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## Highlights of the 2023 Updating of the List of Establishments in the MIMAROPA Region (Final Results)

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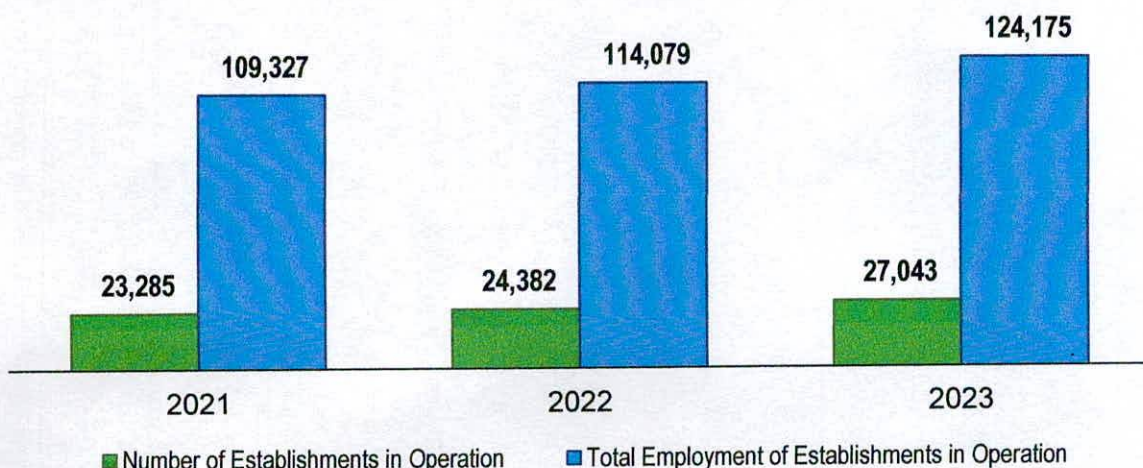
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### MIMAROPA Region posts continued growth in number of establishments and total employment in 2023

In 2023, the MIMAROPA Region recorded a total of 27,043 operating establishments. This reflects sustained growth in both the number of establishments and overall employment in recent years. The number of establishments increased from 23,285 in 2021 to 24,382 in 2022, and further to 27,043 in 2023, corresponding to growth rates of 4.7 percent in 2022 and 10.9 percent in 2023. (Figure 1 and Table A)

Employment figures exhibited a similar pattern of consistent growth. Total employment rose from 109,327 in 2021 to 114,079 in 2022, and further increased to 124,175 in 2023. These figures represent growth rates of 4.3 percent in 2022 and 8.9 percent in 2023. (Figure 1 and Table A)

**Figure 1. Number and Total Employment of Establishments in Operation, MIMAROPA Region: 2021 to 2023**



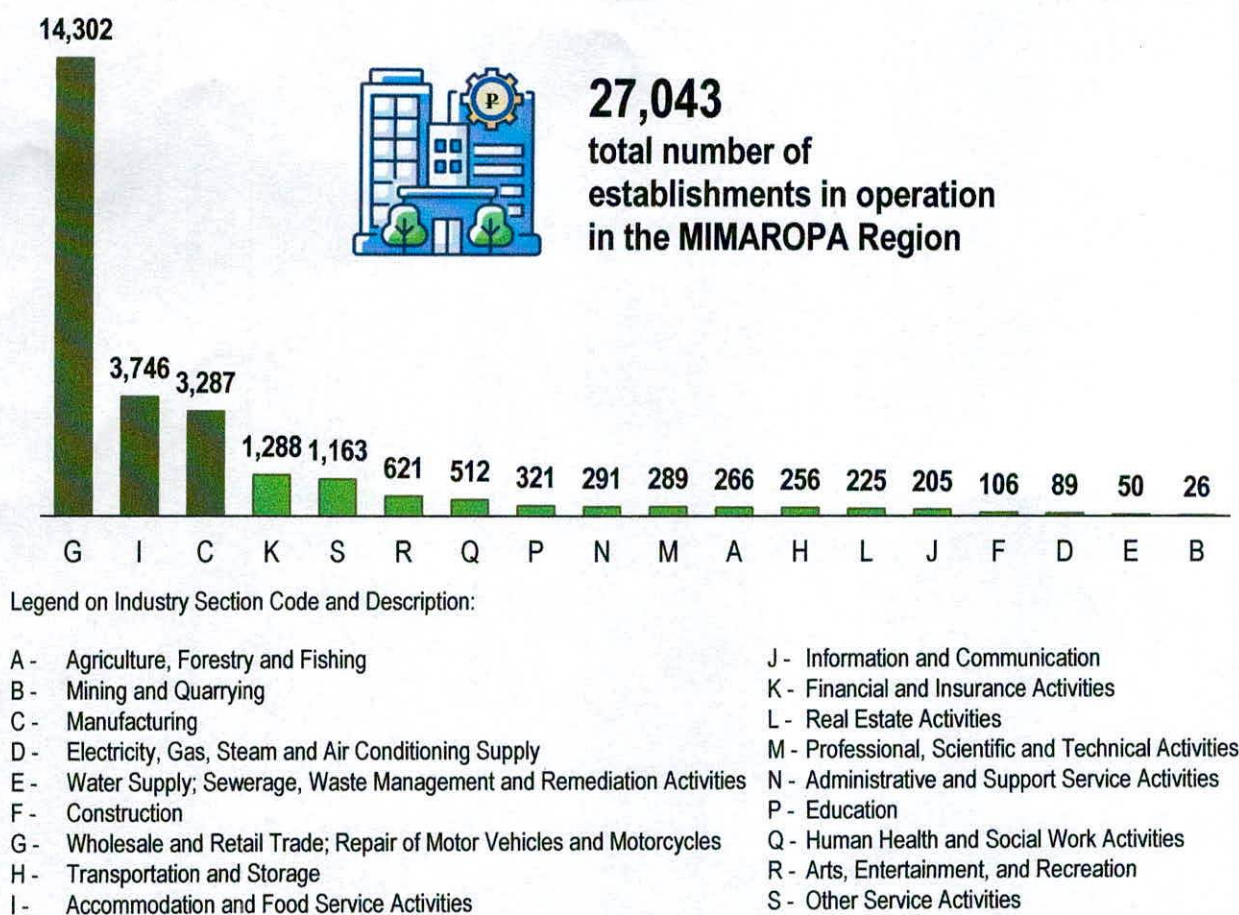
**Source:** Philippine Statistics Authority, 2023 List of Establishments (LE)



## Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles had the most number of establishments and total employment

A total of 14,302 establishments were engaged in Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles. This comprises 52.9 percent of the total establishments in the region. Accommodation and Food Service Activities followed, accounting for 13.9 percent or 3,746 establishments. Manufacturing ranked third, comprising 12.2 percent or 3,287 establishments of the total. Meanwhile, Mining and Quarrying had the fewest establishments, with only 26 recorded in 2023, representing 0.1 percent of the total. (Figure 2, Table B)

**Figure 2. Number of Establishments in Operation by Industry, MIMAROPA Region: 2023**



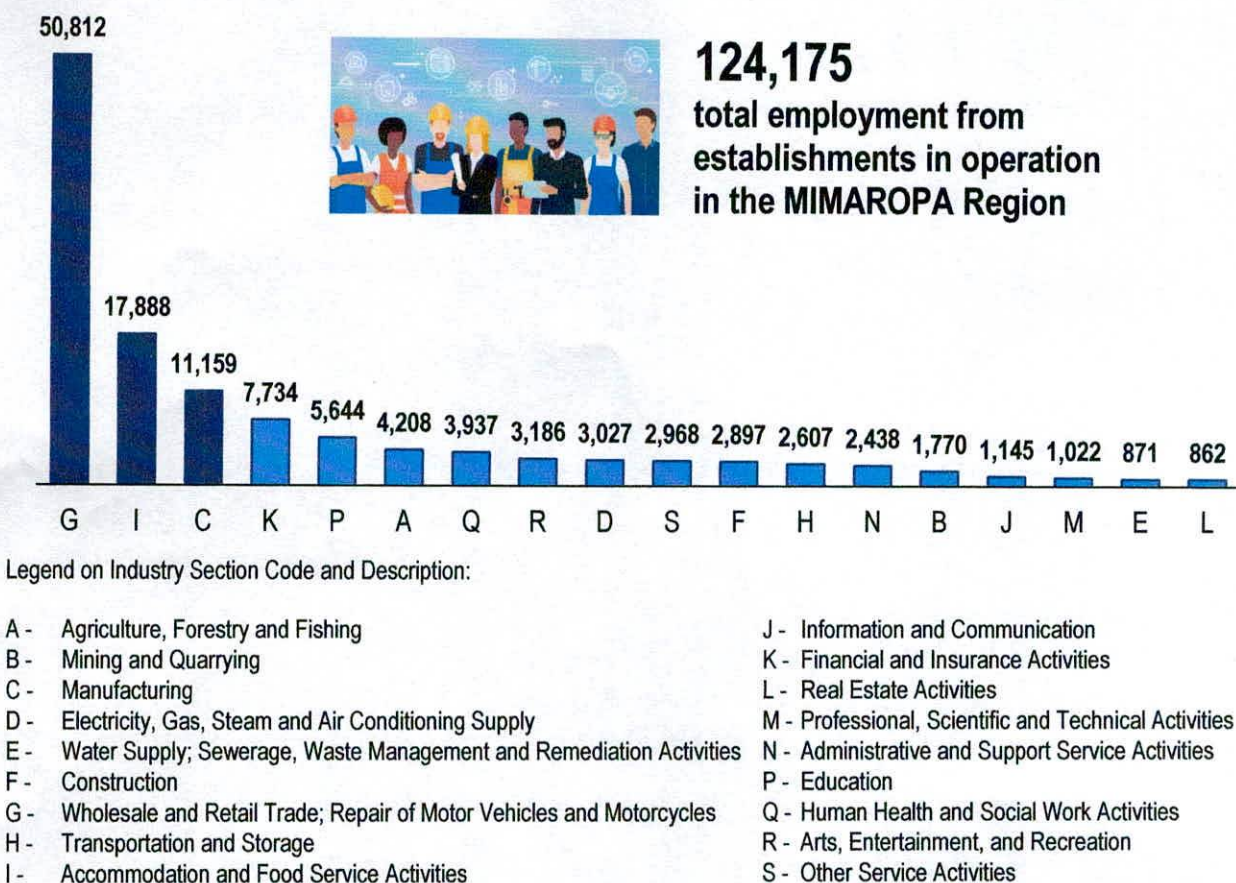
**Source:** Philippine Statistics Authority, 2023 *List of Establishments (LE)*

In terms of employment, the Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles sector employed the highest number of individuals at 50,812. This accounts to 40.9 percent of the region's total employment from establishments in operation during 2023. Accommodation and Food Service Activities ranked second with 17,888 employees (14.4%), and Manufacturing ranked third with



11,159 employees (9.0%). Conversely, Real Estate Activities recorded the lowest employment, with only 862 individuals employed in the sector. (Figure 3 and Table B)

**Figure 3. Total Employment of Establishments in Operation by Industry, MIMAROPA Region: 2023**



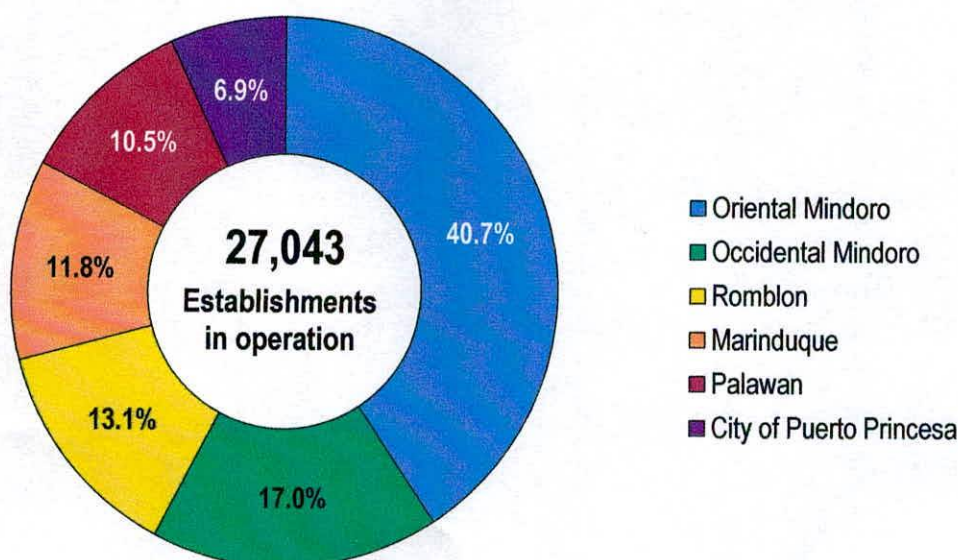
**Source:** Philippine Statistics Authority, 2023 *List of Establishments (LE)*

### **Oriental Mindoro still the hub of the MIMAROPA Region's business and industry**

Among all provinces and highly urbanized city in the region, Oriental Mindoro maintained its position as the center of business and industry in the MIMAROPA Region. This province accounts for 11,011 establishments or 40.7 percent of the regional total in 2023. This was followed by Occidental Mindoro with a total of 4,607 establishments in operation (17.0%). Meanwhile, Palawan and the City of Puerto Princesa recorded 2,832 (10.5%) and 1,856 (6.9%) establishments in operation, respectively. (Figure 4 and Table A)



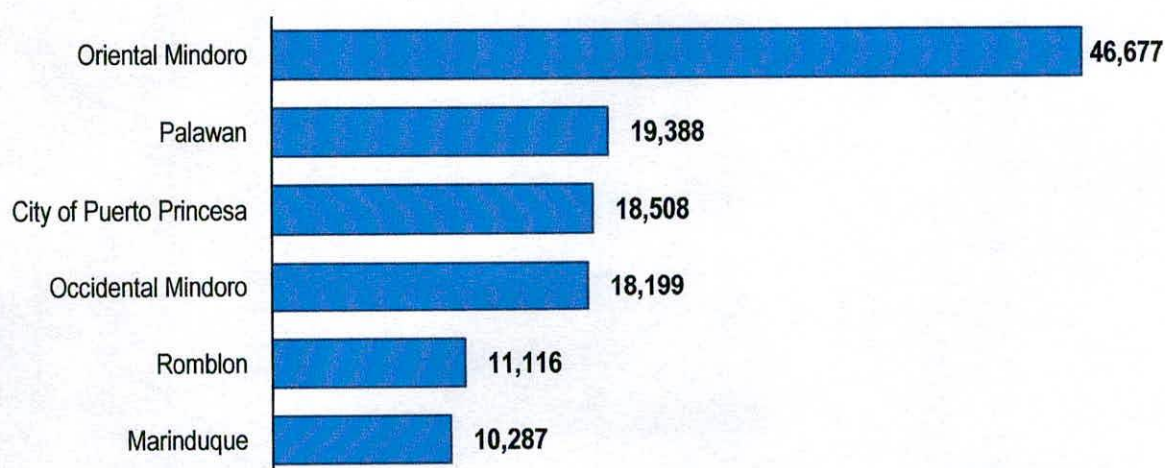
**Figure 4. Percent Distribution of Total Number of Establishments in Operation by Province and Highly Urbanized City, MIMAROPA Region: 2023**



**Source:** Philippine Statistics Authority, 2023 List of Establishments (LE)

In terms of employment generated from these establishments in operation, Oriental Mindoro also led the region with 46,677 employed individuals. This corresponds to 37.6 percent of the total employment of establishments in the region. Palawan ranked second with 19,388 employees or 15.6 percent of the regional total employment. Establishments in operation in the lone highly urbanized City of Puerto Princesa generated a total of 18,508 employees (14.9%). Meanwhile, Marinduque recorded the lowest number of employees from operating establishments at 10,287 or 8.3 percent of the regional total employment. (Figure 5 and Table A)

**Figure 5. Total Employment of Establishments in Operation by Province/HUC, MIMAROPA Region: 2023**



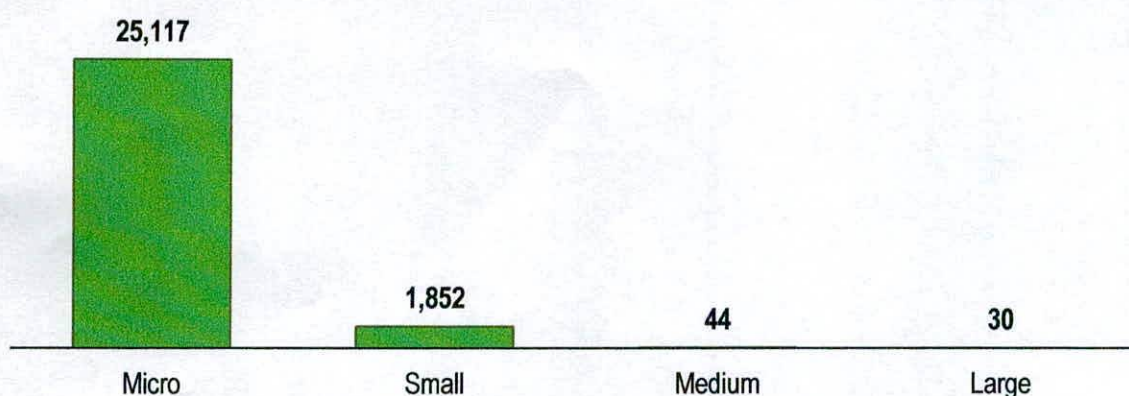
**Source:** Philippine Statistics Authority, 2023 List of Establishments (LE)



### Micro Enterprises dominate both in numbers and workforce

Of the 27,043 establishments in the MIMAROPA Region, 25,117 establishments or 92.9 percent fell under the micro category (1 to 9 employees). Moreover, Small establishments (10 to 99 employees) account for 1,852 establishments (6.9%), while 44 establishments (0.2%) were classified under medium category (100 to 199 employees). Meanwhile, a total of 30 establishments (0.1%) were categorized under large category (200 or more employees). (Figure 6 and Table C)

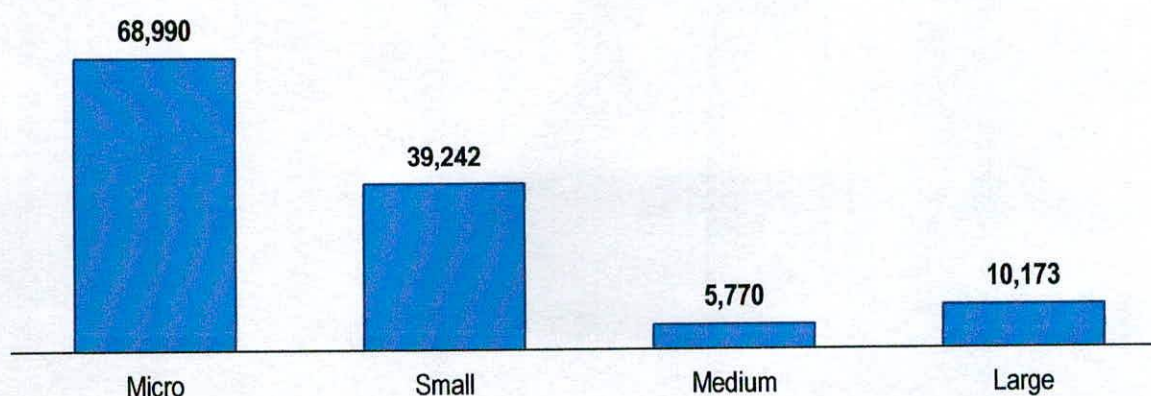
**Figure 6. Number of Establishments in Operation by Employment Groupings, MIMAROPA Region: 2023**



**Source:** Philippine Statistics Authority, 2023 List of Establishments (LE)

Furthermore, 55.6 percent of the total employment across establishments in the MIMAROPA Region or 68,990 employees were working in micro enterprises. In addition, small enterprises provided jobs for 39,242 individuals (31.6%), and large enterprises accounted for 10,173 workers (8.2%). Meanwhile, medium enterprises employed 5,770 people (4.7%). (Figure 7 and Table C)

**Figure 7. Number of Establishments in Operation by Employment Groupings, MIMAROPA Region: 2023**



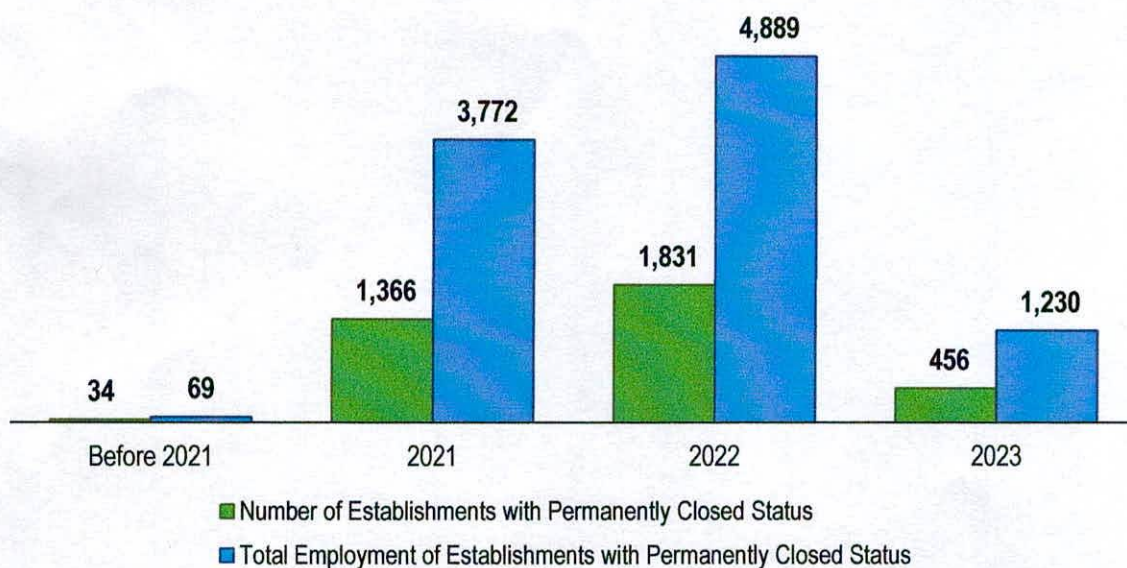
**Source:** Philippine Statistics Authority, 2023 List of Establishments (LE)



### Business closures in affected 4,248 establishments leads to 11,941 job losses

In 2023, a total of 4,248 establishments in the MIMAROPA Region are either permanently closed or temporarily stopped in operation. Of these, 3,687 establishments or 86.8 percent were permanently closed. The breakdown of closures by year shows that 1,366 establishments were closed in 2021, 1,831 establishments closed in 2022, and 456 establishments closed in 2023. (Figure 8 and Table D)

**Figure 8. Number and Total Employment of Establishments with Permanently Closed Operation Status by Year Closed, MIMAROPA Region: 2023**



**Source:** Philippine Statistics Authority, 2023 *List of Establishments (LE)*

Regarding employment, 11,941 job losses were associated with establishments that had permanently closed or temporarily stopped operations. Of these, 9,960 or 83.4 percent were lost in permanently closed establishments. The breakdown of employment losses by year shows that 3,772 jobs were lost in establishments that closed in 2021, 4,889 jobs were lost in 2022, and 1,230 jobs were lost in 2023. (Figure 8 and Table D)

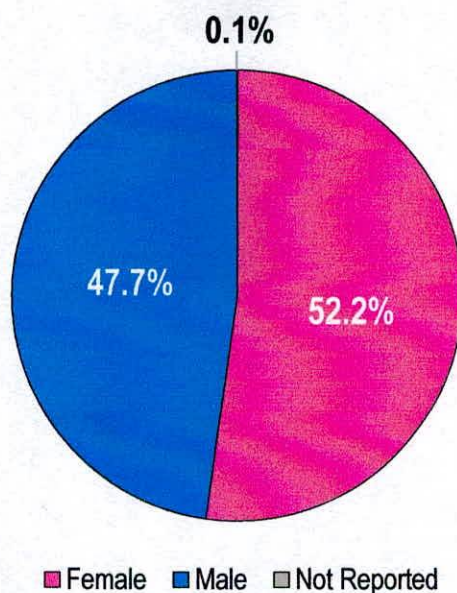
### Female outnumber male in terms of leadership in establishments

In terms of sex of person holding the highest position in the establishments, women held the top position in 52.2 percent of the total establishments in operation in the MIMAROPA Region. This exceeded the proportion of male leaders by 4.5 percentage



points at 47.7 percent. Meanwhile, the sex of 0.1 percent of position holders was not reported. (Figure 9 and Table E)

**Figure 9. Sex Distribution of Person Holding the Highest Position in the Establishments, MIMAROPA Region: 2023**



**Source:** Philippine Statistics Authority, 2023 *List of Establishments (LE)*

  
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## TECHNICAL NOTES

### A. List of Establishments

The List of Establishments (LE) of the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) is a register containing records of establishments operating in the Philippines that are captured through door-to-door canvassing, lists from secondary sources, and information from the submitted survey reports.

The statistical unit in the LE is the establishment. An **establishment** is defined as an economic unit:

1. under a single ownership or control, i.e. under a single legal entity;
2. engages in one or predominantly one kind of economic activity; and
3. at a single fixed physical location.

The LE is maintained by the PSA primarily to serve as the source of sampling frame for all the establishment-based surveys and census conducted by PSA.

The Updating of the List of Establishments (ULE) is a regular activity undertaken to provide an updated and reliable LE. Generally, the conduct of a nationwide ULE operations is being done during the reference year of the Census of Philippine Business and Industry (CPBI), that is, one year prior to the actual census data collection. On years when nationwide ULE is not conducted, the door-to-door canvassing operations to update the LE is done only on a limited scale, that is, in selected areas (usually in economic growth areas or areas with special concerns), and/or only for certain groups of industries or specific economic units (e.g. Main Offices only). The coverage depends mainly on the availability of resources and the data needs. The regular updating is supplemented by information from available lists from other sources and from establishment's reports to surveys and census undertaken by the PSA.

### B. Scope and Coverage of the List of Establishments

The LE covers establishments engaged in economic activities under the 18 industry sections as defined in the 2009 Philippine Standard Industrial Classification (PSIC) with 2019 updates. The following table presents the scope and coverage of the LE.

2009 PSIC Section		SCOPE	COVERAGE
<b>A</b>	Agriculture, Forestry, and Fishing	All economic activities	All establishments (EO 1 to 5)
<b>B</b>	Mining and Quarrying	All economic activities	All establishments (EO 1 to 5)
<b>C</b>	Manufacturing	All economic activities	All establishments (EO 1 to 5)
<b>D</b>	Electricity, Gas, Steam, and Air Conditioning Supply	All economic activities	All establishments (EO 1 to 5)
<b>E</b>	Water Supply; Sewerage, Waste Management and Remediation Activities	All economic activities	All establishments (EO 1 to 5)



2009 PSIC Section		SCOPE	COVERAGE
<b>F</b>	Construction	All economic activities	All establishments (EO 1 to 5) Excludes listing of: ▪ Construction/project sites
<b>G</b>	Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles	All economic activities, except retail sale via stalls and markets (G478)	All establishments (EO 1 to 5) Excludes listing of: ▪ sari-sari stores with no regularly paid employee
<b>H</b>	Transportation and Storage	All economic activities, except tricycle, calesas, pedicabs operation (H49322)	All establishments (EO 1 to 5) Excludes listing of: ▪ jeepney and UV express operation (H49321) without business office  Includes listing of: ▪ Philippine Branch Office of foreign airlines
<b>I</b>	Accommodation and Food Service Activities	All economic activities	All establishments (EO 1 to 5)
<b>J</b>	Information and Communication	All economic activities	All establishments (EO 1 to 5)
<b>K</b>	Financial and Insurance Activities	All economic activities, including activities of holding companies except central banking (K64110)	All establishments (EO 1 to 5)
<b>L</b>	Real Estate Activities	All economic activities	All establishments (EO 1 to 5)
<b>M</b>	Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities	All economic activities	All establishments (EO 1 to 5)
<b>N</b>	Administrative and Support Service Activities	All economic activities	All establishments (EO 1 to 5)
<b>P</b>	Education	All economic activities, except public education services	All establishments (EO 1 to 5)
<b>Q</b>	Human Health and Social Work Activities	All economic activities, except public medical (Q8611), dental and other health services (Q8621)	All establishments (EO 1 to 5) Excludes listing of: ▪ Clinics in medical arts buildings shared by doctors with specific clinic hours/schedules
<b>R</b>	Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	All economic activities	All establishments (EO 1 to 5)



or services that support but do not become part of the output of those establishment)

2. **Legal Organization (LO)** could be:

- LO 1. Single proprietorship
- LO 2. Partnership
- LO 3. Government corporation
- LO 4. Stock corporation
- LO 5. Non-stock, non-profit corporation
- LO 6. Cooperative
- LO 7. Other (e.g., foundations, etc.)

3. **Geographic Location** is based on the latest Philippine Standard Geographic Classification (PSGC).

4. **Industry Classification**

In general, the industrial classification of an economic unit is determined by the activity from which it derives its major income or revenue. The industries are coded using the 2009 Philippine Standard Industrial Classification (PSIC) with 2019 updates.

5. **Establishment Size** is based on Total Employment (TE) as follows:

The TE refers to the total number of persons who work in or for the establishment. This includes paid employees, working owners, unpaid workers and all employees who work full-time or part-time including seasonal workers. Persons working in the establishment but under a sub-contract agreement or manpower agencies/contractors are excluded.

- Size 0 - with TE of 1 to 4
- Size 1 - with TE of 5 to 9
- Size 2 - with TE of 10 to 19
- Size 3 - with TE of 20 to 49
- Size 4 - with TE of 50 to 99
- Size 5 - with TE of 100 to 199
- Size 6 - with TE of 200 to 499
- Size 7 - with TE of 500 to 999
- Size 8 - with TE of 1000 to 1999
- Size 9 - with TE of 2000 and over

6. **MSME Classification**

For statistical purposes, establishments are grouped according to total employment as follows (National Statistics Office; Small and Medium Enterprise Development Council (SMEDC) Resolution No.1, Series 2003):

- 1. Micro - Establishments with Total Employment of 1 to 9



2009 PSIC Section		SCOPE	COVERAGE
<b>S</b>	Other Service Activities	All economic activities, except activities of membership organizations (S94)	All establishments (EO 1 to 5)

### C. Exclusions from the List of Establishments

Units not included in the LE are the following:

1. Ambulant peddlers ("maglalako") and hawkers and movable stall either along a public road or in a marketplace
2. Open stalls in shopping centers, malls, and markets
3. Individual professionals and technical workers or craftsmen who do not maintain fixed offices or shops
4. Construction or project sites
5. Sari-sari stores with no regularly paid employee
6. Retail sale via stalls and markets
7. Jeepney and AUV ("FX") operation (if without business office)
8. Tricycle, calesas, pedicabs operation
9. Public education services
10. Public medical, dental and other health services
11. Doctor's offices or clinics in hospitals
12. Medical clinics shared by at least two doctors
13. Central banking (BSP)
14. Government administrative and judicial offices; military and police camps and installations; government offices engaged in construction work
15. Business associations, employer's organizations, religious organizations, places of worship, political organizations, and other membership organizations
16. Extra-territorial Organization and Bodies (World Health Organization, UNESCO, etc

### D. Taxonomy of Establishments

Establishments listed in the LE are classified according to the following:

#### 1. **Economic Organization (EO)** could be:

- EO 1. Single establishment (No branch nor main office)
- EO 2. Branch (Main office is located elsewhere within the Country)
- EO 3. Establishment and main office (Both located in the same address and with branch/es elsewhere)
- EO 4. Main office only (Office of an establishment/s which controls, supervises, directs other establishment/s)
- EO 5. Ancillary unit (An economic unit that operates primarily or exclusively for a related establishment or group of establishments and produces goods



2. Small - Establishments with Total Employment of 10 to 99
3. Medium - Establishments with Total Employment of 100 to 199
4. Large - Establishments with Total Employment of 200 and Over

#### **E. The Nationwide 2023 Updating of the List of Establishments**

Generally, a nationwide updating operation is undertaken during the reference year of the Census of Philippine Business and Industry (CPBI) primarily to provide an updated frame for the sample census. The CPBI is conducted within the year after the reference year.

The 2023 ULE was undertaken to collect information on the status of operation and updated characteristics of establishments. Data were gathered using face-to-face interview of respondents or through self-accomplishment and submission to the PSA. The face-to-face interview was done through the computer-aided personal interview (CAPI) where the Android Tablet-Based ULE Application was used. In cases where CAPI cannot be used, the printed paper questionnaire was utilized. For respondents who preferred to accomplish the Inquiry Form by themselves, two options were made available – web-based/online questionnaire and fillable pdf form.

The latest updated LE as of March 2023 was the list subjected to the comprehensive updating operations. The data collection was conducted on 02 May to 31 July 2023. In some areas, however, the field operations were extended until September 2023.

The 2023 ULE operations added establishments newly captured and added to the list, including establishments which started their operations between 2020 to 2023; delisted establishments which permanently stopped operations; maintained establishments which temporarily stopped its operations at the time of visit; and, updated the characteristics of establishments still in operation.

The last comprehensive nationwide updating of the LE was done in 2021. This special nationwide 2021 ULE was conducted due to the needs for data to assess the changes in business and industries' operations at the height of pandemic and lockdowns. In 2022, updates in the LE came from the limited field updating covering establishments with temporarily stopped operation status in 2021 ULE. Updating using secondary sources plus gathering of updates from the reports of the establishments in the surveys also form part of the 2022 ULE activities.

The 2023 List of Establishments (LE) is generated based on the nationwide updating activity conducted by the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) in 2023, which covers all the 42,047 barangays nationwide from which 29,797 barangays have listed establishments in the preliminary 2022 LE.



**Table A. Number and Total Employment of Establishments In Operation by Province and Highly Urbanized City, MIMAROPA Region: 2021, 2022 and 2023**

Area		Number of Establishments in Operation			Total Employment of Establishments in Operation		
		2021	2022**	2023	2021	2022**	2023
<b>2022 and 2023 PSGC</b>	<b>2021 PSGC</b>						
<b>MIMAROPA Region</b>	<b>MIMAROPA</b>	<b>23,285</b>	<b>24,382</b>	<b>27,043</b>	<b>109,327</b>	<b>114,079</b>	<b>124,175</b>
Marinduque	Marinduque	2,753	2,861	3,182	8,144	8,458	10,287
Occidental Mindoro	Occidental Mindoro	3,888	4,012	4,607	16,097	16,476	18,199
Oriental Mindoro	Oriental Mindoro	8,776	9,025	11,011	37,324	38,171	46,677
Palawan (excluding City of Puerto Princesa)	Palawan (including City of Puerto Princesa)	4,701	2,900	2,832	37,195	19,417	19,388
Romblon	Romblon	3,167	3,521	3,555	10,567	11,527	11,116
City of Puerto Princesa (Capital)		-	2,063	1,856	-	20,030	18,508

**Note:** \*\*Unlike 2021 and 2023 ULE which are both nationwide undertakings covering all barangays, the 2022 ULE covered only the establishments with temporarily closed status in 2021 ULE and verification of non-ULE barangays, in addition to the updates gathered from survey reports.

**Source:** Philippine Statistics Authority, *2023 List of Establishments (LE)*



**Table B. Number and Employment of Establishments in Operation by Industry Section, MIMAROPA Region: 2023**

Region Industry Section	Total Number of Establishments which are IN OPERATION	Total Employment of Establishments which are IN OPERATION	Number of Subcontract Worker of Establishments IN OPERATION
<b>MIMAROPA Region</b>	<b>27,043</b>	<b>124,175</b>	<b>4,763</b>
A - Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	266	4,208	2
B - Mining and Quarrying	26	1,770	488
C - Manufacturing	3,287	11,159	25
D - Electricity, Gas, Steam and Air Conditioning Supply	89	3,027	402
E - Water Supply; Sewerage, Waste Management and Remediation Activities	50	871	42
F - Construction	106	2,897	17
G - Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair Of Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles	14,302	50,812	1,609
H - Transportation and Storage	256	2,607	522
I - Accommodation and Food Service Activities	3,746	17,888	662
J - Information and Communication	205	1,145	14
K - Financial and Insurance Activities	1,288	7,734	597
L - Real Estate Activities	225	862	38
M - Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities	289	1,022	4
N - Administrative and Support Service Activities	291	2,438	1
P - Education	321	5,644	81
Q - Human Health and Social Work Activities	512	3,937	208
R - Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	621	3,186	36
S - Other Service Activities	1,163	2,968	15

**Source:** Philippine Statistics Authority, 2023 List of Establishments (LE)



**Table C. Number and Total Employment of Establishments In Operation by Employment Groupings, and by Province and Highly Urbanized City and , MIMAROPA: 2023**

Area	Number of Establishments				
	Total	MSME Total Employment (TE) Grouping			
		Micro (1 to 9 employees)	Small (10 to 99 employees)	Medium (100 to 199 employees)	Large (200 or more employees)
<b>MIMAROPA Region</b>	<b>27,043</b>	<b>25,117</b>	<b>1,852</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>30</b>
Marinduque	3,182	3,076	103	s	2
Occidental Mindoro	4,607	4,355	242	6	4
Oriental Mindoro	11,011	10,343	646	16	6
Palawan (excluding City of Puerto Princesa)	2,832	2,476	341	5	10
Romblon	3,555	3,407	146	2	-
City of Puerto Princesa (Capital)	1,856	1,460	374	14	8

Area	Total Employment				
	Total	MSME Total Employment (TE) Grouping			
		Micro (1 to 9 employees)	Small (10 to 99 employees)	Medium (100 to 199 employees)	Large (200 or more employees)
<b>MIMAROPA Region</b>	<b>124,175</b>	<b>68,990</b>	<b>39,242</b>	<b>5,770</b>	<b>10,173</b>
Marinduque	10,287	7,278	2,005	s	902
Occidental Mindoro	18,199	11,164	4,930	742	1,363
Oriental Mindoro	46,677	28,747	14,078	2,156	1,696
Palawan (excluding City of Puerto Princesa)	19,388	8,240	7,209	687	3,252
Romblon	11,116	8,016	2,853	247	-
City of Puerto Princesa (Capital)	18,508	5,545	8,167	1,836	2,960

**Note:** Cells marked by 's' means suppressed data.

**Source:** Philippine Statistics Authority, 2023 List of Establishments (LE)



Table D. Number and Total Employment of Establishments with Permanently Closed (by Year Closed) and Temporarily Stopped Operation Status and by Province and Highly Urbanized City, MIMAROPA Region: 2023

Area	Total Number of Establishments with Permanently Closed and Temporarily Stopped Operation Status	Number of Establishments with Permanently Closed Status					Number of Establishments with Temporarily Stopped Operation Status
		Total No. of Establishments with Permanently Closed Status	Year Permanently Closed (YC)				
			Before 2021	2021	2022	2023	
MIMAROPA Region	4,248	3,687	34	1,366	1,831	456	561
Marinduque	409	327	13	88	191	35	82
Occidental Mindoro	674	591	11	276	215	89	83
Oriental Mindoro	1,869	1,693	-	357	1,112	224	176
Palawan (excluding City of Puerto Princesa)	369	300	-	224	46	30	69
Romblon	563	461	10	181	213	57	102
City of Puerto Princesa (Capital)	364	315	-	240	54	21	49

Area	Total Employment of Establishments with Permanently Closed and Temporarily Stopped Operation Status	Total Employment of Establishments with Permanently Closed Status					Total Employment of Establishments with Temporarily Stopped Operation Status
		Total Employment of Establishments with Permanently Closed Status	Year Permanently Closed (YC)				
			Before 2021	2021	2022	2023	
MIMAROPA Region	11,941	9,960	69	3,772	4,889	1,230	1,981
Marinduque	820	651	25	159	390	77	169
Occidental Mindoro	1,775	1,504	25	685	531	263	271
Oriental Mindoro	5,011	4,583	-	871	3,123	589	428
Palawan (excluding City of Puerto Princesa)	1,570	1,099	-	778	222	99	471
Romblon	1,256	1,023	19	417	467	120	233
City of Puerto Princesa (Capital)	1,509	1,100	-	862	156	82	409

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2023 List of Establishments (LE)



**Table E. Number of Establishments in Operation by Sex of Person Holding the Highest Position and by Province and Highly Urbanized City, MIMAROPA Region: 2023**

Area	Total No. of Establishments	Sex of Person Holding the Highest Position in the Establishments		
		Male	Female	Not Reported
<b>MIMAROPA Region</b>	<b>27,043</b>	<b>12,903</b>	<b>14,120</b>	<b>20</b>
Marinduque	3,182	1,474	1,708	-
Occidental Mindoro	4,607	2,159	2,429	19
Oriental Mindoro	11,011	5,438	5,572	s
Palawan (excluding City of Puerto Princesa)	2,832	1,380	1,452	-
Romblon	3,555	1,631	1,924	-
City of Puerto Princesa (Capital)	1,856	821	1,035	-

**Note:** Cells marked by 's' means suppressed data.

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