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(A Monthly Update of NSO's Most Requested Statistics)

INDICATOR	REFERENCE PERIOD and DATA		
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (1988=100)	<u>April 1997</u>	<u>March 1997</u>	<u>April 1996</u>
Philippines	236.1	235.8	225.8
Metro Manila (MM)	257.5	257.7	242.9r
Areas Outside MM	229.2	228.7	220.4r
Inflation Rate	4.6	4.6	11.8
Purchasing Power of the Peso	0.42	0.42	0.44
FOREIGN TRADE (FOB value in million US\$)	<u>March 1997</u>	<u>February 1997</u>	<u>March 1996</u>
Exports	2,001	1,812	1,671
Principal exports: ^{1/}			
1. Electronic and components	860.94	760.41	657.98
2. Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	193.37	182.39	196.20
3. Input/output/peripheral units	126.06	126.80	20.51
Imports	2,935	2,627	2,760
Principal imports: ^{1/}			
1. Electronics and components	447.18	469.55	464.21
2. Mineral fuels, lubricants, and related materials	303.51	240.99	210.66
3. Telecommunication equipment and electrical machinery	266.59	236.97	210.57
Major trading partners:			
1. USA	1238.34	1181.94	1048.73
2. Japan	953.34	941.42	942.88
3. Singapore	304.24	255.12	234.39
Total Trade	4,936	4,439	4,431
Balance of Trade	(934)	(814)	(1,089)
LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT	<u>January 1997</u>	<u>October 1996</u>	<u>January 1996</u>
Total labor force (million)	29.6	29.6	28.9
Labor force participation rate	65.4%	65.8%	65.5%
Employment rate	92.3%	92.6%	91.7%
Unemployment rate	7.7%	7.4%	8.3%
INDICES OF KEY MANUFACTURING ESTABLISHMENTS (1985=100):	<u>February 1997</u>	<u>January 1997</u>	<u>February 1996</u>
Value of production	453.0	410.4	452.5
Gainers over last year ^{2/}			
Electrical Machinery	28.8%	6.8%	50.4%
Wood and wood Products	24.9%	9.9%	-21.7%

Nonmetallic mineral products	20.3%	31.3%	14.8%
Furniture and fixtures	12.9%	27.7%	-0.5%
Volume of Production	151.5	137.81	154.27
	<u>1994</u>	<u>1991</u>	<u>1985</u>
ANNUAL AVERAGE FAMILY INCOME (Source: FIES)	P83,161	P65,186	P34,695
(at current prices)			
ANNUAL AVERAGE FAMILY EXPENDITURES	P67,661	P51,991	P30,017
(at current prices)			
	<u>1995</u>	<u>1990</u>	<u>1980</u>
POPULATION	68,616,536	60,703,206	48,098,460
	<u>1995</u>	<u>1990</u>	<u>1980</u>
AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD SIZE	5.1	5.3	5.6
		<u>1994</u>	<u>1989</u>
LITERACY RATE (Source: FLEMMS)		93.9%	89.8%
	<u>1993</u>	<u>1992</u>	<u>1991</u>
INFANT MORTALITY RATE ^{3/}	20.6	21.9	20.9
(per thousand live births)			
CRUDE BIRTH RATE ^{3/}	25.1	25.8	26.9
(per thousand population)			
CRUDE DEATH RATE ^{3/}	4.8	4.9	4.7
(per thousand population)			
CRUDE MARRIAGE RATE ^{3/}	14.1	14	14
(per thousand population)			
		<u>1993</u>	<u>1988</u>
TOTAL FERTILITY RATE		4.09	4.26
(Number. of children per woman)			
LIFE EXPECTANCY AT BIRTH (years)		<u>1995</u>	
Male		64.9	
Female		70.2	
PRIVATE BUILDING CONSTRUCTION	<u>4th Qtr 1996</u>	<u>3rd Qtr 1996</u>	<u>4th Qtr 1995</u>
Philippines ^{4/}			
Number	21,850	26,814	20,986
Total floor area (sq.m.)	3,702,231	4,729,829	3,817,380
Value (P1,000)	22,444,100	29,147,428	19,350,672
Residential			
Number	15,681	19,179	14,004
Total floor area (sq.m.)	1,460,355	2,092,722	1,601,195
Value (P1,000)	6,286,045	9,827,363	7,285,203
Nonresidential			
Number	2,548	3,259	3,649
Total floor area (sq.m.)	2,018,209	2,368,582	1,981,759
Value (P1,000)	14,591,254	16,304,261	10,571,954

- ^{1/} Based on March 1997 ranking
- ^{2/} Based on February 1997 ranking
- ^{3/} Based on vital registration statistics
- ^{4/} Includes repairs and alterations

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