PREFACE

The Comprehensive Labour Force Survey of Singapore (CLFS) was introduced in 1974 to capture a wide range of data on the economic activities of the working-age population. CLFS data are used to produce key labour market indicators such as the labour force participation rate, employment rate and income growth. The CLFS also provides employment estimates by industry, occupation, income, hours worked, employment type (contract/permanent) and much more, all cross-classifiable by a variety of demographic characteristics.

The report is divided into three parts. Part I analyses the key trends and profile of the labour force. Part II on survey coverage and methodology describes the concepts and definitions used in the survey, reliability of key indicators as well as operational aspects of the survey. A total of 98 statistical tables are included in Part III, to facilitate more in-depth and specific studies by users.

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