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## CONSUMPTION. PRODUCTION AND INVENTORIES OF RUBBER

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The statistics made available monthly in this report are considered only to represent clearly and accurately (a) the new domestic production of synthetic and reclaim rubber, and the inventories of firms reporting this production, and (b) the total consumption of all types of rubber, natural, synthetic and reclaim, whether foreign or domestic, by broad end product use groupings, together with inventories, receipts and sales of rubber by consuming manufacturers in all industries. The additions 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 exportimport data (as compiled by the External Trade Branch, D.B.S.) over a period of months.

Consumption of rubber in September as compared with August, increased as follows: natural 354,996 pounds, synthetic 94,909 pounds, and reclaim 131,142 pounds, the total increase being 581,047 pounds. Considering the situation in terms of end product use, it may be noted that the consumption of all rubber in the production of tires and tubes, including tire repair material, increased by 380,607 pounds, consumption in rubber footwear increased by 250,027 pounds, in wire and cable decreased by 24,125 pounds, and in other products also decreased by 25,462 pounds, making the total increase of 581,047 pounds mentioned above.

# Section A. Canadian Rubber Balance Statement

This section includes summary data on natural, synthetic and reclaim rubber, showing stocks, domestic production and domestic consumption. For more detailed data of consumption by specific types and by end products classifications, wherever possible, see Section B, Natural Rubber, Section C, Synthetic Rubber; and Section D, Reclaim Rubber.

Table 1. - Summary Statement of all Rubber Stocks, Domestic Production, Domestic Consumption showing Monthly Averages, 1939 - 1947, and Actual Monthly Totals, January 1947 - October 1948.

Weights are given in Long Tons (2,240 pounds)

79	Stocks,	End of	Period	Domest Product		Consum	ption	
Peri od	Natural	Syn- thetic	Re- claim	Syn- thetic	Re- claim	Natural	Syn- thetic	Re- claim
Monthly Averages								
1939	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	-	46.9	2,635		626
1940	n.a.	n.a.	n, a.	40.0	_	3,083	-	703
1941	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	~	4.7	4, 436	-	789
1942	n,a,	n.a.	4,560	_	~	3,512	_	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		5,592	2.786	4, 248	331	792	2,468	1,178
1947	0.00-	4, 333	2,672	3,533	344	2,690	2,432	1,360
1947 - January	3,729	4, 316	3, 195	4, 408	329	2,153	3,195	1,533
February ,	2,876	4, 551	3,114	4,024	330	2,224	2,823	1,463
March	4, 473	5, 344	2,872	4,466	360	2,440	2,876	1,570
April	7, 187	5, 473	2,931	4,628	360	2,476	2,942	1,395
May	9,992	4, 953	. 2,772	3, 467	359	2,643	2,889	1,438
June		4, 488	2, 599	3, 392	334	2,627	2,540	1,299
July	10,045	3,733	2,629	3,480	225	2,433	2,059	1,120
August	9,679	4, 269	2,680	3, 533	298	2,192	1,719	983
0 1 1	8,129	3, 349	2,451	1,944	337	3, 226	2,113	1,393
October	7, 167	3,475	2,440	3,034	424	3,330	2,080	1,397
November		3,846	2,093	2,953	372	3, 216	1,962	1,417
December	5, 264	4, 200	2, 282	3,064	397	3, 314	1,980	1,314
1948 - January	5,739	3, 921	2,246	3,648	371	3, 458	2,081	1, 339
February	5,704	4,062	2,162	3,388	388	3,474	1,886	1,216
March	5, 585	3,862	2,041	3,560	427	3,882	1,797	1,359
April	5,833	4,074	2,181	2,787	391	3,694	1,865	1,172
May	5, 400	5, 337	2, 338	3,647	382	3, 328	1,588	1,020
June	and the state of	5, 252	2, 185	2,841	368	3,762	1,771	1,203
July	ET AND D	5, 323	1, 916	2,750	210	2,909	1,402	951
August		4, 972	2,070	2,720	359	2,571	1, 301	752
September		4,869	1,820	4,146	344	3,363	1,611	1,116
October		3,802	1,751	2,959	351	3, 522	1,651	1,175
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Table 2(a). - NEW SUPPLY. Statement of Manufacturers producing Synthetic and Reclaim Rubber.

(Weight in Long Tons)

Type of Rubber	Inventory October 1, 1948	Production	Inventory October 31, 194
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Natural Rubber -			
Crude Rubber	_	-	***
Natural Latex	51	W 100 - 1	38
Total Natural Rubber	51	A SELECTION	38
Synthetic Rubber -			
Buna-S, Solid	2,922	1,846	2,321
Buna-S, Latex	42	191	32
Buna-N, Solid	10	45	21
Butyl, Solid	509	877	477
Neoprene	32	0 0 2	32
All other			-
Total Synthetic Rubber	3, 515	2, 959	2,883
Total Natural and Synthetic			
Rubber	3, 566	2,959	2, 921
Reclaim Rubber -			
Dispersions	12	18	41
Other than dispersions	238	333	271
Total Reclaim Rubber	250	351	312
GRAND TOTAL	3,816	3,310	3, 233

Table 2(b). - CONSUMPTION. Statement of Manufacturers Consuming Rubber (Weight in Long Tons)

Type of Rubber	Inventory October 1 1948	Receipts (imports, etc.)	Con- sumption	Sales (exports, etc.)	Inventory October 31 1948
Natural Rubber -					
Crude Rubber	6,400	4,534	3,423	3	7,508
Natural Latex	183	81	99	1	164
Total Natural Rubber	6,583	4,615	3,522	4	7,672
Synthetic Rubber -					
Buna S	1,152	987	1,380	-	759
Butyl	115	123	183	1	54
Neoprene	70	98	81	1	86
All other (Buna-N, etc.)	17	13	7	3	20
Total Synthetic Rubber	1,354	1,221	1,651	5	919
Total Natural and Synthetic					323
Rubber	7,937	5,836	5,173	9	8,591
Reclaim Rubber -					
Dispersions	50	53	49		54
Other than dispersions	1,520	991	1,126	-	1,385
Total Reclaim Rubber	1,570	1,044	1,175	-	1,439
GRAND TOTAL	9,507	6,880	6, 348	9	10,030

Table 3(a). - Consumption of all Rubber, by Main Types and by End Product Classification, October 1948.

End	Products	Natural	Synthetic	Reclaim	Total All Rubber
		Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
1.	Tires and tubes, including tire repair materials	5,717,012	2,666,739	1,236,703	9,620,454
2.	Wire and cable	91,794	163,678	37, 264	292,736
3.	Footwear (including heels, soles, etc.)	914, 242	301,633	320, 232	1,536,107
4.	Other products	1,166,404	569,807	1,037,387	2,773,598
	TOTAL	7,889,452	3,701,857	2,631,586	14,222,895

Table 3(b). - Consumption of All Rubber, by Main Types and by End Product Classification, September 1948.

End	Products	Natural	Synthetic	Reclaim	Total All Rubber
		Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
1.	Tires and tubes, including tire repair materials	5, 474, 588	2,602,324	1,162,935	9, 239, 847
2.	Wire and cable	88,852	203,840	24,169	316,861
3.	Footwear (including heels, soles, etc.)	757,365	282,851	245,864	1,286,080
4.	Other products	1,213,651	517, 933	1,067,476	2,799,060
	TOTAL	7, 534, 456	3,606,948	2,500,444	13,641,848

Tire repair materials, now included with tires and tubes, and mechanical goods now included with other products, were shown separately previous to January 1948. The present grouping is by arrangement with the Rubber Association of Canada.

# Section B. Natural Rubber

The September and October, 1948, consumption of Natural Rubber showing crude rubber and natural latex separately, and arranged according to end products classifications, is shown in Tables 6(a) and 6(b).

Summary Data, by months, January 1947 to October 1948, are shown in Table 5, and 1939 - 1947 yearly totals, monthly averages and percentages of natural rubber to all rubber consumed, are given in Table 4. Crude rubber and natural latex do not appear separately in summary tables, but are combined under the heading "Natural".

For summary data on Synthetic, Natural and other rubber stocks, domestic production, domestic consumption, expressed in long tons, see Table 1. However, when comparing monthly consumption of natural rubber, as given in Table 1, with consumption as shown in detailed tables by end product classification, it should be noted that in Table 1, Guayule Rubber is reduced to a deresinated basis, whereas in the detailed tables it is included at the weight reported by the firms. Commencing with March 1, 1947, poundage of Guayule included in all tables is on a deresinated basis, and totals should, therefore, agree.

Table 4. - Consumption of Natural Rubber in Total, showing Monthly Averages 1939-1947 and percentages of Natural to All Rubber consumed.

Year	Total	Monthly Average	Percentage to All Rubber
	Pounds	Pounds	Per cent
1939	70,828,800	5, 902, 400	80.8
1940	82, 871, 040	6,905,920	81.4
1941	119, 239, 680	9,936,640	84.9
1942	94, 402, 560	7,866,880	77.1
1943	65, 425, 920	5, 452, 160	62.3
1944	21,477,120	1,789,760	20.4
1945	13,198,080	1,099,840	10.3
1946	21,459,268	1,788,273	17.8
1947	72, 294, 000	6,024,500	41.5

Table 5. - Consumption of Natural Rubber in Total, by End Products, and by Months, January 1947 to October 1948, showing also percentage of Natural to All Rubber Consumed.

		Na	tural		U	sed in the m	anufac ture	of -	
Month		Total	Percentage of All Rubber	Tires and Tubes	Repair Materials	Mechanical Goods	Wire and Cable	Footwear	Other Products
		000's	per cent	000°s	000's	0001s	000°s	000's pounds	a ounds
1947 -	January	4,824	31.3	3, 925	56	256	20	436	130
	February	4,982	34.2	3,990	50	290	24	507	119
	March	5, 465	35.4	4,275	42	323	22	624	178
	April	5, 546	36.3	4,375	42	302	25	612	190
	May	5, 921	37.9	4,473	30	354	35	792	237
	June	5,885	40.6	4,361	39	387	45	788	265
	July	5, 448	43.3	4, 133	36	410	14	641	214
	August	4,909	44.8	3, 285	38	366	36	962	222
	September	7, 228	47.9	5, 240	47	581	53	991	316
	October	7, 459	48.9	5, 348	56	701	83	939	332
	November	7, 205	48.8	5, 303	56	593	59	884	310
	December	7,422	50.1	5, 545	57	623	92	813	292
1948 -	January	7,744	50.3	5,636	(1)	(2)	88	898	1,122
	February	7,782	52.8	5, 743	(1)	(2)	71	958	1,010
	March	8,695	55.2	6,215	(1)	(2)	90	1,115	1,275
	April	8,275	54.9	5, 952	(1)	(2)	102	1,130	1,091
	May	7,457	56.1	5,264	(1)	(2)	80	1,047	1,066
	June	8,426	55.8	6,189	(1)	(2)	91	1,057	1,089
	July	6,515	55.3	5,126	(1)	(2)	46	615	728
	August	5, 759	55.6	4,144	(1)	(2)	68	667	880
	September	7,534 7,889	55.2 55.5	5, 474 5, 717	(1) (1)	(2)	89 92	757 914	1,214

<sup>(1)</sup> Included with "tires and tubes".

<sup>(2)</sup> Included with "other products".

Table 6(a). - Consumption of Natural Rubber, by types and by End Product Classification, October 1948.

End	Products	Natural Rubber (excluding latex)	Latex	Total Natural
		Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
1.	Tires and tubes, including tire repair materials	5,699,033	17,979	5,717,012
2.	Wire and cable	91,794	10 1	91,794
3.	Footwear (including heels, soles, etc.)	913, 293	949	914, 242
4.	Other products	962,811	203, 593	1,166,404
	TOTAL	7,666,931	222, 521	7,889,452

Table 6(b). - Consumption of Natural Rubber, by Types and by End Product Classification, September 1948.

End Products	Matural Rubber (excluding latex)	Latex	Total Natural
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
1. Tires and tubes, including tire repair materials	5, 448, 800	25,788	5 <b>, 474, 5</b> 88
2. Wire and cable	88,852	-	88,852
3. Footwear (including heels, soles, etc.)	755, 792	1,573	757, 365
4. Other products	1,007,685	205,966	1,213,651
TOTAL	7,301,129	233,327	7, 534, 456

Tire repair materials, now included with tire and tubes, and mechanical goods, now included with other products, were shown separately previous to January 1948. The present grouping is by arrangement with the Rubber Association of Canada.

# Section C. Synthetic Rubber

The September and October 1948 consumption of Synthetic Rubber is shown by type, and by end products classification, in Table 10.

Summary data, by months, are shown in Tables 8 and 9, while 1943 - 1947 yearly totals and monthly averages are given in Table 7. For summary data on Synthetic and other rubber stocks, domestic production, domestic consumption, expressed in long tons, see Table 1.

Table 7. - Consumption of Synthetic Rubber in Total, showing Monthly Averages, 1943 - 1947, and Percentages of Synthetic Rubber to All Rubber Consumed.

Year	Total	Monthly Average	Percentage
1943	8,252,160 pounds	687,680 pounds	7.9
1944	55, 399, 680 "	4,616,640 "	52.7
1945	80, 505, 600	6,708,800 "	62.9
1946	66,357,973	5,529,831	55.6
1947	65, 367, 660 "	5, 447, 305	37.5

Table 8. - Consumption of Synthetic Rubber, by Types and by Months, January 1947 to October 1948.

Month	Buna S	Butyl	Neoprene	Other	Total
Total No.	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
1947 - January	5,710,124	1,199,032	230,720	18,173	7,158,049
February .	5,034,216	1,095,348	176,960	18,814	6,325,338
March	5,122,804	1,001,714	241,890	76,249	6,442,657
April	5, 201, 926	1,162,252	217,750	9,477	6,591,405
May	5,135,107	1,092,810	225,866	16,464	6,470,247
June	4, 447, 404	960,038	219,914	63,014	5,690,370
July	3,689,525	759,452	146,944	15,129	4,611,050
August	3,059,955	665, 754	116,599	10,323	3,852,631
September.	3,661,306	882,330	177,278	13,099	4,734,013
October	3,607,668	858,690	174, 591	18,630	4,659,579
November .	3,394,278	815,672	169,987	16,585	4,396,522
December.	3,380,775	925,781	122,208	7,035	4,435,799
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1948 - January .	3, 593, 044	923,787	130, 949	16,929	4,664,709
February .	3,320,024	733,907	146,740	22,880	4,223,551
March	3,373,629	460,765	165,141	26,268	4,025,803
April	3,508,423	446,890	204, 995	20,493	4,180,801
May	2,969,325	385,312	184,528	20,383	3,559,548
June	3, 223, 223	524, 704	191,943	26,019	3,965,889
July	2,614,210	386,787	125,003	13,543	3, 139, 543
August	2,380,019	306,453	204,508	24,055	2,915,035
September.	3,007,785	407,223	172,401	19,539	3,606,948
October	3,093,226	410, 371	182, 211	16,049	3,701,857

Table 9. - Consumption of Synthetic Rubber, in Total, by End Products, and by Months, January 1947 to October 1948, showing also Percentage of Synthetic to All Rubber Consumed.

	Synth	etic Rubber		Us	ed in the ma	nufacture	of -	
Month	Total	Percentage of All Rubber	Tires and Tubes	Repair Materials	Mechanical Goods	Wire and Cable	Footwear	Other Products
	000° s pounds	per cent	000°s	000's	000's	000's	0001s	000° s
1947 - January	7,158	46.4	5, 194	95	849	183	377	459
February	6,325	43.3	4,828	91	474	164	375	395
March	6,443	41.8	4,717	63	670	168	519	306
April	6,591	43,2	4.774	69	646	165	575	362
May	6,470	41.5	4,877	51	586	231	401	325
June	5,690	39,3	4, 340	37	616	164	210	324
July	4,611	36.7	3,532	37	446	114	307	175
August	3,853	35.1	2,876	33	311	155	314	163
September	4,734	31.4	3,370	37	517	208	378	224
October	4,660	30.5	3, 385	27	436	190	36 5	257
November	4,397	29.7	3, 158	45	368	253	323	250
December	4, 436	30.0	3, 381	61	334	157	314	189
1948 - January	4,665	30.2	3, 495	(1)	(2)	203	365	602
February	4, 223	28.7	3,076	(1)	(S)	183	364	600
March	4,026	25,5	2,830	(1)	(2)	265	338	602
April	4, 181	27.7	2,981	(1)	(2)	254	310	636
May	3, 560	26.7	2,504	(1)	(2)	205	319	532
June	3,966	26.3	2,750	(1)	(2)	228	339	649
July	3, 139	26.6	2,299	(1)	(2)	137	217	486
August	2, 915	28.1	1,960	(1)	(5)	159	273	523
September	3,607	26.5	2,602	(1)	(2)	204	283	518
October	3,702	26.0	2,667	(1)	(2)	164	301	570

<sup>(1)</sup> Included with "tires and tubes".

<sup>(2)</sup> Included with "other products".

Table 10(a). - Consumption of Synthetic Rubber, by Types and by End Product Classification, October 1948.

End	Products	Buna S	Butyl	Neoprene	Other	Total Synthetic
		Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
1.	Tires and tubes, including tire repair materials.	2,261,475	402,820	2,444	-	2,666,739
2.	Wire and cable	119,968	450	43,260	-	163,678
3.	Footwear (including heels, soles, etc.)	296,027	80	1,631	3,895	301,633
4.	Other products	415,756	7,021	134,876	12,154	569,807
	TOTAL	3,093,226	410,371	182,211	16,049	3,701,857

Table 10(b). - Consumption of Synthetic Rubber, by Types and by End Product Classification, September 1948.

End	Products	Buna S	Butyl	Neoprene	Other	Total Synthetic
		Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
1.	Tires and tubes, including tire repair materials .	2,201,323	397,703	3,298	-	2,602,324
2.	Wire and cable	160,609	**	43,231	-	203,840
3.	Footwear (including heels, soles, etc.)	274, 286	1,563	1,943	5,059	282,851
4.	Other products	377, 567	7,957	123, 929	14,480	517,933
	TOTAL	3,007,785	407, 223	172,401	19,539	3,606,948

Tire repair materials, now included with tires and tubes, and mechanical goods, now included with other products, were shown separately previous to January 1948. The present grouping is by arrangement with The Rubber Association of Canada.

#### Section D. Reclaim Rubber

Tables 11 and 12 give the consumption of Reclaim in total for the years 1939-1947 with monthly averages for each year and broken down into Dispersions and Other than Dispersions, by actual months, January 1947 to October 1948. Consumption of Reclaim, in total only, by end product classification is given in Tables 3(a) and 3(b) for September and October 1948. For summary data on Reclaim, Synthetic, and other rubber stocks, domestic production and domestic consumption, expressed in long tons, see Table 1.

Table 11. - Consumption of Reclaim Rubber in Total, and by Monthly Averages, 1939 - 1947, showing also percentages of Reclaim to All Rubber Consumed.

Year		Total	Monthly Average	Percentage to All Rubber
1939		16,826,880 pounds	1,402,240 pounds	19.2
1940		18,896,640 "	1,574,720 "	18.6
1941		21,208,320 "	1,767,360 "	15.1
1942		28,008,960 "	2,334,080 "	22.9
1943	• • • • • • • • • •	31,342,080 "	2,611,840 "	29.8
1944	* * * * * * * * * * * *	28,277,760 "	2,356,480 "	26.9
1945		34, 298, 880 "	2,858,240 "	26.8
1946	• 1 • • • • • • •	31,673,600 "	2,639,467	26.6
1947		36,418,788 "	3,034,899 "	21.0

Table 12. - Consumption of Reclaim Rubber, by Types and by Months, January 1947 to October 1948, showing percentage of Reclaim to All Rubber Consumed.

Month	L I II E	Dispersions	Other than Dispersions	Total	Percentage to All Rubber
		Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Per cent
1947 -	January	147,840	3,286,080	3, 433, 920	22.3
	February	129,920	3, 147, 200	3,277,120	22.5
	March	134,392	3,381,357	3, 515, 749	22.8
	April	202,416	2,922,378	3,124,794	20.5
	May	168,592	3,053,234	3,221,826	20.6
	June	166,105	2,744,499	2,910,604	20.1
	July	144,393	2, 365, 824	2,510,217	20.0
	August	130,975	2,071,196	2,202,171	20.1
	September	158,296	2,963,932	3, 122, 228	20.7
	October	145,241	2,984,191	3,129,432	20.5
	November	140,170	3,034,534	3,174,704	21.5
	December	125,594	2,818,269	2,943,863	19.9
1948 -	January	113,948	2,886,095	3,000,043	19.5
	February	115,805	2,608,102	2,723,907	18.5
	March	149,175	2,893,982	3,043,157	19.3
	April	135,727	2,491,562	2,627,289	17.4
	May	102,679	2,182,470	2,285,149	17.2
	June	135,761	2,561,918	2,697,679	17.9
	July	108,040	2,022,148	2,130,188	18.1
	August	108,022	1,577,000	1,685,022	16.3
	September	121,052	2,379,392	2,500,444	18.3
	October	110,063	2,521,523	2,631,586	18.5





