

Malaysia: Key Indicators

	2000	2001	2002	2003 /pr	2004 /p	2005 /p	2004				2004		2005	
	Year	Year	Year	Year	Year	Year	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb
Output, Employment and Prices														
GDP (% change, previous year)	8.5	0.3	4.1	5.2	5.3	5.3	7.8	8.2	6.7	5.6	..	..	..	..
Industrial production index (1993=100)	188.3	180.5	188.8	206.3	222.8	238.4	219.6	228.8	233.6	236.5	233.4	237.8	223.5	..
(% change, previous year)	19.1	-4.2	4.6	9.3	8.0	8.0	14.3	13.3	10.5	7.6	9.2	6.4	2.9	..
Unemployment rate (%)	3.1	3.7	3.5	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.8	3.7	3.4	3.3	..	..	..	..
Real wage growth (%)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Consumer price index (% change, previous year)	1.5	1.4	1.8	1.2	1.2	1.2	0.9	1.2	1.5	2.3	2.2	2.1	2.4	2.4
Public Sector														
Government balance	-197	-18,422	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Government balance (% GDP) /1	-5.8	-5.5	-4.8	-4.1	-4.1	-4.0	-3.1	-4.5	-1.3	-8.3	..	..	..	..
Domestic public sector debt (% GDP) 1/	31.2	36.3	35.6	35.0	35.0	35.0	42.5	38.3	37.9	40.7	..	40.7	..	..
Foreign Trade, BOP and External Debt														
Trade balance (\$US billion) /2	16.3	14.1	13.4	19.1	..	..	6.4	6.4	6.9	..	..	..	..	..
Exports of goods (\$US billion) /2	98.2	88.0	93.3	99.6	..	..	28.4	31.1	33.8	37.7	..	..	..	..
(% change, previous year)	16.1	-10.4	6.0	6.8	..	..	-1.2	9.5	27.0	31.3	..	..	..	..
Electronics	43.9	36.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Key export: Electronics (% change, previous year)	15.1	-16.3	4.4	5.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Imports of goods (\$US billion) /2	82.0	73.9	79.9	80.5	..	..	22.0	24.7	26.1	31.4	..	..	..	..
(% change, previous year)	25.3	-9.9	10.8	0.8	..	..	-1.7	12.3	29.5	40.3	..	..	..	..
Current account balance (\$US billion)	8.4	7.3	7.2	7.3	..	..	4.0	3.4	4.5	..	..	..	..	..
(% GDP)	9.4	9.0	8.1	7.9	..	..	14.5	11.8	27.2	..	..	..	..	..
Foreign direct investment (US\$ billion)	1.8	0.3	1.2	2.0	..	..	0.4	1.0	0.4	..	..	..	..	..
Total external debt (\$US billions) 3/	42.0	45.6	48.9	49.3	..	..	48.7	51.0	50.9	51.9	..	51.9	..	..
(% GDP)	46.9	56.3	55.1	47.8	..	..	41.4	43.3	43.2	44.1	..	44.1	..	..
Short-term debt (\$US billion) 3/	4.6	6.3	8.4	9.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Debt service ratio (% exports of g&s)	5.3	6.1	6.0	6.6	..	..	4.6	4.0	4.6	..	..	..	..	..
Reserves, including gold (\$US billion)	29.9	30.8	34.6	38.0	..	..	51.4	53.9	59.5	66.7	63.0	66.7	69.6	71.8
(months imports of goods)	4.4	5.1	5.4	5.7	..	..	7.0	6.5	7.3	..	..	..	..	..
Financial Markets														
Domestic credit (% change, previous year)	9.51	2.9	3.5	3.6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Short-term interest rate /4	3.19	3.13	2.92	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8
Exchange rate (end-period)	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8
Real effective exchange rate (1990=100, + = appn)	88.0	92.8	92.9	85.4	80.5	..	80.0	81.4	81.4	79.3	79.3	77.8	78.4	..
(% change, previous year)	2.5	5.5	0.1	-8.1	-5.7	..	-9.3	-5.2	-4.7	-3.5	-4.0	-4.1	-1.8	..
Stock market index (4/4/1986=100)	679.6	696.1	646.3	672.2	..	..	901.9	819.9	850.0	907.4	917.2	907.4	916.3	907.4
Memo: GDP (US\$ billions)	89.659	87.54	95.157	103.16	..	..	27.259	28.838	30.444	31.086	..	31.086	..	..

pl = preliminary

p = projected

1/ Federal government

2/ Customs-clearance basis

3/ source: Treasury and Bank Negara Malaysia

4/ 3-month interbank rates