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### MALAYSIA TRADE STATISTICS REVIEW 2025

***The United States remained one of Malaysia's main trading partners, with total trade increasing by 30.0 per cent to RM325.2 billion in 2024.***

**PUTRAJAYA, 29 DECEMBER 2025** – Malaysia and the United States have maintained a strong trading relationship despite uncertainties in the global trading landscape. Malaysia's trade performance with the United States increased by 30.0 per cent to RM325.2 billion in 2024. Exports and imports grew by 23.3 per cent and 42.1 per cent to RM198.9 billion and RM126.3 billion, respectively. The positive export growth reflects the increased demand for Malaysian exports to the United States in 2024. The **MALAYSIA TRADE STATISTICS REVIEW (MTSR) 2025** presents information on Malaysia's exports performance to the United States for the year 2024.

The Chief Statistician of Malaysia, Dato' Sri Dr. Mohd Uzir Mahidin, stated "MTSR 2025 analyses Malaysia's trade performance with the United States, across five main product categories: electrical & electronic, optical & scientific equipment, machinery, equipment & appliances, rubber and wood".

Electrical & electronic products remained the main pillar of Malaysia and United States trade, contributing 60.4 per cent of total export value in 2024. Semiconductors were the largest contributor (46.8%), followed by telecommunication equipment, sound recording & reproducing equipment (19.4%),

*electrical machinery, apparatus, appliances & parts (17.0%) and office machines & automatic data processing equipment (16.9%).*

*Malaysia's exports of optical & scientific equipment to the United States reached the highest value at RM12.9 billion, an increase of 14.3 per cent in 2024. Malaysia's export contribution to the United States was the highest compared to other countries, accounting for 21.8 per cent.*

*Dato' Sri Dr. Mohd Uzir Mahidin also added that machinery, equipment & parts are among Malaysia's top export to the United States in 2024, contributing 12.7 per cent of Malaysia's total exports of these products. The value increased by 33.6 per cent to RM8.8 billion in 2024 from RM6.6 billion in the previous year.*

*Rubber products show a strong upward trend in Malaysia's main export position to the United States. The highest export value was recorded in 2021 at RM22.6 billion, driven largely by pandemic-related demand. In terms of the time series, exports declined in 2022 and 2023 before rising again to RM7.4 billion in 2024. Malaysia has successfully transitioned from primarily exporting raw rubber to becoming a recognised global hub for high-value downstream products, especially rubber gloves and other engineering industry goods.*

*Malaysia's wood products maintained a stable export performance to the United States during the period from 2015 to 2021. This growth peaked in 2021, reaching a record high of RM7.6 billion. Although exports declined to RM5.4 billion in 2023, they rebounded in 2024 to RM6.0 billion. The long-term trend remains positive, supported by consistent growth from RM2.9 billion in 2015 to over RM7.0 billion during the 2020 to 2022 period.*

*Malaysia, for the first time, ranked as number one (1) globally in the biennial Open Data Inventory (ODIN) 2024/25 report released by Open Data Watch (ODW), surpassing 197 other countries. This achievement marks a significant leap from its 67<sup>th</sup> position in the ODIN 2022/23 assessment.*

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