QUICKSTAT - March 2004

A Monthly Update of NSO's Most Requested Statistics

INDICATOR	REFERENCE PERIOD and DATA		
PRICE INDICES			
Consumer Price Index (1994=100)	Feb 2004	Jan 2004	Feb 2003
Philippines	175.7	175.3	169.9
National Capital Region (NCR)	180.0	179.6	173.1
Areas Outside NCR	173.9	173.7	168.6
Inflation rate	3.4	3.4	3.1
Purchasing power of the peso	0.57	0.57	0.59
	Dec 2003	Nov 2003	Dec 2002
Wholesale Price Index for Construction Materials in Metro Manila (1985=100)	276.3	275.6	252.1
General Wholesale Price Index in Metro Manila (1985=100)	301.8	296.2	278.0
Producer's Price Index for Manufacturing in Metro Manila (1994=100)	189.6	188.7	177.6
Retail Price Index for Construction Materials in Metro Manila (1978=100)	882.2	869.5	835.7
General Retail Price Index in Metro Manila (1978=100)	1,047.0	1,036.8	1,013.2 ^r
FOREIGN TRADE (FOB value in million US\$)	Dec 2003 ^p	Nov 2003 ^p	Dec 2002
Total trade	6,243	6,360	5,587
Exports	3,176	3,086	2,914
Imports	3,068	3,274	2,673
Balance of trade	108	(188)	241
Top traders:			
1. Japan	1,191	1,303	1,013
2. USA	1,173	1,044	1,171
3. Singapore	461	454	371
Top exports:			
1. Electronic products	2,060	2,148	1,927
2. Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	204	133	250
3. Coconut oil	64	36	42
Top imports:			
Electronic products	1,497	1,604	1,201
2. Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	285	303	231
Industrial machinery and equipment	150	132	108
DOMESTIC TRADE (Quantity in thousand tons; value in million pesos)	2nd Qtr 2003	1st Qtr 2003	2nd Qtr 2002
Coastwise trade			
Quantity	4,229	4,252	2,117
Value	76,144	74,270	47,035
Rail trade			
Quantity	0.50	0.45	0.53
Value	14.98	14.43	16.21
Air trade			
Quantity	8	8	8
Value	310	307	821

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT (Source: LFS)	Oct 2003	Jul 2003	Oct 2002
Total labor force (million)	35.1	34.9	33.7
Labor force participation rate	67.1%	67.0%	66.2%
Employment rate	89.9%	87.4%	89.8%
Unemployment rate	10.1%	12.6%	10.2%
Underemployment rate	15.7%	20.7%	16.1%
BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY (Sources: ASE/LE)			
Number of establishments (with 10 or more workers)	1998	1997	1996
Agriculture and forestry	1,257	1,196	1,095
Fishing	502	501	439
Mining and quarrying	180	193	188
Manufacturing	15,674	14,734	13,526
Electricity, gas, and water	603	588	582
Construction	1,475	1,457	1,501
Wholesale and retail trade	17,903	15,237	13,336
Hotels and restaurants	7,092	6,686	6,275
Transportation, storage and communication	3,011	2,734	2,581
Financial intermediation establishments	5,744	5,452	5,229
Real estate, renting and other business activities	4,165	3,804	3,613
Private education services	3,929	3,718	3,490
Health and social work	1,181	1,135	1,087
Other community, social, and personal services	2,065	1,935	1,812
PRIVATE BUILDING CONSTRUCTION (Floor area in square meters; value in P1,000)	3rd Qtr 2003	2nd Qtr 2003	3rd Qtr 2002
Philippines(number)	22,536	23,557	19,178
Floor area	3,188,594	3,694,834	2,563,700
Value	19,077,850	22,858,530	15,099,796
Residential (number)	15,050	16,956	12,916
Floor area	1,871,194		1,440,074
Value	9,968,824	10,550,673	7,427,154
Nonresidential (number)	2,972	2,577	2,322
Floor area	1,144,333	1,432,283	968,662
Value	6,947,214	9,838,431	5,871,250
Additions (number)	1,141	1,115	1,061
Floor area	173,067	132,538	136,964
Value	912,160	701,124	700,047
Alterations/repairs (number)	3,373	2,909	2,879
Value	1,249,652	1,768,302	1,101,345
(MISSI) MONTHLY INTEGRATED SURVEY ON SELECTED INDUSTRIES (1994=100)		Dec 2003	Nov 2003 ^r
Value of production index		200.4	200.4
Gainers over last year			
Basic Metals		163.6%	157.2%
Chemical products		9.8%	4.0%
Petroleum products		5.3%	(7.5%)
Losers over last year			
Electrical machinery		(13.7%)	(12.0%)
Tobacco		(42.0%)	(50.7%)
Footwear and wearing apparel*		(25.5%)	(25.8%)

Volume of production index		105.7	106.2
Gainers over last year			
Basic metals		139.8%	135.4%
Publishing and printing*		45.3%	14.2%
Chemical products		1.6%	(13.7%)
Losers over last year			
Electrical machinery		(26.5%)	(23.8%)
Footwear and wearing apparel*		(38.6%)	(38.5%)
Tobacco		(42.0%)	(50.6%)
Value of net sales			
Gainers over last year			
Petroleum products		32.2%	18.5%
Basic metals		31.6%	150.3%
Food manufacturing		4.5%	(4.0%)
Losers over last year			
Footwear and wearing apparel*		(30.0%)	(25.1%)
Electrical machinery		(10.7%)	(5.2%)
Tobacco		(5.7%)	(30.3%)
Volume of net sales			
Gainers over last year			
Basic metals		19.7%	129.1%
Food manufacturing		5.3%	(9.2%)
Petroleum products		15.6%	5.0%
Losers over last year			
Electrical machinery		(24.0%)	(17.9%)
Footwear and wearing apparel*		(42.3%)	37.9%
Paper and paper products		(17.7%)	9.9%
Capacity utilization			
Below 70%		35.4	34.7
90% - 100%		13.4	13.5
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE (Source: FIES) (At current prices)	2000	1997	1994
Annual average family income	P144,039	P123,168	P83,161
Annual average family expenditure	P118,002	P99,537	P67,661
Annual average family saving	P26,037	P23,631	P15,500
POPULATION	2000	1995	1990
Total	76,504,077	68,616,536	60,703,206
Male	38,524,266	34,584,170	30,538,285
Female 0-14 years	37,979,811 37.0%	34,032,366	30,164,921
15-64 years	59.2%	58.1%	57.0%
65 years and over	3.8%	3.5%	3.4%
Sex ratio	101.4	101.6	101.2
Density (persons per square kilometer)	255	229	202
Growth rate	2.36%	2.32%	2.35%
Average household size	5.0	5.1	5.3

	2005	2004	2003
Population projection (medium assumption) ^{1/}	84,241,341	82,663,561	81,081,457
HEALTH AND VITAL STATISTICS			
	2000 ^p	1999 ^p	1998
Births 2/	1,766,440	1,613,335	1,632,859
Male	918,243	840,528	853,304
Female	848,197	772,807	779,555
Marriages ²	577,387	551,445	549,265
Deaths ² /	366,931	347,989	352,992
Male	217,404	207,610	210,592
Female	149,527	140,379	142,400
	2005	2004	2003
Crude birth rate (per thousand population) 1/	24.09	24.63	25.16
Crude death rate (per thousand population) 1/	5.60	5.66	5.72
Crude rate of natural increase (per thousand population) 1/	18.49	18.97	19.45
Total fertility rate (number of children per woman) 1/	3.00	3.08	3.15
Life expectancy at birth (in years; medium assumption) ^{1/}			
Male	67.83	67.53	67.23
Female	73.08	72.78	72.48
FAMILY PLANNING (Source: FPS)	2002	2001	2000
Contraceptive prevalence rate 3/	48.8%	49.5%	47.0%
Modern method	35.0%	31.1%	32.3%
Traditional method	13.8%	16.4%	14.7%
LITERACY RATE (Source: FLEMMS/CPH)	2000	1994	1989
Simple literacy rate (10 years old and over) 4/	92.3%	93.9%	89.8%
Functional literacy rate (10 to 64 years old) 5/	-	83.8%	75.4%

⁻ Source: 1995 Census-Based National, Regional, and Provincial Population Projections.

^{2/ -} Based on civil registration. Not adjusted for under registration.

⁻ Based on currently married women aged 15-49 years.

⁻ Basic reading and writing skills.

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^{* -} New sectors in the 1994-based series.

⁻ Revised

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n.a. - not yet available

LE - List of Establishments