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#### **PREFACE**

The Yearbook of Statistics, Singapore, 1991 is the twenty-fifth edition published by the Department of Statistics. This Yearbook puts together important statistical series on the demographic, economic and social characteristics of Singapore and relevant statistical charts highlighting socio-economic trends. Annual series for eleven years are included wherever available to facilitate time series analysis.

The Department regularly reviews and updates the contents of the Yearbook to keep pace with the latest developments in Singapore. It has included sixteen new series of interest in this edition. Details of the new series are given in the Notes on Changes and Revisions in pages xiii - xv. Brief notes on coverage, definitions and data sources are given in each section. A 'Feedback' page is enclosed at the end of this publication and we would appreciate readers' response to help us further improve the Yearbook.

Most of the data are compiled from series maintained by the Department of Statistics and other government departments and statutory bodies. The Department of Statistics gratefully acknowledges the cooperation and assistance of all the organisations that have provided data for publication in this Yearbook.

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## **NOTATIONS**

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#### NOTES ON CHANGES AND REVISIONS

From time to time, changes are made to the Yearbook of Statistics to maintain its currency and relevance. Such changes include addition of new series and replacement of existing series as a result of revision necessitated by changed circumstances. In this edition, the following changes are made:

#### **New Tables**

The following 16 new tables are included in this edition:

Table 3.10 Average Monthly Earnings by Industry, 1981-1991; 6.15 Indices of Unit Labour Cost and Unit Business Cost, 1981 - 1991; Retail Sales Index, 1988 - 1991; 9.5 Sales Index of Catering Trade, 1988 - 1991; 9.6 Vehicles Involved in Road Accidents by Type of Vehicle, 1980 - 1990; 11.21 Government Development Expenditure, 1981 - 1991; 13.3 Price Indices of Selected Consumer Items, 1981-1991; 14.2 Grassroots Organisations, 1981 - 1991; 18.1 Volunteers by Volunteer Group and Type of Service, 1981 - 1991; 18.2 Enrolment in Child Care Centres by Type of Programme and Organisation, 18.3 1981 - 1991; Public Assistance Recipients by Category, 1981 - 1991; 18.4 Residents in Old Folks' Homes by Type of Organisation and Sex, 1984 - 1991; 18.5 Visitors to Places of Interest, 1981 - 1991; 19.8 Utilisation of Sports Facilities, 1981 - 1991; 19.9 19.10 Sports and Cultural Courses Conducted by Community Centres/Clubs. 1981 - 1991; Fire Occurrences and Value of Property Damaged, 1981 - 1991. 20.1

# NOTES ON CHANGES AND REVISIONS (continued)

# Replacement of Existing Series

Data obtained from the complete count in the 1990 Population Census are provided in Tables 2.1 - 2.3 and 2.5. The mid-year population estimates and pertinent vital rates for the intercensal years 1981 - 1989 have been revised to refer to Singapore residents only.

Table 3.11 which shows the Average Basic and Gross Wages for Major Occupational Groups, 1991 replaces the previous table on Average Monthly Earnings by Industry and Occupation.

In Table 12.14, data on **Post Office Savings Bank** refer to Savings and Current Accounts. The new series replaces the previous series which refers to Savings Accounts only.

### Other Changes

Data on contracts awarded and progress payments certified by type of work are available in Table 8.18 Contracts Awarded by Sector and Type of Work and Table 8.19 Progress Payments Certified by Sector and Type of Work.

Separate data for individual ASEAN countries are presented in Table 11.11 Air Passengers by Region and Selected Country of Embarkation and Disembarkation.

The list of items in Table 14.3 Retail Prices of Selected Foodstuffs has been revised.

Detailed data by commodity are available for Table 14.4 **Domestic Supply Price Index**, Table 14.5 **Singapore Manufactured Products Price Index**, Table 14.6 **Import Price Index** and Table 14.7 **Export Price Index**. Explanations for these price indices can be found in the respective Technical Notes published by the Department of Statistics.

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