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### EXTERNAL TRADE INDICES, MALAYSIA, AUGUST 2025

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*The Export Unit Value Index increased 1.0 per cent to 152.9 points in August 2025.*

**PUTRAJAYA, SEPTEMBER 26, 2025** – Malaysia's export unit value index in August 2025 continues to grow by 1.0 per cent from 151.4 points in the previous month to 152.9 points. Meanwhile, import unit value index descended 0.2 per cent from 125.0 points to 124.8 points. Nevertheless, Malaysia's terms of trade grew 1.2 per cent month-on-month from 121.1 points to 122.5 points in August 2025 as reported today in **EXTERNAL TRADE INDICES (2010=100), AUGUST 2025**. This publication presents the unit value index, volume index and terms of trade for 10 commodity sections of merchandise products in accordance with the Standard International Trade Classification (SITC).

Chief Statistician Malaysia, Dato' Sri Dr. Mohd Uzir Mahidin highlighted, the export unit value index rose by 1.0 per cent in August 2025 as compared to the previous month. This growth was primarily driven by the increases in the index of animal & vegetable oils & fats (+2.4%), mineral fuels (+0.9%) and machinery & transport equipment (+0.6%). In contrast, the export volume index fell by 6.9 per cent in line with the decrease in the index of manufactured goods (-12.3%), machinery & transport equipment (-11.5%) and food (-7.4%). The seasonally adjusted export volume index also slipped by 6.9 per cent from 174.9 points to 162.8 points. Referring to the annual comparison, both the exports unit value index and volume index expanded 1.7 per cent and 1.2 per cent respectively.

*The import unit value index declined 0.2 per cent in August 2025, contributed by the decline in the index of mineral fuels (-1.2%), chemicals (-0.4%) and manufactured goods (-0.3%). Furthermore, the import volume index also decreased by 7.8 per cent in August 2025 as compared to the previous month, contributed by the decrement in the index of mineral fuels (-16.4%), miscellaneous manufactured articles (-9.2%) and machinery & transport equipment (-8.8%). The seasonally adjusted import volume index also descended by 7.2 per cent from 221.8 points to 205.8 points. A year-on-year comparison showed that both the import unit value index and volume index edged down by 3.7 per cent and 2.3 per cent respectively.*

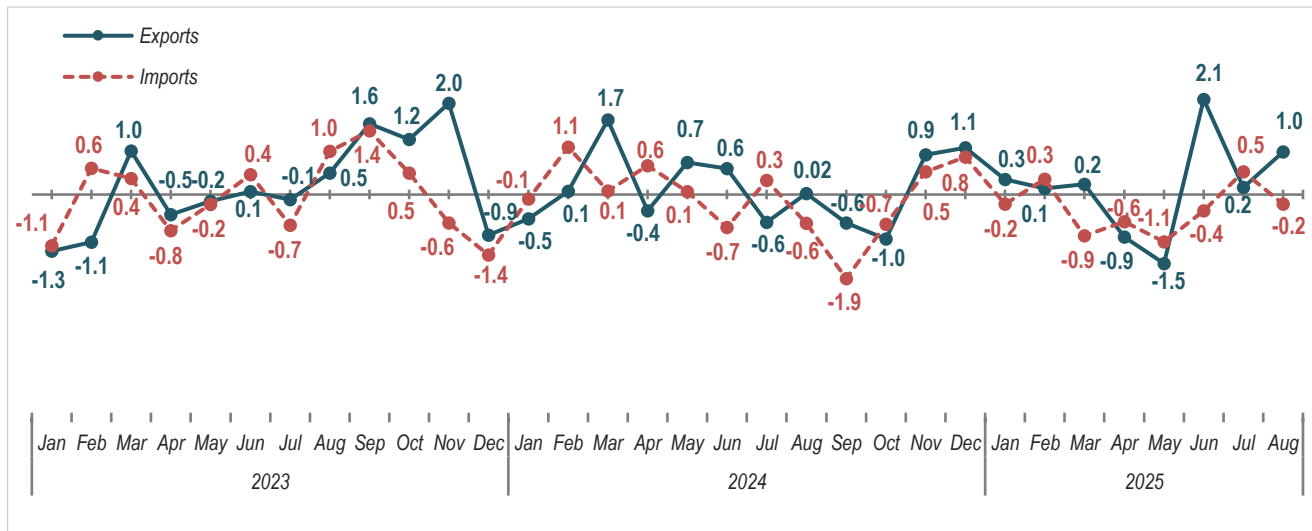
*Malaysia's terms of trade ascended 1.2 per cent month-on-month to 122.5 points in August 2025, driven by the increase in the index of mineral fuels (+2.1%), animal & vegetable oils & fats (+1.3%) and machinery & transport equipment (+0.7%). In addition, Malaysia's terms of trade rose 5.6 per cent year-on-year from 116.0 points in August previous year.*

*ASEAN-Malaysia 2025 Chairmanship: Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM) will chair the 15<sup>th</sup> 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 197 other countries. This achievement marks a significant leap from its 67<sup>th</sup> position in the ODIN 2022/23 assessment.*

*The Government of Malaysia has declared October 20<sup>th</sup> 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 20<sup>th</sup> 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>.*



**Chart 1: Month-on-Month Percentage Change of Export & Import Unit Value Indices  
January 2023 – August 2025**

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