

UNDERSTANDING THE CHANGES TO

Household Income Data in the Key Household Income Trends 2025 Report



The Department of Statistics (DOS) has published monthly household employment income data through the Key Household Income Trends (KHIT) report annually since 2010.

What has Changed?

From KHIT 2025, monthly household income **encompasses both employment and non-employment sources**, including investments, rental income, contributions from other households, pensions, annuities, royalties and regular payouts from CPF and insurance.



This broader measure, termed **household market income**, reflects regular income received by households before government transfers and taxes. This represents a shift from previous analyses that focused solely on employment income among resident employed households.

The expanded definition means household market income data is now available for **all resident households**, including those without employed persons.

Why Change?

With Singapore's ageing population, the proportion of households comprising only non-employed persons aged 65 and over has increased. Other households may also not have employed persons for various reasons.

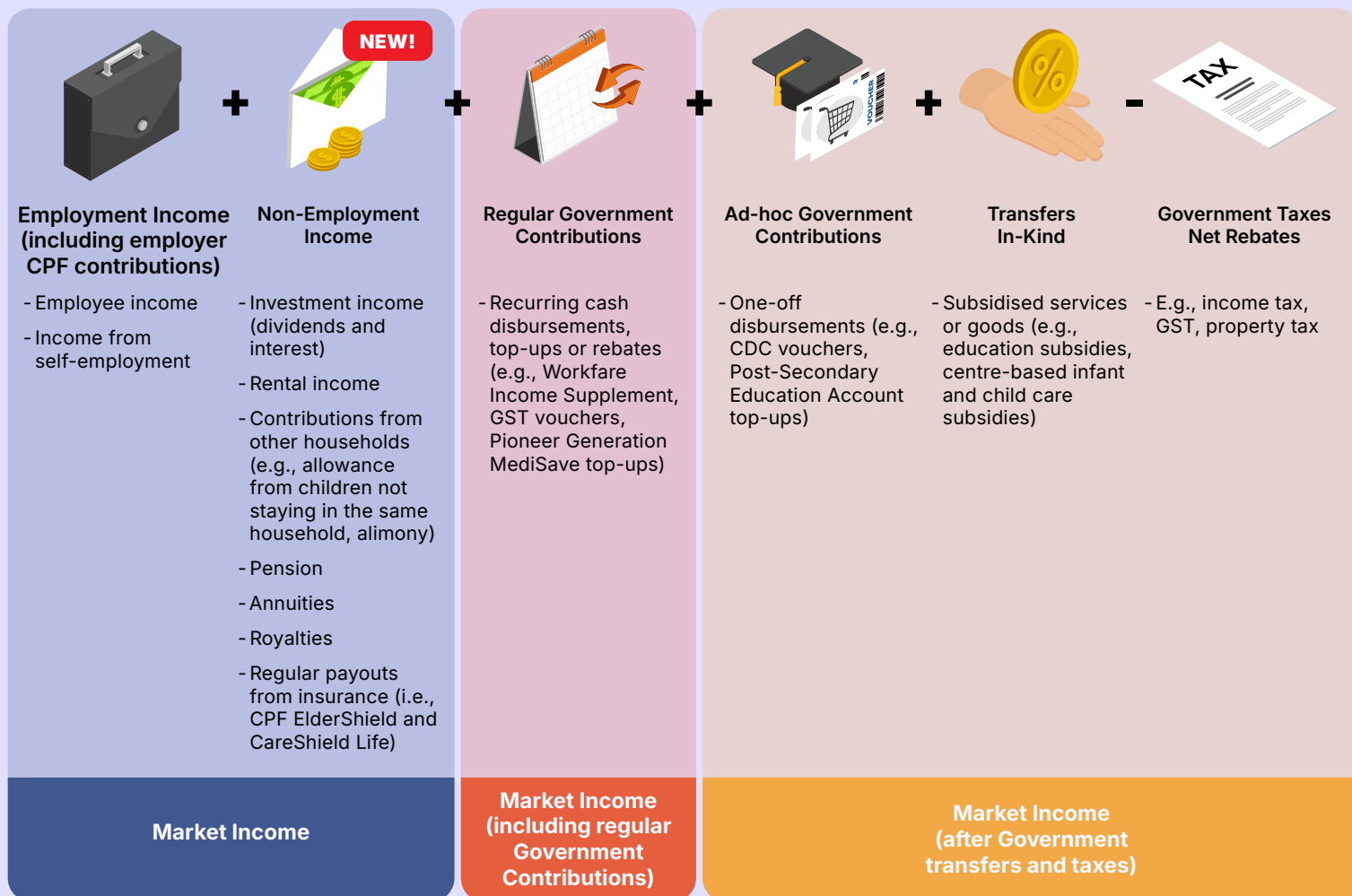


Whilst these households do not have employment income, they may receive income from non-employment sources such as rental properties, investments and annuities.

The revised coverage enables more comprehensive analysis of household income trends and provides better insights into the financial circumstances of different household types.



Components of Monthly Household Market Income:



Comparing the Household Market Income series with Household Employment Income:

	Household Market Income [^] (KHIT 2025 Onwards)	Household Employment Income (KHIT 2010 –2024)
Income Definition	Income received by households before any government transfers and taxes, excluding the income of live-in domestic workers, and comprises: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Employment income (from employment and business) - Non-employment income (refer to components listed above) 	Income received by employed members of the household from employment and business, excluding the income of live-in domestic workers
Coverage	Among Resident Households, where the household reference person is a Singapore citizen or permanent resident	Among Resident Employed Households (i.e., resident households with at least one employed person)
Data Availability	From 2015	From 2000

[^]Aligns with international standards, which define income as regular monetary or in-kind receipts available for current consumption without diminishing net worth.

For more information, please refer to the Key Household Income Trends (KHIT) 2025 Report and Technical Note on Household Income. Data on household income from employment among resident employed households continues to be available on the SingStat Table Builder.