

#### DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS MALAYSIA

# PRESS RELEASE ANNUAL RUBBER STATISTICS 2016

# PRODUCTION OF NATURAL RUBBER IN 2015 RECORDED AN ANNUAL GROWTH RATE OF -5.1 PER CENT AS COMPARED TO 2010

In 2015, the production of natural rubber was **722,122** tonnes as compared to **939,241** tonnes in 2010 with an annual growth rate of **-5.1** per cent. Smallholding sector was the main contributor to the production of natural rubber at **665,301** tonnes or **92.1** per cent of the total production while **7.9** per cent was from estate sector.

Planted area in 2015 was 995,733 hectares. A large portion of rubber planting was owned by smallholding sector of 919,901 hectares (92.4%) and 75,832 hectares (7.6%) was estate sector.

In 2015, exports of natural rubber was **706,501** tonnes as compared to **900,770** tonnes in 2010 with an annual growth rate of **-4.7** per cent. Almost half of the natural rubber exported to China at **49.3** per cent. This was followed by Germany (**12.8%**), Iran (**5.6%**), U.S.A. (**5.1%**), Brazil (**2.4%**) and other countries (**24.8%**).

Malaysia imported natural rubber of 957,300 tonnes in 2015, mainly from Thailand (52.9%) and Viet Nam (19.7%).

Domestic consumption of natural rubber in 2015 was 474,773 tonnes. Rubber glove industry was the largest industry using natural rubber of 349,031 tonnes (73.5%).

The number of persons engaged in the estate sector increased by **1,499** persons to **12,056** persons in 2015 as compared to 2010 with an annual growth rate of +**2.7** per cent. The total salaries & wages paid to workers in the estate sector amounted to **RM186.4** million in 2015.





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## Planted area

2015 : 995,733 hectares 2010 : 1,015,152 hectares

-; 92.4% Smallholdings 7.6% estates



#### Production

2015 : 722,122 tonnes 2010 : 939,241 tonnes Annual growth rate

-5.1%





# **Domestic** consumption

2015 : 474,773 tonnes 2010 : 457,854 tonnes Annual growth rate +0.7%



### Production in estates

2015 : 56,821 tonnes 2010 : 56,337 tonnes Annual growth rate +0.2%



# Number of persons engaged in estates

2015 : 12,056 persons 2010 : 10,557 persons Annual growth rate

+2.7%



# **Imports**

2015 : 957,300 tonnes 2010 : 706,250 tonnes Annual growth rate

+6.3%



# Exports

2015 : 706,501 tonnes 2010 : 900,770 tonnes Annual growth rate

-4.7%

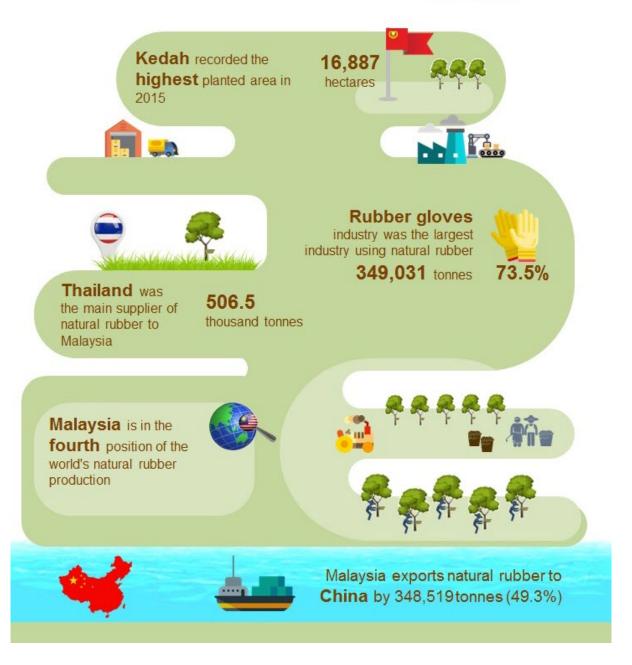


## Salaries & wages estates workers

2015 : RM186.4 million 2010 : RM115.8 million Annual growth rate

+10.0%





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