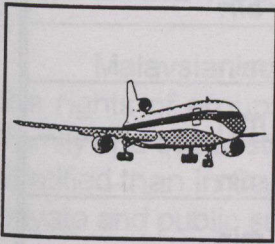


TRAVEL WITHIN MALAYSIA



- **West Malaysia**

Travel is convenient and inexpensive. There is excellent air service provided by the national airline MAS, which works in conjunction with charter services to provide flights to all major locations in the country. The current international airport for Kuala Lumpur is at Subang, about a 30-minute drive from the city centre. However, this time can double because of traffic congestion. A new airport being constructed at Sepang, Selangor, about 45 minutes by highway, from Kuala Lumpur, is scheduled to open in 1997.

There is an extensive network of highways and rail and bus links in West Malaysia. Bus transportation is definitely faster than rail and prices are inexpensive, with the cost of travel over the length of country (910 kilometres) being less than RM40 (roughly C\$23). The North-South Highway provides access from Johore and Singapore to Thailand. A second causeway linking Johore and Singapore will open in 1995.

- **East Malaysia**

The road network in this region is more rudimentary and the distances to be covered greater. MAS runs daily service to the major centres, but offers less frequent service to second-tier cities.

The following chart gives travel times by air and by car for travel within Malaysia, and between Malaysia and other countries in the region: