

ECONOMY

[Malaysia Records RM1.73 Trillion in Trade for First Seven Months of 2025](#)

The Edge – 2 September 2025

Malaysia's trade performance hit a record high of RM1.73 trillion from January 2025 to July 2025, a 4.7% increase compared to the same period in 2024. Exports totalled RM900.47 billion, imports RM830.16 billion, with a trade surplus of RM70.31 billion.

GOVERNMENT

[Ministry Allocates RM60 million for Kuala Lumpur City Hall \(DBKL\) Infrastructure Projects](#)

The Star – 30 August 2025

The Housing and Local Government Ministry (KPKT) has allocated nearly RM60 million to DBKL under the Sentuhan Kasih KPKT 3.0 programme for 114 infrastructure projects and development programmes in 2025. RM27.8 million is designated for housing maintenance projects, while RM16.9 million will go towards upgrading Bukit Kiara Federal Park Phase 2 and Taman Poket P. Ramlee. The Ministry aims to complete these projects promptly.

[State Government Gazetted 534 Urban Renewal Sites](#)

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Housing and Local Government Minister, Nga Kor Ming clarified that the 534 urban renewal sites across the country were previously approved and gazetted by various State Governments, including those led by the opposition and are not new proposals from the Federal Government.

[No Changes to Demographics](#)

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The proposed Urban Renewal Act 2025 will not affect heritage buildings or Malay reserve land, says Housing and Local Government Minister, Nga Kor Ming. He dismissed claims of racial bias and confirmed the consent threshold for redevelopment has been raised to 80%. The Act aims to improve housing for low-income groups and will be re-tabled in Parliament on October 6, 2025, with plans to take effect on January 1, 2026.

[13th Malaysia Plan \(13MP\) to Keep Malaysia Competitive Through Digitalisation, Value Creation](#)

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The 13MP outlines a five-year strategy to keep Malaysia competitive through digitalisation, innovation and value creation. Finance Minister, Il Amir Hamzah said, the plan focuses on high growth sectors like semiconductors, energy transition, digital technology and the halal and creative economies.

LEGAL

[Federal Court Grants Stay on Land Dispute Involving Duta Enclave](#)

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The Federal Court has granted a stay on the Court of Appeal's decision in the land dispute over the "Duta Enclave" between Semantan Estate Sdn Bhd and the Government. All parties agreed to the stay, which halts compensation assessment.

PROPERTY

[Malaysia's Property Transactions Dip in Volume Despite Rise in Values, First-Half Data Shows](#)

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Malaysia's property market saw a 1.3% dip in transaction volume (196,232 deals) in the first half of 2025, even as transaction value rose 1.9% to RM107.68 billion, according to National Property Information Centre.

INFRASTRUCTURE

[East Klang Valley Expressway \(EKVE\) Opens with 30-Day Free Ride](#)

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The first section of the EKVE, connecting Sungai Long to Ampang, is now open and will be toll-free from August 30, 2025, to September 29, 2025. Prime Minister, Anwar Ibrahim announced the toll exemption in conjunction with National Day, encouraging unity and patriotism.

[Government to Add Investments, Build Logistics Hubs Along East Coast Rail Link \(ECRL\) Route](#)

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The Government of Malaysia is focusing on attracting more investments, establishing logistics hubs and industrial parks along the ECRL corridor, as part of the Economic Accelerator Project. The ECRL is seen as a key driver for economic growth in the East Coast and is currently 85% complete with Phase 1 scheduled for completion in January 2027.

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