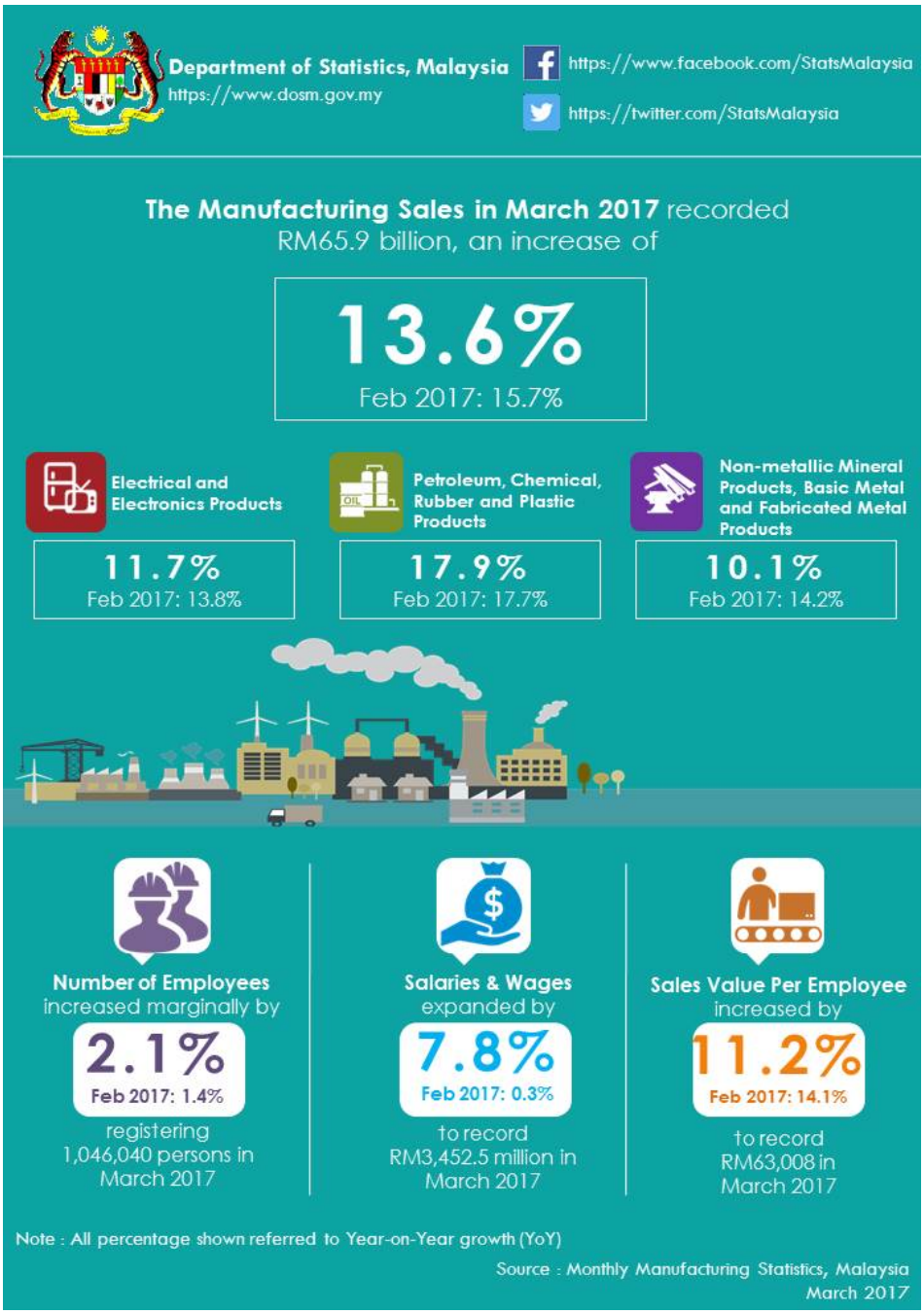
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HIGHLIGHTS

Manufacturing Sales registered RM65.9 billion in March 2017

Malaysia's March manufacturing sales recorded a strong growth of **13.6% (RM7.9 billion)**, rising to **RM65.9 billion** as compared to RM58.0 billion reported a year ago.

Year-on-year, the significant increase in sales value in March 2017 was due to the increase in Electrical and Electronics Products (**11.7%**) Petroleum, Chemical, Rubber and Plastic Products (**17.9%**) and Non-metallic Mineral Products, Basic Metal and Fabricated Metal (**10.1%**). These three sub-sectors contributed 80.0% to the sales value of the manufacturing sector.

Total employees engaged in the Manufacturing sector in March 2017 was **1,046,040 persons**, an increase of **2.1%** or 21,865 persons as compared to 1,024,175 persons in March 2016.

Salaries & wages paid in March 2017 increased by **7.8% (RM248.4 million)** to record **RM3,452.5 million**.

Sales value per employee increased by **11.2%** to record **RM63,008** as compared with the same month of the previous year.

***Notes:**

Data for March 2017 is **provisional**. The data will be updated based on the latest available figures and subsequently published in the April 2017 publication.

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