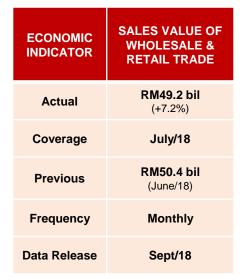


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Sales value of Wholesale & Retail Trade continued to exceed RM100 billion for three consecutive months recording RM106.5 billion in July 2018. In terms of growth, the sales value increased 10.3 per cent as compared to the corresponding period in 2017, driven by Retail Trade (13.3%) and Motor Vehicles (12.1%). For more info, click <u>HERE</u>.