

# MORNING BREAK

## STOCK MARKET INDEX

**FBMKLCI**  
**1763.57**  
 **-0.59**  
**-0.03%**

**SHANGHAI**  
**3049.80**  
 **-30.01**  
**-0.97%**

**NIKKEI**  
**22,830.41**  
 **-135.97**  
**-0.13%**

**DJIA**  
**25,201.20**  
 **-119.53**  
**-0.47%**

**FTSE**  
**7703.71**  
 **-0.10**  
**0.00%**



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## COMMENT

### LABOUR FORCE IN MALAYSIA, APRIL 2018

The labour force participation rate remained at 68.2 per cent in April 2018. Year-on-year showed that, the labour force participation rate increased by 0.5 percentage points (April 2017: 67.7%).

The number of labour force in this month rose 2.5 per cent (March 2018: 2.1%) against April 2017 to 15.3 million persons. During the same period, employed persons increased 2.6 per cent after registering 2.2 per cent growth in the previous month. For more info, click [HERE](#).

Source: DOSM