## **Employment landscape in 2017**

The number of locals employed in Singapore grew last year, while the number of foreigners working here saw its largest drop in 15 years. The decline of 32,000 was the highest since 2002, when the foreign workforce shrank by 43,000. While the fall was mostly among Work Permit holders in the construction and marine shipyard industries, the number of Employment Pass holders also fell by 4,500 – the first decline in at least six years.

