

## KEY LABOR MARKET INDICATORS FROM ADMINISTRATIVE DATA

### (Job Vacancies and Placements, Overseas Deployment and Job Displacements: January-July 2002)

#### Overview

This report brings together three (3) sets of administrative-based data that provide some indications on the labor market situation in the country, namely: (1) job placements/assistance reported under the various employment facilitation efforts of all Public Employment Service Offices (PESOs) in the country including placements through the conduct of jobs fair and those reported by Local Recruitment Agencies (LRAs); (2) overseas deployment from the Philippine Overseas Employment Administration (POEA) and (3) job displacements due to economic reasons based on termination reports submitted by employers to DOLE ROs.

#### KEY INDICATORS OF THE LABOR MARKET PHILIPPINES: January - July 2002 (Preliminary)

Month	EMPLOYMENT FACILITATION		OVERSEAS DEPLOYMENT			JOB DISPLACEMENT (DUE TO ECONOMIC REASONS)	
	Job Vacancies Solicited/ Reported <sup>1</sup>	Applicants Placed/ Assisted <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL	Landbased	Seabased	Establishments Reporting <sup>3</sup>	Workers Affected
<b>2002</b>	<b>748,732</b>	<b>534,093</b>	<b>558,376</b>	<b>434,982</b>	<b>123,394</b>	<b>2,173</b>	<b>51,895</b>
January	46,509	31,465	98,589	80,051	18,538	395	10,869
February	99,739	32,870	66,223	50,537	15,686	493	10,088
March	92,212	28,290	66,545	48,984	17,561	517	9,912
April	135,009	83,194	87,456	68,737	18,719	410	5,191
May	107,447	75,722	84,726	66,790	17,936	348	5,381
June	178,425	220,602	79,795	62,622	17,173	334	6,680
July	89,391	61,950	75,042	57,261	17,781	342	3,774
<b>2001 Jan. - July</b>	<b>627,170</b>	<b>409,427</b>	<b>535,193</b>	<b>416,787</b>	<b>118,406</b>	<b>1,606</b>	<b>38,030</b>

1 Refers to job vacancies solicited/reported through PESOs and Jobs Fair.

2 Refers to applicants placed in wage employment, engaged in self-employment or trained after seeking assistance from the PESOs. This also includes applicants placed through Jobs Fair and placements reported by Local Recruitment Agencies (LRAs).

3 Details may not add up to total due to multiple reporting.

Sources of data: Bureau of Local Employment, Statistical Performance and Reporting System (SPRS).

Philippine Overseas Employment Administration.

Establishment Termination Reports submitted by employers to DOLE Regional Offices.

## DOLE EMPLOYMENT FACILITATION EFFORTS January-July 2002

• **Job Vacancies Solicited/Reported**  
(Preliminary)

Program	Number of Vacancies
<b>TOTAL JOB VACANCIES</b>	<b>748,732</b>
PESOs	<u>493,560</u>
1. Regular Program	391,094
- Local Employment	359,526
- Overseas Employment	31,568
2. SPES	96,284
3. WAP	5,569
4. TULAY 2000	613
JOBS FAIR	<u>255,172</u>

- More than half a million job vacancies or 748,000 were solicited/reported during the first seven months of 2002, upped 19.4 percent from last year of same period.
- About two-thirds (65.9% or 493,560) of total vacancies were reported through the PESOs - mainly through its regular facilitation program (391,094) and SPES (96,284).
- A total of 255,172 vacancies were also made available through the jobs fair held during the period.

• **Applicants Placed/Assisted through the PESOs/Reported by Local Recruitment Agencies (LRAs)**  
(Preliminary)

Indicator	Number
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>534,093</u></b>
<b>A. PESOs</b>	<b><u>503,443</u></b>
Applicants Placed	<u>309,586</u>
1. Regular Program	216,771
- Local Employment	212,328
- Overseas Employment	4,443
2. SPES	73,902
3. WAP	5,400
4. TULAY 2000	635
5. Others*	12,878
Applicants Placed through Jobs Fair	<u>28,090</u>
Applicants engaged in self-employment/trained**	<u>165,767</u>
<b>B. LRAs</b>	
- Placements through local recruitment agencies	<b><u>30,650</u></b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Includes wage employment provided to retrenched/displaced workers, returning OFWs, migratory workers and rural workers.</i></li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>** <i>Applicants engaged in self-employment or trained after seeking assistance from PESO.</i></li> </ul>	

- A total of 503,443 persons received various forms of employment assistance from the PESOs for the first seven months of the year, an increase of 33.7 percent from the year ago level.
- Job placements accounted for the bulk of the assistance provided at 309,586 or 61.5 percent. This includes the combined placement efforts under the regular facilitation program, SPES, WAP, TULAY 2000 and others.
- Other forms of assistance were likewise provided to some 165,767 applicants who were reported to have engaged in self-employment or underwent skills training after seeking assistance from the PESOs. Region I reported the biggest share to these efforts at 85.2 percent or 141,248.
- The DOLE also monitored 30,650 placements made through the private recruitment/placement agencies.

## Overseas Deployment

- Overseas jobs continue to lure many Filipinos to work abroad. Total deployment for the first seven (7) months of this year was placed at 558,376 as indicated by data from the Philippine Overseas Employment Administration.
- This figure translates to an average of 2,700 Filipinos leaving the country each day to seek for more competitive jobs in the overseas labor market.

## Job Displacements

- Between the period January 1 to July 31, a total of 51,895 workers from 2,173 establishments were permanently separated from their jobs due to economic reasons.
- The bulk of the job losses were reported during the first three months of January (10,869), February (10,088) and March (9,912). Thereafter, job losses declined substantially in the succeeding months of April (5,191), May (5,381), June (6,680) and July (3,774).
- Reorganization/downsizing/redundancy accounted for the biggest number of workers retrenched during this period (33.6% or 17,427 workers). Lack of market/ slump in demand ranked a close second (30.4% or 15,792 workers) followed by financial losses (18.3% or 9,501 workers) and change in management/ merger (3.9% or 2,042 workers).

**Number of Workers Displaced by Reason for Closure/Retrenchment, Philippines  
January - July 2002**

Reason	Workers Affected	Percent Distribution
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>51,895</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Reorganization/Downsizing/ Redundancy	17,427	33.6
Lack of Market	15,792	30.4
Financial Losses	9,501	18.3
Change in Management/ Merger	2,042	3.9
High Cost of Production	1,356	2.6
Lack of Capital	1,154	2.2
Other reasons	4,623	8.9

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