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CONSUMPTION,
PRODUCTION AND INVENTORIES OF RUBBER
December, 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 December, 1952 as compared with November, 1952 shows a decrease in natural of $1,186,347$ pounds, a decrease in synthetic of 190,389 pounds, and a decrease in reclaim of 8,178 pounds, the total decrease being $1,384,914$ 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, decreased by 711,193 pounds, consumption in rubber footwear decreased by 335,021 pounds, in wire and cable decreased by 124,939 pounds and in other products decreased by 213,761 pounds, making the total decrease of $1,384,914$ pounds mentioned above.

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## CONSUMPTION, PRODUCTION AND INVENTORIES OF RUBBER

## 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, whereever possible, see Section B, Natural Rubber; Section C, Synttetic Rubber; and Section D, Reclaim Rubber.

Table 1. - Summary Statement of all Rubber Stocks, Domestic Production and Domestic Consumption Showing Monthly Averages, 1939-1952, and Actual Monthly Totals, January 1952 to December 1952.

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

Stocks, End of Period
Period

| Sytural |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Shetic | $\begin{array}{l}\text { Re } \\ \text { claim }\end{array}$ |

Domestic Production

| Syno Rea |  | Syn- |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| thetic | claim | Natural thetic |
| claim |  |  |

Monthly Averages

| 1939 | -•••0.0.... | n.a. | noa. | n.a. | - | - | 2,635 |  | 626 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1940 |  | noa. | noa. | $n \mathrm{n}_{0}$ |  |  | 3,083 |  | 703 |
| 1941 |  | n.a. | noa. | noa。 |  |  | 4,436 |  | 789 |
| 1942 |  | no. | n.a. | 4,506 | $\bigcirc$ | - | 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 |
| 1952 |  | 4,255 | 6,925 | 1,567 | 6,189 | 382 | 2,792 | 2,799 | 1,133 |
| 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 |
|  | November .. | 3,036 | 6,298 | 1,463 | 5,804 | 419 | 3,382 | 3,155 | 1,219 |
|  | December... | 3,546 | 4,743 | 1,621 | 4,899 | 428 | 2,853 | 3,073 | 1,216 |

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

| Type of Rubber | Inventory <br> Dec. I, 1952 | Production | Inventory <br> Dec. 31, 1952 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Natural Rubber |  |  |  |
| Crude Rubber | - | - | - |
| Natural Latex | 8 | - | 21 |
| Total Natural Rubber | 8 | - | 21 |
| Synthetic Rubber |  |  |  |
| Buna-S | 2,264 | 3,055 | 933 |
| Butyl ... | 1,330 | 1,586 | 1,257 |
| Neoprene | 26 | - | 22 |
| All Other | 777 | 258 | 436 |
| Total Synthetic Rubber | 4,397 | 4,899 | 2,548 |
| Reclaim Rubber |  |  |  |
| Dispersions . | 18 | 26 | 12 |
| Other than Dispersions | 57 | 402 | 148 |
| Total Reclaim Rubber | 75 | 428 | 160 |
| Grand total | 4,480 | 5,327 | 2,829 |

Table 2(b) - CONSTMPTICN. Statement of Nanufacturers Consuming Fubber (Weight in Long Tons)

| $\begin{array}{cc}\text { Type of Rubber } & \text { Inventory } \\ \text { Dec. }{ }^{\text {a }} \text {, } \\ 1952\end{array}$ | Receipts (Imports, etc.) | Con-sumption | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sales } \\ & \text { (Exports, } \\ & \text { etc.) } \end{aligned}$ | Inventory Dec. 31, 1952 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Natural Rubber |  |  |  |  |
| Crude Rubber ......... 2,815 | 3,256 | 2,630 | 83 | 3,358 |
| Natural Latex ........ 213 | 181 | 223 | 4 | 167 |
| Total Natural Rubber 3,028 | 3,437 | 2,853 | 87 | 3,525 |
| Synthetic Rubber |  |  |  |  |
| Buna-S, Solid ....... 1, 386 | 2,509 | 2,393 | - | 1,502 |
| Buna-s, Latex ....... 75 | 61 | 80 | - | 56 |
| Buna-N .............. 24 | 7 | 10 | - | 21 |
| Butyl .............. 250 | 420 | 380 | - | 290 |
| Neoprene ............ 110 | 212 | 140 | - | 182 |
| All Other .......... 56 | 65 | 70 | 7 | 44 |
| Total Synthetic Pubber 1,901 | 3,274 | 3,073 | 7 | 2,095 |
| Reclaim Rubber |  |  |  |  |
| Dispersions ......... 62 | 44 | 47 | - | 59 |
| Other than Dispersions1,326 | 1,245 | 1,169 | - | 12402 |
| Totsl Reclaim Rubber 1,338 | 1,289 | 1,216 | - | 1,461 |
| GRAND TOTAL.............. 6,317 | 8,000 | 7,142 | 94 | 7,081 |

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Section A. - Summary Data (Concluded)
Table 3 (a) - Consumption of all Rubber, by Types and by End Product Classification, December 1952

|  | Products | Natural | Synthetic | Reclaim | Total All Rubber |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | pounds | pounds | pounds | pounds |
| 1. Tires, tubes and tire repair materials .......... 4, 347,765 $4,540,869 \quad 1,502,356 \quad 10,390,990$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2. Wire and cable $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$....... 65,447 357,564 10,1083. Footwear (including heels, |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | ```Footwear (including heels, soles, etc.) .............``` | 554,092 | 834,751 | 203,287 | 1,592,130 |
| 4. | Other products | 1,423,350 | 1,148,888 | 1,007,590 | 3,579,828 |
|  | total | 6,390,654 | 6,882,072 | 2,723,341 | 15,996,067 |

Table 3(b) = Consumption of all Rubber, by Types and by End Product Classification, November, 1952


Table 4 - Consumption of all Rubber in Total, by Types, Showing
Percentages of Each Type to all Rubber Consumed, 1939 to 1952.

| Year |  | Natural |  | Synthetic | Reclaim |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | pounds | \% | pounds | \% | pounds | \% |
| 1939 |  | 70,828,800 | 80.8 | - | - | 16,826,880 | 19.2 |
| 1940 | . | 82,871,040 | 81.4 | - | - | 18,896,640 | 18.6 |
| 1941 |  | 219,239,680 | 84.9 | - |  | 21,208,320 | 15.1 |
| 1942 | -0.000.0.0.0.0.0.0.0 | 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 | -0.0.0.0.0.0.0... | 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 | -0.0.0.0.0....... | 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 |
| 1952 |  | $75,042,843$ | 41.5 | 75,260,578 | 41.6 | 30,468,040 | 16.9 |

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## Section B, Natural Rubber

The December 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, December 1951 to December 1952 are shown in Table 6. For summary data on Natural and otherrubber stocks, domestic production and domestic consumption, expressed in long tons, see Table $l_{0}$

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


Table 6 - Consumption on Natural Rubber in Total, by End Products, December 1951 to December 1952, showing also Fercentage of Natural to all Rubber Consumed.

|  | Na ${ }^{\text {aral }}$ |  | Used in the Manufacture of |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total | Percentage of all Rubber | Tires and Tubes | Wire <br> and <br> Cable | Footwear | Other Products |
|  | 000 's pounds | Per Cent | 000 "s pounds | 000:s pounds | 000 's pounds | 0001 s pound 8 |
| 1951 - 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 .o..... | 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 |
| November.... | 7,577 | 43.6 | 5,221 | 91 | 779 | 1,486 |
| December $\ldots$ | 6,391 | 40.0 | 4,348 | 66 | 554 | 1,423 |

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## Section C. Synthetic Rubber

The December 1952 consumption of Synthetic Rubber is shown by types and ly end products classification in Table 7. Summary data, by months, are shown ia Tables 8 and 9. For Sumary data, on Symthetic and other rubber stocks, domestsc production and domestic consumption, expressed in long tons, see Table $l_{\text {: }}$

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


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

| Year and Month | Synthetic Rubber |  | Used in the Manufacture of |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Percentage } \\ & \text { of all } \\ & \text { Rubber } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Tires } \\ & \text { and } \\ & \text { Tubes } \end{aligned}$ | Wire and Cable | Footwear | Other Pro $=$ ducts |
| 1951 - December... | 000 : 8 pounds 5,575 | Per Cent 38.6 | DOO's pound $s$ 4,050 | 000's pounds 313 | 000's pounds 418 | 000 's pounds 794 |
| 1952 - Jamuary ... | 5,662 | 38.3 | 3,855 | 398 | 564 | 845 |
| February .0 | 6,394 | 41.5 | 4,358 | 376 | 699 | 961 |
| March | 7,086 | 42.9 | 4,768 | 357 | 727 | 1,234 |
| April 0.000 | 7,134 | 42.4 | 4,816 | 361 | 796 | 1,161 |
| May ....... | 7,033 | 44.4 | 4,601 | 470 | 794 | 1,168 |
| June $0 . .0$. | 6,007 | 42.8 | 3,758 | 358 | 736 | 1,155 |
| July 0.o.o. | 4,900 | 41.6 | 3,303 | 200 | 527 | 870 |
| August $\ldots .$. | 4,698 | 43.2 | 2,632 | 383 | 732 | 951 |
| September.0 | 5,873 | 39.9 | 3,691 | 346 | 727 | 1,109 |
| October ... | 6,517 | 39.2 | 4,127 | - 354 | 875 | 1,161 |
| November .. | 7,072 | 40.7 | 4,410 | 458 | 929 | 1,275 |
| December . | 6,882 | 43.0 | 4,541 | 357 | 835 | 1,149 |

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Tabel 9 - Consumption of Synthetic Rubber, by Types, December 1951 to December 1952.

| Year and Month | Buna-S | Butyl | Neoprene | Other | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | pounds | pounds | pounds | pounds | pounds |
| 1951-December .... | 4,521,691 | 759,846 | 234,611 | 58,821 | 5,574,969 |
| 1952 - January ...... |  |  | 308,222 |  |  |
| February ...... | $5,250,629$ | $764,412$ | 305,521 | $73,663$ | $6,394,225$ |
| March ........ | 5,692,421 | 947,457 | 349,817 | 96,419 | 7,086,114 |
| April......... | 5,858,979 | 888,670 | 312,418 | 73,696 | 7,133,763 |
| May ........... | 5,715,375 | 850,562 | 387,516 | 80,024 | 7,033,477 |
| June 0.000000 | 4,857,597 | 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 |
| Oct ober ...... | 5,233,065 | 826,599 | 314,452 | 142,852 | 6,516,968 |
| November ..... | 5,632,928 | 890,568 | 392,313 | 156,652 | 7,072,461 |
| December ..... | 5,538,899 | 851,779 | 312,717 | 178,677 | 6,882,072 |

Section D. Reclaim Rubber
Table 10 gives the consumption of Reclaim in total only, by end product classification, December 1951 to December 1952. Of the 2,723,341 pounds consumed in December 1952, 104,333 pounds were consumed in the form of dispersions and $2,619,008$ 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, Decenber 1951 to December 1952, Showing also Percentages of Reclaim to al1 Rubber Consumed.



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