

# MONTHLY Rubber Statistical News



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## The Trend

**P**roduction of Natural Rubber (NR) in the country during October 2008 decreased to 84,365 tonnes compared to 89,505 tonnes during October 2007. The cumulative production during the first seven months of the current fiscal year was 480,230 tonnes compared to 398,850 tonnes during the corresponding period of the previous year registering a growth of 20.4%. The production provisionally estimated for November'08 is 93,000 tonnes.

Consumption of NR during October'08 slightly decreased to 75,825 tonnes from 75,860 tonnes during September'08. The total consumption of NR by the rubber goods manufacturing industry during April'08 to October'08 was 520,375 tonnes as against 496,935 tonnes during the corresponding period of the

previous year recording a growth of 4.7%. The growth in consumption by the auto tyre sector during the first seven months of the year 2008-09 was 6.8% compared to 7.1% achieved during the same period of the previous year. The consumption provisionally estimated for November'08 is 73,000 tonnes.

The country imported 15,948 tonnes of NR during October'08 compared to 8,373 tonnes during October'07. The cumulative import of NR during the first seven months of the year 2008-09 was 56,605 tonnes as against 52,620 tonnes during the corresponding period of the previous year. Export of NR during October'08 was 2,850 tonnes as against 811 tonnes during October'07. The total export of NR during April'08 to October'08 increased to 33,542 tonnes as against

18,209 tonnes during the same period of the previous year. Stock of NR at the end of October '08 was 153,020 tonnes.

Production of Synthetic Rubber (SR) during October'08 increased to 7,690 tonnes from 7,500 tonnes during September'08. The total production of SR during the first seven months of the year 2008-09 decreased to 58,946 tonnes compared to 60,059 tonnes during the same period of the previous year. Consumption of SR marginally increased to 24,275 tonnes during October'08 as against 24,210 tonnes during September'08. The total consumption of SR during the first seven months of the current financial year increased to 172,840 tonnes compared to 169,825 tonnes during the corresponding period of the previous year.

### PRICE OF NATURAL RUBBER (Rupees per quintal)

Month/ Year	RSS-5		RSS-4		RSS-3		Latex (60% drc)		ISNR 20		SMR 20	
	Domestic		International		Domestic		International		Domestic		International	
December 2007	8922	9221	9833		10096		10600		8848		9644	
January 2008	9244	9432	10334		10296		11579		9303		10040	
February "	9516	9687	10994		11216		12617		9565		10659	
March "	10152	10354	11354		11703		12613		10150		10759	
April "	10756	10965	11318		12313		12474		10683		10727	
May "	11970	12248	12755		13731		13444		11629		12201	
June "	12389	12708	13860		14383		15260		12340		13432	
July "	13180	13340	13780		14772		15391		13141		13643	
August "	13549	13782	12720		14033		13338		13145		12547	
September "	13284	13536	13228		13658		13983		12560		12837	
October "	8831	9074	9963		10886		10640		8659		9320	
November "	7413	7681	8599		9230		10308		7393		8256	
December "	6279	6488	6156		7502		7732		6075		5921	

Note: Domestic price refers to Kottayam market, international price for RSS 3 refers to Bangkok market and that of latex and SMR 20 to Kuala Lumpur market.

<b>(Metric Tonnes)</b>						
Type-wise Production & Consumption of NR & SR	October 2008	October 2007	April 2008 to Oct. 2008	April 2007 to Oct. 2007	April 2007 to March 2008	Percentage increase (+)/ decrease(-) of (3) & (4)
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
<b>Production</b>						
<b>Natural Rubber (NR)</b>						
Ribbed Smoked Sheet (RSS)	62350	68295	339220	279000	583875	
Solid Block Rubber	8900	8400	64340	51190	100705	
Latex Concentrates (drc)	7670	7700	48390	41410	88305	
Others	5445	5110	28280	27250	52460	
<b>Total</b>	<b>84365</b>	<b>89505</b>	<b>480230</b>	<b>398850</b>	<b>825345</b>	<b>20.4</b>
<b>Synthetic Rubber (SR)p</b>						
Styrene Butadiene (SBR)	587	1503	7586	9932	16879	
Poly Butadiene(BR)	6598	6090	43298	42636	74045	
Others	505	1223	8062	7491	15362	
<b>Total</b>	<b>7690</b>	<b>8816</b>	<b>58946</b>	<b>60059</b>	<b>106286</b>	<b>-1.9</b>
<b>Total NR &amp; SR</b>	<b>92055</b>	<b>98321</b>	<b>539176</b>	<b>458909</b>	<b>931631</b>	<b>17.5</b>
<b>Consumption *</b>						
<b>Natural Rubber (NR)</b>						
Ribbed Smoked Sheet (RSS)	51390	50865	358310	338850	577635	
Solid Block Rubber	13230	12180	90790	88355	155670	
Latex Concentrates (drc)	6785	7070	43685	42615	77715	
Others	4420	4315	27590	27115	50435	
<b>Total</b>	<b>75825</b>	<b>74430</b>	<b>520375</b>	<b>496935</b>	<b>861455</b>	<b>4.7</b>
Out of which Auto Tyre Manufacturers	41979	41435	303061	283687	495577	6.8
<b>Synthetic Rubber (SR)p</b>						
Styrene Butadiene (SBR)	9240	9555	66990	62735	110965	
Poly Butadiene(BR)	6225	7135	51110	51840	88205	
Others	8810	9990	54740	55250	97985	
<b>Total</b>	<b>24275</b>	<b>26680</b>	<b>172840</b>	<b>169825</b>	<b>297155</b>	<b>1.8</b>
Out of which Auto Tyre Manufacturers	14793	16890	113398	110912	191507	2.2
<b>Total NR &amp; SR</b>	<b>100100</b>	<b>101110</b>	<b>693215</b>	<b>666760</b>	<b>1158610</b>	<b>4.0</b>
Out of which Auto Tyre Manufacturers	56772	58325	416459	394599	687084	5.5

\*: indigenous and imported

<b>(Metric Tonnes)</b>					
Production Consumption and stock of RR	October 2008 (1)	October 2007 (2)	April 2008 to Oct. 2008 (3)	April 2007 to Oct. 2007 (4)	April 2007 to March 2008 (5)
<b>Reclaimed Rubber (RR)</b>					
Production @	7530	7225	51290	47085	83075
Consumption	7310	7280	50885	47340	83165
Out of which Auto Tyre Manufacturers	2431	2481	17515	15352	27589
Stock with Manufacturers (end of month/year)	4040	3480			

@: indigenous purchase by manufacturers

<b>Import/Export &amp; Stock of NR &amp; SR</b>					
<b>Import (p)</b>					
Natural Rubber	15948	8373	56605	52620	86394
Synthetic Rubber	14825	17505	121125	110550	195705
<b>Total NR &amp; SR</b>	<b>30773</b>	<b>25878</b>	<b>177730</b>	<b>163170</b>	<b>282099</b>
<b>Export (p)</b>					
Natural Rubber	2850	811	33542	18209	60353

<b>Stock at the end of October 2008</b>			
<b>(Metric tonnes)</b>			
<b>Natural Rubber</b>			
With Growers	64255	Ribbed Smoked Sheet	99260
With Dealers & Processors	53365	Solid Block Rubber	23115
With Auto Tyre units©	25375	Latex(drc)	12670
With other manufacturing units	10025	Others	17975
<b>Total</b>	<b>153020</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>153020</b>

©: including transit

<b>Synthetic Rubber</b>			
With Producers	11470p		
With Auto Tyre units	23480	SBR	18540
With other manufacturing units	3530	Others	19940
<b>Total</b>	<b>38480</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>38480</b>

p:provisional

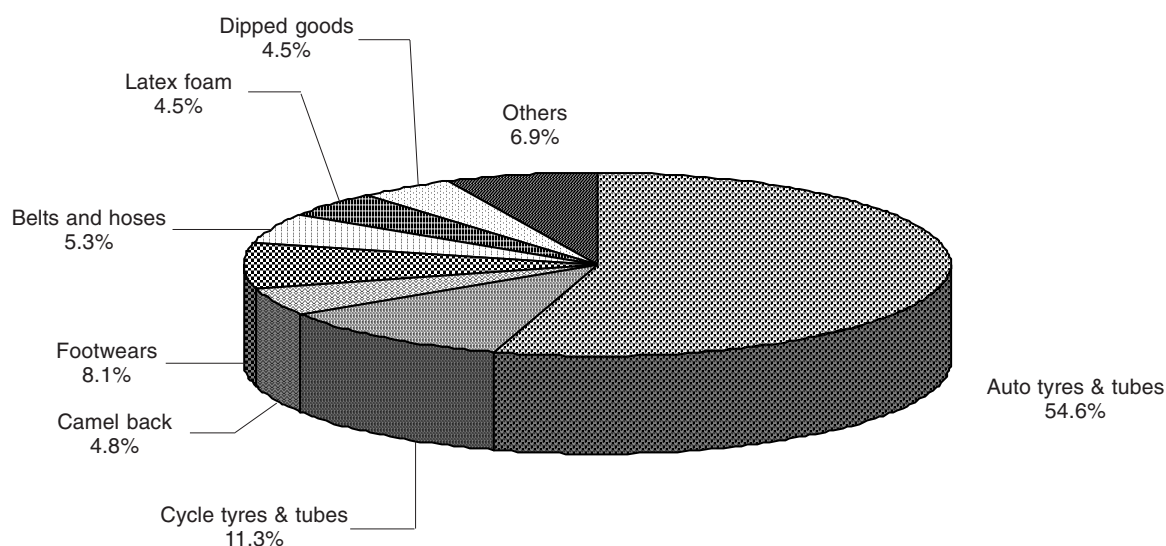
## CONSUMPTION OF ALL KINDS OF RUBBER ACCORDING TO END PRODUCTS-2007-08

(TONNES)

	Natural Rubber	Synthetic Rubber	Reclaimed Rubber	Total
1. Auto tyres & tubes*	470619	179620	20513	670752
2. Cycle tyres & tubes	97680	20942	24689	143311
3. Camel back	41057	13320	4682	59059
4. Footweares	69817	45383	6905	122105
5. Belts and hoses	46045	13005	6328	65378
6. Latex foam	38522	—	—	38522
7. Cables and wires	1640	2188	940	4768
8. Battery boxes	1731	2949	10552	15232
9. Dipped goods	38417	—	—	38417
10. Others	55927	19748	8556	84231
<b>Total</b>	<b>861455</b>	<b>297155</b>	<b>83165</b>	<b>1241775</b>

\*: Includes Tractor, Aero, ADV and Off-the-road

## CONSUMPTION OF NR ACCORDING TO END PRODUCTS 2007-08



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