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BIRTH STATISTICS OF SOCCSKSARGEN REGION: THIRD QUARTER 2019

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Registered Births in SOCCSKSARGEN Region Increased by 7.29 Percent

SOCCSKSARGEN Region had registered a total of 53,770 births for the Third Quarter of CY 2019 by Usual Residence of Mother, higher by 7.29 percent from the same reference period in 2018 (see table 1). Province of South Cotabato recorded the highest birth growth rate with 15.34 percent in the third quarter of 2019 while it was Sultan Kudarat posted highest registered increased by 10.52 percent in the 2nd quarter of 2019.

Table 1. Total Registered Births by Province, by Sex and by Usual Residence of Mother, SOCCSKSARGEN : Third Quarter 2019

REGION/PROMNCE	TOTAL REGISTERED LIVE BIRTHS						
	3 rd Quarter 2018			3 rd Quarter 2019			Growth Rate
	Both Sexes	Male	Female	Both Sexes	Male	Female	
REGION XI (SOCCSKSARGEN)	50,115	26,176	23,939	53,770	27,995	25,775	7.29
COTABATO	16,640	8,687	7,953	17,199	8,933	8,266	3.36
SOUTH COTABATO (includes CSC)	18,003	9,402	8,601	20,764	10,873	9,891	15.34
SULTAN KUDARAT	7,907	4,080	3,827	8,319	4,282	4,037	5.21
SARANGAN	6,196	3,288	2,908	6,120	3,176	2,944	-1.23
COTABATO CITY	1,369	719	650	1,368	731	637	-0.07

Note: Figure are not adjusted for under-registration and includes persons died in the Philippines whose usual residence is in a foreign country
Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Civil Registration Service, Vital Statistics Division

Meanwhile, Sultan Kudarat and Cotabato Province showed an increased growth rate in registered live births by 5.21 percent and 3.36 percent, respectively. However, growth rate for Sarangani and Cotabato City decreased by 1.23 percent and 0.07 percent respectively.



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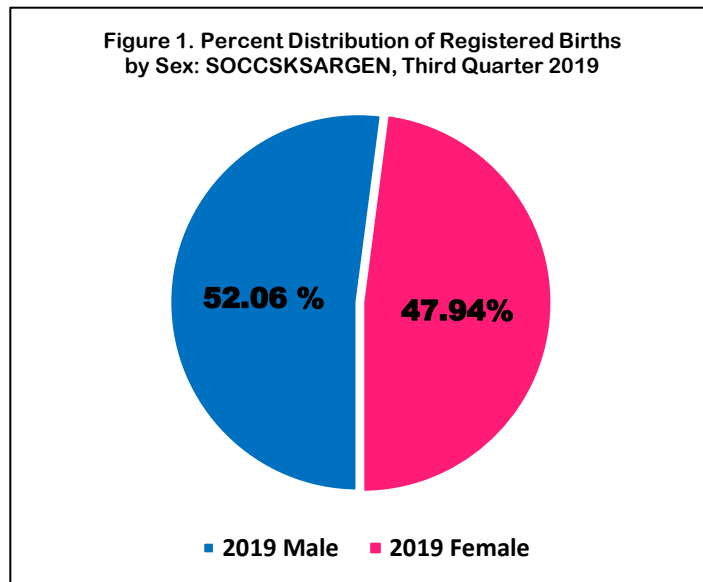


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More Males than Females Babies were born in 3rd Quarter 2019

Of the 53,770 registered live births in the region in Third Quarter of 2019, more than half (52.06%) of the babies registered were males (27,995), while 47.94 percent (24,775) was the shared registration of its female counterpart. This indicates that more male babies were born than female babies in SOCCSKSARGEN Region in 3rd Quarter of 2019 (Table 1 & Figure 1).



*Note: Figure are not adjusted for under-registration
Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Civil Registration Service, Vital Statistics Division*

The computed sex ratio during the year was 109 which means that there are 109 male babies for every 100 female babies.

On the average, there were 120 live births per month or at most 27 live births per week or at least 4 babies born per day in SOCCSKSARGEN Region (see Table 1).

South Cotabato Province Had the Highest Number of Registered Live Births

Among the four provinces in the region, South Cotabato had the highest registered live births at 20,764 constituting 38.62 percent of the total registered live births in the region in third quarter of 2019. It was followed by Cotabato with a registered live birth of 17,199 or 31.99 percent and Sultan Kudarat with 8,319 or 15.47 percent.

On the other hand, Cotabato City had the least registered live births at 1,368 or a share of 2.54 percent in Third Quarter of 2019, respectively (see Figure 2).

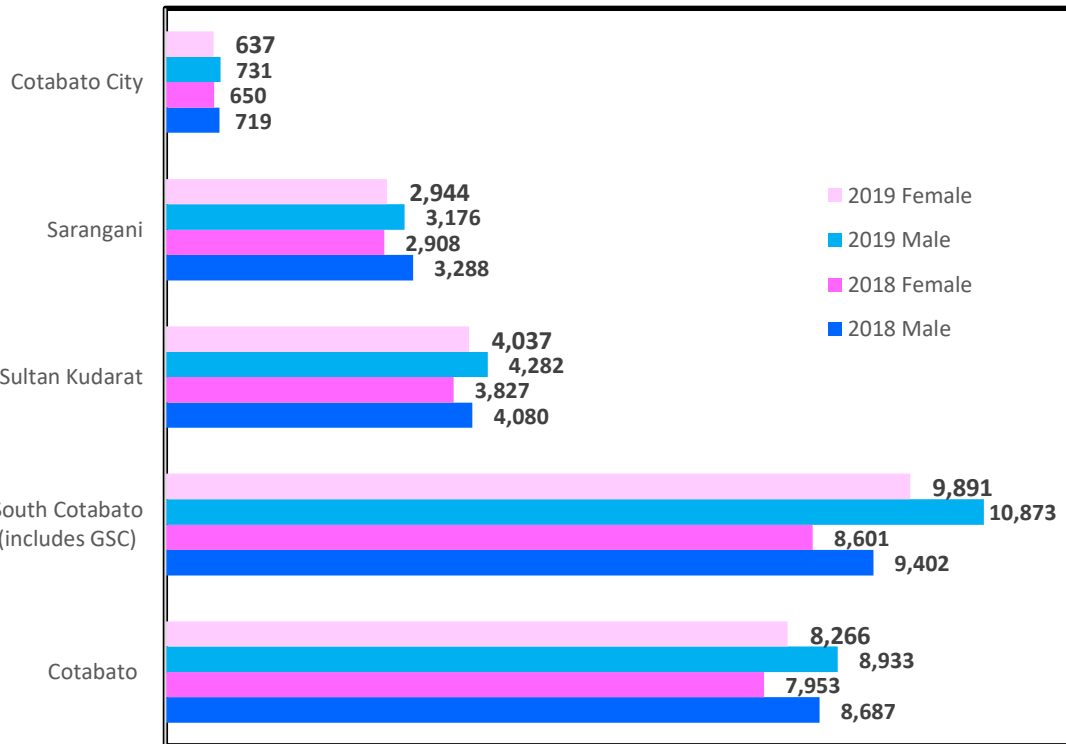




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Figure 2. Total Registered Live Births by Sex and by Usual Residence of Mother by Province, SOCCSKSARGEN: Third Quarter 2018 and 2019



Note: Figure are not adjusted for under-registration.
Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Civil Registration Service, Vital Statistics Division

Highest Number of Registered Live Births in General Santos City

In Third Quarter of 2019, General Santos City had the highest number of registered live births in the region at 9,121 constituting 16.96 percent of the regional total. It was followed by City of Koronadal with 2,410 or a share of 4.48 percent; Polomolok with 2,270 or a share of 4.22 percent; City of Kidapawan with 2,127 or about 3.96 percent; Pikit with 1,780 or about 3.31 percent; Carmen with 1,595 or about 2.97 percent; Midsayap with 1,408 or about 2.62 percent; City of Cotabato with 1,368 or about 2.54 percent; City of Tacurong with 1,332 or about 2.48 percent; and Isulan with 1,206 or about 2.24 percent registered births (see Figure 3).

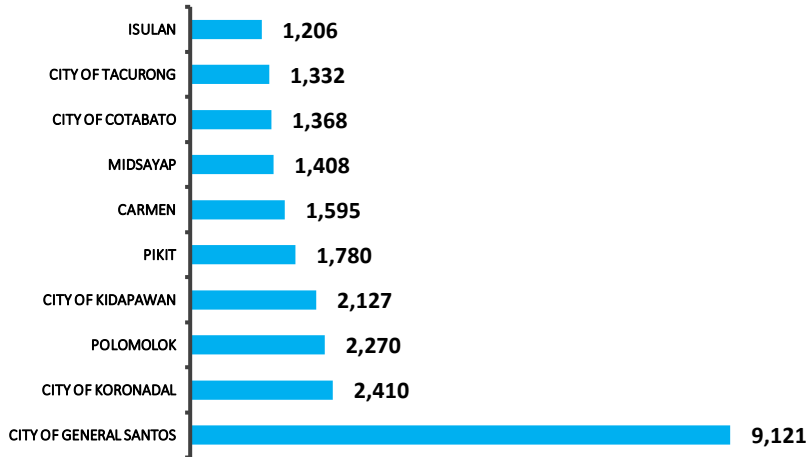




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Figure 3. City/Municipalities with Highest Number of Registered Births by Place of Usual Residence of Mother, SOCCSKSARGEN: Third Quarter 2019

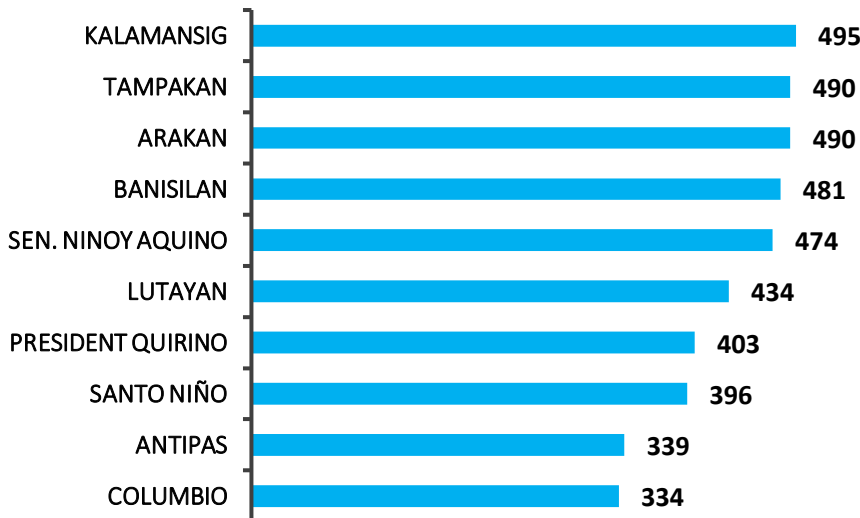


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Least Number of Birth Registrations in Municipality of Columbio

Top ten Municipalities with least number of birth registrations are shown in the figure 4. Municipality of Columbio had the least recorded birth registration of 334 in the third quarter of 2019.

Figure 3. Municipalities with Least Number of Registered Births by Place of Usual Residence of Mother, SOCCSKSARGEN: Third Quarter 2019



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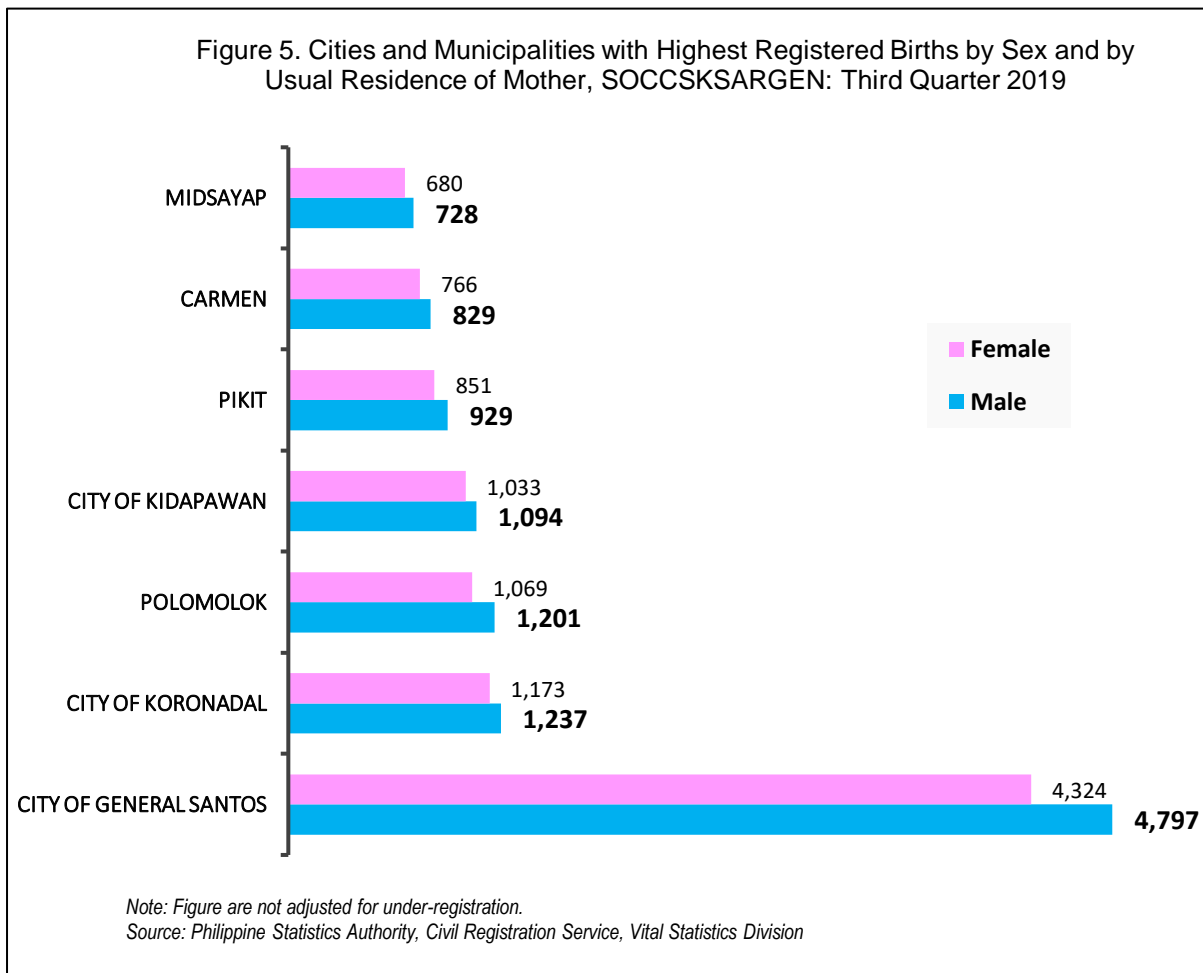
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Top Cities and Municipalities with Highest Birth Registrations in both Sexes

Among the 50 City/Municipalities in SOCCSKSARGEN the top five with highest registered births in both sexes in Third Quarter of 2019 are shown in figure 5.

The highest number of registered births found in the province of South Cotabato. Recorded the highest registered births were Cities of General Santos and Koronadal; followed by Municipality of Polomolok and City of Kidapawan.





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Explanatory Notes

The data on vital statistics presented in this special release were obtained from the Certificates of Live Birth (Municipal Form No. 102) that were registered at the Office of the City/Municipal Registrars all throughout the country and forwarded to the Philippine Statistics Authority-Civil Registration Service. The data presented herein are events that occurred from January 2018 to September 2018 and January 2019 – September 2019.

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Definition of Terms

Live Birth is a complete expulsion or extraction from its mother of a product of conception, irrespective of the duration of the pregnancy, which after such separation, breathes or shows any other evidence of life, such as beating of the heart, pulsation of the umbilical cord, or definite movement of voluntary muscles, whether or not the umbilical cord has been cut or the placenta is attached; each product of such a birth is considered live born.

Civil Registration is a recording of vital acts and events in the civil registers and the resulting documents are called vital events.

Vital Acts and Events includes births, deaths, marriages and all such events that have something to do with an individual's entrance and departure from life together with the changes in civil status that may occur to a person during his/her lifetime.

Usual Residence of the Mother refers to the place where the mother habitually resides.

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