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 June 1955 as compared with May 1955 shows an increase in natural of 165,667 pounds, an increase in synthetic of 982,470 pounds and an increase in reclaim of 865,393 pounds, the total being an increase of $2,013,530$ 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 $1,419,654$ pounds, consumption in rubber footwear increased by 47,020 pounds, in wire and cable decreased by 42,382 pounds and in other products increased by 589,238 pounds, making the total increase of $2,013,530$ 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, Reclain Rubber.

Table 1 - Summary Statement of all Rubber Stocks, Domestic Production and Domestic Consumption Showing Monthly Averages, 1939-1954 and Actual Monthly Totals, January to June 1955.

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

|  |  | Stocks, End of Period |  |  | Domestic Production |  | Consumption |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Natural | Synthetic | Reclaim | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Syn- } \\ & \text { thetic } \end{aligned}$ | Reclaim | Natural | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Syn } \\ & \text { thetic } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Re- } \\ & \text { clalm } \end{aligned}$ |
| 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. | m.a. | n.a. | - | - | 4,436 | - | 789 |
| 1942 |  | n.a. | M.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 |
|  | March | 3,749 | 4,985 | 1,677 | 8,673 | 384 | 4,140 | 3,366 | 1,390 |
|  | Apri1 | 3,805 | 5,076 | 1,642 | 7,631 | 345 | 3,822 | 3,006 | 1,227 |
|  | May | 4,909 | 5,517 | 1,681 | 8,867 | 438 | 3,762 | 3,344 | 1,101 |
|  | June | 5,448 | 5,388 | 1,613 | 8,587 | 371 | 3,836 | 3,783 | 1,488 |

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

| Type of Rubber | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Inventory } \\ & \text { June } 1,1955 \end{aligned}$ | Production | $\begin{gathered} \text { Inventory } \\ \text { June } 30,1955 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Natural Rubber |  |  |  |
| Crude Rubber | - | - | - |
| Natural Latex | 17 | - | 58 |
| Total Natural Rubber | 17 | - | 58 |
| Synthetic Rubber |  |  |  |
| Buna-S | 2,173 | 5,341 | 2,035 |
| Butyl | 527 | 1,849 | 489 |
| Neoprene | 24 | , | 23 |
| All Other | 212 | 1,397 | 327 |
| Total Synthetic Rubber | 2,936 | 8,587 | 2,874 |
| Reclaim Rubber |  |  |  |
| Dispersions | 29 | 15 | 31 |
| Other than Dispersions | 117 | 356 | 162 |
| Total Reclaim Rubber | 146 | 371 | 193 |
| GRAND TOTAL | 3,099 | 8,958 | 3,125 |

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

| Type of Rubber | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Inventory } \\ & \text { June 1, } \\ & 1955 \end{aligned}$ | Receipts <br> (Imports, etc.) | Con sumption | $\begin{gathered} \text { Sales } \\ \text { (Exports, } \\ \text { etc.) } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | Inventory <br> June 30, 1955 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Natural Rubber |  |  |  |  |  |
| Crude Rubber | 4,523 | 3,990 | 3,498 | 2 | 5,013 |
| Natural Latex | 369 | 368 | 338 | 22 | 377 |
| Total Natural Rubber | 4,892 | 4,358 | 3,836 | 24 | 5,390 |
| Synthetic Rubber |  |  |  |  |  |
| Buna-S, Solid. | 1,857 | 2,900 | 3,076 | - | 1,681 |
| Buna-S, Latex | 136 | 116 | 108 | 2 | 142 |
| Buna-N ... | 26 | 15 | 13 | - | 28 |
| Buty 1 | 194 | 354 | 311 | - | 237 |
| Neoprene | 300 | 262 | 225 | 9 | 337 |
| All Other | 68 | 90 | 50 | 19 | 89 |
| Total Synthetic Rubber. | 2,581 | 3,737 | 3,783 | 21 | 2,514 |
| Reclaim Rubber |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dispersions ............. | 45 | 11 | 13 | - | 43 |
| Other than Dispersions .. | 1,490 | 1,363 | 1,475 | 1 | 1,377 |
| Total Reclaim | 1,535 | 1,374 | 1,488 | 1 | 1,420 |
| GRAND TOTAL | 9,008 | 9,469 | 9,107 | 46 | 9,324 |

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Section A. Summary Data (Concluded)
Table $3(a)$ - Consumption of all Rubber, by Types and by End Products Classification, May, 1955


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

| End | Products | Natural | Synthetic | Reclaim | Total Al1 Rubber |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | pounds | pounds | pounds | pounds |
|  | Tires, tubes and tire repair materials ......... | 5,495,448 | 5,724,405 | 2,239,637 | 13,459,490 |
| 2. | Wire and cable ..... | 61,275 | 447,204 | 7,605 | 516,084 |
| 3. | ```Footwear (including heels, soles, etc.) ...............``` | 848,368 | 752,844 | 194,544 | 1,795,756 |
| 4. | Other products ............ | 2,186,732 | 1,551,916 | 891,783 | 4,630,431 |
|  | TOTAL . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 8,591,823 | 8,476,369 | 3,333,569 | 20,401,761 |

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

|  | Natural |  | Synthetic |  | Reclaim |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | pounds | \% | pounds | \% | pounds | \% |
| 1939 | 70,828,800 | 80.4 | - | - | 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 |
| 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 |

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## Section B. Natural Rubber

The June 1955 consumption of Natural Rubber, showing crude rubber and natural latex separately and arranged according to end products classification, is shown in Table 5. Sumary data, by months June 1954 to June 1955 are shown in Table 6. For sumary 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, June 1955.


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

|  | Natural |  | Used in the Manufacture of |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total | Percentage of all Rubber | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Tires } \\ & \text { and } \\ & \text { Tubes } \end{aligned}$ | Wire and Cable | Footwear | Other <br> Pro- <br> ducts |
|  | $000^{\prime} \mathrm{s}$ pounds | Per cent | $\begin{aligned} & 000 ' \mathrm{~s} \\ & \text { pounds } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 000 \text { 's } \\ & \text { pounds } \end{aligned}$ | 000's pounds | $\begin{aligned} & 000 \text { 's } \\ & \text { pounds } \end{aligned}$ |
| 1954 - 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 |
| March ... | 9,275 | 46.5 | 6,196 | 74 | 798 | 2,207 |
| April ... | 8,561 | 47.5 | 5,824 | 65 | 781 | 1,891 |
| May . . . . | 8,426 | 45.8 | 5,614 | 111 | 848 | 1,853 |
| June ... | 8,592 | 42.1 | 5,496 | 61 | 848 | 2,187 |

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## Section C. Synthetic Rubber

The June 1955 consuxption of Synthetic Rubber is shown by types and by end products classification in Table 7. Sumary 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, June 1955.

|  |  | Buna-S |  | Buna-N | Butyl | Neoprene | Other | Total Synthetic |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Solid | Latex |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | pounds | pounds | pounds | pounds | pounds | pounds | pounds |
|  | Tires, tubes \& tire repair materials .... | 5,032,403 | 103,428 | 675 | 559,426 | 28,473 |  | 5,724,405 |
| 2 | Wire \& cable. | 199,454 | 103,428 | - | 9,766 | 237,984 | - | 447, 204 |
|  | ```Footwear (in- cluding heels, soles, etc.).``` | 627,149 | - | 1,331 | 5,700 | 39,354 | 79,310 | 752,844 |
| 4. | Other products | 1,032,684 | 138,881 | 27,871 | 121,224 | 197,785 | 33,471 | 1,551,916 |
|  | TOTAL | 6,891,690 | 242,309 | 29,877 | 696,116 | 503,596 | 112,781 | 8,476,369 |

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

|  |  | Synthetic |  | Used in the Manufacture of |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Total | Percentage <br> of all <br> Rubber | Tires and Tubes | Wire and Cable | Footwear | Other Products |
| 1954 |  | $000^{\prime} \mathrm{s}$ <br> pounds | Per cent | $000^{\prime} \mathrm{s}$ <br> pounds | $000^{\prime} \mathrm{s}$ pounds | $000^{\prime} \mathrm{s}$ <br> pounds | $000 \text { 's }$ <br> pounds |
|  | - 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 |
|  | March | 7,544 | 37.9 | 4,796 | 443 | 839 | 1,466 |
|  | Apr 11 | 6,735 | 37.3 | 4,347 | 411 | 594 | 1,383 |
|  | May | 7,494 | 40.8 | 4,950 | 443 | 697 | 1,404 |
|  | June | 8,476 | 41.6 | 5,724 | 447 | 753 | 1,552 |

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

|  | Buna-S | Butyl | Neoprene | Other | Total |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | pounds | pounds | pounds | pounds | pounds |
| 1954 June $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | $4,686,088$ | 960,393 | 369,743 | 163,138 | $6,179,362$ |
| July $\ldots \ldots \ldots$ | $3,453,247$ | 563,062 | 222,504 | 118,062 | $4,356,875$ |
| August $\ldots \ldots \ldots$ | $3,493,064$ | 465,466 | 352,857 | 109,406 | $4,420,793$ |
| September $\ldots \ldots$ | $4,370,322$ | 574,109 | 381,614 | 133,365 | $5,459,410$ |
| October $\ldots \ldots \ldots$ | $3,856,414$ | 468,294 | 339,760 | 121,658 | $4,786,126$ |
| November $\ldots \ldots \ldots$ | $4,657,800$ | 502,454 | 431,558 | 127,803 | $5,719,615$ |
| December $\ldots \ldots \ldots$ | $4,327,112$ | 439,009 | 430,152 | 152,557 | $5,348,830$ |
| 1955 January $\ldots \ldots \ldots$ | $4,829,792$ | 514,297 | 366,435 | 150,515 | $5,861,039$ |
| February $\ldots \ldots \ldots$ | $5,852,577$ | 610,502 | 388,316 | 166,321 | $7,017,716$ |
| March $\ldots \ldots \ldots$ | $6,064,508$ | 809,558 | 452,005 | 218,379 | $7,544,450$ |
| April $\ldots \ldots \ldots$ | $5,510,556$ | 642,993 | 436,143 | 145,688 | $6,735,380$ |
| May $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | $6,186,793$ | 727,054 | 440,158 | 139,894 | $7,493,899$ |
| June $\ldots \ldots \ldots$ | $7,133,999$ | 696,116 | 503,596 | 142,658 | $8,476,369$ |

Section D. Reclaim Rubber
Table 10 gives the consumption of Reclaim Rubber in total only, by end products classification June 1954 to June 1955. Of the $3,333,569$ pounds consumed in June 1955, 29,193 pounds were conswmed in the form of dispersions and $3,304,376$ 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 June 1954 to June 1955, showing also Percentage of Reclaim to all Rubber Consumed.

|  | Reclaim |  | Used in the Manufacture of |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total | Percentage of all Rubber | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Tires } \\ & \text { and } \\ & \text { Tubes } \end{aligned}$ | Wire and Cable | Footwear | Other Product 8 |
|  | 000 's pounds | Per cent | 000 's pounds | 000 's pounds | 000 's pounds | 000 's pounds |
| 1954 - June | 2,690 | 15.7 | 1,773 | 4 | 165 | 748 |
| July | 1,951 | 15.5 | 1,395 | 2 | 103 | 451 |
| August | 1,404 | 11.6 | 791 | 2 | 209 | 402 |
| September | 2,199 | 13.5 | 1,399 | 5 | 189 | 606 |
| October | 2,066 | 13.8 | 1,306 | 7 | 181 | 572 |
| November | 2,204 | 13.1 | 1,236 | 5 | 236 | 727 |
| December | 2,171 | 13.5 | 1,193 | 6 | 225 | 747 |
| 1955 - January | 2,378 | 14.8 | 1,502 | 8 | 186 | 682 |
| February | 3,025 | 16.3 | 1,984 | 6 | 182 | 853 |
| March | 3,114 | 15.6 | 1,929 | 9 | 230 | 946 |
| April | 2,749 | 15.2 | 1,741 | 4 | 207 | 797 |
| May | 2,468 | 13.4 | 1,476 | 5 | 204 | 783 |
| June | 3,334 | 16.3 | 2,240 | 8 | 194 | 892 |



