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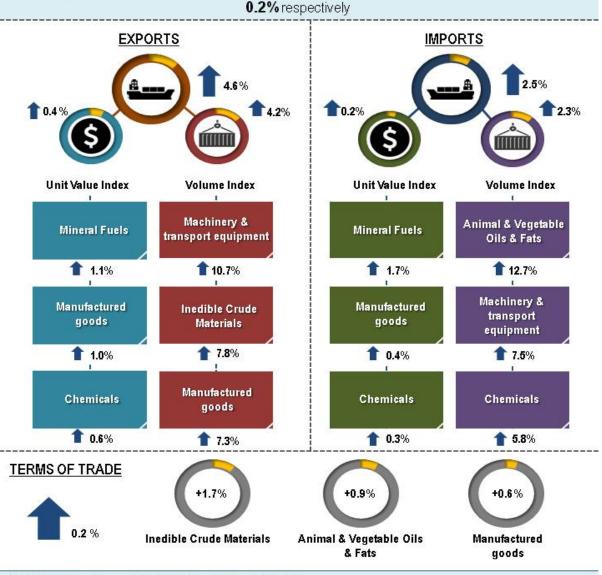
## MALAYSIA EXTERNAL TRADE INDICES AUGUST 2017





## **EXTERNAL TRADE INDICES, AUGUST 2017**

Both export and import unit value indices recorded **improvements** with increases of **0.4%** and **0.2%** respectively



## **Exports**

On a month-on-month (m-o-m) basis, in August 2017, the **export unit value index** rose 0.4% to 111.8 points. This was mainly contributed by mineral fuels (+1.1%), manufactured goods (+1.0%) and chemicals (+0.6%). Meanwhile, the **export volume index** also increased 4.2% to 138.3 points which was led by machinery & transport equipment (+10.7%), inedible crude materials (+7.8%) and manufactured goods (+7.3%). In seasonally adjusted terms, the **export volume index** declined 2.6% to 134.2 points.

When compared to the previous year, the **export unit value index** and **export volume index** posted increases of 7.9% and 12.8% respectively.

## **Imports**

In August 2017, the **import unit value index** grew 0.2% to 114.9 points, m-o-m, which was contributed by mineral fuels (+1.7%), manufactured goods (+0.4%) and chemicals (+0.3%). Meanwhile, the **import volume index** also increased 2.3% to 143.1 points. This increase was led by animal & vegetable oils & fats (+12.7%) followed by machinery & transport equipment (+7.5%) and chemicals (+5.8%). In seasonally adjusted terms, the **import volume index** rose 3.1% to 139.9 points.

On a year-on-year basis, the **import unit value index** and **import volume index** registered an increase of 5.9% and 15.7% respectively.

#### **Terms of trade**

Malaysia's **terms of trade** recorded a rise of 0.2% to 97.2 points when compared with July 2017. Meanwhile, a rise of 1.9% was recorded year-on-year basis.

For more details, please refer to the Department's portal: www.dosm.gov.my

#### \*Notes:

The August 2017 data is provisional and subject to revision in later issues.

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