

Market Report week 31/2011

Development of futures quotations at the main trading places for Natural Rubber in week 30/2011:

	Quality	Price	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
TOCOM	RSS 3	Yen/kg	381,90	387,60	396,00	391,50	386,50
SICOM	RSS 3	USC/kg	475,00	482,20	486,50	486,00	485,30
SICOM	TSR 20	USC/kg	463,30	471,00	474,00	472,80	471,50
MRE	SMR CV	USC/kg	507,20	510,00	517,90	512,35	512,00
MRE	SMR 20	USC/kg	466,25	471,05	479,85	474,95	473,75
Development of EUR/USD during week 30/2011:							
USD Fix			1,4360	1,4465	1,4455	1,4285	1,4232
Oil/BRT	USD/barrel		118,51	119,11	118,55	118,86	117,53

(TOCOM RSS 3 - 6. month closing, SICOM RSS 3 & TSR $20 - 1^{st}$ pos. settlement, MRE SMR CV & SMR 20 - closing quotation)

Last week future-markets raised again. TOCOM increased during the course of the week abt. 1,4 %, while SICOM RSS 3 gained abt. 1,9% and TSR 20 abt. 1,5 %. The fundamental situation of the market remains strong. Especially the demand from China picked up, as inventories dropped significantly throughout the last couple of weeks and puts pressure on Chinese buyers now to cover. Asian producer-countries face problems with higher exchangerates against the US-Dollar, leading to higher offer prices. The debt situation in Europe and the dramatic financial situation in the US will keep markets in motion in the near future.

China's natural rubber imports fell in June 2011 by 6,4 % compared with the same month a year ago to 108.403 mt, and fell 12 % in June compared with May 2011. In the first 6 months of this year the total imports rose by 4,6 % to 874.265 mt compared with the same period last year, the General Administration of Customs said on July, 21st.

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Abbreviations: