

NAVAL STORES

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NAVAL STORES PRODUCTION CONTINUES TO RISE

September turpentine production totaled 34,520 barrels, 9 percent more than the same month's output a year ago. Steam distilled turpentine production showed a large increase from 1,970 barrels a year ago to 5,210 barrels this year. Sulfate turpentine output was 90 barrels lower than last year. Gum turpentine was down 8 percent from a year earlier. Turpentine stocks at the end of September were up 59 percent from a year ago but down 14 percent from a month earlier. Total turpentine production for the crop year to date (April-September) is running 20 percent ahead of the comparable period for last year.

Rosin production during September was 24 percent greater than September of 1975. An 18 percent decline in gum rosin production was more than offset by increases in steam distilled rosin, which more than doubled, and tall oil rosin, which increased 2 percent. Rosin stocks were off 3 percent from a year ago.

PRODUCT	PRODUCTION					
	1975		1976			
	AUG	SEP	APR-SEP	AUG 1/	SEP	APR-SEP
TURPENTINE BARRELS OF 50 GALLONS						
GUM	2,880	2,230	13,390	2,040	2,050	11,970
STEAM DISTILLED	2,590	1,970	11,910	3,820	5,210	29,600
SULFATE 2/	30,060	27,350	171,440	31,370	27,260	194,340
TOTAL	35,530	31,550	196,740	37,230	34,520	235,910
ROsin DRUMS OF 520 POUNDS NET 3/						
GUM	9,370	7,610	43,760	8,410	6,260	38,970
STEAM DISTILLED	20,560	21,500	170,240	32,970	44,040	248,650
TALL OIL	53,910	65,960	305,180	76,050	67,140	411,000
TOTAL	83,840	95,070	459,180	117,370	117,440	698,620
OTHER PRODUCTS BARRELS OF 50 GALLONS						
PINE OIL - ALL SOURCES	13,650	18,910	81,620	14,220	18,760	94,700
OTHER STEAM DISTILLED						
TERPENES	3,230	2,140	17,520	3,410	3,140	24,490

(OVER)

GUM NAVAL STORES PRICES

ITEM	UNIT	1975		1976	
		AUG	SEP	AUG	SEP
AVERAGE PRICE PROCESSING PLANTS 4/		DOLLARS PER UNIT			
TURPENTINE - TANK CARS F.O.B.	GALLON	1.600	1.600	1.450	1.450
ROSIN, ALL GRADES, DRUMS F.O.B.	100 POUNDS	24.31	23.74	24.81	24.01
CRUDE GUM DELIVERED - COMMERCIAL	BARRELS 5/	60.61	60.30	61.71	61.87
PARITY PRICES FOR CRUDE GUM	BARRELS 5/	86.30	87.10	91.50	91.40

STOCKS END OF MONTH

STOCKS AT PRODUCTION PLANTS, AND AT CONCENTRATION POINTS IN THE SOUTH, REGARDLESS OF OWNERSHIP; NOT NECESSARILY STOCKS AVAILABLE FOR SALE.

PRODUCT	1975		1976	
	AUG	SEP	AUG 1/	SEP
TURPENTINE	BARRELS OF 50 GALLONS			
GUM	3,770	4,320	7,100	7,390
STEAM DISTILLED	9,510	9,740	28,110	26,620
SULFATE 2/	36,900	40,670	65,890	52,930
TOTAL	50,180	54,730	101,100	86,940
ROSIN	DRUMS OF 520 POUNDS NET 3/			
GUM			5,360	5,360
CCC CONTROLLED			11,920	11,180
OTHER	24,100	24,400	17,280	16,540
TOTAL GUM	24,100	24,400	17,280	16,540
STEAM DISTILLED	56,850	46,010	37,540	36,430
TALL OIL	95,950	104,270	127,920	115,870
TOTAL	176,900	174,680	182,740	168,840
OTHER PRODUCTS	BARRELS OF 50 GALLONS			
PINE OIL - ALL SOURCES	19,810	22,240	22,360	23,970
OTHER STEAM DISTILLED				
TERPENES	46,860	58,490	30,350	30,380

EXPORTS AND IMPORTS
AS REPORTED BY THE BUREAU OF THE CENSUS

ITEM	1975			1976		
	JUL 1/	AUG	APR- AUG	JUL	AUG	APR- AUG 1/
TURPENTINE	BARRELS OF 50 GALLONS					
EXPORTS						
GUM	0	10	290	170	80	430
STEAM DISTILLED	60	270	510	30	40	6,170
SULFATE	160	160	750	160	0	1,510
TOTAL	220	440	1,550	360	120	8,110
IMPORTS - GUM	2,380	4,720	13,540	1,150	1,150	8,350
OTHER 6/	NA	NA	NA	200	0	570
ROSIN	DRUMS OF 520 POUNDS NET 3/					
EXPORTS						
GUM	700	1,130	5,510	730	1,340	6,970
STEAM DISTILLED	5,390	2,990	14,810	9,980	7,770	39,810
TALL OIL	210	4,500	16,680	12,820	15,940	76,520
TOTAL	6,300	8,620	37,000	23,530	25,050	123,300
IMPORTS - GUM	720	1,480	8,830	300	1,590	2,640
OTHER 6/	NA	NA	NA	0	80	1,390
PINE OIL	BARRELS OF 50 GALLONS					
EXPORTS	6,190	5,270	32,190	6,380	5,890	30,610

1/ CORRECTED. 2/ CONVERSION FACTOR OF .80 USED TO CONVERT CRUDE TO REFINED EQUIVALENT. 3/ GUM ROSIN IN DRUMS OF 517 POUNDS. 4/ MARKET NEWS SERVICE, RALEIGH, N C. 5/ BARRELS OF 435 POUNDS NET. 6/ THIS BREAKDOWN NOT AVAILABLE BEFORE JANUARY 1976.