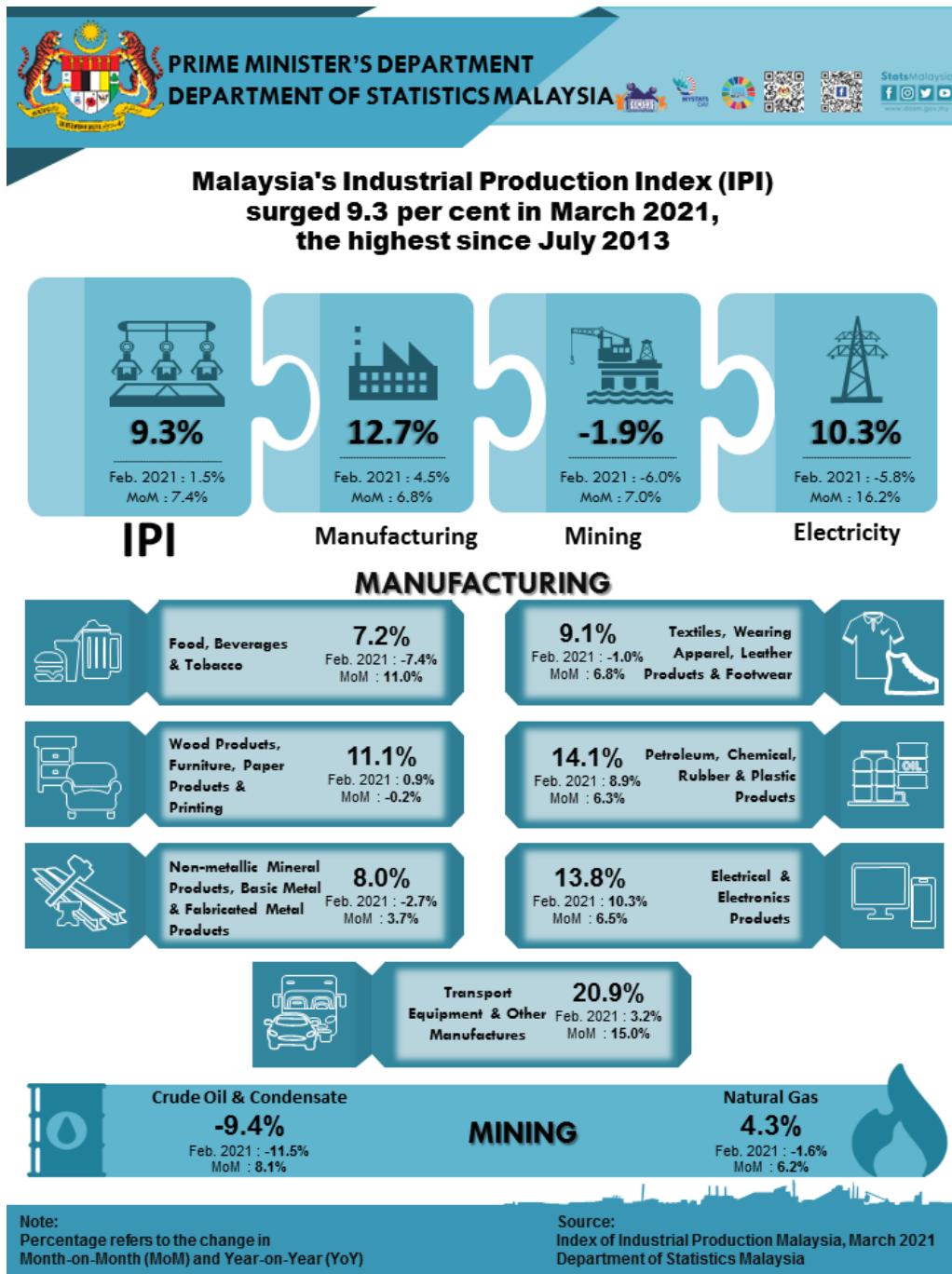




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INDEX OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION, MALAYSIA MARCH 2021



Malaysia's Industrial Production Index (IPI) surged 9.3 per cent in March 2021, the highest since July 2013

The Industrial Production Index (IPI) jumped **9.3 per cent** in March 2021 as compared to the same month of the previous year. The growth of IPI in March 2021 was driven by the Manufacturing and Electricity index which increased **12.7 per cent** and **10.3 per cent** respectively. Meanwhile, Mining index dropped **1.9 per cent**.

The Manufacturing sector output based on year-on-year comparison rose by **12.7 per cent** in March 2021 after recording a growth of 4.5 per cent in February 2021. The major sub-sectors contributing to the growth in Manufacturing sector in March 2021 were Transport Equipment & Other Manufactures (**20.9%**), Petroleum, Chemical, Rubber & Plastic Products (**14.1%**) and Electrical & Electronics Products (**13.8%**). The export-oriented industries driven the growth of the Manufacturing sector by **12.4 per cent** while domestic-oriented industries increased by **13.4 per cent**. The growth of the Manufacturing sector was also driven by the high capacity utilization rate especially in Electrical & Electronic Products and Petroleum, Chemical, Rubber & Plastic Products sub-sectors.

The Mining sector output dropped **1.9 per cent** in March 2021 as compared to the same period of the previous year. The deterioration was due to the decrease in Crude Oil & Condensate index (**-9.4%**). Meanwhile, Natural Gas index grew positively **4.3 per cent**.

The Electricity sector output expanded **10.3 per cent** in March 2021 as compared to the same month of the previous year.

The IPI for the first quarter 2021 increased **3.9 per cent** as compared to the same period of the previous year. The growth was due to the expansion **6.8 per cent** in Manufacturing index. Meanwhile, Mining and Electricity sector recorded a deterioration of **4.1 per cent** and **0.1 per cent** respectively.

The full publication of the Industrial Production Index, March 2021 can be downloaded through [eStatistik](#) portal.

* Notes:

Data for March 2021 is **provisional**. The data will be updated based on the latest available figures and subsequently published in the April 2021 publication.

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