

SRI LANKA TEA PRODUCTION - DECEMBER 2022

Tea Production decreased by 47.99 M/Kgs (16.02%) YoY!

January-December 2022 cumulative tea production – Lowest since 1995

DECEMBER 2022/2021/2020

* Sri Lanka tea production for the month of December 2022 totalled 19.50 M/Kgs, showing a decrease of 1.02 M/Kgs vis-à-vis 20.52 M/Kgs of December 2021. All elevations have shown a decline over the corresponding month of 2021.

ELEVATION	TOTAL	TOTAL	(2022-2021)		TOTAL	(2022-2020)	
	2022	2021	Variance (M/Kg)	%	2020	Variance (M/Kg)	%
HIGH	4,231,400	4,470,681	-0.24	-5.35%	6,449,949	-2.22	-34.40%
MEDIUM	2,828,002	3,137,717	-0.31	-9.87%	4,636,436	-1.81	-39.00%
LOW	12,274,848	12,720,307	-0.45	-3.50%	17,384,884	-5.11	-29.39%
GREEN TEA	167,152	194,882	-0.03	-14.23%	185,884	-0.02	-10.08%
TOTAL	19,501,402	20,523,587	-1.02	-4.98%	28,657,154	-9.16	-31.95%

* It would be relevant to note in comparing the December 2020 production figure of 28.66 M/Kgs, December 2022 shows a significant decrease of 9.16 M/Kgs (Refer table above).

JANUARY-DECEMBER 2022/2021/2020

* January-December 2022 cumulative production totalled 251.50 M/Kgs, recording a significant decline of 47.99 M/Kgs vis-à-vis 299.49 M/Kgs of January-December 2021. On a cumulative basis, all elevations have shown substantial decline over the corresponding period of 2021.

* Interestingly, compared to 278.85 M/Kgs of January-December 2020, cumulative production of 2022 shows a decrease of 27.35 M/Kgs. On a cumulative basis, all elevations have shown a decline over the corresponding period of 2020 (Refer table below).

ELEVATION	TOTAL	TOTAL	(2022-2021)		TOTAL	(2022-2020)	
	2022	2021	Variance (M/Kg)	%	2020	Variance (M/Kg)	%
HIGH	55,381,637	63,989,604	-8.61	-13.45%	61,227,996	-5.85	-9.55%
MEDIUM	39,315,371	49,796,139	-10.48	-21.05%	45,835,027	-6.52	-14.22%
LOW	154,992,490	183,130,303	-28.14	-15.36%	169,761,048	-14.77	-8.70%
GREEN TEA	1,809,969	2,572,375	-0.76	-29.64%	2,027,694	-0.22	-10.74%
TOTAL	251,499,467	299,488,421	-47.99	-16.02%	278,851,765	-27.35	-9.81%

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