

QUICKSTAT - March 1999

A Monthly Update of NSO's Most Requested Statistics

INDICATOR	REFERENCE PERIOD and DATA		
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (1994=100)	Feb. 1999	Jan. 1999	Feb. 1998
Philippines	145.0	145.0 ^r	131.9
Metro Manila (MM)	144.5	145.0 ^r	132.9
Areas Outside MM	145.3	145.0 ^r	131.5
Inflation rate	9.9	11.5 ^r	8.1
Purchasing power of the peso	0.69	0.69	0.76
FOREIGN TRADE (FOB value in million US\$)	Dec. 1998	Nov. 1998	Dec. 1997
Exports	2,523	2,586	2,231
Principal exports: ^{1/}			
1. Electronics and components	1,372.89	1,368.77	1,049.83
2. Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	198.52	191.40	211.66
3. Input/output peripheral units	197.37	177.64	132.08
Imports	2,062	2,373	2,793
Principal imports: ^{1/}			
1. Electronics and components	408.03	558.91 ^r	541.28
2. Telecommunications equipment and electrical machinery	199.63	214.24 ^r	270.83
3. Materials and accessories imported on consignment basis for the manufacture of other electrical and electronic machinery and equipment	177.99	183.03 ^r	221.98
Major trading partners:			
1. USA	1,257.48	1,384.86	1,348.86
2. Japan	721.59	791.24	908.94
3. Singapore	264.34	266.63	313.47
Total trade	4,585	4,959	5,023
Balance of trade	461	213	(562)
(MISSI) MONTHLY INTEGRATED SURVEY ON SELECTED INDUSTRIES (1985=100)	Dec. 1998	Nov. 1998	Dec. 1997
Value of production index	440.9	462.8	468.0
Gainers over last year ^{1/}			
Beverages	51.9%	(3.1%)	(16.8%)
Rubber products	42.2%	2.4%	(16.8%)
Textile	39.0%	13.0%	(3.4%)
Wood and wood products	19.3%	2.4%	42.3%
Volume of production index	131.35	135.46	146.91
LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT	Oct. 1998	Jul. 1998^p	Oct. 1997
Total labor force (million)	31.3	30.6	30.3
Labor force participation rate	66.0%	64.9%	65.5%
Employment rate	90.4%	91.1%	92.1%
Unemployment rate	9.6%	8.9%	7.9%
Underemployment rate	23.7%	20.8%	20.8%
PRIVATE BUILDING CONSTRUCTION	3rd Qtr 1998	2nd Qtr 1998	3rd Qtr 1997
Philippines			

Number	20,438	24,895	31,411
Total floor area (square meter)	2,721,116	3,035,150	5,471,871
Value (P1,000)	17,098,382	19,046,184	37,054,468
Residential			
Number	13,847	18,712	23,354
Total floor area (square meter)	1,369,688	1,615,624	1,773,799
Value (P1,000)	6,097,877	7,861,390	9,418,548
Nonresidential			
Number	2,222	1,989	2,798
Total floor area (square meter)	1,168,896	1,258,623	3,434,861
Value (P1,000)	9,440,014	9,330,604	25,312,126
Additions			
Number	1,779	1,554	1,461
Total floor area (square meter)	182,532	160,903	263,211
Value (P1,000)	571,770	635,793	771,531
Alterations and repairs			
Number	2,590	2,640	3,798
Value (P1,000)	988,721	1,218,397	1,552,263
INCOME AND EXPENDITURES (at current prices)	1997^p	1994	1991
ANNUAL AVERAGE FAMILY INCOME	P123,881	P83,161	P65,186
ANNUAL AVERAGE FAMILY EXPENDITURES	P100,194	P67,661	P51,991
ANNUAL AVERAGE FAMILY SAVINGS	P 23,687	P15,500	P13,195
POPULATION	1995	1990	1980
Total	68,616,536	60,703,206	48,098,460
Male	34,584,170	30,538,285	24,128,755
Female	34,032,366	30,164,921	23,969,705
0-14 years	42.0%	39.6%	38.3%
15-64 years	54.6%	57.0%	58.2%
65 years and over	3.4%	3.4%	3.5%
DENSITY (persons per square kilometer)	228	202	160
GROWTH RATE	2.32%	2.35%	2.71%
AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD SIZE	5.1	5.3	5.6
	2000	1999	1998
POPULATION PROJECTION (medium assumption) ^{2/}	76,320,126	74,723,373	73,130,985
VITAL STATISTICS ^{2/}	2000	1999	1998
CRUDE BIRTH RATE (per thousand population)	26.8	27.3	27.9
CRUDE DEATH RATE (per thousand population)	5.9	6.0	6.1
CRUDE RATE OF NATURAL INCREASE (per thousand population)	20.9	21.3	21.8
INFANT MORTALITY RATE (per thousand live births)	37.6	38.8	40.1
TOTAL FERTILITY RATE (number of children per woman)	3.4	3.5	3.5
LIFE EXPECTANCY AT BIRTH (in years; medium assumption)			
Male	66.3	66.0	65.7
Female	71.6	71.3	71.0
LITERACY RATE (Source: FLEMMS)		1994	1989
Simple literacy rate (10 years old and over) ^{3/}		93.9%	89.8%

Functional literacy rate (10 to 64 years old) ^{4/}		83.8%	75.4%
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^{1/} - Based on December 1998 ranking.

^{2/} - Source: 1995 Census-Based National and Regional Population Projections

^{3/} - Basic reading and writing skills

^{4/} - Basic reading, writing, and computational skills

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