

Institutional Framework	
Compiling agency	Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM)
What other institutions are involved?	Bank Negara Malaysia (BNM) through its Statistical Services Department compiles cash BOP from ITRS
Legal mandate	The Statistics Act, 1965 (revised 1989)
Does a Working Group exist?	Yes. Working Group on Services Statistics (WGSS) is to monitor the development of SITS.
Data Compilation	
General conceptual framework	BPM6
Available product breakdown	12 product breakdown
Divergences with BPM6	NA
Data available starting from	2010
EBOPS available?	Yes
Divergences from EBOPS?	Only 37 items have been taken into account
Inward FATS available?	Yes
Inward FATS variables	Value Added, Number of employees, Numbers of affiliate, GFCF, Imports and Exports
Activity classification	MSIC 2008
Partner country available?	Yes
Which partners are available?	All countries
Unit of currency	Ringgit Malaysia
Exchange rate used	
Frequency	Quarterly and annual
Validation of individual data	Data editing, verification and consistency checks with other data sources and surveys. Special review are given to selected large transaction including bilateral discussion with selected companies (e.g. manufacturing services, construction, financial services, charges for the use of intellectual properties and warehousing and storage)
Validation of aggregated data	Validation of the completeness, validity and consistency of data especially from major players.
Adjustments made	NA
Estimates made	NA
Initiatives to improve SITS data	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Improvement on ITS questionnaire to cater EBOPS, partner country information, mode of supply (MOS) and percentage of ITS transactions using e-commerce 2. SITS publication has been improvised starting 2018 with: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. EBOPS detailed breakdown of exports and imports of Transport ii. EBOPS detailed breakdown of exports and imports of Telecommunications, computer and information services iii. Data series of exports and imports by 7 additional countries iv. Cross matrix of major partner country from 5 components to 9 components of services 3. Survey of outward FATS is undertaken biennially to collect variables on turnover, number of employees, compensation of employees and assets by kind of economic activities and countries. The data has been published as public circulation starting 2017 4. Inwards FATS compiled biennially and published as public circulation starting 2016

Main data sources					
	ITRS	ITS survey	Tourism/Travel survey	Administrative sources	Benchmark SITS survey
Responsible agency	BNM	DOSM	Tourism Malaysia	Various Ministries & Gov. Agencies	DOSM
Type of data collection	Financial transaction	Quarterly business survey	Survey	Records from relevant ministries, government agencies/bodies, international organisations	Additional questions are added to the most recent 5 yearly Economic Census
Frequency of collection	Daily	Quarterly	Daily	Quarterly	Every 5 years

Sources for product breakdown				
SITS component	Main data source	Additional data sources	Partner country sources	Comments
1. Manufacturing services on physical input owned by others	ITS survey	-	ITS survey	
2. Maintenance and repair services	ITS survey	ITRS	ITS survey & ITRS	
3. Transportation services	ITS survey	ITRS, Administrative sources	ITS survey, ITRS & external trade	
4. Travel services	Administrative sources	ITRS	Administrative sources & ITRS	
5. Construction services	ITRS	ITS Survey	ITRS & ITS Survey	
6. Insurance and pension services	ITRS	ITS Survey, external trade data	ITRS, ITS Survey & external trade	
7. Financial services	ITRS	Administrative source	ITRS / Administrative source	
8. Charges for the use of intellectual property	ITRS	ITS Survey	ITS survey & ITRS	
9. Telecommunication, computer and information services	ITS survey	ITRS	ITS survey & ITRS	
10. Other business services	ITRS	ITS Survey	ITRS & ITS Survey	
11. Personal, cultural and recreational services	ITRS	ITS Survey	ITS survey & ITRS	
12. Government service n.i.e	Administrative sources	ITRS	Administrative sources & ITRS	

Dissemination/Publication		
	Balance of Payments	Statistics of International Trade in Services
1. Timeliness	Quarterly	Annually
2. Level of detail published	Breakdown of SITS by 12 of the major BPM6 services components	Breakdown of SITS by 12 of the major BPM6 services components with further breakdown of transport, travel, telecommunications, computer & information services and other business services. Trade in services by major trading partner as well as by major trading partner and services components
3. Methodological notes	Yes	Yes
4. Analysis	Yes	Yes
5. Presentation	Yes	Yes
6. Release calendar	7 weeks after reference quarter	six months after reference year
7. Revision policy	The preliminary data is released seven weeks after reference quarter. Revision data for the previous year will be published in the first quarter of the current year and final data will be published a year after the release of revision data.	The status of current year data sets are revised and final data will be published a year after

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