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The major objectives of this study were to assess the potential of Thailand's rubber gloves export and to analyze factors affecting Thai rubber gloves export to the major importing countries. (USA, Germany and United Kingdom), The revealed comparative advantage (RCA), the constant market share (CMS) and the econometric model of the export demand for Thai rubber gloves were developed and employed as major analytical tools in this study.

The analytical results of RCA indicated that Thailand and Indonesia had an increasing trend of a comparative advantage of rubber glove export in the world market while Malaysia had a decreasing trend of a comparative advantage of rubber glove export in the world market. In addition, the results of CMS model of Thai rubber gloves showed that the major contribution to the market share expansion of Thai rubber gloves in the world market was an interaction effect.

The analysis of export demand model for Thai rubber gloves of the major importing countries indicated that the crucial factors affecting export demand for Thai rubber gloves of the United State of America, Germany and United Kingdom were export prices and real per capita income.

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