



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
PHILIPPINE STATISTICS AUTHORITY

PSA Memorandum Order No. 08
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**RECONSTITUTING THE INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE
ON POPULATION AND HOUSING STATISTICS**

WHEREAS, in compliance with Section 10 of Republic Act No. 10625, "Philippine Statistical Act of 2013", which provides for the creation of interagency statistical committees to coordinate and resolve agency and sectoral concerns on statistical matters, the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Board established the Interagency Committees (IACs) by virtue of PSA Board Resolution No. 04, s. 2014;

WHEREAS, one of the committees created was the Technical Committee on Population and Housing Statistics (TCPHS) pursuant to PSA Memorandum Order No. 07, s. 2014 to serve as venue for the discussion and resolution of issues, review of demographic techniques/methodologies, and recommendation of policies and workable schemes toward the improvement of population and housing and other related statistics;

WHEREAS, the TCPHS was reconstituted and renamed as the Interagency Committee on Population and Housing Statistics (IACPHS) through PSA Memorandum Order No. 04, s. 2017;

WHEREAS, the IACPHS was again reconstituted through PSA Memorandum Order No. 09, s. 2018, and PSA Memorandum Order No.08, s. 2020;

WHEREAS, in view of the change in member agencies, the reconstitution of the IACPHS is deemed necessary to better avail the expertise of relevant sectoral agencies, enhance consultation with and ensure wider participation of stakeholders to effectively resolve current and emerging issues and concerns related to population and housing statistics, and affirm the commitment of relevant agencies;

NOW, THEREFORE, the IACPHS is reconstituted to be composed of the following members and terms of reference:

Executive Director
Commission on Population and Development

Director
University of the Philippines Population Institute

Director
Social Development Staff
National Economic and Development Authority

Executive Director
Philippine Statistical Research and Training Institute



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Undersecretary
Department of Human Settlements and Urban Development

Director
Department of the Interior and Local Government

General Manager
National Housing Authority

Executive Director
Subdivision and Housing Developers Association

Assistant National Statistician
National Censuses Service
PSA

Assistant National Statistician
Social Sector Statistics Service
PSA

The Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson of the IACPHS shall be elected from among the members. Resource persons may be invited in the meetings of the Committee as the need for them arises.

The specific functions of the IACPHS are as follows:

1. Serve as forum for the exchange of views and expertise to resolve technical issues and problems arising from the production, dissemination, and use of population and housing statistics;
2. Recommend to the PSA Board appropriate measures for the improvement of statistics, including the statistical frameworks, methodologies, and processes for the collection, generation, and dissemination of population and housing statistics;
3. Recommend to the PSA Board an efficient workable scheme for the allocation of agency responsibilities in the production, dissemination, and archiving of population and housing statistics; and
4. Address evolving and emerging statistical requirements of stakeholders in the Philippine Statistical System, such as prioritization of outputs required to carry out population and housing and related programs set forth in the country's national development plans and in the Philippine Statistical Development Program.

To enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of the IACPHS, the PSA shall review its composition on an annual basis and recommend its reconstitution, if deemed necessary. Meetings of the IACPHS shall be conducted where a quorum is constituted. A quorum is constituted when a majority of the members are present in the meeting, provided that, the members opt to attend the meeting via online or teleconferencing. No resolution of the IACPHS shall be valid unless approved by a majority of the members present in the meeting where a quorum is constituted.

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It shall also monitor compliance with policies formulated and report periodically to the PSA Board. The Committee shall submit to the PSA National Statistician its work program and report the progress of its work, including the findings and recommendations on issues referred to it.

The Committee may establish technical working groups (TWGs) and task forces (TFs), as the need arises. The TWG and TF shall assist in the exercise of its functions, subject to the approval of the National Statistician. Technical, secretariat, and logistics support to the TWGs/TFs shall be provided by the PSA and the concerned agencies. Other member agencies are enjoined to give the same support whenever needed by the Committee.

The Committee shall adhere to the PSA Guidelines for Interagency Committees, Technical Committees, Technical Working Groups, and Task Forces in the implementation of its activities and in the presentation of reports and recommendations.

This Memorandum Order takes effect on 29 August 2023.

Attested by:



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