

FAMILY INCOME AND EXPENDITURES

Regional Patterns in Family Expenditures

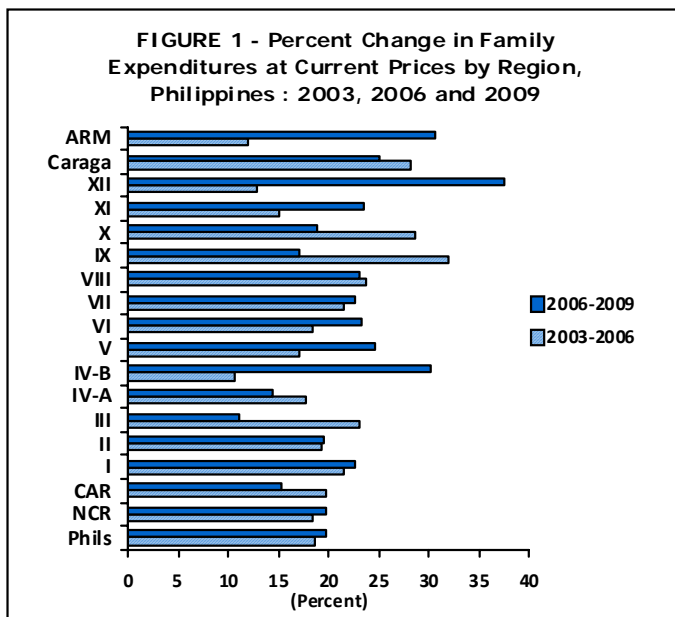
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The Family Income and Expenditure Survey (FIES) is a nationwide survey conducted by the National Statistics Office (NSO) every three years. It provides statistics on the sources of income and its distribution, levels of expenditures and spending patterns of Filipino families and other related information. The survey is the source of statistics on the degree of inequality among families and it provides inputs in the estimation of the country's poverty threshold and incidence. The benchmark information to update the weights in the estimation of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) also comes from this survey. The first FIES was undertaken by NSO in 1957.

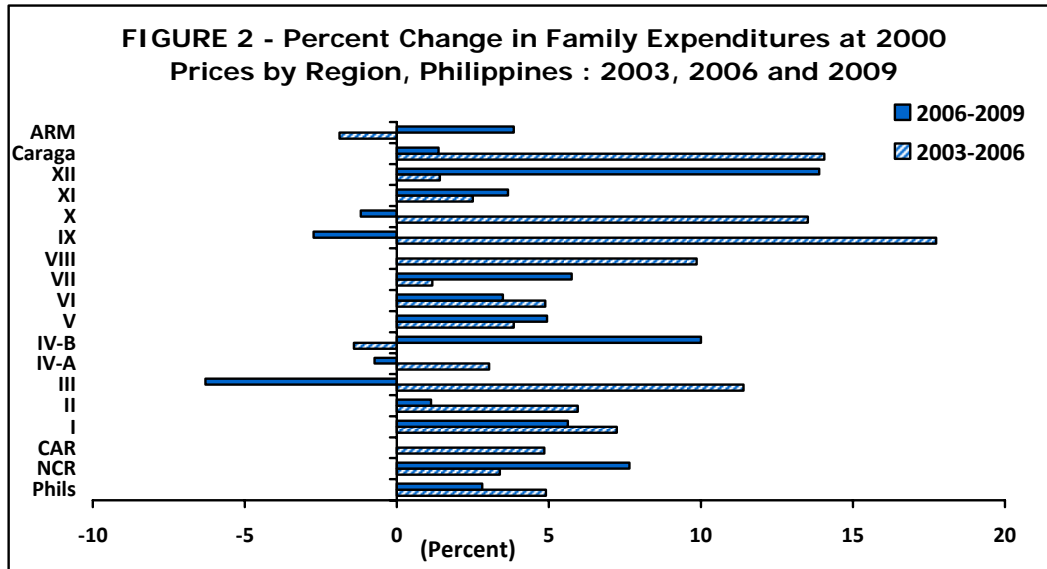
The regular collection, compilation and publication of "household expenditure or, where appropriate, family expenditure and, where possible, household income or, where appropriate, family income" is contained in the 1985 Labor Statistics Convention 160 and was reiterated in its companion document, Labor Statistics Recommendation 170 (see LABSTAT Updates Vol. 15 No. 7 dated May 2011).

This issue of LABSTAT Updates compares the expenditures of families across regions based on the 2003, 2006 and 2009 FIES results. The press release and statistical tables of FIES are available at the NSO website (www.census.gov.ph).

Family expenditures grew faster than income



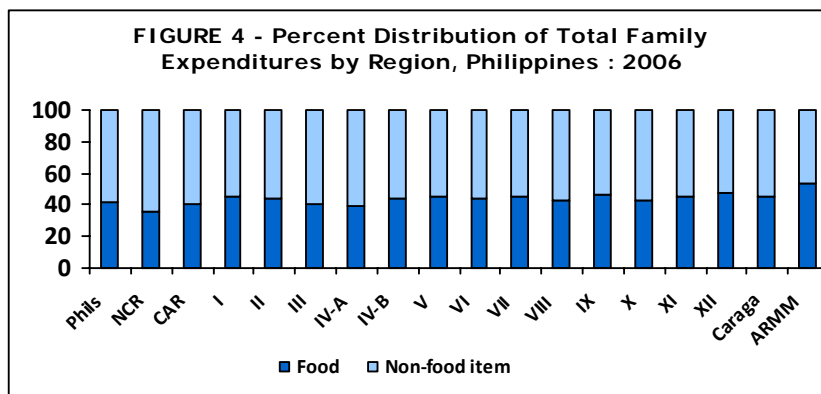
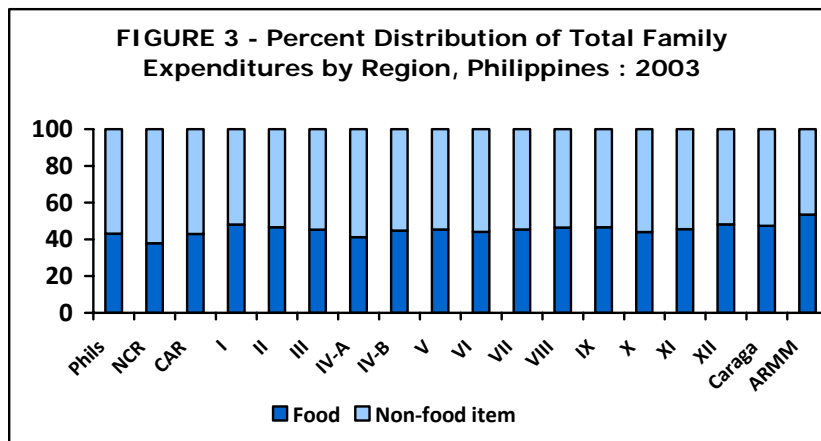
Family expenditures in the country and most of its regions grew much faster than income. Large increase in family expenditures during the 2003-2006 periods was observed in Regions IX (32.0%), X (28.6%), and Caraga (28.2%). In the succeeding period (2006-2009), increase in family expenditures was much more prominent in Regions XII (37.5%), ARMM (30.7%), and IV-B (30.1%).

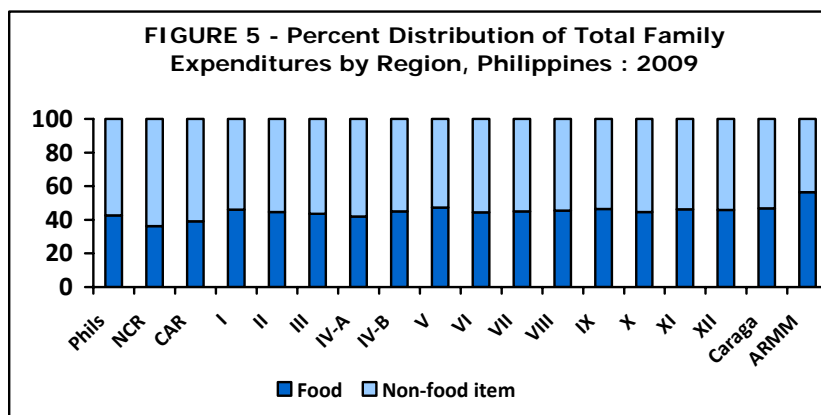


When pegged at 2000 prices, average family expenditures actually declined in ARMM (-1.9%) and IV-B

(-1.4%) from 2003 to 2006 and in Regions III (-6.3%), IX (-2.7%), X (-1.2%), and IV-A (0.7%) from 2006 to 2009.

More than 50% of family expenditures spent on non-food items





More than half of family expenditures in the 3-years under review were spent on non-food items. Similar trend was also evident in nearly all regions, most notably in NCR where at least 62% of the total expenditures went to non-food items. On the contrary, more than half

of total family expenditures in ARMM were spent on food items. In addition, the share of food-items to total expenditures in this region has steadily increased from 53.5% in 2003 to 53.9% in 2006 to 56.4% in 2009.

Definition of Terms:

Family - a group of persons usually living together and composed of the head and other persons related to the head by blood, marriage or adoption. It includes both the nuclear and extended family.

Family expenditures - refer to the expenses or disbursements made by the family purely for personal consumption. It excludes all expenses in relation to farm or business operations, investment ventures, purchase of real property and other disbursements that do not involve personal consumption.

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TABLE 1 - Average Family Expenditures at Current and 2000 Prices by Region, Philippines: 2003, 2006 and 2009
(In ₱000)

Region	At Current prices			At 2000 prices		
	2003	2006	2009	2003	2006	2009
PHILIPPINES	124	147	176	102	107	110
National Capital Region	218	258	309	177	183	197
Cordillera Administrative Region	126	151	174	103	108	108
I - Ilocos Region	102	124	152	83	89	94
II - Cagayan Valley	99	118	141	84	89	90
III - Central Luzon	138	170	189	114	127	119
IV-A - CALABARZON	158	186	213	132	136	135
IV-B - MIMAROPA	84	93	121	71	70	77
V - Bicol Region	94	110	137	78	81	85
VI - Western Visayas	98	116	143	82	86	89
VII - Central Visayas	102	124	152	86	87	92
VIII - Eastern Visayas	84	104	128	71	78	78
IX - Zamboanga Peninsula	75	99	116	62	73	71
X - Northern Mindanao	91	117	139	74	84	83
XI - Davao Region	100	115	142	80	82	85
XII - SOCCSKSARGEN	85	96	132	71	72	82
Caraga	78	100	125	64	73	74
Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao	67	75	98	53	52	54

Source of data: National Statistics Office, Family Income and Expenditure Survey.

TABLE 2 - Percent Distribution of Total Family Expenditures by Region, Philippines: 2003, 2006 and 2009

Region	2003		2006		2009	
	Food	Non-food	Food	Non-food	Food	Non-food
PHILIPPINES	43.1	56.9	41.4	58.6	42.6	57.4
National Capital Region	37.8	62.2	35.9	64.1	36.2	63.8
Cordillera Administrative Region	42.9	57.1	40.8	59.2	39.0	61.0
I - Ilocos Region	48.0	52.0	44.7	55.3	46.0	54.0
II - Cagayan Valley	46.6	53.4	44.3	55.7	44.6	55.4
III - Central Luzon	45.2	54.8	40.9	59.1	43.6	56.4
IV-A - CALABARZON	41.2	58.8	39.3	60.7	41.9	58.1
IV-B - MIMAROPA	44.8	55.2	44.6	55.4	45.0	55.0
V - Bicol Region	45.4	54.6	45.2	54.8	47.4	52.6
VI - Western Visayas	44.1	55.9	44.1	55.9	44.5	55.5
VII - Central Visayas	45.4	54.6	44.8	55.2	45.0	55.0
VIII - Eastern Visayas	46.4	53.6	43.2	56.8	45.5	54.5
IX - Zamboanga Peninsula	46.5	53.5	45.9	54.1	46.5	53.5
X - Northern Mindanao	44.0	56.0	43.2	56.8	44.7	55.3
XI - Davao Region	45.5	54.5	45.6	54.4	46.2	53.8
XII - SOCCSKSARGEN	48.2	51.8	48.0	52.0	45.8	54.2
Caraga	47.4	52.6	45.6	54.4	46.8	53.2
Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao	53.5	46.5	53.9	46.1	56.4	43.6

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