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MALAYSIA EXTERNAL TRADE INDICES JANUARY 2020

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## **Exports**

On a month-on-month basis, in January 2020, the **export unit value index** recorded a growth of 0.5% to 117.1 points which was mainly contributed by the increase in the index of animal & vegetable oils & fats (+5.6%) followed by mineral fuels (+2.4%) and chemicals (+0.2%). In contrast, the **export volume index** dropped 3.1% to 135.0 points. The drop was led by the decrease in the index of chemicals (-11.7%), animal & vegetable oils & fats (-10.6%) and miscellaneous manufactured articles (-8.8%). In seasonally adjusted terms, the **export volume index** declined 1.6% to 135.0 points.

When compared to the previous year, the **export unit value index** rose 2.6% while the **export volume index** decreased 4.1%.

## **Imports**

In January 2020, the **import unit value index** recorded a decrease of 0.4% to 117.2 points which was due to the shrank in the index of mineral fuels (-2.2%), machinery & transport equipment (-0.4%) and chemicals (-0.3%). While, the **import volume index** also declined 2.1% to 139.8 points. The decline was attributed to the drop in the index of miscellaneous manufactured articles (-10.9%), food (-5.4%) and machinery & transport equipment (-4.1%). In seasonally adjusted terms, the **import volume index** in January 2020 registered a decline of 1.0% to 138.0 points.

On a year-on-year basis, the **import unit value index** rose 1.0% while the **import volume index** fell 3.4%.

## **Terms of trade**

Malaysia's **terms of trade** expanded 0.9% to 99.8 points when compared with December 2019. On a year-on-year basis, Malaysia's **terms of trade** also registered a rise of 1.6% from 98.3 points.

For more details, please refer to the Department's portal: [www.dosm.gov.my](http://www.dosm.gov.my)

\*Notes:

The January 2020 data is provisional and subject to revision in later issues.

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