

**TABLE 1 Labor Force Participation, Employment, Unemployment, and Underemployment Rates
by Region: April 2009
(In percent)**

| Region | Total Population 15 Years Old and Over (in thousands) | Labor Force Participation Rate | Employment Rate | Unemploy- ment Rate | Under- employment Rate |
|--|--|---|----------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Philippines | 59,074 | 64.0 | 92.5 | 7.5 | 18.9 |
| National Capital Region | 7,678 | 60.8 | 86.6 | 13.4 | 12.3 |
| Cordillera Administrative Region | 1,060 | 67.4 | 95.8 | 4.2 | 17.9 |
| I - Ilocos Region | 3,324 | 61.0 | 91.7 | 8.3 | 15.6 |
| II - Cagayan Valley | 2,157 | 69.0 | 97.2 | 2.8 | 16.7 |
| III - Central Luzon | 6,523 | 59.8 | 91.5 | 8.5 | 5.4 |
| IVA - CALABARZON | 7,504 | 62.9 | 90.1 | 9.9 | 15.4 |
| IVB - MIMAROPA | 1,763 | 70.9 | 95.5 | 4.5 | 25.4 |
| V - Bicol Region | 3,340 | 65.4 | 93.5 | 6.5 | 36.8 |
| VI - Western Visayas | 4,867 | 65.0 | 92.1 | 7.9 | 26.8 |
| VII - Central Visayas | 4,484 | 63.5 | 92.7 | 7.3 | 12.6 |
| VIII - Eastern Visayas | 2,659 | 67.7 | 95.0 | 5.0 | 28.7 |
| IX - Zamboanga Peninsula | 2,124 | 67.6 | 96.2 | 3.8 | 27.4 |
| X - Northern Mindanao | 2,715 | 70.7 | 94.8 | 5.2 | 24.5 |
| XI - Davao Region | 2,771 | 65.7 | 93.8 | 6.2 | 23.4 |
| XII - SOCCSKSARGEN | 2,508 | 67.2 | 95.6 | 4.4 | 19.9 |
| Caraga | 1,562 | 67.2 | 94.9 | 5.1 | 26.8 |
| Autonomous Region in in Muslim Mindanao | 2,034 | 56.4 | 98.5 | 1.5 | 13.0 |

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

Source: National Statistics Office, April 2009 Labor Force Survey