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MONTHLY RUBBER STATISTICS MALAYSIA, APRIL 2019

Natural rubber production shrank 32.4 per cent in April 2019

Malaysia's natural rubber production in April 2019 was **33,864** tonnes, a decrease of **5.2** per cent as compared to **35,726** tonnes as recorded in April 2018. Month-on-month comparison showed the production of natural rubber shrank by **32.4** per cent from **50,109** tonnes in March 2019.

Exports of Malaysia's natural rubber amounted **55,930** tonnes, increased by **5.0** per cent against **53,265** tonnes in March 2019. China is the main destination of exported natural rubber, **41.9** per cent of the total exports in April 2019 followed by Germany (**14.4%**), Finland (**7.4%**), Iran (**6.1%**) and U.S.A (**3.3%**).

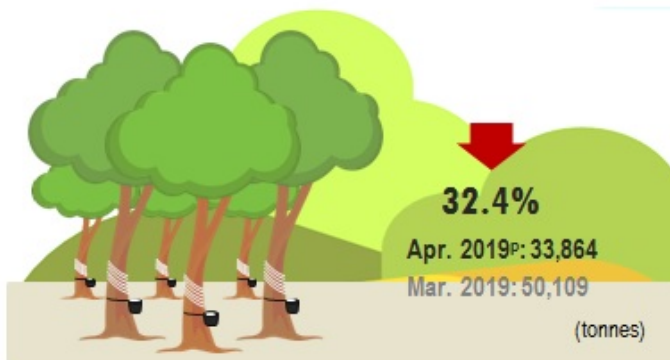
Stocks of natural rubber recorded in April 2019 was **183,096** tonnes, decreased by **9.5** per cent from **202,246** tonnes in March 2019.

Average price of Latex Concentrate was **495.52** sen per kilogramme in April 2019, rose by **4.5** per cent and the average price of Standard Malaysian Rubber 20 (S.M.R.20) also increased **3.6** per cent to **613.86** sen per kilogramme as compared to the average price recorded in March 2019.

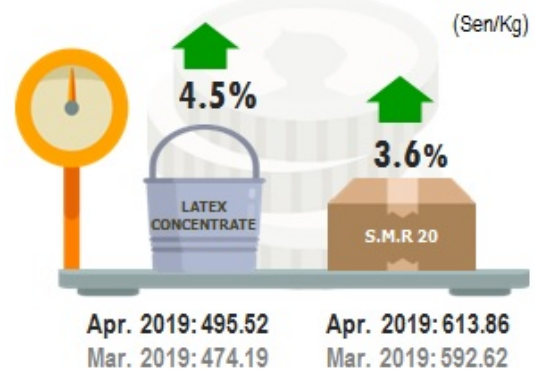
Total domestic consumption of natural rubber was **43,737** tonnes a decrease of **0.6** per cent against **43,981** tonnes as reported in March 2019. Natural rubber is widely used in the manufacturing of rubber glove industry with a consumption of **33,048** tonnes or **75.6** per cent of the total domestic consumption.



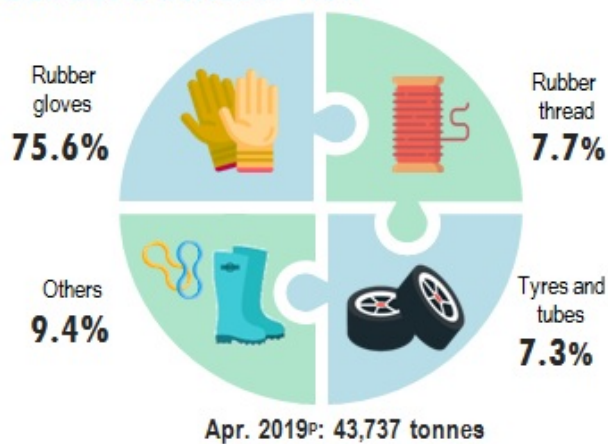
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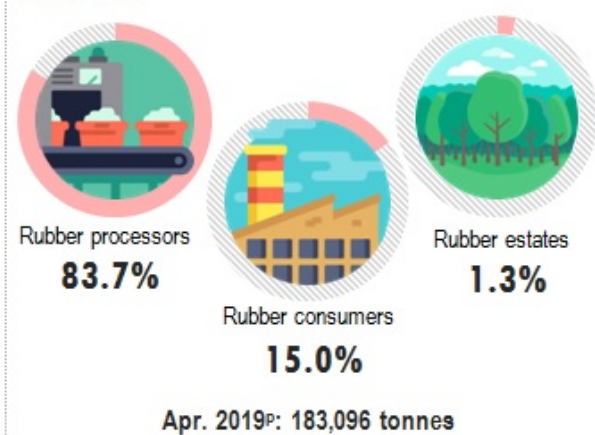
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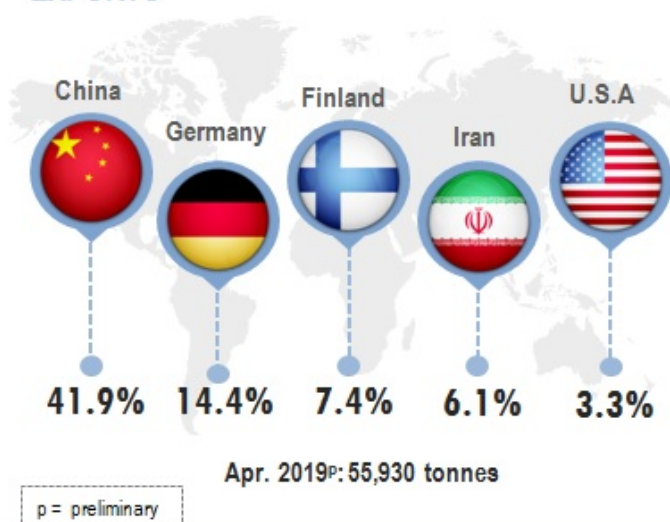
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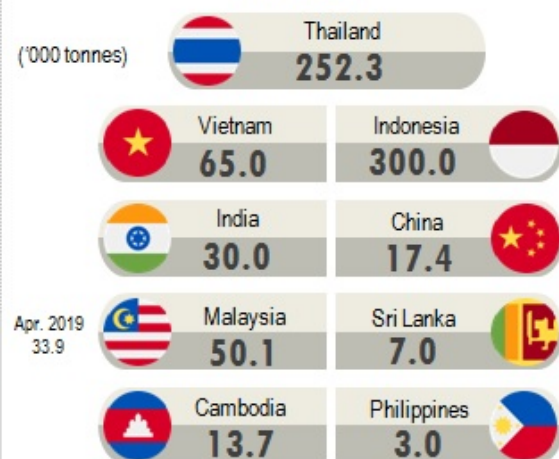
STOCKS



EXPORTS



Production of natural rubber by main producing countries*, March 2019



Source: Ministry of Primary Industries

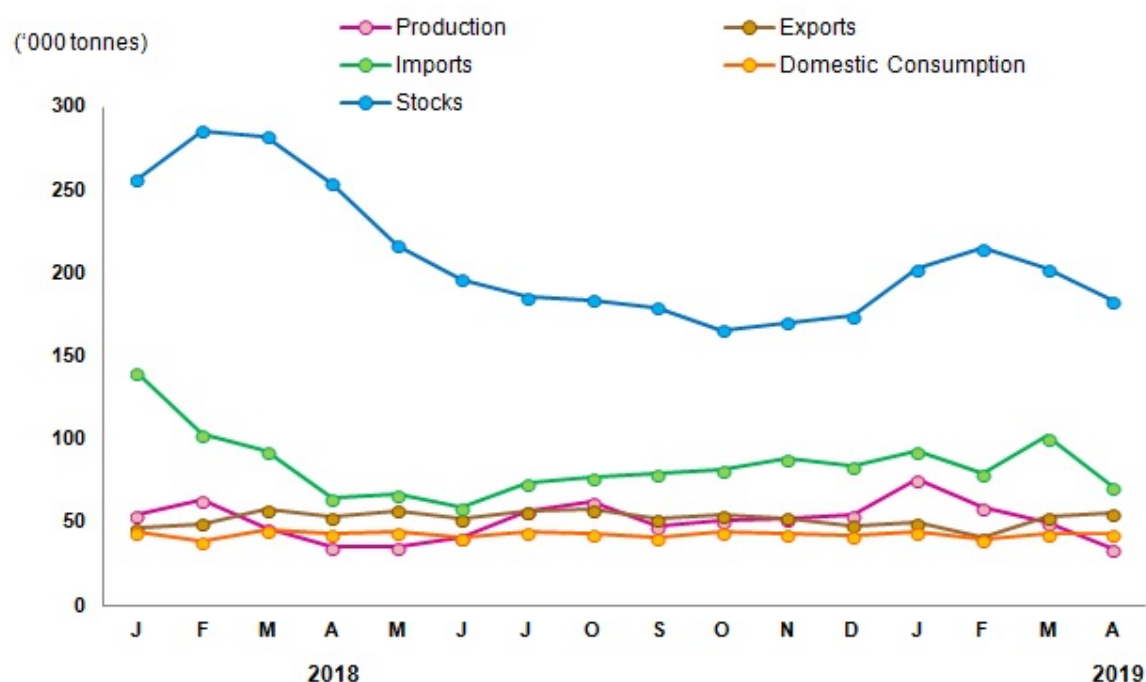
*Association of Natural Rubber Producing Countries (ANRPC)

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

Table 1: Principal statistics of rubber, April 2019

Principal Statistics	April 2018	March 2019	April 2019	Change month-on-month April 2019/ March 2019 (%)	Change year-on-year April 2019/ April 2018 (%)
Production (tonnes)	35,726	50,109	33,864	-32.4	-5.2
Exports (tonnes)	53,203	53,265	55,930	5.0	5.1
Imports (tonnes)	65,299	101,646	72,045	-29.1	10.3
Domestic consumption (tonnes)	43,406	43,981	43,737	-0.6	0.8
Closing stocks (tonnes)	253,799	202,246	183,096	-9.5	-27.9
Number of paid workers (estate)	10,289	11,330	11,168	-1.4	8.5
Salaries & wages (estate) (RM'000)	11,751	15,264	15,357	0.6	30.7

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



***Notes:**

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

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