Table 3. Total Number of Unemployed Persons and Unemployment Rate: 2023 and 2024

PHILIPPINES/ REGION/ PROVINCE/HUC	Total Number of Unemployed Persons						Unemployment Rate						Increment/Decrement (2024-2023)	
	Annual 2023[f]			Annual 2024[p]			Annual 2023[f]			Annual 2024[p]			Number of Unemployed Persons ('000)	Unemployment Rate (%)
	Estimate ('000)	Standard Error ('000)	Coefficient of Variation (%)	Estimate ('000)	Standard Error ('000)	Coefficient of Variation (%)	Estimate (%)	Standard Error (%)	Coefficient of Variation (%)	Estimate (%)	Standard Error (%)	Coefficient of Variation (%)		
PHILIPPINES	**2,193**	**42**	**1.9**	**1,943**	**38**	**2.0**	**4.4**	**0.1**	**1.5**	**3.8**	**0.1**	**1.6**	**-250**	**-0.5**
Cagayan	15	2	13.8	14	2	15.1	2.6	0.3	11.7	2.3	0.3	12.7	-1	-0.3

p - *Estimates are preliminary and may change.*

f - *Estimates are final.*

Notes:

1. Details may not add up to totals due to rounding.

2. The methodology for the computation of annual estimates of labor and employment indicators is based on the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Board Resolution No. 14 Series of 2021 - Adopting the General Method for Annualized Estimates for the Labor Force Survey 2021 and Beyond.

3. Caution on the use of the statistics with Coefficient of Variation greater than 10% as these may not be reliable due to small observations.

4. Annual 2024 estimates were based on the final estimates of January 2024 LFS and preliminary estimates of February, March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November, and December 2024 LFS.

5. The 2023 and 2024 estimates for Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM) include the 63 barangays from Cotabato. This change follows the Bangsamoro Autonomous Act Nos. 41 to 48, dated 15 September 2022, and the subsequent ratification through a plebiscite conducted on 13 April 2024. These acts resulted in the creation of eight new municipalities within the Special Geographic Area (SGA) of BARMM.

6. BARMM includes the Province of Sulu.

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2023 and 2024 Labor Force Survey