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TRADE PERFORMANCE FOR SEPTEMBER 2021 AND THE PERIOD OF JANUARY- SEPTEMBER 2021[#]

Trade, Exports and Trade Surplus Posted an All-Time Record High

Malaysia's trade continued its stellar performance in September 2021, with a new high for trade, exports and trade surplus monthly value. Trade expanded by 25.5% to RM195.54 billion compared to September 2020, the eighth consecutive month of double-digit growth since February 2021. Exports maintained above RM100 billion for the fourth time this year, grew by 24.7% to RM110.83 billion. This was the 13th consecutive month of year-on-year (y-o-y) expansion since September 2020. Imports increased by 26.5% to RM84.7 billion and trade surplus rose by 19.1% to RM26.13 billion.

The export growth was contributed mainly by robust external demand for petroleum products, manufactures of metal, palm oil and palm oil-based agriculture products as well as electrical and electronic (E&E) products. Exports of manufactures of metal, palm oil and palm oil-based agriculture products as well as E&E products registered the highest monthly value thus far. Meanwhile, exports to ASEAN, China, the United States (US) and Japan recorded double-digit growth. Exports to China registered the highest monthly value ever.

On a month-on-month (m-o-m) basis, trade, exports, imports and trade surplus recorded double-digit growth of 15.2%, 16%, 14.2% and 22.2%, respectively.

Trade for the third quarter (Q3) of 2021 grew by 18.1% to RM546.21 billion, compared to Q3 2020. Exports increased by 15.8% to RM303.74 billion, the highest quarterly value. Imports expanded by 21% to RM242.47 billion resulting in a trade surplus of RM61.28 billion, decreased marginally by 1.1%.

Compared to the second quarter (Q2) of 2021, exports and trade surplus were up by 0.1% and 8.7% while trade and imports declined by 0.8% and 1.8%, respectively.

For the first nine months of 2021, trade expanded by 23.2% to RM1.602 trillion from the same period last year. Exports grew by 24.9% to RM889.32 billion, the fastest growth recorded since 1998. Imports rose by 21.1% to RM712.99 billion and trade surplus surged by 43.1% to RM176.33 billion.

Export Performance of Major Sectors

Exports of Manufactured and Agriculture Goods Recorded the Highest Value

Exports of manufactured goods in September 2021 reached its highest monthly value at RM94.86 billion or 85.6% of total exports, grew by 21.6% y-o-y. Petroleum products, manufactures of metal, E&E products, chemicals and chemical products, palm oil-based manufactured products, other manufactures especially solid-state storage devices (SSD) as well as iron and steel products respectively registered more than RM1 billion expansion in exports.

Exports of agriculture goods (8.7% share) recorded the highest monthly value of RM9.67 billion, grew by 47.7% compared to September 2020. This was the seventh consecutive month of double-digit growth since March 2021. The growth was contributed mainly by higher exports of palm oil and palm oil-based agriculture products which registered a record high export value.

Exports of mining goods (5.4% share) surged by 48.1% y-o-y to RM5.93 billion, the sixth straight month of double-digit growth since April 2021. The increase was underpinned by higher exports of liquefied natural gas (LNG).

Major exports in September 2021:

- E&E products, valued at RM41.05 billion and accounted for 37% of total exports, increased by 5.6% from September 2020;
- Petroleum products, RM9.34 billion, 8.4% of total exports, surged by 148%;
- Palm oil and palm oil-based agriculture products, RM7.76 billion, 7% of total exports, increased by 57.6%;
- Manufactures of metal, RM6.76 billion, 6.1% of total exports, surged by 115.1%; and
- Chemicals and chemical products, RM6.04 billion, 5.5% of total exports, increased by 38.7%.

Compared to August 2021, exports of manufactured and agriculture goods increased by 17.4% and 31.7%, respectively while exports of mining goods declined by 15.9%.

For the period of January to September 2021, almost all products recorded export expansion. Exports of manufactured goods grew by 25.2% to RM767.87 billion compared to the same period of 2020, attributed to higher exports of E&E products, rubber products, petroleum products, manufactures of metal as well as chemicals and chemical products. Exports of agriculture goods expanded by 34.1% to RM67.8 billion buoyed by higher exports of palm oil and palm oil-based agriculture products and natural rubber. Exports of mining goods increased by 11.2% to RM50.29 billion boosted by higher exports of LNG as well as metalliferous ores and metal scrap.

Trade Performance with Major Markets

ASEAN – Robust Growth for Trade, Exports and Imports

In September 2021, trade with ASEAN accounted for 26% of Malaysia's total trade, expanding by 31.1% y-o-y to RM50.77 billion. Exports grew by 31.4% to RM30.28 billion due to higher exports of petroleum products and E&E products. Imports from ASEAN rose by 30.6% to RM20.49 billion.

Breakdown of exports to ASEAN countries:

- Singapore RM16.15 billion, increased by 32.4%;
- Thailand RM4.30 billion, ↑7.3%;
- Indonesia RM3.80 billion, ↑84.1%;
- Viet Nam RM2.87 billion, ↑9.8%;
- Philippines RM1.95 billion, ↑29.4%;
- Brunei RM811.6 million, ↑143.5%;
- Myanmar RM232.4 million, ↑21.7%;
- Cambodia RM162.7 million, ↑30.1%; and
- Lao PDR RM3.5 million, ↓42.2%.

Exports to major markets in ASEAN that recorded expansion were **Singapore** which increased by RM3.96 billion, due to higher exports of E&E products, **Thailand** (\uparrow RM291.6 million, LNG), **Indonesia** (\uparrow RM1.73 billion, petroleum products), **Viet Nam** (\uparrow RM255.8 million, metalliferous ores and metal scrap) and **the Philippines** (\uparrow RM443 million, petroleum products).

Compared to August 2021, trade, exports and imports edged up by 14.8%, 14.7% and 15.1%, respectively.

In the first nine months of 2021, trade with ASEAN increased by 26.2% to RM410.19 billion compared to the same period of 2020. Exports to this region grew by 24.4% to RM246.26 billion owing to higher exports of E&E products, petroleum products, chemicals and chemical products, manufactures of metal as well as machinery, equipment and parts. Imports from ASEAN rose by 29% to RM163.94 billion.

China - Exports Registered a New High

In September 2021, trade with China which made up 19.7% of Malaysia's total trade grew by 24.6% y-o-y to RM38.45 billion, the 10th consecutive month of double-digit expansion. Exports to China recorded a double-digit growth of 19% to RM18.52 billion, the highest monthly value thus far. This was due to higher exports of manufactures of metal, iron and steel products as well as LNG. Imports from China increased by 30.3% to RM19.93 billion.

Compared to August 2021, trade, exports and imports expanded by 19.5%, 22% and 17.3%, respectively.

Trade with China during the first nine months of 2021 rose by 27.4% to RM304.1 billion compared to the same period of 2020. Exports was up by 19% to RM137 billion on account of higher exports of E&E products, manufactures of metal, LNG as well as chemicals and chemical products. Imports from China increased by 35.1% to RM167.09 billion.

The US – Trade, Exports and Imports Rose with a Double-Digit Growth

Trade with the US in September 2021 comprised 9.6% of Malaysia's total trade or RM18.76 billion, expanded by 19.2% y-o-y. Exports grew by 19.2% to RM12.31 billion on the back of higher exports of manufactures of metal and E&E products. Imports from the US rebounded by 19% to RM6.45 billion.

On a m-o-m basis, trade, exports and imports rose by 12%, 13.6% and 9.1%, respectively.

For the period of January to September 2021, trade with the US expanded by 20.4% to RM156.34 billion compared to the same period of 2020. Exports rose by 32.2% to RM102.25 billion on higher exports of rubber products, E&E products, manufactures of metal as well as machinery, equipment and parts. Imports from the US edged up by 3% to RM54.08 billion.

The EU – Trade Registered Eight Successive Months of Double-Digit Growth

Trade with the EU which represented 8% of Malaysia's total trade in September 2021 grew by 16% y-o-y to RM15.6 billion. This was the eighth successive month of doubledigit growth. Exports increased by 3% to RM8.89 billion boosted by higher exports of petroleum products, palm oil and palm oil-based products as well as other manufactures (SSD). Imports from the EU expanded by 39.4% to RM6.71 billion. Breakdown of exports to the top 10 EU markets which accounted for 92% of Malaysia's total exports to the EU were:

- Netherlands RM3.02 billion, increased by 28.1%;
- Germany RM2.30 billion, ↓4.5%;
- Italy RM664.1 million, ↓7.5%;
- Belgium RM488.2 million, ↑21.1%;
- Spain RM429.9 million, ↑18%;
- France RM311.9 million, ↓40.1%;
- Czech Republic RM278.7 million, ↓3.1%;
- Poland RM246.3 million, ↑3.7%;
- Slovenia RM225.1 million, \downarrow 46.6%; and
- Hungary RM199.5 million, ↑29%.

Exports to the EU major markets that grew were **the Netherlands** which increased by RM663.1 million due to higher demand for petroleum products, **Belgium** (†RM85.2 million, chemicals and chemical products) and **Spain** (†RM65.6 million, palm oil-based manufactured products).

On a month-on-month basis, trade, exports and imports expanded by 10.4%, 15.7% and 4%, respectively.

During the first nine months of 2021, trade with the EU was up by 24.1% to RM130.98 billion compared to the same period of 2020. Exports rose by 21.9% to RM75.4 billion, following higher exports of rubber products as well as palm oil and palm oil-based products. Imports from the EU increased by 27.2% to RM55.58 billion.

Japan – Double-Digit Export Expansion for Seven Consecutive Months

In September 2021, trade with Japan which accounted for 5.8% of Malaysia's total trade rose by 11.7% y-o-y to RM11.39 billion. Exports expanded by 18.3% to RM5.68 billion, the seventh consecutive month of double-digit y-o-y expansion since March 2021. The growth was supported by higher exports of manufactures of metal, LNG and crude petroleum. Imports from Japan increased by 5.9% to RM5.72 billion.

Compared to August 2021, imports grew by 0.4% while trade and exports declined by 5.1% and 10%, respectively.

For the period of January to September 2021, trade with Japan rose by 20.8% to RM108.85 billion compared to the same period of 2020. Exports expanded by 19.6% to RM54.86 billion underpinned by higher exports of E&E products, manufactures of metal and rubber products. Imports from Japan increased by 22% to RM53.99 billion.

Trade with FTA Partners

In September 2021, trade with Free Trade Agreement (FTA) partners which represented 67.2% of Malaysia's total trade rose by 26.8% y-o-y to RM131.35 billion. Exports to FTA partners grew by 27% to RM75.22 billion and imports expanded by 26.6% to RM56.13 billion.

Increases in exports were recorded to India, by 50.4% to RM4.29 billion due to higher exports of palm oil and palm oil-based agriculture products, Hong Kong SAR, (\uparrow 16.5% to RM7.81 billion, E&E products), the Republic of Korea, (\uparrow 23.7% to RM3.47 billion, manufactures of metal), Australia, (\uparrow 31.4% to RM2.63 billion, crude petroleum), Turkey (\uparrow 73.4% to RM1.34 billion, manufactures of metal), Pakistan (\uparrow 201.5% to RM743.8 million, petroleum products) and New Zealand (\uparrow 7% to RM416.6 million, palm oil and palm oil-based agriculture products).

Compared to August 2021, trade, exports and imports grew by 14.9%, 15.8% and 13.8%, respectively.

Trade with FTA partners during the first nine months of 2021 which constituted 66.7% of Malaysia's total trade rose by 23.6% to RM1.069 trillion compared to the same period of 2020. Exports was higher by 22.7% to RM595.06 billion and imports increased by 24.6% to RM474.03 billion.

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Import Performance

Total imports in September 2021 grew by 26.5% y-o-y to RM84.7 billion. The three main categories of imports by end use which accounted for 69.9% of total imports were:

- Intermediate goods, valued at RM43.2 billion or 51% of total imports, increased by 29.7%, following higher imports of parts and accessories of capital goods (except transport equipment) particularly electrical machinery, equipment and parts;
- **Capital goods,** valued at RM9.17 billion or 10.8% of total imports, grew by 20.3%, due to higher imports of capital goods (except transport equipment), primarily parts for machinery and mechanical appliances; and
- Consumption goods, valued at RM6.88 billion or 8.1% of total imports, rose by 3.7%, as a result of higher imports of processed food and beverages mainly for household consumption especially edible preparations.

During the period of January to September 2021, imports expanded by 21.1% to RM712.99 billion from the same period of 2020. Imports of **intermediate goods** grew by 23.6% to RM390.84 billion, **capital goods** (†11.8% to RM75.89 billion) and **consumption goods** (†12.3% to RM61.21 billion).

Notes:

- 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 on Wednesday, 3rd November 2021 and can be downloaded through statistic 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 2021 data is provisional and subject to revision in later issue.
- With effect from reference month April 2018, selection of codes for exports and imports of palm oil and palm oilbased products has been reviewed and revised for better representation of the product and this has resulted in some changes to the data.
- FTA partners comprises of 19 countries: China, Singapore, Japan, Thailand, Republic of Korea, Indonesia, India, Australia, Viet Nam, Philippines, New Zealand, Turkey, Pakistan, Myanmar, Cambodia, Brunei, Chile, Lao PDR and Hong Kong SAR.
- With effect from reference month of February 2020, the United Kingdom no longer be a Member State of the European Union (EU).
- Total figure may not add up due to rounding.

TABLE 1: SUMMARY OF MALAYSIA'S EXTERNAL TRADE

Year/ Period	<u>Total</u> <u>Exports</u> (RM Million)	<u>Total</u> Imports (RM Million)	<u>Trade</u> <u>Balance</u> (RM Million)	<u>Total</u> <u>Trade</u> (RM Million)
2020 ^f				
January	84,288.4	72,249.9	12,038.6	156,538.3
February	74,604.1	62,160.4	12,443.6	136,764.5
March	80,229.2	68,737.3	11,491.9	148,966.5
April	64,911.0	69,375.5	-4,464.5	134,286.6
May	62,801.0	52,942.9	9,858.1	115,743.9
June	82,905.4	62,995.8	19,909.6	145,901.2
July	92,682.1	67,424.2	25,257.8	160,106.3
August	80,754.3	65,974.9	14,779.4	146,729.2
September	88,892.1	66,956.0	21,936.2	155,848.1
October	91,190.2	68,931.0	22,259.2	160,121.2
November	84,721.3	67,616.6	17,104.6	152,337.9
December	95,847.6	75,116.8	20,730.8	170,964.4
2020 (Jan-Dec) ^f	983,826.8	800,481.3	183,345.4	1,784,308.1
2021 ^p				
January	89,625.5	73,023.0	16,602.5	162,648.5
February	87,567.1	69,690.0	17,877.0	157,257.1
March	104,997.6	80,794.1	24,203.6	185,791.7
April	105,590.2	85,231.3	20,358.9	190,821.4
May	92,313.4	78,559.8	13,753.6	170,873.3
June	105,486.8	83,230.4	22,256.4	188,717.2
July	97,320.7	83,563.7	13,756.9	180,884.4
August	95,586.5	74,198.5	21,388.0	169,785.0
September	110,833.9	84,703.6	26,130.3	195,537.5
Change m-o-m (%) Change y-o-y (%)	16.0 24.7	14.2 26.5	22.2 19.1	15.2 25.5
2020 ^f				
Q1	239,121.8	203,147.6	35,974.1	442,269.4
Q2	210,617.4	185,314.2	25,303.2	395,931.6
Q3	262,328.5	200,355.1	61,973.4	462,683.6
Q4	•		•	
	271,759.1	211,664.4	60,094.7	483,423.5
2021 ^p				
Q1	282,190.2	223,507.1	58,683.1	505,697.3
Q2	303,390.4	247,021.5	56,368.9	550,411.9
Q3	303,741.1	242,465.8	61,275.3	546,206.9
Change q-o-q (%)	0.1	-1.8	8.7	-0.8
Change y-o-y (%)	15.8	21.0	-1.1	18.1
Jan-Sept 2020 ^f	712,067.7	588,816.9	123,250.7	1,300,884.6
Jan-Sept 2021 ^p	889,321.7	712,994.4	176,327.3	1,602,316.1
Change y-o-y (%)	24.9	21.1	43.1	23.2

Note: Total figure may not add up due to rounding

TABLE 2: MAJOR EXPORT PRODUCTS (SEPTEMBER)

Products	Sep 2021 ^p	Aug 2021 ^p	Sep 2020 ^f	Change m-o-m	Change y-o-y
	RM Million	RM Million	RM Million	%	%
Total Exports	110,833.9	95,586.5	88,892.1	16.0	24.7
E&E Products	41,052.4	34,266.1	38,874.5	19.8	5.6
Petroleum Products	9,342.8	7,137.7	3,767.6	30.9	148.0
Palm Oil & Palm Oil-Based					
Agriculture Products	7,758.1	5,535.6	4,923.8	40.1	57.6
Manufactures of Metal	6,760.3	4,670.2	3,142.5	44.8	115.1
Chemicals & Chemical Products	6,043.1	5,807.6	4,357.2	4.1	38.7
Machinery, Equipment & Parts	4,184.2	3,940.0	3,450.1	6.2	21.3
Optical & Scientific Equipment	3,990.7	3,478.9	4,311.8	14.7	-7.4
Rubber Products	3,875.9	4,569.5	4,521.6	-15.2	-14.3
Iron & Steel Products	3,072.4	2,441.9	1,951.9	25.8	57.4
Palm Oil-Based Manufactured Products	2,849.1	2,764.2	1,684.8	3.1	69.1

TABLE 3: MAJOR EXPORT MARKETS (SEPTEMBER)

Markets	Sep 2021 ^p	Aug 2021 ^p	Sep 2020 ^f	Change m-o-m	Change y-o-y
	RM Million	RM Million	RM Million	%	%
Total Exports	110,833.9	95,586.5	88,892.1	16.0	24.7
China	18,519.1	15,185.2	15,558.9	22.0	19.0
Singapore	16,153.2	13,398.6	12,197.3	20.6	32.4
USA	12,307.7	10,838.6	10,323.5	13.6	19.2
Hong Kong SAR	7,809.7	6,013.2	6,702.5	29.9	16.5
Japan	5,677.1	6,308.3	4,797.6	-10.0	18.3
Thailand	4,298.2	3,965.1	4,006.6	8.4	7.3
India	4,294.4	3,156.2	2,855.3	36.1	50.4
Indonesia	3,796.4	3,191.3	2,062.0	19.0	84.1
Taiwan	3,690.2	3,082.7	3,063.0	19.7	20.5
ROK	3,469.7	2,669.1	2,804.3	30.0	23.7

TABLE 4: MAJOR EXPORT PRODUCTS (QUARTERLY)

Products	Q3 2021 ^p	Q2 2021 ^p	Q3 2020 ^f	Change q-o-q	Change y-o-y
	RM Million	RM Million	RM Million	%	%
Total Exports	303,741.1	303,390.4	262,328.5	0.1	15.8
E&E Products	110,060.8	105,759.9	110,505.5	4.1	-0.4
Petroleum Products	26,846.4	26,421.9	14,331.5	1.6	87.3
Palm Oil & Palm Oil-Based					
Agriculture Products	19,999.6	18,796.4	13,765.8	6.4	45.3
Chemicals & Chemical Products	17,244.8	17,297.9	11,853.5	-0.3	45.5
Manufactures of Metal	15,472.6	14,380.8	9,274.5	7.6	66.8
Rubber Products	12,990.1	21,089.2	12,926.5	-38.4	0.5
Machinery, Equipment & Parts	11,594.8	12,270.2	10,338.6	-5.5	12.2
Optical & Scientific Equipment	11,232.6	11,617.9	12,707.8	-3.3	-11.6
LNG	9,330.4	8,191.8	5,065.0	13.9	84.2
Palm Oil-Based Manufactured					
Products	8,602.0	7,698.7	4,992.9	11.7	72.3

TABLE 5: MAJOR EXPORT MARKETS (QUARTERLY)

Markets	Q3 2021 ^p	Q2 2021 ^p	Q3 2020 ^f	Change q-o-q	Change y-o-y
	RM Million	RM Million	RM Million	%	%
Total Exports	303,741.1	303,390.4	262,328.5	0.1	15.8
China	48,127.4	46,880.2	45,542.7	2.7	5.7
Singapore	43,595.4	41,156.8	36,111.8	5.9	20.7
USA	34,185.8	35,453.0	31,156.1	-3.6	9.7
Hong Kong SAR	19,771.5	17,337.5	18,479.6	14.0	7.0
Japan	17,836.6	18,067.1	14,530.3	-1.3	22.8
Thailand	12,669.1	13,329.1	11,759.8	-5.0	7.7
India	10,617.0	11,373.5	8,706.7	-6.7	21.9
Taiwan	10,018.7	9,986.2	8,991.3	0.3	11.4
Indonesia	10,018.4	9,017.0	6,524.3	11.1	53.6
Viet Nam	9,611.7	11,066.8	8,522.5	-13.1	12.8

Products	Jan-Sep 2021 ^p	Jan-Sep 2020 ^f	Change
	RM Million	RM Million	%
Total Exports	889,321.7	712,067.7	24.9
E&E Products	323,773.1	276,894.4	16.9
Petroleum Products	69,250.8	47,479.3	45.9
Rubber Products	54,449.1	28,535.9	90.8
Palm Oil & Palm Oil-Based Agriculture Products	51,532.5	36,337.5	41.8
Chemicals & Chemical Products	50,744.5	37,116.1	36.7
Manufactures of Metal	42,640.8	26,147.1	63.1
Machinery, Equipment & Parts	35,237.8	28,816.3	22.3
Optical & Scientific Equipment	33,642.0	30,888.3	8.9
LNG	25,247.0	23,405.6	7.9
Palm Oil-Based Manufactured Products	22,815.0	15,538.3	46.8

TABLE 6: MAJOR EXPORT PRODUCTS (JANUARY- SEPTEMBER)

TABLE 7: MAJOR EXPORT MARKETS (JANUARY-SEPTEMBER)

Markets	Jan-Sep 2021 ^p	Jan-Sep 2020 ^f	Change
	RM Million	RM Million	%
Total Exports	889,321.7	712,067.7	24.9
China	137,001.4	115,120.6	19.0
Singapore	125,340.5	100,746.7	24.4
USA	102,253.9	77,355.4	32.2
Hong Kong SAR	55,312.6	48,987.1	12.9
Japan	54,863.9	45,862.2	19.6
Thailand	38,198.6	33,264.0	14.8
Viet Nam	31,614.8	22,367.9	41.3
India	31,110.8	20,124.4	54.6
Taiwan	29,061.1	25,103.1	15.8
Indonesia	27,164.0	22,916.5	18.5

TABLE 8: MAJOR IMPORT PRODUCTS (SEPTEMBER)

Products	Sep 2021 ^p	Aug 2021 ^p	Sep 2020 ^f	Change m-o-m	Change y-o-y
	RM Million	RM Million	RM Million	%	%
Total Imports	84,703.6	74,198.5	66,956.0	14.2	26.5
E&E Products	28,701.9	25,082.3	22,340.7	14.4	28.5
Chemicals & Chemical Products	8,249.0	7,915.8	6,194.5	4.2	33.2
Petroleum Products	8,191.2	5,432.3	4,146.0	50.8	97.6
Machinery, Equipment & Parts	5,318.9	4,943.0	5,494.3	7.6	-3.2
Manufactures of Metal	4,557.0	4,014.1	4,262.0	13.5	6.9
Transport Equipment	2,481.7	2,461.0	2,378.8	0.8	4.3
Iron & Steel Products	2,370.9	2,806.5	1,858.0	-15.5	27.6
Optical & Scientific Equipment	2,305.5	1,996.7	2,132.0	15.5	8.1
Processed Food	2,200.4	2,129.5	1,749.3	3.3	25.8
Metalliferous Ores & Metal					
Scrap	1,567.5	689.1	1,018.2	127.5	53.9

TABLE 9: MAJOR IMPORT SOURCES (SEPTEMBER)

Sources	Sep 2021 ^p	Aug 2021 ^p	Sep 2020 ^f	Change m-o-m	Change y-o-y
	RM Million	RM Million	RM Million	%	%
Total Imports	84,703.6	74,198.5	66,956.0	14.2	26.5
China	19,930.0	16,986.0	15,294.2	17.3	30.3
Singapore	8,648.8	6,849.7	6,505.9	26.3	32.9
Taiwan	6,674.0	6,003.1	5,135.9	11.2	29.9
USA	6,454.0	5,914.6	5,422.4	9.1	19.0
Japan	5,715.1	5,691.3	5,397.8	0.4	5.9
Indonesia	4,773.5	4,290.4	3,170.9	11.3	50.5
ROK	3,806.0	3,572.6	2,875.4	6.5	32.4
Thailand	3,752.5	3,275.1	3,129.1	14.6	19.9
Germany	2,288.9	2,063.9	1,888.0	10.9	21.2
Viet Nam	2,088.5	2,146.3	1,661.6	-2.7	25.7

TABLE 10: MAJOR IMPORT PRODUCTS (QUARTERLY)

Products	Q3 2021 ^p	Q2 2021 ^p	Q3 2020 ^f	Change q-o-q	Change y-o-y
	RM Million	RM Million	RM Million	%	%
Total Imports	242,465.8	247,021.5	200,355.1	-1.8	21.0
E&E Products	79,852.0	73,473.9	67,647.4	8.7	18.0
Chemicals & Chemical Products	24,011.3	24,568.1	17,804.0	-2.3	34.9
Petroleum Products	21,556.9	24,510.8	13,636.4	-12.1	58.1
Machinery, Equipment & Parts	16,131.8	17,598.7	15,706.8	-8.3	2.7
Manufactures of Metal	12,784.8	14,076.1	12,506.1	-9.2	2.2
Iron & Steel Products	7,951.3	8,993.6	5,547.4	-11.6	43.3
Transport Equipment	7,715.4	8,828.0	6,058.4	-12.6	27.4
Optical & Scientific Equipment	6,541.6	6,816.5	6,098.7	-4.0	7.3
Processed Food	6,330.1	5,934.7	5,363.0	6.7	18.0
Metalliferous Ores & Metal					
Scrap	5,334.2	3,234.1	2,965.8	64.9	79.9

TABLE 11: MAJOR IMPORT SOURCES (QUARTERLY)

Sources	Q3 2021 ^p	Q2 2021 ^p	Q3 2020 ^f	Change q-o-q	Change y-o-y
	RM Million	RM Million	RM Million	%	%
Total Imports	242,465.8	247,021.5	200,355.1	-1.8	21.0
China	56,458.6	60,102.8	42,923.7	-6.1	31.5
Singapore	22,357.1	21,784.5	19,909.9	2.6	12.3
Taiwan	19,322.0	17,979.9	15,886.0	7.5	21.6
USA	18,922.9	18,534.9	17,907.6	2.1	5.7
Japan	17,081.9	19,004.0	15,041.2	-10.1	13.6
Indonesia	13,672.3	13,215.4	8,754.5	3.5	56.2
ROK	11,493.1	12,273.8	7,710.8	-6.4	49.1
Thailand	10,204.9	10,897.8	8,661.4	-6.4	17.8
Germany	6,770.5	6,248.4	5,787.0	8.4	17.0
Viet Nam	6,028.0	5,639.0	4,813.3	6.9	25.2

Products	Jan-Sep 2021 ^p	Jan-Sep 2020 ^f	Change
	RM Million	RM Million	%
Total Imports	712,994.4	588,816.9	21.1
E&E Products	222,920.9	185,247.6	20.3
Chemicals & Chemical Products	70,097.0	54,356.8	29.0
Petroleum Products	63,664.1	44,999.7	41.5
Machinery, Equipment & Parts	49,394.0	44,042.5	12.2
Manufactures of Metal	40,303.8	34,338.5	17.4
Transport Equipment	24,878.1	27,660.6	-10.1
Iron & Steel Products	23,924.4	18,354.7	30.3
Optical & Scientific Equipment	19,578.1	16,733.4	17.0
Processed Food	17,972.7	15,971.3	12.5
Rubber Products	13,133.9	6,554.1	100.4

TABLE 12: MAJOR IMPORT PRODUCTS (JANUARY-SEPTEMBER)

TABLE 13: MAJOR IMPORT SOURCES (JANUARY-SEPTEMBER)

Products	Jan-Sep 2021 ^p	Jan-Sep 2020 ^f	Change
	RM Million	RM Million	%
Total Imports	712,994.4	588,816.9	21.1
China	167,094.0	123,647.5	35.1
Singapore	65,725.1	54,790.0	20.0
USA	54,081.9	52,505.6	3.0
Japan	53,990.2	44,253.0	22.0
Taiwan	53,544.5	43,077.0	24.3
Indonesia	39,052.1	25,807.2	51.3
ROK	34,590.2	36,642.2	-5.6
Thailand	32,512.4	24,027.8	35.3
Germany	18,990.1	17,572.4	8.1
India	18,414.5	18,737.7	-1.7

Source: Department of Statistics, Malaysia Tabulated by: MATRADE

Notes: p - provisional data f - final data

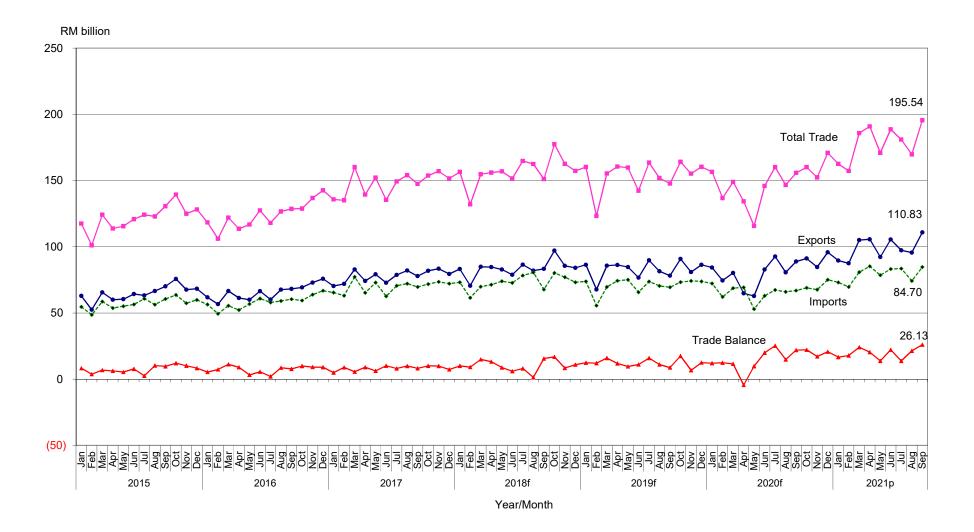


CHART 1: MALAYSIA'S MONTHLY EXTERNAL TRADE PERFORMANCE, 2015 – SEPTEMBER 2021[#]