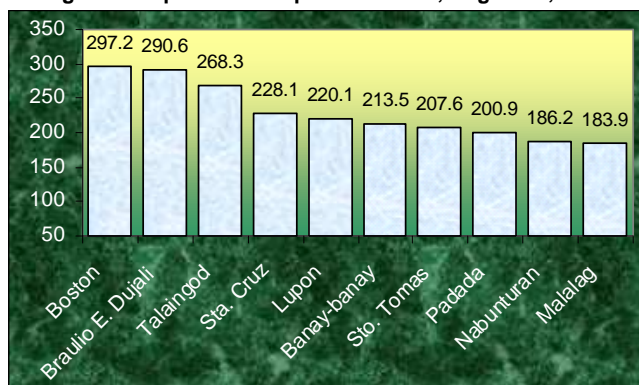




Boston Tops GGI in 2008 Among All Municipalities in Davao Region

The National Statistical Coordination Board released the interim municipal Good Governance Index (GGI) for the periods 2005 and 2008. The GGI has two components: Income Index and Expenditure Index. The Income Index measures per capita income and per capita income from local sources while the Expenditure Index captures per capita expenditures on education, health and economic services. These indicators provide indication on the quality of management of resources by the Local Government Units thereby promoting more transparency and accountability which are important dimensions of good governance. The GGI estimates revealed that among the 43 municipalities of Region XI, Boston of Davao Oriental had the highest GGI in 2008 with an index of 297.2.

Figure 1. Top Ten Municipalities in GGI, Region XI, 2008



Three of the top ten municipalities with the highest GGI are in Davao Oriental; three in Davao del Norte; three in Davao del Sur; and one in Compostela Valley. These are the following: (1) Boston, Davao Oriental; (2) Braulio E. Dujali, Davao del Norte; (3) Talaingod, Davao del Norte; (4) Sta. Cruz, Davao del Sur; (5) Lupon, Davao Oriental; (6) Banay-banay, Davao Oriental; (7) Sto. Tomas, Davao del Norte; (8) Padada, Davao del Sur; (9) Nabunturan, Compostela Valley; and (10) Malalag, Davao del Sur.

The municipality of Boston has also the most improved GGI with a difference of 106.1 between the periods 2005 and 2008. It was followed by the municipalities of Talaingod and Braulio E. Dujali, both of the province of Davao del Norte, placing second and third most improved, respectively. The other municipalities which are among the top 10 most improved in terms of GGI between 2005 and 2008 are: Sta. Cruz, Davao del Sur; Maragusan, Compostela Valley; Bansalan, Davao del Sur; Sto. Tomas, Davao del Norte; Laak, Compostela Valley; Asuncion, Davao del Norte; and Nabunturan, Compostela Valley.

Source of data: National Statistical Coordination Board

Table 1. Top Ten Most Improved Municipalities in GGI, 2005 & 2008

Municipality	2005	2008	Diff.	Rank
Boston, Davao Oriental	191.0	297.2	106.1	1
Talaingod, Davao del Norte	174.0	268.3	94.2	2
Braulio E. Dujali, Davao del Norte	199.8	290.6	90.8	3
Sta. Cruz, Davao del Sur	168.5	228.1	59.5	4
Maragusan, Compostela Valley	113.5	172.0	58.4	5
Bansalan, Davao del Sur	112.0	159.3	47.3	6
Sto. Tomas, Davao del Norte	164.0	207.6	43.6	7
Laak, Compostela Valley	117.0	159.5	42.6	8
Asuncion, Davao del Norte	104.1	142.8	38.6	9
Nabunturan, Compostela Valley	151.3	186.2	34.8	10

In terms of income, Boston again outshined the other 42 municipalities in Davao region with an income index of 358.8 in 2008. Four of the top ten municipalities with the highest income index are in Davao del Norte, three in Davao Oriental, two in Davao del Sur, and one in Compostela Valley.

Table 2. Top Ten Municipalities in Income Index, 2008

Municipality	Income Index	Rank
Boston, Davao Oriental	358.8	1
Talaingod, Davao del Norte	330.9	2
Sto. Tomas, Davao del Norte	238.1	3
Padada, Davao del Sur	234.8	4
Braulio E. Dujali, Davao del Norte	233.6	5
Sta. Cruz, Davao del Sur	214.8	6
Nabunturan, Compostela Valley	212.3	7
Banay-banay, Davao del Oriental	209.0	8
Carmen, Davao del Norte	197.9	9
Baganga, Davao Oriental	186.4	10

On the other hand, expenditure index was highest in the following municipalities: (1) Braulio E. Dujali, Davao del Norte; (2) Lupon, Davao Oriental; (3) Sta. Cruz, Davao del Sur; (4) Boston, Davao Oriental; (5) Banay-banay, Davao Oriental; (6) Talaingod, Davao del Norte; (7) Malalag, Davao del Sur; (8) Maco, Compostela Valley; (9) Bansalan, Davao del Sur; and (10) Sto. Tomas, Davao del Norte.

Table 3. Top Ten Municipalities in Expenditure Index, 2008

Municipality	Expenditure Index	Rank
Braulio E. Dujali, Davao del Norte	347.6	1
Lupon, Davao Oriental	257.4	2
Sta. Cruz, Davao del Sur	241.3	3
Boston, Davao Oriental	235.6	4
Banay-banay, Davao Oriental	218.1	5
Talaingod, Davao del Norte	205.7	6
Malalag, Davao del Sur	189.8	7
Maco, Compostela Valley	178.3	8
Bansalan, Davao del Sur	177.8	9
Sto. Tomas, Davao del Norte	177.1	10

Among the provinces in Davao region, Compostela Valley has the highest GGI in 2008 and it was the most improved province in terms of good governance between the periods 2005 and 2008.