

Table B3. Functional Literacy of the Household Population 10-64 Years Old by Regional Ranking:  
July 1989 and November 1994

Region	Functional literacy rate				Percent change (1994 - 1989)	
	1994		1989		Rate	Rank
	Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank		
PHILIPPINES	83.8	-	75.4	-	8.4	-
National Capital Region (NCR)	92.4	1	90.6	1	1.8	14
Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR)	78.6	12	73.7	7	4.9	12
I. Ilocos	86.4	5	75.1	5	11.3	5
II. Cagayan Valley	86.6	4	72.0	8	14.6	1
III. Central Luzon	87.3	3	84.1	2	3.2	13
IV. Southern Tagalog	88.0	2	79.8	3	8.2	9
V. Bicol	82.8	7	68.8	11	14.0	3
VI. Western Visayas	80.9	8	71.3	9	9.6	8
VII. Central Visayas	80.8	9	70.6	10	10.2	6
VIII. Eastern Visayas	79.7	10	65.5	12	14.2	2
IX. Western Mindanao	71.2	14	57.7	14	13.5	4
X. Northern Mindanao	83.4	6	76.5	4	7.0	10
XI. Southern Mindanao	79.4	11	74.1	6	5.3	11
XII. Central Mindanao	73.0	13	63.1	13	9.9	7

\* Includes Sulu and Tawi-Tawi

\* Includes Lanao del Sur and Maguindanao

Sources: 1989 (July) and 1994 (November) Functional Literacy, Education and Mass Media Survey (FLEMMS)  
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