

TABLE 2 Distribution of Overseas Filipino Workers by Region of Origin and Place of Work Abroad: 2011 and 2012

Selected Characteristics	2012	2011
Number of overseas Filipino workers (in thousands)	2,220	2,158
Region	100.0	100.0
National Capital Region	12.6	12.5
Cordillera Administrative Region	2.1	1.9
I - Ilocos	8.7	9.2
II - Cagayan Valley	6.1	6.3
III - Central Luzon	14.1	14.3
IVA - CALABARZON	18.1	16.5
IVB - MIMAROPA	2.1	1.9
V - Bicol	3.5	3.3
VI - Western Visayas	9.1	8.5
VII - Central Visayas	5.5	6.9
VIII - Eastern Visayas	2.3	2.0
IX - Zamboanga Peninsula	1.8	1.9
X - Northern Mindanao	3.2	3.5
XI - Davao	2.7	2.3
XII - SOCCSKSARGEN	4.3	4.4
XIII - Caraga	1.2	1.6
Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao	2.5	3.0
Place of Work	100.0	100.0
Africa	1.7	1.7
Asia	79.7	80.4
East Asia	15.7	16.8
Hong Kong	5.5	5.3
Japan	3.4	4.2
Taiwan	3.9	3.8
Other countries in East Asia (including China, South Korea)	2.9	3.5
Southeast and South Central Asia	12.6	10.9
Malaysia	3.5	3.1
Singapore	7.5	6.3
Other countries in Southeast and South Central Asia (including Brunei)	1.7	1.5
Western Asia	51.4	52.7
Kuwait	4.2	4.3
Qatar	6.5	6.9
Saudi Arabia	20.6	22.6
United Arab Emirates	14.9	14.6
Other countries in Western Asia (including Bahrain, Israel, Lebanon, Jordan)	5.3	4.3
Australia	2.2	1.7
Europe	8.7	8.6
North and South America	7.6	7.6

Notes: Details may not add up to totals due to rounding.

The estimates cover overseas Filipinos whose departure occurred within the last five years and who are working or had worked abroad during the past six months (April to September) of the survey year.

Source: National Statistics Office, 2011 and 2012 Survey on Overseas Filipinos