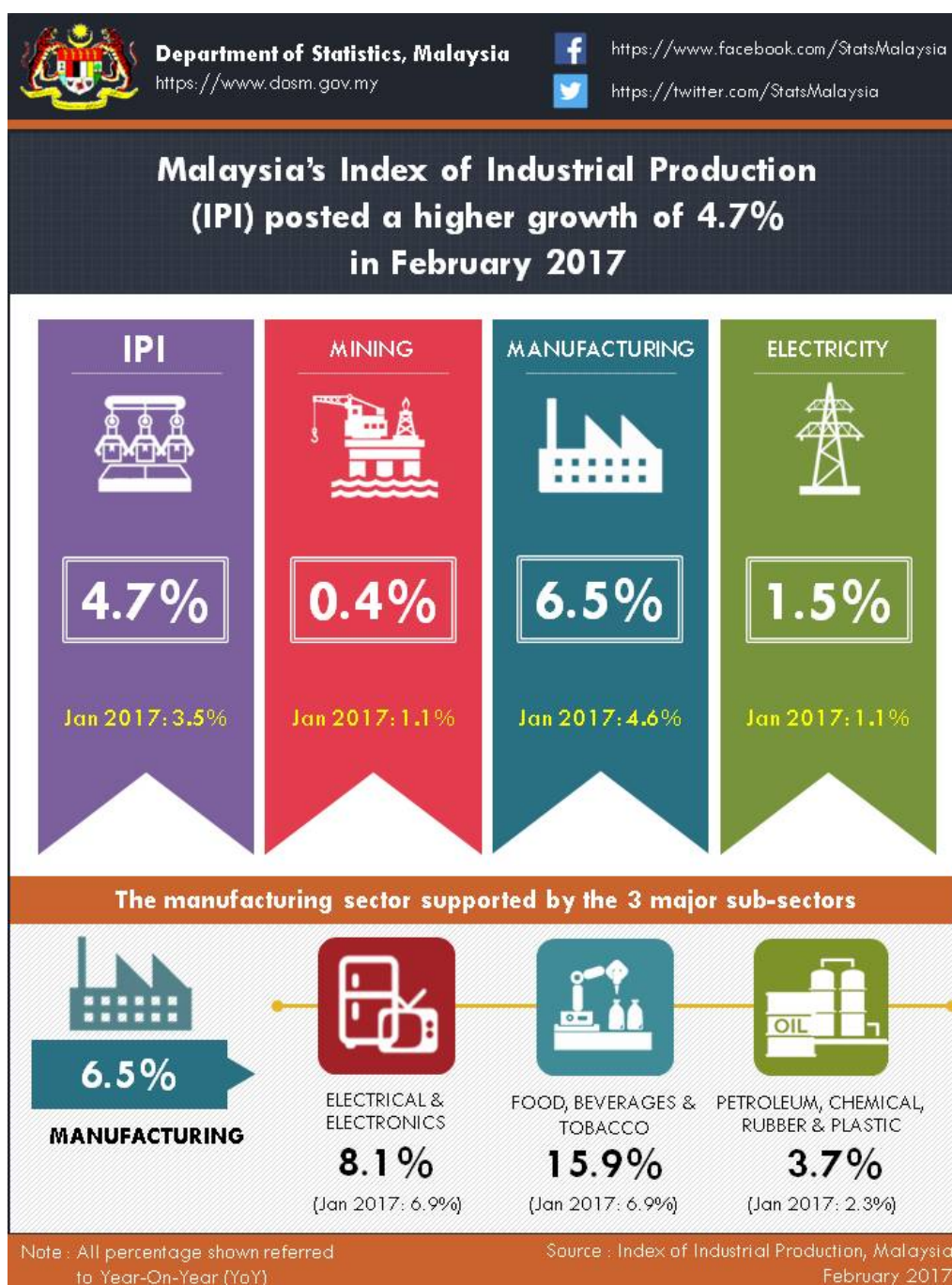




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The Manufacturing sector output increase at a faster pace of **6.5%** in February 2017 after an expansion of 4.6% recorded in January 2017. The major sub-sectors that propelled the growth in February 2017 were: Electrical and Electronics Products (**8.1%**); Food, Beverages and Tobacco (**15.9%**); and Petroleum, Chemical, Rubber and Plastic Products (**3.7%**).

The Mining sector output grew nominally by **0.4%** in February 2017 after an increase of 1.1% in January 2017. This was mainly due to a further decline in Crude Oil index by **4.7%**. However, the Natural Gas index posted a better growth of **7.0%**.

The Electricity sector output grew marginally by **1.5%** in February 2017 after registering a growth of 1.1% in January 2017.

***Notes:**

Data for February 2017 is **provisional**. The data will be updated based on the latest available figures and subsequently published in the publication March 2017.

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