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CONSUMPTION, PRODUCTION AND INVENTORIES OF RUBBER

The statistics made available monthly in this report are considered to represent clearly and accurately (a) the new domestic production of synthetic and reclaimed rubber, and the inventories of firms reporting production and (b) the total consumption of all types of rubber, natural, synthetic and reclaimed whether foreign or domestic, by broad end product use groupings, together with inventories, receipts and sales by consuming manufacturers in all industries. The addition of the two inventories gives the total stocks held by industry.

It is regretted that comparable export-import data cannot be secured each month, and that, therefore, the total available supply is not accurately known. However, the data given in (b) do ultimately account for the total consumption of rubber in Canada, and should be capable of being correlated with new production and export-import data (as compiled by the External Trade Branch, D.B.S.) over a period of months.

Consumption of rubber in September 1956 as compared with August 1956 shows an increase in natural of 1,530,000 pounds, an increase in synthetic of 1,316,000 pounds and an increase in reclaimed of 407,000 pounds, the total being an increase of 3,253,000 pounds. Considering the situation in terms of end products use, it may be noted that the consumption of all rubber in the production of tires and tubes, including tire repair materials, increased by 3,154,000 pounds, consumption in rubber footwear decreased by 436,000, in wire and cable increased by 20,000 pounds and in other products increased by 515,000 pounds making the total increase of 3,253,000 pounds mentioned above.

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Table 1 - Summary Statement of All Rubber Stocks, Domestic Production and Domestic Consumption Showing Monthly Averages, 1939-1955 and Actual Monthly Totals, January to September 1956. Weights are given in long tons (2,240 pounds).

ALL TO 100		Stocks, End of Period			estic uction	Consumption			
Monthly Averages	Natural	Syn- thetic	Re- claimed	Syn- thetic	Re- claimed	Natural	Syn- thetic	Re- claimed	
				(Long	Tons)				
1939	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	-	-	2,635	-	626	
1940	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	_	-	3,083	-	703	
1941	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	-	-	4,436	-	789	
1942	n.a.	n.a.	4,506	-	-	3,512	en.	1,042	
1943	8,165	2,292	4,822	210	392	2,434	307	1,166	
1944	5,399	3,641	3,516	2,902	263	799	2,061	1,052	
1945	3,703	4,107	2,219	3,810	276	491	2,995	1,276	
1946	3,662	5,592	2,786	4,248	331	792	2,468	1,178	
1947	6,992	4,333	2,672	3,533	344	2,690	2,432	1,360	
1948	6,002	4,448	2,019	3,371	360	3,464	1,713	1,141	
1949	6,138	4,678	1,715	3,887	290	3,192	1,505	983	
1950	4,423	3,511	1,635	4,870	371	3,843	1,881	1,163	
1951	5,016	3,671	2,219	5,191	423	3,698	2,203	1,319	
1952	4,255	6,925	1,567	6,189	382	2,792	2,799	1,133	
1953	4,583	4,741	1,538	6,744	385	3,124	2,993	1,216	
1954	4,710	5,863	1,477	7,215	331	3,465	2,506	1,064	
1955	4,375	6,231	1,569	8,658	386	3,693	3,350	1,252	
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1956-January	5,624	8,238	1,725	9,736	400	3,292	4,037	1,338	
February .	5,862	6,830	1,740	8,228	408	3,347	4,132	1,393	
March	5,809	7,163	1,766	10,331	500	3,296	4,071	1,478	
April	4,728	7,135	1,786	10,251	462	3,561	4,402	1,575	
May	4,411	8,006	1,790	10,554	435	3,628	4,528	1,620	
June	4,395	8,788	1,715	10,382	456	3,619	4,039	1,499	
July	4,003	7,977	1,760	8,727	423	3,125	3,706	1,267	
August	4,218	8,153	1,816	10,186	242	3,081	3,294	1,074	
September.	4,115	8,456	1,696	10,705	420	3,765	3,879	1,256	

Table 2(a) - NEW SUPPLY. Statement of Manufacturers <u>Producing</u> Rubber.

(Weight in Long Tons)

Type of Rubber	Inventory Sept. 1, 1956	Production	Inventory Sept. 30, 1956
Natural Rubber			
Solid	40	40	•
Latex	98		57
Total Natural Rubber	98	-	57
Synthetic Rubber			
Buna-S	2,003	7,595	2,684
Buty1	502	2,022	841
Neoprene	42	-	44
All Other	1,669	1,088	1,290
Total Synthetic Rubber.	4,216	10,705	4,859
Reclaimed Rubber			
Solid	201	44	277
Latex	7	376	24
Total Reclaimed Rubber.	208	420	301
TOTAL ALL RUBBER	4,522	11,125	5,217

Table 2(b) - CONSUMPTION. Statement of Manufacturers Consuming Rubber.

	(Weight in	Long Tons)			
Type of Rubber	Inventory Sept. 1, 1956	Receipts (Imports, etc.)	Con- sump- tion	Sales (Exports, etc.)	Inventory Sept. 30, 1956
Natural Rubber					
Solid	3,838	3,567	3,492	-	3,913
Latex	282	148	273	12	145
Total Natural Rubber	4,120	3,715	3,765	12	4,058
Synthetic Rubber					
Buna-S, solid	3,016	2,910	3,102		2,824
Buna-S, latex	112	125	139	2	96
Buna-N	32	12	12	-	32
Butyl	327	232	304	-	255
Neoprene	330	210	251	-	289
All Other	120	69	71	17	101
Total Synthetic Rubber.	3,937	3,558	3,879	19	3,597
Reclaimed Rubber					
Solid	1,532	1,012	1,230	-	1,314
Latex	76	31	26	-	81
Total Reclaimed Rubber.	1,608	1,043	1,256	-	1,395
TOTAL ALL RUBBER	9,665	8,316	8,900	31	9,050

The consumption of All Types of Rubber, arranged according to end products classification, is shown in Tables 3(a) and 3(b).

Table 3(a) - Consumption of Rubber, by Types and by End Products, September 1956

	m . 1	Cor	Consumed in the Manufacture of:-					
Type of Rubber	Total Consumption	Tires and Tubes	Wire and Cable	Footwear	Other Products			
	000 's	000 's	000 's	000 's	000 's			
	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds			
Natural Rubber-			•					
Solid	7,822	5,771	86	675	1,290			
Latex	611	8	-	2	601			
Total Natural Rubber	8,433	5,779	86	677	1,891			
Synthetic Rubber-								
Buna-S, solid	6,949	5,181	356	601	811			
Buna-S, latex	311	98	-	1	212			
Buna-N	27	-	-	1	26			
Buty1	681	557	13	3	108			
Neoprene	564	17	298	16	233			
Other	160	17	_	60	83			
Total Synthetic Rubber.	8,692	5,870	667	682	1,473			
Reclaimed Rubber-								
Solid	2,756	1,857	1	210	688			
Latex	58	2		53	3			
Total Reclaimed Rubber.	2,814	1,859	1	263	691			
TOTAL ALL RUBBER	19,939	13,508	754	1,622	4,055			

Table 3(b) - Consumption of Rubber, by Types and by End Products, August 1956

	Total	Con	sumed in the M	anufacture of:	-
Type of Rubber	Consumption	Tires and Tubes	Wire and Cable	Footwear	Other Product
	000 's	000¹s	000's	000 's	000 1s
	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
Natural Rubber-					
Solid	6,441	4,291	66	893	1,191
Latex	462	8	-	2	452
Total Natural Rubber	6,903	4,299	66	895	1,643
Synthetic Rubber-					
Buna-S, solid	5,805	4,062	271	704	768
Buna-S, latex	280	73	-	1	206
Buna-N	33	1	_	1	31
Butyl	480	398	10	2	70
Neoprene	629	20	386	24	199
Other	149	9	-	95	45
Total Synthetic Rubber.	7,376	4,563	667	827	1,319
Reclaimed Rubber-					
Solid	2,330	1,488	1	266	575
Latex	77	4		70	3
Total Reclaimed Rubber.	2,407	1,492	1	336	578
TOTAL ALL RUBBER	16,686	10,354	734	2,058	3,540

Table 4 - Consumption of Natural Rubber in Total by End Products, September 1955 to September 1956, showing also percentage of Natural to all Rubber Consumed.

		N	atural	Consum	ed in the	Manufacture of:-	
		Total	Percentage of all Rubber	Tires and Tubes	Wire and Cable	Foot- wear	Other Pro- ducts
		000's pounds	Per cent	000's pounds	000's pounds	000 's pounds	000's
1955	- September	8,951	44.1	5,835	81	901	2,134
	October	8,657	44.6	5,802	37	821	1,997
	November	9,457	41.9	6,431	62	800	2,164
	December	8,378	41.2	5,789	48	547	1,994
1956	- January	7,374	38.0	5,134	60	549	1,631
	February	7,497	37.7	5,046	49	669	1,733
	March	7,382	37.3	4,782	95	683	1,822
	April	7,976	37.3	5,321	130	735	1,790
	May	8,126	37.1	5,632	78	715	1,701
	June	8,107	39.5	5,391	83	698	1,935
	July	7,000	38.6	5,200	33	427	1,340
	August	6,903	41.4	4,299	66	895	1,643
	September	8,433	42.3	5,779	86	677	1,891

Table 5 - Consumption of Synthetic Rubber, in Total by End Products, September 1955 to September 1956, showing also percentage of Synthetic to all Rubber Consumed.

	Sy	nthetic	Consum	ned in the	Manufacture	of:-
	Total	Percentage of all Rubber	Tires and Tubes	Wire and Cable	Foot- wear	Other Pro- ducts
	000's pounds	Per cent	000's pounds	000's pounds	000's pounds	000 's pounds
1955 - September	8,292	40.9	5,362	508	752	1,670
October	7,953	41.0	5,217	326	809	1,601
November	9,739	43.2	6,459	446	898	1,936
December	8,912	43.9	5,914	385	1,001	1,612
1956 - January	9,046	46.6	6,087	511	878	1,570
February	9,257	46.6	6,133	597	981	1,546
March	9,120	46.0	6,014	557	757	1,792
April	9,861	46.2	6,644	580	821	1,816
May	10,144	46.3	6,899	636	875	1,734
June	9,048	44.1	5,921	667	754	1,706
July	8,300	45.8	6,234	370	537	1,159
August	7,376	44.2	4,563	667	827	1,319
September	8,692	43.6	5,870	667	682	1,473

Table 6 - Consumption of Reclaimed Rubber in Total by End Products September 1955 to September 1956, showing also Percentage of Reclaimed to all Rubber Consumed.

	Re	claimed	Consum	ed in the	Manufacture	of:-
	Total	Percentage of all Rubber	Tires and Tubes	Wire and Cable	Foot- wear	Other Pro- ducts
	000's pounds	Per cent	000's pounds	000's pounds	000's pounds	000's pounds
1955 - September	3,037	15.0	1,976	5	231	825
October	2,782	14.4	1,683	6	262	831
November	3,374	14.9	2,115	2	272	985
December	3,016	14.9	1,901	1	267	847
1956 - January	2,999	15.4	1,929	1	247	822
February	3,121	15.7	2,038	3	252	828
March	3,311	16.7	2,132	1	215	963
April	3,528	16.5	2,051	5	248	1,224
May	3,628	16.6	2,275	1	258	1,094
June	3,358	16.4	2,052	3	258	1,045
July	2,839	15.6	1,993	2	175	669
August	2,407	14.4	1,492	1	336	578
September	2,814	14.1	1,859	1	263	691

Table 7 - Consumption of Synthetic Rubber, by Types, September 1955 to September 1956

		Buna-S	Butyl	Neoprene	Other	Total
		pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
1955 -	September	6,986,345	603,847	524,632	176,928	8,291,752
	October	6,697,930	638,312	449,913	167,284	7,953,439
	November	8,392,626	619,474	520,666	206,531	9,739,297
	December	7,615,618	650,258	453,622	192,741	8,912,239
1956 -	January	7,733,918	603,876	525,752	182,249	9,045,795
	February	7,802,737	732,015	532,057	190,527	9,257,336
	March	7,658,037	694,922	556,842	210,480	9,120,281
	April	8,174,893	881,925	578,229	226,180	9,861,227
	May	8,482,593	882,478	577,581	201,593	10,144,245
	June	7,387,172	782,178	643,142	235,517	9,048,009
	July	7,056,810	671,411	371,241	200,510	8,299,972
	August	6,085,252	479,646	628,957	182,600	7,376,455
(8)	September	7,260,365	681,193	563,496	186,919	8,691,973

Table 8 - Consumption of all Rubber in Total, by Types, showing percentages of Each Type to all Rubber Consumed, 1939 to 1955

	Natural		Synthet	ic	Reclaimed	
	pounds	%	pounds	%	pounds	%
939	70,828,800	80.8	_	elps	16,826,880	19.2
940	82,871,040	81.4	494		18,896,640	18.6
941	119,239,680	84.9	-	-	21,208,320	15.1
942	94,402,560	77.1	-	-	28,008,960	22.9
1943	65,425,920	62.3	8,252,160	7.9	31,342,080	29.8
944	21,477,120	20.4	55,399,680	52.7	28,277,760	26.9
.945	13,198,080	10.3	80,505,600	62.9	34,298,880	26.8
.946	21,459,268	17.8	66,357,973	55.6	31,673,600	26.
947	72,294,000	41.5	65,367,660	37.5	36,566,628	21.
.948	93,113,676	54.8	46,051,821	27.1	30,661,557	18.
949	85,790,432	56.2	40,474,347	26.5	26,417,995	17.
950	103,305,446	55.8	50,596,632	27.3	31,267,567	16.9
951	99,404,429	51.2	59,217,110	30.5	35,447,251	18.
952	75,042,843	41.5	75,260,578	41.6	30,468,040	16.9
953	83,955,609	42.6	80,447,628	40.8	32,701,851	16.
.954	93,129,151	49.3	67,379,304	35.6	28,603,823	15.
955	99,281,626	44.5	90,062,434	40.4	33,666,387	15.

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