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Manufacturing sector's sales up 11.5% in June



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KUALA LUMPUR: Malaysia's June 2017 manufacturing sales posted a strong growth of 11.5% to RM62.3bil compared with RM55.8bil recorded in the same month last year, said the Department of Statistics Malaysia (DoS).

In a statement on Thursday, it said the significant increase in sales value year-on-year was due to the increase in electrical and electronics products (15.4%), petroleum, chemical, rubber and plastic products (15.3%) and non-metallic mineral products, basic metal and fabricated metal products (5.7%).

The three sub-sectors contributed 80.6% to the sales value of the manufacturing sector.

A total of 1,048,220 employees were engaged in the sector in June this year, an increase of 2.5% or 25,338 people from 1,022,882 in June 2016.

Salaries and wages paid rose 10% or RM317.9mil to a total of RM3.49bil, thus registering an average of salary and wage of RM3,338 per employee in June 2017.

Sales value per employee gained 8.8% to RM59,393 in June 2017 compared with the same month last year. - Bernama

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