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## MALAYSIA EXTERNAL TRADE STATISTICS

# TRADE PERFORMANCE FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2017 AND THE PERIOD OF JANUARY- SEPTEMBER 2017<sup>#</sup>

## 11 Straight Months of Strong Growth for Exports, Imports and Trade

Exports remained strong in September 2017, **registering a double-digit growth of 14.8% to RM78.26 billion compared to September 2016**. In the first nine months of 2017, exports surged by 21.3% to RM690.25 billion. Based on the performance so far, **the full year estimate of 16.6% export growth as stated in the Economic Report 2017/2018 is well within reach**. This would support the projected economic growth of between 5.2% and 5.7% for 2017.

With the emphasis on export promotion in the 2018 budget, exports is expected to be sustained in 2018.

September export achievements were supported by robust demand from major markets mainly from ASEAN, China, Hong Kong SAR, the European Union (EU), the United States of America (USA), Republic of Korea (ROK), Japan, Australia, Mexico and Turkey.

In September 2017, imports grew by 15.2% to RM69.65 billion compared with September 2016. In the first nine months of 2017, imports amounted to RM620.66 billion, rose by 22%.

Total trade expanded by 15% to RM147.91 billion in September 2017. Malaysia's trade in the first nine months of 2017 increased by 21.7% to RM1.311 trillion compared with the same period of 2016.

In September 2017, trade surplus rose to RM8.6 billion, making it the 239<sup>th</sup> consecutive months of trade surplus recorded since November 1997. For the first nine months of 2017, trade surplus amounted to RM69.59 billion, a 15.6% increase over the same period of 2016.

On a month-on-month (m-o-m) basis, total trade, exports and imports contracted by 4.3%, 4.9% and 3.7%, respectively.

In the **third quarter (Q3) of 2017** total trade expanded by 21% to RM451.73 billion compared with Q3 2016. Exports soared by 22.1% to RM239.19 billion, **registering the fastest year-on-year (y-o-y) growth since second quarter (Q2) of 2010**. Imports rose by 19.8% to RM212.54 billion. A trade surplus of RM26.65 billion was recorded, an increase of 44.6%.

#### Export Performance of Major Sectors

#### Export Growth Driven by Manufactured Goods

Exports of **manufactured goods** in September 2017 grew by 17.1% or RM9.58 billion to RM65.62 billion, accounting for 83.9% of Malaysia's total exports. The increase was supported mainly by higher exports of electrical and electronic (E&E) products which rose by 17.7% to RM30.87 billion from last year. This was the nine consecutive months where exports of E&E products recorded a double-digit growth.

Apart from E&E products, double-digit expansion in exports were also recorded for petroleum products, manufactures of metal, transport equipment, optical and scientific equipment, rubber products, iron and steel products as well as textiles, apparels and footwear. Increases in exports were registered for all manufactured subsectors except for processed food, beverages and tobacco.

Exports of **mining goods** in September 2017 grew by 6.1% to RM5.54 billion, accounting for 7.1% of Malaysia's total exports. The higher growth was driven by

increased exports of liquefied natural gas (LNG), underpinned by both higher Average Unit Value (AUV) and volume.

Exports of **agriculture goods** amounted to RM6.3 billion, 1.8% lower from September 2016. This was mainly caused by lower exports of palm oil and palm oil-based agriculture products which decreased by 1.7% to RM4.5 billion. Agriculture goods accounted for 8.1% of Malaysia's total exports.

Major exports in **September 2017** were:

- E&E products valued at RM30.87 billion, constituting 39.4% of total exports, increased by 17.7% from September 2016;
- Petroleum products, RM6 billion, 7.7% of total exports, increased by 22.4%;
- Chemicals and chemical products, RM5.24 billion, 6.7% of total exports, increased by 2.8%;
- Palm oil and palm oil-based agriculture products, RM4.5 billion, 5.7% of total exports, declined by 1.7%; and
- Manufactures of metal, RM3.25 billion, 4.2% of total exports, increased by 25.4%.

Compared to August 2017, exports of manufactured goods fell by 3.1%, agriculture goods ( $\downarrow$ 5.7%) and mining goods ( $\downarrow$ 19.8%).

In the first nine months of 2017, exports of manufactured goods expanded by 20.6% to RM566.15 billion compared with the corresponding period of 2016, on account of higher exports of E&E products, petroleum products, chemicals and chemical products, rubber products as well as iron and steel products. Exports of mining goods rose by 29.6% to RM58.68 billion, mainly due to increased exports of LNG and crude petroleum, underpinned by higher AUV. **All products in the mining sector recorded double-digit growth during the period.** Exports of agriculture goods rose by 15.9% to RM58.4 billion, with higher exports of palm oil and natural rubber, due to higher AUV.

#### Performance of Major Markets

## Higher Exports to ASEAN, Led by Manufactured Goods

Trade with ASEAN grew by 17.4% y-o-y to RM41.14 billion, accounting for 27.8% of Malaysia's total trade in September 2017. Exports continued to register a double-digit growth, up by 12.7% to RM22.69 billion. Better export performance were seen in manufactured goods which increased by 13.9% or RM2.49 billion in September 2017. The increase was attributed mainly by higher exports of E&E products, transport equipment, petroleum products, chemicals and chemical products as well as optical and scientific equipment. Imports from ASEAN surged 23.8% to RM18.45 billion.

Breakdown of exports to ASEAN countries in September 2017 is as follows:

- Singapore RM 11.25 billion, **increased** by 8.1%
- Thailand RM 3.87 billion, ↑7.0%
- Indonesia RM 3.23 billion, ↑42.9%
- Viet Nam RM 2.38 billion, ↑16.3%
- Philippines RM 1.41 billion, ↑14.1%
- Myanmar RM 269.1 million, 16.6%
- Brunei RM 178.3 million, ↓0.9%
- Cambodia RM 104.1 million, ↑9.6%
- Lao PDR RM 5.4 million, ↓20.9%

Exports to **Indonesia** increased by RM969.1 million, owing to higher exports of transport equipment. Exports to **Singapore** soared by RM839.8 million, contributed largely by higher exports of E&E products. Exports to **Viet Nam** grew by RM332.4 million due to higher exports of petroleum products.

On a m-o-m basis, exports, imports and total trade declined by 3.1%, 6.3% and 4.5%, respectively.

In January-September 2017, trade with ASEAN expanded by 23.1% to RM361.12 billion from the same period of 2016. Exports to this region expanded by 20.1% to RM202.38 billion. **All major sectors attained double-digit growth with higher** 

**exports recorded for manufactured goods,** particularly, E&E products, petroleum products, chemicals and chemical products, machinery, equipment and parts as well as transport equipment. Imports increased by 27.1% to RM158.74 billion.

#### Exports to China Continued On an Upward Trend

Trade with China in September 2017 rose by 15.9% y-o-y to RM24.68 billion, constituting 16.7% of Malaysia's total trade. Strong and continuous demand from China saw Malaysia's exports to the country rose by 27.1% to RM11.39 billion, led by higher uptake of E&E products, LNG, petroleum products, manufactures of metal, rubber products as well as chemicals and chemical products. These products represented 76.4% of Malaysia's exports to China. Exports to China in September posted a stronger y-o-y growth than imports for the sixth straight month. Imports from China increased by 7.8% to RM13.29 billion.

Compared to August 2017, exports increased marginally by 0.8% while imports and total trade contracted by 4.6% and 2.2%, respectively.

Trade with China in January-September 2017 expanded by 24.8% to RM212.94 billion compared with the previous period of 2016. Exports to China surged by 35.3% to RM91.87 billion, due to higher exports of E&E products, petroleum products, rubber products, chemicals and chemical products as well as LNG. Imports from China increased by 17.9% to RM121.08 billion.

## EU – E&E Exports Hit a Record High

Malaysia's trade with the EU in September 2017 amounted to RM14.03 billion or 9.5% of Malaysia's total trade, an increase of 10.1% from September 2016. Exports to the EU maintained a double-digit growth since January 2017, expanding by 16.2% to RM7.99 billion. This was driven mainly by higher exports of manufactured goods, in particular, E&E products which rose significantly by 28.5% or RM967.3 million to RM4.37 billion. This was the highest monthly export value ever recorded, thus

**far**. The share of E&E products improved to 54.6% from 49.4% in September 2016. Imports grew by 2.9% to RM6.03 billion.

Among the top 10 EU markets, exports to 8 markets registered increases, with 5 recording double-digit growth, namely, **Germany** ( $\uparrow$ 24.2%), **the Netherlands** ( $\uparrow$ 11%), **Hungary** ( $\uparrow$ 70.1%), **Belgium** ( $\uparrow$ 17.7%) and **Poland** ( $\uparrow$ 37.2%).

On a m-o-m basis, exports, imports and total trade slipped by 4.7%, 12.3% and 8.1%, respectively.

In the first nine months of 2017, trade with the EU recorded a growth of 17.3% to RM127.4 billion compared with the corresponding period of 2016. **Exports to the EU increased by 22.5% to RM70.9 billion, with export increases recorded for almost all products.** Imports from the EU rose by 11.4% to RM56.5 billion.

## Exports to the USA Recorded Double Digit Growth

In September 2017, Malaysia's trade with the USA rose by 14.1% y-o-y to RM12.82 billion and accounted for 8.7% of Malaysia's total trade. **Exports to the USA grew by 10.7% to RM7.68 billion, buoyed by higher exports of all sectors.** Expansion in exports were recorded for manufactures of metal, transport equipment, petroleum products, optical and scientific equipment as well as iron and steel products. Imports were up by 19.5% to RM5.14 billion.

Compared to August 2017, exports, imports and total trade contracted by 3.4%, 3.7% and 3.5%, respectively.

In January-September of 2017, trade with the USA expanded by 19% to RM119.88 billion from the same period of 2016. Exports to the USA rose by 11.5% to RM66.17 billion led by higher exports of E&E products, rubber products, machinery, equipment and parts, iron and steel products as well as chemicals and chemical products. Imports from the USA increased by 29.9% to RM53.72 billion.

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#### Exports to Japan Remained Resilient

On a y-o-y basis, trade with Japan in September 2017 expanded by 8.7% to RM11.16 billion, accounting for 7.5% of Malaysia's total trade. Exports to Japan increased by 6.9% to RM5.83 billion, supported by increased exports of E&E products, wood products, rubber products, chemicals and chemical products as well as palm oil and palm oil-based agriculture products. Imports were up by 10.8% to RM5.33 billion.

On a m-o-m basis, exports, imports and total trade were lower by 5.3%, 2.6% and 4%, respectively.

During the first nine months of 2017, trade with Japan amounted to RM103.07 billion, grew by 16.6% from the corresponding period a year ago. Exports to Japan were valued at RM56.02 billion, soared by 20.1% due to higher exports of E&E products, LNG, chemicals and chemical products, textiles, apparels and footwear, petroleum products as well as optical and scientific equipment. Imports from Japan expanded by 12.7% to RM47.05 billion.

#### Robust Growth in Trade with FTA Partners

In September 2017, trade with Free Trade Agreement (FTA) partners expanded by 15.7% y-o-y to RM94.04 billion and accounted for 63.6% of Malaysia's total trade. Exports to FTA partners amounted to RM48.74 billion, up by 14.8% while imports expanded by 16.6% to RM45.3 billion.

Exports to **the ROK** surged by 25.4% to RM2.18 billion, attributed by higher exports of E&E products, **Australia** ( $\uparrow$ 14.2% to RM2.35 billion, petroleum products), **Turkey** ( $\uparrow$ 27.8% to RM888.9 million, E&E products), **Pakistan** ( $\uparrow$ 45.2% to RM506.2 million, palm oil and palm oil-based agriculture products) and **New Zealand** ( $\uparrow$ 18.9% to RM237.3 million, chemicals and chemical products).

Compared to August 2017, total trade, exports and imports declined by 3.8%, 4.9% and 2.5%, respectively.

During January-September of 2017, total trade with FTA partners grew by 22.8% to RM829.88 billion, accounting for 63.3% of Malaysia's total trade. Exports amounted to RM435.57 billion, an increase of 23.6% and imports totalled RM394.31 billion, expanded by 21.9%. **Higher exports were recorded to all FTA partners except for Lao PDR.** 

#### Imports

In September 2017, imports increased by 15.2% to RM69.65 billion. The three main categories of imports by end use were:

- Intermediate goods, valued at RM39.51 billion or 56.7% of total imports, increased by 13.7%, underpinned by higher imports of parts and accessories of capital goods (except transport equipment), particularly electrical machinery and equipment;
- **Capital goods,** amounted to RM9.26 billion or 13.3% of total imports, expanded by 10.4%, due mainly to higher imports of capital good (except transport equipment), particularly machinery and mechanical appliances; and
- **Consumption goods,** totalled RM5.72 billion or 8.2% of total imports, increased by 5.6%, as a result of higher imports of processed food and beverages mainly for household consumption especially cereals.

During the first nine months of 2017, imports were valued at RM620.66 billion, an increase of 22% from the corresponding period of 2016. **Intermediate goods** were valued at RM361.35 billion, increased by 24.1%, **capital goods** (RM84.05 billion,  $\uparrow$ 14.6%) and **consumption goods** (RM52.31 billion,  $\uparrow$ 6.5%).

Note:

It should be noted that, conceptually, the export and import figures in the external trade statistics are different from that in the goods account of the balance of payments compilation. The compilation of international merchandise trade statistics is usually based on customs records, which essentially reflect the physical movement of goods across borders, and follow international guidelines on concepts and definitions i.e. International Merchandise Trade Statistics: Concepts and Definitions 2010 (IMTS 2010) which is different from the principles of the System of National Accounts (SNA) and the Balance of Payments Compilation. Goods are defined in the SNA as "physical objects for which a demand exists, over which ownership rights can be established and whose ownership can be transferred from one institutional unit to another by engaging in transactions on markets".

This is a preliminary release, full details would be published in the "MONTHLY EXTERNAL TRADE STATISTICS" report by the Department of Statistics, Malaysia, to be disseminated at 1200 hours, Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2017 and can be downloaded through eStatistik at the Department of Statistics, Malaysia's portal (https://newss.statistics.gov.my/newss-portalx/ep/epLogin.seam).

- This media release can be accessed through the portal of Malaysian External Trade Statistics, Ministry of International Trade and Industry (<u>http://www.miti.gov.my</u>) and Malaysia External Trade Development Corporation (<u>http://www.matrade.gov.my</u>).
- # The September 2017 data is provisional and subject to revision in later issue.

With effect from reference month September 2015, there are some minor changes to the selection of codes for exports and imports of major and selected products/commodities by sectors.

## TABLE 1: SUMMARY OF MALAYSIA'S EXTERNAL TRADE

Year/ Period	<u>Total Exports</u> (RM Million)	<u>Total Imports</u> (RM Million)	<u>Trade Balance</u> (RM Million)	<u>Total Trade</u> (RM Million)
2016 <sup>f</sup>				
January	61,850.8	56,455.2	5,395.6	118,306.0
February	56,716.7	49,365.9	7,350.7	106,082.6
March	66,555.0	55,391.0	11,164.0	121,946.0
April	61,319.2	52,285.6	9,033.6	113,604.8
May	59,990.4	56,772.6	3,217.8	116,763.1
	66,508.3	60,926.5	5,581.8	127,434.8
July August	60,067.3 67,667.6	57,967.6 59,044.7	2,099.7 8,622.9	118,034.9 126,712.3
September	<b>68,182.1</b>	<b>60,468.8</b>	7,713.3	<b>128,650.9</b>
October	69,334.2	59,452.0	9,882.2	128,786.3
November	72,971.0	63,857.6	9,113.5	136,828.6
December	75,801.5	66,831.1	8,970.4	142,632.6
2016 (Jan-Dec) <sup>f</sup>	786,964.2	698,818.7	88,145.5	1,485,782.8
2017 <sup>p</sup>				
January	70,269.8	65,529.6	4,740.2	135,799.5
February	71,793.4	63,061.0	8,732.4	134,854.5
March	82,624.8	77,224.6	5,400.2	159,849.4
April	73,871.7	65,213.5	8,658.2	139,085.2
May	79,418.1	73,901.0	5,517.1	153,319.2
June	73,083.1	63,191.4	9,891.7	136,274.4
July	78,628.4	70,591.7	8,036.8	149,220.1
August	82,304.2	72,294.4	10,009.8	154,598.5
September	78,258.1	69,654.2	8,603.9	147,912.3
2016 <sup>f</sup>				
Q1	185,122.5	161,212.1	23,910.3	346,334.6
Q2	187,817.9	169,984.7	17,833.2	357,802.7
Q3	195,917.0	177,481.1	18,435.9	373,398.2
Q4	218,106.7	190,140.7	27,966.1	408,247.4
2017 <sup>p</sup>				
Q1	224,688.1	205,815.3	18,872.8	430,503.4
Q2 <b>Q3</b>	226,372.9 <b>239,190.7</b>	202,305.9 <b>212,540.3</b>	24,067.0 <b>26,650.4</b>	428,678.7 <b>451,731.0</b>
2016 (Jan-Sep) <sup>f</sup>	568,857.4	508,678.0	60,179.4	1,077,535.4
2017 (Jan-Sep) <sup>p</sup>	690,251.7	620,661.4	69,590.2	1,310,913.1

Note: Total may not add up due to rounding.

## **TABLE 2: MAJOR EXPORT PRODUCTS**

Products	Sep 2017 <sup>p</sup> RM Million	Aug 2017 <sup>p</sup> RM Million	Sep 2016 <sup>f</sup> RM Million
Total Exports	78,258.1	82,304.2	68,182.1
Electrical & Electronic Products	30,866.9	31,051.7	26,235.7
Petroleum Products	6,004.9	5,249.9	4,906.1
Chemicals & Chemical Products	5,235.5	5,877.6	5,090.4
Palm Oil & Palm-oil			
Based Agriculture Products	4,497.1	4,507.3	4,575.1
Manufactures of Metal	3,252.0	3,387.1	2,593.0
LNG	3,045.1	3,971.5	2,815.0
Machinery, Equipment & Parts	2,996.8	3,460.3	2,794.2
Optical & Scientific Equipment	2,688.7	2,904.4	2,347.8
Rubber Products	2,080.2	2,229.6	1,742.4
Crude Petroleum	1,744.8	1,928.5	1,835.6

## **TABLE 3: MAJOR EXPORT MARKETS**

Markets	Sep 2017 <sup>p</sup> RM Million	Aug 2017 <sup>p</sup> RM Million	Sep 2016 <sup>f</sup> RM Million
Total Exports	78,258.1	82,304.2	68,182.1
China	11,393.2	11,301.6	8,967.0
Singapore	11,248.7	12,051.3	10,408.9
USA	7,675.8	7,949.9	6,932.5
Japan	5,834.7	6,160.3	5,458.9
Hong Kong SAR	4,579.1	3,788.0	3,248.3
Thailand	3,866.9	3,991.1	3,615.6
Indonesia	3,228.5	3,048.0	2,259.4
India	2,617.5	3,432.5	2,815.0
Viet Nam	2,375.7	2,223.5	2,043.2
Australia	2,350.1	2,676.6	2,057.3

Products	Jan-Sep 2017 <sup>p</sup>	Jan-Sep 2016 <sup>f</sup>	
	RM Million	RM Million	
Total Exports	690,251.7	568,857.4	
Electrical & Electronic Products	251,441.6	207,968.6	
Petroleum Products	54,374.6	38,600.5	
Chemicals & Chemical Products	49,906.5	43,204.3	
Palm Oil & Palm Oil-Based Agriculture products	40,117.6	34,342.0	
Machinery, Equipment & Parts	30,487.8	28,529.2	
LNG	29,975.2	22,829.6	
Manufactures of Metal	27,516.3	24,933.5	
Optical & Scientific Equipment	23,608.1	20,986.9	
Crude Petroleum	19,971.1	15,517.4	
Rubber Products	19,751.5	14,773.6	

# TABLE 4: MAJOR EXPORT PRODUCTS (JANUARY- SEPTEMBER)

## TABLE 5: MAJOR EXPORT MARKETS (JANUARY- SEPTEMBER)

Markets	Jan-Sep 2017 <sup>p</sup>	Jan-Sep 2016 <sup>f</sup>	
	RM Million	RM Million	
Total Exports	690,251.7	568,857.4	
Singapore	101,473.3	83,333.2	
China	91,865.6	67,913.1	
USA	66,167.1	59,347.7	
Japan	56,023.7	46,638.4	
Thailand	37,026.2	32,264.4	
Hong Kong SAR	32,339.9	27,476.0	
India	26,539.4	23,538.2	
Indonesia	25,630.5	20,066.4	
Australia	23,893.0	19,195.0	
Viet Nam	20,196.1	17,322.1	

# TABLE 6: MAJOR EXPORT PRODUCTS (QUARTERLY)

Products	Q3 2017 <sup>p</sup>	Q2 2017 <sup>p</sup>	Q3 2016 <sup>f</sup>
	<b>RM Million</b>	<b>RM Million</b>	<b>RM Million</b>
Total Exports	239,190.7	226,372.9	195,917.0
Electrical & Electronic Products	89,830.6	82,806.8	73,834.0
Petroleum Products	18,354.8	18,135.8	12,875.1
Chemicals & Chemical Products	16,779.6	16,239.4	15,063.1
Palm Oil & Palm Oil-Based Agriculture Products	13,465.0	13,238.8	13,465.0
LNG	10,809.9	9,171.7	7,298.3
Machinery, Equipment & Parts	9,904.9	10,419.0	8,755.8
Manufactures of Metal	9,677.1	9,103.4	7,555.1
Optical & Scientific Equipment	8,448.6	7,428.0	6,922.7
Rubber Products	6,568.2	6,632.4	5,095.8
Crude Petroleum	5,683.3	6,382.7	5,815.6

# TABLE 7: MAJOR EXPORT MARKETS (QUARTERLY)

Markets	Q3 2017 <sup>p</sup>	Q2 2017 <sup>p</sup>	Q3 2016 <sup>f</sup>
	<b>RM</b> Million	<b>RM</b> Million	<b>RM Million</b>
Total Exports	239,190.7	226,372.9	195,917.0
Singapore	35,415.1	33,662.8	29,575.9
China	32,077.2	30,687.3	25,572.9
USA	22,888.1	21,949.5	20,224.4
Japan	18,320.0	17,281.7	15,719.7
Thailand	12,537.7	11,824.6	10,894.8
Hong Kong SAR	11,935.2	10,609.9	9,128.0
India	9,121.5	8,845.1	8,389.0
Indonesia	9,023.7	7,901.5	6,857.7
Australia	7,678.6	8,318.1	5,771.5
Viet Nam	7,240.9	6,288.9	5,767.7

## **TABLE 8: MAJOR IMPORT PRODUCTS**

Products	Sep 2017 <sup>p</sup> RM Million	Aug 2017 <sup>p</sup> RM Million	Sep 2016 <sup>f</sup> RM Million
Total Imports	69,654.2	72,294.4	60,468.8
Electrical & Electronic Products	22,266.8	23,575.4	18,092.5
Chemicals & Chemical Products	6,566.6	7,029.7	5,767.3
Machinery, Equipment & Parts	6,404.3	6,646.9	5,494.7
Petroleum Products	6,000.6	6,450.6	5,096.7
Manufactures of Metal	4,118.0	3,800.8	3,557.2
Transport Equipment	3,435.1	3,044.1	3,276.1
Iron & Steel Products	2,295.4	2,078.3	1,988.9
Optical & Scientific Equipment	2,004.3	2,152.9	1,858.1
Processed Food	1,424.9	1,876.0	1,558.1
Textiles, Apparels & Footwear	1,394.5	1,462.3	1,456.8

## **TABLE 9: MAJOR IMPORT SOURCES**

Markets	Sep 2017 <sup>p</sup> RM Million	Aug 2017 <sup>p</sup> RM Million	Sep 2016 <sup>f</sup> RM Million
Total Imports	69,654.2	72,294.4	60,468.8
China	13,289.8	13,934.9	12,322.6
Singapore	8,550.3	9,587.6	6,284.9
Japan	5,327.8	5,470.2	4,806.5
Taiwan	5,224.9	4,817.3	3,812.3
USA	5,143.7	5,340.8	4,302.6
Thailand	3,985.3	3,975.3	3,583.8
ROK	3,617.7	3,126.7	2,744.7
Indonesia	2,910.2	2,995.2	2,554.0
India	2,648.5	2,178.3	2,134.1
Germany	1,905.1	2,189.9	1,785.6

Products	Jan-Sep 2017 <sup>p</sup>	Jan-Sep 2016 <sup>f</sup>	
	RM Million	RM Million	
Total Imports	620,661.4	508,678.0	
Electrical & Electronic Products	187,262.0	153,913.8	
Chemicals & Chemical Products	59,315.4	50,730.0	
Machinery, Equipment & Parts	57,760.9	46,667.1	
Petroleum Products	55,920.5	37,266.0	
Manufactures of Metal	32,012.8	28,680.6	
Transport Equipment	30,916.8	31,008.1	
Iron & Steel Products	20,358.9	16,385.0	
Optical & Scientific Equipment	18,603.2	16,005.9	
Processed Food	15,387.5	13,279.5	
Textiles, Apparels & Footwear	13,176.5	13,451.0	

## TABLE 10: MAJOR IMPORT PRODUCTS (JANUARY- SEPTEMBER)

## TABLE 11: MAJOR IMPORT SOURCES (JANUARY- SEPTEMBER)

Markets	Jan-Sep 2017 <sup>p</sup>	Jan-Sep 2016 <sup>f</sup>	
	RM Million	RM Million	
Total Imports	620,661.4	508,678.0	
China	121,075.9	102,729.8	
Singapore	67,030.0	53,326.3	
USA	53,717.4	41,353.7	
Japan	47,046.4	41,745.4	
Taiwan	40,430.5	30,359.2	
Thailand	35,939.1	31,016.0	
Indonesia	28,424.8	20,911.9	
ROK	27,735.4	27,248.7	
India	19,774.0	12,135.7	
Germany	18,718.2	17,460.3	

Products	Q3 2017 <sup>p</sup>	Q2 2017 <sup>p</sup>	Q3 2016 <sup>f</sup>
	<b>RM Million</b>	<b>RM Million</b>	<b>RM Million</b>
Total Imports	212,540.3	202,305.9	177,481.1
Electrical & Electronic Products	67,088.6	61,290.6	53,399.2
Petroleum Products	20,185.5	17,477.1	12,964.0
Chemicals & Chemical Products	20,161.2	19,890.8	16,955.9
Machinery, Equipment & Parts	19,569.3	18,634.9	16,537.6
Manufactures of Metal	11,569.2	10,406.9	10,125.0
Transport Equipment	9,736.7	9,232.2	12,314.6
Iron & Steel Products	6,676.1	6,786.0	6,104.8
Optical & Scientific Equipment	6,350.3	6,146.7	5,301.8
Processed Food	4,946.1	5,129.8	4,585.8
Textiles, Apparels & Footwear	4,268.0	4,722.4	4,173.4

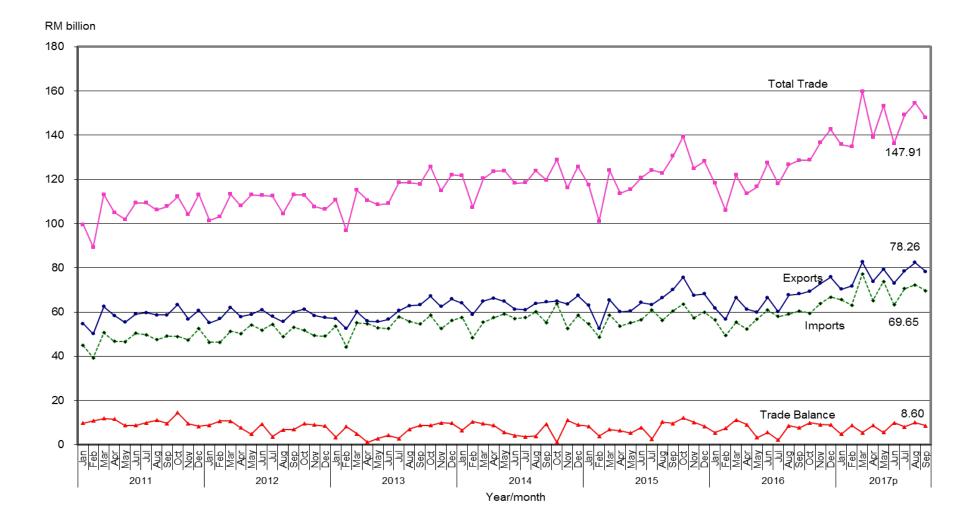
# TABLE 12: MAJOR IMPORT PRODUCTS (QUARTERLY)

# TABLE 13: MAJOR IMPORT SOURCES (QUARTERLY)

Markets	Q3 2017 <sup>p</sup>	Q2 2017 <sup>p</sup>	Q3 2016 <sup>f</sup>
	RM Million	<b>RM Million</b>	<b>RM Million</b>
Total Imports	212,540.3	202,305.9	177,481.1
China	41,545.6	39,895.0	36,202.7
Singapore	26,348.5	20,306.0	18,044.3
Japan	16,236.6	14,984.8	14,306.7
USA	15,816.6	18,109.6	13,018.8
Taiwan	14,932.8	12,860.3	11,507.2
Thailand	12,019.3	11,956.5	10,252.9
ROK	9,955.6	8,528.7	11,726.9
Indonesia	8,780.3	8,764.6	6,737.6
India	6,624.6	7,365.5	4,895.0
Germany	6,444.9	6,344.3	5,882.0

Source: Department of Statistics, Malaysia Tabulated By: MATRADE

Notes: f - final data p - provisional data



# CHART 1: MALAYSIA'S MONTHLY EXTERNAL TRADE PERFORMANCE, 2011-2017