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NSCB 10 Releases Regional Social and Economic Trends (RSET) 2009 for Northern Mindanao to highlight the Importance of Statistics in Effecting Development

True to its commitment to provide relevant and timely data for decision-making, policy formulation and planning, the National Statistical Coordination Board's (NSCB), through its Regional Division in Northern Mindanao, releases the Regional Social and Economic Trends (RSET) 2009 for Northern Mindanao, in CD-ROM version. The **Regional Social and Economic Trends (RSET)** is an annual publication of the NSCB Regional Division(s) and is part of the continuing effort of the **National Statistical Coordination Board (NSCB) Regional Division 10** in its desire to disseminate to diverse users updated local statistics generated by the Philippine Statistical System (PSS). The RSET presents comprehensive time-series data on the various sectors of the region and its component provinces, cities, and municipalities that are useful in planning and policy/decision-making towards effective governance and public service delivery at the local level.

The 2009 edition of the **RSET for the Northern Mindanao Region** includes time series data on population and housing, environment and natural resources, agriculture and agrarian reform, industry, trade, tourism, vital health and nutrition, education, public administration and finance, money and banking, and energy. *The said edition features new statistics on the indicators of **poverty in the basic sectors and child-related development indices (CDI)**.* Moreover, additional statistics (in table forms) are provided for Industry, Trade, Vital Health and Nutrition, Labor and Employment, Transportation and Communication, Energy and Water Resources, Public Administration and Finance, and Public Order and Safety in response to the demand of the data users.

Through the Regional Social and Economic Trends, NSCB hopes to contribute to the regional development by providing the vital statistics/information needed in effecting it. Moreover, and as a response to the statistics need to effect the said development, RSET 2009 contains updates in the municipal-level poverty statistics through the Small-Area Estimation (SAE).

NSCB gratefully acknowledge the invaluable contributions of various data sources that made the production of the RSET possible, as much as we appreciate the continued support of our clients who recognize this publication as a useful tool in their work. We extend our sincerest gratitude to our partner agencies for sharing NSCB's vision of an empowered citizenry through accessible quality statistical information. We further wish to thank our data users for providing us the feedback which helped in making this publication more relevant to their needs. We encourage both our data sources and users to continue in sharing their comments and suggestions to help us improve future editions of the RSET and other publications of the NSCB.

The publication (CD-ROM version) is now available at the **National Statistical Information Center (NSIC)** library, which is open to the public for free from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Mondays to Fridays. The NSIC is a one-stop shop of statistical information and services managed by the NSCB. The Northern Mindanao Branch is currently located at Door # 8 Mortola Building, J. R. Borja Street, Cagayan de Oro City.

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