

Malaysia



- Capital city: Kuala Lumpur
 - Official language: Bahasa Malaysia (Malaysian)
- 1) Geographical features:**
- Area: 329,847 sq km
 - Geographical coordinates: 2 30 N, 112 30 E
 - Climate: uniform temperature, high humidity, copious rainfall, light winds; tropical; annual southwest (April to October) and northwest (October to February) monsoons
 - Topography type: Primarily mountainous, interspersed with rainforests. Beaches and mangroves are prominent features; coastal plains rising to hills and mountains

2) Political features:

- Government type: Federal representative democratic constitutional monarchy
- Head of state: Yang di-Pertuan Agong (king) Tuanku Abdul Halim Mu'adzam Shah (selected on 13 December 2011)
- Head of government: Prime minister Mohamed NAJIB bin Abdul Najib Razak (since 3 April 2009)

3) Economic features:

- Total GDP: \$ 326,933,043,800.6 (2014)
- GDP growth rate: 6% (2014)
- GDP per capita: \$ 10,829.9 (2014)
- GDP (PPP): \$ 720,019,382,463 (2014)
- Sectoral composition of economy (2014 est.):
 - » Agriculture: 9.3% (2014)
 - » Industry: 34.7% (2014)
 - » Services: 56% (2014)
- Currency and exchange rate: Malaysian Ringgit \$1= MYR 3.24 (2014 est.)
- Exports: \$231.3 billion (2014 est.)
- Biggest exporting partners: China 14.2%, Singapore 13.9%, Japan 10.9%, US 8.2%, Thailand 5.4%, Indonesia 4.5%, Hong Kong 4.2% (2013)
- Imports: \$193.6 billion (2014 est.)
- Biggest importing partners: China 17%, Singapore 13.2%, Japan 8.5%, US 7.6%, Thailand 5.9%, South Korea 4.6%, Indonesia 4.3% (2013)

4) Social and demographic features:

- Population size: 30.19 million (2014)
- Main languages spoken: Upto 137 living languages, including Malaysian, Chinese and Indian dialects; Bahasa Malaysia (official), English, Chinese (Cantonese, Mandarin, Hokkien, Hakka, Hainan, Foochow), Tamil, Telegu, Malayalam, Panjabi, Thai
- Main religions followed: Islam (official) (61.3%), Buddhism (19.8%), Christianity (9.2%), Hinduism (6.3%), Confucianism, Taoism, other traditional Chinese religions (1.3%), other (0.4%), none (0.8%), unspecified (1%) (2010 est.)
- Biggest ethnic groups: Malay (50.1%), Chinese (22.6%), Indigenous (11.8%), Indian (6.7%), other (0.7%), non-citizens (8.2%) ethnic groups (Sabah and Sarawak region) (2010 est.)
- Working population (as a percentage of total population): 69% (2014)
- Sex ratio: 1.03 male(s)/female (2015 est.)

5) Military and defense:

- Total defense expenditure: \$4919 m (2014)
- Defense expenditure as a % of GDP: 1.5% (2014)
- Military obligation: (yes/no) No
- Military strength (Active manpower): 110,000 (2014)

6) Important rankings:

- GDP ranking (nominal): 33 (2015)
- HDI ranking: 62 (2014)
- Global peace index: 28 (2015)
- KOF Globalization index: 26 (2015)
- Military strength ranking: 35 (2014)
- Where-to-be-born index: 36 (2013)