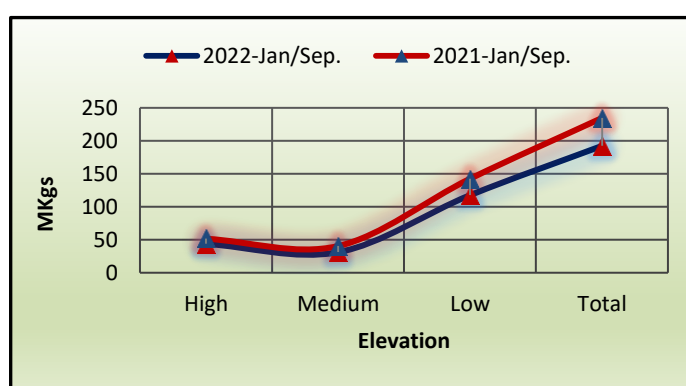
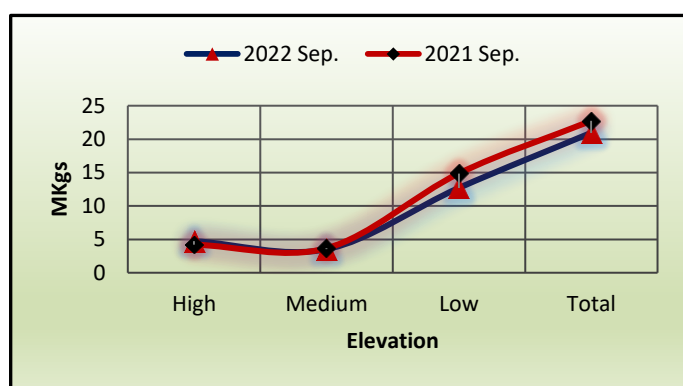


Sri Lanka continues to record a deficit in production month after month and the latest tea production figures released for the month of September 2022, indicates a total harvest of 20.9Mkgs which is a drop of 1.7Mkgs when compared to September 2021. During the year-to-date period, the current year's total production is only 192.3Mkgs, and, shows a deficit of 42.3Mkgs when compared to January/September 2021.

Given below are more comprehensive details relating to tea production.

Sri Lanka Tea Production-September 2022 vs. 2021 (In Kgs)

	2022-Sep.	2021-Sep.	+/-	%	Jan/ Sep. 2022	Jan/Sep. 2021	+/-	%
High	4,733,873	4,203,944	529,928	13	43,680,606	51,732,253	(8,051,647)	(16)
Medium	3,521,068	3,671,696	(150,628)	(4)	31,080,358	40,456,671	(9,376,313)	(23)
Low	<u>12,708,395</u>	<u>14,875,734</u>	<u>(2,167,339)</u>	<u>(15)</u>	<u>117,615,448</u>	<u>142,534,125</u>	<u>(24,918,677)</u>	<u>(17)</u>
Total	<u>20,963,336</u>	<u>22,751,374</u>	<u>(1,788,038)</u>	<u>(8)</u>	<u>192,376,412</u>	<u>234,723,049</u>	<u>(42,346,637)</u>	<u>(18)</u>



During the period January to Sep, 2022 the larger crop harvests have been from the following regions.

Crop Harvest Data - Top 20 Districts Jan/September 2022 Vs 2021			
DISTRICT	TEA CROP 2022 (KGS)	TEA CROP 2021(KGS)	(+/-)
Ratnapura	30,683,796.0	38,081,334.0	(7,397,538.0)
Galle	27,048,115.0	33,237,207.0	(6,189,092.0)
Gampola/Nawalapitiya/Dolosbage	13,719,512.0	15,210,915.0	(1,491,403.0)
Kalutara	11,898,543.0	14,706,001.0	(2,807,458.0)
Matara	9,558,996.0	10,946,991.0	(1,387,995.0)
Deniyaya	8,768,657.0	10,627,569.0	(1,858,912.0)
Demodara/Haliella/ Badulla	7,073,255.0	7,650,858.0	(577,603.0)
Nanuoya/Lindula/Talawakelle	5,819,940.0	6,796,820.0	(976,880.0)
Kelani Valley	5,668,954.0	6,498,807.0	(829,853.0)
Balangoda/Rakwana	5,646,075.0	6,857,529.0	(1,211,454.0)
Hatton /Dickoya	4,835,931.0	6,492,284.0	(1,656,353.0)
Kegalle	4,060,627.0	5,602,653.0	(1,542,026.0)
Morawaka	3,863,625.0	4,873,231.0	(1,009,606.0)
Pussellawa/Hewaheta	3,766,694.0	4,635,752.0	(869,058.0)
Bogawantalawa	3,608,964.0	4,420,147.0	(811,183.0)
Kadugannawa	3,538,041.0	3,921,655.0	(383,614.0)
Upcot/Maskeliya	3,221,767.0	4,382,824.0	(1,161,057.0)
Balangoda	3,175,398.0	4,059,670.0	(884,272.0)
Agarapathana	3,166,240.0	4,198,473.0	(1,032,233.0)
Haputale	2,883,893.0	3,204,755.0	(320,862.0)