**MINISTRY OF ECONOMY**
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# MEDIA STATEMENT

## EXTERNAL TRADE INDICES, MALAYSIA APRIL 2026

***The Export Unit Value Index increased by 2.5 per cent in April 2026, contributed mainly by an increase in the Mineral Fuels index.***

***PUTRAJAYA, May 26, 2026 –*** *Malaysia's export unit value index in April 2026 increased by 2.5 per cent from 155.3 points in the previous month to 159.2 points. Import unit value index also increased by 6.7 per cent from 124.8 points to 133.1 points. In the meantime, Malaysia's terms of trade decreased 3.9 per cent month-on-month from 124.4 points to 119.6 points in April 2026 as reported in the* ***External Trade Indices (2010=100), April 2026*** *released today****.*** *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 increased by 2.5 per cent in April 2026, attributed to increases in the index of mineral fuels (+9.7%), animal & vegetable oils & fats (+4.1%) and machinery & transport equipment (+0.4%). The export volume index also rose by 19.9 per cent in line with increases in the indices of chemicals (+35.0%), mineral fuels (+22.4%) and machinery & transport equipment (+21.0%). Meanwhile seasonally adjusted export volume index increased by 20.4 per cent from 180.1 points to 216.8 points. Referring to the annual comparison, both the exports unit value index and the volume index expanded by 5.9 per cent and 29.3 per cent respectively.*

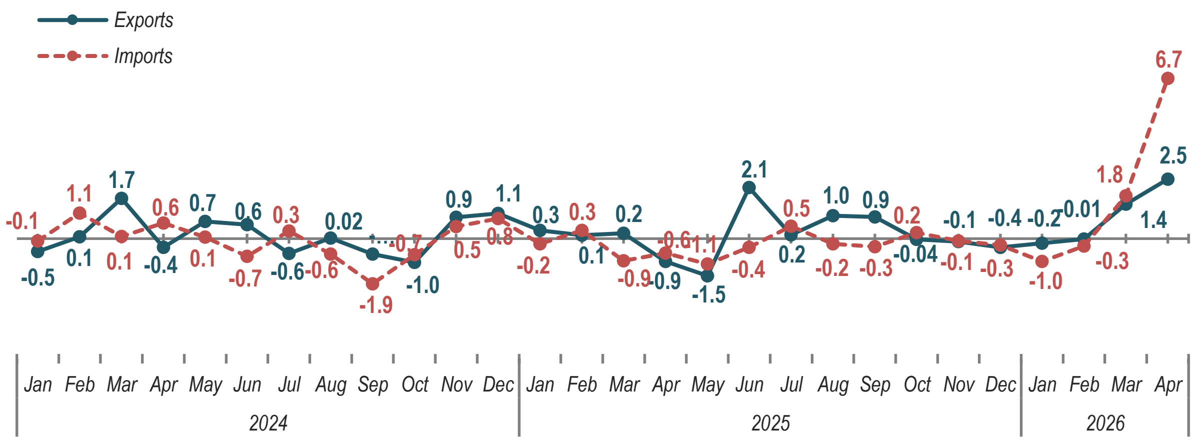
*The import unit value index also increased by 6.7 per cent in April 2026, resulting from the increases in the indices of mineral fuels (+52.8%), animal & vegetable oils & fats (+2.6%) and chemicals (+0.4%). Meanwhile, the import volume index also increased by 16.1 per cent in April 2026 as compared to the previous month, driven by the increases in the indices of mineral of fuels (+41.2%), manufactured goods (+23.0%) and machinery & transport equipment (+13.7%). The seasonally adjusted import volume index increased by 14.2 per cent from 162.6 points to 185.7 points. A year-on-year comparison showed that the import unit value index increased by 5.5 per cent, while volume index edged up by 13.7 per cent.*

*Malaysia's terms of trade declined by 3.9 per cent month-on-month to 119.6 points in April 2026, due to a decrease in the index of mineral fuels (-28.2%). Meanwhile, Malaysia terms of trade increased by 0.3 per cent year-on-year from 119.1 points in April previous year.*

*The Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM) is conducting the Economic Census 2026 (BE2026), themed "Data Nadi Ekonomi Rakyat". The sixth Economic Census, running from 5th January to 31st October 2026. BE2026 aims to collect comprehensive, 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.*

*Open DOSM NextGen is a medium that provides data catalogue and visualisations to facilitate users' analysis and can be accessed through [https://open.dosm.gov.my](https://open.dosm.gov.my).*

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