



# MALAYSIAN ECONOMIC STATISTICS REVIEW VOL. 6/ 2025

## PRODUCTION

### Production of Fresh Fruit Bunches (Oil Palm)

May 2025: 9,051,118 tonnes 1.3%  
Apr 2025: 8,925,862 tonnes 14.6%



### Production of Natural Rubber

Apr 2025: 18,008 tonnes -15.6%  
Mar 2025: 28,739 tonnes 6.6%



### Industrial Production Index (IPI)

Apr 2025: 2.7%  
Mar 2025: 3.2%



### Sales Value of Manufacturing

Apr 2025: RM160.6b 4.8%  
Mar 2025: RM164.3b 3.7%



### Sales Value of Wholesale & Retail Trade

Apr 2025: RM151.7b 4.7%  
Mar 2025: RM154.0b 5.7%



b: billion  
Percentage Change: Year-on-Year

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## EXTERNAL SECTOR

### Exports

May 2025: RM126.6b -1.1%  
\*Apr 2025: RM133.6b 16.4%  
Mar 2025: RM137.3b 6.8%



### Imports

May 2025: RM125.9b 6.6%  
\*Apr 2025: RM128.4b 20.0%  
Mar 2025: RM112.5b -2.9%



\* As published for the corresponding month

## PRICES

### Consumer Price Index (CPI)

May 2025: 1.2%  
Apr 2025: 1.4%  
Mar 2025: 1.4%



### Producer Price Index (PPI)

May 2025: -3.6%  
Apr 2025: -3.4%  
Mar 2025: -1.9%



## LABOUR FORCE

### Number of Employment Persons

Apr 2025: 16.82 mil persons 2.8%  
Mar 2025: 16.78 mil persons 3.0%



### Unemployment Rate

Apr 2025: 3.0%  
Mar 2025: 3.1%



# Malaysia's Economy Continued to Strengthen in April 2025, Driven by Broad-based Sectoral Growth and A Resilient Labour Market.

- Malaysia's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) growth moderated to 4.4% in Q1 2025, supported by sustained performances in the services, manufacturing, and construction sectors.
- Natural Rubber (NR) production declined by 15.6% year-on-year in April 2025, recording 18,008 tonnes compared to 21,325 tonnes in April 2024. Meanwhile, Fresh Fruit Bunches (FFB) production increased by 1.3% year-on-year in May 2025 to 9,051,118 tonnes, compared to 8,930,951 tonnes in May 2024.
- Malaysia's Industrial Production Index (IPI) grew by 2.7% year-on-year in April 2025, driven by a 5.6% increase in the manufacturing sector. Manufacturing sector recorded RM160.6 billion in sales, reflecting a 4.8% year-on-year increase.
- The Wholesale & Retail Trade sector recorded total sales of RM151.7 billion, an increase of 4.7% year-on-year in April 2025. The Volume Index for the sector rose 4.3% year-on-year to 160.6 points while slipped by 0.3% on monthly basis.
- Malaysia's inflation rate remained steady at 1.4% in April 2025, maintaining the same pace as recorded in March.
- The Producer Price Index (PPI) declined by 3.4% year-on-year in April 2025, widening from a 1.9% decrease recorded in March 2025.
- Malaysia's total trade surged by 18.2% year-on-year to RM261.9 billion in April 2025, with exports increasing by 16.4% to RM133.6 billion and imports rising by 20.0% to RM128.4 billion.
- Malaysia's labour market continued to improve in April 2025, with employment rising by 2.8% year-on-year to 16.82 million, and edging up 0.2% compared March 2025. The unemployment rate declined to 3.0% in April 2025.

