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ECONOMIC STATISTICS REVIEW

MALAYSIAN ECONOMIC STATISTICS REVIEW

PRODUCTION





Aug 2023: 8,945,144 tonnes 0.8% July 2023: 8,350,322 tonnes 4.2% June 2023: 7,435,995 tonnes



Production of Natural Rubber

July 2023: 28.533 tonnes June 2023: 29,867 tonnes May 2023 : 24,126 tonnes

-24.6% -3.9% 15.7%



Industrial Production Index (IPI)

July 2023: June 2023: May 2023:

0.7% -2.2% 4.8%



Sales Value of Manufacturing Sector

July 2023: RM144.0 billion June 2023: RM147.4 billion May 2023: RM146.8 billion

-3.0% -4.0% 3.3%



Sales Value of Wholesale & Retail Trade Sector

July 2023: RM139.8 billion June 2023: RM138.5 billion

May 2023: RM138.0 billion

7.2% 4.3% 6.6%

EXTERNAL SECTOR

Imports

Aug 2023: RM115.2b **▼-18.6%** *July 2023: RM116.8b -13.1%

June 2023 : RM124.0b ▼ -14.1%

Exports

▼ -21.2%

▼ -15.9% -18.7%

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As published for the corresponding month

Aug 2023: RM97.9b

*July 2023: RM99.7b

June 2023: RM98.4b

LABOUR MARKET

Number of Employed Persons July 2023: 16.34 mil persons A 2.2%

June 2023: 16.31 mil persons 4 2.3% May 2023: 16.28 mil persons A 2.4%

Unemployment Rate

July 2023: 3.4% June 2023: 3.4% May 2023: 3.5%



PRICES

Consumer Price Index (CPI)



Aug 2023:

2.0% July 2023: A 2.0%

June 2023 : A 2.4%

Producer Price Index (PPI) Aug 2023: -1.8%

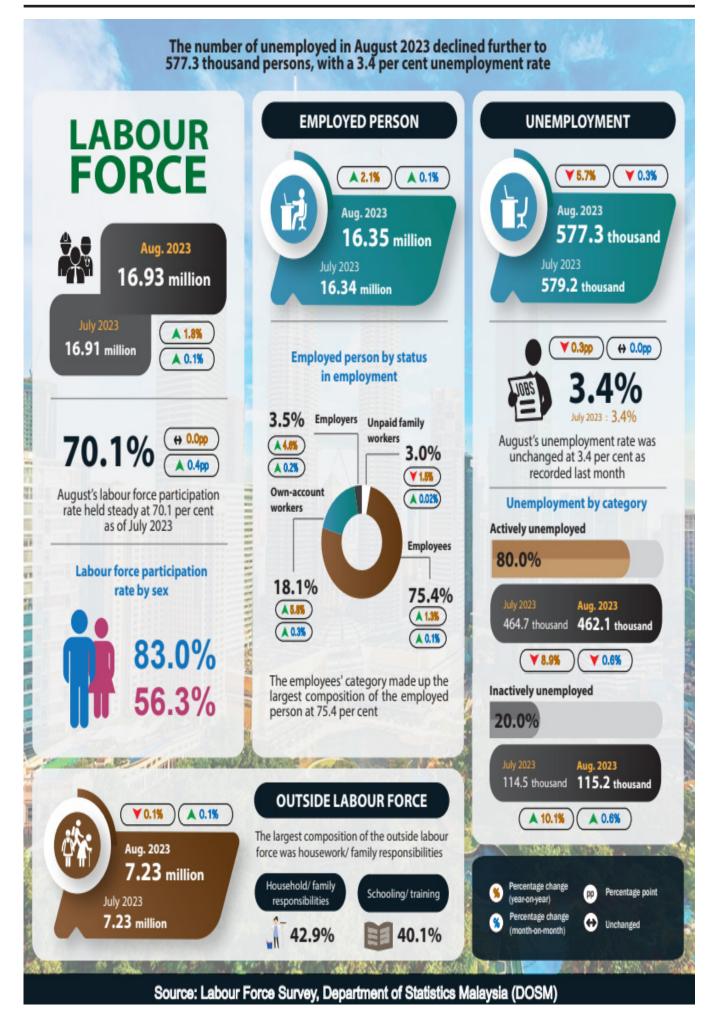
July 2023: -2.3% June 2023: **7** -4.8%



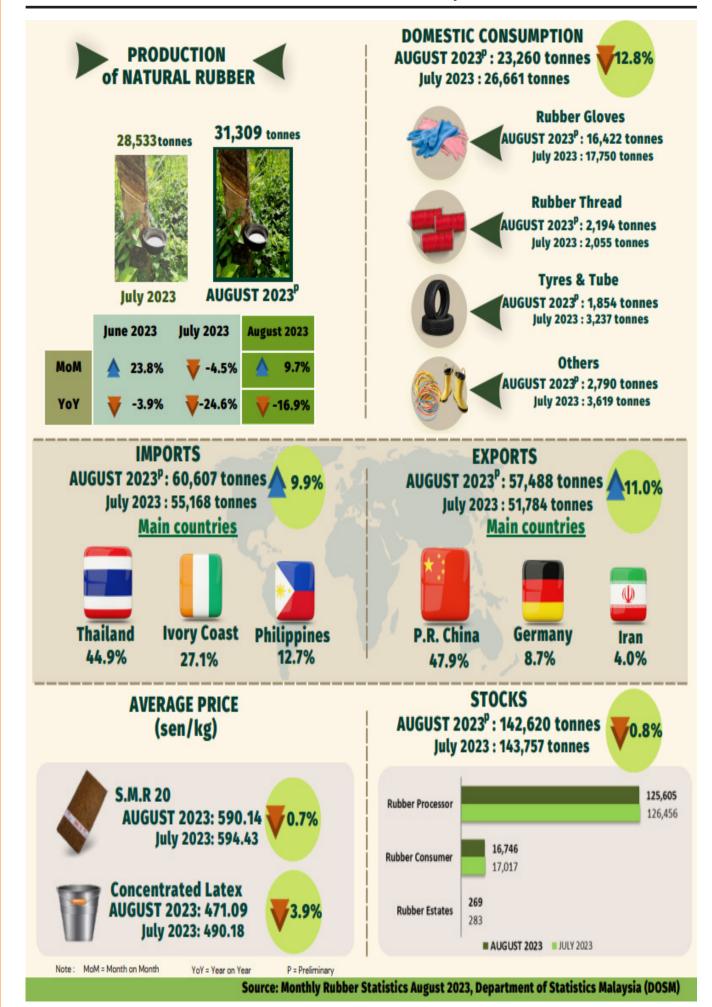
Percentage Change: Year-on-Year

Source: Malaysian Economic Statistics Review, Vol. 9/ 2023, Department of Statistics, Malaysia (DOSM

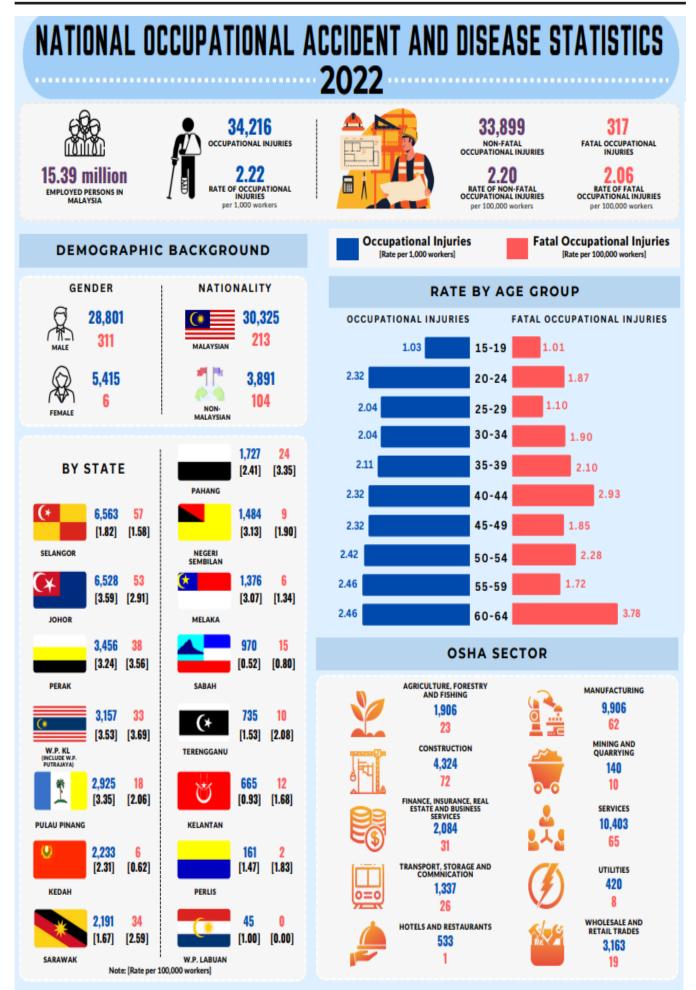
LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS, AUGUST 2023



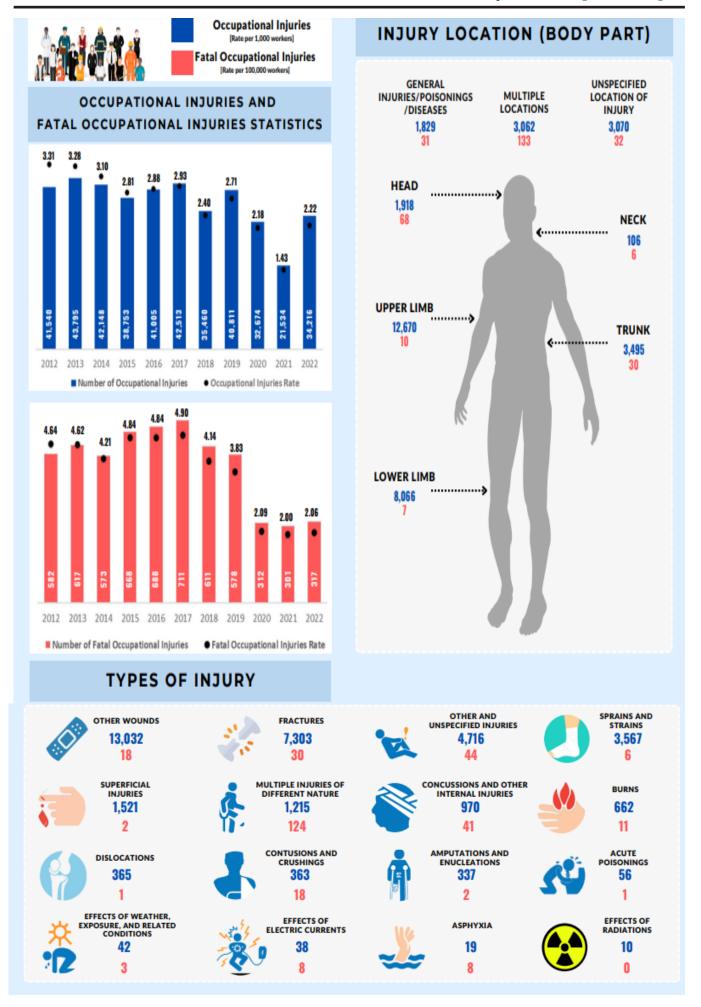
MONTHLY RUBBER STATISTICS, AUGUST 2023



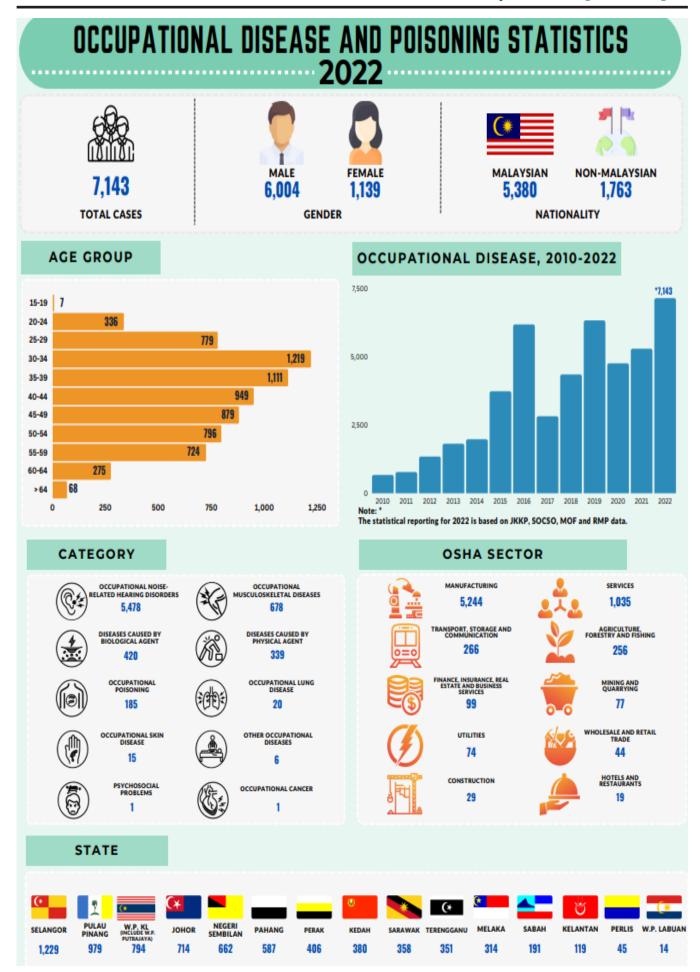
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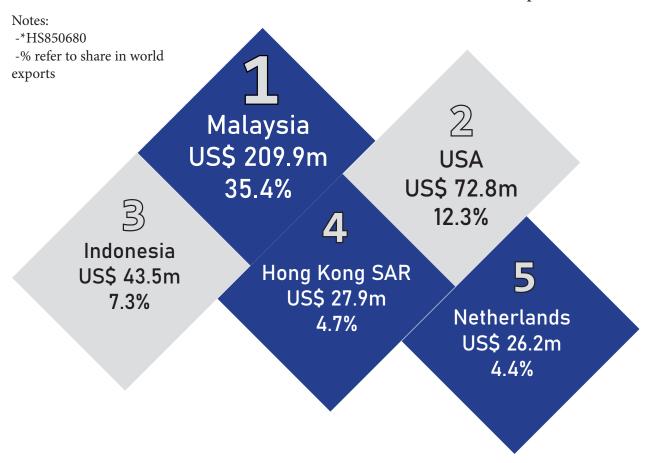


NATIONAL OCCUPATIONAL ACCIDENTS, 2022 (CONT')



MALAYSIA AS WORLD LARGEST EXPORTER OF PRIMARY CELLS AND PRIMARY BATTERIES, ELECTRIC

In 2022 Malaysia's export of primary cells and primary batteries, electric (excl. spent, and those of silver oxide, mercuric oxide, manganese dioxide, lithium and air-zinc) recorded US\$ 209.9 million which was 35.4% share of the world exports.



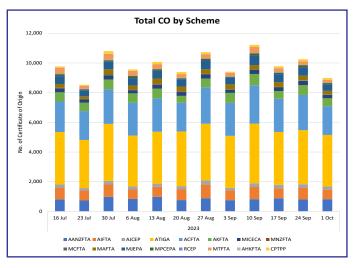
MALAYSIA'S TOP EXPORT DESTINATIONS



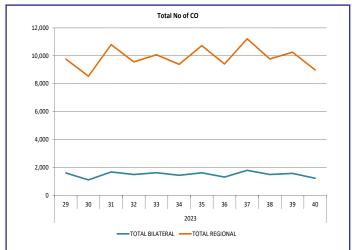
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Number of PCO as at 1 October 2023 Weekly / Monthly/ Annually

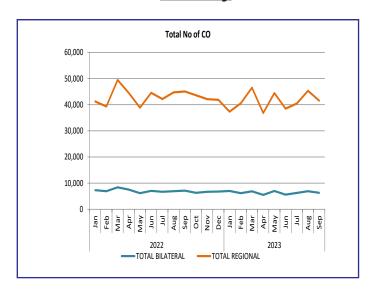
Weekly Total Scheme



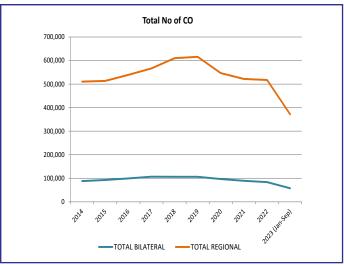
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Monthly



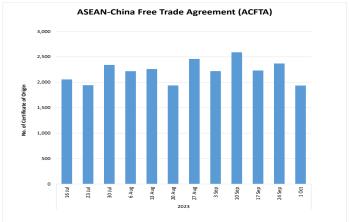
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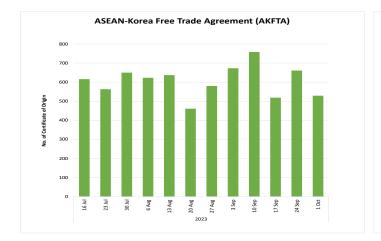


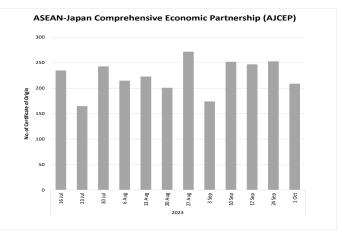
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Regional FTA Number of Preferential Certificates of Origin (PCOs) as at 1 October 2023





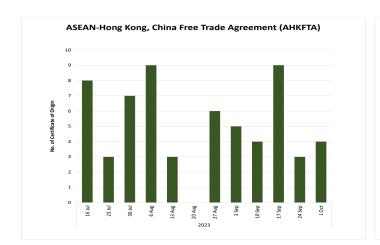


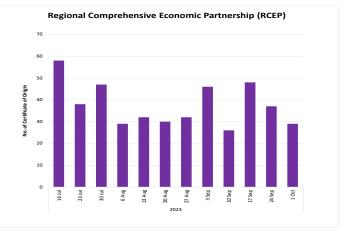


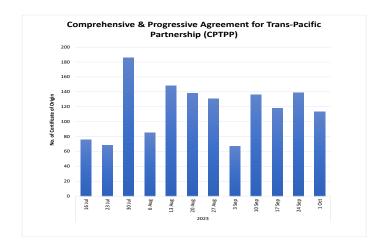
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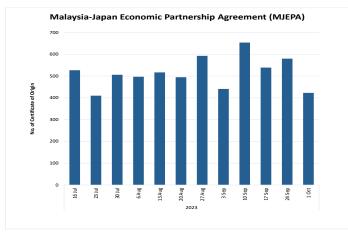


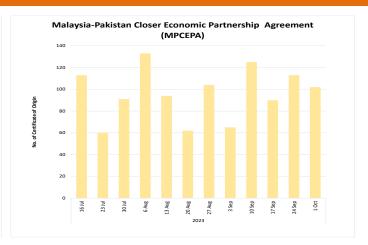




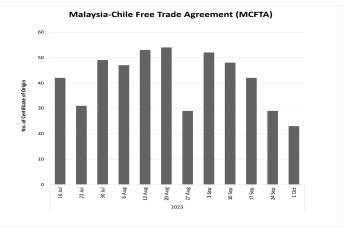
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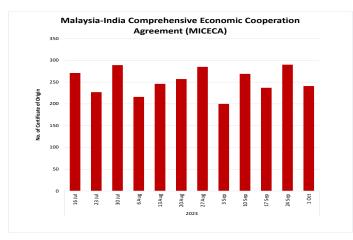
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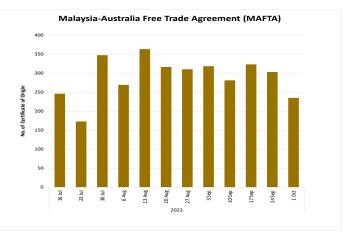


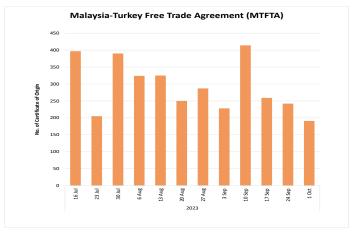








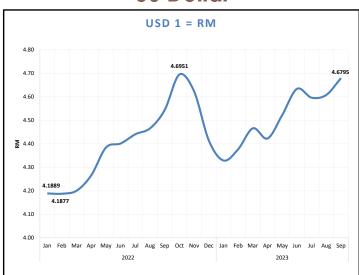




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Malaysian Ringgit Exchange Rate with Selected Countries, January 2022 - September 2023

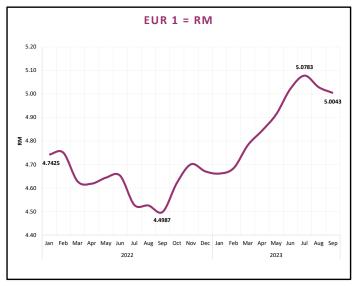
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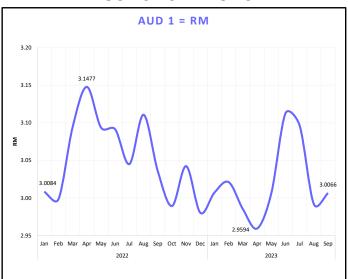
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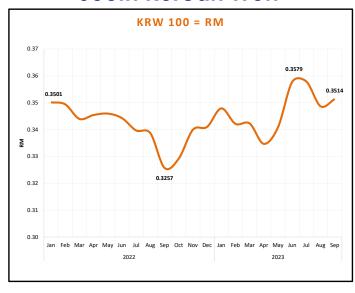
Euro



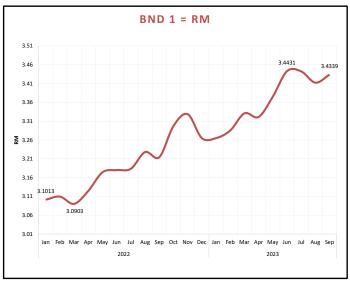
Australian Dollar



South Korean Won



Brunei Dollar



Source: Bank Negara Malaysia

Commodity Prices



11.3%* US\$84.6 6 Oct 2023 Highest 2022/2023

29 Sep 2023 : US\$95.3 10 June 2022 : US\$122.0

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

Lowest 2022/2023

Average Price 2022 i: US\$99.4

CRUDE PALM OIL -per MT-

3.5%* US\$758.4 6 Oct 2023 Highest 2022/2023

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

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

Lowest 2022/2023

Average Price 2022 1: US\$1,171.6

RUBBER SMR 20 -per



Average Price 2022 1: US\$1,549.9

COCOA SMC 2 -per MT-



1.4%* US\$2,155.9 6 Oct 2023

Average Price 2022ⁱ: US\$1,564.5

SUGAR -per lbs-



6 Oct 2023



Average Price 2022 : US\$18.8

COAL -per MT-



0.4%* US\$122.8 6 Oct 2023

Average Price 2022 i: US\$290.8

SCRAP IRON HMS -per MT-



1.1%* US\$381.2 (high)

3.5%* US\$351.2 (low)

July 2023

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

Domestic Prices July 2023



Steel Bars (per MT) RM2,739 – RM2,841



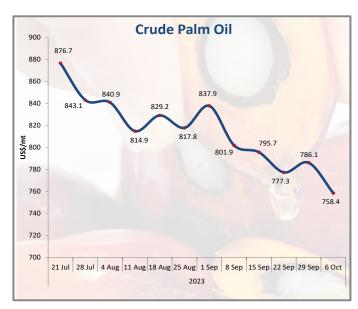
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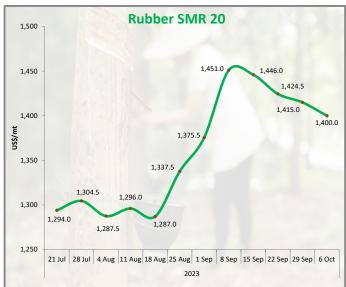
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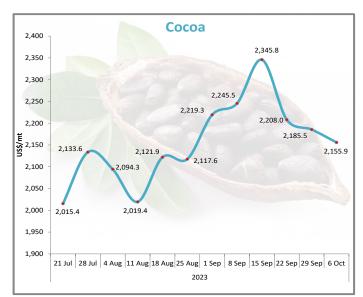
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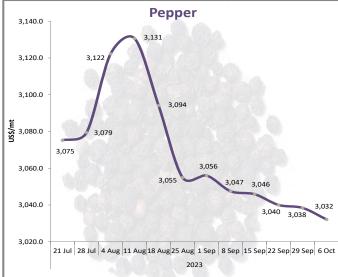
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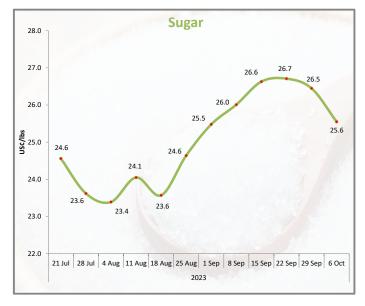
Commodity Price Trends

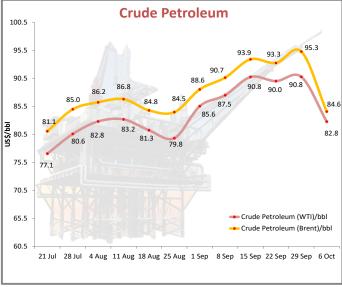






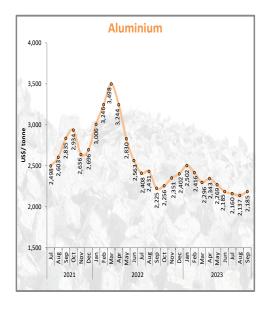


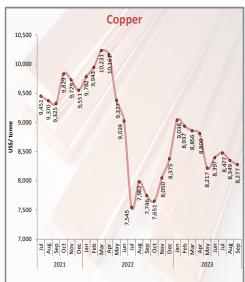


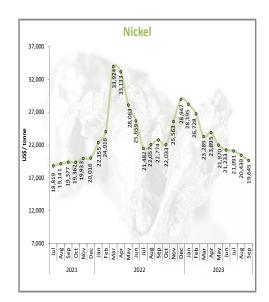


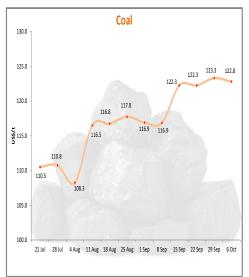
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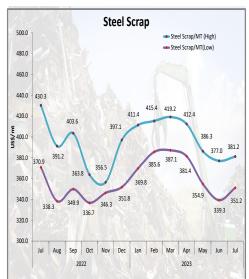
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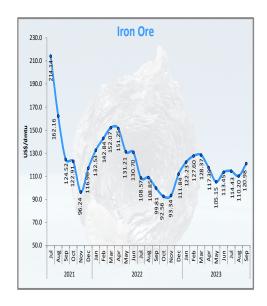


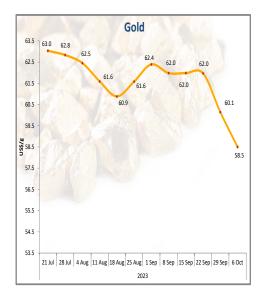


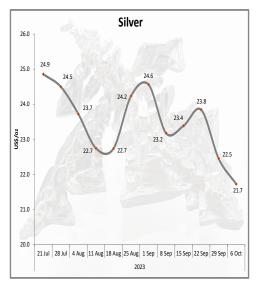


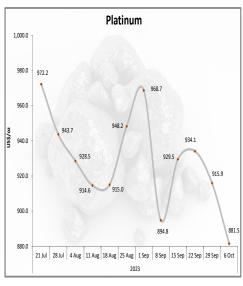












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RCEP



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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.



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

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

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.



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 RCFP will be consistent with the General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS).



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 intrude 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 RCFP member countries.







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Process Flow

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Evaluation by Committees



Onsite Assessment



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Business Intervention



Develop Intervention Proposal



Apply for Financial Incentives



Implement the Intervention Plan

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