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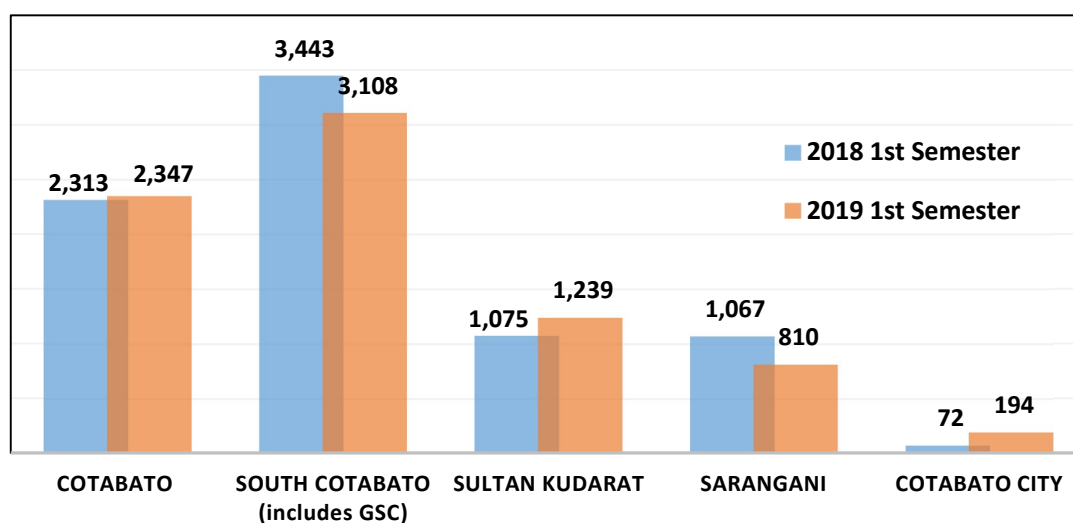
MARRIAGE STATISTICS OF SOCCSKSARGEN REGION: FIRST SEMESTER 2019

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SOCCSKSARGEN Region Registered Marriages Slightly decreased by 3.41 Percent

There were 7,698 marriages registered in SOCCSKSARGEN Region in the first semester of 2019. Slightly decreased by 242 of the total registered marriages, or about 3.41 percent lower compared to the same in 2018. The biggest decreased was noted in Sarangani Province from 1,067 to 810 marriages (24.09 percent), followed by South Cotabato with 3,108 registered marriages or about 9.73 percent decreased. Sultan Kudarat and Cotabato posted an increase of 15.26 percent and 1.47 percent, respectively.

Figure 1. Number of Registered Marriages by Place of Occurrence,
SOCCSKSARGEN: First Semester 2018 and 2019



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



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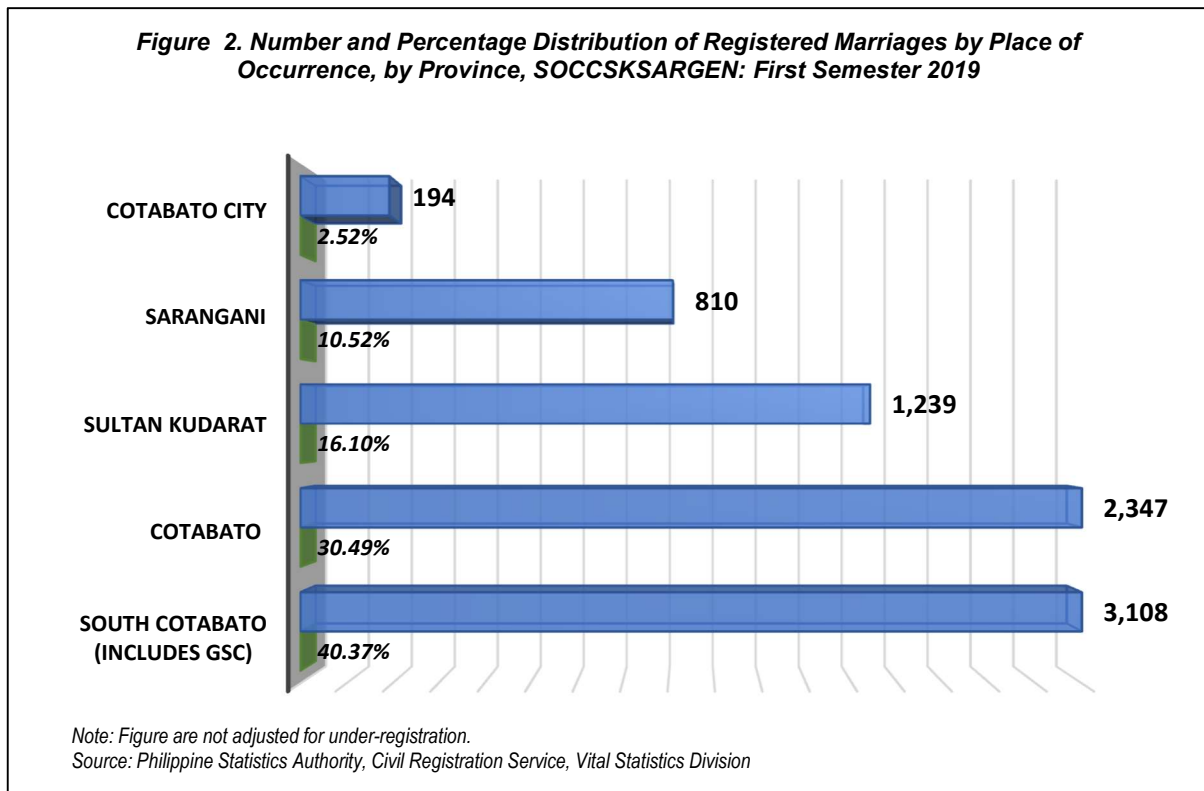
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Moreover, the recorded marriages in Cotabato City increase by double of 169.44 percent compared to the same period in 2018 (see figure 1).

South Cotabato Province Registered Highest Number of Registered Marriages in the 1st Semester of 2019

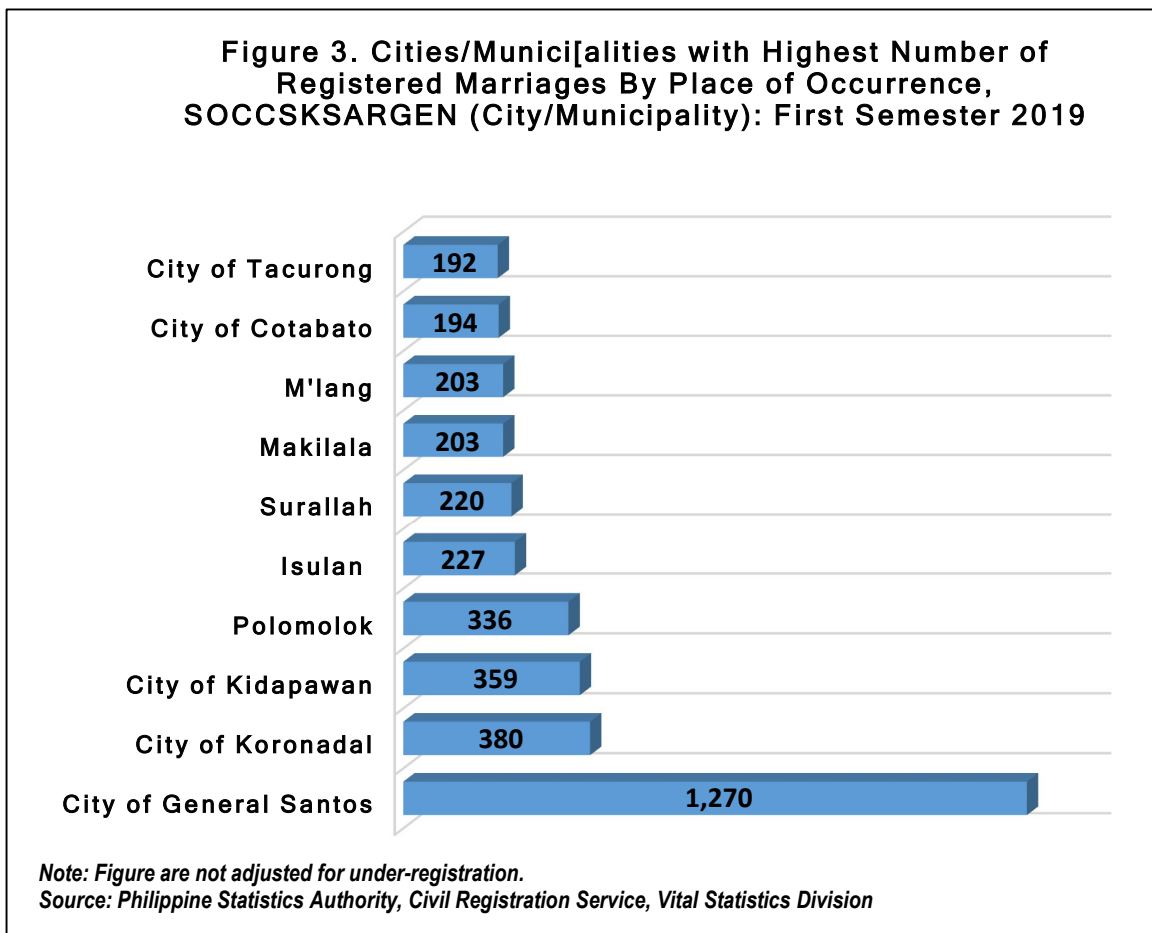
In the first semester 2019, South Cotabato (includes GSC) Province recorded the highest number of registered marriages, which accounted for 3,108 and Cotabato Province with 2,347 registered marriages in the first semester of 2019. Of the total 7,698 marriages in the region in first semester of 2019, South Cotabato province posted 40.37 percent, followed by Cotabato and Sultan Kudarat with 30.49 percent and 16.10 percent, respectively.



Sarangani and Cotabato City had the least registered marriages with 10.52 & 2.52 percentage shares of the total registered marriages (see Figure 2).

Top Ten Cities/Municipalities with the Highest Number of Marriage registrations

In first semester 2019, the top three Cities with the highest number of registered marriages in the region were General Santos City, City of Koronadal and City of Kidapawan. Among the Cities, only General Santos had the highest contributed percentage share (16.50 %) to the regional total of registered marriages (see figure 3).



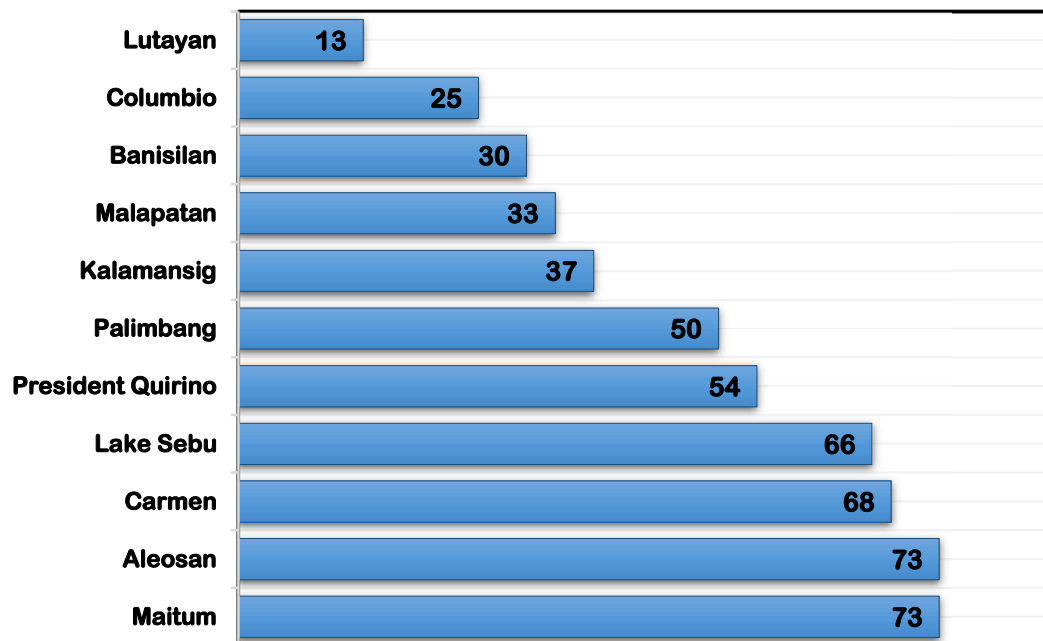
Municipality of Polomolok recorded 336 marriages or a share of 4.36 percent; Isulan with 227 or about 2.95 percent; Surallah with 220 or about 2.86 percent; Makilala and M'lang with 203 or about 2.64 percent; City of Cotabato with 194 or about 2.52 percent; and City of Tacurong with 192 or about 2.49 percent registered marriages (Figure 3).



Top Ten Municipalities with the Least Number of Marriage Registrations in First Semester of 2019

The municipality of Lutayan has the least number of registered marriages in the first semester of 2019 with 13 or 0.17 percent of total registered marriages in the region. Followed by Columbio with 25 registered marriages or 0.32 percent; Banisilan recorded 30 marriages or 0.39 percent; The municipalities of Malapatan recorded 33 marriages with 0.43 percent and Kalamansig has 37 registered marriages with 0.48 percent. The remaining five municipalities, Palimbang, Pres. Quirino, Lake Sebu, Carmen and Maitum/Aleosan posted 50, 54, 66, 68 and 73 registered marriages in the first semester of 2019 (Figure 3).

Figure 3. City/Municipalities with Least Number of Registered Marriages by Place of Occurrence, SOCCSKSARGEN (City/Municipality): First Semester 2019



Note: Figure are not adjusted for under-registration.

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Civil Registration Service, Vital Statistics Division



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Explanatory Notes

The data on marriages presented here were obtained from the Certificate of Marriage (Municipal Form No. 97) that were registered at the Office of the City/Municipal Civil Registrars all throughout the country and forwarded to the Philippine Statistics Authority. Information presented includes registered of marriages which Cumulative figures are based on the data files submitted by PSA Provincial Offices until August 2018.

Moreover, the data presented herein are events occurred from January to June 2019, registered at LCROs until July 2019 and submitted to PSA-CRS until September 2019.

Figures presented are not adjusted for under registration.

Definition of Terms

Marriage is a special contract of permanent union between a man and a woman entered into in accordance with law for the establishment of conjugal and family life.

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.

Place of occurrence refers to the place where the vital event took place.

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