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## MALAYSIA EXTERNAL TRADE INDICES SEPTEMBER 2015

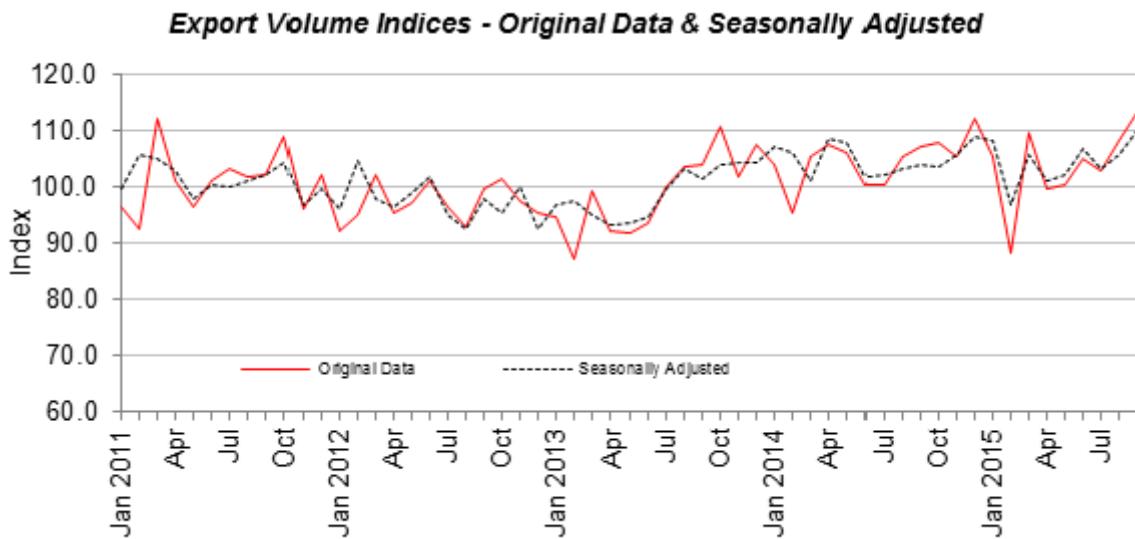
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### **MONTH-ON-MONTH COMPARISON:**

#### **Exports**

In September 2015, Malaysia's export value recorded an increase of 5.5% to RM70.2 billion where the export volume index rose 4.0% to 112.7 points. The rise was mainly contributed by animal & vegetable oils & fats (+9.6%), manufactured goods (+6.3%) and mineral fuels (+5.9%).

However, the export unit value index recorded only a small increase of 1.4% to 140.7 points. The increase was attributed to mineral fuels (+4.6%), chemicals (+2.3%) and miscellaneous manufactured articles (+0.8%).



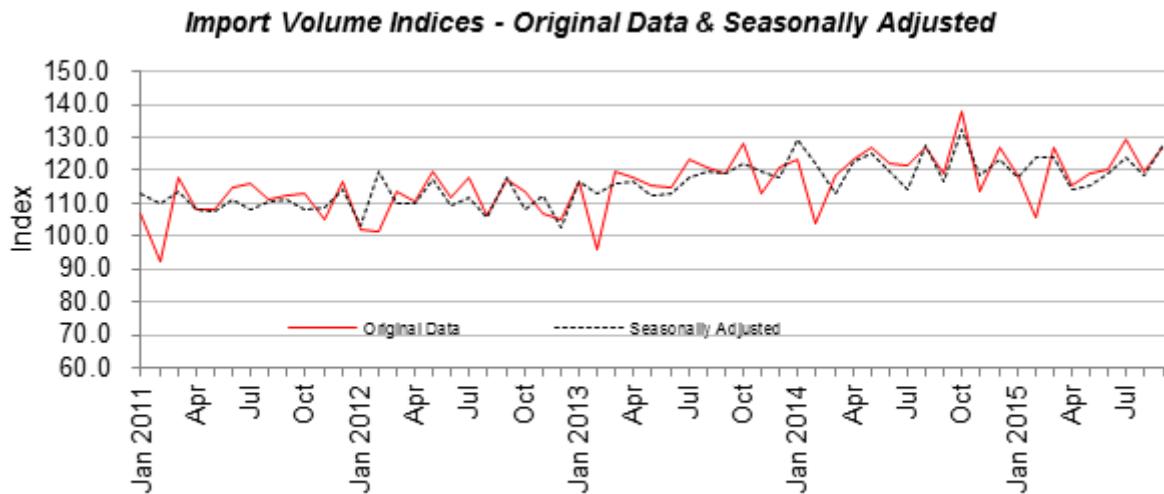
#### **Seasonally adjusted figure**

In seasonally adjusted terms, the export volume index increased 3.3% to 109.3 points.

## Imports

In September 2015, Malaysia's total import value registered an increase of 7.3% to RM60.5 billion where the import volume index rose 7.5% to 128.3 points. This was led by miscellaneous manufactured articles (+15.4%), machinery & transport equipment (+11.3%) and chemicals (+5.5%).

Similarly, the import unit value index decreased marginally by 0.1% to 132.5 points. This was mainly attributed to mineral fuels (-7.0%).



### Seasonally adjusted figure

In seasonally adjusted terms, the import volume index in September 2015 increased 8.5% to 128.4 points.

## YEAR-ON-YEAR COMPARISON

### Exports

Malaysia's export value increased 8.8% from RM64.5 billion where the export volume index registered an increase of 5.0% from 107.3 points which was led by manufactured goods (+25.1%), miscellaneous manufactured articles (+12.0%) and machinery & transport equipment (+10.0%).

Meanwhile, the export unit value index increased 3.6% from 135.9 points. The increase was mainly due to chemicals (+8.9%), miscellaneous manufactured articles (+5.9%) and miscellaneous manufactured goods (+5.6%).

## Imports

In September 2015, the import value posted an increase of 9.6% from RM55.2 billion where the import volume index rose 7.7% from 119.2 points. The increase was mainly due to miscellaneous manufactured articles (+34.1%), machinery & transport equipment (+11.8%) and chemicals (+8.7%).

Meanwhile, the import unit value index increased 1.8% from 130.2 points. This was contributed by machinery & transport equipment (+3.7%), manufactured goods (+2.5%) and chemicals (+2.4%).

## **TERMS OF TRADE**

In September 2015, Malaysia's terms of trade increased by 1.5% to 106.2 points when compared to the previous month. The increase was mainly registered in mineral fuels (+12.5%), inedible crude materials (+3.5%) and beverages & tobacco (+2.4%).

On a year-on-year basis, Malaysia's terms of trade increased 1.7% from 104.4 points. The increase was mainly recorded in mineral fuels (+10.4%), chemicals (+6.4%) and beverages & tobacco (+5.9%).

### **\*Notes:**

The September 2015 data is provisional and subject to revision in later issues.

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