

RM707b worth of goods, services produced in 2010

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PUTRAJAYA: The country's total production of goods and services for 2010 was RM707.5 billion, generated by 662,939 business establishments, according to the Economic Census Report 2011.

Of these firms, 89.2% or 591,137 were in the services sector, 6% or 39,669 in manufacturing, 3.3% or 22,140 in construction, 1.3% or 8,829 in agriculture, and 0.06% or 418 in mining and quarrying.

The services sector contributed 52.5% or RM371.6 billion while the manufacturing sector accounted for 24.1% or RM170.7 billion with mining and quarrying at 12.6% or RM88.7 billion.

In 2010, there were seven million employees in the main economic sectors, with 52.9% in services, 26% in manufacturing and 14% in construction.

A total of 127,422 or 19.2% of the 662,939 businesses were owned by women. The highest women-owned establishments were in the services sector (91.5%), followed by manufacturing (6.9%) and construction (1.1%).

The census report, which was announced by Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Tan Sri Nor Mohamed Yakcop and is done every five years, contains comprehensive information on the country's growth, structure and economic profile, and will be used by the government, among others, as input for policy formulation in the Malaysia Plan and Economic Transformation Plan.

Input from the census will be used by the Department of Statistics in preparing the input and output table, rebasing of GDP and price indices.