

Table I: Malaysia - Key Economic Indicators

	2003	2004	2005^p
Population (million persons)	25.3	26.0	26.7
Labour Force (million persons)	10.4	10.8	11.3
Employment (million persons)	10.0	10.5	10.9
Unemployment (% of labour force)	3.6	3.5	3.5
Per Capita Income (RM)	14,870	16,616	18,106
(USD)	3,913	4,373	4,781
National Product			
Real Gross Domestic Product (GDP)			
(% change)	5.4	7.1	5.3
(RM billion)	232.4	249.0	262.0
Services Sector (% change)	4.5	6.8	6.5
Real Gross National Product (GNP)			
(% change)	6.9	7.3	6.4
(RM billion)	217.2	233.1	248.0
Gross National Savings (as % of GNP)	36.5	37.3	37.1
Balance of Payments (RM billion)			
Goods Balance	97.8	104.5	126.5
Exports (f.o.b.)	398.0	481.2	536.9
Imports (f.o.b.)	300.2	376.8	410.5
Services Balance	-15.3	-8.8	-10.2
(as % of GNP)	-4.1	-2.1	-2.2
Current Account Balance	50.6	56.5	75.3
(as % of GNP)	13.6	13.3	16.0
Prices (% change)			
Consumer Price Index (2000 = 100)	1.2	1.4	3.0
Producer Price Index (1989 = 100)	5.7	8.9	6.8
Exchange Rates (% change)			
Movement of Ringgit (end-period)			
Against SDR	-8.5	-4.3	8.9
Against USD ¹	0.0	0.0	0.5

¹ Ringgit was pegged at RM3.80 = USD 1 on 2 September 1998 and shifted to a managed float against a basket of currencies on 21 July 2005

^p Preliminary

Table II: Takaful Key Indicators

	2001 ¹	2002 ¹	2003 ¹	2004 ¹	2005 ¹
Market Structure					
No. of Registered Takaful Operators ²	2	3	4	4	5
No. of Agents	6,528	9,191	11,433	14,370	14,059
Family	5,391	7,227	9,893	11,842	11,781
General	1,137	1,964	1,540	2,528	2,278
No. of Offices	125	127	132	134	147
No. of Employees	1,553	1,716	2,161	2,376	2,670
Net Contribution Income					
Total (RM million)	1,400.0	886.0	1,014.0	1,123.0	1,333.7
Combined Contributions (% of GNP)	0.7	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5
Family (% of GNP)	0.6	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.4
General (% of GNP)	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Per Capita Contributions (RM) on:					
Family ³	50.8	27.0	30.4	31.0	36.6
General ⁴	7.5	9.0	10.0	12.8	13.4
Net Benefits and Claims Payments					
Total (RM million)	181.1	251.5	280.1	377.2	464.1
Family	132.7	178.6	201.4	286.4	347.2
General	48.4	72.9	78.7	90.8	116.9
Takaful Fund Assets					
Total (RM million)	3,019.5	3,626.9	4,429.1	5,028.6	5,878.4
Family	2,644.7	3,162.8	3,861.0	4,305.1	5,048.4
General	374.8	464.1	568.1	723.5	830.0
% of GNP	1.6	1.8	2.0	2.2	2.2
% of total assets of the insurance and takaful industry	5.0	5.3	5.6	5.6	5.7

¹ As at 31 December

² Composite takaful operators

³ As per revenue account

⁴ Contributions on gross rate charged to participants without deduction for commission and brokerage

