

SURVEY OF JOB VACANCIES IN LARGE ENTERPRISES IN METRO MANILA First Quarter 2009

OVERVIEW

This issue presents statistics on job vacancies in large enterprises based in Metro Manila for the first quarter of 2009. Said statistics were gathered from the results of the Labor Turnover Survey (LTS) conducted by the Bureau of Labor and Employment Statistics (BLES) for that period.

The LTS covered around 700 respondents that were drawn from the 2007 List of Top 8,000 Corporations in the Philippines as compiled by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). Considered as industry trend setters, firms covered by the LTS provide timely signals on labor demand in the formal sector of the economy.

This report attempts to capture the distribution of labor demand by type of occupations/skills in the enterprises covered by the survey. Statistics from this report were based on sample data.



More than 9,000 job openings available for placement

SURVEY RESULTS

Two (2) of every five (5) sample enterprises have job openings

- Of the 681 enterprise respondents, 40.8% or 278 were actively recruiting applicants to fill up vacancies in their organizations during the first quarter of 2009.
- A total of 9,027 jobs in various types of occupations and skills were open for qualified applicants.
- The bulk (4,038 or 44.7%) of the job openings were dominated by vacancies coming from the real estate, renting and business activities sub-sector particularly those engaged in business process outsourcing (BPO). Fairly large numbers were also reported in hotels and restaurants (1,618 or 17.9%) and financial intermediation (1,250 or 13.8%).
- Relatively few job openings were reported in manufacturing (279) and wholesale and retail trade (458) – two sub-sectors which traditionally accounted for the bulk of the job vacancies.

Service support workers and sales workers on top of the vacancy list

- The top ten occupations in terms of the number of vacant positions were dominated by service support workers of various types, sales workers, computer professionals and carpenters. Together, they accounted for nearly two-thirds (63.4%) of the total vacant positions offered by employers during the reference period.

Position Title	Number of Vacancies
1. Healthcare Customer Service Associate	2,000
2. Service Crew	1,193
3. Technical Support/Service Representative	696
4. Customer Service Representative	586
5. Teller	377
6. Management Trainee	281
7. Computer Professional	190
8. Back Office Sales Support	151
9. Carpenter	122
10. Marketing Officer	124
TOTAL	5,720

- The occupations in the list which appeared common across industries were the following:

1. Manager (223)
2. Engineer (187)
3. Sales Associate Professional (451)
4. Accountant/Auditor (239)
5. Computer Professional (153)
6. Numerical/Customer Service Clerk (727)
7. Driver (180)

- On the other hand, the occupations that top the list in specific industry groups (excluding agriculture, hunting and forestry, with very few vacancies) were:

1. **Fishery (38)**
 - Chief Engineer (9)
 - Chief Mate (6)

2. **Mining and Quarrying (202)**
 - Dump Truck Driver (120)
 - Heavy Equipment Operator (27)
 - Mechanical Engineer (13)
 - Welder (10)
 - Mining Engineer (8)

3. **Manufacturing (279)**
 - Sales Representative (59)
 - Packer (40)
 - Engineer
 - Mechanical (12)
 - Chemical (4)
 - Electrical (3)
 - Operations (3)

4. **Electricity, Gas and Water (81)**
 - Electrical Engineer (11)
 - Jr. Electrician (17)
 - Plumber (15)

5. **Construction (575)**
 - Carpenter (122)
 - Duct Installer (73)
 - Mason (66)
 - Tinsmith (40)
 - Civil Engineer/Architect (35)

6. **Wholesale and Retail Trade (458)**
 - Marketing Professional (47)
 - Office Assistant (35)
 - Store Supervisor (30)

7. **Hotels and Restaurants (1,618)**
 - Service Crew (1,088)
 - Management Trainee (255)
 - Kitchen Crew (80)

8. **Transport, Storage & Communications (110)**
 - Sales Associate (14)
 - Customer Service Assistant (11)
 - Marine Engineer (6)

9. **Financial Intermediation (1,250)**
 - Teller (377)
 - Marketing Officer (90)
 - IT Officer (86)
 - Branch Operations Officer (80)

10. **Real Estate, Renting & Business Services (4,038)**
 - Healthcare Customer Service Associate (2,000)
 - Technical Support Representative (695)
 - Customer Service Representative (545)
 - Back Office Sales Support (151)

11. **Education (49)**
 - Technical Instructor (36)

12. **Health and Social Work (107)**
 - Medical Technologist (28)
 - Pharmacist (11)

13. **Other Community, Social and Personal Service Activities (222)**
 - Service Crew (105)
 - Cashier (33)

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