

MORNING BREAK

STOCK MARKET INDEX



ECONOMIC

INDICATOR

Year-on-Year

Percentage

Change

Coverage

Frequency

Data Release

(Aug 2018/Aug 2017) CONSUMER PRICE INDEX MALAYSIA

AUGUST 2018

0.2%

Aug/18

Monthly

Sept/18



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LOCAL

Pasarkan nasi lemak, tosei, dim sum ke seluruh dunia secara francais (Astro Awani)

Getah dijangka atasi sumbangan minyak sawit kepada ekonomi (Astro Awani)

Program lahirkan usahawan kelulut (Utusan)

Budget 2019 aims to reduce SME reliance on foreign labour (Bernama)

3M launches DIY Auto-care products, ties up with Lazada (Bernama)

GLOBAL

In a world of robots, carmakers persist in hiring more humans (The Edge)

Manufacturing-on-demand way to go, says Alibaba's Jack Ma (*The Edge*)

What Is Womenomics, and is it working for Japan? (The Edge)

Japanese billionaire businessman revealed as SpaceX's first Moon traveller (NST)

Apple escapes China tariff hit for now, but threats loom (NST)

COMMENT

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX MALAYSIA AUGUST 2018

CPI rose by 0.2 per cent in August 2018, registering the lowest rate within 42 months. This slowdown movement was due to the impact of cost of fuels which caused the index for Transport increased 2.1 per cent as compared to 6.7 per cent recorded in July 2018.

Other than Transport group, an increase of price in Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas & Other Fuels (+2.0 per cent), Education (+1.1 per cent), Restaurants & Hotels (+0.7 per cent) and Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages (+0.4 per cent) also contributed to the increase of CPI August 2018.

On a monthly basis, CPI increased 0.2 per cent as compared to July 2018. CPI for the period January-August 2018 registered an increase of 1.3 per cent as compared to the same period last year. For more info, click HERE.