



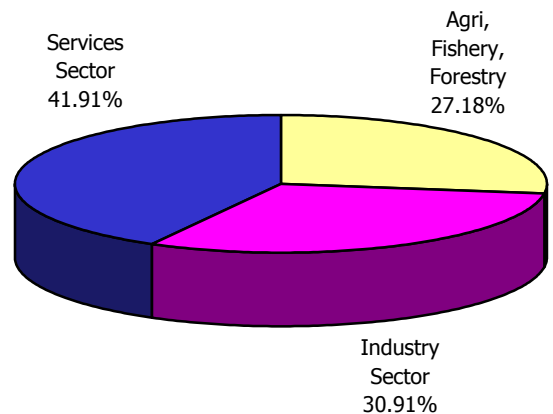
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Davao Region's economy slightly grew by 4.4 percent in 2006 from 4.1 percent growth in 2005. The minimal growth was mainly brought about by the slight improvement in agriculture and services sectors.

AFF, which accounted for 27.2 percent of the region's economy, grew by 3.1 percent in 2006 from 2.6 percent growth in 2005. This was brought about by the moderate growth in the production of palay, corn, banana and commercial and aquaculture fishing.

The industry sector, which accounted for 30.9 percent of the region's economy, decelerated from 5.0 percent in 2005 to 2.5 percent in 2006. All its subsectors, except construction, slowed down in 2006. Mining and quarrying shrunk from its robust performance of 7.9 percent in 2005 to negative 20.5 percent in 2006. The poor performance of the said sector was attributed to the decline in gold production, which accounted for about 95.0 percent of the total mining industry of the region. Manufacturing decelerated from 9.0 percent in 2005 to 5.4 percent in 2006 mainly due to the slowdown in the region's food manufacturing sector. Electricity and water declined from 8.9 percent in 2005 to negative 0.6 percent in 2006 due to the sluggish growth in the sales of electricity, decline in electric generation and poor performance in the sales of water. Construction accelerated from a negative 5.9 percent in 2005 to an impressive growth of 10.5 percent in 2006.

Gross Regional Domestic Product, Region XI,  
By Industrial Origin, 2006  
Percent Distribution, at Constant Prices



The services sector, with a 41.9 percent share of the region's economy, recorded an accelerated growth from 4.4 percent in 2005 to 6.6 in 2006. This was brought about by the growth in all subsectors except TCS which decelerated from 7.4 percent in 2005 to 5.0 percent in 2006. This was due to the sluggish growth in land, water and communication subsectors. Trade accelerated from 4.3 percent in 2005 to 6.7 percent in 2006 mainly because of the accelerated growth in retail trade. With the increase in banks and non-banks revenues, finance sector substantially increased by 9.4 percent in 2006. Private services grew slightly by 4.9 percent in 2006 from 4.0 percent in 2005 due to the increase in education and business services subsector. ODRE recorded the highest accelerated growth among subsectors in services with a significant increase of 10.0 percent in 2006 from 2.7 percent in 2005 as a result of an impressive growth in the real estate and residential building construction.

### GROSS REGIONAL DOMESTIC PRODUCT, By Industrial Origin Region XI, Davao Region In Thousand Pesos, At Constant Prices

INDUSTRY	2005	2006	Growth Rates (%)	
			04-05	05-06
<b>AGRI., FISHERY, FORESTRY</b>	<b>15,251,828</b>	<b>15,719,541</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>3.1</b>
Agri., & Fishery	15,166,415	15,656,290	2.7	3.2
Forestry	85,413	63,251	(8.8)	(25.9)
<b>INDUSTRY SECTOR</b>	<b>17,435,908</b>	<b>17,880,106</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>2.5</b>
Mining and Quarrying	2,625,495	2,087,006	7.9	(20.5)
Manufacturing	10,560,908	11,131,197	9.0	5.4
Construction	3,957,468	4,371,757	(5.9)	10.5
Electricity & Water	292,036	290,145	8.9	(0.6)
<b>SERVICES SECTOR</b>	<b>22,737,358</b>	<b>24,244,405</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>6.6</b>
Transport, Comm., Storage	2,701,903	2,835,748	7.4	5.0
Trade	12,248,786	13,068,111	4.3	6.7
Finance	788,086	861,979	6.9	9.4
O. Dwellings & Real Estate	2,600,037	2,860,041	2.7	10.0
Private Services	2,727,730	2,862,552	4.0	4.9
Government Services	1,670,816	1,755,975	2.2	5.1
<b>GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT</b>	<b>55,425,093</b>	<b>57,844,052</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>4.4</b>

Source:

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