6
Exports (tonnes)	42,658	48,645	59,172	21.6	38.7
Imports (tonnes)	107,947	89,077	79,702	-10.5	-26.2
Domestic consumption (tonnes)	46,535	26,276	37,777	43.8	-18.8
Closing stocks (tonnes)	233,492	280,844	287,380	2.3	23.1
Number of paid workers (estate)	10,397	8,374	8,177	-2.4	-21.4
Salaries & wages (estate) (RM'000)	17,133	14,410	13,368	-7.2	-22.0

**Chart 1: Monthly production and domestic consumption of natural rubber August 2020, July - August 2021 ('000 tonnes)**



**Chart 2: Imports and exports of natural rubber August 2020, July - August 2021 ('000 tonnes)**



The full publication of the Monthly Rubber Statistics, August 2021 can be downloaded through [eStatistik Portal](#).

For more details, please refer to the Department's portal: [www.dosm.gov.my](http://www.dosm.gov.my)

\*Notes:

Data for August 2021 is **provisional**. The data will be updated based on the latest available figures and subsequently published in the September 2021 publication.

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