

LEADING INDEX, MAY 2023

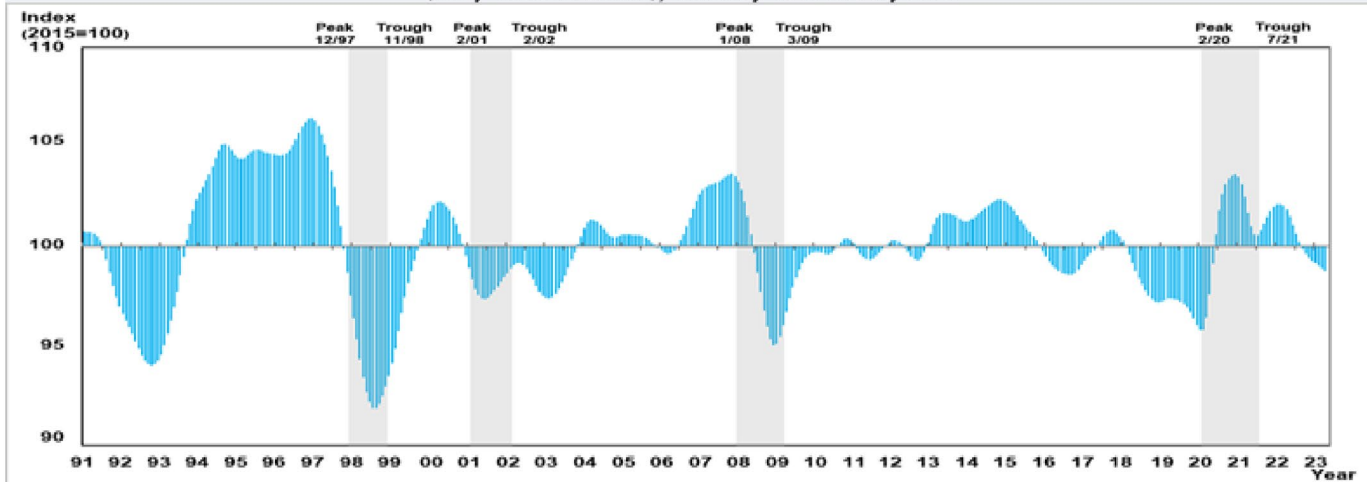
THE LEADING INDEX RECORDED 110.3 POINTS IN MAY 2023, EXPECTING AN ENCOURAGING ECONOMIC OUTLOOK ALBEIT CAUTIOUS SENTIMENT

Leading Composite Index (2015=100) and Annual Change (%)



TIME SERIES DATA

Leading Composite Index (Long Term Trend = 100) and Business Cycle (Grey Shaded Areas), January 1991 to May 2023

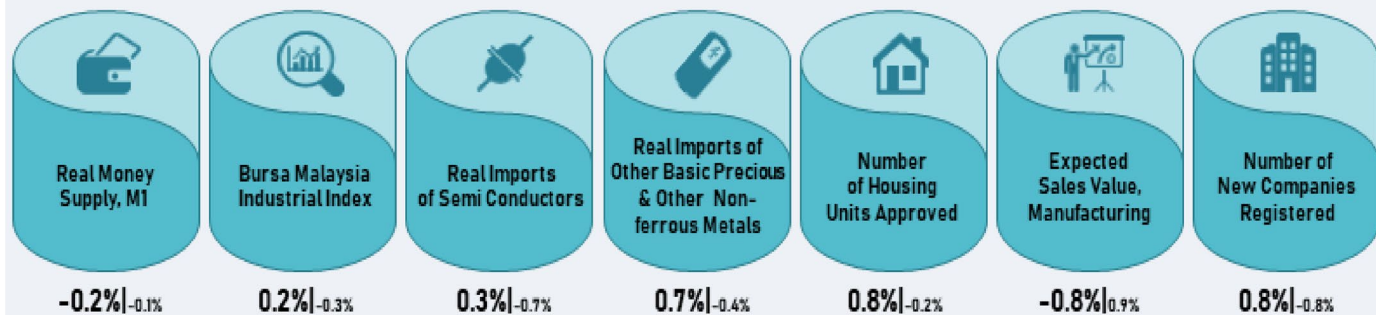


1.8%
May

-1.6%
April

LEADING COMPOSITE INDEX, MONTHLY CHANGE (%)

Contribution of Each Component to the Percentage Change in the Leading Composite Index from the Previous Month



Note: May 2023 | April 2023

Source: Malaysian Economic Indicators- Leading, Coincident & Lagging Indexes, May 2023, Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM)

GROSS FIXED CAPITAL FORMATION, 2022

2022

GROSS FIXED CAPITAL FORMATION (GFCF)

RM297.8 b

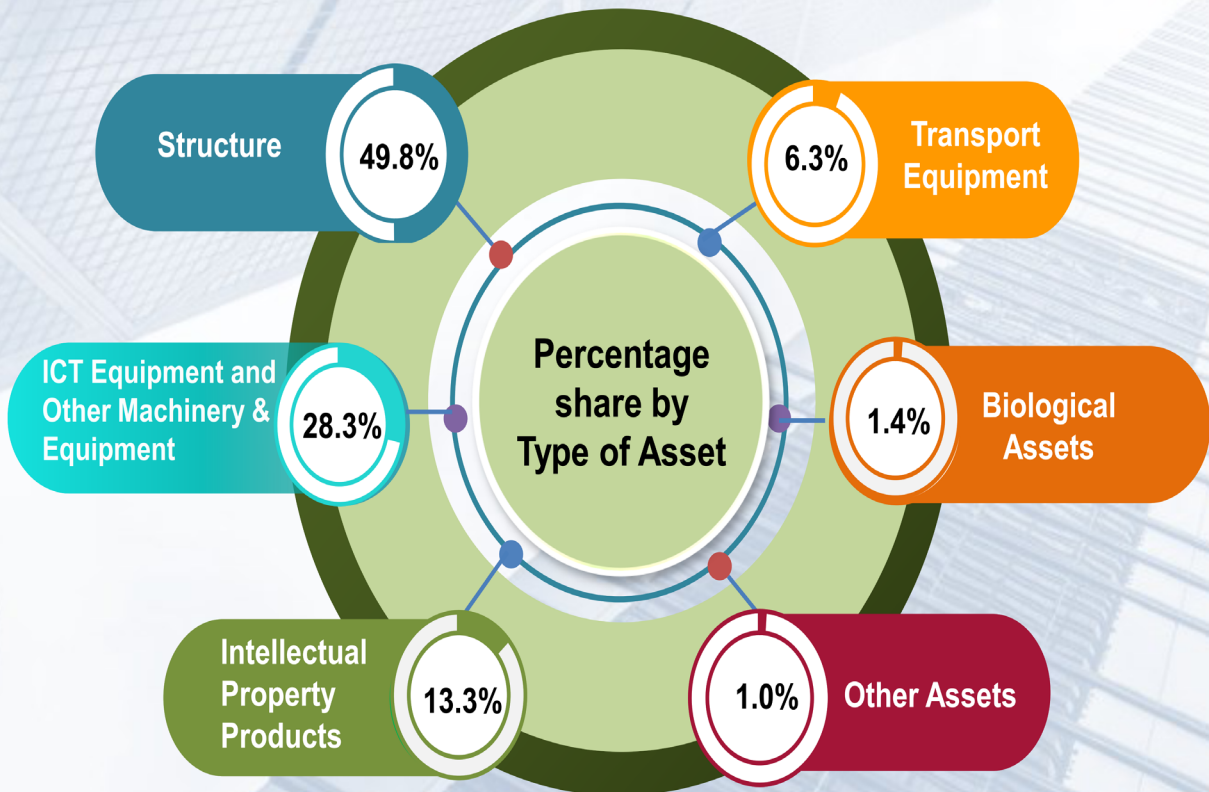
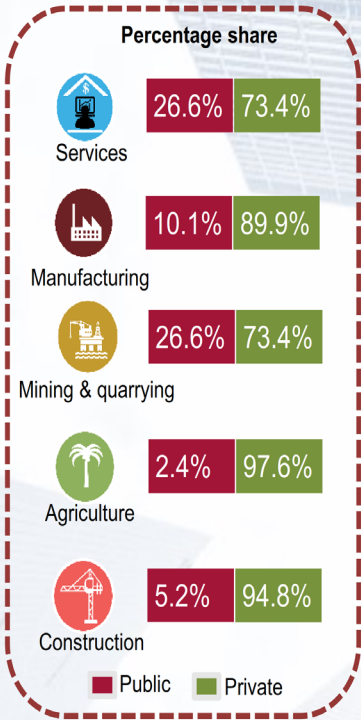
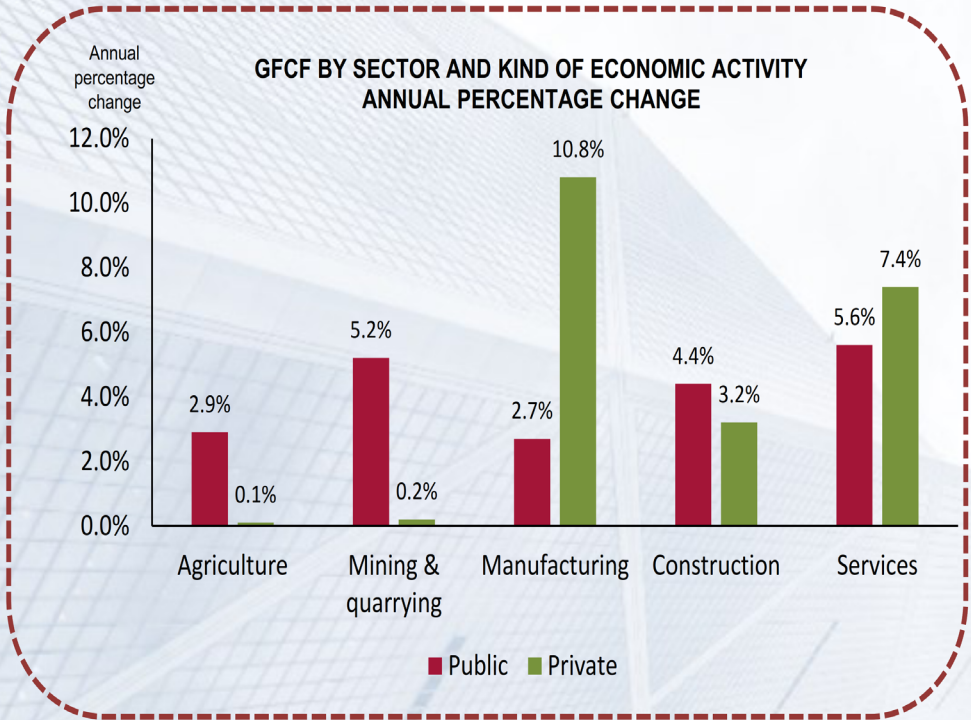
TOTAL VALUE

6.8%

ANNUAL GROWTH RATE

19.7%

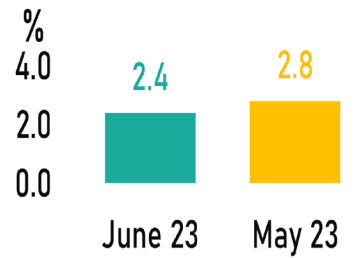
CONTRIBUTION TO GDP



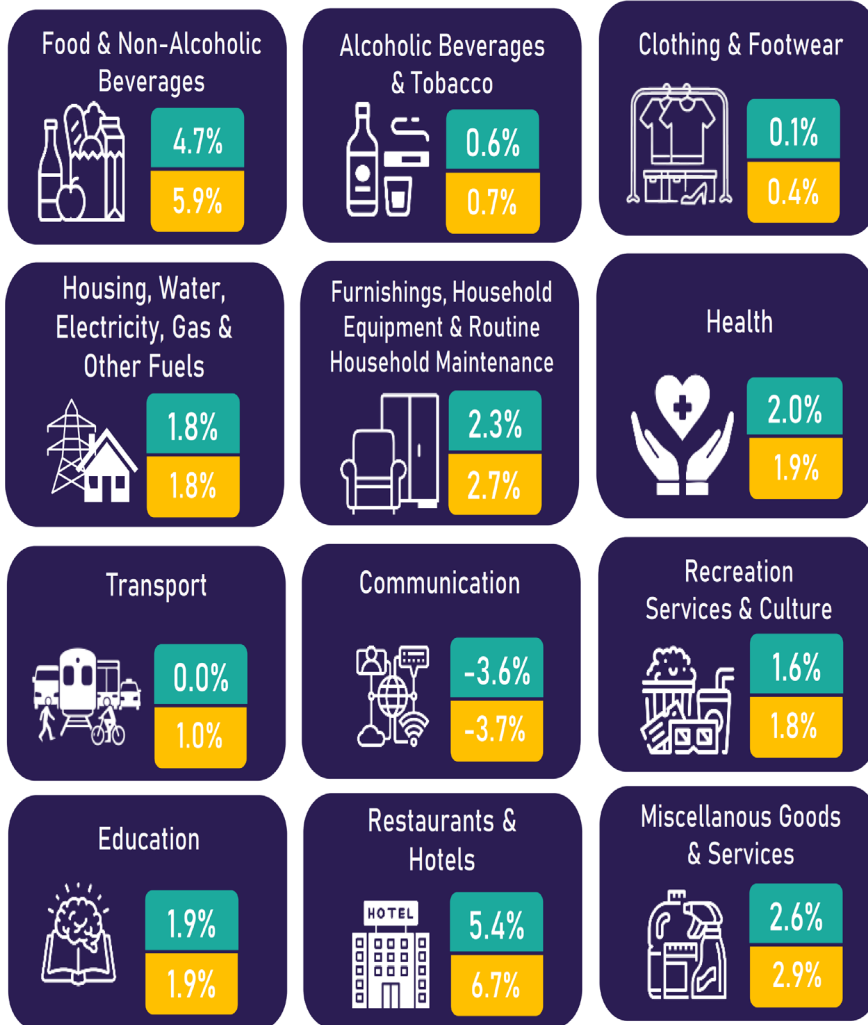
Source: National Accounts, Gross Fixed Capital Formation, Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM)

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, JUNE 2023

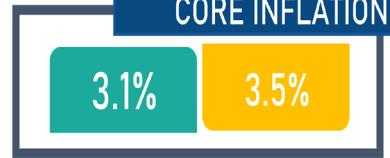
Malaysia's inflation in June 2023 eased to 2.4%, the lowest in the first six months of 2023



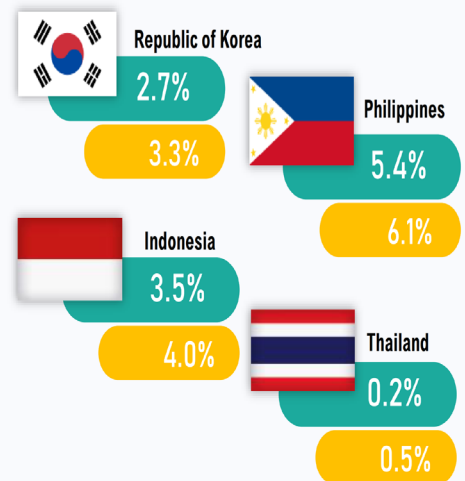
INFLATION BY MAIN GROUP



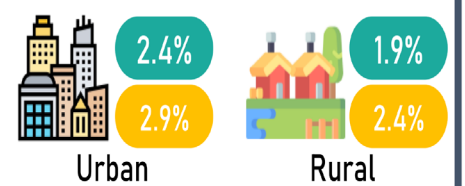
CORE INFLATION



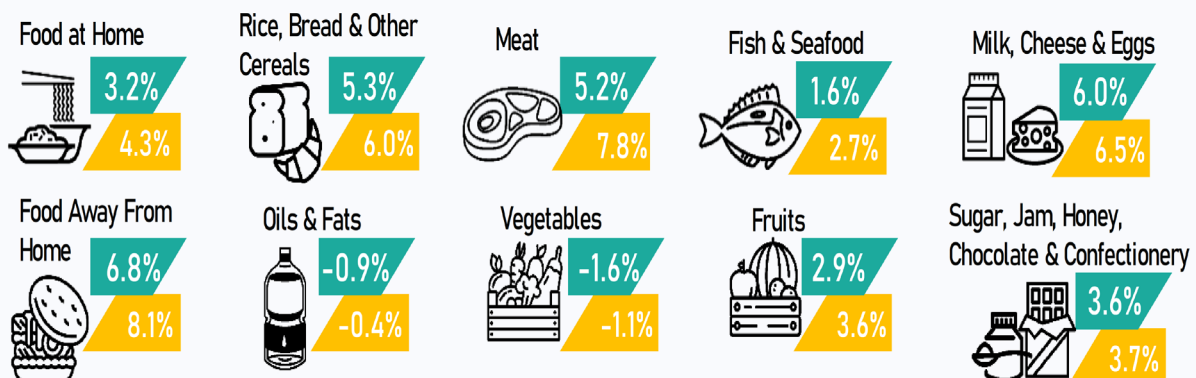
INFLATION BY SELECTED COUNTRIES



INFLATION FOR URBAN & RURAL



INFLATION FOR SUBGROUP FOOD & BEVERAGES



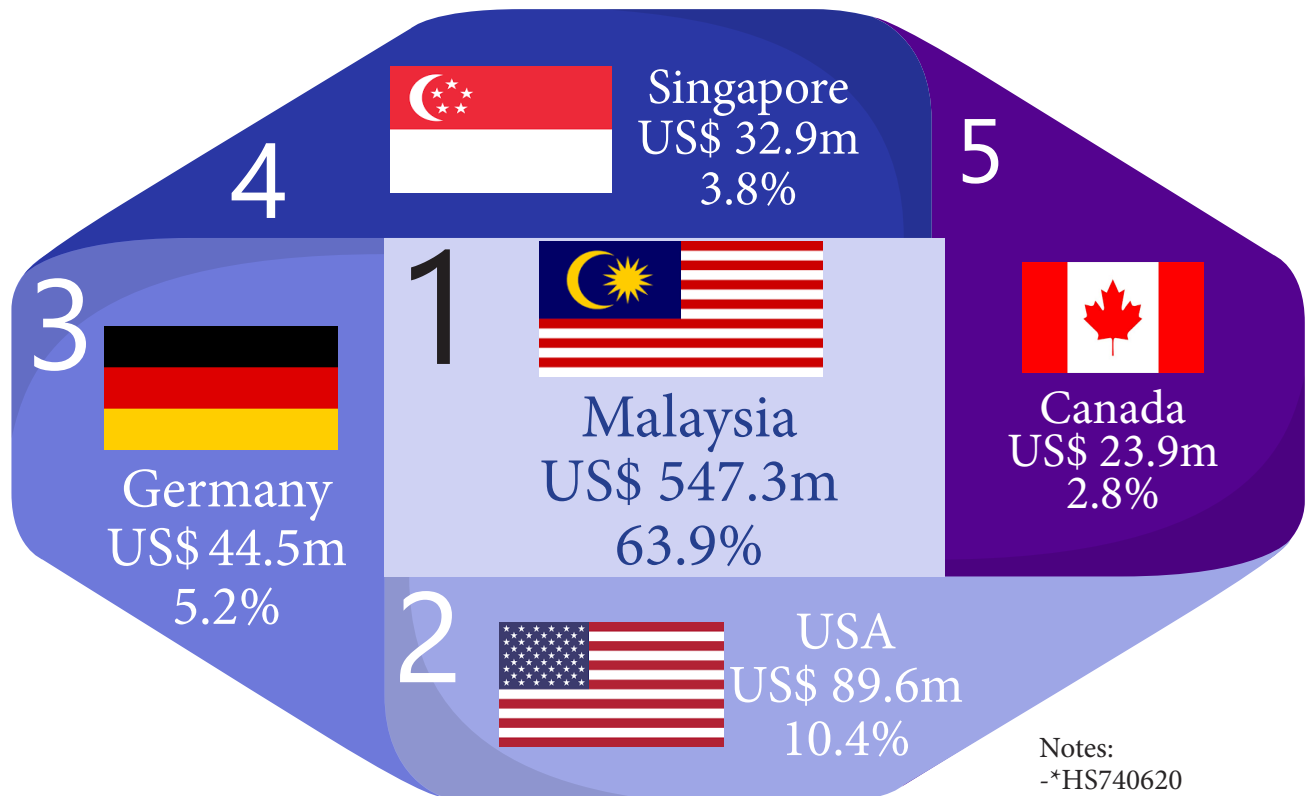
Note:
 June 2023
 May 2023

Percentage Change: Year-on-Year

Source: Malaysia's Consumer Price Index (2010=100)
 Department of Statistics, Malaysia (DOSM)

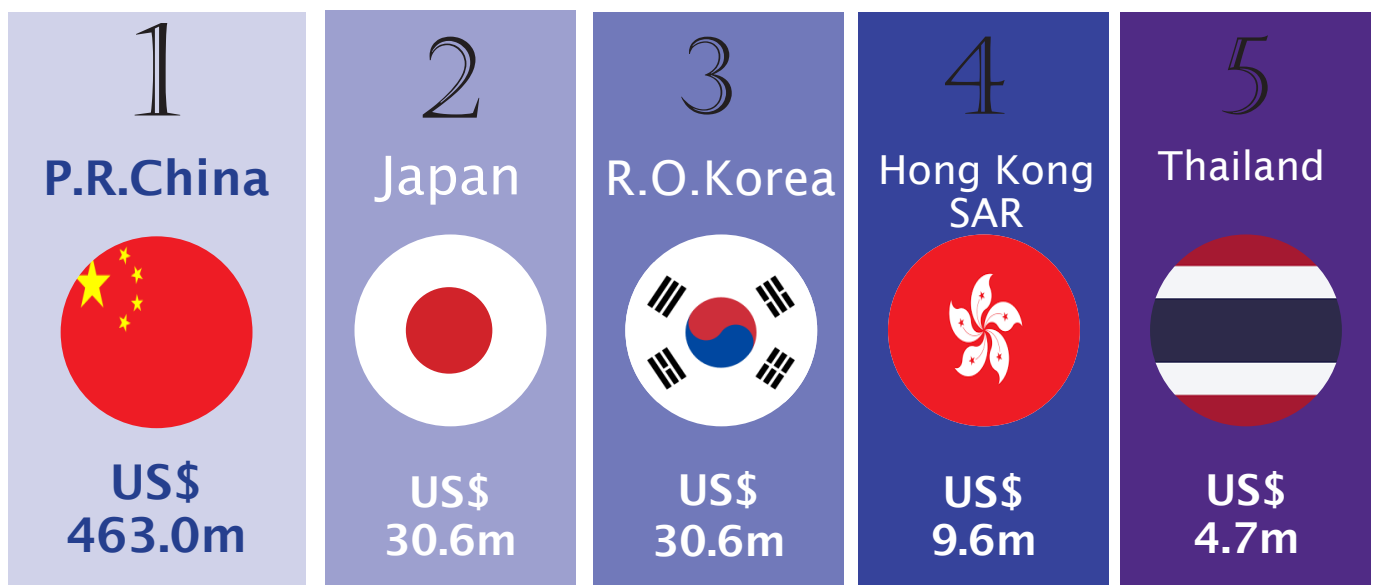
WORLD LARGEST EXPORTERS OF COPPER POWDERS, OF LAMELLAR STRUCTURE, AND FLAKES OF COPPER

In 2022, Malaysia's export of Copper powders, of lamellar structure, and flakes of copper (excl. grains of copper and spangles of heading 8308) recorded US\$ 547.3 million which was 63.9% share of the world exports.



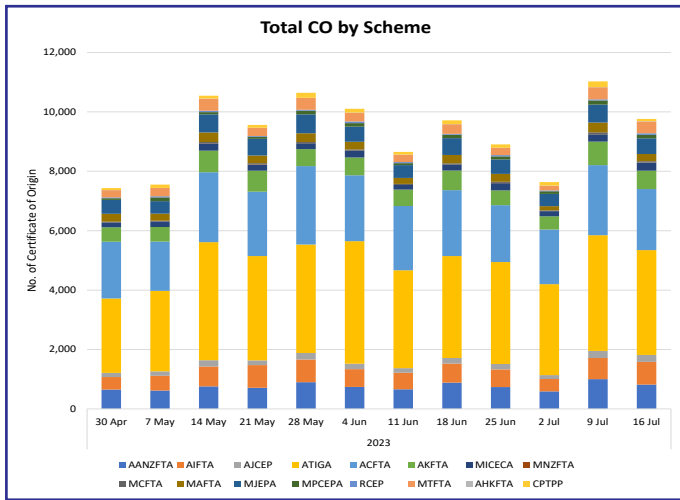
Notes:
 -*HS740620
 -% refer to share in world exports

MALAYSIA'S TOP EXPORT DESTINATIONS

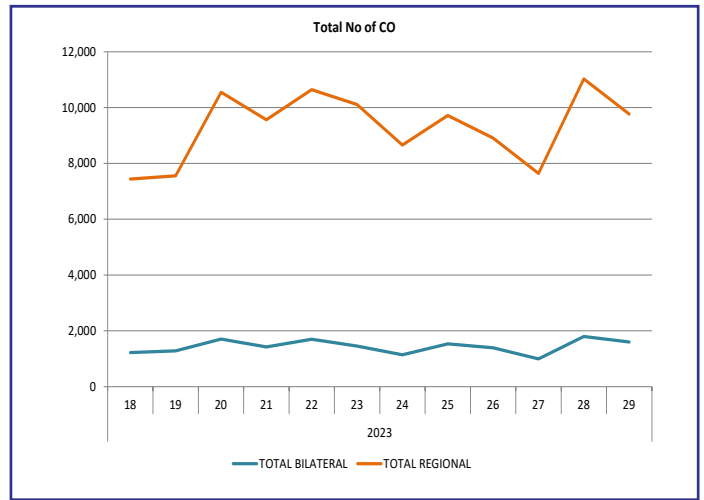


Number of PCO as at 16 July 2023 Weekly / Monthly/ Annually

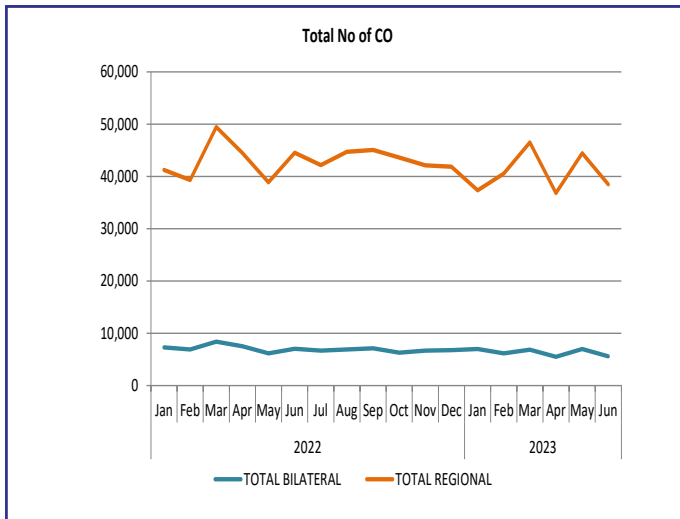
Weekly Total Scheme



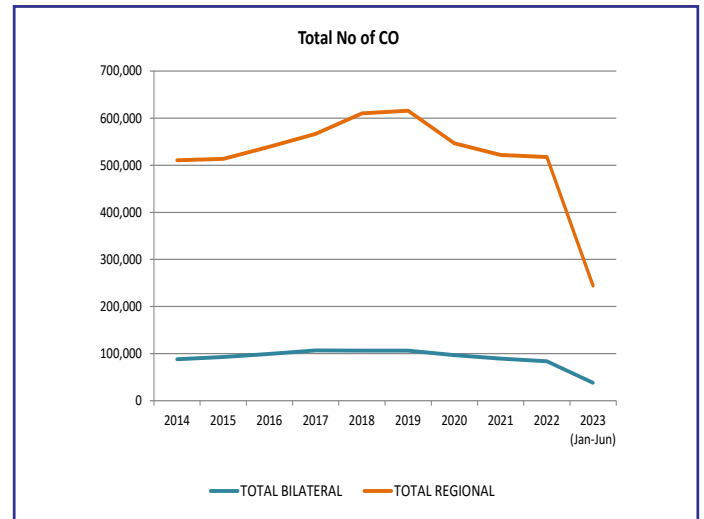
Weekly



Monthly



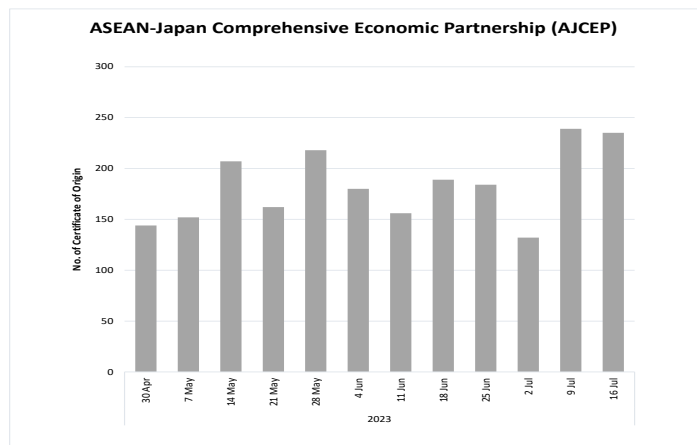
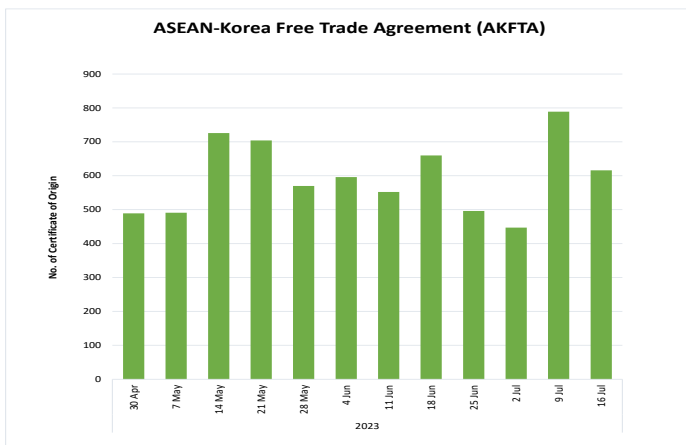
Annually



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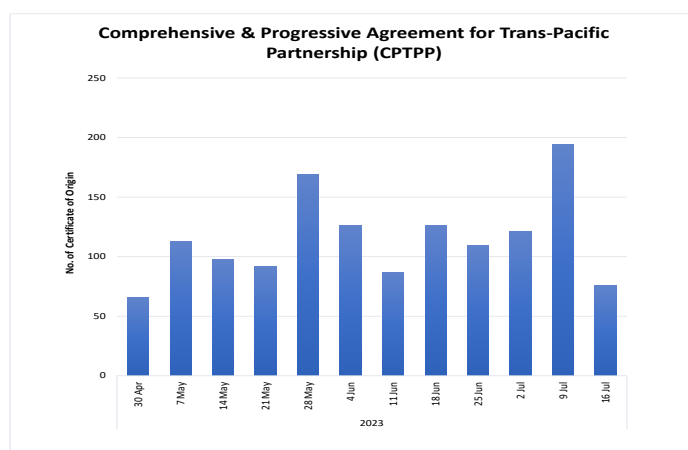
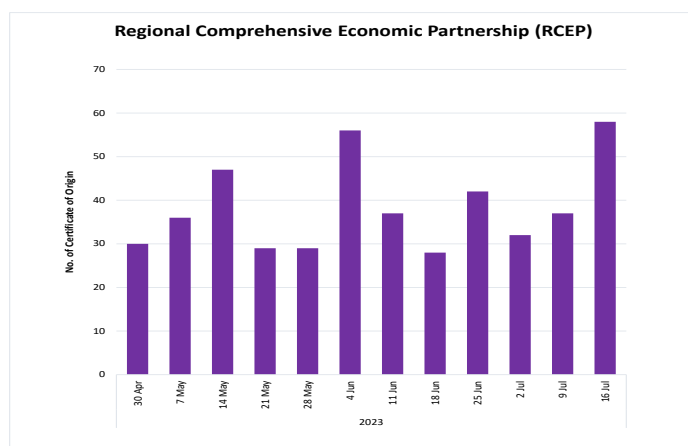
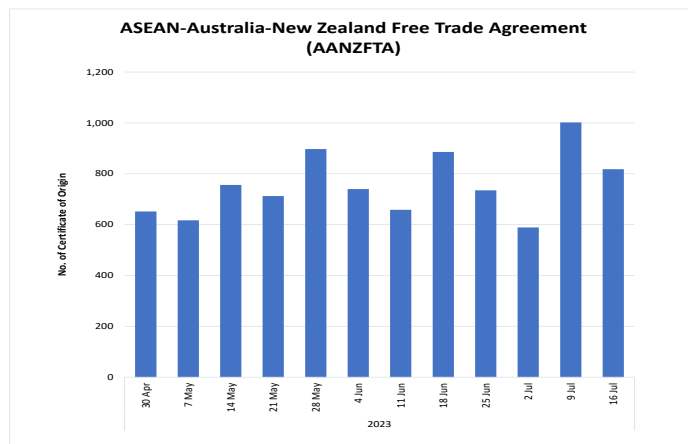
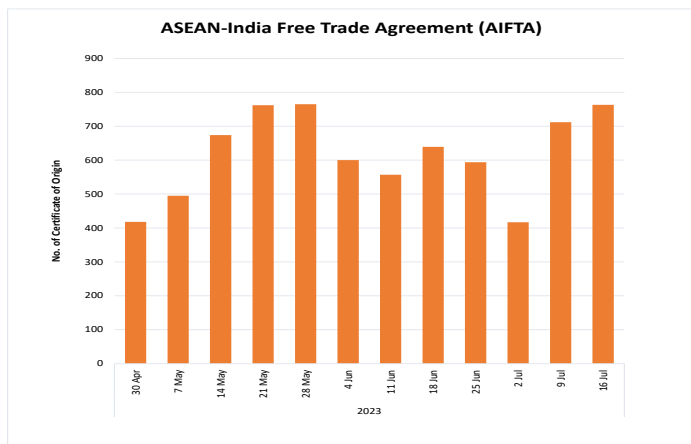
Regional FTA

Number of Preferential Certificates of Origin (PCOs) as at 16 July 2023



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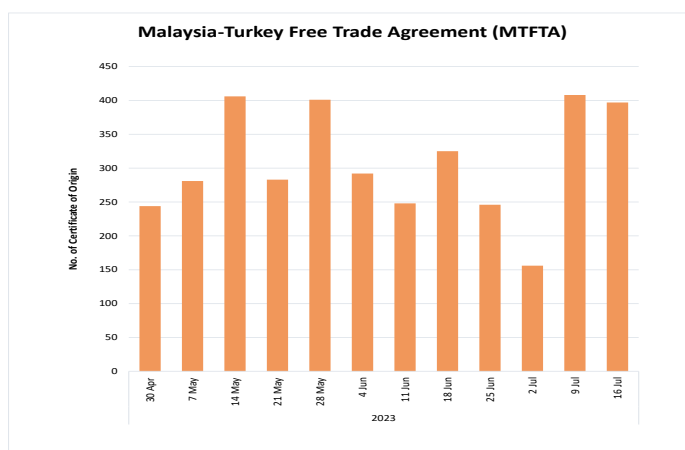
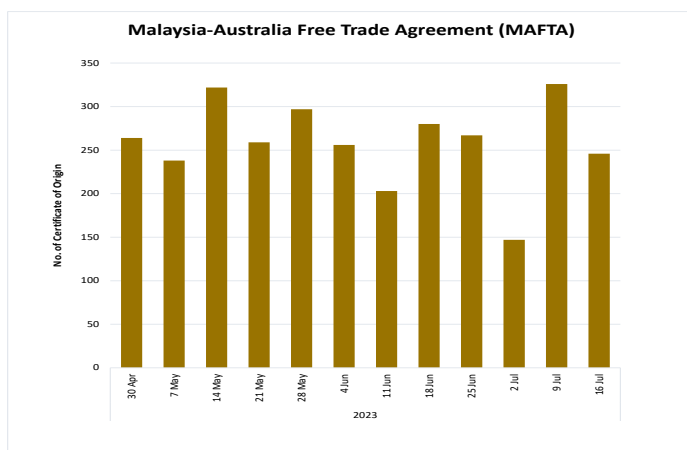
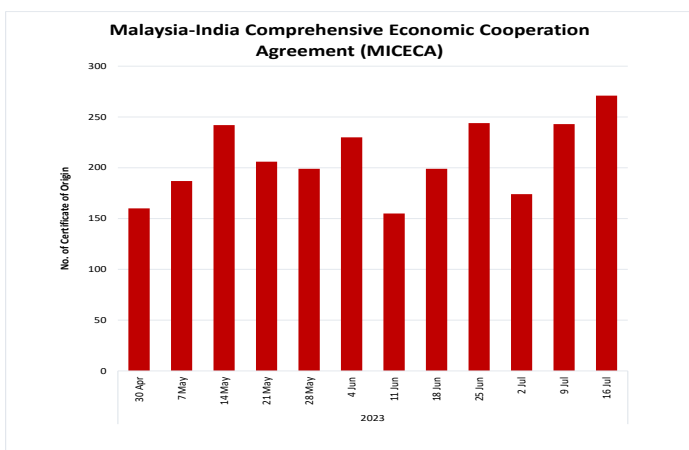
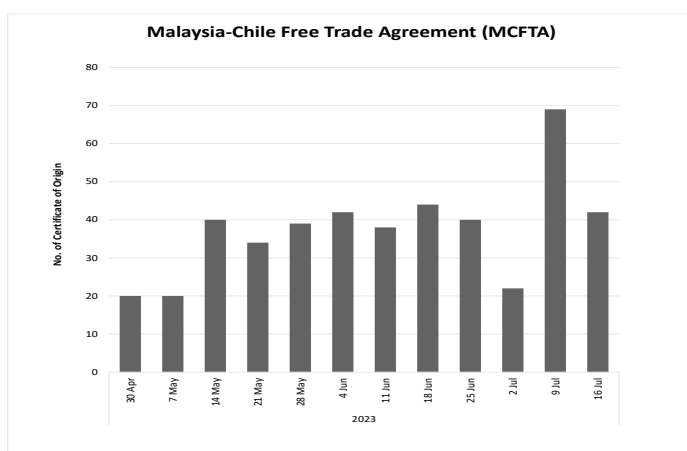
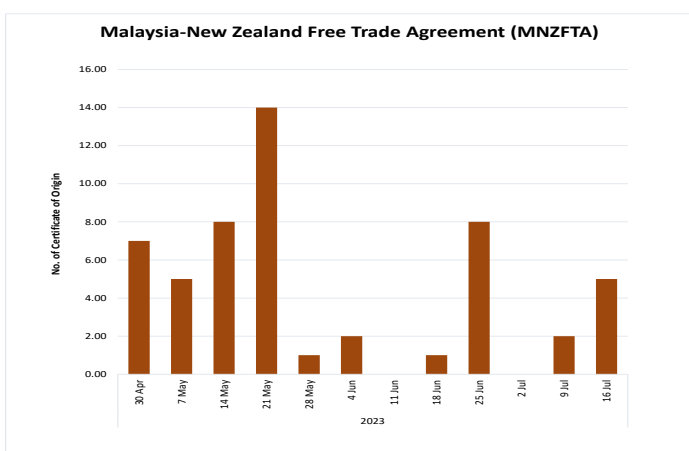
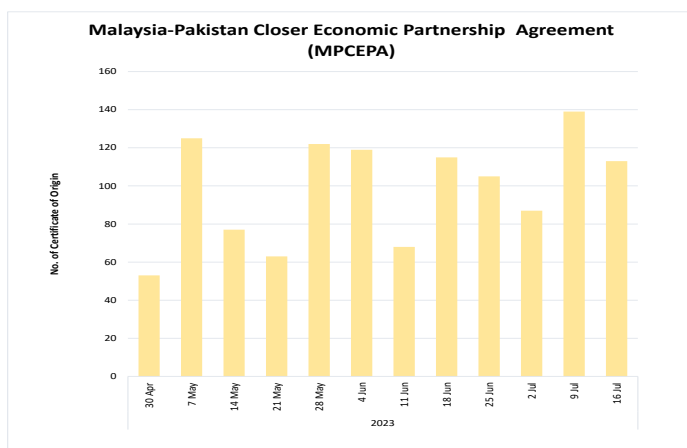
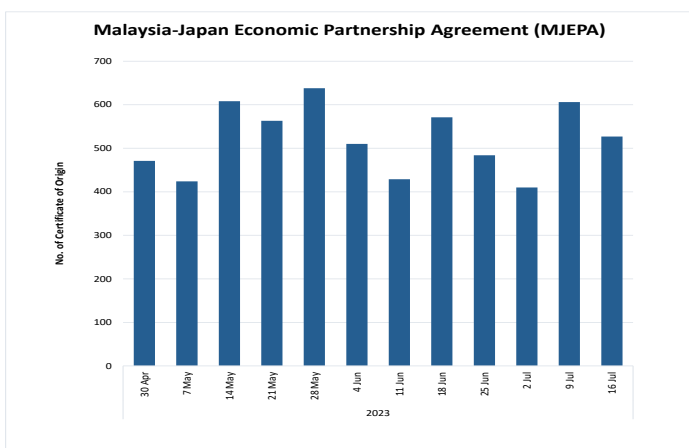
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Bilateral FTA

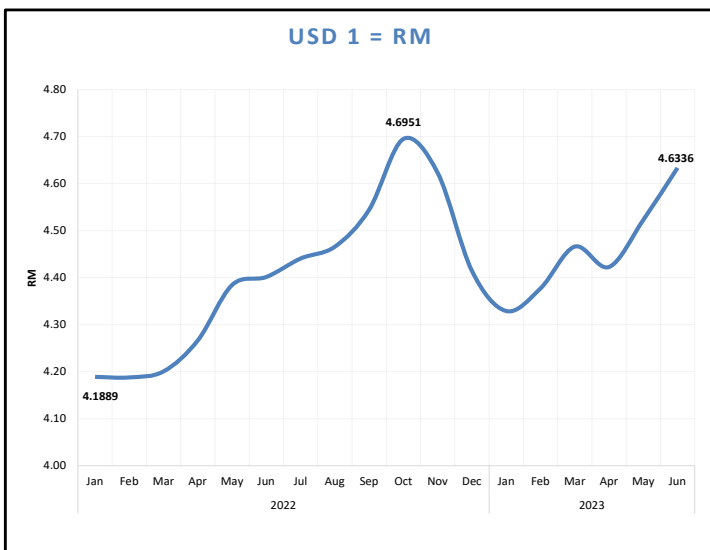
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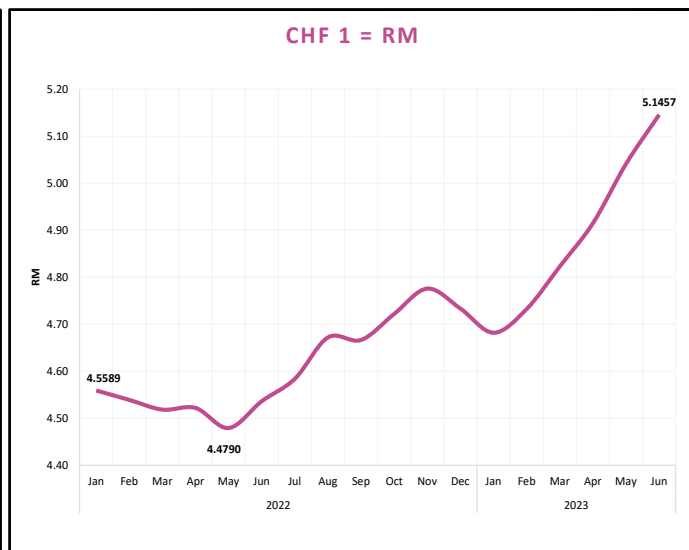
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Malaysian Ringgit Exchange Rate with Selected Countries, January 2022 - June 2023

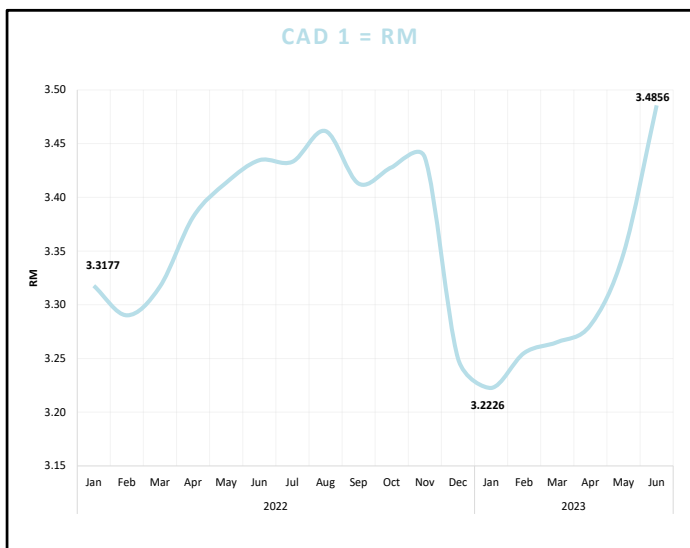
US Dollar



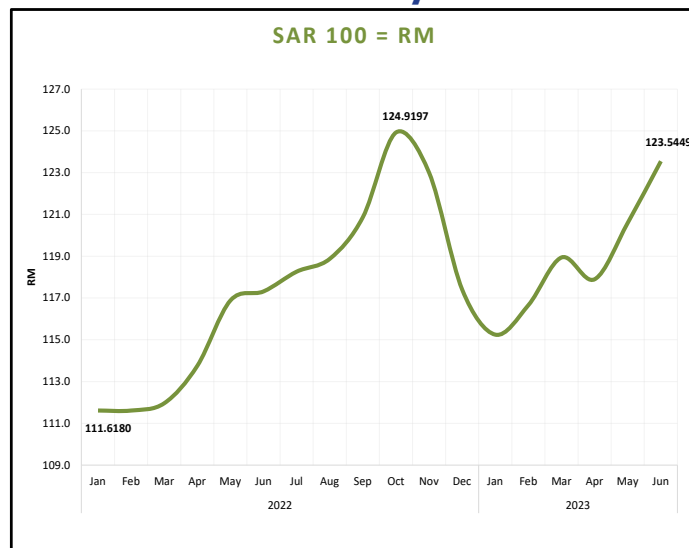
Swiss Franc



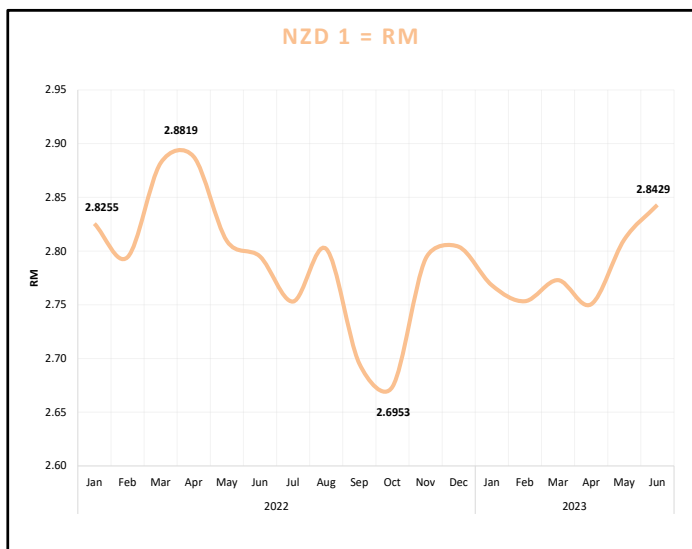
Canadian Dollar



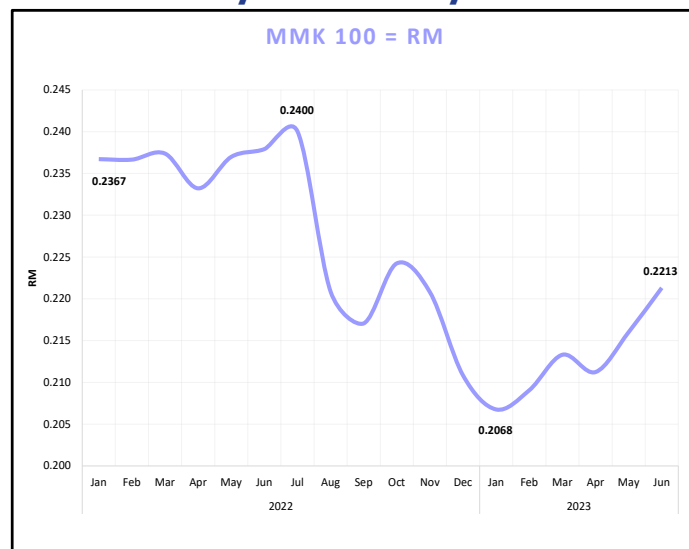
Saudi Riyal



New Zealand Dollar



Myanmar Kyat



Source : Bank Negara Malaysia

Commodity Prices

CRUDE PETROLEUM (BRENT) -per bbl-



▲ 1.5%*
US\$81.1
21 Jul 2023

Highest
2022/2023

20 Jan 2023 : US\$87.6
10 June 2022 : US\$122.0

17 March 2023 : US\$73.0
9 Dec 2022 : US\$76.1

Lowest
2022/2023

Average Price 2022ⁱ : US\$99.4

CRUDE PALM OIL -per MT-



▲ 3.2%*
US\$876.7
21 Jul 2023

Highest
2022/2023

3 Mar 2023 : US\$964.5
11 Mar 2022 : US\$1,774.7

2 Jun 2023 : US\$738.1
30 Sep 2022 : US\$715.6

Lowest
2022/2023

Average Price 2022ⁱ : US\$1,171.6

RUBBER SMR 20 -per



▼ 2.0%*
US\$1,294.0
21 Jul 2023

Average Price 2022ⁱ : US\$1,549.9

COCOA SMC 2 -per MT-



▲ 2.4%*
US\$2,015.4
21 Jul 2023

Average Price 2022ⁱ : US\$1,564.5

SUGAR -per lbs-

▲ 1.2%*
US\$24.2
21 Jul 2023



Average Price 2022ⁱ : US\$18.8

COAL -per MT-



▲ 6.1%*
US\$110.5
21 Jul 2023

Average Price 2022ⁱ : US\$290.8

SCRAP IRON HMS -per MT-



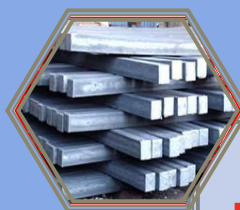
▼ 2.4%*
US\$377.0
(high)
Jun 2023

▼ 4.4%*
US\$339.3
(low)

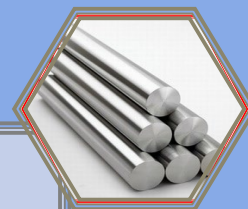
Average Price 2022ⁱ : US\$469.9 (high)
Average Price 2022ⁱ : US\$426.3 (low)

Domestic Prices

Jun 2023



Billets
(per MT)
RM2,700 - RM2,760



Steel Bars
(per MT)
RM2,685 - RM2,812

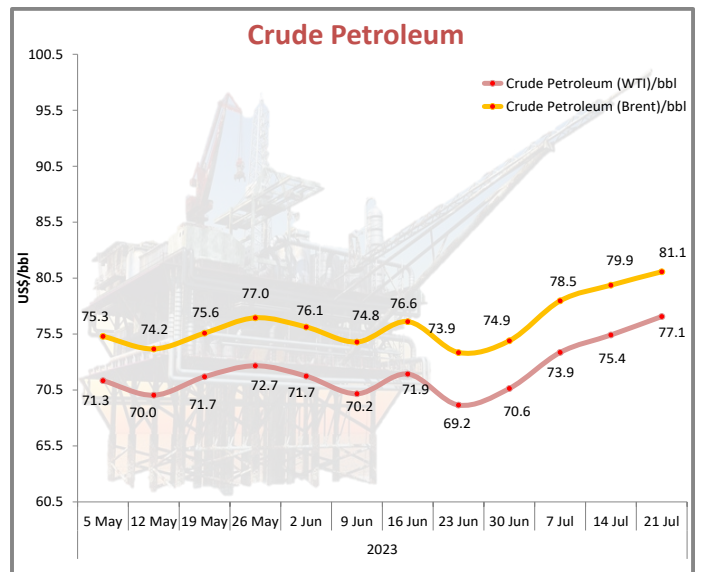
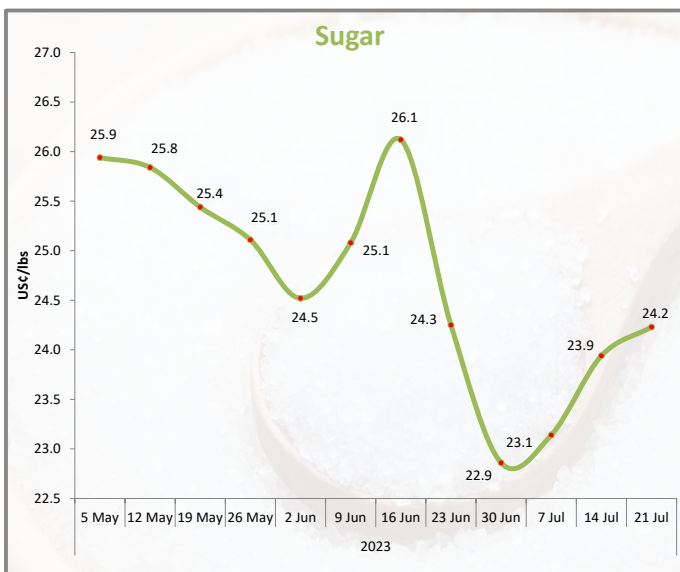
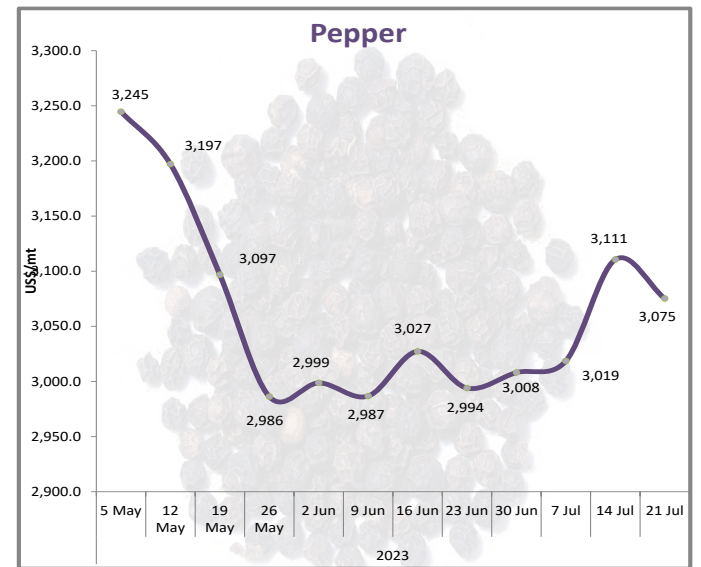
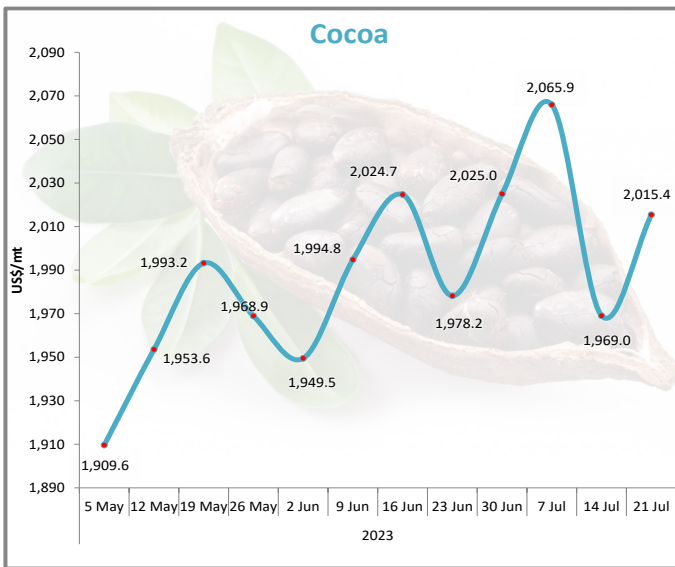
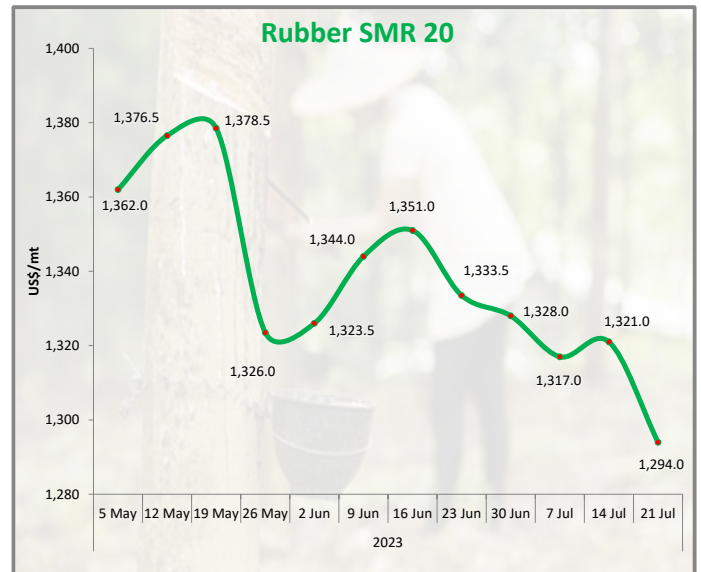
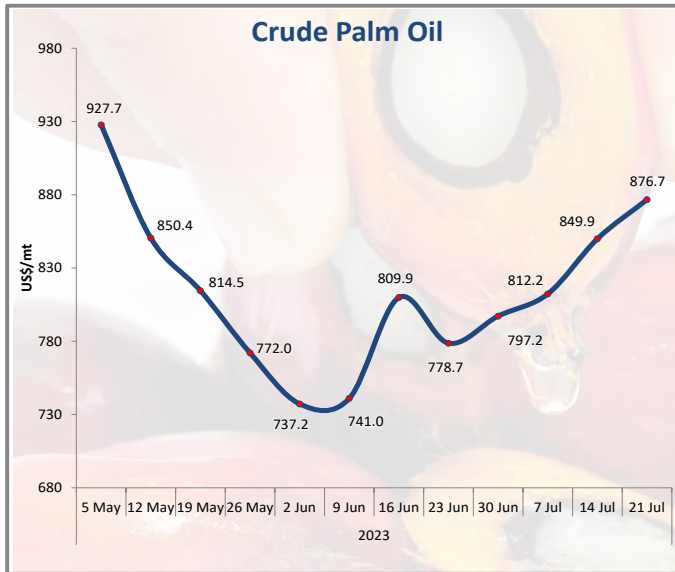
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* Refer to % change from the previous week's price

i Average price in the year except otherwise indicated

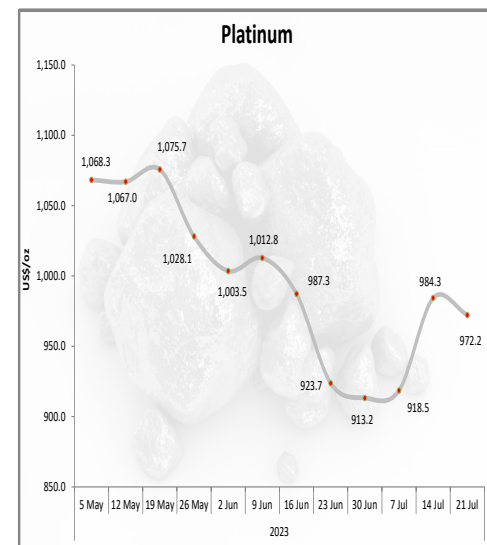
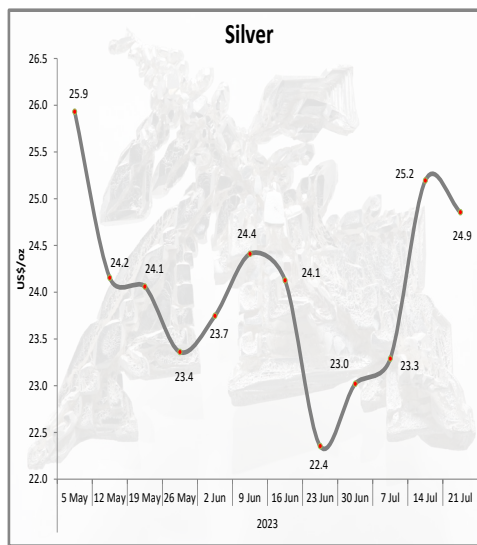
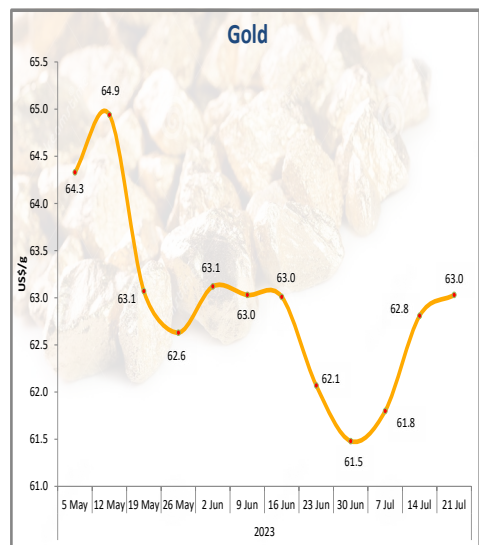
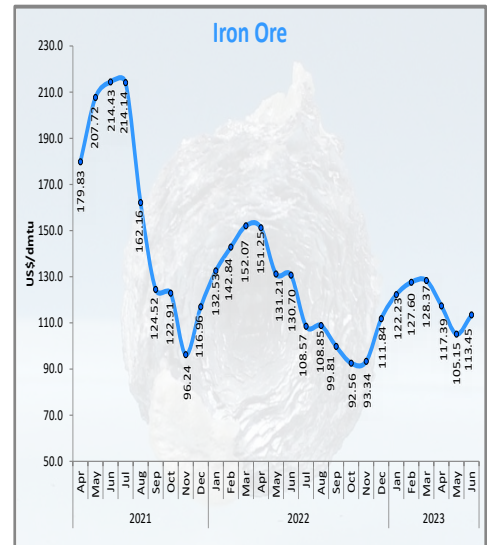
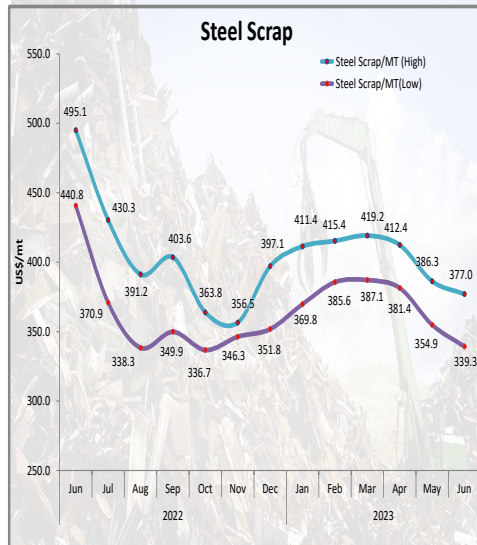
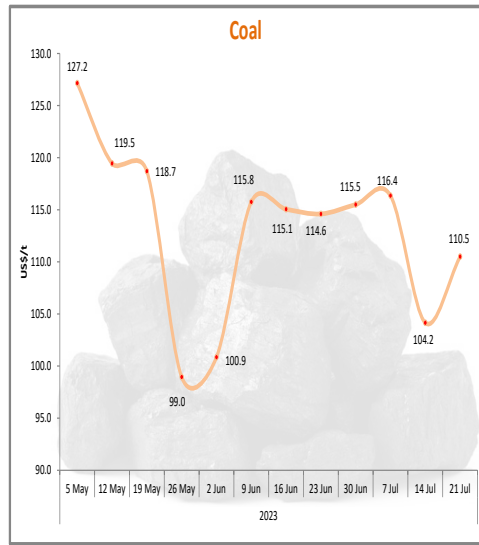
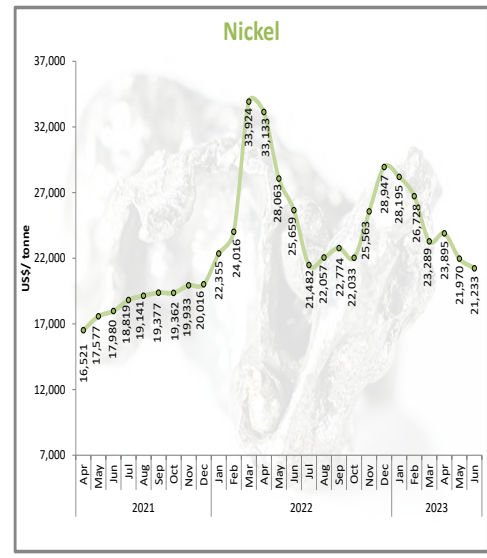
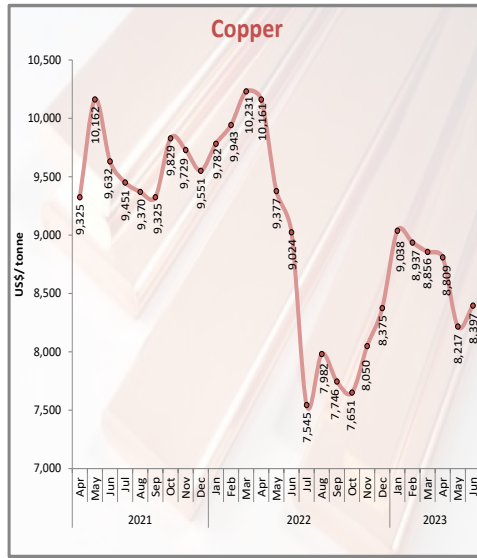
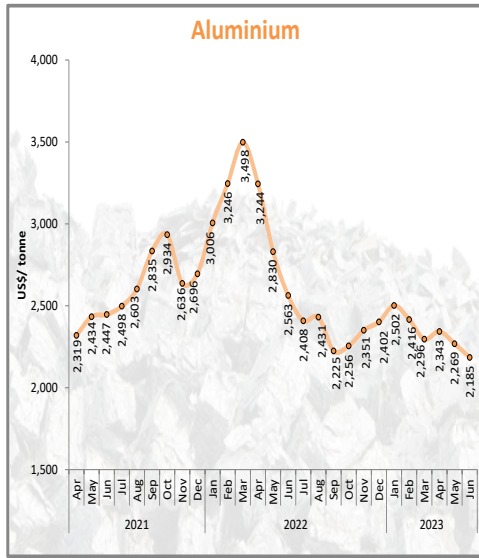
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RCEP

REGIONAL COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP (RCEP)



THE RCEP COVERS:

- 1 Elimination or reduction of import duties
- 2 Promotion, facilitation, protection and investment liberalisation
- 3 Protection of intellectual property rights, facilitation in e-commerce
- 4 Economic and technical cooperation

MAIN OBJECTIVES OF RCEP

- 1 Strengthening regional value chain
- 2 User friendly and easy to use
- 3 Modern, comprehensive and high quality

ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW

RCEP

Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP)

The Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) Agreement is designed to broaden and deepen ASEAN's engagement with Australia, China, Japan, Korea and New Zealand. The objective of the trade agreement is to establish a modern, comprehensive, high-quality, and mutually beneficial economic partnership that will facilitate the expansion of regional trade and investment and contribute to global economic growth and development in the region.



2012

The decision to initiate the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) Agreement begins at the 21st ASEAN Summit

2020

The RCEP is officially signed by 10 ASEAN member countries along with five ASEAN FTA partner countries after 31 rounds of formal negotiations

Total Population
2.2 billion

Total GDP US\$24.8 billion
28.9% of the world's GDP

PRIMARY OBJECTIVES

The RCEP Agreement is created to establish a modern, comprehensive, high-quality, and mutually beneficial economic partnership that will facilitate the expansion of regional trade and investment and contribute to global economic growth and development amongst RCEP member countries.

The single regional free trade agreement (FTA) is also intended to strengthen regional value chain for businesses in the region, particularly the Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs).

It is designed to create and support an open, inclusive, and rules-based multilateral trading system, which will in turn create avenues for market and employment opportunities for businesses and people within the region.

The trade agreement will allow businesses in RCEP member countries to gain access to a much wider regional market. Progressive elimination and reduction of customs duties for trade in goods as well as facilitation of export and import of goods among the RCEP countries will serve to enhance inter and intra-regional trade and investment whilst strengthening regional value chains.

To serve as a vital economic tool to spur economic growth in the region. It will also allow more seamless opening of markets whilst creating uninterrupted supply chains within the region. The trade agreement is also intended to help facilitate transparency, information exchange and better compliance for technical regulations and standards amongst RCEP member countries.

KEY FEATURES OF THE RCEP



Trade In Goods

Progressive elimination of tariff and non-tariff barriers on substantially all trade in goods including the related chapters of rules of origin, customs procedures, sanitary and phytosanitary measures, standards, technical regulations and conformity assessment procedures and trade remedies in order to establish a free trade area among the parties.



Trade In Services

Liberalisation of services sectors, including financial services, telecommunications services and movement of natural persons. The RCEP will be comprehensive, of high quality and substantially eliminate restrictions and/or discriminatory measures with respect to trade in services between the RCEP participating countries. Rules and obligations on trade in services under the RCEP will be consistent with the General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS).



Investment

Promotion, facilitation, protection and liberalisation of investment. The RCEP will aim to create a liberal, facilitative, and competitive investment environment in the region based on these four pillars in order to create an enabling investment environment in the region along with improved investment facilitation provisions as well as investor aftercare.

Economic & Technical Cooperation

The economic and technical cooperation provisions in the RCEP will build upon existing economic cooperation arrangements between ASEAN and ASEAN's FTA partners to narrow the development gaps amongst member countries. Under the RCEP agreement, cooperation activities will also include trade activities such as e-commerce and other areas that would be mutually agreed upon by the RCEP participating countries.



Protection Of Intellectual Property Rights

Aimed at reducing IP-related barriers to trade and investment by promoting economic integration and cooperation in the utilization, protection and enforcement of intellectual property rights amongst RCEP member countries.



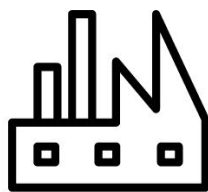


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Get your firm assessed. Be ready for Industry 4.0.

All you need to know about Industry4WRD RA



What is it?

Trained assessors will help you to understand your readiness for Industry 4.0 and make recommendations on where to start your transformation.

Who is eligible?



- ✓ Manufacturing and its related services sector
- ✓ Valid registration and business licences
- ✓ Company has at least 60% local equity
- ✓ In operation for more than 3 years

What are the benefits?



Identify areas of improvement in terms of people, process and technology.



Receive comprehensive readiness report.



Be entitled to apply for financial incentives.



Process Flow

A FEW SIMPLE STEPS

Incentives for RA

- Government-funded assessment for eligible SMEs.
- Others will get tax exemption on RA fees up to RM27k.



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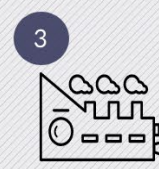
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Develop Intervention Proposal




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- ✔ Introduction to Preferential Certificate of Origin (PCO)
- ✔ Introduction to Strategic Trade Act 2010

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