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# DOS DIVISION FACTSHEET

AN INTRODUCTION TO THE DIVISIONS IN DOS

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## Introduction

Learn more about the Divisions in DOS and how they contribute towards DOS's Vision and Mission to deliver insightful statistics and trusted statistical services that empower decision making.

**Vision:** National Statistical Service of Quality, Integrity and Expertise

**Mission:** We Deliver Insightful Statistics and Trusted Statistical Services that Empower Decision Making

## Overview of Divisions

### Economic Sector

- Business Statistics Division
- Economic Accounts Division
- Input-Output Tables Division
- International Accounts Division



### Social & Prices Sector

- Household, Income and Population Division
- Household Surveys and Expenditure Division
- Prices



### Horizontal Sector

- Data Products and Innovation Division
- Communications and Engagement Division
- Technology Division
- Research Division
- Policy Planning Division
- Trusted Centre



### Corporate Services

- Finance and Facilities
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# Economic Sector

## Business Statistics Division (BSD)

**About Us:** We deliver trusted data insights and services on firms that empower decision making:

1. Business Data Analytics and Analytical Studies
2. Statistical Business Register
3. Profile of Enterprises
4. Services Industries

We do so by:

- Maximising data from wide range of sources
- Offering end-to-end personalised digital services to respondents
- Digitalising, streamlining, and automating processes
- Enhancing data access and communications of insights to users
- Developing officers' capabilities on subject-matter, technology, and soft skills

## Economic Accounts Division (EAD)

**About Us:** We compile the national accounts which provides up-to-date macroeconomic indicators for a comprehensive overview of the Singapore economy, with a view to facilitate in-depth economic analysis and effective policy formulation. Statistics produced includes gross domestic product by the three approaches, unit labour and business cost, and gross national income and savings.

The five sections and their functions are:

- Gross Domestic Product - Compiles and analyses GDP by the production approach, production account by institutional sector and labour productivity.
- Gross Domestic Expenditure - Compiles and analyses GDP by the expenditure approach, multifactor productivity, and gross national income and savings.
- Sectoral Accounts - Compiles and analyses institutional sector accounts, household sector balance sheet, personal disposable income and personal saving rate.
- Gross Domestic Income - Compiles and analyses GDP by the income approach, unit labour cost and unit business cost.
- Time Series (TS) - Maintains time series databases, compiles and analyses composite leading, coincident & lagging indices, undertakes seasonal adjustments and revision analysis studies.

## Input-Output Tables Division (IOTD)

**About Us:** The Input-Output Tables Division is responsible for compiling the Singapore Supply, Use and Input-Output Tables:

Supply and Use Tables (SUTs)

- Provide a snapshot of overall production and consumption within the economy
- Reconcile the statistical discrepancy amongst the three approaches (production, expenditure and income) to measuring Gross Domestic Product (GDP)
- Form the basis for the derivation of the Input-Output Tables (IOTs)

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- Support economic studies and analyses, e.g. study of interdependence of industries; simulation of the impact of various changes on the economy
- Examples of IOT applications: Impact assessment on output, value-added and employment, impact assessment on trade and carbon flows using regional SUTs

## International Accounts Division (IAD)

**About Us:** The International Accounts Division (IAD) produce Singapore's international accounts and external sector statistics, including indicators on our economic transactions with the rest of the world and insights on internationalisation that empower decision making:

1. Balance of Payments
2. International Investment Position
3. External Debt
4. Cross-border Investment
5. Foreign Direct Investment
6. International Trade in Services

We also compile statistics on Singapore's corporate sector to provide insights on the balance sheet composition, as well as sectoral distribution of total assets and equity.

## Household, Income and Population (HIP)

**About Us:** The Household Income and Population Division is responsible for the development, compilation and dissemination of statistics pertaining to population, household income, household taxes and transfers. We also maintain key statistical databases on population and dwellings which form the base for our administrative data. In addition, we provide sampling services and advice for household surveys to both government agencies and the general public.

## Household Surveys and Expenditure (HSE)

**About Us:** The Household Surveys and Expenditure Division is responsible for the planning and conduct of censuses of population and household surveys. We also make use of administrative data, to complement and enrich our survey data, and provide statistical support for expenditure and disability related studies, research, and policy formulation. We provide opportunities for officers to be involved in a wide range of work and equip them with different skillsets, from survey planning, consultation and engagement with key stakeholders, working with IT vendors on system development, field operations management, respondent management, data processing, data dissemination and data analytics.

Our key projects include:

The Census of Population is conducted once in ten years, and is the single largest national survey undertaken in Singapore. It collects information on key characteristics of the population and households. The information is used as key inputs for policy formulation and review, and for planning of programmes and services for the community.

The Household Expenditure Survey (HES) is conducted once in five years. The HES collects detailed information on households' expenditure and data on socio-economic characteristics. It is carried out over a one-year period to cover all festive seasons. Results of the survey are used for expenditure and income studies as well as to update the weighting pattern and the basket of goods and services for the compilation of the Consumer Price Index (CPI).

## Prices

**About Us:** The Prices Division develops, compiles, and disseminates price indices, which are used mainly for:

- Monitoring of price trends and
- Price deflators to compile economic statistics at constant prices

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) measures the change in prices of a fixed basket of goods and services commonly purchased by households while the Producer Price Index (PPI) measures the change in prices of goods and services produced in Singapore. On a regular basis, the Division undertakes rebasing exercise for each set of price indices to ensure that the basket of products and services as well as weighting patterns are representative of the latest household consumption, trade or market structure.

## Data Products and Innovation Division (DPID)

**About Us:** The Data Products and Innovation Division manages DOS's statistical data products and innovation pilots through the development of guidelines for data products, coordination of pilots using emerging technologies such as AI, and facilitating the transition of pilots into sustainable operations. We also manage whole-of-government data products including the Visual Statistics and Analytics (VISTA) platform.

## Communications and Engagement Division (CED)

**About Us:** The Communications and Engagement Division communicates statistical information and facilitates data access by the public via digital services such as the SingStat Website, SingStat Table Builder, and the SingStat Mobile App. We also assist data users with statistical enquiries, manage social media channels, and facilitate understanding of data through visualisations. In addition, we engage stakeholders on corporate planning matters, and coordinate international and ASEAN statistical matters.

## Technology Division (TD)

**About Us:** The Technology Division drives the development and ongoing operation and advancement of next-generation technology platforms, systems and digital products, ensuring they are robust, scalable, and aligned to support DOS's innovation and operational excellence.

## Research Division (RD)

**About Us:** The Research Division is a one-stop shop for research, providing end-to-end research support via multi-channel offerings. We facilitate research collaborations between agencies, uplift capabilities and enable research across WOG through the provision of services, data, tools, and methodology expertise. We also manage the Anonymised Microdata Access Programme (AMAP) which enables approved government researchers and academic researchers to conduct deep-dive studies on our anonymised microdata in the DOS Innovation Data Lab.

## Policy Planning Division (PPD)

**About Us:** The Policy Planning Division supports the Department through the administration and review of the statistical policies, regulations, and procedures in Singapore by:

- Administering statistical legislation and policies
- Supporting Whole-of-Government (WOG) data management initiatives
- Developing and promoting adoption of statistical classifications and Statistical Best Practices (SBP)
- Coordinating and reporting on statistical inputs relating to UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
- Facilitating regular meetings with Research and Statistical Units (RSUs) and admin data providers within the Statistical Community

## Trusted Centre (TC)

**About Us:** The Trusted Centre for Individual and Business Data enables a data driven government by providing public officers with access to a broad range of core admin data.

Our objectives include:

- Providing broad range of clean and ready-to-use core administrative data on individuals and businesses at entity record level
- Increasing convenience of accessing data by users
- Enabling self-service data discovery and exploration through a digital metadata catalogue and synthetic sample data

## Corporate Services

### Finance and Facilities

**About Us:** The Finance and Facilities sections oversee DOS's financial strategy and planning, financial operations, fixed asset management and procurement compliance. We also administer and support DOS in office premise security, facilities/logistics and registry. The section also oversees the business continuity planning functions, co-ordinating and working with respective stakeholders, DSTD and HR for DOS to be operational ready in the event of emergencies.

### Human Resources

**About Us:** The Human Resource (HR) section is responsible for effective hiring, development, compensation and management of officers. HR provides our officers with various developmental opportunities such as job rotation within DOS, secondment within public agencies, and attachment to private sector. HR also creates a learning culture that encourages continuous learning among individuals and teams to meet future challenges and towards an agile and capable workforce.