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AGRICULTURE CENSUS 2024 REPORT: NEGERI MELAKA

RM5.34 billion Revenue Keeps Melaka Agriculture Strong and Food-Secure

AYER KEROH, 16 APRIL 2026 – The Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM) has released the Agriculture Census 2024 Report for Melaka, introducing new parameters for the agriculture sector, including income, expenditure and salaries and wages for the reference year 2023. The report also provides the latest parameters on agricultural holdings, planted and harvested areas, production and sales quantities, sales value, and employment.

These findings are derived from the Agriculture Census 2024, conducted from 7th July 2024 to 31st October 2024 through extensive and strategic collaboration between DOSM and 1,390 agriculture-related agencies at the federal, state, and district levels. Key ministries and agencies involved include the Ministry of Agriculture and Food Security (KPKM), the Ministry of Plantation and Commodities (KPK), the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Sustainability (NRES), the Sarawak Ministry of Food Industry, Commodity and Regional Development (M-FICORD) and the Sabah Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food Industry (MAFFI). Cooperation at the state level involves Melaka Agriculture Department, Melaka State Department of Fisheries, Melaka State Department of Veterinary Services and Melaka State Fisheries Development Authority.

Melaka recorded 13,820 agricultural holdings, of which 13,018 were individual, representing 94.2 per cent of the total. Meanwhile, the remaining 802 agricultural holdings were managed by establishments. The updated profile also indicates 12,474 crop subsector agricultural holdings of which 11,808 are individual. In addition, 989 agricultural holdings individuals are involved in livestock subsector, 762 captured fisheries subsector, 141 in aquaculture subsector and one individual in forestry & logging subsector.

The reported total planted area in Melaka is 78.0 thousand hectares. The main crop is oil palm, covering 55.7 thousand hectares, followed by rubber (9.0 thousand hectares) and fruits (8.1 thousand hectares). These three (3) activities contribute a total of 93.3 per cent of the total planted area, while the remaining crops account for 5.1 thousand hectares.

The Agriculture Census 2024 also recorded that the total sales value for the crop subsector for Melaka amounted to RM1.56 billion, livestock subsector RM2.32 billion, captured fisheries subsector RM44.74 million, aquaculture subsector RM40.70 million and logging & forestry subsector recorded a sales value of RM449.87 thousand.

Income Performance

The total income of the agriculture sector for Melaka in 2023 amounted to RM5.34 billion, with the livestock subsector emerged as the largest contributor at RM3.42 billion (64.0%), followed by the crops subsector RM1.83 billion (34.0%), captured fisheries at RM46.66 million (0.87%), aquaculture at RM40.77 million (0.8%) and forestry & logging at RM449.87 thousand (0.01%).

Agricultural holdings operated by establishments contributed RM4.76 billion, equivalent to 89.1 per cent of Melaka's total agriculture sector income, while individual holdings recorded RM574.96 million (10.9%). A similar pattern was observed in four (4) subsectors: crop, livestock, aquaculture and forestry & logging. Establishment holdings generated higher income of RM1.35 billion (73.8%) in crop subsector, RM3.37 billion (98.5%) in livestock subsector, RM36.46 million (89.4%) in aquaculture subsector and RM442.87 thousand (98.4%) in forestry & logging subsector as compared to RM478.38 million (26.6%), RM46.16 million (1.5%), RM4.31 million (10.6%) and RM7,000.00 (1.6%), respectively, from individual holdings. Conversely,

income in the captured fisheries subsector's individual holdings accounted for RM46.10 million (98.8%) while establishment holdings contributed RM557.38 thousand (1.2%).

At administrative district level, Jasin recorded the highest income at RM3.09 billion, followed by Alor Gajah (RM1.89 billion) and Melaka Tengah (RM353.71 million). At subsector level, Jasin, Alor Gajah and Melaka Tengah recorded crop subsector income of RM819.93 million, RM791.76 million and RM217.91 million respectively. For the livestock subsector, Jasin recorded the highest income at RM2.25 billion, followed by Alor Gajah (RM1.06 billion) and Melaka Tengah (RM0.11 billion). In the captured fisheries subsector, Melaka Tengah recorded the highest income at RM21.11 million, followed by Alor Gajah (RM15.19 million) and Jasin (RM10.35 million). The highest aquaculture subsector income was recorded in Alor Gajah (RM24.41 million), followed by Melaka Tengah (RM8.28 million) and Jasin (RM8.08 million). As for the forestry & logging subsector, Melaka Tengah recorded the highest income at RM442.87 thousand, followed by Alor Gajah at RM7,000.00, while no income for forestry & logging subsector's was recorded in Jasin.

Expenditure

The total expenditure of the agricultural sector for Melaka in 2023 amounted to RM2.42 billion, with the livestock subsector recorded the highest expenditure, amounting to RM1.83 billion (75.6%), followed by the crops subsector RM0.56 billion (23.1%), captured fisheries RM18.19 million (0.8%), aquaculture RM9.93 million (0.4%) and forestry & logging RM302.55 thousand (0.01%).

Agricultural holdings operated by establishments contributed RM2.20 billion equivalent to 90.9 per cent of Melaka's total agriculture sector expenditure, while individual holdings recorded RM215.97 million (9.1%). A similar pattern was observed in four (4) subsectors: crop, livestock, aquaculture and forestry & logging. Establishment holdings incurred higher expenditure of RM393.59 million (69.6%), in crop subsector, RM1.80 billion (98.6%) in livestock subsector, RM8.81 million (88.7%), in aquaculture subsector and RM302.27 thousand (99.9 %) in forestry & logging subsector as compared to RM170.68 million (30.4%), RM1.80 billion (98.6%), RM1.12 million (11.3%) and RM280.00 (0.1%), respectively, from individual holdings. Conversely, expenditure incurred in the captured fisheries subsector's individual

holdings accounted for RM17.97 million (98.8%) while establishment holdings contributed RM220.95 thousand (1.2%).

At administrative district level, Jasin recorded total expenditure amounting to RM1.28 billion, followed by Alor Gajah (RM1.04 billion) and Melaka Tengah (RM97.05 million). By subsector, Jasin recorded the highest expenditure in the crop subsector at RM257.00 million, followed by Alor Gajah (RM238.93 million) and Melaka Tengah (RM68.35 million). As for the livestock subsector, Jasin recorded the highest expenditure at RM1.02 billion, followed by Alor Gajah (RM790.18 million) and Melaka Tengah (RM18.95 million). In the captured fisheries subsector, Melaka Tengah recorded the highest expenditure at RM8.35 million, followed by Alor Gajah RM5.90 million and Jasin (RM3.94 million). The highest aquaculture subsector expenditure was recorded in Alor Gajah (RM5.66 million), followed by Jasin (RM3.19 million) and Melaka Tengah (RM1.09 million). For the forestry & logging subsector, Melaka Tengah recorded the highest expenditure at RM302.27 thousand, followed by Alor Gajah (RM280.00), meanwhile Jasin recorded no income in this subsector.

Employment and Salaries & Wages

Employment in the agricultural sector in the Melaka recorded a total of 19,542 persons in 2023, with the highest contribution was recorded in Jasin (8,756 persons), followed by Alor Gajah (6,795 persons) and Melaka Tengah (3,991 persons). The crop subsector was the largest contributor to employment, accounting for 12,597 persons.

The average annual salaries and wages in the agricultural sector amounted to RM23,226, with Jasin being the only administrative district exceeding the state average at RM24,749.

Moving Forward

Based on the Agriculture Census 2024, DOSM has also developed the Agricultural Statistics Digital Gateway (TaniStats 2.0), which was officiated by the Chief Secretary to the Government, Tan Sri Shamsul Azri Abu Bakar, on 7 December 2025. This initiative represents a strategic step in transforming the nation's agricultural data management through the development of an integrated smart platform that

consolidates census results, administrative data and supply chain information into a comprehensive digital ecosystem.

The agricultural sector continues to play an important role as a driver of Melaka's socioeconomic development. In addition to contributing significantly to the state's income through the crop and livestock subsectors, the sector also plays a role in ensuring food security, supporting the agro-processing value chain, providing employment opportunities and increasing household income, particularly among agricultural operators at the district and local community levels.

The implementation of the Agricultural Census 2024 has provided comprehensive and detailed agricultural statistics down to the district and subsector levels. The availability of such granular data enables more targeted and impactful planning, monitoring, and implementation of agricultural development interventions. Overall, the findings of the census serve as a key foundation in supporting evidence-based decision-making by the state government and relevant stakeholders, while also strengthening the resilience and sustainability of the Melaka's agricultural sector in facing future challenges.

The Agriculture Census is conducted once every ten years to ensure that the data remains relevant and reflective of the structure of the national agriculture sector.

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 November 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 agriculture sector, thus supporting digital transformation initiatives towards more inclusive and evidence-based policies. Access TaniStats at <https://tanistats.dosm.gov.my>.

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TABLE 1: INCOME OF THREE MAIN ACTIVITIES BY ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT, MELAKA, 2023

ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT	TOTAL INCOME (RM Million)	MAIN ACTIVITY	INCOME FROM MAIN ACTIVITY (RM Million)	SECONDARY ACTIVITY	INCOME FROM SECOND ACTIVITY (RM Million)	THIRD ACTIVITY	INCOME FROM THIRD ACTIVITY (RM Million)
Alor Gajah	1,890.86	Livestock	1,059.49	Oil palm	482.50	Fruits	223.54
Jasin	3,091.74	Livestock	2,253.38	Oil palm	573.28	Fruits	169.93
Melaka Tengah	353.71	Livestock	105.96	Oil palm	94.70	Fruits	79.74

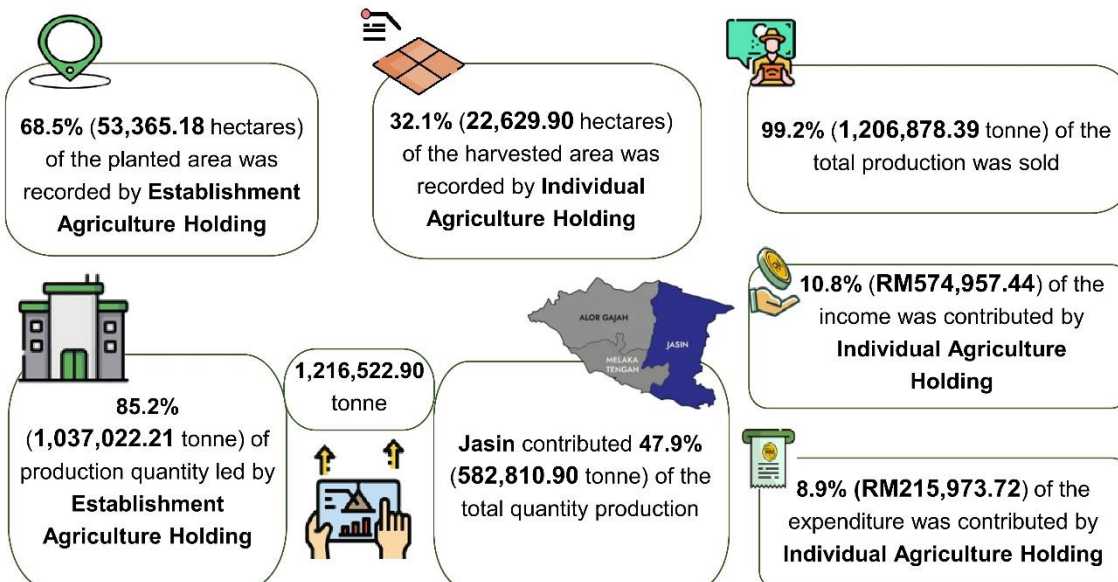
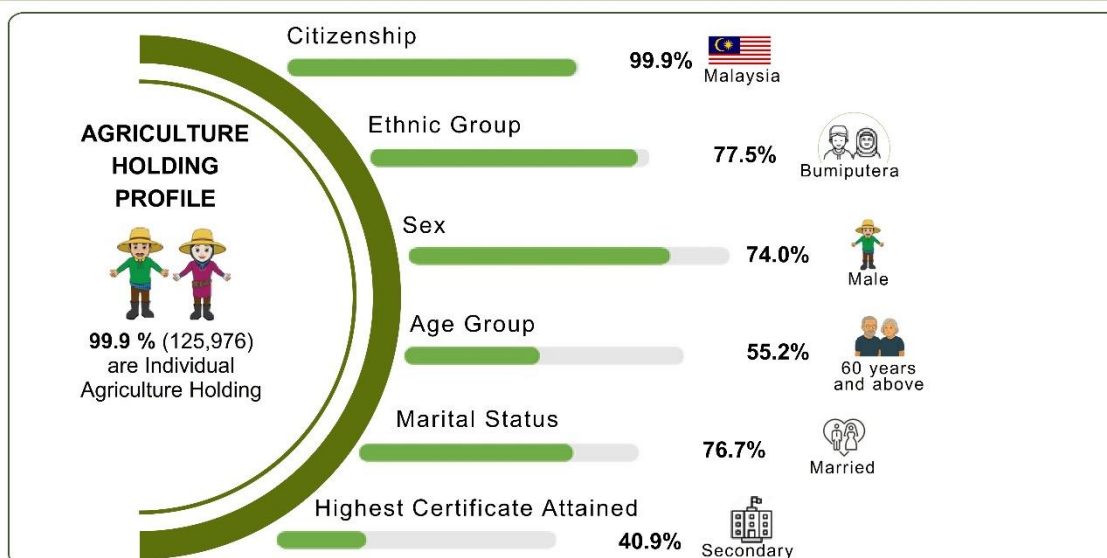
TABLE 2: EXPENDITURE OF THREE MAIN ACTIVITIES BY ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT, MELAKA, 2023

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Alor Gajah	1,040.67	Livestock	790.18	Oil palm	139.29	Fruits	66.69
Jasin	1,283.36	Livestock	1,019.23	Oil palm	164.23	Fruits	63.42
Melaka Tengah	97.05	Oil palm	27.27	Fruits	25.08	Livestock	18.95

EXHIBIT 1: HIGHLIGHTS OF AGRICULTURE SECTOR, MELAKA, 2023



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Source: Agriculture Census 2024

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