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Profile of Collective Bargaining Agreements in 2017

(First of a three-part series)

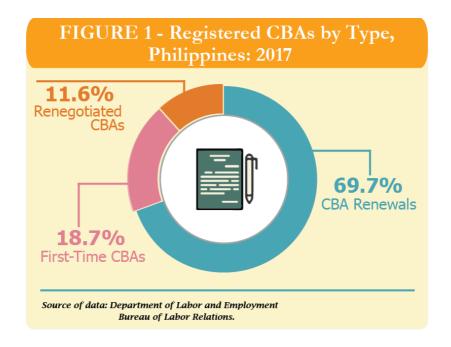
The registration of Collective Bargaining Agreements (CBAs) is closely monitored as an indicator of harmonious labor-management relations and industrial peace in the country. A collective bargaining is a process where both parties, labor and management, agree to fix and administer terms and conditions of employment which must not be below the minimum standards fixed by law, and sets a mechanism for resolving the parties' grievances.

Specifically, a CBA is a contract executed upon incorporating the agreements reached after negotiations with the employer and the exclusive bargaining representative of the employees with respect to wages, hours or work and all other terms and conditions of employment. As such, a CBA includes economic provisions and non-economic provisions. Economic provisions include monetary value of wage increases, loan benefits, bonuses, allowances, retirement plans, and other fringe benefits. On the other hand, non-economic clauses include union security clauses, grievance procedures, labor-management cooperation schemes, and other provisions without monetary value.

This three-part series of LABSTAT Updates presents data on CBAs gathered and tabulated from the documents filed at the Bureau of Labor Relations (BLR) of the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE). This first issue specifically highlights the profile of the registered CBAs in 2017.

Majority or 69.7 percent of the registered CBAs are renewals

• A total of 284 Collective Bargaining Agreements (CBAs) were registered by the different labor organizations in the country in 2017. Most or seven out of every 10 registered CBAs were renewals (198 or 69.7%) while first-time CBAs accounted for less than 20 percent (53 or 18.7%). On the other hand, renegotiated CBAs posted the least share at 11.6 percent (33 CBAs). (Figure 1)



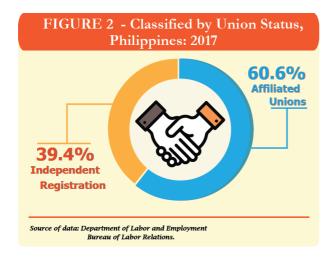
 By scope of bargaining unit, almost all (269 or 94.7%) of the CBAs covered rank and file workers while only few CBAs (15 or 5.3%) comprised supervisory level positions. (Table 1)

TABLE 1 - Registered CBAs by Scope of Bargaining Unit, Philippines: 2017

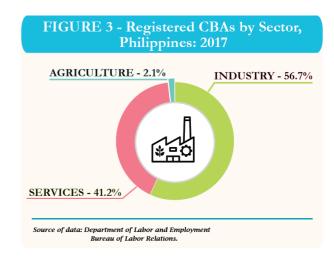
Scope of Bargaining Unit	Number	Percent Share	
Total	284	100.0	
Rank and File	269	94.7	
Supervisory	15	5.3	

Source of data: Department of Labor and Employment, Bureau of Labor Relations.

Classified by union status, three - fifths of the total registered CBAs (172 or 60.6%) were negotiated by affiliated unions or those unions that are connected with federation, national union or charted local. Independent unions or those unions that acquired legal personality through independent registration covered two -fifths of total CBAs (112 or 39.4%). (Figure 2)



 Sector-wise, the industry sector recorded the biggest share of registered CBAs in 2017 reaching 161 CBAs (56.7%), followed by the services sector with 117 CBAs (41.2%). The agriculture sector recorded the lowest share with 6 CBAs (2.1%). (Figure 3)

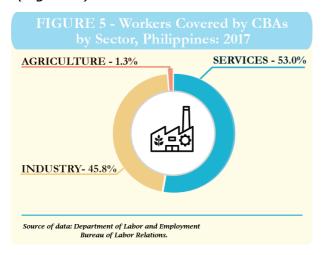


- categorized by major industry group, manufacturing posted almost half (139 or 48.9%) of the total registered CBAs followed by wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles at 11.6 percent. The rest of the industries registered shares of less than 8 percent share each. (Table 2)
- By sub-industry grouping of the manufacturing industry, CBAs were prevalent in the manufacturing of food products (25 or 18.0%) and rubber and plastic products (19 or 13.7%). On the other hand, manufacturing of furniture; repair and installation of machinery equipment; and computer, electronic and optical products reported the least shares of CBAs at 0.7 percent. (Figure 4 and Table 3)

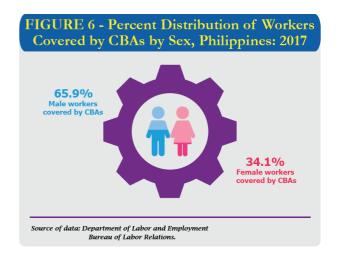


A total of 46,920 workers are covered by the CBAs in 2017

- Of the total 284 CBAs in 2017, 46,920 workers were covered by the different provisions. Majority (31,367 or 66.9%) were members of renewed CBAs. Meanwhile, one out of every five workers (9,582 or 20.4%) benefitted from the newly-registered CBAs while renegotiated CBAs covered 5,971 (12.7%) workers. (Table 2)
- By scope of bargaining unit, almost all CBAs (97.2% or 45,629) covered rank and file employees while the remaining 2.8 percent (1,281 CBAs) were supervisors.
- Three out of every five (60.6% or 28,433) workers covered by CBAs were members of affiliated unions while the rest (39.4% or 18,487) were members of independent unions.
- In terms of workers coverage by sector, workers in the services sector accounted for more than 50 percent of total workers covered by CBAs (53.0% or 24,830) as compared to the workers in the industry sector which comprised 45.8 percent (21,511) of the total share. The share of the agricultural workers covered by CBAS registered the least share at 1.3 percent (620). (Figure 5)



- By major industry group, manufacturing posted the highest count of workers covered by CBAs at 17,329 workers (36.9%) followed by financial and insurance activities with 6,652 workers (14.2%), and wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles with 5,967 workers (12.7%).
- Disaggregated by sex, two out of every three workers (30,898 or 65.9%) covered by CBAs were males. Female workers accounted for the remaining 34.1 percent or 16,022 workers. (Figure 6)



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TABLE 2 – Number and Percent Distribution of Collective Bargaining Agreements (CBAs) and Workers Covered by Type, Scope of Bargaining Unit, Union Status, Sector/Major Industry Group and Sex, Philippines: 2017

INDICATOR	Collective Bargaining Agreements		Workers Covered	
	Number Percent		Number	Percent
TOTAL	284	100.0	46,920	100.0
Type of CBA				
First-Time CBA Renewal Renegotiated	53 198 33	18.7 69.7 11.6	9,582 31,367 5,971	20.4 66.9 12.7
Scope of Bargaining Unit Supervisory Level Rank and File Employees	15 269	5.3 94.7	1,291 45,629	2.8 97.2
Union Status Independent Affiliated	112 172	39.4 60.6	18,487 28,433	39.4 60.6
Sector/Major Industry Group				
Agriculture Agriculture, Hunting and Forestry	6	2.1 2.1	620 620	1.3 1.3
Industry Mining and Quarrying Manufacturing Electricity, Gas, Steam and Air Conditioning Supply Water Supply; Sewerage	161 4 139 11	56.7 1.4 48.9 3.9	21,470 1,291 17,329 2,047	45.8 2.8 36.9 4.4 0.1
Construction	6	2.1	768	1.6
Services Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles	117 33	41.2 11.6	24,830 5,967	53.0 12.7
Transportation and Storage Accommodation and Food Service Activities Information and Communication Financial and Insurance Activities Real Estate Activities Administrative and Support Service Activities Education Human Health and Social Work Activities Other Service Activities	24 14 7 11 3 3 12 9	8.5 4.9 2.5 3.9 1.1 4.2 3.2 0.4	4,296 1,596 782 6,652 86 131 2,207 3,058 55	9.2 3.4 1.7 14.2 0.2 0.3 4.7 6.5
Sex Men Women			30,898 16,022	65.9 34.1

Note: Details may not add up to totals due to rounding. Source of data: Department of Labor and Employment, Bureau of Labor Relations.

TABLE 3 – Number and Percent Distribution of Collective Bargaining Agreements (CBAs) in the Manufacturing Sub-Industry Group,
Philippines: 2017

Manufacturing Sub-Industry Group	Number of CBAs	Percent Share	
TOTAL	139	100.0	
Food Products	25	18.0	
Rubber and Plastic Products	19	13.7	
Basic Metals	16	11.5	
Beverages	14	10.1	
Chemicals and Chemical Products	10	7.2	
Textiles	9	6.5	
Other Non-Metallic Mineral Products	7	5.0	
Paper and Paper Products	7	5.0	
Machinery and Equipment Not Elsewhere Classified	5	3.6	
Printing and Reproduction of Recorded Media	5	3.6	
Electrical Equipment	4	2.9	
Fabricated Metal Products	4	2.9	
Wearing Apparel	4	2.9	
Tobacco	3	2.2	
Basic Pharmaceutical Products	2	1.4	
Other Transport Equipment	2	1.4	
Computer, Electronic and Optical Products	1	0.7	
Furniture	1	0.7	
Repair and Installation of Machinery Equipment	1	0.7	

Note: Details may not add up to totals due to rounding. Source of data: Department of Labor and Employment, Bureau of Labor Relations.