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MONTHLY MANUFACTURING STATISTICS, MALAYSIA APRIL 2025

The Manufacturing sector sales increased 4.8 per cent to RM160.6 billion in April 2025

PUTRAJAYA, 11 June 2025 – The sales value of the Manufacturing sector rose 4.8 per cent (March 2025: 3.7%), totalled at RM160.6 billion in April 2025. The Department of Statistics, Malaysia (DOSM) reported today in the release of **Monthly Manufacturing Statistics, Malaysia, April 2025**.

Commenting on the latest Manufacturing sales performance, Dato' Sri Dr. Mohd Uzir Mahidin, Chief Statistician Malaysia said, "The growth in sales value within the Manufacturing sector was mainly contributed by the Food, beverages & tobacco sub-sector, remained to register double-digit growth of 11.1 per cent in April 2025 (March 2025: 11.8%). This was accompanied by steady growth in the Electrical & electronics products and the Non-metallic mineral products, basic metal & fabricated metal products sub-sectors, which expanded by 9.8 per cent (March 2025: 7.4%) and 4.6 per cent (March 2025: 4.0%), respectively. Compared to the previous month, the sales value dropped by 2.3 per cent to RM160.6 billion as against RM164.3 billion recorded in the prior month."

Sales value growth in the export-oriented industries which accounting for 70.3 per cent of total sales, accelerated to 5.3 per cent in April 2025 (March 2025: 4.6%). The expansion was primarily due to the increase in the Manufacture of vegetable & animal oils & fats by 12.7 per cent (March 2025: 14.7%). Meanwhile, the Manufacture of computer, electronics & optical products increased by 10.6 per cent (March 2025: 8.0%), and the Manufacture of machinery and equipment n.e.c. advanced by 7.9 per cent (March 2025: 4.5%). On a month-on-month basis, export-oriented industries declined by 3.2 per cent.

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Likewise, the domestic-oriented industries further expanded by 3.6 per cent in April 2025, following 1.8 per cent rise in March 2025. The performance was supported by strong growth in the Manufacture of food processing products at 10.0 per cent in April 2025 (March 2025: 9.4%), as well as in the Manufacture of basic metals (5.9%) and Manufacture of fabricated metal products, except machinery & equipment (3.7%). On a month-on-month comparison, domestic-oriented industries experienced a slight decline of 0.1 per cent.

Commenting on the number of employees, the Chief Statistician Malaysia stated, "A total of 2.40 million employees were recorded in this sector during April 2025, augmented by 1.2 per cent (March 2025: 1.1%). The augmentation was mainly driven by the Food, beverages & tobacco (1.9%); Non-metallic mineral products, basic metal & fabricated metal products (1.9%); and Electrical & electronics products (1.3%). On a month-onmonth basis, the number of employees in this sector improved 0.5 per cent.

On the same note, the salaries & wages paid in the Manufacturing sector also posted an increase of 2.4 per cent (March 2025: 1.8%), amounted to RM8.3 billion in April 2025. However, the salaries & wages paid contracted by 0.9 per cent compared to RM8.4 billion recorded in the preceding month. Subsequently, the sales value per employee went up to RM66,907 (3.6%), while the average salaries & wages per employee was RM3,460, rose by 1.2 per cent year-on-year."

Throughout the first four months this year (January – April 2025), the sales value of the Manufacturing sector was amounted to RM636.2 billion, increased by 4.2 per cent as compared to the same period of 2024 (January – April 2024: 2.7%). The number of employee uptick by 1.2 per cent to 2.40 million persons, while salaries & wages increased by 1.9 per cent to RM33.6 billion with the sales value per employee stood at RM265,024, grew 3.0 per cent.

ASEAN-Malaysia 2025 Chairmanship: The Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM) will chair the 15th ASEAN Community Statistical System Committee (ACSS15) which aims to strengthen the statistical cooperation towards sustainable regional development.

Malaysia, for the first time, ranked as number one (1) globally in the biennial Open Data Inventory (ODIN) 2024/25 report released by Open Data Watch (ODW), surpassing 198 other countries. This achievement marks a significant leap from its 67th position in the ODIN 2022/23 assessment.

The Government of Malaysia has declared October 20th as National Statistics Day

(MyStats Day), with the theme 'Statistics is the Essence of Life'. Meanwhile, the Fourth World Statistics Day will be celebrated on 20th October 2025, with the theme 'Driving Change with Quality Statistics and Data for Everyone'.

OpenDOSM NextGen is a medium that provides data catalogue and visualisations to facilitate users' analysis and can be accessed through https://open.dosm.gov.my.

Growth (%) RM billion 164.3 160.6 12.0 153.1 160.0 9.1 10.0 120.0 8.0 5.7 6.0 80.0 4.8 4.7 4.5 3.7 3.0 4.0 40.0 2.0 0.0 0.0 Jul. Feb. May Jun. Aug. Sep. Oct. Nov. Dec. Jan. Mar. Apr. Apr. 2024 2025

Sales Value of Manufacturing Sector

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Chart 1: Sales Value of the Manufacturing Sector, Malaysia
April 2024 – April 2025

Chart 2: Growth of Manufacturing Sales Value by Sub-sector, Malaysia, March and April 2025

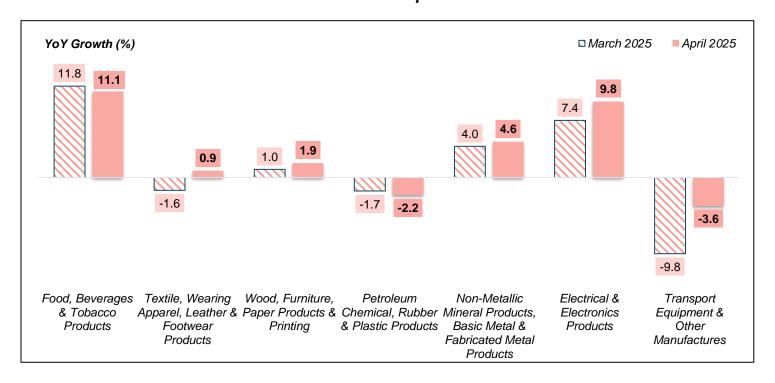


Chart 3: Sales Value of the Export and Domestic-oriented Industries for Manufacturing Sector, Malaysia, April 2024 – April 2025

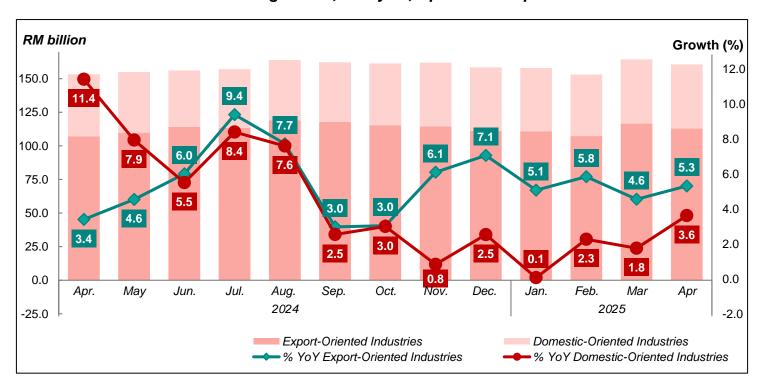
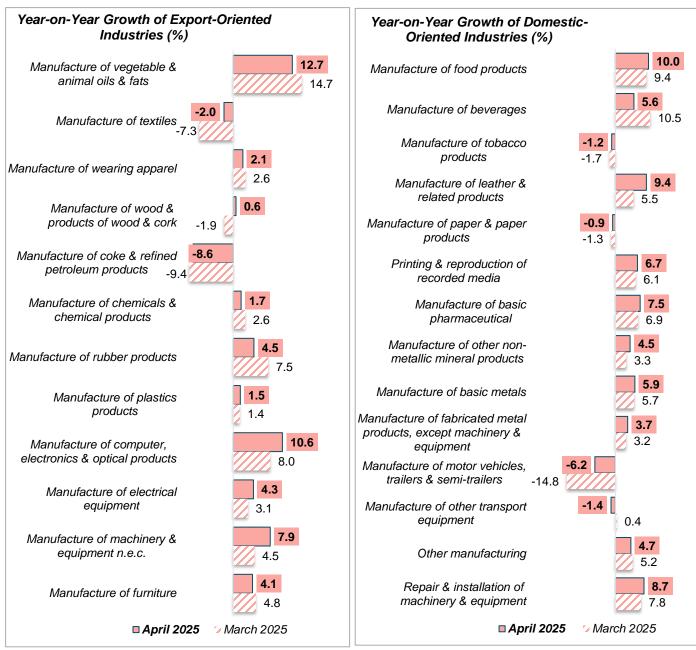


Chart 4: Sales Value of Manufacturing Export and Domestic-Oriented Groups, March and April 2025



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