

# KEY ECONOMIC INDICATORS

## Investment Indicators

Indicator / Month	1 9 9 8											
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
<b>Sales of new commercial vehicles</b> (unit)	2,194	1,148	1,491	1,343	1,370	1,512	1,599	1,681	1,724	2,396	2,654	2,545
<b>Imports</b> (RM million)												
- Capital goods	4,027	2,976	3,868	3,243	2,794	2,146	3,625	2,603	2,717	2,585	2,449	2,358
- Intermediate goods	13,646	14,230	13,945	12,804	12,780	12,743	13,987	13,238	13,415	13,730	13,009	13,541
<b>MITI-approved investment</b> (RM million)												
- Approved investment	6,775	1,123	3,266	1,724	2,288	849	634	397	6,048	1,224	1,748	277
New investment	5,452	891	2,438	971	591	579	217	239	5,647	562	449	172
Re-investment	1,323	232	828	752	1,697	270	417	158	400	662	1,299	105
- Application	1,798	1,552	1,352	3,524	1,591	1,591	616	2,051	398	2,287	720	1,436
New investment	412	1,470	785	3,299	427	931	189	417	178	279	592	467
Re-investment	1,387	82	566	225	1,164	660	426	1,634	220	2,008	128	969
<b>Base lending rate</b> (%) <sup>1</sup>	10.44	11.08	11.96	12.16	12.21	12.27	12.07	11.70	8.89	8.49	8.04 <sup>2</sup>	8.04
<b>Money supply</b> (% p.a.)												
- M1	-3.4	-9.2	-11.3	-10.2	-14.0	-16.0	-15.4	-16.0	-17.0	-18.0	-12.8	-14.6
- M3	16.1	14.7	13.7	12.2	9.6	7.3	5.9	4.4	4.0	2.5	3.3	2.7
<b>Risk-Weighted Capital Ratio</b> (%)	10.3	10.8	11.1	11.2	11.3	11.2	11.2	10.1	10.6	11.2	11.5	11.8
<b>Non-performing loans of banking system</b> (%)												
- 6 months since September 1998	5.0	6.1	7.0	7.8	8.4	8.9	10.3	11.4	8.1	8.5	9.0	7.5
- 3 months	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12.8	14.0	14.9	13.4
<b>Registration of new companies</b> (no.)	1,182	1,152	1,266	1,546	1,487	1,713	1,684	1,618	1,389	1,586	1,469	2,233
<b>Liquidation of companies</b> (no.)	285	404	491	456	376	419	498	480	276	500	447	436

Note : 1/ Commercial bank rate

2/ The BLR was revised to the current rate on 16 November 1998