

# GLOBAL /S MALAYSIA'S FDI INFLOWS



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As the health crisis eases, policymakers will need to address the pandemic's lasting effects and take steps to spur green, resilient, and inclusive growth while safeguarding macroeconomic stability.

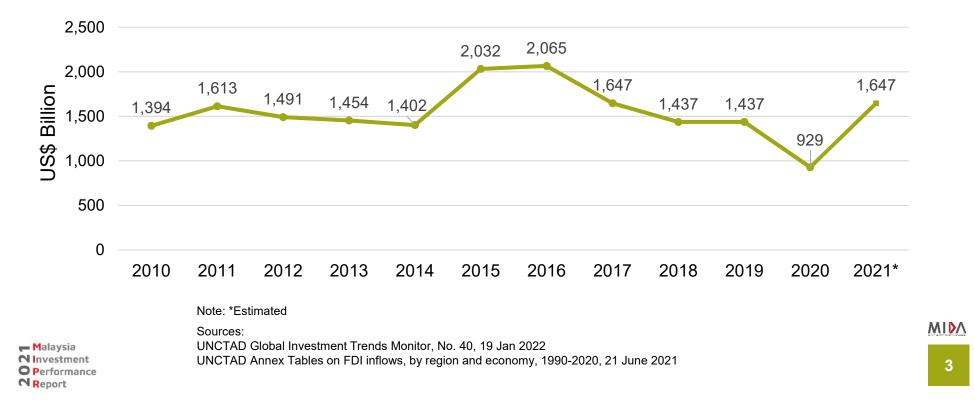
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David Malpass World Bank Group President



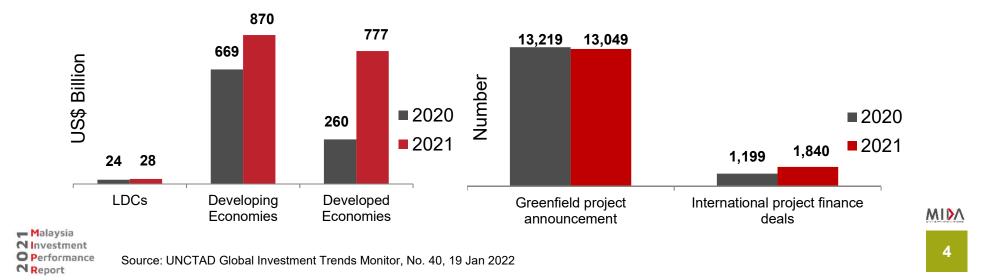
#### **Global FDI Inflows**

In 2021, global FDI flows showed a **strong rebound**, up **77%** to an estimated **\$1.65 trillion**, from \$929 billion in 2020, surpassing their pre-COVID-19 levels

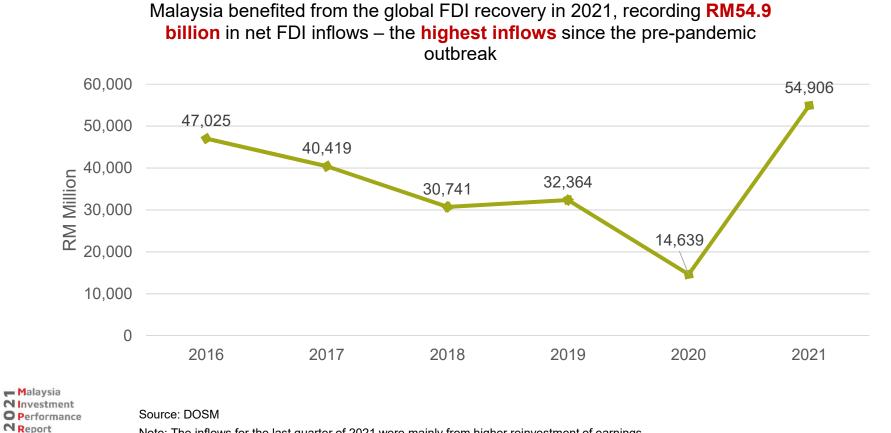


# In 2021, Global FDI Inflows show an uneven recovery

- FDI flows into developing economies surged by 30% to approximately \$870 billion, with East and Southeast Asia seeing a 20% increase in inflows.
- Confidence in the infrastructure sector is **strong** (+53%), owing to favourable long term financing conditions, recovery stimulus packages, and overseas investment programmes
- On the contrary, greenfield investment projects were flat (-1%)



#### Malaysia's FDI Inflows 2021



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Note: The inflows for the last quarter of 2021 were mainly from higher reinvestment of earnings

## International Recognition



#### **Top Country in Emerging** Southeast Asia for Foreign Investment

Global Opportunity Index, Bloomberg 2022



#### **Top City in Asia-Pacific Region** (Kuala Lumpur)

Global Technology Industry Survey 2021, KPMG

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#### Most Innovative Upper **Middle-income Economy** in the World

Global Innovation Index 2021, World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)



On infection management, vaccine rollouts and social mobility

Nikkei Covid-19 Recovery Index

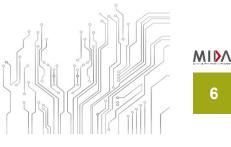


**Most Competitive Country in ASEAN** 



#### **Most Competitive Country in the World**

World Competitiveness Yearbook 2021, IMD



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## **Key Initiatives 2021**



- National Investment Aspirations (NIA)
  - SDGs and ESG goals
- 12<sup>th</sup> Malaysia Plan
  - 8 strategic and high impact industries identified
- National Recovery Plan (NRP)
- New Industrial Master Plan (NIMP)



- Project Acceleration and Coordination Unit (PACU)
- One Stop Centre for Business Travellers (OSC)
- InvestMalaysia Portal
- PIKAS
- E10 : Express
   Construction Permit
   Pilot Project



- Malaysia Digital Blueprint (MyDIGITAL)
  - To attract RM70 billion investments by 2025:
    - Digital Investment Office (DIO)
    - Digital Ecosystem Acceleration Scheme (DESAC)

#### Future-Ready Talents

- Career fair and career talk programmes, 'Listen and Act: Paving Your Way to Industry' & INTERNSHIP Career Talk
- Reskilling and upskilling
   **PENJANA** initiatives

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# IN/ESTMENTS PERFORMANCE 2021



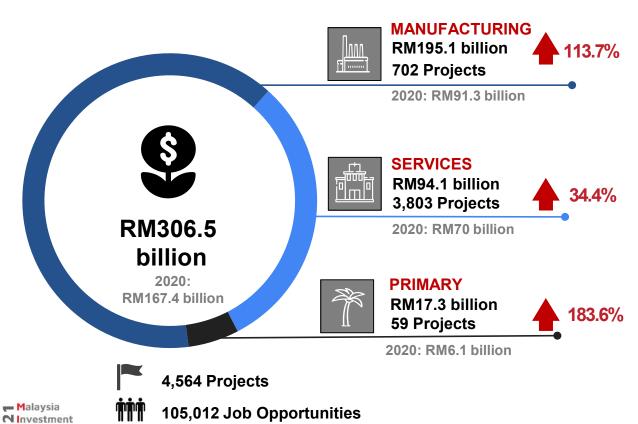


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To ensure Malaysia remains an attractive investment destination, the government has rolled out strategic frameworks that prioritise new areas with potential growth opportunities that focus on sustainability and new technologies to strengthen our economy.

YBhg. Datuk Arham Abdul Rahman MIDA CEO

#### 2021 Year In Review

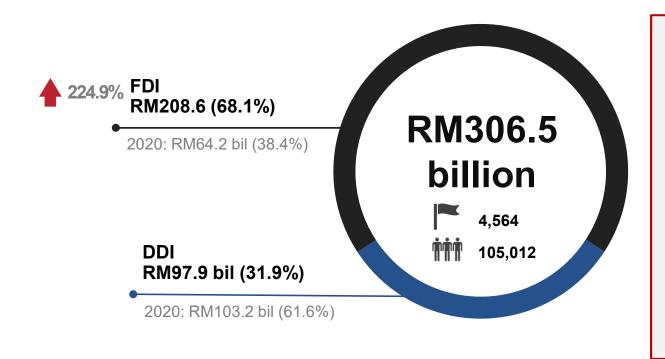


- Total investments approved in 2021 surged by 83.1% from RM167.4 billion approved in 2020.
- The manufacturing sector attracted the largest portion of approved investments in 2021.
- Significant increase in all three sectors reflects growing investors' confidence in Malaysia's business investment landscape.
- Major projects in the manufacturing sector (E&E industry) as well as mining sector (oil & gas) contributed to the outstanding growth in approved investments in 2021.

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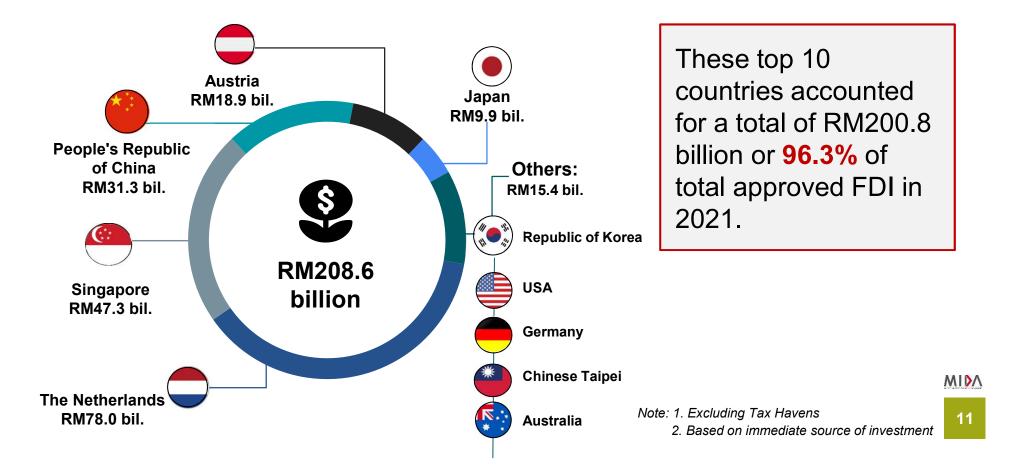
### **Overall Approved Investments 2021**

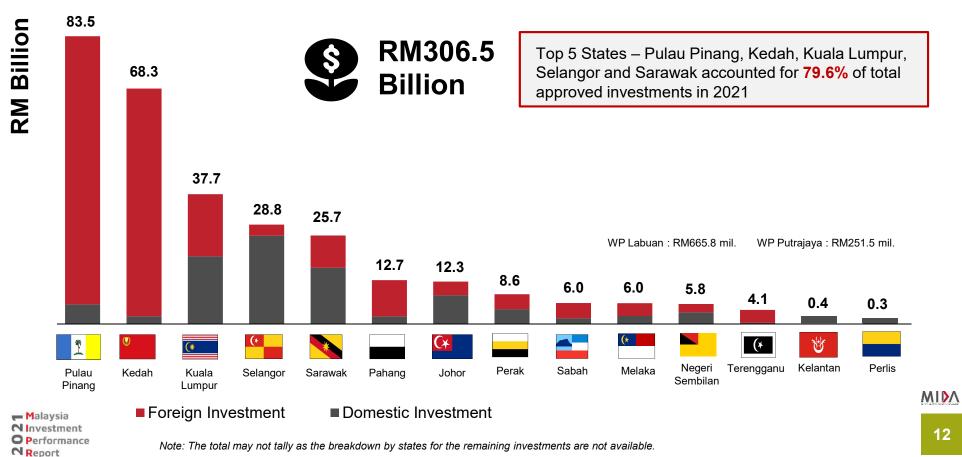


- Malaysia remains a competitive location for foreign investors, despite multiple global headwinds.
- FDI increased by 224.9% to RM208.6 billion compared to RM64.2 billion approved last year.
- The bulk of FDI was in E&E industry.
- The implementation of these projects will increase opportunities for Malaysia's local players to support global MNCs and move up the value chain.

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#### Major Sources of Overall Approved FDI in 2021





### **Overall Approved Investments by State**

# B MANUFACTURING SECTOR



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Manufacturers should now focus on a twin transformation: intelligent digitisation and ambitious ESG goal-setting.

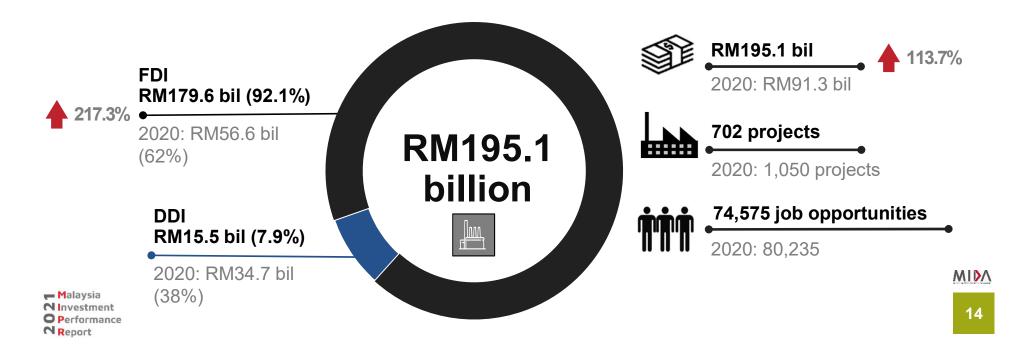
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Stéphane Souchet Global Sector Head, Industrial Manufacturing KPMG International



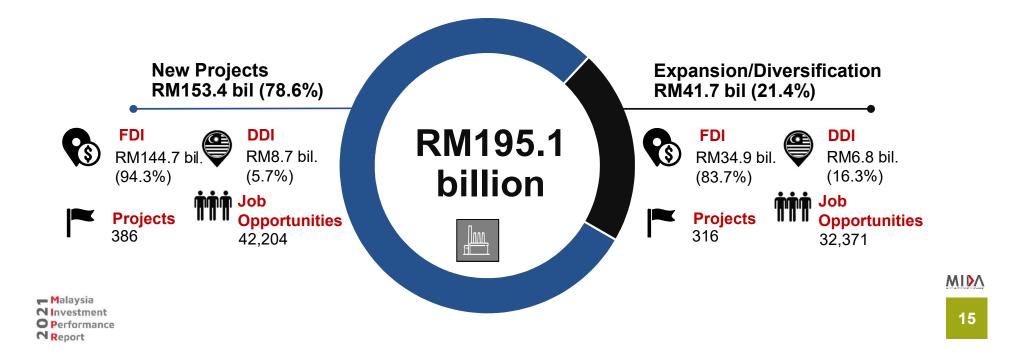
## **Approved Investments in Manufacturing**

In 2021, the manufacturing sector performed well, contributing **63.7%** of total approved investments, attributed to the use of automation and other Industry 4.0-related technologies.

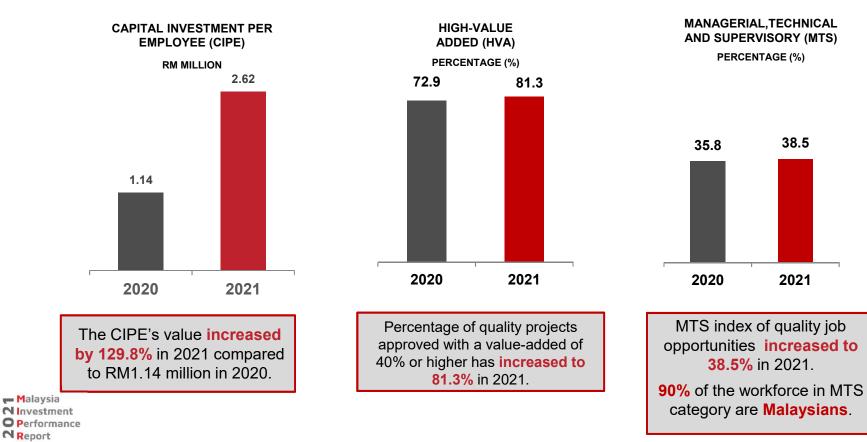


## **Type of Approved Manufacturing Projects**

**78.6%** of the total approved investments were **new/greenfield projects**. FDI continued to dominate both new and expansion/diversification projects.



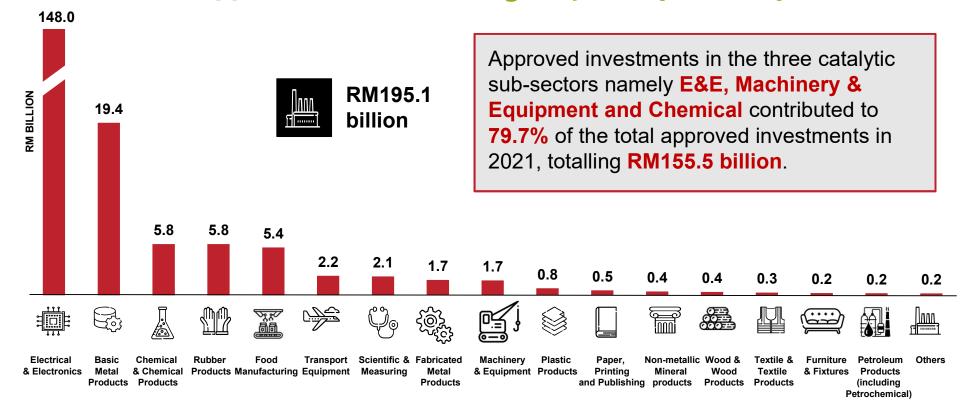
#### **Quality Investments in Manufacturing**



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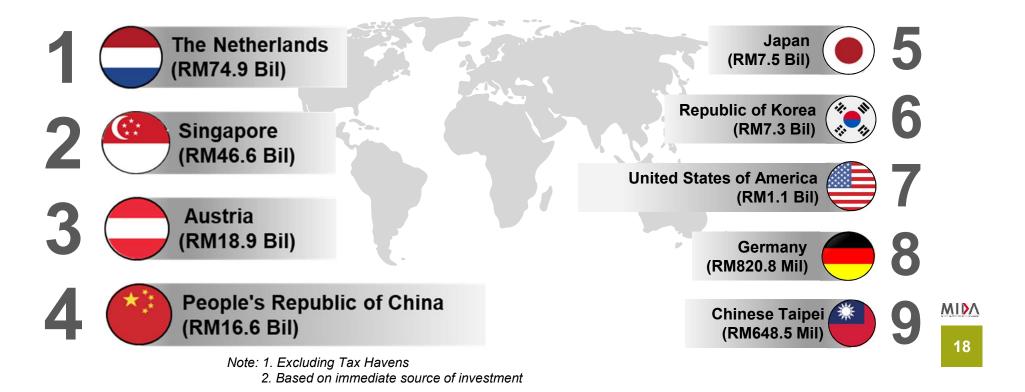
#### Approved Manufacturing Projects by Industry

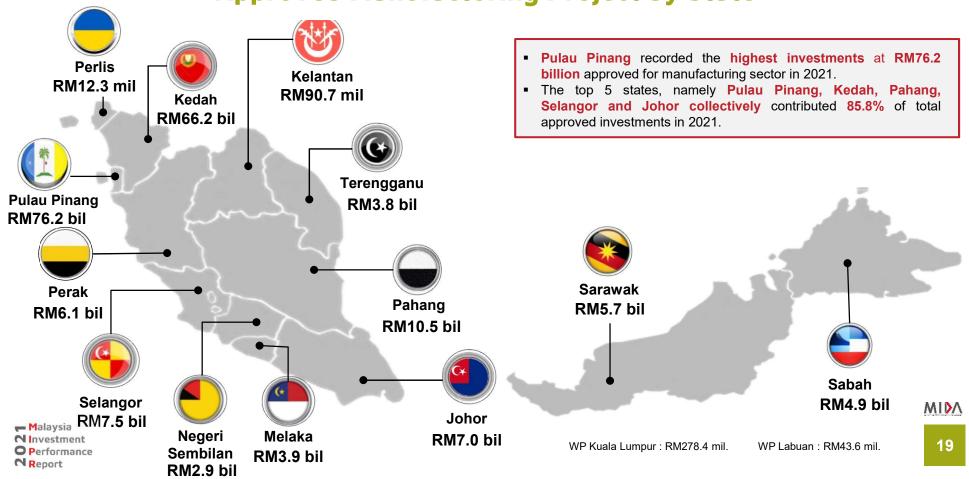
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## **Major Sources of FDI Approved in Manufacturing**

Top 3 countries, namely The Netherlands, Singapore and Austria accounted for 78.2% of total foreign investments.





#### **Approved Manufacturing Project by State**

#### **Status of Implementation of Manufacturing Projects IMPLEMENTED** 2,766 PROJECTS (66.7%) 4,147 Investments PROJECTS RM383.2 billion [Approved in 2017-2021] **Job Opportunities** 230,593 ACTIVE TO BE SITE **IMPLEMENTED PLANNING ACQUIRED** 1,067 projects (25.7%) 106 projects (2.6%) 208 projects (5.0%) 📻 Malaysia **N**Investment

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#### As at end 2021, 2,766 projects or 66.7% of 4,147 projects approved in 2017-2021 were implemented.

- Of the 2,766 projects that have been implemented, 2,479 projects are in production, while 287 projects are undergoing machinery installation/ factory construction.
- **MIDA's Project Acceleration and Coordination Unit (PACU), which** was established in 2020, will continue to provide end-to-end facilitation and accelerate project implementation.
- In 2021, 254 projects were approved and implemented with realised investments totalling RM160.8 billion, accounting for more than 80.0% of all approved investments in the manufacturing sector.

# 4 SERVICES SECTOR



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Intensification of digitalisation since the COVID-19 pandemic began has accelerated this phenomenon. Digital technology has also allowed access to a new range of products and services.

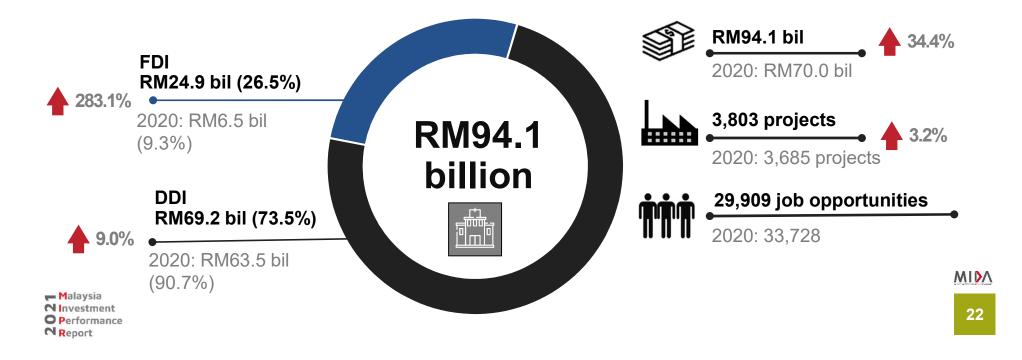
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Asian Economic Integration Report 2022 Asian Development Bank (ADB)

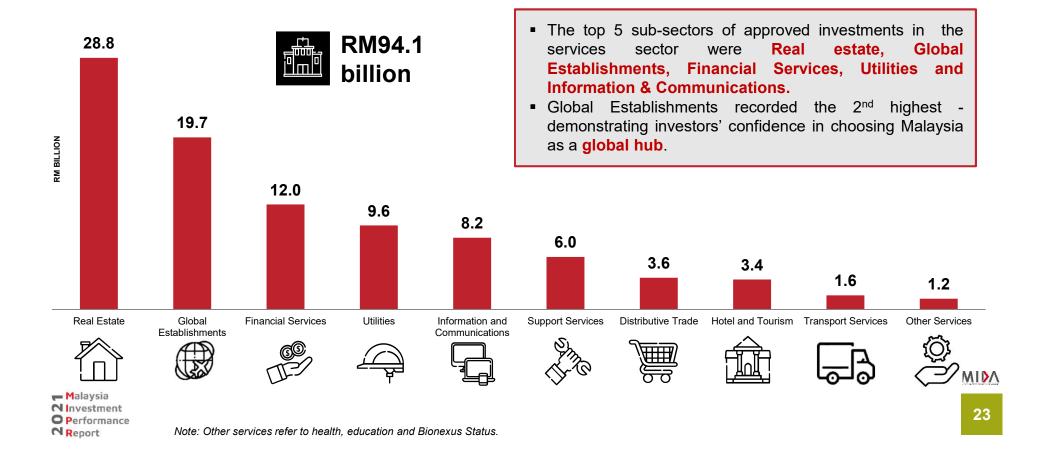


#### **Approved Investments in Services 2021**

- Approved investments in the services sector increased by 34.4% due to easing of containment measures, resulting in higher consumer spending and positive outlook among service providers.
- DDI dominated approvals in services sector at 73.5%.



#### **Approved Services Projects by Sub-sector 2021**



# **Highlights of the Services Sector in 2021**



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Communications

Information and

Investments RM8.2 billion



Job Opportunities 2,026

Approved investments in Information and Communications, will further accelerate Malaysia's Digital Economy agenda.





Investments in Green Technology increased by 54.2% from RM2.4 billion in 2020







Job Opportunities 2,949

Investments in Hotel and Tourism increased by 21.4% from RM2.8 billion in 2020

# 5 PRIMARY SECTOR



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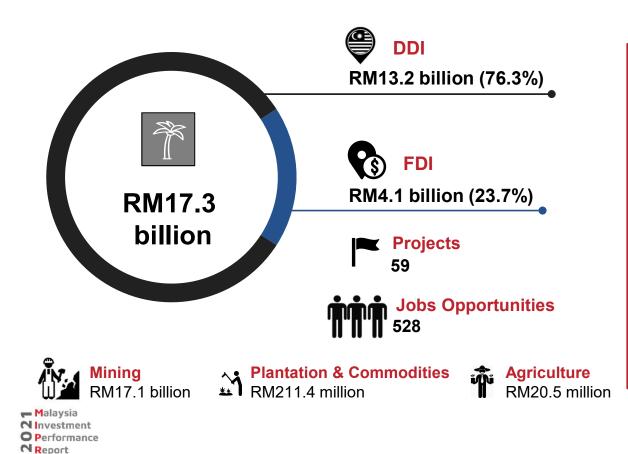
The fluctuations in commodity prices (in 2021) highlight some of the challenges in transitioning to a zero-carbon economy. Cities have a key role to play, given they account for around two-thirds of energy demand and greenhouse gas emissions.

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The World Bank, Commodity Markets Outlook, October 2021



### **Approved Investments in Primary 2021**



- Total approved investments increased from RM6.1 billion in 2020 to RM17.3 billion.
- DDI increased from RM5.0 billion in 2020 to RM13.2 billion.
- Mining sub-sector increased from RM6.1 billion in 2020 to RM17.1 billion.
- Plantation & Commodities subsector increased from RM27 million in 2020 to RM211.4 million.
- Agriculture sub-sector increased from RM2.4 million in 2020 to RM20.5 million.

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Private sector dynamism and innovative financing will need to power the recovery and to create economic growth and employment through investment and innovation

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World Economic Forum, 18 January 2022



#### **Investment Outlook**



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The World Economic Outlook by the International Monetary Fund (IMF) projects the global economy to moderate from 5.9% in 2021 to 4.4% in 2022.

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The World Bank anticipates a slower global growth at 4.1% in 2022 and 3.2% in 2023.

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UNCTAD projects global growth to be at 3.6% in 2022, with global income reaching 3.7% lower than prepandemic levels.

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Asian Development Bank (ADB) projects a 5.1% growth in 2022 from 3% in 2022 for the Southeast Asia region.

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#### **Investment Outlook**



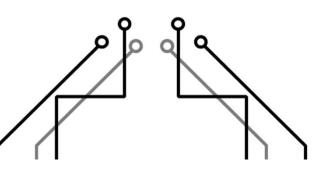
#### New Industrial Master Plan (NIMP)

- The New IMP Policy Framework will chart the direction of Malaysia's industrial development towards achieving the National aspirations.
- Navigate Malaysian industries to be resilient, competitive and sustainable through productivity and innovation-led growth.

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#### National Investment Aspirations (NIA)

- Malaysia's investment policies and initiatives to support the country's investment landscape.
  - Developed in response to the global economic agenda, emerging megatrends and business needs of investors.



#### Twelfth Malaysia Plan (12MP)

- Provide the direction for the nation's developmental goals and priorities (2021-2025).
- Leveraging advanced technology adoption and the global trend of digitalisation, as well as Malaysia's niche capabilities.

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#### **Investment Outlook**



#### **National Recovery Plan**

- Focus on four phases for the reopening resumption of economic and social activities.
- Priority was given to achieving herd immunity in order to resume economic activity and to lift travel restrictions.

# I I I Malaysia Digital Blueprint (MyDIGITAL)

- Strengthening the foundation and advancing the growth of the country's digital infrastructure.
- MIDA collaborates closely with MDEC, through the Digital Investment Office (DIO).



#### **Green Growth and Circular Economy**

- Achieving economic empowerment, environmental sustainability and social inclusion.
- In line with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) 2030 focused under the 12MP.

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#### **Pro-Business Policy**

- Liberalised foreign exchange policy rules to facilitate international trade and enhance the country's attractiveness as a global manufacturing hub for foreign investors.
- The new policy allows resident exporters to use foreign currency when trading with other residents in the global supply chain.

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## Key Messages



Despite multiple global headwinds, Malaysia remains a competitive investment destination, attracting 83.1% more investments in 2021 than the previous year.

FDI contributed 68.1% of the total overall approval investments, with the lion's share concentrated in the E&E, basic metal, global establishments and mining sectors.

FDI increased by 224.9% to RM208.6 billion, compared to RM64.2 billion overall approved investment in 2020.

The manufacturing sector recorded the lion's share of approved investments in 2021, increasing by 113.7% in 2021.

In 2021, the manufacturing sector performed well with 66.7% of the manufacturing projects approved by MIDA have been implemented. MIDA will continue to facilitate and accelerate the realisation of approved investments in manufacturing and services sectors through close collaboration with ministries and agencies .



Guided by the National Investment Aspirations (NIA), MIDA will continue to target high-tech and high-value MIDA added projects that provide higher incomes and create a sustainable domestic ecosystem that can integrate into regional and global supply chains, focusing on the ESG agenda.

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