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2021 ANNUAL LABOR MARKET STATISTICS OF DAVAO OCCIDENTAL (Preliminary Results)

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Fifty-six percent of the population 15 years old and over were in the labor force

The number of persons who were in the labor force was at 130 thousand of the estimated 229,163 population 15 years old and over in 2021. This translates to a labor force participation rate (LFPR) of 56.6 percent or 566 in every 1000 of the population aged 15 years and over were either employed or unemployed. The 2021 LFPR was lower by 4.4 and 10.5 percentage points compared 2020 and 2019 respectively. (Table 1)

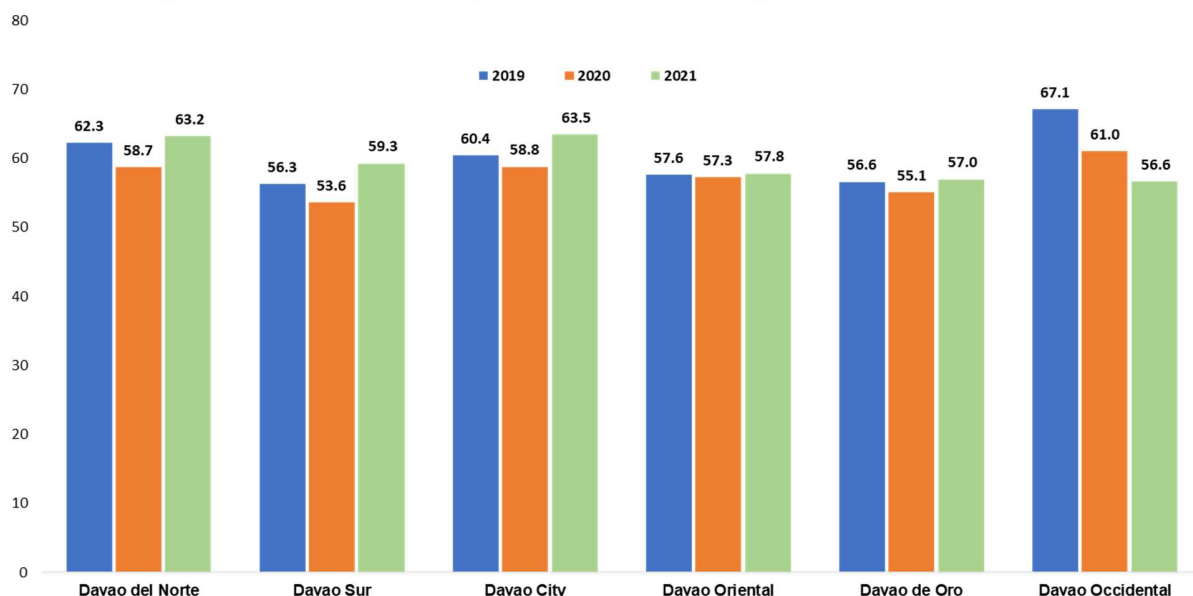
Table 1. 2019-2021 Labor Force Survey (LFS) Results in Davao Occidental			
Davao Occidental	2019	2020	2021
Total Population 15 Years Old and Over	218,196	223,939	229,163
Labor Force Participation Rate	67.1	61.0	56.6
Employment Rate	96.7	96.4	96.0
Underemployment Rate	19.5	26.8	24.2
Unemployment Rate	3.3	3.6	4.0

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2019, 2020 and -2021, Labor Force Survey

Davao Occidental recorded the lowest LFPR in Davao Region

Among the provinces and Highly Urbanized City (HUC) in Davao Region, Davao Occidental recorded the lowest LFPR at 56.6 percent while Davao City posted the highest at 63.5 percent followed by Davao del Norte at 63.2 percent. The provinces of Davao del Sur, Davao Oriental and Davao de Oro recorded 59.3 percent, 57.8 percent and 57.0 percent, respectively. (Figure 1)

Figure 1. Labor Force Participation Rate in Davao Region by Province: 2019-2021

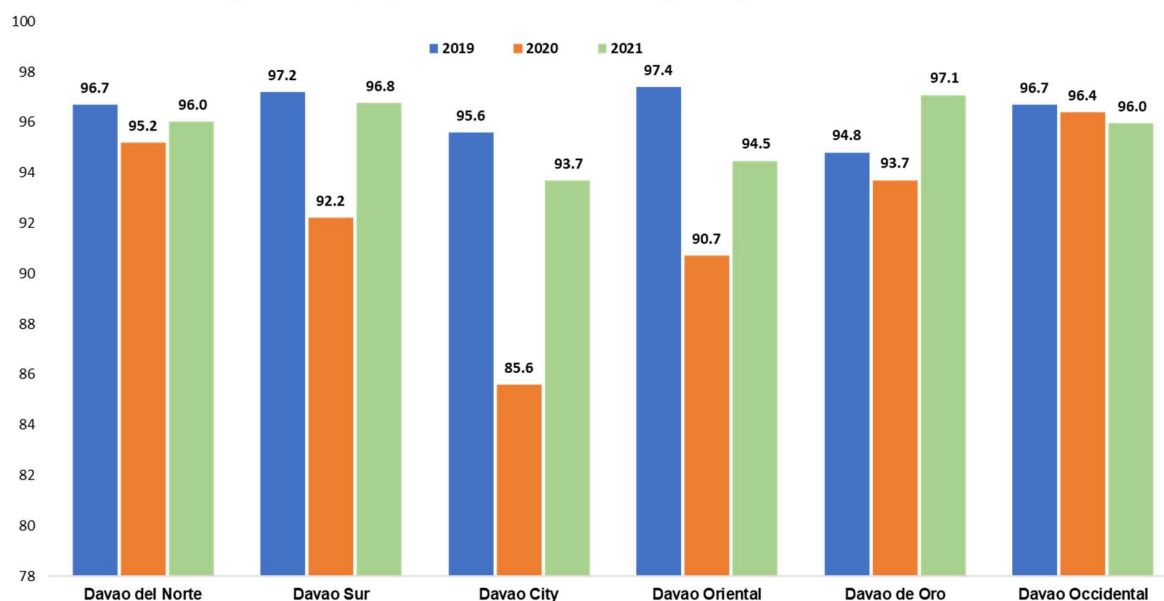


Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2019, 2020 and -2021, Labor Force Survey

Employment rate registered at 96.0 percent

About 96.0 percent or 125 thousand of the working-age population who were economically active or those who belong to the labor force in Davao Occidental are employed in 2021. This is 0.7 and 0.4 percentage points lower than of the previous years, 2019 and 2020.

Figure 2. Employment Rate in Davao Region by Province: 2019-2021



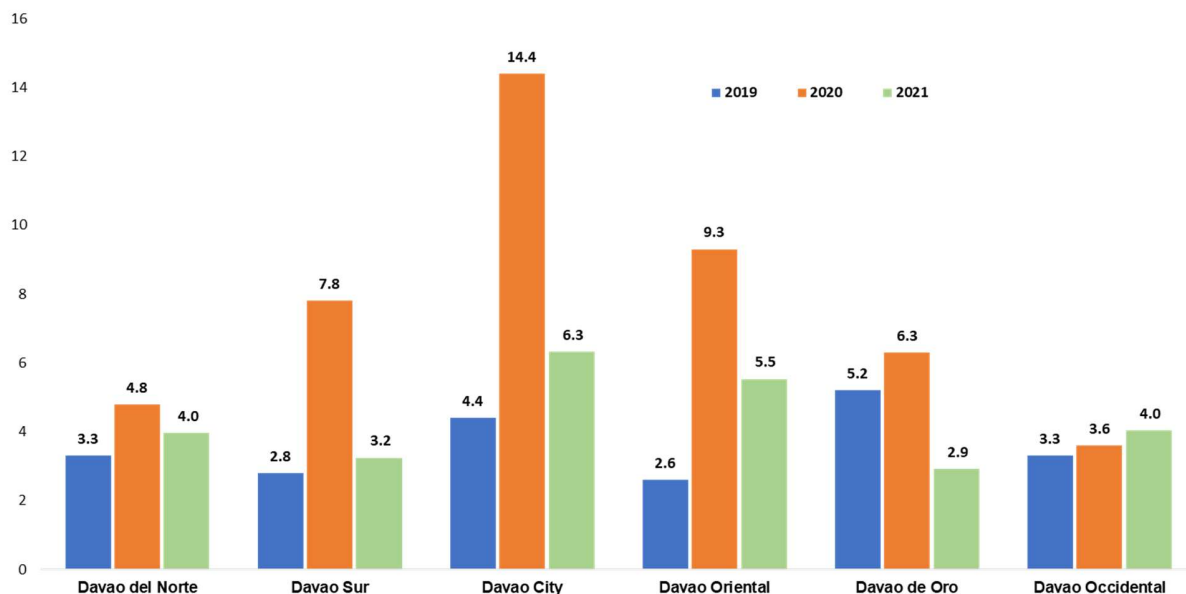
Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2019, 2020 and -2021, Labor Force Survey

Davao Occidental placed third along with Davao del Norte in terms of employment rate in Davao Region for the year 2021. Davao de Oro posted the highest employment rate at 97.1 closely followed by Davao del Sur with 96.8 percent and Davao Oriental at 94.5 percent. While Davao City recorded the lowest employment rate with 93.7 percent. (Figure 2)

Unemployment rate reaches 4.0 percent

Davao Occidental reaches 4 percent unemployment rate in year 2021, which is equivalent to almost five (5) thousand individuals. This is a little bit higher compared to 3.6 percent in 2020 and 3.3 percent in 2019.

Figure 3. Unemployment Rate in Davao Region by Province: 2019-2021



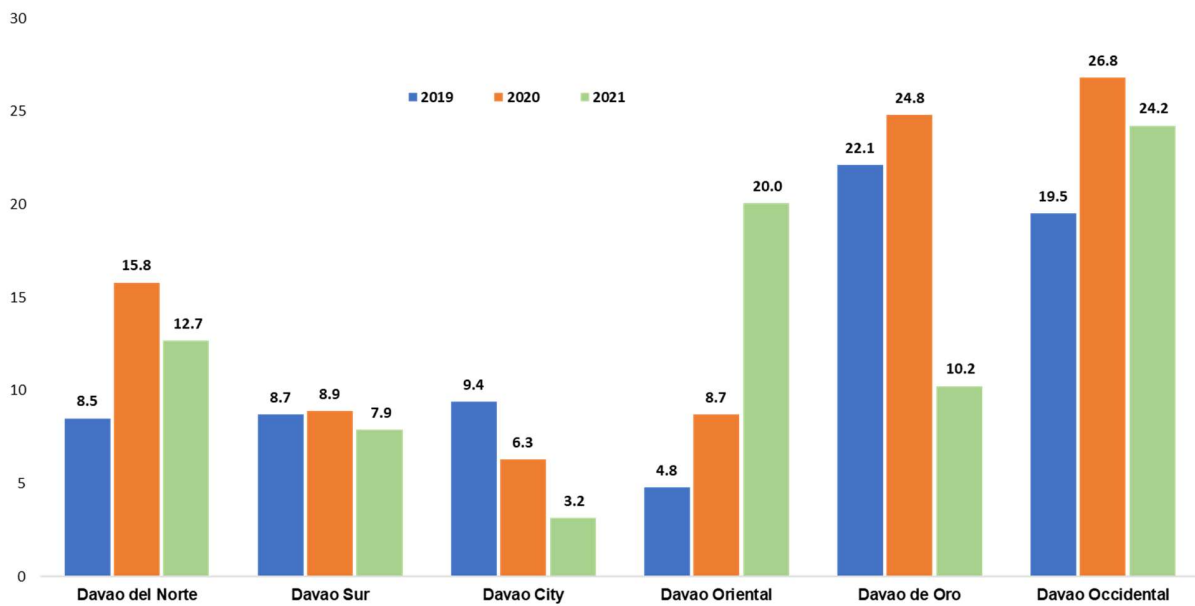
Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2019, 2020 and -2021, Labor Force Survey

With the slight increase of unemployment rate, Davao Occidental ranked third along with Davao del Norte. While Davao de Oro posted the lowest and Davao City recorded the highest unemployment rate in Davao Region for the year 2021. (Figure 3)

Davao Occidental's Underemployment rate is at 24.2 percent

Underemployed persons are employed person who: expressed their desire to have additional hours of work in their present job or to have additional job, or to have a new job with longer hours of work. In year 2021, 24.2 percent of total employed person in Davao Occidental reported to be underemployed.

Figure 4. Underemployment Rate in Davao Region by Province: 2019-2021



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2019, 2020 and -2021, Labor Force Survey

Davao Occidental recorded the highest underemployment rate in year 2021, followed by Davao del Oriental at 20.0 percent, Davao del Norte at 12.7 percent, Davao de Oro at 10.2 percent and Davao del Sur at 7.9 percent. On the other hand, Davao City has the lowest underemployment rate at 3.2 percent. (Figure 4)

STATISTICAL TABLES

Table 2. Provincial Total Population in the Labor Force and Labor Force Participation Rate, Davao Region: 2019, 2020 and 2021

PROVINCE	Total Population in Labor Force (in '000)												Labor Force Participation Rate (%)					
	2019			2020			2021			2019			2020			2021		
	EST	SE	CV/PCT	EST	SE	CV/PCT	EST	SE	CV/PCT	EST	SE	CV	EST	SE	CV	EST	SE	CV
Region 11 (Davao Region)	2,086	46.7	2.2	2,047	41.5	2.0	2,113	40.7	1.92	59.8	0.45	0.76	57.5	0.41	0.71	60.9	0.04	0.06
Davao de Norte	441	22.2	5.0	418	17.4	4.2	442	21.7	4.92	62.3	1.04	1.66	58.7	0.77	1.31	63.2	0.08	0.13
Davao de Sur	261	12.2	4.7	255	11.0	4.3	273	30.1	10.81	56.3	1.01	1.79	53.6	1.22	2.27	59.3	0.08	0.14
Davao City	728	35.0	4.8	727	30.9	4.3	759	28.9	3.81	60.4	0.96	1.59	58.8	0.84	1.43	63.5	0.07	0.12
Davao Oriental	222	10.5	4.7	224	9.0	4.0	217	9.7	4.46	57.6	0.91	1.59	57.3	0.89	1.45	57.8	0.07	0.12
Davao de Oro	290	12.7	4.4	286	15.1	5.3	293	11.7	4.00	56.6	0.83	1.47	55.1	0.89	1.59	57.0	0.09	0.16
Davao Occidental	147	6.6	4.5	137	5.6	4.1	125	5.2	4.16	67.1	1.22	1.82	61.0	1.17	1.92	56.6	0.09	0.17

Notes: The methodology for the computation of annual estimates of labor and employment indicators is based on Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Basic Resolution No. 04 Series of 2021 - Adopting the General Method for Annualized Estimates for the Labor Force Survey 2021 and Beyond
Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2018, 2019 and 2020 Labor Force Survey

Table 3. Provincial Total Employed Persons and Employment Rate, Davao Region: 2019, 2020 and 2021

PROVINCE	Total Employed Population (in '000)												Employment Rate(%)					
	2019			2020			2021			2019			2020			2021		
	EST	SE	CV/PCT	EST	SE	CV/PCT	EST	SE	CV/PCT	EST	SE	CV	EST	SE	CV	EST	SE	CV
Region 11 (Davao Region)	2,006	44.7	2.23	1,858	39.0	2.10	2,113	40.7	1.92	96.2	0.24	0.25	90.8	0.60	0.67	95.2	0.02	0.02
Davao de Norte	426	21.4	5.03	398	16.8	4.22	442	21.7	4.92	96.7	0.45	0.46	95.2	0.54	0.56	96.0	0.04	0.04
Davao de Sur	254	12.0	4.72	235	10.6	4.50	279	30.1	10.81	97.2	0.51	0.52	92.2	1.49	1.62	96.8	0.04	0.04
Davao City	696	33.4	4.79	623	28.6	4.59	759	28.9	3.81	95.6	0.53	0.56	85.6	1.48	1.73	93.7	0.04	0.04
Davao Oriental	216	10.2	4.72	203	8.3	4.07	217	9.7	4.46	97.4	0.42	0.43	90.7	1.16	1.28	94.5	0.04	0.04
Davao de Oro	276	11.7	4.27	268	14.6	5.45	293	11.7	4.00	94.8	0.53	0.56	93.7	0.87	0.93	97.1	0.03	0.03
Davao Occidental	142	6.6	4.64	132	5.5	4.15	125	5.2	4.16	96.7	0.56	0.58	93.4	0.63	0.65	96.0	0.05	0.05

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Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2018, 2019 and 2020 Labor Force Survey

Table 4. Provincial Total Unemployed Persons and Unemployment Rate, Davao Region: 2019, 2020 and 2021

PROVINCE	Total Unemployed Population (in '000)												Unemployment Rate (%)					
	2019			2020			2021			2019			2020			2021		
	EST	SE	CV/PCT	EST	SE	CV/PCT	EST	SE	CV/PCT	EST	SE	CV	EST	SE	CV	EST	SE	CV
Region 11 (Davao Region)	79.92	5.45	6.8	188.56	13.14	7.0	106	3.2	3.05	4.3	0.2	5.6	3.8	0.20	6.20	4.8	0.02	0.41
Davao del Norte	14.55	2.15	14.7	20.10	2.38	11.8	18.25	1.27	6.95	3.3	0.4	13.5	4.8	0.50	11.20	4.0	0.04	1.09
Davao del Sur	7.35	1.36	18.4	20.02	3.95	19.8	9.36	2.65	28.27	2.8	0.5	17.9	7.8	1.50	19.00	3.2	0.04	1.09
Davao City	32.11	4.28	13.3	104.61	11.66	11.1	51.17	2.62	5.12	4.4	0.5	12.1	14.4	1.50	10.30	6.3	0.04	0.64
Davao Oriental	5.81	1.00	17.2	20.93	2.82	13.5	12.73	0.92	7.24	2.6	0.4	16.1	9.3	1.20	12.40	5.5	0.04	0.74
Davao de Oro	15.16	1.82	12.0	17.92	2.57	14.3	8.92	0.73	8.26	5.2	0.5	10.1	6.3	0.90	13.90	2.9	0.02	1.04
Davao Occidental	4.85	0.80	16.5	4.97	0.89	17.8	5.24	0.51	9.85	3.3	0.6	16.9	3.6	0.60	17.30	4.0	0.05	1.13

Notes: The methodology for the computation of annual estimates of labor and employment indicators is based on Philippines Statistics Authority (PSA) Board Resolution No. 94 Series of 2021 - Adopting the General Method for Annualized Estimates for the Labor Force Survey 2021 and Beyond
Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2018, 2019 and 2020 Labor Force Survey

Table 5. Provincial Total Underemployed Persons and Underemployment Rate, Davao Region: 2019, 2020 and 2021

PROVINCE	Total Underemployed Population (in '000)												Underemployment Rate (%)					
	2019			2020			2021			2019			2020			2021		
	EST	SE	CV/PCT	EST	SE	CV/PCT	EST	SE	CV/PCT	EST	SE	CV	EST	SE	CV	EST	SE	CV
Region 11 (Davao Region)	222	17.7	8.0	242	16.5	6.8	206	4.8	2.34	11.1	0.8	7.7	13.0	0.9	6.6	9.7	0.04	0.43
Davao del Norte	36	6.3	19.2	63	8.8	14.0	56	3.6	6.42	8.5	1.5	18.3	15.8	2.1	13.4	12.7	0.11	0.88
Davao del Sur	22	3.3	14.7	21	4.2	19.9	22	1.5	6.65	8.7	1.3	14.6	8.9	1.7	19.0	7.9	0.09	1.14
Davao City	65	12.6	19.3	39	8.3	21.1	24	1.0	4.10	9.4	1.7	18.6	6.3	1.3	20.9	3.2	0.04	1.12
Davao Oriental	10	2.3	27.7	18	3.4	19.3	44	2.0	4.65	4.8	1.3	28.0	8.7	1.6	17.9	20.0	0.19	0.96
Davao de Oro	61	8.8	14.6	66	8.5	12.9	30	1.5	5.08	22.1	3.0	13.7	24.8	3.0	12.2	10.2	0.11	1.05
Davao Occidental	28	3.2	11.6	36	5.1	14.5	30	1.2	4.06	19.5	2.2	11.4	26.8	3.6	13.3	24.2	0.18	0.73

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Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2018, 2019 and 2020 Labor Force Survey

TECHNICAL NOTES

- The Labor Force Survey (LFS) is a nationwide survey conducted by the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) to gather data on the demographic and socio-economic characteristics of the population.
- The reference period used in the survey is the past seven (7) days preceding the date of visit of the enumerator. The number of sample households was about 43,000.
- The 2012 Philippine Standard Occupational Classification (PSOC) was adopted starting April 2016. The 1992 PSOC had been used prior to this round. Starting January 2019, the 2017 Philippine Standard Classification of Education (PSCED) was adopted. The categories for highest grade completed were also revised considering the K to 12 programs in the education.
- The population projections based on the 2015 Population Census (POPCEN 2015) has been adopted to generate the labor force statistics.
- In the April 2017 round of the LFS, Computer Aided Personal Interviewing (CAPI) using Tablet was utilized in the data collection. Starting April 2020, a hybrid approach was used in data collection, a mixed mode of CAPI face-to-face interview, whenever possible, or a telephone interview.
- Overseas Filipino Workers are not considered part of the labor force in the Philippines. Hence, in the LFS, data on economic characteristics of household members who are overseas workers are not collected. For the LFS reports, they are excluded in the estimation of the size of working population, that is, population aged 15 years and older, and in the estimation of the labor force.

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