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CAPITAL ACCOUNT STATISTICS 2023

The nation's accumulated economic fixed assets rose by 3.0 per cent to RM5.6 trillion in 2023

PUTRAJAYA, 25th September 2024 – The Gross Capital Stock (GKS), representing the accumulated capital of the country's fixed assets recorded RM5.6 trillion with a growth of 3.0 per cent in 2023. Concurrently, the Net Capital Stock (NKS), which indicates the Malaysia's economic assets, registered RM3.5 trillion reported by the Department of Statistics, Malaysia (DOSM) in today release of **CAPITAL STOCK STATISTICS 2023**. The statistics are compiled and published by kind of economic activity and the type of assets.

According to Chief Statistician Malaysia, Dato' Sri Dr. Mohd Uzir Mahidin, "NKS continued to grow at 2.9 per cent in 2023 as against 2.4 per cent in the previous year in line with the growth of Gross of Fixed Capital Formation (GFCF) which recorded 5.5 per cent this year. This NKS expansion was supported by better growth across all sectors except for Agriculture which grew at a slower pace of 0.4 per cent from 0.6 per cent in 2022."

The NKS by kind of economic activity was largely from the Services sector grew at 3.5 per cent and remained the largest contributor (69.0%) compared to other economic activities, reaching RM2.4 trillion in 2023. Financial, insurance, real estate, and business activities are the largest contributors at 33.1 per cent, followed by Transportation & storage and Information & Communication and Utilities activities, which recorded at 19.3 per cent and 10.5 per cent, respectively.

Furthermore, the Manufacturing sector increased 3.2 per cent and contributed 11.8 per cent to the total NKS with a value of RM408.0 billion. This contribution was dominated by the Petroleum, chemicals, rubber & plastic products at 36.3 per cent which rose at 3.4 per cent compared to 2.9 per cent in the previous year. The Electrical, electronic and optical products contributed 32.9 per cent with a growth of 2.8 per cent (2022: 2.2%). It was followed by the Food, beverages and tobacco that contributed 11.2 per cent, grew 7.0 per cent (2022:6.1%).

NKS for the Mining & quarrying increased marginally by 0.3 per cent from a negative 0.01 per cent the previous year. Construction sector grew at the same rate of 3.4 per cent for both years, while the Agriculture sector grew slower due to the decreasing investment in capitalized planting since 2015.

Dato' Sri Dr. Mohd Uzir Mahidin added, "All types of assets for NKS increased this year compared to 2022. Structure continued to dominate NKS with a contribution of 81.1 per cent, grew by 3.1 per cent in 2023 (2022: 2.7%). Machinery & equipment assets contributed 10.9 per cent, increased 2.8 per cent as against 1.6 per cent in the previous year. Meanwhile, Other assets accounted for 8.0 per cent with a growth of 1.0 per cent in 2023 (2022: 0.8%). Malaysia's asset composition is similar to those of other countries namely Australia, South Korea and Singapore".

In terms of capital intensity, Mining & Quarrying sector the most capital intensive compared to other sector while Agriculture sector remained lower than national capital intensity. The capital intensity ratio measures the amount of capital required relative to the number of employed workers. Generally, high capital intensity indicates that an industry requires a larger amount of assets for each worker.

The Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM) has launched OpenDOSM NextGen as a medium that provides data catalogue and visualisations to facilitate users' analysis and can be accessed through <https://open.dosm.gov.my>.

DOSM is conducting the Agriculture Census 2024. Please visit <https://www.myagricensus.gov.my/> for more information. The theme is "Agriculture Census, Key to Agricultural Development."

The Government of Malaysia has declared National Statistics Day (MyStats Day) on October 20th each year. MyStats Day theme is "Statistics is the Essence of Life". DOSM commemorates its 75th Diamond Jubilee in 2024.

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Chart 1: Annual Percentage Change of Net Capital Stock (NKS) and Gross Fixed Capital Formation (GFCF) at Constant Prices, (2015 = 100), 2018 - 2023

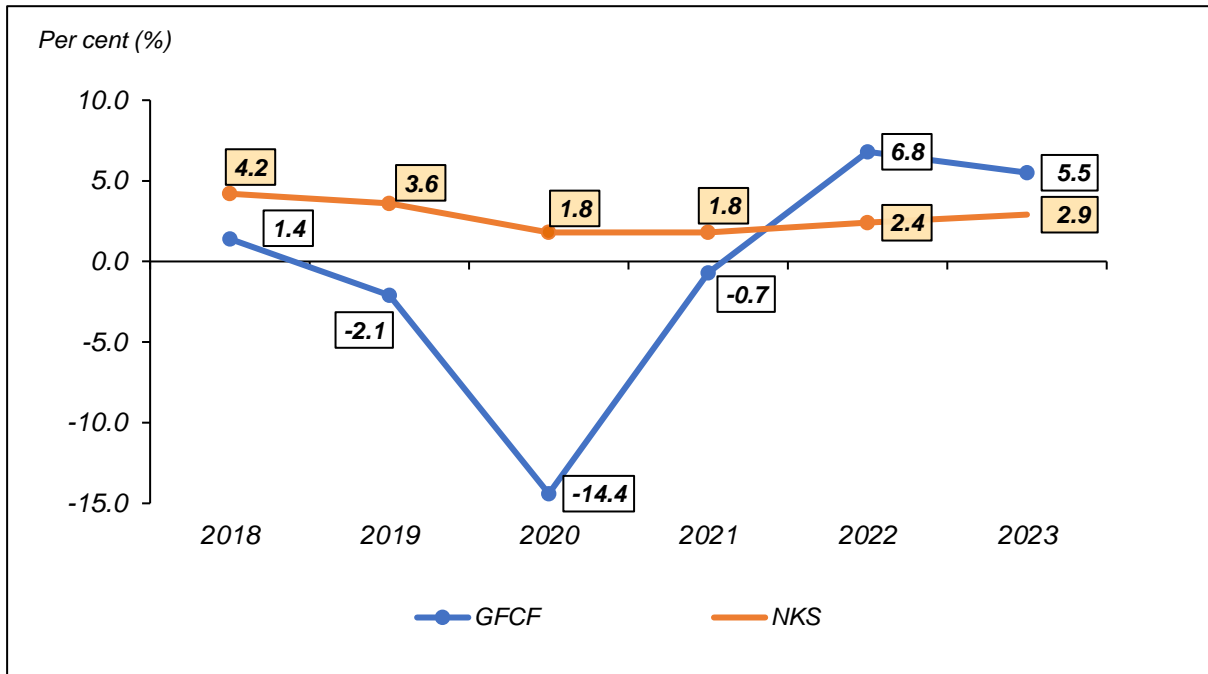
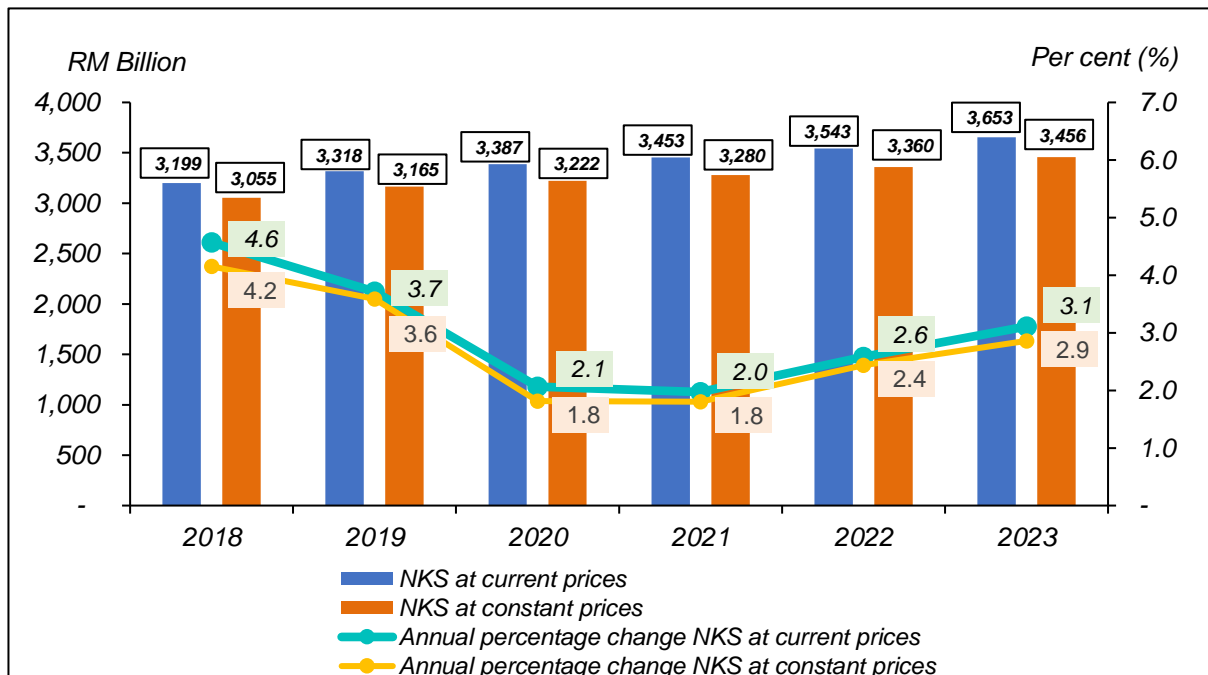


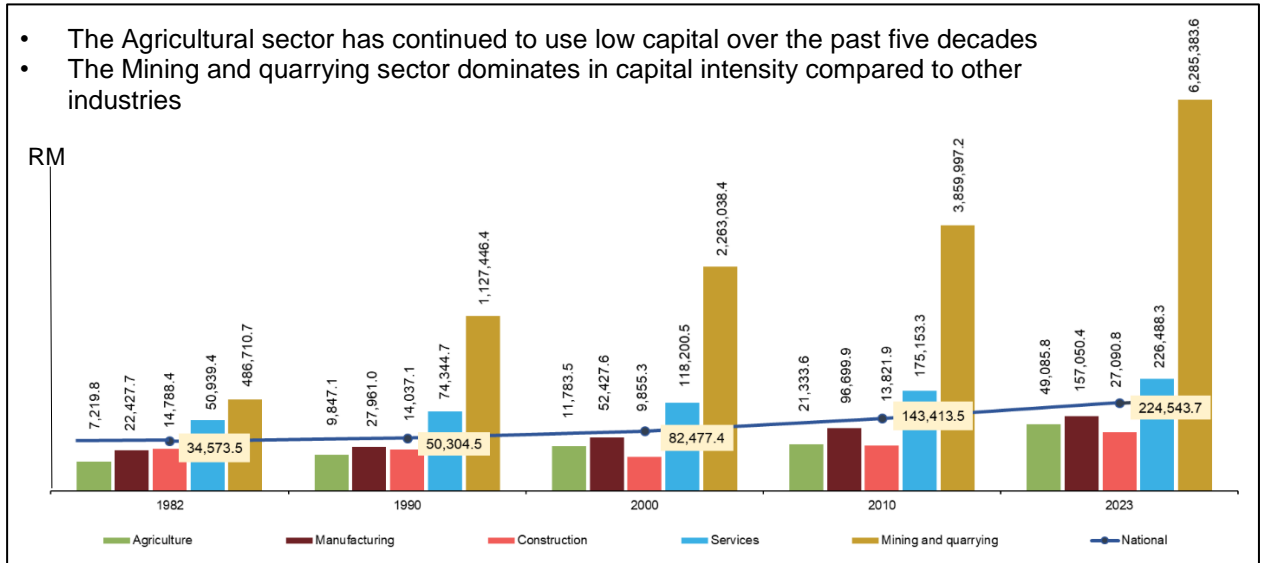
Chart 2: NKS – Value and Annual Percentage Change at Current and Constant Prices (2015 = 100), 2018 - 2023



Notes: Based on Measuring Capital OECD Manual 2001, capital stock estimates provide information about the stock of capital available in an economy at a point in time. Capital stock consists of all fixed assets such as machinery, equipment, building and other structures used by enterprises to provide inputs of capital services into processes of production. It is one of the inputs in the output process that can be used to estimate future potential output. There are three different measures of capital stock: gross, net and productive.

Chart 3: Capital intensity by economic activity

- The Agricultural sector has continued to use low capital over the past five decades
- The Mining and quarrying sector dominates in capital intensity compared to other industries



Note: Capital intensity = Net Capital Stock/ Number of employed workers