

## Market Report week 40/2024

Development of futures quotations at the main trading places for natural rubber week 39/2024:

STOCK MARKET	QUALITY	PRICE	MO.	TUE.	WED.	THU.	FRI.	CHANGE
TOCOM	RSS 3	YEN/kg	366,70	385,40	387,00	391,00	392,00	+6,90%
SGX	RSS 3	USC/kg	270,50	279,30	285,00	285,00	286,00	+5,73%
SGX	TSR 20	USC/kg	191,60	201,90	201,10	202,70	198,90	+3,81%
MRE	SMR CV	USC/kg	283,55	286,50	294,70	293,95	297,25	+4,83%
MRE	SMR 20	USC/kg	197,65	207,85	213,20	209,40	208,30	+5,39%

(TOCOM RSS 3: 6<sup>th</sup> month closing, SGX RSS 3 & TSR 20: 1<sup>st</sup> pos. settlement,  
MRE SMR CV & SMR 20: closing quotation)

EUR/USD Fix		1,11190	1,11240	1,11910	1,11530	1,11660	
USD/JPY Fix		143,1975	143,8640	144,3915	144,4315	143,2835	
ÖI/WTI	USD/Barrel	71,21	71,92	71,09	68,65	67,91	

Last week, it was all about China. On the back of all sorts of stimulus measurements, the sentiment in China was boosted. Hosanna all the way, all lights on green! Trillions of Yuan are pumped into the system to support by the financial markets, lowering interest rates, subsidized mortgages, lower reserve requirements etc. all to push the economy to meet the 5% growth target. It surely boosted the speculative spirit. But is it sustainable?

Looking at the fundamentals, supply concerns are real. In particular if we look at the supply situation in Vietnam and Thailand. Both countries are already suffering from poor weather circumstances for some time. The typhoons and tropical depressions that passed by in the region were already mentioned in previous reports. They may have passed by, the bad weather continues (as part of the rainy season). Difficult to recover if production circumstances do not improve, so it may last a bit longer. Production and availability in Africa seems to be a lot better, or at least less affected.

Chinese buying seems to be real too. Other regions remain relatively slow though, most consumers seem to be well positioned.

USD weakness and lower freights help, but can't balance the market surge.

### Abbreviations:

RSS3 = Ribbed Smoked Sheets 3  
TSR 20 = Technically Specified Rubber 20  
SMR = Standard Malaysian Rubber

TOCOM = Tokyo Commodity Exchange  
SGX = Singapore Exchange  
MRE = Malaysian rubber Exchange  
BRT = crude oil "BRENT"