

QUICKSTAT - October 1999

A Monthly Update of NSO's Most Requested Statistics

INDICATOR	REFERENCE PERIOD and DATA		
PRICE INDICES	Sept. 1999	Aug. 1999	Sept. 1998
Consumer Price Index (1994=100)			
Philippines	147.2	146.4	139.3
Metro Manila (MM)	146.2	145.2	139.7 ^f
Areas Outside MM	147.6	146.9	139.2 ^f
Inflation rate	5.7	5.5	10.0
Purchasing power of the peso	0.68	0.68	0.72
Retail Price Index for Construction Materials in Metro Manila (1978=100)	773.0	772.4	775.9
	July 1999	June 1999	July 1998
General Wholesale Price Index in Metro Manila (1985=100)	248.5	252.1	239.8
	Aug. 1999	July 1999	Aug. 1998
Wholesale Price Index for Construction Materials in Metro Manila (1985=100)	229.3	229.1	226.4
	July 1999	June 1999	July 1998
Producer's Price Index for Manufacturing (1992=100)	137.2	136.4 ^f	131.5
FOREIGN TRADE (FOB value in million US\$)	July 1999	June 1999	July 1998
Total trade	5,642	5,527	4,967
Exports	2,851	2,857 ^f	2,501
Imports	2,791	2,671	2,466
Balance of trade	60	185	35
Top traders: ^{1/}			
1. USA	1,566.98	1,501.35	1,438.44
2. Japan	913.19	920.80	848.62
3. Singapore	355.04	380.11	294.92
Top exports: ^{1/}			
1. Electronics and components	1,522.28	1,566.88 ^f	1,194.06 ^f
2. Input/output peripheral units	236.87	212.05 ^f	178.99
3. Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	224.32	212.82 ^f	258.72 ^f
Top imports: ^{1/}			
1. Electronics and components	655.37	671.04 ^f	467.66
2. Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	271.38	169.01	173.53
3. Telecommunications equipment and electrical machinery	239.48	189.12	195.17
DOMESTIC TRADE (Value in thousand pesos)	Mar. 1999	Feb. 1999	Mar. 1998
Water	23,136	25,639	14,205
Air	279,900	162,075	562,155
Rail	5,740	3,347	6,810
PRIVATE BUILDING CONSTRUCTION (Floor area in square meters; value in P1,000)	2nd Qtr 1999	1st Qtr 1999	2nd Qtr 1998
Total	24,838	19,326	24,895
Floor area	3,213,460	2,701,728	3,035,150
Value	17,397,078	15,341,166	19,046,184
Residential	17,371	13,162	18,712

Floor area	1,805,029	1,415,126	1,615,624
Value	8,136,909	6,694,130	7,861,390
Nonresidential	2,292	2,196	1,989
Floor area	1,268,123	1,132,099	1,258,623
Value	7,417,036	7,031,430	9,330,604
Additions	1,288	1,202	1,554
Floor area	140,308	154,503	160,903
Value	617,604	682,515	635,793
Alterations and repairs	3,243	2,766	2,640
Value	1,076,582	933,091	1,218,397
LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT	July 1999^p	April 1999	July 1998
Total labor force (million)	31.7	33.4	30.6
Labor force participation rate	65.6%	69.6%	64.9%
Employment rate	91.6%	88.2%	91.1%
Unemployment rate	8.4%	11.8%	8.9%
Underemployment rate	22.3%	22.7%	20.8%
INCOME AND EXPENDITURES (at current prices)	1997	1994	1991
Annual average family income	P123,168	P83,161	P65,186
Annual average family expenditure	P 99,537	P67,661	P51,991
Annual average family savings	P 23,631	P15,500	P13,195
(MISSI) MONTHLY INTEGRATED SURVEY ON SELECTED INDUSTRIES (1985=100)	July 1999	June 1999	July 1998
Value of production index	477.3	511.1 ^r	477.1 ^r
Gainers over last year^{1/}			
Rubber products	55.5%	44.2% ^r	-28.9% ^r
Transport equipment	18.5%	6.3% ^r	-47.0% ^r
Petroleum products	7.5%	0.8% ^r	-1.4% ^r
Losers over last year^{1/}			
Basic metals	-47.2%	-42.3% ^r	5.2%
Nonmetallic mineral products	-20.2%	-18.2% ^r	-12.9%
Wearing apparel	-16.9%	15.8%	-1.1%
Volume of production index	135.5	145.9	141.3
Gainers over last year^{1/}			
Rubber products	32.2%	1.0% ^r	-32.1%
Transport equipment	13.0%	-2.8% ^r	-54.6%
Electrical machinery	5.3%	22.9% ^r	18.5%
Losers over last year^{1/}			
Basic metals	-41.1%	-34.2% ^r	-9.1%
Nonmetallic mineral products	-30.7%	-23.2% ^r	7.5%
Wearing apparel	-20.7%	-18.9% ^r	-39.1%
Value of net sales			
Gainers over last year^{1/}			
Transport equipment	40.7%	8.6%	-36.6%
Rubber products	25.4%	-6.6%	-21.8%
Petroleum products	20.9%	-0.9%	8.0%
Losers over last year^{1/}			
Paper and paper products	-35.0%	-16.3%	24.2%
Basic metals	-31.2%	-37.0%	21.8%
Tobacco	-16.4%	2.2%	-24.1%

Volume of net sales			
Gainers over last year ^{1/}			
Transport equipment	34.2%	-0.7%	-45.6%
Electrical machinery	16.7%	28.2%	-18.2%
Chemicals	7.7%	10.4%	-1.5%
Losers over last year ^{1/}			
Paper and paper products	-35.7%	-21.9%	7.2%
Basic metals	-22.7%	-26.4%	-31.3%
Beverages	-20.8%	-13.1%	-20.6%
Capacity utilization			
Below 70%	43.7%	44.8%	37.9%
90% - 100%	15.7%	15.3%	18.4%
POPULATION	1995	1990	1980
Total	68,616,536	60,703,206	48,098,460
Male	34,584,170	30,538,285	24,128,755
Female	34,032,366	30,164,921	23,969,705
0-14 years	42.0%	39.6%	38.3%
15-64 years	54.6%	57.0%	58.2%
65 years and over	3.4%	3.4%	3.5%
Density (persons per square kilometer)	229	202	160
Growth rate	2.32%	2.35%	2.71%
Average household size	5.1	5.3	5.6
	2000	1999	1998
Population projection (medium assumption) ^{2/}	76,320,126	74,723,373	73,130,985
VITAL STATISTICS ^{2/}	2000	1999	1998
Crude birth rate (per thousand population)	26.8	27.3	27.9
Crude death rate (per thousand population)	5.9	6.0	6.1
Crude rate of natural increase (per thousand population)	20.9	21.3	21.8
Infant mortality rate (per thousand live births)	37.6	38.8	40.1
Total fertility rate (number of children per woman)	3.4	3.5	3.5
Life expectancy at birth (in years; medium assumption)			
Male	66.3	66.0	65.7
Female	71.6	71.3	71.0
LITERACY RATE (Source: FLEMMS)		1994	1989
Simple literacy rate (10 years old and over) ^{3/}		93.9%	89.8%
Functional literacy rate (10 to 64 years old) ^{4/}		83.8%	75.4%

^{1/} - Based on July 1999 ranking.

^{2/} - Source: 1995 Census-Based National and Regional Population Projections.

^{3/} - Basic reading and writing skills.

^{4/} - Basic reading, writing, and computational skills.

^r - Revised

^P - Preliminary