

Uzbekistan Rubber Raw Materials Core Conclusions

Uzbekistan is **100% import-dependent** for natural rubber, with imports in 2025 reaching approx. **23,000 tons**. China is a key supplier of its synthetic rubber and rubber auxiliaries. NR CIF prices are maintained at **\$1,850-2,100/ton**. Tire manufacturing demand drives sustained import growth. Core risks are concentrated in **exchange rate volatility** and supply concentration in major Southeast Asian producing countries.

NR Import Dependency: **100%**

2025 NR Import Volume: **~23k tons**

CIF Price Range: **\$1,850-2,100/t**

Sources: UN Comtrade, Argus Media, Longzhong Info, Full-year 2025 data and July 2026 latest quotes

Supply and Demand Fundamentals

Uzbekistan has no domestic natural rubber cultivation and relies entirely on imports. In 2025, NR imports were approx. 23,000 tons, and synthetic rubber imports were approx. **18,000 tons**. Downstream consumption is dominated by tire manufacturing (share of approx. **65%**), with the rest used in industrial rubber products and auto parts.

Indicator	2023	2024	2025(E)
NR Imports (10k tons)	1.9	2.1	2.3
SR Imports (10k tons)	1.5	1.65	1.8
Tire Production (10k units)	~420	~460	~500
Apparent Consumption (10k tons)	3.4	3.75	4.1

Sources: UN Comtrade, State Stats Committee of Uzbekistan, Longzhong Info, 2024-2025 annual

China Market Status

China's NR market SCRWF prices traded in the range of **14,200-15,800 CNY/ton** in July 2026, with operating rates in Hainan and Yunnan production areas maintained at **75%-82%**. SBR1502 prices are around **11,500-12,800 CNY/ton**. China's rubber exports to Central Asia are steadily rising.

SCRWF Price: **¥14,200-15,800/t**

SBR1502 Price: **¥11,500-12,800/t**

Production Op. Rate: **75%-82%**

Sources: Longzhong Info, 100ppi.com, SCI99, July 2026 weekly quotes

Uzbekistan Market Status

Uzbekistan's rubber market is import-driven. NR mainly comes from **Vietnam (38%), Thailand (27%), and Malaysia (18%)**; approx. **42%** of SR is imported from China. Local NR distribution prices are around **\$2,050-2,350/ton** (including tariffs & logistics). Tire manufacturing represents the highest share of consumption.

NR Import CIF: **\$1,850-2,100/t**

Local Dist. Price: **\$2,050-2,350/t**

China SR Share: **~42%**

Sources: ITC Trade Map, Customs of Uzbekistan, Argus Media, 2025 full year and Q2 2026 data

Product Segmentation

Imported rubber raw materials are segmented into three categories: **Natural Rubber (TSR/RSS)** accounts for approx. 56% of total imports, **Synthetic Rubber (SBR/BR/NBR)** accounts for approx. 38%, and **Rubber Auxiliaries & Agents** account for approx. 6%. TSR20 standard rubber is the largest single imported specification.

Sub-category	2025 Imports (10k tons)	Share	Price Trend
Natural Rubber (TSR/RSS)	2.3	56%	Narrow band
Synthetic Rubber (SBR/BR)	1.55	38%	Stable to slightly firm
Rubber Auxiliaries & Agents	0.25	6%	Stable

Sources: UN Comtrade, Longzhong Info, 2025 categorized import data

Core Downstream Supply & Demand

Tires are the largest downstream for Uzbekistan's rubber raw materials. In 2025, production was approx. **5 million units**, with passenger car tires accounting for 60%. UzAuto Motors' increasing vehicle production drives demand for OE tires, but high-end tires still rely on imports. Tire-grade NR demand is growing at approx. **6%-8% annually**.

Annual Tire Production: ~5M units	PCR Tire Share: ~60%	NR Demand Growth: 6%-8%/year
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Sources: State Stats Committee of Uzbekistan, UzAuto Motors Annual Report, Industry Estimates, 2025

Intermediate & Raw Material Value

There is a logistics and tariff premium of **\$280-420/ton** between Chinese SCRWF quotes and Uzbekistan CIF prices. China's SBR FOB price is approx. **\$1,380-1,550/ton**, while the landed cost in Uzbekistan after customs clearance is approx. **\$1,620-1,800/ton**, indicating high cost pass-through efficiency.

Product	China Origin / FOB Price	Uzbekistan CIF / Landed Price
Natural Rubber SCRWF	¥14,200-15,800/t	\$1,850-2,100/t CIF
Synthetic Rubber SBR1502	\$1,380-1,550/t FOB	\$1,620-1,800/t Landed
Rubber Chemicals (Composite)	¥18,000-22,000/t	\$2,600-3,200/t CIF

Sources: Longzhong Info, Argus Media, China Customs, July 2026 quotes

Trade & Macro Indicators

Uzbekistan's GDP grew **5.3%** in 2025, with value-added of automotive manufacturing growing **8.7% YoY**, supporting rubber demand. China's exports of rubber and products to Uzbekistan reached approx. **\$68 million** (2025). The UZS/USD exchange rate fluctuated in the range of **12,600-13,200:1**.

GDP Growth: 5.3%	Auto Mfg. Growth: +8.7%	China Rubber Export Value: ~\$68M
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USD/UZS: 12,600-13,200

Sources: World Bank, Central Bank of Uzbekistan, China General Customs, 2025 data

Risks & Opportunity Windows

Risk Weather anomalies in major SE Asian producing countries may disrupt NR supply; UZS depreciation increases import costs. **Opportunity** Expanded tariff preferences for China-Uzbekistan rubber trade under the Belt and Road Initiative; Uzbekistan's tire localization rate target (70% by 2027) creates incremental demand; China's synthetic rubber offers a significant cost-performance advantage.

▲ Currency Risk UZS Volatility

✓ Policy Boost BRI Tariff Pref.

✓ Localization Target Tire 70% Local

Sources: Ministry of Investment and Foreign Trade of Uzbekistan, MOFCOM, Industry Analysis, 2026 policy updates

Data Sources Summary

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- 100ppi.com — China SCRWF & SBR Spot Price Monitoring (July 2026)
- ITC Trade Map — Uzbekistan Rubber Import Source Country Structure (2025)
- China General Customs — China Rubber & Product Export Stats to Uzbekistan (2025)
- SCI99 — China Rubber Production Area Operating Rates & Capacity Utilization (July 2026)
- Longzhong Info — China NR & SR Market Weekly Quotes (July 2026)
- Argus Media — International NR CIF Central Asia Assessment (July 2026)
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- State Stats Committee of Uzbekistan — Tire Production & Industrial Consumption Data (2025)

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