

**TABLE 2 Number and Percentage Distribution of Overseas Filipino Workers
by Region of Origin and Place of Work Abroad, Philippines: 2006 and 2007**

Selected Characteristics	2007	2006
Philippines (in thousands)	1,747	1,515
Region	100.0	100.0
National Capital Region	16.0	16.4
Cordillera Administrative Region	2.1	2.2
I - Ilocos	7.7	7.6
II - Cagayan Valley	5.9	5.3
III - Central Luzon	14.3	14.5
IVA - CALABARZON	17.7	16.8
IVB - MIMAROPA	1.7	1.3
V - Bicol	3.0	2.5
VI - Western Visayas	8.5	9.5
VII - Central Visayas	5.1	5.5
VIII - Eastern Visayas	2.1	2.2
IX - Zamboanga Peninsula	2.0	2.2
X - Northern Mindanao	3.1	2.8
XI - Davao	2.6	3.1
XII - SOCCSKSARGEN	4.2	4.0
XIII - Caraga	1.0	1.1
Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao	3.1	3.1
Place of Work	100.0	100.0
Africa	1.2	1.7
Asia	78.1	78.3
East Asia	20.9	22.6
Hong Kong	6.7	7.0
Japan	5.6	6.0
Taiwan	5.5	6.1
Other countries in East Asia (ex. China, South Korea)	3.1	3.5

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Southeast and South Central Asia	10.3	9.9
Malaysia	2.5	2.8
Singapore	6.0	5.0
Other countries in Southeast and South Central Asia (ex. Brunei)	1.7	2.1
Western Asia	46.8	45.8
Kuwait	4.4	4.8
Qatar	4.5	3.7
Saudi Arabia	19.8	21.8
United Arab Emirates	12.1	9.2
Other countries in Western Asia (ex. Bahrain, Israel, Lebanon, Jordan)	6.0	6.3
Australia	1.9	1.2
Europe	9.2	9.5
North and South America	9.3	9.2
Other countries	0.3	-
Country not reported	0.1	0.2

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: 2006 and 2007 Survey on Overseas Filipinos
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