



PRESS RELEASE

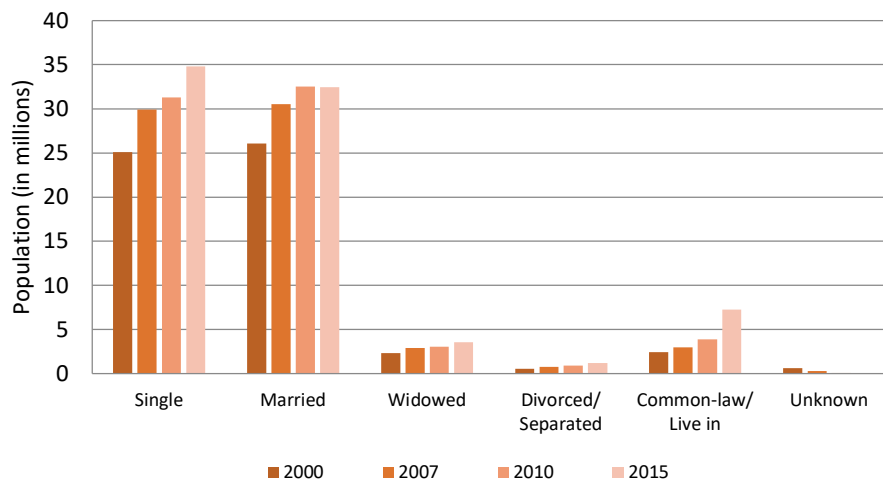
Single Population in the Philippines (Results from the 2015 Census of Population)

Date of Release: 14 February 2020
Reference No. 2020 – 036

In 2015, there were 34.8 million single persons in the Philippines, or 44 percent of the total population 10 years old and over. This is higher by 3.5 million compared to the 2010 report of 31.3 million single persons. The census of population, which is conducted by the PSA every 10 years, collects data on marital status for persons 10 years old and over.

While the number of single persons increased over more than a decade, the proportion to the total population 10 years old and over remained at close to 44 percent from the year 2000 to 2015. Married persons comprised approximately 45 percent over the period 2000 to 2010 but shrunk to about 41 percent in 2015.

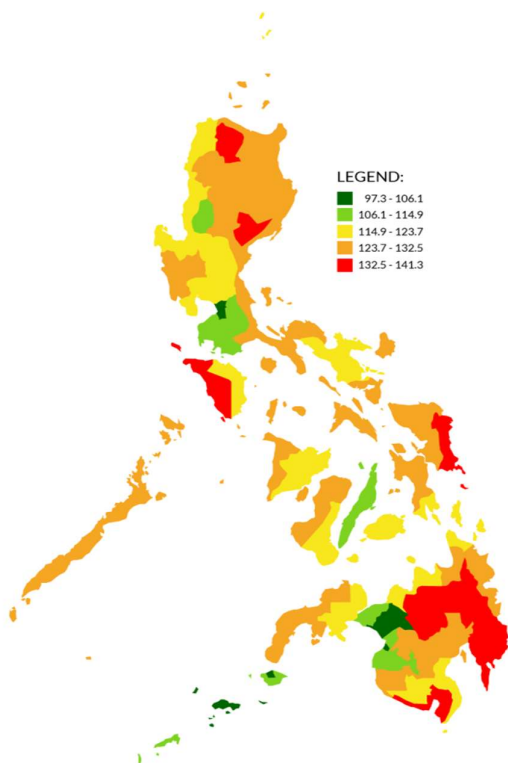
Figure 1. Population 10 Years and Over By Marital Status: 2000-2015



Of the total single population, males accounted for 54.1 percent, resulting to a sex ratio of 118 males for every 100 females. The sex ratio increased to 131 males for every 100 females for singles aged 20 years and over. Discounting those with ages 10 to 19 years old, 56.7 percent was male while 43.3 percent was female.



Province: 2015



Among the 17 administrative regions in the Philippines, Region VIII (Eastern Visayas) had the highest sex ratio among single persons at 127.8 in 2015, followed closely by Region XIII (Caraga) and MIMAROPA Region with sex ratios of 127.7 and 127.1, respectively. The region with the lowest sex ratio among single persons was the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (ARMM) at 103.

Across provinces, Compostela Valley had the highest sex ratio among singles at 141.3 followed by Davao Occidental and Quirino with sex ratios of 135.1 and 134.7, respectively. The lowest sex ratio was recorded in Lanao del Sur with 97.4, outnumbering males than their female counterparts.

CLAIRE DENNIS S. MAPA, Ph.D
Undersecretary
National Statistician and Civil Registrar General