

MORNING BREAK

STOCK MARKET INDEX

FBM KLCI
1754.67
▼ -4.57
-0.26%

SHANGHAI
2829.27
▲ +56.73
+2.05%

NIKKEI
22,447.31
▼ -250.57
-1.10%

DJIA
25,058.12
▼ -6.38
-0.025%

FTSE
7678.79
▼ -5.18
-0.067%



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LOCAL

Restoran D'Tandoor buka tiga cawangan di Indonesia tahun hadapan (*Utusan*)

Usahawan francais perlu rebut peluang luar negara (*Berita Harian*)

AI in financial services — digital transformation or disruption (*NST*)

Malaysian sugar refiner eyes China and Africa markets (*The Star*)

MIDA monitors US-China trade war impact (*Malaysian Reserve*)

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Being homeschooled helped this entrepreneur build a multimillion-dollar business (*CNBC*)

My baby monitor started a cyberattack? IoT industry suffering from security growth pains (*Channel NewsAsia*)

The next test for markets: Tech earnings the next test for markets: Tech earnings (*Wall Street Journal*)

Electric cars seen imperilling U.S. jobs by a rare Trump backer (*Bloomberg*)

Europeans press for digital tax at G20 meeting (*Reuters*)

COMMENT

EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS, FOURTH QUARTER 2017

In the fourth quarter of 2017, the number of positions for paid employees in the private sector grew 1.0 per cent year-on-year to 8,481 thousand (Q4 2016: 8,393 thousand). This increase was mainly contributed by filled positions which recorded 8,275 thousand compared to 8,157 thousand in the preceding year. On the other hand, vacancies registered a negative growth of 12.7 per cent to 206 thousand (Q4 2016: 236 thousand). The jobs created declined 8.5 per cent to 30 thousand (Q4 2016: 33 thousand). For more info, click [HERE](#).

Source: DOSM

ECONOMIC INDICATOR	EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS
Actual	8,481 thousand position paid employees
Coverage	Q4/17
Previous	8,393 thousand (Q4/16)
Frequency	Quarterly
Data Release	July/18