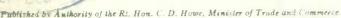
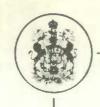
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CONSUMPTION, PRODUCTION AND INVENTORIES OF RUBBER

The statistics made available monthly in this report are considered to represent clearly and accurately (a) the new domestic production of synthetic and 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 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 February 1955 as compared with January 1955 shows an increase in natural of 655,925 pounds, an increase in synthetic of 1,156,677 pounds and an increase in reclaim of 647,075 pounds, the total being an increase of 2,459,677 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 1,763,611 pounds, consumption in rubber footwear increased by 115,133 pounds, in wire and cable increased by 9,616 pounds and in other products increased by 571,317 pounds, making the total increase of 2,459,677 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, 1939-1954 and Actual Monthly Totals, January and February 1955.

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

	Stocks,	End of P	End of Period Production		Consumption			
	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	-	-	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
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 - January .	3,444	5,267	1,583	8,124	309	3,511	2,615	1,062
February.	3,898	4,887	1,550	7,646	419	3,804	3,132	1,350

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

Type of Rubber	Inventory February 1, 1955	Production	Inventory February 28, 1955
Natural Rubber			
Crude Rubber	46		
Natural Latex	41	•	50
Total Natural Rubber	41		50
Synthetic Rubber			
Buna-S	2,082	5,178	2,193
Butyl	472	1,595	311
Neoprene	24	***	30
All Other	548	873	389
Total Synthetic Rubber	3,126	7,646	2,923
Reclaim Rubber			
Dispersions	26	10	24
Other than Dispersions	109	409	134
Total Reclaim Rubber	135	419	158
GRAND TOTAL	3,302	8,065	3,131

Table 2(b) - CONSUMPTION, Statements of Manufacturers Consuming Rubber (Weights in Long Tons)

Type of Rubber	Inventory Feb. 1, 1955	Receipts (Imports, etc.)	Con sump- tion	Sales (Exports, etc.)	Inventory Feb. 28, 1955
Natural Rubber					
Crude Rubber	3,113	4,033	3,457	***	3,689
Natural Latex	290	223	347	7	159
Total Natural Rubber	3,403	4,256	3,804	7	3,848
Synthetic Rubber					
Buna-S, Solid	1,465	2,302	2,501	_	1,266
Buna-S, Latex	89	125	111	2	101
Buna-N	23	12	8	-	27
Butyl	270	300	273	-	297
Neoprene	242	146	173	white	215
All Other	52	84	66	12	58
Total Synthetic Rubber	2,141	2,969	3,132	14	1,964
Reclaim Rubber					
Dispersions	44	12	10	-	46
Other than Dispersions	1,404	1,282	1,340	•	1,346
Total Reclaim	1,448	1,294	1,350	•	1,392
GRAND TOTAL	6,992	8,519	8,286	21	7,204

Section A. Summary Data (Concluded)

Table 3(a) - Consumption of all Rubber, by Types and by End Products Classification, January, 1955.

		Natural	Synthetic	Reclaim	Total All Rubber
		pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
1.	Tires, tubes and tire				
	repair materials	5,421,414	3,568,210	1,501,672	10,491,296
2.	Wire and cable	49,803	355,318	8,195	413,316
3.	Footwear (including heels,				
	soles, etc.)	720,563	731, 185	185,969	1,637,717
4.	Other products	1,673,045	1,206,326	682,391	3,561,762
	TOTAL	7,864,825	5,861,039	2,378,227	16,104,091

Table 3(b) - Consumption of all Rubber by Types and by End Products
Classification, February 1955.

End	Products	Natural	Synthetic	Reclaim	Total All Rubber
		pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
1.	Tires, tubes and tire				
	repair materials	5,685,555	4,585,664	1,983,688	12, 254, 907
2.	Wire and cable	39,747	376,588	6,597	422,932
	Footwear (including heels,				
	soles, etc.)	743,738	826,814	182,298	1,752,850
4.	Other products	2,051,710	1,228,650	852,719	4,133,079
	TOTAL	8,520,750	7,017,716	3,025,302	18,563,768

Table 4 - Consumption of all Rubber in Total, by Types showing percentages of Each Type to all Rubber Consumed, 1939 to 1954.

	Natural		Synthet	ic	Reclaim		
	pounds	%	pounds	%	pounds	%	
1939	70,828,800	80.4	_	-	16,826,880	19.2	
1940	82,871,040	81.4	_	46.	18,896,640	18.6	
1941	119, 239, 680	84.9	_	46	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	
1952	75,042,843	41.5	75, 260, 578	41.6	30,468,040	16.9	
1953	83,955,609	42.6	80,447,628	40.8	32,701,851	16.6	
1954	93, 129, 151	49.3	67, 379, 304	35.6	28,603,823	15.1	

Section B. Natural Rubber

The February 1955 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 February 1954 to February 1955 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 Products Classification, February 1955.

End	Products	Natural Rubber (excluding Latex)	Latex	Total Natural
		pounds	pounds	pounds
1.	Tires, tubes and tire			
	repair materials	5,671,937	13,618	5,685,555
2.	Wire and cable	39,747	-	39,747
	Footwear (including heels,			
	soles, etc.)	740,616	3,122	743,738
4.	Other products	1,291,540	760,170	2,051,710
	TOTAL	7,743,840	776,910	8,520,750

Table 6 - Consumption of Natural Rubber in Total, by End Products, February 1954 to February 1955, showing also percentage of Natural to all Rubber Consumed.

		Na	tural	Use	d in the l	Manufactu	re 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
1954 -	February	7,847	44.8	5,127	67	683	1,970
	March	8,148	46.2	5,230	73	713	2,132
	April	7,437	46.0	5,013	83	640	1,701
	May	7,805	46.8	5,498	60	604	1,643
	June	8,291	48.3	5,871	44	726	1,650
	July	6,301	50.0	4,696	36	402	1,167
	August	6,271	51.8	4,181	38	899	1,153
	September	8,584	52.9	5,938	65	814	1,767
	October	8,103	54.2	5,559	64	851	1,629
	November	8,848	52.8	6,034	67	871	1,876
	December	8,621	53.4	5,899	61	695	1,966
1955 -	January	7,865	48.8	5,421	50	721	1,673
	February	8,521	45.9	5,685	40	744	2,052

Section C. Synthetic Rubber

The February 1955 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 Products Classification, February, 1955.

		Bun	a-S	D N	7741	Managara	Other	Total
		Solid	Latex	Buna-N Butyl Neoprene Ot		Other	Synthetic	
1.	Tires, tubes & tire repair	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
2.	materials Wire & Cable Footwear (in- cluding heels,	3,952,949 159,517			511,987 15,354			4,585,664 376,588
4.	soles, etc.) Other products					16,869 151,275		826,814 1,228,650
	TOTAL	5,603,016	249,561	18,374	610,502	388,316	147,947	7,017,716

Table 8 - Consumption of Synthetic Rubber, in Total, by End Products
February 1954 to February 1955, showing also Percentages of
Synthetic to all Rubber Consumed.

	Synt	hetic	Used	Used 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	
1954 - February	6,857	39.2	4,430	440	806	1,181	
March	6,454	36.6	4,015	477	655	1,307	
April	5,941	36.7	3,835	348	647	1,111	
May	6,088	36.5	4,079	323	636	1,050	
June	6,179	36.0	4,053	348	735	1,043	
July	4,357	34.5	3,091	145	432	689	
August	4,421	36.6	2,572	383	617	849	
September	5,459	33.6	3,441	353	660	1,005	
October	4,786	32.0	2,866	386	599	935	
November	5,720	34.1	3,456	442	688	1,134	
December	5,349	33.1	3,138	358	713	1,140	
1955 - January	5,861	36.4	3,568	355	731	1,207	
February	7,018	37.8	4,586	376	827	1,229	

Table 9 - Consumption of Synthetic Rubber, by Types, February 1954 to February 1955.

		Buna-S	Butyl	Neoprene	Other	Total
		pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
1954 -	February	5,256,320	977,620	455,747	167,953	6,857,640
	March	4,913,936	874,564	481,195	184,062	6,453,757
	April	4,537,600	872,621	368,781	162,287	5,941,289
	May	4,791,801	842,834	311,407	141,591	6,087,633
	June	4,686,088	960,393	369,743	163,138	6,179,362
	July	3,453,247	563,062	222,504	118,062	4,356,875
	August	3,493,064	465,466	352,857	109,406	4,420,793
	September	4,370,322	574,109	381,614	133,365	5,459,410
	October	3,856,414	468,294	339,760	121,658	4,786,126
	November	4,657,800	502,454	431,558	127,803	5,719,615
	December	4,327,112	439,009	430,152	152,557	5,348,830
1955 -	January	4,829,792	514,297	366,435	150,515	5,861,039
	February	5,852,577	610,502	388,316	166,321	7,017,716

Section D. Reclaim Rubber

Table 10 gives the consumption of Reclaim Rubber in total only, by end products classification February 1954 to February 1955. Of the 3,025,302 pounds consumed in February 1955, 22,628 pounds were consumed in the form of dispersions and 3,002,674 pounds 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 February 1954 to February 1955, showing also Percentage of Reclaim to all Rubber Consumed.

		R	Reclaim		Used 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		
1954 -	February	2,803 3,027	16.0 17.2	1,634 1,769	14	163 194	992 1,060		
	April	2,807	17.3 16.7	1,723 1,725	7 6	171 156	906 891		
	June July	2,690 1,951	15.7 15.5	1,773 1,395	4 2	165 103	748 451		
	August September	1,404 2,199	11.6 13.5	791 1,399	2 5	209 189	402 606		
	October November	2,066 2,204	13.8 13.1	1,306 1,236	7 5	181 236	572 727		
1955 -	December January	2,171 2,378	13.5 14.8	1,193 1,502	6 8	225 186	747 6 82		
	February	3,025	16.3	1,984	6	182	853		

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