

MALAYSIA



General information

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Capital: Kuala Lumpur **Land area:** 328,550 sq km

Official language(s): Malay

Population: 32.4 million (2018)

Currency: Ringgit

Head of State

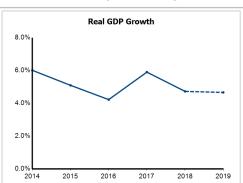
His Majesty The Yang di-Pertuan Agong XVI, Al-Sultan Abdullah Ri'ayatuddin Al-Mustafa Billah Shah Ibni Sultan Haji Ahmad Shah Al-Musta'in Billah

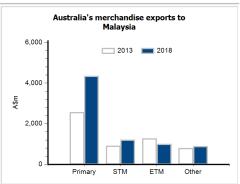
Head of Government

Prime Minister YAB Tun Dr Mahathir Bin Mohamad

Economic indicators (a)	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
GDP (US\$b) (current prices)	338.1	296.6	296.8	314.7	354.3	373.4
GDP per capita (US\$)	11,008.9	9,511.8	9,381.0	9,827.7	10,941.7	11,385.1
GDP PPP (Int'l \$b)	772.8	820.8	864.9	933.3	999.4	1,064.6
GDP per capita PPP (Int'I \$)	25,166.0	26,320.9	27,340.1	29,144.3	30,859.9	32,454.9
Real GDP growth (% change yoy)	6.0	5.1	4.2	5.9	4.7	4.7
Current account balance (US\$b)	14.8	9.0	7.2	9.4	8.3	8.0
Current account balance (% GDP)	4.4	3.0	2.4	3.0	2.3	2.1
Inflation (% change yoy)	3.1	2.1	2.1	3.8	1.0	2.0
Unemployment (% labour force)	2.9	3.2	3.5	3.4	3.3	3.3







Australia's trade and investment relationship with Malaysia (b)

Australian merchandise trade with Malaysia, 2018	3 (A\$m)	Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports to Malaysia	7,493	2.2%	10th	25.6%
Imports from Malaysia	13,034	4.1%	7th	16.5%
Total merchandise trade (exports + imports)	20,526	3.1%	8th	19.7%
Major Australian exports, 2018 (A\$m)		Major Australian imports, 2018 (As	\$m)	
Coal	1,061	Crude petroleum		4,681
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Copper	904	Computers		714
Natural gas	542	Telecom equipment & parts		384

^{*}Includes \$875m of confidential items & special transactions, 12% of total exports.

Australia's trade in services with Malaysia, 2018 (As	sm)	Total share	Rank	Growth (yoy)
Exports of services to Malaysia	2,634	2.8%	8th	0.8%
Imports of services from Malaysia	1,020	1.0%	19th	3.0%
Major Australian services exports, 2018 (A\$m)		Major Australian services imports,	2018 (A\$m)	
Education-related travel	1,405	Personal travel excluding education		488
Personal travel excluding education	818	Transport		277

Australia's investment relationship with Malaysia, 2018 (A\$m)TotalFDIAustralia's investment in Malaysia10,2556,001Malaysia's investment in Australia22,17213,941

Malaysia's global merchandise trade relationships

Malaysia's principal export destinations, 2018	ļ		
1 Singapore	13.9%	1 China	19.9%
2 China	13.9%	2 Singapore	11.7%
3 United States	9.1%	3 United States	7.4%
10 Australia	3.4%	11 Australia	2.5%

Compiled by the Statistics Section, DFAT, using the latest data from the ABS, the IMF and various international sources

(a) Economic indicators data is from the IMF WEO where available, the EIU or other reputable source. Data may include forecasts or projections for recent years. GNI may be shown in lieu of GDP for countries where GDP data is unavailable. (b) Merchandise trade data is based on published and unpublished ABS data. May exclude confidential items of trade. Totals may not add up due to rounding. Investment data is stocks as at end December.

All data may be subject to future revisions.