

Malaysia

Country Official Name: Malaysia

Capital: Kuala Lumpur

Geodata

Area: 329 750 km²

Population: 18 410 920 (92), growth 2.4%

Natural Resources: tin, crude oil, timber, copper, iron ore

Major Religions: 55% Muslim, 30% Buddhist, 8% Hindu,

Major Language(s): Malay (official), English, Chinese dialects, tribal languages



Political Data

Type of Government: Federation constitutional monarchy (& regional rulers)

Leaders:

Chief of State, Paramount Ruler Yang di-Pertuan Agong (Sultan)

Yusof Izzudin (since 26 April 89)

Prime Minister

Dr. Mahathir bin Mohamad

Minister of Foreign Affairs Datuk Abdullah bin Haji Ahmad Badawi

Democratic Institutions:
Bicameral parliament, multiparty elections

UN Human Development Index: 57/173 (medium)

Economic Data

GDP (per capita): US \$ 3000 (92), growth 8% (92)

Main Exports:

natural rubber, palm oil, tin, timber, petroleum products, electrical manufactures

Main Imports:

food, crude oil, consumer goods, capital equipment, chemicals

Export to Canada:

C \$ 598 million (92)

Import from Canada: C \$ 230.8 million (92)

External Debt:

US \$ 21.4 billion (91)

Main Donors:

Japan, U.K., Australia

Canadian ODA:

C \$ 12.42 million (FY 91-92) est.