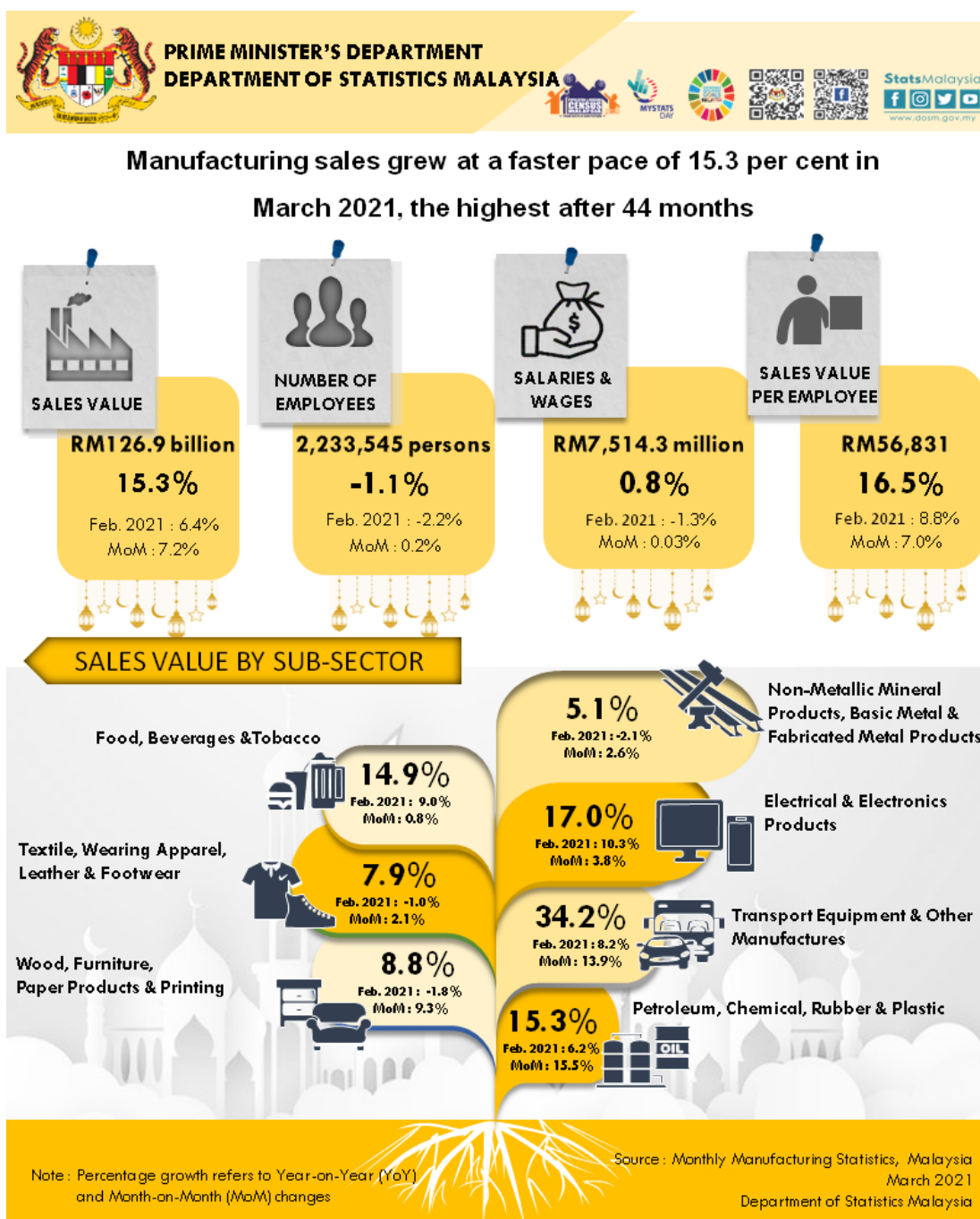




MONTHLY MANUFACTURING STATISTICS MALAYSIA, MARCH 2021



HIGHLIGHTS

Manufacturing sales grew at a faster pace of 15.3 per cent in March 2021, the highest after 44 months

Malaysia's Manufacturing sales in March 2021 stood at **RM126.9 billion**, grew **15.3 per cent** as compared to previous year. The rise in sales value in March 2021 was driven by the increase in Transport Equipment & Other Manufactures Products (**34.2%**), Electrical & Electronics Products (**17.0%**) and Food, Beverages & Tobacco Products (**14.9%**). Meanwhile, on month-on-month basis, the sales value increased **7.2 per cent**.

Total employees engaged in the Manufacturing sector in March 2021 was **2,233,545 persons**, a decrease of 1.1 per cent as compared to **2,257,273 persons** in March 2020. Salaries & wages paid amounted to **RM7,514.3 million**, increased by **0.8 per cent** or **RM58.3 million** in March 2021 as against the same month of the preceding year.

The sales value per employee rose by **16.5 per cent** to record **RM56,831** as compared with the same month in 2020. Meanwhile, the average salaries & wages per employee was **RM3,364** in March 2021.

In the first quarter 2021, the sales value registered an increase of **8.5 per cent** to **RM368.2 billion** as compared to the same period of 2020. The number of employees engaged during the period declined by **1.1 per cent** to register **2,233,545 persons** while salaries & wages paid decreased by **0.6 per cent** to **RM22.6 billion**. The sales value per employee during the reference period rose by **9.7 per cent** to record **RM164,865**.

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