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PSA kicks off quarterly Labor Force Survey on January 8

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The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) will conduct the January 2020 Labor Force Survey (LFS) enumeration starting on January 8, 2020.

PSA regular staff and hired Statistical Researchers (SRs) will undertake the survey from January 8 to 31, 2019 using the Computer Aided Personal Interview (CAPI). A total of 1,503 randomly selected sample households from 100 sample barangays and Enumeration Areas (EAs) will be visited/interviewed in Region I.

The LFS aims to provide a quantitative framework for the preparation of plans and formulation of policies affecting the labor market. This is designed to collect information on the following: distribution of household population 15 years old and over, by employment status, by sex, and age group; distribution of employed persons by major occupation group, major industry group, class of worker, number of hours worked, highest grade completed, nature of employment, and by sex; distribution of underemployed persons by total hours worked, major occupation group, class of worker, and by sex; and distribution of unemployed persons by age group, highest grade completed, by number of weeks looking for work, job search method, and by sex.

Among the important uses of the data from this survey are: provide information as basis for the formulation of policies and programs on the creation and generation of gainful employment and livelihood opportunities, reduction of unemployment and underemployment, and enhancement of the welfare of a working person; provide statistics on levels and trends on employment, unemployment and underemployment for the country and regions; used for the projection of future human resource, which when compared with the future manpower requirements, will help identify employment and training needs; help in the assessment of the potential human resource available for economic development; and provide labor statistics profile of the population across domains and socio-economic groups.

The PSA requests the sample households to cooperate and provide truthful, complete and accurate information that 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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