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## Highlights of the MIMAROPA Region Population 2020 Census of Population and Housing (2020 CPH)

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- The population of MIMAROPA Region as of 01 May 2020 is 3,228,558 based on the 2020 Census of Population and Housing (2020 CPH). This accounts for about 2.96 percent of the Philippine population in 2020.
- The 2020 population of the region is higher by 265,198 from the population of 2.96 million in 2015, and 483,887 more than the population of 2.74 million in 2010. Moreover, it is higher by 929,329 compared with the population of 2.30 million in 2000. (Table 1)

Table 1. Total Population Based on Various Censuses: MIMAROPA Region

Census Year	Census Reference Date	Total Population
2000	May 1, 2000	2,299,229
2010	May 1, 2010	2,744,671
2015	August 1, 2015	2,963,360
2020	May 1, 2020	3,228,558

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

- The population of the MIMAROPA Region increased by 1.82 percent annually from 2015 to 2020. By comparison, the rate at which the population of the region grew from 2010 to 2015 was lower at 1.47 percent. (Table 2)

Table 2. Annual Population Growth Rate Based on Various Censuses:  
MIMAROPA Region

Intercensal Period	Annual Population Growth Rate (%)
2000 to 2010	1.79
2010 to 2015	1.47
2015 to 2020	1.82

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority



- Among the five provinces comprising the MIMAROPA Region, Palawan had the biggest population in 2020 with 939,594 persons, followed by Oriental Mindoro with 908,339 persons, Occidental Mindoro with 525,354 persons, and Romblon with 308,985 persons. Marinduque had the smallest population with 239,207 persons. (Table 3)
- The City of Puerto Princesa, the only highly urbanized city in the region posted a population of 307,079 persons.

Table 3. Total Population by Province/Highly Urbanized City  
Based on Various Censuses: MIMAROPA Region

Province/Highly Urbanized City	Total Population			
	2000	2010	2015	2020
Marinduque	217,392	227,828	234,521	239,207
Occidental Mindoro	380,250	452,971	487,414	525,354
Oriental Mindoro	681,818	785,602	844,059	908,339
Palawan	593,500	771,667	849,469	939,594
<i>City of Puerto Princesa</i>	161,912	222,673	255,116	307,079
Romblon	264,357	283,930	292,781	308,985

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

- Palawan was the fastest growing province in the region with an annual population growth rate (PGR) of 2.14 percent from 2015 to 2020. It was followed by Occidental Mindoro with a PGR of 1.59 percent, Oriental Mindoro (1.56 percent), and Romblon (1.14 percent). Marinduque posted the lowest provincial PGR of 0.42 percent. (Table 4)
- The City of Puerto Princesa posted a PGR of 3.98 percent.

Table 4. Annual Population Growth Rate by Province/Highly Urbanized City  
Based on Various Censuses: MIMAROPA Region

Province/Highly Urbanized City	Annual Population Growth Rate (%)		
	2000 to 2010	2010 to 2015	2015 to 2020
Marinduque	0.47	0.55	0.42
Occidental Mindoro	1.76	1.40	1.59
Oriental Mindoro	1.43	1.38	1.56
Palawan	2.66	1.84	2.14
<i>City of Puerto Princesa</i>	3.24	2.62	3.98
Romblon	0.72	0.59	1.14

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

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- MIMAROPA Region is composed of one highly urbanized city, one component city, 71 municipalities, and 1,460 barangays.
- Among the cities (excluding the City of Puerto Princesa) and municipalities in the region, the largest in terms of population size is the Municipality of San Jose, Occidental Mindoro with 153,267 persons. It was followed by the City of Calapan, Oriental Mindoro with 145,786 persons, and Naujan, Oriental Mindoro with 109,587 persons. (Table 5)

Table 5. Top Ten Most Populous Cities\*/Municipalities:  
MIMAROPA Region, 2020

Rank	City/Municipality	Province	Total Population
1	San Jose	Occidental Mindoro	153,267
2	City of Calapan	Oriental Mindoro	145,786
3	Naujan	Oriental Mindoro	109,587
4	Sablayan	Occidental Mindoro	92,598
5	Pinamalayan	Oriental Mindoro	90,383
6	Bataraza	Palawan	85,439
7	Taytay	Palawan	83,357
8	Narra	Palawan	77,948
9	Bongabong	Oriental Mindoro	76,973
10	Brooke's Point	Palawan	73,994

\* Excluding the City of Puerto Princesa

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2020 Census of Population and Housing

- Kalayaan in Palawan is the least populous city/municipality in MIMAROPA Region with 193 persons. It was followed by Concepcion (3,561) and Banton (5,737), both in the Province of Romblon. (Table 6)

Table 6. Ten Least Populous Cities\*/Municipalities: MIMAROPA Region, 2020

Rank	City/Municipality	Province	Total Population
1	Kalayaan	Palawan	193
2	Concepcion	Romblon	3,561
3	Banton	Romblon	5,737
4	Cagayancillo	Palawan	6,884
5	Looc	Occidental Mindoro	7,802
6	Ferrol	Romblon	8,005
7	Santa Maria (Imelda)	Romblon	8,989
8	Corcuera	Romblon	10,112
9	Calatrava	Romblon	11,342
10	San Jose	Romblon	11,759

\* Excluding the City of Puerto Princesa

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2020 Census of Population and Housing

- Of the 1,460 barangays in the MIMAROPA Region, the largest in terms of population size is San Pedro in the City of Puerto Princesa with 25,909 persons. It was followed by Rio Tuba in Bataraza, Palawan with 24,085 persons, and San Jose in the City of Puerto Princesa with 23,804 persons. The rest of the top ten most populous barangays in the region are all located in the City of Puerto Princesa, except Alfonso XIII (Pob.) in Quezon, Palawan and San Roque in San Jose, Occidental Mindoro, which ranked eighth and tenth, respectively. (Table 7)

Table 7. Top Ten Most Populous Barangays: MIMAROPA Region, 2020

Rank	Barangay	City/Municipality/Province	Total Population
1	San Pedro	City of Puerto Princesa	25,909
2	Rio Tuba	Bataraza, Palawan	24,085
3	San Jose	City of Puerto Princesa	23,804
4	Sicsican	City of Puerto Princesa	22,625
5	Santa Monica	City of Puerto Princesa	21,174
6	San Miguel	City of Puerto Princesa	21,157
7	San Manuel	City of Puerto Princesa	18,509
8	Alfonso XIII (Pob.)	Quezon, Palawan	16,145
9	Bancao-bancao	City of Puerto Princesa	15,781
10	San Roque	San Jose, Occidental Mindoro	15,721

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2020 Census of Population and Housing

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