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CONSUMPTION, PRODUCTION AND INVENTORIES OF RUBBER

October, 1952

The statistics made available monthly in this report are considered to represent clearly and accurately (a) the new domestic production of synthetic and reclaim rubber, and the inventories of firms reporting 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 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 October, 1952 as compared with September, 1952 shows an increase in natural of 984,845 pounds, an increase in synthetic of 643,561 pounds, and an increase in reclaim of 252,302 pounds, the total increase being 1,880,708 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 1,499,221 pounds, consumption in rubber footwear increased by 304,808 pounds, in wire and cable increased by 2,179 pounds and in other products increased by 74,500 pounds, making the total increase of 1,880,708 pounds mentioned above.

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Section A. Summary Data

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 classification, 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 and Domestic Consumption Showing Monthly Averages, 1939-1951, and Actual Monthly Totals, October 1951 to October 1952.

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

Period	Stocks,	End of	Period		stic	Con	sumption	1
* 01 10 u	Natural	Syn- thetic	Re- claim	Syn- thetic	Re- claim	Natural	Syn- thetic	Re- claim
Monthly Averages								
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	-	die	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	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
1951 - October	5,518	4,587	2,353	6,036	369	3,264	2,369	1,264
November .	3,688	4,404	2,261	5,874	339	2,948	2,388	1,077
December .	4,421	5,085	2,304	6,140	338	2,940	2,488	1,024
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1952 - January	4,929	5,542	2,020	6,810	319	2,937	2,526	1,126
February .	5,218	6,598	1,860	6,678	356	2,912	2,854	1,108
March	5,060	7,615	1,709	6,357	412	3,015	3,164	1,204
April	4,011	7,909	1,556	6,233	403	2,994	3,184	1,329
May	3,524	6,814	1,580	5,625	501	2,726	3,139	1,207
June	4,069	6,716	1,469	6,152	379	2,517	2,683	1,068
July	4,533	7,533	1,418	6,412	246	2,125	2,185	935
August	4,491	7,918	1,367	6,238	286	1,984	2,097	777
September	4,745	8,164	1,359	6,702	415	2,808	2,622	1,148
October	3,903	7,349	1,379	6,362	419	3,247	2,908	1,260

Table 2(a) - NEW SUPPLY. Statement of Manufacturers Producing Synthetic and Reclaim (Weight in Long Tons)

Type of Rubber	Inventory Oct. 1, 1952	Production	Inventory Oct. 31, 1952
Natural Rubber Crude Rubber			
Natural Latex	14	_	33
Total Natural Rubber	14	-	33
Synthetic Rubber			
Buna-3 Butyl Neoprene All Other	3,248 1,520 24 1,248	4,312 1,421 629	2,881 1,339 29 1,243
Total Synthetic Rubber	6,040	6,362	5,492
Reclaim Rubber Dispersions Other than Dispersions	15 . 95	44 375	23 65
Total Reclaim Rubber	110	419	88
CRAND TOTAL	6,164	6,781	5,613

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

Type of Rubber	Inventory Oct. 1, 1952	Receipts (Imports, etc.)	Con- sump- tion	Sales (Exports, etc.)	Inventory Oct. 31, 1952
Natural Rubber					
Crude Rubber	4,576	2,341	3,034	150	3,733
Natural Latex	155	213	213	18	137
Total Natural Rubber	4,731	2,554	3,247	168	3,870
Synthetic Rubber					
Buna-S, Solid	1,519	2,026	2,250	6	1,289
Buna-S, Latex	115	101	86	35	95
Buna-N	23	8	9	-	22
Butyl	271	357	369	2	257
Neoprene	163	141	140	2	162
All Other	33	57	54	4	32
Total Synthetic Rubber	2,124	2,690	2,908	49	1,857
Reclaim Rubber					
Dispersions	74	55	50	-	79
Other than Dispersions	1,175	1,247	1,210		1,212
Total Reclaim Rubber	1,249	1,302	1,260	400	1,291
GRAND TOTAL	8,104	6,546	7,415	217	7,018

Section A. - Summary Data (Concluded)

Table 3(a) - Consumption of all Rubber, by Types and by End Product Classification, October 1952.

and	Products	Natural	Synthetic	Reclaim	Total All Rubber
1.	Tires, tubes and tire	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
	repair materials	4,876,510	4,126,660	1,498,772	10,501,942
2.	Wire and cable	79,922	354,558	9,042	443,522
	soles, etc.)	942,024	875,186	288,096	2,105,306
4.	Other products	1,376,460	1,160,564	1,028,654	3,565,678
	TOTAL	7,274,916	6,516,968	2,824,564	16,616,448

Table 3(b) - Consumption of all Rubber, by Types and by End Product Classification, September 1952.

End	Products	Natural	Synthetic	Reclaim	Total All Rubber
1.	Tires, tubes and tire	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
	repair materials	3,972,051	3,691,079	1,339,591	9,002,721
	Wire and cable	82,762	346,346	12,235	441,343
	soles, etc.)	859,149	726,527	214,822	1,800,498
4.	Other products	1,376,109	1,109,455	1,005,614	3,491,178
	TOTAL	6,290,071	5,873,407	2,572,262	14,735,740

Table 4 - Consumption of all Rubber in Total, by Types, Showing Percentages of Each Type to all Rubber Consumed, 1939 to 1951

	Natural		Syntheti	.c	Reclaim	1
Year	Total Perce	ntage	Total Perce	ntage	Total Perce	ntage
	pounds	16	pounds	Z	pounds	76
1939	70,828,800	80.8	apen.	-	16,826,880	19.2
1940	82,871,040	81.4	-	-	18,896,640	18.6
1941	119,239,680	84.9	_	_	21,208,320	15.1
1942	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
1944	21,477,120	20,4	55,399,680	52.7	28,277,760	26.9
1945	13,198,080	10.3	80,505,600	62.9	34, 298, 880	26.8
1946	21,459,268	17.8	66,357,973	55.6	31,673,600	26.6
1947	72,294,000	41.5	65,367,660	37.5	36,566,628	21.0
1948	93,113,676	54.8	46,051,821	27.1	30,661,557	18.1
1949	85,790,432	56.2	40,474,347	26.5	26,417,995	17.3
1950	103,305,446	55.8	50,596,632	27.3	31,267,567	16.9
1951	99,404,429	51.2	59,217,110	30.5	35,447,251	18.3

Section B. Natural Rubber

The October 1952 consumption of Natural Rubber, showing crude rubber and natural latex separately and arranged according to end products classification, is shown in Table 5. Summary data, by months, October 1951 to October 1952 are shown in Table 6. For summary data on Natural and other rubber stocks, domestic production and domestic consumption, expressed in long tons, see Table 1.

Table 5 - Consumption of Natural Rubber, by Types and by End Product Classification, October 1952.

End	Products	Natural Rubber (excluding Latex)	Latex	Total Natural
1.	Tires, tubes and tire	pounds	pounds	pounds
2.	repair materials	4,848,914 79,922	27,596	4,876,510
4.	soles, etc.)	939,429 928,518	2,595 447,942	942,024
	TOTAL	6,796,783	478,133	7,274,916

Table 6 - Consumption on Natural Rubber in Total, by End Products, October 1951 to October 1952, Showing also Percentage of Natural to all Rubber Consumed.

	Na	tural	Used	in the Mar	nufacture	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
1951 - October	7,311	47.3	5,223	74	823	1,191
November	6,605	46,0	4,836	64	640	1,065
December	6,584	45.5	5,026	61	385	1,112
1952 - January	6,579	44.6	4,809	67	610	1,093
February	6,523	42,4	4,622	60	649	1,192
March	6,752	40.8	4,735	71	689	1,257
April	6,706	39.9	4,604	96	673	1,333
May	6,107	-38.5	4,066	83	687	1,271
June	5,638	40.2	3,762	78	585	1,213
July	4,760	40.5	3,265	24	454	1,017
August	4,444	40.8	2,484	84	802	1,074
September	6,290	42.7	3,972	83	859	1,376
October	7,275	43.8	4,877	80	942	1,376

Section C. Synthetic Rubber

The October 1952 consumption of Synthetic Rubber is shown by types and by end products classification in Table 7. Summary data, by months, are shown in Tables 8 and 9. For Summary data, on Synthetic and other rubber stocks, domestic production and domestic consumption, expressed in long tons, see Table 1.

Table 7 - Consumption of Synthetic Rubber, by Types and by End Product Classification, October 1952.

		Buna	-5	-				Total
		Solid	Latex	Buna-N	Butyl	Neoprene	Other	Synthetic
1.	Tires, tubes and tire repair	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
	materials	3,313,778 176,691			727,703 13,167	3,511 164,700		4,126,660 354,558
4.	other Products							875,186 1,160,564
	TOTAL	5;040;755	192,310	20,817	826;599	314;452	122;035	6,516,968

Table 8 - Consumption of Synthetic Rubber, in Total, by End Products, October 1951 to October 1952, Showing also Percentages of Synthetic to all Rubber Consumed.

		Synthet	ic Rubber	Used	in the	Manufactu	re of	
Year a	and Month	Total	Percentage of all Rubber	Tires and Tubes			Other Pro- ducts	
- 1		000 s	per cent	000°s	000 s	000°s		
1951 -	October November December	5,309 5,347 5,575	34.2 37.2 38.6	3,537 3,757 4,050	362 416 313	581 393 418	829 781 794	
1952 -	January February March April May June July August September October	5,662 6,394 7,086 7,134 7,033 6,007 4,900 4,698 5,873 6,517	38.3 41.5 42.9 42.4 44.4 42.8 41.6 43.2 39.9 39.2	3,855 4,358 4,768 4,816 4,601 3,758 3,303 2,632 3,691 4,127	398 376 357 361 470 358 200 383 346 354	564 699 727 796 794 736 527 732 727 875	845 961 1,234 1,161 1,168 1,155 870 951 1,109 1,161	

Table 9 - Consumption of Synthetic Rubber, by Types, October 1951 to October 1952.

Year and Month	Buna-S	Butyl	Neoprene	Other	Total
	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
1951 - October	4,206,488	738,013	278,092	86,536	5,309,129
November		811,564	276,930	54,965	5,347,478
December		759,846	234,611	58,821	5,574,969
1952 - January		707,855	308, 222	66,506	5,662,254
February		764,412	305,521	73,663	6,394,225
March		947,457	349,817	96,419	7,086,114
April		888,670	312,418	73,696	7,133,763
May		850,562	387,516	80,024	7,033,477
June		746,490	297,110	106,216	6,007,413
July	3,934,576	675,167	202,857	87,735	4,900,335
August	3,775,083	494,292	311,248	117,466	4,498,089
September	4,660,454	760,456	312,072	140,425	5,873,407
October	5,233,065	826,599	314,452	142,852	6,516,968

Section D. Reclaim Rubber

Table 10 gives the consumption of Reclaim in total only, by end product classification, October 1951 to October 1952. Of the 2,824,564 pounds consumed in October 1952, 113,169 pounds were consumed in the form of dispersions and 2,711,395 as other than dispersions. For summary data on Reclaim and other rubber stocks, domestic production and domestic consumption, expressed in long tons, see Table 1.

Table 10 - Consumption of Reclaim Rubber in Total by End Products, October 1951 to October 1952, Showing also Percentages of Reclaim to all Rubber Consumed.

	Recl	aim	Use	d in the Man	nufacture of	6
	Total	Percentage of all Rubber	Tires and Tubes	Wire and Cable	Foot- wear	Other Pro- ducts
	000's	per cent	000's pounds	000's pounds	000's	000°s
1951 - October November December	2,832 2,413 2,294	18.3 16.8 15.9	1,613 1,437 1,408	13 15 13	228 168 129	978 793 744
1952 - January February March April June July August September October	2,522 2,483 2,698 2,978 2,705 2,393 2,095 1,741 2,572 2,825	17.1 16.1 16.3 17.7 17.1 17.0 17.9 16.0 17.4	1,455 1,405 1,516 1,737 1,401 1,306 1,254 914 1,339 1,499	13 18 9 14 39 16 9 8 12	192 183 225 210 203 194 127 187 215 288	862 877 948 1,017 1,062 877 705 632 1,006 1,029

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