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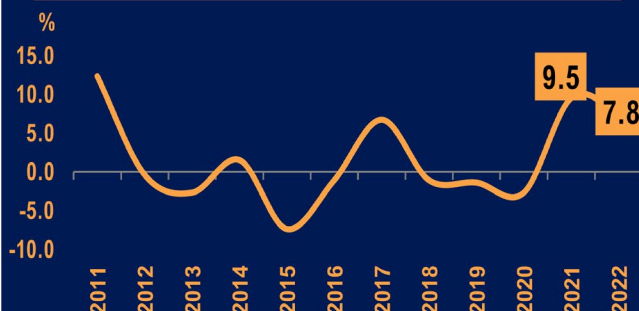
Malaysia's Producer Price Index increased to record 3.5 per cent in December 2022

Dec 2022/Dec 2021 (year-on-year)	Dec 2022/Nov 2022 (month-on-month)	2022/2021 (annual)
<b>3.5%</b>	<b>-0.3%</b>	<b>7.8%</b>
Nov 2022: 3.2%	Nov 2022: 0.6%	2021/2020: 9.5%

### PPI BY SECTOR

<b>-17.5%</b> Nov 2022: -18.5%	 Agriculture, forestry & fishing	<b>-1.7%</b> Nov 2022: 5.5%
<b>3.7%</b> Nov 2022: 2.4%	 Mining	<b>-3.0%</b> Nov 2022: 0.5%
<b>6.1%</b> Nov 2022: 6.2%	 Manufacturing	<b>0.0%</b> Nov 2022: 0.2%
<b>1.0%</b> Nov 2022: 1.4%	 Electricity & gas supply	<b>-0.3%</b> Nov 2022: -0.1%
<b>3.8%</b> Nov 2022: 4.2%	 Water supply	<b>0.2%</b> Nov 2022: 0.2%

### PPI 2011 - 2022



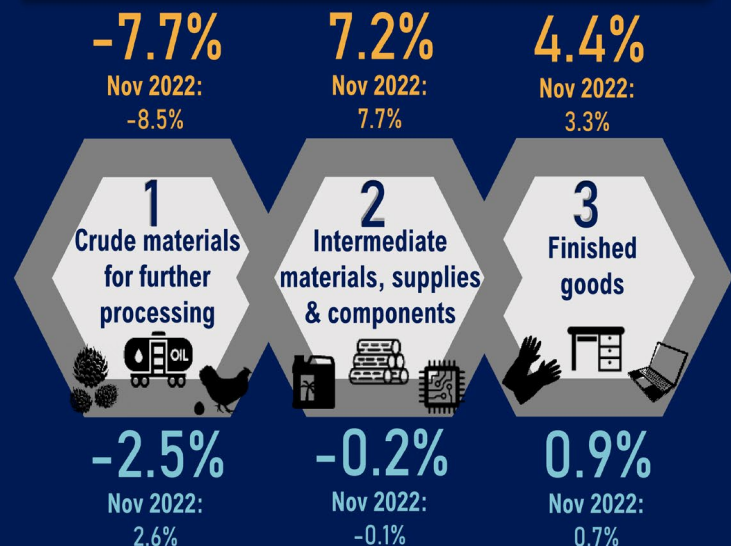
Source : Producer Price Index (2010=100) Local Production, Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM)

### PPI FOR SELECTED COUNTRIES

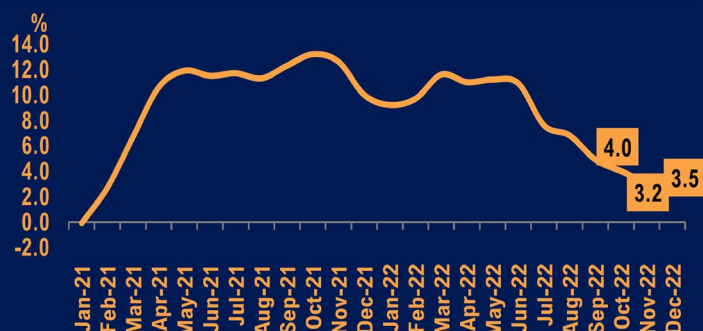
COUNTRIES	DEC 2022	NOV 2022
United States of America	6.2%	7.3%
Germany	21.6%	28.2%
P.R. China	-0.7%	-1.3%
Thailand	4.9%	7.2%
Japan	10.2%	9.7%
Republic of Korea	6.0%	6.3%

Source: Official website of selected NSOs

### PPI BY STAGE OF PROCESSING



### PPI JAN 2021 - DEC 2022

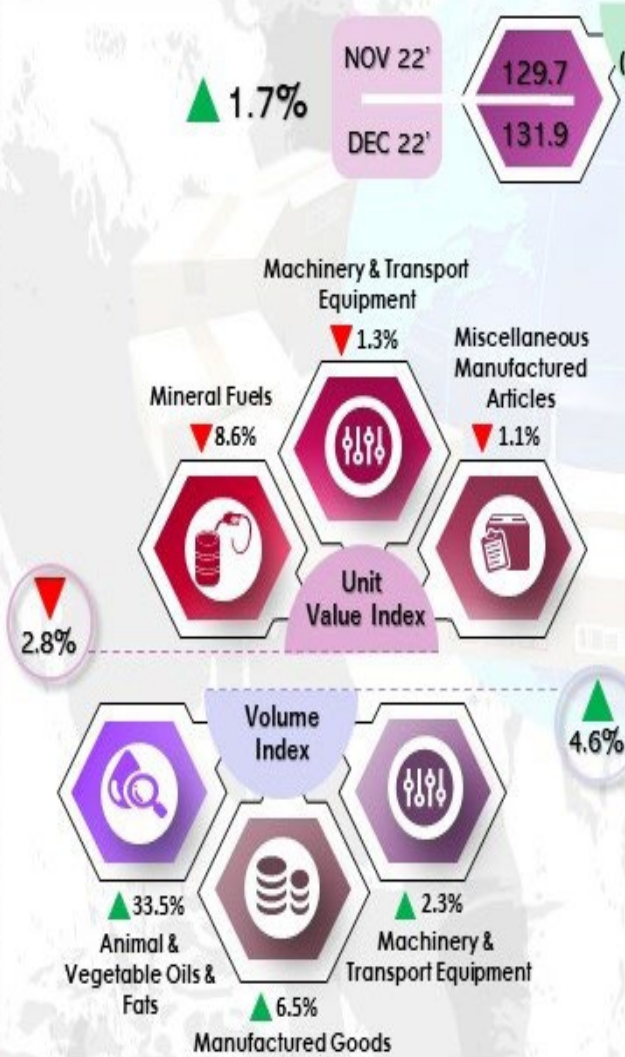




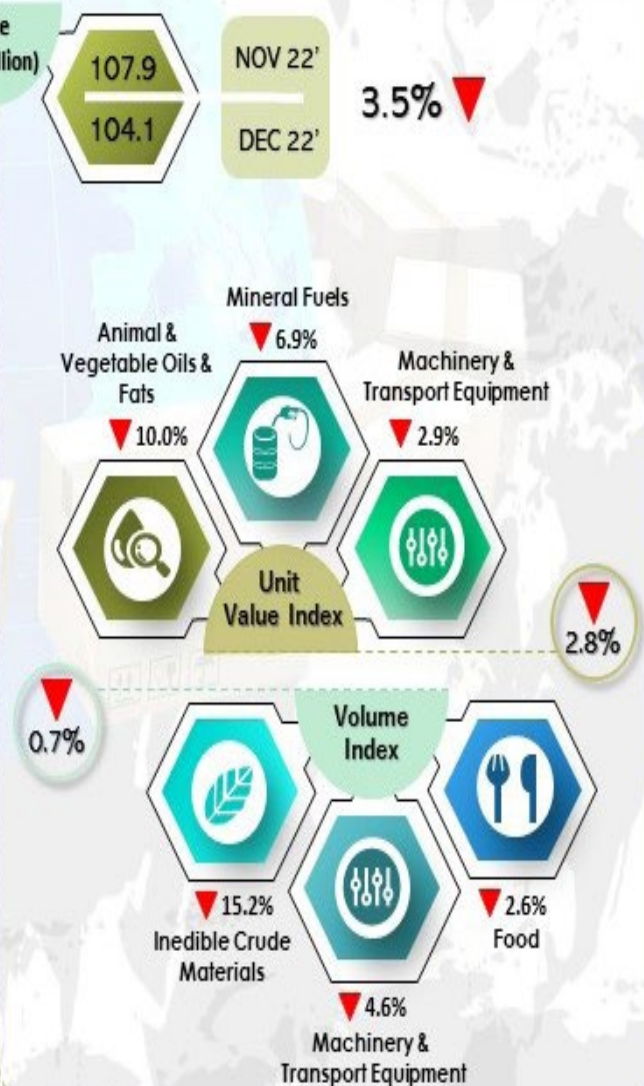
# TRADE INDICES, DECEMBER 2022

Both the Export & Import Unit Value Indices decreased by 2.8 per cent

## EXPORTS



## IMPORTS



## TERMS OF TRADE



▲ All changes are based on month-on-month comparison

Source: External Trade Indices December 2022, Department of Statistics (DOSM)

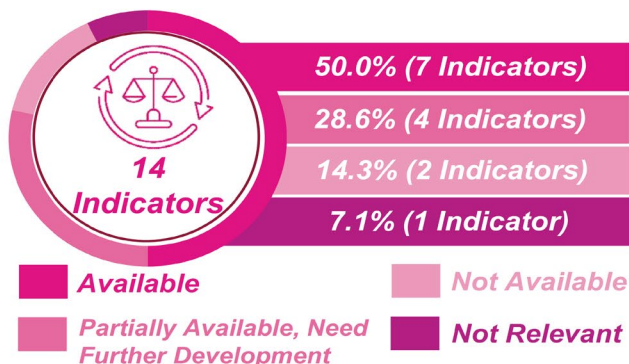


# GOAL 10 : REDUCED INEQUALITIES

## GOAL 11 : SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES



### REDUCED INEQUALITIES

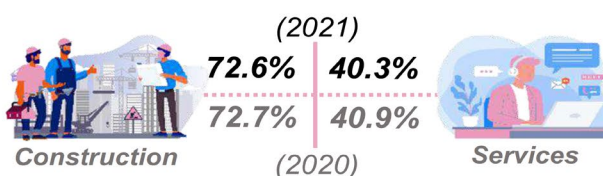
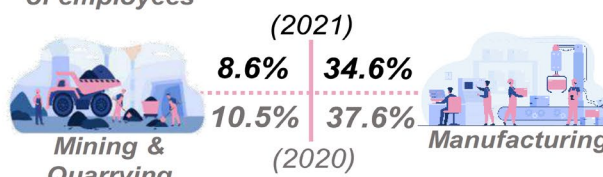
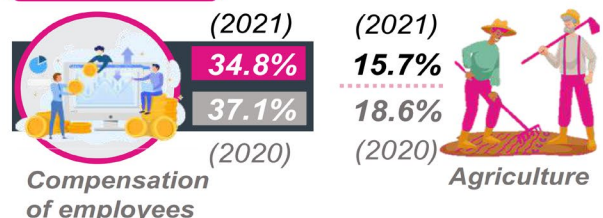


#### SDG 10.c.1 Remittance costs as a proportion of the amount remitted



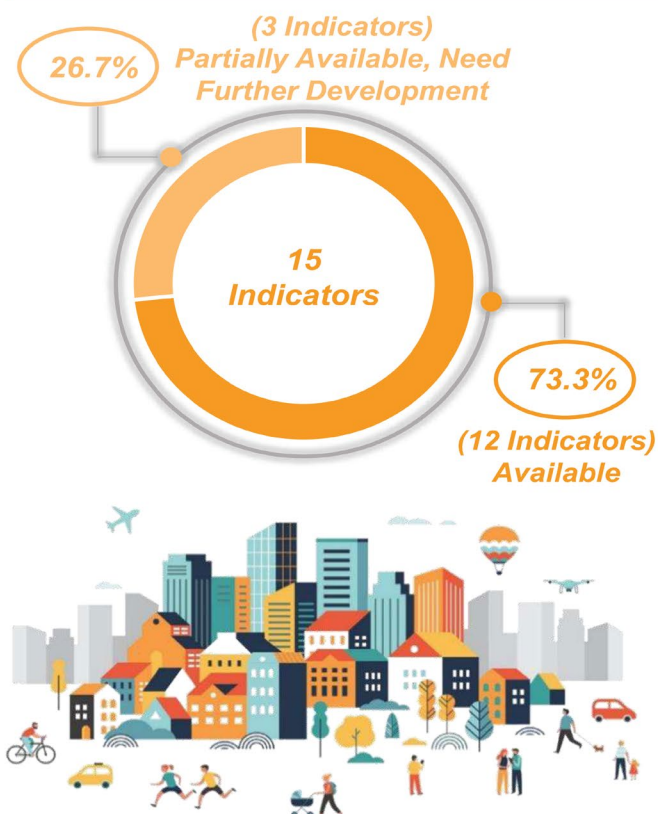
Source: Bank Negara Malaysia

#### SDG 10.4.1 Compensation of employees

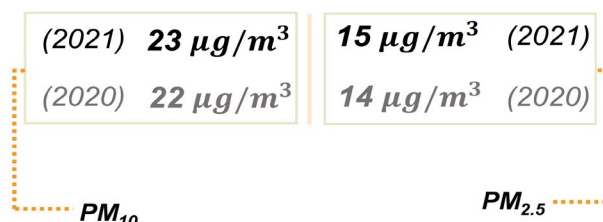


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### SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES



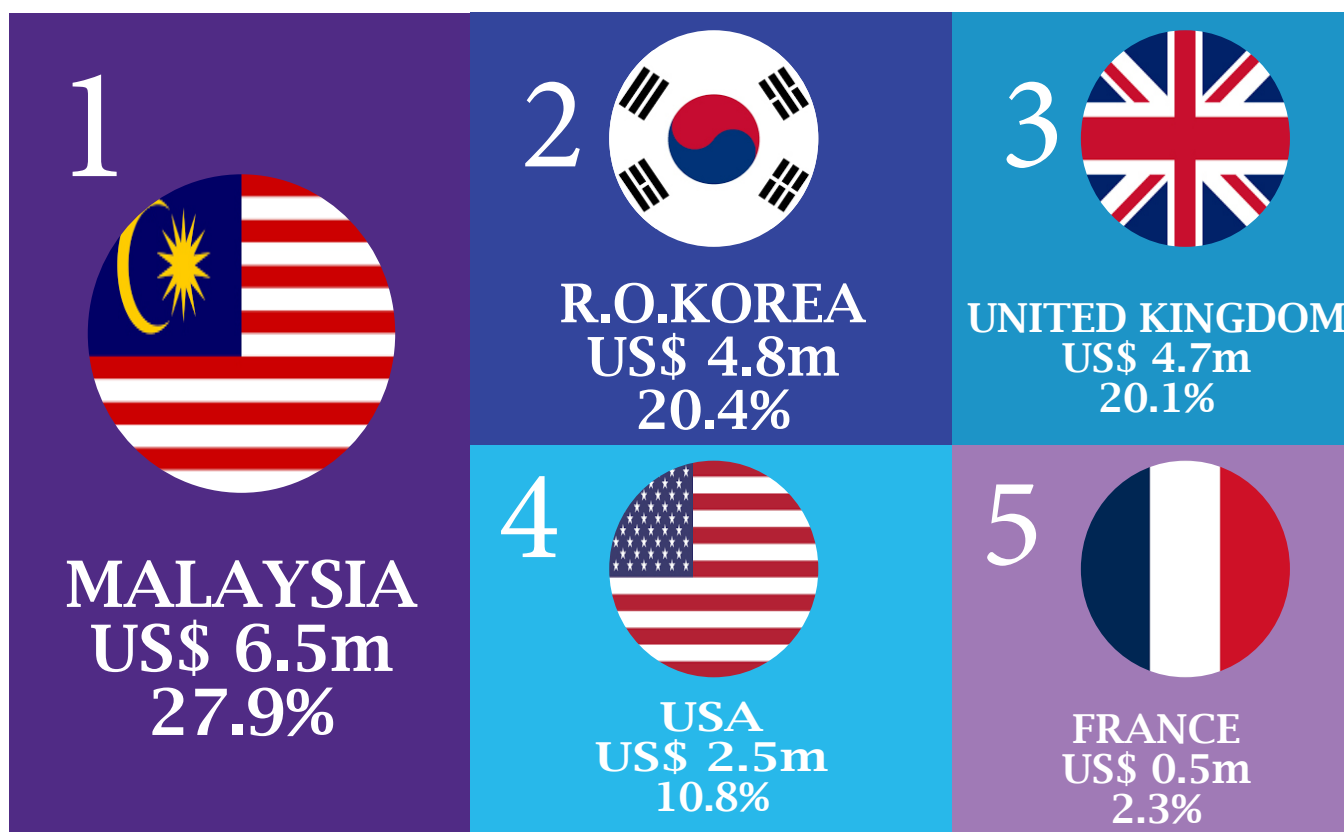
#### SDG 11.6.2 Annual mean levels of fine particulate matter in cities



Source: Department of Environment, Malaysia

## WORLD LARGEST EXPORTERS OF SOUND RECORDING OR SOUND REPRODUCING APPARATUS, OPERATED BY COINS, BANKNOTES, BANK CARDS, TOKENS OR BY OTHER MEANS OF PAYMENT

In 2021, Malaysia's export of sound recording or sound reproducing apparatus, operated by coins, banknotes, bank cards, tokens or by other means of payment [juke boxes] recorded US\$ 6.5 million which was 27.9 % share of the world exports.



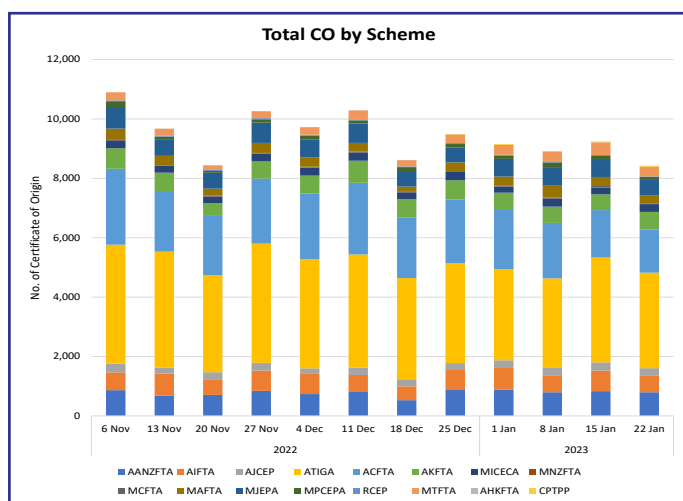
Notes: -\*HS851920  
-% refer to share in world exports

## MALAYSIA'S TOP EXPORT DESTINATIONS

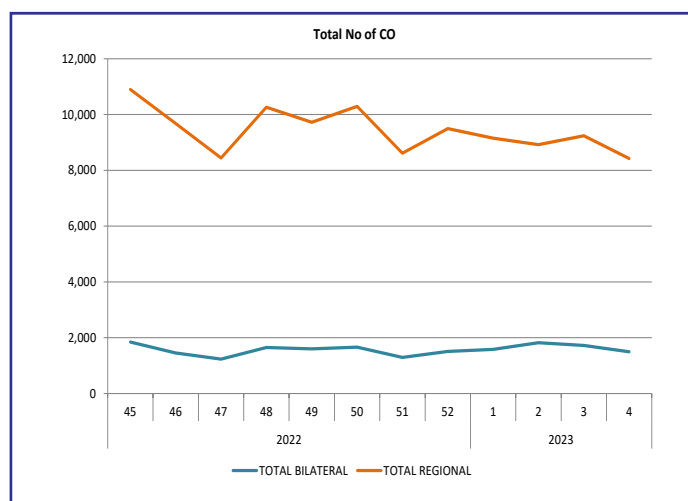


# Number and FOB Value of PCO as at 22 January 2023 Weekly / Monthly / Annually

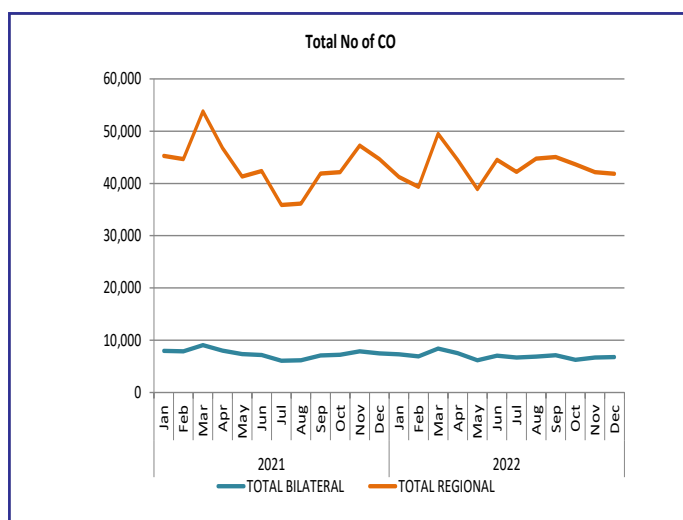
## Weekly Total Scheme



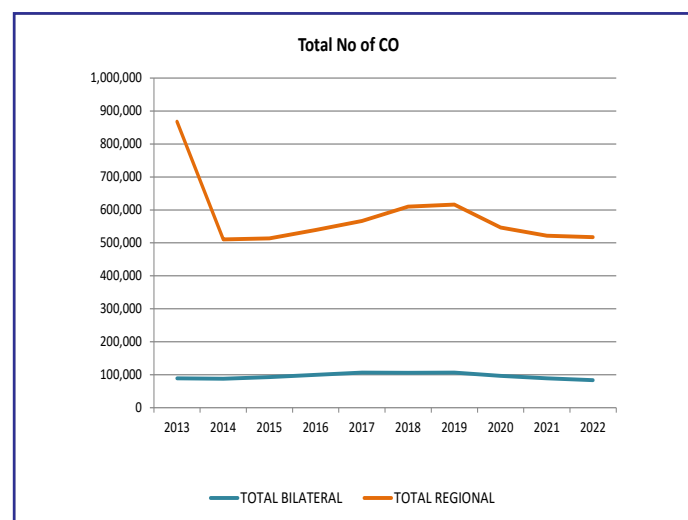
## Weekly



## Monthly



## Annually

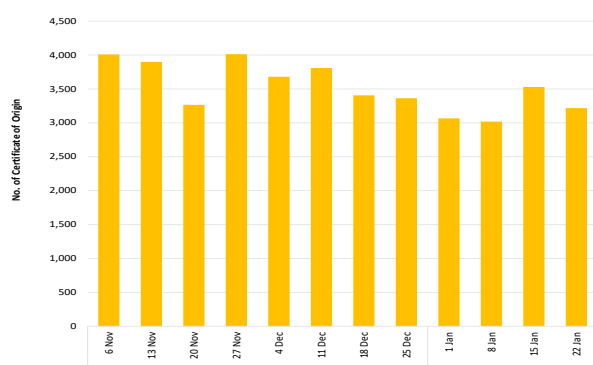


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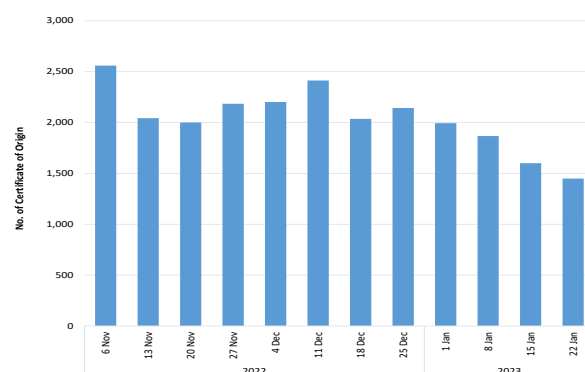
# Regional FTA

## Number of Preferential Certificates of Origin (PCOs) as at 22 January 2023

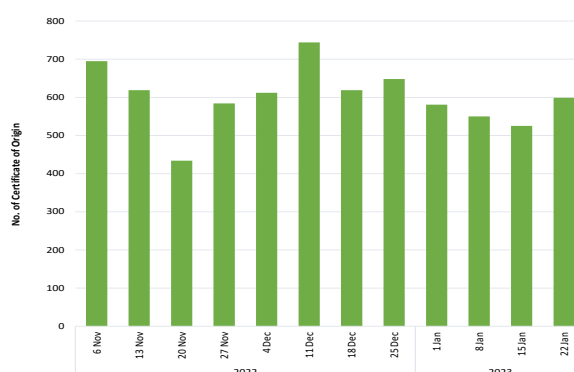
**ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement (ATIGA)**



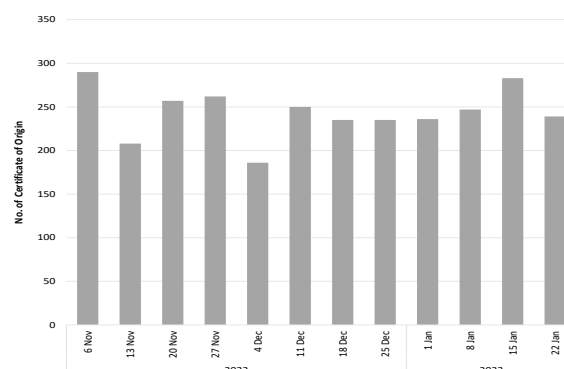
**ASEAN-China Free Trade Agreement (ACFTA)**



**ASEAN-Korea Free Trade Agreement (AKFTA)**



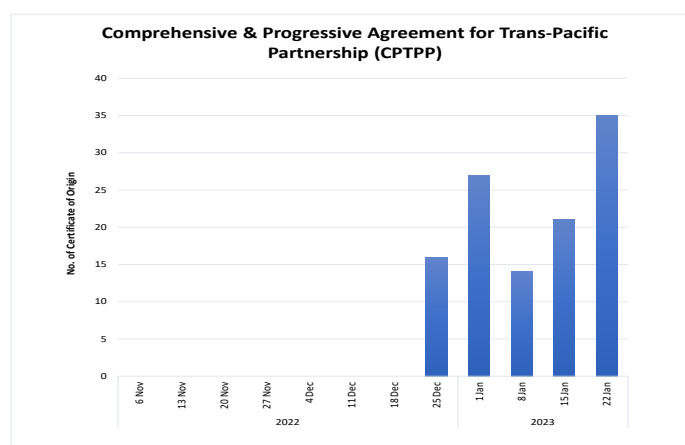
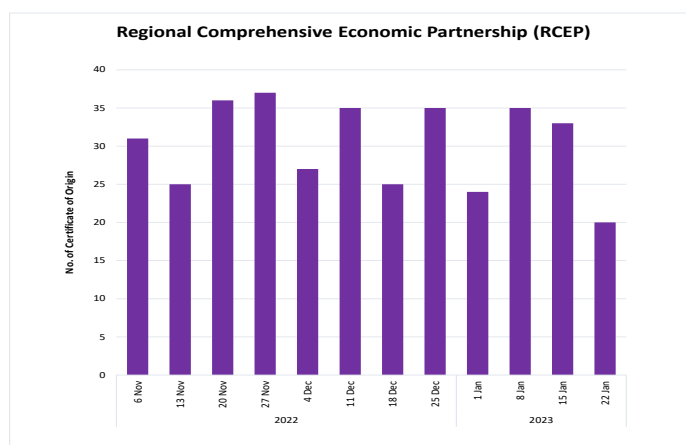
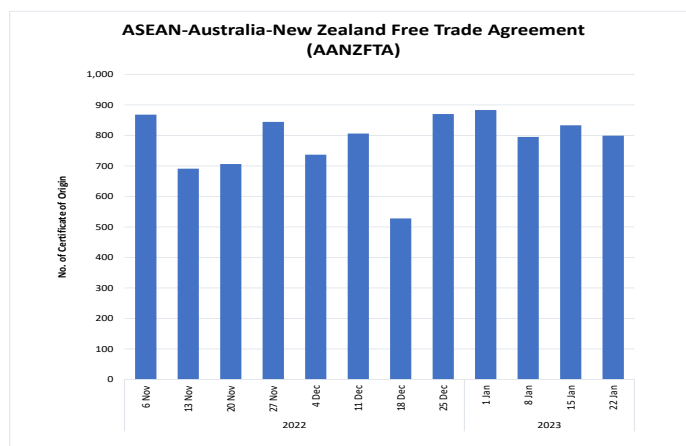
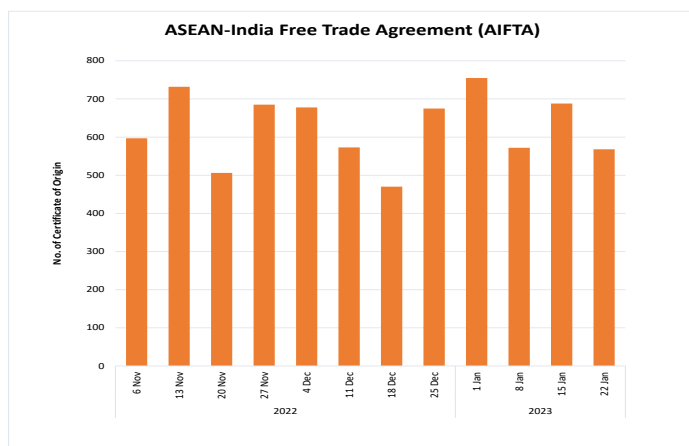
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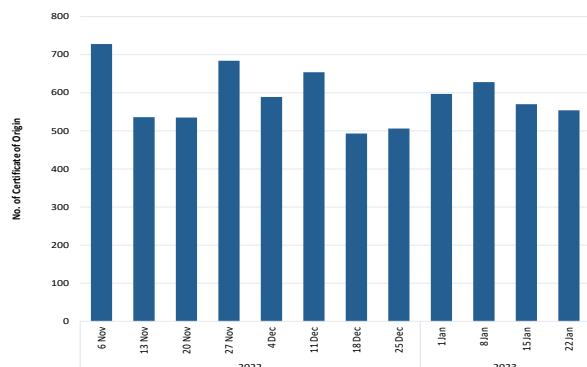
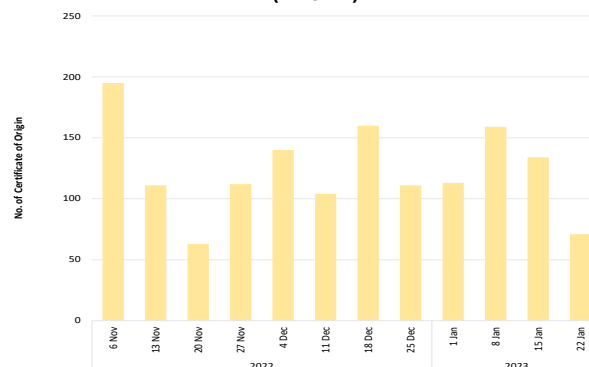
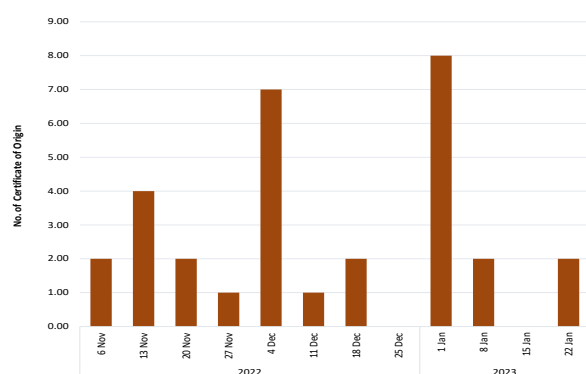
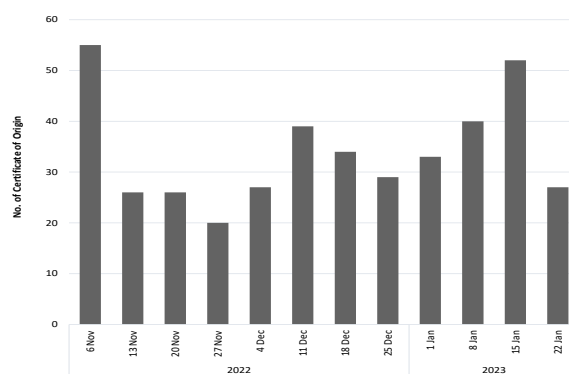
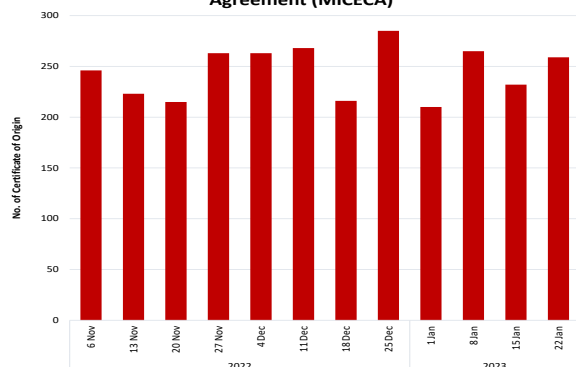
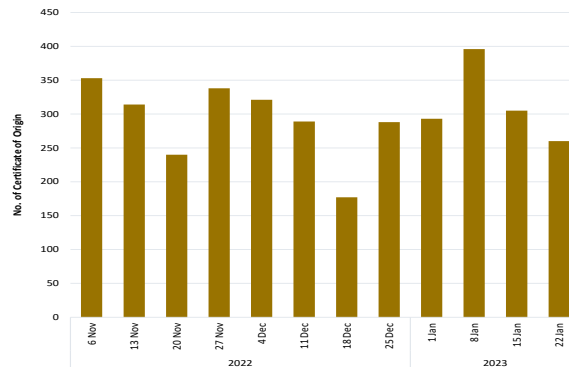
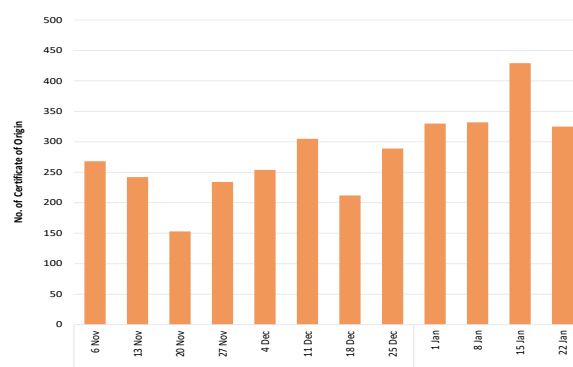
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# Bilateral FTA

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**Malaysia-Japan Economic Partnership Agreement (MJEPA)**

**Malaysia-Pakistan Closer Economic Partnership Agreement (MPCEPA)**

**Malaysia-New Zealand Free Trade Agreement (MNZFTA)**

**Malaysia-Chile Free Trade Agreement (MCFTA)**

**Malaysia-India Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (MICECA)**

**Malaysia-Australia Free Trade Agreement (MAFTA)**

**Malaysia-Turkey Free Trade Agreement (MTFTA)**


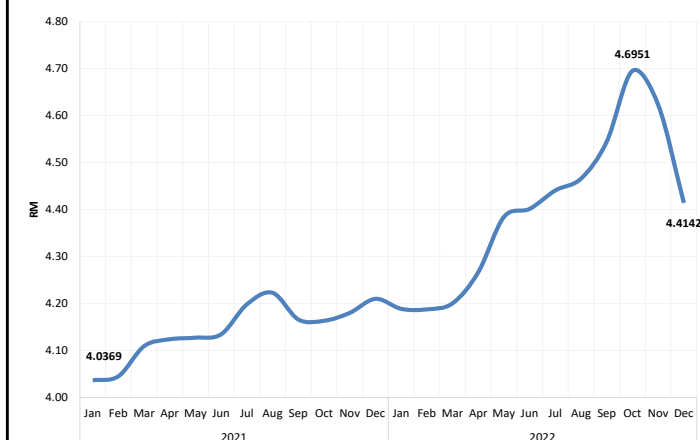
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# Malaysian Ringgit Exchange Rate with Selected Countries, January 2021 - December 2022

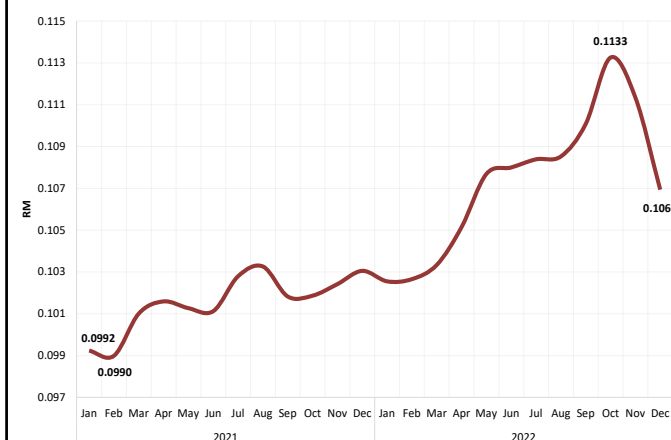
## US Dollar

USD 1 = RM



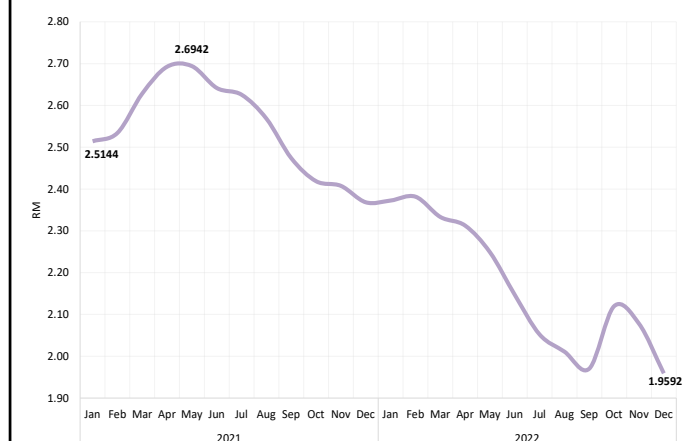
## Cambodian Riel

KHR 100 = RM



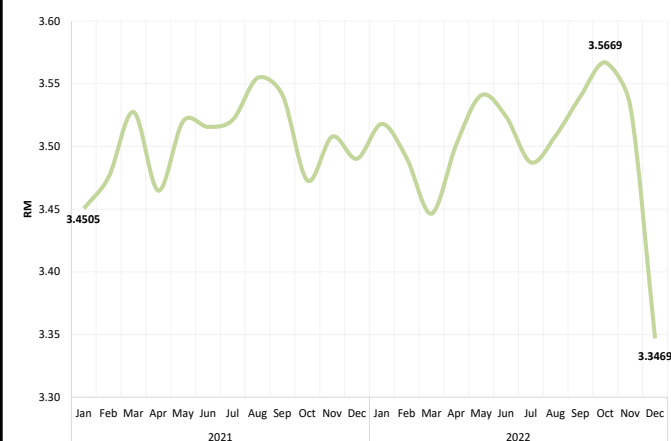
## Pakistani Rupee

PKR 100 = RM



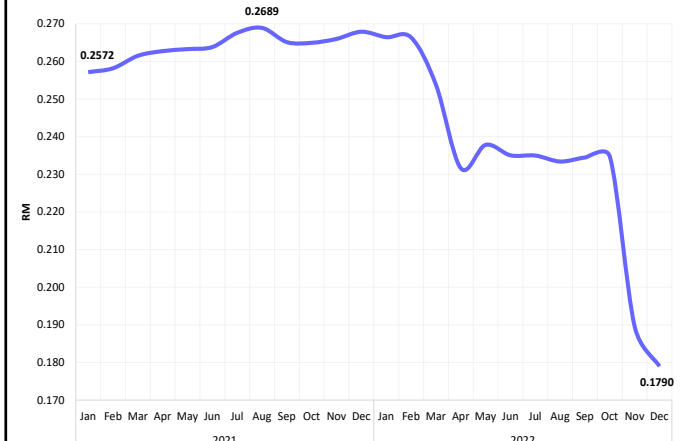
## Nepalese Rupee

NPR 100 = RM



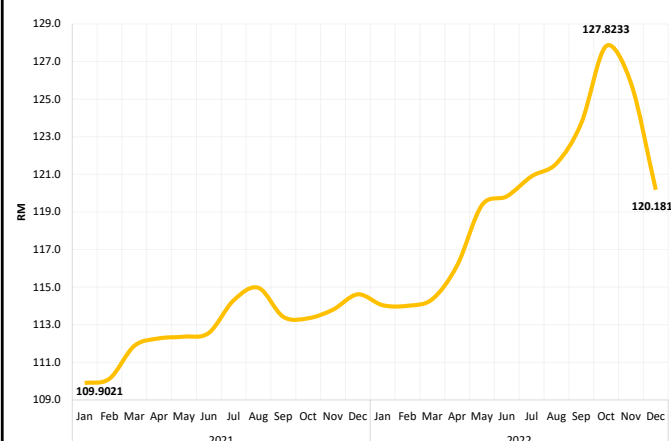
## Egyptian Pound

EGP 1 = RM



## United Arab Emirates Dirham

AED 100 = RM



Source : Bank Negara Malaysia

## Commodity Prices

### CRUDE PETROLEUM (BRENT) -per bbl-



▼ **1.1%\***  
US\$86.7  
**27 Jan 2023**

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

6 Jan 2023 : US\$78.6  
9 Dec 2022 : US\$76.1

**Lowest**  
2022/2023

Average Price 2022<sup>i</sup>: US\$99.4

### CRUDE PALM OIL -per MT-



▼ **0.01%\***  
US\$907.0  
**27 Jan 2023**

**Highest**  
2022/2023  
6 Jan 2023 : US\$920.3  
11 Mac 2022 : US\$1,774.7

13 Jan 2023 : US\$883.9  
30 Sep 2022 : US\$715.6

**Lowest**  
2022/2023

Average Price 2022<sup>i</sup>: US\$1,171.6

### RUBBER SMR 20 -per MT-



▲ **5.3%\***  
US\$1,503.0  
**27 Jan 2023**

### COCOA SMC 2 -per MT-



▲ **3.6%\***  
US\$1,802.8  
**27 Jan 2023**

### SUGAR -per lbs-



▲ **6.3%\***  
US\$21.0  
**27 Jan 2023**

Average Price 2022<sup>i</sup>: US\$1,549.9

Average Price 2022<sup>i</sup>: US\$1,564.5

Average Price 2022<sup>i</sup>: US\$18.8

### COAL -per MT-



▼ **4.2%\***  
US\$167.2  
**27 Jan 2023**

Average Price 2022<sup>i</sup>: US\$290.8

### SCRAP IRON HMS -per MT-

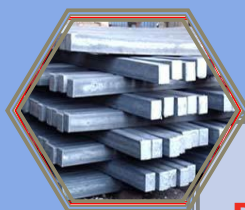


▲ **11.4%\***  
US\$397.1  
(high)  
December 2022

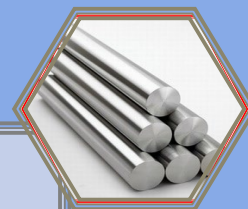
▲ **1.6%\***  
US\$351.8  
(low)

Average Price 2022<sup>i</sup>: US\$469.9 (high)  
Average Price 2022<sup>i</sup>: US\$426.3 (low)

## Domestic Prices December 2022



**Billets**  
(per MT)  
**RM2,525 - RM2,530**

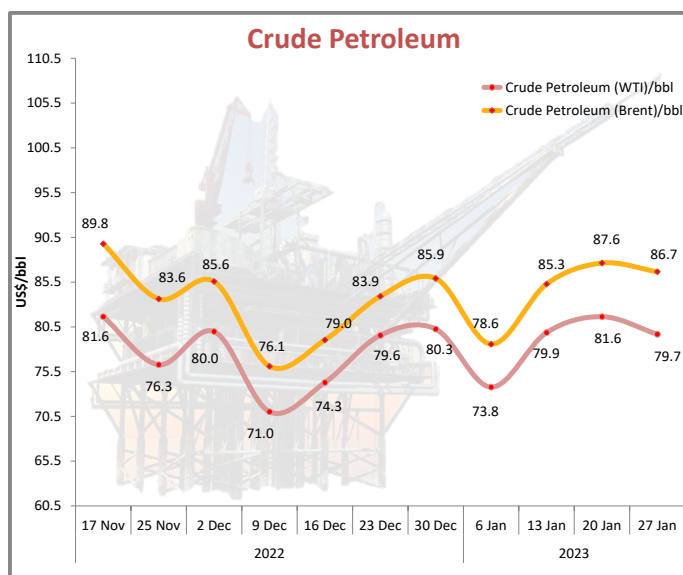
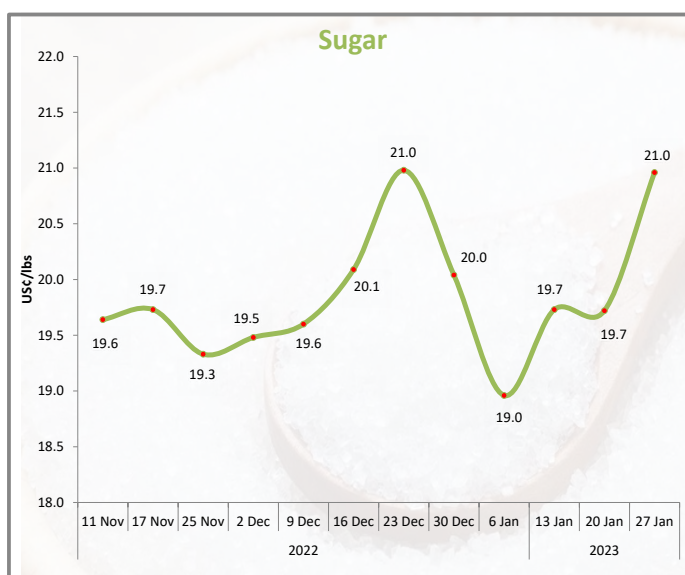
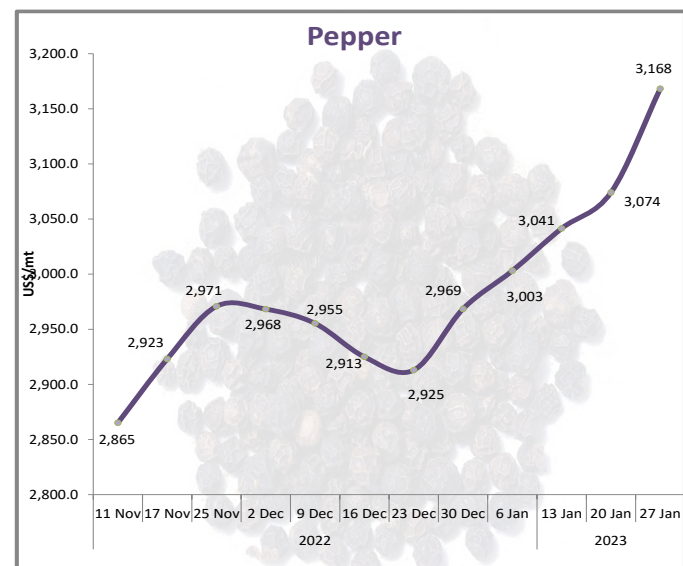
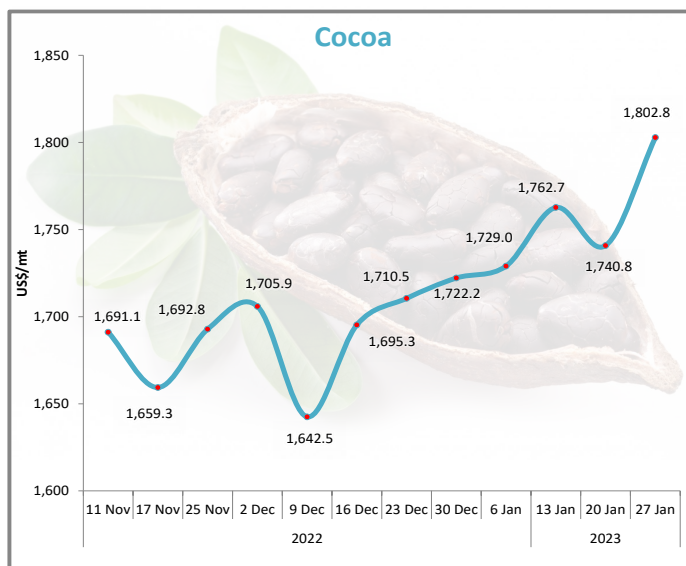
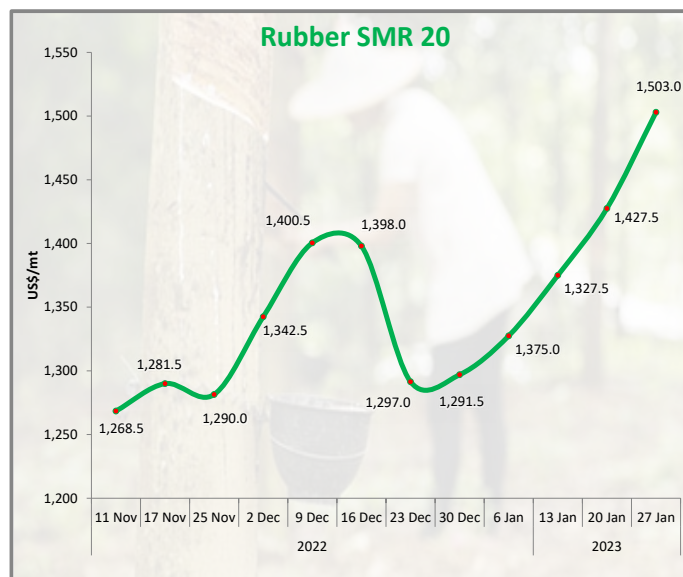
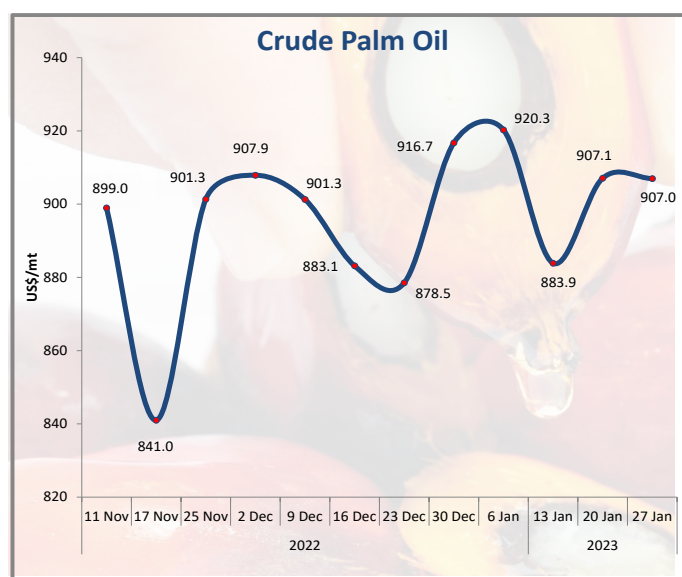


**Steel Bars**  
(per MT)  
**RM2,665 - RM2,811**

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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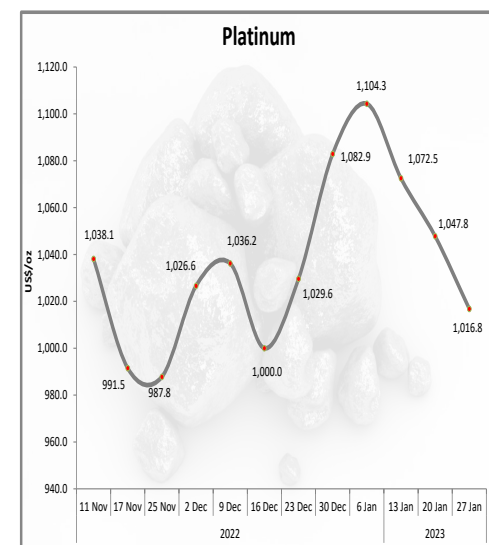
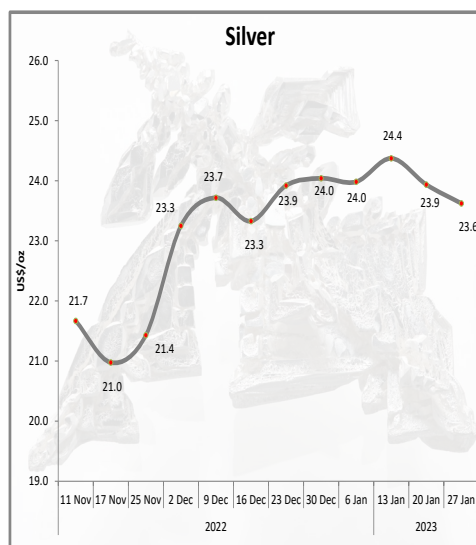
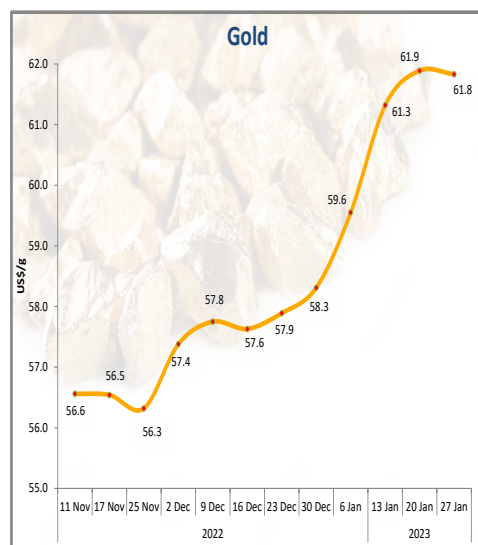
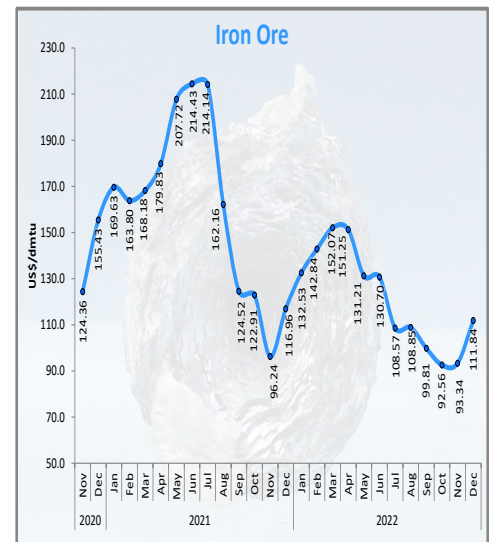
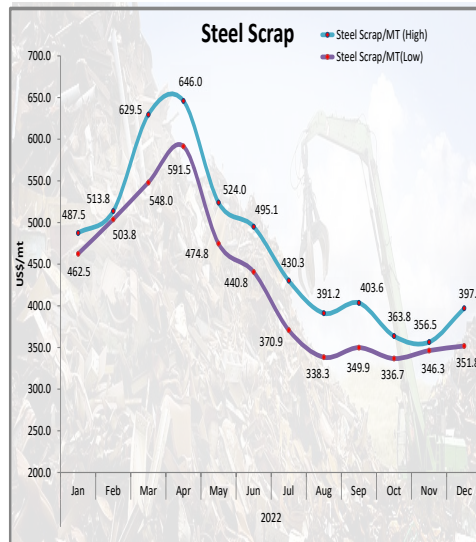
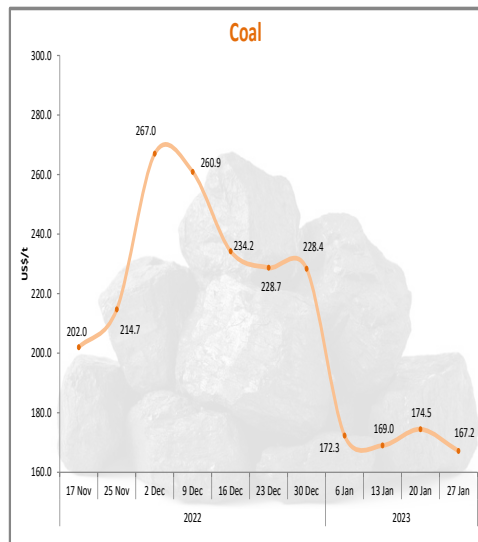
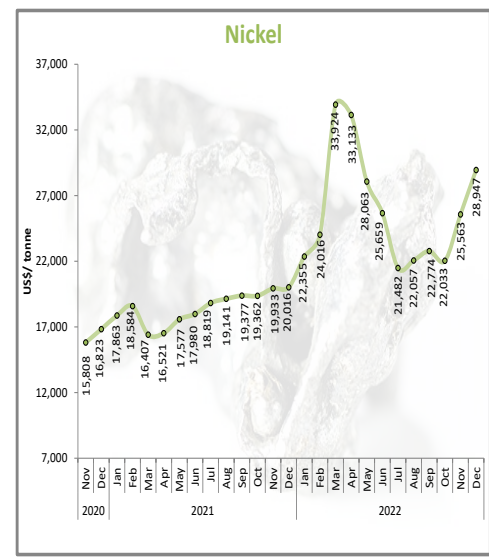
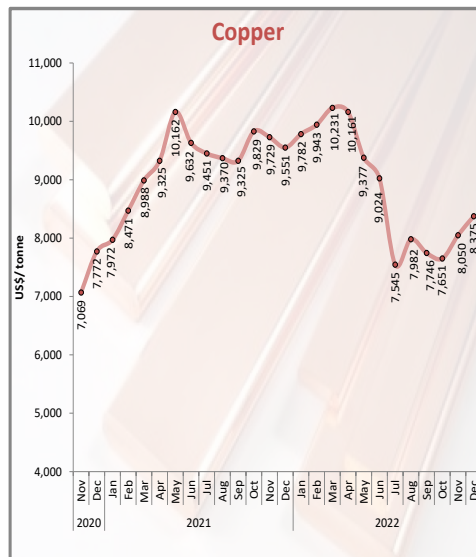
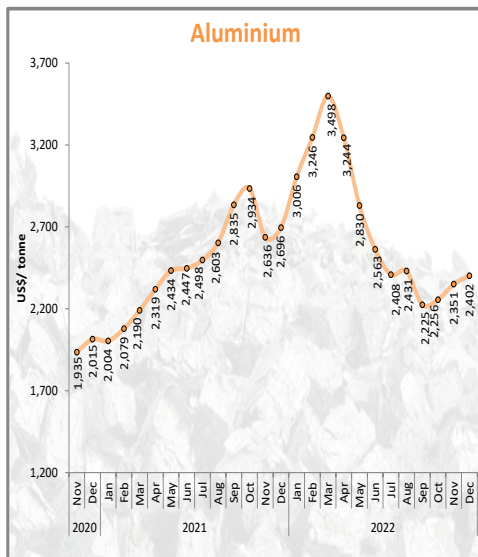
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# RCEP

## REGIONAL COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP (RCEP)



### RCEP CONSISTS OF

**10** ASEAN member countries

**5** ASEAN FTA Partner countries

### 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



## 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 include 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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- ✓ In operation for more than 3 years

### What are the benefits?



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



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## 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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