

TABLE 3 Distribution of Overseas Filipino Workers by Region of Origin and Place of Work Abroad: 2014 and 2015

Selected Characteristics	2015	2015 ^{a/}	2014 ^{b/}
		Excludes Leyte	Excludes Leyte
Number of overseas Filipino workers (in thousands)	2,447	2,413	2,320
Region	100.0	100.0	100.0
National Capital Region	11.0	11.1	10.5
Cordillera Administrative Region	2.3	2.3	2.2
I - Ilocos	9.5	9.6	8.2
II - Cagayan Valley	6.0	6.1	6.7
III - Central Luzon	15.1	15.3	15.5
IVA - CALABARZON	17.9	18.1	17.9
IVB - MIMAROPA	1.8	1.9	2.1
V - Bicol	3.1	3.2	3.4
VI - Western Visayas	8.7	8.9	8.6
VII - Central Visayas	6.3	6.4	6.5
VIII - Eastern Visayas	2.6	1.2	1.1
IX - Zamboanga Peninsula	2.3	2.3	2.6
X - Northern Mindanao	2.8	2.8	3.4
XI - Davao	3.1	3.1	2.7
XII - SOCCSKSARGEN	4.4	4.4	4.6
XIII - Caraga	1.7	1.8	2.0
Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao	1.5	1.5	1.8
Place of Work	100.0	100.0	100.0
Africa	1.1	1.1	1.6
Asia	83.9	84.1	83.0
East Asia	16.6	16.6	15.4
Hong Kong	5.9	5.8	5.0
Japan	3.5	3.5	2.9
Taiwan	4.5	4.5	4.8
Other countries in East Asia (including China, South Korea)	2.8	2.7	2.7
Southeast and South Central Asia	11.1	11.1	11.6
Malaysia	3.3	3.4	3.3
Singapore	5.7	5.7	6.4
Other countries in Southeast and South Central Asia (including Brunei)	2.0	2.0	1.9
Western Asia	56.3	56.4	56.0
Kuwait	5.8	5.8	5.3
Qatar	5.5	5.6	5.3
Saudi Arabia	24.7	24.9	24.8
United Arab Emirates	15.5	15.4	15.6
Other countries in Western Asia (including Bahrain, Israel, Lebanon, Jordan)	4.7	4.8	4.9
Australia	1.6	1.6	1.7
Europe	7.1	7.2	7.1
North and South America	6.1	5.9	6.5
Other Countries	0.1	0.1	-

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.

^{a/} Estimates based on 2015 SOF data which excludes the province of Leyte.

^{b/} The province of Leyte was not covered in 2014 SOF.

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2014 and 2015 Survey on Overseas Filipinos