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- *Malaysia's total **population** in 2024 is estimated at 34.1 million, comprising 90.0 per cent citizens and 10.0 per cent non-citizens. The annual population growth rate in 2024 recorded 1.9 per cent as compared to 2.1 per cent in the previous year. The sex ratio stood at 111 males for every 100 females, while life expectancy at birth reached 74.9 years.*
- *In terms of the economy, Malaysia's **labour market** continued to show positive development. The labour force grew to 16.9 million persons, an increase of 3.3 per cent as compared to 2023. This growth was driven by higher number of employment and declining of unemployment rate, supported by strong domestic demand, recovery in the external sector and the implementation of strategic government policies. The labour force participation rate reached a high record of 70.6 per cent, reflecting public confidence in the job market.*
- *At the same time, **household access to technology** became more widespread. Nearly all households owned mobile phones, televisions and radios, while Internet access reached 96.8 percent and computer ownership 92.2 per cent.*
- ***Education** recorded moderate progress. The number of government and government-aided schools stood at 10,233 with a small increase in teacher numbers. Students at the secondary level rose, while primary and post-secondary levels registered declines. The pupil-to-teacher ratio in primary schools improved, while in secondary schools it increased slightly.*
- ***Health** indicators also showed improvement. Malaysia's population-to-doctor ratio stood at 1:404 in 2024, compared to 1:406 the previous year. Several states, including Kelantan, Perlis, Pulau Pinang, Melaka, Negeri Sembilan, W.P. Kuala Lumpur and W.P. Putrajaya recorded better ratios than the national average, reflecting improved access to healthcare in those areas.*

- The **well-being** of the population was further reflected in the decline of absolute poverty rate, which fell from 6.2 per cent in 2022 to 5.1 per cent in 2024. Meanwhile, the relative poverty threshold, aligned with median household income, rose from RM3,169 to RM3,509.
- In terms of **welfare**, the number of beneficiaries under the Department of Social Welfare increased to 605,109 persons in 2024, with total disbursements amounting to RM2.61 billion, a 9.5 per cent rise as compared to the previous year. Sabah recorded the highest number of beneficiaries, followed by Johor and Selangor, while W.P. Putrajaya was the only territory to show a slight decline.
- In terms of **crime statistics** aspect, Malaysia's crime index rose by 11.1 per cent to 58,255 cases in 2024, with assault crimes increased by 5.9 per cent property crimes surged by 12.4 per cent.

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