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ABSTRACT

Fear of crime in areas steadily keep increasing, the economic effect and social effects can distribute into surrounding city. Residents then, become more defensive, cautious and having low committed to their communities. The important social root of the community were decreasing and also weakend. Moreover, economics conditions also may effect the occurance at this crime. Thus, to clarify the relationship between the economic variables and crime, this study aims to investigate the significants relationship between unemployment, inflation and population density with crime rates in Malaysia. The data of crime rate index in Malaysia for the year 1982 until 2013 (yearly basis) were obtained from Royal Malaysia Police as well as from DataStream for the dependent variables. The data of this study was being analysed by using Eviews software. The Multiple Linear Regressionswere used to analyze the significant relationship between independent variables (unemployment, inflation and population density) towards dependent variable (crime rates). The findings of this study was consistent with crime rate hypothesis which indicate that the country which have high degree of unemploment, inflation and population density tend to have higher rate of crime.