

## TRADE AND INVESTMENT MISSION TO THE UNITED STATES FROM 1-6 APRIL 2019

International Trade and Industry Minister Darell Leiking will be leading a trade and investment mission to Washington DC, New York, Seattle, San Jose and San Francisco in the United States of America (US), from 1 April 2019 to 6 April 2019.



Minister Darell will be joined by MITI's Deputy Secretary General for Trade as well as senior officials of Malaysian Investment Development Authority (MIDA), Malaysia External Trade Development Corporation (MATRADE) and InvestKL Corporation.

During the mission, Minister Darell is scheduled to meet with top officials in the US Trade Representative Office, Department of Commerce and the White House. These meetings are aimed to further cement Malaysia's trade and investment relations with the US.

In expanding partnership with the private sector, Minister Darell will be interacting with key business groups such as the US-ASEAN Business Council, US Chamber of Commerce and Pacific Northwest Aerospace Alliance as well as select companies in sectors such as electric and electronics, artificial intelligence, petrochemical, and information communication technology.

Minister Darell will connect with strategic partners during a seminar on "Forging Stronger Economic Relationship between Malaysia and the US". He will also be sharing his views with the American media during his interview sessions.

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**Ministry of International Trade & Industry**  
**1 April, 2019**

## MITI MINISTER FORGES STRONGER TIES WITH HIS US COUNTERPARTS AND US MNCS

**WASHINGTON, D.C. UNITED STATES, 2 April 2019** – International Trade and Industry Minister Datuk Darell Leiking kicked start his trade and investment mission in the United States (US).

In his first stop in Washington DC, Darell met with Mr Wilbur Ross, US Secretary of Commerce; Mr Clete Willems, Deputy Assistant to the President for International Economic Affairs and Deputy Director of the National Economic Council; and Ambassador Robert Lighthizer, United States Trade Representative. The meetings provided opportunity in exchanging views to improve trade and investment relations, as well as understanding key concerns from both economies.

In his engagements with the US business community, Darell met with more than 26 companies in a roundtable discussion which was hosted by the US-ASEAN Business Council and the US Chamber of Commerce. Separate meetings with companies in the chemical and aerospace industry were also held. The US businesses were keen to understand about Malaysia's trade and business policies, as well as Malaysia's stand on various areas from free trade agreements, healthcare, digital economy, e-commerce to logistics.

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## INITIATION OF ANTI-DUMPING INVESTIGATION CONCERNING IMPORTS OF COLD-ROLLED COILS OF IRON OR NON-ALLOY STEEL, OF WIDTH MORE THAN 1,300MM ORIGINATING IN OR EXPORTED BY THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, JAPAN, REPUBLIC OF KOREA AND THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM

The Government of Malaysia received a petition from Mycron Steel CRC Sdn. Bhd., a domestic producer, requesting anti-dumping investigation on imports of cold rolled coils of iron or non-alloy steel (CRC), of width more than 1300mm. The Petitioner alleged that imports of the subject merchandises originating in, or exported from, the People's Republic of China, Japan, the Republic of Korea and the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam are being dumped into Malaysia at a price much lower than their domestic price.

The Petitioner further claimed that dumped imports from the alleged countries have increased in terms of absolute quantity and have caused material injuries to the Petitioner. The Government has considered the prima facie evidence of dumping, injury and causal link and decided to initiate the anti-dumping investigation on imports of CRC of width more than 1300mm from the alleged countries.

In accordance with the Countervailing and Anti-Dumping Duties Act 1993 and its related Regulations, a preliminary determination will be made within 120 days from the date of initiation. If the preliminary determination is affirmative, the Government will impose a provisional anti-dumping duty at the rate that is necessary to prevent further injury.

In connection with this investigation, the Ministry of international Trade and Industry (MITI) will provide a set of questionnaires to interested parties (importers, foreign producers, exporters and associations). Other interested parties may request for the questionnaires no later than 12 April 2019. Interested parties may also provide additional supporting evidence to MITI on, or before, 27 April 2019. In the event no additional information is received within the specified period, the Government will make its preliminary findings based on the available facts.

Further enquiries concerning this investigation can be directed to:

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Ministry of International Trade & Industry  
29 March, 2019

## INITIATION OF AN ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW (SUNSET REVIEW) INVESTIGATION ON THE ANTIDUMPING MEASURE IMPOSED ON IMPORTS OF CELLULOSE FIBRE REINFORCED CEMENT FLAT AND PATTERN SHEETS (FCB) ORIGINATING IN, OR IMPORTED FROM THE KINGDOM OF THAILAND

The Government of Malaysia received a petition from Hume Cemboard Industries Sdn. Bhd., a domestic producer, requesting for an application of administrative review (sunset review) on the anti-dumping measure imposed on cellulose fibre reinforced cement flat and pattern sheets (FCB) originating in, or imported from The Kingdom of Thailand (Thailand). The Petitioner alleged that imports of FCB originating in or imported from Thailand is being dumped at a price much lower than their domestic selling price and want the Government of Malaysia to continue the imposition of anti-dumping duties on FCB from Thailand.

The Petitioner further claimed that imports from the alleged markets have increased and the domestic industry suffered material injury. The Government has evaluated and considered the evidence of dumping, injury and the causal link, and decided to initiate an administrative review (sunset review) investigation on imports of FCB from the alleged country.

In accordance with the Countervailing and Anti-Dumping Duties Act, 1993 and its related Regulations, a final determination on the investigation will be made within 180 days from the date of initiation. If the final determination is affirmative, the Government will impose an antidumping duty at the rate that is necessary to prevent further injury to the domestic industry.

In connection with this investigation, the Ministry of international Trade and Industry (MITI) will provide a set of questionnaires to interested parties (importers), foreign producers/exporters and trade associations. Other interested parties may request for the questionnaires no later than 8 April 2019. Interested parties may also provide additional supporting evidence to MITI before 22 April 2019. In the event no response is received within the specified period, the Government will make its preliminary findings based on the best facts available.

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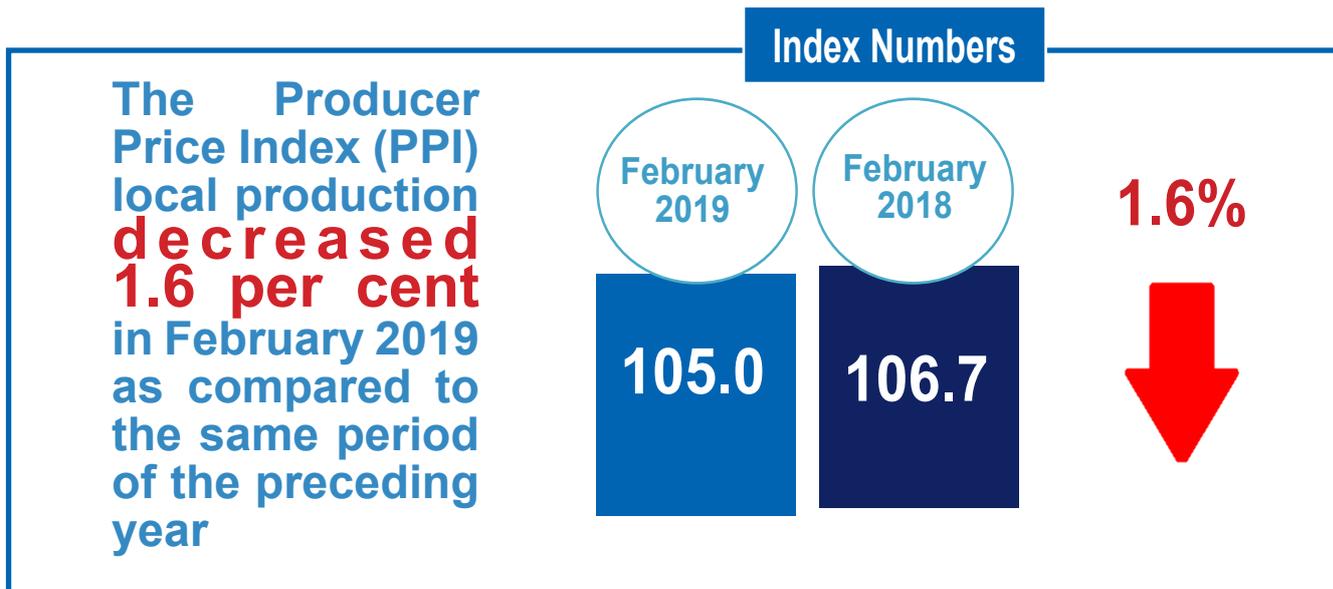
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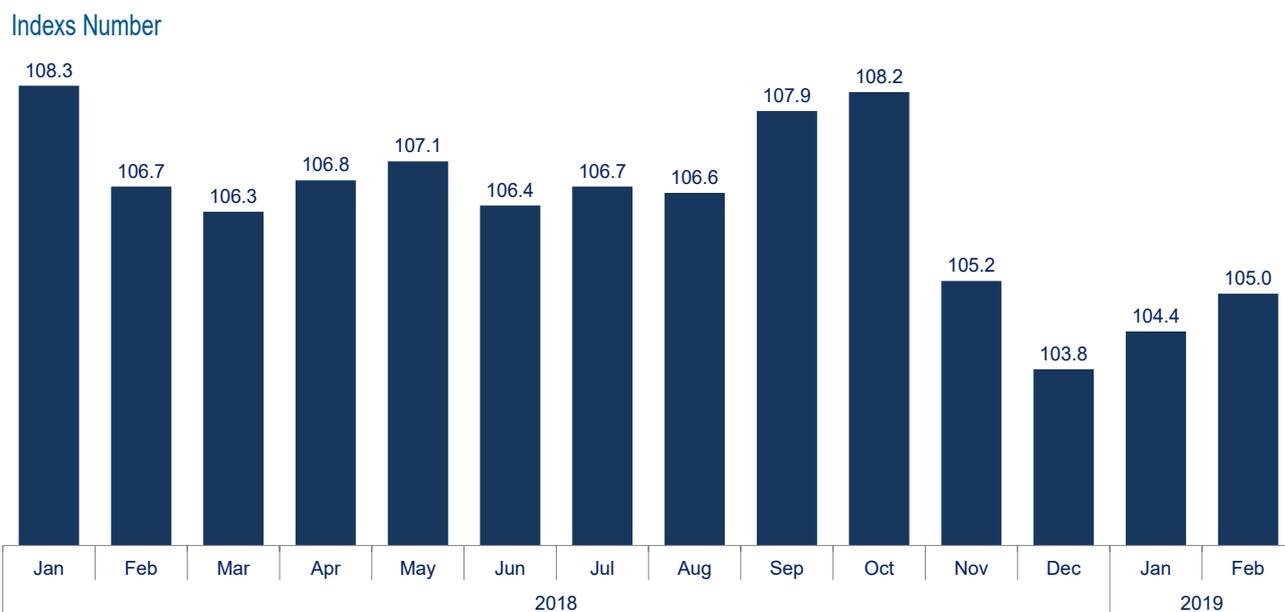
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# PRODUCER PRICE INDEX (PPI) ( 2010 = 100 )



## PPI for local production performance, Jan 2018- Feb 2019



## Percentage Change of PPI Local Production , by Sector



Source : Department of Statistics, Malaysia

## PERFORMANCE OF FOOD AND BEVERAGE SERVICES , 2017

The food and beverage services recorded gross output value of RM82.8 billion in 2017 as compared to RM66.4 billion in 2015 with the **annual growth rate value of 11.7 per cent per annum.**

### VALUE OF GROSS OUTPUT

**11.7%**

2017: RM82.8 billion  
2015: RM66.4 billion



### VALUE OF INTERMEDIATE INPUT

**11.2%**

2017: RM47.5 billion  
2015: RM38.4 billion



### VALUE ADDED

**12.2%**

2017: RM35.2 billion  
2015: RM28.0 billion



### VALUE OF FIXED ASSETS

**6.4%**

2017: RM10.8 billion  
2015: RM9.5 billion



### NUMBER OF PERSONS ENGAGED

**3.7%**

2017: 958,803 persons  
2015: 891,616 persons



### SALARIES & WAGES

**12.5%**

2017: RM12.2 billion  
2015: RM9.7 billion



## PERFORMANCE OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES , 2017

The professional services recorded gross output value of RM45.1 billion in 2017 compared to RM40.4 billion in 2015 with the **annual growth rate value of 5.6 per cent per annum.**

### VALUE OF GROSS OUTPUT

**5.6%**

2017: RM45.1 billion  
2015: RM40.4 billion



### VALUE OF INTERMEDIATE INPUT

**4.9%**

2017: RM17.7 billion  
2015: RM16.1 billion



### VALUE ADDED

**6.0%**

2017: RM27.4 billion  
2015: RM24.3 billion



### VALUE OF FIXED ASSETS

**2.1%**

2017: RM13.0 billion  
2015: RM12.5 billion



### NUMBERS OF PERSONS ENGAGED

**3.0%**

2017: 333,139 persons  
2015: 314,292 persons



### SALARIES & WAGES

**7.0%**

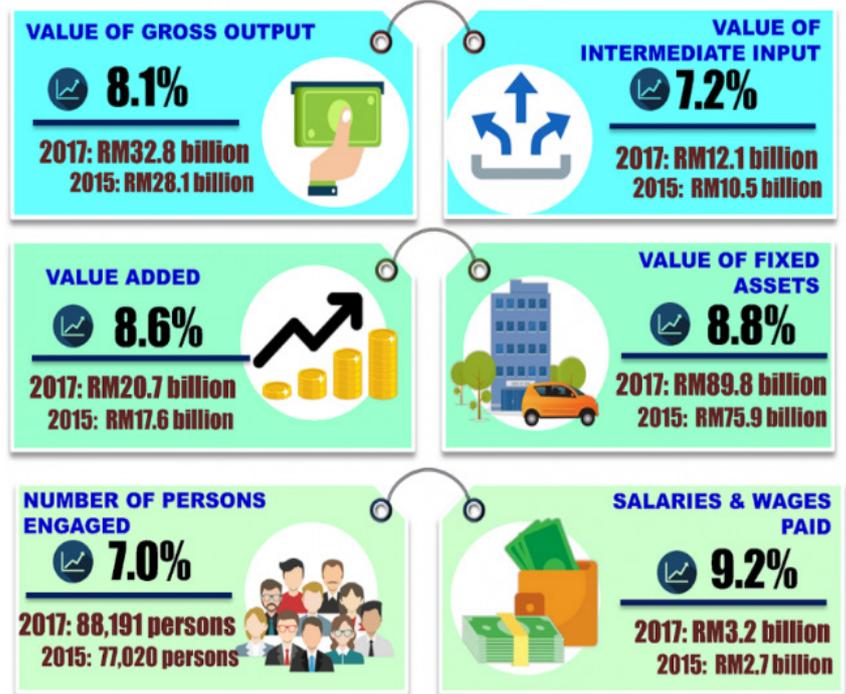
2017: RM11.5 billion  
2015: RM10.1 billion



Source : Department of Statistics, Malaysia

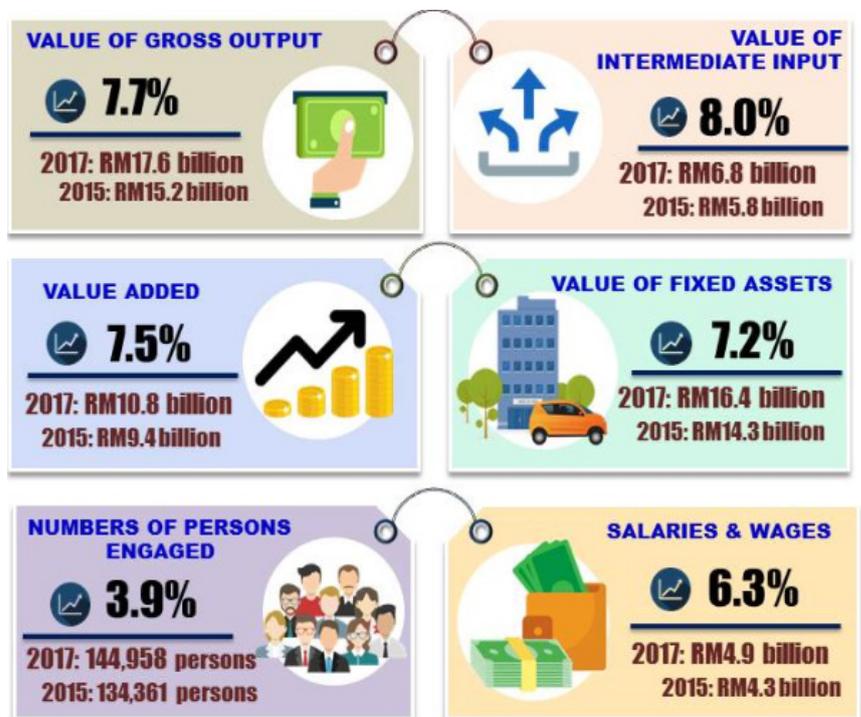
## PERFORMANCE OF REAL ESTATE SERVICES , 2017

The real estate services recorded gross output value of RM32.8 billion in 2017 as compared to RM28.1 billion in 2015 with the **annual growth rate value of 8.1 per cent per annum.**



## PERFORMANCE OF EDUCATION SERVICES , 2017

The education services recorded gross output value of RM17.6 billion in 2017 compared to RM15.2 billion in 2015 with the **annual growth rate value of 7.7 per cent per annum.**



Source : Department of Statistics, Malaysia

# New Zealand Economic Indicators 2017

**73.1%** Employment in Services  
**20.2%** Employment in Industry

**6.6%** Employment in Agriculture

**4.8 million** Population

**2.1%** annual Growth rate

**US\$181.5 billion** GDP at constant prices

**3.0%** annual Growth rate

**21 Members**

**US\$3.6 billion** FDI Flow Inward

**US\$0.6 billion** FDI Flow Outward

**US\$76.4 billion** FDI Stock Inward

**US\$18.0 billion** FDI Stock Outward

**US\$16.0 billion** Commercial Services Exports

**US\$12.8 billion** Commercial Services Imports

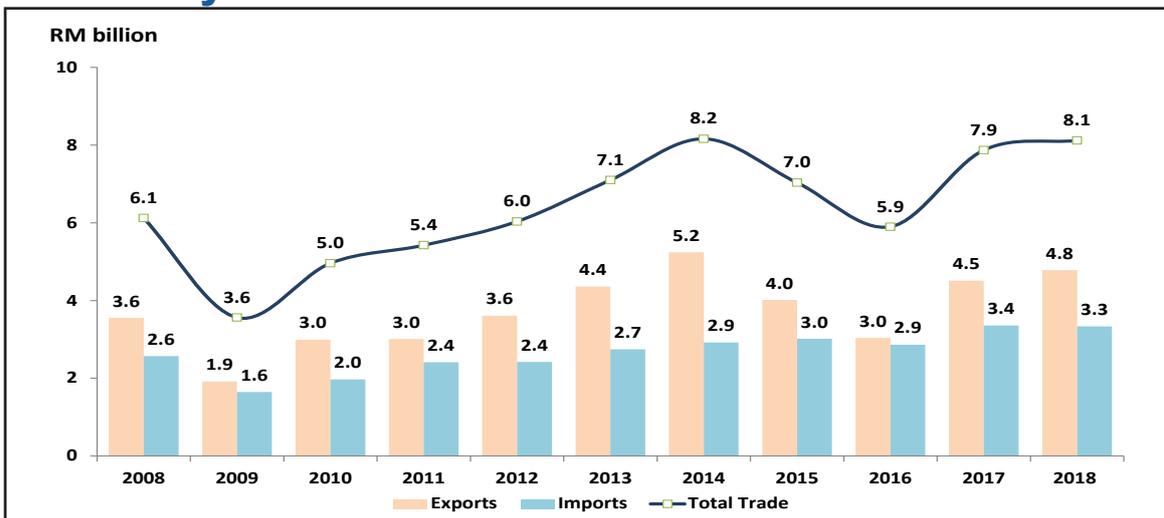
**US\$38.1 billion** Merchandise Goods Exports

**US\$40.1 billion** Merchandise Goods Imports



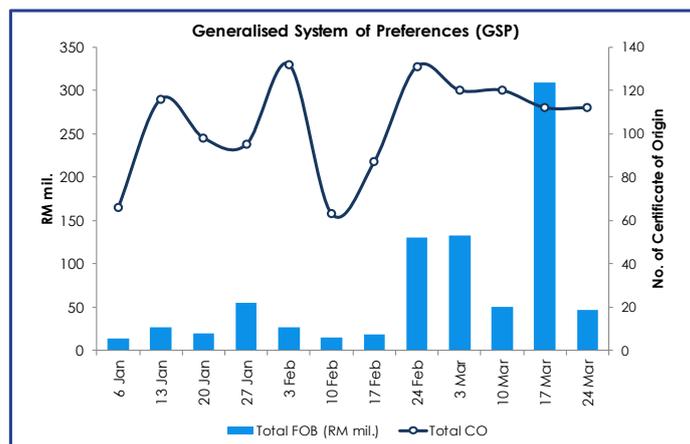
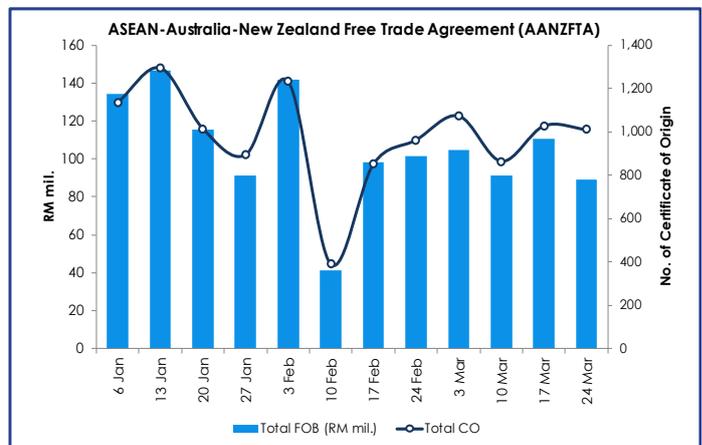
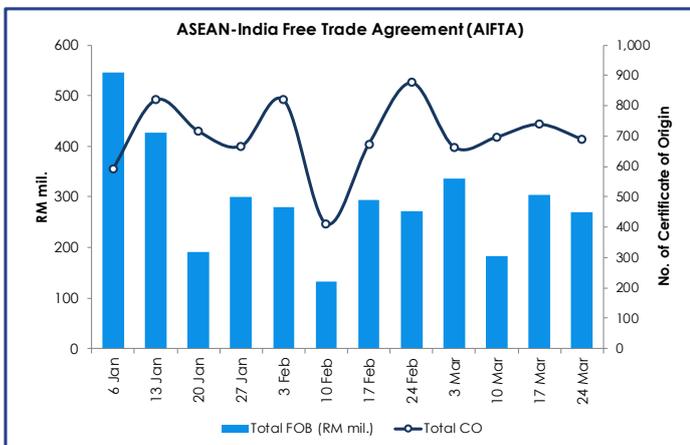
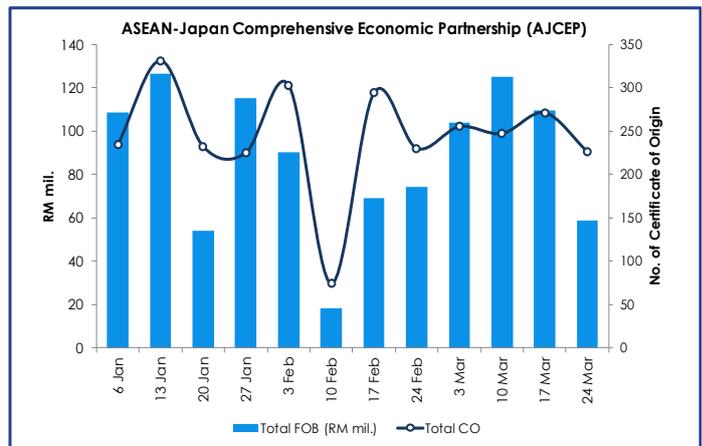
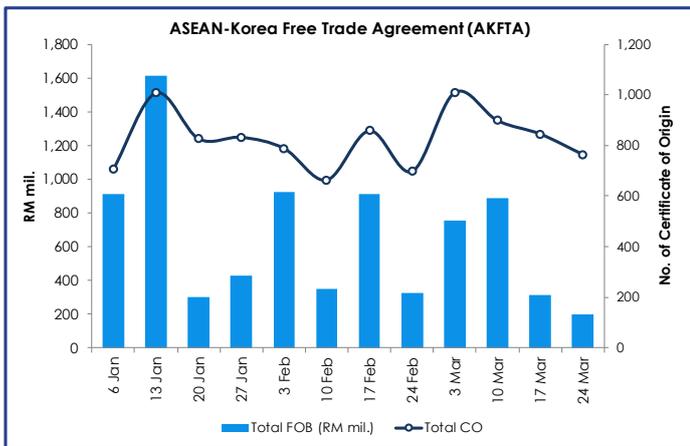
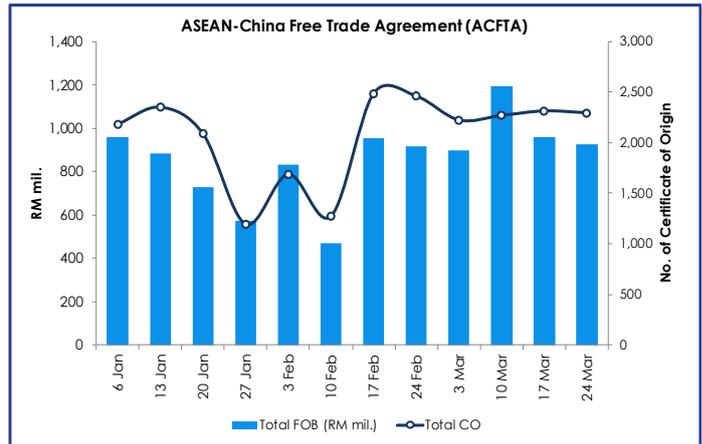
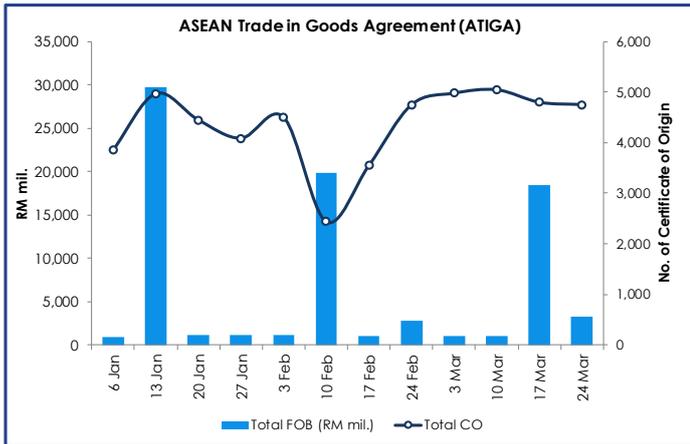
Source: [www.statistics.apec.org](http://www.statistics.apec.org)

## Malaysia's Trade with New Zealand 2008 - 2018



Source: Department of Statistics, Malaysia

# Number and Value of Preferential Certificates of Origin (PCOs)

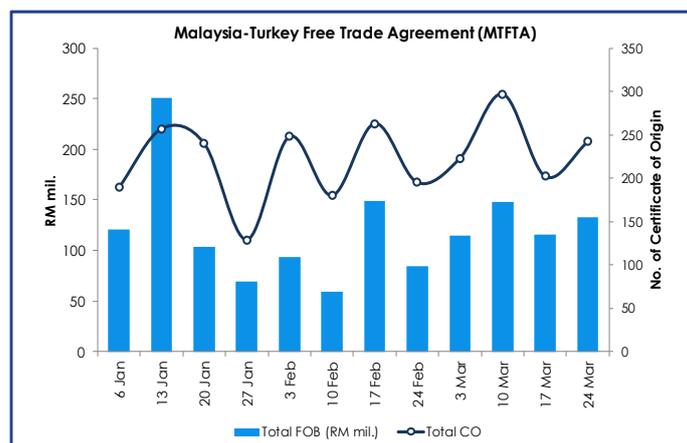
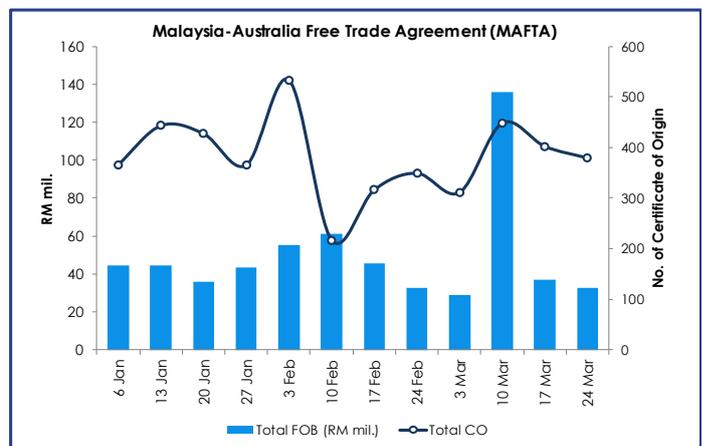
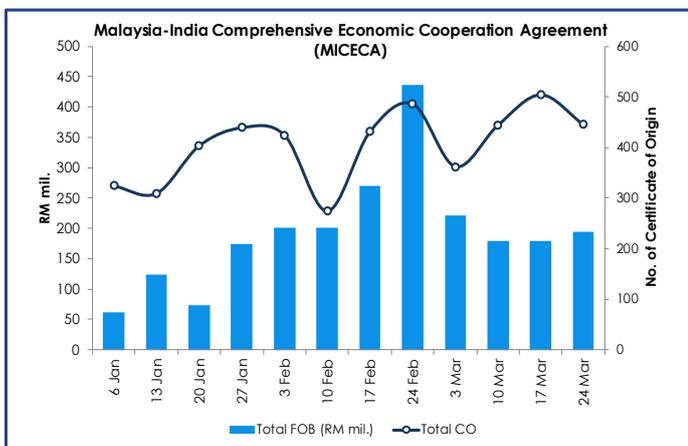
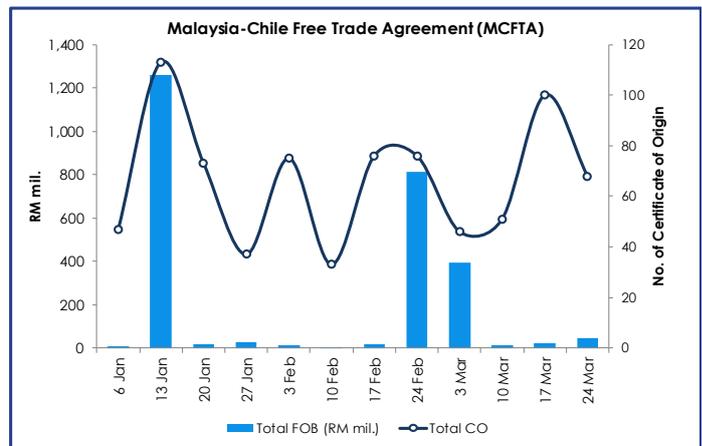
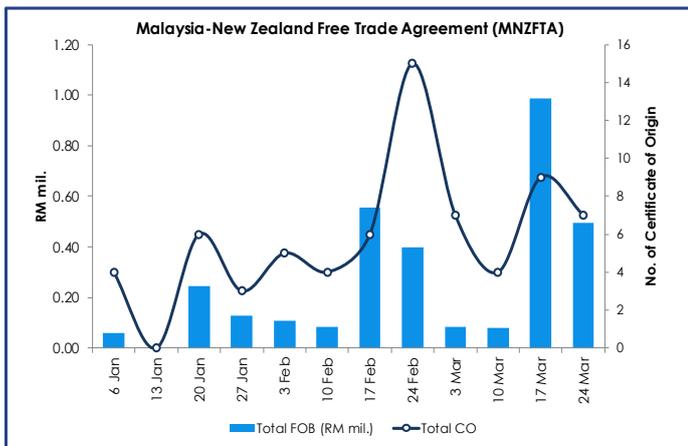
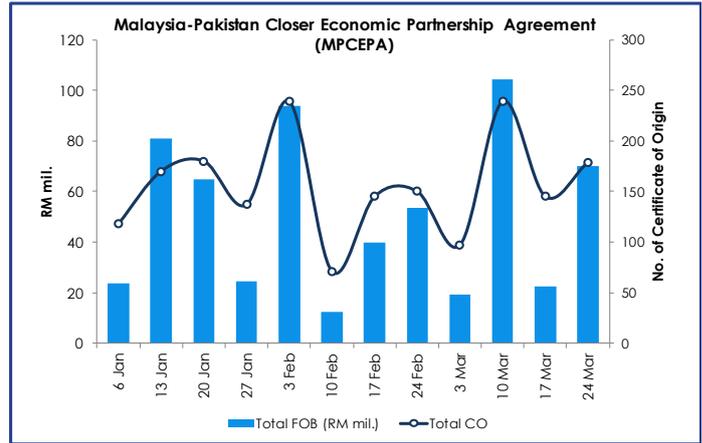
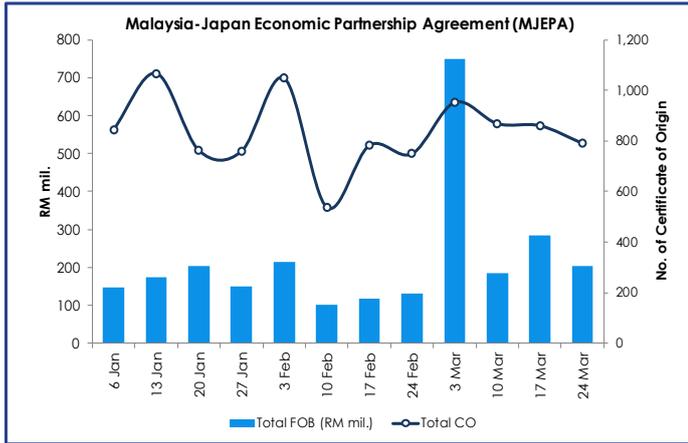


Note: The preference giving countries under the GSP scheme are Liechtenstein, the Russian Federation, Japan, Switzerland, Belarus, Kazakhstan and Norway.

Note: \*Provisional Data

Source: Ministry of International Trade and Industry, Malaysia

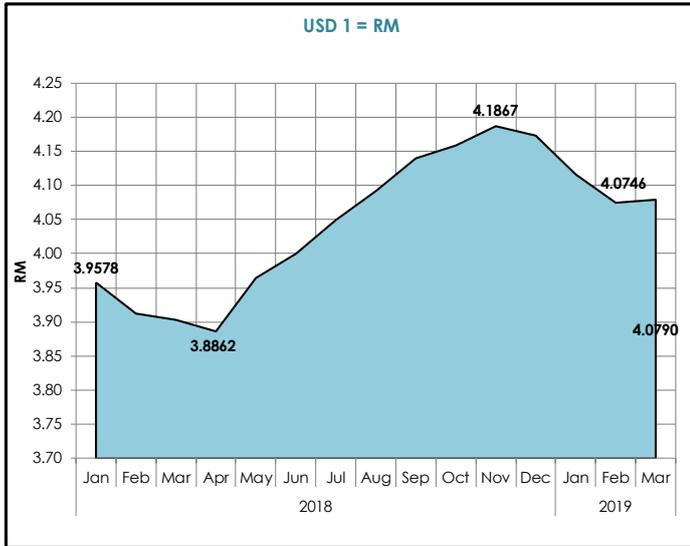
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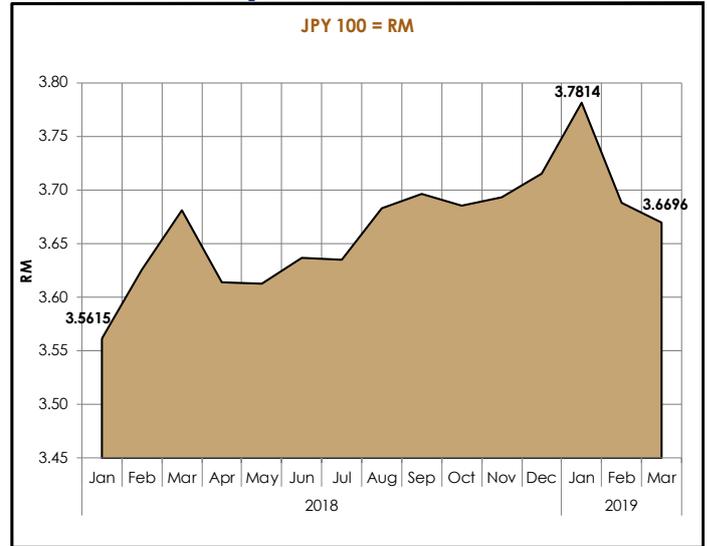
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# Malaysian Ringgit Exchange Rate with Selected Countries, January 2018 - March 2019

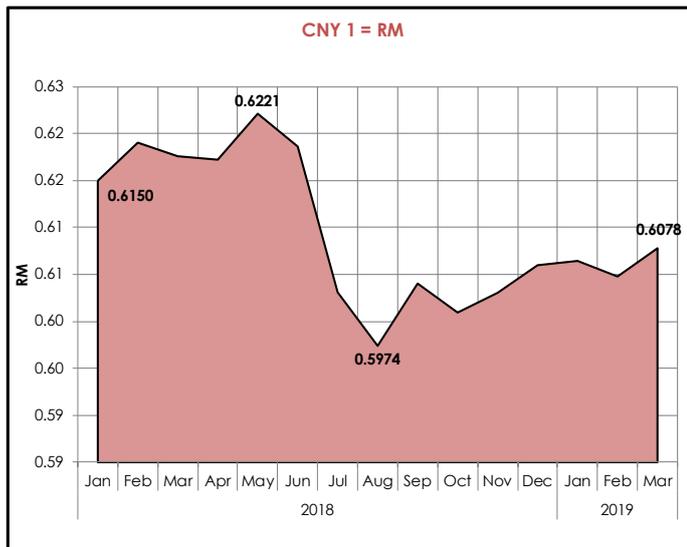
## US Dollar



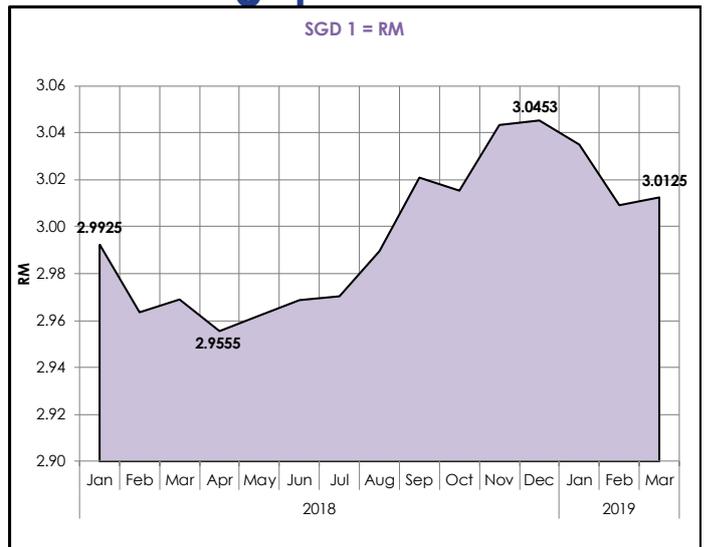
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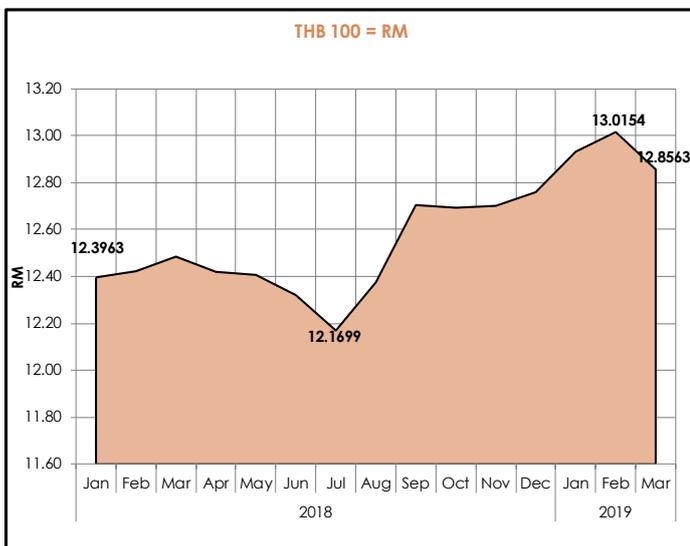
## Chinese Yuan



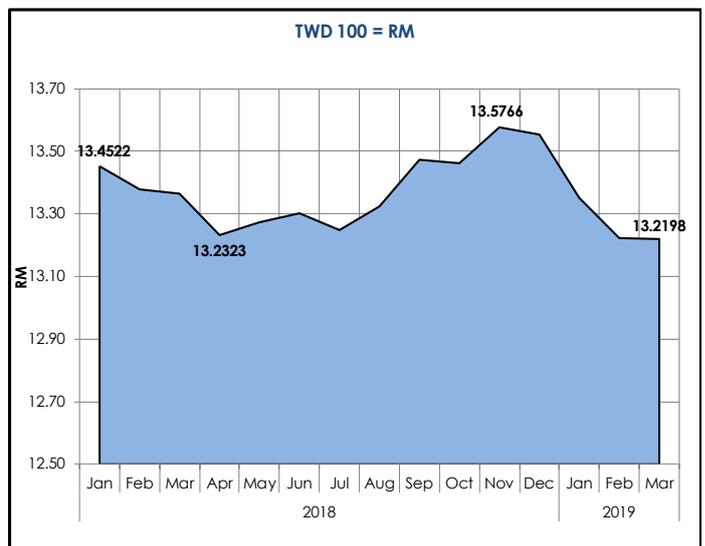
## Singapore Dollar



## Thai Baht



## New Taiwan Dollar



Source : Bank Negara Malaysia

# Commodity Prices

## CRUDE PETROLEUM (BRENT) -per bbl-



▲ 2.0%\*  
US\$68.4  
29 Mar 2019

Highest  
2018/2019

29 Mar 2019 : US\$68.4  
5 Oct 2018 : US\$84.2

4 Jan 2019 : US\$57.1  
28 Dec 2018 : US\$52.2

Lowest  
2018/2019

Average Price 2018<sup>i</sup>: US\$71.5

## CRUDE PALM OIL -per MT-



▼ 0.1%\*  
US\$526.0  
29 Mar 2019

Highest  
2018/2019

22 Feb 2019 : US\$567.0  
9 Mar 2018 : US\$691.5

4 Jan 2019 : US\$503.8  
23 Nov 2018 : US\$448.5

Lowest  
2018/2019

Average Price 2018<sup>i</sup>: US\$600.1

## RUBBER SMR 20 -per MT-



▼ 3.1%\*  
US\$1,445.0  
29 Mar 2019

Average Price 2018<sup>i</sup>: US\$1,371.0

## COCOA SMC 2 -per MT-



▲ 5.5%\*  
US\$1,623.4  
29 Mar 2019

Average Price 2018<sup>i</sup>: US\$1,535.6

## SUGAR -per lbs-



▼ 0.3%\*  
US¢12.5  
29 Mar 2019

Average Price 2018<sup>i</sup>: US¢12.3

## COAL -per MT-



▲ 3.1%\*  
US\$67.1  
29 Mar 2019

Average Price 2018<sup>i</sup>: US\$66.9

## SCRAP IRON HMS -per MT-

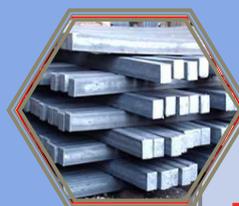


⊖ %\*  
US\$380.0  
(high)

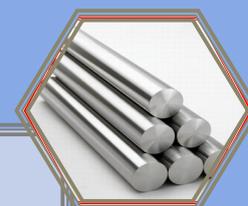
⊖ %\*  
US\$350.0  
(low)

Average Price 2018<sup>i</sup>: US\$380.7 (high)  
Average Price 2018<sup>i</sup>: US\$359.6 (low)

## Domestic Prices 29 March 2019



**Billets**  
(per MT)  
RM2,000 - RM2,100

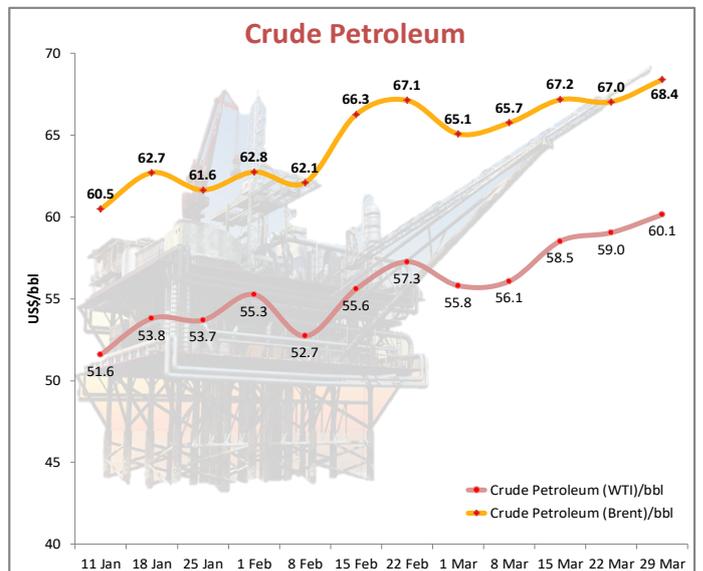
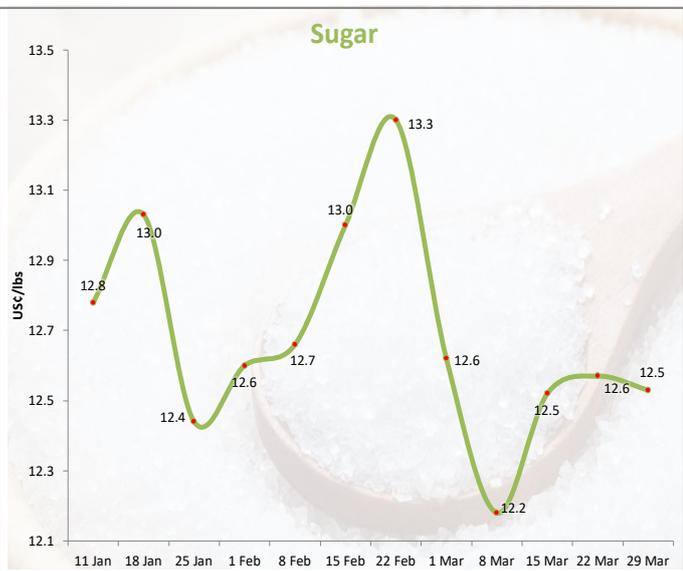
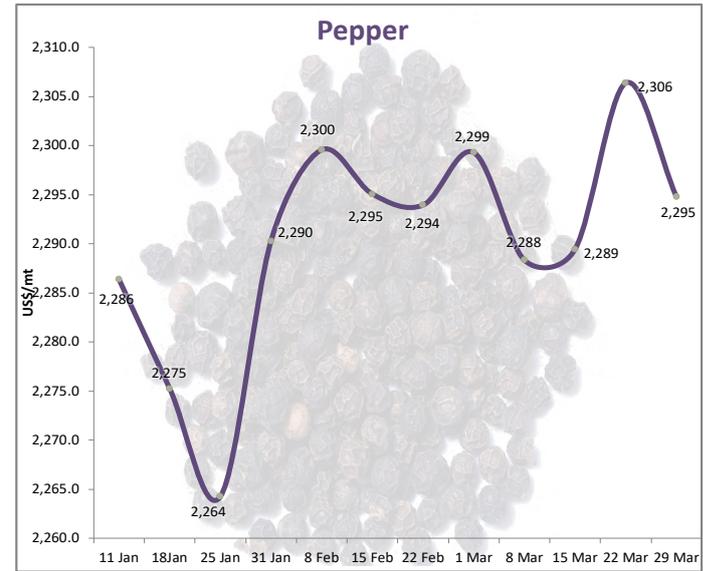
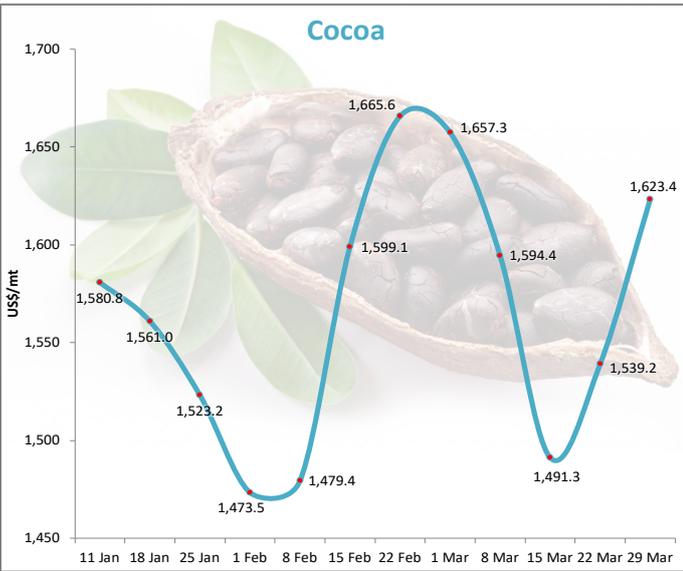
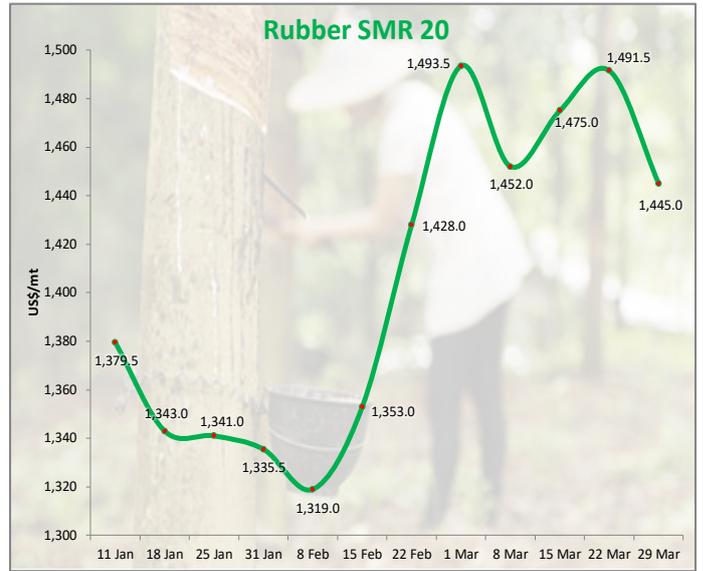
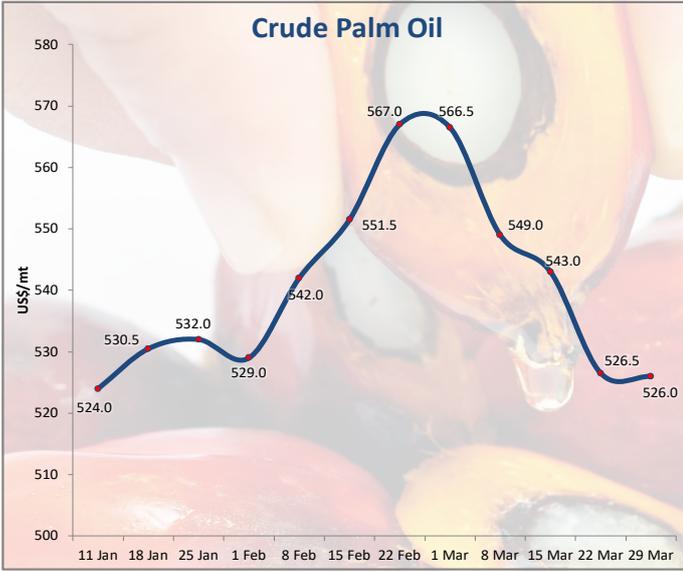


**Steel Bars**  
(per MT)  
RM2,150 - RM2,300

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

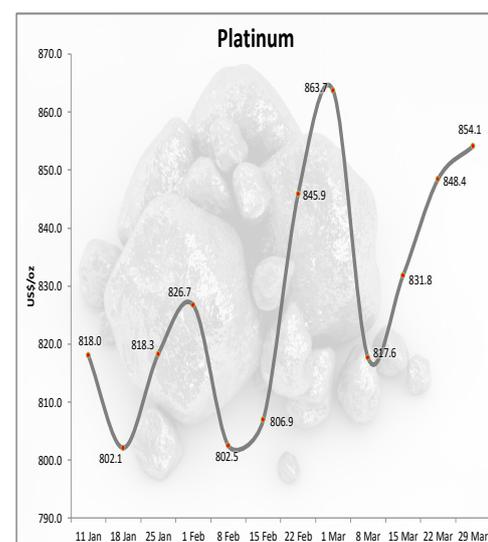
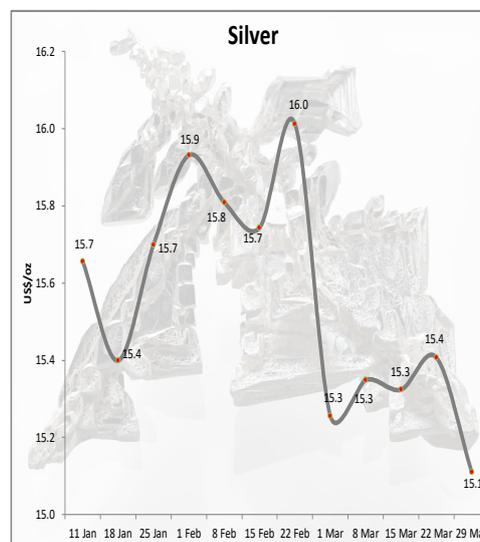
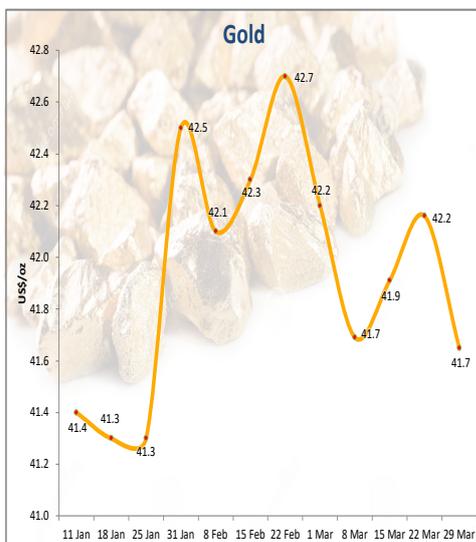
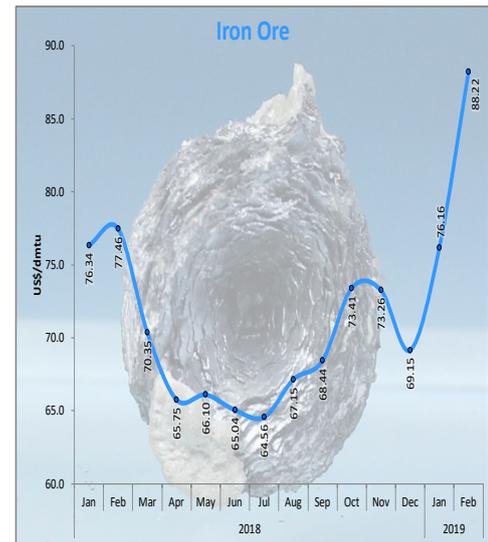
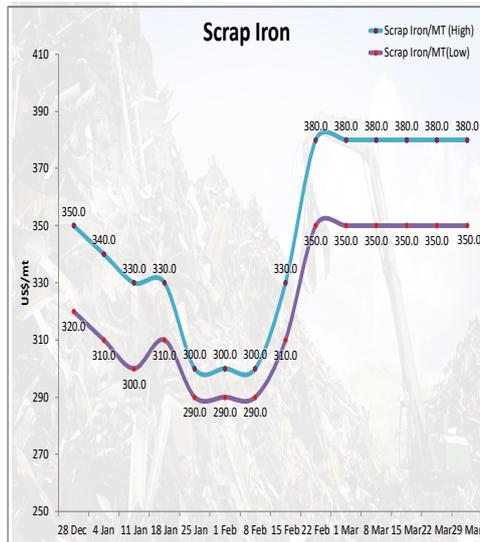
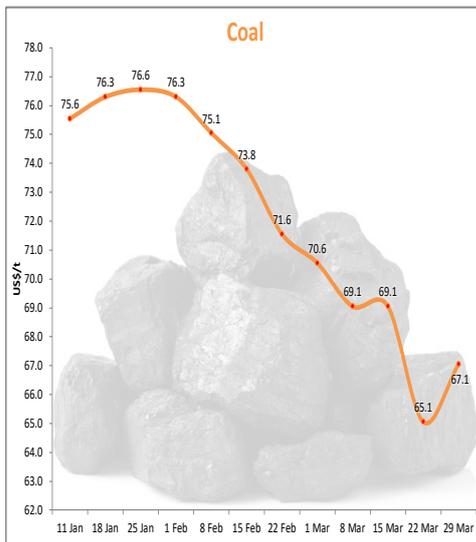
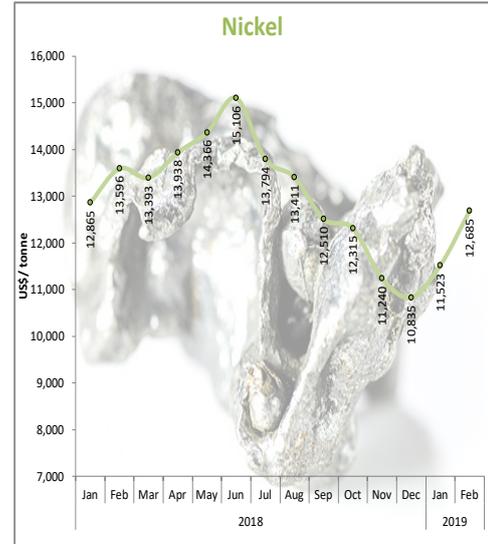
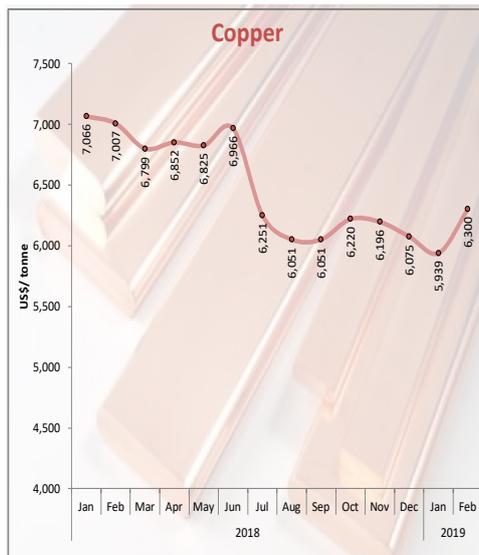
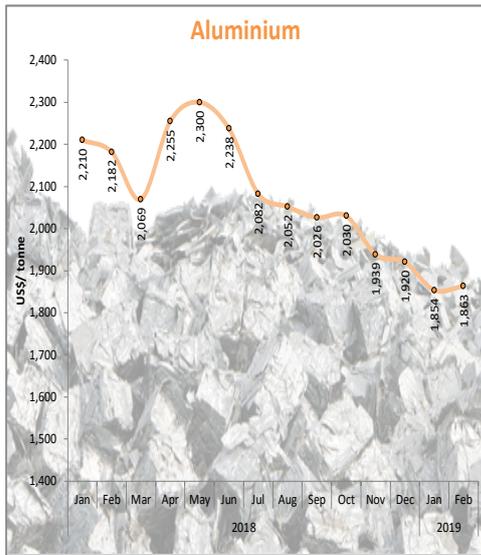
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# Commodity Price Trends



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# Commodity Price Trends



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# MITI Deputy Minister at the Jiang Huai Automotive Launch Event 28 March 2019

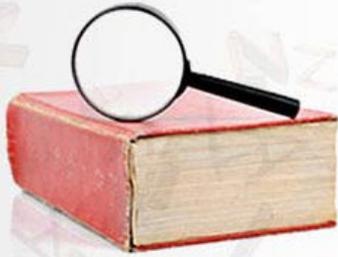


**MITI PROGRAMMES**

# MITI Deputy Minister at The Launch of The Scania New Truck 28 March 2019

**MITI PROGRAMMES**





# Glossary

## **Enumeration Block (EB)**

An enumeration block (EB) is a land area which is artificially created and consists of specific boundaries. On average, one EB contains about 80 to 120 living quarters with approximately 500 to 600 persons.

**Source : Population and Demography**

**Source Detail : Census Coverage Evaluation Survey, DOSM**

## **Environment Statistics**

Statistics that describe the state and trends of the environment, covering the media of the natural environment (air/climate, water, land/soil), the biota within the media, and human settlements. Environment statistics are integrative in nature, measuring human activities and natural events that affect the environment, the impacts of these activities and events, social responses to environmental impacts, and the quality and availability of natural assets. Broad definitions include environmental indicators, indices and accounting.

**Source : Environment**

**Source Detail : Compendium of Environment Statistics, DOSM**

## **Environmental Degradation**

Deterioration in environmental quality from ambient concentrations of pollutants and other activities and processes such as improper land use and natural disasters.

**Source : Environment**

**Source Detail : Compendium of Environment Statistics, DOSM**

## **Environmental Quality**

State of environmental conditions in environmental media, expressed in terms of indicators or indices related to environmental quality standards

**Source : Environment**

**Source Detail : Compendium of Environment Statistics, DOSM**

## **Environmental Quality Standard**

Limit for environmental disturbances, in particular from ambient concentration of pollutants and wastes, that determines the maximum allowable degradation of environmental media.

**Source : Environment**

**Source Detail : Compendium of Environment Statistics, DOSM**

## **Erosion**

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**Source : Environment**

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