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Key Highlights on FDI & DIA in Fourth Quarter 2020

FDI in Malaysia recorded a net inflow of **RM6.1 billion** from a net outflow of RM0.8 billion in Q3 2020.

Malaysia's DIA recorded a higher net outflow of **RM5.4 billion** as compared to RM2.2 billion in the previous quarter.

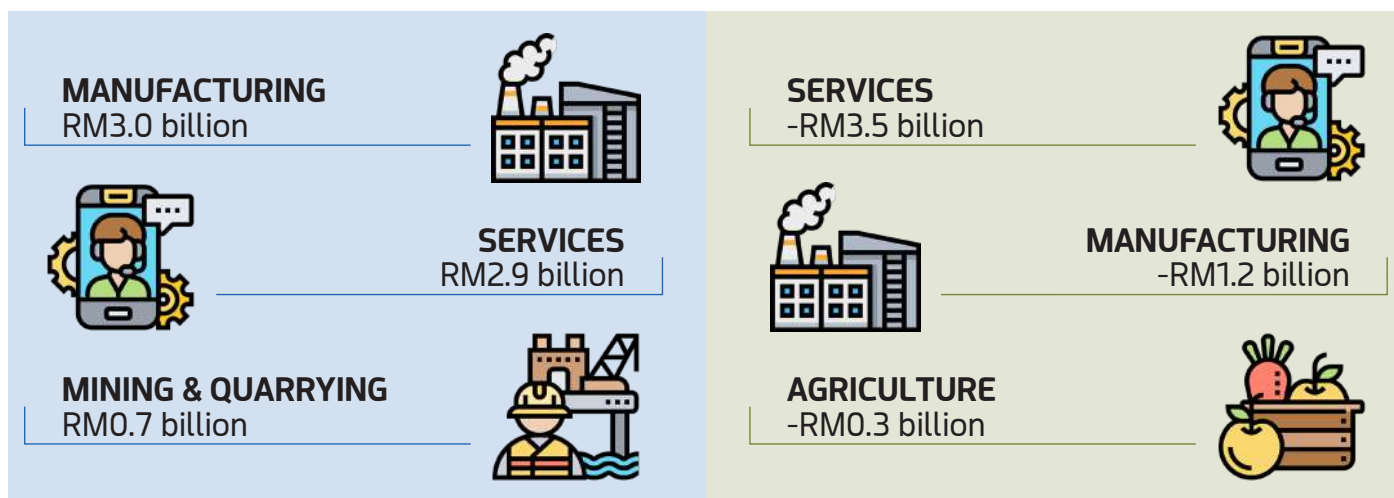
FDI

DIA

FLOWS BY REGION



TOP SECTOR



TOP COUNTRY



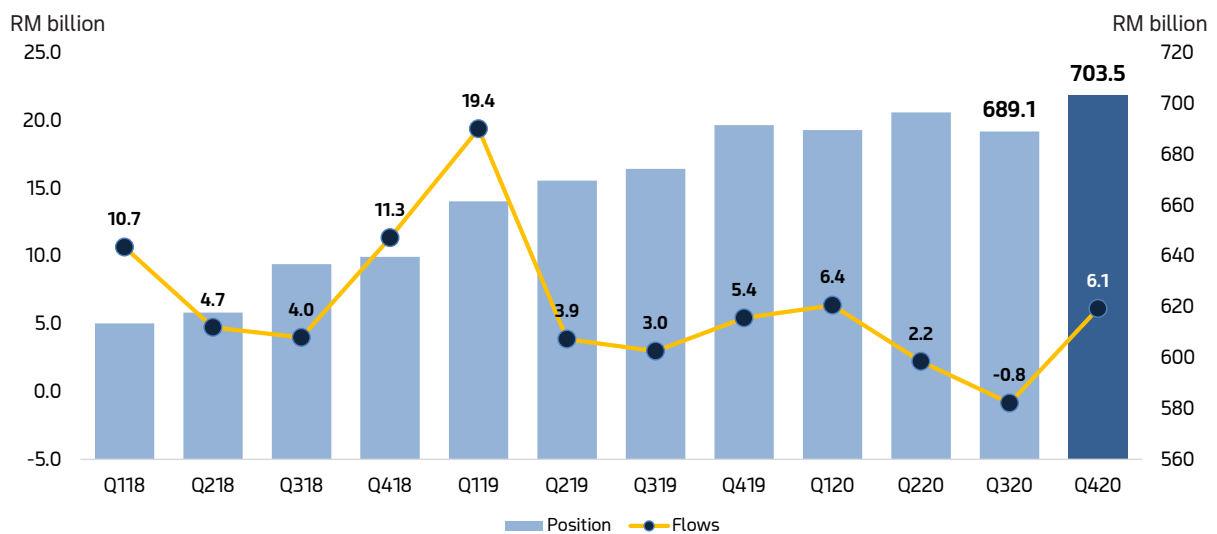
Notes:

- Negative value refers to net outflow
- 'b' refer to billion
- Any differences in the aggregated data are due to rounding

FDI HIGHLIGHTS

- FDI in Malaysia turned around to an inflow of **RM6.1 billion** in Q4 2020 from an outflow of RM0.8 billion in preceding quarter due to higher injection of equity and debt instruments. The inflow was primarily channelled into Manufacturing, Financial and Wholesale & retail trade sectors.
- In terms of position, FDI surged by RM14.4 billion to record RM703.5 billion, as depicted in **Exhibit 1**.

Exhibit 1: Foreign Direct Investment in Malaysia, Q1 2018 – Q4 2020

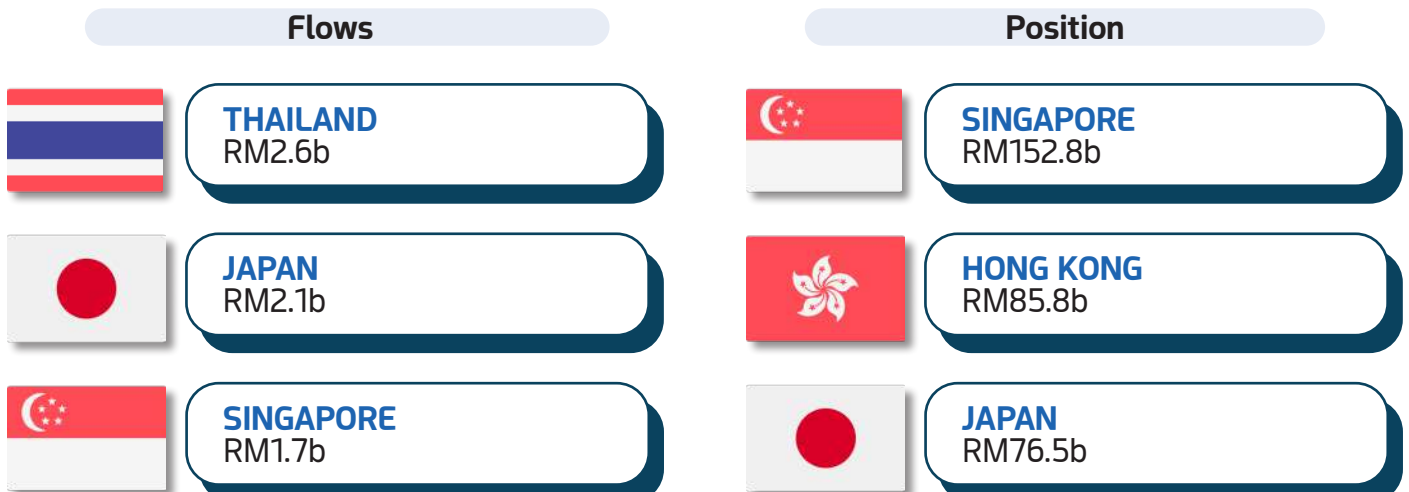


FDI by Top Country

In Q4 2020, the inflow of FDI was mainly from Thailand at **RM2.6 billion**, followed by Japan (RM2.1 billion) and Singapore (RM1.7 billion).

As for FDI position, Singapore remained the largest investor with RM152.8 billion (21.7%), followed by Hong Kong (RM85.8 billion) and Japan (RM76.5 billion). These three countries contributed 44.8 per cent to the total FDI position (**Exhibit 2**).

Exhibit 2: FDI by Top Country, Q4 2020



FDI by Region

In Q4 2020, Asia contributed to the inflow by region at RM9.8 billion, while Africa and Oceania recorded RM0.5 billion in each respective region as shown in **Exhibit 3**.

Meanwhile, Asia region remained the largest FDI position with a cumulative share of 54.6 per cent, followed by Europe at 27.6 per cent and Americas at 15.9 per cent. These three regions contributed 98.2 per cent on total FDI position in Malaysia.

Exhibit 3: Share of FDI by Region, Q4 2020






AMERICAS			EUROPE			ASIA		
Flows	-RM0.7b	-12.2%	Flows	-RM4.0b	-65.3%	Flows	RM9.8b	159.8%
Position	RM112.1b	15.9%	Position	RM194.5b	27.6%	Position	RM384.2b	54.6%

AFRICA			OTHERS			OCEANIA		
Flows	RM0.5b	8.8%	Flows	RM0.1b	0.8%	Flows	RM0.5b	8.0%
Position	RM1.3b	0.2%	Position	RM0.6b	0.1%	Position	RM10.8b	1.5%

FDI by Sector

Total inflow in Malaysia was primarily channelled to Services sector which accounted for 52.0 per cent or RM365.6 billion, driven by Financial activities and Wholesale & Retail trade activities. This was followed by Manufacturing at 38.9 per cent (RM273.8 billion) and Mining at 6.0 per cent (RM42.0 billion).

Exhibit 4: Share of FDI by Sector, Q4 2020

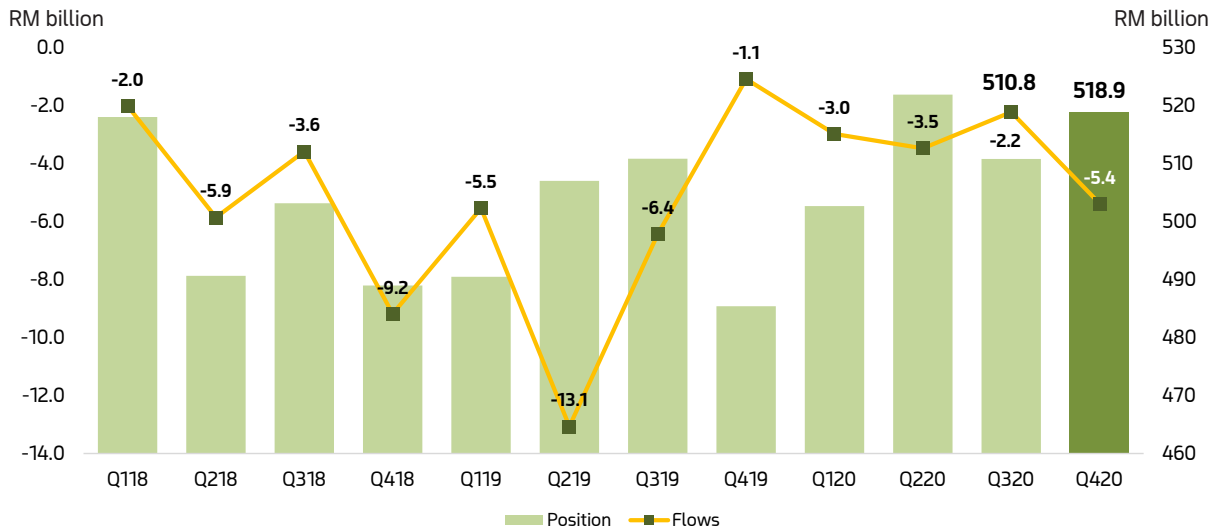
	Flows (RM billion)		Position (RM billion)	
	Q320	Q420	Q320	Q420
 Agriculture	0.0* (-5.5%)	-0.4 (-5.8%)	11.1 (1.6%)	11.1 (1.6%)
 Mining & quarrying	-0.9 (108.6%)	0.7 (11.1%)	41.9 (6.1%)	42.0 (6.0%)
 Manufacturing	-3.6 (427.7%)	3.0 (48.8%)	266.0 (38.6%)	273.8 (38.9%)
 Construction	-0.2 (28.0%)	-0.1 (-1.4%)	10.8 (1.6%)	11.1 (1.6%)
 Services	3.9 (-458.8%)	2.9 (47.4%)	359.3 (52.1%)	365.6 (52.0%)

Notes: *Less than RM50 million.

DIA HIGHLIGHTS

- Overseas investment made by Malaysian investors recorded **RM5.4 billion**, climbed by RM3.2 billion due to higher investment in Equity.
- Similarly, DIA position increased to RM518.9 billion as at end of fourth quarter as shown in **Exhibit 5**.

Exhibit 5: Malaysia's Direct Investment Abroad, Q1 2018 – Q4 2020



DIA by Top Country

DIA by Malaysian investors recorded RM5.4 billion due to higher equity investment abroad and retained earnings in this quarter. Flows were mainly to Indonesia (RM2.0 billion), followed by Canada (RM1.6 billion) and Singapore (RM1.4 billion), as shown in **Exhibit 6**.

In terms of position, Singapore took the biggest chunk of direct investment from Malaysia with RM110.4 billion, followed by Indonesia (RM48.5 billion) and United Kingdom (RM34.4 billion). These three countries accumulated 37.3 per cent of total DIA position.

Exhibit 6: DIA by Top Country, Q4 2020



DIA by Region

Asia overtook Americas in fourth quarter as the leading region for DIA flows with a value of RM4.8 billion, followed by Europe at RM2.4 billion and Others at RM0.1 billion.

Asia remained the largest region for DIA position, amounting to RM269.4 billion (51.9%) followed by Americas at 23.3 per cent (RM121.1 billion) and Europe at 18.6 per cent (RM96.6 billion).

Exhibit 7: Share of DIA by Region, Q4 2020

AMERICAS			EUROPE			ASIA		
Flows	RM0.7b	-12.9%	Flows	-RM2.4b	45.4%	Flows	-RM4.8b	89.2%
Position	RM121.1b	23.3%	Position	RM96.6b	18.6%	Position	RM269.4b	51.9%






AFRICA			OTHERS			OCEANIA		
Flows	RM0.8b	-15.3%	Flows	-RM0.1b	1.6%	Flows	RM0.4b	-8.0%
Position	RM8.4b	1.6%	Position	RM0.2b	0.0%	Position	RM23.2b	4.5%

DIA by Sector

Services remained the largest contributor for Malaysia's DIA flows with a share of 65.3 per cent (RM3.5 billion), mostly in Financial activities, followed by Manufacturing (22.9%) and Agriculture (5.9%) sectors.

Services sector was the main contributor to DIA position with a value of RM361.9 billion (69.7%), mainly from Financial activities. This was followed by Mining & quarrying (12.9%) and Agriculture (8.7%) sectors.

Exhibit 8: Share of DIA by Sector, Q4 2020

	Flows (RM billion)		Position (RM billion)	
	Q320	Q420	Q320	Q420
 Agriculture	-0.0* (0.2%)	-0.3 (5.9%)	43.9 (8.6%)	44.9 (8.7%)
 Mining & quarrying	0.6 (-25.2%)	-0.3 (5.1%)	74.4 (14.6%)	67.2 (12.9%)
 Manufacturing	-1.0 (44.0%)	-1.2 (22.9%)	37.2 (7.3%)	37.2 (7.2%)
 Construction	-0.2 (9.5%)	-0.0* (0.9%)	7.8 (1.5%)	7.6 (1.5%)
 Services	-1.6 (71.5%)	-3.5 (65.3%)	347.6 (68.0%)	361.9 (69.7%)

Notes: *Less than RM50 million.

Time Series of FDI, Q1 2018 – Q4 2020 (RM Million)

Quarter	Q118	Q218	Q318	Q418	Q119	Q219	Q319	Q419	Q120	Q220	Q320	Q420
Flows	10,654	4,738	3,999	11,350	19,389	3,880	2,985	5,439	6,371	2,231	-846	6,140
Position	613,525	617,793	636,824	639,713	661,546	669,687	674,358	691,554	689,622	696,535	689,099	703,518
Income	12,593	15,396	15,905	16,300	13,034	13,778	15,078	16,802	9,645	8,425	11,949	13,217

Time Series of FDI, 2010 - 2020 (RM Million)

Year	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Flows	29,183	37,325	28,537	38,175	35,600	39,377	47,025	40,419	30,741	31,692	13,896
Position	313,346	365,558	405,696	446,377	474,614	501,067	547,426	595,497	639,713	691,554	703,518
Income	49,323	55,461	56,842	56,922	62,202	51,329	50,884	58,749	60,194	58,693	43,236

Time Series of DIA, Q1 2018 – Q4 2020 (RM Million)

Quarter	Q118	Q218	Q318	Q418	Q119	Q219	Q319	Q419	Q120	Q220	Q320	Q420
Flows	-2,011	-5,859	-3,584	-9,183	-5,536	-13,066	-6,431	-1,082	-2,977	-3,478	-2,223	-5,380
Position	518,022	490,641	503,163	488,972	490,483	507,000	510,829	485,386	502,653	521,885	510,811	518,885
Income	5,556	6,479	5,203	9,694	5,920	9,239	7,203	6,477	4,336	5,997	2,933	6,913

Time Series of DIA, 2010 - 2020 (RM Million)

Year	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Flows	-43,160	-46,662	-52,952	-44,450	-53,574	-41,187	-33,233	-24,248	-20,638	-26,114	-14,058
Position	298,988	338,186	368,075	420,737	473,375	583,807	565,304	526,493	488,972	485,386	518,885
Income	18,767	28,762	16,165	22,308	24,251	18,398	20,758	25,590	26,931	28,839	20,178

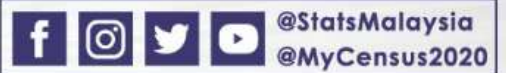
Notes:

- i. Flows refer to acquisition and disposal of financial assets and liabilities during a reference period.
- ii. Position refers to total stock of direct investment as at end of reference period.
- iii. Income refers to repatriation of earnings to direct investors.



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