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***PUTRAJAYA, 13 March 2023 – The sales value of the Manufacturing sector rose modestly by 6.5 per cent to RM148.0 billion in January 2023. The Department of Statistics, Malaysia (DOSM) reported today on the release of **Monthly Manufacturing Statistics, Malaysia, January 2023**.***

*According to Dato' Sri Dr. Mohd Uzir Mahidin, Chief Statistician Malaysia, “The sales value of the Manufacturing sector amounted to RM148.0 billion in January 2023, rose modestly by 6.5 per cent as compared to 8.8 per cent growth in the preceding month. The continuous positive momentum was fortified by the double-digit growth in Transport equipment & other manufactures (14.0%) and Petroleum, chemical, rubber & plastic products (10.1%) sub-sectors, particularly in the Manufacture of motor vehicles, trailers & semi-trailers; and the Manufacture of coke & refined petroleum products industries respectively. Nonetheless, the sales value registered in January 2023 was the lowest recorded since May 2022.”*

*The sales value of export-oriented industries which contributed 71.3 per cent of total sales, posted a slower growth of 6.9 per cent in January 2023 as against 9.2 per cent recorded in December 2022. The moderate performance was also in line with the deceleration in exports of manufactured products during the month. A similar trend was recorded in the domestic-oriented industries' sales value which moderated to 5.6 per cent from 7.7 per cent growth in the preceding month. In comparison with the previous month, sales value for export-oriented industries continued to decline for four consecutive months, registering a negative 6.9 per cent in January 2023, while domestic-oriented industries dipped by 1.6 per cent.*

*Commenting on the number of employees, the Chief Statistician Malaysia said, “There were 2.34 million persons engaged in the Manufacturing sector in January 2023, increased by 3.0 per cent as against 2.27 million persons registered a year ago (December 2022: 3.4%). The increment was mainly attributable to the rise in the number of employees in the Food, beverages & tobacco products (4.7%); Electrical &*

electronic products (4.3%); and Petroleum, chemical, rubber & plastic products (2.1%) sub-sectors.”

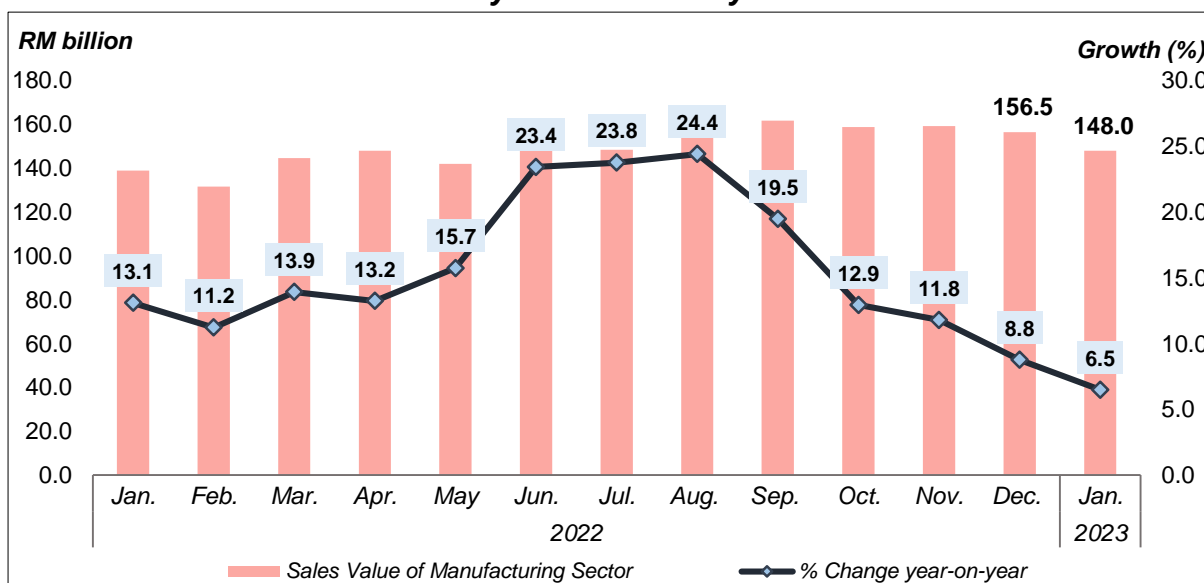
Resembling the positive trend in employment, the salaries & wages paid in the Manufacturing sector rose 4.0 per cent, totalling RM8.18 billion in January 2023 with the average monthly salaries & wages per employee of RM3,494, posted an increase of 1.0 per cent year-on-year. In addition, the sales value per employee recorded a value of RM63,200 which grew by 3.4 per cent as compared to the same month in the preceding year.

The Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM) will conduct the Economic Census in 2023. DOSM greatly appreciates the cooperation from respondents to provide information with DOSM and make this census a success, Please visit [www.dosm.gov.my](http://www.dosm.gov.my) for more information.

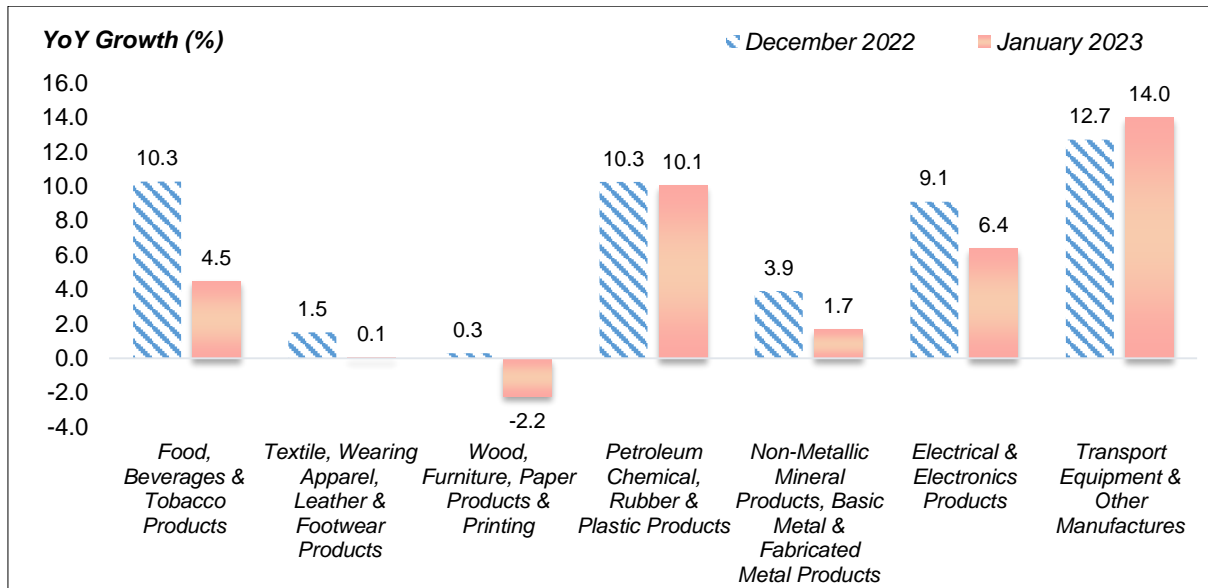
DOSM has launched OpenDOSM NextGen as a platform that provides a catalogue of data and visualisation that facilitates users in analysing various types of data. OpenDOSM NextGen is an open source data sharing medium and accessible through <https://open.dosm.gov.my> portal.

Please be informed that the Government of Malaysia has declared National Statistics Day (MyStats Day) on October 20 each year. MyStats Day theme is “Connecting the World with Data We Can Trust”.

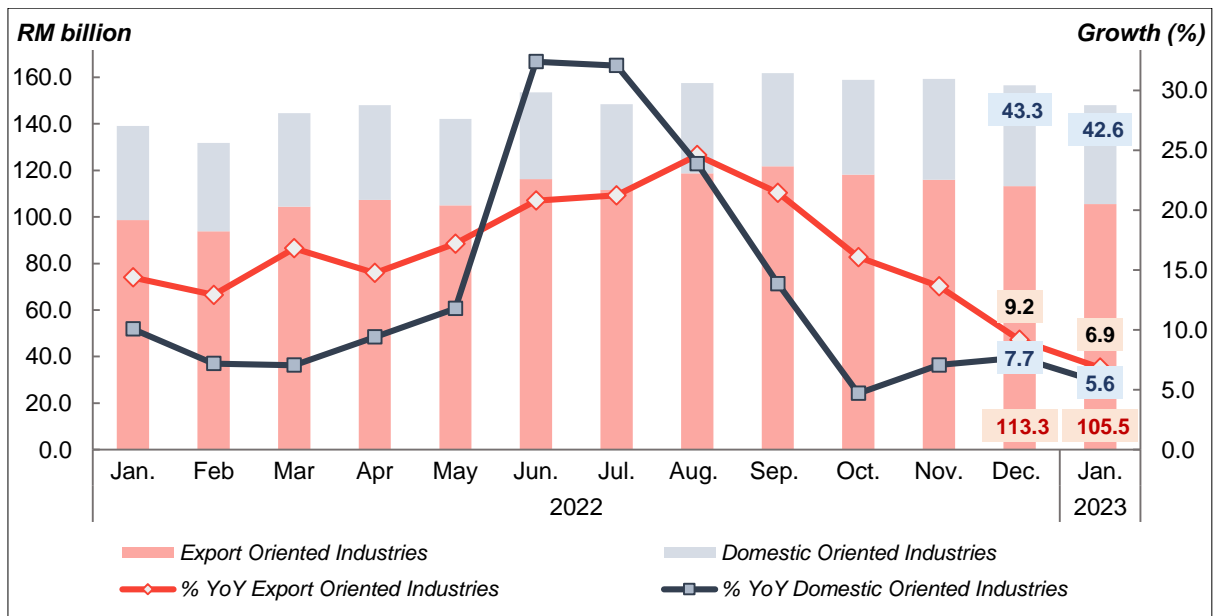
**Chart 1: Sales Value of the Manufacturing Sector, January 2022 – January 2023**



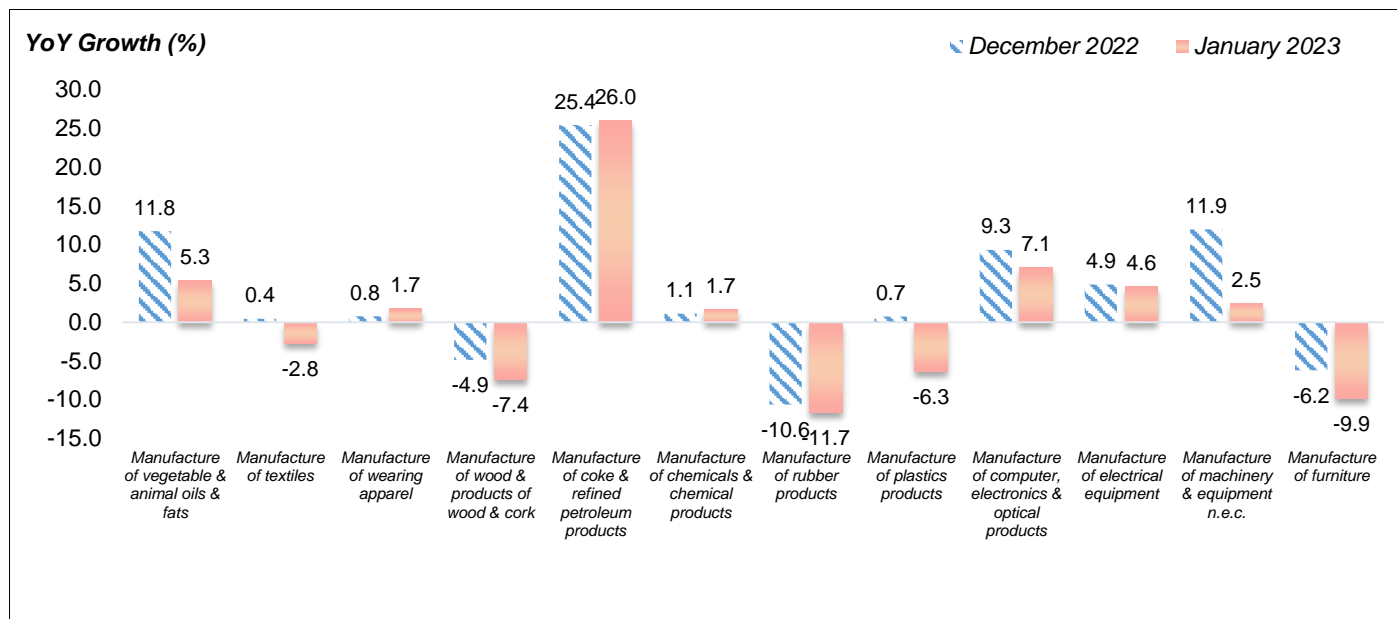
**Chart 2: The Growth of Manufacturing Subsector in January 2023 as against December 2022**



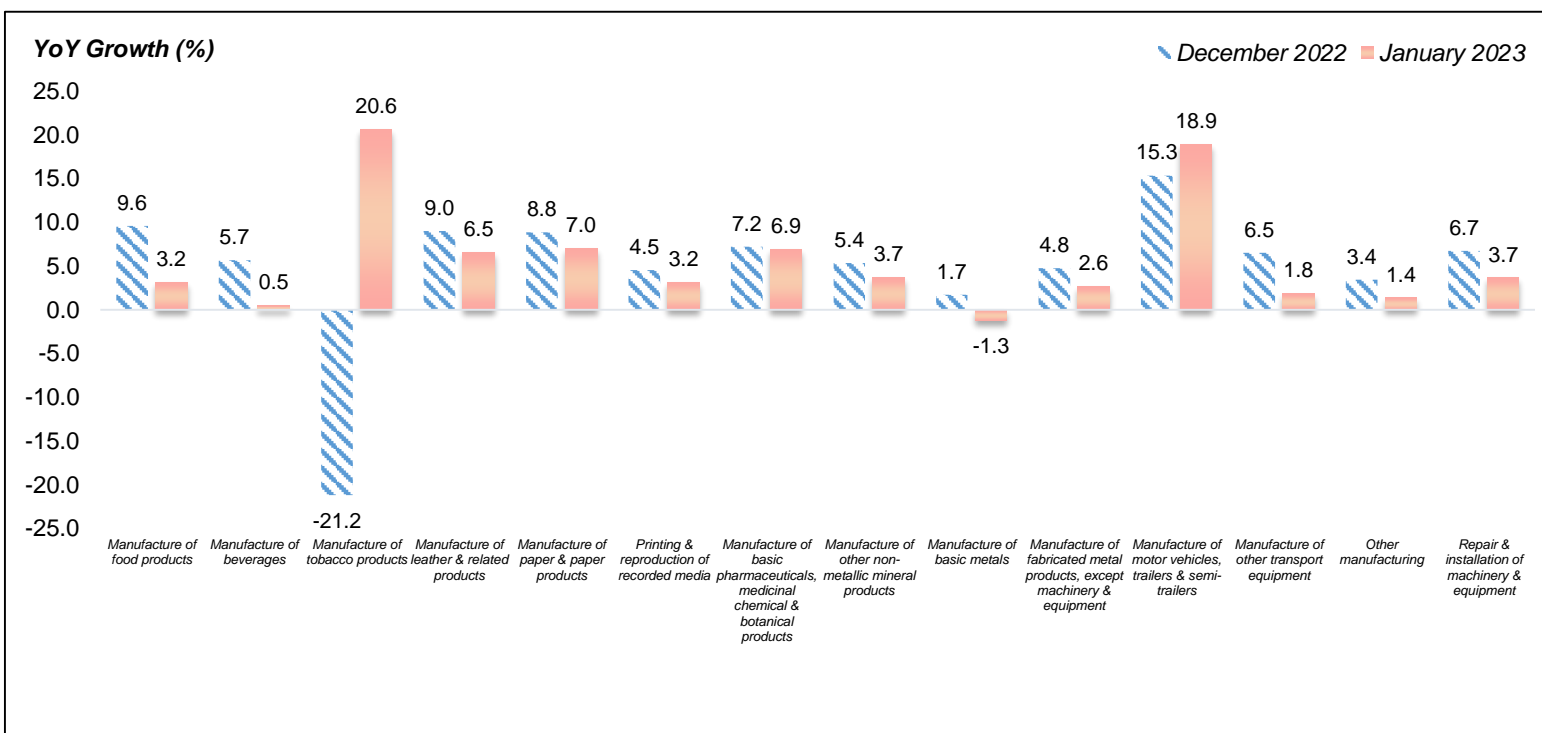
**Chart 3: Sales Value of the Export and Domestic-oriented Industries for Manufacturing Sector, January 2022 – January 2023**



**Chart 4: Manufacturing Export-Oriented by Group, December 2022 and January 2023**



**Chart 5: Manufacturing Domestic-Oriented by Group, December 2022 and January 2023**



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