

# The Japan Rubber Futures Weekly Report: 14 Nov 2022 – 18 Nov 2022

Note: Japan 3Q GDP -0.5% year/year, Sept Industrial Production weaker -1.7%, Sept Core Machine Orders -4.6%

#### **Rubber Futures Report:**

World rubber futures increased from the previous week under moderate trading activities. The trading volume dropped due to selling from producers and profit-taking transactions. OSE futures closed marginally higher, and SHFE and INE futures rose 1.4% and 1.2%, respectively. The positive talks between Joe Biden and Xi Jinping during the G20 meeting backed a rally in the Chinese markets. Chinese traders' demand for physical rubber tends to increase towards the year's end, and they usually purchase rubber futures, January-2023 contracts, that will expire before the Lunar New Year. SICOM futures rose marginally on mostly profit-taking and producers' light selling transactions. In the economic news, China vehicle sales in October fell 4% to 2.5 mil units, another sign of the weak perspectives of the Chinese economy. In addition, China reported an increased number of new Covid cases of 24,473, which would cast a dark cloud over stocks and rubber prices. WTI crude oil price fell below USD 80 per barrel, stemming from concerns about supply conditions and sluggish global demand. The US markets will close Thursday for Thanksgiving Day.

OSE RSS3	Last (JPY)	Net
Nov 22	214.8	+5.3
Dec 22	215.8	+3.0
Jan 23	218.0	+3.3
Feb 23	217.7	+2.4
Mar 23	217.6	+0.6
Apr 23	217.2	+0.2
Total Vol.	7,399	-4,869
Total OI	9,665	+226

SHFE/INE	Last (CNY)	Net
SCR/RSS Jan23	12,775	+175
SCR/RSS May23	12,600	+170
Total Vol.	1,875,382	-40,099
Total OI	310,001	-576
INE TSR Jan 23	9,675	+110
INE TSR Feb 23	9,660	+110
Total Vol.	316,876	-36,266
Total OI	93,116	-2,071

SICOM TSR20	Last (US¢)	Net		
Dec 22	128.7	-0.2		
Jan 23	129.9	+0.6		
Feb 23	129.9	+0.8		
Mar 23	130.4	+1.4		
Apr 23	130.7	+1.7		
May 23	131.0	+1.8		
Total Vol.	43,289	-20,268		
Total OI	52,211	-2,320		
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TFEX	Last (THB)	Net		
RSS3 Mar 23	55.40	+1.35		
RSS3 Apr 23	56.25	+1.40		
JRF Mar 23	216.3	+0.3		
JRF Apr 23	216.4	-0.2		
ICEX	Last (INR)	Net		
RSS4 Nov 22	Untraded	0		
MCX	Last (INR)	Net		
RSS4 Nov 22	16,200	untraded		

	Daily Total Volume (RHS)     OSE RSS3 Prices (6th contract month, LHS)	)
250 245 240 235 230 225 220 215 210 205 200	(JPY/kg) (contracts)	10,000 9,000 8,000 7,000 6,000 5,000 4,000 3,000 2,000 1,000 0
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Source: TFEX, ICEX, MCX
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Source: SGX Source: TFE	X, ICEX, MCX	
Important Data / Stock levels	Last	Net
Japan OSE Rubber Stocks (ton, 10 Nov)	4,604	+352
Shanghai SHFE Rubber Stocks (ton, 18 Nov)	338,280	+6,416
Shanghai INE Rubber Stocks (ton, 18 Nov)	43,515	-503
China Vehicle Total Sales (unit, 31 Oct 22)	2,504,683	-105,642
China Passenger Car Sales (unit, 31 Oct 22)	2,231,197	-100,572
China Commercial Car Sales (unit, 31 Oct 22)	273,486	-5,070
US Unemployment Rate (%, Oct)	3.7	+0.2
US Non-Farm Payroll (Oct)	261,000	-54,000
Japan Unemployment Rate (%, Sept)	2.6	+0.1
Japan Manufacturing PMI (Oct)	50.7	-0.1
Japan Tankan Large Manufacturing (3Q)	8	-1
China Manufacturing PMI (Oct)	49.2	-0.9
China GDP 3Q (%)	+3.9	+3.5
Source: IDY SHEE Bloomberg	·	

Source: JPX, SHFE, Bloomberg

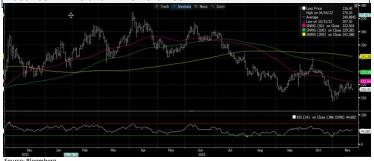
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FOREX	Last	Net		
USD/JPY	140.37	+1.56		
EUR/USD	1.0325	-0.0024		
GBP/USD	1.1890	+0.0060		
USD/CHF	0.9547	+0.0130		
AUD/USD	0.6673	-0.0030		
USD/CNY	7.1198	+0.0225		
USD/INR	81.6875	+0.8775		
USD/SGD	1.3759	+0.0041		
USD/MYR	4.5530	-0.0695		
USD/THB	35.835	-0.167		
USD/IDR	15,684	+189		
USD/VND	24,808	-13		
Source: Bloomberg				

Stock Index	Last	Net
NK225 Japan	27,899.77	-363.80
TOPIX Japan	1,967.03	-10.73
Dow Jones US	33,745.69	-2.12
S&P 500 US	3,965.34	-27.59
Nasdaq US	11,146.06	-177.27
CSI 300 China	3,801.57	-13.13
Shanghai China	3,097.24	+9.95
<b>HSI Hong Kong</b>	17,992.54	+666.88
STI Singapore	3,272.23	+43.90
KLCI Malaysia	1,449.32	-18.89
SET Thailand	1,617.38	-19.91
IDX Indonesia	7,082.18	-7.03
VSE Vietnam	969.33	+14.80
Source: JPX, Bloomberg		

JPX Derivatives	Last	Net
JPX NK225 Dec 22	27,880	-390
JPX TOPIX Dec 22	1,967.5	-15
JPX NK 400 Dec 22	17,760	-100
JPX TSE REIT Dec 22	1,947.5	-25.5
JPX NK 225 VI Dec 22	17.05	-3.70
JPX JGB 10 Year Dec 22	149.38	+0.90
JPX Gold 1 Kg Oct 23	7,915	-75
JPX Platinum Oct 23	4,321	-288
JPX Silver Oct 23	93.9	-3.1
JPX Palladium Oct 23	9,200	+200
JPX TSR20 Feb 23	183.0	+7.0
JPX Corn Nov 23	46,250	-1,940
JPX Dubai Crude Apr 23	69,930	-3,480
Source: JPX		

#### Technical Analysis on the OSE April-2023 Contracts:

Apr-2023 contracts closed marginally higher under listless trading activities. The market had no clear direction and traded within a tight trading range with low trading volume. OI slightly increased by 226 contracts, reflecting small new buying from traders. The support level will be 216.0, then 213.0, and the resistance level will be 222.5, followed by 229.0 of 50-day MA. The 14-day RSI is at the neutral level of 44.7%. As the price rose, sellers' orders became dominant in the market. The current rally seems to fizzle out, and the trading range will likely be between 212.0 and 222.0 next week.



### Technical Analysis on the SGX SICOM February-2023 Contracts:

Feb-2023 contracts rose slightly by 0.8 cents to 129.9. The trading was moderately active, but trading volume was much lower than the previous week, reflecting the end of profit-taking and liquidation transactions. The price could not remain above 131.0 under persistent selling pressures, signaling weak market sentiment. The support level will be 125.0 to 126.0, while the resistance will be 133.5 and then 138.6. The 14-day RSI is 55.5%. The prices of back months rose bigger than the front months, and the curve moved to the contango. This normal market condition indicates that a tight long-term supply has been improving.



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