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PSA ROMBLON SUPPORTS LOCAL WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AT ODIONGAN JOB FAIR



It's important to be prepared and seize opportunities. Sometimes, we need to start from where we can and grow from there.

—Hon. Trina Alejandra Q. Firmalo-Fabio
Odiongan Municipal Mayor



Learn something new every day, and strive to become a better version of yourself.

—Dr. Arnulfo F. De Luna
Fiesta President



This activity is one of our ongoing efforts to help decrease the unemployment rate and match qualified applicants with employers who are actively looking for talent.

—Mr. Philip D. Ruga
Provincial Director of DOLE Romblon



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On 03 April 2025, the Public Employment Service Office (PESO) of the Municipal Office of Odiongan successfully hosted a Job Fair aimed at providing local residents and recent college graduates with valuable employment opportunities. This event was part of the municipality's ongoing efforts to support the workforce and reduce unemployment in the province.

The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) - Romblon Provincial Statistical Office extended its support by hiring Statistical Researchers (SRs) in the activity for the upcoming 2025 Family Income and Expenditure Survey (FIES) Visit 1.

The PESO's Job Fair was a resounding success, providing essential opportunities for job seekers and graduates to advance their careers.



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PSA Romblon Aims to Unveil Key Learnings on April Round, 1st Quarter and Annual Surveys

The Philippine Statistics Authority- Romblon Provincial Statistical Office continued its statistical operations for first quarter, April round and annual surveys.

For the first quarter 2025 Commodity Flow Survey (CFS), twelve (12) sample establishments in the province were enumerated.

The CFS is a survey undertaken by the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) that aims to gather quarterly information on the movement of commodities from one province to another via road transport, covering establishments in agriculture, forestry, fishing, mining, manufacturing, and wholesale trade.



One (1) Statistical Researcher was involved in the data collection from 07 to 24 April 2025 in selected municipalities. The trained Statistical Researcher uses a Paper-and-Pen Interview (PAPI) data collection system to eligible respondents located at the municipalities of Alcantara, Looc, Odiongan and Romblon.



Meanwhile, the April 2025 Labor Force Survey (LFS) with Rider Questions on Tourism Employment were conducted from April 8 to 30, 2025.



The LFS aimed to gather information on the demographic and socio-economic characteristics of the population. Data from the LFS provides information on major labor market trends such as labor force participation and unemployment rates, hours worked, past industries and occupations of the currently unemployed persons.

Seven (7) trained statistical researchers (SRs) were involved in the data collection and used a Computer-Aided Personal Interview (CAPI) to eligible respondents located at the municipalities of Alcantara, Cajidiocan, Corcuera, Looc, Magdiwang, Odiongan, Romblon, San Agustin, San Fernando and San Jose.

Then, the data collection for the first quarter 2025 operations on Livestock and Poultry Survey:Households (LPS:H) was undertaken by trained hired Statistical Researchers (SRs) through face-to-face using Computer Aided Personal Interviewing (CAPI) on April 1-10, 2025.



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It is one of the major agricultural surveys conducted by the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA). This survey aims to generate estimates on supply, disposition, average farmgate price, and other related data of livestock and poultry commodities at the household level.

The LPS:H is conducted quarterly in all provinces, including the National Capital Region (NCR). Moreover, the commodity coverage includes carabao, cattle, swine, goat, sheep, chicken, duck, horse, rabbit, quail, turkey, goose, and other animals tended by the household.

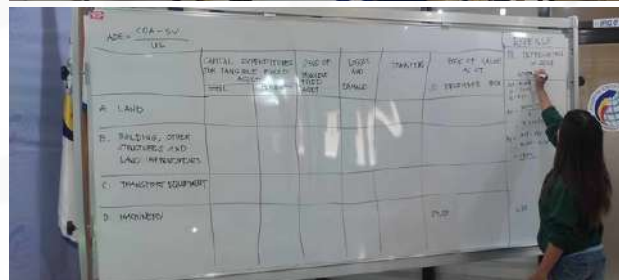


For this survey round, Romblon has a total of 200 sample households in the municipalities of Odiongan, San Agustin, Magdiwang, Calatrava, Corcuera and Romblon.

Furthermore, PSA Romblon successfully conducted its third-level training for the 2024 Annual Survey of Philippine Business and Industry (ASPBI) & 2024 Survey on Information Communication Technology (SICT) on 8 – 12 April 2025 at 2F Kadbayan Building, Brgy. Dapawan Odiongan Romblon.



The Annual Survey of Philippine Business and Industry (ASPBI), one of the designated statistical activities of the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA), generates essential statistics for economic planning and analysis. It is specifically designed to collect and generate information on the levels, structure, performance, and trends of economic activities of the country. The 2024 ASPBI is the 51st in a series of annual surveys of establishments in the country.



ASPBI has 82 samples, while SICT has 55 sample establishments in the province. Four (4) Statistical Researchers (SRs) were trained during the Third Level Training, who are involved in the data distribution & collection on April - June 2025 in the province.

As PSA Romblon continues to deliver relevant and reliable statistics necessary for policy formulation, it enjoins the support of the public, especially the sample households, by providing the required information to authorized PSA field personnel during interviews. All information obtained from this survey will be kept strictly confidential as stipulated in Section 26 of RA 10625 (Confidentiality of Information) and Section 8 of RA 10173 or the Data Privacy Act of 2012 (Confidentiality) and will not be used for taxation, investigation, or law enforcement purposes.



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National Reached Residents

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Services Agustin

The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Romblon, through its Philippine Identification System (PhilSys) unit, conducted Step 2 National ID registration activities in the municipality of San Agustin during the first two weeks of April 2025.



This initiative aimed to reach individuals who have yet to register for the National ID System, particularly children aged 0–4 years, and individuals 5 years old and above. The registration team, composed of two Registration Kit Operators and one Registration Assistant, visited various barangays to deliver services directly to residents.

Despite ongoing system maintenance, the team successfully offered:

- Step 2 registration which captures biometrics and validation
- Step 3-Mode 1 issuance of ePhilID, the National ID in paper form, and
- Assistance with generating the digital version of the National ID



Although retrieval of Transaction Reference Numbers (TRNs) was temporarily unavailable due to system maintenance, the team implemented an offline method of data input to follow up on ID statuses and unretrieved TRNs.

As a result of this mobile registration effort, 548 individuals were successfully onboarded into the National ID System database; 374 ePhilIDs were issued to registered applicants.

The activity was made possible through the support and coordination with the Barangay Local Government Units (BLGUs) of San Agustin whose assistance was vital to mobilize the community and facilitate registration activities.

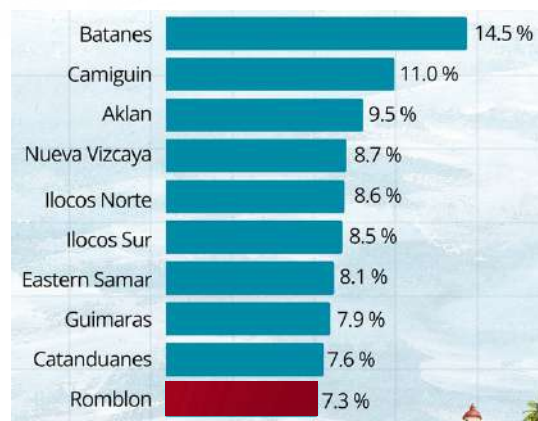


Registering with the National ID System offers citizens with a secure and reliable proof of identity, providing easier access to government programs, services, and financial institutions.



DID YOU KNOW?

The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) has identified Romblon as one of the fastest-growing provincial economies in the country for 2023, recording an annual Gross Domestic Product (GDP) growth of **7.3 percent**.





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PSA Romblon Attends the Re-Echo Training on RA 12009, Capacity Building for FAS Personnel and Orientation on Pag-IBIG Services and Program

On 23-25 April 2025, PSA Romblon attended the Re-Echo Training on RA 12009, Capacity Building for FAS Personnel and Orientation on Pag-IBIG Services and Program held at RSSO MIMAROPA Conference Room, Calapan City, Oriental Mindoro.



The training is aimed at enhancing legal knowledge, administrative capabilities and employee welfare awareness. The discussions focused on vital areas such as human resource management, financial administration, logistics, records management and property accountability. Moreover, orientation on Pag-IBIG services and programs provided insights into the fund's offerings, including regular savings programs, Modified Pag-IBIG II (MP2), housing loans, calamity assistance and online member services.



Over 2.7K Births in Romblon Registered Through BRAP; More than 1.6k Beneficiaries Received Free SECPA

To guarantee that all Filipino births are recorded in the Local Civil Registry Offices (LCROs), the PSA is implementing the Birth Registration Assistance Project (BRAP) nationwide as one of its main initiatives.

More Romblomanons have benefited from the BRAP as it is being implemented throughout the province, particularly those who are part of marginalized communities, Indigenous people, the poorest sector, and those who are now residing outside of their place of origin. Several mobile registration campaigns were implemented in several barangays throughout the province in cooperation with their Local Civil Registry Offices (LCROs) and Local Government Units (LGUs).

In the province of Romblon, 2,703 beneficiaries have been successfully registered as of 30 April 2025. Aside from registration, PSA and LCROs collaborated to award 1,688 free SECPA Birth Certificates to BRAP beneficiaries.

The successful issuing of SECPA birth certificates indicates that the BRAP between PSA and LGUs is being implemented properly and efficiently.





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National ID Updates

as of 30 April 2025

Registrants successfully onboarded to National ID System

260,247

260,186

Romblomanons have registered to NID

61

registered residents outside the province

18,914

registered indigenous people to PhilSys in Romblon



163

registered Overseas Filipino Workers (OFWs)



2,668

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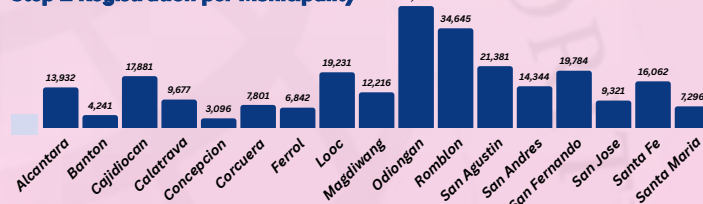
Bantayan

11,586

4,660

Sibuyan Mangyan Taga-bukid

Step 2 Registration per Municipality



225,746

National ID in paper form printed and delivered

45,028

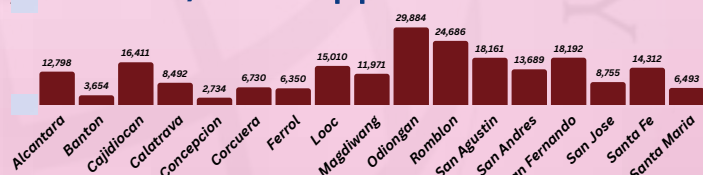
ePhilIDs issued via Mode 1- By Request/ Appointment Setting



180,718

ePhilIDs issued via Mode 2- By print or deliver

Issuance of ePhilID/National ID in paper format



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