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A Monthly Update of NSO's Most Requested Statistics

INDICATOR	REFERENCE PERIOD and DATA		
PRICE INDICES			
Consumer Price Index (1994=100)	Feb. 2003	Jan. 2003	Feb. 2002
Philippines	169.9	169.5	164.8 ^r
National Capital Region (NCR)	173.1	173.0	167.2
Areas Outside NCR	168.6	168.1	163.9 ^r
Inflation rate	3.1	2.7	3.5
Purchasing power of the peso	0.59	0.59	0.61
	Jan. 2003	Dec. 2002	Jan. 2002
Wholesale Price Index for Construction Materials in Metro Manila (1985=100)	254.4	252.1	243.2
	Dec. 2002	Nov. 2002	Dec. 2001
Retail Price Index for Construction Materials in Metro Manila (1978=100)	835.7	826.4	826.9
General Wholesale Price Index in Metro Manila (1985=100)	278.0	276.4 ^r	265.2
Producer's Price Index for Manufacturing in Metro Manila (1994=100)	174.3	174.3	164.6
FOREIGN TRADE (FOB value in million US\$)	Dec. 2002 ^p	Nov. 2002	Dec. 2001
Total trade	5,480	6,092	4,788
Exports	2,914	3,103	2,645
Imports	2,567	2,989	2,143
Balance of trade	347	114	503
Top traders:			
1. USA	1,170	1,201	1,095
2. Japan	1,013	1,099	849
3. Singapore	371	387	319
Top exports:			
1. Electronics and components	1,524	1,734	1,367
2. Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	251	175	220
3. Coconut oil	42	18	30
Top imports:			
1. Electronics and components	626	793	396
2. Office and EDP machines	264	312	197
3. Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials	231	338	211
DOMESTIC TRADE (Quantity in thousand tons; value in million pesos)	3rd Qtr 2002 ^p	2nd Qtr 2002	3rd Qtr 2001
Coastwise trade			
Quantity	8,437	2,117	3,415
Value	73,495	47,035	72,504
Rail trade			
Quantity	0.61	0.53	0.41
Value	17.48	16.21	10.63
Air trade			
Quantity	11	8	14
Value	428	821	515
LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT (Source: LFS)	Oct. 2002	Jul. 2002	Oct. 2001

Total labor force (million)	33.7	33.9	33.4
Labor force participation rate	66.2%	67.1%	67.5%
Employment rate	89.8%	88.8%	90.2%
Unemployment rate	10.2%	11.2%	9.8%
Underemployment rate	15.3%	17.1%	16.6%
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, communication, and storage	3,011	2,734	2,581
Financial intermediation establishments	5,744	5,452	5,229
Real estate 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 Otr 2002	2nd Qtr 2002	3rd Otr 2001
Philippines(number)	19,178	25,459	16,129
Floor area	2,563,700	3,354,587	2,324,437
Value	15,099,796	19,653,715	13,103,396
Residential (number)	12,916	18,030	10,628
Floor area	1,440,074	1,932,910	1,292,471
Value	7,427,154	10,398,367	6,169,543
Nonresidential (number)	2,322	2,440	1,994
Floor area	986,662	1,227,584	908,658
Value	5,871,250	6,967,555	5,357,122
Additions (number)	1,061	1,495	1,054
Floor area	136,964	194,093	123,308
Value	700,047	952,362	625,735
Alterations/repairs (number)	2,879	3,494	2,453
Value	1,101,345	1,335,431	950,996
(MISSI) MONTHLY INTEGRATED SURVEY		Dec. 2002	Nov. 2002 ^r
ON SELECTED INDUSTRIES (1994=100) Value of production index		192.4	201.5 ^r
Gainers over last year		3=:1	
Food Manufacturing		13.0%	12.7%
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Transport equipment		33.8%	16.9%
Textile		42.8%	30.8%
Losers over last year			
Basic metals		(43.4%)	(4.9%)
Chemical products		(16.1%)	(6.8%)
Petroleum products		(10.2%)	6.5%
Volume of production index		110.4	115.6 ^r

			Gainers over last year
9.1%	24.3%		Transport equipment
7.2%	7.0%		Food manufacturing
21.4%	43.7%		Textile
			Losers over last year
(5.6%)	(22.8%)		Petroleum products
(8.2%)	(45.6%)		Basic metals
(12.0%)	(21.3%)		Chemical products
			Value of net sales
			Gainers over last year
4.1%	19.2%		Food manufacturing
9.3%	22.8%		Electrical machinery
19.2%	14.5%		Petroleum products
			Losers over last year
(4.5%)	(10.4%)		Basic metals
(12.3%)	(11.7%)		Nonmetallic mineral products
(3.6%)	(4.1%)		Paper and paper products
			Volume of net sales
			Gainers over last year
(1.0%)	12.9%		Food manufacturing
(1.0%)	11.6%		Electrical machinery
4.0%	21.7%		Transport equipment
			Losers over last year
(7.8%)	(13.8%)		Basic metals
(3.8%)	(6.7%)		Chemical products
(4.5%)	(12.3%)		Beverage
			Capacity utilization
41.6%	41.5%		Below 70%
19.5%	21.8%		90% - 100%
			INCOME AND EXPENDITURE (Source: FIES)
1994	1997	2000	(At current prices)
P83,161	P123,168	P144,039	Annual average family income
P67,661	P99,537	P118,002	Annual average family expenditure
P15,500	P23,631 1995	P26,037 2000	Annual average family saving POPULATION
50,703,206	68,616,536	76,504,077	Total
30,538,285	34,584,170	38,524,266	Male
30,164,921	34,032,366	37,979,811	Female
39.6%	38.4%	37.0%	0-14 years
57.0%	58.1%	59.2%	15-64 years
3.4%	3.5%	3.8%	65 years and over
101.2	101.6	101.4	Sex ratio
202	229	255	Density (persons per square kilometer)
2.35%	2.32%	2.36%	Average household size
5.3 200 3	5.1	5.0	Average household size
	2004	2005	

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	1,699,380	1,613,248	1,632,859
Male			853,304
Female			779,555
Marriages ²	572,955	551,444	549,265
Deaths ^{2/}	364,751	347,643	352,992
Male			210,592
Female			142,400
	2002	2001	2000
Crude birth rate (per thousand population) 1/	25.70	26.24	26.78
Crude death rate (per thousand population) 1/	5.77	5.83	5.89
Crude rate of natural increase (per thousand population) 1/	19.93	20.41	20.89
Total fertility rate (number of children per woman) 1/	3.23	3.30	3.38
Life expectancy at birth (in years medium assumption) ^{1/}			
Male	66.93	66.63	66.33
Female	72.18	71.88	71.58
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)	1994	1989	
Simple literacy rate (10 years old and over) 4/	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.

⁻ 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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LE - List of Establishments