

Republic Act 8425 of 1997 (Social Reform & Poverty Alleviation Act)

Defines Poor as "Individuals or families whose income fall below the poverty threshold as defined by the NEDA and/or cannot afford in a sustained manner to provide their minimum basic needs of food, health, education, housing and other essential amenities of life." (Section 3 of the RA 8425).

The Poverty Statistics is computed using the following:

- Income data from Family Income and Expenditure Survey
- Price data collected by PSA
- Food bundle designed by Food and Nutrition Research Institute

2023 Poverty Incidence Cluster

- 1 (Poorest; 50% ≤ PI)
- 2 (40% ≤ PI < 50%)
- 3 (30% ≤ PI < 40%)
- 4 (20% ≤ PI < 30%)
- 5 (10% ≤ PI < 20%)
- 6 (Least Poor; 0% ≤ PI < 10%)

POVERTY THRESHOLD

is the minimum income required for an individual or a family to meet the basic food and non-food needs, also known as the **POVERTY LINE**.



AMONG FAMILIES

In 2023, a Filipino family with five members needed around

PH **Php 13,873**

NCR **Php 15,713**

on average, per month to meet their basic food and non-food needs.

POVERTY INCIDENCE

is the proportion of individuals or families with income less than the **Poverty Threshold** to the total number of families or individuals.



AMONG POPULATION

15.5% of Filipinos were poor in 2023, which translates to

17.54 million poor Filipinos.



AMONG FAMILIES

10.9% of Filipino families were poor in 2023, which translates to

2.99 million poor Filipino families.

FOOD THRESHOLD

is the minimum income required for an individual or family to meet the basic food needs, which satisfy the nutritional requirements for economically necessary and socially desirable physical activities.



AMONG FAMILIES

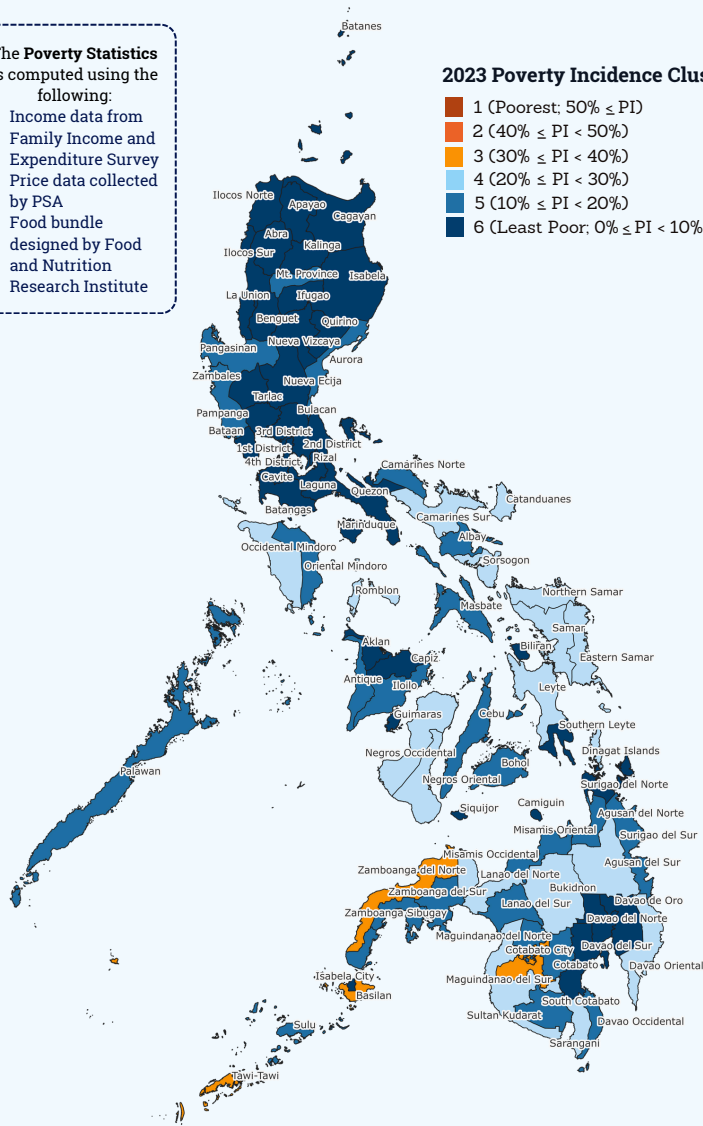
A Filipino family with five members needed around

PH **Php 9,581**

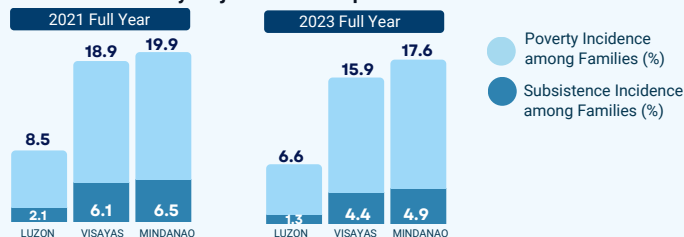
NCR **Php 10,972**

on average, per month to meet their basic food needs in 2023.

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Poverty Incidence and Subsistence Incidence among Families by Major Island Group:



SUBSISTENCE INCIDENCE

is the proportion of individuals or families with income less than the **Food Threshold** to the total number of families or individuals.



AMONG POPULATION

4.3% of Filipinos were not able to meet their basic food needs in 2023, which translates to

4.84 million food poor Filipinos.



AMONG FAMILIES

2.7% of Filipino families were not able to meet their basic food needs in 2023, which translates to

742 thousand food poor Filipino families.

Notes: The Official Poverty Statistics is available at the national, regional, provincial, and highly urbanized cities (HUCs) and can be downloaded from the following link: (<https://psa.gov.ph/poverty-press-release>)