

PERFORMANCE OF WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE



Sales value of Wholesale & Retail Trade recorded RM137.3 billion in December 2022, registered a growth of 13.8 per cent year-on-year. The positive growth was contributed by all sub-sectors, namely Retail Trade 22.7 per cent, Motor Vehicles 20.3 per cent, and Wholesale Trade 4.7 per cent. In 2022, the Wholesale & Retail Trade sub-sector recorded RM1.6 trillion, increased 19.6 per cent compared to 4.0 per cent in 2021. As for COVID-19 pre-pandemic comparison, this sub-sector has surpassed the 2019 value level by RM228.1 billion or growth of 17.2 per cent (2019 = RM1.3 trillion).

In terms of volume index, Wholesale & Retail Trade registered **9.5 per cent** year-on-year to record **149.2 points**. The increment was supported by the increase in Retail Trade **17.4 per cent**, Motor Vehicles **9.7 per cent**, and Wholesale Trade **1.1 per cent**. As for seasonally adjusted volume index, it went up **0.2 per cent** month-on-month in December 2022. Volume index in 2022 was recorded **142.1 points** compared to **124.3 points** in 2021, increased **14.3 per cent**.

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