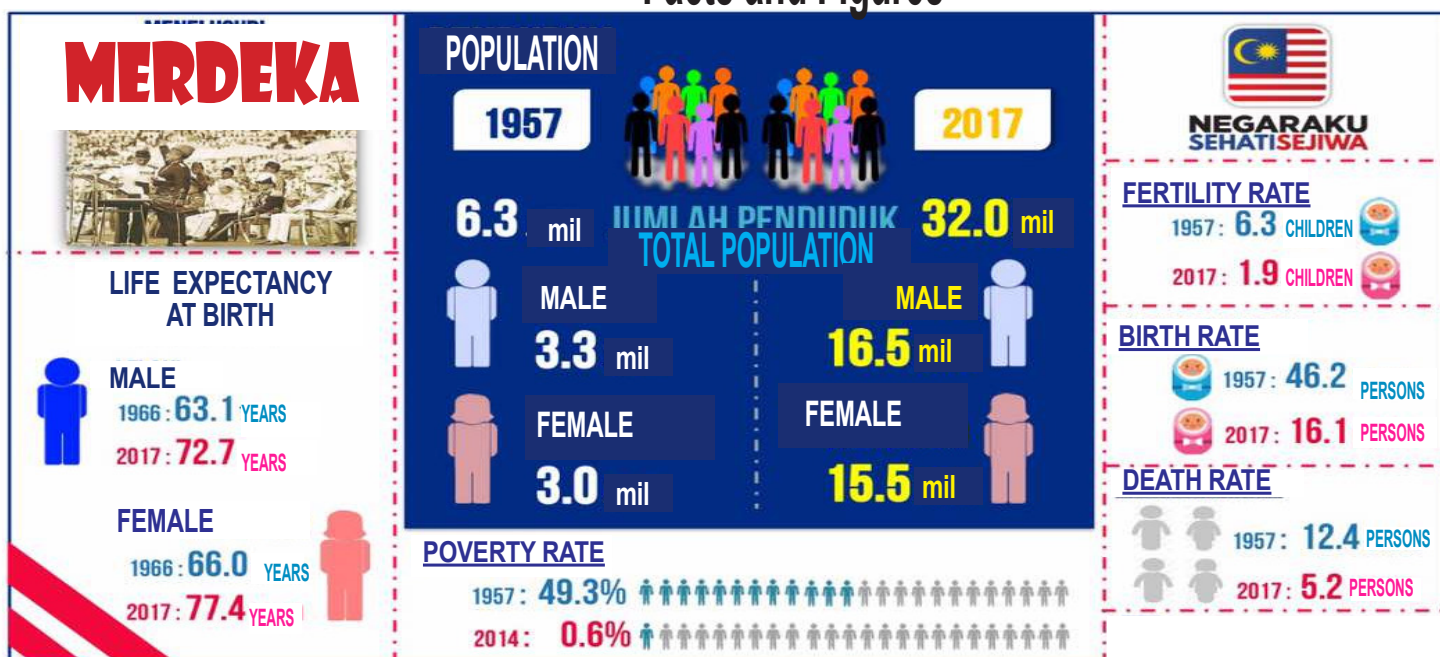


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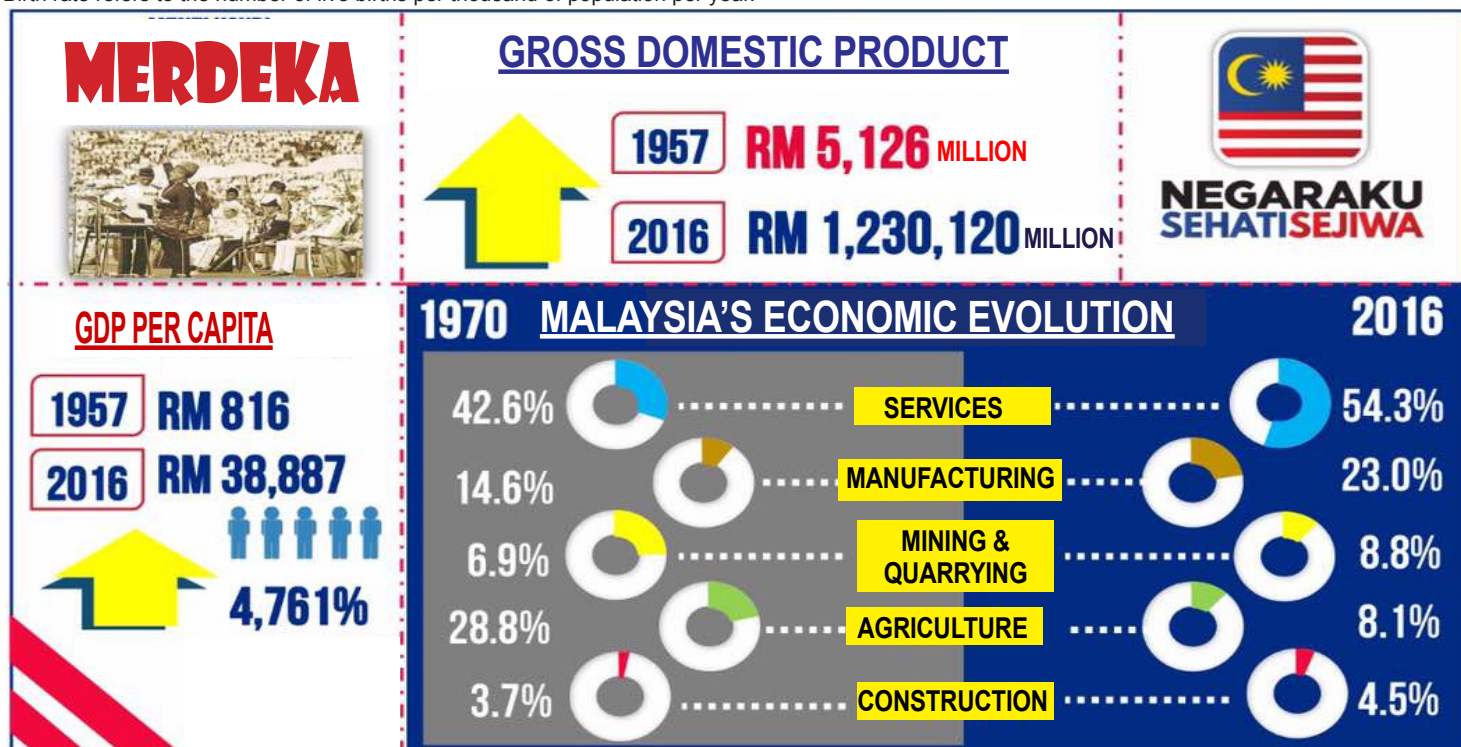


Note:

- Fertility Rate refers to the average numbers of children which would be born if women survived to the end of their reproductive period and throughout that period are subject to the schedule of age-specific fertility rates for the given year

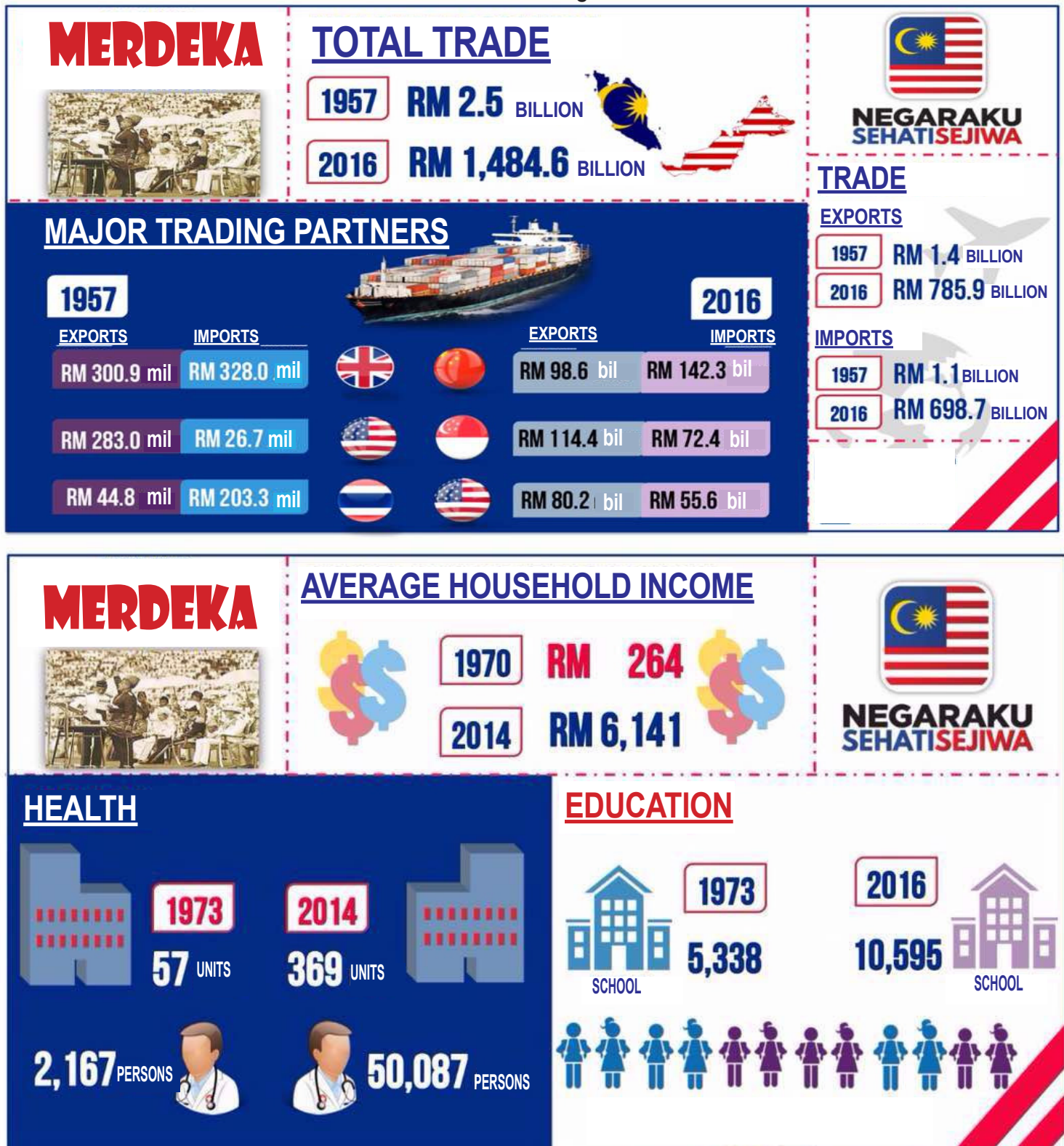
- Death Rate refers to the ratio of deaths to the population of a particular area during a particular period of time, usually calculated as the number of deaths per one thousand people per year.

- Birth rate refers to the number of live births per thousand of population per year.



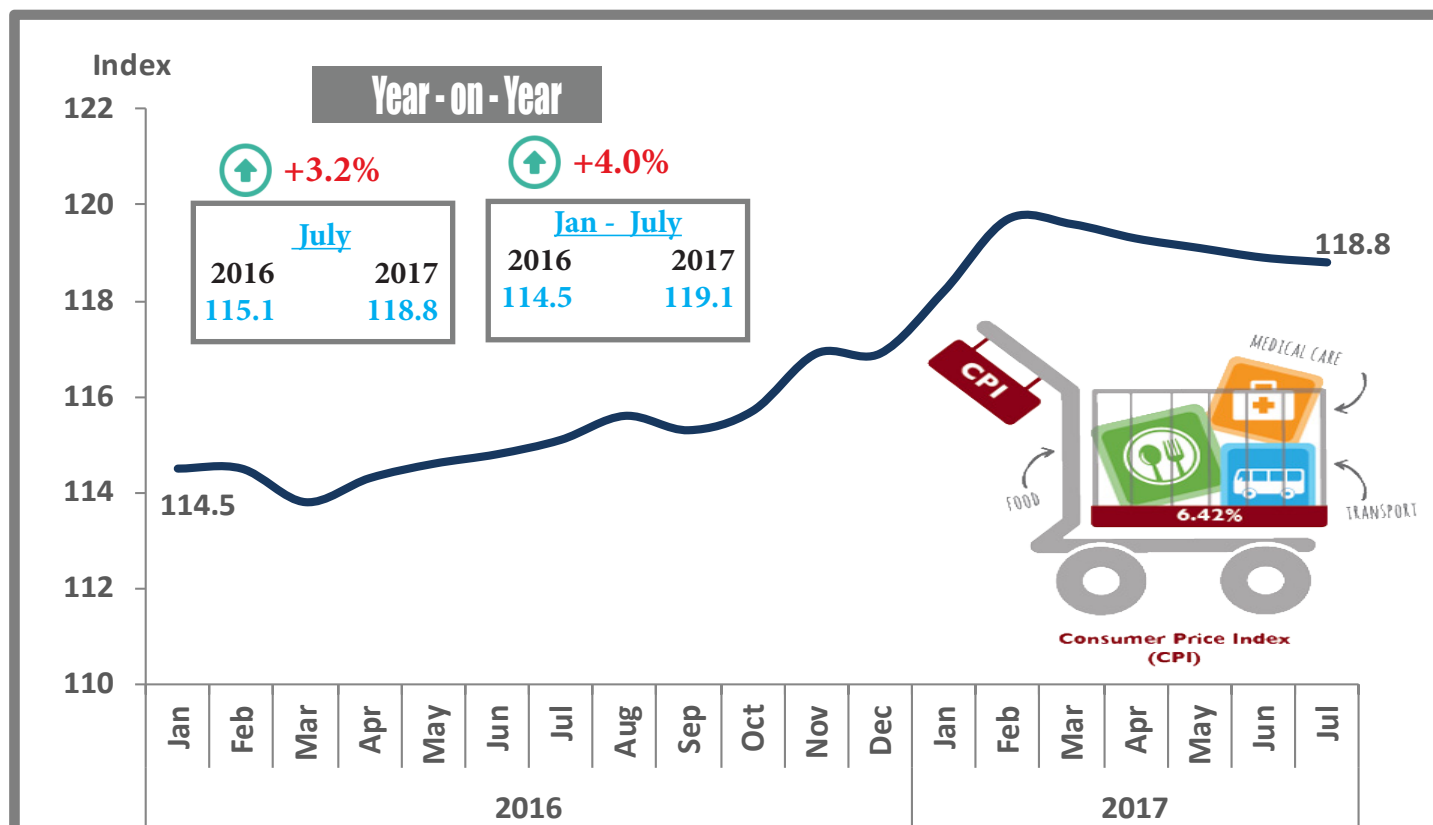


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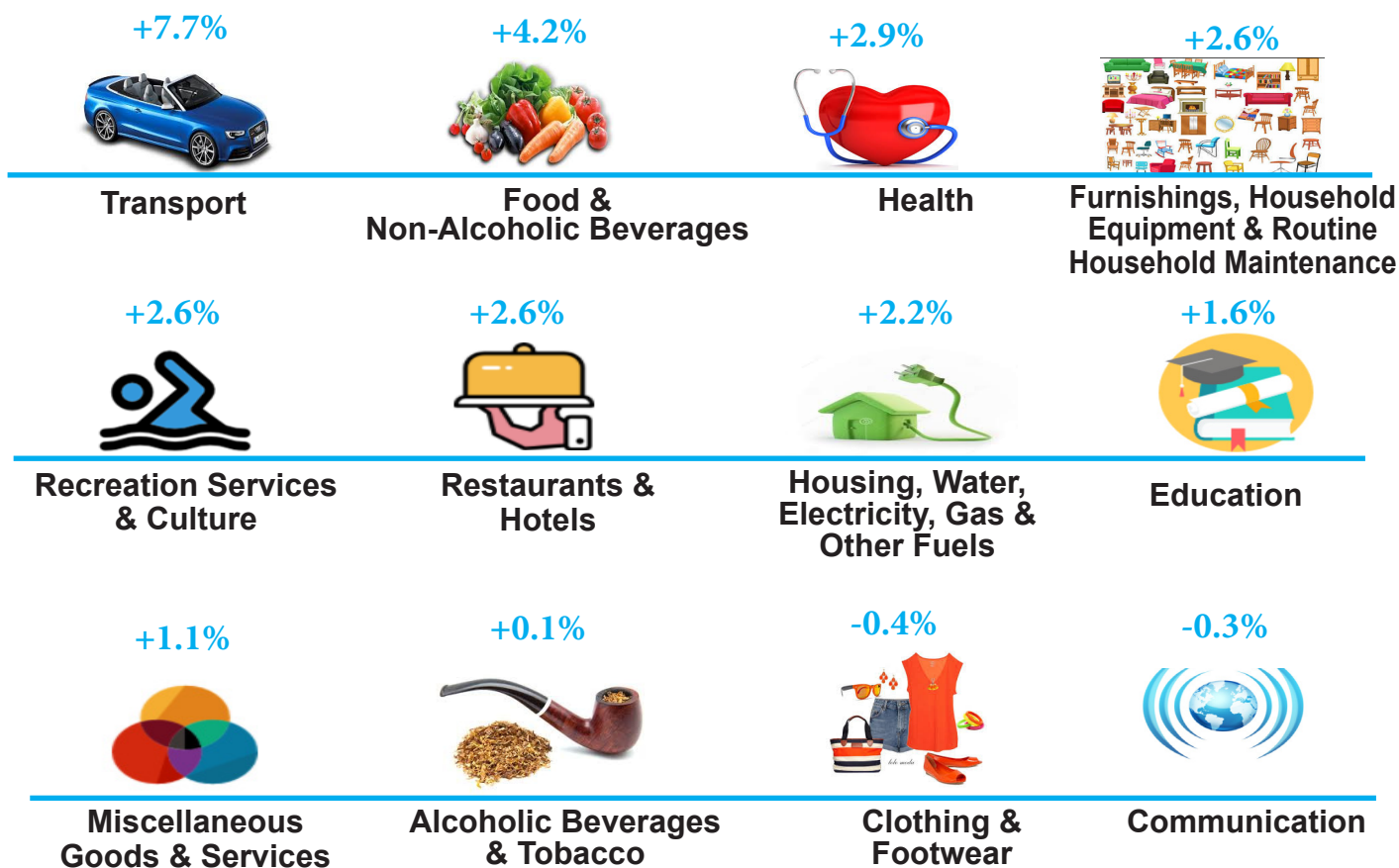


Source: Department of Statistics, Malaysia

Consumer Price Index (CPI), January 2016 - July 2017



Inflation Rate for Main Groups, July 2017 / July 2016



Source: Department of Statistics, Malaysia

Inflation Rate for Food, Urban & Rural Malaysia

July 2017 / July 2016

Food At Home:

Urban
Malaysia
2.0%

Rural
Malaysia
4.3%

Food Away From Home:

Urban
Malaysia
5.2%

Rural
Malaysia
3.1%



Rice, Bread & Other Cereals

Urban
Malaysia
2.0%

Rural
Malaysia
1.1%



Meat

Urban
Malaysia
1.3%

Rural
Malaysia
1.5%



Fish & Seafood

Urban
Malaysia
6.3%*

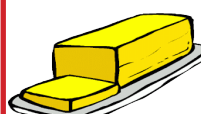
Rural
Malaysia
8.1%



Milk & Eggs

Urban
Malaysia
-0.6%

Rural
Malaysia
-0.1%



Oils & Fats

Urban
Malaysia
38.9%

Rural
Malaysia
42.2%



Fruits

Urban
Malaysia
3.6%*

Rural
Malaysia
3.4%



Vegetables

Urban
Malaysia
3.4%

Rural
Malaysia
3.1%



Sugar, Jam, Honey,
Chocolate &
Confectionery

Urban
Malaysia
1.5%

Rural
Malaysia
2.1%

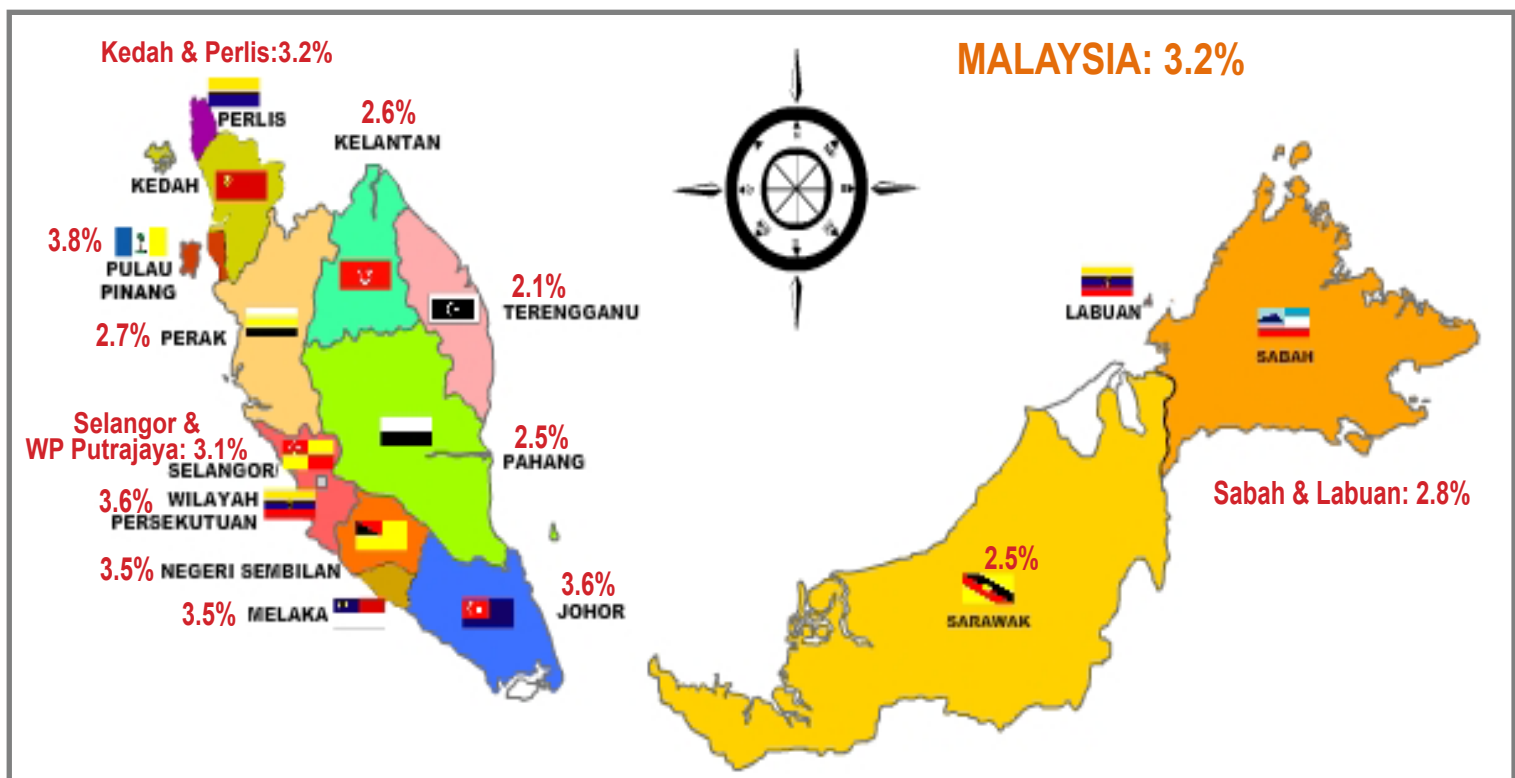


Food Products
n.e.c.

Urban
Malaysia
3.3%*

Rural
Malaysia
3.6%

Inflation Rate by States, July 2017 / July 2016



Source: Department of Statistics, Malaysia

SINGAPORE'S GLOBAL TRADE: JULY 2017



Exports
S\$42.9 billion
12.4%

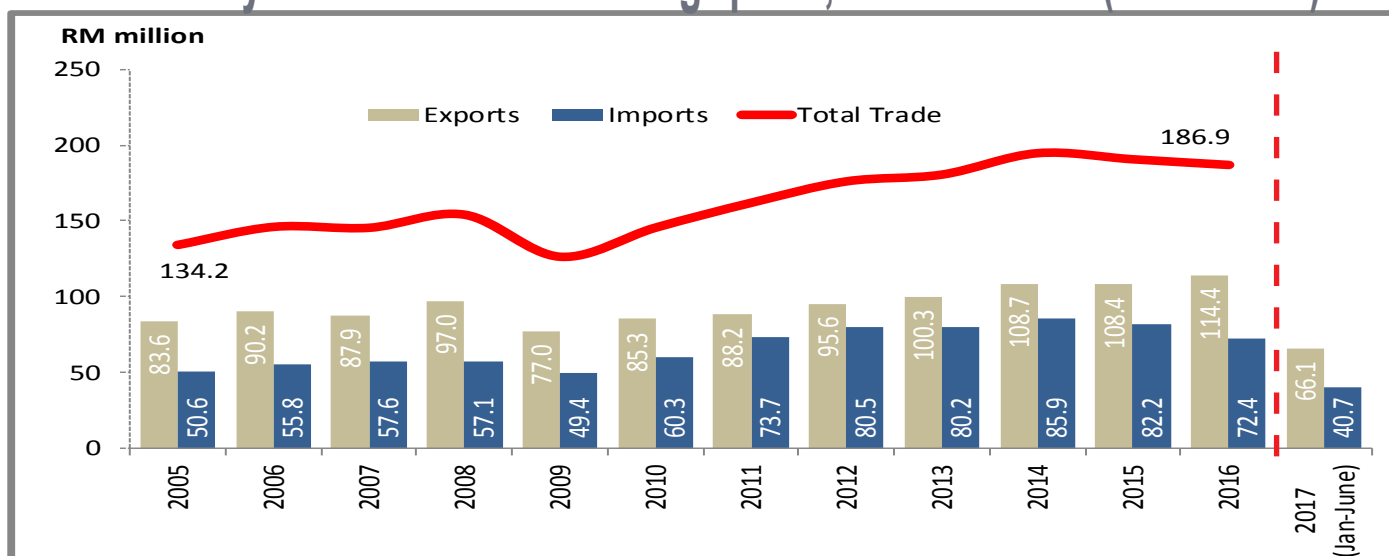
Imports
S\$37.0 billion
15.9%



SINGAPORE'S TOP 10 TRADING PARTNERS: JULY 2017

Country		Jul-17 (S\$)*	Jul-16 (S\$)*	Change (%)
1	PRC	11,372,829	9,622,981	18.2
2	Malaysia	8,491,413	7,339,690	15.7
3	Hong Kong SAR	6,776,064	5,299,515	27.9
4	USA	6,520,915	6,004,363	8.6
5	Chinese Taipei	5,115,225	4,168,437	22.7

Malaysia's Trade with Singapore, 2005 - 2017 (Jan-June)



Major Exports , 2016/2017 (Jan-June)

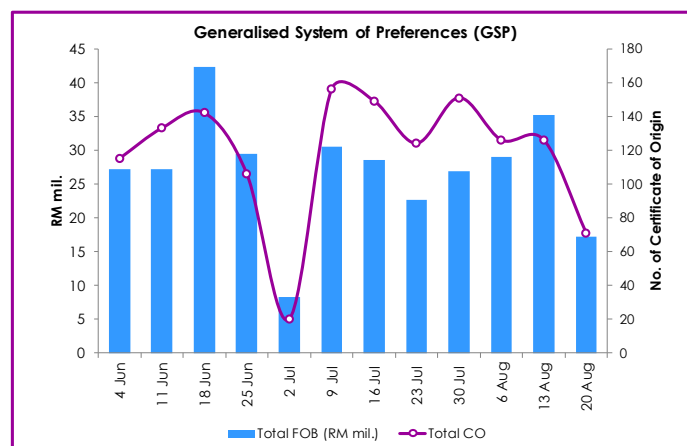
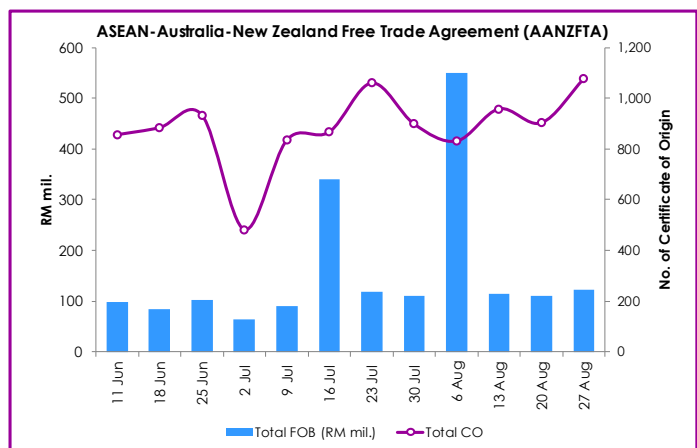
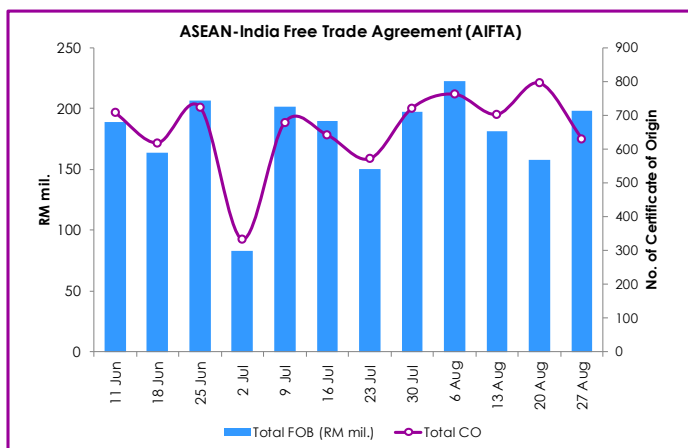
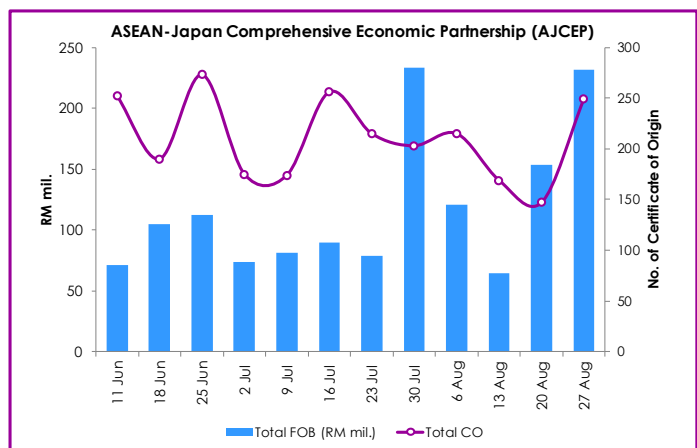
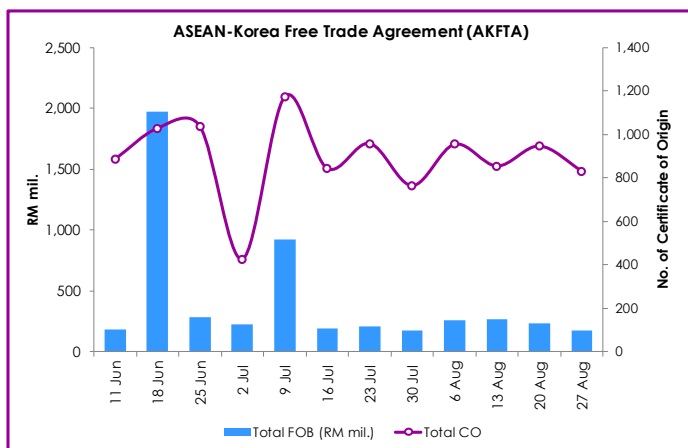
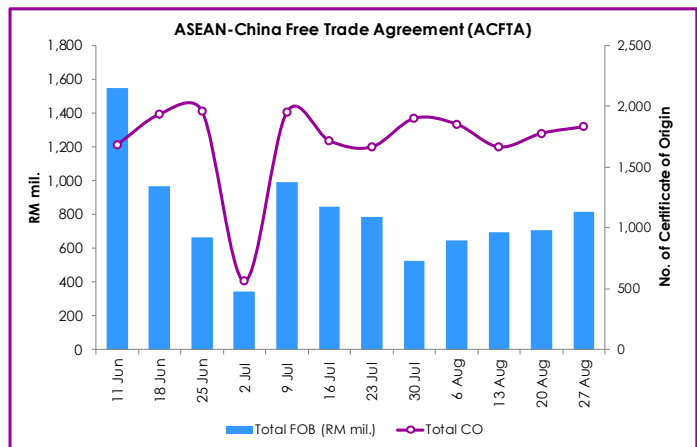
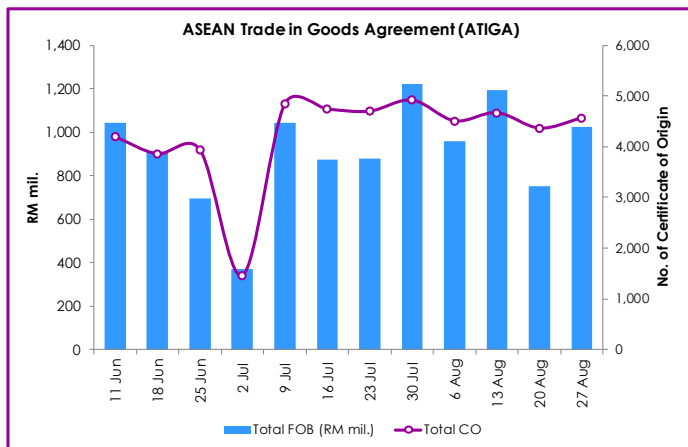
HS Code	Product	2016 RM mil	2017 RM mil	Change %
85	Electrical machinery and equipment	19,983.70	26,763.40	33.9
27	Mineral fuel, oil, etc	9,180.30	12,187.20	32.8
84	Machinery appliances	6,281.60	8,360.40	33.1
90	Optical, photographic, precision, medical apparatus	2,135.60	2,074.40	-2.9
39	Plastics and articles	1,514.10	1,623.80	7.2

Major Imports , 2016/2017 (Jan-June)

HS Code	Product	2016 RM mil	2017 RM mil	Change %
85	Electrical machinery and equipment	10,742.30	12,641.90	17.7
27	Mineral fuel, oil, etc	9,827.60	11,677.90	18.8
84	Machinery appliances	3,884.50	4,542.10	16.9
39	Plastics and articles	1,881.30	1,983.50	5.4
29	Organic chemicals	1,178.70	1,697.00	44.0

Source : Department of Statistics, Malaysia

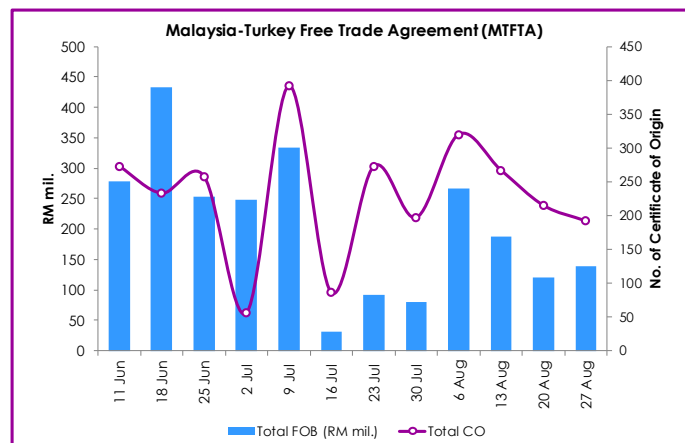
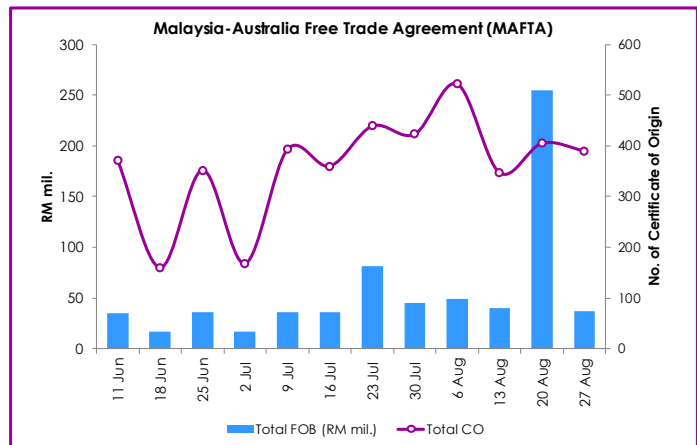
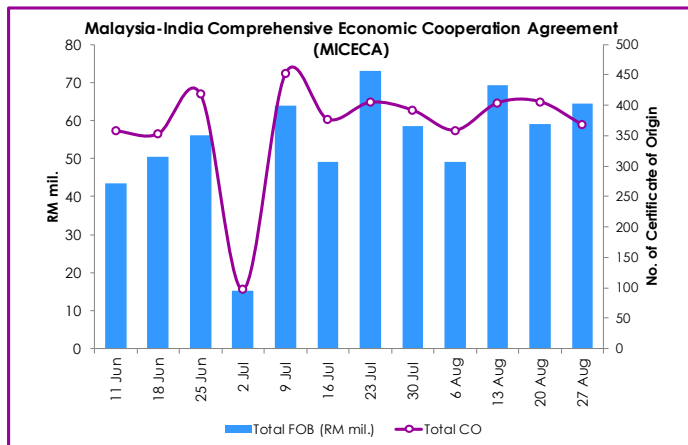
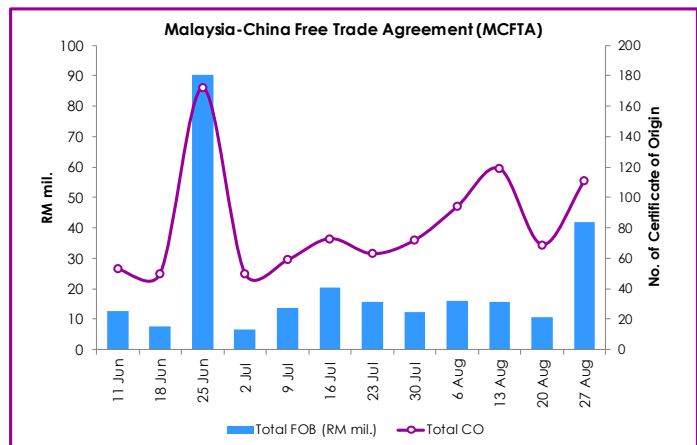
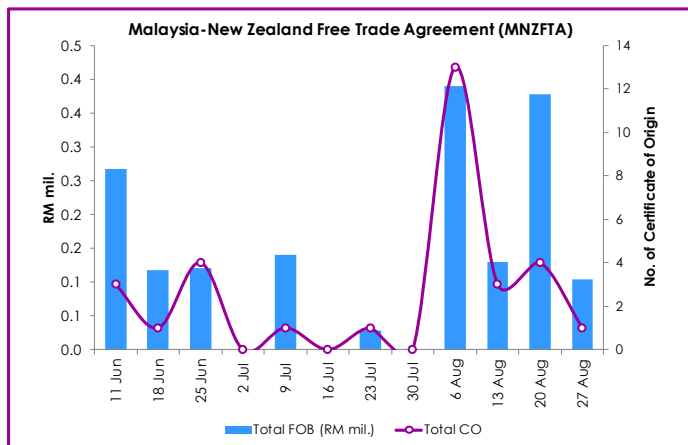
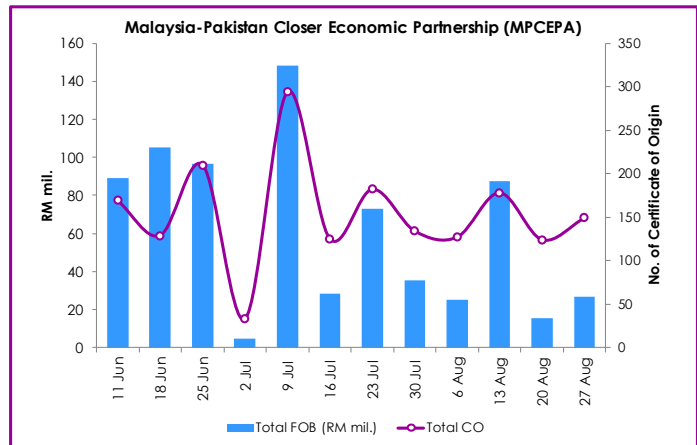
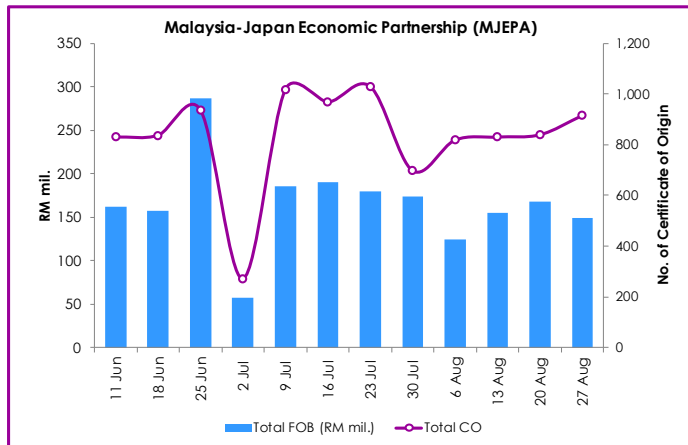
Number and Value of Preferential Certificates of Origin (PCOs)



Note: The preference giving countries under the GSP scheme are Liechtenstein, the Russian Federation, Japan, Switzerland, Belarus, Kazakhstan and Norway.

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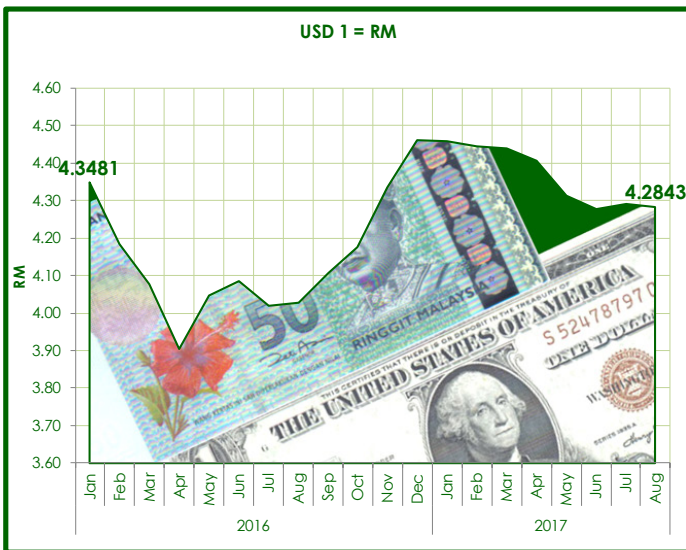


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Malaysian Ringgit Exchange Rate with Selected Countries, January 2016 - August 2017

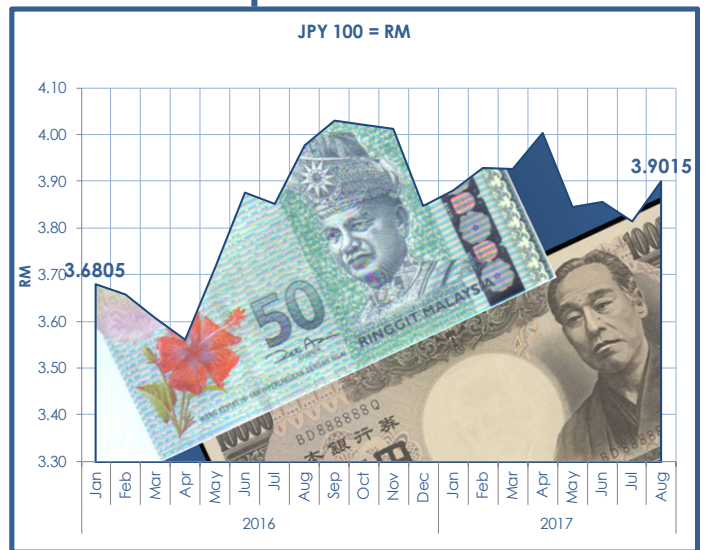
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USD 1 = RM



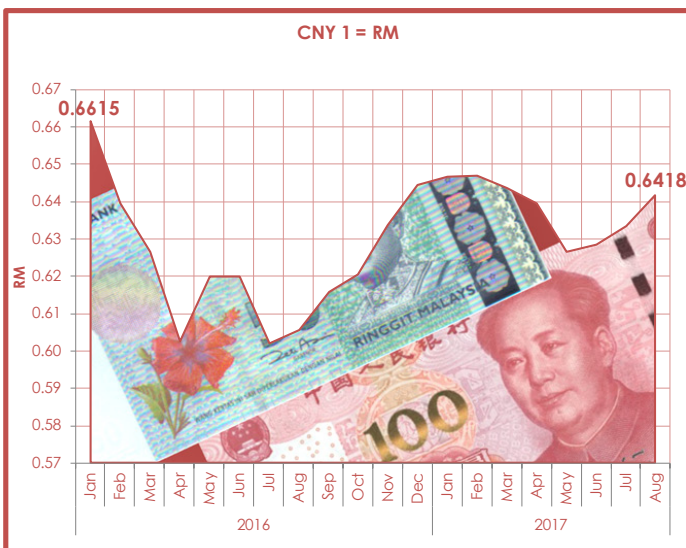
Japanese Yen

JPY 100 = RM



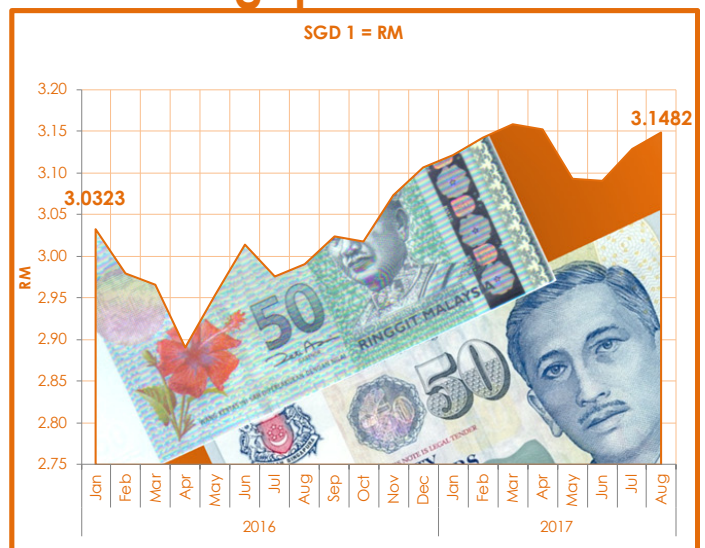
Chinese Yuan

CNY 1 = RM



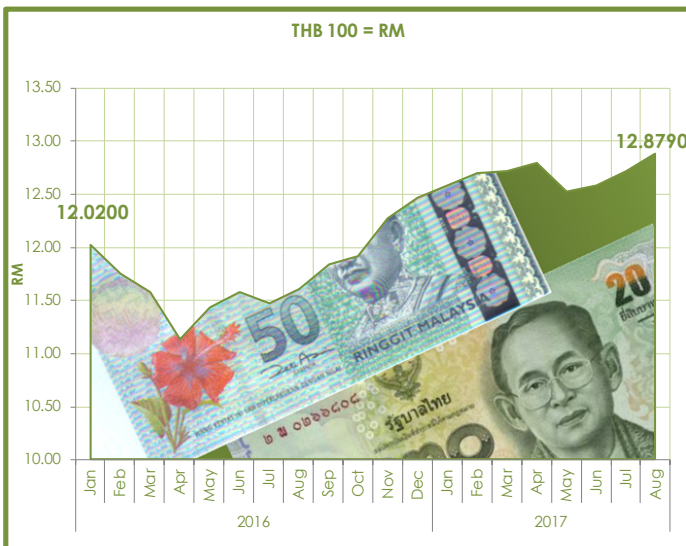
Singapore Dollar

SGD 1 = RM



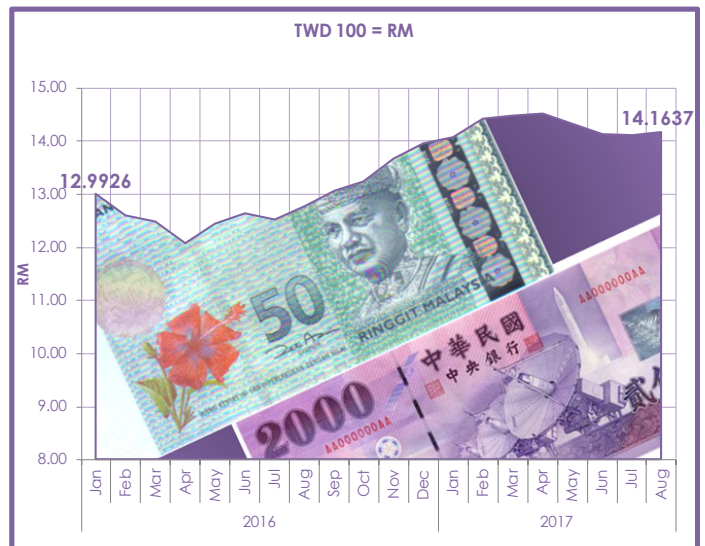
Thai Baht

THB 100 = RM



New Taiwan Dollar

TWD 100 = RM



Source : Bank Negara, Malaysia

Commodity Prices



CRUDE PETROLEUM (BRENT) -per bbl-

1 Sep 2017 : US\$52.8, ▲ 0.6%*
Average Priceⁱ : 2016: US\$45.3
2015: US\$53.6



CRUDE PALM OIL -per MT-

30 Aug 2017 : US\$690.5, ▲ 0.7%*
Average Priceⁱ : 2016: US\$702.2
2015: US\$616.9



SUGAR -per lbs-

30 Aug 2017 : US¢ 13.9, ▼ 0.9%*
Average Priceⁱ : 2016: US¢18.2
2015: US¢13.2



RUBBER SMR 20 -per MT-

30 Aug 2017 : US\$1,559.0, ▲ 0.3%*
Average Priceⁱ : 2016: US\$1,394.5
2015: US\$1,364.3



COCOA SMC 2 -per MT-

30 Aug 2017 : US\$1,417.0, ▲ 2.7%*
Average Priceⁱ : 2016: US\$1,609.8
2015: US\$2,077.0



COAL -per MT-

30 Aug 2017 : US\$44.1, unchanged
Average Priceⁱ : 2016: US\$45.6
2015: US\$49.9



SCRAP IRON HMS -per MT-

25 Aug 2017 : US\$390.0 (high), ▲ 11.4%*
US\$370.0 (low), ▲ 8.8%*
Average Priceⁱ : 2016: US\$243.2
2015: US\$239.6

HIGHEST and LOWEST 2016/2017

Crude Petroleum (Brent) -per bbl-



Highest

6 Jan 2017 : US\$57.1
30 Dec 2016 : US\$56.8

Lowest

23 June 2017 : US\$45.5
15 Jan 2016 : US\$28.9

Crude Palm Oil -per MT-



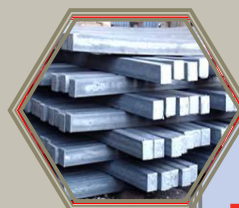
Highest

20 Jan 2017 : US\$843.0
30 Dec 2016 : US\$797.5

Lowest

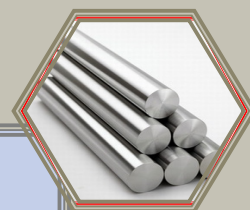
30 June 2017 : US\$650.0
15 Jan 2016 : US\$545.5

Domestic Prices 25 Aug 2017



Billets (per MT)

RM2,250 – RM2,300



Steel Bars (per MT)

RM2,500 – RM2,650

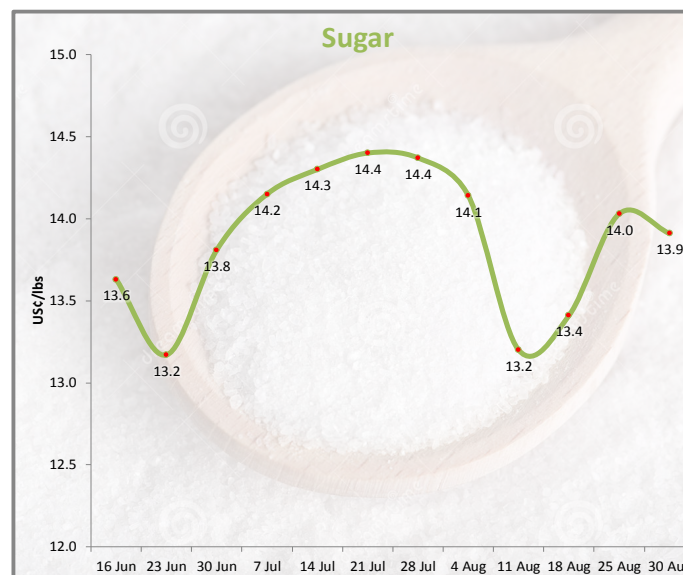
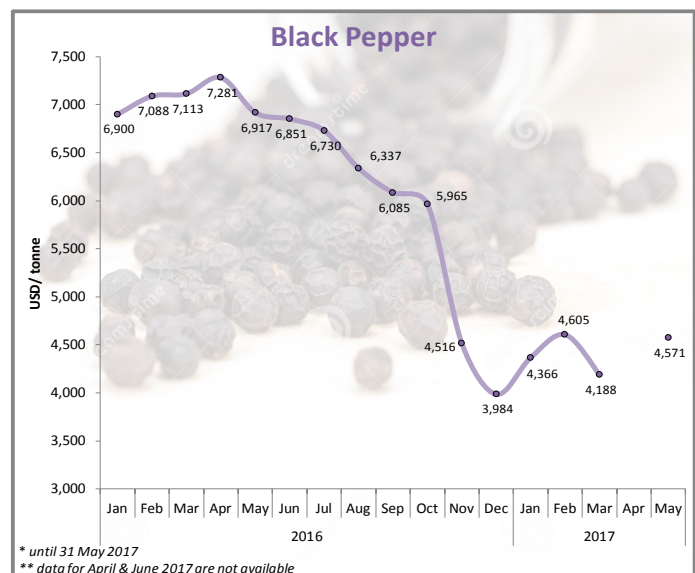
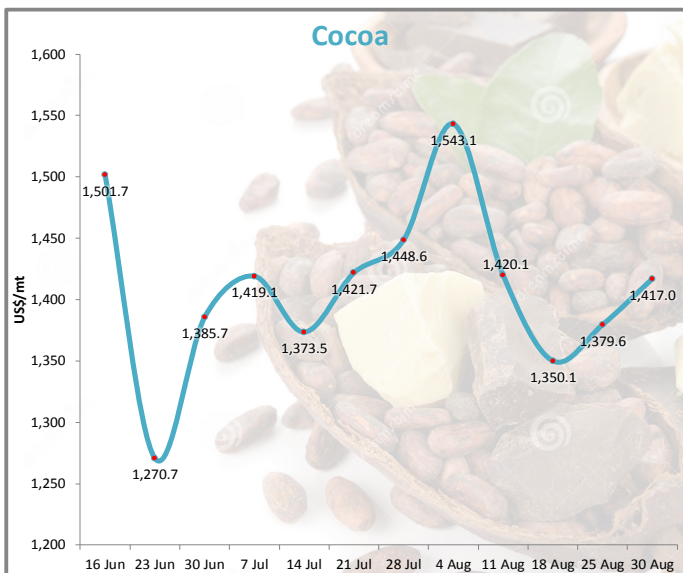
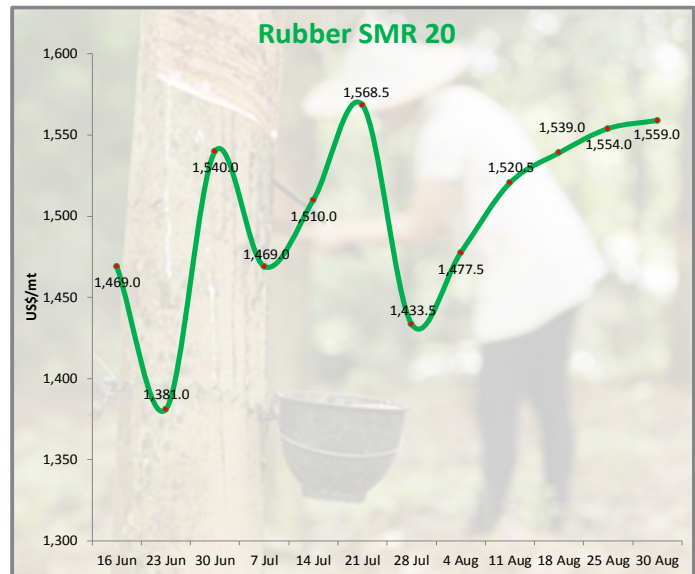
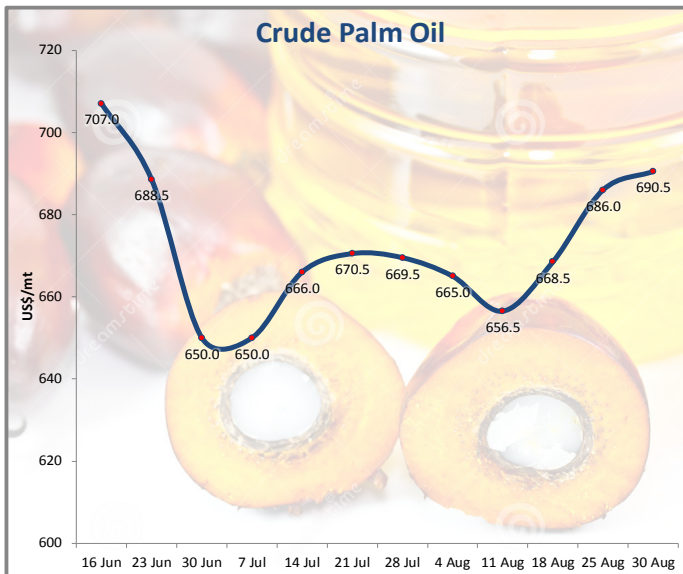
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* Refer to % change from the previous week's price

ⁱ Average price in the year except otherwise indicated

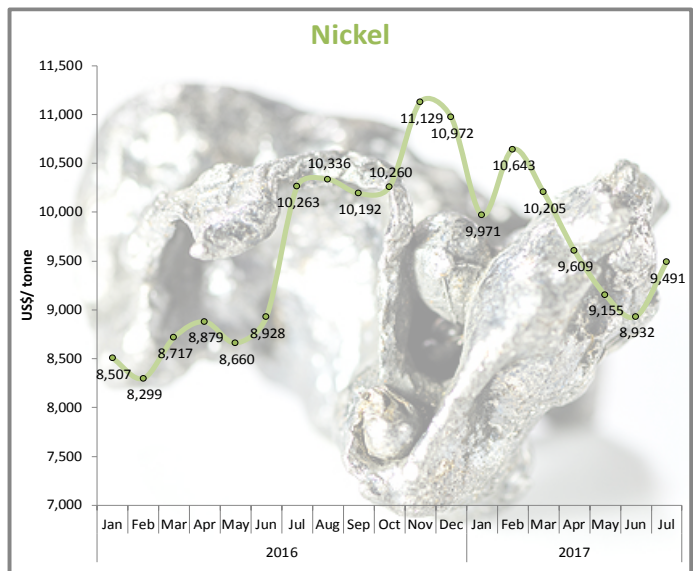
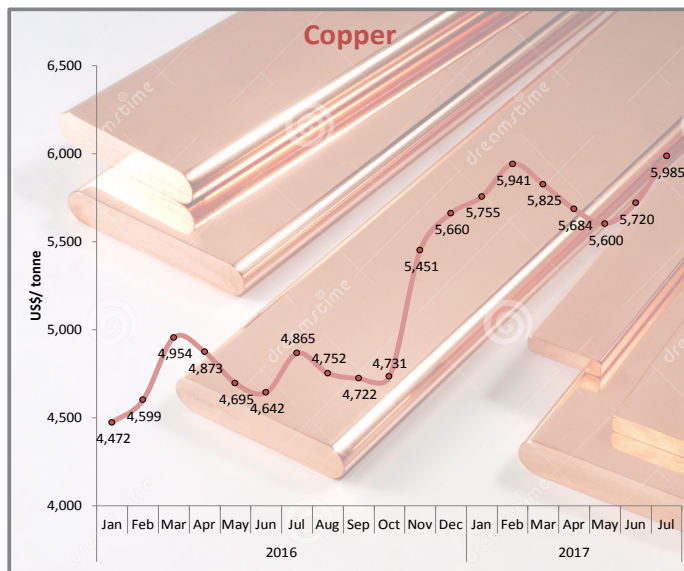
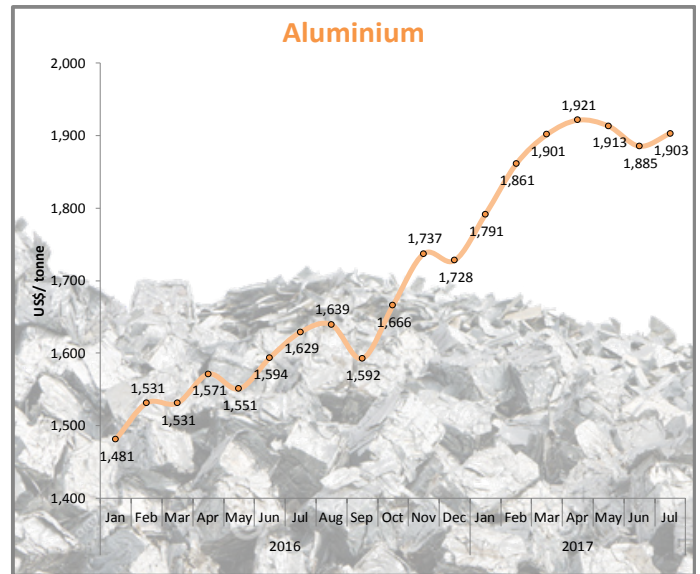
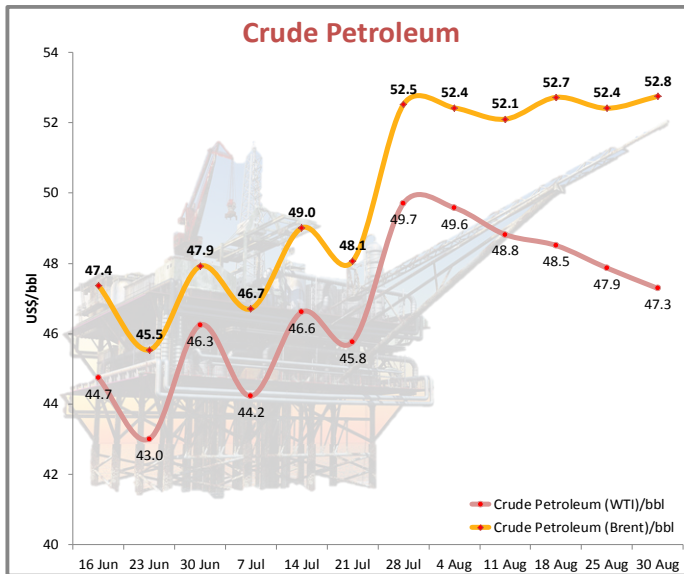
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Commodity Price Trends



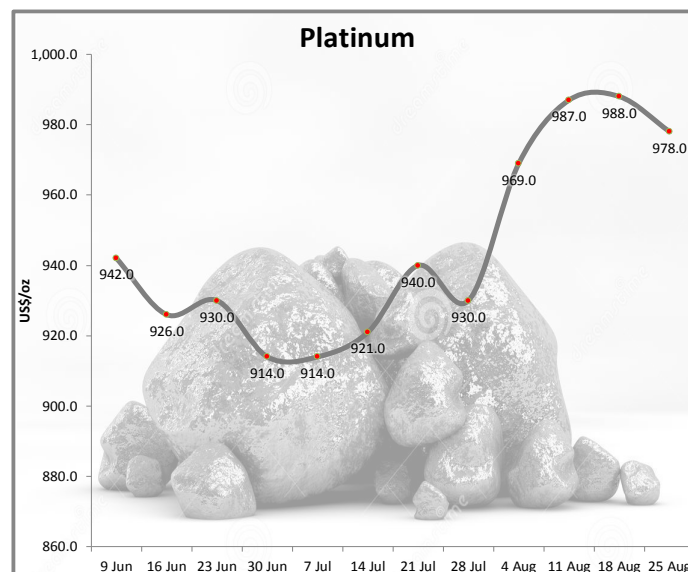
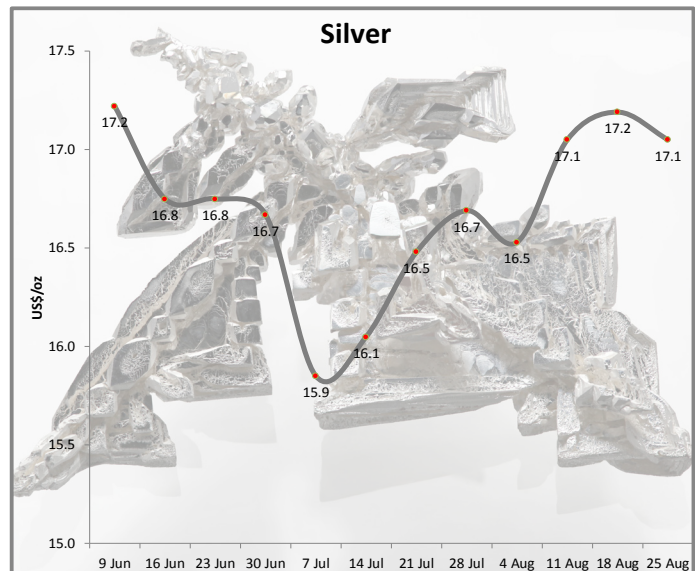
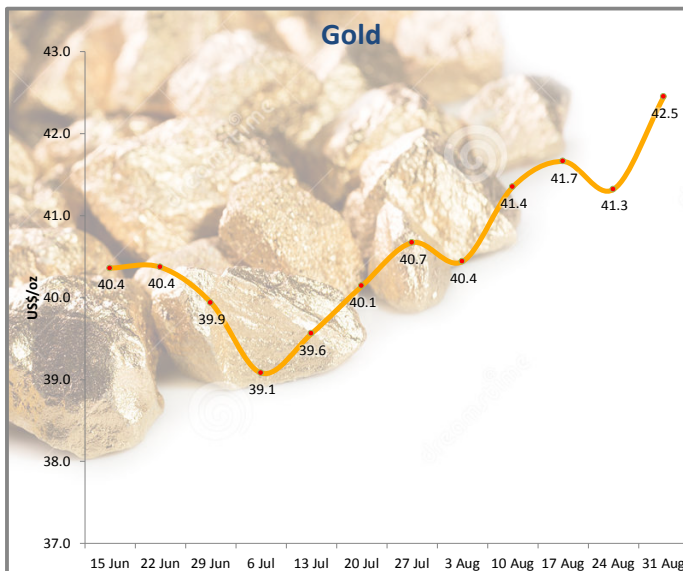
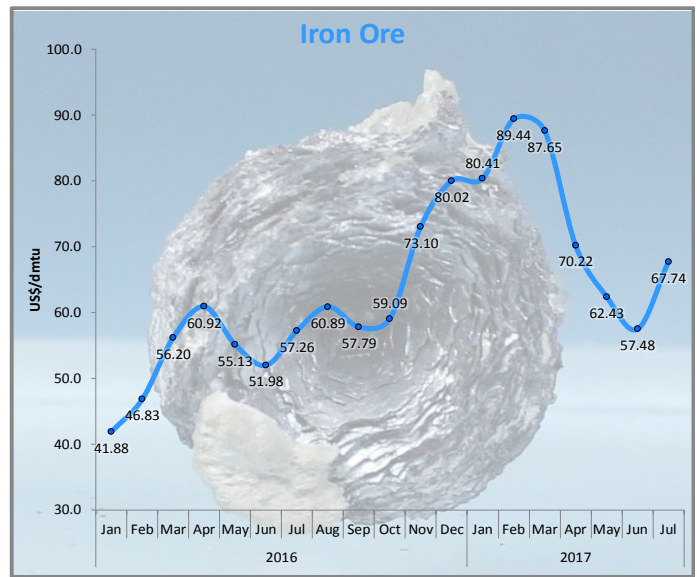
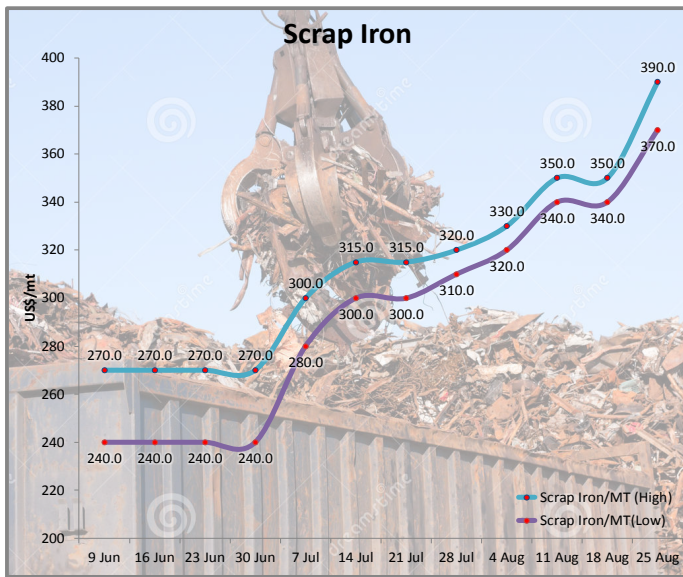
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LIBERALISATION OF IMPORT LICENCE FOR IRON & STEEL PRODUCTS

Please be informed that there is an amendment to the Customs (Prohibition of Imports) Order 2017 effective **1 August 2017** (Tuesday).

All iron and steel products which are still subjected to Import Licence from MITI are listed in Appendix I.

DFTZ SME ONBOARDING WORKSHOPS

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MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2017



Local SMEs are invited to participate in the SME Onboarding Programme under the Digital Free Trade Zone (DFTZ) initiative. The first DFTZ SME Onboarding Workshop was held on 22 August 2017 at Menara MITI with nearly 500 companies in attendance.

A series of DFTZ SME Onboarding Workshops will also be conducted throughout the country in September 2017. The next session is scheduled on 7 September 2017 (Thursday) in Ipoh, followed by Muar, Kelantan, Penang, Johor, Terengganu, Kuantan, Kota Kinabalu and Kuching.

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Glossary

of Technical Terms

Kleptocracy

Corrupt, thieving government, in which the politicians and bureaucrats in charge use the powers of the state to feather their own nests.

Labour Force

Refers to those who, during the reference week, are in the 15 - 64 years age group (in completed years at last birthday) and who are either employed or unemployed.

LC

Letter of Credit - A Letter of Credit or Documentary Credit (DC) is a written undertaking by the bank given to an exporter/seller at the request of the importer/buyer, to pay the exporter/seller at sight or at a determinable future date up to a stated sum of money, within a prescribed time limit against stipulated documents and in compliance with the terms and conditions of the LC.

Lead Shepard

The head of a working group under the Steering Committee on Economic and Technical Cooperation (SCE) of APEC, within some SCE fora this position is called Chair. This is to differentiate with Convenor, who is the Chair of a forum under the Committee on Trade and Investment (CTI).

Leaders

Term used for heads of APEC member economies participating in the annual Informal Sessions of the APEC Economic Leaders' Meetings (AELM). Terminology is in accordance with the common principle of APEC which refers to APEC participants as member economies, instead of sovereign nations.

Less Than Full Reciprocity

Principle which requires developed countries to undertake higher reduction compared to developing countries.

LEV

Low emission vehicle - is a vehicle that meets the average emissions standard within the LEV programme.

Lipstick Effect

A theory that states that during periods of recession or economic downturn, consumers will eschew purchases of big-ticket luxury items and seek material solace in smaller indulgences, such as premium lipstick instead of fur coat.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

Death is not the greatest loss
in life. The greatest loss is what
dies inside us while we live.

Norman Cousins

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