



**THE EFFECT OF GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT, EXCHANGE
RATE AND INFLATION RATE TOWARDS MALAYSIA'S
EXPORT**

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ABSTRACT

Export is very important to each country in the modern world. By having an export, it enables people to make a transaction without obstacle in borderless world. Day to day, demand towards the export is keep increasing. Level of export performance in a country is affected by various factors. Export seems as the heart of the country economic growth especially in developing country such as Malaysia. Due to increase the exports, Malaysia manufacturers continuously produced variety of products in diverse industry in order to compete with the foreign products which give high competition. Therefore, due to that circumstance, the main purpose of this study is to examine empirically the impact of various factors on Malaysia's export. The variables under consideration are gross domestic product (GDP), exchange rate (ER), and inflation rate (IR). The data are taking annually from year 1983 to 2013 for each dependent and independent variables which total of observation is 31 years. Method will be used for this study is Multiple Linear Regression approach with time series data. The data is obtained from World Data Bank. The expected result of the study is independent variables has significant relationship and simultaneously affect the Malaysia's export performance. The future researcher can depend on exchange rate as it is a strong variable that will influence the export performance.

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