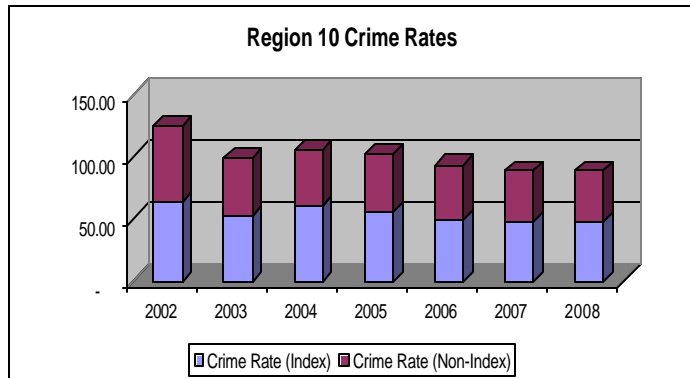




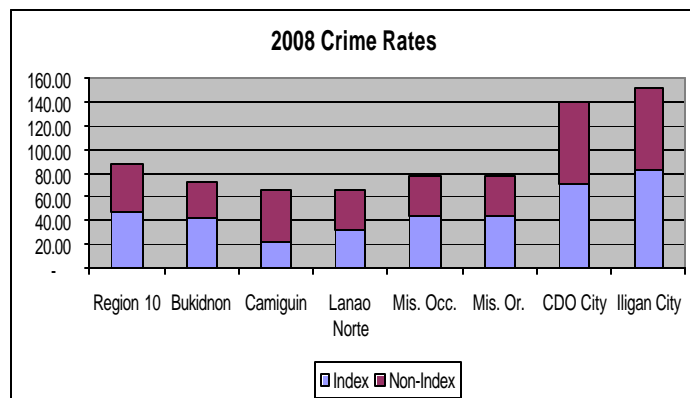
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Northern Mindanao Has Become Relatively Safer

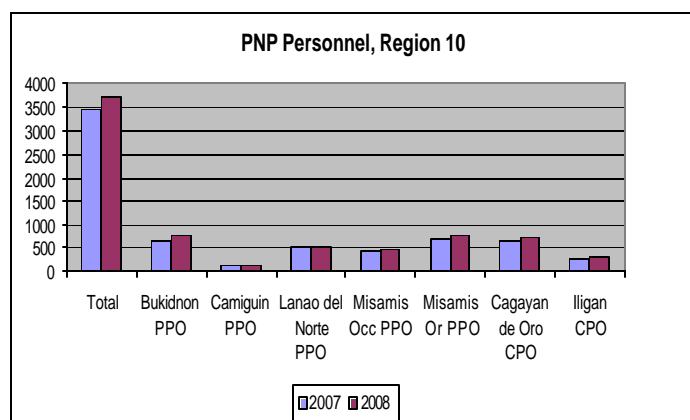
Crime statistics from the Philippine National Police Regional Office 10 showed that crime rate (i.e. crime incidence per 100,000 population) in Northern Mindanao continually declined in the last seven (7) years. From an estimated crime rate of 115.6 in 2002, the crime rate in the region declined to 88.7 in 2007, and further down to 88.4 in 2008. Moreover, in 2008, index-crime rate in the region was estimated at 47.7 while non-index-crime rate was estimated at 40.7.



Looking at the provinces and Highly Urbanized Cities (HUCs) in the Region, crime tends to be concentrated in HUCs with Iligan City recording the highest crime rate of 151.0, followed by Cagayan de Oro City at 139.7 in 2008. However, amidst the relatively higher crime rates, Iligan City and Cagayan de Oro City recorded higher crime solution efficiency at 93.2 percent and 96.8 percent, respectively. Camiguin, on the other hand, reported the lowest crime rate (among HUCs and Provinces) of 65.6 and a 100 percent crime solution efficiency for 2008.



Crime statistics do portray improvements in the region which is in accord with the increasing trend in Policemen. In 2008, PNP records showed a total of 3,720 Policemen; a 7.3 percent increase from 3,466 in 2007. Accordingly, Policemen-to-Population ratio went down from 1:1,140 in 2007 to 1:1,080 in 2008.



Among the provinces, Bukidnon recorded the highest number of Policemen with Camiguin having the least at 758 and 122, respectively, in 2008. However, in terms of 2008 Policemen-to-Population ratio, Camiguin recorded the highest at 1:707 while Bukidnon recorded the least at 1:1,774.

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