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## MONTHLY RUBBER STATISTICS MALAYSIA, OCTOBER 2019

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### **Natural rubber production in October 2019 decreased 5.2 per cent year on year**

Malaysia's natural rubber production decreased **5.2** per cent in October 2019 to **48,549** tonnes as compared to the same month in the previous year. Comparison month on month also showed a decrease of **21.4** per cent from **61,731** tonnes, which is recorded in September 2019.

Exports of Malaysia's natural rubber amounted **50,600** tonnes, increased by **5.3** per cent against **48,058** tonnes in September 2019. The primary natural rubber export destination is People's Republic of China with a share of **39.3** per cent from total exports in October 2019 followed by Germany (**11.2%**), Iran (**6.2%**), U.S.A. (**3.3%**) and Finland (**3.2%**).

Stocks of natural rubber was **189,895** tonnes in October 2019 as compared to **189,504** tonnes in September 2019, an increase of **0.2** per cent.

Average price of Latex Concentrate was **425.61** sen per kilogramme in October 2019, decreased by **2.9** per cent as compared to September 2019. Similarly, the average price of Standard Malaysian Rubber 20 (S.M.R. 20) also decreased by **2.7** per cent to **536.50** sen per kilogramme for the same period.

Total domestic consumption of natural rubber was **41,924** tonnes, an increase of **6.8** per cent against **39,264** tonnes as reported in September 2019. Rubber gloves industry dominates the use of natural rubber with **31,677** tonnes or **75.6** per cent of the total domestic consumption.



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### PRODUCTION



### AVERAGE PRICE



### DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION

Rubber  
gloves  
**75.6%**



Rubber  
thread  
**7.6%**

Others  
**9.7%**



Tyres and  
tubes  
**7.1%**

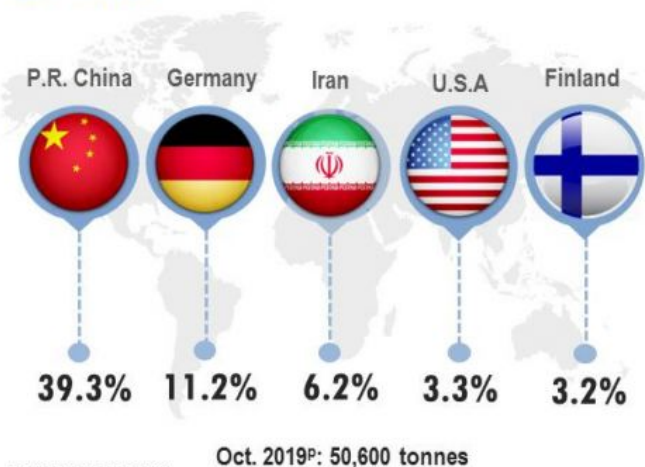
Oct. 2019<sup>p</sup>: 41,924 tonnes

### STOCKS



Oct. 2019<sup>p</sup>: 189,895 tonnes

### EXPORTS



p = preliminary

### Production of natural rubber by main producing countries\*, July 2019



Source: Ministry of Primary Industries

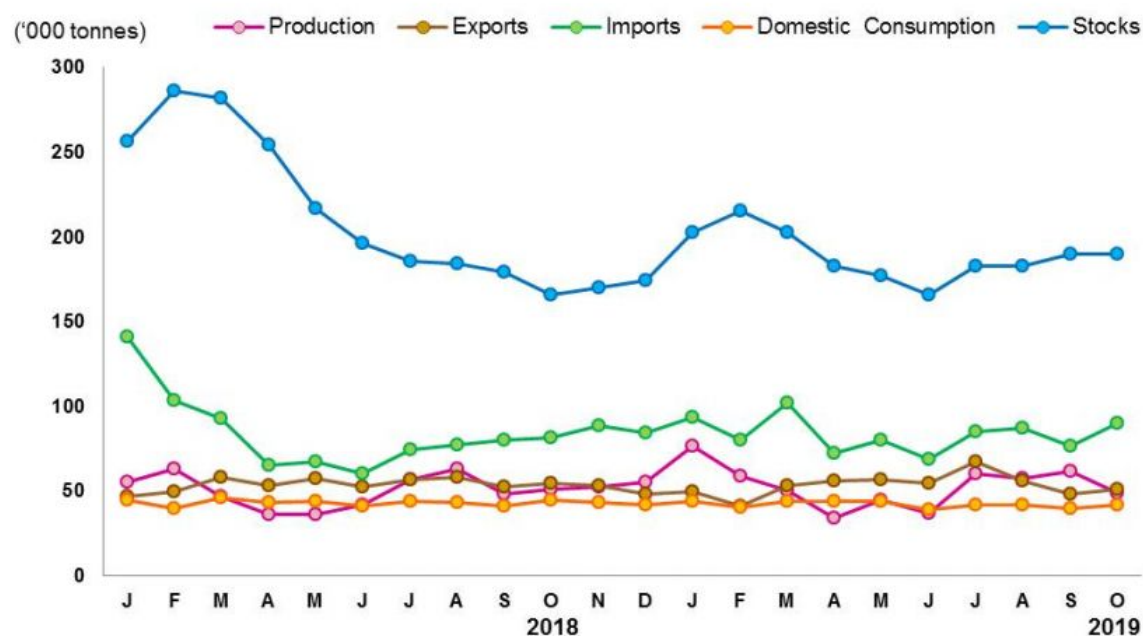
\*Association of Natural Rubber Producing Countries (ANRPC)

Table 1 presents the principal statistics of rubber for October 2019 while Chart 1 shows the monthly time series from October 2018 to October 2019.

**Table 1: Principal statistics of rubber, October 2019**

| Principal Statistics               | October 2018 | September 2019 | October 2019 | Change month-on-month October 2019/ September 2019 (%) | Change year-on-year October 2019/ October 2018 (%) |
|------------------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|--------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| Production (tonnes)                | 51,209       | 61,731         | 48,549       | -21.4                                                  | -5.2                                               |
| Exports (tonnes)                   | 54,189       | 48,058         | 50,600       | 5.3                                                    | -6.6                                               |
| Imports (tonnes)                   | 81,462       | 76,578         | 89,809       | 17.3                                                   | 10.2                                               |
| Domestic consumption (tonnes)      | 44,771       | 39,264         | 41,924       | 6.8                                                    | -6.4                                               |
| Closing stocks (tonnes)            | 165,550      | 189,504        | 189,895      | 0.2                                                    | 14.7                                               |
| Number of paid workers (estate)    | 11,756       | 11,073         | 11,038       | -0.3                                                   | -6.1                                               |
| Salaries & wages (estate) (RM'000) | 16,760       | 18,199         | 17,005       | -6.6                                                   | 1.5                                                |

**Chart 1: Monthly production, exports, imports, domestic consumption and stocks of natural rubber 2018/2019**



\*Notes:

Data for October 2019 is **provisional**. The data will be updated based on the latest available figures and subsequently published in the November 2019 publication.

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