

BACKGROUND ...

CURRENT SITUATION ...

Demand for Technical and Vocational Institutions/Post Employment Training ...

The **BEST** program is geared towards providing opportunities to workers without primary six education, the basic knowledge in English language and/or Mathematics. In 1988, 38,694 trainees enrolled in the program, a 5% increase over 1987.

The **WISE** program is targeted at workers who are interested in earning GCE A-Levels in English language and/or Mathematics. In 1988, 10,575 training places were filled. This exceeded the target by 32%.

Apart from sending employees to outside training, some companies (eg : Hewlett Packard, GM Singapore) also provide training in-house.

Institution	Enrollment			Output		
	1986	1987	1988	1986	1987	1988
National University of Singapore (NUS) :	14,150	13,238	14,317	3,860	3,974	3,624
Engineering	2,027	2,244	2,515	263	243	330
Science	3,029	3,260	3,641	945	1,012	982
Others	9,094	7,734	8,161	2,652	2,719	2,312
Nanyang Technological Institute :	2,202	3,940	4,400	661	664	1,122
Engineering	2,202	2,341	2,539	661	664	695
Accountancy	-	1,599	1,861	-	-	427
Singapore Polytechnic :	8,099	9,292	9,824	2,273	2,576	2,693
Engineering	7,787	8,387	8,535	2,113	2,347	2,466
Computer Studies	-	300	371	-	134	130
Others	332	605	918	160	95	97
Ngee Ann Polytechnic :	9,621	10,321	10,498	1,932	2,719	3,058
Engineering	6,916	7,227	7,269	1,165	1,933	2,170
Computer Studies	446	439	432	193	199	193
Others	2,259	2,655	2,797	574	578	695
Institute of Education	1,366	1339	974	722	804	943
College of Physical Education	122	120	104	44	79	67
Institutes of the vocational & Industrial Training Board	14,149	16,105	16,978	8,472	8,853	9,024
EDB Joint Industrial & Training Centers/Institutes	2,565	2,526	2,693	1,005	1,080	1,095

Source : Singapore Economic Development Board