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## Persons with Disability in the Philippines (Results from the 2010 Census)

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### About 16 per thousand of the country's population had disability

Of the 92.1 million household population in the country, 1,443 thousand persons or 1.57 percent had disability, based on the 2010 Census of Population and Housing (2010 CPH). The recorded figure of persons with disability (PWD) in the 2000 CPH was 935,551 persons, which was 1.23 percent of the household population.

Among the 17 regions, Region IV-A had the highest number of PWD at 193 thousand. This was followed by the National Capital Region (NCR) with 167 thousand PWD. The Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR), on the other hand, had the lowest number of PWD at 26 thousand.

Ten regions had proportion of PWD higher than the national figure. These were Region VI (1.95 percent), Region IVB and Region V (both 1.85 percent each), Region VIII (1.75 percent), Region II (1.72 percent), Region I (1.64 percent), CAR (1.63 percent), Region XI and Region VII (both 1.60 percent each), and CARAGA (1.58 percent).

Table 1. Household Population and Persons with Disability by Region: Philippines, 2010

Region	Household Population (in 1,000)	Household Population with Disability (in 1,000)	Proportion of Persons with Disability to the Household Population (in percent)
Philippines	92,098	1,443	1.57
National Capital Region (NCR)	11,797	167	1.41
Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR)	1,612	26	1.63
Region I - Ilocos	4,743	78	1.64
Region II - Cagayan Valley	3,226	56	1.72
Region III - Central Luzon	10,118	139	1.38
Region IV-A - CALABARZON	12,583	193	1.53
Region IV-B - MIMAROPA	2,732	50	1.85
Region V - Bicol	5,412	100	1.85
Region VI - Western Visayas	7,090	138	1.95
Region VII - Central Visayas	6,785	109	1.6
Region VIII - Eastern Visayas	4,090	72	1.75
Region IX - Zamboanga Peninsula	3,398	46	1.35
Region X - Northern Mindanao	4,285	67	1.56
Region XI - Davao	4,453	71	1.6
Region XII - SOCCSKSARGEN	4,103	59	1.43
Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (ARMM)	3,249	35	1.07
Region XIII - Caraga	2,425	38	1.58

Source: National Statistics Office, *2010 Census of Population and Housing*

### There were more males than females among persons with disability

Of the total PWD in 2010, males accounted for 50.9 percent while females comprised 49.1 percent. These figures resulted in a sex ratio of 104 males with disability for every 100 females with disability.

Males with disability outnumbered females in the age groups 0 to 64 years. The largest excess in the number of males was in the age group 0 to 14 years with a sex ratio of 121 males per 100 females. On the other hand, there were more females with disability than males in the age group 65 years and over. This is because of the higher survival rate of women than men. In this age group, there were 70 males with disability per 100 females.

Table 2. Household Population with Disability by Broad Age Group and Sex: Philippines, 2010

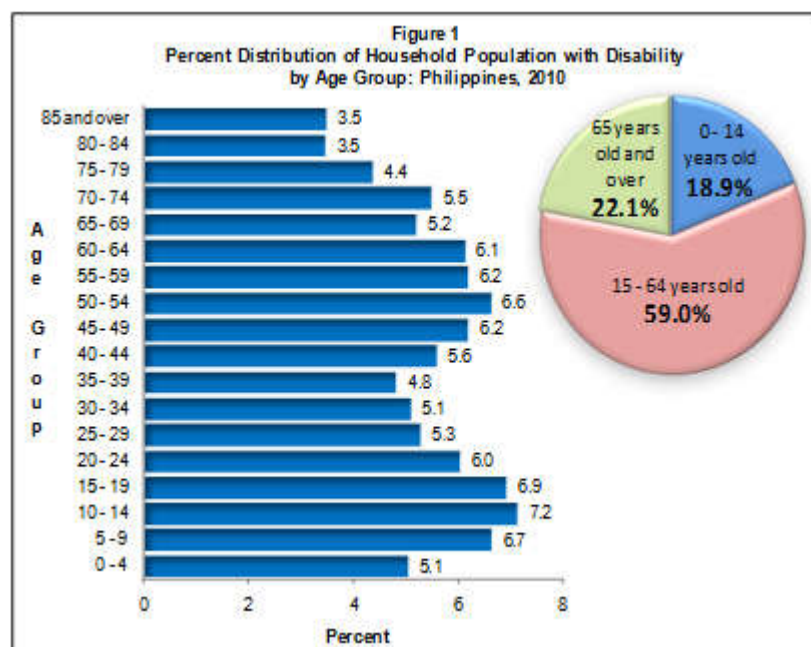
Age Group	Persons with Disability (in 1,000) by Sex			Sex Ratio
	Total	Male	Female	
All Ages	1,443	734	709	104
0 – 14	272	149	123	121
15 – 49	578	312	266	117
50 – 64	274	141	133	106
65 years and over	319	132	187	70

Source: National Statistics Office, *2010 Census of Population and Housing*

### Disability was highest among persons aged 5 to 19 years

For every five PWD, one (18.9 percent) was aged 0 to 14 years, three (59.0 percent) were in the working age group (aged 15 to 64 years), and one (22.1 percent) was aged 65 years and over.

Persons with disability were more likely to be in the ages 5 to 19 years and 45 to 64 years. By five-year age group, among the household population with disability, children aged 10 to 14 years comprised the largest age group (7.2 percent). This was followed by those in the age groups 15 to 19 years (6.9 percent), 5 to 9 years (6.7 percent), and 50 to 54 years (6.6 percent).



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### TECHNICAL NOTES

The information on disability was collected for all persons. The respondents were asked "**Does \_\_\_\_\_ have any physical or mental disability?**"

In this report, **disability** refers to *any restriction or lack of ability (resulting from an impairment) to perform an activity in the manner or within the range considered normal for a human being*. Impairments associated with disabilities may be physical, mental, or sensory motor impairment such as partial or total blindness, low vision, partial or total deafness, oral defect, having only one hand/no hands, one leg/no legs, mild or severe cerebral palsy, retarded, mentally ill, mental retardation and multiple impairment.

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