

PRESS STATEMENT FOR MALAYSIA EXTERNAL TRADE STATISTICS BY STATE 2024

STRONG EXPANSION OF EXPORTS WAS UNDERPINNED BY ELECTRONIC INTEGRATED CIRCUITS PRODUCTS WORTH RM298.9 BILLION MAINLY IN PULAU PINANG AND SELANGOR IN 2023

PUTRAJAYA, 12 June 2024 – The Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM) reported today on the release of MALAYSIA EXTERNAL TRADE STATISTICS BY STATE 2024 for reference year 2023 which highlighted Malaysia's total trade in 2023 amounted to RM2.6 trillion with exports of RM1.4 trillion and imports worth RM1.2 trillion. Five (5) states namely Pulau Pinang, Selangor, Johor, W.P. Kuala Lumpur and Sarawak contributed 80.9 per cent from total trade in 2023.

Commenting on the overall performance for 2023, Chief Statistician Malaysia, Dato' Sri Dr. Mohd Uzir Mahidin said exports valued at RM1.4 trillion in 2023, dropped 8.0 per cent as compared to the previous year. Lower exports were recorded in most states such as Johor (-RM31.9 billion), Selangor (-RM21.2 billion), Sarawak (-RM20.3 billion), Pulau Pinang (-RM20.2 billion), Sabah (-RM17.8 billion), W.P. Labuan (-RM7.5 billion), Perak (-RM5.1 billion), Pahang (-RM3.0 billion), Melaka (-RM2.4 billion), Terengganu (-RM1.7 billion) and Perlis (-RM134.1 million). However, exports increased in Kedah (+RM6.2 billion), W.P. Kuala Lumpur (+RM418.7 million), Negeri Sembilan (+RM369.4 million) and Kelantan (+RM354.6 million).

Pulau Pinang remained as the top exporter with a share of 31.4 per cent, followed by Johor (20.3%), Selangor (17.7%), Sarawak (7.8%) and W.P. Kuala Lumpur (4.6%). Strong expansion of exports was underpinned by electronic integrated circuits products mainly in

Pulau Pinang and Selangor. Meanwhile, refined petroleum products were the main contributors of exports in Johor while liquefied natural gas (LNG) was the main contributor of exports in Sarawak.

Looking at the performance of imports by state, Dato' Sri Dr. Mohd Uzir Mahidin said imports in 2023 registered a decrease of 6.4 per cent or RM82.3 billion as compared to the previous year. The decrease in imports was led by lower imports by most states namely Pulau Pinang (-RM43.8 billion), Johor (-RM13.9 billion), Selangor (-RM9.9 billion), Kedah (-RM7.8 billion), Negeri Sembilan (-RM4.5 billion), Sarawak (-RM3.3 billion), Perak (-RM2.7 billion), W.P. Labuan (-RM1.3 billion), Melaka (-RM923.3 million) and Perlis (-RM132.8 million). However, imports increased in W.P. Kuala Lumpur (+RM5.1 billion), Pahang (+RM1.9 billion), Terengganu (+RM1.0 billion), Kelantan (+RM246.3 million) and Sabah (+RM209.3 million).

Selangor remained as the largest contributor of imports with a share of 26.6 per cent, followed by Johor (22.4%), Pulau Pinang (20.7%), W.P. Kuala Lumpur (7.6%) and Kedah (5.4%). Higher imports recorded in Selangor and Johor was contributed by refined petroleum products. In addition, electronic integrated circuits were the main contributors of imports in Pulau Pinang and Kedah. Meanwhile, telecommunication equipment, parts and accessories were the main import commodity in W.P. Kuala Lumpur.

This publication contains statistics of Malaysia's External Trade (merchandise) on imports and exports at the state level with the rest of the world from 2018 to 2023. In addition, this publication provides detailed statistics for each state according to major / selected commodities, country of origin and destination from 2021 to 2023.

Malaysia External Trade Statistics by State 2024 aims to provide detailed statistics at the state level to the stakeholders. These comprehensive statistics are generated from the Trade Enterprise Characteristics (TEC) module which is one of the Department's initiatives under the Statistics Big Data Analytics (STATSBDA). TEC integrates two different statistics domains: the international merchandise trade database and Malaysia Statistical Business

Register (MSBR). These statistics provide imperative information to policymakers to formulate strategic planning for states involved in international trade.

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". DOSM commemorates its 75th Diamond Jubilee in 2024.

Exhibit 1: Malaysia External Trade Statistics by State, 2023

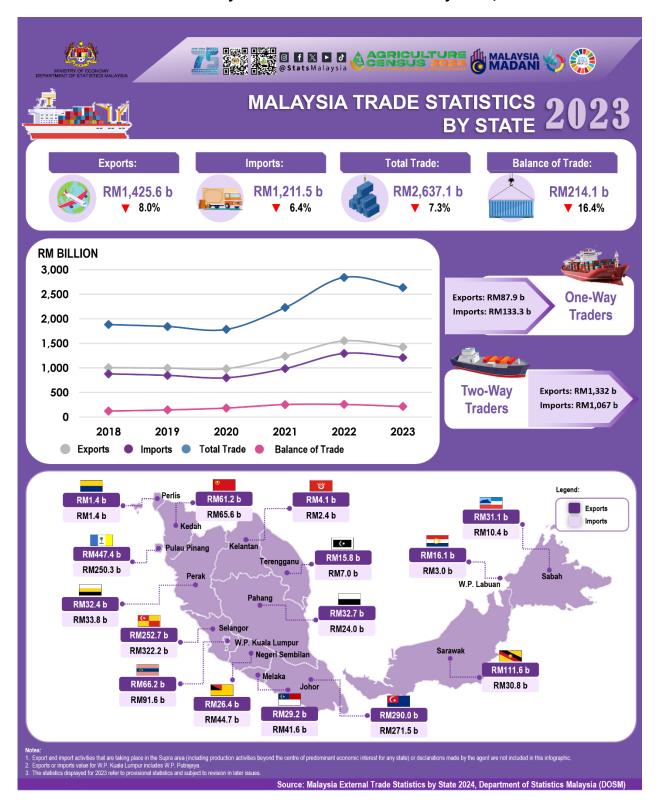


Exhibit 2: Top 3 Export and Import Products by State, 2023



Source: Malaysia External Trade Statistics by State 2024, Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM)

Exhibit 3: Top 3 Export Destinations and Import Sources by State, 2023



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