

TABLE 1. Number and Percentage Distribution of Overseas Filipino Workers by Selected Characteristics, Philippines: 2007 and 2008

Selected Characteristics	2008	2007
Philippines (in thousands)	2,002	1,747
Type	100.0	100.0
Overseas contract workers	94.0	92.4
Other overseas Filipino workers	6.0	7.6
Sex	100.0	100.0
Male	51.7	50.9
Female	48.3	49.1
Age Group		
Both Sexes	100.0	100.0
15 - 24	10.0	10.0
25 - 29	25.7	24.5
30 - 34	21.0	20.7
35 - 39	15.1	16.3
40 - 44	11.8	11.0
45 and over	16.4	17.5
Male	100.0	100.0
15 - 24	6.7	7.4
25 - 29	22.8	20.3
30 - 34	21.8	20.0
35 - 39	14.7	16.9
40 - 44	13.2	12.5
45 and over	20.8	22.8
Female	100.0	100.0
15 - 24	13.5	12.7
25 - 29	28.8	28.8
30 - 34	20.3	21.3
35 - 39	15.6	15.7
40 - 44	10.3	9.5
45 and over	11.6	12.0
Major Occupation	100.0	100.0
Officials of government and special-interest organizations, corporate executives, managers, managing proprietors and supervisors	2.7	2.6
Professionals	9.6	8.6
Technicians and associate professionals	6.2	6.3
Clerks	5.6	5.6
Service workers and shop and market sales workers	14.3	14.3
Farmers, forestry workers and fishermen	0.6	0.4
Trades and related workers	15.7	13.8
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	13.0	13.4
Laborers and unskilled workers	32.4	35.0
Special occupations	0.0	0.0

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.

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