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(A Monthly Update of NSO's Most Requested Statistics)

INDICATOR	REFERENCE PERIOD and DATA		
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (1988=100)	Nov. 1997	Oct. 1997	Nov. 1996
Philippines	244.7	243.2	229.7 ^r
Metro Manila (MM)	267.9	267.3	250.4 ^r
Areas Outside MM	237.2	235.4	223.0
Inflation Rate	6.5	5.7	4.6 ^r
Purchasing Power of the Peso	0.41	0.41	0.43
FOREIGN TRADE (FOB value in million US\$)	Oct. 1997	Sep. 1997	Oct. 1996
Exports	2,326	2,337	1,884
Principal exports: 1/			
1. Electronics and components	1,085.80	1,087.05	780.59
2. Articles of apparel & clothing accessories	167.35	219.40	187.93
3. Input/output/peripheral units	154.87	137.30	65.82
Imports	3,340	2,875	2,858
Principal imports: 1/			
1. Electronics and components	605.86	500.38	364.46
2. Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	336.60	182.92	269.69
3. Telecommunications equipment & electrical machinery	327.53	295.28	303.43
Major trading partners:			
1. USA	1,444.63	1,436.23	1,175.06
2. Japan	1,105.68	947.12	1,051.95
3. Singapore	392.82	348.82	304.61
Total Trade	5,666	5,213	4,711
Balance of Trade	(1,014)	(538)	(944)
INDICES OF KEY MANUFACTURING ESTABLISHMENTS (1985=100)	Sep. 1997	Aug. 1997	Sep. 1996
Value of production	467.0	487.0	451.0
Gainers over last year ^{2/}			
Miscellaneous manufactures	31.5%	14.2%	4.0%
Wearing apparel	27.6%	10.1%	28.4%
Electrical machinery	27.3%	55.0%	36.6%
Furniture and fixtures	25.8%	7.0%	-1.1%
Volume of Production	154.90	162.73	153.40
LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT	Jul. 1997	Apr. 1997	Jul. 1996
Total labor force (million)	30.2	31.4	29.7
Labor force participation rate	65.7%	68.8%	66.3%
Employment rate	91.3%	89.6%	92.5%
Unemployment rate	8.7%	10.4%	7.5%

Underemployment rate	23.1%	23.4%	21.5%
PRIVATE BUILDING CONSTRUCTION	3rd Qtr 1997	2nd Qtr 1997	3rd Qtr 1996
Philippines ^{3/}			
Number	31,411	27,714	27,081
Total floor area (sq.m.)	5,471,871	4,182,902	4,729,605
Value (P1,000)	37,054,468	26,639,716	29,146,005
Residential			
Number	23,354	19,710	19,446
Total floor area (sq.m.)	1,773,799	1,814,939	2,092,498
Value (P1,000)	9,418,548	8,080,776	9,825,940
Nonresidential			
Number	2,798	2,991	3,259
Total floor area (sq.m.)	3,434,861	2,130,848	2,368,582
Value (P1,000)	25,312,126	15,732,045	16,304,261
INCOME AND EXPENDITURES			
(at current prices)	1994	1991	1985
Annual Average Family Income	P83,161	P65,186	P34,695
Annual Average Family Expenditures	P67,661	P51,991	P30,017
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)	228	202	160
GROWTH RATE	2.32%	2.35%	2.71%
AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD SIZE	5.1	5.3	5.6
	1999	1998	1997
POPULATION PROJECTION (medium assumption) 4/	74 722 272	72 420 005	74 520 502
	74,723,373	73,130,985	71,538,593
VITAL STATISTICS	1993	1992	1991
Infant Mortality Rate (per thousand live births) 5/	20.6	21.9	20.9
Crude Birth Rate (per thousand population) 5/	25.1	25.8	26.9
Crude Death Rate (per thousand population) 5/	4.8	4.9	4.7
Crude Marriage Rate(per thousand population) ^{5/}	14.1	14	14
FERTILITY (Source: National Demographic Survey)	1995 - 2000 ^{4/}	1993	1988
Total Fertility Rate			
(Number of children per woman)	3.58	4.09	4.26
LIFE EXPECTANCY AT BIRTH (years) medium assumption	1995-2000 4/		
Male	65.58		
Female	70.83		
LITERACY RATE (Source: FLEMMS)	1994	1989	

Simple literacy rate (10 years old and over) 6/	93.9%	89.8%	
Functional literacy rate (10 to 64 years old) 7/	83.8%	75.4%	

Based on October 1997 ranking
 Based on September 1997 ranking
 Includes repairs and alterations
 Source:1995 Census-Based National and Regional Population Projections, Volume 1
 Based on vital registration statistics
 Basic reading and writing skills
 Basic reading, writing and computational skills
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