## BUSINESS SECTORS



Explain the meaning of the primary, secondary and tertiary sectors.

## **PRIMARY**

- The primary sector deals with the extraction/collecting/cultivating of raw materials and natural resources.
- These natural resources include things such as livestock, fish, timber, coal and gold.

## **SECONDARY**

- The secondary sector transforms the raw materials from the primary sector into finished or unfinished products.
- In this sector, the raw materials from the primary sector are converted into new products.

## **TERTIARY**

- The tertiary sector refers to industries that offer services to other businesses and consumers.
- This sector is also known as services industry, which exists to facilitate the transportation, distribution and sale of goods produced in the secondary sector.

Discuss/Explain/Describe the link/relationship between the primary, secondary and tertiary sector.

- The primary, secondary and tertiary sectors all work together to create an economic chain of production.
- The primary sector extracts the raw materials, the secondary sector transforms the raw materials into products, and the tertiary sector sells the products and supports the activities of the other two sectors.
- Business sectors are therefore interrelated and connected with each other.

Forward link: when businesses sell goods and services to businesses in the same sector or

to businesses in another sector.

**Backward link:** when businesses buy goods and services from businesses in the same sector

or from businesses in another sector.