

FUND FLOW REPORT

(Week ended 27 October 2023)

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GLOBAL MARKETS MOSTLY CLOSED LOWER
A. MARKET SNAPSHOT

- The global stock market closed the week mostly lower, influenced by a combination of factors including mixed corporate earnings, Middle East tensions, rising Treasury yields, and concerns about prolonged high interest rates. Amidst these concerns, the latest economic data released during the week indicated resilience in the U.S. economy.
- The U.S. economy had its strongest growth in almost two years last quarter, driven by robust consumer spending. The preliminary government estimate revealed a +4.9% annualised gross domestic product (GDP) growth rate, more than double that of the previous quarter.
- S&P Global's flash U.S. Composite Purchasing Managers Index (PMI), encompassing both manufacturing and service sectors, rose to 51.0 in Oct-23, the highest level since Jul-23. This improvement was driven by manufacturing exiting a five-month contraction with increased new orders, while services showed moderate acceleration alongside signs of easing inflationary pressures.
- Out of the 20 global indices we monitored, 17 of them recorded weekly losses. The only gainers were China's Shenzhen CSI 300 (+1.48%), Hong Kong's Hang Seng (+1.32%) and the FBM KLCI (+0.06%). Major decliners include Vietnam's Ho Chi Minh VSE (-4.28%), Korea's KOSPI (-3.04%) and the Philippines' PSEi (-2.95%).
- The European Central Bank (ECB) has maintained its interest rates for the first time in over a year as it assesses the impact of a series of rate hikes aimed at controlling inflation. This comes after last month's decision to increase the deposit rate to a record +4.0%.
- Private-sector activity in the euro area had a discouraging start to the final quarter of CY23, indicating the possibility of a regional recession. In Oct-23, S&P Global's purchasing managers' index (PMI) hit a three-year low, falling to 46.5.
- The Office for National Statistics (ONS) reported that the U.K. economy experienced a decline in employment, with an 82,000-job loss during the June to August quarter following a 133,000 decrease in the May to July period. This marks the third consecutive 3-month period of declining employment compared to the previous quarter, the most significant such decline since early-CY21.
- According to the National Bureau of Statistics (NBS), China's industrial firms saw a second consecutive month of increased profits in Sep-23 at +11.9%yoy (Aug-23: +17.2%yoy), indicating a stabilising economy due to recent supportive policy measures by the authorities.
- Surprisingly strong data from the Australian Bureau of Statistics revealed a +1.2% increase in the consumer price index (CPI) in 3QCY23, reflecting persistent and widespread cost pressures. This poses a significant challenge for policymakers, significantly elevating the risk of an interest rate hike as early as next month.
- In Oct-23, the Tokyo core CPI excluding volatile fresh food but including fuel costs, unexpectedly surged by +2.7%yoy (Sep-23: +2.5%yoy). This might indicate a broadening of price pressures, potentially sustaining

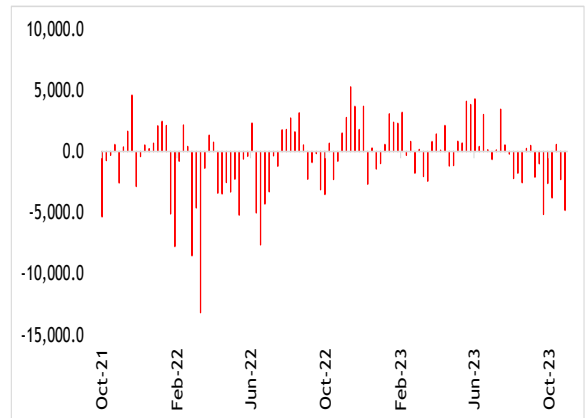
Table 1 Weekly Performance of Global Benchmark Indices (%)

| Index | Last Price | Change (%) |
|------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| Shenzhen CSI 300 | 3,562.39 | 1.48 |
| Hang Seng | 17,398.73 | 1.32 |
| FBM KLCI | 1,441.90 | 0.06 |
| CAC 40 | 6,795.38 | -0.31 |
| Straits Times | 3,061.85 | -0.48 |
| DAX 40 | 14,687.41 | -0.75 |
| SET | 1,388.23 | -0.79 |
| Nikkei 225 | 30,991.69 | -0.86 |
| Stoxx Europe 600 | 429.58 | -0.96 |
| ASX 200 | 6,826.86 | -1.07 |
| JCI | 6,758.79 | -1.32 |
| FTSE 100 | 7,291.28 | -1.50 |
| TAIEX | 16,134.61 | -1.86 |
| Dow Jones | 32,417.59 | -2.14 |
| Sensex | 63,782.80 | -2.47 |
| S&P 500 | 4,117.37 | -2.53 |
| Nasdaq | 12,643.01 | -2.62 |
| PSEi | 5,961.99 | -2.95 |
| KOSPI | 2,302.81 | -3.04 |
| Ho Chi Minh VSE | 1,060.62 | -4.28 |

Source: Bloomberg

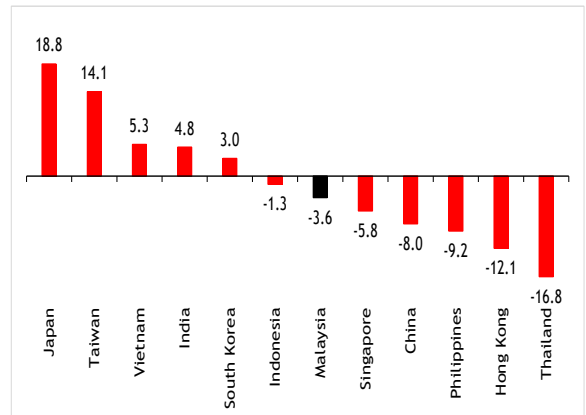
- expectations for a near-term end to ultra-low interest rates.
- In Sep-23, Singapore key consumer price, which excludes private road transport and accommodation costs, met expectations by easing to +3.0%yoy (Aug-23: +3.4%yoy), while headline inflation for the same period stood at +4.1%yoy.
- Malaysia’s producer price index (PPI), measuring factory gate prices, increased by +0.2% in Sep-23, a notable shift from the previous month’s -2.2%. This marks the first increase in seven months, primarily due to the base effect and higher primary commodity prices.
- In Aug-23, Malaysia leading index (LI) contracted less, narrowing by -0.5% to 109.7 points, compared to a -1.0% decline (108.9 points) in Jul-23. The LI is a predictive tool used to anticipate economic trends four to six months in advance.
- The Ringgit depreciated against the US dollar by -0.21% to close at RM4.7775 on Friday. The Brent crude oil price increased by +6.30% to USD90.48 per barrel while the crude palm oil price rose by +0.11% to RM3,775.00 per tonne.

Chart 1 Net Foreign Fund Flows into Equity in 8 Asian Markets Since Oct-21 (USD'm)



Sources: Bloomberg & MIDFR

Chart 2 YTD Performance of Asian Benchmark Indices (%)



Sources: Bloomberg & MIDFR

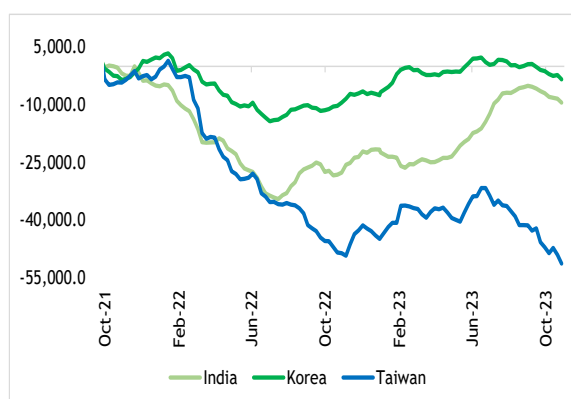
B. TRACKING MONEY FLOW - ASIA

- For the second consecutive week, there was a persistent trend of foreign funds departing from Asian markets, surpassing the outflows observed in the previous week by more than twice the amount. This pattern was evident across all eight markets in our tracking, with Taiwan and South Korea being the most heavily affected, witnessing outflows exceeding USD1.00b each.
- Taiwan experienced the most significant outflow last week, marking the second consecutive week of outflows totalling -USD2.25b. Taiwan’s industrial production continued to decline in Sep-23, falling by -6.72%yoy (Aug-23: -10.81%). The decline was primarily due to the weak performance in the mining, quarrying, and manufacturing sectors. Industrial production in Taiwan has been on a downward trend since Sep-22. Month-to-date, there has been a net foreign outflow of -USD4.21b out of Taiwan.
- Foreign funds continued to leave South Korea as investors reverted to their net selling stance at -USD1.12b, following a brief period of net buying in the previous week. South Korea’s GDP increased by +0.6% in 3QCY23 as per data from Bank of Korea, supported by a recovery in exports. However, the country faces numerous risks, including potential consequences from the Israel-Hamas conflict and the ongoing geopolitical rivalry between the United States and China. Month-to-date, South Korea recorded a net foreign outflow of -USD2.16b.
- India has seen a continuous net foreign outflow for eight weeks in a row, with a net outflow of -USD986.6m in the past week. The market was closed on Tuesday in observance of Vijaydashami, a major Hindu festival. India has seen a net foreign outflow of -USD2.45b month-to-date.
- Indonesia experienced a net outflow of -USD195.8m last week, marking the second consecutive week of such outflows. According to Bank Indonesia’s spokesman Erwin Haryono, it is open to the idea of an unexpected rate increase, following a surprising hike by policymakers last week. This reflects the growing pressure on regional central banks to take stronger measures to support their currencies amid a strengthening USD and rising U.S. Treasury yields. Month-to-date, -USD387.4m of foreign funds have

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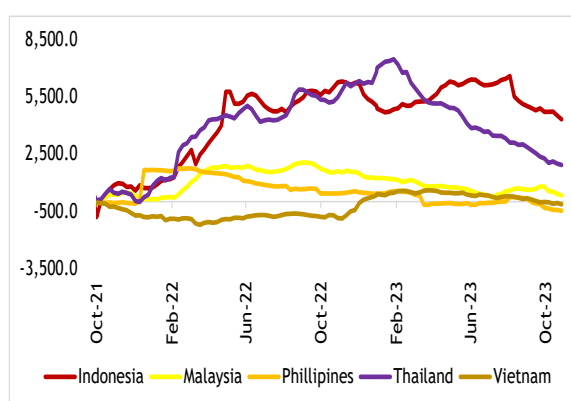
- Thailand’s net foreign outflows continued for the second consecutive week, with a net outflow of -USD71.6m reported last week. The market was closed on Monday in honour of Chulalongkorn Day. The Ministry of Finance has adjusted its economic growth projection for CY23 downwards to +2.7% from +3.5% earlier due to the impact of weaker exports and reduced government consumption. Nonetheless, they anticipate a more robust growth rate of +3.2% for CY24, without factoring in the potential effects of the government’s planned “digital wallet” handout program. Foreign investors have been net sellers of Thai equities month-to-date, with outflows amounting to -USD345.2m.
- Foreign funds continued to exit Vietnam as investors shifted back to net selling at -USD57.0m. During a parliamentary session, Vietnam’s Prime Minister announced that the country anticipates a GDP growth of over 5.0% for the year, falling short of the initial government target. Vietnam had initially aimed for a GDP growth rate of +6.5% for the year, which was a decrease from the +8.02% recorded in CY22. Weakened global demand has placed pressure on the country’s exports. Month-to-date, foreign investors have withdrawn -USD119.6m from Vietnam.
- Foreign investors maintained their trend of selling equities in the Philippines for the twelfth consecutive week, amounting to a total of -USD35.9m. The Philippines central bank, in an unscheduled decision on Thursday, resumed its tightening of monetary policy and indicated its readiness to take further measures as needed to bring inflation back within the target range. The Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) will raise its target rate by 25 basis points to 6.5% effective from last Friday. Month-to-date, there has been a net foreign outflow of -USD163.4m from the Philippines.

Chart 3 Net Foreign Fund Flows into North Asia and India Since Oct-21 (USD'm)



Sources: Bloomberg & MIDFR

Chart 4 Net Foreign Fund Flows into Southeast Asia Since Oct-21 (USD'm)



Sources: Bloomberg & MIDFR

Table 2 Net Foreign Fund Flows into Equity by Market (USD'm)

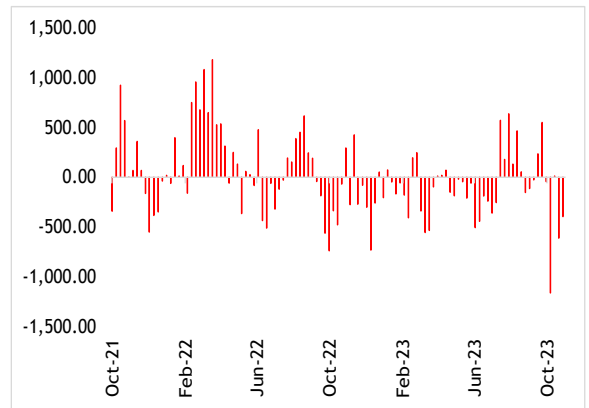
| Period | India | Indo | Korea | M'sia | Phil | Taiwan | Thai | Viet | Total |
|------------|----------|----------|----------|--------|--------|-----------|----------|--------|-----------|
| 1Q23 | -3,200.4 | 445.4 | 5,469.6 | -421.8 | -518.3 | 7,970.2 | -1,645.6 | 252.6 | 8,351.8 |
| 2Q23 | 12,492.0 | 644.8 | 2,474.7 | -506.4 | 51.0 | 3,277.1 | -1,461.2 | -265.5 | 16,706.5 |
| 3Q23 | 5,382.2 | -1,399.9 | -1,635.9 | 488.1 | -261.9 | -13,427.4 | -1,419.8 | -331.9 | -12,606.4 |
| QTD (4Q23) | -2,446.5 | -387.4 | -2,155.8 | -456.0 | -163.4 | -4,211.5 | -345.2 | -119.6 | -10,285.4 |
| YTD | 12,227.4 | -697.1 | 4,152.6 | -896.0 | -892.6 | -6,391.6 | -4,871.8 | -464.4 | 2,166.5 |

Source: Respective stock exchange statistics as reported on Bloomberg. These figures are subject to revisions.

C. TRACKING MONEY FLOW - MALAYSIA

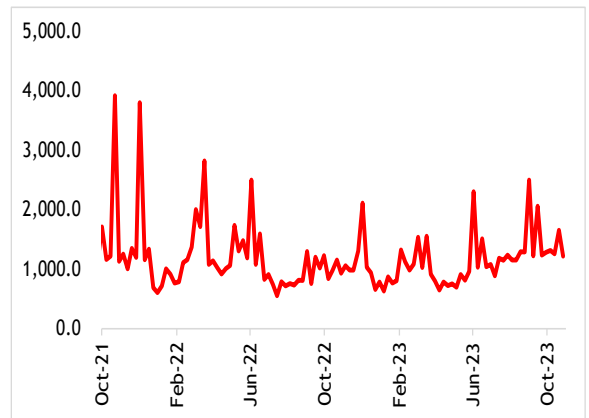
- Foreign investors have been net sellers of domestic equities for two consecutive weeks, with a total net selling of -RM396.9m. Every day was a net selling day by this investor class.
- Wednesday recorded the highest daily foreign outflow of -RM150.4m, with foreign investors selling stocks like Hong Leong Bank (-RM54.0m), KL Kepong (-RM33.6m) and Gamuda (-RM22.4m). Year-to-date, foreign investors have net sold -RM4.13b on Bursa Malaysia.
- The top three sectors with the highest net foreign inflows were Utilities (RM107.7m), Technology (RM18.5m) and Property (RM16.2m), while the top three sectors with the highest net foreign outflows were Financial Services (-RM181.9m), Consumer Products & Services (-RM101.4m) and Construction (-RM65.0m).
- Local institutions have maintained their trend of purchasing domestic equities for the fourth consecutive week, with a net buying amount of RM493.1m. There were favouring sectors such as Financial Services (RM236.0m), Consumer Products & Services (RM76.4m) and Construction (RM50.3m). Year-to-date, local institutions have net bought RM4.88b of equities.
- Local retailers have persisted as net sellers of domestic equities for the third consecutive week, totalling -RM96.2m in net sales. Year-to-date, retailers have accumulated net sales amounting to -RM756.8m.
- In terms of participation, there was a decrease in average daily trading volume (ADTV) among retail (-3.6%) and foreign (-26.1%) investors, but an increase among institutional investors (+2.7%).

Chart 5 Net Foreign Fund Flows into Malaysian Equity Since Oct-21 (RM'm)



Sources: Bursa Malaysia & MIDFR

Chart 6 Daily Average of Foreign Participation in Bursa Malaysia for the Week (RM'm)



Sources: Bursa Malaysia & MIDFR

Table 3 Bursa Malaysia: Market Participation (RM'b)

| Period | Local Retail | | | Local Institution | | | Foreign | | | *Net (USD'm) |
|------------|--------------|--------|-------|-------------------|--------|-------|---------|--------|-------|--------------|
| | Bought | Sold | Net | Bought | Sold | Net | Bought | Sold | Net | |
| 1Q23 | 36.28 | 36.19 | 0.09 | 62.10 | 60.32 | 1.77 | 30.28 | 32.15 | -1.87 | -0.42 |
| 2Q23 | 29.03 | 28.65 | 0.37 | 46.57 | 44.61 | 1.96 | 29.49 | 31.81 | -2.33 | -0.51 |
| 3Q23 | 34.89 | 35.98 | -1.09 | 54.18 | 55.32 | -1.14 | 42.77 | 40.54 | 2.23 | 0.49 |
| QTD (4Q23) | 10.59 | 10.72 | -0.13 | 17.15 | 14.86 | 2.30 | 12.53 | 14.69 | -2.16 | -0.46 |
| YTD | 110.79 | 111.54 | -0.76 | 180.00 | 175.12 | 4.88 | 115.07 | 119.19 | -4.13 | -0.90 |

Source: Daily statistics provided by Bursa Malaysia. *Estimated by MIDFR based on the prevailing exchange rates.

D. NET INFLOWS AND OUTFLOWS BY STOCK (WEEK ENDED 27 OCTOBER 2023)
Table 4 Top 10 Stocks with Inflows and Outflows for the Week by Investor Class (RM'm)

| LOCAL RETAIL | | LOCAL INSTITUTION | | FOREIGN | |
|---|-------|----------------------------|-------|--------------------------|-------|
| Top 10 Stocks with Weekly Net Inflows | | | | | |
| Company | Value | Company | Value | Company | Value |
| IOI Properties Group | 33.1 | Public Bank | 83.0 | YTL Power International | 50.6 |
| Genting | 16.6 | Hong Leong Bank | 81.7 | YTL Corp | 49.7 |
| Widad Group | 13.9 | Nestle | 53.4 | Malayan Banking | 43.2 |
| My E.G. Services | 10.1 | RHB Bank | 52.0 | Inari Amertron | 26.0 |
| Top Glove Corp | 9.5 | Kuala Lumpur Kepong | 45.5 | Bermaz Auto | 20.4 |
| SKP Resources | 9.3 | CIMB Group Holdings | 45.1 | Sime Darby Property | 17.1 |
| Capital A | 8.3 | Gamuda | 35.8 | Gas Malaysia | 12.5 |
| Affin Bank | 6.5 | Yinson Holdings | 33.3 | Sunway | 12.1 |
| Axiata Group | 6.0 | Press Metal Aluminium | 28.2 | UMW Holdings | 8.5 |
| SMRT Holdings | 5.6 | Malaysia Airports Holdings | 25.8 | Petronas Chemicals Group | 7.9 |
| Top 10 Stocks with Weekly Net Outflows | | | | | |
| Company | Value | Company | Value | Company | Value |
| Public Bank | -21.0 | Inari Amertron | -46.3 | Hong Leong Bank | -84.0 |
| UEM Sunrise | -17.8 | Malayan Banking | -27.7 | Nestle | -54.6 |
| YTL Corp | -15.3 | YTL | -24.6 | Public Bank | -54.5 |
| YTL Power International | -12.6 | Sime Darby Property | -19.4 | RHB Bank | -50.5 |
| CIMB Group Holdings | -12.3 | Bermaz Auto | -18.3 | Kuala Lumpur Kepong | -43.6 |
| Malayan Banking | -11.5 | Genting | -15.2 | Widad Group | -42.1 |
| Hextar Global | -9.3 | IOI Properties Group | -10.9 | Yinson Holdings | -35.2 |
| Chin Hin Group | -9.1 | Affin Bank | -9.3 | Gamuda | -34.4 |
| IJM Corp | -7.2 | Pentamaster Corp | -8.3 | Press Metal Aluminium | -27.9 |
| Mah Sing Group | -6.4 | YTL Power International | -8.1 | CIMB Group Holdings | -25.7 |

Source: Dibots (based on the data provided by Bursa Malaysia).

Appendix: Foreign Shareholdings of the Companies Under Our Coverage as at Sep-23 (%)

| Company | % | MoM % | Company (cont'd) | % | MoM % | Company (cont'd) | % | MoM % |
|---------------------------|------|-------|----------------------------|------|-------|----------------------------|------|-------|
| Automotive | | | Nestlé | 82.5 | 0.0 | TSH Resources | 18.9 | 0.0 |
| Bermaz Auto | 15.8 | 12.9 | Padini | 9.1 | -2.2 | Port & Shipping | | |
| MBM Resources | 2.8 | -9.7 | QL Resources | 9.5 | 0.0 | MISC | 9.2 | 2.2 |
| Tan Chong | 10.6 | 0.0 | Rhong Khen International | 62.3 | 0.0 | Suria Capital | 5.8 | 0.0 |
| UMW Holdings | 7.8 | 9.9 | Spritzer | 16.3 | -4.1 | Westports | 27.4 | -1.4 |
| Aviation | | | Gloves | | | Property | | |
| Capital A | 18.7 | -5.1 | Hartalega | 14.7 | -3.3 | Eco World | 29.3 | 0.7 |
| Malaysia Airports | 25.3 | 4.5 | Kossan | 10.4 | 2.0 | Glomac | 4.3 | 2.4 |
| Banking | | | Top Glove | 28.5 | -2.4 | IOI Property | 4.6 | 9.5 |
| Affin Bank | 26.2 | -0.8 | Healthcare | | | Mah Sing | 18.1 | 11.7 |
| Alliance Bank | 20.1 | -1.0 | IHH Healthcare | 49.6 | -0.2 | S P Setia | 13.6 | 17.2 |
| AMMB Holdings | 38.7 | -1.0 | KPJ Healthcare | 8.1 | 0.0 | Sunway | 5.2 | 8.3 |
| Bank Islam | 0.6 | -14.3 | Pharmaniaga | 0.6 | 0.0 | UEM Sunrise | 8.9 | 0.0 |
| CIMB Group | 29.3 | 2.4 | Logistics | | | UOA Development | 3.7 | -2.6 |
| Hong Leong Bank | 10.5 | 0.0 | CJ Century | 57.9 | 0.0 | REITs | | |
| Hong Leong Financial | 32.1 | -0.3 | Swift Haulage | 13.0 | -3.7 | Al-'Aqar Healthcare | 0.6 | 0.0 |
| Malayan Banking | 18.4 | -0.5 | Tasco | 66.1 | 0.3 | Axis REIT | 15.0 | -0.7 |
| Public Bank | 26.7 | 0.0 | Media | | | IGB REIT | 3.7 | 0.0 |
| RHB Bank | 15.6 | -3.1 | Astro | 37.5 | -0.5 | KLCCP Stapled | 0.7 | -12.5 |
| Building Materials | | | Media Prima | 20.3 | -1.0 | Pavilion REIT | 33.0 | -0.3 |
| Malayan Cement | 3.5 | 9.4 | Non-bank Financials | | | Sunway REIT | 4.9 | -16.9 |
| Conglomerate | | | Bursa Malaysia | 15.2 | -4.4 | Technology | | |
| YTL Corp | 20.7 | 3.5 | AEON Credit | 69.1 | 0.1 | D & O Green Tech | 34.7 | -0.6 |
| Construction | | | Oil & Gas | | | Datasonic | 6.2 | -6.1 |
| Cahaya Mata Sarawak | 6.8 | -8.1 | Bumi Armada | 13.3 | -3.6 | Globetronics | 3.8 | 8.6 |
| Gabungan AQRS | 2.7 | 58.8 | Deleum | 4.1 | 2.5 | Inari Amertron | 19.6 | 0.0 |
| Gamuda | 21.9 | 3.3 | Dialog | 19.4 | -1.0 | MY E.G. Services | 13.8 | -7.4 |
| IJM Corp | 13.1 | 4.8 | Gas Malaysia | 18.2 | 0.6 | Unisem | 2.4 | 4.3 |
| KKB Engineering | 0.3 | 0.0 | MMHE | 8.6 | -2.3 | Telecommunication | | |
| MRCB | 6.7 | -10.7 | Petronas Chemicals | 8.8 | -1.1 | Axiata | 10.1 | 0.0 |
| Muhibbah Engineering | 14.9 | 1.4 | Petronas Dagangan | 7.9 | 8.2 | CelcomDigi | 60.0 | 0.0 |
| Pintaras Jaya | 0.1 | 0.0 | Petronas Gas | 9.4 | 2.2 | Maxis | 7.6 | 0.0 |
| Sunway Construction | 1.7 | 6.3 | Plantation | | | Telekom Malaysia | 11.3 | -1.7 |
| WCT Holdings | 7.2 | 9.1 | FGV | 4.1 | 0.0 | Utilities | | |
| Consumer | | | Genting Plantations | 4.5 | -10.0 | Ranhill Utilities | 32.0 | -0.9 |
| AEON Co. | 54.6 | 0.0 | IOI Corp | 11.1 | -1.8 | Tenaga Nasional | 13.4 | 1.5 |
| Asia File | 3.6 | 0.0 | KL Kepong | 14.2 | 1.4 | YTL Power | 8.8 | 20.5 |
| Fraser & Neave | 61.2 | 0.2 | PPB Group | 21.0 | 1.0 | | | |
| Hup Seng | 1.8 | 0.0 | Sarawak Plantation | 2.7 | 0.0 | | | |
| Leong Hup | 10.7 | 0.9 | Sime Darby Plantation | 9.8 | -1.0 | | | |
| MSM Malaysia | 1.6 | -5.9 | Ta Ann | 14.1 | -2.1 | | | |

Source: Dibots (estimated from the latest half yearly filings by PLC to Bursa Malaysia and calculated by the demography movement daily).

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