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**POPULATION OF MIMAROPA INCREASED  
 BY 260.6 THOUSAND PERSONS**  
 (Results from the 2007 Census of Population)

***Average household size dropped to 4.7 persons***

The population of MIMAROPA was 2,559,791 persons as of August 1, 2007, based on the 2007 Census of Population. This figure was higher by 260,562 persons over the population count of 2,299,229 persons in 2000. The population count of the region for the 2000 and 2007 censuses translated to an average annual population growth rate of 1.5 percent.

The number of households in the region reached 546,574, or 86,634 households more than the 2000 census figure of 459,940 households. The average household size in 2007 was 4.7 persons, slightly lower than the average household size of 5.0 persons in 2000.

***Oriental Mindoro was the most populated area***

Oriental Mindoro, the regional center of MIMAROPA was the most populated among the five provinces and one Highly Urbanized City (HUC) of the region. It shared 28.7 percent to the region's total population. It was followed by the provinces of Palawan (excluding Puerto Princesa) (26.7 percent), Occidental Mindoro (16.5 percent), Romblon (10.9 percent), Marinduque (9.0 percent), and the first HUC in the region, Puerto Princesa (8.2 percent).

***Males continued to outnumber females***

Sex ratio in 2000 and 2007 censuses was stable at 105 males for every 100 females. Of the 2,546,797 household population in 2007, males accounted for 51.3 percent while females comprised 48.7 percent.

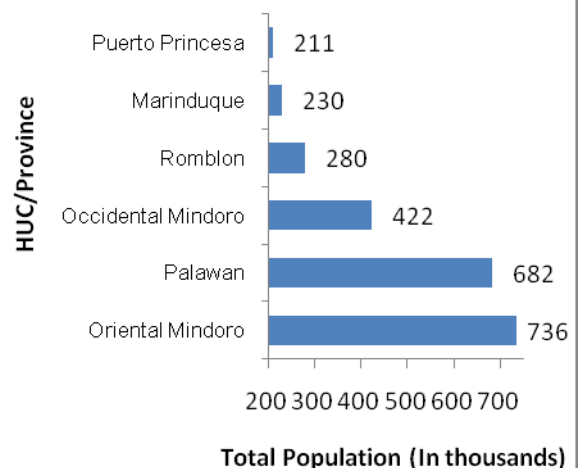
***Median age remained at 19 years***

The same median age of 19 years was recorded for 2000 and 2007 censuses. This means that half of the household population in the province were below 19 years old in both census years.

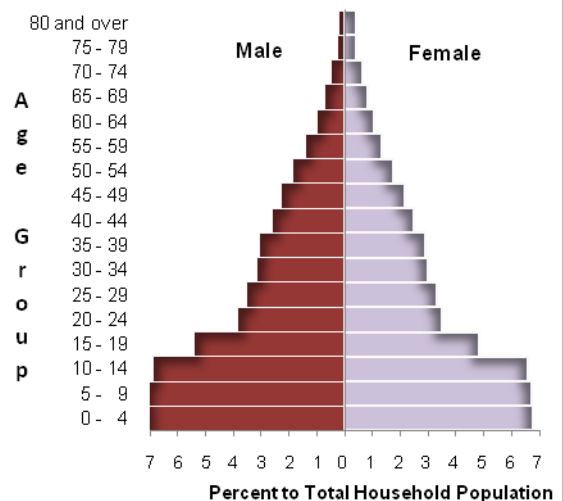
Persons aged 0 to 4 years and 5 to 9 years contributed the highest share of 13.9 percent each to the household population, followed by those in age groups 10 to 14 years (13.5 percent) and 15 to 19 years (10.3 percent).

There were more males than females in age brackets 0 to 59 years, while more females than males were reported in age brackets 60 years and over.

**Figure 1**  
**Total Population by Province/HUC, 2007**



**Figure 2**  
**Age-Sex Pyramid of Household Population MIMAROPA, 2007**



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### **Majority of the voting-age population were males**

More than half (51.9 percent) of the household population of MIMAROPA were in the voting age group (18 years old and over). Of this voting-age population, 51.1 percent were males while 48.9 percent were females.

### **Overall dependency ratio increased to 83 dependents per 100 working-age population**

The proportion of household population in the working age group (15 to 64 years) was 54.7 percent. Young dependents (0 to 14 years) comprised 41.3 percent while old dependents (65 years and over) accounted for 4.1 percent.

The overall dependency ratio in 2007 was 83, higher than the overall dependency ratio of 81 in 2000. This implies that in 2007, there were about 83 dependents (76 young dependents and 7 old dependents) for every 100 persons in the working age group. In 2000, dependents comprised of 74 young and 7 old persons or about 81 dependents per 100 working-age population.

### **More never married males than females**

Nearly half (46.9 percent) of the household population 10 years old and over in 2007 were married while 42.8 percent were never married. The rest were either widowed (4.4 percent), divorced/separated (0.8 percent), had common law/live-in marital arrangement (4.8 percent), or had unknown marital status (0.3 percent). Among never-married persons, there were more males (56.3 percent) than females (43.7 percent). Females dominated the males in the rest of the categories for marital status, except for the unknown marital status.

In 2000, the proportion of married persons was 45.2 percent while the proportion of never-married persons was 42.9 percent of the total household population 10 years old and over.

### **Females outnumbered males in higher levels of education**

Of the household population 5 years old and over, 44.5 percent had attended or finished elementary education, 28.8 percent had reached or completed high school, and 5.2 percent were academic degree holders.

More females than males had attained higher levels of education, as majority of those with academic degrees (59.9 percent) and those with post baccalaureate courses (57.6 percent) were females.

### **About 7 out of 10 household population 5 to 24 years old attended school**

Among household population 5 to 24 years old, about two-thirds (65.6 percent) had attended school at anytime during School Year 2007 to 2008. Of the total females aged 5 to 24 years, 67.2 percent had attended school at anytime during the said school year. School attendance rate for males was 64.1 percent in the same age group.

### **Occupied housing units increased by 19.2 percent**

From a total of 455,345 occupied housing units in 2000, the number of occupied housing units in the region reached 542,937 in 2007, or an increase of 19.2 percent. The average number of households per 100 occupied housing units in 2007 and 2000 remained the same at 101 households. However, in terms of the number of persons per occupied housing unit, the 2007 ratio of 4.7 persons per occupied housing unit was lower than the 2000 ratio of 5.0 persons per occupied housing unit.

### **Use of strong materials for outer walls and roof increased**

The proportion of occupied housing units with outer walls made of concrete/brick/stone increased from 20.5 percent in 2000 to 25.1 percent in 2007. On the other hand, the proportion of occupied housing units with outer walls made of bamboo/sawali/anahaw dropped from 49.9 percent in 2000 to 46.6 percent in 2007, or a difference of 3.3 percentage points.

About one out of two (51.9 percent) occupied housing units in 2007 had roofs made of galvanized iron/aluminum. Use of cogon/nipa/anahaw as roofing materials was 40.3 percent, or a decrease of 11.4 percentage points from the 2000 proportion of 51.7 percent..

  
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**Table 1. Total Population, Household Population, and Number of Households by Province and HUC, MIMAROPA: 2007**

Region/Province/HUC	Total Population	Household Population	Number of Households
<b>MIMAROPA</b>	<b>2,559,791</b>	<b>2,546,797</b>	<b>546,574</b>
Marinduque	229,636	229,263	49,956
Occidental Mindoro	421,952	419,316	91,551
Oriental Mindoro	735,769	734,660	155,273
Palawan	682,152	678,556	145,528
Puerto Princesa	210,508	205,825	46,245
Romblon	279,774	279,177	58,021

Source: National Statistics Office, 2007 Census of Population

**Table 2. Household Population by Age Group and Sex, and Sex Ratio by Age Group: MIMAROPA, 2007**

Age Group	Both Sexes	Male	Female	Sex Ratio
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,546,797</b>	<b>1,306,485</b>	<b>1,240,312</b>	<b>105.3</b>
Under 1	71,037	36,285	34,752	104.4
1 - 4	282,473	144,644	137,829	104.9
5 - 9	354,013	182,265	171,748	106.1
10 - 14	343,568	176,272	167,296	105.4
15 - 19	262,401	138,811	123,590	112.3
20 - 24	187,699	98,026	89,673	109.3
25 - 29	174,156	90,088	84,068	107.2
30 - 34	156,639	80,533	76,106	105.8
35 - 39	152,160	78,430	73,730	106.4
40 - 44	130,252	67,170	63,082	106.5
45 - 49	113,447	58,812	54,635	107.6
50 - 54	92,255	47,432	44,823	105.8
55 - 59	70,258	35,911	34,347	104.6
60 - 64	52,520	25,649	26,871	95.5
65 - 69	40,470	19,142	21,328	89.8
70 - 74	29,316	13,351	15,965	83.6
75 - 79	17,605	7,491	10,114	74.1
80 and over	16,528	6,173	10,355	59.6

Source: National Statistics Office, 2007 Census of Population

**Table 3. Household Population 10 Years Old and Over by Marital Status and Sex: MIMAROPA, 2007**

Marital Status	Both Sexes	Male	Female
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,839,274</b>	<b>943,291</b>	<b>895,983</b>
Single	786,498	442,710	343,788
Married	863,345	428,155	435,190
Widowed	81,167	20,205	60,962
Divorced/Separated	14,364	6,080	8,284
Common Law/Live-in	88,024	43,162	44,862
Unknown	5,876	2,979	2,897

Source: National Statistics Office, 2007 Census of Population

**Table 4. Household Population 5 Years Old and Over by Highest Educational Attainment and Sex: MIMAROPA, 2007**

Highest Educational Attainment	Both Sexes	Male	Female
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,193,287</b>	<b>1,125,556</b>	<b>1,067,731</b>
No grade completed	190,978	99,072	91,906
Preschool	72,724	39,138	33,586
Elementary	975,970	521,717	454,253
High school	631,822	315,491	316,331
Post secondary	60,329	32,836	27,493
College undergraduate	121,066	59,472	61,594
Academic degree holder	113,278	45,391	67,887
Post baccalaureate	2,170	921	1,249
Not stated	24,950	11,518	13,432

Source: National Statistics Office, 2007 Census of Population

**Table 5. Household Population 5 to 24 Years Old Who Were Attending School by Sex and Age Group: MIMAROPA, 2007**

Sex	Household Population 5 to 24 Years Old	Household Population 5 to 24 Years Old Who Were Attending School	Age Group			
			5 – 9	10 – 14	15 – 19	20 – 24
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,147,681</b>	<b>752,908</b>	<b>296,243</b>	<b>304,558</b>	<b>132,506</b>	<b>19,601</b>
Male	595,374	381,777	150,957	152,765	67,152	10,903
Female	552,307	371,131	145,286	151,793	65,354	8,698

Source: National Statistics Office, 2007 Census of Population

**Table 6. Occupied Housing Units by Construction Materials of the Roof and Outer Walls: MIMAROPA, 2007**

Construction Materials of the Outer Walls	Total Occupied Housing Units	Construction Materials of the Roof							
		Galvanized Iron/Aluminum	Tile/Concrete/Clay Tile	Half Galvanized Iron and Half Concrete	Wood	Cogon/Nipa/Anahaw	Makeshift/Salvaged/Improvised Materials	Asbestos/Others	Not Reported
<b>Total</b>	<b>542,937</b>	<b>281,725</b>	<b>2,566</b>	<b>27,137</b>	<b>6,480</b>	<b>218,814</b>	<b>1,254</b>	<b>1,667</b>	<b>3,294</b>
Concrete/brick/stone	136,164	128,825	1,679	2,037	202	2,804	13	416	188
Wood	48,891	31,611	157	1,766	1,868	13,143	52	181	113
Half concrete/brick/stone and half wood	91,746	66,172	451	16,267	784	7,619	38	212	203
Galvanized iron/aluminum	4,097	1,954	196	1,128	359	443	2	1	14
Bamboo/sawali/cogon/nipa	253,177	50,919	-	5,794	3,193	191,916	179	585	591
Asbestos	166	136	-	6	7	-	-	14	3
Glass	88	34	7	10	35	-	-	-	2
Makeshift/salvaged/improvised materials	2,699	533	-	46	10	1,130	958	11	11
Others/not reported	5,821	1,524	75	79	22	1,702	7	243	2,169
No walls	88	17	1	4	-	57	5	4	-

Source: National Statistics Office, 2007 Census of Population

### TECHNICAL NOTES

*Growth rate* - the rate at which the population is increasing (or decreasing) in a given period due to natural increase and net migration, expressed as a percentage of the base population

*Household* - a social unit consisting of a person or a group of persons who sleep in the same housing unit and have common arrangements in the preparation and consumption of food

*Institutional population* - the population enumerated in institutional living quarters or institutions such as jails/prisons, military camps, convents/seminaries, mental hospitals, leprosaria, and the like

*Total population* - the sum of household population and institutional population

*Average household size* - the average number of persons who live in the household, computed as the household population in a given area divided by the corresponding total number of households in that area

*Sex ratio* - the ratio of males to females in a given population, expressed as the number of males per 100 females

*Median age* - the age at which exactly half of the population are younger than this age and the other half are older than it

*Overall dependency ratio* - the ratio of persons in the dependent ages (under 15 years old and over 64 years old) to persons in the working ages (15 to 64 years old)



The 2007 Census of Population (POPCEN 2007) was undertaken by the National Statistics Office (NSO) in August 2007 as mandated by Commonwealth Act No. 591. It was the 12<sup>th</sup> census of population that was undertaken since the first census in 1903. POPCEN 2007 was designed to take an inventory of the total population all over the Philippines and collect information about their characteristics. Census day for the POPCEN 2007 was August 1, 2007 (12:01 a.m.). Enumeration started on August 1, 2007 and lasted for about 30 days.