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Preface

This annual publication, brings together statistics of the labour force, income, earnings, hours of work, job vacancies, industrial disputes and trade unions.

The statistics generally relate to collections undertaken during or relating to 1980, but in some cases statistics are given for earlier periods. Because of limitations of space only a summary of the principal statistics is shown in the tables, but references to other publications which contain more detailed statistics are given where appropriate. The principal publications are listed on pages 1, 2 and 30.

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