

MANPOWER AND SOCIAL STATISTICS

TOPICS	ELEMENTS	SUBJECT: INFORMAL SECTOR WORKFORCE SURVEY REPORT
		INFORMATION
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	Data sources used:	Household survey

	Name of collection / source used:	Informal Sector Survey
	Direct source:	Department of Statistics, Malaysia
	Source periodicity:	Monthly
	Source metadata:	Central repository
	Date last input received from source:	18 days after data collection
2. Data Characteristic and Collection	Forms or Questionnaires Used	<p>Informal sector Survey Questionnaire</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) LFS - 1 : Identification Particulars ii) LFS - 2 : Household Member Particulars iii) LFS - 3/1 : Labour Force Particulars (For Members 15 Years and Over) iv) LFS - 3/2 : Principal Job Particulars (For Members 15 Years and Over) v) LFS - 3/4 : Particulars on Informal Sector
	Sampling:	<p>The frame used for the Informal Sector Survey is from the National Household Sampling Frame, Department of Statistics, Malaysia which is made up of Enumeration Blocks (EBs) created for the 2010 Population and Housing Census of Malaysia. EBs are geographically contiguous areas of land that is created with identifiable boundaries. On average, each EB contains about 80 to 120 living quarters. Generally, all EBs are formed within gazette boundaries i.e. within administrative district, mukim or local authority areas.</p> <p>Sample size: The (annual) number of selected LQs is around 50,000</p>
	Periodicity:	Monthly
	Reference period:	The reference week of the survey refers to (7) days preceding the commencement date of the interview which are 1 st - 7 th , 8 th - 14 th and 15 th – 21 st of the respective month.
	Base period:	n.a.
	Date last updated:	2013

	Link to release calendar:	n.a
	Other data characteristics and collection:	n.a.
3. Statistical Population and Scope of the Data	Statistical population:	Household
	Geographical coverage:	Malaysia
	Sector coverage:	Non-agricultural sector and non-government employees.
	Institutional coverage:	n.a.
	Item/Product coverage:	n.a.
	Population coverage:	Household members: i) aged 15 years and over; ii) working in all sectors except agriculture, hunting, forestry and fisheries; and iii) non-government employees.
	Product coverage:	n.a.
	Other coverage:	n.a.
4. Statistical Concepts and Classifications Used	Key statistical concepts used:	<p>An ILO Manual On Concepts and Methods: Measuring informality: A Statistical manual on the informal sector and informal employment.</p> <p>Employment in the informal sector refers to person who is employed in an establishment with the following criteria:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. The enterprise is not registered with the Companies Commission of Malaysia (CCM) or any other professional bodies, including the Local Authority (LA); ii. All or at least one goods or services produced are meant for sale or barter transactions; and

		<p>iii. The size in term of employment is less than 10 person and not registered under specific form of national legislation.</p>
	Classifications used:	<p>i. “Malaysia Standard Industrial Classification (MSIC) 2008” based on the “International Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities (ISIC), Revision 4”.</p> <p>ii. “Malaysia Standard Classification of Occupations (MASCO) 2008” based on the “International Standard Classification of Occupations (ISCO-08)”</p>
5. Statistical Computation and Dissemination	Aggregation and consolidation:	State and national level.
	Estimation:	The Combined Ratio Estimate Method was used to obtain the estimate of a specific characteristic in the survey population. The second half year population estimates of the survey year by age, sex, ethnic and state were used as benchmarks.
	Imputation:	n.a.
	Transformations:	Principal statistics of the informal sector is are number of employment in the informal sector.
	Validation:	Structure, consistency, range and logical checks.
	Index type:	n.a.
	Weights:	<p>The weights were the result of calculations involving several factors, including original selection probabilities and adjustment for non-response. The weighting process would also correct for non-coverage and help reduce variance of estimates. The base weight (Design Weight) for each sample is equal to the reciprocal of the sample probability of selection. Weights were applied in two stages:</p> <p>a. Weight estimated based on sample design i.e. design weight and adjusted weight.</p>

		b. Mid-year inter-censal population estimates.
	Seasonal adjustment:	Estimates are not seasonally adjusted.
	Other computation and adjustments:	n.a.
	Dissemination formats:	Printed and digital
6. Other Aspects	Recommended uses and limitations:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Since the survey estimates are based on a sample survey, they are subject to sampling and non-sampling errors. ii. The Informal Sector Survey data is subjected to 95 per cent confidence intervals.
	History:	<p>2004 & 2006 - Informal Sector pilot study</p> <p>2009 - Pilot study attached to the Labour Force Survey in August to October.</p> <p>2010 onwards - Informal Sector Survey</p>
	Time series data availability:	Annual data is available starting from 2012.