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PSA–Ilocos Sur conducts July 2021 LFS and 2021 FIES Visit 1

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An enumerator interviews a respondent of sample household in Candon City, Ilocos Sur.

ILOCOS SUR. The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) – Ilocos Sur conducts the July 2021 Labor Force Survey (LFS) and 2021 Family Income and Expenditure Survey (FIES) Visit 1 enumeration on 08 to 31 July 2021.

The LFS is a nationwide quarterly survey of households conducted by the PSA to gather data on the demographic and socio-economic characteristics of the population. It gathers data used to measure the current state of the country's labor market and is used, among other things, to calculate national, and regional employment indicators.

On the other hand, the 2021 FIES Visit 1 is a rider survey to the July 2021 LFS which aims to gather data on the income distribution and levels

of living and spending patterns of Filipino families across the country. This will provide inputs in the estimation of the country's poverty threshold and incidence and will be the basis of the Government for its social and economic development planning and decision-making.

The first round/visit of the 2021 FIES gathers data on income and expenditure of families for the first semester, 01 January to 30 June 2021.

About 51 Statistical Researchers (SRs) and 5 Team Supervisors (TSs) were hired to undertake the surveys using the Computer-Assisted Personal Interviewing (CAPI) with 1,587 randomly selected sample households from the 107 sample barangays/enumeration areas in Ilocos Sur.

Despite the ongoing health emergency related to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), minimum public health and safety standards are being observed during the enumeration.

The PSA appeals to the sample households to cooperate and provide truthful, complete, and accurate information to the SRs. The information gathered will ultimately serve as a vital input in evidence-based planning and decision-making. The respondents are assured that data to be collected in the survey shall be covered by the confidentiality of information clause under Section 26 of Republic Act 10625, which stipulates that individual data furnished by a respondent to statistical inquiries, surveys, and censuses of the PSA shall be considered privileged information and such shall be inadmissible as evidence in any proceeding.



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