

FACT SHEET- MALAYSIA

Date of independence: August 31, 1957

Area: 334,238 km²

Population: 13 million

Capital City: Kuala Lumpur (800,000)

Official Language: Malay

Religious Groups: Muslim, Hindu, Buddhist, Christian

System of Government: Parliamentary democracy under a constitutional monarch

President: Datuk Hussein Onn

Foreign Minister: Tengku Ahmad Rithauddeen

Political Party: National Front

GNP: US\$ 15.7 billion (1978)

Per Capita Income: US\$ 1,037

Currency: 2.26 Malaysian dollars = US\$ 1