

TABLE 1 Labor Force Participation, Employment, Unemployment and Underemployment Rates, by Region: April 2008**(In Percent)**

Region	Total Population 15 Years Old and Over (in thousands)	Labor Force Participation Rate	Employment Rate	Unemployment Rate	Underemployment Rate
Philippines	57,700	63.2	92.0	8.0	19.8
National Capital Region	7,597	61.2	86.2	13.8	13.5
Cordillera Administrative Region	1,035	65.7	95.1	4.9	20.5
I - Ilocos Region	3,192	58.7	90.8	9.2	17.5
II - Cagayan Valley	2,130	65.9	96.2	3.8	17.4
III - Central Luzon	6,418	59.3	90.0	10.0	8.7
IV-A - CALABARZON	7,331	60.9	89.7	10.3	15.6
IV-B - MIMAROPA	1,701	69.4	95.5	4.5	29.2
V - Bicol Region	3,264	66.2	93.5	6.5	38.7
VI - Western Visayas	4,702	63.6	91.4	8.6	21.2
VII - Central Visayas	4,349	64.0	92.3	7.7	15.9
VIII - Eastern Visayas	2,595	65.0	95.1	4.9	29.3
IX - Zamboanga Peninsula	2,081	65.0	96.6	3.4	20.2
X - Northern Mindanao	2,668	69.6	95.0	5.0	26.7
XI - Davao Region	2,691	66.4	93.7	6.3	24.3
XII - SOCCSKSARGEN	2,423	67.2	95.1	4.9	23.8
Caraga	1,540	66.5	94.5	5.5	29.8
Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao	1,983	56.4	97.0	3.0	11.3

Figures were estimated using the 2000 Census-based Population Projections.

Source: National Statistics Office, April 2008 Labor Force Survey