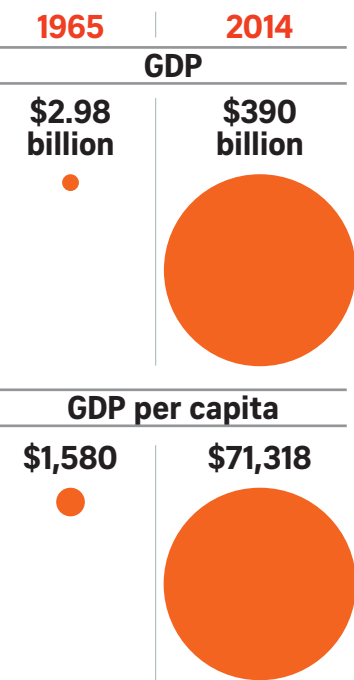


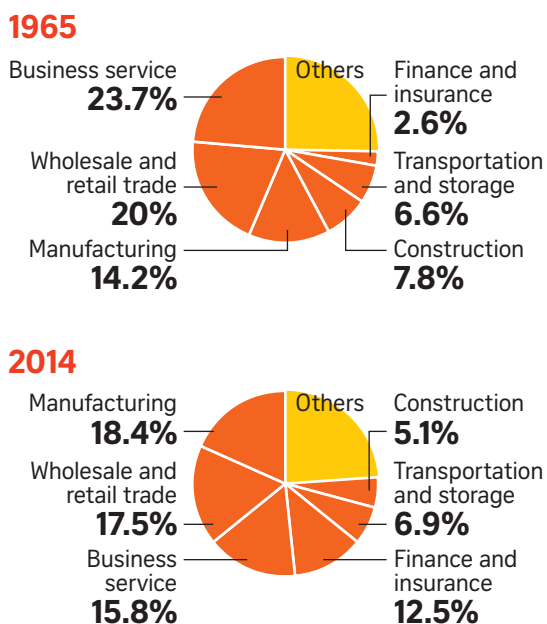
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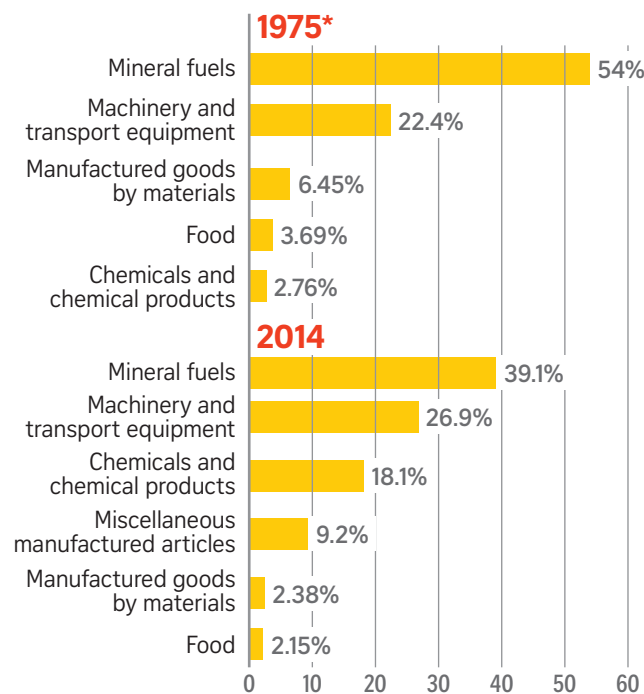
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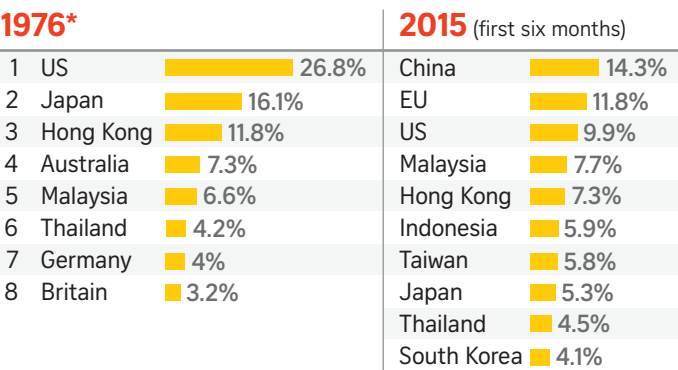
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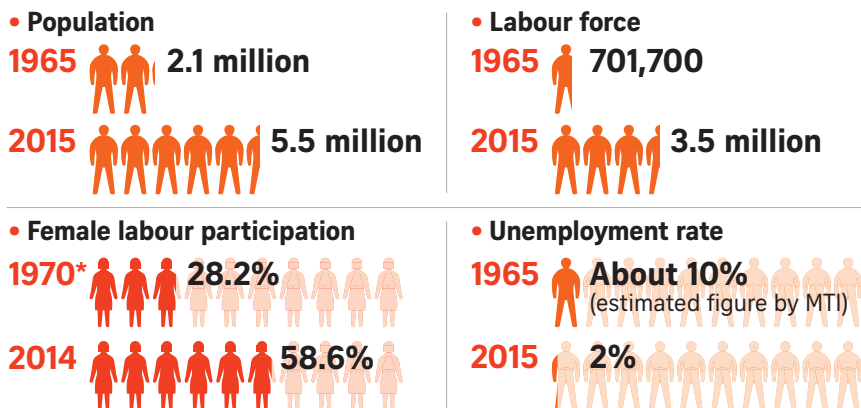
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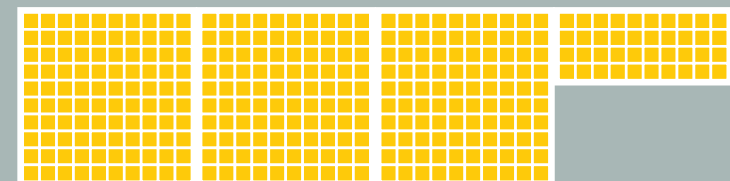
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(without accounting for government transfers and taxes)

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0.414 in 2000* to 0.412 in 2014