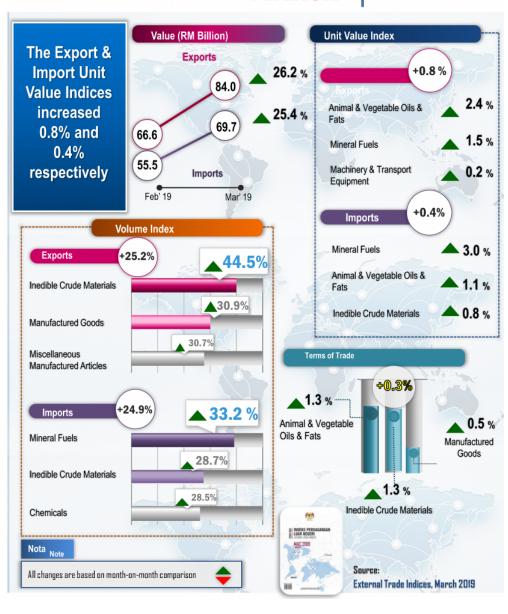


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### **Exports**

On a month-on-month (m-o-m) basis, in March 2019, the **export unit value index** recorded an expansion of 0.8% to 114.9 points which was mainly attributed to the increase in the index of animal & vegetable oils & fats (+2.4%) followed by mineral fuels (+1.5%) and machinery & transport equipment (+0.2%). The **export volume index** also registered an increase of 25.2% to 137.5 points. The increase was led by the index of inedible crude materials (+44.5%), manufactured goods (+30.9%) and miscellaneous manufactured articles (+30.7%). In seasonally adjusted terms, the export volume index increased 5.4% to 129.8 points.

On a year-on-year basis, the export unit value index expanded 1.9% while the export volume index declined 2.4%.

## **Imports**

In March 2019, the **import unit value index** increased 0.4% to 116.8 points which was mainly led by the increase in the index of mineral fuels (+3.0%) followed by animal & vegetable oils & fats (+1.1%) and inedible crude materials (+0.8%). The **import volume index** increased 24.9% to 135.5 points. The increment was mainly attributed to the increase in the index of mineral fuels (+33.2%), inedible crude materials (+28.7%) and chemicals (+28.5%). In seasonally adjusted terms, the import volume index in March 2019 increased 10.7% to 135.1 points.

On a year-on-year basis, the import unit value index rose 0.9% while the import volume index dropped 1.1%.

#### **Terms of trade**

Malaysia's **terms of trade** posted a inceased of 0.3% to 98.3 points when compared with February 2019. On a year-on-year basis, Malaysia's **terms of trade** expanded 0.6% from 97.4 points..

For more details, please refer to the Department's portal: www.dosm.gov.my

#### \*Notes:

The March 2019 data is provisional and subject to revision in later issues.

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