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**TRADE PERFORMANCE FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2015 AND THE
PERIOD OF JANUARY- SEPTEMBER 2015 #**

Monthly Exports Breached RM70 billion Mark

Malaysia's exports in **September 2015** recorded a strong year-on-year growth of 8.8%, reaching RM70.16 billion, the highest monthly exports recorded in the first 9 months of the year. The achievement was supported by robust demand from major markets mainly from ASEAN, the European Union (EU), the People's Republic of China (PRC) as well as the United States of America (USA). Imports in September 2015 grew by 9.6% to RM60.47 billion. Total trade rose 9.1% to RM130.63 billion while trade surplus expanded by 4.1% to RM9.69 billion compared with September 2014, making it the 215th consecutive month of trade surplus since November 1997.

In the **third Quarter (Q3) of 2015** total trade expanded by RM15.39 billion to RM377.54 billion. Both exports and imports increased, registering growth of 5.5% to RM199.88 billion and 2.9% to RM177.66 billion, respectively, compared to Q3 2014. A sizeable trade surplus of RM22.22 billion was recorded in the Q3 2015, an increase of

32.5%. **On year-on-year basis**, the expansion in exports in Q3 2015 was due to higher exports of electrical and electronic (E&E) products; manufactures of metal, machinery, appliances and parts, as well as chemicals and chemical products. In terms of markets, significant increases in exports were recorded to the PRC, the USA, Thailand, Vietnam, the Philippines and Germany.

On quarter-on-quarter basis, comparing Q3 2015 to Q2 2015, higher growth rate was recorded for trade, exports and imports by 7.9%, 8% and 7.8%, respectively. This was mainly contributed by the expansion in exports of E&E products, palm oil and palm-based products, chemicals and chemical products as well as liquefied natural gas (LNG). In terms of markets, higher exports were recorded to Singapore, the USA and the PRC, driven mainly by exports of E&E products.

First Nine Months 2015 - Trade Surplus Widened to RM63.91 Billion

The country's trade **for the first 9 months of 2015** exceeded RM1 trillion mark, with total trade amounting to RM1.073 trillion compared with RM1.077 trillion recorded in the same period of 2014. Exports were valued at RM568.21 billion compared with RM569.48 billion, while imports totalled RM504.3 billion compared with RM507.98 billion. Trade surplus for the first 9 months of 2015 increased to RM63.91 billion, a 3.9% growth.

Performance of Major Sectors

Overall, in **September 2015** exports of manufactured goods registered positive growth with almost all subsectors recording increases. Exports of agricultural and mining goods, however, registered negative growth.

Manufactured Exports Grew 15.5%

Exports of **manufactured goods** valued at RM56.78 billion in **September 2015**, accounted for 81% share of Malaysia's total exports. Manufactured exports grew by 15.5% or RM7.64 billion, the highest growth recorded in the first 9 months of 2015.

The increase in exports of manufactured goods was driven mainly by higher exports of E&E products especially photosensitive semi-conductor devices, as well as parts and accessories for office machines. Exports of E&E products in September 2015 were valued at RM26.09 billion, an increase of 13.6% or RM3.13 billion from September 2014. Increases in exports were also recorded for most manufactured subsectors in September 2015.

Exports of agricultural goods declined by 2.8% to RM6.38 billion due to lower exports of palm oil and palm-based products which fell RM350.5 million or 7.3% to RM4.43 billion from September 2014. Exports of natural rubber, however, increased by RM61.5 million or 20.1%. Agricultural goods accounted for 9.1% of Malaysia's total exports in **September 2015**.

Exports of mining goods decreased by 21.7% to RM6.6 billion affected by the decline in exports of LNG and crude petroleum. Mining goods accounted for 9.4% of Malaysia's total exports in September 2015.

Major exports in September 2015 were:

- Electrical and electronic products valued at RM26.09 billion, with a share of 37.2% of total exports, increased by 13.6% from September 2014;
- Chemicals and chemical products (RM4.88 billion, 7.0%, ↑17.8%);
- Petroleum products (RM4.63 billion, 6.6%, ↓10.1%);
- Palm oil and palm-based products (palm oil; palm kernel oil and other palm based products) (RM4.43 billion, 6.3%, ↓7.3%); and
- LNG (RM3.35 billion, 4.8%, ↓33.3%).

For the first nine months of 2015, exports of manufactured goods grew by 4.4% to RM454.88 billion with 80.1% share of total exports. Exports of mining goods decreased by 22.6% to RM60.22 billion, (10.6% share) while exports of agricultural goods were down by 4.9% to RM49.68 billion, (8.7% share).

Significant increases in manufactured exports were recorded for E&E products by RM15.31 billion, manufactures of metal (↑RM4.31 billion), machinery, appliances and

parts (↑RM3.72 billion), chemicals and chemical products (↑RM2.65 billion), and rubber products (↑RM1.33 billion).

Performance of Major Markets

Double Digit Growth in Exports to ASEAN

Exports to ASEAN in September 2015 rose 11.5% to RM19.8 billion and accounted for 28.2% share of Malaysia's total exports. The increase was contributed mainly by higher exports of E&E products (electronic integrated circuits), crude petroleum, chemicals and chemical products (plastics in primary form), manufactures of metal, machinery, appliances and parts (heating, cooling equipment & parts), processed food as well as jewellery. Lower exports were however registered for petroleum products as well as palm oil and palm-based products. Trade with ASEAN rose 14.8% to RM35.97 billion, with higher imports from ASEAN by 19.2% to RM16.17 billion.

Breakdown of exports to ASEAN countries as follows:

- Singapore RM 9.79 billion, increased by 10.4%
- Thailand RM 3.71 billion, ↑16.2%
- Indonesia RM 2.68 billion, ↓10.3%
- Vietnam RM 1.61 billion, ↑26.8%
- Philippines RM 1.49 billion, ↑70.8%
- Myanmar RM 234.3 million, ↓11.6%
- Brunei RM 209.9 million, ↓14.9%
- Cambodia RM 76.7 million, ↑33.6%
- Lao PDR RM 4.7 million, ↓1.1%

Exports to Singapore increased by RM923.5 million with higher exports of E&E products mainly electronic integrated circuits, jewellery, as well as machinery, appliances and parts. Exports to Thailand expanded by RM516.8 million driven by higher exports of E&E products (television reception apparatus) as well as chemicals and chemical products. Higher exports to Vietnam by RM339.9 million were attributed to petroleum products as well as chemicals and chemical products. Exports to

Indonesia declined by RM307.9 million with lower exports were recorded for petroleum products and E&E products.

Trade with ASEAN accounted for 27.3% of Malaysia's total trade, with value of RM292.86 billion compared with RM290.77 billion recorded in January-September 2014. Exports were valued at RM160.25 billion while imports amounted to RM132.61 billion, compared to RM159 billion and RM131.77 billion, respectively, for the corresponding period in 2014.

Exports to the PRC Up by 13.1%

Exports to **the PRC** remained strong, registering positive growth year-on-year for the seventh consecutive month since March 2015. In **September 2015**, exports to the PRC rose 13.1% or RM1.05 billion to RM9.06 billion. This was mainly due to significant increases in exports of manufactures of metal, petroleum products, metalliferous ores, chemicals and chemical products as well as optical and scientific equipment.

Imports from the PRC was valued at RM11.97 billion, an increase of 22.6% from September 2014. Main imports from the PRC comprised E&E products, machinery, appliances and parts, manufactures of metal, chemicals and chemical products as well as clothings. In **September 2015**, total trade with the PRC expanded by 18.3% to RM21.03 billion.

Malaysia's trade with the PRC for the first nine months of 2015 registered a growth of 10.6% to RM168.38 billion. Exports rose 9.7% to RM74.23 billion while imports increased 11.3% to RM94.15 billion. Expansion in exports to the PRC was contributed mainly by higher exports of petroleum products, metalliferous ores (aluminium ores and concentrates), chemicals and chemical products, E&E products, as well as machinery, appliances and parts.

Exports to the EU Up 23.7%

Exports to the EU registered year-on-year growth of 23.7% or RM1.44 billion to RM7.51 billion in September 2015. This was the highest monthly export value recorded for the first 9 months of the year. Ten leading export markets in the EU, namely, Germany, the United Kingdom, Italy, France, Belgium, Spain, the Netherlands, Sweden, Poland and the Czech Republic recorded export growth from September 2014. Products that registered increases in exports to the EU were E&E products, chemicals and chemical products, rubber gloves, machinery, appliances and parts, palm oil and palm-based products, transport equipment as well as textiles.

Imports from the EU amounted to RM5.61 billion, compared with RM5.6 billion registered in September 2014. Main imports from the EU comprised E&E products, transport equipment, machinery, appliances and parts as well as chemicals and chemical products. Trade with the EU was higher by 12.5% to RM13.12 billion.

During the first **nine months of 2015**, trade with the EU increased by 2.4% to RM108.53 billion compared with the same period of 2014. Exports to the EU valued at RM57.19 billion, grew by 6.7% mainly due to higher exports of computers and data processing equipment. Imports amounted to RM51.34 billion compared to RM52.4 billion registered in the same period 2014.

Exports to the USA Higher by 16.5%

Continuous demand from the electronics industry saw exports to the USA rise 16.5% to RM6.61 billion. The increase was due mainly to higher exports of photosensitive semiconductor devices, rubber gloves, wooden bedroom furniture, machinery, appliances and parts as well as manufactures of plastics. Imports increased by 25.2% to RM4.9 billion while trade with the USA remained robust with a growth of 20% recording a value of RM11.5 billion.

Exports to the USA in the first nine months of 2015 expanded by 12.9% to RM53.25 billion. Imports grew by 2.9% to RM40.29 billion. This resulted in a higher total trade of RM93.54 billion, an increase of 8.4% compared with the same period of 2014.

Exports to Japan Down 8.2%

In **September 2015**, exports to **Japan** declined by 8.2% to RM6.08 billion. Exports of LNG to Japan which accounted for 34.2% share of total exports to the country, decreased by RM1.23 billion, contributing to the lower exports to Japan in September 2015. However, exports of manufactured products to Japan in September 2015 increased by 25.9% to RM3.55 billion, with higher exports of E&E products (electrical machines & apparatus with individual functions and parts), wood products, chemicals and chemical products, optical and scientific equipment, palm oil & palm-based products, processed food and rubber products. Imports from Japan amounted to RM4.79 billion, increased by 6.7%, while trade with Japan fell 2.2% to RM10.88 billion.

In **January-September 2015**, trade with Japan contracted by 8.5% to RM94.34 billion, with export and import values of RM54.26 billion and RM40.09 billion, compared to RM61.66 billion and RM41.42 billion, respectively, in the 9 months of 2014.

Higher Exports to FTA Partners

In **September 2015**, total trade with **Free Trade Agreement (FTA)** partners was RM81.93 billion, higher by 9.8% with exports of RM43.15 billion and imports totalling RM38.79 billion. Higher exports were recorded to the PRC, Singapore, the Philippines, Thailand, Vietnam, New Zealand, Turkey, the ROK, Chile and Cambodia. Among FTA partners, markets which registered significant increase in exports were **New Zealand** which rose 87.8%, contributed mainly by higher exports of crude petroleum, transport equipment, paper and pulp products, E&E products as well as wood products. Exports to Turkey expanded by 92.6% due to higher exports of palm oil and palm-based products, chemicals and chemical products, E&E products as well

as textiles. Higher exports to the ROK by 2.8% were mainly due to the expansion in exports of E&E products, LNG and machinery, appliances and parts. Exports to Chile surged by 79.1% due to higher exports of E&E products which accounted for 60% of total exports to Chile, and rubber products.

Total trade with FTA partners was valued at RM677.61 billion and accounted for 63.2% of Malaysia's trade during the first nine months of 2015.

Imports

Total imports in **September 2015** increased by 9.6% to RM60.47 billion from September 2014. The three main categories of imports by end use were intermediate goods which valued at RM32.68 billion, accounted for 54% share of total imports, decreased by 6.5% due mainly to lower imports of industrial supplies, capital goods (RM8.96 billion, 14.8% share, ↑29.9%) contributed mainly by higher imports of cellular phones and consumption goods (RM5.69 billion, 9.4% share, ↑43.2%) with higher imports of food products and medicament.

During the period of **January-September 2015**, imports were lower by RM3.68 billion to RM504.3 billion. The three main categories of imports by end use were intermediate goods which valued at RM294.77 billion, accounted for 58.5% share of total imports, decreased by 2.5% due to lower imports of petroleum oil, capital goods (RM70.63 billion compared to RM70.7 billion in January-September 2014, 14% share) and consumption goods (RM44.51 billion, 8.8% share, ↑19.2%) attributed to higher imports of garments, food products and medicament.

Note:

It should be noted that, conceptually, the export and import figures in the external trade statistics are different from that in the goods account of the balance of payments compilation. The compilation of international merchandise trade statistics is usually based on customs records, which essentially reflect the physical movement of goods across borders, and follow international guidelines on concepts and definitions, which do not fully conform to the principles of the System of National Accounts (SNA) and the Balance of Payments Compilation. Goods are defined in the SNA as “physical objects for which a demand exists, over which ownership rights can be established and whose ownership can be transferred from one institutional unit to another by engaging in transactions on markets”.

*This is a preliminary release, full details would be published in the “MONTHLY EXTERNAL TRADE STATISTICS” report by the Department of Statistics, Malaysia, to be disseminated at **1200 hours, Friday, 6th November 2015.***

+ *This report can be accessed through the homepages of the Ministry of International Trade and Industry (<http://www.miti.gov.my>) and Malaysia External Trade Development Corporation (<http://www.matrade.gov.my>).*

The September 2015 data is provisional and subject to revision in later issue.

With effect from reference month September 2015, there are some minor changes to the selection of codes for exports and imports of major and selected products/commodities.

TABLE 1: SUMMARY OF MALAYSIA'S EXTERNAL TRADE

Year/ Period	<u>Total Exports</u> (RM Million)	<u>Total Imports</u> (RM Million)	<u>Trade Balance</u> (RM Million)	<u>Total Trade</u> (RM Million)
2014^f				
January	64,053.5	57,609.5	6,444.0	121,663.0
February	58,927.6	48,478.0	10,449.6	107,405.6
March	64,892.9	55,428.4	9,464.5	120,321.3
April	66,197.6	57,488.3	8,709.2	123,685.9
May	64,750.5	59,162.8	5,587.7	123,913.3
June	61,202.2	57,120.4	4,081.9	118,322.6
July	61,062.7	57,476.5	3,586.1	118,539.2
August	63,890.1	60,019.8	3,870.4	123,909.9
September	64,502.7	55,193.5	9,309.2	119,696.2
October	64,986.5	63,903.7	1,082.8	128,890.2
November	63,590.9	52,599.1	10,991.8	116,190.0
December	67,359.7	58,457.2	8,902.5	125,816.9
2014 (Jan-Dec)^f	765,416.9	682,937.1	82,479.7	1,448,354.0
2015^P				
January	63,604.8	54,647.7	8,957.1	118,252.5
February	53,168.7	48,613.6	4,555.1	101,782.3
March	66,466.4	58,644.6	7,821.8	125,111.1
April	60,381.7	53,516.6	6,865.1	113,898.3
May	60,453.9	54,941.0	5,512.9	115,395.0
June	64,258.4	56,280.1	7,978.3	120,538.5
July	63,216.7	60,850.3	2,366.3	124,067.0
August	66,499.0	56,336.9	10,162.1	122,835.9
September	70,161.3	60,470.9	9,690.4	130,632.2
2014^f				
Q1	187,874.0	161,515.9	26,358.1	349,389.9
Q2	192,150.3	173,771.5	18,378.8	365,921.8
Q3	189,455.5	172,689.8	16,765.7	362,145.3
Q4	195,937.2	174,960.0	20,977.2	370,897.1
2015^P				
Q1	183,240.0	161,906.0	21,334.0	345,146.0
Q2	185,094.1	164,737.7	20,356.4	349,831.8
Q3	199,876.9	177,658.2	22,218.8	377,535.1
2014 (Jan-Sept)^f	569,479.7	507,977.2	61,502.5	1,077,456.9
2015 (Jan-Sept)^P	568,211.0	504,301.8	63,909.2	1,072,512.8

TABLE 2: MAJOR EXPORT PRODUCTS

Products	Sept 2015 ^p	Aug 2015 ^p	Sept 2014 ^f
	RM Million	RM Million	RM Million
Total Exports	70,161.3	66,499.0	64,502.7
Electrical & Electronic Products	26,093.7	25,083.3	22,963.6
Chemicals & Chemical Products	4,882.2	4,586.2	4,145.4
Petroleum Products	4,628.8	4,687.7	5,151.1
Palm oil & palm-based products (palm oil; palm kernel oil & other palm based products)	4,431.8	4,078.4	4,782.3
LNG	3,354.7	3,015.9	5,032.2
Manufactures of Metal	3,339.6	3,053.2	1,778.1
Machinery, appliances & parts	3,192.0	3,033.8	2,354.5
Crude Petroleum	2,503.6	1,692.2	2,850.4
Optical & Scientific Equipment	2,265.7	2,058.5	2,004.5
Rubber Products	1,760.8	1,735.6	1,465.2

TABLE 3: MAJOR EXPORT MARKETS

Markets	Sept 2015 ^p	Aug 2015 ^p	Sept 2014 ^f
	RM Million	RM Million	RM Million
Total Exports	70,161.3	66,499.0	64,502.7
Singapore	9,789.0	9,715.0	8,865.6
PRC	9,060.0	9,436.0	8,012.4
USA	6,605.5	6,599.7	5,672.1
Japan	6,082.3	5,781.3	6,624.7
Thailand	3,711.3	4,203.1	3,194.5
Hong Kong	3,342.2	2,950.8	3,256.7
India	2,815.4	2,495.4	3,543.2
Indonesia	2,676.3	2,366.9	2,984.2
ROK	2,210.7	1,818.5	2,151.5
Taiwan	2,127.6	1,730.3	2,100.0

TABLE 4: MAJOR EXPORT PRODUCTS (QUARTERLY)

Products	Q3 2015 ^p	Q2 2015 ^p	Q3 2014 ^f
	RM Million	RM Million	RM Million
Total Exports	199,876.9	185,094.1	189,455.5
Electrical & Electronic Products	74,276.6	65,248.1	65,065.3
Chemicals & Chemical Products	14,313.2	13,393.6	12,738.1
Petroleum Products	13,668.9	13,268.5	16,862.3
Palm oil & palm-based products (palm oil; palm kernel oil & other palm based products)	12,679.4	11,727.9	12,831.9
LNG	9,461.6	8,697.7	14,288.9
Machinery, appliances & parts	9,056.9	9,157.7	7,349.0
Manufactures of Metal	9,012.7	8,514.1	5,840.2
Optical & Scientific Equipment	6,413.5	6,053.8	6,159.2
Crude Petroleum	6,083.3	6,258.7	8,123.8
Rubber Products	4,999.1	5,160.6	4,508.6

TABLE 5: MAJOR EXPORT MARKETS (QUARTERLY)

Markets	Q3 2015 ^p	Q2 2015 ^p	Q3 2014 ^f
	RM Million	RM Million	RM Million
Total Exports	199,876.9	185,094.1	189,455.5
Singapore	28,151.7	25,500.2	28,057.4
PRC	27,875.7	25,814.7	22,180.9
USA	19,307.4	17,084.5	16,053.3
Japan	17,666.8	14,810.7	19,080.1
Thailand	11,121.4	11,088.7	9,751.1
Hong Kong	9,255.9	9,184.3	9,342.8
India	8,277.4	7,706.2	9,671.2
Indonesia	7,383.6	7,686.3	7,574.8
Australia	6,097.6	6,626.1	7,955.4
Netherlands	5,962.3	5,723.7	5,749.3

TABLE 6: MAJOR EXPORT PRODUCTS (JANUARY-SEPTEMBER)

Products	Jan-Sept 2015 ^p	Jan-Sept 2014 ^f
	RM Million	RM Million
Total Exports	568,211.0	569,479.7
Electrical & Electronic Products	203,761.5	188,456.1
Chemicals & Chemical Products	40,635.7	37,983.0
Petroleum Products	39,599.5	53,329.0
LNG	34,659.7	47,215.8
Palm oil & palm-based products (palm oil; palm kernel oil & other palm based products)	33,661.5	36,410.7
Machinery, appliances & parts	26,225.6	22,500.8
Manufactures of Metal	23,603.9	19,298.9
Crude Petroleum	18,818.1	25,024.9
Optical & Scientific Equipment	18,556.2	17,853.1
Rubber Products	14,664.3	13,332.9

TABLE 7: MAJOR EXPORT MARKETS (JANUARY-SEPTEMBER)

Markets	Jan-Sept 2015 ^p	Jan-Sept 2014 ^f
	RM Million	RM Million
Total Exports	568,211.0	569,479.7
Singapore	79,225.7	80,936.3
PRC	74,228.7	67,649.2
Japan	54,258.7	61,664.0
USA	53,249.4	47,152.5
Thailand	32,566.6	29,787.6
Hong Kong	27,640.6	27,906.6
India	23,295.2	24,128.4
Indonesia	21,529.5	24,130.8
Australia	19,778.4	25,156.2
ROK	18,059.9	19,974.9

TABLE 8: MAJOR IMPORT PRODUCTS

Products	Sept 2015 ^p	Aug 2015 ^p	Sept 2014 ^f
	RM Million	RM Million	RM Million
Total Imports	60,470.9	56,336.9	55,193.5
Electrical & Electronic Products	18,100.6	16,909.5	16,531.5
Machinery, appliances & parts	5,642.9	4,879.7	4,608.1
Chemicals & Chemical Products	5,576.7	5,266.9	5,114.7
Petroleum Products	5,531.8	5,687.4	5,725.5
Manufactures of Metal	3,779.3	3,512.0	4,130.4
Transport Equipment	3,376.7	2,541.4	2,225.6
Optical & Scientific Equipment	2,049.2	1,662.8	1,694.9
Iron & Steel Products	1,859.3	1,846.0	2,196.1
Processed Food	1,589.1	1,283.1	1,268.2
Textiles, Clothings & Footwear	1,436.6	1,280.2	754.0

TABLE 9: MAJOR IMPORT SOURCES

Markets	Sept 2015 ^p	Aug 2015 ^p	Sept 2014 ^f
	RM Million	RM Million	RM Million
Total Imports	60,470.9	56,336.9	55,193.5
PRC	11,965.8	10,588.5	9,761.7
Singapore	7,666.5	7,184.6	6,664.0
USA	4,897.1	4,522.7	3,911.9
Japan	4,794.1	4,409.2	4,493.4
Thailand	3,775.8	3,215.0	3,134.9
Taiwan	3,212.4	3,164.8	2,585.1
ROK	2,715.0	2,393.9	2,458.2
Indonesia	2,400.9	2,595.0	2,248.8
Germany	2,219.2	1,851.5	2,181.4
Vietnam	1,684.2	1,630.3	1,025.0

TABLE 10: MAJOR IMPORT PRODUCTS (QUARTERLY)

Products	Q3 2015 ^p	Q2 2015 ^p	Q3 2014 ^f
	RM Million	RM Million	RM Million
Total Imports	177,658.2	164,737.7	172,689.8
Electrical & Electronic Products	52,359.1	48,296.1	49,668.2
Petroleum Products	18,594.4	13,465.0	19,757.6
Chemicals & Chemical Products	16,313.0	16,246.0	15,760.8
Machinery, appliances & parts	15,634.0	14,364.2	14,484.0
Manufactures of Metal	11,158.3	10,734.0	11,643.9
Transport Equipment	8,675.2	8,527.8	8,294.7
Iron & Steel Products	5,581.2	5,367.0	6,821.9
Optical & Scientific Equipment	5,399.3	5,060.8	5,243.0
Processed Food	4,329.6	4,311.0	4,044.3
Textiles, Clothings & Footwear	4,120.9	4,609.2	2,315.9

TABLE 11: MAJOR IMPORT SOURCES (QUARTERLY)

Markets	Q3 2015 ^p	Q2 2015 ^p	Q3 2014 ^f
	RM Million	RM Million	RM Million
Total Imports	177,658.2	164,737.7	172,689.8
PRC	33,804.4	31,825.7	30,841.4
Singapore	22,328.9	19,601.4	21,685.3
USA	14,055.5	13,301.8	12,961.9
Japan	13,673.8	13,121.6	13,726.7
Thailand	10,417.1	9,869.2	9,619.5
Taiwan	9,871.0	8,365.9	8,725.0
ROK	8,012.4	7,264.8	7,522.8
Indonesia	7,257.5	7,643.1	6,918.9
Germany	6,191.9	6,127.4	6,257.1
Vietnam	4,995.5	4,449.2	3,514.2

TABLE 12: MAJOR IMPORT PRODUCTS (JANUARY-SEPTEMBER)

Products	Jan-Sept 2015 ^p	Jan-Sept 2014 ^f
	RM Million	RM Million
Total Imports	504,301.8	507,977.2
Electrical and Electronic Products	146,874.1	138,510.2
Chemicals & Chemical Products	48,035.0	46,705.6
Petroleum Products	46,859.0	61,211.9
Machinery, appliances & parts	43,993.5	42,984.1
Manufactures of Metal	33,137.5	29,771.4
Transport Equipment	26,772.4	28,568.4
Iron & Steel Products	17,024.1	19,205.2
Optical & Scientific Equipment	15,524.3	15,326.0
Processed Food	12,908.7	12,710.1
Textiles, Clothings & Footwear	11,127.9	6,976.4

TABLE 13: MAJOR IMPORT MARKETS (JANUARY-SEPTEMBER)

Markets	Jan-Sept 2015 ^p	Jan-Sept 2014 ^f
	RM Million	RM Million
Total Imports	504,301.8	507,977.2
PRC	94,150.6	84,629.7
Singapore	60,657.6	65,046.8
USA	40,290.4	39,171.0
Japan	40,085.2	41,417.0
Thailand	29,927.6	29,451.5
Taiwan	26,941.5	25,968.6
ROK	22,577.4	24,335.1
Indonesia	22,418.0	20,571.5
Germany	17,422.3	17,305.7
Vietnam	13,504.9	11,189.6

Source: Department of Statistics, Malaysia
 Tabulated by: MATRADE

Notes:

p - provisional data

f – final data

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