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DEMOGRAPHIC STATISTICS FOURTH QUARTER (Q4) 2018, MALAYSIA



Main Highlights

32.6 million population in fourth quarter 2018



127.4 thousand live births in fourth quarter 2018



41.4 thousand deaths in fourth quarter 2018



Increased by 1.1 per cent as compared to fourth quarter 2017



Decreased by 2.5 per cent as compared to fourth quarter 2017



Decreased by 1.9 per cent as compared to fourth quarter 2017



Demographic Statistics by Selected Variables

Table 1: Demographic statistics by sex, fourth quarter (Q4) 2017 and 2018, Malaysia

	Fourth quarter (Q4) 2018 ^a	Fourth quarter (Q4) 2017	Year-on-year change (%)
Total population ('000)	32,566.9	32,203.8	1.1
Male	16,813.6	16,634.5	1.1
Female	15,753.3	15,569.3	1.2
Live births ('000)	127.4	130.6	-2.5
Male	65.8	67.4	-2.4
Female	61.6	63.2	-2.5
Deaths ('000)	41.4	42.2	-1.9
Male	23.8	24.3	-2.1
Female	17.6	17.9	-1.7

Chart 1: Demographic statistics by quarter 2017 and 2018, Malaysia

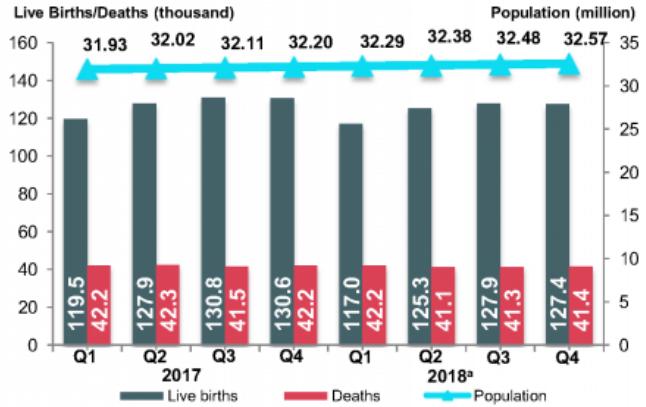
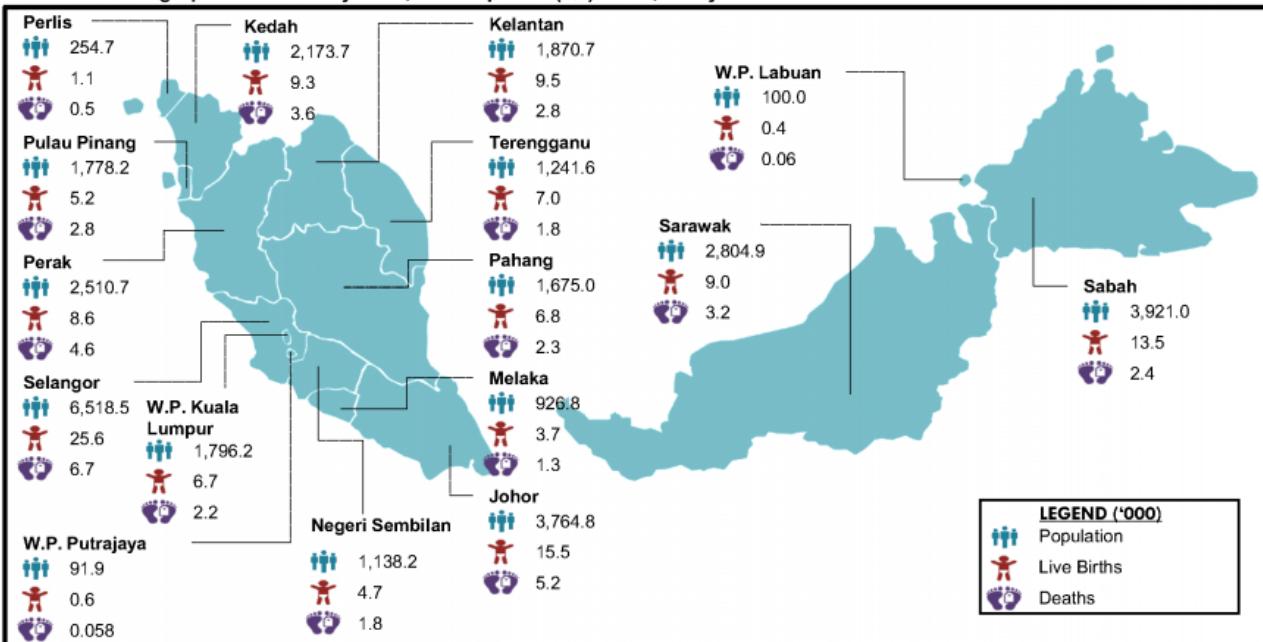


Exhibit 1: Demographic statistics by state, fourth quarter (Q4) 2018^a, Malaysia



Live Births and Deaths

Table 2: Number and percentage change of live births and deaths

Indicator		2016	2017				2018 ^p			
			Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.-Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.-Dec.
Live births	Number ('000)	508.2	45.0	43.3	42.3	130.6	43.8	40.8	42.8	127.4
	Year-on-year change (%)	-2.5	5.8	3.5	2.6	4.0	-2.5	-5.6	0.9	-2.5
Deaths	Number ('000)	162.2	14.2	13.3	14.6	42.2	13.5	13.7	14.2	41.4
	Year-on-year change (%)	4.1	8.8	1.9	6.0	5.6	-5.3	2.8	-2.7	-1.9

Chart 2: Number of live births and deaths by quarter, 2010 – 2018, Malaysia

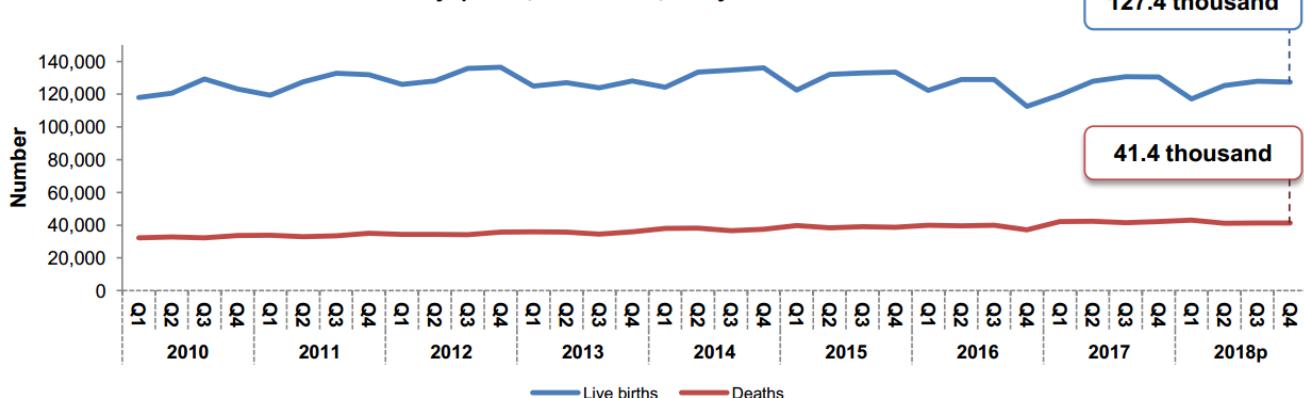
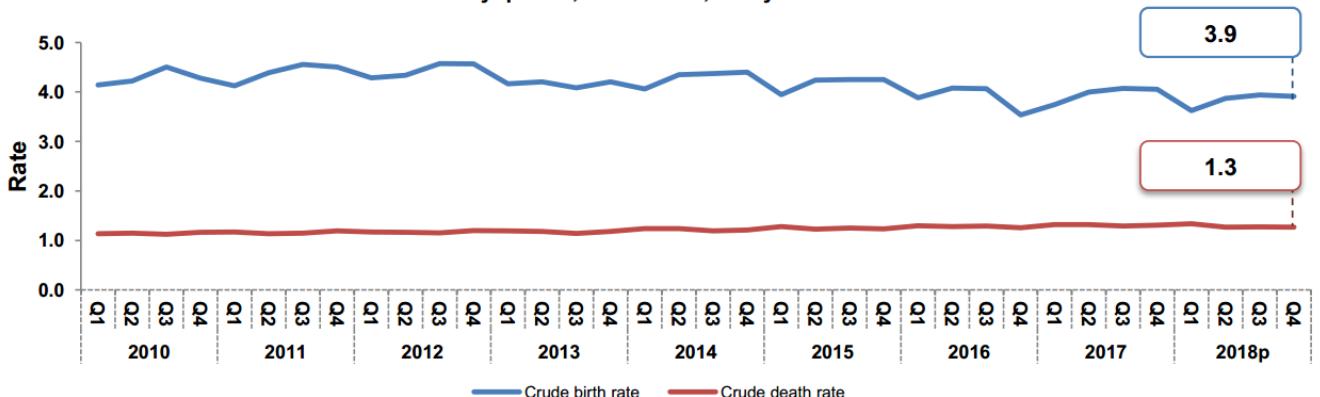


Chart 3: Crude birth rate and crude death rate by quarter, 2010 – 2018, Malaysia



Notes:

- ^pPreliminary.
- ^aThe number of live births and deaths refer to preliminary figure. Total population refers to estimate figure.
- The total population of Q1 2017 – Q2 2018 is revised figure based on population data, 2017 (final) and 2018 (estimate) distributed on July 31, 2018
- Quarterly period: Q1=January–March; Q2=April–June; Q3=July–September; Q4=October–December.
- The difference is due to rounding.

✓Live births refers to births with signs of life during delivery although for a very short period
✓Deaths refers to disappearance of all evidence of life at any time after live birth has taken place

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