



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (SDG) INDICATORS, 2023 (MALAYSIA & STATE)



Malaysia is committed to achieving the 2030 Agenda with the availability of 196 sustainability measurement indicators for People, Prosperity, Planet, Peace and Partnership

The report of SDG Indicators, 2023 represents the second series of 21 publications comprising five reports at the national level and 16 reports by state. The five national SDG Indicators reports include an Executive Summary and four reports based on the five focus areas of the SDG, namely People (Goals 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5), Prosperity (Goals 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11), Planet (Goals 6, 12, 13, 14, and 15), Peace (Goal 16) and Partnership (Goal 17).

The SDG Indicators Report by State consists of 82 state-level indicators and 26 district-level indicators. This publication comprises three sections, SDG Indicators Achievements by State, Summary of Findings and Tables of SDG Indicators at state and district levels. The SDG Indicators Report by State is available for 16 states, including publications for the Federal Territories of Kuala Lumpur, Federal Territories of Putrajaya and Federal Territories of Labuan.

Exhibit 1: SDG Indicators Report, Malaysia, 2023



Exhibit 2: The SDG Indicators Report by State, 2023



Out of 248 global SDG indicators, Malaysia's SDG indicators in 2023 achievement was 196 indicators Available, 28 indicators Partially Available and Need Development, 17 indicators Not Available and 7 indicators Not Relevant. Thus, based on 241 relevant SDG indicators for Malaysia, the country has reached 81 per cent availability of SDG indicators in 2023.

*From the aspect of **People** focus area, the indicator under Goal 3: Good Health and Well-Being, namely maternal mortality ratio (MMR) measures performance for Target 3.1 which aims to reduce the global maternal mortality ratio to less than 70 per 100,000 live births by 2030. Malaysia has achieved Target 3.1 since 1979. The MMR improved in 2023 at 25.7 as compared to 26.0 per 100,000 live births in 2022. The lowest MMR in 2023 was recorded in Terengganu (11.5 per 100,000 live births) and no MMR cases recorded in Perlis and W.P. Labuan.*

*In the focus area of **Prosperity**, the indicator under Goal 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth shows that the unemployment rate improved to 3.4 per cent in 2023 as compared to 3.9 per cent in 2022. The unemployment rate is expected to decline further in line with the current economic development of the country. Referring to the unemployment rate by state in 2023, 11 states recorded unemployment rates below the national level with three states recorded the lowest unemployment rates, namely W.P. Putrajaya (0.8%), Melaka (1.6%) and Pahang (2.0%). Meanwhile, the real GDP per capita growth rate decreased to 1.4 per cent in 2023 as compared to 8.5 per cent in the previous year.*

Looking at the **Planet** aspect, the indicator under Goal 13: Climate Action shows a reduction in the number of people affected by disasters to 192,593 persons in 2023 as compared to 199,244 persons in the previous year. Johor recorded the highest number of affected individuals in 2023, with a total of 89,130 persons, followed by Kelantan (43,730 persons) and Terengganu (24,757 persons). Additionally, the status of marine water quality in coastal areas based on the Marine Water Quality Index under the Excellent category in 2023 improved to 106 stations as compared to 88 stations in 2022. Pahang recorded the highest number of excellent marine water quality stations with 22 stations, followed by Johor (19 stations) and Terengganu (16 stations).

In terms of **Peace**, the indicator under Goal 16: Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions number of violent crime cases reduced to 8,539 cases in 2023 as compared to 8,636 cases in 2022. With regards to the percentage of detainees who were not sentenced as part of the total prison population, the number rose to 33.0 per cent in 2023 from 29.5 per cent in the previous year.

Moving on to **Partnership**, the indicator under Goal 17: Partnership for the Goals shows a slight increase in the percentage of individuals using the Internet in Malaysia to 97.7 per cent in 2023 as compared to 97.4 per cent in 2022. Seven states recorded a percentage of individuals using the Internet higher than the national level, namely W.P. Putrajaya (99.9%), W.P. Kuala Lumpur (99.9%), Pulau Pinang (99.0%), Selangor (98.8%), Johor (98.6%), Negeri Sembilan (98.4%) and Melaka (98.0%).

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