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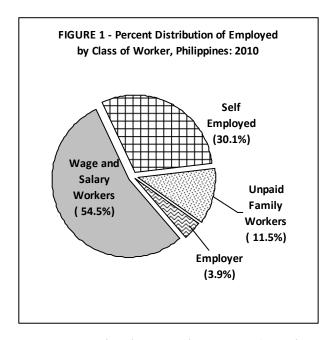
A Closer Look at the Wage and Salary Workers in the Philippines

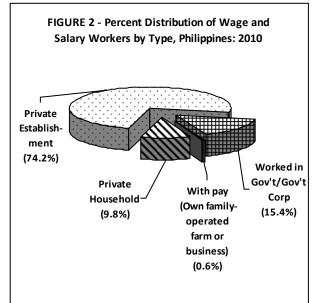
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Class of worker or status in employment categorizes the total employed as a) wage and salary worker, b) employer in own family-operated farm or business, c) self-employed without any paid employee and d) unpaid family worker in own family-operated farm or business. The generally prevalent wage and salary workers comprise those employees working in private household for pay, private establishment, government/government corporation and those working in own family-operated farm or business and receives remuneration in any kind in the performance of their specific tasks.

This issue of LABSTAT Updates provides a summary of the demographic and economic characteristics of the wage and salary workers in 2010. The data refer to the averages of the four survey rounds (January, April, July, October) of the Labor Force Survey conducted by the National Statistics Office.

In 2010, there were 19.626 million wage and salary workers out of the 36.035 million employed. They consist 54.5% of total employed.





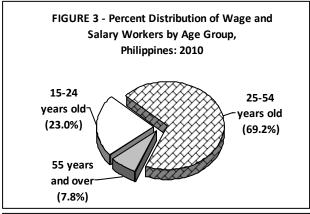
- Wage and salary workers constituted more than half (19.626 million or 54.5%) of the total employment in 2010.
- Bulk of wage and salary workers (14.565 million or 74.2%) were working in private establishments.

Demographic Characteristics (Table 1)

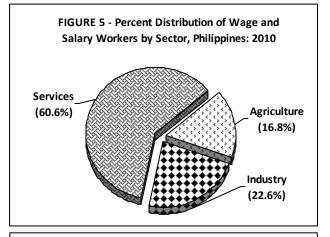
- More than half (12.137 million or 61.8%) were men.
- A large number (13.575 million or 69.2%) were in the prime working age of 25-54 years old. (Figure 3)
- About 59 percent (11.489 million) were married.
- Almost two-thirds (12.586 million or 64.1%) of these workers were not heads of households.
- Those with secondary education totalled 7.899 million (40.2%) while 7.161 million (36.5%) have reached tertiary education. (Figure 4)

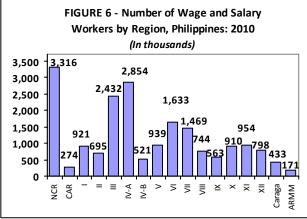
Economic Characteristics (Table 2)

- Some 14.350 million (73.1%) have permanent jobs.
- More than three-fourths (78.1% or 15.332 million) have full time employment or worked 40 hours and over a week.
- 3 out of 5 were employed in the services sector (11.901 million or 60.6%). (Figure 5)
- Laborers and unskilled workers accounted for 36.8 percent (7.221 million) of total wage and salary workers.
- Their average basic pay was posted at #306.53. Their average hours of work per week was 44.5.
- Wage and salary workers were dominant in industrial regions such as National Capital Region (3.316 million), Region IV-A (2.854 million) and Region III (2.432 million). Together they accounted for around 44 percent of total. On the other hand, Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao and Cordillera Administrative Region recorded the lowest shares of 171,000 (0.9%) and 274,000 $(1.4\%)_{i}$ respectively. (Figure 6)









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TABLE 1 - Demographic Characteristics of Wage and Salary Workers,
Philippines: 2010

(In thousands except percent)

INDICATOR	Number	Percent Share
TOTAL	19,626	100.0
Sex		
Men	12,137	61.8
Women	7,489	38.2
Age		
15 – 24 years old	4,514	23.0
25 - 54 years old	13,575	69.2
55 years old and over	1,537	7.8
Marital Status		
Single	7,126	36.3
Married	11,489	58.5
Others	1,010	5.1
Relationship to Household Head		
Head of Household	7,040	35.9
Non-head	12,586	64.1
Educational Attainment		
No formal education	122	0.6
Primary	4,444	22.6
Secondary	7,899	40.2
Tertiary	7,161	36.5
Undergraduate Graduate	2,942 4,219	15.0 21.5

Note: Details may not add up to totals due to rounding. Source of basic data: National Statistics Office, Labor Force Survey, Public Use Files.

TABLE 2 - Economic Characteristics of Wage and Salary Workers,
Philippines: 2010

(In thousands except percent)

INDICATOR	Number	Percent Share
TOTAL	19,626	100.0
Nature of Employment		
Permanent Job	14,350	73.1
Short Term	4,513	23.0
Different Employer	763	3.9
Full/Part-Time Employment		
Worked less than 40 hours	4,073	20.8
Worked 40 hours and over	15,332	78.1
With a job not at work	221	1.1
Sector		
Agriculture	3,288	16.8
Industry	4,437	22.6
Services	11,901	60.6
Major Occupation (Top 5)		
Laborers and Unskilled Workers	7,221	36.8
Service Workers, and Shop and Market Sales Workers	2,868	14.6
Plant and Machine Operators and		
Assemblers	1,764	9.0
Officials of the Government and Special Interest, Organizations, Corporate Executives, Managers, Managing		
Proprietors and Supervisors	851	4.3
Farmers, Forestry Workers and Fishermen	218	1.1
Basic Pay	306.53	-
Mean Hours of Work	44.5	-

Note: Details may not add up to totals due to rounding.

Source of basic data: National Statistics Office, Labor Force Survey, Public Use Files.

Definition:

Different Employer – for odd job workers/stevedores not on payroll or not connected with union/market and other cargo handlers receiving pay from individual customers.