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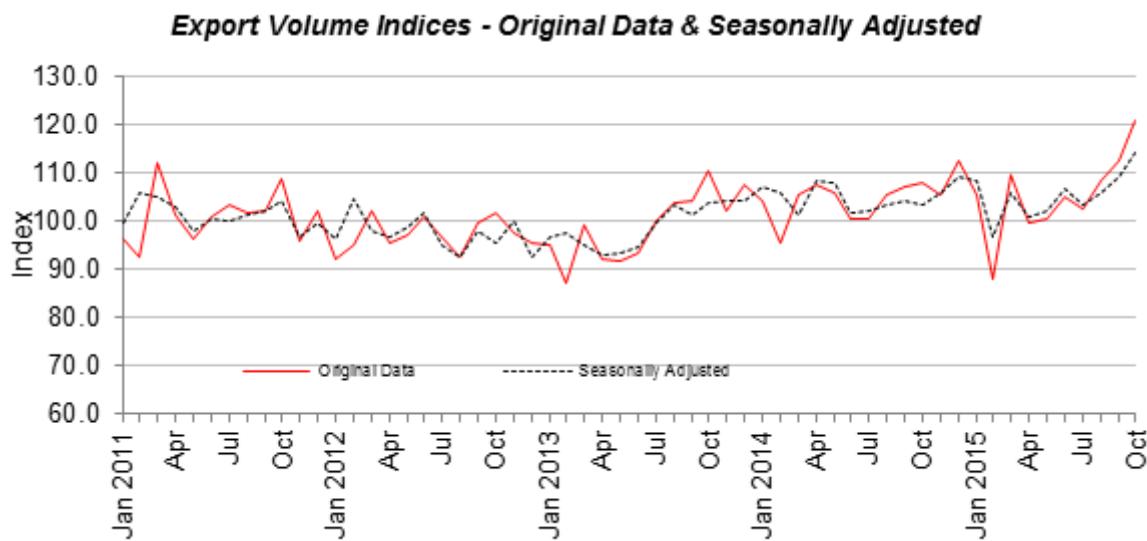
MALAYSIA EXTERNAL TRADE INDICES OCTOBER 2015

MONTH-ON-MONTH COMPARISON:

Exports

Malaysia's export value recorded a rise of 8.1% to RM75.8 billion where the export volume index posted an increase of 7.3% to 120.8 points. The increase was mainly due to mineral fuels (+15.4%), manufactured goods (+14.4%) and miscellaneous manufactured articles (+11.4%).

Similarly, the export unit value index increased 0.7% to 141.8 points which was mainly contributed by mineral fuels (+3.0%), miscellaneous manufactured articles (+0.6%) and machinery & transport equipment (+0.5%).



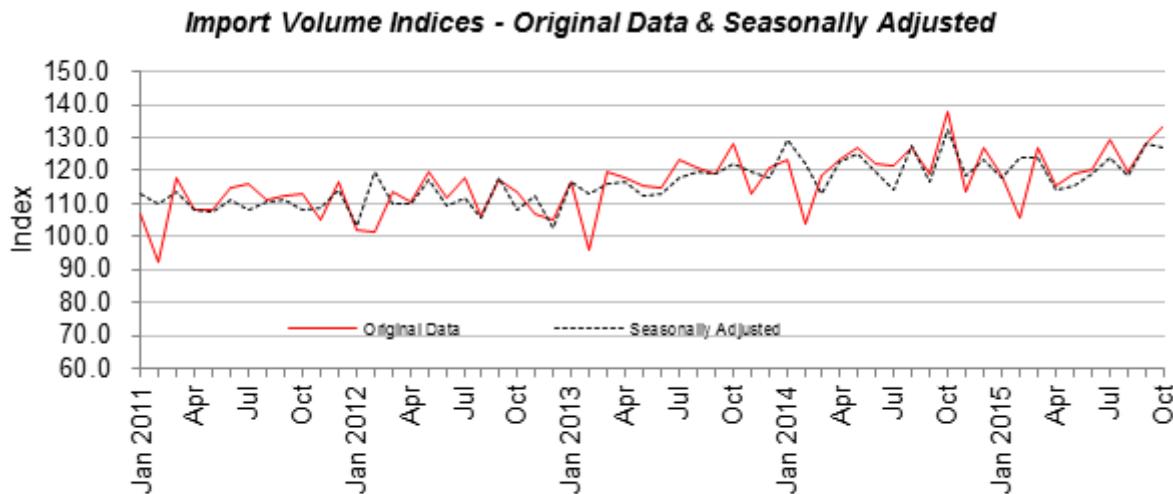
Seasonally adjusted figure

In seasonally adjusted terms, the export volume index in October 2015 rose 4.3% to 114.1 points.

Imports

Malaysia's total value of imports for October 2015 grew 5.3% to RM63.7 billion where the import volume index increased 4.4% to 134.0 points. This expansion was led by mineral fuels (+18.8%), food (+7.7%) and miscellaneous manufactured articles (+2.7%).

Similarly, the import unit value index recorded an increase of 0.8% to 133.6 points. The increase was attributed to machinery & transport equipment (+1.2%), manufactured goods (+0.7%) and chemicals (+0.5%).



Seasonally adjusted figure

In seasonally adjusted terms, the import volume index decreased 0.5% to 127.8 points.

YEAR-ON-YEAR COMPARISON:

Exports

Compared with October 2014, Malaysia's export value posted an expansion of 16.7% from RM65.0 billion where the export volume index rose 12.1% from 107.8 points. The rise was led by manufactured goods (+38.9%), miscellaneous manufactured articles (+24.0%) and machinery & transport equipment (+20.7%).

Similarly, the export unit value index also recorded an increase of 3.9% from 136.5 points. The increase was due to chemicals (+7.9%), miscellaneous manufactured articles (+5.2%) and manufactured goods (+5.2%).

Imports

In October 2015, Malaysia's import value decreased 0.4% from RM63.9 billion where the import volume index dropped 2.9% from 138.1 points. This decrease was mainly registered in mineral fuels (-17.3%), machinery & transport equipment (-3.3%) and manufactured good (-1.7%).

Meanwhile, the import unit value index increased 2.6% from 130.1 points which was due to machinery & transport equipment (+4.9%), food (+4.1%) and chemicals (+2.7%).

TERMS OF TRADE

In October 2015, Malaysia's terms of trade decreased 0.1% to 106.2 points as compared with the preceding month. The increase was attributed to animal & vegetable oils & fats (-2.8%), inedible crude materials (-1.7%) and machinery & transport equipment (-0.7%).

On a year-on-year basis, Malaysia's terms of trade increased 1.2% from 104.9 points. Mineral fuels increased 14.3%, followed by beverages & tobacco (+7.6%) and food (+5.1%).

***Notes:**

The October 2015 data is provisional and subject to revision in later issues.

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