



RELEASE OF PRELIMINARY GDP AND SECTORAL GROWTH PERFORMANCE FOR FOURTH QUARTER AND ANNUAL 2008

The Ministry of Trade and Industry (MTI) will release the preliminary GDP and sectoral growth performance of the Singapore economy for the fourth quarter as well as whole of 2008 on Wednesday, 21 January 2009 at 8.00 a.m. at a press conference.

2 At the same time, the Department of Statistics will release the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for December 2008 and whole of 2008.

3 The release of these economic data has been brought forward for Budget Day this year.

4 The GDP press release will be available at the MTI Homepage (<http://www.mti.gov.sg>), the Department of Statistics Homepage (<http://www.singstat.gov.sg>) and the SG Press Centre (<http://www.news.gov.sg>) Homepage. The CPI press release will be available at the Department of Statistics Homepage (<http://www.singstat.gov.sg>).

5 The full set of the economic data for fourth quarter and annual 2008, including sources of growth, employment and productivity, will be released in February 2009 in the *Economic Survey of Singapore*.

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