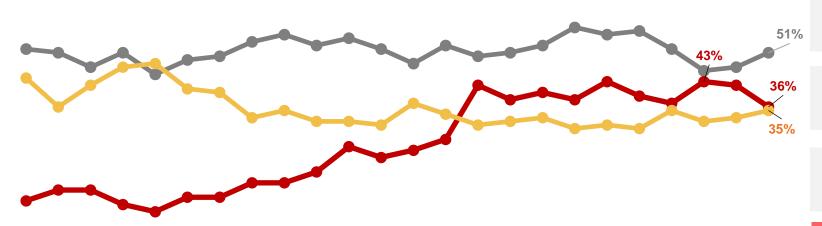


INFLATION CONCERN IS TRENDING DOWN FROM ITS PEAK IN JAN'23

Malaysians top 3 worries in March 2023 (%)







% Worried about financial/ political corruption



% Worried about inflation



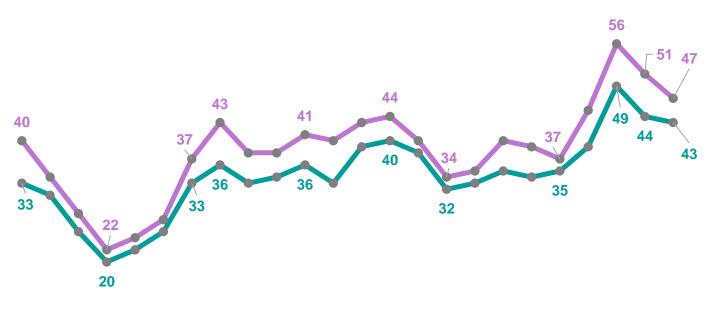
% Worried about unemployment and jobs





PURCHASE SENTIMENT MODERATE FROM POST ELECTION PEAK AS INFLATION PRESSURE PERSISTS

% More comfortable with making purchases compared to 6 months ago





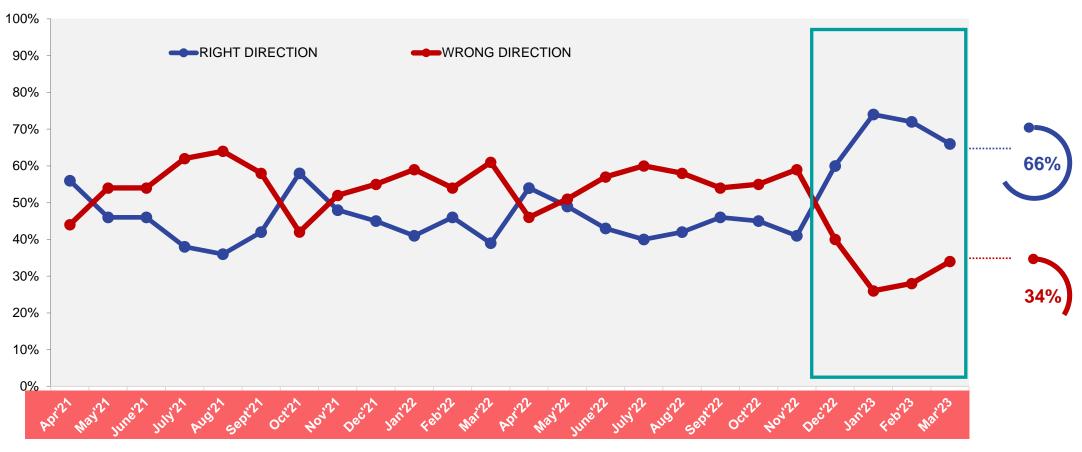
% More comfortable



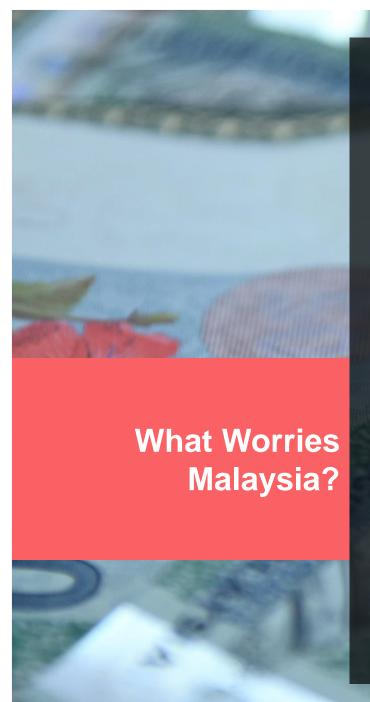


5 MONTHS FROM GE15, TWO THIRD OF MALAYSIANS BELIEVE COUNTRY IS ON RIGHT TRACK

COUNTRY DIRECTION?







Q1'23 has seen the economic landscape readjust to post-covid and post-election reality. Covid-19 concern has receded while corruption, inflation and unemployment/jobs have taken over as the main worries of Malaysia.

As seen in national elections worldwide, public sentiment peaks post government changes and slips to a new normal. After five months with the new government, two third of Malaysians believe the country is on the right track.

Inflation is persistent as one of the key concerns, while it has shown early signs of trending down. Pressured by inflation, economic confidence and consumer purchase intent are slipping from the post-election sentiment lift.

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