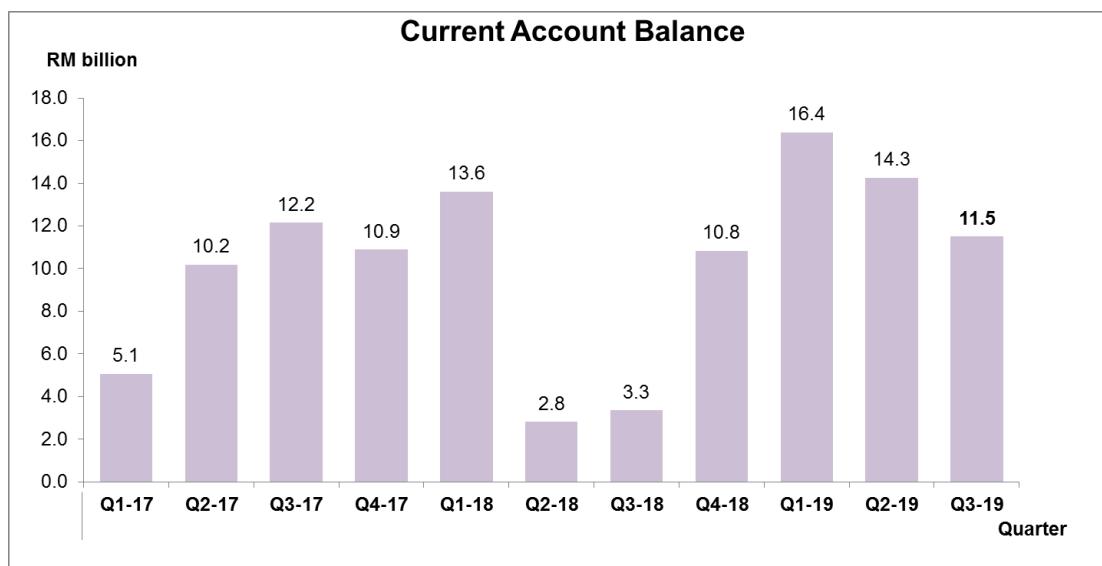




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QUARTERLY BALANCE OF PAYMENTS, THIRD QUARTER 2019

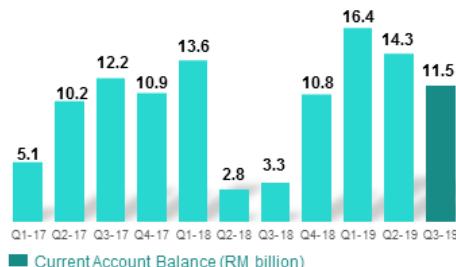
Malaysia's current account recorded a surplus of RM11.5 billion as compared to RM14.3 billion in the previous quarter. This was led by surplus in Goods Account and lower deficit in Services Account, which was primarily backed by better performance in travel activities. Nevertheless, the overall narrower surplus was influenced by widening deficit in Primary Income due to higher dividend earned by foreign companies. Meanwhile, financial account recorded a net outflow of RM1.3 billion (Q2 2019: net outflow RM18.6 billion) due to higher outflow in portfolio investment. For the period of January to September 2019, the surplus in current account reached RM42.1 billion.



Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) was registered a net inflow of RM2.9 billion in this quarter which was lower than RM4.4 billion in previous quarter. The FDI were mainly from Netherlands, Singapore and Japan. Similarly, Direct Investment Abroad (DIA) registered a lower net outflow of RM3.7 billion from RM12.6 billion in preceding quarter. The main destinations of DIA were Australia, Netherlands and Canada.

The international reserves of Bank Negara Malaysia stood at RM431.2 billion as compared to RM425.4 billion in last quarter.

BALANCE OF PAYMENTS, Q3 2019



“Malaysia’s current account balance recorded a surplus of **RM11.5 billion** as against RM14.3 billion in the Q2 2019”

CURRENT ACCOUNT

“The surplus in current account balance was led by Goods and lower deficit in Services”

GOODS	SERVICES
Surplus RM30.8b RM28.1b Surplus Q219	Deficit RM1.6b Deficit RM3.4b Q219
PRIMARY INCOME Deficit RM12.2b RM5.5b Deficit Q219	SECONDARY INCOME Deficit RM5.5b Deficit RM4.9b Q219

FINANCIAL ACCOUNT

“Financial Account registered net outflow of RM1.3 billion mainly due to higher outflow of Portfolio Investment”

DIRECT INVESTMENT	PORTFOLIO INVESTMENT
Net outflow RM0.8b RM8.2b Net outflow Q219	Net outflow RM26.8b RM10.2b Net outflow Q219
FINANCIAL DERIVATIVES Net inflow RM0.9b RM0.5b Net outflow Q219	OTHER INVESTMENT Net inflow RM25.3b RM0.3b Net inflow Q219

FDI & DIA PERFORMANCE



Source: Balance of Payments, Department of Statistics Malaysia

Download: Summary Table of Balance of Payments, Q3 2019  Quarterly Bulletin FDI and DIA, Q3 2019



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