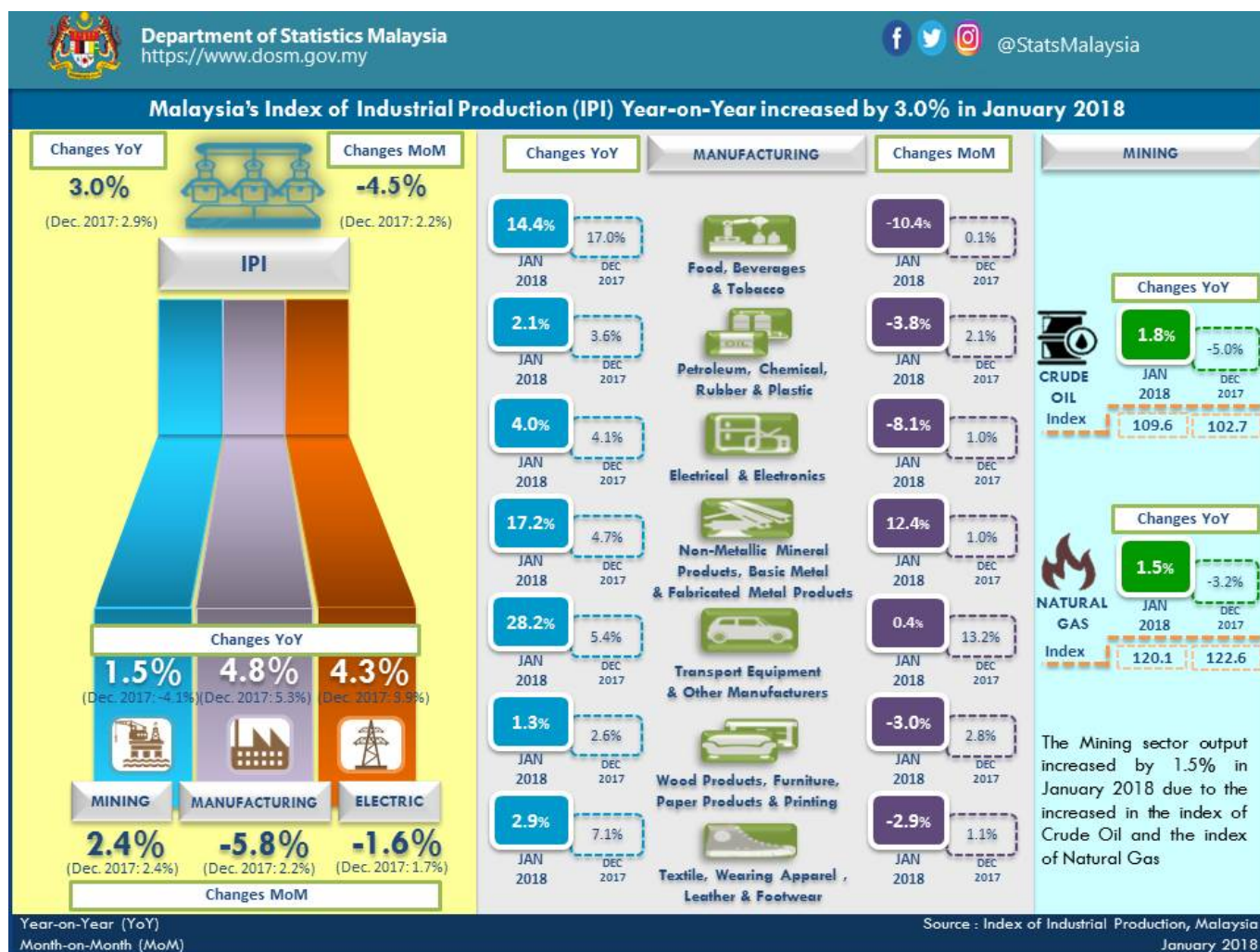




INDEX OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION, MALAYSIA JANUARY 2018



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The Manufacturing sector output increased by **4.8 per cent** in January 2018 after recording an increase of 5.3 per cent in December 2017. The major sub-sectors which recorded increases in January 2018 were: Food, Beverage and Tobacco Products (**14.4%**), Petroleum Products, Chemicals, Rubber and Plastic (**2.1%**) and Electrical and Electronic Equipment Products (**4.0%**).

The Mining sector output registered a growth of **1.5 percent** in January 2018 (December 2017: -4.1%). This growth was contributed by the increase in Crude Oil index (**1.8%**) and Natural Gas index (**1.5%**).

The Electricity output increased by **4.3 per cent** in January 2018 after recording 3.9 per cent in December 2017.

Industrial Production Index (IPI) publication for reference month January 2018 is the first issue that used the Laspeyres chain index method. In this method, base year 2010 will be maintained as the index reference period, while 2015 is used as a weight reference period.

***Notes:**

Data for January 2018 is **provisional**. The data will be updated based on the latest available figures and subsequently published in the publication February 2018.

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