## **PREFACE**

The General Household Survey (GHS) 2015 is the third in the series of mid-decade national survey. It covers a wide range of topics and provides comprehensive data on Singapore's population and households in between the population censuses that are conducted once in ten years.

Since 2000, the Singapore of Department of Statistics (DOS) has adopted the register-based approach for the population censuses and GHS. Basic population count and characteristics were compiled using administrative records. Additional data not available from administrative sources were collected from a sample survey.

The sample survey for the GHS 2015 was conducted as part of the 2015 Comprehensive Household Survey (CHS), which also incorporated the Comprehensive Labour Force Survey conducted annually by the Ministry of Manpower (MOM). The field operation of CHS 2015 was undertaken by MOM.

This report provides the key trends in the basic demographic characteristics, education, language, religion, transport as well as household and housing characteristics of the resident population and households. Detailed statistical tables are included to facilitate in-depth studies by interested users. Basic data on population count and profile from the register-based GHS were first released in the Population Trends 2015 report published in September 2015.

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