

Table A.7
Private Consumption Indicators

	2007	2008				
		1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	Year
Sales of passenger cars ('000 units)	442.9	120.3	134.0	138.1	105.1	497.5
Annual change (%)	18.4	25.7	27.8	10.4	-10.5	12.3
Imports of consumption goods (RM billion)	28.9	7.4	8.3	8.7	8.0	32.3
Annual change (%)	3.6	5.6	21.3	16.2	4.1	11.6
Tax collection						
Sales tax (RM billion)	6.3	1.2	2.2	1.9	3.1	7.4
Service tax (RM billion)	3.0	0.5	1.0	0.8	1.0	3.2
Narrow Money (M1)						
Annual change (%)	19.6	2.7	1.4	2.1	1.9	8.3
Loans disbursed by banking system						
Consumption credit (excl. passenger cars)						
Annual change (%)	14.9	15.4	21.0	3.0	-1.5	8.8
Retail trade, restaurants and hotels						
Annual change (%)	0.8	22.6	36.5	32.8	8.1	24.5
MRA retail sales (Annual change in %)	12.8	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	5.0
Credit card turnover spending (RM billion)	55.6	15.4	15.7	17.2	16.8	65.2
Annual change (%)	17.5	17.1	19.5	22.0	10.9	17.2
MIER Consumer Sentiment Index	–	115.5	70.6	88.9	71.4	–
KL Composite Index	1,445.0	1,247.5	1,186.6	1,018.7	876.8	876.8
Commodity prices						
CPO (RM/tonne)	2,472	3,592	3,524	2,780	1,601	2,875
Crude oil (USD/barrel)	78	99	128	124	57	102
Rubber (sen/kg)	736	842	927	983	563	829

n.a. Not available