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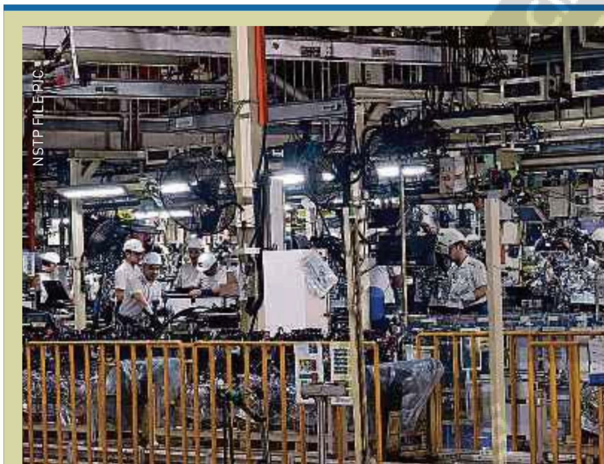
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Manufacturing sales rise 7.1pc to RM169.4b in January

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"The growth was further supported by the food, beverages and tobacco and the non-metallic mineral products, basic metal and fabricated metal products sub-sectors, which rose by 12.4 per cent (December 2025: 10.4 per cent) and 5.7 per cent (December 2025: 5.3 per cent), respectively.

"In comparison, by month-on-month, sales value increased 0.5 per cent, from RM168.6 billion recorded in December 2025," he said.

Uzir said sales value growth in the export-oriented industries, which accounted for 70.2 per cent of total sales, improved by 7.2 per cent in January 2026 (December 2025: 6.8 per cent).

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He said that compared with the sales value in the preceding month, the export-oriented industries rose 0.2 per cent.

Likewise, he said domestic-oriented industries expanded 6.9 per cent in January after registering 5.6 per cent in the previous month.

"The performance was mainly supported by the growth in the manufacture of food processing products with 11.6 per cent growth in January 2026 (December 2025: 9.6 per cent), as well as in the manufacture of basic metals (5.9 per cent) and the manufacture of fabricated metal products, except machinery and equipment (5.9 per cent).

"Furthermore, the domestic-oriented industries increased 1.0 per cent on a month-on-month basis," said Uzir.

On employment, he said 2.4 million employees were recorded in this sector in January 2026, up 1.3 per cent (December 2025: 1.1 per cent).

He said the rise was mainly driven by the food, beverages and tobacco (2.0 per cent); E&E products (1.8 per cent); and non-metallic mineral products, basic metal and fabricated metal products (1.3 per cent).

"Meanwhile, the number of employees in this sector rose by 0.1 per cent month-on-month," he said.

He added that salaries and wages paid in the manufacturing sector also expanded by 2.8 per cent (December 2025: 2.5 per cent), amounting to RM8.71 billion in January 2026.

"In the meantime, the salaries and wages paid declined 4.4 per cent, compared with RM9.11 billion recorded in the prior month.

"The sales value per employee registered at RM69,779 (5.7 per cent), while the average salaries and wages per employee was RM3,590, increased by 1.4 per cent year-on-year," said Uzir. **Bernama**

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"Subsequently, the sales value per employee registered at RM69,779 (5.7 per cent), while the average salaries and wages per employee was RM3,590, increased by 1.4 per cent y-o-y," said Mohd Uzir. — Bernama

Jualan pembuatan naik 7.1 peratus kepada RM169.4b pada Januari

Sektor pembuatan negara mencatatkan peningkatan nilai jualan kepada RM169.4 bilion pada Januari 2026, berkembang 7.1 peratus berbanding tempoh sama tahun sebelumnya, menurut Jabatan Perangkaan Malaysia (DOSM).

Ketua Perangkawan Datuk Seri Dr Mohd Uzir Mahidin berkata peningkatan itu disumbangkan terutamanya oleh subsektor peralatan elektrik dan elektronik yang berkembang 15.6 peratus pada Januari 2026 berbanding 12.6 peratus pada Disember 2025.

"Pertumbuhan ini turut disokong oleh subsektor makanan, minuman dan tembakau serta produk mineral bukan logam, logam asas dan produk logam yang masing-masing meningkat 12.4 peratus (Disember 2025: 10.4 peratus) dan 5.7 peratus (Disember 2025: 5.3 peratus).

"Perbandingan bulan ke bulan pula menunjukkan nilai jualan meningkat 0.5 peratus daripada RM168.6 bilion yang direkodkan pada Disember 2025," katanya dalam kenyataan semalam.

Mohd Uzir berkata pertumbuhan nilai jualan bagi industri berorientasikan eksport yang mewakili 70.2 peratus daripada jumlah jualan turut meningkat kepada 7.2 peratus pada Januari 2026 berbanding 6.8 peratus pada Disember 2025.

Menurutnya, prestasi itu dipacu terutamanya oleh peningkatan dalam pembuatan komputer, produk elektronik dan optikal yang berkembang 17.9 peratus berbanding 13.3 peratus pada bulan sebelumnya.

"Selain itu, pembuatan minyak serta lemak daripada sayuran dan haiwan meningkat 13.0 peratus (Disember 2025: 11.1 peratus), manakala pembuatan jentera dan peralatan t.t.t.l. tumbuh 7.7 peratus berbanding 9.2 peratus sebelum ini," katanya.

Beliau berkata secara bulanan, pertumbuhan industri berorientasikan eksport meningkat 0.2 peratus berbanding Disember 2025.

Dalam pada itu, industri berorientasikan domestik berkembang 6.9 peratus pada Januari 2026 selepas mencatatkan 5.6 peratus pada bulan sebelumnya.

Prestasi ini disokong oleh pertumbuhan dalam pembuatan produk pemprosesan makanan yang meningkat 11.6 peratus pada Januari 2026 berbanding 9.6 peratus pada Disember 2025, selain pembuatan logam asas serta produk logam kecuali mesin dan kelengkapan yang masing-masing berkembang 5.9 peratus.

"Selain itu, industri berorientasikan domestik turut meningkat 1.0 peratus berbanding bulan sebelumnya," katanya.