

TABLE 1. COMPARATIVE LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATES (LFPR), EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES BY REGION: APRIL 1997 TO APRIL 1998
(In Percent)

R E G I O N	Past Week in April 1997				Past Week in July 1997				Past Week in October 1997				Past Week in January 1998				Past Week in April 1998			
	Total		Employ- ment Rate	Unem- ployment Rate	Total		Employ- ment Rate	Unem- ployment Rate	Total		Employ- ment Rate	Unem- ployment Rate	Total		Employ- ment Rate	Unem- ployment Rate	Total		Employ- ment Rate	Unem- ployment Rate
	15 Yrs. Old and Over (1,000)	LFPR			15 Yrs. Old and Over (1,000)	LFPR			15 Yrs. Old and Over (1,000)	LFPR			15 Yrs. Old and Over (1,000)	LFPR			15 Yrs. Old and Over (1,000)	LFPR		
PHILIPPINES	45,621	68.8	89.6	10.4	45,918	65.7	91.3	8.7	46,214	65.5	92.1	7.9	46,512	65.0	91.6	8.4	46,812	68.6	86.7	13.3
N C R - Metro Manila	6,426	65.5	85.5	14.5	6,471	64.3	85.9	14.1	6,516	63.4	85.5	14.5	6,561	63.0	85.0	15.0	6,607	67.3	81.1	18.9
C A R - Cordillera Adm. Region	845	75.2	92.0	8.0	850	67.8	95.3	4.7	855	66.7	93.3	6.7	860	67.7	94.4	5.6	866	72.0	92.0	8.0
Region I - Ilocos	2,545	69.9	91.2	8.8	2,558	66.6	91.1	8.9	2,572	66.2	92.1	7.9	2,586	64.9	92.1	7.9	2,600	67.2	90.0	10.0
Region II - Cagayan Valley	1,811	75.4	91.9	8.1	1,823	69.3	96.5	3.5	1,835	69.8	96.4	3.6	1,848	69.0	96.1	3.9	1,860	74.8	85.2	14.8
Region III - Central Luzon	4,648	62.5	87.8	12.2	4,678	61.2	89.5	10.5	4,707	60.9	91.3	8.7	4,737	60.5	90.9	9.1	4,767	62.7	88.1	11.9
Region IV - Southern Tagalog	6,182	65.6	91.2	8.8	6,227	64.5	91.1	8.9	6,272	65.1	92.5	7.5	6,317	64.7	91.8	8.2	6,363	66.3	89.3	10.7
Region V - Bicol	3,077	73.0	90.1	9.9	3,097	66.6	93.4	6.6	3,116	67.2	94.4	5.6	3,136	66.8	93.6	6.4	3,156	71.5	87.6	12.4
Region VI - Western Visayas	4,028	68.4	87.3	12.7	4,054	66.2	91.5	8.5	4,079	66.3	93.0	7.0	4,105	64.7	92.3	7.7	4,131	69.1	83.2	16.8
Region VII - Central Visayas	3,373	68.2	90.7	9.3	3,392	65.6	91.5	8.5	3,411	65.2	92.4	7.6	3,430	65.8	90.5	9.5	3,449	69.5	85.4	14.6
Region VIII - Eastern Visayas	2,339	74.0	89.2	10.8	2,351	68.3	91.7	8.3	2,364	66.5	92.7	7.3	2,376	66.1	92.7	7.3	2,388	71.3	87.8	12.2
Region IX - Western Mindanao	1,807	65.0	91.2	8.8	1,819	64.4	93.9	6.1	1,831	62.6	94.5	5.5	1,842	60.0	93.5	6.5	1,854	64.7	90.4	9.6
Region X - Northern Mindanao	1,713	75.9	92.1	7.9	1,725	71.9	92.9	7.1	1,737	73.3	94.6	5.4	1,749	73.0	94.1	5.9	1,761	76.9	88.1	11.9
Region XI - Southern Mindanao	2,849	76.8	91.0	9.0	2,868	71.3	92.8	7.2	2,887	70.9	93.4	6.6	2,906	70.9	91.8	8.2	2,926	73.1	88.1	11.9
Region XII - Central Mindanao	1,422	71.1	91.1	8.9	1,432	67.0	93.7	6.3	1,442	66.7	94.7	5.3	1,452	66.5	95.3	4.7	1,462	71.4	87.4	12.6
A R M M - Muslim Mindanao	1,213	57.4	95.4	4.6	1,220	54.8	96.7	3.3	1,227	55.7	96.8	3.2	1,235	55.8	97.2	2.8	1,242	58.8	90.6	9.4
CARAGA	1,342	75.8	87.9	12.1	1,352	67.5	91.1	8.9	1,361	68.0	91.9	8.1	1,371	68.3	92.7	7.3	1,380	74.1	84.9	15.1

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