

SRI LANKA TEA PRODUCTION SEPTEMBER 2022

CUMULATIVE TEA PRODUCTION UP TO END SEPTEMBER 2022 - LOWEST SINCE 1996

SEPTEMBER 2022/2021/2020

* Sri Lanka tea production for the month of September 2022 totalled 20.96 M/Kgs, showing a decrease of 1.79 M/Kgs vis-à-vis 22.75 M/Kgs of September 2021. High Grown have shown an increase, whilst Medium and Low Grown have shown a decline over the corresponding month of 2021.

* When compared the 22.03 M/Kgs of September 2020, September 2022 shows a decrease of 1.07 M/Kgs (Refer table below).

ELEVATION	TOTAL	TOTAL	(2022-2021)		TOTAL	(2022-2020)	
	2022	2021	Variance (M/kg)	%	2020	Variance (M/kg)	%
HIGH	4,651,987	4,078,866	0.57	14.05%	4,124,042	0.53	12.80%
MEDIUM	3,430,515	3,560,430	-0.13	-3.65%	3,376,924	0.05	1.59%
LOW	12,708,395	14,871,485	-2.16	-14.55%	14,336,411	-1.63	-11.36%
GREEN TEA	172,439	240,592	-0.07	-28.33%	199,752	-0.03	-13.67%
TOTAL	20,963,336	22,751,373	-1.79	-7.86%	22,037,127	-1.07	-4.87%

JANUARY-SEPTEMBER 2022/2021/2020

* January-September 2022 cumulative production totalled 192.37 M/Kgs, recording a significant decrease of 42.35 M/Kgs vis-à-vis 234.72 M/Kgs of January-September 2021. This would be the lowest recorded for the period under review since 1996 where it recorded 188.40 M/Kgs for the corresponding period. On a cumulative basis, all elevations have shown a decline over the corresponding period of 2021.

* When compared to 201.43 M/Kgs of Covid-19 impacted January-September 2020, cumulative production of January-September 2022 shows a decrease of 9.06 M/Kgs. On a cumulative basis, all elevations show 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	43,044,123	50,676,335	-7.63	-15.06%	44,923,601	-1.88	-4.18%
MEDIUM	30,450,635	39,571,191	-9.12	-23.05%	33,692,165	-3.24	-9.62%
LOW	117,613,238	142,488,328	-24.88	-17.46%	121,419,318	-3.81	-3.13%
GREEN TEA	1,268,417	1,987,195	-0.72	-36.17%	1,402,888	-0.13	-9.59%

TOTAL	192,376,413	234,723,049	-42.35	-18.04%	201,437,971	-9.06	-4.50%
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