

**MALAYSIA: EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR AND ETHNIC GROUP,  
1985 AND 1990  
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Sector	1985				1990					
	Bumiputera	Chinese	Indian	Others	Total	Bumiputera	Chinese	Indian	Others	Total
Agriculture, forestry, livestock, and fishing (%)	1,428.8 (73.2)	318.3 (16.3)	188.5 (9.6)	17.6 (0.9)	1,953.2 (100.0)	1,462.1 (73.0)	326.4 (16.3)	195.7 (9.8)	18.0 (0.9)	2,002.2 (100.0)
Mining and quarrying (%)	21.3 (35.2)	32.5 (53.7)	6.0 (9.9)	0.7 (1.2)	60.5 (100.0)	15.6 (38.5)	20.8 (51.4)	3.4 (8.4)	0.7 (1.7)	40.5 (100.0)
Manufacturing (%)	352.7 (42.6)	394.1 (47.6)	75.4 (9.1)	5.8 (0.7)	828.0 (100.0)	409.4 (43.5)	432.0 (45.9)	92.2 (9.8)	7.5 (0.8)	941.1 (100.0)
Construction (%)	147.7 (39.0)	206.4 (54.5)	20.8 (5.5)	3.8 (1.0)	378.7 (100.0)	184.9 (38.8)	262.7 (55.1)	24.8 (5.2)	4.3 (0.9)	476.7 (100.0)
Electricity, gas, and water (%)	27.1 (67.9)	3.5 (8.8)	9.1 (22.8)	0.2 (0.5)	39.9 (100.0)	31.3 (68.0)	4.0 (8.7)	9.2 (20.0)	1.5 (3.3)	46.0 (100.0)
Transport, storage, and communications (%)	147.3 (55.6)	88.5 (33.4)	28.3 (10.7)	0.8 (0.3)	264.9 (100.0)	187.6 (57.4)	106.2 (32.5)	32.4 (9.9)	0.7 (0.2)	326.9 (100.0)
Wholesale and retail trade, hotels and restaurants (%)	323.3 (38.2)	460.4 (54.4)	60.1 (7.1)	2.5 (0.3)	846.3 (100.0)	406.3 (38.9)	562.9 (53.9)	72.1 (6.9)	3.1 (0.3)	1,044.4 (100.0)
Finance, insurance, real estate and business services %	38.8 (38.2)	55.0 (54.1)	7.4 (7.3)	0.4 (0.4)	101.6 (100.0)	47.5 (39.3)	64.5 (53.4)	8.5 (7.0)	0.4 (0.3)	120.9 (100.0)
Government services (%)	506.0 (61.7)	221.6 (27.1)	81.8 (10.0)	10.1 (1.2)	819.5 (100.0)	571.2 (62.9)	235.0 (25.9)	91.5 (10.1)	10.6 (1.1)	908.3 (100.0)
Other services (%)	108.7 (61.8)	46.3 (26.3)	18.8 (10.7)	2.1 (1.2)	175.9 (100.0)	130.1 (62.9)	52.0 (25.2)	22.4 (10.8)	2.2 (1.1)	206.7 (100.0)
Total employed (%)	3,101.7 (56.7)	1,826.6 (33.4)	496.2 (9.1)	44.0 (0.8)	5,468.5 (100.0)	3,446.0 (33.8)	2,066.5 (37.8)	552.2 (9.0)	49.0 (0.8)	6,113.7 (100.0)
Labour force (%)	3,397.3 (57.4)	1,931.9 (32.6)	541.6 (9.2)	46.3 (0.8)	5,917.1 (100.0)	3,913.0 (57.6)	2,218.0 (32.6)	615.3 (9.0)	51.6 (0.8)	6,797.9 (100.0)
Unemployment (%)	295.6 (65.9)	105.3 (23.5)	45.4 (10.1)	2.3 (0.5)	448.6 (100.0)	467.0 (68.3)	151.5 (22.1)	63.1 (9.2)	2.6 (0.4)	684.2 (100.0)
Unemployment rate (%)	8.7	5.5	8.4	5.0	7.6	11.9	6.8	10.3	5.0	10.1