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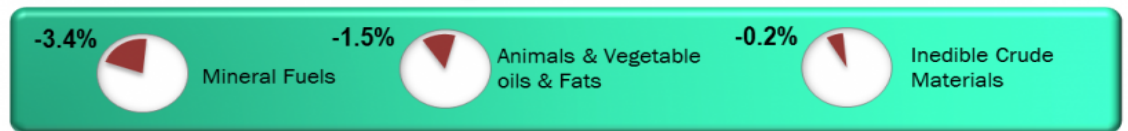
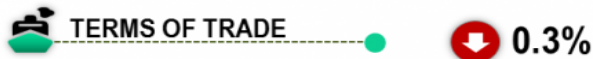
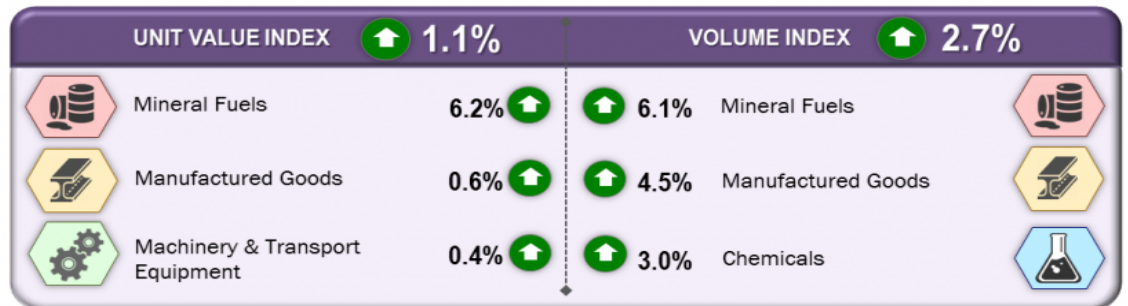
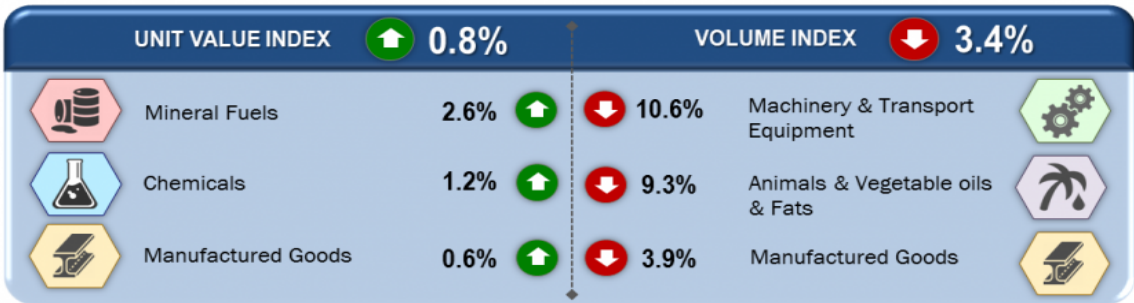




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Both the Export & Import Unit Value Indices recorded increases of 0.8% and 1.1% respectively.



Note:   All changes are based on month-on-month comparison

## **Exports**

On a month-on-month (m-o-m) basis, in May 2018, the export unit value index increased 0.8% to 113.3 points which was attributed to mineral fuels (+2.6%), chemicals (+1.2%) and manufactured goods (+0.6%). The export volume index registered a decrease of 3.4% to 136.1 points which was attributed to machinery & transport equipment (-10.6%), animal & vegetable oils & fats (-9.3%) and manufactured goods (-3.9%). In seasonally adjusted terms, the export volume index increased 5.3% to 138.5 points.

When compared to the previous year, the export unit value index posted increased 0.7% and export volume index posted increases of 2.6%

## **Imports**

In May 2018, the import unit value index also increased by 1.1% to 116.8 points which was mainly led by mineral fuels (+6.2%) followed by manufactured goods (+0.6%) and machinery & transport equipment (+0.4%). The import volume index recorded an increase of 2.7% to 143.8 points. This was mainly attributed to mineral fuels (+6.1%), manufactured goods (+4.5%) and chemicals (+3.0%). In seasonally adjusted terms, the import volume index in May 2018 dropped 4.2% to 140.9 points.

When compared to the previous year, the import unit value index increased 1.2% and import volume index declined 1.2%.

## **Terms of trade**

Malaysia's terms of trade registered a decrease of 0.3% to 97.0 points when compared with April 2018. On a year-on-year basis, Malaysia's terms of trade also decreased 0.5% from 97.5 points

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### **\*Notes:**

The May 2018 data is provisional and subject to revision in later issues.

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