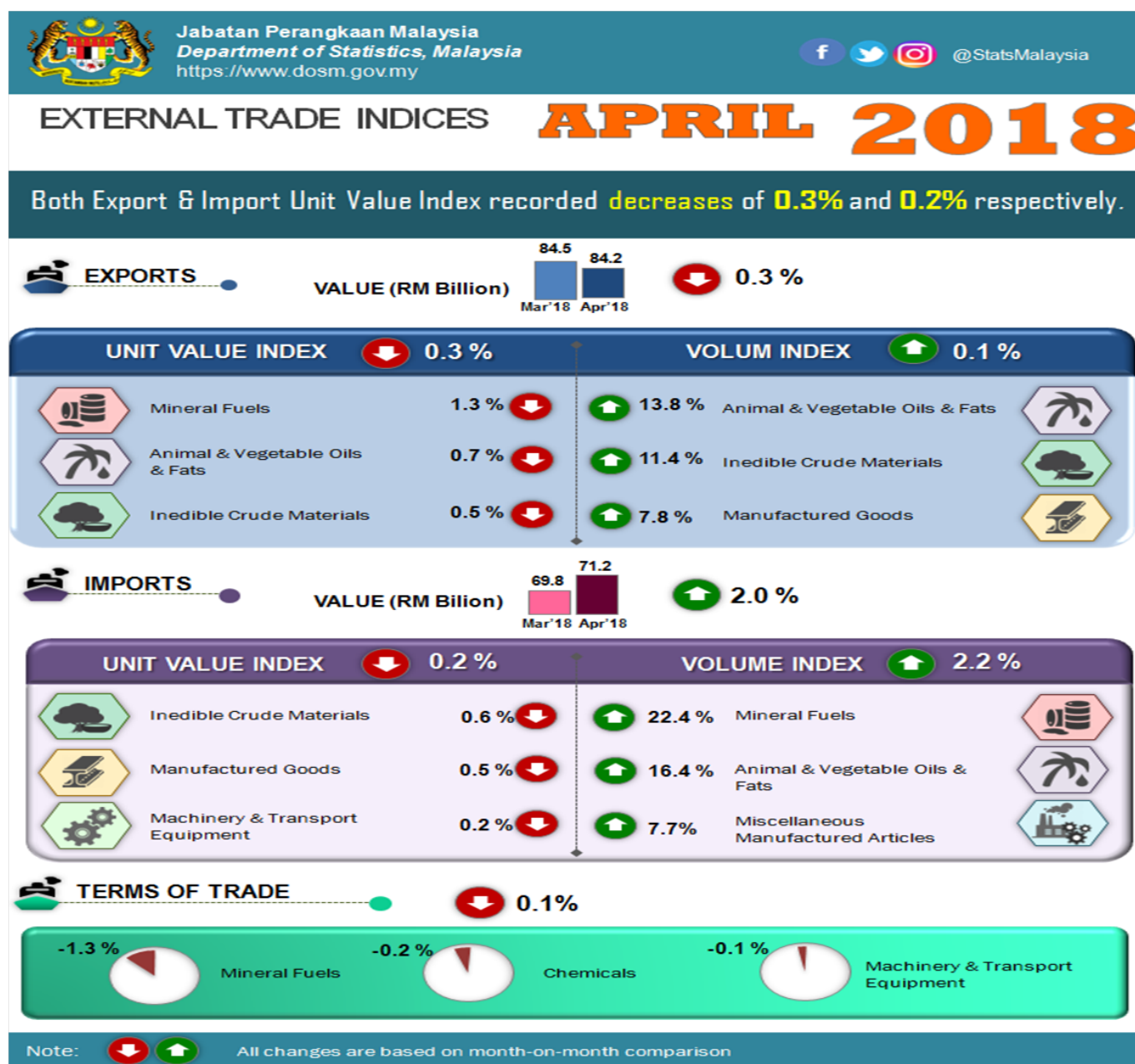




MALAYSIA EXTERNAL TRADE INDICES APRIL 2018



Exports

On a month-on-month (m-o-m) basis, in April 2018, the **export unit value index** dropped 0.3% to 112.4 points which was attributed to mineral fuels (-1.3%) followed by animal & vegetable oils & fats (-0.7%) and inedible crude materials (-0.5%). Meanwhile, the **export volume index** registered an increase of 0.1% to 140.9 points. The increase was led by animal & vegetable oils & fats (+13.8%), inedible crude materials (+11.4%) and manufactured goods (+7.8%). In seasonally adjusted terms, the **export volume index** expanded 9.3% to 146.3 points.

When compared to the previous year, the **export unit value index** fell 1.3% while **export volume index** rose 15.4%.

Imports

In April 2018, the **import unit value index** decreased 0.2% to 115.5 points which was mainly led by inedible crude materials (-0.6%) followed by manufactured goods (-0.5%) and machinery & transport equipment (-0.2%). In contrast, the **import volume index** grew 2.2% to 140.0 points. This was mainly contributed by mineral fuels (+22.4%), animal & vegetable oils & fats (+16.4%) and miscellaneous manufactured articles (+7.7%). In seasonally adjusted terms, the **import volume index** expanded 9.6% to 147.1 points.

On a year-on-year basis, the **import unit value index** registered a decline of 0.7%. Meanwhile, the **import volume index** grew 10.0%.

Terms of trade

Malaysia's **terms of trade** dropped of 0.1% to 97.3 points when compared with March 2018. Meanwhile, a decline of 0.5% was also recorded year-on-year basis.

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

***Notes:**

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