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Highlights of the Municipality of Libungan, Cotabato Population based on the 2020 Census of Population and Housing (2020

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The population of the Municipality of Libungan as of May 1, 2020 was 56,269 based on the result of the 2020 Census of Population and Housing (2020 CPH). This accounts for about 3.77 percent of the population of the province of Cotabato (North Cotabato) in 2020 which was 1,490,618.

The 2020 population of the municipality was higher by 7,051 from the population in 2015 and 10,974 more than the population of 45,295 in 2010 and 15,680 more than the population of 40,589 in 2000, (Table 1)

Table 1. Population of the Municipality of Libungan (Based on Various Censuses)

Census Year	Reference Date	Population
2000	May 1, 2000	40,589
2010	May 1, 2010	45,295
2015	August 1, 2015	48,768
2020	May 1, 2020	56,269

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2000, 2010, 2020 Census of Population and Housing and 2015 Census of Population

The population of the municipality of Libungan increased by 3.06 percent annually, on average, during the period 2015-2020. By comparison, this rate is higher than the municipality's population from 2010 to 2015 which was 1.42. (*Table 2*)

Table 2. Annual Population Growth Rate of the Municipality of Libungan (Based on various Censuses)

Reference Date	Annual Population Growth Rate (in percent)
2000-2010	1.10
2010-2015	1.42
2015-2020	2.19
2010-2020	3.06

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2000, 2010, 2020 Census of Population and Housing and 2015 Census of Population

If the municipality's current annual population growth rate (APGR) of 3.06 percent continues, the population of the Municipality of Libungan is expected to double in 22.9 years.

The Municipality of Libungan is composed of tenty (20) barangayswhere Barangay Poblacion had the biggest population in 2020 with 7,028 persons of 12.49 percent of the total population of the municipality.

Barangay Kiloyao had the smallest population with 1,092 persons in 2020. This population accounted for about 1.94 percent of the municipality's population. (*Table 3*)

Table 3. Population of the Municipality of Libungan by Barangay (Based on the 2020 Census)

MUNICIPALITY/	TOTAL POPULATION
BARANGAY	1-May-20
LIBUNGAN	-
	56,269
Abaga	2,325
Baguer	3,984
Barongis	2,921
Batiocan	1,658
Cabaruyan	5,453
Cabpangi	3,184
Demapaco	1,826
Grebona	1,464
Gumaga	4,847
Kapayawi	1,928
Kiloyao	1,092
Kitubod	2,564
Malengen	1,262
Montay	3,525
Nica-an	2,028
Palao	2,119
Poblacion	7,028
Sinapangan	1,824
Sinawingan	2,671
Ulamian	2,566

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2020 Census of Population and Housing

Among the top five (5) barangays in the municipality, the largest in terms of population size was Barangay Poblacion with 7,028 persons. It was followed by Barangay Cabaruyan (5,53 persons), Barangay Gumaga (4,847 persons), Barangay Baguer (3,984 persons) and Barangay Montay (3,525 persons). (Table 4)

Table 4. Top Five (5) Most Populous Barangays in the Municipality of Libungan: 2020

DADANCAV	TOTAL POPULATION
BARANGAY	1-May-20
Poblacion	7,028
Cabaruyan	5,453
Gumaga	4,847
Baguer	3,984
Montay	3,525

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2020 Census of Population and Housing

Meanwhile, Barangay Kiloyao was the smallest barangay in terms of population size with only 1,092 persons. It was followed by Barangay Malengen (1,262 persons), Barangay Grebona (1,464 persons) and Barangay Batiocan (1,658 persons). Last in the list of least populous barangays was barangay Sinapangan that posted a population size of 1,824 persons. (*Table 5*)

Table 5. Top Five (5) Least Populous Barangays in the Municipality of Libungan: 2020

DADANCAV	TOTAL POPULATION
BARANGAY	1-May-20
Kiloyao	1,092
Malengen	1,262
Grebona	1,464
Batiocan	1,658
Sinapangan	1,824

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2020 Census of Population and Housing

TECHNICAL NOTES

- The 2020 CPH was undertaken by the Philippine Statistics Authority in September 2020 pursuant to Republic Act No. 10625, also known as the Philippine Statistical Act of 2013 and Batas Pambansa Bilang 72 further accorded the PSA the authority to conduct population censuses every ten (10) years beginning in 1980.
- Information on the count of population were collected with 12:01 a.m. of May 1, 2020 as the census reference time and date.
- The 2020 CPH is the country's 15th Census of Population and 7th Census of Housing since 1903.
- Doubling time is the amount of time it takes for a given quantity to double in size or value at a constant growth rate. We can find the doubling time for a population undergoing exponential growth by using the Rule of 70. To compute for doubling time, we divide 70 by the growth rate (r).

- His Excellency President Rodrigo R. Duterte declared as official for all purposes the population counts by province, city/municipality and barangay, based on the 2020 CPH under Proclamation No. 1179 dated 06 July 2021. The population counts were based on census questionnaires accomplished by about 90,000 enumerators deployed during the nationwide census undertaking.
- The successful completion of the census-taking was made possible with the support of the local and national officials, government agencies, local government units, private and non-government organizations.

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