SPECIAL RELEASE

Population Results on the Province of South Cotabato

(excluding General Santos City)

Based on the results of the 2015 Census of Population

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Population of the province of South Cotabato is 915,289

- As of August 1, 2015, the population of South Cotabato is 915,289 based on the Census of Population (POPCEN 2015).
- The total population of South Cotabato accounted for about 20.14 percent of Region XII population in 2015.
- The 2015 population is higher by 88,089 compared with the population of 827,200 in 2010, and higher by 224,561 compared with the population of 690,728 in 2000. *Refer to Table 1*.

Table 1. Population of the province of South Cotabato

(Based on the 2000,2010, and 2015 Censuses)

Census Year	Census Reference Date	Population
2000	May 1, 2000	690,728
2010	May 1, 2010	827,200
2015	August 1, 2015	915,289

• The population of South Cotabato increased by 1.94 percent annually, on average, during the period of 2010 to 2015. By comparison, the rate at which the province population grew during the period 2000 to 2010 was at 1.82 percent annually. *Refer to Table 2*.

Table 2. Annual Population Growth Rate of South Cotabato

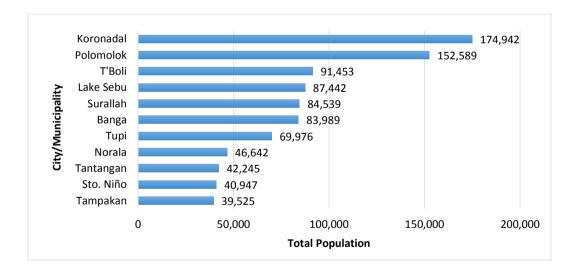
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Reference Period	Annual Population Growth Rate (in percent)
2010-2015	1.94
2000-2010	1.82

- South Cotabato (excluding General Santos City which is a highly urbanized city) has 1 city and 10 municipalities. The city of Koronadal, the provincial capital was the most populous with a population size making up 19.1 percent of the total provincial population. The municipality of Polomolok was second with 16.7 percent share, followed by the municipalities of T'boli with 10.0 percent, Lake Sebu with 9.6 percent, Surallah and Banga with 9.2 percent each, Tupi with 7.6 percent, Norala with 5.1 percent, Tantangan with 4.7 percent, Santo Niño with 4.5 percent, and Tampakan with 4.3 percent. *Refer to Figure 1*.
- In 2010 and 2000, the municipality of Tampakan was also the least populated area.

Figure 1.

Total Population by City/Municipalities South Cotabato (excluding General Santos City), 2015



Population Density in South Cotabato is 241 persons per square kilometer

• With a total land area of 3,793.90 square kilometers, the population density of South Cotabato was posted at 241 persons per square kilometer. This represents an increase

of 23 persons per square kilometers from the population density of 218 persons per square kilometers in 2010. In 2000, there were 182 persons residing in every square kilometer of land.

182
218
241

2000
2010

Sources of basic data:

Philippine Statistics Authority for Population Land Management Bureau, DENR for land areas

Figure 2. South Cotabato Population Density

Household Population comprised 99.75 percent of the total population

- The household population of South Cotabato reached 912,957 persons in 2015. This is 87,141 higher than the 825,816 household population reported in 2010.
- The household population comprised 99.75 percent of the total population in South Cotabato while the remaining 0.25 percent comprised the institutional population or those residing in collective on institutional living quarters such as hotels, hospitals, orphanages, and home for the aged, corrective and penal institutions and military camps. *Refer to Table 3 and Figure 3*.

Table 3. Total Population, Household Population, and Institutional Population of South Cotabato

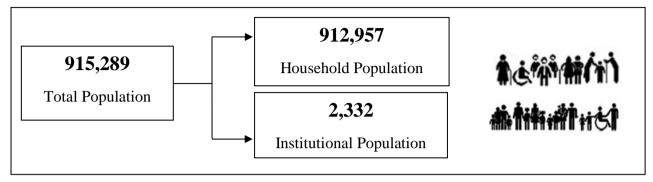
(Based on 2010 and 2015 Censuses)

Population of	2010		2015	
South Cotabato	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total Population	827,200	100.00	915,289	100.00
Household Population	825,816	99.83	912,957	99.75

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2010 Census of Population and Housing and 2015 Census of Population

1,384

Figure 3. Population of South Cotabato



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2000 and 2010 Census of Population and Housing and 2015 Census of Population

Average Household Size was 4.2 persons in 2015

• The average household size (AHS) in South Cotabato decreased from 4.5 in 2010 to 4.2 persons in 2015. In 2000, there were 4.9 persons, on average, per household. *Refer to Table 4*.

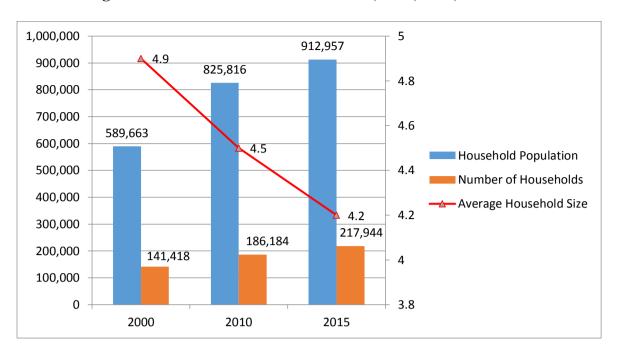
Table 4. Household Population, Number of Households, and Average Household Size of South Cotabato

(Based on the 2000, 2010, and 2015 Censuses)

Census Year	Household	Number of	Average of
	Population	Households	Household Size
2000	589,663	141,418	4.9
2010	825,816	186,184	4.5
2015	912,957	217,944	4.2

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2000 and 2010 Census of Population and Housing and 2015 Census of Population

Figure 4. Household Size: South Cotabato, 2000, 2010, and 2015



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