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ADVANCE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT ESTIMATES SECOND QUARTER OF 2025

Malaysia's GDP estimated to grow 4.5 per cent, fuelled by robust domestic demand amidst global headwinds

PUTRAJAYA, 18 JULY 2025 – Today, the Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM) released the advance Gross Domestic Product (GDP) estimates¹ for the second quarter of 2025. The advance estimates indicate that Malaysia's economy grew by 4.5 per cent in the second quarter of 2025, slightly outpacing the 4.4 per cent expansion in the previous quarter. Growth momentum was sustained in April and May, with a stronger performance anticipated in June. As a whole, the economy is estimated to have grown moderately by 4.4 per cent in the first half of 2025.

According to the Chief Statistician of Malaysia, Dato' Sri Dr. Mohd Uzir Mahidin, "Malaysia's economy continued its expansion in the second quarter of 2025, buoyed by resilient consumer demand despite prevailing global headwinds. Domestic consumption remained the key driver, significantly boosted by the lingering effects of public sector wage adjustments, school holidays and seasonal spending during both Hari Raya Aidilfitri and Hari Raya Aidiladha. A stable labour market, together with low unemployment and inflation rates, further reinforced household spending. In addition, the continued implementation of cash assistance programmes such as Sumbangan Asas Rahmah (SARA) and Sumbangan Tunai Rahmah (STR) also contributed to sustaining household consumption during the quarter. The Manufacturing sector experienced varied performance, initially growing by 5.6 per cent in April before moderating to 2.8 per cent in May. This growth was largely attributed to sustained activity in the Electrical and electronics (E&E) sub-sector and robust demand from domestic-oriented industries, as indicated by the Industrial Production Index (IPI). Similarly, distributive trade sales, reflecting consumer and business activities, rose by 4.4 per cent in May, easing from 4.7 per cent in April, primarily supported by steady performances in both wholesale and retail trade. However, the external sector

¹ The computation of advance GDP estimates for the second quarter of 2025 is based on the availability of various data sources. In general, there are differences between the advance GDP estimates and the preliminary GDP due to the availability of data from various sources during the compilation period.

presented a mixed performance with trade activity grew at a significantly slower pace in May, influenced by weaker demand in exports of goods. Overall, while domestic consumption continued to persist as a strong pillar, the external components of the economy remained challenging, weighed down by surrounding tariff developments and continued global political uncertainties.”

Looking at sectoral performance, the **Services** sector remained the primary driver of economic growth in the second quarter of 2025, registering a 5.3 per cent growth (Q1 2025: 5.0%), with key contributions from the Wholesale & retail trade, Transportation & storage and Business services sub-sectors. The **Manufacturing** sector also recorded a growth of 3.8 per cent (Q1 2025: 4.1%), largely supported by production in Electrical, electronic & optical products as well as Vegetable and animal oils & fats and food processing.

He added, “The **Construction** sector recorded its sixth consecutive quarter of double-digit growth at 11.0 per cent (Q1 2025: 14.2%), supported primarily by Non-residential buildings and Specialised construction activities. The **Agriculture** sector posted an increase of 2.0 per cent (Q1 2025: 0.6%), driven by the Oil palm sub-sector. Meanwhile, the **Mining and quarrying** sector declined further to negative 7.4 per cent (Q1 2025: -2.7%), reflecting lower production across all sub-sectors.”

Subsequent to this advance estimates, the preliminary GDP data, which will provide a detailed and comprehensive analysis of economic performance for the second quarter of 2025 will be released on 15 August 2025.

Table 1: GDP Growth by Kind of Economic Activity, (% YoY)

Kind of economic activity	Percentage share to GDP year 2024* (%)	Percentage change from corresponding quarter of preceding year							
		2023	2024	2024				2025	
				Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2**
GDP	100.0	3.5	5.1	4.2	5.9	5.4	4.9	4.4	4.5
Agriculture	6.3	0.2	3.1	1.9	7.6	3.6	-0.7	0.6	2.0
Mining & quarrying	6.0	0.5	0.9	4.3	2.7	-2.8	-0.7	-2.7	-7.4
Manufacturing	23.1	0.7	4.2	2.1	4.7	5.6	4.2	4.1	3.8
Construction	4.0	6.0	17.5	11.9	17.2	20.0	20.7	14.2	11.0
Services	59.4	5.1	5.3	4.8	5.9	5.2	5.5	5.0	5.3

Notes: * Excludes Import duties
 ** Advance estimates

Source: Department of Statistics Malaysia

Table 2: Comparison of Advance Estimates and Preliminary GDP, (% YoY)

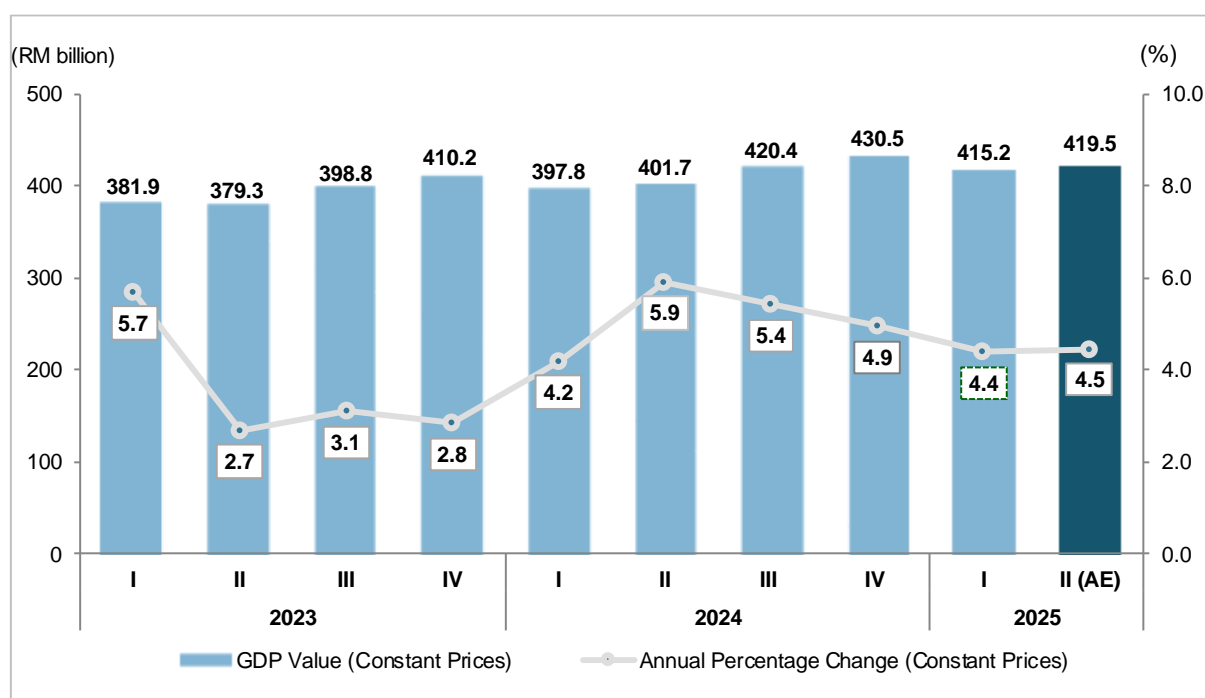
Kind of economic activity	2024								2025		
	Q1		Q2		Q3		Q4		Q1		Q2
	AE	Preliminary	AE	Preliminary	AE	Preliminary	AE	Preliminary	AE	Preliminary	AE
GDP	3.9	4.2	5.8	5.9	5.3	5.4	4.8	5.0	4.4	4.4	4.5
Agriculture	1.3	1.7	7.1	7.3	4.0	4.0	-0.6	-0.5	0.7	0.6	2.0
Mining & quarrying	4.9	5.7	3.3	2.7	-3.4	-3.9	-1.4	-0.9	-4.9	-2.7	-7.4
Manufacturing	1.9	1.9	4.7	4.7	5.7	5.6	4.3	4.4	4.2	4.1	3.8
Construction	9.8	11.9	17.2	17.3	19.5	19.9	19.6	20.7	14.5	14.2	11.0
Services	4.4	4.8	5.6	5.9	5.1	5.2	5.3	5.5	5.2	5.0	5.3

Notes: AE = Advance estimates

Source: Department of Statistics Malaysia

Preliminary GDP for Q2 2025 will be released on 15 August 2025

Chart 1: Gross Domestic Product (GDP)



Note: AE = Advance estimates

Source: Department of Statistics Malaysia

ASEAN-Malaysia 2025 Chairmanship: The Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM) will chair the 15th ASEAN Community Statistical System Committee (ACSS15) which aims to strengthen the statistical cooperation towards sustainable regional development.

Malaysia, for the first time, ranked as number one (1) globally in the biennial Open Data Inventory (ODIN) 2024/25 report released by Open Data Watch (ODW), surpassing 198 other countries. This achievement marks a significant leap from its 67th position in the ODIN 2022/23 assessment.

The Government of Malaysia has declared October 20th as National Statistics Day (MyStats Day), with the theme 'Statistics is the Essence of Life'. Meanwhile, the Fourth

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