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SELECTED DEMOGRAPHIC STATISTICS ESTIMATES, MALAYSIA, 2017

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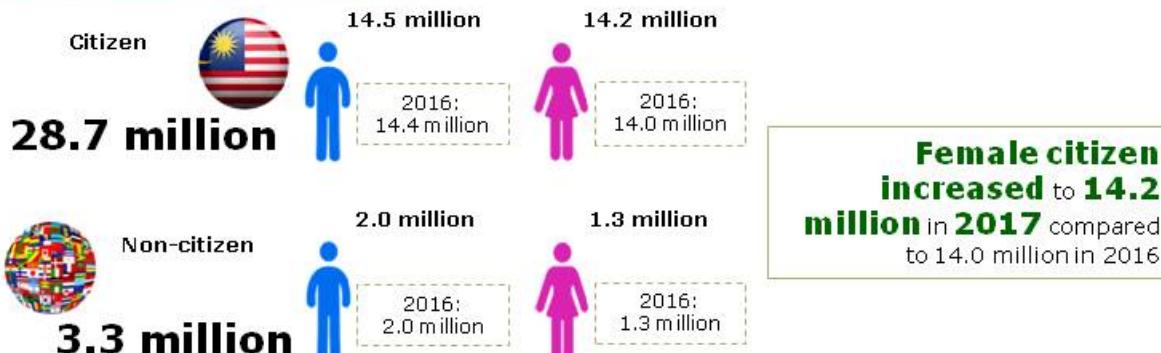
## Selected Demographic Statistics Estimates, Malaysia, 2017

In 2017, the population is estimated to **increase** by **1.3%** compared to 2016

# POPULATION 2017

## 32.0 million

2016:  
31.6 million



### POPULATION BY AGE GROUP



The **elderly** population (65+ years) in **2017** is **6.2%** of the total population

Malaysia is expected to reach **ageing population** by **2020** with the percentage of **old age** population exceeding **7.0%**\*

**The increase** of the elderly population affects the **old age dependency ratio**

\*Population Projections (Revised), Malaysia, 2010-2040

### DEPENDENCY RATIO

**43.6** persons from the **young** and **old age population** were supported by the 100 working age population (15-64 years) in **2017, lower than** 2016

**34.7** persons per 100 persons in the working age population

**YOUNG AGE**

**TOTAL**

**43.6** persons per 100 persons in the working age population

2016: 44.0

**9.0** persons per 100 persons in the working age population

**OLD-AGE**

2016: 8.7

# LIFE EXPECTANCY



**Increasing** of **life expectancy at birth** is one of the **factors** contributing to the **ageing population**

## LIVING QUARTERS AND HOUSEHOLDS

### LIVING QUARTERS



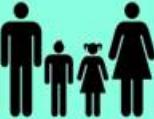
8.5 million

2016: 8.4 million



The number of **living quarters** and **households increased** by **0.1 million** respectively in **2017**

### HOUSEHOLDS



7.7 million

2016: 7.6 million



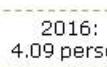
## AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD SIZE

### Malaysia



4.06 person

2016: 4.09 person



### Urban



3.89 person

2016: 3.92 person



### Rural



4.69 person

2016: 4.68 person



In **2017**, the average household size in **Malaysia decreased** to **4.06** persons

The household size in **rural** is **more than** urban

The calculation of the average household size is based on population projections

# VITAL STATISTICS

## TOTAL FERTILITY RATE

1.9

**children** were born by a woman aged 15–49 years



## CRUDE BIRTH RATE

16.1

**live birth** per 1,000 population



The **decline** in **total fertility rate** is one of the **demographic factors** that will contribute to an **ageing population**

## CRUDE DEATH RATE

5.2

**death** per 1,000 population



## STILLBIRTH RATE

4.5

**stillbirth** per 1,000 births



## UNDER-5 MORTALITY RATE

8.6

**death** per 1,000 live births



## INFANT MORTALITY RATE

7.3

**infant deaths** aged less than 1 year per 1,000 live births



### Explanatory Notes



#### Population

**Total Dependency Ratio** refers to the number of persons under age 15 plus persons aged 65 or older per 100 persons 15 to 64. It is the sum of the youth dependency ratio and the old-age dependency ratio.

**Youth/Young Age Dependency Ratio** refers to the number of persons 0 to 14 years per 100 persons 15 to 64 years.

**Old-Age Dependency Ratio** refers to the number of persons 65 years and over per 100 persons 15 to 64 years.

**Life Expectancy** refers to the average remaining age (years) for a person is expected to live at the beginning of the certain age.



#### Vital Statistics

**Total Fertility Rate** refers to the average number of children which would be born if women survived to the end of their reproductive period and throughout that period are subject to the schedule of age-specific fertility rates for the given year. [This rate is derived by adding up the age-specific fertility rates of women aged 15–49 years (by five-year age groups) and multiplying by 5].

**Crude Birth Rate** refers to the number of live births per 1,000 population.

**Crude Death Rate** refers to the number of deaths per 1,000 population.

**Stillbirth Rate** refers to the number of stillbirths per 1,000 births (live births & stillbirths).

**Under-5 Mortality Rate** refers to death of infants and toddlers aged below 5 years per 1,000 live births.

**Infant Mortality Rate** refers to death of infants aged less than 1 year per 1,000 live births.

The added total may differ due to rounding.

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