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MITI Sees a Challenging Trade Year Ahead



KUALA LUMPUR: The trade sector may face challenging prospects this year, according to Minister of International Trade and Industry, Dato' Sri Mustapa Mohamed.

Mustapa said a team of experts from the ministry was currently working on the trade forecast figures for this year.

"The team is looking at the impact on current oil prices, economy, balance of payments, fiscal deficit as well as the Goods and Services Tax. The figures would be announced in several weeks' time.

"2015 is a challenging year but I don't want to pre-empt as more detailed analyses needed to be done," he told reporters this after launching the Malaysian Association of Asean Young Entrepreneurs (MAAYE) here today.

He said the ministry would revisit its forecast figures on foreign direct investments and export value for electrical and electronic products in view of the current ringgit's performance.

"The ringgit has pluses and minuses in terms of impact. We will do more detailed calculation," he said.

Mustapa said Malaysia's exports in November 2014 rose by 2.1 per cent to RM63.73 billion, the highest ever recorded for the month of November.

"The trade surplus of RM11.13 billion registered during the month was the highest value since November 2011," he said.

On MAAYE, Mustapa said, it would connect young Malaysian entrepreneurs and their Asean counterparts more effectively through official channels and to promote business skills.

"Such connectivity will contribute significantly to the strengthening of our small and medium enterprises sector, the primary economic driver for the Asean Economic Community," he said.

"The ministry and its agencies are committed to assist the MAAYE to promote Malaysia as the one-stop centre for budding young entrepreneurs," he said.

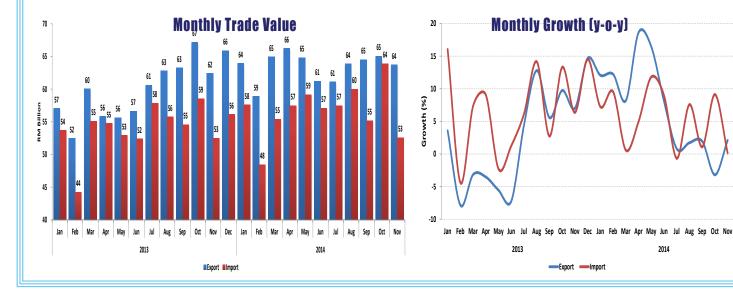
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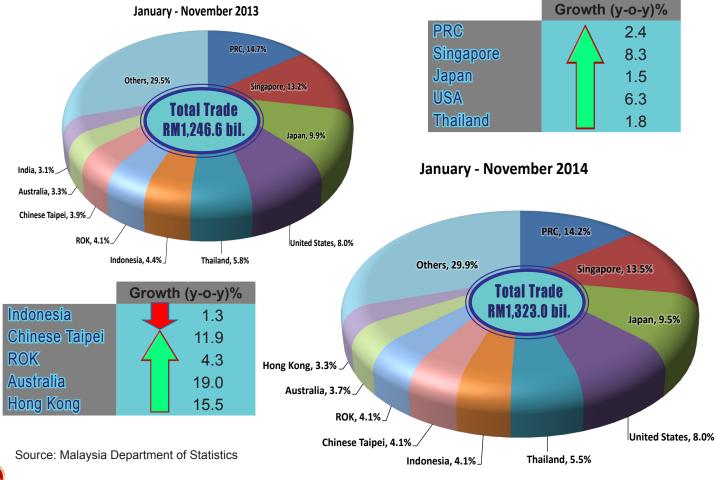


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| Trade Performance, January - November 2014 | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------|--|--|--|
| | Nov 2014 | Oct 2014 | Nov 2013 | Growth % (y-o-y) | Jan-Nov 2014 | Jan-Nov 2013 | Growth % (y-o-y) | | | |
| Exports | 63.7 | 65.1 | 62.4 | 2.1 | 698.4 | 654.1 | 6.8 | | | |
| Imports | 52.6 | 63.9 | 52.5 | 0.1 ح ک | 624.5 | 592.5 | ۲ 5.4 | | | |
| Trade Balance | 11.1 | 1.1 | 9.9 | 12.6 | 73.9 | 61.5 | 20.1 | | | |
| Total Trade | 116.3 | 129.0 | 114.9 | 1.2 | 1,323.0 | 1,246.6 | 6.1 | | | |



Major Trading Partners, 2013 and 2014 (January - November)



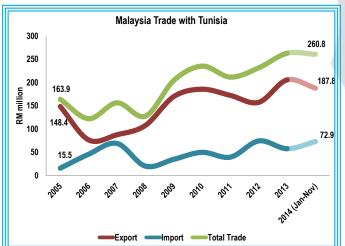
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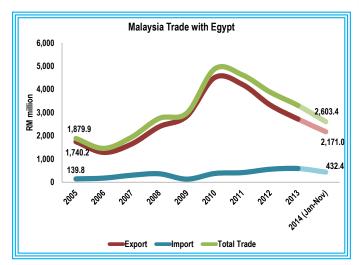
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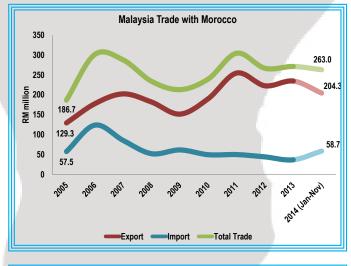
Note: African region consist of 57 economies

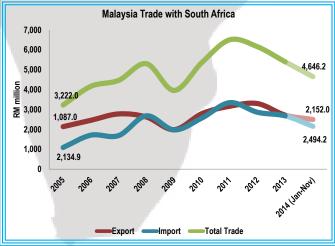
Trade with Select Affern Geonomies, 2005 - 2014 (Jan - Nov)





Source: Malaysia Department of Statistics





"ASEAN and You"

N Economic Community Scoreca 51

ABC Implementation for Phase I-Phase III

Implementation of ASEAN Economic Community for Period January 2008 - October 2012

74.5% of targets achieved

| Strat | tegic | Schedule | | | | | | |
|--|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| 74.6 % | 77.3% | 61.1 % | 75.0% | | | | | |
| Single Market and Production Base | Competitive Economic Region | Equitable Economic Development | Integration into the Global Economy | | | | | |
| # Liberalization and facilitation of free flow of: goods services capital investment skilled labour | Laying the foundation for: - composition policy - consumer protection - intellectual property rights Infastructure Development | # Development and enhancement of SMEs institution and cooperation# Implementation initiative for ASEAN integration | # Entry into force of Free Trade Agreements | | | | | |
| # Development of 12 priority integration sectors | Promotion of energy and mineral cooperation Development of bilateral | | | | | | | |
| # Strenghtening food security and cooperation | agreement on taxation | Key to ASEAN Eco | nomic Community | | | | | |
| under agriculture sectors | | Political will; Coordination and resource Implementation arrangent Capacity building and instance Public and private sector | nents; titutional strenghening and; | | | | | |

Human Resource Development

Research and Development

| Pillar 1 | Single Market and Production Base Scorecard | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|---|----|--|----|--|---|--|----|
| Key areas | Phase I (2008-2009) Fully Not Fully Implemented Implemented | | Phase II (2010-2011) Fully Not Fully Implemented Implemented | | Phase III (2012) Fully Not Fully Implemented Implemented | | Total Measures Fully Not Fully Implemented Implemented | |
| Free Flow of Goods | 9 | 0 | 25 | 22 | 5 | 5 | 39 | 27 |
| Free Flow of Services | 10 | 3 | 19 | 11 | - | - | 29 | 14 |
| Free Flow of Investment | 6 | 0 | 7 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 14 | 6 |
| Free Flow of Capital | 1 | 0 | 5 | 0 | - | - | 6 | 0 |
| Free Flow of Skilled Labor | - | - | 1 | 0 | - | - | 1 | 0 |
| Priority Integration Sectors | 28 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 40 | 0 |
| Food, Agriculture and Forestry | 8 | 0 | 8 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 18 | 3 |
| Total Number of Measures | 62 | 3 | 66 | 42 | 19 | 5 | 147 | 50 |
| Implementation Rate* | 95. | 4% | 61.1% | | 79.2% | | 74.6% | |

* Phase III only reflect the measures targeted for period 1 January up to 31 October 2012

** Implementation rate is calculated as the ratio of measures that are fully implemented to total number of measures targeted (-) Indicates no measures targeted for this phase

Source: ASEAN Secretariat

| Pillar 2 Competitive Economic Region Scorecard | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|----|--|----|--|---|--|----|
| Key areas | Phase I (2008-2009) Fully Not Fully Implemented Implemented | | Phase II (2010-2011) Fully Not Fully Implemented Implemented | | Phase III (2012) Fully Not Fully Implemented Implemented | | Total Measures Fully Not Fully Implemented Implemented | |
| Competition Policy | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | - | - | 4 | 0 |
| Consumer Protection | 2 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 12 | 0 |
| Intellectual Property Rights | - | - | 4 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 6 | 1 |
| Transport | 15 | 10 | 7 | 7 | 6 | 1 | 28 | 18 |
| Energy | - | - | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 1 |
| Mineral | 1 | 0 | 7 | 0 | - | - | 8 | 0 |
| ICT | 2 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 0 |
| Taxation | - | - | 0 | 1 | - | - | 0 | 1 |
| E-commerce | - | - | 1 | 0 | - | - | 1 | 0 |
| Total Number of Measures | 22 | 10 | 36 | 10 | 11 | 1 | 69 | 21 |
| Implementation Rate* | 68. | 8% | 78.3% | | 91.7% | | 86.3% | |

| Pillar 3 | | Equitable Economic Development Scorecard | | | | | | | | |
|---|------------------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| Key areas | Phase I (2 Fully Implemented | 2008-2009) Not Fully Implemented | Phase II (2 Fully Implemented | 2010-2011) Not Fully Implemented | Phase I Fully Implemented | II (2012) Not Fully Implemented | Total N Fully Implemented | leasures Not Fully Implemented | | |
| SME Development | 1 | 0 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 7 | 6 | | |
| Initiative for ASEAN Integration (IAI) | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 1 | | |
| Total Number of Measures | 3 | 0 | 7 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 11 | 7 | | |
| Implementation Rate* | 68.8% | | 78.3% | | 91.7% | | 86.3% | | | |

| Pillar 4 | | Integration into the Global Economy Scorecard | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|---|----------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|--|
| | Phase I (2008-2009) | | Phase II (2010-2011) | | Phase I | Phase III (2012) | | Total Measures | |
| Key areas | Fully Implemented | Not Fully Implemented | Fully Implemented | Not Fully Implemented | Fully Implemented | Not Fully Implemented | Fully Implemented | Not Fully Implemented | |
| External Economic Relations | 5 | 0 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 12 | 4 | |
| Total Number of Measures | 5 | 0 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 12 | 4 | |
| Implementation Rate* | 68.8% | | 78.3% | | 91.7% | | 86.3% | | |

International Report Luxembourg Macrosconomic Indicators, 2018

GDP Growth 2.0% (US\$60.1 bil.) **GDP Per Capita** US\$110,697 **Inflation Rate** 1.7%

Population 534,000

Malaysia Trade with Luxembourg (2013)

Exports to Luxembourg Imports from Luxembourg

Major export products:

- i) Crude natural rubber
- ii) Machinery, appliances & parts
- iii) Electrical and Electronic Products

Major import products:

- i) Manufactures of Metal
- ii) Tin
- iii) Iron & Steel Products

| Ethnic Corr | nposition |
|--------------|-----------|
| Luxembourger | 63.1% |
| Portuguese | 13.1% |
| French | 4.5% |
| Italian | 4.3% |
| Others | 14.8% |
| | |

Luxembourg Trade Performance

| Exports to the world | : US\$18.5 bil. |
|------------------------|-----------------|
| Imports from the world | : US\$26.7 bil. |

Major export products:

- i) Electrical apparatus for line telephony
- ii) Iron or non-alloy
- iii) Medical appliances

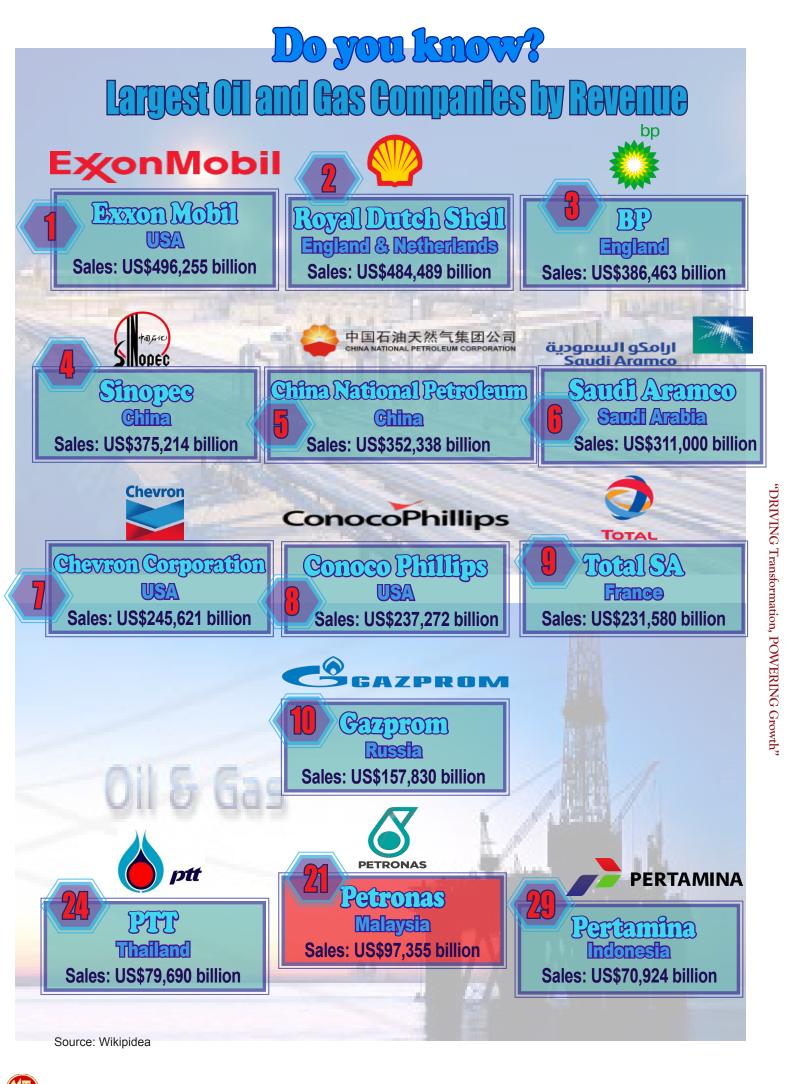
Major import products:

- i) Petroleum oils
- ii) Motor cars and other motor vehicles
- iii) Electrical apparatus for line telephony

Source : World Trade Atlas (WTA), Worldbank, CIA World Factbook and Malaysia Department of Statistics

: US\$73.2 mil.

: US\$139.0 mil.



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Number and Value of Preferential Certificates of Origin (PCOS) Number of Certificates

| | <u>16 Nov 2014</u> | <u>23 Nov 2014</u> | <u>30 Nov 2014</u> | <u>7 Dec 2014</u> | <u>14 Dec 2014</u> | 21 Dec 2014 | 28 Dec 2014 | <u>4 Jan 2015</u> |
|---------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------------|
| AANZFTA | 926 | 966 | 915 | 919 | 602 | 879 | 746 | 766 |
| AIFTA | 591 | 503 | 513 | 601 | 458 | 589 | 416 | 441 |
| AJCEP | 235 | 206 | 138 | 285 | 191 | 188 | 173 | 134 |
| ATIGA | 4,718 | 4,899 | 4,138 | 4,749 | 3,925 | 4,731 | 3,336 | 4,021 |
| ACFTA | 1,479 | 1,514 | 1,477 | 1,664 | 1,405 | 1,638 | 1,336 | 1,167 |
| AKFTA | 781 | 930 | 640 | 741 | 750 | 840 | 633 | 597 |
| MICECA | 329 | 316 | 253 | 274 | 251 | 305 | 223 | 314 |
| MNZFTA | 23 | 0 | 9 | 6 | 12 | 11 | 4 | 9 |
| MCFTA | 82 | 80 | 59 | 89 | 65 | 79 | 42 | 48 |
| MAFTA | 424 | 489 | 409 | 336 | 328 | 379 | 322 | 341 |
| MJEPA | 906 | 926 | 790 | 967 | 773 | 713 | 702 | 741 |
| MPCEPA | 173 | 106 | 157 | 143 | 151 | 113 | 122 | 124 |
| GSP | 160 | 100 | 158 | 122 | 93 | 162 | 136 | 94 |

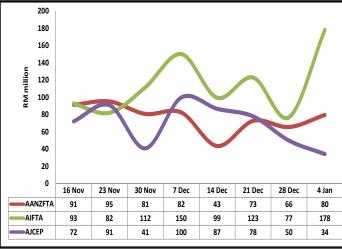
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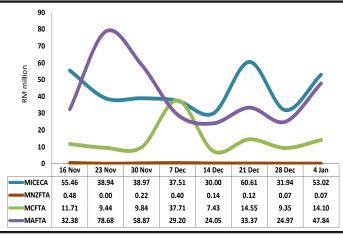
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Rec Trade Area (Implemented since 1 January 2010)

 ATIGA: ASEAN Adstanta New Zouland The Indee Agreement (Implemented since 1 January 2010)
 ATIGA: ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement (Implemented since 1 May 2010)
 AJCEP: ASEAN-Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership (Implemented since 1 February 2009)
 ACFTA: ASEAN-China Free Trade Agreement (Implemented since 1 July 2003)
 AKFTA: ASEAN-Korea Free Trade Agreement (Implemented since 1 July 2006)
 AIFTA: ASEAN-India Free Trade Agreement (Implemented since 1 January 2010)

Value of Preferential Certificates of Origin





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MPCEPA: Malaysia-Pakistan Closer Economic Partnership

Cooperation Agreement (Implemented since 1 July 2011)

MNZFTA: Malaysia-New Zealand Free Trade Agreement

Agreement (Implemented since 1 January 2008)

MICECA: Malaysia-India Comprehensive Economic

MJEPA: Malaysia-Japan Economic Partnership

Agreement (Implemented since 13 July 2006)

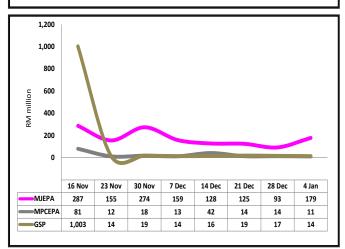
MCFTA: Malaysia-Chile Free Trade Agreement

MAFTA: Malaysia-Australia Free Trade Agreement

(Implemented since 1 August 2010)

(Implemented since 25 February 2012)

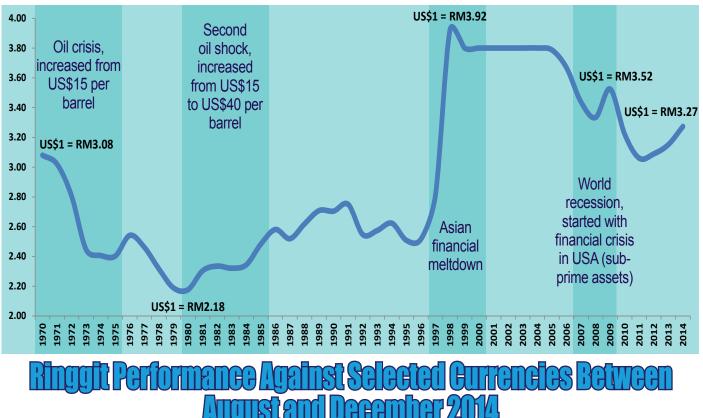
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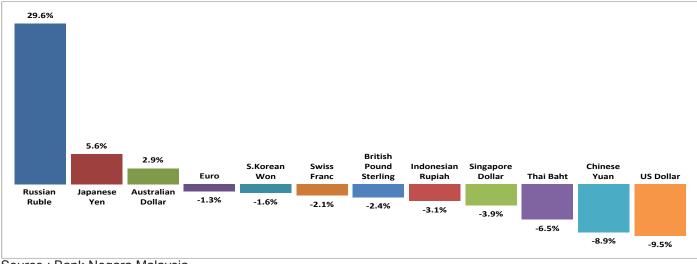


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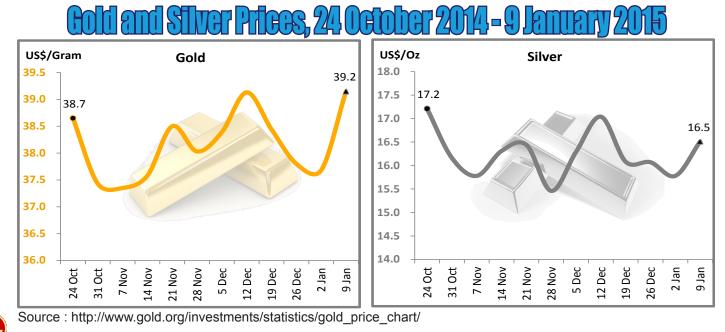


Malaysian Ringgit Exchange Rate with US Dollar, 1970 - 2014





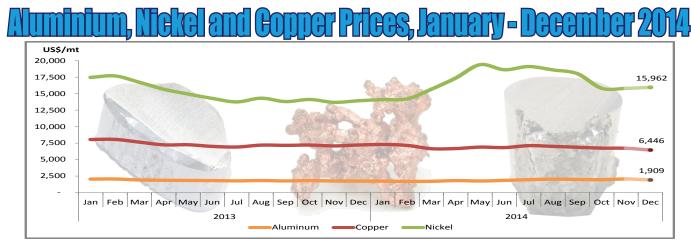
Source : Bank Negara Malaysia



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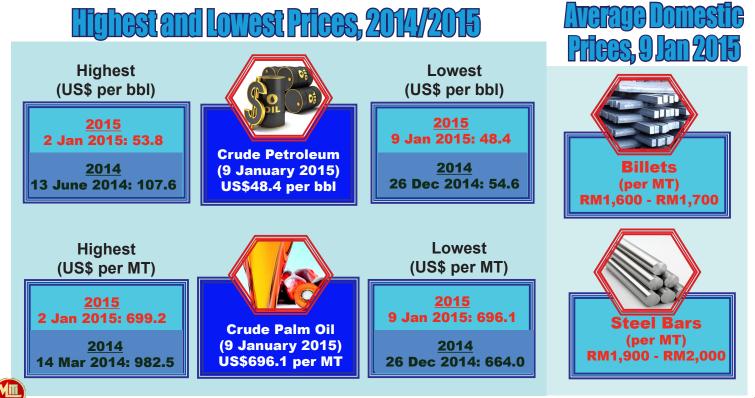
| | | | SUGAR | SMR 20 | | | | | | |
|----------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Commodity | Crude Petroleum (per bbl) | Crude Palm Oil (per MT) | Raw Sugar (per MT) | Rubber SMR 20 (per MT) | Čocoa SMC 2 (per MT) | Coal (per MT) | Scrap Iron HMS (per MT) | | | |
| 9 Jan 2015 (US\$) | 48.4 | 696.1 | 301.8 | 1,453.0 | 2,117.5 | 53.5 | 320.0 (high) 300.0 (low) | | | |
| % change* | 10.1 | 0.4 | 2.4 | 4.4 | 7.1 | 13.3 | 3.0 6.3 | | | |
| 2014 ⁱ | 54.6 - 107.6 | 823.3 | 352.3 | 1,718.3 | 2,615.8 | 59.8 | 370.0 | | | |
| 2013 ⁱ | 88.1 - 108.6 | 805.5 | 361.6 | 2,390.8 | 1,933.1 | | 485.6 | | | |

Notes: All figures have been rounded to the nearest decimal point

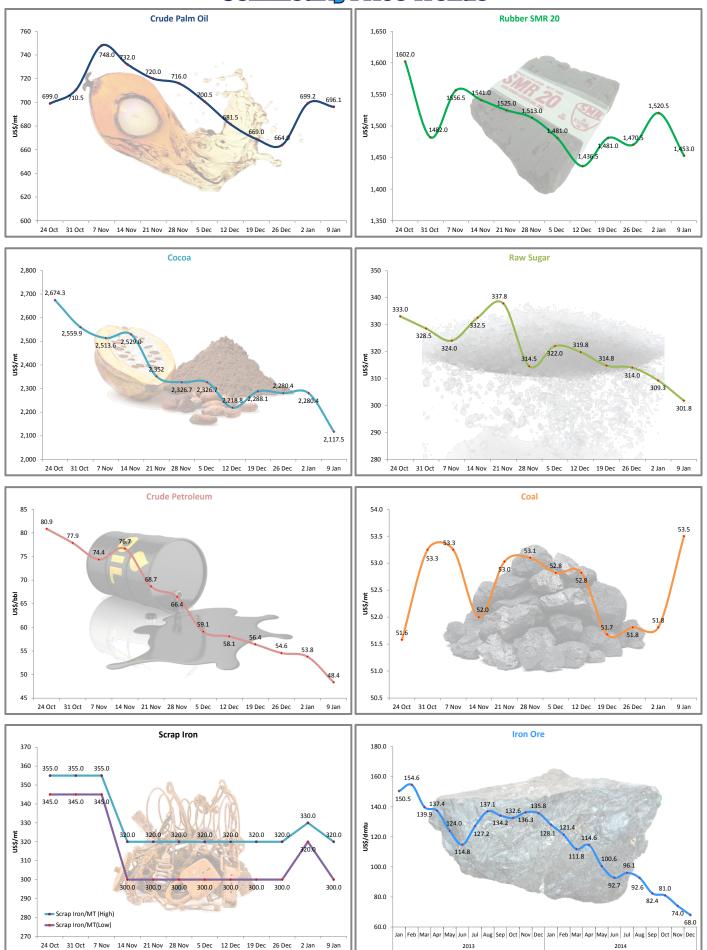
* Refer to % change from the previous week's price

i Average price in the year except otherwise indicated

Source : Ministry of International Trade and Industry Malaysia, Malaysian Palm Oil Board, Malaysian Rubber Board, Malaysian Cocoa Board, Malaysian Iron and Steel Industry Federation, Bloomberg and Czarnikow Group



Commodily Price Trends



Source : Ministry of International Trade and Industry Malaysia, Malaysian Palm Oil Board, Malaysian Rubber Board, Malaysian Cocoa Board, Malaysian Iron and Steel Industry Federation, Bloomberg and Czarnikow Group.

Success Story

NELSON'S Franchise (M) Sdn Bhd





Nelson's Franchise (M) Sdn Bhd

It's not hard to spot a Nelson's booth with its green and yellow signboard in Malaysia. Nelson's booths have a ubiquitous presence in most shopping complexes in Malaysia.With its trademark Corn in Cup unique concept – Nelson's has indeed struck the pot of gold in the business world when it all started in the 1980s. Having succeeded in the Corn in Cup concept, Nelson's has diversified into corn farming and processing to ensure constant and quality supply to its franchisees and customers.

Today, Nelson's is truly a homegrown brand that has established itself well in the global arena. With almost 25 years of experience behind the brand and business, Nelson's has created a strong brand presence and promise in the corn and snack food industry.

HUMBLE BEGINNINGS

From a humble one-shop establishment, the business had successfully opened a chain of seven shops by1994. In 1995, the first Nelson's Corn in Cup franchise system was invented and launched locally. Interestingly enough, Nelson's also became the first company in the world to introduce the concept of "corn in cup", earning the business a pioneer status. The simplicity and fun method to eat corn with a spoon has also captured the interests of tourists from abroad who tasted and



enjoyed the concept so much that it resulted in an international business expansion. Soon the global market beckoned – today Nelson's franchise operates more than 800 outlets in 16 countries and continues to expand its operations to further reaches of the world. At the start, there was a strong desire to branch out of the Klang Valley area and also enhance the idea of corn consumption among its customers. That was when the idea of corn in cup as an ideal method originated. This innovative idea has certainly proven to be fruitful as the extracted individual kernels are easier to freeze for freshness compared to the traditional corn on cob. The company is proud to have pioneered this idea. It has resulted in a longer shelf-life with quality assurance and Nelson's saw this as a breakthrough to franchise the business to other people.

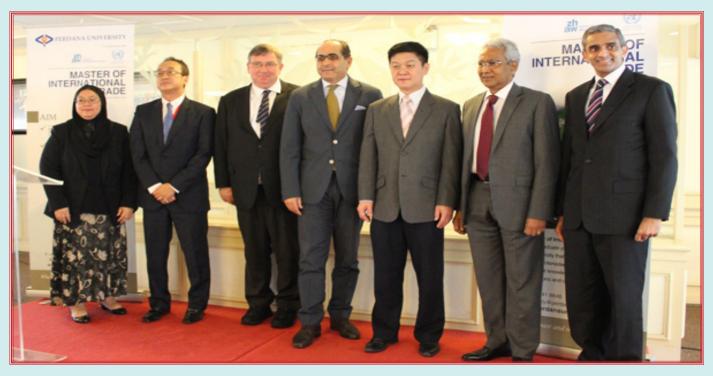
Today, Nelson's can be found almost anywhere.

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Launching of Perdana University's Master of International Trade Programme in Collaboration with MITL by YB Dato' Lee Chee Leong, 5 January 2015











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