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PRESS STATEMENT
FOR EXPORT IMPORT STATISTICS BY STATE JANUARI 2026

TWO STATES REGISTERED YEAR-ON-YEAR GROWTH EXCEEDING THE NATIONAL EXPORT LEVEL (19.6%), NAMELY PULAU PINANG (51.6%) AND JOHOR (24.3%) IN JANUARY 2026

PUTRAJAYA, 27 FEBRUARY 2026 – Malaysia's total trade for January 2026 amounted to RM272.4 billion with exports and imports recording RM146.9 billion and RM125.5 billion, respectively as reported today in **EXPORT IMPORT STATISTICS BY STATE JANUARY 2026.**

Chief Statistician Malaysia, Dato' Sri Dr. Mohd Uzir Mahidin unveiled that Malaysia's exports in January 2026 reached RM146.9 billion, marking a year-on-year increase of RM24.1 billion (+19.6%). The increase in exports was attributed to the higher exports in Pulau Pinang (+RM22.1 billion), Johor (+RM5.7 billion), W.P. Kuala Lumpur (+RM736.4 million), Perak (+RM373.2 million), Negeri Sembilan (+RM60.5 million) and Perlis (+RM5.7 million). However, exports decreased in Melaka by RM1.5 billion, Kedah (-RM1.5 billion), Terengganu (-RM549.3 million), Pahang (-RM389.8 million), Selangor (-RM339.1 million), Sarawak (-RM293.8 million), W.P. Labuan (-RM212.3 million), Sabah (-RM82.8 million) and Kelantan (-RM51.7 million).

Pulau Pinang remained as the top exporter with a contribution of 44.2 per cent, followed by Johor (19.7%), Selangor (14.2%), Sarawak (6.1%) and W.P. Kuala Lumpur (3.5%).

Elaborating on imports performance, Dato' Sri Dr. Mohd Uzir Mahidin stated that imports in January 2026 increased RM6.3 billion (+5.3%) as compared to the same month in year 2025. The increase in imports was attributed by the higher imports in most states such as Pulau Pinang (+RM3.7 billion), Selangor (+RM2.0 billion), Melaka (+RM1.3 billion), W.P. Kuala Lumpur (+RM846.0 million), Kedah (+RM772.0 million), Perak (+RM236.3 million), Negeri Sembilan (+RM161.1 million), Sarawak (+RM76.2 million) and W.P. Labuan (+RM3.0 million). However, imports decreased in Johor by RM1.8 billion, Pahang (-RM192.5 million),

Sabah (-RM71.5 million), Perlis (-RM41.9 million), Kelantan (-RM26.4 million) and Terengganu (-RM1.5 million).

Pulau Pinang dominates Malaysia's imports with a share of 25.8 per cent, followed by Selangor (25.1%), Johor (21.7%), W.P. Kuala Lumpur (8.7%) and Kedah (5.6%).

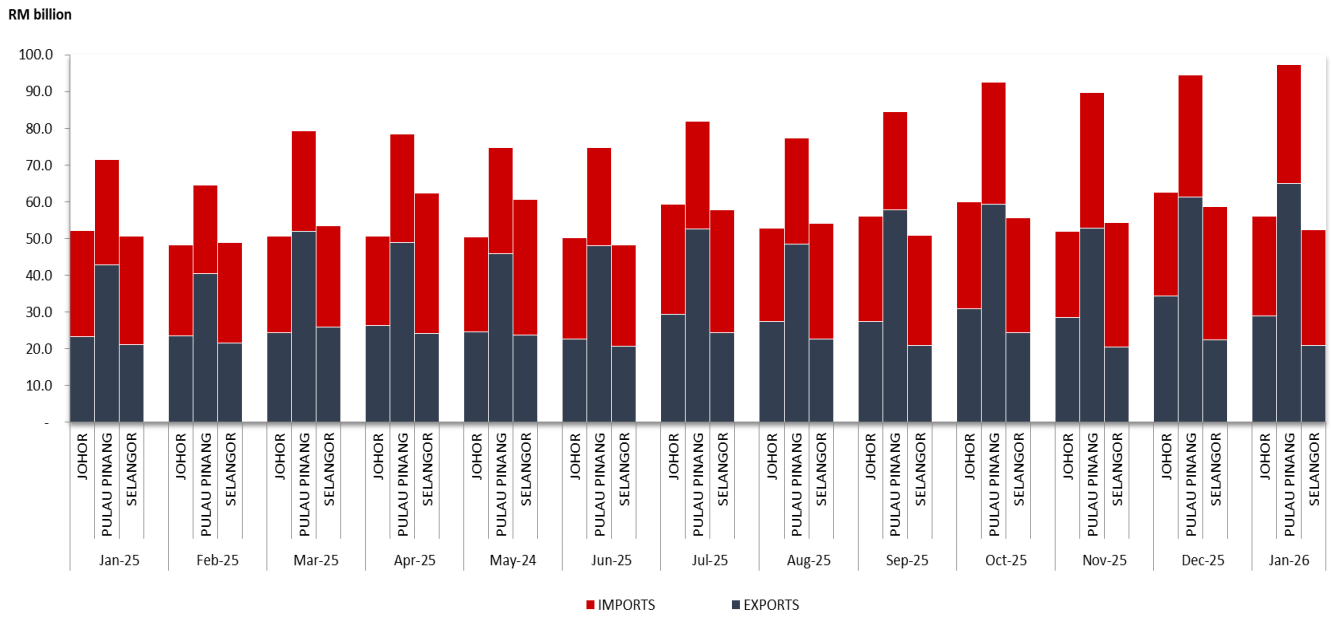
The Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM) is conducting the **Economic Census 2026 (BE2026)**, with themed **"*Data Nadi Ekonomi Rakyat*"**. The sixth Economic Census, will be carried out from **5th January to 31st October 2026**. BE2026 aims to collect comprehensive and structured data from all registered and unregistered business establishments in Malaysia to assess the nation's economic performance, structure and characteristics in an evidence-based manner.

Malaysia has, for the first time, successfully secured the **top position** 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 67th position in the ODIN 2022/23 assessment.

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.

TaniStats 2.0 is a centralised agricultural information hub that provides informative, structured and user-friendly statistical dashboards to strengthen public understanding of patterns and changes in the agricultural sector, thus supporting digital transformation initiatives towards more inclusive and evidence-based policies. Access TaniStats at http://tanistats.dosm.gov.my.

Chart 1: Exports and Imports in Johor, Pulau Pinang and Selangor, January 2025 – January 2026 (RM Billion)





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