

STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF WORLD RUBBER SITUATION

('000 tonnes)

	2016	2017				2018		
	Year	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Year	Q1	Q2
NATURAL RUBBER PRODUCTION								
Asia-Pacific	11563	2863	2738	3369	3375	12345	2887	2973
EMEA	721	177	168	259	263	867	210	224
Americas	320	95	102	71	80	347	96	106
TOTAL	12604	3135	3007	3698	3719	13559	3193	3302
NATURAL RUBBER CONSUMPTION								
Asia-Pacific	9333	2290	2460	2535	2478	9763	2474	2583
EMEA	1645	424	438	438	428	1728	446	463
Americas	1693	424	459	421	423	1728	452	485
TOTAL	12670	3137	3357	3394	3329	13218	3373	3530
WORLD NR SUPPLY-DEMAND SURPLUS/DEFICIT								
	-66	-2	-350	304	389	341	-179	-228
SYNTHETIC RUBBER PRODUCTION								
Asia-Pacific	7672	1965	1923	2054	2059	8002	2020	2003
EMEA	4137	1096	1002	945	1004	4047	1084	1035
Americas	3033	785	701	720	785	2990	752	696
TOTAL	14842	3846	3626	3719	3848	15039	3856	3734
SYNTHETIC RUBBER CONSUMPTION								
Asia-Pacific	8105	2042	2066	2099	2149	8356	2100	2074
EMEA	3693	998	965	913	929	3804	1013	996
Americas	3033	755	736	754	759	3004	758	724
TOTAL	14831	3795	3766	3766	3837	15165	3871	3794
WORLD SR SUPPLY-DEMAND SURPLUS/DEFICIT								
	11	51	-140	-47	11	-126	-15	-59
% SR IN TOTAL RUBBER CONSUMPTION								
	53.9	54.7	52.9	52.6	53.5	53.4	53.4	51.8

RUBBER PRICE AND RELATED INDICATORS

	2016	2017				2018			
	Year	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Year	Q1	Q2	Q3
NATURAL RUBBER PRICES									
SGX, RSS3, US\$/tonne	1641	2543	2062	1805	1589	2000	1723	1638	1465
SGX, TSR20, US\$/tonne	1378	2093	1565	1521	1427	1651	1468	1397	1334
Europe, TSR20, US\$/tonne	1424	2181	1605	1610	1516	1728	1529	1470	1408
SYNTHETIC RUBBER PRICES									
Japan SBR Export Value '000Yen/tonne	224	264	298	244	247	263	245	258	275
France, SBR Export Value €/tonne	1624	1831	2246	1998	1701	1944	1800	1985	1871
USA SBR Export Values US\$/tonne	2024	2223	2765	2352	2321	2415	2242	2588	2748
RELATIVE NR/SR PRICE RATIO									
SGX, TSR20 Spot/ USA SBR Export Unit Value	68.1	94.1	56.6	64.7	61.5	68.4	65.5	54.0	48.6
RELATED INDICATORS									
Brent Crude oil, US\$ per barrel	43.6	53.7	49.7	52.1	61.5	54.2	66.8	74.5	75.2
Butadiene, US cents per lb (2)	37.2	88.9	72.3	42.1	45.3	62.2	48.4	68.0	71.9

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Notes:

- (1) Stocks refer to end of period volumes.
- (2) Butadiene contract price - major feedstock used in production of volume elastomers, SBR and BR.

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