

LABOUR FORCE SURVEY 2017

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. What is the Labour Force Survey (LFS) 2017?

The Labour Force Survey (LFS) 2017 is a survey conducted from 16 October to 12 November 2017 by the Department of Economic Planning and Development (JPKE).

2. What is the objective of LFS 2017?

The objective is to collect latest information on the size, structure, distribution and characteristics of the labour force, employment, unemployment and other economic characteristics of the population, which will be used to assist in the planning, research, policy-making and management concerning the labour force.

3. Who are covered in LFS 2017?

The survey covered around 3,200 selected households throughout the country using systematic sampling method. The survey covered all persons living in private households, excluding the institutional population permanently residing in houses such as hostels; health resort; correctional establishments etc, as well as persons living in seasonal dwelling and at work sites. The data obtained from the selected households were extrapolated according to the sampling weights to represent the total population of Brunei Darussalam.

4. What methods are used in collecting information in LFS 2017?

The collection and compilation of labour statistics for Brunei Darussalam through the LFS are in line with the new international standards, adopted by the 19th International Conference of Labour Statisticians (19th ICLS) in 2013. The 19th ICLS is the latest resolution that contains a new framework for labour market statistics including statistics related to the work, employment and labour underutilization.

5. How do you conduct LFS 2017?

JPKE has appointed survey officers as supervisors and interviewers to undertake the field work for the survey. The appointed survey officers will visit the selected households to interview the head and each member of the household in order to collect the required information. The LFS 2017 is conducted under the Statistics Act, Chapter 81 from the Laws of Brunei Darussalam.

6. What are the uses of the results of this survey?

The results of the survey will provide the latest and comprehensive information on the labour force. Comparison with the results of previous surveys will show the changes in the pattern of labour force, employment and unemployment in the country.

Apart from that, results from the LFS can also be used by a variety of users including the private sector, scholars, researchers, students and the general public for their respective needs and purposes.

7. If I have any queries, to whom should I refer?

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