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## PSA registers over 627 thousand Filipinos in PhilSys Step 2 Registration in La Union as of 28 February 2023

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As of 28 February 2023, the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) – La Union Provincial Statistical Office recorded a total of 627,169 Filipinos who successfully completed their Philippine Identification System (PhilSys) Step 2 registration.

The table below shows the number of registered applicants for the PhilSys Step 2 Registration by city/municipality.

**Table 1.** Total Number of Registered Applicants for the PhilSys Step 2 Registration by City/Municipality, La Union: February 2021 to February 2023

City/Municipality	Total Registered Applicants
La Union	627,169
Agoo	50,330
Aringay	36,947
Bacnotan	33,857
Bagulin	10856
Balaoan	32,640
Bangar	30,214
Bauang	55,176
Burgos	7,825
Caba	17,723
Luna	30,470
Naguilian	41,752
Pugo	14,846
Rosario	43,761
San Fernando City	98,190
San Gabriel	14,458
San Juan	31,268
Sto Tomas	29,302
Santol	10,414
Sudipen	14,029
Tubao	23,111



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Step 2 is one of the three steps of PhilSys registration that involves the validation of supporting documents, and capturing of biometric information that includes iris scan, fingerprints and front-facing photograph. Step 1 registration is the gathering of demographic information such as a person's name, sex, date of birth, place of birth, blood type, address, and marital status while Step 3 is the delivery of the physical card by the Philippine Postal Corporation (PHLPost).

Republic Act (RA) No. 11055, otherwise known as PhilSys Act, aims to establish a single national identification system for all citizens and resident aliens of the Republic of the Philippines. As a foundational digital ID system, the PhilSys will transform how services are delivered and accessed in the Philippines and accelerate our transition to a digital economy, including to enable presenceless, paperless and cashless transactions. The PhilSys ID is intended to provide a person with a valid proof of identity. The core function of the PhilSys is identity authentication and any process such as downloading of benefits and identification for government aids remain fully with the implementing agency.

All government agencies and private establishments are mandated to accept the Philippine Identification (PhilID) card and PhilSys Number (PSN) as sufficient proof of identity and age in all government and private transactions as provided under Executive Order No. 162.

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