

MEDIA STATEMENT INDEX OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION MALAYSIA FEBRUARY 2024

The Industrial Production Index grew by 3.1 per cent in February 2024, induced by positive momentum in all sectors

PUTRAJAYA, 8 April 2024 - The Industrial Production Index grew by 3.1 per cent year-on-year in February 2024, induced by positive momentum in all sectors. The Department of Statistics, Malaysia (DOSM) reported today in the release of the **Industrial Production Index (IPI), Malaysia, February 2024**. This publication presents IPI statistics, consisting of three sectors namely Mining, Manufacturing and Electricity.

According to the Chief Statistician Malaysia, Dato' Sri Dr. Mohd Uzir Mahidin, "The IPI grew modestly by 3.1 per cent in February 2024 after registering an increase of 4.3 per cent in the preceding month. The moderation was primarily attributed to the slower output growth in the Manufacturing sector, which grew by 1.2 per cent as compared to 3.7 per cent in January 2024. Nevertheless, the Mining and Electricity sectors accelerated further by 8.1 per cent (January 2024: 5.0%) and 10.9 per cent (January 2024: 8.3%) respectively. In comparison with the preceding month, the IPI declined by 6.3 per cent, in contrast to the positive 2.0 per cent recorded in the previous month."

The Chief Statistician further commented, "The rise of 1.2 per cent in the Manufacturing output in February 2024 was supported by domestic-oriented industries, which expanded by 3.8 per cent (January 2024: 8.0%). The expansion in domestic-oriented industries was primarily driven by the Manufacture of fabricated metal products, except machinery & equipment, which registered an increase of 8.4 per cent; followed by the Manufacture of other non-metallic mineral products (5.1%); and the Manufacture of motor vehicles, trailers & semi-trailers, at 2.9 per cent. In comparison with the preceding month, the domestic-oriented industries turned downward to the negative 7.5 per cent as opposed to the increase of 4.9 per cent in January 2024.

In the meantime, the export-oriented industries returned to negative territory with a mild contraction of 0.1 per cent in February 2024 as against the positive growth of 1.6 per cent recorded in the previous month. The contraction was mainly due to the decrease in the Manufacture of vegetable & animal oils & fats (-13.5%); the Manufacture of chemicals & chemical products (-2.8%); and the Manufacture of electrical equipment (-2.2%). This was consistent with the country's export performance, which registered a downturn of negative 0.8 per cent in February 2024 after experiencing positive growth in the preceding month. In a month-on-month comparison, the export-oriented industries slipped by 5.7 per cent after recording a slight growth of 0.2 per cent in January 2024."

Dato' Sri Dr. Mohd Uzir Mahidin also added, "The expansion of 8.1 per cent in the Mining sector in February 2024 was steered by double-digit growth of 11.9 per cent in Natural Gas production (January 2024: 6.6%) while the Crude Oil & Condensate output remained with a steadfast growth of 2.5 per cent (January 2024: 2.6%). As compared to January 2024, the Mining index decreased by 6.9 per cent as against the positive 3.1 per cent registered in the previous month."

The generation of Electricity accelerated at a faster pace of 10.9 per cent in February 2024 as compared to 8.3 per cent in the preceding month. On the contrary, the Electricity sector declined by 4.5 per cent month-on-month after marking a positive growth of 2.0 per cent in January 2024.

On a global scale, the IPI for several other countries showed a declining trend in February 2024, including Vietnam, Japan, Thailand, Taiwan, and the United States. Additionally, South Korea experienced moderated growth in February 2024, despite sustaining positive momentum since August 2023.

Concluding his statement on the IPI performance for the first two months of 2024, the Chief Statistician said, "The IPI expanded by 3.7 per cent as compared to 2.4 per cent recorded in the same period of the previous year. During the period, all sectors posted positive growth namely the Mining index (6.5%); Manufacturing index (2.5%); and Electricity index (9.5%)."

The Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM) has launched OpenDOSM NextGen as a medium that provides a catalog of data and visualisations to facilitate users' analysis of various data and can be accessed through https://open.dosm.gov.my.

DOSM will conduct the Agricultural Census in 2024. Please visit https://www.myagricensus.gov.my/ for more information. The theme is "Agriculture Census, Key to Agricultural Development."

The Government of Malaysia has declared National Statistics Day (MyStats Day) on October 20th each year. MyStats Day theme is "Statistics is the Essence of Life".

Chart 1: Industrial Production Index, Malaysia, February 2023 – February 2024

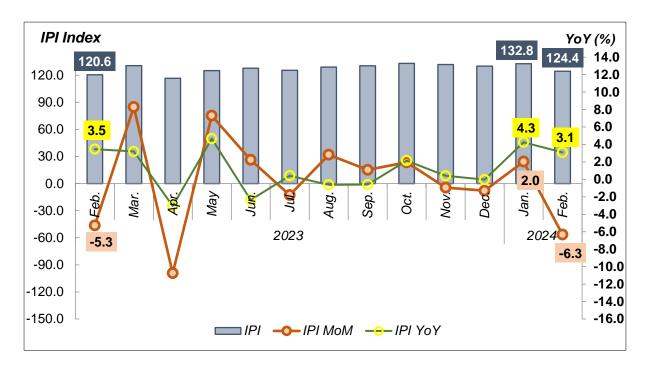


Chart 2: Industrial Production Index and Its Components, Malaysia February 2023 – February 2024

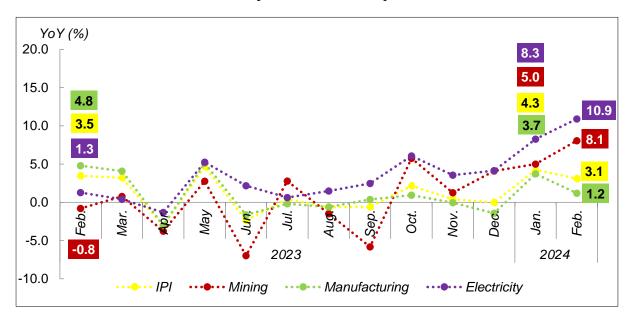


Chart 3: Manufacturing Index Growth by Subsector, Malaysia, January 2024 and February 2024

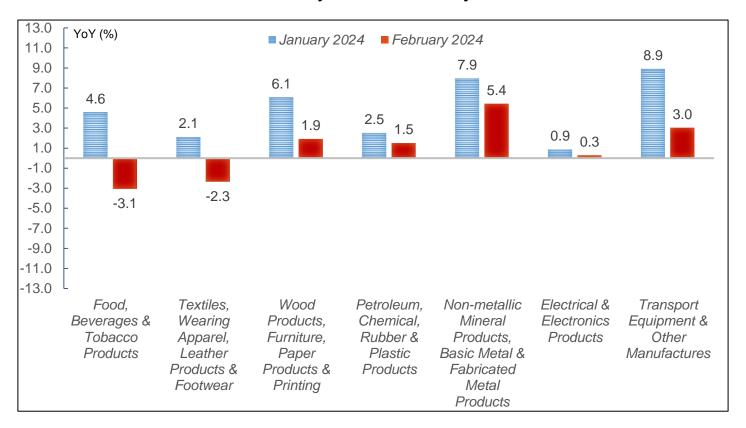


Chart 4: Manufacturing Index by Export and Domestic Oriented Industries, Malaysia, February 2023 – February 2024

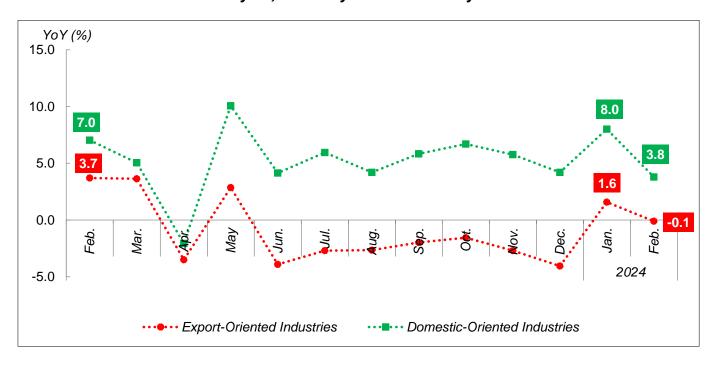


Chart 5: Manufacturing Export-Oriented by Group, Malaysia, January 2024 and February 2024

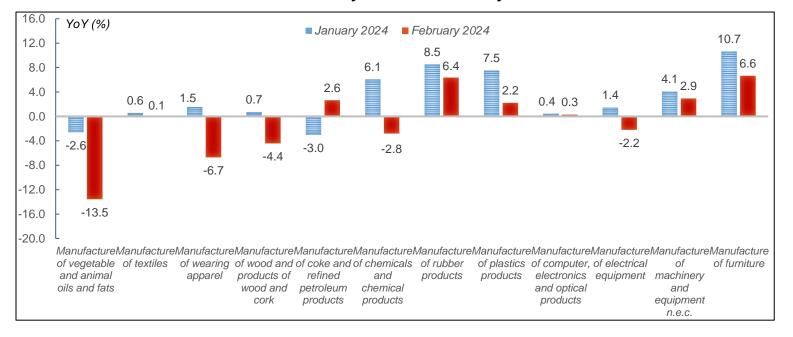
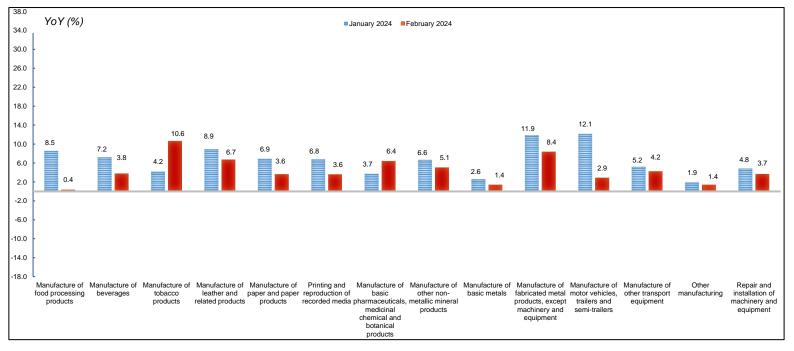


Chart 6: Manufacturing Domestic-Oriented by Group, Malaysia, January 2024 and February 2024



Released by:

THE OFFICE OF CHIEF STATISTICIAN MALAYSIA DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS MALAYSIA 8 APRIL 2024